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What is FamilyBase?

FamilyBase, the personal genealogical database for Microsoft Windows, will be invaluable to anyone who is interested in recording and documenting family history. With it you can keep detailed records of all your ancestors and relatives, including their interrelationships and important events in their lives, and print detailed reports, lists, indexes, family trees and ancestor charts.

Summary of Features

FamilyBase includes the following features:
- powerful yet flexible and friendly user interface;
- recording of dates, places and information sources;
- up to 40 lines of notes for each person and event;
- full printed reports and summary lists;
- index lists;
- relative lists;
- scalable family trees and ancestor charts;
- cross-checking and other error reports;
- powerful selection and searching facilities;
- comprehensive on-line help;
- export and input in GEDCOM format;
- TrueType font support.

Hardware and Software Requirements

FamilyBase needs Windows 3.1 or later with at least 4 Megabytes of RAM and a mouse. To print the ancestor and descendant charts properly a printer capable of handling simple graphics is needed.

Installing FamilyBase

FamilyBase is very easy to install. Just copy the four files onto a directory on your hard disk and then, from within Windows, run the program FAMBASE.EXE.

In more detail, the steps to follow (with Windows 3.0 or 3.1) are:
 Start the Windows File Manager.
 Create a new directory called FAMBASE on your hard disc.
 Copy the FamilyBase files to this new directory.
 Switch to the Windows Program Manager.
 Select a Program Group to include the FamilyBase program.
 Use the Program Manager 'New' command to create the FamilyBase Program Item in
    your chosen group. The command line should be:
    'C:\FAMBASE\FAMBASE.EXE'
    (assuming that 'C' is the drive containing your new directory).
 The FamilyBase icon will now appear in the program group.
 Start FamilyBase by double-clicking on the icon.
 Use the HELP command on the menu bar for more instructions.

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Contents of this Release

FamilyBase is issued as five files:

FAMBASE.EXE - the FamilyBase program;
FAMBASE.HLP - a Windows help file;
FAMBASE.WRI - an introduction to FamilyBase in Windows Write format;
README.TXT   - an introduction to FamilyBase;
REFORMAT.EXE - converts files that were created with earlier release
of FamilyBase.

Conditions of Use

FamilyBase is shareware. Users who have not registered may evaluate it for a trial period of 30 days after which they must either cease using it or register. After the trial period has expired the frequency of the registration reminder messages will increase and, after a further 30 days, printing will be disabled.

Copies of FamilyBase may be freely distributed but must not be modified in any way.

To register follow the instructions given by the "How to register" command on the program's Help menu.

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