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## RETROPIE RESOURCES CHEATSHEET

Below are links that are useful for getting your Raspberry Pi configured with:



These resources are relevant for RetroPie v4.2 (released March 2017), the most recent version as of this publication. Please visit RetroPie's website for information on installing the current version.

### HELPFUL UTILITIES

- ❖ SD Card formatting tools:
  - Windows or Mac: [SD Card Formatter](#)
  - Linux: [FDISK/CFDISK](#)
- ❖ Disk imaging tool:
  - Windows: [Win32 Disk Imager](#)
  - Mac: [Apple Pi Baker](#)
  - Linux: [Unetbootin](#)

### NECESSARY SOFTWARE

- ❖ [RetroPie disk image](#) – choose the appropriate one for your more powerful Raspberry Pi 2/3 or your single core Raspberry Pi Zero/1
- ❖ [Video game ROMs](#)

### NECESSARY HARDWARE

- ❖ Raspberry Pi 3 (for emulation of N64/PlayStation 1 era and older systems)  
OR
- ❖ Raspberry Pi Zero W (works well enough for SNES/Sega Genesis and older)
- ❖ Enclosure for Raspberry Pi
- ❖ [iBuffalo Classic USB Gamepad](#) (SNES-style)
- ❖ Class 10 or faster Micro SD card that is at least 8GB capacity
- ❖ Micro USB Power Supply (2.5A, 5V)
- ❖ (For Pi Zero) Micro USB to USB-A adapter
- ❖ (Optional: for overclocking Pi 3) Heat sinks and cooling fan
- ❖ HDMI cable (Alternately for Pi Zero: mini-HDMI to HDMI cable)
- ❖ USB memory stick (for transferring games)
- ❖ Desktop or Laptop computer
- ❖ SD card reader

### RETROPIE CUSTOMIZATION

- ❖ [Setting a custom splash screen/startup video](#)
- ❖ [Changing the RetroPie's default theme](#)
- ❖ [Adding video game art, descriptions, ratings, and other metadata](#)

### STUCK? HELPFUL LINKS

- ❖ [RetroPie homepage](#)
- ❖ [RetroPie Installation Guide](#)
- ❖ [RetroPie Wiki on GitHub](#) (to view the Wiki or contribute code)