N64 Disc Drive

Better known as the N64DD, this was an expansion available for the original N64 that would allow for the loading from discs instead of cartridges.

Largely a commercial failure, never left Japan. But the few titles that were developed and released for it were incredible.



Quick reference

- **Accepted ROM formats:** `.z64 .n64 .ndd .zip .7z`
- **Folders:** `/userdata/roms/n64dd`

Emulators	Accepted ROM formats
libretro: Mupen64Plus-Next	`.z64`, `.n64`, `.v64`, `.zip`, `.7z`
libretro: ParaLLel_N64	`.z64`, `.n64`, `.v64`, `.zip`, `.7z`

BIOS

MD5 checksum	Share file path	Description
Fix Me!	`bios/Mupen64plus/IPL.n64`	N64 Dynamic Disk Initial Program Loader for Mupen64Plus
8d3d9f294b6e174bc7b1d2fd1c727530	`bios/64DD_IPL.bin`	N64 Dynamic Disk Initial Program Loader for Parallel-N64

Using libretro-Mupen64Plus-Next

To play N64DD games:

1. First make sure that you have the right N64DD BIOS file at the right location (see above).
2. Place your N64DD cartridge ROMs in `/userdata/roms/n64dd`. They should have the extension `.z64`.
3. Place your N64DD disk ROMs in the same `/userdata/roms/n64dd`. They should have the extension `.z64.ndd`.
4. While hovering over the game in the gamelist, press `[SELECT]` and set the emulator to libretro: Mupen64Plus-Next.

Emulators/configuration are the same as the regular N64 emulators.

Using libretro-Parallel64

Libretro-Parallel64 enables standalone N64DD games like `SimCity 64` or the `Mario Artist` series. These aren't expansions but full games running originally on floppy disks. To play these games:

1. First make sure that you have the right N64DD BIOS file at the right location (see above).
2. Place your N64DD disk ROMs in `/userdata/roms/n64dd`. They should have the extension `.ndd`.
3. While hovering over the game in the gamelist, press `[SELECT]` and set the emulator to `libretro: Parallel N64` and the Graphics API to `Vulkan`.
4. Then you can launch the game from EmulationStation

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