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GDB 5

FREE - TO - VIEW digital tv receiver / DAB digital radio

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introduction

Thank you for buying the Goodmans GDB 5 Digital Terrestrial Televison and Radio set-top box. The GDB 5 enables you to receive digital televison and DAB digital radio through your TV aerial and existing TV without the need for subscription-based cable or satellite access.

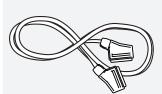
in the box



GDB 5 Digital TV/DAB Receiver main unit



Remote control



SCART to SCART lead



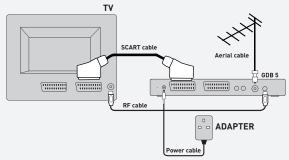
Batteries for remote control



Power adapter

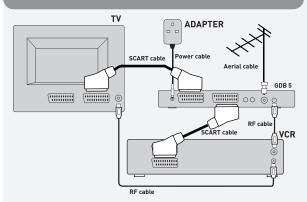
connecting up

connecting to a TV



- Connect the supplied Scart lead to the scart socket on your TV and the other end to the SCART TV socket on the back of your GDB5.
- Disconnect the TV aerial from your TV and reconnect it to the AERIAL IN socket on the back of your GDB5.
- Connect an RF loop through cable to your GDB5 AERIAL OUT socket and the other end of the cable to your TV aerial input socket.
- Connect the DC power adaptor cable to the 13 VOLT DC socket on the back of your GDB5 and insert the power adaptor into a 230V AC power supply.

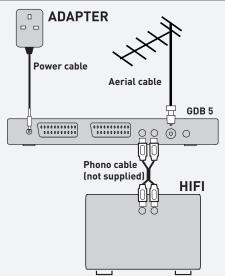
connecting to a TV and VCR



 Disconnect all the aerial and scart leads attached to your TV and VCR.

- Connect the supplied scart lead to the scart socket on your TV and the other end to the SCART TV socket on the back of your GDB5.
- Connect the TV aerial to the AERIAL IN socket on the back of your GDB5.
- Connect the supplied RF loop through cable to the GDB5 AERIAL OUT socket and the other end to your VCR aerial input socket.
- Connect an (existing / supplied with your VCR) RF cable to the aerial out socket of your VCR and the other end to the aerial input socket of your TV.
- Connect the (existing / supplied with your VCR) scart lead to the Scart socket of your VCR and the other end to the VCR/AUX Scart socket on the back of your GDB5.
- Connect the DC power adaptor cable to the 13 VOLT DC socket on the back of your GDB5 and insert the Power adaptor into a 230V AC power supply.

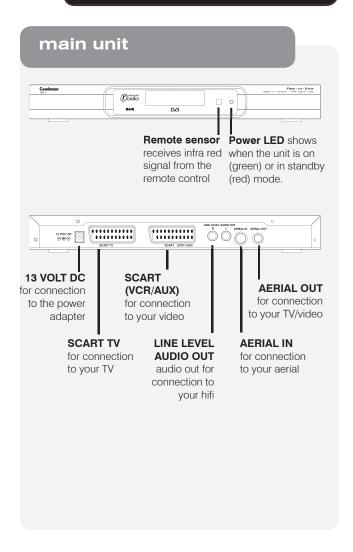
connecting to a hifi



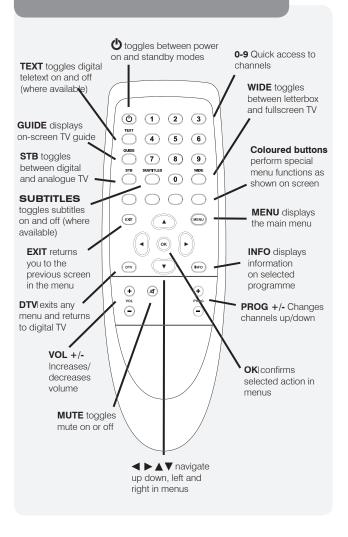
Use a dual phono to dual phono lead (not supplied) to connect your GDB 5 to your hifi as shown above to be able to record digital radio or output the audio through your hifi speakers.

Connect the aerial directly to your GDB 5.

overview diagrams



remote control



getting started

This section provides information on how to set up and start using your GDB 5 once you have connected up as described on pages 5 and 6. For further details on using your GDB 5 see the other sections in this manual.

1 Put batteries in the remote

Remove the cover on the rear of the remote control and insert two 'AA' size batteries. Ensure you insert them the correct way round as shown inside the battery compartment. Replace the cover.

2 Switch the unit on

With the unit connected to the power you should see the green light on the front panel indicating the unit is on.

 Switch on your TV. You should see the Setup screen.
 If you do not see the Setup screen you may have to select AV or similar on your TV remote.



 Press OK on your remote to start a search to find all the free digital channels available in your area. Press the green button (OK) when the search is finished. You see the first channel displayed on screen.

3 View digital TV channels

Once a search for channels has been completed you can watch any of the stored digital channels as follows:

- Press the DTV button at any time or if viewing the menu on screen, press Exit repeatedly until you see a channel on the screen.
- Change to another channel by using one of the following methods:
 - press the number of the channel you want
 - press the up or down arrow keys to find the channel and press OK to select
 - press GUIDE and use the up, down and OK keys, see TV Guide on page 12.

4 View programme information

You can view extra information about the current programme, change channel, or see what is on next using the info bar. To view and use the info bar whilst watching a digital TV channel:

 Press the INFO or OK button. You see the info bar at the bottom of the picture.



- Press the up and down arrows and OK to move through and select other channels available and use the right arrow to see what programme is coming up next (where broadcast).
- 3. Select a channel, press INFO again or press no buttons for 5 seconds to close the info bar and return to the TV

5 Listen to digital radio stations

To listen to digital radio through your television:

1. Press the MENU button. You see the Main Menu.



- Use the left and right arrows and OK to select the Digital Radio icon. If this is the first time you have selected Digital Radio a search will be performed to find stations available to you.
- Press the green button (OK) when the search is finished.
 The first station alphanumerically on the list will be selected and you will see the station name, any scrolling text being broadcast and the current volume level displayed on your TV.

Note The station name and scrolling text are also shown on the LCD display.



- Change to another station on the station list using one of the following methods:
 - press the number of the station you want
 - press the up or down arrows to highlight a station on the list and OK to change to that station.

Viewing extra information

Press the yellow button (Info on/off) to view extra information, including DAB channel and frequency, multiplex name and data rate.

Please read the instructions in the rest of this manual for further guidance on using your GDB 5.

Using the main menu

The main menu gives you access to the TV Guide, Digital Radio, Timer Record and Setup functions of your GDB 5. Press the MENU button to access the main menu then select one of the icons to access that function.



TV Guide

The TV Guide menu shows the complete list of digital channels available to you, shows which programmes are on and enables you to view favourite channels or further information about an individual programme.

You access the TV Guide from the main menu by selecting the TV guide icon or directly from the remote control by pressing the GUIDE button.



The channel list shows the channel number and name, the current programme on each channel and time it started. It also shows additional information about the highlighted programme (where broadcast) along the bottom of the screen.

Navigating through the list

Use the arrow keys on the remote to scroll up and down through the list of channels and left and right through the schedule for that channel (where broadcast). You can also jump up and down the list using the red (Page up) and green (Page down) buttons. If you have set up favourite channels you can toggle the list between showing only those channels you have selected as favourites and all channels by pressing the yellow (Fav On/Fav Off) button. See page 18 for more details about favourites.



Selecting a channel

You can select a channel to view in one of two ways:

- Enter the channel number listed alongside the channel in the list and press OK
- Navigate through the list to the channel using the arrow keys and press OK

Digital Radio

The Digital Radio menu shows the complete list of digital radio stations available to you, shows which type of content they broadcast and enables you to select favourite stations.

You access the Digital Radio menu from the main menu by selecting the Digital Radio icon.



The station list shows the station number and name and programme type.

Navigating through the list

Use the arrow keys on the remote to scroll up and down through the list of stations. You can also jump up and down the list using the red (Page up) and green (Page down) buttons. If you have set up favourite channels you can toggle the list between showing only those stations you have selected as favourites and all stations by pressing the yellow (Fav On/Fav Off) button. See page 18 for more details about favourites.



Selecting a station

You can select a station to listen to in one of two ways:

- Enter the station number listed alongside the station name in the list and press OK.
- Navigate through the list to the station using the arrow keys and press OK.

Press Exit to return to the station list.

Timer record

The Timer Record menu enables you to set your GDB 5 to switch on (if in standby mode) and tune to a channel for a set period of time. You can use this to record programmes to your VCR even when you are not watching TV.

You access the Timer Record function from the main menu by selecting the Timer Record icon. You see a list of recordings set.



Note This facility does not program your VCR to record the programme. You need to set your VCR manually to do this. Make sure that you set the VCR to record from AV or AUX for recording from an external source. Check your VCR manual for details.

Note Your GDB 5 will automatically tune to the channel you selected at the time you set. You cannot watch other digital channels whilst a record timer is active, however, you can switch to analogue TV and watch analogue channels by pressing the STB button.

You add or delete recordings from this list as described below:

Adding or editing a timer event



- Press the green (Add) button. You see the Add Program popup.
- Press the up and down arrows to scroll between Channel, Date, Start time, End time and Duration settings.
- Press the left and right arrows to increase or decrease the value of each of these settings.

- Press the Green (Add) button to confirm your changes or Red (Cancel) button to cancel your changes and return to the recording list.
- 5. To set another record timer repeat steps 1 to 4 above.

Deleting a timer event

- 1. Press the up and down arrows to scroll up and down the recording list and highlight the recording you want to delete.
- 2. Press the Red (Remove) key to remove the highlighted event from the list.

Setup

The Setup menu enables you to perform a search for digital TV channels, set up and manage your list of favourite channels, change audio and visual settings and get help aligning your aerial.



You access the Setup menu from the main menu by selecting the Setup icon.

TV Channel Search

Your GDB 5 can automatically scan the digital television frequencies and store the channels available in your area. The number of channels available will vary depending on coverage at your location and the orientation and type of your aerial. See Troubleshooting for further information on coverage and aerial issues.



 Select the TV Channel Search option using the up and down arrow keys and pressing OK.

The search will start and a bar will indicate the progress and the number of channels found in your area.

Note: You can cancel the search by pressing the red button or Exit at any time.

Press OK to exit the search menu when the search is complete.

TV Favourites

The TV Favourites option enables you to view a complete list of your Digital TV channels and mark those that are your favourites. Marking your favourite channels puts them at the top of the channel list for easy access. You can also manually change the order in which the channels appear in the channel list.

Select the TV Favourites option using the up and down arrow keys and pressing OK. You see a list of all the channels available to you.



Selecting your favourite channels

- Use the up and down arrows to highlight a channel then press OK. The channel is marked with a tick in the favourites list.
- Repeat step one as required to select other channels, or press the Green (Select All) button to select all channels or Red (Clear All) button to clear all selections.

Reordering your channel list

 Use the up and down arrows to highlight a channel you want to move in the list then press the Blue (Reorder) button.



- Use the up and down arrows to move to the location at which you want the highlighted channel to appear on your channel list.
- 3. Press the Blue (Place) button to move the channel location.
- 4. Repeat steps 1 to 3 to move other channels.

TV Features

The TV Features option enables you to set up language options for audio and subtitles (where available), set your TV format and video output.

Select the TV Features option using the up and down arrow keys and pressing OK. You see a list of features which you can view or change.



Audio Language

Use the up and down arrows to highlight the Audio Language option. Use the left and right arrows to change the audio language. This option is dependant on the broadcaster providing alternative audio languages. The default is English.

Subtitle Language

Use the up and down arrows to highlight the Subtitle Language option. Use the left and right arrows to change the subtitle language. This option is dependant on the broadcaster providing alternative subtitle languages. The default is English.

Display Format

Use the up and down arrows to highlight the Display Format option. Use the left and right arrows to change the format between 4:3 (standard TV) or 16:9 (Widescreen TV).

Signal Strength

The signal strength option enables you to view the signal level for all the known channels. If you find you have poor reception you can have an assistant move the aerial whilst you observe the signal meter. Once the signal meter is either yellow or green the reception should be satisfactory.

Press yellow (Refresh all) to recheck the signal strength for all the channels.

Note If you optimise the signal strength for one channel it may affect the reception of other channels.

troubleshooting

In most cases problems with your GDB 5 can be solved by resetting your unit. To reset your unit, remove the power supply from the rear and reconnect again.

Some possible problems and the most common solutions are given below:

I can't see any picture

Check that your GDB 5 is connected properly to your TV/VCR and switched on.

Ensure your TV is set to use the SCART input (some TVs will not automatically detect this).

The channel search finds no channels

Check that your aerail is connected directly to your GDB 5 and that it is of suitable type (Check with your retailer if unsure). Note that most indoor aerials are unsuitable for receiving Digital TV. Repeat the channel search, available on the Setup menu.

I cannot see my old analogue channels

Check that you have connected a suitable RF cable between your GDB 5 and your TV.

Press the DTV button on the remote to toggle between Digital and Analogue channels.

Software updates

Your GDB 5 contains software which may occasionally be updated to provide an enhanced service or improve operation. These updates will happen automatically and are broadcast usually in the middle of the night to your unit. You do not need to do anything to enable these updates. The updates will only happen when your unit is on or in standby, we recommend therefore that you do not unplug your unit from the mains when not in use but switch it to standby mode to enable any updates to take place.

technical specifications

General

Size (mm) 120 (w) x 218 (l) x 30 (d)

Weight 300 g

Power Consumption 800 mA (max) Standby 400 mA

System

Processor FS5021 DVB-T/DAB Decoder DSP/RISC processor

SDRAM 16 Mb Flash 2 Mb

MHEG-5 engine Compliant with DTG profile v1.05

DVB Reception

Frequency 474-858MHz Transmission standards DVB-T, MEPG-2

Demodulation COFDM with 2K/8K FFT mode

FEC all DVB modes

Video MP@ML. PAL. 4:3/16:9

Audio MPEG laver I & II 32/44.148kHz

DAB Reception

Frequency Band III UK only

Connections

UHF Aerial input, UHF Aerial output + 2 SCART, Audio L+R phono output.

SCART pin connections

TV SCART

12 n/c 1 Audio right output 13 Ground 2 n/c 3 Audio left output1 14 n/c

4 Ground 15 Red Output

5 Ground 16 Fast blanking output 6 n/c 17 Ground

7 Blue output 18 Ground 8 Function switching output 19 CVBS output

9 Ground 20 n/c

10 n/c 21 Ground

11 Green output

VCR SCART (no RGB)

1 Audio right output 12 n/c 13 Ground 2 n/c 3 Audio left output1 14 n/c

15 n/c 4 Ground 5 Ground 16 Fast blanking output

6 n/c 17 Ground 18 Ground 7 n/c

8 Function switching output 19 CVBS output

9 Ground 20 n/c 10 n/c 11 n/c 21 Ground