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Once you've unleashed your artistic talents on your digital images with Photo Print Gold and tweaked Windows to perfection with WinOptimizer, there's a whole second cover disc packed with essential PC utilities. Plus our DVD features an exclusive video, Ships, trains & automobiles



Photo Print Gold

EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM

Photo Print Gold is the easy way to save, print and share your favourite photos. This innovative software allows you to print up to 80 different images on a single sheet of paper – from thumbnail and wallet to full-sized photos. You can create greeting cards, business cards, posters and more besides.

When you start on a project you will be given lots of templates to choose from so you can guarantee there will be one you can adapt to suit your needs. In the design library there's loads of colourful templates and some great artwork suitable for every occasion.

You can import your own images, too, either from your hard drive or from another

source such as a digital camera or scanner. There's also a whole range of effects that you can apply to images to add that professional touch.

Please note that the File menu contains an option for users to retrieve images they had stored in an online account at Kodak's Photonet web service. Kodak has discontinued this service and as a result this option will not function.

By Design Fonts

If you want to add extra style to your designs, try this fantastic selection of 30 fonts. Simply register your copy of the software and a password will be sent to you via email so that you can install them.

Instant Photo Effects trial

Change even the most hazy and out-of-focus pictures into professional-looking digital images with this trial version of Instant Photo Effects.

Instant Photo Artist trial

Turn photos into artwork with this trial version of Instant Photo Artist. You can paint directly over the top of an onscreen image and watch it become a work of art before your eyes.

Picture Buzz trial

The Picture Buzz website is a great resource for those of you who want to design printable calendars, posters or anything else. For a trial period you will be able to use the Picture Buzz website for free – details of how to subscribe are on the site. ■



← Instantly change the look of any image with Photo Print Gold's selection of effects

To install:

95 98 2000 NT

Photo Print Gold

Photo Print Gold should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\streetwise\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).

System requirements

Pentium PC; Windows 95/98/2000/NT 4.0; 16MB RAM; 50MB hard disk space.

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 2. Answer the questions. This should take about 15 mins.
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- Survey closes 3 February 2003. Draw subject to usual competition terms and conditions. See page 15 for details.





Top 60 free PC utilities

FULL PROGRAMS

The second CD-ROM with this issue of *PC Advisor* has been crammed full with handy utilities – and what's more, they're all freeware so you won't ever have to pay a penny to use them. There's far too many to list here, but here's a taste of what you can expect to find.

PC speed-up utilities

If your PC is running slowly or you reckon it could do with a little tweak, then use some of the great utilities in this section – MemBoost 1.1.0.2 and NitroRAM 1.31 are among the programs included.



↑ What's inside that Zip file? Find out for free with Zip Peeker

← Turn your desktop into a home from home or go for a snazzy new look with the desktop personalisation utility, DesktopX 1.2

File erase utilities

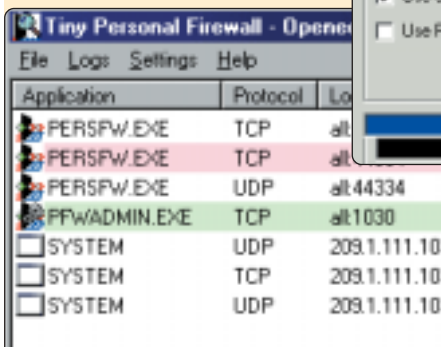
Deleting files doesn't always get rid of them completely. Make sure that everything is wiped beyond recovery with these helpful programs including Sure Delete 5.1.

Music and video download utilities

Make the most of the music and video footage on the internet with these great tools that will help you find, share and download files. Kazaa Media Desktop 2.0 and Morpheus 2.0 are among what's on offer in this section.

Online security utilities

Keep yourself safe online with some of these fantastic utilities. There's firewall utilities galore, including ZoneAlarm 3.1.291, Tiny Personal Firewall and AnalogX PortBlocker.



Free compression utilities

With these utilities you can create your own self-extracting Zip folders to make large files use less space, whether for email or storage purposes. There's even a Zip file reader, Zip Peeker, for taking a look at a compressed file's contents.

Email cleaners

Sending and receiving email is a risky business as you can easily introduce viruses to your system and outgoing messages can be intercepted by malicious users. Protect your inbox and emails with this collection of handy utilities including ECleaner 2.01 and Delta Mail.



↑ SpyStopper is one of the six spyware eliminators available on the second CD

← Tiny Personal Firewall will help shield your PC from hackers and viruses

Web surfing tools

If you need to pinpoint online connection problems or even trace the geographical location of an IP (internet protocol) address you can do it with some of the programs in this section, including VisualRoute 6.1a.

Eliminate spyware

SpyBlocker and SpyStopper 2.0 are among the utilities that will help you prevent other people finding out about your internet and computer usage.

Empower Windows Explorer

Windows Explorer isn't always the best way of finding files and documents on your system, so use some of these handy utilities to track down important work. There's DesktopX 1.2, Search and Replace 4.0 and many others. ■

To install:

Top 60 free PC utilities
The utilities should autorun from the CD menu. If not go to Start, Run and click Browse. Choose your CD drive then navigate to the folders with names in capital letters to find the relevant EXE file. Double-click to install.

System requirements

Please check the licence agreement before installing any programs to verify system compatibility.



Ashampoo WinOptimizer 2000

FULL PROGRAM

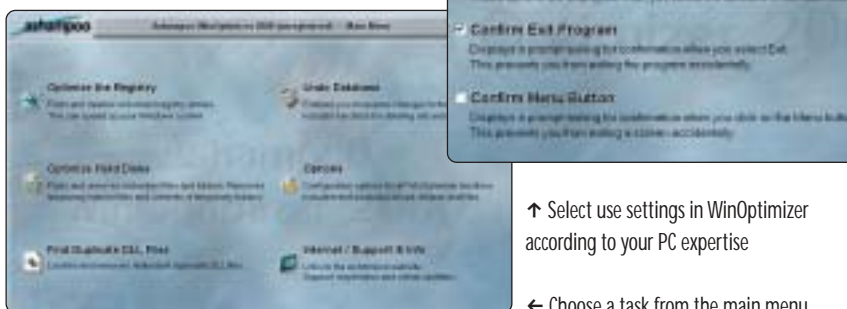
Ashampoo's WinOptimizer 2000 will clean up your system so it performs at its best. This full program finds out what is clogging up space and gets rid of it. You can also make sure that you only retain the most recent versions of certain vital files and delete older duplicates.

Your hard drive is probably teeming with unused files and applications which means

searching for a particular file can take time, especially if your filing's not up to scratch. Ashampoo WinOptimizer frees up system space, so it becomes available for other uses.

This software can also improve the general performance of your PC. Very often

you will find that you have more than one version of a DLL (dynamic link library) file on your system – usually one will be more up to date than the other. Find out which duplicates you can discard and make sure that your system is using the most recent DLL files with WinOptimizer 2000. ■



To install: 2000 NT 95 98 Me

Ashampoo WinOptimizer
Ashampoo WinOptimizer should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\ashampoo\ashampoo_winoptimizer2000112_idg_uk.exe (where D is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).

System requirements
Pentium PC; Windows 95/98/2000/Me/NT; 16MB RAM.

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Moonscape Protection SE

EXCLUSIVE FULL PROGRAM

If you take the responsibility for IT management in your office then it's likely you spend a lot of your time sorting out problems that could have easily been prevented. Computers are a valuable work tool, but when they're out of action your business loses money.

System crashes can cause the loss of important files – a major headache for any business. Moonscape Protection SE can help. This instant system restoration program not only

provides convenient instant file and data retrieval but can also return your system to a preferred state at a specific restore point.

Unlike other backup software, Moonscape Protection SE saves you the hassle of backing up your data by creating a restore point with a single click

of the mouse. This full program also performs several other functions such as antivirus protection and uninstalling software packages.

Contact one of the following companies for free installation support for Moonscape Protection SE. There can be conflicts with PCs running NT or XP and also with systems that have

multiple bootable drives, so it is advisable to seek help.

- CSM Solutions (UK distributor) 01675 466 731; www.csmltd.co.uk; email moonscape@csmltd.co.uk.
- Moonscape 00 47 3809 4424; www.moonscape.com; email support@moonscape.com or moonscape_n@hotmail.com. ■

To install: 2000 NT 95 98 Me XP

Moonscape Protection SE
Moonscape Protection SE should autorun from the CD menu. If not, go to Start, Run. Type d:\moonscape\mpspecaledtpca\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your CD-ROM drive). Please refer to the guide on the CD prior to installation.

System requirements

Pentium processor; Windows 95/98/2000/NT/Me/XP; 16MB RAM; 200MB hard disk space.



← ↑ Recover lost files with Moonscape Protection SE



Maple Professional 1.17

FULL PROGRAM

Managing your documents can be a nightmare without an effective filing system. And who wants to waste valuable time endlessly searching for important files? This program is designed to make your life much easier.

Maple Professional 1.17 is a document manager that creates hierarchical trees for storing information quickly and

easily. Designed with the professional user in mind, Maple 1.17 can be searched easily using a number of different criteria, including title, author, subject and company.

The interface provides a two-pane view which facilitates the building of the file tree. You can add a new branch by selecting Add Node from the Tree menu – you can also drag and drop files between the two windows.

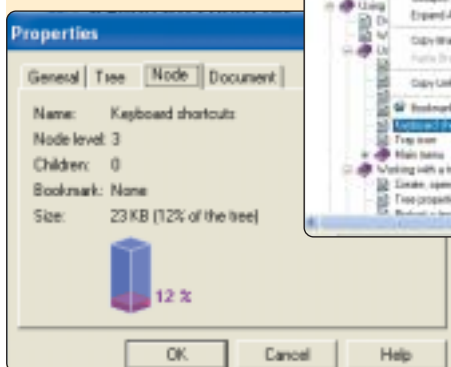
You'll never be at a loss when trying to find important documents again – with Maple Professional 1.17 getting exactly what you need is a cinch. ■

To install: 95 98 Me 2000 XP

Maple Professional 1.17
Maple Professional 1.17 should autorun from the CD menu. If not go to Start, Run. Type d:\mpro117\setup.exe (where D is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).

System requirements

Pentium processor; Windows 95/98/Me/2000/XP; 10MB RAM; 3MB hard disk space.



← ↑ Work more efficiently using Maple Professional's file management features



SPECIAL OFFERS

If you've enjoyed the contents of our cover disc this month then our excellent range of deals on software packages are sure to grab your attention. With great reductions, you'd be mad to go shopping without our voucher page

Maple Professional

upgrade and save 30%

If you've tried out Maple Professional 1.17 from this month's cover disc and want to get the latest version of the software, why not take advantage of this great offer from CrystalOffice? *PC Advisor* readers can upgrade from the SE package at a staggering 30 percent discount. But hurry, as the offer ends 12 March 03.

Type this special registration link into your internet browser or click on the special link on our cover disc: www.regsoft.net/purchase.php3?productid=43768&pc=97i4s.

Special upgrade
offer for users
of Maple
Professional 1.17

Ashampoo WinOptimizer Suite

The new Ashampoo WinOptimizer Suite is a tough, seven-man Swat team of Windows cleanup tools: Drive Cleaner, Registry Cleaner, DLL Cleaner, File Wiper, Internet Cleaner, Internet Tuner and StartUp Tuner.

Users of WinOptimizer 2000, which is on our cover disc this month, can buy the Suite upgrade for only \$19.99 (around £13) – that's half price!

Alternatively, a 30-day full version key can be obtained free of charge via email registration. Download the trial version of Ashampoo WinOptimizer Suite.

Try before you buy – FREE!

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Moonscape Protection SE

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is offering

PC Advisor readers

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EXCLUSIVE VIDEO

Ships, trains & automobiles

This month's exclusive video on *PC Advisor's* DVD is a transport of delight, featuring highlights of historic battleships, trains and cars

Transport has seen important changes over the last century. And the history of road, air and sea travel is the subject of March's exclusive DVD video. The footage is divided into three chapters.

- Battleships! Covering the role of air power in great naval battles of the 20th century, the chapter opens with Operation Pedestal (the relief of the island of Malta in June 1942) and the effect this had on the North Africa campaign.

There are fascinating insights into the importance of aircraft carriers in the Pacific theatre – for example, April 1942 when 16 Mitchell B25s from USS Hornet raided Tokyo, which the Japanese thought to be out of the reach of the USAF's bombers. Then there's the battle of Coral Sea, the first naval battle fought entirely with aircraft when Japanese torpedo and kamikaze planes destroyed the US aircraft carrier Lexington.

From these pivotal events in World War II, the commentary continues through the post-war period of sea-borne jets like the Buccaneer up to the present-day Royal Navy carriers with their Sea Harriers.

- Days of Steam David Shepherd, the artist best known for his paintings of elephants, explains his interest in other giants – namely his 140-tonne Black Prince steam engine. It includes interviews with Keith Stuart of Bluebell Railways and sumptuous footage of heritage and mainline working steam engines, such as on the Swanage railway.

The chapter closes with the armoured petrol-driven trains of World War I, used because steam trains presented such an obvious target to enemy gunners. They eventually developed into the modern diesels and signalled the end of the line for steam.

- Model T Ford This chapter on motoring includes interviews with vintage car



← All aboard! Take a look at our fascinating chapter on the steam engine



↕ London to Brighton is going to be a bumpy ride, whether you go in Genevieve or Chitty Chitty Bang Bang

← If aircraft carriers are what floats your boat, this DVD is definitely worth a look

enthusiast Lord Montague of Beaulieu and Michael Ware, director of the National Motor Museum.

As Lord Montague says, the motor car was as influential as the television in shaping the culture of the 20th century. Our DVD footage uncovers the story from the dawn of that century up to the first mass-produced car – the Ford Model T, of

which 15 million were made in factories across the world. Illustrated by footage of the Model T production line, the video shows how Ford drove down production time for a car from 12.5 hours to one every 40 seconds, reducing the price of a car from \$850 to \$300 and revolutionising not just car ownership but arguably the economics of manufacturing.

To install:

To watch the video, load your desktop DVD player and press Play to bring up the chapter menu. To load the *PC Advisor* software interface, follow these instructions.

Go to Start, Run. Then type d:\master.exe (where D is the letter of your DVD drive). Or go to Start, Programs, Windows Explorer to locate the relevant EXE file. Follow the onscreen instructions to install the program you want. Please read the licence and any Read Me files for any special instructions that may relate to the individual products.

If you are unable to access the DVD contents even manually or experience problems with the disc, call our DVD helpline on 0870 739 7630.

Games domain

There are nine great games demos to play on your PC this month, including the Chinese splendour of Dragon Throne and the thrills and spills of life as 007.

- **Dragon Throne** You'll need all your management and strategy skills as you dabble in a spot of reunification and empire building in the Chinese Battle of Red Cliffs.
- **James Bond 007: NightFire** Bond flits between exotic women and hot locations in his mission to stop another evil criminal mastermind who is, of course, bent on taking over the world.
- **Knight Rider** Help the bouffant-haired Michael Knight and his buddy Kitt, a talking Pontiac Trans-Am, fight the baddies and keep the streets clean.
- **Vulcan Portal** Join the growing online Vulcan community by creating your own 3D character. Talk, play games and more with other Portal users.
- **Frontline Attack** Get some WWII excitement as you rewrite history. Play



- ← James Bond shoots first and asks questions later
- ✓ The Germans show off their Russian Cossack dancing skills but it won't win them the Medal of Honour
- ↓ Frontline Attack: "We shall fight on the hills. We shall never surrender"



as the Allies, Germans or Russians each with their own set of missions.

- **Medal of Honour Allied Assault:** Spearhead Experience the final months of World War II, from Operation Overlord to the Battle of the Bulge with new locations, weapons and soldiers.

- **Earth 2150** The Earth is on a crash course with the sun, so it's time to leave and set up a colony on Mars. Fantastic 3D graphics make this game easy on the eyes.
- **Tennis Masters** Feel the thrill of playing in a real tennis stadium without leaving your PC... you know the score. ■

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