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Dual USB 3.0 and USB 2.0 compatibility

WD SmartWare™ visual backup software

Hardware encryption, password protection

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Product Features

Dual USB 3.0 and USB 2.0 compatibility
A single drive with universal compatibility today and next-generation speed for tomorrow. Use it with USB 2.0 now and step up to USB 3.0 speed when you're ready.

Up to 3x faster transfer rates
When connected to a USB 3.0 port, this drive lets you access and save files up to three times faster than USB 2.0. Transfer a 2-hour HD movie in just under five minutes instead of 14 minutes.*

Performance may vary based on user's hardware and system configuration.

WD quality inside and out
For over 20 years, millions of people worldwide have trusted their data to WD hard drives. We are successful because we understand the importance of your data and our first concern is keeping that data safe.

WD SmartWare software
You're in control of your backup. Install all the features, select just the components you need, or if you prefer, choose not to use the software at all.

Automatic, continuous backup
Works quietly in the background to protect your data using minimal PC resources. Whenever you add or change a file it's instantly backed up.

Password protection for privacy
Gain peace of mind knowing that your data is protected from unauthorized access with password protection and encryption.*

* A model with disabled encryption is also available.

USB-powered
USB-powered directly from the USB port on your PC. No separate power supply is needed.

Planet friendly
We designed a small box and used recycled material to minimize waste. We encourage you to recycle it.

USB 3.0 transfers files up to 3x faster than USB 2.0*

500 Photos
With USB 3.0 — 54 seconds
With USB 2.0 — 2 minutes 2 seconds

2000 Songs
With USB 3.0 — 4 minutes
With USB 2.0 — 8 minutes 27 seconds

2-hour HD Movie
With USB 3.0 — 4 minutes 50 seconds
With USB 2.0 — 14 minutes 27 seconds

*When connected to a USB 2.0 interface data transfers will occur at USB 2.0 speeds.

Product Specifications

INTERFACE
USB 3.0 (backward compatible with USB 2.0)

DIMENSIONS
Height:	0.60 in (15 mm)
Depth:	4.30 in (110 mm)
Width:	3.20 in (83 mm)
Weight:	0.31 lb (0.14 kg)

SYSTEM COMPATIBILITY
Formatted NTFS for Windows® XP, Windows Vista®, Windows 7,

Requires reformatting for Mac OS® X Leopard®, Snow Leopard®

CAPACITIES AND MODELS
500 GB

Midnight Black	WDBACY5000ABK
Pacific Blue	WDBACY5000ABL
Real Red	WDBACY5000ARD
Cool Silver	WDBACY5000ASL
Arctic White	WDBACY5000AWT

* Arctic White available only in Europe, Middle East, Africa and Asia.

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OPERATING SPECIFICATIONS
Data transfer rate:[1] Up to 480 Mb/sec in USB 2.0 mode and up to 5 Gb/sec in USB 3.0 mode

Operating temperature: 5°C to 35°C
Non-op. temperature: –20°C to 65°C

[1]A USB 3.0 host and USB 3.0 certified cable are required to obtain USB 3.0 performance rate.

LIMITED WARRANTY
2 years	Americas
2 years	EMEA
3 years	APAC
3 years	Japan