Paragon Virtual Disk Mounter for Mac OS X™

User Manual
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Introduction

Paragon Virtual Disk Mounter for Mac OS X™ (in the following Paragon VDMounter) specially developed to mount the virtual disk images in OS X systems with providing full read/write access to a virtual disk content.

The following formats are supported by Paragon VDMounter:

- Vmdk – Vmware Virtual Disk
- Vdi – VirtualBox Virtual Disk
- Vhd – Microsoft Virtual PC
- Pvhd – Paragon Virtual Disk
- Vhdx – Microsoft Hyper-V Virtual Disk

System Requirements

OS X 10.7 – 10.10

Key Features

- Very easy to use – mount a virtual container by double clicking or using Finder's "Open With..." context submenu.
- A powerful CLI (Command Line Interface) utility allows you to create and mount a virtual container.
- High performance – high access speed to virtual disk content.

Installation

Paragon VDMounter coming as a DMG virtual disk that includes .pkg installation file:
The following screenshots show a standard setup procedure:
You, as end user

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This will take 1.4 MB of space on your computer.

Click Install to perform a standard installation of this software on the disk "Macintosh HD".
The application requests administrative privileges:
It is recommended to restart your computer for finish the installation.

**Interfaces**

You can work with Paragon VDMounter via two type of interface:

1. With Paragon VDMounter.app; run the application, choose a required virtual container from UI and mount it.
2. **Vdmutil Command Line Utility** allows you to create new virtual containers or mount existing ones.

**CLI Syntax:**

```
vdmutil <action> [options]
```

**Actions:**
- `uninstall` [version]

**Options:**
- `-vendor <vendor>`: vendor name
- `-number` [k|m|g|t|p], where <number> - decimal or hexadecimal positive number
- `-blocksize <blocksize>`: block size in bytes. 0 means 512 bytes (default). Only for PVHD.

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After mounting, a new virtual device appears in the system. You can work with this disk as if it would be an ordinary physical disk.

When you complete your work, eject the virtual disk using Disk Utility or Finder.

**Uninstallation**

Paragon VDMounter has two uninstallation ways:

1. With a special uninstallation utility included in the DMG virtual disk:
The following screenshots show a standard uninstallation procedure:
2. By using CLI utility:

```
bash-3.2# vdmutil uninstall
Paragon VDMounter uninstalled successfully.
bash-3.2#
```

**Troubleshooting:**
In operation the application writes logs to the System Log (/var/log/system.log). Please, provide this log to Paragon Technical Support in case of error diagnosis or other problems.

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