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Macintosh AV Series: Recording To Videotape (12/93)

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TOPIC -----

Can I record computer images and sounds on videotape with the Macintosh Centris 660AV, Quadra 660AV and Quadra 840AV??

DISCUSSION -----

To record the computer's images and sounds on videotape, you must use a television as the monitor. Follow these steps to record on videotape:

- 1) Connect a videocassette recorder (VCR) to the computer's video output port (either composite or S-video, depending on the VCR you have) and sound output port.
- 2) Connect a television to the VCR's video out port and sound out port(s).
- 3) Switch to the television as monitor, using the Monitors control panel (See separate instructions below).
- 4) Begin recording by pressing the Record button on the VCR.

To switch to the television as monitor, follow the steps below:

- 1) Make sure that a television is connected to the composite video output port and is turned on.
- 2) Open the Monitors control panel.
- 3) Click the Options button. The Options dialog box appears.
- 4) In the Select Monitor Type section of the dialog box, choose one of the resolution types listed:
 - For USA and Japan, choose 512x384 Resolution (NTSC standard)
 - For Europe and Australia, choose 640x480 Resolution (PAL standard)
- 5) Click OK. The Options dialog box closes.
- 6) Choose Restart from the Special menu in the Finder.
- 7) Once the computer has restarted, open the Monitors control panel.
- 8) Click the Options button. The Options dialog box appears.
- 9) In the Video Display Options section, click the button labeled Display Video on Television.
- 10) Click either the NTSC Standard (USA and Japan) or the PAL Standard (Europe and Australia) button
- 11) Click the Use Flicker-free format checkbox.

- 12) Click the OK button. A dialog box appears, asking you to confirm your changes.
- 13) Click the Switch button to change from the monitor to the television.

The computer's image is displayed on the television.

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