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If the Autorun feature is turned off, insert the CD into your CD ROM drive, select **Settings** | **Control Panel** from the taskbar **Start** menu. Double click on **Add/Remove Programs** and click on the **Install...** button.

Follow the instructions that appear on screen until the installation in complete.

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3D World Atlas

1. Use of menus and menubar

1. 1. Main Menu



The main menu is displayed when "3D World Atlas" starts up. Choose one of the five maps, one of the six geographical topics, or one of the countries from the drop down list.

1.2. Functions Menu

The functions menu is located at the top of the screen and is always available. Here, you find the following functions:

File

Print: prints the current map, or, in the case of a country or topic page, the current text and images.

Exit: quits "3D World Atlas". You can also quit the program by clicking the small cross at the top right of the screen.

Edit

Copy: copies the current map, or, in the case of a country or topic page, the current text and images. These can be pasted into other suitable applications.

Select all: selects all of the current text and images that is open in a window.

View

Show/hide globe control: toggles the globe control window (only the currently open map)

Show/hide locator: toggles the find location window (only the currently open map) Show/hide measure tool: toggles the measure tool window (only the currently open map)

Main menu: goes to the main menu. Status bar: toggles the status bar.

Bookmarks

Add bookmark: saves a view of a map. You can give the view a name in the dialogue window. To open it again, click on the listing under the 'Bookmark' menu.

Delete bookmark: deletes a saved bookmark.

User labels

Add: add your own label to the map. Choose the icon and position on the map. Click on the map to add the new label to the location. In the dialogue you can name the new label.

View: shows all the user labels. Choose the label with a mouseclick. Then click OK. The map will center on the chosen location. Click on 'edit' or 'delete' to work with the label.

Help

About Atlas: opens a version of this document within the program.

2. Using the globe



The maps in "3D World Atlas" are projected as a globe. These can be zoomed in or out, moved up and down, or turned by using the mouse, on screen controls, or keyboard commands. With the location finder you can display any place or physical feature.

2.1. Navigation

- Moving the globe from north to south and from east to west..
- Continuous zoom to the minimum distance from the surface..

The short pauses during a zoom sequence are necessitated by data loading..

2.2. Globe Control

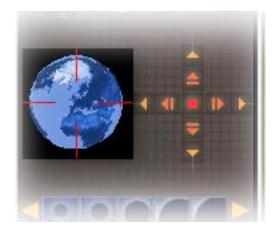


Navigation can be done by using the mouse, keyboard commands or onscreen globe control. The globe control is in four sections: control, display options, legend and location finder. These four sections can be accessed via the symbols at the top of the globe control window.



In the bottom part of the globe control, you can access all the globes, all topics, and all country information. Click on one of the five small globes, to change map. The options are: General map, Satellite map, Physical map, Bio-climatic map, and earth by night.

A: Control:



- The mini-globe can be moved in any direction you choose. The main globe will follow the direction of the min-globe, and reposition itself.
- Turning the globe: click on the little arrows to the right of the mini-globe, to turn the globe north, south east or west,. The inner arrows turn the globe continually, while the outer arrows turn it in small steps.

B: Display options



- With the help of the yellow arrows, you can move the globe right to left and up and down.. A mouseclick on the word 'center' or the cross in the middle of the yellow arrows will center the globe again.



- Checking the boxes underneath the control globe enables you to choose which geographical features to display on the current globe.:

Shadow - toggles a 3D shadow effect on the globe

Grid - toggles the latitude and longitude grid on/off

Labels - toggles all labels on/off.

Underneath you find all of the checkboxes for geographical features

Note that labels are visible only when the correct zoom level is reached. So, for example, a small town name will not be visible from a long way away.

C. Legend:

The legend button opens the legend for the current map.



D. Location finder:

Clicking the icon at the top right of the window opens the location finder dialogue box (see 2.4.).

2.3. Control with the mouse

You can also control the globes using the mouse.:

Rotating the globe

Drag the mouse over the globe with the left button pressed. The more you drag, the faster the speed of rotation.

Zoom in and out

To zoom in hold down the ctrl key and drag the mouse. To zoom out hold down the alt key and drag the mouse.

Move the globe

Drag the mouse over the globe with the right button pressed.

Moving the mouse over the map displays the latitude and longitude coordinates in the status bar to the bottom right.

2.4. Location finder

"3D World Atlas" contains an alphabetical index of all the geographical features on the map..

Click on the "flag" symbol in the top right of the globe control window. Or choose the option 'view locator' from the 'View' menu in the menubar.



Finding a location

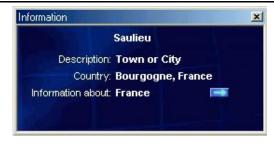
Choose a feature type from the upper dropdown menu. This applies a filter to the complete list of features.

Spell out the letters of the feature you want to locate. The program automatically lists the items nearest to the letters you have typed in.

Click the OK button - or double click the chosen entry, to center the map on your selected location.

If your chosen location is not visible on the map, check that you have the display option for that feature set activated. Go to the 'Display' window and review the checkboxes available there.

2.5. Location information



Click with the left mouse button on the map to display information about a location. You can click on a place or a landmass. As well as the standard information, there is more information available by clicking on the small blue arrow.

2.6. Printing maps

To print the maps choose the 'Print' option from the 'File' menu, or press ctrl+P. The maps will be printed how they appear on the screen.

2.7. Copying maps

To copy maps choose 'Copy' from the 'Edit' menu on the menubar, or press ctrl+C. The map will be copied to the clipboard. The map is now available to be pasted into other applications.

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3. Using the topic pages



The topics are divided into headings. "Contents" are listed in the dropdown menu to the top right of each page..

Hyperlinks to the maps

At the end of most topics pages, there are links to sample locations on the map.



Printing topics pages

To print the topics page choose the 'Print' option from the 'File' menu, or press ctrl+P.

In the Windows printing dialogue, choose 'All frames individually' if you want the text and images to appear as they do on the screen.

Copying topics pages

To copy maps choose first select the text you wish to copy, then choose 'Copy' from the 'Edit' menu on the menubar, or press ctrl+C. The text will be copied to the clipboard. The text is now available to be pasted into other applications.

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4. Using the country menu

"3D World Atlas" contains data and information about all the countries of the world.

Choose a country or territory from the dropdown menu on the home page, or in the globe control window.



Please note that dependent territories are listed at the end of the main country list.

In the information window of a country you see an overview of the country facts and figures. Further information is divided into sections, which are accessed using the menu to the left of the window.



Clicking on the 'map' button centers the globe on the current country.



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