Nokia Streaming Box 8010

The Nokia Streaming Box 8010 is the best Android TV box I tested so far. It's hardware is powerful and is Netflix approved to stream in full HD or 4K. This Box is excellent, runs fast and stable, and features a Bluetooth Voice enabled Remote, which cannot be controlled with an IR remote such as the *Harmony*.

Hardware & Software

- Nokia Streaming Box 8010 (aka *Box*), RAM: 4GB, ROM: 32GB, USB3 & Ethernet port.
- Logitech Harmony Companion (aka *Harmony*) which controls TV, Amp, and media player.
- Logitech K400+ Keyboard (aka *Keyboard*) which allows comfortable text imput.
- Android TV 11

Setup

- *Settings* → *Device Preferences* → *Screen saver*: set When to start: **30 minutes**, Screen saver: **Backdrop**
- *Settings* → *Device Preferences* → *Language*: set Language to **English (United States)** or **German (Switzerland)**
- *Settings* → *Accounts & sign-in*: sign in to your Google account
- *Settings* → *Device Preferences* → *About*: System update to the latest Android 11 build
- *Settings* → *Device Preferences* → *Date & Time*: set Automatic date & time, time zone and Use 24-hour format
- *Settings* → *Device Preferences* → *About*: Enable *Developer Mode* by clicking 8 times *Android TV OS build*
- Connect to the device with Android Debug Bridge
- Map keys as explained in Button Mapper
- Pair the device with the Harmony Remote

Installation

- Install OpenVPN on a server you can control and the client configuration for OpenVPN for Android to watch Swiss TV from abroad
- Install Kodi
- Install Zattoo TV from Swiss app store over VPN (geoblocked) or when located in Switzerland
- Disney+ installed on a European device cannot be started in Thailand. Instead you need to install Disney+ Hotstar. Disable the European Disney+ app.
- Install HBO Go
- Install Firefox for TV
- Optionally install Android TV Games
- Consider to install useful apps like FX File Explorer, VLC for Android, Haystack News, Analiti Speed Test WiFi Analyzer and TV Memory Cleaner
- You can disable (force stop) unused apps in *Settings* → *Apps* to save memory

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