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Welcome to Fiend v1.4.1!

*What does it do? Well, Fiend is a dock extender, first and foremost. It is the **only** quad-fat dock extender capable of animating **all** of your animated icons, as well as supporting multiple, named dock levels, handling command-dragging, command-double-clicking and arbitrary configuration and placement of your dock and the docked icons in an integrated*

and seamless fashion.

Fiend is also a shelf extender that turns your entire desktop into a shelf that can display an image of your choice.

Finally, Fiend is capable of loading your BackSpace modules, so it can function as a screen saver as well.

Fiend started out in April of 1994 as "a couple of minor enhancements" to MonsterShelf.app, written by Brian

Pinkerton (of WebCrawler fame, whose address is [bp@cs.washington.edu]).

Many months of continuing "minor enhancements" later (as well as relentless feature requests and demands from my friends Alex Cone [abc@object.com] and Ed Wright [address withheld], in addition to the users of Fiend v1.0, who practically speaking, made the app what it is today) resulted in (among other things):

- A multi-level, resizable dock*

Pasteboard support

Multiple file dropping

Image background with tiling

Backspace support

Autolaunching

Services

Full icon animation

Named dock levels

Level-independent icons

Level-following app activation

*Full icon animation and app launch
status tracking*

You can find Instructions, Release Notes, and Frequently Asked Questions (FAQs) on the "Info" menu.

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FINAL NOTES:

*I hope that you find this app useful and/or entertaining. If you really like Fiend, or if you want to inspire new features or enhancements, you may feel free to send me \$10 (and maybe you should - it's not a lot, I think, considering the amount of work that's gone in to it - also, if people do this now, I'll be less inclined to actually **sell** it on future releases....).*

Peace.

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