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Introduction

This user manual covers the following three Aristo-Soft products:

- Wired for Sound ProTM (WFS ProTM)
- CD Mania[™]
- Talking Icons[™]

Each adds a new, exciting dimension to your Microsoft WindowsTM 3.1 or Windows 95 environment, playing various *media elements*—sounds, pictures, music, and so forth—when different Windows events happen. Besides this, you also get an event hook (captures Windows events and lets *you* add media elements to them), a talking clock, utilities for spiffing up your desktop and changing your icons and cursors, special screen savers, desktop wallpaper, the ability to record your own sounds, talking games, and more!

Many applications (*component applications*) are included with this *Aristo-Soft product*. The sections that follow list the topics that apply to each of the three previously-listed products. Windows 95 compatibility is also discussed. For a complete list of component applications, please refer to "Appendix A: Applications."

Most of the applications have an editable *launch button* in the *Aristo-Soft product*'s main window. If you want to add or delete buttons from the window, choose **Launch Buttons** from the **Edit** menu and make the necessary changes.

NOTE: The element files you choose can be on your hard disk -OR- on the *Aristo-Soft product* CD. If they're on the CD and you want them to play, you'll need to keep the CD in your CD-ROM drive.

If you need help using Windows-specific functions (such as opening a Program Manager group, using the Control menu, and so forth), please refer to your Microsoft Windows User's Guide.

The text of this manual applies to all three *Aristo-Soft products*—Wired for Sound Pro, CD Mania, and Talking Icons—unless specifically stated otherwise.

WFS Pro Topics

The following topics are related to the WFS Pro product. Subheadings are not included if the entire section relates to WFS Pro.

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CD Mania Topics

The following topics are related to the CD Mania product. Subheadings are not included if the entire section relates to CD Mania.

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Talking Icon Topics

The following topics are related to the Talking Icons product. Subheadings are not included if the entire section relates to Talking Icons.

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Windows 95 Compatibility

NOTE: This section currently applies only to WFS Pro and Talking Icons.

The following features are not compatible with Windows 95:

• **IconMotion:** IconMotion does not function with Windows 95; however, it does function with Windows 3.1 (or higher).

• Windows FX: Windows FX functions properly with some Windows 95 applications. However, some applications that do not follow standard window conventions may not be able to fully utilize the features of Windows FX.

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Installation

This section discusses minimum system requirements, upgrade information, installation information about special screen savers, and instructions for installing the *Aristo-Soft product*.

System Requirements

You need the following to successfully install and run the Aristo-Soft product:

- An 80386 (or better) IBM[•]-compatible personal computer
- At least 4 megabytes (MB) of random-access memory (RAM; **Recommended:** 8 MB)
- A hard disk with at least 6 MB of free space (**Recommended:** 10 MB)
- A CD-ROM drive compatible with MPC specifications
- MS-DOS[•], version 3.1 (or higher)
- Microsoft Windows, version 3.1 (or higher), or compatible environment -OR- Microsoft Windows 95
- A VGA monitor and VGA graphics card (**Recommended:** Super VGA and 256 color)
- A mouse or other compatible pointing device
- A sound card that works with Windows or Windows 95
- **NOTE:** Some features do not work without a sound card (such as faces). If you are using a sound card, install it and set up its sound driver before using this *Aristo-Soft product*. If you do not have a sound card, Setup gives you the option of installing our PC speaker driver.

Upgrading from a Previous Version

Setup checks your WIN.INI file for other *Aristo-Soft products* installed on your system. If Setup finds one, we recommend you install the new *Aristo-Soft product* into the existing directory. This merges it with our other products, keeps all your data in one place, and updates and backs up existing files.

Save Your Screen

SceneSavers[™] are four AfterDark[™]-compatible screen savers you can choose to run from After Dark or from the Windows Control Panel Desktop command:

- El Capitan
- Lake
- Snow
- Waterfall

When you first install the *Aristo-Soft product*, Setup checks to see whether you have After Dark installed. If you do, it asks whether you want to add the SceneSavers to the After Dark directory. Choosing **YES** enables you to run the SceneSavers directly from the After Dark control panel.

You may also run the SceneSavers by way of the Desktop command in the Windows Control Panel, using the Screen Saver option.

If you need help running SceneSavers from After Dark or the Windows Control Panel Desktop, please refer to your After Dark User Manual or Microsoft Windows User manual, respectively.

NOTE: SceneSavers look best on a VGA monitor capable of displaying 256 or more colors. If you are using a VGA-compatible card in 16-color mode, the SceneSavers run in low resolution, high color mode, -OR-choose a better video mode (256+ colors) to improve color display. If you still do not like the colors, you have two options: upgrade to a new and better video card -OR- do not run the SceneSavers. Personally, we hope you'll choose to upgrade your video card!

Installing the Aristo-Soft Product in Windows 3.1

The following steps describe how to install the Aristo-Soft product in Windows 3.1:

- 1. Turn on power to CD-ROM drive (if necessary) and to your PC.
- 2. Start Microsoft Windows.
- 3. Insert the Aristo-Soft product CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- 4. Choose **Run...** from the Program Manager's **File** menu. The Run dialog appears.
- 5. Type *drive:\setup* in the **Command Line** box (for example, r:\setup, where **r** is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).
- 6. Click **OK**.
- 7. Follow the Setup instructions as they appear on the screen.

NOTE: If Setup does not detect a Multimedia sound driver on your system, it installs the Aristo-Soft PC Speaker driver (DSOUND), if you want it loaded. This lets you play sounds on your PC's internal speaker -OR- on a Disney Software Sound Source. DSOUND configuration is available in the Windows Control Panel.

If Setup fails, try installing it again before calling Aristo-Soft Technical Support.

After installing the required files, Setup creates the following program groups:

- WFS Pro: WFS Pro, Talking Apps, and WFS Utilities program groups
- **CD Mania:** CD Mania program group
- Talking Icons: Talking Icons program group

It also updates your WIN.INI file and creates the \WFSOUND directory and the following subdirectories (programs and sample files), as appropriate to the *Aristo-Soft product*:

- ...\CURSORS
- ..\MUSIC
- ..\PICTURES
- ..\SOUNDS
- ..\VIDEOS (optional)
- ..\BLOOPERS (optional)

NOTE: The WFSOUND directory is created for all three *Aristo-Soft products*, not just for WFS Pro.

- 8. Remove the Aristo-Soft product CD from the CD-ROM drive.
- 9. Exit and restart Windows before using the Aristo-Soft product.

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Installing the Aristo-Soft Product in Windows 95

The following steps describe how to install the Aristo-Soft product in Windows 95:

- 1. Turn on power to CD-ROM drive (if necessary) and to your PC.
- 2. Insert the Aristo-Soft product CD into the CD-ROM drive.
- 3. Click Start, then choose Run... from the Start pop-up menu. The Run dialog appears.

5. Type *drive:* setup in the **Open** box (for example, r:setup, where **r** is the letter of your CD-ROM drive).

- 6. Click **OK**.
- 7. Follow the Setup instructions as they appear on the screen.

NOTE: If Setup does not detect a Multimedia sound driver on your system, it installs the Aristo-Soft PC Speaker driver (DSOUND), if you want it loaded. This lets you play sounds on your PC's internal speaker -OR- on a Disney Software Sound Source. DSOUND configuration is available in the Windows Control Panel.

If Setup fails, try installing it again before calling Aristo-Soft Technical Support.

After installing the required files, Setup creates the following folders:

- WFS Pro: WFS Pro, Talking Apps, and WFS Utilities folders
- CD Mania: CD Mania folder
- Talking Icons: Talking Icons folder

It also updates your WIN.INI file and creates the \WFSOUND directory and the following subdirectories (programs and sample files), as appropriate to the *Aristo-Soft product*:

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NOTE: The WFSOUND directory is created for all three Aristo-Soft products, not just for WFS Pro.

- 8. Remove the Aristo-Soft product CD from the CD-ROM drive.
- 9. Restart your computer before using the Aristo-Soft product.