The $49 Multimedia and hypertext program.

Phone 1-800-879-LINK   to register.

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Recent Comments about LinksWare for the Mac:

"...you'll find a lot to like in LinksWare." MacWeek, Aug 9, 1993 (3 stars)

"...it's closer to real hypertext than most of the products that are called hyper-something or other. If only it were built into the operating system...If only it were universal." Michael Swain, Editor, Dr Dobbs Journal

"...an amazing tool...with results as good as you'd get spending days scripting your links...it is my favorite hypermedia program." Mark A. Corum, Eclipse Multimedia

"...amazingly simple...LinksWare has limitless potential for the creation of complex hypertext documents. The manner of linking is so straight forward that I can focus my energies on the project at hand without being distracted by aspects of the program's interface." Jamey Price, Art Director, Page/Bennet Associates.

"(I was) impressed by the smooth fast links...I always mention LinksWare when I talk or write about simple elegant products for the Mac." - Paul Stat, Editor, A+/inCider Magazine

"It's great...the ultimate HyperCard killer." Dr Pobedonostzeff, Pfizer Hospital products Group

Now you can add hyper-links to your own documents or even to CD-ROM files with just two mouse-clicks!

• SIMPLE TO USE

If those glowing reviews don't convince you, then perhaps our 90-second learning curve will:

If you know how to run a Mac, you know how to run LinksWare™!

Here are the complete instructions   for adding a new link to a file:

    1- click on a word (or graphic area)
    2- click on the file you want it linked to

That's it! From now on, when you click on the word, that file will be opened and displayed automatically.

No need to learn a new word-processor or paint program: just use the ones you have now.

• INTELLIGENT

LinksWare accomplishes all this without altering your files in any way: there isn't even a "Save" command in the File Menu. The information about your links is kept in a separate file, so your original files are totally unaltered, and still usable by your applications.

• ELEGANT

The kind of power to let you do things unheard-of before now:

• you can link to, from, and even between files on read-only media such as CD-ROMs.

• an expanded mode in which every word ever linked can retrieve links in any   document you open. Hypertext can at last be used not only to narrow a search, but to expand one as well.

"...you can give any word or part of a picture new depth. Files that had been static become dynamic.."

-Paul Stat

Senior Editor

inCider/ A+ Magazine

LINKSWARE™ FEATURES

• Creates hypertext/hypergraphic links using the original files created by your own word processor and graphic programs. Compatible with Microsoft Word®, MacWrite®, WriteNow®, WordPerfect® and many others.

• Reads and links text, graphic, sound and movie files.

• Requires no programming. If you can click the mouse, you can use this program.

• Does not alter your files in any way.

• Does not require HyperCard®.

• Displays the links on screen. Text links are created to actual words, not to screen positions, so your files are still fully functional.

• Unlike HyperCard®, where only one card can be viewed at a time, LinksWare can have as many windows open as memory allows.

•   LinksWare uses XTND® and DataViz file conversion so you can always add additional translators. Includes over a dozen of the most popular translators at no additional cost. Program never goes out of date.

• A sophisticated file finding routine can automatically resurrect links even if the original files have been moved or renamed.

• Special run-time package   for "LinksWare Publishing" included free.

• Creates standalone self-refering files and includes a free reader.

• Remembers window state and position.

• Instant access to all linked words and   files through the main menu.

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Thank you for examining our software. We have worked hard to make an extremely complex program become as easy and intuitive as possible.   If this booklet seems thin, be happy - the program is very simple to use. LinksWare is famous for its' 90-secornd basic-learning curve and has been called "the only true hypertext product on the market" .

Version 3.0

Version 3.0 of LinksWare offers several important enhancements from previous versions:

Single version can be registered by phone & is both the full application and the run-time version.
Documentation included.
A floating toolbar for even simpler operation.
A powerful abstraction file creator synopsizes links.
A windows menu has been added.
Save As Formatted for LinksWare hypertext publishing.
Handles simple graphics embedded within documents.
and...
Single standalone files with embedded links can be created (no linkset needed).
No limits on the number of linked files*
No limits on the number of links within a single file*
No limits on the number of linked words*
Links can be made within the same document.
Links can be made to specific locations in other documents.
Recalled files remember the window position and size for each link.
Links can be made from phrases, not just single words.
Restoring and sharing files are much easier.
Moved and renamed files are found without user input.
"Find" has been implemented for text files.
Links can be made to individual scenes within a movie, including automatic playing.
Return to the last link by pressing a single key.
Text files (not word-processor files) can be made to re-flow after window re-sizing.
Large monitors are supported.

(* Well, either 51.4 million, or the limits of your hard drive and available memory. The program can handle more words than there are in all languages put together: well over a half-billion, also realistically limited to the space on your hard drive and machine's available memory.)

Some History

The idea for LinksWare came from reading the encyclopedia one evening. I noticed the "see also" section at the end of the entries, and thought how nice it would be if I could just touch the word I was interested in, and the "see also" information would appear .

You now have a product which does just that..on your Macintosh™.

LinksWare sets up connections between your own text & graphics documents.   It is this capability, to use files you create with your own word-processor and paint program, which gives LinksWare its power, versatility and usefulness.   You don't need to create special "cards," or learn a new   word-processor or paint program, as you would with the stack-based method. There is no "importing," file-conversion or duplication. You can start anywhere and use the files you already have.

We make links to actual words, not "screen-buttons" so you can still edit your documents, and the links will be valid: LinksWare makes absolutely   no   changes to your original documents. There isn't even a "save" command on the file menu.

LinksWare is painless to use - you can add a link in as few as three mouse-clicks; no buttons to add, no stacks to create, no fancy programming language to learn, no data to re-create or enter. Just click and go! And since LinksWare makes no changes, you can use it to set up links both to and from read-only media such as CD-ROMS.

We think you will agree that you've acquired a powerful tool, and hope you enjoy joining the hypertext revolution.

Tracy Valleau
President
LinksWare

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