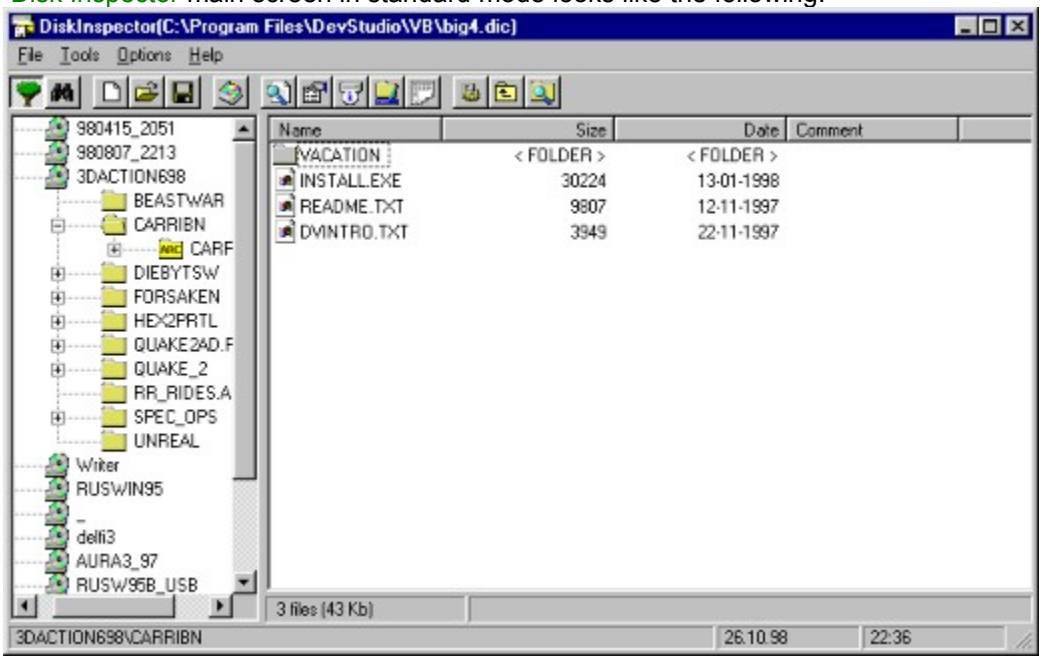
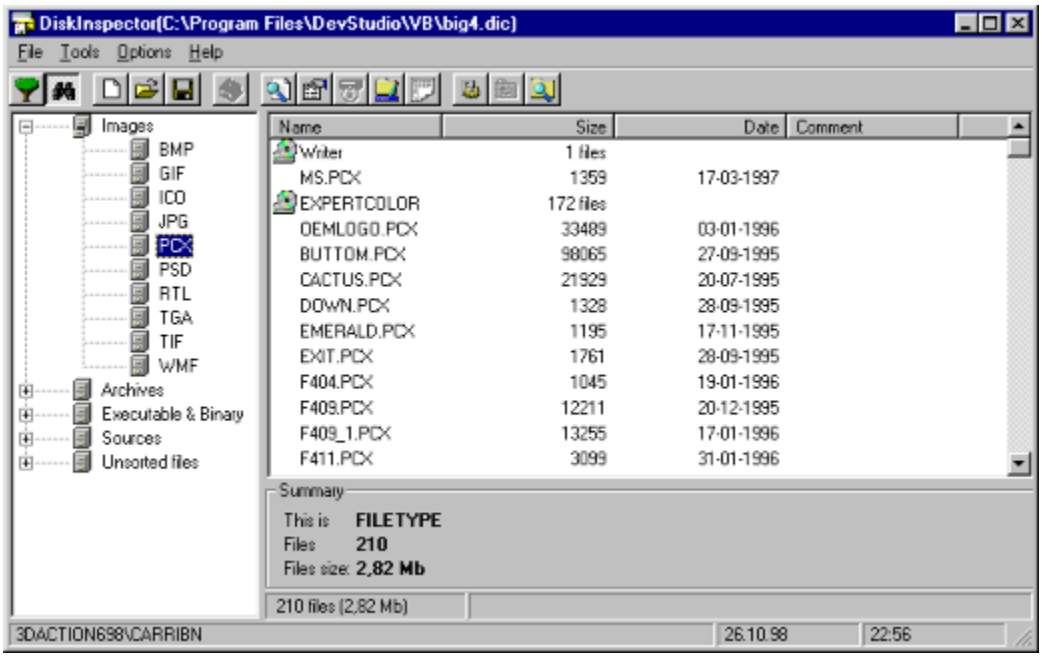
Basic Info

Disk Inspector is simple-to-use tool for creating catalogs your disks quick and easy
Disk Inspector support any media storages which have letter in system.
I try make system which work instead of you.
If on disk have object contain comments,(as "files.bbs","file-id.dis" etc) Disk Inspector extract it and assign.
Disk Inspector scan major types of archives (ARJ,RAR,ZIP,LZH,HA) and present it as ordinary folders.
Disk Inspector main screen in standard mode looks like the following:



On Left view you can see yours disks and folders ,on Right view - contents of folder or orchive or folder inside archive. All as in Explorer, only archives presents as ordinary folders.
Double click opens next level ot directory tree.
Left Click will open context pop-up menu

Another interesting thing: Alternative view mode - Category View.
In this mode you see Catalog content as categories: (Images, binaries , documents etc)
You may manage categories on-fly over context menu.
You may see screenshot in this mode below.



On right view you can see all PCX files from ALL catalog's
On this screenshot you may see effect of "Summary" button.

Toolbar

on Toolbar was concentrate basic control buttons:

button switch view beetwen directory tree- and categories- modes

button on/off summary info window

button clear work area fo new catalog

button open existing catalog (Crtl-O)

button save current catalog (Crtl-S)

button scanning new disk (or update existing.)

button for searchin catalog(Ctrl-F)

button show Catalog information window(Ctrl-I)

button show Volume information window (Ctrl-V)

button show Edit comments window

button will create report on disk about selected on left vew objects (folder/volume/category/filetype)

button show Options window

button may execute selected program or document or open folder in Explorer .

More info you see select hypertext link.

Disk Inspector is Shareware (US$20) and Unregistered version have limitations
You may Register Disk Inspector on-line on WWW: **http:\\www.freeyellow.com\members5\diskinspector**
Your registration key will work for all future versions of Disk Inspector.

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About DiskInspector

Disk Inspector **is simple-to-use tool for create and manage catalogs of your disks (floppies, CD-ROM's , ZIP, JAZZ etc,)**
Disk Inspector **is freely distributed Shareware ,developed by Alex V. Galkin,**

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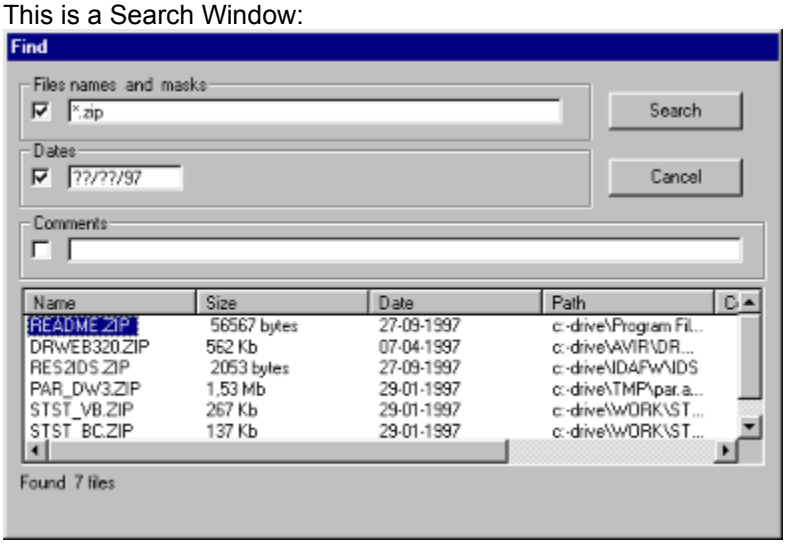
Find

This is a Search Window:



Search panel give you wide possibilities to form search conditions.
Search conditions forms on three panels, each from it may be include to- or exclude from- search conditions by checking or unchecking corresponding panels.
Below you may see rules to form search conditions for each panel.
In file names panel you may enter file name ,using standard wildcards ("* " and "?" symbols)
Dates in date panel enter in dd/mm/yy format, you may use only "?" (for example: ??/12/98 means range from 1 to 31 december 1998.
In comments panel you may any combination symbols which may bi found in comments.
Seach not case-sentivitive
Button "Search" begins search process.
After ends search process in panels bellow you may see list of founds files.
Double-clicking on any listed item move you in folder contains clcked file.

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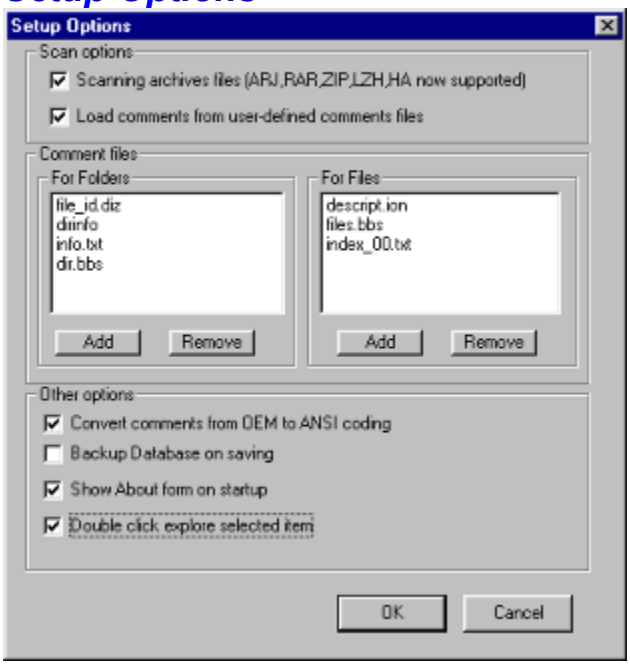
Setup Options



Scan options Panel

" Load comments from user-defined comments files"
controls scanning Comments files (assigned in Comment files panel)

"Scanning archives files (ARJ,RAR,ZIP,LZH,HA now supported)" -if item checked **Disk Inspector** scanning Archives (increase scan time)

Comment files Panel

Panel for manage from which files
Comment files was two type :
- with comments for entirely folder (file_id.diz,dirinfo)
- with comment for each file in folder (files.bbs, index_00.txt)

Other options Panel

"Backup Database on saving" -If you save existing databes Disk Inspector save old copy with "Bak" extension

"Double click explore selected item" - if this item checked , double click on item exlplore it (i.e. execute selected file or open selected folder in Eplorer)

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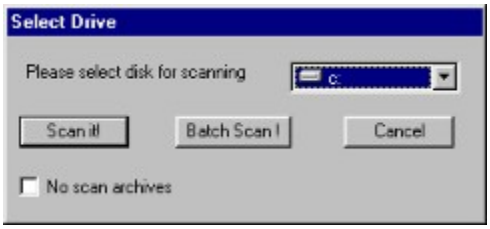
Select Drive Window



You have two method for disk scanning :
scan and **batch scan**.
After **scan** you will return to main window after disk scanning.
But on batch scan you will show message "Insert next disk in drive X:" , when X: selected drive letter. And you will scan series disks, using **batch scan**.
"No scan archives " checkbox controls archives scan. if it check,
archives not be scanned and archives contents not be add to catalog.

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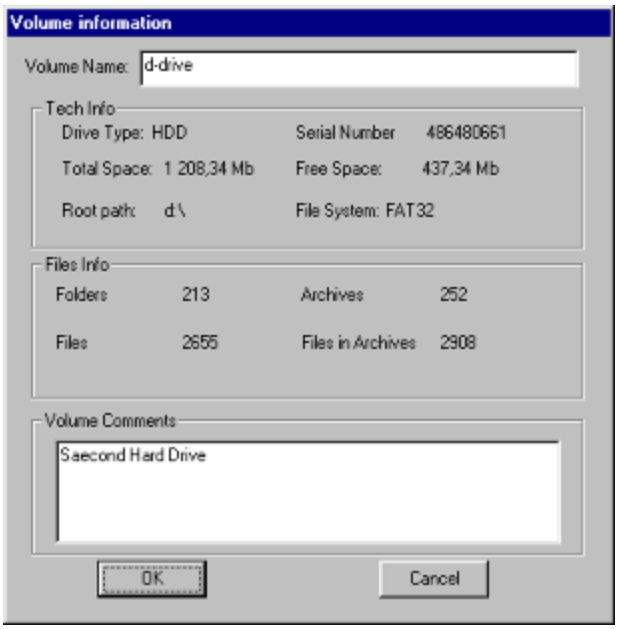
Volume information



In this panel you may view /edit name of volume and comments for this volume.
"Ok" button accepts changes.

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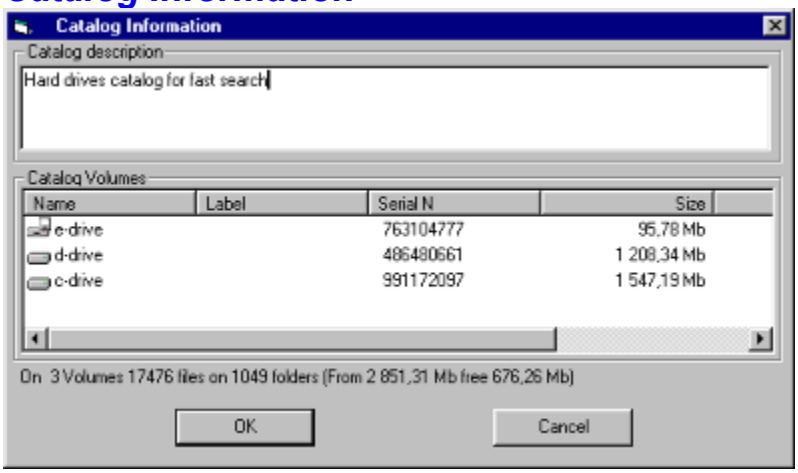
Catalog Information



In this window you may view informatiom about current catalog.
In bottom listbox showed information (name,label,serial number,size, free space and comments) about all disks, included in this catalog.
if you double click on any disk ,You see more info about it.
In top textbox you may enter or edit comments for loaded catalog.
Don't forget press "OK" button to accept changes.

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Add/Edit category name

In this window you may enter new catecategory's name or edit existed.
Edit name in text box, and click on "OK" button, to accepts your changes.
"Cancel" button decline changes.

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Edit File Comments

In this form you can see common information about selected file or folder (name, size , full path and comments). You may edit comments in text box.
 "Ok" button accepts changes, but "Cancel" - declines it.

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Limitations of unregistered version

The unregistered version of ***Disk Inspector*** is almost fully functional.
It has only two limitations:

first limitation :
After program start you may see nag screen which can't be closed within 3 secs
and second:
You may not scan in catalog above 5 disks.

When you'll register, you'll get the registration key (serial number) which will remove all limitations.
. Your registration key will work for all future versions of ***Disk Inspector*** (or we may provide you with the new key, if the keys will be changed for some reason).

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Context Pop-Up menu

This menu pop-ups after right-clicking on ***right*** panel

Explore item will execute selected file (start associated application or open Explorer window)

Comments... item will show comments window for selected item.

Use as comments... item show Use as comments window (in Categories mode not work!)

Delete item will delete selected item

Next menu pop-ups after right-clicking on right panel in tree-mode

Explore item open selected folder in Explorer window

Comments... item will show comments window for selected folder,
if selected item root of volume will show Volume information window.

Report.. item help you make report with full information about selected folder or volume.
In Save report dialog enter name for report in information be saved on disk .
Warning! Report will created on BACKGROUND mode. You may continue work with Disk Inspector. After completion Disk Inpector show message "report created succesfuly!"
For Folders and Volumes forms report in that form:

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VOLUME: C-DRIVE - volume name
FOLDER: \UNREAL - folder name
UNREAL FINAL (c) GT Interactive    - folder comments
FILE_ID.DIZ              330 b        21/05/98      - information about file
CLASS.NFO                 9024 b       21/05/98
ACE.EXE                  176 Kb       26/02/98
CLASS.EXE                 194 Kb       21/05/98
INSTALL.EXE              413 Kb       25/02/98
INSTALL.INI              413 b        21/05/98
ATM.DLL                  157 Kb       22/09/97
CLASS.DLL                 792 b        21/05/98
.......
.......
Files:   71 Size: 167,71 Ìb
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For Categories and filetypes used another form:

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CATEGORY: IMAGES
FILE TYPE: PCX
VOLUME: EXPERTCOLOR
OEMLOGO.PCX              33 Kb         03/01/96 EXPERTCOLOR\DOS
BUTTOM.PCX               96 Kb        27/09/95 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
CACTUS.PCX               21 Kb        20/07/95 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
DOWN.PCX                 1328 b       28/09/95 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
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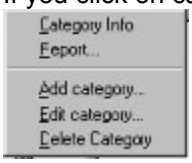
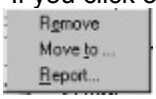
EMERALD.PCX 1195 b 17/11/95 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
EXIT.PCX 1761 b 28/09/95 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
F404.PCX 1045 b 19/01/96 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
F409.PCX 12 Kb 20/12/95 EXPERTCOLOR\SINBAD\DATA
.....
.....
Files: 73 Size: 22,21 Ìb

Delete item will delete selected folder or volume.

On categories mode for right panel work another popup-menus
If you click on category you see:

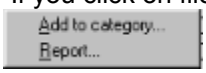


Category Info - will show category info window
Report - create report about selected category.
Add category - you may add new category.
Edit category - edit selected category name.
"Delete category" will delete selected category and all filetypes from it will move to "Unsorted files"
If you click on file type other than "Unsorted files" you see:



Remove - move file type to "Unsorted files"
Move to - move file type to another category
Report - create report

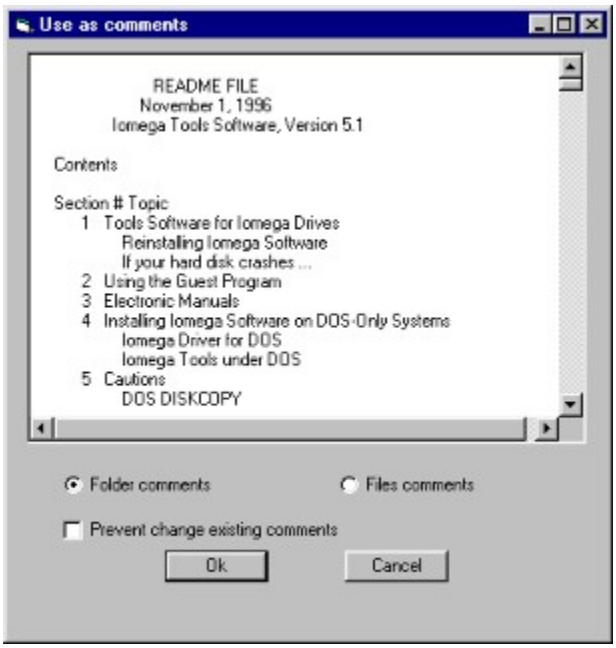
If you click on file type from "Unsorted files" :



Add to category - move file type to selected category
Report - create report

This is basic information about popup-menus used in Disk Inspector.

Use as comments window



You may use this form for import comments from any text files.
If "**Folder comments**" radio-button active, content of selected file assign as comments for current folder.
else Disk Inspector intepret content of file as following structure:
filename.ext comments of file
another.fil comments for anoother.fil
.....
and assign comments for files in current folder
if "**Prevent change existing comments**" checkbox checked,
Disk Inspector prevetns existing comments from replace it founded comments

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Summary info window

On this window show information ,very depending from mode.
In tree- mode you may see info about selected folder
folder's files quantity and size (with included directory).
In brackets - archives files information.
In categories -mode - information about selected category's or filetype's.

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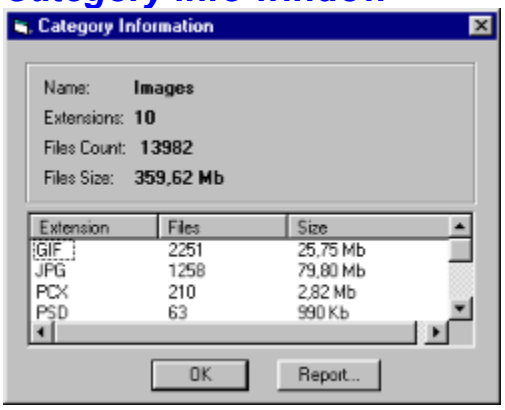
Category info window



In this window you may see detailed information about selected category. You may create report or show selected filetype double-clicking on it.

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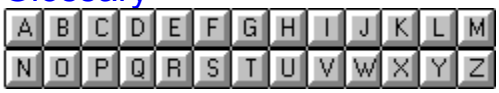
Glossary



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tree- and categories- modes

File categories

File categories - group of file extensions combined of common topic.
Example:
Image files - jpg, gif, bmp ...

tree- and categories- modes

On tree - mode left view look as standard Explorer tree
Double click or [+] opens branch of current folder if it possible
One click draw on left panel content of selected folder.

On category view panel consist from user-defined categories and included file types ,
for Example:
Images -+
+ - BMP
+ - GIF etc.