

Explore the Universe from your Desktop!

New Frontiers Screen Savers on CD-ROM

* SHAREWARE VERSION *

Welcome to the New Frontiers **shareware version**. This the celebration of space and those who seek to conquer it, is the premier screen saver and outer space photo collection.

This shareware version includes five images from the New Frontiers CD-ROM, plus the screen saver software. The registered New Frontiers CD-ROM includes over 400 incredible NASA photographs from historic satellite, orbital, and lunar missions.

Spectacular shots include shuttle lift offs, Magellan space probe exploration, black holes, quarks, astronauts in space, planets, comets, galaxies, the Hubble Telescope, moon walks, and much more! Be front and center rom your desktop on some of the most exciting space exploration of the century!

To install this shareware version of New Frontiers, please follow the instruction below.

If you continue to use this product past the 60 day evaluation period, you must register this software. Registering this software provides several important benefits including the full retail CD-ROM product. A registration/order form is included with details on ordering the entire 400-plus image collection on CD-ROM.

Installation: Windows Setup

You will need at least 1 MB of free hard drive space to install the base set of space images. Be sure to make adequate space available before installation.

From Windows Program Manager, select File, Run and Type A:\SETUP. Click on OK.

NOTE: *Substitute the appropriate disk drive letter for A: and specify a subdirectory if required.*

The software and images will be decompressed and installed on your hard drive. By default the installation SETUP program will install a selection of 5 images. The full retail CD-ROM installs 20 images and includes 400 additonal images on the CD-ROM, which can be installed by the customer at his/her own discretion.

To change the default screen saver settings:

1. In the Main program group, open up the Control Panel.
2. Open the Desktop Icon.
3. Select the module you want to run under the Screen Saver option. You can use the Test button to audition modules.
4. Click the Setup button to customize user-selectable options.
5. Set the desired delay time for the screen saver to become active.

The "Chooser" utility

As an alternative to the options listed above, for changing screen saver settings, you may use the "Chooser" utility which is installed in the New Frontiers program group when you run the SETUP program. Simply double click on the Chooser icon and follow steps 3 through 5 above.

Image Carousel

Image Carousel is the screen saver module which manages and displays the image files in New Frontiers. These files are stored in a proprietary format, and can only be played through Image Carousel.

Options:

- **Password Protection, Sound Options**
- **Fade Style** - This option selects one of the several transition effects between images. Choices include Random, Block Fade, Horizontal Blind, Vertical Blind, Horizontal Wipe, Vertical Wipe, Circular Wipe and Pixel Fade. The Random selection will cycle a different fade style for each image.
- **Delay Between Images** - This sets the length of time each still image is displayed on the screen.
- **Image Options**
 - Show All** - This checkbox, if checked (or X'd), will automatically "select" all images in the Image directory to be displayed. If not checked, the "Select Images" option will be active.
 - Select Images** - This selection allows you to do several things, functioning as a mini file management utility.
 - Add** - This is how you select image files to be displayed. Select the desired .img file under the "Available" column by clicking on it to highlight it. If you want to view the file before selecting it, click "Preview" for a thumbnail view of the file. Click "Add" to select the file. It will appear under the "Selected" column.
 - Remove** - Highlight the files under the "Selected" column that you wish to de-select. Click the "Remove" button, and the files will disappear from the "Selected" column. Please note that this function does not actually delete an image file (unlike the "Delete File" function,) but de-selects it only.
 - Delete File** - This function operates on files listed in either the "Selected" or "Available" columns, and will physically delete selected image files from the drive. If single or multiple files are selected by highlighting, just click the "Delete File" button. A dialog box will pop up to ask if you are sure you want to delete the selected files.
 - Install** - This option, like the "Delete File" option, is primarily for moving .IMG files back and forth from storage media to the Hard Drive. (When installing from the original disks, all available files are automatically installed onto the hard drive, so you may not need to use this option unless you have removed image/sound files off your hard drive and wish to reinstall them. To move additional image files from the storage media, click "Install." Select the drive letter and directory. The installable files will appear on the left, under the "Files:" column. Highlight the files you want to select and click the "Install" button. The files will be copied from the storage media to the images directory on your hard drive.

After completing any configuration operations in "Select Images," click the "OK" button to save your settings and return to the main options window.

- **Image Directory** - This allows you to change the directory from which Image Carousel reads image files. Normally you will not want to change this, but if you purchase additional products using Image Carousel, and need to store different image files in separate directories, this option allows a quick, easy way to reconfigure.

Password protection - This allows a user to set a password which must then be entered to quit a screen saver. The computer will prompt you for the password if you try to exit the screen saver module. If an incorrect password (or no password) is entered, the screen saver module will resume operation, disallowing access to the Windows Desktop. This provides security and privacy for your computer when you are away from the desk. Passwords are global, so whatever password you set for any module becomes the password for all modules with the Password Protected option box checked.

Sound Options - Sounds are a lot of fun, and really enhance the impact of a screen saver module, but they can sometimes become intrusive. The "Full Sound" option gives you all sounds continuously, throughout the operation of the screen saver. The "Limited Sound" option plays the sounds for a couple of iterations (a minute or two) for the module, then goes silent for the rest of the operation. The "No Sound" option mutes the module entirely. NOTE: New Frontiers does not employ sounds in the outer space images. Other Image Carousel products, however, sometimes include sounds.

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