

N64 Disc Drive

Better known as the N64DD, this was an expansion available for the original N64 that would allow for the loading from discs instead of cartridges.

Largely a commercial failure, never left Japan. But the few titles that were developed and released for it were incredible.




Quick reference

- **Accepted ROM formats:** .z64 .n64 .n64 .n64 .n64 .zip .7z
- **Folders:** /userdata/roms/n64dd

Emulators	Accepted ROM formats
libretro: Mupen64Plus-Next	.z64, .n64, .v64, .zip, .7z
libretro: ParaLLeI_N64	.z64, .n64, .v64, .zip, .7z

BIOS

MD5 checksum	Share file path	Description
	bios/Mupen64plus/IPL.n64	N64 Dynamic Disk Initial Program Loader for Mupen64Plus
8d3d9f294b6e174bc7b1d2fd1c727530	bios/64DD_IPL.bin	N64 Dynamic Disk Initial Program Loader for Parallel-N64

Using libretro-Mupen64Plus-Next

To play N64DD games:

1. First make sure that you have the right N64DD BIOS file at the right location (see above).
2. Place your N64DD cartridge ROMs in /userdata/roms/n64dd. They should have the extension .z64.
3. Place your N64DD disk ROMs in the same /userdata/roms/n64dd. They should have the extension .z64.n64.
4. While hovering over the game in the gamelist, press [SELECT] and set the emulator to [libretro: Mupen64Plus-Next](#).

Emulators/configuration are the same as the regular N64 emulators.

Using libretro-Parallel64

Libretro-Parallel64 enables standalone N64DD games like SimCity 64 or the Mario Artist series.

These aren't expansions but full games running originally on floppy disks. To play these games:

1. First make sure that you have the right N64DD BIOS file at the right location (see above).
2. Place your N64DD disk ROMs in /userdata/roms/n64dd. They should have the extension .ndd.
3. While hovering over the game in the gamelist, press [SELECT] and set the emulator to libretro: Parallel N64 and the Graphics API to Vulkan.
4. Then you can launch the game from EmulationStation

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