

MiniBook

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Chapter 1

MiniBook

1.1 MiniBook Version 1.00 © 1996,1998 Eden Developments

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1.2 MiniBook Version 1.00 Introduction

MiniBook is the small version of MegaBook. It's included here for people who don't really need the whole of MegaBook for some things, and just want a smaller alternative. MiniBook isn't particularly great, it's an old version of PhoneBook (MegaBook's predecessor) that's been slightly updated, but all the old bugs, problems etc (except for the Happy New Year 96 virus the archive accidentally got infected with when it was released :)..) are still there.

MegaBook itself will load and save files created by this and the original PhoneBook, but it won't load PhoneIt files at the moment so you can use this to convert them.

Here follows a slightly edited version of the original documentation.

MiniBook was designed to be a small, quick and easy to use phone number database program.

MiniBook will allow you to store as many records as you have memory for. The actual size of each record depends on the amount of info you type for each record.

I've also included some example databases for you to browse. One of which is all the Eden distribution site's BBS numbers. There is also the tutorial database created in the Quick Tutorial section.

Please Note: some of the BBS's aren't online anymore, please check before calling with a modem!

1.3 MiniBook Version 1.00 (not) Shareware

MiniBook is supplied as part of MegaBook. When you register for MegaBook you automatically register for MiniBook :) As noted in the MegaBook guide, registration is free. Please see MegaBook's guide for more info.

1.4 MiniBook Version 1.00 System Requirements

MiniBook needs Workbench 2.04+ and ReqTools library v38+ (included).

1.5 MiniBook Version 1.00 Features

See MegaBook's guide for features on the whole package.

- o Small, quick and easy to use
 - o Completely font sensitive
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- o Will load and save PhoneIt phone books
- o Uses reqtools requesters
- o Will load a fone book on start up
- o Very small file size
- o Example databases supplied

And more i've forgotten...

1.6 MiniBook Version 1.00 Quick Tutorial

Click on the Add button. The window title will change giving you instructions on what to do. Enter a name into the Name string gadget and a phone number in the Number string gadget. Once you are satisfied with what you have entered, click on the Add button again. Our Database contains one record now. Create a few more just to get the hang of it.

Now, we'll save the database. Click on the save button and a requester will open prompting for the save format. Press Enter or click on the MiniBook v1 gadget. This will save the file in MiniBook's own format. A file requester will now pop up and you can select the filename to save to.

You've just created and saved your first MiniBook database. That wasn't too hard was it ?

1.7 MiniBook Version 1.00 The Main Window

When you first start MiniBook, a number of the gadgets on the main window will be ghosted. This is because there is no current database in memory. When you load or create a new database the gadgets will become available.

There are 12 button gadgets, 2 string gadgets and a text box. Along the top of the window is the main gadgets. These are for (from left to right) creating records, deleting records, deleting entire database, searching, printing (see the "Print Window" section) and going to a particular record.

The top most string gadget will be used for the name of the person and the second is for the phone number. Next to the Number string gadget is a text box which displays the current/total record. Next to these are the Next and Previous gadgets for moving through the database a record at a time.

Along the bottom we have gadgets for Loading, Saveing, About and Quit.

[Click here to see the main window.](#)

1.8 MiniBook Version 1.00 The Print Window

There is 1 MX gadget, 2 integer gadgets and 2 button gadgets. The MX is for selecting whether to print the entire database or just a range. When you enter the print window, it defaults to All and the From and To integer gadgets' values will be as if you've selected all.

When you are happy with the range settings, click on print to print or cancel to cancel. When you click on print a requester will pop up telling you to make the printer ready and give you one last chance to cancel.

1.9 MiniBook Version 1.00 The Search Window

When the search window is open, you can still use the main window normally. When it first opens the Find string gadget is selected for you. Type in what you want to find and click on either Name or Number. The search will start from the current record so when you've found what you're looking for you can just hit either Name or Number again and it will find the next occurrence if there is one. When one has been found, the display will show the record that the search was found in.

NOTE: The search is currently CASE SENSITIVE.

1.10 MiniBook Version 1.00 Filetypes

MiniBook will load and save its own custom format files and PhoneIt v1.3 phone books.

When you load a PhoneBook, its file type is automatically detected and the window title changes to tell you the type it's loading. You'll get an unknown fileformat error if MiniBook doesn't recognise the file format.

1.11 MiniBook Version 1.00 ToolTypes

MiniBook supports the following ToolTypes:

LOAD=<path&filename to load> Load a PhoneBook on startup.

1.12 MiniBook Version 1.00 Distribution

I suggest MiniBook only be distributed with MegaBook, there's not much point to it other wise. Please see the main MegaBook guide for information.

MiniBook may be freely distributed as long as nothing is charged for it other then the price of 1 blank DSDD disk. New that is, not nicked of ya best mate.

If magazines wish to put it on their coverdisk then they must send me a copy of the magazine it appears on. Exclusive magazine versions are available on request.

1.13 MiniBook Version 1.00 Disclaimer

This software is provided 'as is' with no warranty of any kind. You use it entirely at your own risk.

1.14 MiniBook Version 1.00 Support

Support can be obtained by sending an email to megabook@dvalley.demon.co.uk. Please be sure to say which you are having problems with, MegaBook or MiniBook. There are some known bugs with MiniBook which will NOT be fixed.

1.15 MiniBook Version 1.00 History

Version 1.00 (as MiniBook)

Slightly updated version supplied with MegaBook.

Version 1.00 (as PhoneBook)

First release.

1.16 MiniBook Version 1.00 Future

MiniBook has no future. It will never be updated because it's been superceded by MegaBook. On the other hand, MegaBook is being constantly updated. Please see the MegaBook guide for more information.
