Lunaria

Desktop Theme for Windows 95
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Lunaria is a Moon-related desktop theme designed for Microsoft Plus! for Windows 95.   This is version 1.0 of Lunaria, containing a complete set of original 3D cursors, two original animated cursors, background wallpaper, a full set of original photo-quality system icons, and ten system sounds from the Apollo 11 mission.

Future versions of Lunaria may include additional sounds, startup and shutdown screens, and an original screen saver.   If you would like to be notified when future versions are made available, you can sign up at the Lunaria web page: http://www.sff.net/people/karawynn/themes/lunaria.htp

Requirements:

Windows 95, obviously, and Microsoft Plus! are required for all desktop themes.   Lunaria, like several themes in the Plus! pack, is a high-color theme.   It is **not** recommended for systems running 256 or fewer colors.   The minimum recommended screen resolution is 800x600.

Lunaria uses Copperplate Gothic Bold and Copperplate Gothic Light TrueType fonts, which were distributed as part of the original Plus! Desktop themes.   If you are running the Plus! Demo version or did not install all of the Plus! themes you may not have these fonts on your system.

Users of Windows 3.1 or Windows 95 without Plus! may be able to utilize certain components to enhance their desktop by manually applying individual graphics and sounds.

Instructions:

Using a zip utility (such as WinZip) that supports long file names, extract the contents of Lunathem.zip into your Plus! Themes directory (C:\Program Files\Plus!\Themes\ unless you've moved it).

Special instructions for Mail sound:

It is my understanding (someone correct me on this if necessary) that if you are using Microsoft Exchange as a mail program, the New Mail Notification sound included with Lunaria will automatically be implemented.

If you are using another mail program, you will have to assign the sound manually.   Below are instructions for Eudora Lite 1.5.4:

> From the Tools menu, select Options.   Click the icon for Getting Attention.   If the checkbox next to "Play a sound" is empty, check it.   Then click the bar (it may be blank) directly below "Play a sound."   You will get a dialog box for selecting a sound file. Navigate through the directories into the Plus! Themes directory, find the sound file "Lunaria new mail.wav," and double-click.   Click "OK."

Archive Contents (Lunaria v. 1.0):

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Lunaria (high color).theme          theme file for Plus!
Lunaria.rtf                         this document

Lunaria My Computer.ico             floating astronaut
Lunaria Network Neighborhood.ico    earthrise (view from the moon)
Lunaria Recycle Empty.ico           lunar landscape
Lunaria Recycle Full.ico            lunar landscape with American flag

Lunaria wallpaper.jpg               large textured moon photo against black

Lunaria busy.ani                    animated moon face-phases with arrow
Lunaria wait.ani                    animated solar eclipse

Lunaria arrow.cur                   3D arrow select cursor
Lunaria beam.cur                    3D I-beam text cursor
Lunaria cross.cur                   3D cross precision cursor
Lunaria help.cur                    3D help arrow cursor
Lunaria move.cur                    3D move object cursor
Lunaria no.cur                      3D not available cursor
Lunaria pen.cur                     3D handwriting cursor
Lunaria Size NESW.cur               3D diagonal resize cursor
Lunaria Size NS.cur                 3D vertical resize cursor
Lunaria Size NWSE.cur               3D diagonal resize cursor
Lunaria Size WE.cur                 3D horizontal resize cursor
Lunaria up.cur                      3D vertical arrow cursor

Lunaria asterisk.wav                "Standing by."
Lunaria critical stop.wav           Armstrong: "Uh-oh."
Lunaria default sound.wav           beep (used to end transmissions)
Lunaria empty recycle bin.wav       Aldrin: "You can really throw things a
                                    long way up here!"
Lunaria exclamation.wav             Armstrong: "Okay."
Lunaria exit windows.wav            "Tranquility Base here – the Eagle has
                                    landed."
Lunaria new mail.wav                "The President of the United States would
                                    like to say a few words to you. Over."
Lunaria program error.wav           Armstrong: "Ohh, shoot!"
Lunaria question.wav                Aldrin: "Say again, Houston?"
Lunaria startup.wav                 "Three, two, one, zero. All engines
                                    running. Liftoff, we have a liftoff!"
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Distribution:

The Lunaria desktop theme is freeware.   Use it without guilt.   Its creation was not a trivial project, though, so if you like it, please send an email saying so.   My address is karawynn@interport.net.

Lunathem.zip may be freely redistributed as long as all files in the original archive are kept together, no modifications are made, and no money changes hands.   If you make this file available on any other web site, please provide a link back to the Lunaria web page at http://www.sff.net/people/karawynn/themes/lunaria.htp.

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Icons, cursors, animations, wallpaper,   and general design © Karawynn Long.

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Visit my sprawling, multipurpose home page at http://www.sff.net/people/karawynn/

Further updates to and information about Lunaria will be posted at http://www.sff.net/people/karawynn/themes/lunaria.htp

Lunaria is my first Windows 95 desktop theme.   As I create others, they will become available at http://www.sff.net/people/karawynn/themes/