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Follow these easy steps to connect your TiVo® DVR

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Setting up your TiVo® Series2™ DT Digital Video Recorder (DVR) is easy. There are three basic steps:

Activate the TiVo® service. If you haven't already activated, visit www.tivo.com/activate or call TiVo Customer Support at 1-877-367-8486. You'll need your 15-digit TiVo Service Number, found on the label on the back of the DVR. Write it here: _____

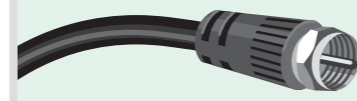
Connect your TiVo® DVR. Connect your TiVo DVR to your TV programming source (basic cable, digital cable, or satellite), to your home network or home phone line, and to your TV.

Complete Guided Setup. After you connect everything, Guided Setup screens help you customize the DVR for your home.

That sounds easy enough, right? Consult the *Viewer's Guide* for additional setup examples, or if you need any help along the way. To begin, please answer this first question:

What is your TV Programming Source?

Basic Cable (no cable box)



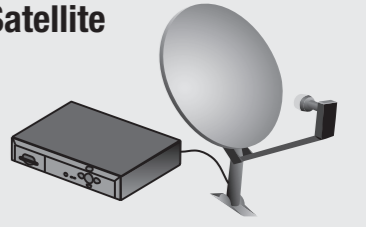
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Cable Box

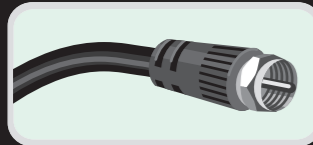


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Satellite



Go to Appendix A in the *Viewer's Guide*.



Basic Cable (no cable box)

If you have a cable box, turn this poster over

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Use Cable Bag



- Phone cord
- Phone splitter
- Power cord
- Composite A/V cable for stereo audio (red & white ends) & video (yellow end)
- Coaxial RF cable for audio & video

2

Connect your TV programming source

Connect the Coaxial RF cable coming out of the wall to the **CABLE RF IN** jack on the DVR. The DVR's internal RF splitter enables dual tuner for basic cable.
Note: If you have a cable box, turn this poster over.

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Tune your TV (if necessary) to see the Welcome screen

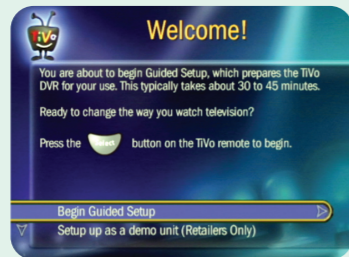
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Alternate: If you used a Coaxial RF cable in Step 3, tune your TV to the same channel (either 3 or 4) that the **CHANNEL 3/4** switch on the back of the DVR is set to.

When you see the Welcome screen, you're ready to begin **Guided Setup**, which customizes the DVR for your home.

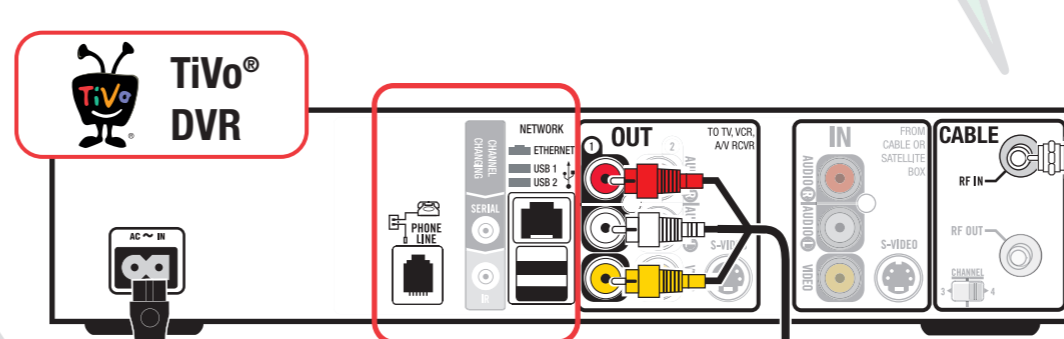
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Plug in the power cord

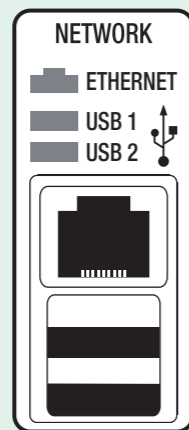
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4 Connect to the TiVo® service: Network OR Phone

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Network

Choose this option if you have a home network with a broadband Internet connection. Use the connection that works with your type of home network: **Wired or Wireless**

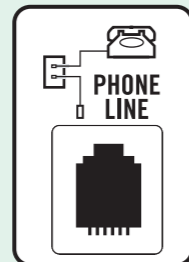


Wired (Ethernet) – Connect an Ethernet cable (**sold separately**) from your home network to the TiVo DVR's Ethernet jack (the upper jack pictured here).

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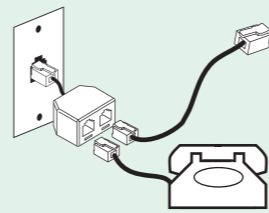
Wireless – Connect a compatible wireless USB network adapter (**sold separately**) to one of the DVR's USB ports. The TiVo® Wireless USB adapter pictured here is available at www.tivo.com/store.



Phone

Choose this option if you don't have a home network with a broadband Internet connection. Connect the provided phone cord from the DVR to a nearby wall jack.

Use the provided phone line splitter if the DVR is sharing the wall jack with a telephone.

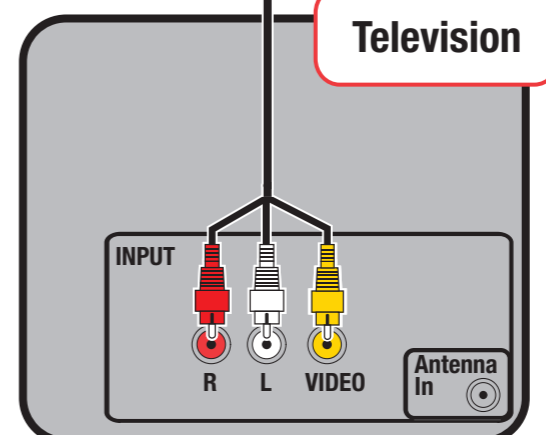


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Connect your TV

Connect a Composite A/V cable (red, white, and yellow) from the DVR's **OUT** jacks to your TV's **Audio/Video INPUT**.

Alternate: If your TV doesn't have Composite A/V (red, white, and yellow) input jacks, connect a Coaxial RF cable from the **CABLE RF OUT** jack on the DVR to the **Antenna In** jack on your TV. Then set the **CHANNEL 3/4** switch on the back of the DVR, and tune your TV to the same channel.



Connect all cables from the **OUT** jack of one device to the **IN** jack of the next.



Never connect **OUT** to **OUT** or **IN** to **IN**.



Cool Things You Can Do

You can learn a lot in a short Tour! Grab your TiVo remote and open the *Viewer's Guide* to Chapter 1: The Basics in 5 Short Tours.

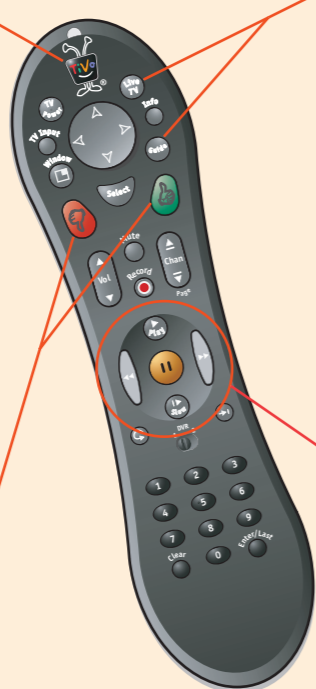
TiVo Central® screen & Now Playing List

The TiVo button takes you to TiVo Central, where you access all of the features unique to the TiVo® service. Use Pick Programs to Record to schedule recordings of your favorite shows. Press the TiVo button twice to go to the Now Playing List and see all of your recorded programs.



Tell Your TiVo® DVR What You Like

Rate programs using the THUMBS buttons. Then check out TiVo Suggestions (in Pick Programs to Record) and watch for recorded suggestions in the Now Playing List.



Record Two Shows at Once

The TiVo® Series2™ DT can record two basic cable channels (typically 1-99) at the same time. If you have a cable box, turn this poster over for details.

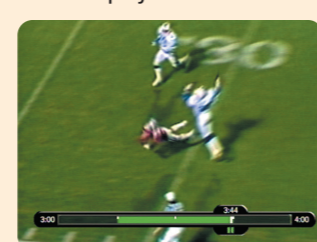
Find What's on TV

To see what's on now, press LIVE TV. Press LIVE TV again to switch between the two tuners. Press GUIDE to see the Program Guide and browse up to two weeks of program listings. Use either of two guide styles to choose programs to watch or record.



Control Live TV

Pause live TV for up to 30 minutes, rewind and fast forward at three speeds, slow motion, and instant replay—all at the touch of a button.



Need some help?

I don't see the Welcome screen.

- Make sure all cables are connected from the **OUT** jack of one device to the **IN** jack of the next. **Never** connect **OUT** to **OUT** or **IN** to **IN**.
- If you used a Coaxial RF cable to connect your DVR to your TV, make sure your TV is tuned to the same channel (3 or 4) that you selected on the back of your DVR (using the channel 3/4 switch).
- Make sure your TV is displaying the appropriate video source. You may need to use the Input, Source, or TV/Video button on your TV's remote to change video sources. If you are having trouble changing the video source, refer to your TV owner's manual.
- If you connected the DVR to an A/V receiver or home theater system, and you are having trouble finding the correct input, try connecting it directly to the TV instead.

My TiVo® remote isn't working.

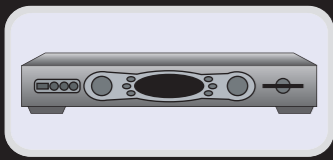
- Notice the red light above the TiVo button on the remote. If the red light does not flash when you press any button, try replacing the batteries.
- Do lights on the front of the TiVo DVR seem to respond (i.e., blink or flash) when you press any button on the remote? If lights on the front of the DVR do not respond to the remote, restart your DVR by unplugging it, waiting 15 seconds, then plugging it back in.
- See the inside front cover of the *Viewer's Guide* for more about the TiVo remote.

I have a question about Guided Setup.

- If you're stuck at any point during Guided Setup, consult the Troubleshooting chapter of the *Viewer's Guide* or visit www.tivo.com/setup.

Check out the Troubleshooting chapter in the *Viewer's Guide* for more help with connecting your TiVo DVR, completing Guided Setup, and using the TiVo service. If you have more questions, visit www.tivo.com/support to find the Getting Started Guide, Help Forums, Guided Troubleshooting, Frequently Asked Questions, and more.

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Cable Box

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1 Use Cable Bag A and Cable Bag B

A

- Phone cord
- Phone splitter
- Power cord
- Composite A/V cable for stereo audio (red & white ends) & video (yellow end)
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B

- Coaxial RF cable for audio & video
- IR (infrared) Control cable
- Serial Control cable
- RF splitter (splits your incoming cable signal to enable dual tuner if you have a cable box)

You may need to purchase additional cables (e.g. Composite A/V or S-Video) depending on your home equipment.

2 Connect the cable from the wall to the RF splitter

Connect your cable source to the RF splitter's **IN** or **INPUT** jack.

Note: If the cable from the wall is connected to your cable box, remove it and connect it to the **RF splitter** as shown.

4 Connect your cable box to the DVR

Connect a Composite A/V cable (red, white, and yellow) from the cable box's **Audio/Video OUT** jacks to the DVR's **Audio/Video IN** jacks.

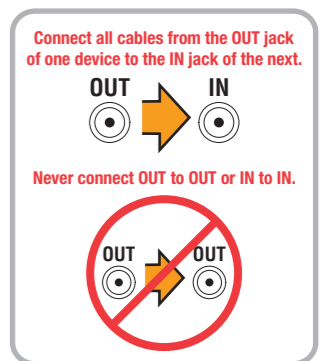
3 Connect the RF splitter to your cable box and the DVR

Connect **two** RF Coaxial cables to the RF splitter's **OUTPUT** jacks. Then connect one of the cables to the **RF IN** jack on your cable box, and the other to the **CABLE RF IN** jack on the DVR.

5 Connect your TV

Connect a Composite A/V cable (red, white, and yellow) from the DVR's **OUT** jacks to your TV's **Audio/Video INPUT**.

Alternate: If your TV doesn't have Composite A/V (red, white, and yellow) input jacks, connect a Coaxial RF cable from the **RF OUT** jack on the DVR to the **Antenna In** jack on your TV. Then set the **Channel 3/4** switch on the back of the DVR, and tune your TV to the same channel.



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Wired (Ethernet) – Connect an Ethernet cable (sold separately) from your home network to the TiVo DVR's **Ethernet** jack (the upper jack pictured here).

OR

Wireless – Connect a compatible wireless USB network adapter (sold separately) to one of the DVR's **USB ports**. The TiVo® Wireless USB adapter pictured here is available at www.tivo.com/store.

Phone

Choose this option if you don't have a home network with a broadband Internet connection. Connect the provided phone cord from the DVR to a nearby wall jack.

Use the provided phone line splitter if the DVR is sharing the wall jack with a telephone.

7 Connect a Channel Changing cable – Choose one from cable bag B

The DVR uses one of these cables to tell your cable box when to change the channel.

Use the Serial Cable if: you have a Motorola/General Instruments DCT2000 series cable box with a serial (data) port:

Plug the Serial cable into the 9-pin Serial (Data) jack (like the one below) on the back of your cable box.

Plug the other end into the **CHANNEL CHANGING/SERIAL** jack (the upper control jack) on the back of the DVR.

Then continue with Step 8 below.

Use the IR Cable if: you have any other kind of cable box, or you tried the Serial cable and it didn't work with your cable box.

If you're not using the Serial cable, plug the purple end of the IR cable into the **CHANNEL CHANGING/IR** jack (the lower control jack) on the back of the DVR.

Then go to Step 7a for positioning the other ends of the IR cable on your cable box.

7a Positioning the IR cable on your cable box

The IR cable's emitters beam infrared channel change signals to the IR sensor on your cable box—just like a remote control does.

Place the emitters in front of the cable box's IR sensor (one on top of the cable box and one on bottom). Be sure both emitters stick out about 1 1/2 inches directly in front of the IR sensor. Use the adhesive strips provided to keep them in place.

How do I find the IR sensor on my cable box?

The IR sensor on the front of your cable box is a tiny round bulb. If you shine a flashlight into the dark plastic "window," you can see it.

Here are some common cable box models:

General Instruments/Motorola DCT2000 Series (newer)	General Instruments/Motorola DCT5000, DCT6000 Series
General Instruments/Motorola DCT2000 Series (older)	Pioneer Voyager 3000
Scientific Atlanta Explorer 4200	Scientific Atlanta Explorer 2100

● Indicates the approximate position of the IR Sensor

8 Plug in the DVR's power cord.

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9 Tune your TV (if necessary) to see the Welcome screen

Turn on your TV.

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Record Two Shows at Once

Your cable box receives both **basic cable** channels (typically 1-99) and **digital cable** channels (typically 100 and above).

When you connect the **RF splitter** as shown in Step 2 above, you are connecting basic cable channels directly to the TiVo DVR, and digital cable channels to the cable box.

Digital cable channels are encoded and need the cable box to decode them. Because the cable box decodes and sends **only one** digital cable channel at a time, the TiVo DVR can record **only one** digital cable channel at a time.

The TiVo DVR can record **two** basic cable channels at the same time, or **one** basic and one digital cable channel at the same time.

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