RISS Solitaire Card Games
for
Windows 3.1, Win95, or better

Documentation

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Welcome to the RISS Solitaire Card Game Pak!

This is a shareware version of the RISS Solitaire Card Game Pak. If you enjoy these games and would like to play more unique and enthralling Solitaire-style games, we offer a RISS Solitaire 5-Pak as well as a value-bundled RISS Solitaire 8-Pak. Each of the solitaire games are very different from the others!

Please read on for details on the RISS Solitaire Card Games.

INSTALLATION

If you have not already run the SETUP.EXE program included with this product, please do so at this time. From within Windows, run the SETUP.EXE program which will automatically install the card games and add a program group and icons for each game.

WHAT GAMES ARE INCLUDED?

This shareware version of the RISS Solitaire Card Games collection contains two exciting card games: **King Albert Solitaire** and **Frog Solitaire**. While King Albert Solitaire looks somewhat like a traditional solitaire game, it's much trickier!   Frog Solitaire probably doesn't look like anything you've ever played before!

Both card games come with Windows formatted help files with complete rules and instructions for each game. The help files even contain some helpful strategy hints for playing each game!

If you like these games and would like to continue playing them, or would like to order more card games, there are two registered versions available: the **RISS Solitaire 5-Pak** and the **RISS Solitaire 8-Pak**.

The RISS Solitaire 5-Pak contains everything in the shareware version, **plus 3 more** card games: **Golf Solitaire, Klondike Solitiare, and the Vanishing Cross Solitiare.**

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