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## **Chapter 1**

### **Aminet**

#### 1.1 Pictures index

The pictures on Aminet CD 7

We have three kinds of images on this CD:

```
Clip art
in IFF format, more than 8000 pictures

Color photos
in the 24-bit JPEG format, with conversion facility

Miscellaneous
image uploads from Aminet
```

The PicZoo image database contains an index of all the images except for the clip art (there is a special database for them). Just pick 'Open' in the File menu and select the database you are interested in. AGA is recommended for this program but not required; you can change the screen mode to any HAM mode in the Preferences menu. See the documentation .

You can also read the short descriptions of the images (and anims) and then click the ones the sound interesting for immediate viewing. Please choose a subdirectory below:

```
pix/anim
           Animations
pix/art
           Hand drawn imagery
pix/astro Astronomy pictures
pix/bill
           Bill Graham traces
pix/clip
           Clip art
pix/fauna
           Animals
pix/fract Fractals
pix/icon Icons and backdrops
pix/illu
          Illustrations
pix/imagi Imagine traces
pix/misc
          Miscellaneous images
pix/mwb
          MagicWB icons
pix/real3 Real3D traces
pix/sport
           Sports pictures
```

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```
pix/trace Raytraced pictures
pix/vehic Vehicle images
pix/views Scenery, countries
pix/wb Famous Peoples WBs
```

search for pictures on this CD

#### 1.2 Color photos on Aminet

The color photographs on CD 7

The following directories consist of JPEG color photos only:

```
pix/astro Astronomy pictures slide show pix/fauna Animals slide show pix/fract Fractals slide show pix/sport Sports pictures slide show pix/vehic Vehicle images slide show pix/views Scenery, countries slide show
```

You can look at the descriptions of the pictures by clicking a directory, check the slide show (left button continues, right button quits) or look at reduced versions of the images in the image catalog PicZoo .

We've selected the JPEG format since it gives us 24 bit quality without using up too much space. If your application program doesn't know JPEG (there is a JPEG datatype in jfif\_dtc.lha, so if your program understands datatypes, it understands JPEG) you can convert the JPEG files to IFF format very easily. Select the directory you're interested in in the list above, click a picture, and select 'convert' in the upcoming requester. You need OS 3.x for this, though, otherwise use the 'Save' option in VT (see Tools/Docs).

The conversion by default creates a HAM8 image. To change the output size and format, use the Preferences program for the JFIF datatype. You may change the default preferences or only those for the program dt2iff which does the conversion. Recommended settings are

```
'Scaling: 1:2' or smaller for nore speed and less memory needs.
```

If you want to convert many images, select your area of interest from below list. In the resulting page, click the images you want to convert, or the 'All' button. You may also select images from different directories. When you're done, select the 'Convert' button in any of the pages, and the conversion will start in the background.

```
pix/astro Astronomy pictures
pix/fauna Animals
pix/fract Fractals
pix/sport Sports pictures
pix/vehic Vehicle images
```

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Render Mode: Grayscale' with 'Dithering: None' for printing.
'Render Mode: HAM' with 'Dithering: None' if your software reads HAM8.

<sup>&#</sup>x27;Render Mode: Colormapped' with 'Dithering: Floyd-S.' otherwise. You will also need to set the number of colors.

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pix/views Scenery, countries

#### 1.3 Clip Art

The clip art on CD 7

There are close to 8000 small, mostly black and white images on this CD, so-called clip art. All those pictures are found in the directory pix/clip in large archives. They are exactly what you need for DTP. One problem is, though, to find the image you are looking for among those many thousands.

As you expect it from me by now, I've created several ways to find the desired images:

Slide show lets you flip through the images of a category

Browse

the clip art like a normal Aminet index

Textual find lets you enter keywords to look for in the pictures

PicZoo is a database of small thumbnail images

After you've found the image you need, you'll want to import it into your application. For that you need to mount the CLIP: assign which gives you access to the uncompressed versions of the pictures. The command MountCLIP in the Tools directory does that for you. If you've used PicZoo, Browse or Textual Find, this assign has already been created. After the assign is created, CLIP: contains seemingly uncompressed versions of the IFF pictures, this becomes possible through ARCHandler from the Tools/Useful directory.

#### 1.4 Browsing clip art

Please select an image category:

Advert1	Advertisement
Advert2	Advertisement
Aircraft	Misc aircraft
Alphabet	Letters of the Alphabet
Animals1	Animals
Animals2	Animals
Animals3	Animals
Animals4	Animals
Animals5	Animals
Animals6	Animals
Animals7	Animals
Antique	Antique
Artmart1	Clip art by Artmart
Artmart2	Clip art by Artmart
ASG1	Clip art by ASG
ASG2	Clip art by ASG
Astrology	Astrology
AtSchool	At School

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Clip art by Daniel Austin Austin2 Clip art by Daniel Austin BCM\_Animals Clip art by BCM BCM\_People Clip art by BCM BirdDrawings Drawn birds Birds Birds Biz1 Business related Biz2 Business related Biz3 Business related Biz4 Business related Borders1 Page borders Borders2 Page borders Borders3 Page borders Borders4 Page borders Camping Camping Car1 Cars Car2 Cars Cartoon1 Cartoons Cartoon2 Cartoons Cartoon3 Cartoons Chemical Chemistry related Helicopters Chopper Funny stuff Comical1 Comical2 Funny stuff Computer Computer devices Designer clip art Designer Educate1 Education Educate2 Education Fish Fish, sea life Food1 Food related Food2 Food related Garden related Garden1 Garden related Garden2 Clip art by Grin Graphics, great Grin Headlin1 Headlines

Headlin2 Headlines

Hoffman Clip art by Hoffman

Holiday1 Holidays Holiday2 Holidays

Clip art by Steve Hornback Hornbak1 Hornbak2 Clip art by Steve Hornback

House1 Houses House2 Houses Logos Logos

Maps around the world Maps1 Maps2 Maps around the world Maps around the world Maps3 Maps4 Maps around the world

Misc clip art Master Medieval motives Medieval

Military Militrv1 Militry2 Military Militry3 Military Militry4 Military Militry5 Military Misc1 Miscellaneous Misc2 Miscellaneous Aminet 5/6

Misc3	Miscellaneous
Misc4	Miscellaneous
Misc5	Miscellaneous
Misc6	Miscellaneous
Misc7	Miscellaneous
Monsters1	Monsters, dragons
Monsters2	Monsters, dragons
Music1	Music related
Music2	Music related
People1	Persons
People2	Persons
People3	Persons
Plane1	Airplanes
Plane2	Airplanes
Religio1	Religion
Religio2	Religion
Religio3	Religion
Scene	Clip art by Graphics Scene
Sports1	Sports related
Sports2	Sports related
Sports3	Sports related
Sports4	Sports related
Tools1	Tools
Tools2	Tools
Transprt	Means of transportation
Travel1	Travelling related
Travel2	Travelling related
Unique1	Miscellaneous
Unique2	Miscellaneous
Unique3	Miscellaneous
Unique4	Miscellaneous
Unique5	Miscellaneous
Work	Work related
Xmas1	Christmas
Xmas2	Christmas
Xmas3	Christmas

### 1.5 Miscellaneous

The following directories contain pictures uploaded directly to Aminet (as opposed to the clip art and color photos which were integrated from other sources):

Animations
Hand drawn imagery
Bill Graham traces
Icons and backdrops
Illustrations
Imagine traces
Miscellaneous images
MagicWB icons
Real3D traces
Raytraced pictures
Famous Peoples WBs

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The PicZoo database contains indices of them all.