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Introduction

DGPlayer95 is a CD player with LED and Dot Matrix display.   It is written in Visual Basic 4.0P for the English version of Windows 95.   DGPlayer95 is loaded with over 15 features and is designed to be easy to use.

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Features

- Basic CD controls (Play, Stop, Pause, Next, Previous, Fast Forward, Rewind and Eject)
- 5 Different Play Modes (Repeat, Repeat One, Random, direct, and Programmed)
- Fast Keystroke Access
- Programmable up to 25 songs
- 4 Time Display Modes (Elapsed, Remaining, From Start, To End)
- Track# / Name Display
- Customizable Display Color
- Autorun
- Direct Play from Windows Explorer
- Minimize to System Tray
- CD Recognition
- CD Title and 70 Track Names entry for each particular CD
- Time saving CD data Import from / Export to Microsoft CDPlayer
- Handy Pop up menu when minimized as tray icon
- 10 controllable volume levels
- Always on Top
- Changable Background Texture(Theme)
- Start Minimized/ In Tray
- Easy to Use Interface

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Short Cut Keys

P = Play
S = Stop
N = Next/Skip one song   >>|
B = Previous/Back one song |<<
T = Shink to System Tray
R = Shink to System Tray and bring up the Remote Control

Alt-C = Exit DGPlayer
Alt-E = Open Title and Track Name Editor
Alt-P = Open Programming Window
Alt-T = Minimize to system tray
Alt-M = Change Play Mode

Change Time Display Mode

To change between display modes, just click on the appropriate label on the display panel.

Elapsed = Time past from the beginning of the current song.
Remaining = Time remaining of the current playing song.
From Start = Time past from the beginning of the CD. (This is good for Normal play mode)
To Start = Time remaining from current song to the end of the CD.   (This is good for Normal play mode)

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Change Theme

To change the background texture and the button textures

1. Double click anywhere on the frame of DGPlayer. For example, the border.
2. This will bring up the Change Theme window.
3. Select the directory where the desired theme is located.   Press OK.

To Download more themes, go to
http://www.mnsi.net/~fury/dgplayer.html

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Change Display Modes

Display Title - Click on the "Title" label.   If there is no track name, Track# will be displayed.
Display Track number - Click on the "Track" label.
Static Mode - Text that are longer than 9 characters are trimmed.   Click on the Dot Matrix Display
Scroll Mode -   Scroll the long text from right to left. Click on the Dot Matrix Display

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Change Color

To change color on Dot Matrix Display - Double click on the Dot Matrix Display
To change color on LED - Double click on the LED

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Change Play Modes

There are three ways to change the play modes

- Click on the appropriate play mode label on the DGPlayer display panel.
- Click on the "MODE" button
- Click on the "PM" button on the remote control

Repeat(R) = Repeatedly play a CD from first to the last tracks
Repeat one (R1) = Repeatedly play the current song.
Shuffle (S) = Random songs to be played. After all songs are played once, DGPlayer will repeat this mode.
Repeat Program (RP) = Repeatedly play songs from the first to the last programmed songs.
Normal (N) = Click on the brightened mode label to cancel the mode and back to normal.

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Minimized to System Tray (Clock area)

There are three ways to minimize DGPlayer to system tray

- Press the "Tray" button
- Press the "T" key on the keyboard
Press the "R" key on the keyboard.   This will also bring up the remote control.

To restore DGPlayer from system tray, simply left double click on the CD icon or right click on the CD icon and choose "Restore".

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Play from windows explorer

- Open "My Computer"
- Right click on the CD-ROM drive and select explore
- Double click on the a track

Import/Export

- Press the "Edit" button

Note: Since MS CDPlayer supports only 16 songs, only the first 16 songs can be imported from or exported to MSCDPlayer.

Popup Menu

When minimized in tray, right click on the CD icon to bring up the pop up menu.

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TrackTitle Edit

- Click on the "Edit" button.
- In the Track Name text box, press "Esc" to go to the Previous track and "Enter" to the Next track.
- Inputs will be automatically saved when the "OK" button is pressed
- Press "Import" to import CD data from MS CDPlayer
- Press "Export" to export data inputted to MS CDPlayer

HelpScribble

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Here are some of HelpScribble's features:

- The Setup program will *properly* install and uninstall HelpScribble and all of its components, including registry keys.
- Create, edit and navigate through topics right in the main window. No need to mess with heaps of dialog boxes.
- All topics are listed in a grid in the main window so you won't lose track in big help projects. You can even set bookmarks.
- Use the built-in Browse Sequence Editor to easily create browse sequences.
- Use the built-in Window Editor to change the look of your help window and create secondary windows.
- Use the built-in Contents Editor to create Windows 95-style contents files. Works *a lot* better than Microsoft's HCW.
- No need to mess with Microsoft's SHED: use the built-in SHG Editor to create hotspot bitmaps. Draw your hotspots on the bitmap and pick the topic to link to from the list.
- With the built-in Macro Editor you can easily compose WinHelp macros whenever needed. It will tell you what the correct parameters are and provide information on them.
- If you have a problem, just consult the online help. The help file was completely created with HelpScribble, of course.
- HelpScribble is shareware. However, the unregistered version is *not* crippled in any way. It will only add a small note to your help topics to encourage you to be honest and to register the shareware you use.

These options are very interesting for Delphi developers:

- If you are a component writer, use the Delphi Parser to build an outline help file for your component. Just fill in the spaces and you are done. (Try it if you do not believe me or just look at the help file you are reading now.)
- If you are an application writer, HelpScribble provides you with a property editor for the HelpContext property. You can select the topic you need from a list of topic titles or simply instruct to create a new topic. No need to remember obscure numbers.
- The property editor also provides a tree view of all the components on your form and their HelpContext properties. This works very intuitively. (Much nicer than those help tools that simply mess with your .dfm files.)
- HelpScribble can perform syntax highlighting on any Delphi source code in your help file.

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