

# ShowComment

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|               | <i>TITLE :</i><br>ShowComment |                 |                  |
| <i>ACTION</i> | <i>NAME</i>                   | <i>DATE</i>     | <i>SIGNATURE</i> |
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# Chapter 1

## ShowComment

### 1.1 ShowCommment 1.03

ShowComment.rexx 1.03

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ARexx program to display JPEG and GIF file comments

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### 1.2 ShowComment 1.03

Copyright & Distribution

ShowComment.rexx is copyright 1995 by Felix Coronado. All rights reserved.

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1. it is in its original unmodified form
  2. it is accompanied by this documentation
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3. nothing is charged for it, other than the cost of the media and nominal duplication fees

Any distribution of ShowComment.rexx that does not meet all of the above requirements must have the prior written permission of the author (Felix C. Coronado).

Permission is granted to include ShowComment.rexx in Fred Fish's Amiga Disk Library (including CD ROM versions of it) and the AmiNet CD ROMs.

## 1.3 ShowComment 1.03

### Disclaimer

This program (ShowComment.rexx) comes with no warranty, either expressed or implied. The author (Felix Coronado) is in no way responsible for any damage, loss, or ill-effects directly or indirectly caused by the usage of this program.

## 1.4 ShowComment 1.03

### Introduction

ShowComment.rexx is an ARexx program that searches for and displays any text comments contained in a JPEG or GIF file.

NOTE: ShowComment.rexx will only search for comments in JFIF JPEG files, as this is the only type of JPEG file that it was designed to recognize. This limitation is due to the fact that I have no information on the other varieties (HSI JPEGs, TIFF JPEGs, PICT JPEGs, & others?) of JPEGs. I don't even know if they can contain comments.

## 1.5 ShowComment 1.03

### Requirements

ARexx

## 1.6 ShowComment 1.03

### Installation

Copy ShowComment.rexx to your S: directory or elsewhere.

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## 1.7 ShowComment 1.03

Using It

ShowComment.rexx should be run from the Shell/CLI. Its usage is as follows:

```
RX ShowComment.rexx <filename>
```

or if its "s" protection bit is set:

```
ShowComment.rexx <filename>
```

where <filename> is the complete path and filename of a JPEG or GIF file.

Once it starts, ShowComment.rexx will display:

```
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```

If the file you pick is a JPEG or GIF file, ShowComment.rexx will then display the following:

```
Searching for comments in '<filename>'...  
Ctrl-d to stop
```

ShowComment.rexx is now searching the selected file for comments. If you press Ctrl-d (the "Ctrl" key and the "d" key at the same time) while "Ctrl-d to stop" is displayed, ShowComment.rexx will stop searching for comments. Pressing Ctrl-c while "Ctrl-d to stop" is displayed will abort the program.

If you stop the search before any comments are found, or if no comments are found, ShowComment.rexx will display the words "No Comment".

If ShowComment.rexx is able to find comments, it will display the following:

```
Comment <number>: <Comment>
```

## 1.8 ShowComment 1.03

Contacting the Author

If you have any bug reports, questions, suggestions, comments, or gifts to send me or if you would like information about the most recent versions of my programs, I would be glad to hear from you. I would particularly like to hear from you if:

1. You come across a JPEG or GIF file that you know contains comments but ShowComment.rexx does not recognize it or does not display the comments. If this occurs, I would appreciate it if you sent me a copy of the file so that I could try to fix the problem.
2. You have any information relating to:
  - a. JPEG and GIF file comments (programs that let you add/edit them, etc.)
  - b. the various JPEG file formats (the structure of JPEG files, what JPEG file formats contain comments, etc.)

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## 1.9 ShowComment 1.03

### History

1.03 May 21, 1995 - Minor improvements

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1.02 April 5, 1995 - ShowComment.rexx can now detect GIF file comments shorter than 255 characters

- ShowComment.rexx now displays only the actual comment text in GIF files
- Multiple GIF file comments are now displayed separately
- ShowComment.rexx no longer differentiates between JPEG "Creation info" comments and other JPEG file comments
- Other minor improvements

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1.01 April 2, 1995 - Minor improvements

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1.00 March 26, 1995 - Changed name from ReadJPEG.rexx to ShowComment.rexx

- Added support for GIF file comments
- Files are now read in variable size blocks (default 64K)
- When using with JPEG files, ShowComment.rexx now searches the entire file for comments, instead of stopping at a certain point
- Other minor improvements

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1.03 March 10, 1995 - ReadJPEG.rexx should now be able to recognize all JFIF JPEG files

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1.02 March 6, 1995 - ReadJPEG.rexx now detects multiple "Comment" comments if they are present and displays them as "Comment <number>"

- Other minor improvements

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1.01 March 1, 1995 - Fixed a bug that could prevent ReadJPEG.rexx from detecting "Comment:" comments in certain rare cases

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1.0 February 23, 1995 - First public release

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## 1.10 ShowComment 1.02

Other Stuff by Felix Coronado

Look for these other fine ARexx scripts/programs by Felix Coronado:

Cataloger - ARexx script for The Art Department Professional v2.x or MorphPlus. Makes image catalogs containing thumbnails of selected files.

Features include:

- Loads & saves most ADPro/MorphPlus file formats
- Many options, different combinations can be saved & loaded
- Files can be picked from requesters, FRED Sequence files, or ASCII file lists

GIF+\_Comment - ARexx script that acts as a pseudo-Loader for The Art Department Professional v2.5. Loads a GIF file while displaying any text comments contained in the file.

JPEG+\_Comment - ARexx script that acts as a pseudo-Loader for The Art Department Professional v2.5. Loads a JPEG file while displaying any text comments contained in the file.

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