

ORICO M4Pro

ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro External SSD User Manual

Model: M4Pro

1. INTRODUCTION

The ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro is a high-speed external solid-state drive designed to expand storage for your Mac mini M4 and other USB 4.0 compatible devices. It offers lightning-fast 40Gbps data transmission speeds, ensuring exceptional performance for large file transfers and demanding applications. Its precise dimensions seamlessly complement the Mac mini M4, enhancing your desktop setup with both style and functionality.

This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, maintaining, and troubleshooting your ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro External SSD.

2. WHAT'S IN THE BOX

Upon opening your ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro package, you should find the following items:

- ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro External SSD Unit
- User Manual
- 40Gbps USB-C to USB-C Cable (0.15m)
- 40Gbps USB-C to USB-C Cable (1m)

Packing List

- ①MiniMate ②Package
- ③User Manual
- ④40Gbps C to C 0.15m * 1
- ⑤40Gbps C to C 1m * 1



Image: Packaging list for the ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro, showing the SSD unit, user manual, and two USB-C cables.

3. SETUP

Follow these steps to set up your ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro External SSD:

1. **Physical Connection:** Place the ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro either on top of or underneath your Mac mini M4. Connect one end of the provided 40Gbps USB-C to USB-C cable to the designated Thunderbolt 40Gbps port on the ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro and the other end to a Thunderbolt port on your Mac mini M4.

2. **Initial Recognition:** Once connected, the external SSD should appear on your Mac's desktop or in Finder. If it does not appear, proceed to the formatting steps.

3. **Formatting for Mac OS:**

- Click 'Go' in the Finder menu bar, then select 'Utilities'.
- Open 'Disk Utility'.
- In Disk Utility, select the external ORICO drive under the 'External' section.
- Click the 'Erase' button.
- In the erase dialog, you can name the drive (e.g., 'ORICO SSD').
- For 'Format', select 'APFS' if you will only use the drive with Mac devices. If you plan to use it with both Mac OS and Windows systems, select 'ExFAT'.
- For 'Scheme', select 'GUID Partition Map'.
- Click 'Erase' to begin the formatting process. Once complete, click 'Done'.

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Video: Demonstrates the steps for formatting the ORICO MiniMate Pro External SSD for Mac OS systems, including selecting the drive, choosing the format (APFS or ExFAT), and initiating the erase process.

Storage Expansion Companion



Image: The ORICO MiniMate Pro External SSD shown alongside a Mac mini, highlighting its matching design and compact form factor.

4. OPERATING INSTRUCTIONS

The ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro is designed for straightforward operation, providing instant storage expansion and high-speed data access.

4.1 Data Transfer

Once formatted and connected, the SSD will appear as an external drive. You can drag and drop files to and from the drive just like any other storage device. The 40Gbps Thunderbolt speed ensures rapid transfers, ideal

for large media files, documents, and backups.



Deep Match 40Gbps

Not only are the dimensions seamless, but the speeds are also highly matched



Image: A visual representation of the ORICO MiniMate Pro's 40Gbps data transfer capability, showing speed comparisons with other USB standards.

4.2 Port Usage

The ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro features multiple ports for enhanced connectivity:

- **Front USB-A Port:** For quick access to older USB devices or peripherals.
- **Front USB SuperSpeed Port (5Gbps):** For faster data transfer with compatible USB devices.
- **SD Card Slot (SD 3.0):** For direct import of photos and videos from SD cards.
- **Micro SD Card Slot (SD 3.0):** For direct import of photos and videos from Micro SD cards.
- **Rear USB-C Port (5V output):** Can be used for charging small devices, though not at the fastest charging speeds.

- **Rear USB-A Ports (USB 2.0):** For connecting older USB devices.
- **Headphone Jack & Microphone Jack:** For audio input and output needs.

Dimensionally Precise and Seamless



Image: The ORICO MiniMate Pro External SSD integrated with a Mac mini, displaying its array of front and rear ports for diverse peripheral connections.

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Video: A brief overview of the ORICO MiniMate Pro External SSD, demonstrating its physical appearance, connectivity options, and seamless integration with the Mac mini M4.

5. MAINTENANCE

To ensure the longevity and optimal performance of your ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro External SSD, consider the following maintenance tips:

- **Proper Ejection:** Always eject the drive safely from your operating system before disconnecting it physically. This prevents data corruption.
- **Keep Clean:** Regularly wipe the exterior with a soft, dry cloth. Avoid using harsh chemicals or abrasive materials.
- **Ventilation:** Ensure the cooling vents are not obstructed to allow for proper airflow and prevent overheating, which can impact performance.
- **Firmware Updates:** Check the ORICO official website periodically for any available firmware updates for your device.

6. TROUBLESHOOTING

If you encounter issues with your ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro, try the following solutions:

- **Drive Not Recognized:**
 - Ensure the USB-C cable is securely connected to both the SSD and your computer.
 - Try a different Thunderbolt port on your computer.
 - Test with a different compatible USB-C cable.
 - Check Disk Utility (Mac) or Disk Management (Windows) to see if the drive is detected but unformatted. If so, format it as described in the Setup section.
- **Slow Data Transfer Speeds:**
 - Ensure you are using the provided 40Gbps Thunderbolt cable and connecting to a Thunderbolt-enabled port on your computer.
 - Close any unnecessary applications running in the background that might be consuming system resources.
 - Verify that the drive's cooling vents are clear and not obstructed. Overheating can reduce performance.
- **Fan Noise:** Some users may notice a slight fan noise. This is normal operation for the built-in cooling system designed to maintain optimal performance and prevent overheating during intensive use. If the noise is excessive or unusual, ensure proper ventilation.

7. SPECIFICATIONS

Feature	Detail
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Brand	ORICO
Series	M4Pro
Model Number	M4Pro-512GB
Digital Storage Capacity	512 GB
Hard Disk Interface	PCIe x 4
Connectivity Technology	USB (Thunderbolt compatible)
Special Feature	Portable
Hard Disk Form Factor	2.5 Inches
Compatible Devices	Mac Mini M4, other USB 4.0 devices
Installation Type	External Hard Drive
Item Weight	1.01 pounds
Package Dimensions	6.97 x 6.65 x 2.44 inches

8. WARRANTY AND SUPPORT

The ORICO MiniMate Pro M4Pro External SSD comes with a **three-year warranty**. For technical support, warranty claims, or further assistance, please visit the official ORICO website or contact their customer service directly. Keep your proof of purchase for warranty validation.