

What is Amapi?

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Amapi is a fast 3D modeler from TGS, Inc. for polygonal and Nurbs design. It is both a stand alone application (for PC and Mac) as well as being available with a plugin connection to 3Ds max 2.5 AND 3. Typically you will find that it is an excellent companion to 3DS MAX, in that it significantly speeds up the creation or modification of 3D geometry. An Interactive Training CD is available from Animhouse: www.animhouse.com

Amapi resources, tutorials, and other users:

www.staigerland.com/amapi
www.17hours.com
www.chris-stocker.co.uk
www.smart3d.com
www.multimania.com/bretagnolle
<http://perso.club-internet.fr/odrion/>
www.deepcold.com
<http://o.ffmpeg.free.fr/>
www.martindeblois.com

What's on the CD?

The CD contains

- a full version of Amapi 4.1, and
- a trial version (TE) of the latest Amapi 5.15.

There's also a large collection of 3D models, materials, tutorials and HTML documentation (user/reference manual).

Using the Full version of Amapi 4.1

In order to use the full version of Amapi 4.1, do this:

- register online at www.tgs.com/amapi (look for 'Register Online')
- Enter this registration serial number: A3D10690CRSM1 (serial number on registration form)

- When starting Amapi, you will be prompted for a license password. Enter the following:

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This will give you full access to Amapi 4.1 for *free*.

Using and Evaluating Amapi 5.15 TE

In order to evaluate the many new powerful features of Amapi 5.15, install and run the Trial Edition of Amapi 5.15, included also on this CD, along with an extensive presentation of the new features, tutorials, documentation and links to other Amapi users. When using the Trial Edition (TE) of Amapi

5.15, you can operate in demo mode (which is the default) for as long as you want without trial password.

In Demo mode, saving or exporting is disabled, however all other features are enabled, such as rendering to image file, animation files (AVI) and all modeling tools. You can therefore take your time and learn the new features of Amapí at your leisure without rushing into a buy-don't-buy decision.

When you need to test the exports, or want to save your current 3D model on disk, or use the 3DSMAX plugin to move data from Amapí back to MAX, then you'll need a trial password. In order to obtain a trial password, which is good for several weeks:

- go to www.tgs.com/amapi
- select 'PC Demo'
- enter your registration info.
- make sure your email address is correct. The trial password will be sent automatically by the server via Email to that address.
- after registration, an Email message is sent to your email address, with a temporary trial password. You'll then see a choice of sites from which to download the Amapí Demo (Trial Edition). You won't really need to continue at this point, unless a newer version of Amapí is available by that time.
- Check your mailbox for an email from TGS after a few minutes. It will contain a trial password which is good for a few weeks.

What about the 3DS MAX Plugin for Amapí?

You can find the installer for the 3DS MAX plugin to Amapí at this web location:

<http://www.tgs.com/Support/Tutorials/Amapí/Amapí-3DMax.html>

If the location has changed from the time of this printing, go to www.tgs.com/amapi and look for Import/Export options, where you should be able to find a link to the 3DS MAX plugin. The plugin installer (for Amapí 5.1) is available for MAX 2.5 or 3. Amapí 4.1 works with the MAX 2.5 plugin only. For Amapí 4.1, the plugin installer is provided on the CD.

Support

If you have questions on the use of Amapí, please contact support@tgs.com (In Europe: support@europe.tgs.com). Our dedicated support staff is ready to help. Other contact details are available on our website at www.tgs.com