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## HomeLoader Guide



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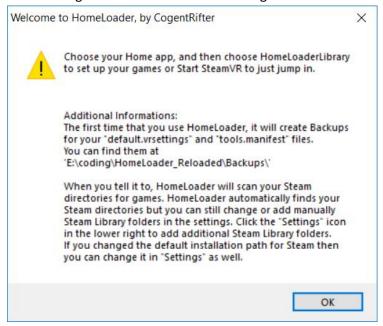
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#### 0 - HOMELOADER FIRST START:

1. The first time HomeLoader starts, it will create Backups for your "default.vrsettings" and "tools.manifest" files and search for your steam installation folder.

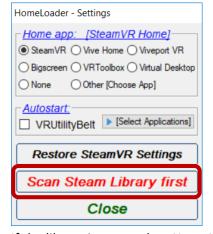
You will be greeted with a welcome message and will receive further information on how to proceed.

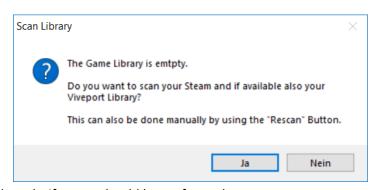


2. Next HomeLoader will ask you to select the Home app that will be used. You can also select Steam VR Home if you don't want to use an alternative one.



3. The first time that you start HomeLoader, the Library will be empty so click on 'Scan Library First'.





If the library is empty then HomeLoader asks if a scan should be performed.

4. Use the 'Rescan Steam Library' Button to scan the Library after first start. If "Scan with Home App Start" is activated then HomeLoader will perform the Scan every time the Home App is loaded.



## HomeLoader can be used after the Scan.

#### **Troubleshooting**

- "White" SteamVR Environment
  - This can be fixed by using the HomeLoader uninstaller. It means that SteamVR cannot find the new SteamVR Home that you set in HomeLoader Settings. This can happen if you changed the location of the Home Loader Folder or if you uninstalled/deleted it before switching the Home app back to "Steam VR Home". Just install HomeLoader again and use the uninstaller.

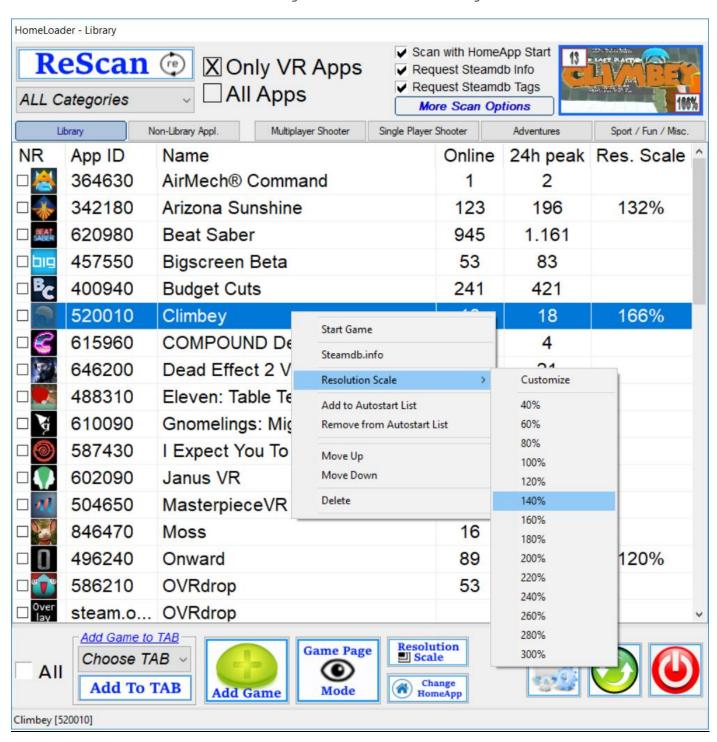
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#### 1 - HOME LOADER-GUI & FUNCTIONS:

#### 1.1 - MAIN:

HomeLoader's main Program shows the Library in a List View Mode and provides access to the main features and settings of HomeLoader.

The three main settings are available directly via the GUI and further settings can be accessed via the "More Scan Options" or the Settings Button. Use the "right-click menu" to change the Names of the Categories or to choose from additional game related Settings.



#### 1.2 - HOMELOADER LIBRARY:



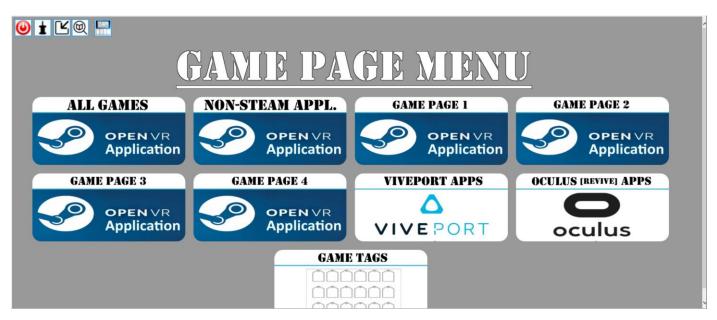
The HomeLoader Library can be used to scan your Steam, Viveport or Oculus (Revive) Library's and to organize your games.

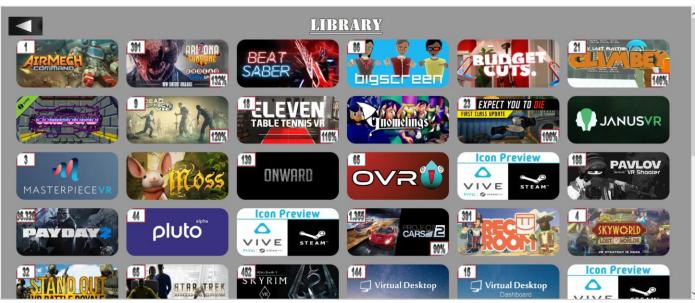
After scanning your Libraries, it will show all of your games in a List View and display the current number of users in each game.

Additional game information are accessible trough the Steamdb.info page or available in the right click menu.

#### HomeLoader provides

also a Game Launcher that is accessible through the "Game Page Mode" Button. The Game Launcher will also start automatically with the Home App if the appropriate setting is activated. It can be used to show the Game Pages that HomeLoader created during the scan and to load the Games from the different Category Pages.





#### Upper menu:

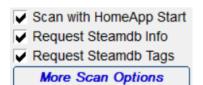




⊠Only VR Apps □All Apps Initiates a new scan using the activated scan options. Use the Right Click Menu to start the different scans individually.

Use the dropdown to select the category that should be displayed in the List View.

You can specify whether HomeLoader should scan only for VR applications or for all available apps in you game Libraries. This setting also defines the content that is displayed in the list view.



<u>Scan with Home App:</u> If activate HomeLoader will perform the scan every time the Home App is started.

**Request Steamdb Info:** If activated it will fetch the player count information from the <a href="https://steamdb.info">https://steamdb.info</a> page during the scan.

<u>Request Steamdb Tags:</u> If activated it will fetch the game Tags for each game from the <a href="https://steamdb.info">https://steamdb.info</a> Tags Page during the scan.



The Game Icon for the selected game will be displayed in the top right.

#### Lower menu:











This Checkbox can be used to select or unselect all Games in the List View.

You can organize your lists by using the right click menu and copy Apps to the Category using the DropDown.

It is possible to add Non-Steam games by clicking the "Add Game" button.

The Game Launcher is accessible through the "Game Page Mode" Button.

These Buttons open the Resolution scale and Home App Menu in a separate Window.

## 1.3 - SETTINGS (CHANGE HOME APP):

#### **Choose Home App:**



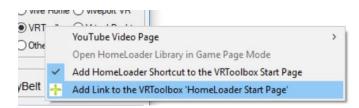
#### Home App:

- Choose one of the available home applications or select 'Other' to use any installed SteamVR application as the new SteamVR Home App.

#### Autostart:

- If you use VRUB and the HomeLoader Overlay then you can activate it with the checkbox.

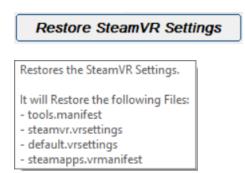
Use the Right Click Menu for Home App related settings.



Use the Autostart Section if you want to enable / disable apps from starting after the Home App was loaded.

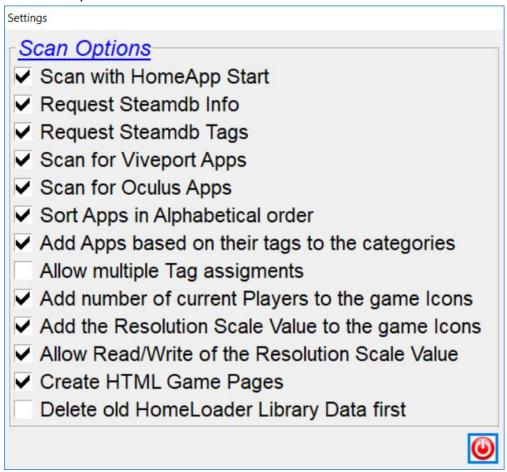


If you want to uninstall HomeLoader or are searching for a way to restore the Steam settings then use the "Restore" Button and restore the settings from the first start.



## 1.4 - SETTINGS (SCAN OPTIONS):

These settings don't need to be changed and will reduce the functionality of HomeLoader. But if someone wants to customize or change the scan options then it can be done here. If "Delete old HomeLoader Library Data first" is activated then it will delete and Download the game Icons on every Scan for all games and not only for the new ones.



## 3 - UNINSTALL:

#### **Important:**

Before uninstalling or deleting HomeLoader you should switch back to the default SteamVR Home app. Steam will also restore the files when switching to the SteamVR beta or the stable.

#### 3 - MISCELLANEOUS:

## 3.1 - GITHUB PAGE:

You can find the Downloads, Updates, and more information on the HomeLoader GitHub page.

## 3.2 - LINKS:

#### **HomeLoader Preview Videos:**

HomeLoader 0.63 Preview: https://youtu.be/NLHmKWOvmSA

Using VR Toolbox as Home App/Game Launcher: <a href="https://youtu.be/Tkwu8j0XDK8">https://youtu.be/Tkwu8j0XDK8</a>

Home Loader - First Start Preview: https://youtu.be/0F6zeGrc8KA