Using your PlayStation Vita system for the first time

To use your PS Vita system, you need the following types of card media:

- PlayStation®Vita card
- Memory card
- SIM card

Before you insert or remove a memory card or SIM card, check that the power is off. This helps prevent data corruption or loss.

1. Turn your PS Vita system over, open the memory card slot cover, and then insert a memory card.

2. Press down for 4 seconds.

3. Insert the memory card.

4. Turn on your PS Vita system.

5. Complete initial setup.

- When turning on your PS Vita system for the first time, follow the on-screen instructions to register your PS Vita system to your PlayStation Network account.
- PlayStation®Network services. To make full use of PlayStation Network features, you must sign up for a PlayStation Network account.
- After completing step 4, set up your PlayStation Network account to your PS Vita system.
- You need an Internet connection to link your PS Vita system to your PlayStation Network account. For details about connecting to a Wi-Fi access point, refer to the access point documentation.
- The “Welcome Park” on the home screen helps prevent data corruption or loss.
- PS Vita systems include a SIM card kit and SIM card key.
- Insert the memory card.
- Press down for 4 seconds.
- Insert the SIM card.

You cannot access applications for the PS Vita system from the home screen.

- When an Internet connection is required, your system automatically connects to a mobile network.
- The “Welcome Park” helps prevent data corruption or loss.
- To make these settings at a later time, after completing initial setup, tap Setting on the home screen.
- If you need to charge the system, see “Charging” on the back of this guide.

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- To make these settings at a later time, after completing initial setup, tap [Settings] on the home screen.

- If you need to charge the system, see “Charging” on the back of this guide.
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- Complete initial setup.

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- If you cannot connect to a Wi-Fi access point, a SIM card is required to connect to your PS Vita system.
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- System software updates are required after step 3 (after creating an account) and step 5 (after signing up for a PlayStation Network account).
Playing games

Insert the PlayStation Vita card.

To play games, insert a PlayStation Vita memory card and turn on the PS Vita system. You can use PlayStation Vita memory cards to save data and additional content for your games.

Start playing the game.

On the home screen, tap the icon for the game. The LiveArea™ screen for the game appears. If you have saved data for the game, the saved data and trophies are displayed on the LiveArea™ screen.

Pausing a game

Press the (PS) button to pause a game and return to the LiveArea™ screen. You can resume the game from the point where you paused it.

Quitting a game

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

Removing the PS Vita card

Press the PS Vita card slot cover and remove the card.

Standby mode and turning off the power completely

Standby mode

When your PS Vita system is standing by, the (PS) button lights up orange. When the (PS) button blinks orange, the system is in standby mode. The system will then enter standby mode.

Turning the power on completely

To turn on the system completely, press and hold the (PS) button again or press the (PS) button while pressing and holding the (PS) button. When you turn on the system from standby mode, all data on the screen that appears will be displayed.

Supporting documentation for your PS Vita system

Support Website

eu.playstation.com/psvita/support/

Visit the Support website for additional information about your PS Vita system and for answers to technical questions.

Software updates

The PS Vita system includes software updates. For more information, visit the System Update website.

System Update Website

eu.playstation.com/psvita/support/updatedata/

Visit the System Update website for information about PS Vita system software updates.

Using the screen

The screen is the window to the world of games on the PS Vita system. The home screen and the LiveArea™ screen give you access to all the functions of the PS Vita system. The home screen is where you can access all your applications, and the LiveArea™ screen is where you can play games.

Customizing the home screen

To enjoy games like a pro, learn and build a menu like nowhere else. The home screen can have a maximum of 10 pages. On the LiveArea™ screen, tap the gate to start the application. You can run multiple applications at the same time.

Inserting and removing PlayStation Vita cards

PS Vita card slot cover

PlayStation Vita card (Front)