Welcome to the World of PlayStation

PS VITA

Quick Start Guide

Using your PlayStation®Vita system for the first time


Press down for 5 seconds
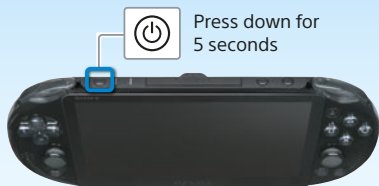
1 Turn on your PS Vita system.

When turning on your system for the first time, press and hold down the ⏻ (Power) button for five seconds. When the power comes on, the power indicator next to the ⏻ (Power) button will light up █ green.

When the power indicator blinks slowly ░█░ green or blinks ░█░ orange, charge the system as described in "Charging" in this guide.

2 Begin to set up your PS Vita system.

To start making initial settings, drag your finger from the top right to the bottom left of the touchscreen (peel the screen) as shown in the figure on the left.
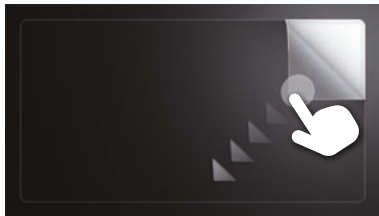
Touchscreen gestures

 Drag
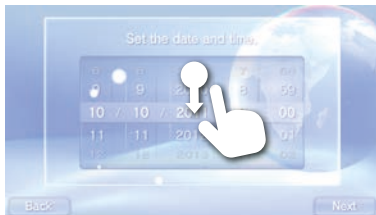Slide while touching

 Tap
Touch lightly and then raise your finger
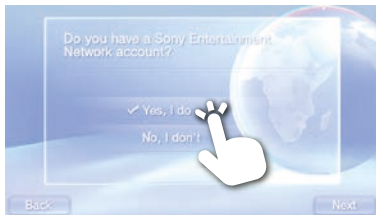
 Flick
Flick lightly

3 Select your language, time zone, and the date and time.

Drag lists of items to scroll and find your choice.
Tap an item to select it, and then tap [Next].
To scroll quickly, flick the list of items.

4 Link your Sony Entertainment Network account to your PS Vita system.

If you already have an account
You need an Internet connection to link your Sony Entertainment Network account to your PS Vita system and access PSN℠ services. If you cannot connect to the Internet, you must set up your system as explained in "If you do not have an account, or if you want to sign up for an account later".

① Tap [Yes, I do], [Use], and then tap [Next].

② Connect to the Internet by selecting an access point on the Wi-Fi settings screen.

③ Enter your Sony Entertainment Network account information.
Tap the text entry field, and then enter text using the keyboard that appears.

If a system software update is required after step ②, select [Set Later] and tap [Next].
Follow the on-screen instructions to continue the setup.
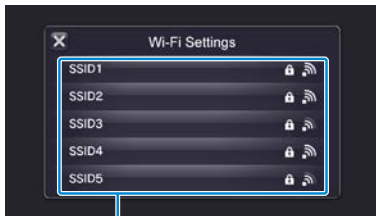
Connecting to the Internet
When an Internet connection is required, your system automatically searches for Wi-Fi access points, and then the Wi-Fi Settings screen appears. Connect to the Internet in a location that has a Wi-Fi access point you can use. For details about connecting to a Wi-Fi access point, refer to the access point documentation or contact the service provider or person who set it up.

Access points found

If you do not have an account, or if you want to sign up for an account later

Set up your PS Vita system for trial use of PSN℠ services. To make full use of PSN℠ features, you must sign up for a Sony Entertainment Network account.

① Tap [No, I don't], and then tap [Next].
Follow the on-screen instructions.

Home screen

5 Complete initial setup.

Tap [OK] to complete initial setup of your PS Vita system. An introductory video will play.
You can access applications for the PS Vita system from the home screen.

Setting the parental control

Some PS Vita content may not be suitable for your child. Most PS Vita content is rated by an independent ratings body. To ensure your child only has access to suitably rated content, just set the correct parental control before you first let your child play. Parental controls can also help set time limits on your child's play. You can set the parental controls in 🟢 (Parental Controls) on your PS Vita.


Creating a Sony Entertainment Network account

You can create an account under 🔴 (Settings) > [Start] > [PSN℠] > [Sign Up] after the initial setup is complete.

- You can link only a single account to a PS Vita system.
- You can also create an account using a PlayStation®3 system or a computer. The created account can be linked to a PS Vita system.
- To create an account (sub account) for users under a certain age, you must first create an account for a parent or guardian (master account) using a PS3™ system or a computer. For details, refer to the User's Guide.

Charging

Power button
Power indicator

USB cable ①

AC adaptor

AC power cord ②

③

Electrical outlet
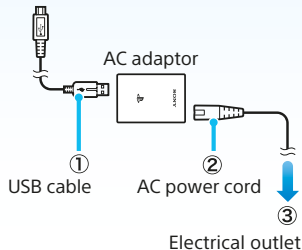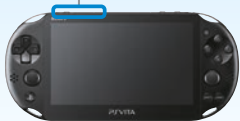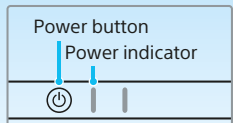
Charging

To charge your PS Vita system, connect it to a power source as shown in the diagram on the left. While the system is charging, the power indicator lights up ▌ orange. For details including approximate charging times, refer to the User's Guide.

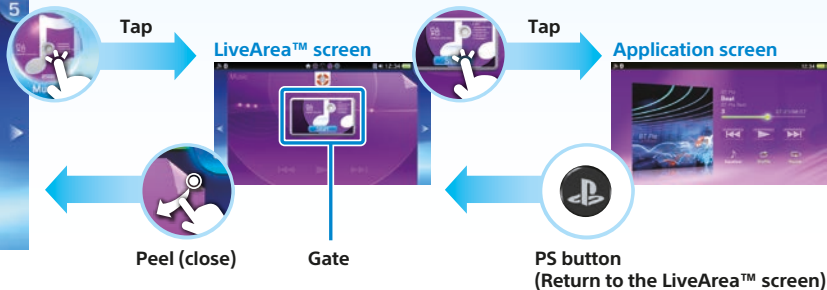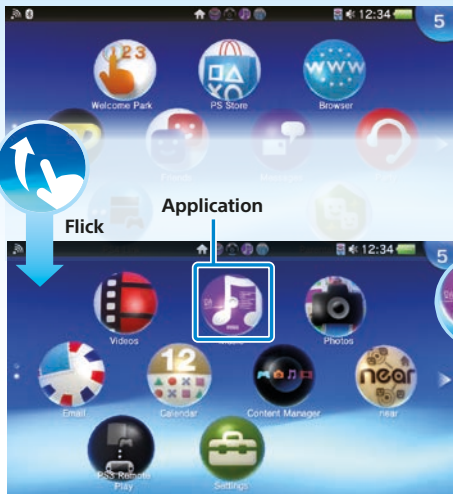### Check the status of your PS Vita system by seeing how the power indicator lights up or blinks

▌	Lights up green	The system is on.
⋮▌⋮	Blinks green	The system is entering standby mode/power off.
⋮▌⋮	Blinks slowly green	The battery charge is low.
▌	Lights up orange	The system is charging.

When you press and hold down the ⏻ (Power) button for five seconds and the power indicator blinks ⋮▌⋮ orange, the battery charge is too low to turn on the PS Vita system.
Charge the system for about 30 minutes before turning on the system.

Using the screen

When you tap the icon for an application on the home screen, the application's LiveArea™ screen appears.
On the LiveArea™ screen, tap the gate to start the application. You can run multiple applications at the same time.
The home screen can have a maximum of 10 pages.

Home screen

Flick

Application

Tap

LiveArea™ screen

Tap

Application screen

Peel (close)

Gate

PS button
(Return to the LiveArea™ screen)

Info bar

You can check the status of your PS Vita system on the top of the home screen.
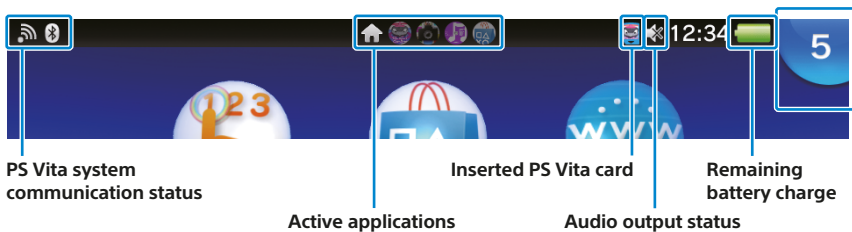
**PS Vita system communication status**

Active applications

Inserted PS Vita card

Audio output status

Remaining battery charge

Notification indicator

Tap the notification indicator to see the new information.
When a notification or other new information such as a message is received, the notification indicator located next to the power indicator on the top of the system blinks slowly blue.
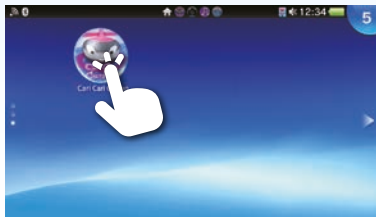
Power indicator

Notification indicator
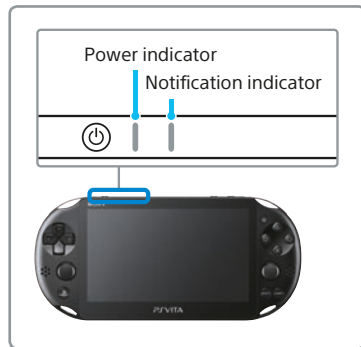
# Playing games

PlayStation®Vita card slot

1 Insert the PlayStation®Vita card.

Your PS Vita card contains PS Vita format software. When the PS Vita card is inserted, the icon for the game appears on the home screen.

2 Start the game.

On the home screen, tap the icon for the game. The LiveArea™ screen for the game appears. If you are connected to the Internet, various details, such as the latest information about the game, appear on the LiveArea™ screen.
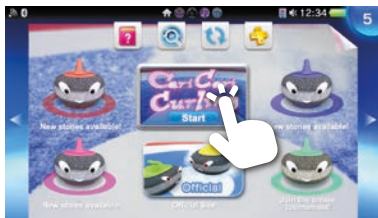
3 Start playing the game.

Tap [Start] on the gate on the LiveArea™ screen.

Saving data for a game
How to save data depends on the game. For details, see the instructions for the game.
If you use the saved data on the memory card or the PS Vita card on a different PS Vita system, there may be times when you cannot earn trophies or save the data.
See the User's Guide for details about saved data and trophies.

4 Quit the game.

Press the ⊕ (PS) button to return to the LiveArea™ screen, and then peel the screen.

Inserting or removing the PS Vita card

PS Vita card slot cover

PS Vita card (front)

PS Vita card access indicator
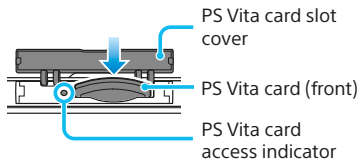
Open the PS Vita card slot cover upward, and then insert the card.
To remove the PS Vita card, press it to release it from the slot.
Do not remove the PS Vita card when the access indicator is blinking.

Downloading (purchasing) games and content from PlayStation®Store

PlayStation®Store has a wide variety of content you can't get anywhere else, including games, free trial versions of the latest releases, game add-ons that make the games you have even more fun to play, and videos to purchase or rent.

To use PlayStation®Store, you need a Sony Entertainment Network account and an Internet connection. To download some content, a memory card is necessary.

Using a memory card

Rear view

Your PS Vita system includes a built-in internal memory card. You can start playing games and applications that require a memory card right after purchasing the system. Purchase a separate memory card when the internal memory card is full, or for games, content or game patches that require more space.
After purchasing a new memory card, follow the steps below to move data from the internal memory to the new memory card.

Memory card slot cover
Memory card (front)
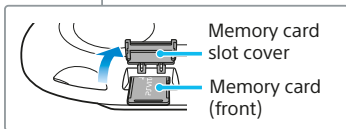
① Insert the memory card only when the power of your PS Vita system is off.
Inserting or removing the memory card while the power is on might cause data corruption or loss.

② Turn on your PS Vita system, and then follow the on-screen instructions to move the data. Once data has been moved, the system will automatically restart.

- Once a memory card is properly inserted, data will be saved to it, and not to the internal memory card. This location where data is saved cannot be changed until the inserted memory card is removed.
- While a memory card is being inserted, the internal memory is inaccessible.

Turning off the power

Turning off the screen while the application is still active (standby mode)
Press the ⏻ (Power) button. The power indicator will blink green, and the system will then enter standby mode.
To exit standby mode, press the ⏻ (Power) button again or press the (PS) button.

Turning the power off completely
Press and hold the ⏻ (Power) button for two seconds, and then tap [Power Off].
When turning on the system the next time, press and hold the ⏻ (Power) button for two seconds.

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Safety Guide

Contains precautions for the safe use of your PS Vita system, system specifications, and service information.
Before using this product, carefully read the Safety Guide and retain it for future reference.

User's Guide

To read the User's Guide, tap (User's Guide) on the (Settings) LiveArea™ screen. An Internet connection is needed to read the User's Guide. You can also read the User's Guide by visiting the following website:
eu.playstation.com/psvita/support/manuals/

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