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[Get a Blu-Ray Drive for Your Mac](#)

New technology for old computers from MCE Technologies

If you didn't know it by now, it's my pleasure to inform you that a Blu-Ray disc is a high density optical disc format used for the storage of digital media, especially high-definition video, having a capacity of 25 GB, for single layer discs, and 50 GB, for dual layer ones. To be honest, I like the Blu-Ray discs only because blue is one of my favorite colors, but I don't think I'll get a drive for using such media any time soon, because I simply don't feel the need to use such a thing, since the DVD standard is just enough for me at this time. Despite my personal opinion, the Blu-Ray technology begins to gain slowly but surely its market share, and I am sure that for people and companies working with large amounts of data, this is heaven sent. Just think about it - 25 or 50GB of data on a disc, and a transfer rate of 36 - 72Mb/s! Not bad, not bad at all, I could say. While Apple doesn't have any notebooks or workstations that offer Blu-Ray drives yet, this doesn't mean that all Mac users are happy with the current state of facts, and so a well known company that produces accessories and upgrades for Macs, MCE Technologies, had the idea of introducing such a drive to the market...MCE Technologies' internal Blu-Ray recordable drive for Mac Pro and Power Mac G5 is able to record single and dual layer Blu-Ray discs, and every user can easily install it. Available for 699\$, the drive is also compatible with all DVD and CD optical media including DVD R/RW and DVD-R/RW, DVD-RAM and CD-R/RW. The package contains the drive, Toast 8 Titanium and a 25GB Blu-Ray rewritable disk. With Toast 8 Titanium, you can take advantage of a technology that reminds me of the Mount Rainier technology for CD-RW discs, called Toast Dynamic Writing. With it, you can use the rewritable Blu-Ray disc just like a hard drive - drag and drop files to add, and simply delete them from the drive when you don't need them anymore.