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Thank you for examining our software. We have worked hard to make an extremely complex program become as easy and intuitive as possible. If this booklet seems thin, be happy - the program is very simple to use. LinksWare is famous for its' 90-second basic-learning curve and has been called "the only true hypertext product on the market" .

INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

This demo requires a MacPlus or newer; system 6.0.5 or later and at least 2 megabytes of memory installed in your Macintosh.

Due to licensing restrictions, the XTND®/DataViz™ translators are not included with the demonstration version. (If you already have XTND translators, perhaps acquired from some Claris product, then this demo version will recognize and utilize those translators.)

Even without the XTND translators, LinksWare™ supports TEXT, PICT,PNTG,AIFF,AIFC, MooV file types. These are **text, graphic, sound, and QuickTime movies**. (QuickTime: IF you have the QuickTime init, which comes with the full version, but NOT the demo version...)

The demo version is designed for System 6. Both a system 6 and a system 7 version are supplied on the retail disk. LinksWare™ is system 7 savvy.

Your demo version is almost fully functional, but limited to 5 linked files (and 127 links in each file: about 600 links in all.) This means that it is the REAL program, not an automatically running demo.

Quick start instructions follow in the next few paragraphs. For more detail you will have to read through the rest of this document. You can move from chapter to chapter by selecting "CHAPTERS" from the menu above or pressing Command K for a table of contents.

[to run the demo:](#)

Drag the application to your hard drive. (If you wish to use our sample files, then drag the samples folder to your hard drive as well. There is no need to use our files unless you have no TEXT, PICT or PNTG files of your own.)

Double-click on the application icon to launch it.

If you do not have XTND files, you will get a box notifying you of this. Click OK.

Next you will get a box telling you to create a linkset. Choose any name you like, and click OK. The linkset should be on the same drive as the application. You may delete this file when you are done with the demo. This is the file that tracks the links you have made, so deleting it will also cause LinksWare™ to "forget" the links you are about to create.

Now you're all ready to go: simply select a file to open by choosing "Open..." from the File menu, as you are used to doing with Macintosh programs. Begin with a text file.

Once it is opened, press Command A (or select Add Link... from the Links menu). The cursor will change into a small rectangle.

Double-click on a word. (It should be 4 characters or more in length for now: this is a user configurable setting.)

You will get dialog box showing you available files. Double-click on the file that you wish opened from now on when you again click on your selected

word.

That's it - you have created your first link.

To see it work, simply double-click on that same word again. (or on that word anywhere in the document. LinksWare™ will open and display your selected file for you.)

Some History

The idea for LinksWare came from reading the encyclopedia one evening. I noticed the "see also" section at the end of the entries, and thought how nice it would be if I could just touch the word I was interested in, and the "see also" information would appear. And even better if, once I had touched the word, I could touch it again in any book and retrieve the same information.

You now have a product which does just that..on your Macintosh™.

LinksWare sets up links between your own text & graphics documents. It is this capability, to use files you create with your own word-processor and paint program, which gives LinksWare its power, versatility and usefulness. You don't need to create special "cards," or learn a new word-processor or paint program, as you would with the stack-based method. There is no "importing," file-conversion or duplication. You can start anywhere and use the files you already have.

We make links to actual words, not "screen-buttons" so you can still edit your documents, and the links will be valid: LinksWare makes absolutely no changes to your original documents. There isn't even a "save" command on the file menu.

LinksWare is painless to use - you can add a link in as few as two mouse-clicks; no buttons to add, no stacks to create, no fancy programming language to learn, no data to re-create or enter. Just click and go! And since LinksWare makes no changes, you can use it to set up links both to and from read-only media such as CD-ROMS.

We think you will agree that you've acquired a powerful tool, and hope you enjoy joining the hypertext revolution.

Tracy Valteau
President
LinksWare Corporation

LinksWare™

Reviewers of our first version said it best:

- “Incredible power ...intelligent ... elegant... Better than Apple’s HyperCard.”

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- “...got me excited. The software product closest to true hypertext.”

A2 Central

- “...powerful link options... forging links couldn’t be easier.”

Cynthia Fields, PhD in inCider/A+

- Best Multimedia Achievement, Honorable mention

Apple Achievement Awards

- Editor’s Choice, (August 1990)

inCider/A+

...and the Macintosh® version is even better!

Now you can add hyper-links to your own documents or even to CD-ROM files with just two mouse-clicks!

- SIMPLE TO USE

If those glowing reviews don’t convince you, then perhaps our 90-second learning curve will:

If you know how to run a Mac, you know how to run LinksWare™!

Here are the **complete instructions** for adding a new link to a file:

- 1- click on a word (or graphic area)
- 2- click on the file you want it linked to

That's it! From now on, when you click on the word, that file will be opened and displayed automatically.

No need to learn a new word-processor or paint program: just use the ones you have now.

- **INTELLIGENT**

LinksWare accomplishes all this without altering your files in any way: there isn't even a "Save" command in the File Menu. The information about your links is kept in a separate file, so your original files are totally unaltered, and still usable by your applications.

- **ELEGANT**

The kind of power to let you do things unheard-of before now:

- you can link to, from, and even between files on read-only media such as **CD-ROMs**.
- an expanded mode in which **every word ever linked** can retrieve links in any document you open. Hypertext can at last be used not only to narrow a search, but to expand one as well.

"...you can give any word or part of a picture new depth. Files that had been static become dynamic.."

-Paul Stat

Senior Editor

inCider/ A+ Magazine

LINKSWARE™ FEATURES

- Creates hypertext/hypergraphic links using the original files created by

your own word processor and graphic programs. Compatible with Microsoft Word®, MacWrite®, WriteNow® and many others.

- Reads and links text, graphic, sound and movie files.
- Requires no programming. If you can click the mouse, you can use this program.
- Does not alter your files in any way.
- Does not require HyperCard®.
- Displays the links on screen. Text links are created to actual words, not to screen positions, so your files are still fully functional.
- Unlike HyperCard®, where only one card can be viewed at a time, LinksWare can have as many windows open as memory allows.
- LinksWare uses XTND® and DataViz file conversion so you can always add additional translators. Includes over a dozen of the most popular translators at no additional cost.
- A sophisticated file finding routine can automatically resurrect links even if the original files have been moved or renamed.
- Special run-time package for “LinksWare Publishing” included free.
- Each group of linked files can contain over 6,000 different words and 795 different files. Link up to 127 words or 64 areas of a graphic in each of the files. Over 100,000 links possible in each group.
- Instant access to all linked words and files through the main menu.

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