

# DiskList

## Main window

From the main window you can see the disks you've already cataloged, in a view very similar to that of the Windows Explorer. The huge difference is that the files listed here are not necessarily stored on any of the disks accessible from your computer right now.

In the left pane of the main window you see a view representing the disks that have been cataloged and you can expand each of them to see the sub-folders in them, and then further expand these folders. When you select a folder the files in that folder will be displayed in the right pane.

From the right pane you can double-click any file to bring up the file properties window.

From the menu you can add and maintain disk listings, print CD covers, and search the listings.

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## Support

To get support for any questions or problems regarding DiskList, please choose the “**Email support**” item from the “**Help**” menu, and describe your problem in as much detail as possible in the mail window that appears. If your mail client does not appear automatically, please start it up manually, and write to [support@blueface.com](mailto:support@blueface.com).

For unregistered users of our products, we offer one-to-one technical support on a "best efforts" basis by E-mail. Support queries from registered users of the product will take priority.

Registered users are entitled to free priority technical support.

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### Add disk listings

The “**Add new listing**” window prompts you for the drive or folder you wish to add, write the path in the field, or press the “...” button to select it visually.

The description will be the one that appears in the left pane of the main window, and the title on the CD cover, if you decide to print one.

The comment field is used for your own comments for this disk, you can use it for search operations later on.

Press OK to start adding the disk.

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## Searching for files

From the search window (“**Search**” menu – item “**Find**”) you can enter a text to search for, and check the various options. The text you enter should not a wildcard specification (e.g. “\*.exe”), but a part of the string you are searching for (e.g. “.exe”).

You can tell DiskList to search in Folder Names, Filenames, Description, and you can limit the search to a certain category, if you have categorized the file in the [file properties window](#).

The matching files will be listed in the “**Search Results**” window, by selecting one of the matches the match will be selected in the main window. You can move and resize the Search Results window to your liking, the position will be saved for the next time you perform a search.

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## Printing

The print window (“**Disk**” menu – item “**Print...**”) provides you with several options to get the result just the way you want it. The window has three tabs, allowing you to set options for printing of filenames, folder names, and layout.

### Filenames:

If you don’t wish to print all filenames, but wish to filter out just the ones you want, choose the “**Specify**” option, this will enable the other options.

“**Print filenames containing:**” - will include the filenames in the print if they contain one of the strings selected in the box next to the button. The filters are not case-sensitive, i.e. “.EXE” is considered the same as “.exe”.

“**Print all filenames until tree level**” – use this option to print files until a certain tree level, if, for instance, you only wish to print the filenames in the root of the disk, choose this option and set the level to 0.

“**Print all file descriptions**” – all descriptions for files will be printed, this is very useful if you have assigned descriptions to the main setup files on the disk, the description will then be printed instead of the filename.

### Folder names:

The “**Folder names**” at first glance has pretty much the same options as the one for filenames, but the filter items now lets you specify the files that must be present in a folder for it to be printed.

### Layout

From the “**Layout**” tab you can choose what kind of printing will be produced. “**List of contents**” is just a plain listing of the items, while “**Print CD cover**” and “**Print CD back cover**” creates output that fits right in your CD cassette.

The “**Preview**” button let’s you review your choices before sending it to the printer.

Check the “**Save settings as default**” option if you wish the options you have chosen to be the default ones.

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## Registering

DiskList is distributed as a commercial demo, this means that you may try out DiskList for free, but if you decide to keep using it on after a reasonable trial period, you are required to purchase a DiskList license.

The unregistered version of DiskList will only allow you to add two disks, and you will not be able to print.

You can purchase a license from our web-site at <http://www.blueface.com>, or simply choose “**Register online**” from the “**Help**” menu. The price is only \$15 (USD).

After having received the license code by email, type it in by pressing the “Enter code” button found in the “About” box.

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## Getting started

Before you can take advantage of all the DiskList features you must add at least one disk listing, to do so choose ‘**Add new...**’ from the ‘**Disk**’ menu from the main window. The ‘Add new listing’ window will now appear, to let you specify where the disk is, and give the listing a description. The description will be the one that appears in the left pane of the main window, and the title on the CD cover, if you decide to print one. DiskList will now read the contents of the disk and save it, so that the listing can be accessed later on, when the disk is not present.

After having added the disk you will notice that the whole range of items under the ‘**Disk**’ menu is now enabled.

Continue this procedure for each of your disks, the more disks you have, the more likely it is that you will find out that DiskList is a tool that you can’t do without. (Note: The unregistered version of DiskList will only allow you to add two disks).

Now that you’ve added your collection of disks you may wish to add descriptions to some of the filenames, and categorize them, to make it easier to find just the file you are looking for, and to make prints more descriptive. To do so, simply double-click the filename and fill out the fields in the file properties window.

If you change the contents on the disk later on, use “**Update**” from the “**Disk**” menu to update the listing in DiskList.

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### File properties

The file properties window shows you some information about the file you double-clicked, more specifically you can see the filename, the size of the file on disk, and the date it was created.

Besides this information you can add your own description to the file, this is a great way to improve searching and make your CD-covers more informative. For example, you can add a description to the obscure filename “cb32e45.exe” of “Netscape Communicator 4.5”, which will be much easier to remember when you do a search, and also will look much better on your CD cover, if you print one.

You can also categorize the file, use the dropdown button if you have already created some categories, and choose the appropriate one, or simply type a new category name to create a new category.

The “**Launch file**” button will attempt to run the file, make sure the right disk is inserted when using it. If your drive letters have changed you can assign another drive to the listing from the Folder properties window.



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### Folder properties

This properties window is available from the “**Disk**” menu, or the right-click popup menu, if you have selected a disk or a folder in the left pane window. In it you can see how many files and subfolders the disk / folder contains, and you can reassign the root drive, in case your drive letters have changed.

You can also enter a comment for the folder, this can be used for printing.

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## Settings

Under the “**Options**” menu you will find the “**Settings**” menu item that will open the settings window, where you can change these settings:

- **Memory cache.**  
The default number of disks that DiskList will keep cached in memory, when running, is 10, you can change this number if you like. If, for instance, you don't have much RAM installed and always have 4 or 5 applications running at the same time, you can set it to a lower number, but most people don't need to worry too much about what this number should be.
- **Data path**  
The data path is the place where the data files that DiskList uses, will be stored. If you choose a new datapath after having added disks you will be prompted to have the files automatically copied to the new location.

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## What's New?

These are the main changes made since DiskList V1.0:

Toolbar added.

Better support for large collections of disks, through a new memory caching algorithm.

Data files can now be stored in a folder of your choice.

Disks are listed alphabetically.

Changes since version 1.5:

Search results are now listed in a separate window.

Several minor bugfixes.



