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This month's cover disc will push your test-taking skills to the max, let you send text messages from your PC and design your very own web menus. The DVD edition brings you all this plus four extra full programs including a copy of the Linux operating system



cover disc: CD

This month's cover disc is a smorgasbord of software packages to make your PC (and mind) run smoother, faster and more effectively.

The Times Testing Series

The Times Psychometric Test will push your logic and reasoning skills to the max. Find out why more and more companies are using them when screening for employees and what you can do to improve your chances of securing that dream job.

→ Discover your full potential with The Times Psychometric Tests. There are three categories to complete at your leisure or, if you're bold enough, against the clock



WinShark crm Lite

Keep track of client meetings and conversations with this customer relationship software. It can hold details of up to 50 firms in one centralised database.

SMS Press

Send messages from your PC to any mobile phone with SMS Press. There are 30 free credits to get you started.

1 Cool Menu FX Tool Lite

Designing your own web menus couldn't be simpler. Cool Menu provides predefined templates but every aspect can be customised. And what's more, it converts your instructions into HTML code.

DriverWizard

DriverWizard is an ingenious little program that ensures your hardware devices are running optimally, telling you when new drivers become available. ■

Full CD contents



FULL PROGRAMS

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Psychometric Tests Vol 1
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DriverWizard 1.0
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SMS Press†

FROM THE MAGAZINE

Broadband Advisor
SpyBlocker 4.6*
Ad-aware 6.0*
ZoneAlarm 3.7.143
Spychecker 1.1*
Sygate Personal Firewall 5.0*

Get more from your PDA

Greg Frieger's Pocket
Hotmail
AvantGo
Agendus
Iambic AllTime
SplashMoney

DataViz Documents To Go

Tube London
Paragon Software's SlovoEd
MobiPocket
TealDoc
Adobe Acrobat Reader
Keyoe's Diet & Exercise Assistant*
Landware's Wine Enthusiast Guide 2003*
Monopoly*
Classic arcade conversions
Shanghai Pocket Essentials
Standalone's Solitaire Pack for Palm OS
Multi-User Dimensions'
Pocket Solitaire
NENworks' Pocket Tetris for Pocket PC*

Security check

ZoneAlarm 3.7
Shields Up

XP Q&As
IrfanView*

Install a second OS

Partition Commander*
PartitionMagic*
Drive Image*

Helpline

PC Advisor Glossary
AdShield*
SpyBot Search and Destroy*
WinZip 8.1a
ZoneAlarm 3.7
Adobe Acrobat Reader 6.0
Fixsrch.reg

INTERNET TOOLBOX

AOL 8.0
Abel Internet
Tiscali 10.0

*trials, demos or shareware
†requires online registration
all programs also on the DVD

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cover disc: DVD



The star of October's DVD promises to bring Hollywood production values to your home movies. Armed with PowerProducer and a DVD writer, you can take almost any video file and burn it to a DVD disc suitable for playback in a standard DVD player.

If PowerProducer's extensive video capture facilities aren't enough for you, try ADS Technologies' CameraView. And should you think your finished movie is right up there with *Citizen Kane*, why not use Astrosell to share it with the world?

If you're tempted by the idea of swapping Microsoft Windows for the increasingly popular Linux operating system, you won't find an easier introduction than this month's Mandrake Linux 9.1. This renowned Linux implementation offers an attractive user interface and a clutch of top Linux applications.



Last but not least, we've included our usual batch of high-quality games demos. Whether you want to battle with aliens, race cars or the Incredible Hulk, visit our Games domain section to experience a taste of the ultimate in heart-stopping arcade action. ■

← Our Games domain is packed with great demos for you to try, from shoot-'em-ups to strategy



↑ Make your own movies with PowerProducer

← Astrosell makes it easy to set up your own online store

How to load the programs on the CD and DVD

1 Insert the disc into your CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive. The *PC Advisor* main menu screen should appear after a few seconds. If not, type `d:\master.exe` (where D is the letter of your CD or DVD drive).

2 Click Continue at the Welcome screen. Running along the top of the next screen you will see a set of tabs; you need to click on one of these to access the software in that section.

3 Once you have clicked on the tab relating to the section you want to view – say Internet toolbox, for instance – next select, from the lefthand list, the program that you want to install. You will then see that package's details on the righthand side of the screen and a blue Install button; click this to load up the program. Click View to download a program from the relevant website.

4 If you experience any problems, refer to the manual instructions on pages 175-180 or see the related Read Me file. Alternatively, use Windows Explorer to find the program executable you require and double-click to launch it. If the program still won't load visit our website or call the helpline. Please remember that *PC Advisor* can only assist with installation difficulties.

DVD extras



Readers with the DVD edition of the magazine can enjoy all the content from our CD edition (listed opposite) as well as the following great extras...

FULL PROGRAMS

Mandrake Linux 9.1
Astrosell Small Store*
CameraView 1.0
PowerProducer 1.0[†]

GAMES DOMAIN

Vietnam Med+Evac*
FireChief Demo*
Indycar Series*
Colin McRae Rally 3*

Chaser*

Breed*

SplinterCell*

Warblade

X-Plane 7*

Aquanox Trailer*

Making of Tomb Raider

AOD*

The Gladiators*

Incredible Hulk*

Eternal War*

Player Manager 2003*

Star Trek Elite Force 2*

Tony Hawks Pro Skater 4

Demo

Galactic Civilisations*

INTERNET TOOLBOX

Netscape

Opera 6.03

[†]requires online registration trials, demos or shareware

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→ To discover more about the cover disc programs, see pages 175-180