

## Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by Batz - 01 May 2011 09:09

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I have spent some time to build a clean install of Windows 2000 Pro (no service packs or updates). I removed programs that are not required and installed JZip (to allow Zip/Unzip).

I chose Windows 2000 because:

1. It is the smallest version of Windows that can run properly on Virtual Box
2. Microsoft are unlikely to get too upset at the distribution of a 12 year old OS!
3. It is not possible to run Windows 98 on Virtual Box properly (it works on VMWare workstation though)

Warlords 3: Darklords Rising is installed and then patched with the US v1.02 patch and then the 'No CD crack' is installed.

I have compressed the resulting virtual hard disk file as much as I can and it comes to 372MB. I am prepared to share this on a request basis (preferably via a private torrent) and/or upload it to this site if admins are agreeable.

All you need is to install Virtual Box and install it (on any current version of Windows).

I have been testing it and it works great. There are a number of advantages to running in a VM.

If people are excited by this idea then I will write some instructions and hints and tips into a page for this site.

Batz

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by morkai - 21 Apr 2013 14:32

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Thank you very much. I finally get time to try it out. It works like a charm. Im curious about why it doesnt work in my wine installation and it works in anothers. If I discover something i post it about here.

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by Grinex - 17 Jun 2013 17:05

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Greetings, Batz!

If u wouldn't mind, can u send me the link to VM? ☺

Its really great game from my past, and sadly it won't work under XP ☺

Thx in advance. ☺

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by LordManhammer - 09 Jul 2013 17:52

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Hello fellow warlords!

So I tried installing the VB and used the link to get the prebuild VM, however the game keep on coming up with 'Error Initializing DirectDraw'. Tried to reinstall and not touching any screensize or calibrating anything, but the same error message comes up.

The same apply to me trying to play without the VirtualBox.

I am playing it on an AcerOne, 2 GB RAM, Windows 7 Starter (for some unfathomable reason).

Hope you can help,

Lord ManHammer

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by Vorroth - 29 Dec 2013 19:33

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I've been having the same error initially after running Batz' VM for DRL.

Changing the resolution to 800x600 or 640x480 in the game launcher fixed it for me.

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by Fixer123 - 30 Dec 2013 14:58

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Hello!

I installed Warlords 3 on Windows 2000 through Virtual Box. The game works, but the only problem I have is scaling: the game is running in a window and I want to run in fullscreen. I tried to put different resolutions, but it just changed the size of window. In shortcut properties I chose "Run in fullscreen" but it doesn't work either.

Hope for your help, thanks.

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by Vorroth - 03 Jan 2014 06:54

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What you need to do is switch your virtual machine to run in fullscreen. After starting your VM, select View> Switch to fullscreen. It will not fill the screen, but it looks fine in 1024x768 resolution on my monitor.

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## Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR

Posted by Echols - 01 Feb 2014 09:39

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Batz

I need your help, i downloaded the VM, and now need the link for the warlords.ova file you mentioned in your help section, if you can please tell me how to do this so i can start playing would be awesome.

I changed the preferences to be a file on my windows 7 dsktop called VM Folder, let me know what to do next.

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**Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR**

Posted by Batz - 01 Feb 2014 14:43

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It's all explained here:

[www.warlords.com/warlords3-dlr/technic...in-a-virtual-machine](http://www.warlords.com/warlords3-dlr/technic...in-a-virtual-machine)

The OVA file is 'inside' the Warlords.zip file so just extract that using 7-aip (or any zip opening app).

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**Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR**

Posted by lorddan - 31 Mar 2014 15:38

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Thanks it works great nice to be able to play again.

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**Re: Pre-built VirtualBox VM w/ Win2000 & W3:DLR**

Posted by Earendil - 08 Sep 2014 12:10

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Wow! I was looking in the web to find a way to play again with this wonderful game, and found this website. Thank you! Batz, I'm going to send you a PM if you don't mind 🙏

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