

AminetGuide

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Chapter 1

AminetGuide

1.1 Welcome to Aminet CD 8

WELCOME TO AMINET CD 8
Deutsch

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Copyright 1995
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As on every CD (check our
subscriptions
) , we have loads of new material
for you. Under 35M of this CD have appeared on
older Aminet CDs
. The
(uncompressed) contents are:

620M of
new stuff
out since the making of Aminet CD 7
450M of modules sorted by style and rating
50M of top downloads used to complete the charts
2M of
registered
shareware: DeliTracker 2.18

For the following types of data we have special guides:

Games	An index of well programmed directly startable games
Demos	An index of compatible demos, sorted by quality
Pictures	A database with scaled down versions of the images

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. Free CDs!

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:

Martin Schulze - for getting me the Aminet data and helping with the production of this CD.
Matthias Scheler - for co-moderating Aminet.
Christian Weber - for his last-minute update of the Aminet data.
Lars Eilebrecht - for beta-testing.
Bruno Amsler - from Promigos, for his tedious attempts to get my computer fixed.
Christoph Frei - for letting me use his computer for testing.

Yours truly....

Urban Müller

1.3 Subscriptions

Subscriptions

If you would 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 Amiga Library Services in the USA, the subscription price is \$89.95 for six issues, which means about \$15 per issue instead of about \$20. The price does not include shipping (\$4 anywhere worldwide).

The address is:

Amiga Library Services
610 North Alma School Road
Suite 18
Chandler, AZ 85224-3687
U.S.A.

Voice/Fax +1-602-491-0442

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

1.4 Previous Aminet CD's

Previous Aminet CDs

As you may know, the Aminet archive has much more material than fits on a single CD. If you want more, check the following older CDs, if you want all of Aminet, you need all the CDs listed below.

- Aminet CD 7
 - The newest, the best, and 9000 pictures (Aug 1995)
- Aminet CD 6
 - The newest, the best, and 1800 demos (Jun 1995)
- Aminet CD 5
 - The newest, the best, and all the games (Mar 1995)
- Aminet Set 1
 - The complete Aminet on a newly made 4 CD set (Jan 1995)

1.5 Aminet CD 7

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

Aminet CD 7 contains over 1 gigabyte of freely distributable software. The newest file included is dated June 26th. Besides the the new software, the CD concentrates on pictures and clip art. The space on the CD is used as follows:

- 650M of software newer than Aminet CD 6
- 350M of images
- 50M of top downloads

These consist of:

- 1500 pictures (+7700 clip art images in large archives)
 - 1250 tools
 - 380 mods
 - 130 games
 - 70 demos
-

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

Aminet CD 7 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

Order info

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1.6 Aminet CD 6

Aminet CD 6 - The newest, the best, and all the games

Aminet CD 6 contains over 1 gigabyte of freely distributable software. The newest file included is dated Apr 28th. The space is used as follows (uncompressed sizes):

- 520M of software newer than Aminet CD 5
- 500M of demos
- 20M of top downloads

These consist of:

- 1800 demos
- 1300 tools
- 350 mods
- 140 pics
- 120 games

The demos were collected from various sources besides Aminet, and almost none of them have appeared on previous Aminet CDs.

The disks also contains all Amiga Report magazines issued so far.

Aminet CD 6 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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1.7 Aminet CD 5

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

The software on Aminet CD 5 can be divided in four parts:

- 210M of stuff that's newer than Aminet Set 1
- 450M of stuff that's newer than Aminet CD 4 (includes the above)
- 180M of games that can be run directly off the CD
- 20M of the most popular software

Mainly, Aminet CD 5 contains the software uploaded between 8-Oct-94 and 8-Feb-95, that's a total of 2600 archives. In addition, you get all the 1000 games we have on Aminet. Aminet 5 was made after Aminet Set 1, so if you want *all* of the Aminet data, you need Aminet Set 1 + Aminet CDs 5 and up.

Aminet CD 5 costs US \$19.95 or DM 25.

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Note: Sold out at most companies.

1.8 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.

Order info

Index (huge!)

1.9 The new uploads to Aminet since Aminet CD 7

New uploads to Aminet since Aminet CD 7

Almost everything on this CD is unseen before. But here we're only 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 our 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.

1.10 Recommended new uploads

These are the recommended new uploads of Aminet CD 8, for once selected not by me but by Martin Schulze. Games, demos or mods are not listed here because there exist separate best-of lists for them.

Adresses, appointments, videos: All easy to administer using freely distributable Amiga programs.

db2_8.lha	biz/dbase	159K	3	Database program w OS3.0 look, user def...
DFA_25.lha	biz/dbase	789K	7	The ultimate address utility
GCBAdresse.lha	biz/dbase	271K	2	The Address-Database
GCBVideoV3_05.lha	biz/dbase	280K	2	The video-administrator
GCBPlanerV3_13.lha	util/time	310K	2	The flexible diary with Toolmanager
ligamanager.lha	biz/dbase	178K	5	German data base for soccer results V2.2a
LigaManager.lha	biz/demo	161K	2	Fussball-Bundesliga-Manager-Demo
S_Adress_2_2.lha	biz/dbase	33K	11	Adress-Manager (Deutsch\English)
S_Video_3_1.lha	biz/dbase	35K	11	Video-Manager (Deutsch\English)
Remindl_52.lha	util/cdity	55K	2	Never forget an important event again.

Some demo versions of commercial software:

DiavoloBackup.lha	biz/demo	370K	6	Demo of V3.0 of the new backup software
Xi31Demo.lha	biz/demo	612K	10	Demo of XiPaint 3.1 - 24bit-Paintprogram

As on almost every CD, we have a new version of the biggest TERMINAL program, and in addition an answering machine for ZyXEL modems.

ZVT1_6u.lha	comm/misc	604K	6	Call receiver with fax/data V 1.6
hydracom.lha	comm/term	150K	5	Bidirectional file xfer protocol, v1.0r6
term_030.lha	comm/term	632K	10	V4.4, MC68020/030/040/060 version
term_deutsch.lha	comm/term	134K	10	V4.4, Deutschsprachige Dokumentation
term_doc.lha	comm/term	203K	10	V4.4, AmigaGuide format and library ↔ documentation
term_dvi.lha	comm/term	217K	10	V4.4, Documentation in TeX-DVI format
term_extras.lha	comm/term	262K	10	V4.4, HydraCom, ARexx scripts, sound files, ↔ transl
term_libs.lha	comm/term	126K	10	V4.4, XPR and XEM libs
term_locale.lha	comm/term	264K	10	V4.4, Locale and blank catalog table file
term_main.lha	comm/term	633K	10	V4.4, Distribution for all Amigas
term_ps.lha	comm/term	276K	10	V4.4, Documentation in PostScript format

term_roadmap.txt	comm/term	31K	10	V4.4, Introduction to the distribution (← what to do
term_source.lha	comm/term	797K	10	V4.4, Source code to program and user ← interface li
Assembler, C, E or Oberon: All of it freely distributable.				
Barfly1_25.lha	dev/asm	574K	2	Barfly Assembler Development System
PhxAss420.lha	dev/asm	335K	4	PhxAss V4.20 68xxx Macro Assembler
amigae.lha	dev/e	693K	9	The Amiga E v3.2a distribution
amigae_e.lha	dev/e	454K	9	The Amiga E v3.2a extras archive
gcc270_base.lha	dev/gcc	1.5M	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - Base part - C/C++/ObjC ←
gcc270c.lha	dev/gcc	759K	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - C part - C/C++/ObjC Compiler ←
gcc270c020.lha	dev/gcc	708K	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - 68020 C part - C/C++/ObjC ←
gcc270cp.lha	dev/gcc	1.8M	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - C++ part - C/C++/ObjC Compiler ←
gcc270_cp020.lha	dev/gcc	1.7M	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - 68020 C++ part - C/C++/ObjC ←
gcc270_doc.lha	dev/gcc	1.1M	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - Doc part - C/C++/ObjC Compiler ←
gcc270_inclib.lha	dev/gcc	918K	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - Headers and Libs part - C/C++/ ←
gcc270_objc.lha	dev/gcc	639K	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - Objc part - C/C++/ObjC ←
gcc270_020objc.lha	dev/gcc	617K	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - 68020 Objc part - C/C++/ObjC ←
gcc270_readme.lha	dev/gcc	119K	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - README part - C/C++/ObjC ←
gcc270_src.lha	dev/gcc	7.9M	2	Gcc v2.7.0 - Sources part - C/C++/ObjC ←
ixemul_bin.lha	dev/gcc	1.6M	3	IXemul.library 41.3
ixemul_src.lha	dev/gcc	1.4M	3	IXemul.library 41.3
Obrn_A_bin.lha	dev/obero	531K	11	A freely-distributable Oberon-2 compiler
Obrn_A_lib.lha	dev/obero	597K	11	The library and examples for Oberon-A
Obrn_A_src.lha	dev/obero	308K	11	The source code for Oberon-A
Obrn_A_upl.lha	dev/obero	376K	7	Update #1 for Oberon-A 1.6
Easy creation of GUIs:				
tril4dev.lha	dev/gui	328K	3	Triton GUI creation system. r1.4 dev
tril4usr.lha	util/libs	212K	3	Triton GUI creation system. r1.4 usr
VisualArts25.lha	dev/gui	350K	4	A Powerful GUI builder for WB2 & WB3
Ever had to repair a disk?				
DiskSalv11_32.lha	disk/salv	118K	11	Dave Haynie's DiskSalv version 11.32
Texts of interest to all Amiga users:				
JuggleGuidel11.lha	docs/help	23K	8	Beginners guide to ball juggling. v1.11
ACDgv12.lha	docs/hyper	59K	2	AmigaGuide to *ALL* Amiga CDROMs! v1.2
AmigaVPC.lha	docs/hyper	18K	3	Amigaguide comparison of Amiga and PC
amil_r363.lha	docs/hyper	22K	11	BIG LIST of Amiga Persons/Companies/Zines.
ARexxAppGuide.lha	docs/hyper	64K	10	AmigaGuide version of ARexxAppList.
TBOML10s.lha	docs/hyper	18K	11	The Big Old Monitor List, Monitor Specs
ar313.lha	docs/mags	93K	8	Amiga Report 3.13, fixed version
ar314.lha	docs/mags	78K	7	Amiga Report 3.14, July 30, 1995
ar315.lha	docs/mags	87K	4	Amiga Report 3.15, August 17th

ar316.lha	docs/mags	81K	2	Amiga Report 3.16, September 5, 1995
ARTv1i2A.lha	docs/mags	27K	10	AR Tech Journal, Vol 1 Issue 2 in ↔ AmigaGuide form
ARTv1i2H.lha	docs/mags	73K	10	AR Tech Journal, Vol 1 Issue 2 in HTML form
AmigaFAQ.lha	docs/misc	458K	3	Amiga: Frequently asked questions 5.07.95
Amiga_FAQ_g.lha	docs/misc	477K	3	Amiga: H ufig gestellte Fragen (5.07.95)
AminetContest.lha	docs/misc	22K	3	Log of Aminet Contest # 1
AmiFileSafe.txt	docs/rview	16K	11	REVIEW: Ami-File-Safe (AFS) filesystem
AmiFile_Safe_2.txt	docs/rview	7K	8	FOLLOWUP: Ami-File-Safe (AFS) filesystem

Here are the newest drivers and tools for the CyberGFX graphics board software:

CGraphX210u.lha	gfx/board	394K	2	CGraphX gfx extension update 2.10
CyberBootLogo.lha	gfx/board	70K	10	8-bit CyberGraphX 2.0 logo image for use ↔ with PicB
CyberGrab12.lha	gfx/board	18K	5	Screen-Grabber for CyberGraphX, V1.2
CyberPrefs.lha	gfx/board	16K	9	CyberPrefs 40.21 for CyberGfx
cybershow51.lha	gfx/board	91K	2	SlideShow&Viewer(incl.PCD)for CybGfx&AGA
cybertvplayer.lha	gfx/board	565K	10	Video player (HHsYUVSg) for CyberGfx&AGA
CyberView2_2.lha	gfx/board	30K	5	Universal Image Viewer for CyberGraphX
vlabtv08.lha	gfx/board	213K	3	Vlab frame grabber soft for CyberGraphX
egsphoalalb53.lha	gfx/board	381K	3	EGS picture management,PhotoCD&SlideShow ↔ software
egstv53.lha	gfx/board	471K	3	EGS animation,framegrabber&handyscanner ↔ software

After UNISYS claimed license fees for the GIF format, the better PNG format was created:

pnggio.lha	gfx/conv	42K	12	Photogenics PNG format loader/saver
pnmtopng.lha	gfx/pbm	83K	9	PBM/PGM/PPM <-> PNG conversion
PNG_gio.lha	gfx/show	42K	12	PNG gio (beta) for Photogenics 1.2
png_dt.lha	util/dtype	76K	12	PNG DataType v1.0
universalgio20.lha	gfx/edit	19K	3	Fast univ. loader module for Photogenics
fastifxmodul46.lha	gfx/misc	23K	3	Fast ImageFX loaders(incl.PhotoCD)&savers

Lots of graphics software: Image processing, fractals, display programs.

ImagStu1.lha	gfx/conv	631K	4	Image processing program v2.2.0 Part 1 of 2
ImagStu2.lha	gfx/conv	564K	4	Image processing program v2.2.0 Part 2 of 2
ImEngV2_0.lha	gfx/edit	543K	7	Image processing application V2.0
IconDeluxe1_10.lha	gfx/edit	74K	1	Full-featured icon editor (V1.10)
ChaosPro.lha	gfx/fract	555K	8	V2.0 of a fractal explorer like Mand2000
CProData.lha	gfx/fract	217K	8	Data files for ChaosPro
xv218.lha	gfx/edit	522K	8	Xv - Image processing AGA/OS3.0 recommended ↔ (68020)
PicView12.lha	gfx/misc	57K	6	Picture Catalogue (Needs OS3.0 and MUI)
SView463.lha	gfx/show	616K	6	SuperView V4.63 + Library 11.9

Want a Mac on your Amiga?

ShapeShift3_1.lha	misc/emu	207K	5	Macintosh II emulator, V3.1
SysBoot04.lha	util/boot	33K	2	Booting from Amiga or Shapeshifter, SFS ↔ replacemen

Try these for your mathematics.

calcdeluxe200.lha	misc/math	29K	10	A new *best* sfi. calculator, with graphics ↔ . Give
graph2d300.lha	misc/math	203K	4	Plots and analyzes functions, V3.00

Planning a trip anytime soon?

RoutePlanner.lha biz/dbase 200K 10 Highway trip planner. Requires MUI 2.2

Music software highlights:

MLED111.lha mus/edit 548K 6 New musiceditor, realtime synthesis & stuff
 GuitarG1_01.lha mus/misc 849K 2 A German Database for Guitar using OS3.0 ↔
 AmigaGuid
 Audio_Handler.lha mus/play 16K 6 Pipe/copy raw audio samples into a DOS ↔
 device
 Play1615Pch.lha mus/play 6K 5 Bugfix and two new icons for Play16 1.5
 Play16_1_5.lha mus/play 85K 11 Plays WAV, IFF, MAUD, etc, 14 bit output

Text software we have, too. Including two very good ext editors.

GED313.lha text/edit 870K 9 Texteditor for programmers V3.1.3 (95/7/18)
 write_4_97.lha text/edit 378K 10 Highly cfg. 'multi-modular-cfg.' texteditor
 Showguide23.lha text/hyper 9K 2 Guide-Viewer with XPK-Support

Finally a tiny selection of the many notable tools on the CD:

ARCHandler2_0b.lha util/arc 144K 3 2.0b - filesystem, use lha as directory
 PackDev1_6.lha util/arc 23K 2 Packs DFx, DHx etc., XPK support, V1.6
 UNPacker180.lha util/arc 13K 4 Simple GUI for decompressing LHA, ZIP, ZOO, ↔
 ARC, D
 BeyondTheDark.lha util/blank 162K 8 Multi Module simultaneous Blanker
 HDEnv12.lha util/boot 16K 2 Allows you to keep your ENV: dir on HD
 CBE4a.lha util/cdity 48K 6 Add history to ClipBoard. Now with ↔
 DataTypes.
 NewMode_V37.lha util/cdity 63K 2 Screen promoting utility
 Yak210.lha util/cdity 208K 2 Yak 2.10 - multi-purpose commodity
 PointerEyes4_1.lha util/wb 65K 11 Eyes on screen titlebars watch your pointer ↔
 .
 windowtiler21b.lha util/wb 12K 8 Arrange windows in many ways
 Zoom10.lha util/wb 3K 4 Shortest zoomer of frontmost screen

There are free alternatives to Directory Opus:

FM30B23.lha util/dir 210K 5 Dirutil with internal multitasking
 RO_V104.lha util/dir 270K 10 MUI-Based FileManager

Ever wanted 100M of RAM? Here you have it.

VMM_V3_2.lha util/misc 240K 3 Virtual memory for Amigas with MMU

Shells don't have to be uncomfortable:

csH547.lha util/shell 196K 2 C-Shell (csh) 5.47, CLI replacement

How about checking your HD with the latest VirusChecker now?

VChk716.lha util/virus 135K 2 Version 7.16 of Virus_Checker. Amiga Virus ↔
 Hunter/

Finally, we have a lot of good animations on the CD. Have a look, they're worth it.

1.11 Registered shareware

Registered shareware on Aminet CD 8

On this CD, you will find a registered version of DeliTracker, the most

powerful module player for the Amiga. If you have never saved your own Aminet preferences, it will be used immediately. Otherwise please enter 'DeliTracker2' as your mod player in Prefs.

DeliTracker is a bit complicated, please read this short info about it.

The version installed on CD does not use all features. If you would like to make use of all functions, and configure DeliTracker according to your needs, I recommend you install the version found in the Deli drawer on the CD and enter the path to it in 'Prefs'.

1.12 New features

New features of this CD

- DeliTracker is now the default module player. If you have saved a viewer config with MultiPlayer, I recommend you replace MultiPlayer with DeliTracker2 in the config.
- 'Find' now has, in the match pages, a button that searches all CDs for the same pattern. Also, you can now extract a file on a different CD directly on the page that tells you the file is not on the current CD.
- The Files.BBS index files now include file sizes, and the MS-DOS version FILES.MSD now has a full CR/LF sequence as line end.
- A bug that that prevented some directories from being deleted after use (namely with game and demo starting) was eliminated.

1.13 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:

```
cd Aminet/docs/mags
lha e cd32bits-0694.lha ram:
```

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

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

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

```
find IN Aminet foo
```

For further information read the documents on Find, FullFind and

Inspect in Tools/Docs/.

Useful stuff

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:.

1.14 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.

1.15 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.

1.16 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.

1.17 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.

1.18 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 20 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 50 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 and virus free.

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 and ancient history of Aminet, or find out where to
access
Aminet in your area.

1.19 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 ftp.wustl.edu, ftp.cdrom.com, ftp.doc.ic.ac.uk and ftp.luth.se are complete.

Location	Name	IP Address	Path	Files
USA (MO)	ftp.wustl.edu	128.252.135.4	pub/aminet/	ALL
USA (WI)	ftp.netnet.net	198.70.64.3	pub/aminet/	ALL
Australia	ftp.livewire.com.au	203.16.26.3	pub/aminet/	ALL
Scandinavia	ftp.luth.se	130.240.18.2	pub/aminet/	ALL
Switzerland	ftp.eunet.ch	146.228.10.16	pub/aminet/	ALL
Switzerland	ftp.math.ethz.ch	129.132.104.6	pub/aminet/	1000
Germany	kelly.uni-paderborn.de	131.234.128.206	pub/aminet/	ALL
Germany	ftp.uni-paderborn.de	131.234.2.42	pub/aminet/	ALL
Germany	ftp.uni-erlangen.de	131.188.3.2	pub/aminet/	7000
Germany	ftp.cs.tu-berlin.de	130.149.17.7	pub/aminet/	6000
Germany	ftp.uni-trier.de	136.199.8.81	pub/aminet/	4500
Germany	ftp.uni-stuttgart.de	129.69.18.15	cd aminet	4000
Germany	ftp.tu-chemnitz.de	192.108.33.193	pub/aminet/	4000
Germany	ftp.fh-augsburg.de	141.82.16.242	pub/aminet/	3000
Germany	ftp.uni-oldenburg.de	134.106.40.9	pub/aminet/	2500
Germany	ftp.uni-bremen.de	134.102.228.2	pub/aminet/	2000
Germany	ftp.uni-kl.de	131.246.9.95	pub/aminet/	1500
Germany	ftp.uni-siegen.de	141.99.128.1	pub/aminet/	1500
Germany	ftp.rz.uni-wuerzburg.de	132.187.1.2	pub/aminet/	700
France	ftp.cnam.fr	163.173.128.15	pub/aminet/	8000
Portugal	ftp.ua.pt	193.136.80.6	pub/aminet/	2000
UK	ftp.doc.ic.ac.uk	155.198.1.40	pub/aminet/	ALL
UK	micros.hensa.ac.uk	148.88.8.84	pub/aminet/	8500

- ADT. This is a front end for FTP that allows easy access to Aminet. Get it from misc/unix/ and compile it on your UNIX box.
- FSP. Aminet Files can be downloaded from the FSP site ftp.luth.se at port 6969 and from disun3.epfl.ch port 9999. ftp.wustl.edu and ftp.doc.ic.ac.uk have FSP on port 21, but can't be reached from everywhere (just try). Uploads are accepted at wustl and luth.
- Telnet. ftp.doc.ic.ac.uk strikes again. You can telnet to 146.169.2.1 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. The only Aminet site that allows NFS mounting of the archives is ftp.wustl.edu. FTP there and read the details in /README.NFS
- IRC. On Internet Relay Chat, you can talk to various server robots like

Mama, LitBot and MerBot, to do queries and retrievals. Find out more about them using '/msg mama help', for example.

- Finger. To find out what's been uploaded to Aminet within the last week, enter 'finger aminet@ftp.etsu.edu'.
- Gopher. Gopher is specially supported by several Aminet sites. Just type 'gopher <sitename>' or 'gopher -p <startpoint> <sitename>'.

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USA (MO)      ftp.wustl.edu          1/pub/aminet/info/goph
USA (TX)      ftp.etsu.edu           1/AmigaArchives/Aminet
SWITZERLAND  ftp.eunet.ch           1/pub/aminet/info/goph
GERMANY      ftp.uni-paderborn.de  1/Service/FTP/Direct/ftp-server/aminet
UK           ftp.doc.ic.ac.uk      1/pub/aminet/info/goph
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If you don't have full internet access, you can try one of the following methods to get access:

- 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. 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 ftpmail@uni-paderborn.de .
Searching the aminet index for a file name, or uploading can be done at aminet-server@wuarchive.wustl.edu (as usual, send HELP there for information).
Also, the RECENT and CHARTS files are available from an automatic e-mail server. Send mail to announce@cs.ucdavis.edu with the single word "help" (no quotes) in the body to find out how to use the server.
- 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. List sorted by phone number. (Please notify me of Aminet BBSes that are not on the list)

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	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 3130879	(+41)1 3101016
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 445041	(+41) 62 445041
Austria	Amiga World	2:310/72	(+43) 1 5044269	(+43) 1 5047701
Denmark	Scala BBS	2:230/418	(+45) 44680300	(+45) 44861540
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	
Germany	Future Line		(+49) 2041 686829	
Germany	Blue Moon		(+49) 2065 66407	
Germany	TrkPool		(+49) 208 808640	
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	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	MultiCom		(+49) 5321 45440	(+49) 5321 305373
Germany	Black-Z		(+49) 6142 46278	(+49) 6142 924080
Germany	SLTO		(+49) 615 264898	
Germany	TecMania		(+49) 6157 87427	(+49) 6157 910121
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	Fairytales	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
- 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 foo@bar.edu' in the body to listserv@wunet.wustl.edu or if you want daily updates, just use 'SUBSCRIBE aminet-daily' instead. Replace foo@bar.edu with your email address, of course. Keep the welcome mail in case you forget how to unsubscribe...
- Usenet. A list of recent uploads is posted every week to the newsgroups comp.sys.amiga.misc and de.comp.sys.amiga.archive.
- 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 'call 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 . Other media like opticals or DAT's are available, too. Send 3 DM in stamps or \$2 to get an index disk with instructions.

1.20 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. And, while this policy lasts, you can order a free Aminet CD by email! Send HELP to aminet-server@wuarchive.wustl.edu for more information.

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.

1.21 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. Order subscriptions or single CDs from the following companies:

Company -----	Offerings -----	
- Germany/Europe		
Stefan Ossowski's Schatztruhe GmbH Veronikastr. 33 D-45131 Essen Germany	Aminet CDs subscriptions Aminet Set 1 (4 CDs)	DM 25 DM 19.80 per CD DM 59
Phone +49-201-788778 Fax +49-201-798447 stefano@tchest.e.eunet.de	Shipping national prepaid cash on delivery Shipping Europe prepaid cash on delivery Shipping overseas prepaid	DM 4 DM 8 DM 8 DM 25 DM 15

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
Zimmersmühlenweg 73
D-61440 Oberursel
Germany

Phone +49-6171-85934
Fax +49-6171-8302

100336.1245@compuserve.com

- USA/Canada

Amiga Library Services	Aminet CDs	\$ 19.95
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610 North Alma School Road subscriptions (6 CDs) \$~89.95
 Suite 18 Aminet Set 1 (4 CDs) \$ 39.95
 Chandler, AZ 85224-3687
 U.S.A. Shipping anywhere \$ 3.95
 Federal Express (USA) \$ 12.95
 Voice/Fax +1-602-491-0442

Pay via cash, check, money order or credit card (VISA, MasterCard).
 Checks/money orders payable to 'Amiga Library Services' 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.

- Denmark

Fribert Consult, v. Kenneth Fribert
 C. T. Barfoeds Vej 2, 3. tv Aminet CDs Kr. 120.25
 DK-2000 FRB subscriptions Kr. 108.25 per CD
 Denmark Aminet Set Kr. call
 PostGiro: 0 89 79 73 Shipping (prepay) Kr. 20.-
 Phone:+45 31 87 98 64 Shipping (Cash on delivery) Kr. 52.-
 Fax: +45 31 87 98 36
 SE: 16 41 74 75
 Internet: kfribert@scala.ping.dk
 Fido: 2:235/317.0

Orders can be paid via cheque, Giro, postal money order or cash.

- 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.

- Worldwide

You can order the Aminet CD from any bookstore worldwide. Please state
 the appropriate ISBN numbers with your order:

Aminet Set 1 ISBN 3-86084-253-6
 Aminet CD 5 ISBN 3-86084-256-0

Prices may vary, ask your local dealer for more information.

1.22 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 CD 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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