Dinner on a Disk™

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Exciting new recipes at the flip of a disk!

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SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Apple® II with Applesoft, II+, IIe or Franklin Ace™ 1000
48K • DOS 3.3 • One Disk Drive
Printer (optional)

PACKAGE CONTENTS

Dinner on a Disk Diskette
Instruction Booklet
Warranty Card

OVERVIEW

The age-old art of cooking now joins the space-age art of computer technology! Meet Dinner on a Disk, the first computerized cookbook. At the press of a button, any of dozens of recipes appear on the screen. Another press and you have a copy of the recipe to carry to the store or give to friends. Dinner on a Disk can't do your cooking for you yet, but it definitely out-computes all the other cookbooks around!

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INTRODUCTION

Dinner on a Disk is a cookbook packed with dozens of delicious recipes. Like all Softsmith products, it is easy to understand and simple to use. These instructions will tell you all you need to know about using Dinner on a Disk. Please read them carefully and practice a few times first. Then you'll be ready to cook and enjoy. Welcome to the age of computerized cooking!

GETTING STARTED

To get started with Dinner on a Disk simply follow these steps (this is called "booting").

1. Turn off the computer to clear the memory. Turn on the monitor.

2. Open the disk drive door by pulling out and up on its bottom edge. Slip the program disk into drive #1 with the labeled edge being the last to enter the drive.

3. When the disk is entirely in the drive, close the drive door.

4. Turn the power switch to the on position. You will hear a "beep" from the computer, and the "in-use" light on the disk drive will come on. This means that the program is loading.

You will now see the Softsmith logo and the Dinner on a Disk title appear on the screen. If you don't, please try turning your computer off briefly, and then on again.

LET'S GET COOKING

Using Dinner on a Disk is easy! Just like any cookbook, it has a table of contents, an index, and lots of delicious recipes. Unlike a cookbook, however, you need to press keys rather than turn pages.

When you first start Dinner on a Disk (see the "Getting Started" section), you will see the "help page" on the screen; this tells you which keys do what. Press <RETURN>. Now you are looking at the "category page," or table of contents. You can look up a recipe according to style of cooking by pressing the number of the category and then <RETURN>. Let's look at category 0, the index. Press <0> and then press <RETURN>. Now you are looking at the first page of the index. The recipes are arranged alphabetically. Press <←> and <→> to flip through them. Then press <ESC> to see the category page again.

You have already used almost all the keys you will need to know! Here is a list of all of them.

<H>

This key will show the "help page" on the screen. If you ever forget what key to use, pressing <H> will show you this page. When you start Dinner on a Disk, this is the page that you will see first.

<ESC>

This key will show you the table of contents, or "category page." The recipes are grouped according to cuisine, occasion, and so on, just like any cookbook. Typing a number and then pressing <RETURN> will take you to the first page of the category you selected. Pressing <0> and then <RETURN> will show you the index.

</>

The index shows you what page each recipe is on. To go to a recipe directly, press </>, type the page number, and then press <RETURN>. If you remember what page a recipe is on, you don't need to go to the index first.

<←>, <→>

These keys allow you to flip through recipes or look at different pages of the index. <←> lets you look at an earlier page; <→> goes to the next one. When you have looked at all the recipes in a category, <→> will return you to the category page.

<P>

This key allows you to print the recipes on a printer, if you have one. First, you must go to the category page (just press <ESC>). Then press <P>. The computer will ask you what slot number your printer is in. In most cases, this will be slot number one, so just type 1 and press <RETURN>.

Later, when you have found a recipe you wish to use, just go to the page it is on and press <P> to print it on the printer. You won't have to reset the printer slot number again unless you stop Dinner on a Disk and restart it.

<RETURN>

Don't forget to press this key after you have typed in a number. The computer won't know you are finished typing until you press <RETURN>.

Oh, and one more thing. When you are finished using Dinner on a Disk, just turn the computer off and put the disk away!

IMPORTANT TIPS

Follow these tips to minimize problems in running this and many other programs on your microcomputer.

Make sure the shift lock light is on if running this program on the Franklin Ace. This program recognizes only capital letters.

Do not open the disk drive door while the "in-use" light is on. This may damage your disk and render it unusable.

Do not press <CTRL-C> while the "in-use" light is on. Results are unpredictable, and damage to your program may result.

Do not press <BREAK> while the program is running.

Do not try to make a copy of this disk. If during normal use something goes wrong with your disk, please refer to the Warranty section of this manual.

Handle your disks carefully and hold them with your fingers on the labeled edge. Always keep them in their special sleeves while not in use.

WARRANTY MESSAGE

Please take a moment to fill out and mail the enclosed Warranty Card. By having your name on file we will be able to provide the best possible customer service, including information on program updates and replacement of damaged disks.

A great deal of effort has gone into preparing this program to operate smoothly and without "bugs." Should you have problems with this program, please contact our Customer Service Department at the following toll free number. We have the experience and service network to assist you.

1 (800) 341-4000

Given normal use, it should not be possible to damage this disk. However, should the disk or the program on it become damaged, please return it to us with a short description of the problem. The Software Guild, Inc., will replace your disk promptly, according to warranty provisions.

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