Columbine Bookmark Merge

Columbine Bookmark Merge is a (free) accessory to the NetScape, Microsoft Internet Explorer, NCSA Mosaic, and Opera world-wide web browsers. Features include:

1. Merge bookmarks, favorites, or hotlists from two files without producing unwanted duplicates. Very useful when you travel back and forth from home to work and want to keep your bookmarks or favorites synchronized in both locations. Also useful when you exchange bookmark files with a friend.

2. Convert NetScape bookmarks to MSIE favorites or vice versa. Convert 16-bit favorites to 32-bit favorites or vice versa. Also supports conversion from NCSA Mosaic hotlists or Opera Hot Lists to/from any of the other formats.

3. Capture the URL of the document currently being displayed by your browser.

4. Capture all the URLs in the document currently being displayed by your browser. Use this feature to capture all URLs currently displayed by Yahoo, AltaVista, Excite, or other web search engine. A big help when you are doing research.

5. Publish your bookmarks or favorites on the web. CBM will convert bookmarks into formatted HTML documents using any of the supplied layout style. Create your own styles if you wish.

6. A clipboard watch feature permits you to capture URLs from virtually any application. Reading a mail message that contains a URL? Just copy the URL to the Windows clipboard and CBM will automatically capture it.

7. Launch NS, MSIE, Mosaic, or Opera directly from CBM and display a document.

8. There are features to help LAN Administrators distribute bookmarks or favorites to all user workstations on their LAN.

9. Support for long file and directory names when run under Win95 or WinNT.

10. **Best of all, it's free!**

Important: Columbine Bookmark Merge is free, but you are asked to contribute to the Frank J Cramblitt Memorial Fund at Towson State University in Maryland. This fund is for the furtherance of elementary school teacher education. After installing CBM, please click on the Register button in "Help | About" for details.

Requirements

To run CBM, you will need:

1. 1 megabyte of free disk space.

2. Minimum of 4 megabytes of RAM. 8 megabytes recommended.

3. Windows 3.11 or above, Win95, and Windows NT. *Windows 3.1 users: At least one user has reported that CBM works fine in Windows 3.1 (as opposed to 3.11). How 'bout giving it try and let us know your results?*

4. NetScape or Microsoft Internet Explorer or NCSA Mosaic web-browsers. See the notes

below for compatible versions.

5. A video driver that supports at least 256 colors is recommended, but not required.

Columbine Bookmark Merge has been tested with NetScape (16-bit)versions 2.0, and 3.0. It has been tested with MSIE (16-bit) version 3.0 beta. It has been tested and found to work OK under Windows 95 and Windows NT 3.5, and 3.51. When run under Win95 or WinNT, it supports long file and directory names, but not Unicode (internactional) names.

CBM has been tested with NetScape (16-bit) 1.2N. It works with that version with one exception -- the Capture Browser Doc function will cause NetScape to display the File Save As dialog box. No matter what you enter in this dialog box, NetScape then saves the document to the file that CBM told it (in the Windows temporary directory). This appears to be a bug in NS 1.2N.

CBM has also been tested with MSIE (16-bit) version 2.1. It works with that version with one exception -- the Capture Browser Doc function will crash MSIE and take CBM with it. This appears to be a bug in MSIE.

See "Requirements" in the online help for additional compatibility notes.

Installing CBM

By installing CBM you are agreeing to abide by and be bound to the License Agreement. You will have an opportunity to view this License Agreement before and after installing CBM.

CBM is distributed as a self-unpacking, self-installing EXE. The EXE is named by the version number. For example, version 2.9 is CBM29.EXE. To install CBM, simply run this EXE from Windows. The install program will unpack all the files into a temporary directory on your C drive. You will have the opportunity to review the entire online help file prior to installing CBM. You will also have the opportunity to specify which directory (folder) you want CBM installed in. Before the install program exits, it will automatically erase the temporary directory it created.

The install program does <u>not</u> mess with the Windows registry, or your WIN.INI or SYSTEM.INI files, or make any changes to the \Windows or \Windows\System directories, so do not fear it. If you decide to uninstall CBM, instructions are provided in the online help.

If you are installing this version of CBM over an older version, simply install it in the same directory (folder), usually C:\CBM. Your BKMMERGE.INI file will not be erased.

Release Notes

The Release Notes can be viewed from the Install Wizard.

Version History

The online help contains a complete version history.

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