

CINEMATIZE 2 > DVD EDITING MADE SIMPLE

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Miraizon was founded with the goal of developing commercial, user-friendly multimedia software. Their first commercial product was **Cinematize**, a DVD movie clip extractor, released in August, 2003. The latest version, **Cinematize 2.04** was released in June, 2005.

One of the first things you'll discover when you begin saving movies to DVDs is that you can't just open a DVD and drag the video off if you

into chapter one and an end point at two minutes into chapter three. Or, you could extract an entire video by setting a start point at the beginning of the first chapter and an end point at the end of the last chapter. Once you've set your start and end points you can preview your selection in full motion video before extracting it. However, the Preview mode plays only video, not audio, which can be a hindrance in setting exact start and end. You'll probably end up extracting more than

extracts the video and audio file as is from the DVD. Other video formats are QuickTime, MPEG4, DV and full quality uncompressed. Sound formats include PCM, AC-3, MPEG-2, AIFF, or WAV. The QuickTime format gives you the option of saving the audio and video files separately, or as a combined file. Many DVD's are saved in a complex format, meaning there are alternate angles, soundtracks and subtitles on the DVD. Cinematize lets you specify and extract alternate options that might be available on the DVD.

Extracted files can be edited using iMovie, QuickTimePro, Final Cut Express or Final Cut Pro.

This program is very easy to use, does exactly what it says it will do, and does it excellently. It is a must have for anyone needing to extract video from DVDs. The only drawback is the lack of audio when playing files in the preview mode, and hopefully, they'll fix that in the next release. There is a free demo available for download at their website.

System Requirements:

Power Macintosh G3, G4, or G5
Mac OS X 10.2or higher
QuickTime 6.0 or later
Approximately 2.5 MB of hard disk space (additional space is needed for extracted files)
128 MB or more of RAM, 256 MB or more of RAM recommended
A DVD-ROM drive or Superdrive



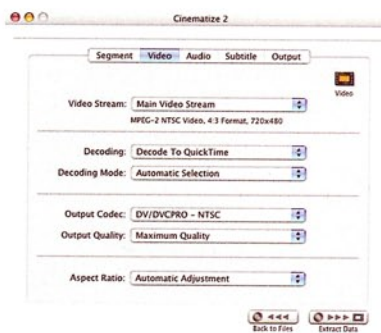
need to reedit it. That's because the video and audio are saved in files called video objects (VOBs), rather than in single editable video file formats. Extracting files from unencrypted DVDs back into an editable video format has been a tedious process, sometimes requiring fairly expensive software. However, Cinematize has changed all that.

Cinematize is extremely user friendly. Start the program and then open a DVD in it either by using the OPEN menu option or dragging and dropping the DVD in a window. You'll find the video is broken into many chapter files, rather than one long video file. You extract video by setting start and end points in half-second increments, to define the part of the video you want to extract. You can extract specific frames or the entire video. For example you could set a start point at five minutes and four seconds

you want in order to make certain you've gotten all of the right audio, and then editing out extra frames in your video editing software.

Cinematize will only extract from unencrypted DVDs. However, if you use software to rip the DVD to a hard drive (free shareware programs available to do this), you can then extract sections from those files. However, make certain that you don't violate any copyright laws.

Cinematize will read PAL, NTSC, MPEG-1 and MPEG-2 video files, and PCM, AC-3, MPEG, DTS, and SDDS audio files. You can select from various quality formats for extracting files. Higher quality formats will take longer to extract and result in larger files. You will not gain anything if you extract a file in a higher resolution than it was originally shot. The elementary streaming format is lossless and



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Made By	Miraizon < miraizon.com >
Price	\$69.95; \$59.95 (Download)
Pros	Easy to use; Excellent quality; Well worth the price
Cons	Lack of audio in preview mode
Rating	★★★★★