

Creating an iDVD Photo Slide Show (Excerpted from iDVD getting started)

Adding a slideshow to your iDVD project is a great way to enhance your DVD and show your photographs. You can use a slideshow already created in iPhoto, or you can use iDVD to create a slideshow from a group of pictures.

You can even create a DVD that showcases your photos in one or more slideshows. Your DVD can hold up to 9801 images.

and add a soundtrack.

To create a slideshow in iDVD and add a soundtrack:

1 Start iDVD

2 Click the Add button at the bottom left of the iDVD window and choose Add Slideshow from the pop-up menu.

A button labeled “My Slideshow” appears on the menu. This button may be edited later, but for now Click My Slideshow to select the text, and then type My Photos or the name you would like for the button. If you want to modify the text, use the controls in the in-place editor to do so.

3 Click outside the text area to deselect the text, and then double-click the button to open the slideshow editor.

The iDVD window changes automatically to show the Photos pane.

The slideshow editor, shown below, is a blank screen with the words “Drag images here.”

4 Drag photos one at a time or in groups from the Photos pane to the slideshow editor.

You can even drag a whole album to the slideshow editor.

If you haven't imported photos into iPhoto, you won't see photos in this list. You can open iPhoto anytime and import some photos, or you can drag photos from other locations on your hard disk directly to the slideshow editor.

5 Arrange the images in the order in which you want them to appear.

Drag the images in the slideshow editor to rearrange them. To delete images, select the ones you want to remove, and then press the Delete key on your keyboard.

Access the Photos pane to add photo: to your slideshow.

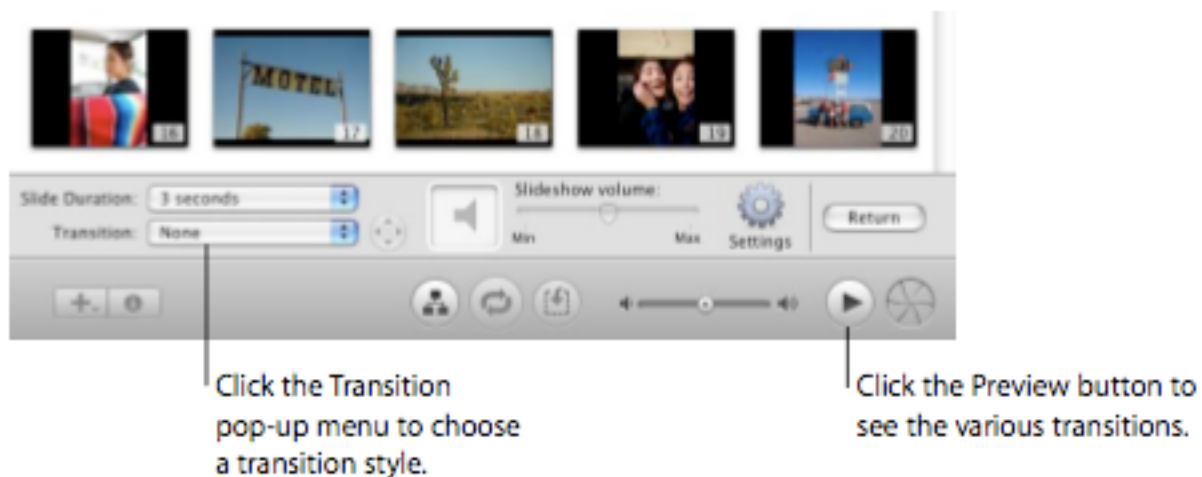


To add a transition:

1 Click the Transition pop-up menu and experiment with the transitions in the menu until you find one you want to use.

If one of the arrows to the right of the Transition pop-up menu is highlighted when you make a selection, you can choose a direction for the transition. Click any of the arrows to select a direction.

To preview the transition, click the Preview button, shown below. The iDVD remote control appears. It operates just like a standard remote control, and you can use its controls to click buttons and navigate to all the menus in your project.



2 Click the Settings button and make other creative decisions using the settings in the slideshow editor:

* To make the slideshow repeat continuously, select “Loop slideshow.”

* To show navigation arrows on the slideshow, select “Display navigation arrows.”

These arrows are not functional; they serve as a visual reminder that users can use the controls on their remote controls to progress through the slideshow.

* To add copies of the original photos to the DVD-ROM portion of the disc, select “Add image files to DVD-ROM.” This allows viewers to download copies of your photos to their own computers from the DVD.

Note: Adding files to the DVD-ROM portion of the disc uses up space that you might need for your project. To monitor the size of your project as you work, choose Project > Project Info. You can see how much space you’ve used next to DVD Capacity.

* To show the title and comments text below the images, select “Show titles and comments.” To add titles and comments, click the text below the image thumbnail in the slideshow editor and type in the text field that appears.

To add a soundtrack to a slideshow:

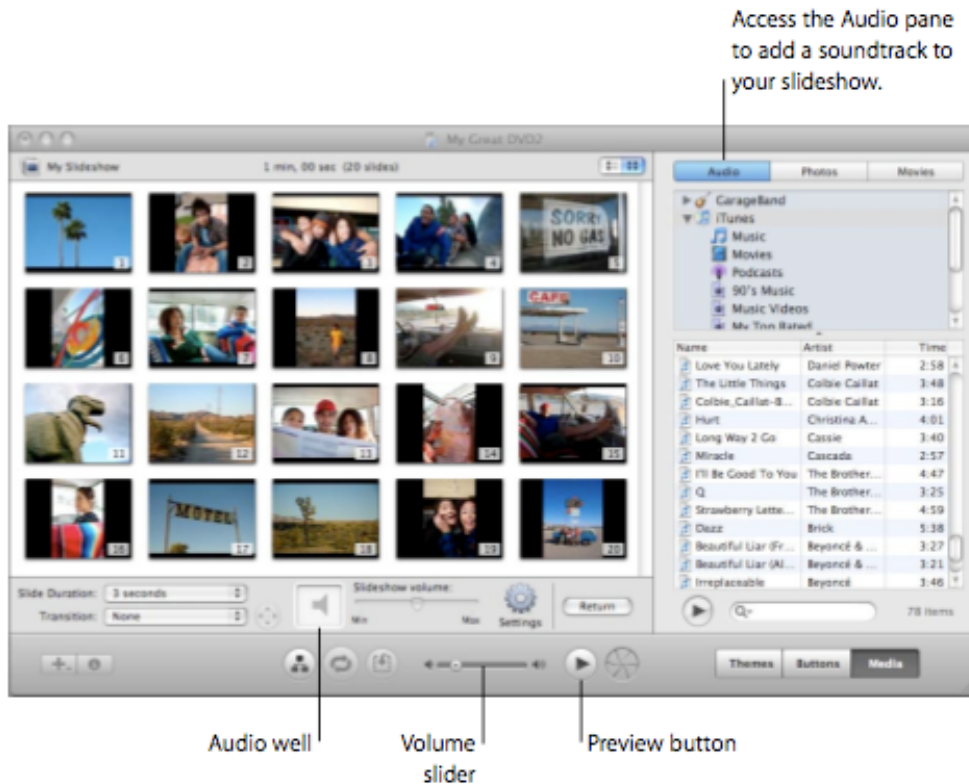
1 Click the Audio button at the top of the Media pane.

The contents of your iTunes library and any music you composed in GarageBand appear in the audio list. If you don’t see any music in the audio list, make sure you have

imported music into iTunes.

2 Select a song, and then click the Play button at the bottom of the Media pane to listen to it before you add it to your DVD.

To quickly locate a particular song, you can type its name in the search field.



3 When you find a song you want to use, drag it from the song list to the audio well in the slideshow editor, shown above.

After you drag the song to the audio well, notice that the Slide Duration pop-up menu automatically changes to Fit To Audio. This ensures that your slideshow and music begin and end together. However, using the Slide Duration pop-up menu, you can change how long your slides stay onscreen before the next one appears. The slide duration you specify applies only to photos in a slideshow.

4 Click the Preview button to see how your slideshow looks. To return to the slideshow editor, click Exit on the remote control.

You can continue to make adjustments to the slideshow until it's just the way you want it. To adjust soundtrack volume, drag the "Slideshow volume" slider, shown above, to the right or left.

5 Click the Return button to exit the slideshow editor and return to the main menu.

6 To save your work, choose File > Save.