

Elgato Video Capture User Guide



System Requirements

Mac: Elgato Video Capture requires a Macintosh computer with an Intel Core processor, 1 GB RAM, built-in USB 2.0 port, Mac OS X 10.5.8 or later, QuickTime 7.6 or later, and iTunes 8.1 or later. We recommend installing all software and security updates.

PC: Elgato Video Capture requires Windows 7 or higher, a computer with a 2.4 GHz Intel/AMD CPU, 1 GB RAM, and a screen resolution of 1024×768 or greater. We recommend installing QuickTime 7.6.6 or later and iTunes 10.4 or later.

Elgato Video Capture records video in H.264 at a resolution of 640×480 with AAC audio. This format is suitable for iPod touch, iPod classic, iPod with video, iPod nano 6th/5th/4th/3rd generation), iPhone 4, iPhone 3GS, iPhone 3G, iPhone, iPad 2, iPad and Apple TV. Video created by Elgato Video Capture is ready to edit in iMovie '09 or later and Windows Live Movie Maker or Video Editor, or to upload directly to YouTube.

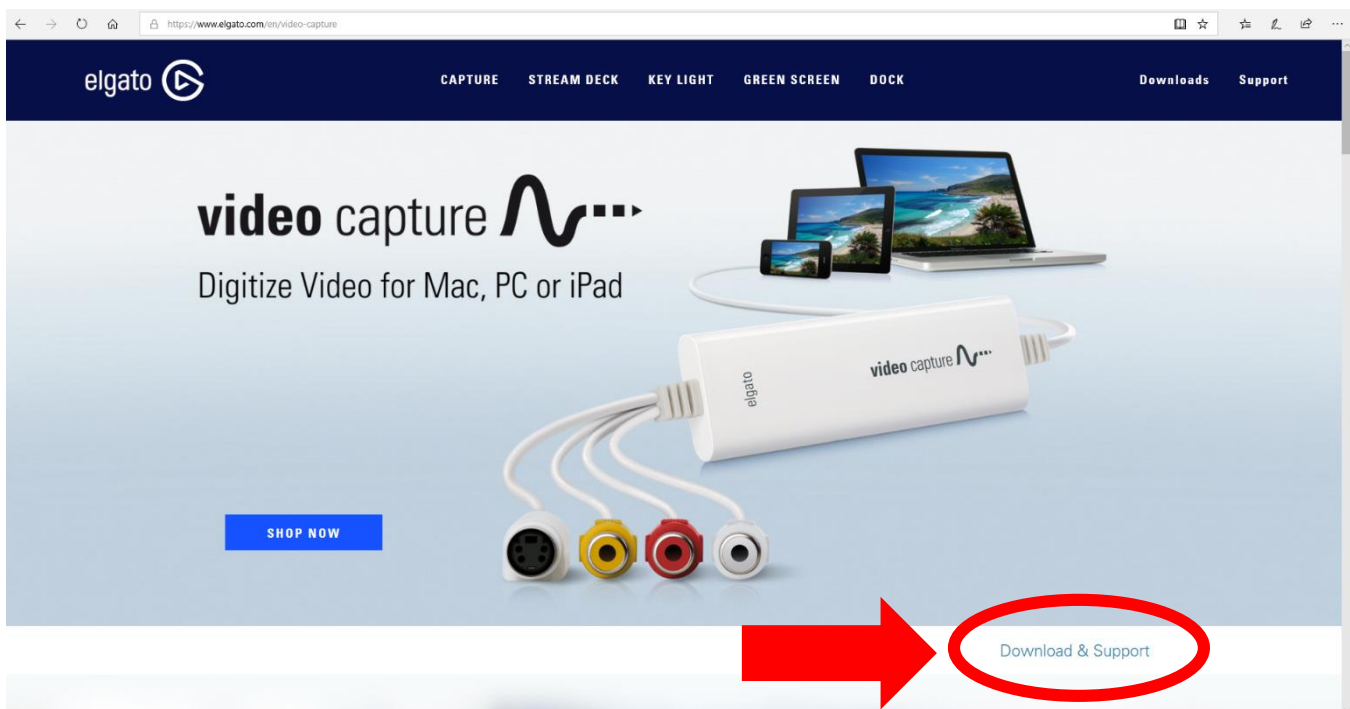
Download

Navigate to <https://www.elgato.com/en/video-capture> on your computer. In the middle-right area of the web page, click on **Download & Support**. On the next page, as you scroll down, you will see the options to download the latest software for Elgato Video Capture for both Windows and Mac.

If you are using a Windows PC, under “Newest Software (Windows)”, click **Download Elgato Video Capture Software for Windows**.

If you are using a Mac, under “Newest Software (OS X)”, click **Download Elgato Video Capture 2.0 for Mac**.

Once downloaded, open the file and follow the prompts to install the Elgato Video Capture application.



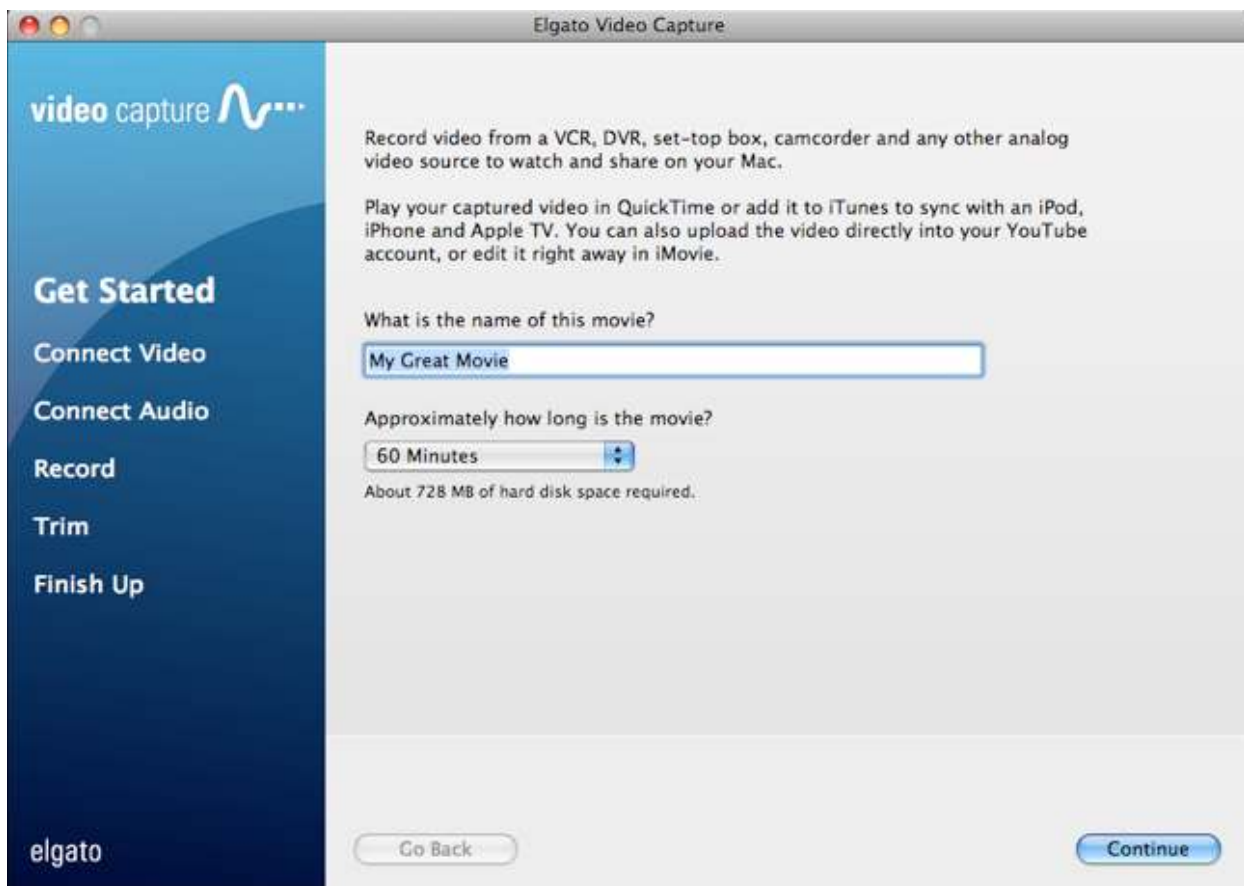
NOTE: If you encounter issues with running the Elgato Video Capture application on Windows, you may need to download an additional driver. To do so, on the **Download & Support** page, under “Newest Software (Windows)”, click on **Download Driver for Elgato Video Capture**. Follow the installation prompts and select to **Run** the driver.

Usage

Connect the Elgato Video Capture hardware to your computer and launch the Elgato Video Capture application. The on screen text assistant will walk you through the entire process of capturing video and transferring it to your selected destination. In the first screen that appears, you'll be asked to name your movie, and specify its approximate duration. Once completed, click **Continue**.



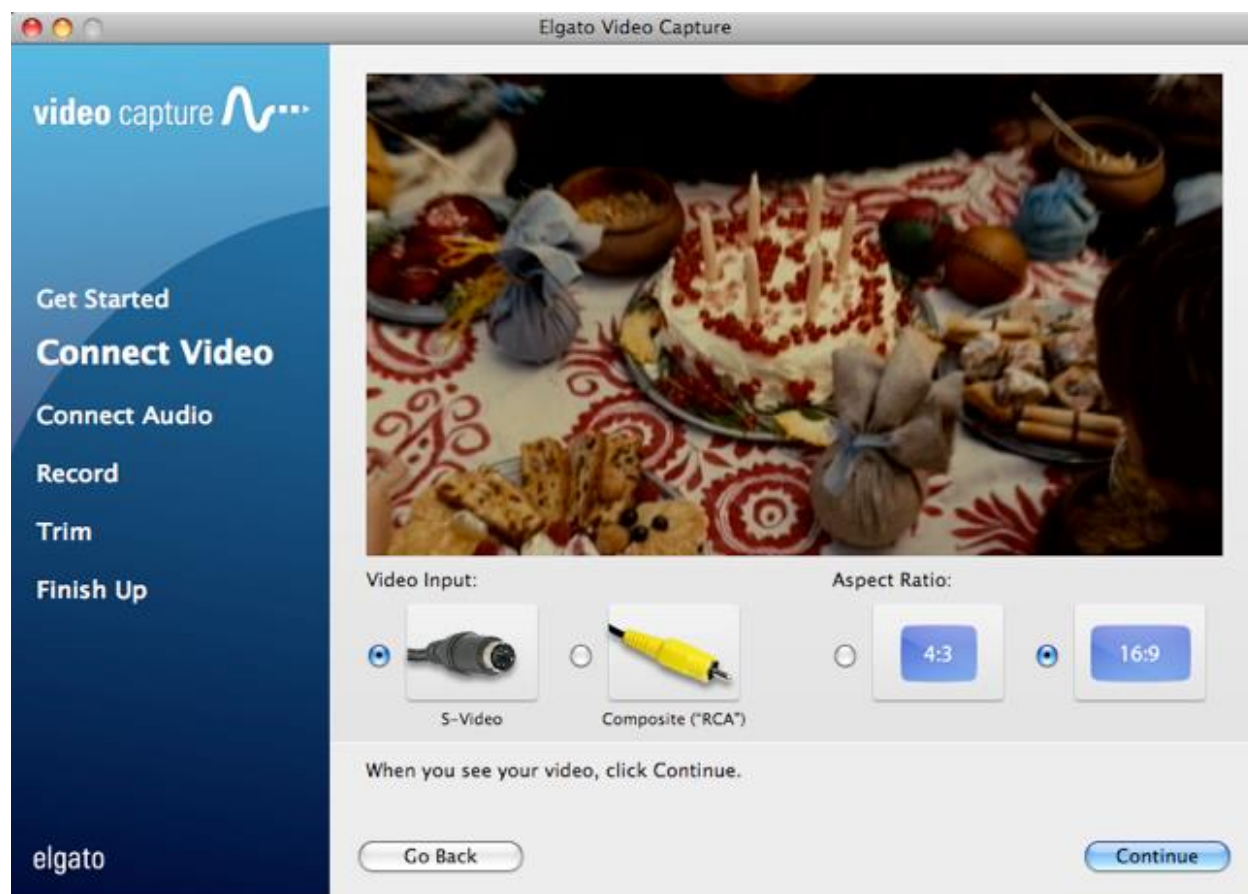
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Test the Video

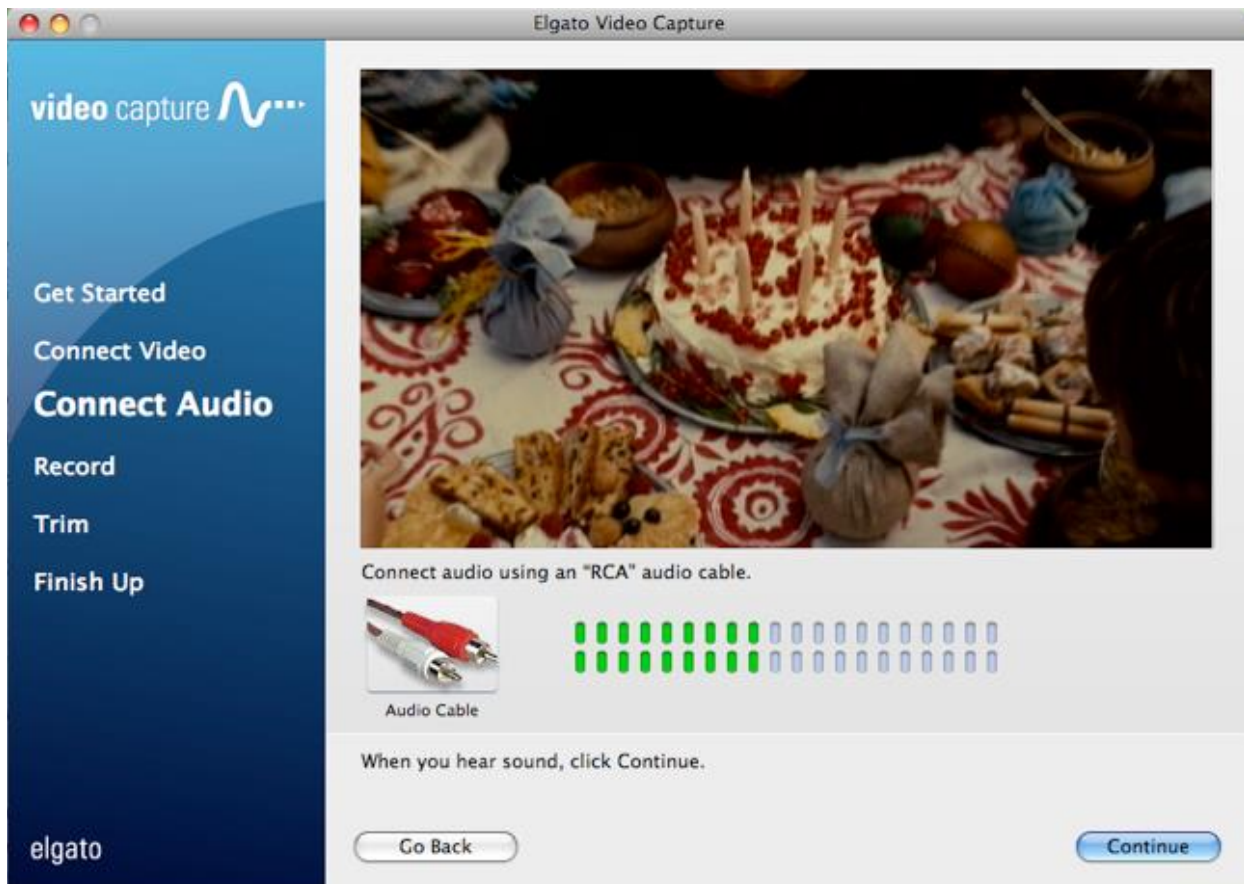
Next, press the **Power** button on the VCR, insert your VHS tape, and press **Play** on the VCR to start your video. Choose the **Composite (“RCA”)** option in the Elgato Video Capture application (the circle will highlight blue when selected).

You should now see your video playing back. You can also select the desired aspect ratio, either 16:9 or 4:3. The aspect ratio should match the output of the source video, but it is a matter of preference. If everything looks good, click **Continue**.



Test the Audio

Now, we will test the audio. With your video playing, you should hear sound through the computer's speakers. If the volume is too loud, the meter will turn red, which is a sign of distortion. It is recommended to adjust the volume so that the meter does not turn red. A mid-level green as pictured below is ideal. Click **Continue** when ready.

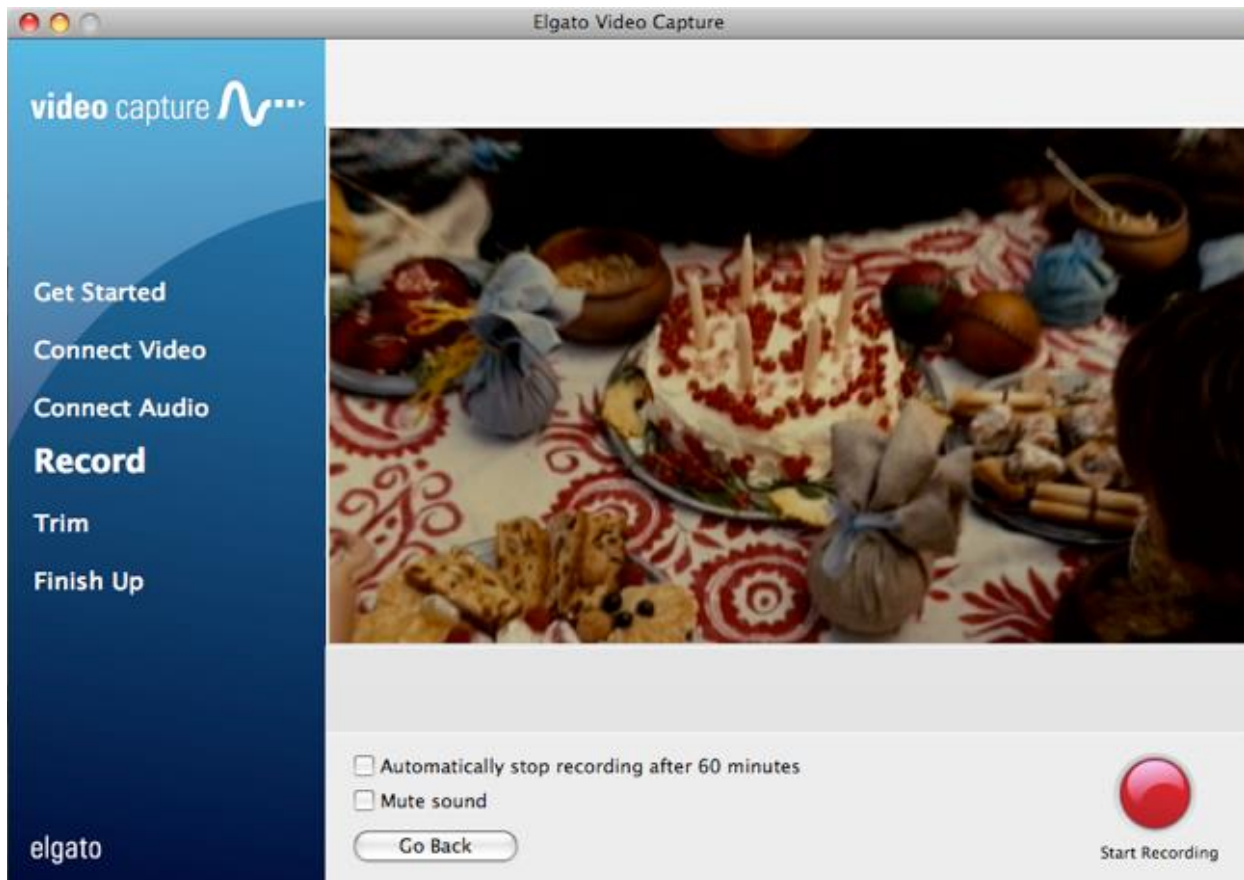


Record

With the video and audio tested, you can now begin to record. Set your video to where you would like to begin recording. Press **Play** on the VCR and then click the **Start Recording** button in the Elgato Video Capture application.

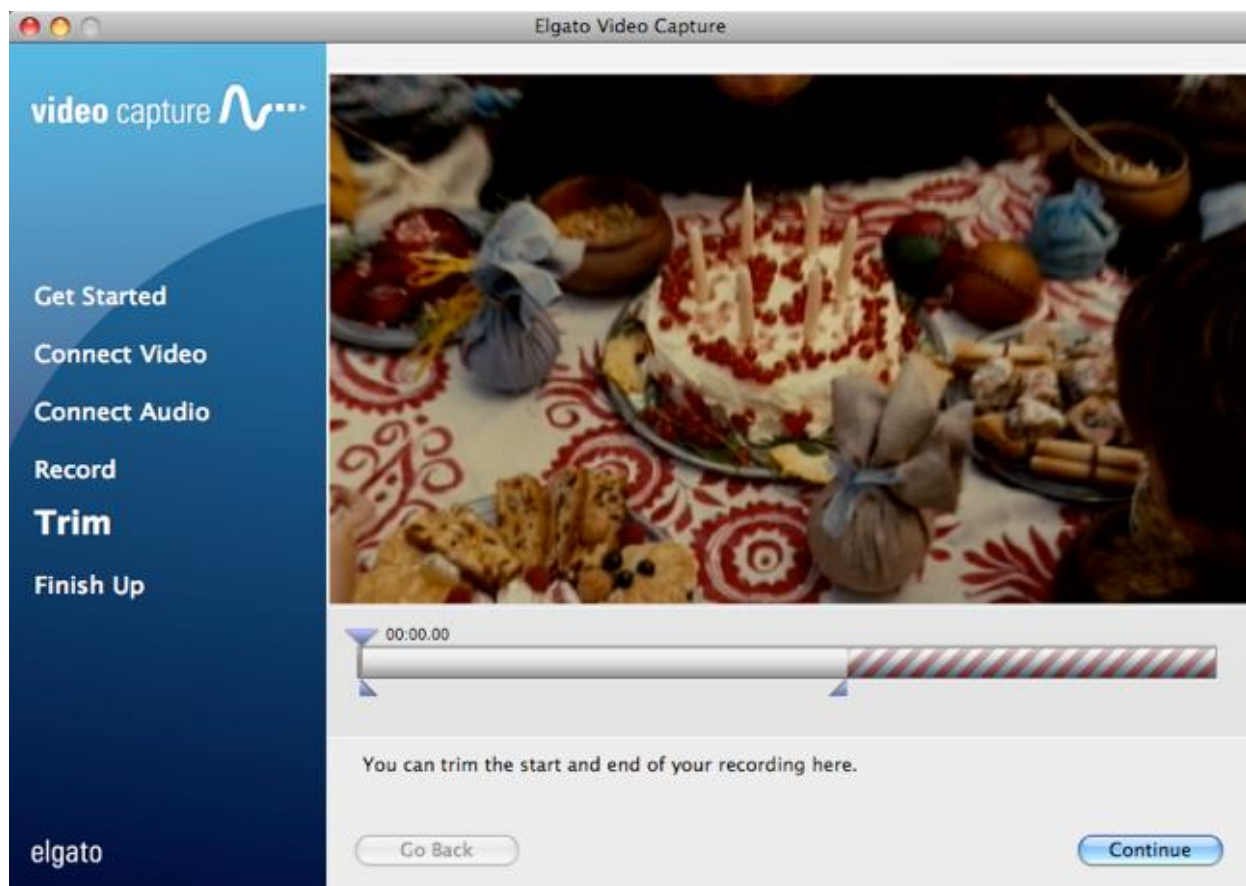
When you are done, click the **Stop Recording** button, or let the Elgato Video Capture software stop recording automatically by clicking the empty box next to the “**Automatically stop recording after...**” option so that a check mark appears. Be sure to press **Stop** on the VCR as well.

Once completed, click **Continue**.



Trim

After the recording is complete, you can trim the beginning and end of the video in the editor to remove any unwanted video. Click and drag the triangles at the beginning and end of the clip to the desired locations. The red areas will be cut from the clip. After the desired video has been trimmed, click **Continue** to finalize the edit.



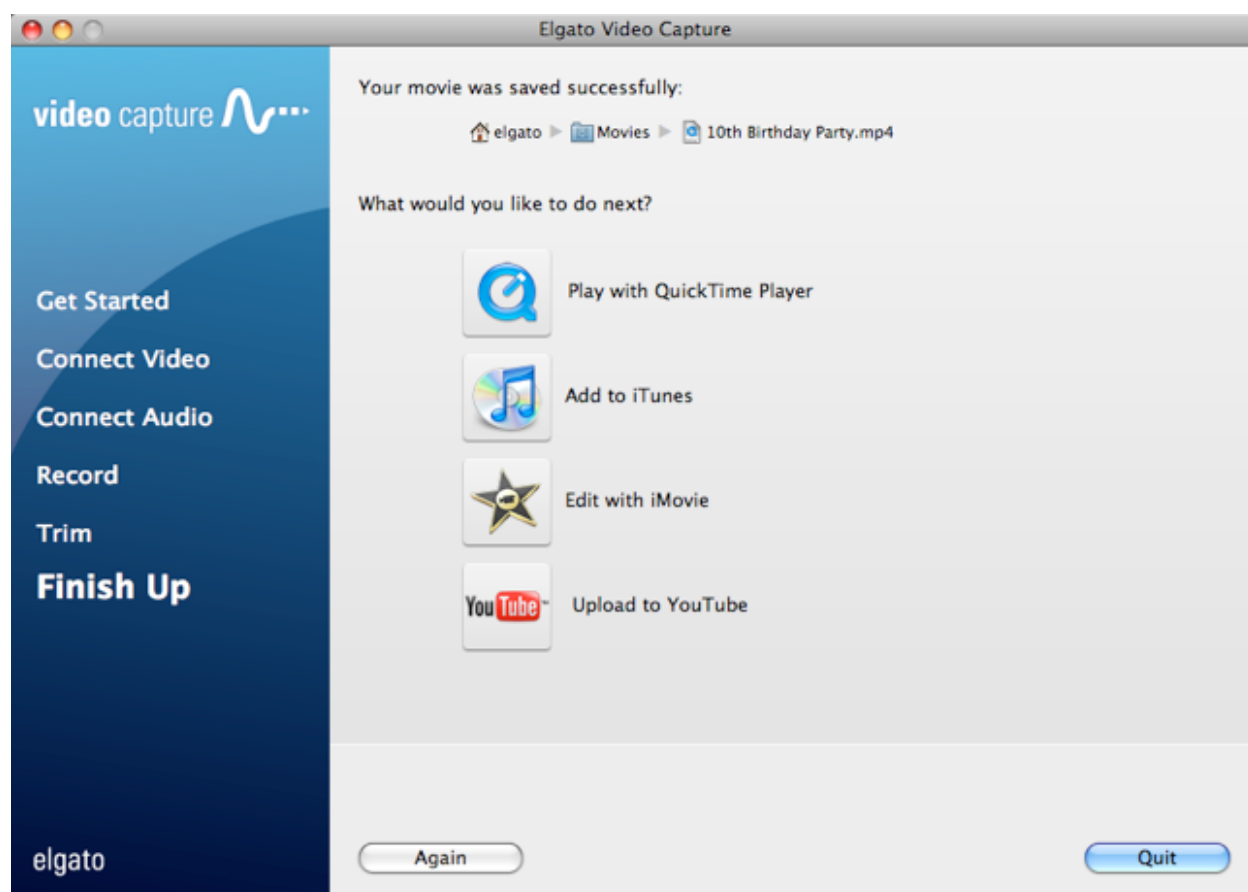
Play back, share, export

The Elgato Video Capture software saves the captured movie to the Movies folder (Mac) or Videos folder (Windows). The default save location can also be changed in the Elgato Video Capture Preferences.

Now that the video has been saved, you can select whether:

- to play your video in QuickTime (Mac/Windows) or Windows Media Player (Windows).
- add it to your iTunes library (Mac/Windows) or to Windows Media Player's library (Windows).
- edit it with iMovie (Mac), Windows Live Movie Maker or Video Editor (Windows), or an equivalent editing software.
- or upload it to YouTube.

If you would like to create a new recording, simply press the **Again** button and the assistant will start over from the beginning. If you are finished recording, press the **Quit** button to exit the application.



Troubleshooting

If you have any difficulties or questions with downloading, using, or installing the Elgato Video Capture please contact the Reference desk at the Burlington Public Library by phone (781) 270-1691 or email ref@burlingtonpl.org.

For additional troubleshooting, technical support, or frequently asked questions, please visit the Elgato Support web page at:

<https://www.elgato.com/en/video-capture/support>.