

Introductions:

Hello, my name is Jeff Thoman, and I am president of Kepmad Systems and the designer and author of ImageBuddy. This READ ME file contains basic information about ImageBuddy which answers the following questions:

- What version of ImageBuddy is this?
- Is this all the documentation there is?
- How is ImageBuddy distributed?
- System Requirments?
- What is included in the ImageBuddy package?
- How do I register and what does it cost?
- How do I report bugs or request enhancements?
- Can I distribute ImageBuddy to others?
- What is the revision history of ImageBuddy?

What version of ImageBuddy is this?

Version 3.3.0 Released 03/07/2006

Please Check The ImageBuddy web site at <http://www.kepmad.com/> to look for a newer release. See bottom of this file for revision history.

Is this all the documentation there is?

No! ImageBuddy has a 34 page users manual. The manual is available as a PDF. Look for the manual at URL below:

<http://www.kepmad.com/pages/downPage.html>

What is ImageBuddy all about?

ImageBuddy is an integrated photo printing program for MacOS computers. What does that mean? Well, using ImageBuddy's simple graphic user interface, you can quickly create pages for printing that are what-you-see-is-what-you-get (WYSIWYG). You can specify size & placement of images. Then, in one simple step, you print your pages to any Mac OS compatible printer.

How is ImageBuddy distributed?

The ImageBuddy package is distributed in three folders, both on the internet and on shareware CD-ROM's. The complete ImageBuddy software package is distributed as a "binhexed Stuffit" file which can be expanded using "Stuffit Expander" by Aladdin Systems (not included). If you received ImageBuddy on

a CD-ROM, your CD should contain all three folders. Otherwise, you can download the folders (or upgrade to the latest version of ImageBuddy) from the official ImageBuddy web site:

<http://www.kepmad.com/>

System Requirements?

Classic or OSX Version

Starting with version v2.8.5 of ImageBuddy I have switched to only developing the OSX version. This will allow me to focus more time on improving ImageBuddy as testing for backward compatibility in OS9 was becoming more and more difficult. I will continue to make available v2.8.2 for all OS9 users and will still offer a free upgrade to the OSX version.

MEMORY

Classic / OS9 version 2.8.2

At least 80 MB of free RAM is required to run ImageBuddy, virtual memory seems to work fine, but just degrades performance. ImageBuddy demands so much memory based on the large file size of today's digital camera and image processing ability of ImageBuddy. If possible I suggest 80+MB if you can afford it.

OSX version

The more advanced memory management of OSX eliminates ImageBuddy memory requirement.

VIDEO MEMORY/MONITOR

ImageBuddy does not care how much video memory you have, since this will not affect the quality of the images you print. It will only affect the quality at which your monitor can display the images. Any video card able to display 256, thousands, or millions of colors is fine.

DISK SPACE

Roughly 6MB of hard disk space is required to install the entire ImageBuddy package several more MB's are required for the printer driver to render the page. At Least 30MB Recommended.

SYSTEM SOFTWARE

ImageBuddy Classic has only been tested on System 8.5 to 9.2, but should work back to Mac OS 7.0.

The OSX version should work with 10.1 and above.

Note: Version 2.8 and above requires Quicktime version 6 and above.

PROCESSOR

ImageBuddy should work on any PowerPC based Macintosh with enough memory and hard drive space.

What is included in the ImageBuddy package?

The three folders of the ImageBuddy package are listed below.

Downloaded File: "ImageBuddy.sit" for OS9 & "ImageBuddy_x.sit" for OSX

ImageBuddy (Application File)

Image Masks (Folder)

- A library of Mask files for use with ImageBuddy
- Mask DataBase Folder
- The documentation to see how to create your own Mask Files.

Image Overlays (Folder)

- A library of Overlay files for use with ImageBuddy
- "Overlay List" the Overlay file DataBase
- The documentation to see how to create your own Overlay Files.

Image Layouts (Folder)

- A library of Event file Layouts for use with ImageBuddy
- The documentation to see how to create your own Event Layout Files.

How do I register and what does it cost?

The single user, 1 computer, registration fee for ImageBuddy is \$19. This is a one time fee which includes all future versions of ImageBuddy. A Household licenses for \$26 is also available for households with 1-3 computers. A Site licenses is also available. For more info, please read the "Register Info" document included in the ImageBuddy application folder.

Where do I report bugs or request enhancements?

If you find a software bug or desire an enhancement, I would appreciate you letting me know about it. You can email me at "support@imagebuddy.com". Please understand though that my email is not a help desk. If you have functionality questions, please refer to the "ImageBuddy Documentation" first. I sometimes don't have time to respond to all the email I get, but I promise that I do read all email carefully, especially bug reports and enhancement requests. Thanks for understanding.

Can I distribute ImageBuddy to others?

The software...you bet! Your registration code...no. That would violate your shareware agreement. I want to continue to enhance ImageBuddy, but I need your support in the form of registrations. Also, if you distribute ImageBuddy to others, please don't break it apart. That is, distribute it in its compressed form so all the right pieces are included.

Also feel free to post ImageBuddy on public bulletin boards, ftp sites, or web sites where other people can get free access to it. But please tell me, so I know where it is. That way I can refer others to it. And of course, post it in its compressed form, just as if you were distributing it to a friend.

If you wish to put ImageBuddy on a commercial shareware CD-ROM, that can also be arranged, but please ask for my permission first. If we agree that you are selling the CD and not a license to the shareware on the CD, I'll nearly always say yes.

What is the revision history of ImageBuddy

Key

[Opt] = Optimization

[Fix] = Bug Fix

[Imp] = Improvement on bug, but problem may still exist

[New] = New Feature

[Chg] = Changes / Improves Previous Functionality

[FYI] = Please note.

IMAGE BUDDY 3.3.0: 03/07/2006

[New] = Bold/Italic/Underline Support For Page Captions

[New] = Text Size Settings For Path & Page Numbers

[New] = Left/Center/Right Alignment Of File Names

[Fix] = Improved Support For Non-Standard File Names

IMAGE BUDDY 3.2.5: 07/08/2005

[Fix] = Pink Noise Images Fixed In Page Layout

[Opt] = ImageBuddy Now Loads Images 25% Faster

[Chg] = Changed Export TIFF Function In Save Picture

[Chg] = Removed Linkage To Old OpenAsGiPicture Plug-in

IMAGE BUDDY 3.2.3: 05/13/2005

[Opt] = Tuned For Mac OS 10.4 Tiger

[Fix] = Images Now Rotate In The Correct Direction Again

[Fix] = Improved Drag & Drop Support

IMAGE BUDDY 3.2.2: 03/30/2005

[Fix] = Will Again Open Folders Of Images In Drag & Drop

[Chg] = ImageBuddy Is Again A Carbon App For Some OS9 Users

IMAGE BUDDY 3.2.1: 03/29/2005

- [New] = Images Dragged Into ImageBuddy Now Load In Order
- [Fix] = Print To File Image Size Is Now Correct At All DPI
- [Fix] = Print Without Extensions Now Handles Names With "."
- [Opt] = Auto Level Color is Now ~6x Faster Then In Ver. 3.2.0
- [Opt] = Image Rotation is Now ~50x Faster Then In Ver. 3.2.0

IMAGE BUDDY 3.2.0: 03/04/2005

- [New] = Contact Sheet Supports Square Image Bounds For Size Consistency Of Mixed Orientation Contact Sheets
- [New] = Contact Sheet Now Support Sticky Preferences
- [New] = Image DPI Now Embedded In Print To File Images
- [New] = Print To File Now Supports Expanded DPI Levels
- [Fix] = Projects Now Show Images While Loading
- [Fix] = Auto Level Now Draws Correct Again

IMAGE BUDDY 3.1.3: 09/10/2004

- [Chg] = 2x Increase In Contact Sheet Print Spooling

IMAGE BUDDY 3.1.2: 08/19/2004

- [Fix] = Print To File Works Again On Contact Sheets

IMAGE BUDDY 3.1.1: 08/17/2004

- [Fix] = Image Name Printing Works Again On Contact Sheets

IMAGE BUDDY 3.1.0: 08/16/2004

- [New] = Image Borders Options On Contact Sheet
- [New] = Multi Sided Shadow Options On Contact Sheets
- [Fix] = Print Dpi Now Selects Correct Values At All Times
- [Fix] = Scroll Wheel Support On Contact Sheets
- [Fix] = Print From X to Y Works Again On Contact Sheets
- [Chg] = Improved Code Entry Screen

IMAGE BUDDY 3.0.5: 06/29/2004

- [New] = Can Now Check Online For Updates
- [Fix] = Print To File Now Works In Contact Sheets
- [Fix] = Watermark Transparency Can Now Be Adjusted
- [Chg] = Path Name & Page Numbers Now Uses Font Of Image Names
- [Chg] = Supports Live Window Re-Sizing & Improved OSX Support

IMAGE BUDDY 3.0.0: 06/14/2004

- [New] = Place Rotated Text In Page Layouts
- [New] = Transparent Background Images On Page Layouts
- [New] = Right & Book Style Punch Offsets On Page Layout
- [New] = Higher Resolution Printing Options Added
- [New] = Added Mouse Scroll Wheel Support
- [Fix] = Will Now Display Long File Names Correct
- [Fix] = Cmd-H Will Now Hide Imagebuddy Windows
- [Fix] = Double Clicking Now Yields Predictable Results

IMAGE BUDDY 2.9.7: 04/09/2004

[New] = Drag & Drop Of Thumbnails To Page Layout
[New] = Can Now Select Back Ground From A File Link
[Fix] = Sub Captions Size & Position In Page Layout
[Chg] = Changed Print To File numbering to 01,02,..

IMAGE BUDDY 2.9.6: 02/17/2004

[New] = Added Snap To Grid Option In Page Layout
[Fix] = Fixed Crash Bug In Page Layout With Captions
[Fix] = Fixed Centering Of Images On Page Layout

IMAGE BUDDY 2.9.5: 02/06/2004

[New] = Mask Transparency Support On Page Layout
[Fix] = Placing Text On Saved Projects
[Fix] = Page Color Margin With 3 Hole Punch
[Fix] = Page Color On Contact Sheets
[Fix] = Crash Bug Loading Projects With Missing Files
[Fix] = A Minor Image Selection Bug On Contact Sheets
[Chg] = Increased Color Fidelity Of Back Gound Images
[Chg] = Contacts Sheets Have Improved Grading Support

IMAGE BUDDY 2.9.0: 11/21/2003

[New] = More Watermark Location Options Added
[New] = Transperent Background Images On Contact Sheets
[Fix] = Image Rotation Radio Buttons on Contact Panel
[Fix] = Pop-up Menus On All Panels
[Fix] = 3-Hole Punch On Right Side On Contact Sheets
[Imp] = Improved Support For Long Captions

IMAGE BUDDY 2.8.6: 11/03/2003

[Chg] = Improved Page Margin Dialog
[Fix] = Slide Show & Grading Buttons In View Panel

IMAGE BUDDY 2.8.5: 10/30/2003

[New] = Preference To Suppress Printing Extensions
[New] = Can Now Batch Rotate Images In View Panel
[New] = Improved Project "Save" and added "Save As"
[Chg] = Keylines No Longer Draw on Masked Images
[Chg] = Increased Load Limit From 512 - 1024 Images
[Chg] = Minor Interface Tweaks For OSX Panther v10.3
[Fix] = Fixed Double Clicking Of Images On Page Layout

IMAGE BUDDY 2.8.2: 05/16/2003

[New] = Print To File Now 3x Faster
[Chg] = Now Asks To Re-establish Links To Missing Files
[Chg] = Eliminated Compression Defect For Print To File
[Fix] = Improved Drop Shadow Over Color Backgrounds
[Fix] = Margin Bugs In Contact Sheets
[Fix] = Fix A Crash When Switching From Event Tab
[Fix] = Corrected Loading Of Large Blank Images
[Fix] = Opens Files With Accented Names
[Fix] = Text In Print To File Of Page Layouts

[Fix] = Corrected Some More Typos

IMAGE BUDDY 2.8.1: 04/23/2003

[Fix] = Fixed A Problem Loading Project Files

IMAGE BUDDY 2.8.0: 04/20/2003

[New] = Print Spool Contact Sheets 4x Faster

[New] = Free Placement Of Text On Layouts

[New] = Much Improved Drag & Drop Support

[New] = Three High Resolution Display Options

[Fix] = Contact Sheet Placement Of Names In Print To File

IMAGE BUDDY 2.7.1: 12/06/2002

[Fix] = Corrected Screen Redraw On Contact Sheet

[Fix] = Manual Mode Placement of First Image

[Fix] = EXIF Reading crash on corrupt images

[Fix] = Drag & Drop Support For Plug-in Users

IMAGE BUDDY 2.7.0: 11/29/2002

[Fix] = Possible Crash Bug Loading Bad TIFF Files

[Fix] = Switched Command Keys for Rotation

[Fix] = Reported Image Size In View Panel

[Fix] = Delete C Grade Images Now Works In OSX

[Chg] = Improved Caption Gap To Top Images

[Chg] = Improved Look Of Dialogs in Classic Version

[New] = Left/Right Arrow Keys Switch Image In View

[New] = Improved Page Numbering On Contact Sheets

[New] = Free Scale On Images In Page Layout

[New] = Added Image Compare To View Panel

[New] = Transparent Text Water Marks

Plug-in Supports

[New] = Added Support To Read Photoshop Files

IMAGE BUDDY 2.6.0: 10/25/2002

[Fix] = Possible Crash Bug With Bad EXIF Headers

[Fix] = Crash If >50 Images Placed In Page Layout

[Fix] = Layout Menu Missing Selection

[Fix] = Improved Image Quality With Print To File

[Fix] = Missing Images In Page Layout Manual Mode

[Fix] = Rare Crash On Quit In 10.2

[New] = Right & Book Style Punch Offsets

[New] = Add EXIF Data To Image Comments

[New] = Thumb Nail Size Preference Selection

[Chg] = Improved Aqua Interface Guidelines

IMAGE BUDDY 2.5.0: 10/01/2002

[Fix] = Placing Two Oversize Images In A Row

[Fix] = A Couple Of Spelling Error's

[Fix] = Now Respects The Dock In OSX

- [Fix] = The printing of 3 Hole Box lines
- [Fix] = Printing Using Form X to Y
- [Fix] = Folder Loading Progress Bar More Accuracy
- [New] = Now Works With Remote iPhoto Libraries
- [New] = Can Now Open JPEG 2000 Files
- [New] = Image Rotation In View & Grade
- [New] = Now Includes Lossless JPEG Rotation
- [New] = Improved View Panel UI Buttons
- [New] = Increased Contact Sheet Density
- [Chg] = Improved Aqua Interface Guidelines
- [Chg] = Color Of Drag Box For Yellow To Blue
- [Chg] = No shadow on Masked Images
- [Chg] = Removed Launch Function, Not Fixed Yet
- [Chg] = Removed Auto Folder Linking As Load Option

IMAGE BUDDY 2.1.0: 4/26/2002

- [New] = Can Read & Display JPEG EXIF Data
- [Imp] = Improved Image Drop Shadow Quality
- [Imp] = Window Drawing In OSX While Loading
- [Fix] = Wrong Background In Print To File Images
- [Fix] = Missing Layout Pages After Event Page

IMAGE BUDDY 2.0.0: 3/7/2002

- [New] = Now You Can Save & Load Your Layouts
- [New] = Increased Load Limit to 512 Images
- [New] = Improved OSX Integration With Sheets
- [Fix] = Images Now Resize When You Select A New Size
- [Fix] = Random Crash Switching From Event Tab
- [Fix] = Auto Color Level Of Masked Images
- [Fix] = Lines In Background Of some Print To File Images

IMAGE BUDDY 1.7.0: 2/4/2002

- [New] = Ability To Drag & Drop Images From iPhoto In OSX
- [New] = Ability To Add Page Captions To Page Layout
- [New] = Ability To Add A 3 Hole Punch To Page Layout
- [New] = Added Center Layout Option To Page Layout
- [New] = Added HiRes Preview To Contact Sheets & Page Layout
- [New] = Added Clear Image Set Selection To File Menu
- [Fix] = Default Window Placement Problem

IMAGE BUDDY 1.6.0: 9/27/01

- [New] = Ability To Add Image Captions In The Page Layout

IMAGE BUDDY 1.5.0: 9/04/01

- [New] = Ability To Add Image Captions In The Contact Sheet
- [New] = Added Support For PICT Files & Photo CD
- [New] = Added Command Keys For Image Rotation
- [Fix] = Image Rotation Maintained When Deleting Images
- [Fix] = Fixed Export & Scale Image Menu
- [Fix] = A Few Spelling Errors

IMAGE BUDDY 1.4.5: 8/20/01

- [New] = Ability To Move "C" Grade Images To The Trash
- [Fix] = Fixed A Crash In Building Of Mask Database In OSX
- [Fix] = Contact Sheet Will Now Print The Last Page

IMAGE BUDDY 1.4.1: 6/05/01

- [Fix] = Fixed A Crash In The Contact Sheet Rotation Code

IMAGE BUDDY 1.4.0: 6/04/01

- [New] = New Classic & Carbon Version For OSX
- [New] = Selectable Font Style & Size On Contact Sheets
- [New] = Shadow Size & Density Controls On Contact Sheets
- [New] = Auto Color Leveling Print Option
- [New] = Keyline Boarders On Contact Sheet Images
- [New] = Multi Page Print To File Of Contact Sheets
- [Fix] = Eliminated Random Hot Pixels In Scaled Images

IMAGE BUDDY 1.3.1: 3/05/01

- [Fix] = Demo Users Can Now Print Test Page Layouts

IMAGE BUDDY 1.3.0: 3/04/01

- [New] = Background Color On Page Layouts
- [New] = Adjustable Tranparent Drop Shadows On Page Layout
- [New] = Keylines On Page Layout Image
- [New] = File Name Captions On Page Layouts With Font Control
- [New] = Multi Page Print To File Of Page Layouts
- [New] = Added Support For More Print DPI Settings
- [New] = New Image Scaling Methods Resulting In Higher Print Quality
- [New] = Added New Popup Help Messages On Key Program Elements
- [Chg] = Adjusted Contols Positions To Work With Future OSX Version
- [Fix] = Corrected Invisible Controls Bug On Some Systems

IMAGE BUDDY 1.2.0: Released 12/28/00

- [New] = Page X of Y Status To All Panels
- [New] = Scale Status To Contact Panel
- [New] = Drop Shadows Option To Contact Panel
- [New] = 2-Line Caption Support To Contact Panel
- [New] = Caption Color Option To Contact Panel
- [New] = Page Color To Contact Panel
- [New] = Image Coordinates To Layout Panel
- [New] = Arrow Keys Tweak Image Position In Manual Mode
- [New] = Adjustable Margins To Contact Panel
- [Chg] = Tweak Now Updates Image Size in Real Time
- [Opt] = When Printing From X to Y on Page Layout
- [Fix] = Printing Bug If First Image Is Placed Manually
- [Fix] = Contact Sheet ReDraw If No Image Selected
- [Fix] = Window Font Sizing When Using Appearance Manager
- [Fix] = Support For Nonstandard Paper Sizes
- [Fix] = Corrected Registration Bug With Japanese Mac OS
- [Fix] = Format of Divider Line In Page Layout Options
- [Fix] = Format of Image Rotate Buttons On Event Page

IMAGE BUDDY 1.1.0: 12/10/00

- [New] = Added Manual Layout Of Images To Page Layout Panel
- [New] = Added Support For Metric Image & Paper Sizes
- [New] = Can Now Rotate The Source Image In Event Files
- [New] = You Can Now Set The Font Of Contact Sheet Titles
- [Chg] = Added More Feedback Of Program Status During Printing
- [Chg] = The Event File List Now Updates With Exiting The Program
- [Fix] = Scaling Problem Of Images In Event Files
- [Fix] = Bomb When Laying out Images Larger Then Page Size
- [Fix] = Bomb When Printing from X to Y on Epson Printers
- [Fix] = Bomb When Reading Corrupted Image Files

IMAGE BUDDY 1.0.4: 11/27/00

- [Fix] = Fixes In Memory Management Should Reduce Nil Object Errors
- [Fix] = Disabled View & Grade Scroll Bar During Slide Shows
- [Fix] = Opens more TIFF and JPEG file types
- [FYI] = Layout Change To Contact Sheet Panel
- [FYI] = Fixed several typos in ImageBuddy & Read Me Files

IMAGE BUDDY 1.0.3: 11/18/00

First Public Release, What Else Can I Say