Getting started

WELCOME

..to your new B3! This getting-started-guide will take you through installation and usage, and show how you can use the features to simplify your life.

IMPORTANT TO KNOW

Always turn your B3 off using the back side button. Never remove power when B3 is active as there is a remote risk that it will damage your the hard drive.

Keep the back side button pressed for about 5 seconds. Release the button and wait (approximately 20 seconds) until the front lamp is turned off. It's now safe to remove the power.
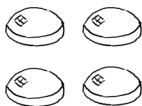
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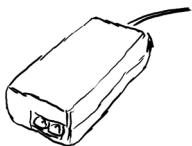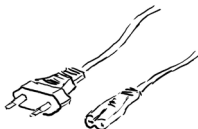YOU DON'T NEED THE EXTRA COPY?
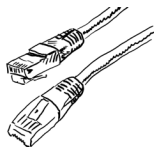
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Rubber feet

This guide

Power brick

Mains cable (your country standard)

Network cable
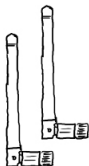
2 pcs. WiFi antennas (not all models)

GETTING STARTED

1. Decide whether you want B3 to be lying down or standing upright. Assemble the rubber feet accordingly:

2. Use the enclosed network cable and connect it between B3's LAN port and your network, either directly to your computer or to a switch or router. Also connect B3's WAN port to your internet connection or modem. Some connection examples:

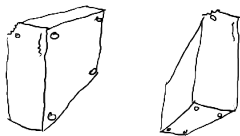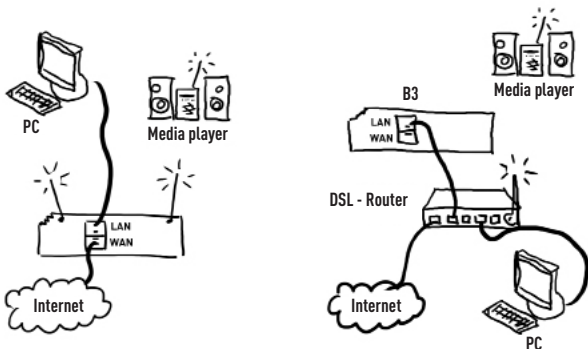3. Connect the power brick, first to B3, then to a wall outlet.

4. After about 1 minute when the blue lamp on B3's front is constantly lit B3 is powered up.

5. Start an Internet browser on your computer and type **b3** in the address field. If you are using MAC or Linux type **b3.local** instead.

6. A dialog where you are prompted for password will pop up. Log in using the password **admin**.

7. Follow the **Setup wizard**. It is recommended to create a user for every person who will use B3.

Your B3 is now ready for use!

EASY
TO USE

USING B3 TO CREATE A
WIRELESS NETWORK

B3's wireless network is by default turned off. To turn it on:

1. Browse to **B3** in a web browser.
2. Click the gear wheel in the upper right (**Administration)**.
3. Type **admin** both as **Username** and **Password**.
4. Click **Network** -> **Wireless**.
5. Activate **Wireless** and type desired **Network name (SSID)** and **Password**.
6. Click **Update**.

NOTE! B3 CAN ALSO BE PURCHASED
WITHOUT WIFI.

STORING FILES ON B3

There are many ways to save and read files on B3. Some of the possibilities are presented here:

THE WEB FILE MANAGER
This file manager can be reached wherever you are in the world. If you are on your local network (the same network as B3) - browse to **b3** in a web browser. If you are anywhere else, use your EasyFind name (choose name under Settings -> Identity).

The web file manager is started by clicking the icon **File manager**. Log in as a regular user (not admin).
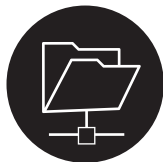
Current path   Function icons
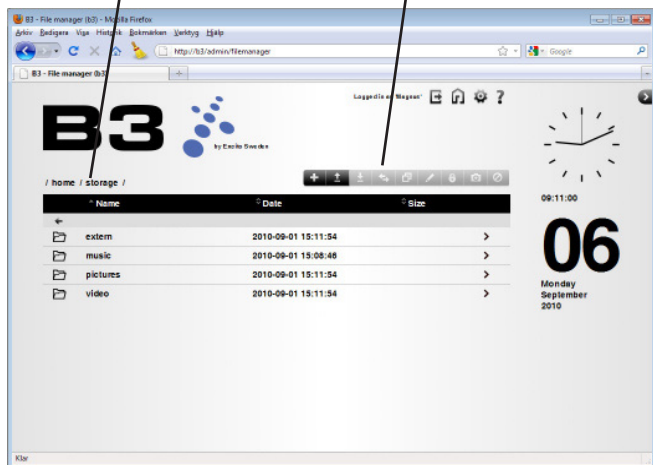
- Double click a folder to open it.
- Double click a file to open it.
- Mark several files by using CTRL or SHIFT on the keyboard and click the files.
- Sort the file list by clicking the icons next to **Name**, **Date** and **Size**.
- Use the function icon bar to do the following:

Create a new folder

Upload files to B3

Download as zip

Move

Copy

Rename

Change access rights

Add to photo album

Delete

**WINDOWS EXPLORER, MAC FINDER AND
LINUX FILE BROWSER**
This is a way to reach your files in an easy way. It is required
that you are on the same local network as B3.

- In Windows - go to **Windows Explorer** (also called
  Computer or **This computer**). Click **Network** and then
  B3.
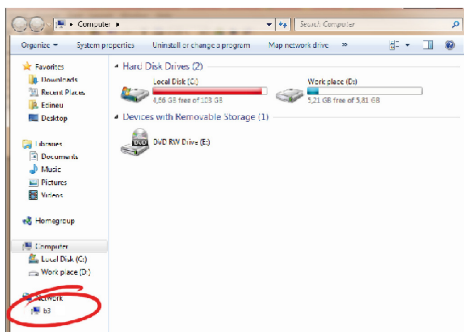
- On Mac - start **Finder**. B3 will automatically show up in
  the list to the left.
- On Linux - go to **File Browser**, **Nautilus** or similar. **B3** will
  automatically show up as a network unit.

LISTENING TO MUSIC WITH B3

B3 can store and deliver music to several players, even your web browser!

STORING MUSIC ON B3
For B3 to be able to publish your music to the different services you have to store the music under **storage/music**. Use any of the ways described in the previous chapter to do this.

LISTENING TO THE MUSIC USING YOUR WEB BROWSER
This feature works even if you are outside of your local network - hence it is possible to listen to your personal music collection from work. Click the music icon on the start page. All music added under **storage/music** is displayed, ready to enjoy!

LISTENING TO THE MUSIC IN YOUR PLAYBACK DEVICE
B3 automatically publishes the music using three different ways in your local network - UPnP, DAAP and Squeezebox Server. This makes almost all available music players to work with B3. You don't have to do anything more than connecting your music player to make it work, it detects B3 and your music automatically. Please note that Squeezebox Server is disabled by default. Log in as **admin**, click **Services** and activate **Squeezebox Server**.

EXAMPLES OF SUPPORTED MUSIC PLAYERS:
SQUEEZEBOX (ALL MODELS), SOUNDBRIDGE,
SONOS, XBOX, PS3 ETC.

USING B3 TO DOWNLOAD FILES

B3 can help you to download large files, so you don't have to leave your computer on more than necessary. Click the download icon on the front page and log on using your user name and password.

1. Paste the link to the file in the text field.
2. The download starts automatically.
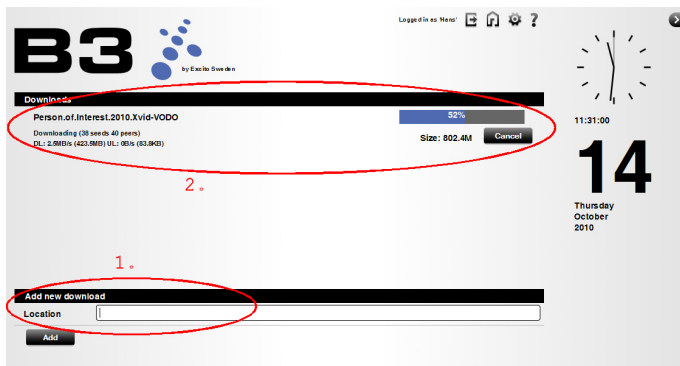
The download manager supports http (web), ftp and torrent files.

YOU CAN ALSO START TORRENT DOWNLOADS BY SAVING THE TORRENT FILE IN /HOME/<YOUR USER>/TORRENTS

CREATING PHOTO ALBUMS USING B3

Create a photo album to share with family and friends with a few clicks. Please follow these steps:

1. Store your photos in **storage/pictures**.
2. Go to the photo album - click the icon **Photos** on the first page.
3. Log in with a B3 user (not administrator).
4. Click ▦ (the wrench icon) to enter **Manage mode**.
5. Click the icon **Create album** to start the album wizard
   - Set an album name and description. Click **Next**.
   - Set the user access rights for the album:
     - Public album, activate **Allow anonymous access**.
     - Private album, click **Manage users** to create album users. Click ▦. Fill in user information, click ✔.
       Close the **Manage album user** window.
       Click **Access allowed** for the user. Click **Next**.
   - Select pictures or folders and click **Create album**.
6. Click the wrench icon to exit **Manage mode**.
7. Now you see all albums you have access rights to. Remember to log in with your album user to see private pictures.

NOTE THAT YOU CAN REACH B3 (AND THE ALBUMS) USING YOUR EASYFIND NAME WHEREVER YOU ARE.

**Choose your Easyfind name
under Settings - Identity**

BACKUP IMPORTANT DATA

We recommend that you always keep at least one extra copy of your important data. B3 has several features that can help you with this.

BACKUP DATA FROM YOUR PC TO B3
There are several ways to do this. Easiest is to use your computers built-in features for backup:

Windows XP Pro
1. Go to **Start > Programs > Accessories > System Tools > Backup**. Walk through the guide and select what you need to backup:
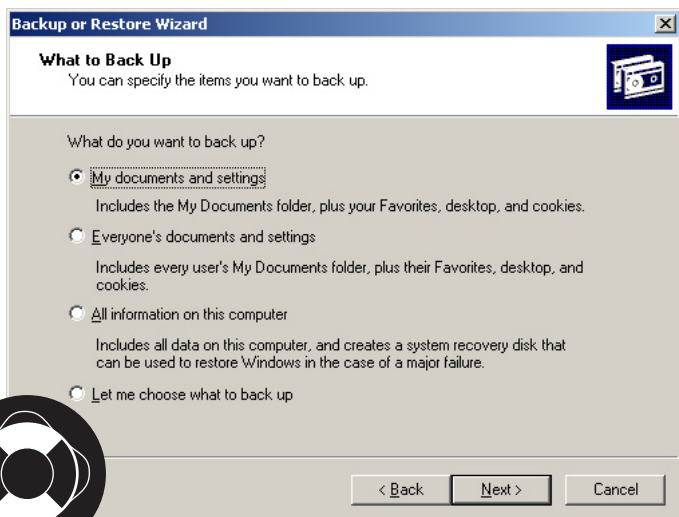
2. As destination, choose your B3:

Backup or Restore Wizard

Backup Type, Destination, and Name
Your files and settings are stored in the destination you specify.

Select the backup type:

File

Choose a place to save your backup:

\\b3\storage   Browse...

Type a name for this backup:

Backup

< Back   Next >   Cancel
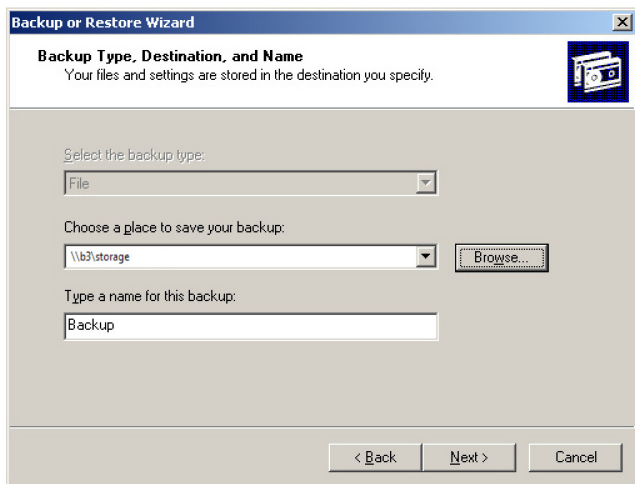
3. Complete the guide. If you want to schedule this backup to make it run automatically at certain times, do so by selecting **Start > Programs > Accessories > System Tools > Scheduled Tasks**, and add an event.

To restore your files, choose **Restore** instead of **Backup** in the above guide.

Windows Vista and Windows 7

This works almost the same, except that scheduling now is included in the same guide.

1. Go to **Start > Control Panel > Backup and Restore**. Complete the guide similarly, choose **Save to Network** and set B3 as target:

BACKUP DATA FROM B3 TO AN EXTERNAL DEVICE

B3 also has an embedded backup feature to back up data stored on B3 to an external device. This device can be:

- a USB-disk, connected to B3
- **Excito Storage**, connected to B3
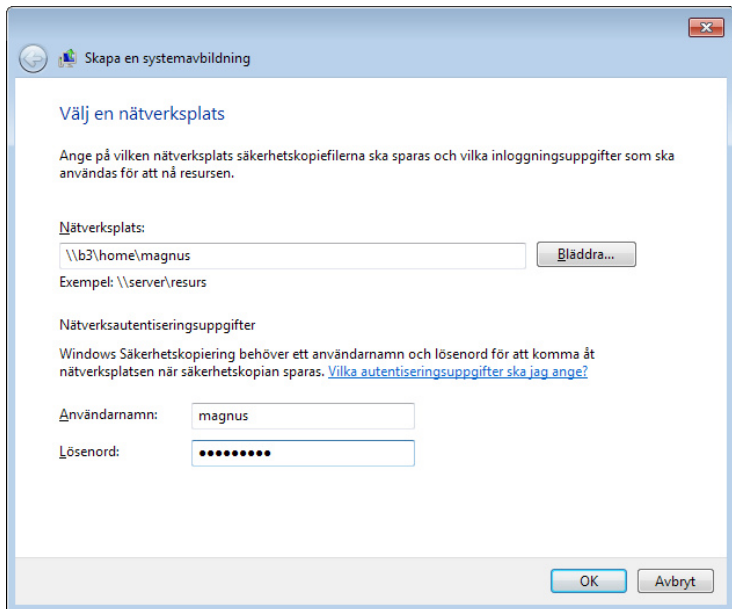- an SSH-server, anywhere on the Internet (for example another B3)
- an FTP-server, anywhere on the internet

Follow these steps:

1. From B3's start page, click the gear wheel (**Administration**) in the top right. Log on using the password **admin**.
2. Click **File Manager > Backup**
3. In the empty field, enter a name for your backup job, for example **Mail**. Click **Create Job**.
4. Under **Included directories**, choose what you want to include in the backup, for example your user/Mail. Click **browse** and select.
5. Under **Target settings**, choose settings for the target device. For example USB/E-SATA disk.
6. Click **Backup schedule** and choose how often you need the backup to run.
7. Choose whether you wish your target data to be encrypted under **Data security.** In that case, be careful not to lose the password!
8. Click **Save settings** when finished!

THIS FEATURE SAVES YOUR DATA IN A TIME LINE MANNER
- WHEN YOU NEED TO RESTORE YOUR BACKUP
YOU CAN CHOOSE AT WHAT BACKUP
POINT TO FETCH THE DATA FROM.

CREATE A RAID SYSTEM

Except for the backup features you can create a RAID system with B3. RAID is a way to mirror the hard drive data towards another hard drive - **Excito Storage** - for increased data security. Before deciding to do this, please note the following:

RAID only protects against disk crashes. It does not protect your data against theft, fire, viruses, unintentional erasing, flooding etc. We therefore recommend that you combine RAID with a backup solution.

Do like this:

1. Connect your **Excito Storage** via eSATA.
2. From the start page, click the gear wheel (**Administration**).
3. Click **Disk -> RAID**
4. Click **Create RAID array** and follow the instructions. Note that this may take several hours to complete.

A FEW TIPS!

- In a web browser, press **M** (Menu) on your keyboard to reach the shortcuts from B3s first page.
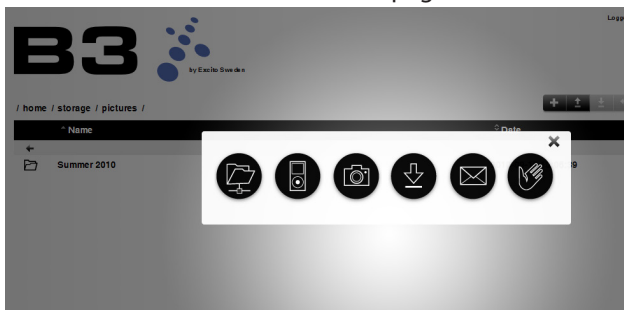
- To get instant help, press the **question mark** in the upper right corner in the user interface.

- Combine backup with RAID to ensure secure data storing.

- Use Easyfind to reach your B3 when you are away from your local network.

...AND MUCH MUCH MORE...

You should now master the most important features of your B3. To learn more, for instance how to:

- Watch film and photos from B3,
- use the email and calendar features,
- use B3 as printer server,
- use the FTP server,
- expand your storage,
- use B3 as a web server,
- install more features,
- exchange or re-install the hard drive,
- open ports in the firewall,
- or tamper with the network settings...

..we kindly ask you to read the full users manual, available at **www.excito.com**, click **support**.

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