

ASTRO WORLD FOR WINDOWS (VERSION 1.1)

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This is the English version of the program. If your mother tongue is English, please skip the next two paragraphs.

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Dieses Programm wurde ursprünglich in deutscher Sprache entwickelt. Wenn sie also eine deutschsprachige Version wünschen, so wenden Sie sich am besten an einen der nachfolgenden Shareware-Händler:

D: Computer Solutions, Postfach 1180, 8018 Grafing, Bestellnummer 3328

CH: SoftMail AG. Villa Domingo, 6999 Astano, 091 / 73 28 13,
Bestellnummer 110.577

A: PAB Hardware & Software, Arbeitergasse 40, 1050 Wien, 1 / 54 52 82 40

FRANCE, BELGIQUE, CANADA

C'est la version anglaise du programme astrologie pour Windows. La version française est en préparation et sera disponible vers le fin de mai 1993. Veuillez s.v.p. contacter l'adresse susmentionnée.

DESCRIPTION

Have you ever had the desire to create a horoscope for you, your friends and acquaintances without being forced to go far out of your ways ?

If you are in possession of a computer with a version of Windows 3.1 and your printer is able to print in graphic mode, then you will be delighted by this program. The making of your personal horoscope then becomes pretty easy.

It is possible to produce the data on both the monitor or by using the printer. This all happens by full utilization of your Windows features.

The evaluations and graphical presentation of the horoscope can be printed in all of the various fonts and sizes. You can adjust the program to suit your personal needs.

You can choose between three house systems; it is possible for all of the aspects to be individually selected and the orbs can be chosen according to your wishes.

The evaluations are divided into eleven parts which again can be either individually inserted or excluded.

For example: the graphical presentation of the horoscope, data presented in tabular form, planets in signs, aspects between the planets etc.

A complete evaluation uses about 30 pages of A 4 paper.

The program functions well not only on a single terminal but also on a local network (Novell). The following data stocks come along with the version 1.1: two databases, one with the data of seven personalities, and the second with the data of about 1680 cities all over the World and a complete online help system with about 47 KB.

SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Usually if you run Windows these days it is a lot more practical to do this in the 386 enhanced mode with 4 MB RAM and hopefully with a 33 or 40 megahertz processor, if not even on a 486.

The library "commdlg.dll" which comes with Windows 3.1 is used for the print controlling. This file should be installed in the Windows - system directory.

INSTALLATION

The complete package comes on 1 to 3 disks. Place the first disk in drive A and type

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a: < enter >  
install < enter >
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The installation program will then ask you for the directory name under which the astrology program should be installed. The path "C:\ASTRO" is proposed as a default value. You can accept this name for the directory or of course change it if you wish to do so. Remember that there must be at least 1.8 MB available on your hard disk drive. In the very unlikely case that anything should go wrong with the installation, it is also possible to install the program by hand:

- Create the target directory that you want (e.g. "C:\ASTRO").
 - Copy the data "astro01.pak", "astro02.pak" and "astro03.pak" into the target directory.
 - Change the .pak files into .exe files:
 rename *.pak *.exe
- These 3 .exe files are self decompressing ZIP files.
- Start the three programs astro01.EXE - astro03.EXE (the installation routine does exactly the same as this.)

Start Windows and include the program astro.exe into the Program Manager. You can find out how this works from the Windows reference manual. If at this point you need more help you can go directly to the online help system by "winhelp astro.hlp".

PROBLEMS, TROUBLESHOOTING

Most of the problems, which have so far been reported to me by users, are with respect to the printing of the evaluations. If the printer doesn't respond at all, then read the chapter 'Installation' in the online help system. If there are mistakes in the printout e.g. if the type font is too small, distorted graphics, the wrong character fonts etc., then read the chapter "troubleshooting / known problems" in the online-help. For example HP-Deskjet-Printers do behave quite funny if an old printer driver is installed!

In the case that the online system has not helped you and you need my support, then I ask you to do the following: print out the troubleshooting form "tblshoot.txt" and the ordering form "register.txt", fill them in and then send both of them to me. If it is a problem caused by a mistake in the program, then you will be registered at no cost. Although it must be added that this program has already gone well in the German speaking countries and initial mistakes have been rectified. So that you as an English speaking user are receiving the benefits of this improved package.

If you need technical support please contact me at the address mentioned at the top of this text.

If you have questions about astrological issues, please contact my astrological advisor in Germany:

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REGISTRATION

The astrology program is a shareware program according to the decisions of the association of shareware professionals (ASP). You may test this completely unlimited working version over a period of 30 days. If you enjoy the program, then we ask that you please be so kind as to register for a fee of US\$ 55 / CAN\$ 65 / £ 35, since man cannot live by bread alone!

You can print out the ordering form exactly for this purpose (program - option 'About'). As a registered user you will be automatically informed about updates and new products. Since we like to keep you happy we are working intensively on extras coming along your way.

COMING UP

At the moment, version 2.0 is in preparation - features including transits and partnership astrology (synastry with about 250 KB of evaluation-text!). Since Version 1.1 is not restricted in any way (!), the only chance for me to encourage users to register is to provide the latest updates only to those, who have registered. As a registered user you will be able to purchase version 2.0 in august/september 93 while non-registered users may get stuck with version 1.1 until 3 month later when registered users will already be in possession of version 2.1.

So far the program has been sold on the German market for nearly 8 months. In this period our users have expressed their desire for the following features.

- Composite calculation and evaluation
- Graphical Ephemerides
- Transit calculation and evaluation
- Chiron
- Textfile output
- Editable evaluation (various word-processor formats)
- Printing in colour
- Astro-medicine
- Bach Flower Remedies
- Biorhythm

to name but a few. Registered users may take influence on the further program-development by stating which of the features mentioned above would represent their priority.

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