

Drag And View version 1.0

File Viewers for Windows 3.1 File Manager

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What is Drag And View?

Drag And View is a program that lets you view the contents of a file or files without having to run the program that created them. Drag And View can view the files created by popular word processors, databases, spreadsheets and graphic programs in their native format. You can also view any file in plain ASCII or hexadecimal format. Drag And View allows you to open multiple windows so you can easily compare files. You can search for text in any file or a hexadecimal string in the Hex viewer. You can also go to any cell in a spreadsheet, any record in a database and any address in the hexadecimal view of a file.

Drag And View is made to work with any file manager that supports drag and drop. You drag files from the file manager to the Drag And View icon or open window to view them.

Also part of the Drag And View utilities is Fileman Launcher. You can use this program to run Windows file manager and Drag And View together. When you exit File Manager, Drag And View will automatically be closed at the same time. If you have other utilities that you like to run with File Manager, you can add them to Fileman Launcher and they will be run also. When you exit File Manager, Fileman Launcher will attempt to close those programs, too.

File Formats Supported by Drag And View

File formats supported in version 1.0 of Drag And View are:

ASCII

Hex
Microsoft Word
Microsoft Word for Windows
Windows Write
Word Perfect
Word Perfect for Windows
Ami Pro
dBase
FoxPro
Clipper
Paradox
Excel
Lotus 123
Symphony
Quattro, Quattro Pro
BMP
ICO
PCX
GIF
TIF
ZIP
LZH

File Listing

A complete copy of Drag And View should include the following files:

DV.EXE	The Drag And View program
FMLAUNCH.EXE	The Fileman Launcher program
DVA.DLL	ASCII file viewer
DVH.DLL	Hexadecimal viewer
DVWD.DLL	Viewer for Microsoft Word, Windows Word and Windows Write files
DVWP.DLL	Viewer for WordPerfect and WordPerfect for Windows files
DVAM.DLL	Viewer for AMI Pro files.
DVWK.DLL	Viewer for Lotus WKS, WK1, WK2, Symphony, Quattro and Quattro Pro files
DVWK3.DLL	Viewer for Lotus WK3 files
DVXL.DLL	Viewer for Excel files
DVDB.DLL	Viewer for xBase files
DVPX.DLL	Viewer for Paradox files
DVG.DLL	Viewer for graphic files
IMAGE.DLL	DLL for viewing graphic files
DVI.DLL	Viewer for icon files
DVZP.DLL	Viewer for Zip files

DVLZ.DLL	Viewer for LZH files
DVSETUP.EXE	Drag And View installation program
METER.DLL	Percent installed meter
DVSITE.WRI	Site license information
DVHELP.HLP	File for on line help
DVMANUAL.WRI	Drag And View manual in Windows Write format
REGFORM.WRI	Registration form in Windows Write format

Installing Drag And View

Installation of Drag And View is very easy with the setup program provided. From Program Manager, choose "File" from the menu bar and then choose "Run" from the pull down menu. In the dialog box type the full path where the files are, and the program name DVSETUP.EXE. For example, if you were installing from drive A:, you would enter "A:\DVSETUP.EXE". If you were installing from the "DV" directory of drive C:, you would enter "C:\DV\DVSETUP.EXE".

The DVSetup program will ask you what drive and directory you are installing Drag And View from, and what drive and directory you would like to install them to. If the source path is different from the destination path, all files will be copied over to the new path. If the files on the installation diskette are compressed, the DVSetup program will uncompress them while copying them. The DVSetup program will then create a program group called Drag And View and put the Drag And View and Fileman Launcher icons in it. DVSetup will then give you the opportunity to have Drag And View load automatically when you start Windows. That way its icon will always be at the bottom of your screen when you need it. If you don't choose this option you can use Fileman Launcher to run File Manager and Drag And View together. When you exit File Manager, Drag And View will exit too. You can also choose to run Drag And View from its icon in Program Manager.

Using Drag And View

When you run Drag And View it will load and show its icon at the bottom left of your screen. Drag And View must be running for you to use it. It will not work if you try to drag files to its icon in Program Manager. If you frequently cover the Drag And View icon with other applications and then can't find it when you need it, you can choose to make the Drag And View icon visible all the time. To do this, first load Drag And View. Then, click on its icon and bring up the menu. Click on the menu selection that says "Always Visible". That will cause the Drag And View icon to show through anything that is trying to cover it. You can turn that option off the same way. Click on the Drag And View icon and bring up the menu. You will notice that there is now a check before

the choice "Always Visible". Click again on "Always Visible" and Drag And View will stop peeking through applications that are covering it. The state of the Always Visible option will be saved when you exit Drag And View and will become active the next time you run it. The Drag And View icon will remember its last placement on the screen. You can move the icon to any position that you like and when you exit the program, it will remember that position and go there the next time that you run it.

To view files with Drag And View, you drag files from any file manager that supports drag and drop to the Drag And View icon and Drag and View will open a window displaying those files. The first file in the group that you dragged will be the one that is displayed. All the files will be listed in the window's "Filelist" menu and you can use that menu to display the other files. If you want to view two or more files in the file listing simultaneously, you can choose "New Window" from the "File" menu and Drag And View will open up a new window with the same file list. You can open up as many windows this way as your computer's memory will support. You can also drag more files to any open Drag And View window; they will be added to the "Filelist" menu and the first one in the group will be displayed. The "Filelist" menu will hold up to 20 files. After 20, as you drag new files, the older ones will be dropped off the list.

When Drag And View displays a file, it first tries to determine if it can display the file in one of its special viewers. If there is no special viewer for the file it will be shown with either the ASCII viewer (if the file is made up chiefly of readable characters), or the Hex viewer.

The Drag And View icon will still remain at the bottom of your screen even after you've dragged files to it and opened up a viewing window. You can continue to drag files to the icon and each time that you do, a new window will be opened.

Any open Drag And View window can be closed, maximized or minimized to an icon. You can drag files to a minimized Drag And View window and it will be restored and display your files.

To exit the Drag And View program, you must choose "Close"Close from the system menu of the Drag And View icon. You activate the system menu by clicking your mouse on the icon. When Drag And View exits, all the open windows will be closed. You can choose to just close all the open Drag And View windows and not exit Drag And View by choosing "Close All Windows" from the Drag And View icon system menu.

You can also run Drag And View from the File/Run menu of any program manager. If you use a file name as a command line argument, Drag And View will run and display the file that you specified in a window. You can also install Drag And View as the viewer for other programs such as our Zip manager, Drag And Zip.

Open Command (File Menu)

Use this command to add a new file to the current window. Choosing this command will open a dialog box from which you can choose a new file to view. If there is a special file viewer for the file, it will be shown in its native format. Otherwise, it will be shown with either the ASCIIASCLicontext viewer (if the file is made up chiefly of readable characters), or the Hex viewer.

When you open a file in this manner, the file will be displayed in the current window and its name will be added to the top of the "Filelist" menu.

New Window Command (File Menu)

Use this command to open up a new window with the same file list and the current window. This command is useful when you want to view the same files in two or more windows at the same time. You can then arrange these windows to view different parts of the same file side by side or choose another file from the file list and compare two files. You can open up as many new windows as you want, up to available memory on your computer.

Associate Command (File Menu)

Use this command to run the program associated with the file that you are currently viewing. If you are viewing a data file or a picture, Drag And View will query Windows to find out the name of the program that you have associated with the file. If there is an associated program, Drag And View will run that it and pass to the program the name of the file that you are currently viewing as a command line argument. For example, if you are viewing a document from Microsoft Word for Windows, Drag And View will run Word for Windows and have it load up the document that you are currently viewing. If you don't have a program associated with the file, Drag And View will not be able to run any program and will present you with a dialog box informing you of the problem.

If the file you are viewing is a program, Drag And View will run it when you choose this command.

Word Wrap Command (File Menu)

This command is only available in Drag And View's ASCII viewer. Use this command to turn word wrap on or off when viewing ASCII files. When word wrap is on, Drag And View will wrap each line at the current window width. As you expand the width of the window, Drag And View will expand the length of the lines. When word wrap is active, there will be a check mark before this command. When you turn word wrap off, the check mark will disappear.

Exit Command (File Menu)

Use this command to close the current window.

ASCII Command (View Menu)

Use this command to view a file in ASCII format.

Hex Command (View Menu)

Use this command to view a file in hexadecimal format. The Hex viewer displays a file as a series of hexadecimal (base 16) numbers and ASCII characters.

Viewer Command (View Menu)

Use this command to view a file with one of Drag And View's viewers that view the file in its native format. This will be the default if a file format is supported by Drag And View. The only reason you will need to select this command is if you changed to the ASCII or Hex viewer and now want to change back.

Goto Command (Main Menu)

This command is only available when viewing a database or spreadsheet, or in the Hex viewer.

For database viewing, this command will open up a dialog box where you can enter a specific record to go to and view.

For spreadsheet viewing, this command will open up a dialog box where you can enter a specific cell to go to.

In the Hex viewer, this command will open up a dialog box where you can enter a specific hexadecimal offset into the file that the viewer will show.

Find Command (Main Menu)

This command is available in all the viewers except the graphic viewers. Use this command to search for specific text in a file. In all viewers except the Hex viewer you can specify that your search be

case sensitive. In the Hex viewer you can search in ASCII as well as hexadecimal.

Choosing this command will open up a dialog box where you can enter your search information. Choosing OK will find the first match in the file. Choosing OK each time will find each subsequent match.

Filelist Command (Main Menu)

The "Filelist" menu displays the names of all the files that have been dragged to the open window or opened from the file menu. The file that is currently displayed has a check before the name. Highlighting another file and pressing Enter or clicking on another file name with the mouse will display that file.

Always Visible Command (Drag And View icon System Menu)

Use this command to keep the Drag And view icon visible at all times. When you first run Drag And View, it will appear as an icon at the bottom of your screen. If you have a window open to full screen or move a window to cover it, you won't be able to find the Drag And View icon when you need it. Choosing this command will keep the Drag And View icon from ever being covered, even when you put a window on top of it. When this command is active, there will be a check before this command in the Drag And View icon system menu. You can choose this command again to turn it off and remove the check. Drag And View will save the state of this command for subsequent sessions. So, if you close Drag And View and "Always Visible" is activated, it will also be activated the next time you run Drag And View.

Close All Windows Command (Drag And View icon System Menu)

Use this command to close all the currently open Drag And View windows. Drag And View will still be running and its icon will still be displayed.

Close Command (Drag And View icon System Menu)

Use this command to exit the Drag And View program. All open Drag And View windows will be closed at this time.

Using Fileman Launcher Launcher

You can have Drag And View run automatically when you run File Manager by running them both with Fileman Launcher. Double clicking on the Fileman Launcher icon will run File Manager and then run Drag And View. When you exit File Manager, you will automatically exit Drag And View also. Fileman Launcher comes with its own configuration file called FMLAUNCH.INI. In it you can specify other programs to be run with File Manager. In FMLAUNCH.INI the first entry you will see is

"prog0=c:\dz\dragnzip.exe", however the path for Drag And View will be the one you specified when you ran DVSetup. You can add up to nine additional programs for Fileman Launcher to run by listing them on a separate line in FMLAUNCH.INI. The second program will be listed as "prog1=<path and program name>", the third as "prog2=," up to "prog9". When you exit File Manager, Fileman Launcher will try to exit all of the programs you specified. Whether Fileman Launcher can successfully close the program depends on the way the program responds to Fileman Launcher's exit request.

You can also install a different file manager to be run by Fileman Launcher. Add the line "fileman=<your filemanager>" under the [launch] heading in FMLAUNCH.INI and Fileman Launcher will run that file manager instead of Windows'.

How To Drag And Drop

You can drag and drop files from Windows 3.1 file manager or any other file manager that mimics it. You can drag and drop one file or many files. Position the mouse cursor over a file or group of files that you want to drag. Click the mouse and hold the button down and start to move the mouse. The mouse cursor will change to a little white sheet of paper with a plus on it. The cursor will turn to a circle with a slash through when you drag the files off of the file manager window. The cursor will remain looking like this until you drag the files over something that you can drop them on. When you've dragged the files over something that can accept them, the cursor will revert back to a little white piece of paper with a plus sign on it. Then and only then, let go of the mouse button and the files will be dropped. If you've dropped the files on the Drag And View icon, a window will be created displaying the first file in the group of files that you dragged.

Drag And View is Shareware

I wrote these programs with the goal of making your working in Windows easier and more fun. I have released them as shareware for you and your friends and associates to try them out at your leisure. If you think that I have achieved my goal and I have contributed to making your computing life easier and more fun, I would like you to acknowledge that by paying for them. The price for Drag And View and Fileman Launcher is only \$20 plus \$5 for shipping. For your \$25 dollars you will get a new diskette with the latest version of the programs and no registration reminder screens. Your payment will let me know that my work is appreciated as well as help to support my efforts in providing the best products for you, so that I can continue to improve these programs and write new ones.

Getting Help

If you have questions or problems with Drag And View or Fileman Launcher, help is free for all registered users. I can be reached at (415) 453-9779 on CompuServe my ID is 71320,1277 or you can write to me:

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