Changes the current screen saver

Changes the current desktop wallpaper

Changes the current mouse pointers

Changes the current desktop icons

Changes the current associated sound events

Changes the current system colors

Changes the current font styles

Changes the current windows and font sizes

Changes the current start up and shut down screens **Note: Only available under Windows 95/98**

Changes the current web view items

Displays a list of the current screen savers installed

Allows you to launch a full preview of the current selected theme

Displays the current list of available images for your desktop

Click this to browse for an image to use as your wallpaper

Click this to select a pattern for your desktop

This determines how the wallpaper is displayed on your desktop

This displays a list of currently available schemes

Toggles the bold state of the current font

Toggles the italic state of the current font

This saves the current appearance as a scheme

This deletes the current scheme

Displays a list of appearance elements to change

Changes the size of the currently selected item

Changes the color of the currently selected item

Lists the currently available fonts

Changes the currently selected fonts

Changes the color of the currently selected font

This allows you to change the highlight and shadows of 3d edges

Displays a list of sound events that can be changed

Displays the current sound file for the current event

This plays the currently selected sound

Displays a dialog to change the currently selected event

Displays the file dialog for the current sound

Displays a list of the current icons

Displays a list to change the currently selected icon

Changes the currently selected icon to the system default

Displays a list of the current mouse cursors

Displays a preview of the currently selected mouse cursor

Displays a list to change the currently selected mouse cursor

Changes the currently selected mouse cursor to the system default

Displays a preview of the currently selected screen

Turns the animation on and off for the current preview

Displays a list of the different screens that can be changed

Displays a dialog to change the currently selected screen

Changes the currently selected screen to the system default

Displays a preview of the currently selected item

Displays a list of the different web view items that can be changed

Displays a dialog to change the currently selected items

Changes the currently selected item to the system default if available

Lists the currently available themes for use

Displays a preview of the current theme settings as they would appear on your computer

Places an icon in the system tray on the task bar

Ensures that Desktop Architect is your system default theme manager

Location where your themes are stored

This allows you to choose the default location of your themes

This opens the random settings dialog

Makes your current logo the default

Makes your logo default empty

Makes your current web view items the default

Makes your web default empty

Allows you to use all available themes to randomly display on your desktop

Allows you to use only the selected themes to randomly display on your desktop

Displays a list of all of the available themes in your default theme directory

Allows you to specify the elements to apply for the randomly selected theme

Shows a preview of what the current theme looks like

Allows you to specify the amount of time between changing themes

Do not use random themes

Use random themes

Closes the dialog box and saves any changes you have made

Closes the dialog box without saving any of the changes you have made

Settings

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The settings page allows you to select which theme elements to apply from the currently selected theme. If you do not wish to change a particular theme element simply uncheck the item and it will use your current settings.

Screen Saver
Use the screen saver if specified in the current theme file.
Desktop Wallpaper
Use the wallpaper specified in the current theme file.
Mouse Pointers
Use the mouse pointers specified in the current theme file.

Random Options

Options

Install Select A Theme

Icons

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Appearance

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Package destination

Package progress

Getting Started

Please realize that most of this help file has not been completed yet.

FAQ

Question: When I run Desktop Architect with Window Blinds it blows up?
Answer: You must add da.exe to your Window Blinds exclusion list. This has been tested as of Window Blinds 0.90 and it still has a problem.

Question: When I run Desktop Architect with Norton Utilities my desktop icons do not always show correctly?
Answer: Norton Utilities creates icon overlays for the recycle bin in a non-standard fashion. Desktop Architect does not recognize the change.

Question: I installed a theme I downloaded using the Install Wizard but it cannot find all of the files.
Answer: Unfortunately every theme is not distributed the same way. Desktop Architect does a thorough search to locate all of the files listed in the theme, but occasionally either it is not located near the theme or the author forgot to add it.

Question: I selected a theme but the colors are all messed up, how do I fix it?
Answer: Please be sure that you are running in at least 16 bit color mode (32768 colors or higher). You can check your settings in the display control panel applet.

Question: Can you add in support for additional system icons such as folders and control panel?
Answer: This is actually being considered for a future release post 1.0.

Technical Support

While I cannot actually dedicate a large amount of time to support (I do actually have another job), I will try my best to answer your e-mails. Before you e-mail me please check the <u>FAQ</u> and the web site for support first. When you do e-mail please be sure to include the following information:

Example
Version: Desktop Architect 1.0
Operating System: Windows 98
Video: 1024x768 16bit
Memory: 64MB RAM

Send it to **fosterk@gte.net**

Overview

This is an overview of using Desktop Architect