Using The Software to Backup Your DVD Movies.

DVD Fab HD Decrypter is a program that can decrypt and transfer (rip) DVD Movie Files to your hard drive. Once it has done this task we use DVD Shrink to compress (and re-author if you choose) those files so they will fit on a standard single layer DVD+/-R disc.

You can find the software and updates on the homepage of the Login area and the Software Downloads section of the Login area.
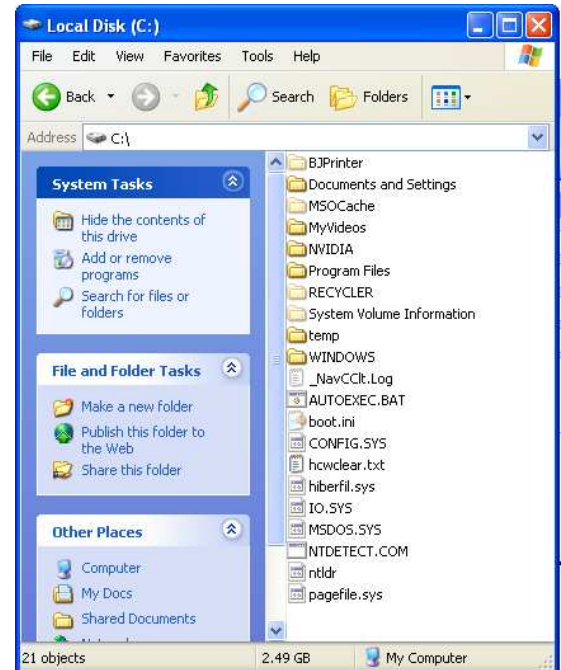
CREATING THE _movie FOLDER

Let's take a moment to create a movie folder where all of our movies will be saved. This will make it easy to locate them and when we are done burning we can delete the files to make room on our hard drive.

Open up My Computer, it is either located on your desktop or in your Start menu (click on Start at the bottom left of your screen).

Once that is open double-click on the C drive (if the files are hidden click the button that says "Show the contents of this drive").

Your window should look something like this now (on the right).

In the upper left corner find File and click on it. In the drop-down menu you will see **New >.**
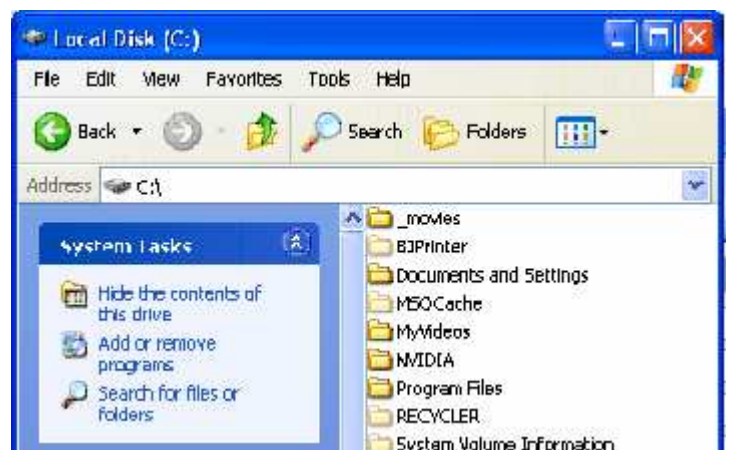
Mouse over that **New >** and you will see another menu.

In the menu click on **Folder.**

This will create a folder named **New Folder**. Name this folder _**movies**.

To rename the folder right-click on it and choose Rename from the menu.

By using the underscore (hold down your shift key and press the – just to the right of the number 0) before the word movies it will put the folder at the top of the list on your C drive and make it very easy to find. (see picture on the right).

Install the three programs we will use a) DVD Fab Decrypter   b) DVD Shrink and   c) DVD Decrypter (the auto burn program). If you need help unzipping the files there is a Guide on the homepage of the Login area to help you.

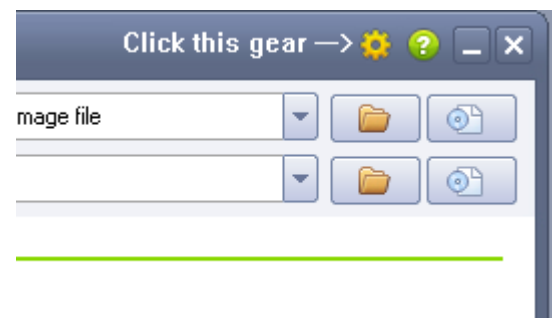Once the software is installed double click the program icon to start DVDFab Decrypter.

    The program icon should look like this (left) on you desktop.

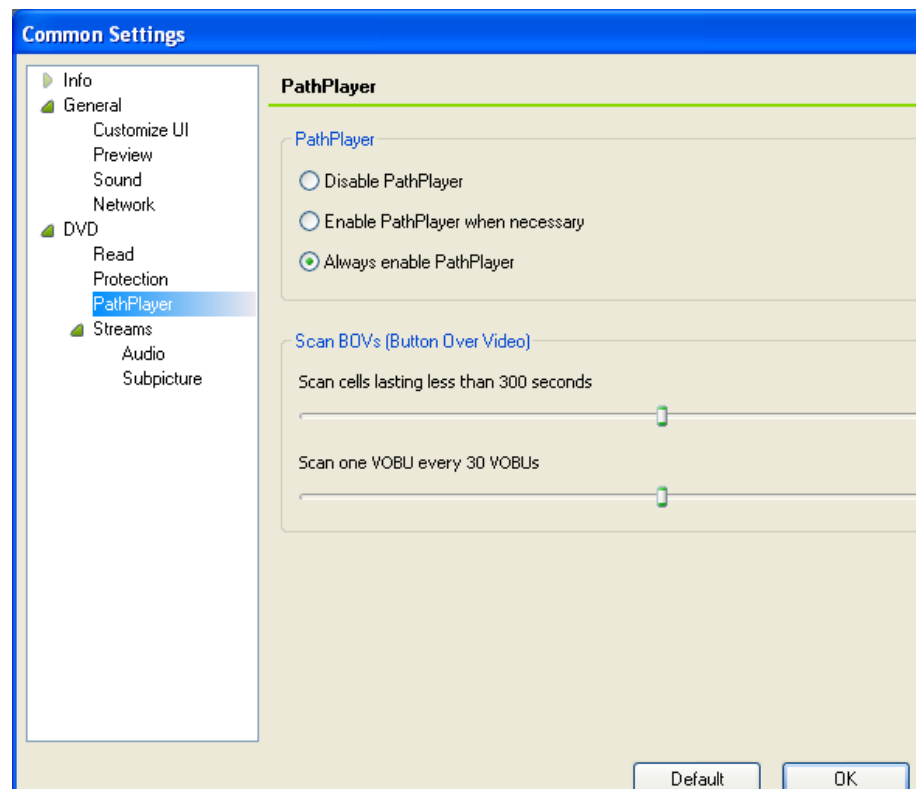The new version of DVD Fab has a new decrypting technology named "PathPlayer".

You will also notice that is has a new look but all of the buttons are the same and it functions the same as the "old" DVD Fab.

In order to backup and copy the latest movies you will need to enable this feature.

1. Open DVD Fab and click the little gear button near the top right of the Fab window.

2. Now click on PathPlayer located under the DVD section (see pic).

3. Now choose "Always Enable PathPlayer" as we have done in the picture.

4. Now just click ok and put in your DVD and follow the directions below.
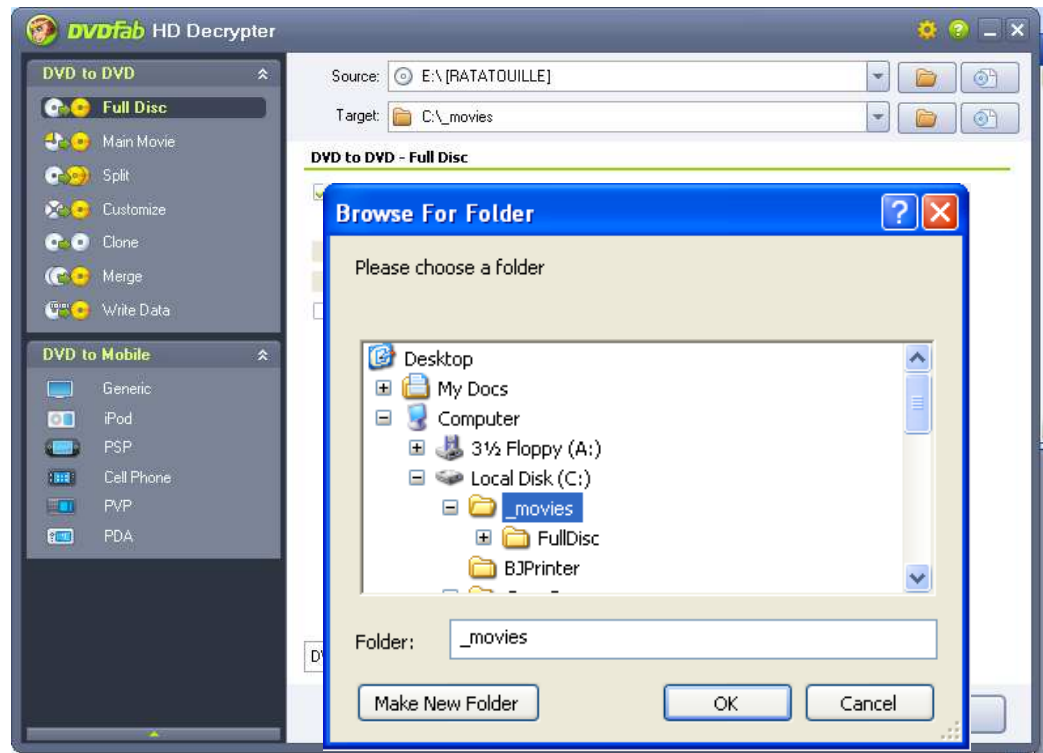
You will now see a window like this one (right).

Look at the Target area. Just to the right of it is a button that has a folder on it.

Click on that folder button and navigate to your newly created _movies folder in your C drive.

It will be at the top of the list of folders on your C drive because of the way we named it.
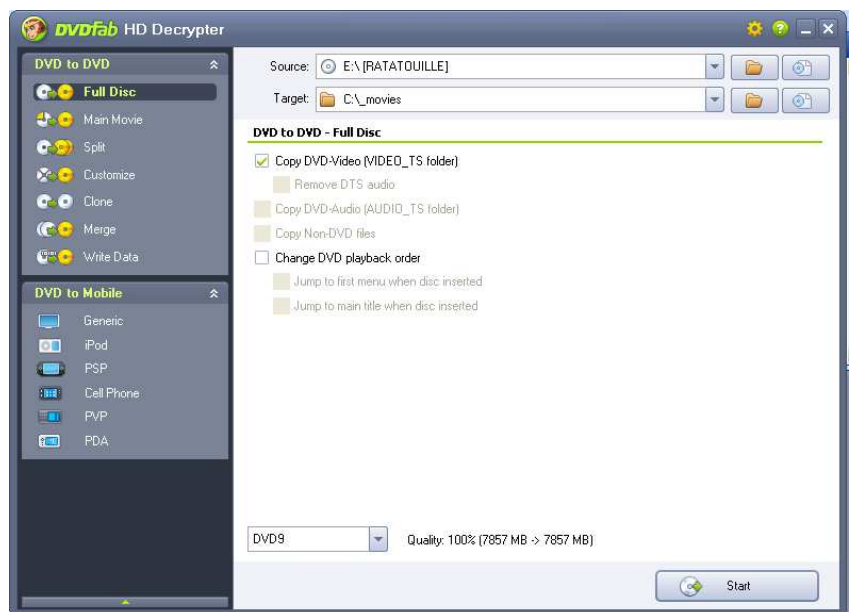
Single-click on the _movies folder and then click OK (see pic on the right).

The Source is your DVD Burner (or ROM). If you have two in your computer make sure the one with the movie is selected. In my case it is the E drive (see right).
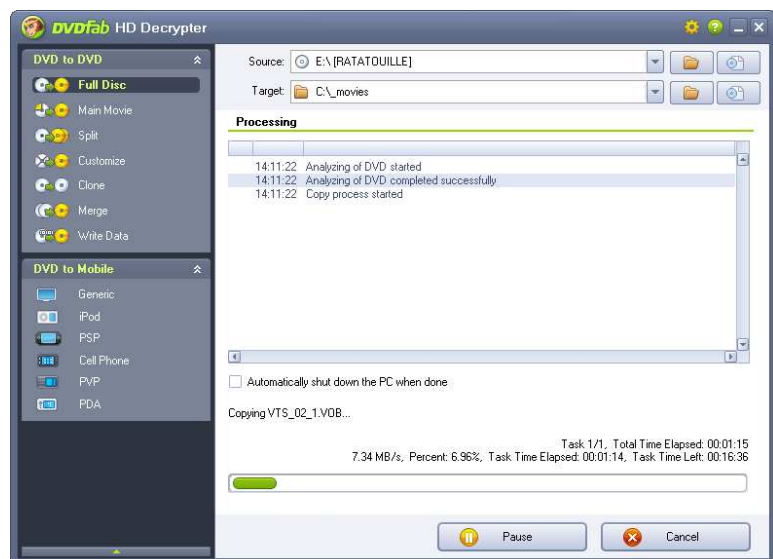
The **Target** is where DVDFab Decrypter will put the decrypted DVD Files.

We will almost always use Full Disc mode so the movie will be in the _movies folder in a FullDisc folder and then a folder with the movie's name.
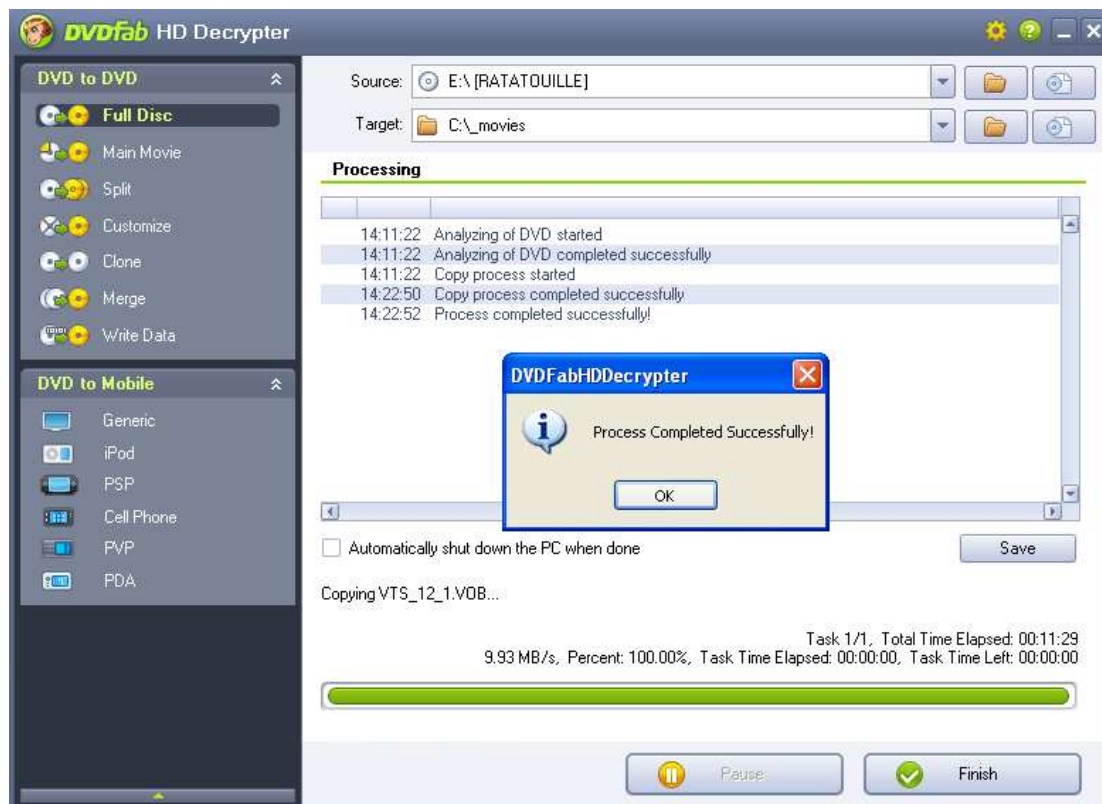
Now we click the "Start" button and DVDFab Decrypter will do its work.

You will see a bar at the bottom of the window showing you the progress and estimated Task Time Left.
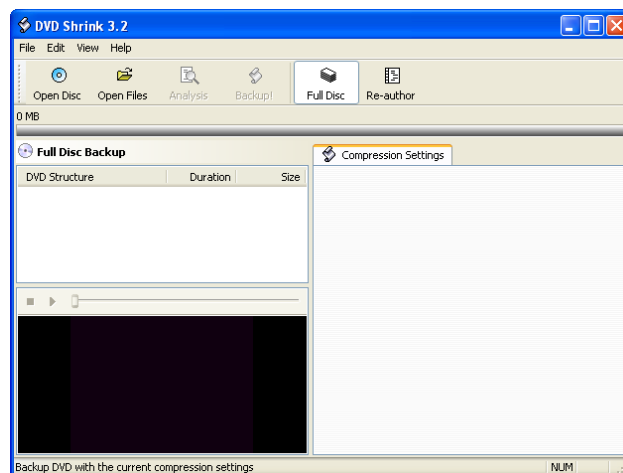
When the process is finished you will see a window like the one on the right.

Click "OK" and then you can close the DVDFab Decrypter window by clicking on the "X" in the upper right corner of the main window.
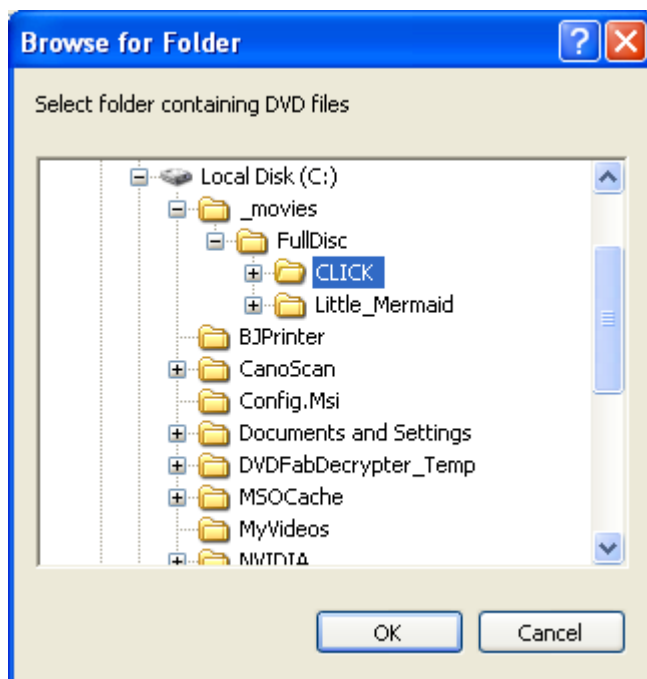

Now start **DVD Shrink** and click the "Open Files" button like the one on the right.

Navigate and find the folder where we put the DVD Movie files from previous steps.

Click on the little "+" next to the folders and you will be able to find your movie folder (like on the right).
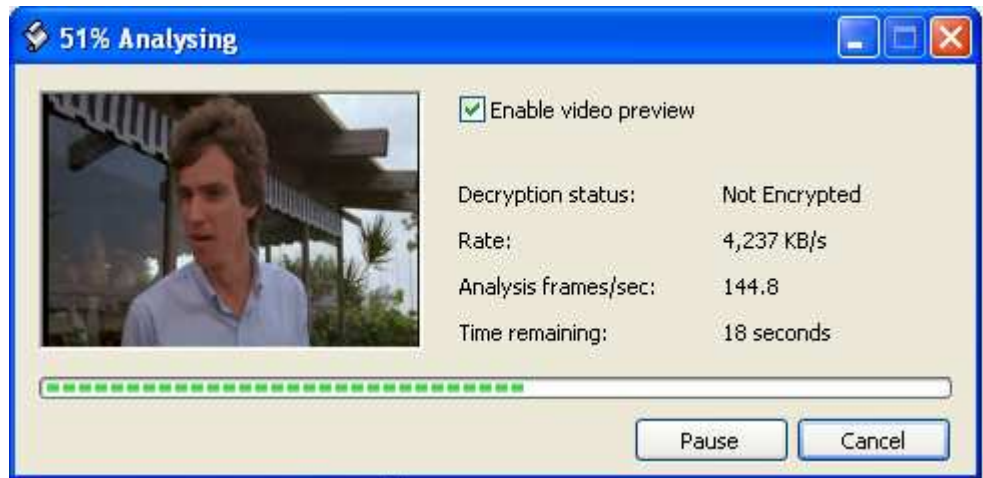
Click on the folder (single left mouse button click) and then click the "OK" button.

DVD Shrink will now analyze the movie files. You will see a window like the one on the right during this process.

** *Note: if for some reason you get an error on this step you can "clean" the DVD movie files with a fast little program called Fix VTS. You can download it in the Software Downloads section of the Account Login area.*

The zip file contains the program and a Guide. It will only take a few minutes to "clean" the files!
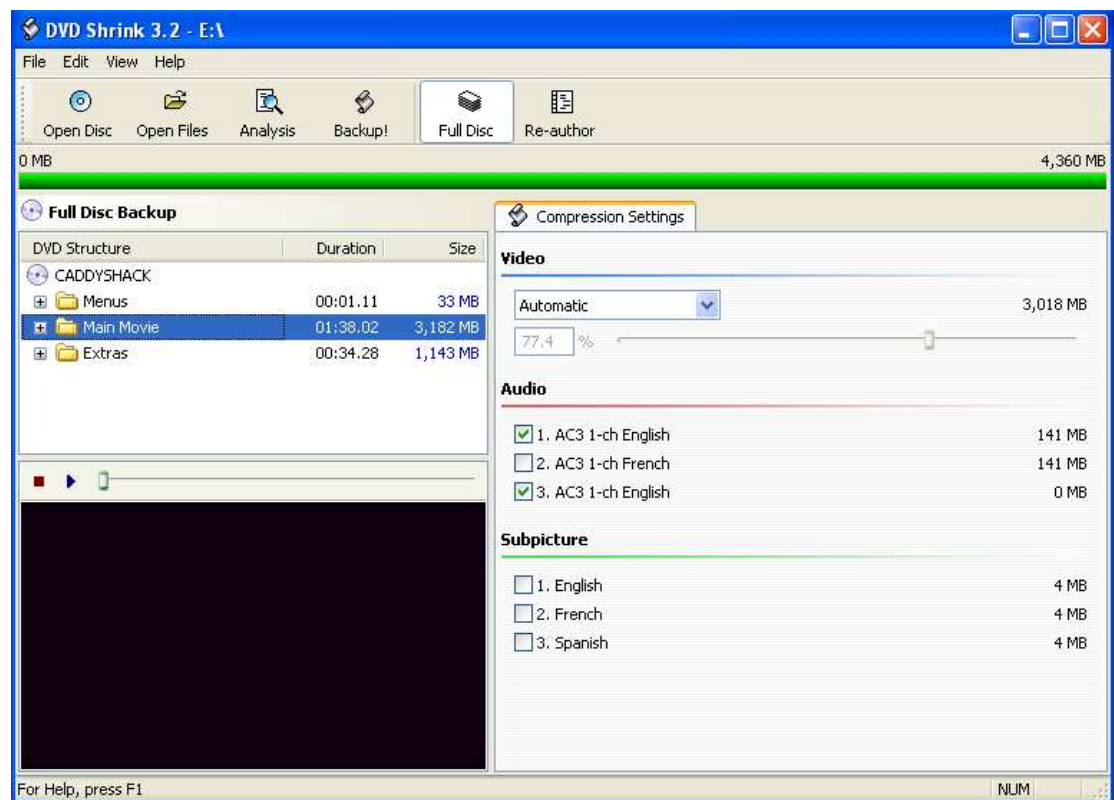
After DVD Shrink Analyzes the files you will see this window (right).

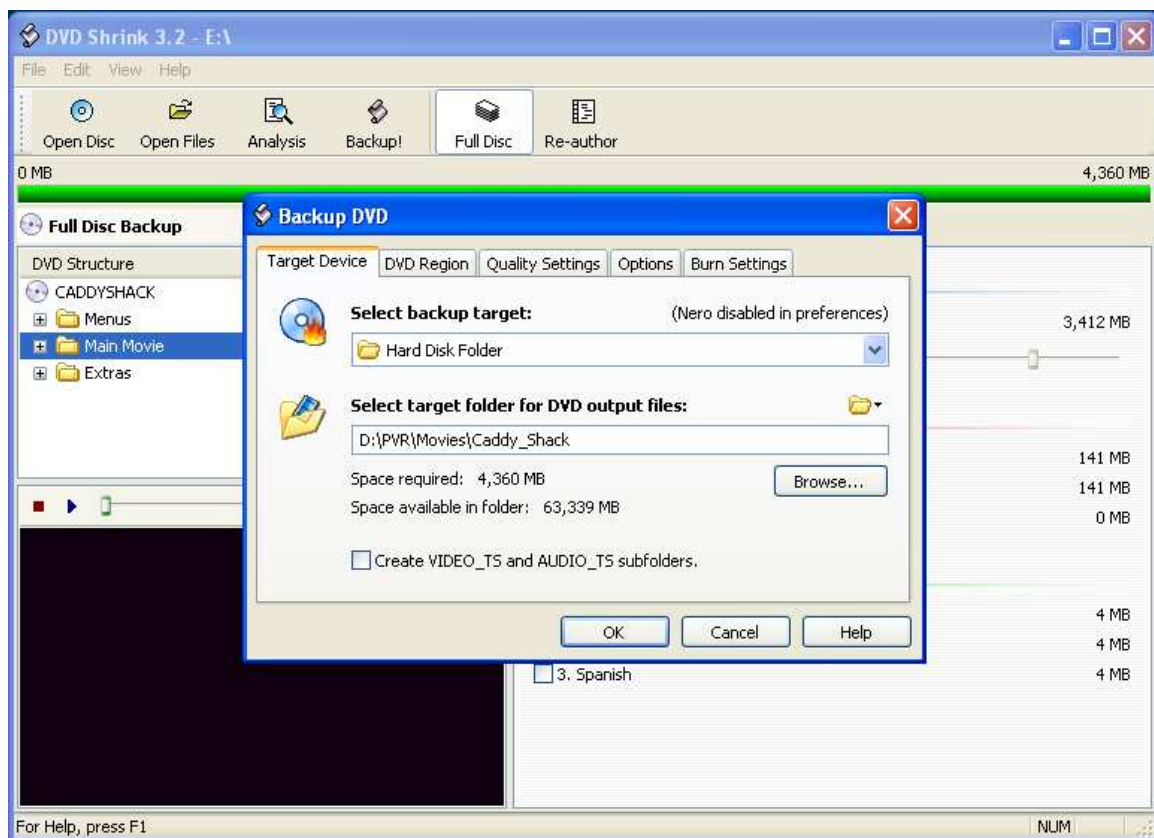Ok on this main window we have a few options before Backing-up our DVD.

If you look to the right side of the window there is an **Audio** section. You will want to uncheck any unnecessary audio tracks (if you do not want the Director's Comments uncheck the box next to it).

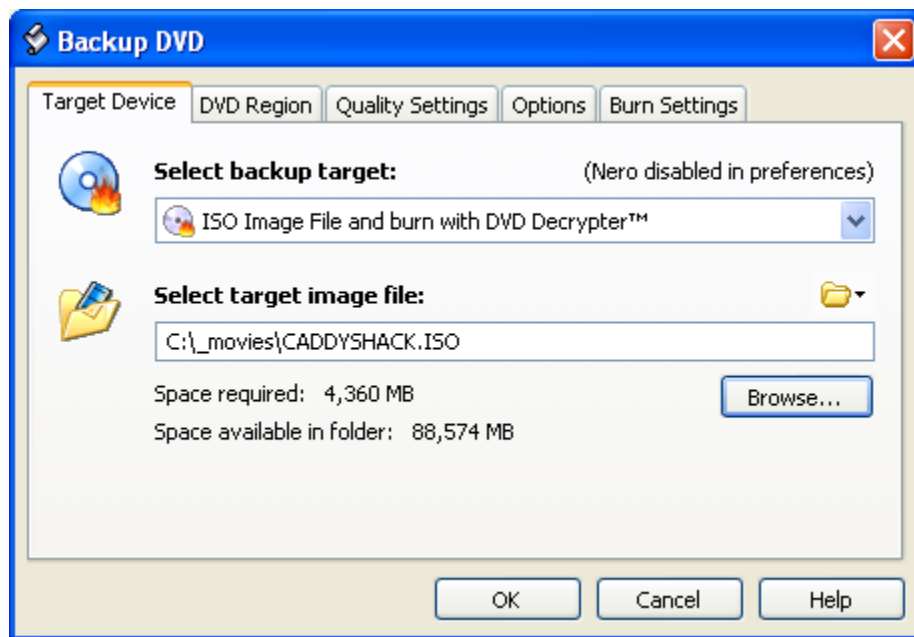I typically keep the 5.1 Channel AC3 (not present on this particular disc) and/or the 2 Channel AC3.

You can keep only the 5.1 Channel AC3 if you like and it will save precious space and allow you to backup the movie at a higher quality.

Once you have the Audio Channels selected and the Menus and Extras settings done click the **Backup!** button and you will see a window like the one below.

Under **Select backup target:** choose "ISO Image File and burn with DVD Decrypter" (see picture below). Make sure your Target image file is set to your _movies folder (as in the picture below).
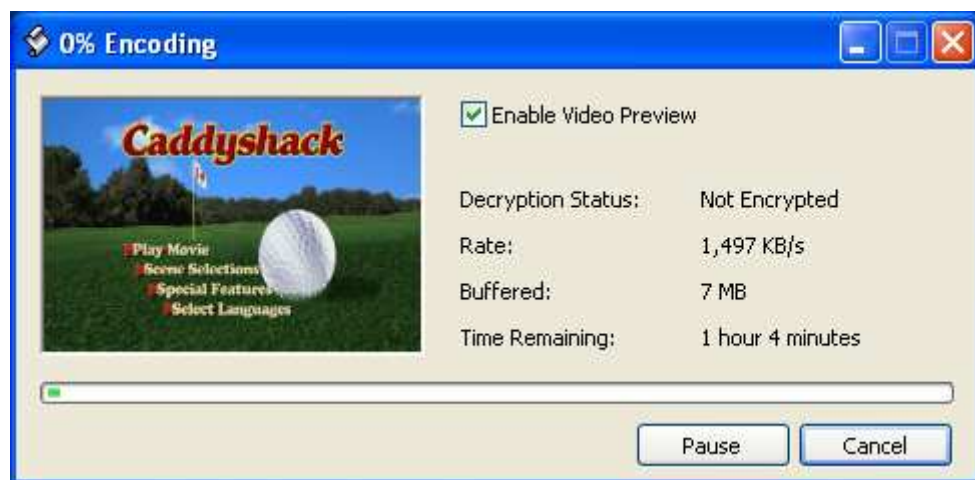
When you are ready click OK.

DVD Shrink will now start Encoding your movie. It is compressing, and transferring the compressed DVD movie files to your hard drive. When it is finished DVD Decrypter will fire up and start burning your DVD movie.
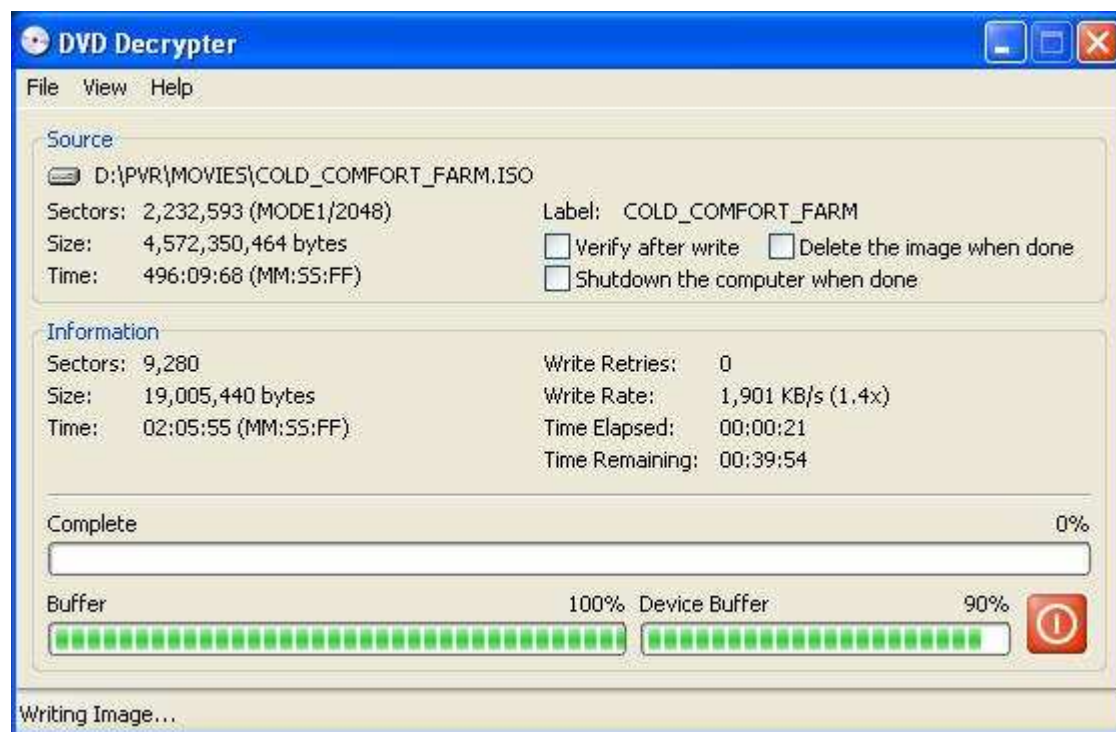
Make sure your blank DVD-R or DVD+R is in the DVD burner.

The Encoding window looks like the one below.

When the Encoding finishes DVD Decrypter will automatically start and begin the burning process. (see pic below)

*** Make sure you have a blank DVD in your burner ***

When DVD Decrypter is finished click OK and you are finished.

Thank you for reading and have fun burning your DVDs using DVD Decrypter.

You can view additional Step-by-Step Guides for DVD Shrink by logging into the Account Login area and going to the Step-by-Step Guides area.

Thank you for reading and happy DVD Backups!!!!!!!!!!!