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Chapter 1

AminetGuide

1.1 Welcome to Aminet CD 14

WELCOME TO AMINET CD 14 ↔
Deutsch

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Urban Müller

Welcome to the 14th CD in the Aminet series. This time, we have ↔
more new
material than ever

before
which left us with hardly any room for other
software. The contents are:
840M of

new stuff
out since the making of
Aminet CD 13
110M of business software for serious applications
70M of top downloads used to complete the charts
8M of commercial software: TurboCalc 2.1 with manual

For the following types of data we have special guides:

Games	A list of all games sorted by quality
Demos	An index of compatible demos, sorted by quality
Pictures	A database with scaled down versions of the images
Mods	A list of all mods by style and rating

Information is also available on:

New features
What the previous CDs didn't have

Access software
Find, Prefs, and all the other tools

Customizing
How to adapt Aminet CD to your taste

Troubleshooting
What to do if problems occur

What is Aminet
Information about our distributed archive

Accessing Aminet
How to download directly from Aminet

Submitting
How to get your software onto Aminet.

Ordering
Where to order Aminet CDs and subscriptions

Disclaimer
Legal mumbo jumbo plus virus warning

1.2 About the author

The guy who selected, arranged, documented and sorted the contents of this CD for you is me, Urban Müller, the main administrator of Aminet. All the support software is from me, too. You can reach me at umueller@wuarchive.wustl.edu if you have any feedback about this CD.

Of course this CD would not have been possible without the help of the countless people involved in the administration of Aminet, not to mention the thousands of uploaders. Special thanks go to:

Robert Michl - for the German descriptions
Matthias Scheler - for co-moderating Aminet
Lars Eilebrecht - for beta-testing.
Martin Schulze - for beta-testing

If you ever wanted to know what my job at Aminet is: juggling gigs
Well illustrated by an MPEG animation of me juggling harddisks at a meeting. Also available a still image at better resolution. Not shown: Lots of even shorter runs :)

Yours truly....

Urban Müller

1.3 Subscriptions

Subscriptions

If you'd like the Aminet CD sent to you every two months and save money at the same time, then ask your dealer about subscriptions. If you order from Fred Fish's "Cronus" in the USA, the subscription price is \$59.95 for 4 issues, which means about \$15 per issue instead of about \$20. The price does not include shipping (\$4 anywhere worldwide). The address:

CRONUS

1840 East Warner Road #105-265
 Chandler, AZ 85284
 U.S.A.

FAX: (602) 491-0048
 Voice: (800) 804-0833 or (602) 491-0442

Stefan Ossowski's Schatztruhe GmbH in Germany also offers subscriptions.
 See this

order information

You may want to ask you local dealer if he offers subscriptions, too.

1.4 Previous Aminet CD's

Previous Aminet CDs

As you probably know, the Aminet archive has much more material than fits on a single CD. If you want all of it, you all Aminet Sets plus Aminet 13 and up.

CD	Date	Contents	Set	Date	Contents
1	Jul-93	new	1A	Feb-95	dev util
2	Mar-94	new	1B	Feb-95	gfx pix text docs
3	Jul-94	new	1C	Feb-95	demo game comm hard
4	Nov-94	new+mods	1D	Feb-95	mus mods biz disk misc
5	Mar-95	new+games			
6	Jun-95	new+demos	2a	Nov-96	util text docs biz
7	Aug-95	new+clipart	2b	Nov-96	gfx pix misc
8	Oct-95	new+mods	2c	Nov-96	demo game dev disk hard
9	Dec-95	new+games	2d	Nov-96	mus mods comm
10	Feb-96	new+fonts			
11	Apr-96	new+maps	3a	Jul-96	util text docs disk hard
12	Jun-96	new+mods	3b	Jul-96	gfx pix
13	Aug-96	new+anim	3c	Jul-96	demo game misc
14	Oct-96	new+biz	3d	Jul-96	mus mods comm dev biz

If you want to make sure you don't miss a CD, check our
 subscriptions

Every single Aminet CD also has special highlight, so if you're interested in, say, Games, you may consider Aminet CD 9.

Aminet Set 3
 The complete Aminet since Set 2, and Imagine 4 (Jul 96)

Aminet Set 2
 The complete Aminet since Set 1 (Nov 95)

Aminet Set 1
 The complete Aminet on a newly made 4 CD set (Jan 95)

Aminet CD 13	
The newest, the best, 200 anims and MainActor	(Aug 96)
Aminet CD 12	
The newest, the best, 900 mods and OctaMED	(Jun 96)
Aminet CD 11	
The newest, the best, 700 maps and XiPaint	(Apr 96)
Aminet CD 10	
The newest, the best, 2000 fonts and PageStream	(Feb 96)
Aminet CD 9	
The newest, the best, and 900 games	(Dec 96)
Aminet CD 8	
The newest, the best, and 2000 mods	(Oct 95)
Aminet CD 7	
The newest, the best, and 9000 pictures	(Aug 95)

1.5 Aminet CD 13

Aminet CD 13 - The newest, the best, and 200 anims

Aminet CD 13 contains about 1 gigabyte of freely distributable software. The newest archive included is from Jul 1st. Apart from the new software, the CD concentrates on animations and animating. The space is used as follows (uncompressed):

- 780M of software newer than Aminet CD 12 (410M newer than Set 3)
- 200M of integrated animations
- 20M of top downloads
- 2M of registered shareware: The animation editor MainActor

MainActor is probably the best animation editor for the Amiga; it knows many formats including MPEG.

The freely distributable part is composed as follows:

- 450 mods
- 300 utilities
- 300 communications programs
- 250 pictures
- 200 animations
- 900 archives of other categories

Aminet CD 13 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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Also check the

other CDs

1.6 Aminet CD 12

Aminet CD 12 - The newest, the best, and 900 mods

Aminet CD 12 contains, again, about 1 gig of freely distributable software. The newest archive included is from May 1st. Apart from the new software, the CD concentrates on music and music making. The space is used as follows (after decompression):

- 760M of software newer than Aminet CD 11 (yet another record)
- 300M of music modules, many of them multichannel
- 75M of music software, the complete mus/ directory
- 10M of instruments for composing
- 10M of top downloads from Aminet
- 5M of commercial software: OctaMED 5, Symphonie 2.4 and SoundFX

OctaMED V5 is a very popular editor for music modules with up to 8 tracks. It has no restrictions but is not the latest version. The tracker Symphonie has a built-in 14-bit playing routine that achieves a high sound quality. The version on CD is restricted to 8 tracks. Finally there is the excellent sample editor SoundFX (registered version) in its 68000 version only.

The freely distributable part is composed as follows:

- 900 mods from Aminet and other sources
- 400 music related programs
- 300 utilities
- 300 communications programs
- 900 files from other categories

plus 700 instruments in large archives with a separate index.

Aminet CD 12 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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other CDs

1.7 Aminet CD 11

Aminet CD 11 - The newest, the best, and 700 maps

Aminet CD 11 contains, you already guessed it, about 1 gig of freely distributable software. The newest archive included is from March 2nd. Apart from the new software, the CD concentrates on maps collected from various sources. The space is used as follows (after decompression):

- 670M of software newer than Aminet CD 10 (all time high!)

150M of high resolution maps covering most areas of the world
80M of top downloads
20M of commercial software: XiPaint 3.2, full version

XiPaint is a nice 24-bit paint program that works gfx boards and just about any image format. It is licensed to the buyer of the CD only, and not freely distributable. Check the upgrade offer that comes with it.

The freely distributable part is composed as follows:

500 mods, most of them new
200 utilities
200 communications programs
800 programs of other categories

plus 700 maps in 24-bit JPEG format, covering most areas of the world. The maps have an index that is sorted by continent, and a search facility.

Aminet CD 11 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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other CDs

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1.8 Aminet CD 10

Aminet CD 10 - The newest, the best, and 2000 fonts

Aminet CD 10 contains, once more, over 1 gig of freely distributable software. The newest archive included is from January 3rd. Apart from the new software, the CD concentrates on fonts collected from various sources. The space is used as follows (after decompression):

520M of software newer than Aminet CD 9
330M of fonts, each font in several formats
170M of top downloads

... plus two special highlights:

PageStream 2.2, unrestricted, with manual+upgrade deal
TypeSmith 2.5 (latest), slightly restricted, with similar deal

These two excellent programs give you an absolutely top of the range DTP combination. They are licensed to the buyer of the CD only, and not freely distributable.

The freely distributable part is composed as follows:

650 mods, most of them new
300 utilities
300 communications programs
700 programs of other categories

plus 2000 fonts in Postscript, Intellifont and bitmap format, stored in large archives but easy to preview and extract. All fonts are hinted for better appearance, and most fonts are available in all formats.

Aminet CD 10 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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other CDs

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1.9 Aminet CD 9

Aminet CD 9 - The newest, the best, and 900 games

Aminet CD 9 contains, as usual, over 1 gig of freely distributable software. The newest archive included is from November 4th. Apart from the new software, the CD concentrates on games from various sources. The space is used as follows (after decompression):

500M of software newer than CD 8 (280M newer than Set 2)

330M of games

100M of electronic books

100M of top downloads

These consist of:

930 games (directly startable)

640 mods

300 docs

140 pictures

90 demos

...plus 2400 utilities of all kinds.

Aminet CD 9 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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other CDs

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1.10 Aminet CD 8

Aminet CD 8 - The newest, the best, and 2000 mods

Aminet CD 8 contains over 1 gigabyte of freely distributable software. The newest file included is dated Nov 4th. Besides the the new software, the CD concentrates on pictures and modules. The space on the CD is used as follows:

650M of software newer than Aminet CD 7
500M of mods
50M of top downloads

The mods were collected from various sources besides Aminet and were not found on earlier Aminet CDs.

Aminet CD 8 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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other CDs

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1.11 Aminet CD 7

Aminet CD 7 - The newest, the best, and 9000 pictures

Sorry, no detailed information available. Check the
other CDs

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1.12 Aminet CD 6

Aminet CD 6 - The newest, the best, and 1800 demos

Sorry, no detailed information available. Check the
other CDs

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1.13 Aminet CD 5

Aminet CD 5 - The newest, the best, and 1000 games

Sorry, no detailed information available. Check the
other CDs

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1.14 Aminet CD 4

Aminet CD 4 - The newest, the best, and 1700 mods

Sorry, no detailed information available. Check the
other CDs

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1.15 Aminet CD 3

Aminet CD 3 - The newest and the best from Aminet

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1.16 Aminet CD 2

Sorry, no detailed information available. Check the other CDs

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1.17 Aminet CD 1

Sorry, no detailed information available. Check the other CDs

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1.18 Aminet Set 1

Aminet Set 1 - The complete Aminet on 4 new CDs

As you probably know, there is a big archive behind all those Aminet CDs. Aminet Set finally brings you the complete archive on four newly created CD-ROMs.

If you already have several Aminet CDs, buying the Aminet Set still makes sense for the following reasons:

1. Even if you have all Aminet CDs, you still lack a lot of software from Aminet. And the less CDs you already have, the more additional software you get from the set:

If you already have	The set gives you an additional
Aminet CD 1,2,3,4,5	467M of Aminet software
Aminet CD 2,3,4,5	512M of Aminet software
Aminet CD 3,4,5	851M of Aminet software
Aminet CD 4,5	1191M of Aminet software
Aminet CD 5	1681M of Aminet software

2. Aminet Set 1 presents its data more nicely than the previous CDs. As you can see on this CD, all games and demos can be started directly, the images are in a nice image data base, and the modules are presented in a list that is sorted by style. Also, there are a lot of German descriptions as well as a Fish and a SaarAG index. This is missing on the older CDs but present on Aminet Set, so buying

some of the same data a second time can make sense.

3. Aminet Set 1 is better organized than the previous CDs. Until now, the Images from Aminet have been scattered on all the Aminet CDs. Aminet Set brings them all on the same CD, just as all other types of data. Also, using Aminet Set you can search the complete Aminet very quickly and easily, including a very fast full text search of all the .readme files.

Aminet Set costs US \$39.95 or DM 59.

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Index (huge!)

Also check the

other CDs

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1.19 Aminet Set 2

Aminet Set 2 - The new Aminet on 4 more CDs

As you probably know, there is a big archive behind all those Aminet CDs. Aminet Set 2 brings you the complete new archive on four CD-ROMs.

If you already have several Aminet CDs, buying the Aminet Set still makes sense for the following reasons:

1. Aminet Set 2 completes Aminet Set 1 to give a complete snapshot of the Aminet archive.
2. Aminet Set 2 presents its data more nicely than the previous CDs. As you can see on this CD, all games and demos can be started directly, the images are in a nice image data base, and the modules are presented in a list that is sorted by style. Also, there are a lot of German descriptions as well as a Fish and a SaarAG index.
3. Aminet Set 2 is better organized than the previous CDs. Until now, the Images from Aminet have been scattered on all the Aminet CDs. Aminet Set brings them all on the same CD, just as all other types of data. Also, using Aminet Set you can search the complete Aminet very quickly and easily, including a very fast full text search of all the .readme files.

Aminet Set 2 costs US \$45 or DM 59.

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other CDs

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1.20 Aminet Set 3

Aminet Set 3 - The new Aminet on 4 more CDs, plus Imagine ↔
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Aminet Set 3 contains close to 4 gigabytes (when uncompressed) of freely distributable Amiga software on 4 newly mastered CDs. There are 9000 archives from the following categories:

2000 Mods (directly playable)
1500 Images (directly viewable)
1300 Games (directly startable)
800 Communications programs
400 Demos (directly startable)
3000 Utilities and applications

Aminet Set 3 contains all the Aminet data found on Aminet CD 9 to 12 plus 250M of other software that was on none of these: 170M of integrated modules and 80M of 3D objects to go with Imagine. This software will not appear on any subsequent CD. Only 150M of the software on Set 3 were found on Set 2 already. Also, 400M of material newer than Aminet 12 are included.

Included in Aminet Set 3 is a completely unrestricted version of the excellent ray tracer Imagine 4.0 (only one version behind the current edition). There is also a tutorial for it (in English and German) plus additional docs, but no manual.

Also, there are upgrade discounts for the following programs found on the CD:

- Imagine can be upgraded to the latest version for \$125 + shipping
- XiPaint can be upgraded to the latest version for DM 59 + shipping
- OctaMED can be upgraded to SoundStudio for UKP 25 to 30 incl. shipping
- The Imagine PD CD can be obtained for \$20.00 incl. shipping, \$10 off

Aminet Set 3 costs US \$45 or DM 59.

Order info

Index (huge!)

Also check the

other CDs

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1.21 New stuff on this CD

New stuff since Aminet CD 13

Most of the software on this CD is unseen before. But here we're exclusively talking about what uploaded to Aminet since the previous CD was made, *not* about what was integrated from other sources.

The best way to browse the new files is looking at the directory sorted new files index of this CD. Select your general area of interest, and then hit the 'Browse' button in AmigaGuide to hop from directory to directory. Another approach is to check the charts of most downloaded files, where most of the files listed are new (the very latest have been omitted, tho). Finally, check the list of

recommendations
of the most interesting new
files.

And of course you can check the new files index sorted by directory ,
by name or by age , or search for something in the CD index.

1.22 Recommended new uploads

The following are, in my opinion, a few highlights among the new software
on this CD. Not mentioned here are mods, games, pix and demos, since their
highlights are mentioned in their own index files. Check the mods, though,
we have loads of good ones once more.

Communications tools all over the place. If you're not yet connected to
the Internet, have a look at the new TCP stack: Miami.

AmiPhone1_92.lha	comm/net	141K	8	AmiTCP based voice chat program
NewsGroupEd.lha	comm/news	24K	3	Newsgroup editor ,with searching, sorting + ↔ THOR s
Miamilla.lha	comm/tcp	266K	1	TCP/IP stack for easy Internet access
edhtdemo.lha	comm/www	54K	1	Menu based HTML editor.
Butterfly11.lha	comm/www	23K	1	A tiny mailer for www browsers, 1.1 (MUI).

Whether you're mainstream or not: All the programming languages are there.

StormC_Demo1_1.lha	biz/demo	1.2M	3	StormC (Demo): ANSI C & C++ Development ↔ System
CLISP_0.lha	dev/lang	787K	2	CLISP: Common Lisp, release 30.5.96
perl_bin.lha	dev/lang	2.1M	7	Perl 5.003 binary distribution

Want to read CDs? Write CDs? Or do you just want to have your HD spin down?

amicdfs236.lha	disk/cdrom	126K	2	AmiCDFS (AmiCDROM) v2.36
Amkisofs.lha	disk/cdrom	104K	4	Mkisofs (Makes an Iso9660-CD image) for ↔ AMIGA
HDSleep.lha	disk/misc	28K	3	Turns your hard drives motor off. v1.3.

As always, there's more reading material than you can handle. Here's some:

ar409.lha	docs/mags	82K	9	Amiga Report Magazine, June 30, 1996
ar410.lha	docs/mags	68K	6	Amiga Report 4.10, July 24, 1996
ar411.lha	docs/mags	85K	1	Amiga Report 4.11, August 27, 1996
viscorp3.lha	docs/misc	30K	1	VIScorp Information 960621 to 960831
CPU_compare.lha	docs/misc	30K	9	Comparison of common CPU's

Very good graphics tools once more. Check ChaosPro for a very powerful
fractal renderer, and all those anim players.

Limbo.lha	gfx/conv	206K	8	Fractal image compression tool
ChaosPro.lha	gfx/fract	643K	5	V3.1 of a fractal explorer like Mand2000
AnimInWindow.lha	gfx/show	38K	7	A animation player in window
qt11.lha	gfx/show	158K	3	QuickTime player for AGA/CyberGFX. V1.1

A small tool many have been waiting for:

wordwrap.lha	text/misc	12K	2	Reformat ASCII texts to new width, V1.1
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And as usual many useful utilities, big and small.

XPKInterface16.lha	util/arc	52K	5	Nice GUI for the XPK-packer-libraries
DOSPrefs30.lha	util/boot	27K	1	.,.. dirs, noclick, enable * wildcard

runPAL.lha	util/boot	2K	9	RunPAL v1.0 +source -runs demos on ↔
multisync				
MUI_AS.L.lha	util/libs	55K	1	MUIfied ASL replacement (68020+ OS3+ MUI3 ↔
.3+)				
mui36usr.lha	util/libs	920K	2	MagicUserInterface 3.6, user files
afind.lha	util/misc	115K	2	Fast AminetCD search utility V1.51
FastROM.lha	util/misc	10K	7	MC68040 MMU tool to enhance system ↔
performance				
lcdcpu.lha	util/moni	8K	1	SGI-ish CPU-monitor for Executive and ↔
LCDaemon. V1				
NewIcon3lupd.lha	util/wb	11K	1	Minor update for NewIconsV3.
NewIconsV3.lha	util/wb	539K	5	The Ultimate GUI Enhancement System, V3!
RunBar22.lha	util/wb	60K	1	RunBar the best launcher like Win95
RealIcons.lha	util/wb	4K	1	A system patch for better icons!
RunBar22.lha	util/wb	60K	1	RunBar the best launcher like Win95
trsv62.lha	util/virus	654K	6	V6.2 of the AMIGA viruskiller by M.Schmall

As always, enjoy!

1.23 New features

New features of this CD

- There is a new AmigaGuide alternative on the CD: PowerGuide. If you've currently selected AmigaGuide or MultiView as text viewer in 'Prefs', you may want to enter PowerGuide there.
- There's now a quick-install demo version of MagicUserInterface (MUI)

1.24 Access software

Workbench

Browsing:

The first thing you will want to do is browse the contents of the CD. The best way to get a quick overview is having a look at the overview in this document; the very first links. Another method is to check the file Lists/New_Dir (if you already have the previous Aminet CD) or Lists/Index_Dir.

Wherever you see a list of files with descriptions, you can click to archive name to start an unpack tool. You will be asked for a destination directory (the default can be chosen in 'Prefs'). After you hit return, the archive gets unpacked to where you selected. For some types of files, you can click a middle button (called 'Start' or 'Play') to view look at the archive contents directly. Some index files play directly without asking (e.g. the Modules and the Games index).

In all index files you can view the .readme file for an archive by clicking the description.

Searching:

After you've become familiar with the contents of the CD, you will often want to search for a specific keyword in the contents of the CD. Just double click the 'Find' icon on the top level of the CD, enter the case insensitive sub string or pattern you want to look for, and you will be presented with a list of files that match your sub string anywhere on their line. You can also search the New_* and Index_* files in Lists by clicking them first and then shift-doubleclicking 'Find'. The resulting document will be of the 'View' type for the toplevel Find program and of the 'Extract' type for all other Find programs. The NewFind and AminetFind search the the list of new files and the list of all Aminet files.

If you drag any of the FindKit drawer in Tools/ anywhere onto your hard disk, you can do searches without having the CD in your drive.

Using the FullFind program in the Tools directory, you can find any word in any readme of this CD. If your word is a prefix of a word in a readme, it will match. To prevent that, append a \$ to your search word. You can enter several search words, separated by blanks, to see only the documents which contain all of them.

See also the documentation for the tools in question: Inspect , Find , FullFind and Prefs .

CLI/Shell

Using a shell is not the recommended way to access this CD. However you sometimes have no choice, e.g. when working under UNIX or MSDOS.

To get familiar with the contents of the CD, I recommend having a look at the file Aminet/INDEX which contains a complete list of all files on the CD in plain ASCII. More ASCII index files found in Lists/, they end in .doc. If you find a file you are interested in, for example, docs/mags/cd32bits-0694.lha , then execute the following commands:

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cd Aminet/docs/mags
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lha e cd32bits-0694.lha ram:
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to unpack the contents of that archive to RAM. If you don't have the archiver LhA yet, you can obtain it from the Tools/ directory on the CD.

To locate all files that contain foo anywhere in their file name, directory name or description, execute the command

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search NONUM Aminet/INDEX foo
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or just use the Aminet find tool:

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find foo
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which will output an AmigaGuide document and display it. If you want to find the files on any Aminet CD, use:

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find IN Aminet foo
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For further information read the documents on Find, FullFind and Inspect in Tools/Docs/.

Useful stuff

All Aminet CDs come with an unpacked and ready-to-install version of MagicUserInterface . MUI is a library collection for creating user interfaces and is required by several programs on this CD. If you don't have MUI on your system yet, please follow the link above to activate MUI temporarily or to install it permanently.

There is a very limited number of unpacked utilities on this CD in the Tools/Useful directory. They are all related to accessing the files on this CD, and you should think about installing them on your HD.

- AmiCDROM is an excellent CD-ROM file system. In the improbable case that your CD filesystem has problems with the Aminet CD, just use this one.
- ARCHandler lets you access the Aminet CD (or any other file system) as if all the lha files on it were directories, ie you don't need to unpack anything. Great stuff.
- Degradar can disable all the advanced features of accelerated Amigas, getting many hardware-bashing demos and games to run.
- ToolAlias can map one default tool name to another. This is useful if you can't change the default tool of a file but want to use a different viewer.
- TrashMaster creates an App-Icon on your Workbench where you can drag icons to delete them. Handy to clean up after an archive has been extracted to RAM:.

1.25 Customizing Aminet CD

Customizing Aminet CD

As you know all too well, CDs cannot be written to. This CD, however, gives you a limited possibility to shape it according to your taste. There are two possibilities, select the links for documentation:

The

 Personal

 index in the Guides drawer is an Aminet CD index like all the others, with viewing and readme displaying capabilities. The only difference is that you decide what's listed in it and what not.

 Clones

 are tiny files that pretend to be one of the items on the Aminet CD. You can create, rename and arrange them as you like, and you can put them in WBStartup or ToolManager docks. Of course you need the CD in the drive when you want to use clones.

1.26 Your personal Aminet CD index

Your personal Aminet CD index

In the Guides directory you find, among various static index files an index called 'Personal'. In the beginning it's empty. If you click 'add', you are asked for a search pattern. You can click any of the shown items to add them to your personal Aminet index. However you need to close your Personal index and open it again in order to make the changes visible.

If you press the 'sort' button, the index will be sorted by directory and subsorted by file name. Duplicate lines will be eliminated. Again, you have to close and reopen the index.

With the 'edit' button, finally, you can make any changes to your personal index using your favourite editor. `setenv EDITOR <your-editor>` to determine the editor. Always use line operation (like deleting lines, inserting lines from Aminet/INDEX or reordering lines). Again, you need to reload the index to make the changes visible.

The index looks as if it were stored on the CD. This is not the case, of course. The contents are stored in the file `S:Aminet-PersonalX`, where X is the number of your CD. You can edit or delete it there.

Apart from that, the Personal index behaves like any immediate view index; ie if you click a mod in the Personal index, it will play immediately.

So have a look at your personal index.

1.27 Clones

Clones

There's a few things that you cannot do in a normal Aminet CD index. For example you cannot put an item from the Aminet CD index in a ToolManager dock or a Directory Opus gadget. That's what clones were created for.

Clones pretend to be the Aminet file you created them from. You can move them around, arrange them and delete them as you like. Clones can be started from CLI or from the Workbench, where they have an icon that reflects their type. Starting a clone is equivalent to clicking the according archive name in the Aminet CD index, except for the fact that the action (playing, game or demo starting) will be performed without asking for confirmation. Of course you need to have the Aminet CD in the CD-ROM drive when you start a cloned program.

To create a clone, start the Cloner program. It asks you for a pattern and displays the files matching that pattern. You then click the item you would like to see cloned, maybe change the destination path in the upcoming requester, and hit 'Create' to confirm. Each clone takes about 3K of disk space.

1.28 Some common problems with the Aminet CD

Why are all file names upper case?

For this CD, we have chosen to stick to the ISO CDROM standard. This means that the CD can be read on any system, but it also means that all files names are upper case. However, we also used RockRidge extensions, so file systems that understand them can still use mixed case. The AmiCDROM file system provided in the Tools/Useful directory will give you mixed case on the Aminet CD.

Why can't I read some of the files with the Commodore CD file system?

Because it's buggy. The solution is the same as before: Install the AmiCDROM file system. It's works very nicely.

Why do I have problems with by Xetec file system?

It seems to have problems with our choice of CD formats. However version 2.0 was reported to work fine. If not, again, again: Install the AmiCDROM file system found on this CD.

Nothing happens when I try to show that image/play that mod!

The Aminet extraction software tries to be smart how every pic is shown or mod is played. However sometimes it fails. In those cases you can simply extract the archive and look at it by yourself. Also, you might be running out of memory, see below.

I'm running out of memory!

Viewing an image or playing a mod by clicking it in the index takes quite a lot of memory, since the index as well was the extraction program stay in memory while the picture is viewed. Solutions:

- Set your extraction directory to something different from RAM:, e.g. an (existing) directory on your HD. This can be done using the 'Prefs' program.
- Don't view the files directly from the index. Click on 'extract' first, then close the index, and open the directory your file was extracted to.

Of course combining the two saves the most.

I want to mount this CD on my BBS

We have Files.BBS index files in every directory, so some BBS programs can use the CD directly. Others understand our .readme format already. For MS-DOS BBSes use the index called FILES.MSD. If you would like to copy the files onto HD, you can use the file Aminet/info/adt/TRANSL.TBL (which shows origname and CD-name for each file) to restore the original file names. If you write any additional software or need indices in a different format, please contact me.

I cannot use this CD with my CD32!

This is due to a bug in the CD32 CDROM file system and occurs when you boot off the Network CD or something similar. You can circumvent this bug by mounting a small RAD: disk (about 49 tracks), copy the most important files from a Workbench CD there (c, libs, envarc) and boot off the RAD:. That should get the Aminet CD (and some other interesting CDs) to work.

1.29 What is Aminet?

What is Aminet?

Aminet is a library where software authors can place their freely distributable programs for others to download. The backbone of Aminet consists of about 40 computers all over the world that are linked to Internet, a computer network that connects most universities and many businesses in the world. Many other places, such as 80 BBSes, keep frequently updated copies of Aminet.

Aminet is moderated. Whatever gets uploaded has to be approved before it is made available to the public. However there is no censorship; the only conditions for inclusion in the library are that every file uploaded has a description file in the correct format, and the archive itself is okay, virus free and legal.

What is unique about Aminet is that large amounts of data are made available to a wide audience within a very short time. If a programmer uploads his latest release to Aminet, he can expect that it will have been downloaded and tested by one thousand people within a week. If he finds a bug in his program, he can distribute an update to the whole world within twenty four hours. In that respect, freely distributable software works far better than commercial software.

You may want to read about the recent , older and ancient history of Aminet, or find out where to
access
Aminet in your area.

1.30 Getting access to Aminet

Where do I access Aminet?

If you would like to get updated more often than is possible with a quarterly CDROM, you have several possibilities. By far the best way is getting yourself connected to the Internet. Several commercial networks allow access to the Internet. Some of them are (this is not an endorsement, just an information):

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USA          Netcom  Voice 1.408.554.UNIX
              Portal  Voice 1.408.973.9111  Modem 1.408.973.8091
GERMANY      EUnet   Voice +49.231.972.00  Fax +49.231.972.1111
SWITZERLAND EUnet   Voice +41.1.291.45.80  Fax +41.1.291.46.42

```

Once you have gotten Internet access you can use the following methods to access the latest Aminet files:

- Mirrors. The normal way to access Aminet is by FTP, which comes with UNIX (program name is ftp). You can use any of the below sites. Most keep only recent files, but some have them all.

Location	Name	IP Address	Path	Files
USA (MO)	ftp.wustl.edu	128.252.135.4	pub/aminet/	ALL
USA (AZ)	ftp.ninemoons.com	165.247.33.6	pub/aminet/	ALL
USA (WI)	ftp.netnet.net	198.70.64.3	pub/aminet/	25000
Australia	ftp.livewire.com.au	203.16.26.3	pub/aminet/	ALL
Australia	ftp.tas.gov.au	147.109.237.5	pub/aminet/	22000
Switzerland	ftp.eunet.ch	146.228.10.11	pub/aminet/	20000
Scandinavia	ftp.luth.se	130.240.16.39	pub/aminet/	25000
Germany	ftp.germany.aminet.org	131.234.22.30	pub/aminet/	ALL
Germany	ftp.uni-erlangen.de	131.188.3.2	pub/aminet/	20000
Germany	ftp.uni-stuttgart.de	129.69.18.15	cd aminet	4000
Germany	ftp.cs.tu-berlin.de	130.149.17.12	pub/aminet/	16000
Germany	ftp.tu-chemnitz.de	134.109.132.28	pub/aminet/	12000
Germany	ftp.uni-siegen.de	141.99.164.1	pub/aminet/	9000
Germany	ftp.uni-trier.de	136.199.8.81	pub/aminet/	5000
Germany	ftp.fh-augsburg.de	141.82.16.242	pub/aminet/	5000
Germany	ftp.uni-bremen.de	134.102.228.2	pub/aminet/	3000
Germany	ftp.uni-kl.de	131.246.94.94	pub/aminet/	2000
Germany	ftp.uni-regensburg.de	132.199.1.203	pub/aminet/	3000
Germany	ftp.tu-clausthal.de	139.174.253.13	pub/aminet/	1000
Germany	ftp.aachen.aminet.org	137.226.225.3	pub/aminet/	2300
Italy	ftp.italy.aminet.org	192.132.34.17	pub/aminet/	ALL
Austria	ftp.giga.or.at	131.130.12.58	pub/aminet/	800
France	aminet.grolier.fr	194.158.97.86	pub/aminet/	ALL
France	sunsite.cnam.fr	163.173.129.5	pub/aminet/	6000
Denmark	sunsite.auc.dk	130.225.51.30	cd aminet	2000
UK	ftp.uk.aminet.org	155.198.1.40	pub/aminet/	ALL
UK	micros.hensa.ac.uk	194.80.32.51	pub/aminet/	8500
Ireland	atlantis.ucc.ie	143.239.1.200	pub/aminet/	2000
Greece	ftp.acropolis.gr	193.92.228.7	pub/aminet/	20000
Portugal	ftp.portugal.aminet.org	193.136.173.10	pub/aminet/	15000
Spain	ftp.gui.uva.es	157.88.36.190	pub/aminet/	1500
Hungary	ftp.iit.uni-miskolc.hu	193.6.4.31	pub/aminet/	3000
Czech Rep	amiga.chemi.muni.cz	147.251.84.2	pub/aminet/	2000
Poland	ftp.man.szczecin.pl	193.59.3.9	pub/aminet/	2000
Croatia	thphys.irb.hr	161.53.129.16	pub/aminet/	500

- ADT. This is a front end for FTP that allows easy access to Aminet. Get it from misc/unix/adt.c and compile it on your UNIX box by typing 'sh adt.c'
- WWW. Netscape, Mosaic or Lynx are a very decent way to access Aminet. Try the URLs <http://ftp.wustl.edu/~aminet/>, <http://ftp.eunet.ch/~aminet/>

or <http://www.germany.aminet.org/aminet/> where you can also find pointers to other Aminet sites with WWW support.

- FSP. Aminet Files can be downloaded from the FSP site <ftp.luth.se> at port 6969. <ftp.wustl.edu>, <ftp.uk.aminet.org>, <sunsite.auc.dk> and <ftp.giga.or.at> have FSP on port 21, but can't be reached from everywhere (just try). Uploads are accepted at most of these sites.
- Telnet. <ftp.uk.aminet.org> strikes again. You can telnet to 155.198.1.40 and log in as 'sources', which gives you a UNIX account where you can download the files on src using commands like 'sz' and 'kermit', or just browse around.
- NFS. NFS mounting of the archive is possible at <ftp.wustl.edu> (see <ftp://ftp.wustl.edu/README.NFS> for details), at <sunsite.auc.dk> (see <http://sunsite.auc.dk/SunSITE/access.html> for details), at <ftp.uni-stuttgart.de> (path /serv/serv/pub/systems/amiga/aminet) and at <ftp.cs.tu-berlin.de> (path /export/mdd10/ftp/pub/aminet).
- Finger. To find out what's been uploaded to Aminet within the last week, enter 'finger aminet@ftp.eunet.ch'
- Gopher. Gopher is specially supported by several Aminet sites. Just type 'gopher <sitename>' or 'gopher -p <startpoint> <sitename>'.

USA (MO)	ftp.wustl.edu	1/pub/aminet/info/goph
UK	gopher.uk.aminet.org	1/pub/aminet/info/goph

- Samba. Use 'net use x: \sunsite.auc.dk\ftp' to access to <sunsite.auc.dk>.

If you don't have Internet access, you can use the following methods:

- CD-ROM. Aminet CD 5 and up are available from Stefan Ossowski, Germany (stefano@tchest.e.eunet.de) or Fred Fish (orders@amigalib.com). The CD costs DM 25 or US\$ 20. You can also buy the complete Aminet as of Jan 95 on 4 CDs for DM60 or US\$ 40. For further details, have a look at <docs/misc/CD-Orders.txt>.
- Aminet mailserver. The Aminet mail server can do various things for you, like doing finds and accepting uploads, but it does not send out binaries. Send HELP to aminet-server@wuarchive.wustl.edu to find out more.
- Bin mailserver. The Aminet site <src.doc.ic.ac.uk> has an email server that sends out uuencoded binaries. Send a message with HELP in the body to ftpmail@doc.ic.ac.uk or ftpmail@ftp.luth.se. You can also use ftpmail@decwrl.dec.com to retrieve files from any Aminet site, but please use an American one to save bandwidth. Send HELP there for information, too. Germans try ftp-mail@uni-paderborn.de or mail-server@cs.tu-berlin.de, Canadians send HELP to MRCserv@MtRoyal.AB.CA and Italias have a look at ftpmail@ftp.unina.it
- Modem. The following BBSes carry up-to-date Aminet files. Most have more phone numbers than we can mention here, call to see a list of the others. Also, many offer their files in ZConnect format. The list is sorted by phone number.

Country	Name	FIDO	Phone	ISDN
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USA (MS)	The Gateway	1:3604/60	(+1)601 374 2697	
USA (CA)	Heavy Metal	1:202/1112	(+1)619 232 4919	
USA (NC)	The C: Dir		(+1)919 787 6211	
Canada	RCN Networks		(+1)418 653 3099	
Canada	TunnelVisio	1:153/910	(+1)604 535 9826	
Canada	MidnightMag		(+1)905 796 2931	
France	Ramses	2:320/104	(+33)1 45845623	
Italy	Amiga Pro		(+39)49 604488	
Italy	Glass Globe	2:332/118	(+39)577 959054	
Italy	SpeedOfLife	2:335/533	(+39)931 833773	
Switzerland	Amiga Micro	2:301/819	(+41)1 3001008	(+41)1 3001009
Switzerland	Helvetica	2:301/723	(+41)1 3201781	(+41)1 3201777
Switzerland	Dolphins		(+41)1 8450936	(+41)1 8846028
Switzerland	AmiCall	2:301/722	(+41)1 9804297	
Switzerland	Turicum		(+41)1 9918501	(+41)1 9918503
Switzerland	Dive-Inn	2:301/325	(+41)22 7518103	(+41)22 7518105
Switzerland	Alphanet		(+41)38 414081	
Switzerland	LogicPalace	2:301/706	(+41)31 7320051	(+41)31 7320044
Switzerland	LINKSys		(+41)61 3215643	(+41)61 3832007
Switzerland	AUGS BBS		(+41)62 7945041	(+41)62 7945049
Austria	Amiga World	2:310/72	(+43)1 5044269	(+43)1 5047701
UK	Elevate	2:251/18.0	(+44)1329 319028	
UK	Chaos Engin	2:259/15.0	(+44)1346 510727	
UK	Punters P.	2:250/361.0	(+44)1943 864070	
Sweden	TSDF		(+46)90 199004	
Germany	Surprise		(+49)201 329761	(+49)201 8315005
Germany	Art-Line		(+49)202 596003	(+49)202 2546013
Germany	T.O.M.		(+49)202 595267	
Germany	Pleasure		(+49)203 431366	
Germany	SMachine		(+49)203 4061447	(+49)203 9940127
Germany	Grisubox		(+49)2065 24447	
Germany	Karma Designs		(+49)208 670722	(+49)208 628951
Germany	Golden Gate		(+49)2041 262769	
Germany	Future Line		(+49)2041 686829	
Germany	Blue Moon		(+49)2065 66407	
Germany	Waldspecht		(+49)208 202509	(+49)208 851334
Germany	TrkPool		(+49)208 808640	
Germany	Hardy Box		(+49)2131 101990	(+49)2131 167212
Germany	Delvinor		(+49)2131 549457	(+49)2131 951253
Germany	Newswire		(+49)2154 5011	
Germany	Debuwi		(+49)2236 83233	
Germany	Candys		---	(+49)221 462138
Germany	Darkness		(+49)2273 1096	(+49)2273 910062
Germany	X-RAY		(+49)228 455893	
Germany	CBonn		(+49)228 666588	
Germany	SID		(+49)231 448496	
Germany	Blanker		(+49)231 815739	(+49)231 9812094
Germany	Fantasie		(+49)2381 675700	
Germany	Stingray		(+49)2385 6542	(+49)2385 910031
Germany	Stardate		(+49)251 262506	
Germany	ASBM		(+49)251 791650	
Germany	Circus		(+49)281 24001	
Germany	AMBO		(+49)30 3739293	(+49)30 37401021
Germany	TERM		(+49)30 4537288	(+49)30 45470171

Germany	Quick		(+49) 40 5479638	
Germany	ITHH		(+49) 40 6064098	(+49) 40 60680341
Germany	DOOM		(+49) 4223 8355	(+49) 4223 95004
Germany	Flight		(+49) 4442 72138	(+49) 4442 920362
Germany	Nexus-I		(+49) 5242 42065	
Germany	Black-Z		(+49) 6142 46278	(+49) 6142 924080
Germany	TecMania		(+49) 6157 910124	(+49) 6157 990421
Germany	48'er	2:2468/6020	(+49) 6203 180293	
Germany	WestCoast	2:2468/9718.0	(+49) 6221 761304	
Germany	RudisBox		(+49) 6253 86677	(+49) 6253 972100
Germany	HIT		(+49) 681 399426	(+49) 681 372552
Germany	Groenland		(+49) 6824 8444	
Germany	Titan		(+49) 6826 800391	
Germany	***elOutside		(+49) 6838 84739	
Germany	BrainWave	2:246/2006.0	(+49) 7071 78729	(+49) 7071 971213
Germany	DALLAS-BBS		(+49) 711 588146	(+49) 711 5719063
Germany	Amiga Univ.	2:246/1416.0	(+49) 7195 920677	(+49) 7195 940130
Germany	Amiga Inside	2:2476/539.0	(+49) 721 841292	
Germany	Uplink	2:246/2320	(+49) 751 96217	
Germany	Fairytale	2:246/2300	(+49) 7541 24362	(+49) 7541 930232
Germany	Melting Point	2:2476/825	(+49) 7663 50103	(+49) 7663 912013
Germany	Predator	2:2490/1140	(+49) 9131 14439	
Germany	LSD		(+49) 9133 9591	
Germany	Turtle	2:2490/1092	(+49) 911 3241044	(+49) 911 3241055
Germany	Lizard		(+49) 911 476948	
Germany	Incubus		(+49) 931 781464	(+49) 931 7900200
Australia	Continental		(+61) 2949 4256	
Australia	1990 Multi	3:690/758.0	(+61) 9370 3333	

- Anonymous UUCP. In Germany, you can access the Aminet files at the phone numbers of Brainwave BBS (see above) using the following entry. Download the file "Aminet:INFO" for more information.
anarchy Any SER 38400 ATD<Phone> BBS. ..\c ogin: uanon sword: uanon
In Switzerland you can use the Alphanet BBS, ~/archives/aminet, with the login nuucp.
- FIDO. If you want to file-request Aminet files, you can do so by requesting the file INFO from 2:246/2006.0. The BBSes which have a FIDO node number mentioned above allow file requests.
- Mailing lists. If you want to get the list of new uploads mailed every week, send a mail with 'SUBSCRIBE aminet-weekly Your Name' in the body to listproc@mail.wustl.edu or if you want daily updates, just use 'SUBSCRIBE aminet-daily' instead. Replace 'Your Name' with your real name, of course. Keep the welcome mail in case you forget how to unsubscribe and for the password you get.
- Usenet. A list of recent uploads is posted every week to the newsgroups comp.sys.amiga.misc and de.comp.sys.amiga.archive. The latter also gets daily postings.
- EZINFO. This is an internet BBS in Switzerland. Here you can download by Kermit or ZMODEM, but you need to be verified to become user. Modem dial 01 251 20 02, then type 'telnet b050' to connect to EZINFO. Also try telnet kometh.ethz.ch and 'call b050' from internet.
- Aminet-on-disk. You can order single Aminet files (3 DM per disk)

or per-directory subscriptions (2 DM per disk) from Martin Schulze, Parkstr. 14, 66806 Ensdorf, Germany. Phone: +49 (0) 6831 506171, email masc@coli.uni-sb.de . Send 3 DM in stamps or \$2 to get an index disk with instructions. Aminet-on-disk is available on Amiga-Floppy (880k: 3DM, 1.76MB: 5DM), SyQuest 88/105/270MB and 128MB-Magneto-Optical. (DM 0.40 per Megabyte without media costs)

1.31 Sending software to Aminet

How do I submit something to Aminet?

If you are an author of freely distributable software, you may be interested to get your software onto Aminet. Aminet gets your software to a lot of people very quickly, and is free of charge for most of its users.

If you would like to get your piece of freely distributable software onto Aminet and you don't have access to the Internet, you can check the BBSes listed

here

if they forward uploads to Aminet. The aminet-server@wuarchive.wustl.edu accepts uploads by email, send HELP there for instructions. If all fails, you can still send a diskette (that will not be sent back, sorry) with your upload to Martin Schulze, whose address you find in the access list as well.

Be sure to read the upload instructions very carefully. Faulty submissions are in danger of being deleted.

1.32 Ordering subsequent CD's

Order information

A new Aminet CD appears every two months. You can expect about 500M of new software on every CD, plus the currently most popular files, plus enough files from other sources to fill up the CD to its limit. Check this

list

of available CDs. You can order subscriptions or single CDs from the following companies:

Company	Offerings	
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- Germany/Europe		
Stefan Ossowski's	Aminet CDs	DM 25
Schatztruhe GmbH	subscriptions	DM 19.80 per CD

Veronikastr. 33
 D-45131 Essen Aminet Sets (4 CDs) DM 59
 Germany
 Shipping national prepaid DM 5
 Phone +49-201-788778 cash on delivery DM 8
 Fax +49-201-798447 Shipping Europe prepaid DM 8
 Shipping overseas prepaid DM 15
 stefano@tchest.e.eunet.de

All major credit cards accepted, they count as prepaid. Send cash as check or in a registered letter. Subscriptions don't include shipping. For money transfers use:

Deutsche Bank Essen, Bank ID 36070050, Account number 257901900

- Germany/Europe/Worldwide for dealers:

GTI GmbH
 Carl-Zeiss-Str. 9
 79761 Waldshut-Tiengen
 Germany

Phone +49-7741-83040
 Fax +49-7741-830438

100336.1245@compuserve.com

- USA/Canada

CRONUS Aminet CDs \$ 19.95
 1840 East Warner Road #105-265 subscriptions (4 CDs) \$~59.95
 Chandler, AZ 85284 Aminet Sets (4 CDs) \$ 45.00
 U.S.A.
 Shipping anywhere \$ 3.95
 Federal Express (USA) \$ 12.95

Fax: +1-602-491-0048
 Voice: +1-800-804-0833 or +1-602-491-0442
 WWW: www.ninemoons.com

Pay via cash, check, money order or credit card (VISA, MasterCard).
 Checks/money orders payable to 'CRONUS' and in US \$.
 Credit card orders must include card number, expiration date, and full name on card. Subscriptions don't include shipping. Dealer inquiries welcome.

- Canada/USA

NATIONAL AMIGA Aminet CD's \$39.95CAD
 1229 Marlborough Ct. #1401 Aminet Set's \$69.95CAD
 Oakville, Ontario
 L6H3B6 CANADA

Fax: +1-905-845-3295
 Phone: +1-905-845-1949
 Email: gscott@interlog.com
 WWW: www.interlog.com/~gscott/NationalAmiga.html

COD Shipping by Canada Post, Canpar or UPS. All Canadian orders can go COD either alone or as part of a larger order. Email is the best way to contact us. Most email is answered within 12 hours.

- Italy

C.A.T.M.U. s.n.c.	(DICE italian dealer)	
Via G. Di Vittorio, 22	Aminet CDs	34900 Lit.
10023 Chieri (TO)	subscriptions (4 CDs)	115000 Lit.
ITALY	Aminet Set	call

Fax: ++39-11-941.52.37	Shipping:	
Tel: ++39-11-941.52.37	pre-paid	5500 Lit.
fer@inrete.alpcom.it	on delivery	15000 Lit.

Pagamento tramite bollettino postale su c/c postale n.28065100
 intestato a: C.A.T.M.U. di Zamuner Giorgio & C. s.n.c.

- Data Service, v. Soren Petersen	Aminet CDs	Kr. 119.-
Kaerhaven 2a 2th	subscriptions	Kr. 119.-
DK-6400 Sonderborg	Aminet Set	Kr. 259.-
DENMARK		

Voice/Fax: ++45 74 43 17 36	Shipping:	
SE: 15 89 13 00	pre-paid	25.-
PostGiro: 6 71 22 74	cash on delivery	40.-
Mail: sorpe-95@sdbg.ih.dk	subscriptions	free

Payment by cheque, giro, postal money order or cash.

Have a look at the
 older Aminet CDs
 , too.

1.33 The disclaimer

Disclaimer

All files on Aminet have been virus checked. However, new viruses that were unknown at the time the CD was made could still have slipped through, so we cannot make any warranties. Thus you should run a virus checker on all programs extracted from the CD to be absolutely safe.

Note that, although you have paid for the CD, you don't own all the programs in it. Some of them are distributed as Shareware, which

means that you have to pay for its registration if you use it regularly. Please support the concept of shareware; if a program is worth using, it's also worth paying for.

You're getting the FD software on this CD is free of charge. The price of the CD just pays for the collecting and presenting it, and for the pressing of the CD.

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