TiVo® Premiere 4/XL4

Start Here

Follow these easy steps to connect your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 DVR

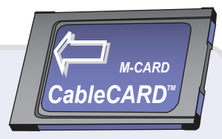
Welcome! Start Here ▶▶

Setting up your TiVo® Premiere 4/XL4 DVR is easy.

Activate the TiVo® Service (if you haven't already)

The TiVo Service is what makes your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 smart. It includes everything from your program listings to OnePass and WishList® searches—all the cool features you've heard about.

Some TiVo DVRs are sold with a TiVo Service plan. If yours was not, activate the TiVo Service at **www.tivo.com/activate** or call TiVo Customer Support at 1-877-367-8486. You'll need your 15-digit TiVo Service Number, found on the label on the back of the Premiere 4/XL4. Write it here for reference _____.



About CableCARD™ decoders

Do I need a CableCARD decoder for this TiVo Premiere 4/XL4?

YES. The TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 is intended for use with digital cable systems only and does not work with external cable boxes, analog cable, or over-the-air antennas. A CableCARD decoder is required to receive any cable programming. To receive digital cable channels, and to watch and record multiple channels at the same time, **you need one Multi-Stream CableCARD decoder (M-CARD)** from your cable company.

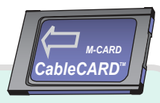
Do I need to wait for CableCARD installation?

NO, don't wait. Start connecting your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 now. You can install the CableCARD decoder later.

To get started connecting your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4, go to step 1, below.

Connecting Your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 DVR

1 Order a CableCARD decoder from your cable company



The TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 does not work with external cable boxes, analog cable, or over-the-air antennas. Instead, it uses a multi-stream CableCARD decoder to receive HD and digital cable channels. The CableCARD decoder plugs into the CableCARD slot on the back of the Premiere 4/XL4.

Order **one Multi-Stream CableCARD (M-CARD)** from your cable company and disconnect your digital cable box (if you have one). The M-CARD will replace your digital cable box.

While you're waiting for CableCARD installation, continue with step 2 and connect your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 as shown.

2 Get to know your cables

Included cables

HDMI cable for high definition video and digital audio - **recommended for HD setup**

Composite A/V cable for stereo audio (red & white ends) & standard video (yellow end)

Power cord

Ethernet cable for connecting to the TiVo Service through a wired network.

Other cables you might need

Component Video cable for HD video (no audio). Typically used if your HD TV does not have an HDMI port. Use with red & white Composite audio cables (included).

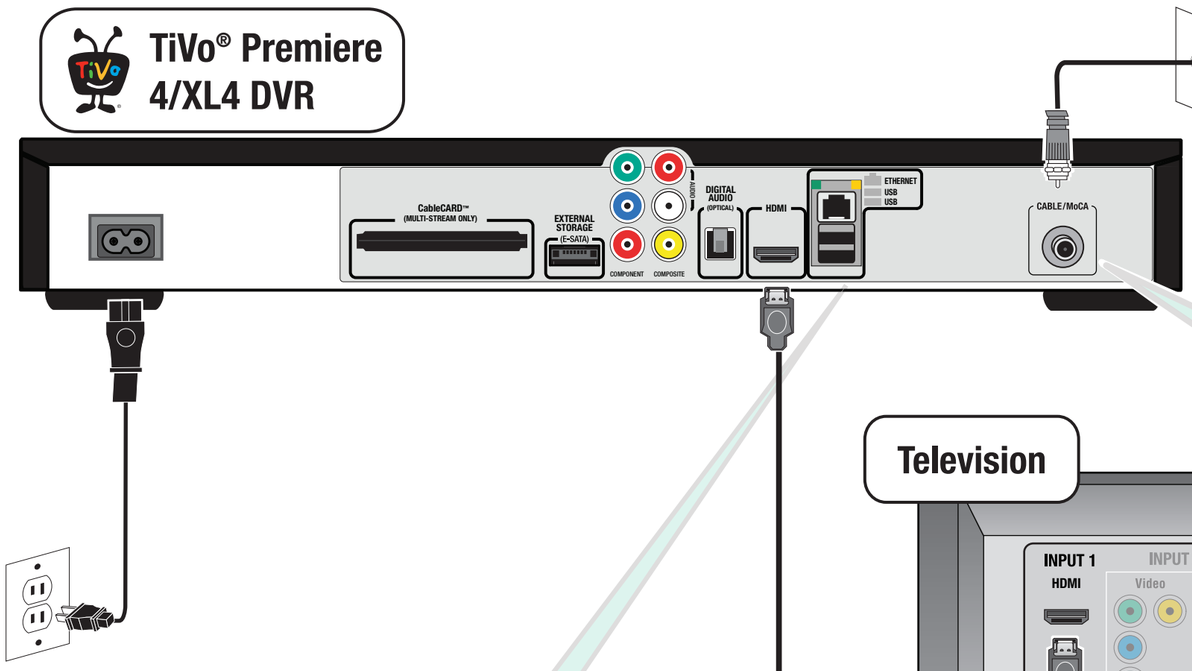
Optical Digital Audio cable for digital audio. Typically used with an A/V receiver or home theater system.

Coaxial RF cable for receiving a cable signal and for connecting to the TiVo Service through a MoCA connection.

3 Connect to the Cable Service

Connect the Coaxial RF cable coming from the wall to the **CABLE/MoCA** port on the back of the DVR.

If this cable is connected to the TV or cable box, disconnect it and connect it to the TiVo DVR instead.



4 Connect Audio/Video

Connect your video and audio cables between your television and your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4.

If your high-definition TV has an HDMI port (Recommended):

Connect the HDMI cable from the TiVo Premiere 4/XL4's HDMI OUT port to the HDMI IN port on the back of your high-definition TV, as shown above. If you use this method, video and audio are connected with this one cable! You can move on to Step 5.

HDMI Port

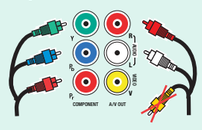
If your high-definition TV does not have an HDMI port:

A. Connect video: Connect a Component Video cable (green, blue, red) **(sold separately)** from the TiVo Premiere 4/XL4's **COMPONENT OUT** port to the **COMPONENT IN** port on the back of your high-definition TV.

B. Connect audio: Connect the red and white ends of a Composite A/V cable from the TiVo Premiere 4/XL4's **A/V OUT** ports to the **A/V IN** ports on your TV. Do not connect the yellow end (standard video).

Note: Most TVs have more than one input. Make note of the input you use for video, and use the same input when you connect audio.

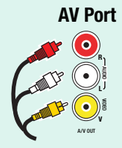
Component and Audio Ports



If you have a standard-definition TV:

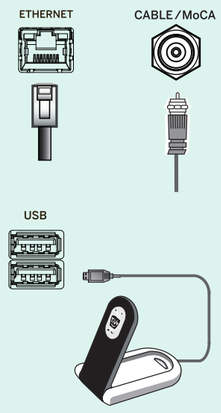
For a standard definition (non-HD) video connection, connect **all ends** of the included Composite cables (red, white, and yellow) from the A/V OUT ports on the TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 to the red, white, and yellow A/V IN ports on your TV.

AV Port



5 Connect to the Internet

The TiVo Premiere 4/XL4 needs a broadband Internet connection to receive program listings, TiVo® service updates, and on-demand content. The wired and wireless connection methods listed below are all sufficient for these purposes. However, if you plan to have multiple TiVo boxes in your home and would like to share shows between them, you must use a wired connection (Ethernet or MoCA).



* Wireless G USB Network Adaptor

Ethernet (wired) – Connect an Ethernet cable from the home network to the TiVo DVR's **Ethernet** port.

MoCA® (wired) – MoCA (Multimedia over Coax Alliance) enables you to connect to your home network using the same cable you use to get cable TV. If you already have MoCA enabled in your home, simply connect your coaxial cable to the **CABLE/MoCA** port on the TiVo DVR. If you don't have MoCA enabled yet, visit **www.tivo.com/moca** to learn how easy it to get started.

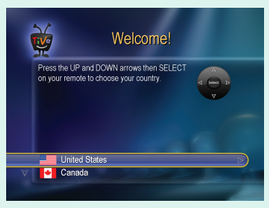
Wireless N – Connect a TiVo® Wireless N Network Adapter to the TiVo DVR's **Ethernet** port, and follow the instructions provided with the adapter. The TiVo® Wireless N Network Adapter is available at **www.tivo.com/store**.

Wireless B/G – Connect a TiVo Wireless G USB Network Adapter to one of the TiVo DVR's **USB ports.** The TiVo® Wireless G USB Network Adapter is available at **www.tivo.com/store**.

6 Plug in the Power Cord

The TiVo Premiere 4/XL4's front panel displays a green light at startup.

7 Tune your TV to see the Welcome Screen



Turn on your TV.

If you don't see the Welcome screen:

Use the Input, Source, or TV/Video button on your TV remote or TV to select the audio/video input source you used in step 4. On many TVs, you can also change the channel to select different input sources.

When you see the Welcome screen, you're ready to begin **Guided Setup**. **You should complete Guided Setup even if you don't yet have a CableCARD decoder. Just follow the on-screen instructions.**

Need some help?

Check out the Troubleshooting chapter in the ***Viewer's Guide*** for more help with connecting your TiVo Premiere 4/XL4, completing Guided Setup, and using the TiVo Service. If you have more questions, visit us online.

www.tivo.com/support

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