

Welcome to issue 19 of What CD? which has over 600Mb of great software for you to try out, including demos of Tomb Raider II and Magix Music Maker

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**Eight great regular sections**

**Featured games demos:** Tomb Raider II, Dark Forces II: Jedi Knights, Constructor (Windows 95 only), Close Combat II: A Bridge Too Far (Windows 95 only), Turok: Dinosaur Hunter

**Multimedia and Featured Software:** You Don't Know Jack, The Official Martial Arts Encyclopedia, i Publish 2, Magix Music Maker

**Arts:** 32 graphic images from the Image Bank, Canterbury Classic's, Electronic Music Catalogue, Schubert Music Track

**Getting started:** What PC?'s interactive guide to notebooks, printers and desktop PCs.

**Focus On:** Computer TV Spin-Offs

**What PC?'s Printshop:** A section containing hints, tips and practical advice on every aspect of personal computing plus the entire November issue of What PC?, all in Acrobat format.

**The Stoney Blokes:** An episode of The Stoney Blokes.

**Software Library:** Direct X 5 - Microsoft Video driver, Paintshop Pro 3.12 - Latest version, Paintshop Pro 4.14 - Latest version, Winzip - Windows file compression, WallPaper Paste - Desktop Wallpaper cycling utility, CyberContact - Internet contact & address manager, NetFerret Utilities - WWW, FTP, E-Mail, NEWS, IRC, Phone search utilities, A1 Collex - Windows action puzzle game, K-Chess Elite - Improve your chess, Moriarty - Windows Whodunnit,

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# Cover CD

**A**s always, this month's *What CD?* is packed with the latest games and application demos for you to try. In particular, it sees the much-awaited return of virtual explorer Lara Croft in Tomb Raider II. Destined to be a smash hit this Christmas, the game looks set to be the one to beat for a long time to come.

Other highlights include Close Combat: A Bridge Too Far and our software library, which contains a horde of useful programs and utilities, including a selection of Christmas tunes and images.

## Multimedia and featured software

Our application demos are: You Don't Know Jack, the Official Martial Arts Encyclopedia, i publish 2.0 and Magix Music Maker.

A spoof of American TV shows, **You Don't Know Jack** is loud, brash, hilarious nonsense. This multimedia trivia quiz puts you, and up to two of your friends, on an imaginary radio quiz show with a virtual quiz master, musical interludes, and questions on everything

## Hardware requirements

To run the CD-ROM you will need a PC with Windows 3.1 or later, and a colour VGA display. We recommend a multimedia 486 PC or Pentium, with a minimum of 8Mb of RAM. The optimum configuration is a Pentium PC with 16Mb of RAM.

Throughout the issue, you may come across this logo, which means you will find a demo or a related item on our cover CD.



● **Games demos**

**Tomb Raider II**

Lara Croft is back with new weapons and moves, in the search for The Dagger of Xian. **Dark Forces II: Jedi Knights** Katarn must stop the Dark Jedi from unlocking hidden powers. **Constructor**

Up to four people can play this game to build and manage properties and destroy rival developers.

**Close Combat:**

**A Bridge Too Far**

A tactical combat game bringing you closer to war.

**Turok: Dinosaur Hunter**

Turok sets out to defeat Campaigner and his dinosaurs before they can conquer the universe. (All the above demos are for Windows 95 only).

● **Multimedia and applications**

**You Don't Know Jack**

(Windows 95 only).

**The Official Martial Arts**

**Encyclopedia.**

**i publish 2.0**

(Windows 95 only).

**Magix Music Maker**

(Windows 95 only).

● **Arts**

**32 Image Bank images**

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**Schubert** music track.

**Canterbury Classics** electronic music catalogue.

● **Getting started**

Interactive guide to notebooks, printers and PCs.

● **Focus on**

TV Spin-offs.

● **What PC? Printshop**

News and reviews from *Personal Computer World* Hands on and the December issue of *What PC?*

● **The Stoney Blokes**

Cartoon capers from VNU's Internet e-zine, The Room.

● **Software library**

**Direct X 5** – Microsoft Video driver.

**Paint Shop Pro 4.14** – latest version for Windows 95.

**WinZip** – Windows file compression.

**WallPaper Paste** – desktop wallpaper cycling utility.

**CyberContact** – Internet contact and address manager.

**NetFerret Utilities** – WWW, FTP, e-mail, news, IRC, phone search utilities.

**A1 Collex** – Windows action puzzle game.

**K-Chess Elite** – improve your chess.

**Moriarty** – Windows Whodunnit.

**Sherlock** – brain-bending

puzzles to expand your mind.

**Scopa** – Italian card game.

**Arty** – graphical and musical toy.

**CallCheck** – international call finder.

**Desktop Lawyer** – business & home and essential letters.

**Epoch Organiser** – Personal Information Manager.

**Global Challenge** – geographical knowledge tester.

**Arts & Letters Express** – drawing package.

**JPEG Optimizer** – JPEG compressing software.

**Bambolo** – children's word games.

**Blobshop** – painting games.

**Mix 'n' Match** – match the tiles.

**New Psion Puzzle.**

**Psion 5 Demo.**

**A Heavenly Christmas** – festive MIDI files.

**Xmas Images** – seasonal JPEG images.

**Xmas Screen saver.**

**Indexes**

Product reviews, CD contents.

*Note: Unless otherwise stated, all software contained on this CD is for demonstration only and may be restricted in some way. This means it may be time-limited or have certain functions disabled.*

*(Contents subject to change.)*

## Competition

The *Canterbury Classic Interactive CD Catalogue* on this month's CD-ROM is a regular feature on *Classic fM Magazine's* free cover-mounted CDEtra. This month the catalogue features 10 CDs from Classic fM and BMG Conifer's mid-price classical label.

Up to 25 readers can win a copy of one of the CDs from the label, and for 25 runners-up there's a free copy of the CD sampler of the label. To enter, answer the questions below:

1. A track from which of the 10 new Classic fM/BMG Conifer CDs is featured on this month's *What PC?* cover-mounted CD-ROM?
2. The CD sampler of Classic fM/BMG Conifer's new classical record label includes excerpts from all of the first 10 CDs released on the label. True or False?
3. If you were one of the prize-winners, which of the 10 new Classic fM/BMG Conifer CDs would you choose as your prize?

Send your answers on a postcard by 31 January 1998 to: **What PC? Classic fM/BMG competition**, 35 St Peters Grove, Canterbury, Kent CT1 2DJ. Winners will be selected at random.

(Employees of VNU Business Publications, Canterbury Classics, Classic fM and their agents are not eligible to enter.)

## Using Acrobat

To view the pages in the *What PC?* Printshop section, you need to install the Acrobat Reader software, which includes the search plug-in, from the *What PC?* loader (if the loader detects that it isn't already installed). After launching Acrobat Reader from the Printshop section, if you can't see the two search indexes when clicking on indexes, click ADD, and add the indexes which have the prefix PDX. One index, in:

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is for the last issue of *What PC?*, and the other, in: <CD Drive>\ACROFILE is for the Hands on pages from *Personal Computer World* magazine.

**IMPORTANT:** To go back to the main *What PC?* menu program, quit Acrobat using the File/Exit menu or by clicking the Quit button at the top of the screen.

from science and sex to soap powder and Scooby Doo. Great fun – and about the most innovative use of multimedia we've seen.

Revealing self-defence secrets from around the world, the **Official Martial Arts Encyclopedia** includes amazing footage of unarmed combat as well as the incredible weapons skills involved in Kendo, Laido, Gatka and others. A must for martial artists everywhere.

**I publish 2.0** lets you construct stylish Web pages quickly and easily. Thousands of professionally designed customisable layout options and over 40 fonts are all part of the full package.

**Magix Music Maker 3.0** is an easy to use music creation package (reviewed on page 152). Grab your mouse, drag 'n' drop sound samples into the 16-track arranger and there it is – your own song!

### Featured games

This month our line-up of five great games demos is: *Tomb Raider II*, *Dark Forces II: Jedi Knights*, *Constructor*,

*Close Combat: A Bridge Too Far*, and *Turok: Dinosaur Hunter*.

The unstoppable Lara Croft is back in **Tomb Raider II**, combining the classic gameplay of *Tomb Raider* with new moves, weapons, puzzles and more. Join Lara as she searches for The Dagger of Xian: an artefact hidden in an ancient Emperor's palace within the Great Wall of China. Legend has it that whoever drives the Dagger of Xian into their heart acquires the power of the Dragon.

**Dark Forces II: Jedi Knights** continues the story of Katarn as he embarks on a quest into his past and learns the mysterious ways of the Jedi. With this knowledge, he must stop seven Dark Jedi from unlocking the powers of a hidden Jedi burial ground.

**Constructor** sees you take the role of a real-estate developer in a race to build up and manage resources, properties and environments while trying to outperform and destroy rival developers. Up to four people can play via a network or there's head-to-head modem action.

## ● Games



**A Bridge Too Far:** Hone your tactical skills.

**Dark Forces II:** Thwart the seven Dark Jedi.



**Tomb Raider II:** Go adventuring with Lara Croft.

**Constructor:** Nail rival property developers.



The follow-up to the original Close Combat, **Close Combat: A Bridge Too Far**, features highly realistic tactical combat for intense 'in the trenches' fighting, adds a strategic layer to challenge players to out-think their opponents in

the war room, and includes dynamic battle flow in which players can push or be pushed back across battle maps.

**Turok: Dinosaur Hunter** has made its way from the Nintendo 64 to the PC. Turok must defeat the archvillain Cam-

paigner and his battalion of bionically enhanced dinosaurs before they can conquer the universe. This involves tracking down the Chronoscepter, an ancient weapon with mystical power. This demo will run only on 3D accelerator ➤

## How to use the CD-ROM

### Windows 95

If you've got **Windows 95** just put the CD-ROM into the drive. A few moments later the *What PC?* loader should appear.

To run the main CD-ROM interface, just click on 'Main menu'. The loader will detect if your PC has Quicktime, Video for Windows, and Acrobat Search installed. If not, it will offer you the chance to install them before proceeding. Just follow the instructions.

(If your CD doesn't auto-load, start

Windows Explorer and double-click WHATPC.EXE.)

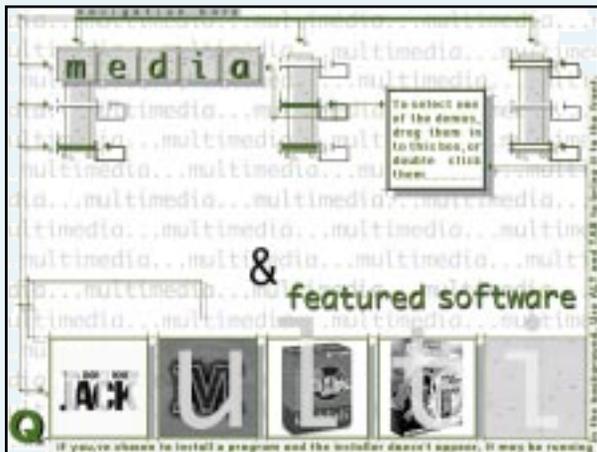
### Windows 3.1 users

From the menu in Windows Program Manager, choose File|Run. Then type: <CD Drive>:\WHATPC.EXE and press Enter. The *What PC?* loader will appear. If you don't have Video for Windows or Quicktime, the *What PC?* loader will give you the option to install them before proceeding (follow the on-screen instructions).

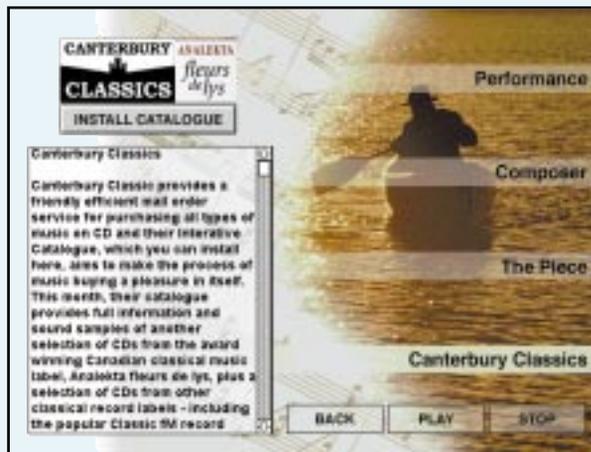
### Navigation

Unlike most CD-ROMs, our disc is not based on a paper product, and there's no 'home page'. You can get from any one of the sections to any other by a single mouse click. Buttons representing the sections are displayed on screen at all times. If you're not sure which section is where, roll over the buttons, and the section name will be displayed, along with a contents list for the section. Exit the disc by clicking on the 'Q' in the bottom left of the screen.

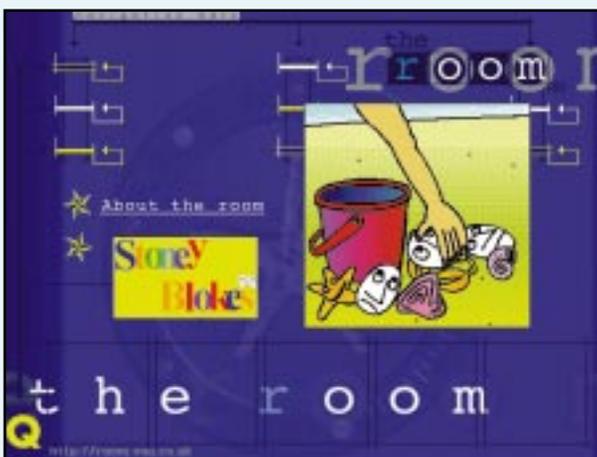
● **Multimedia and featured software**



**Featured software:**  
Design stylish Web pages with i publish 2.0 and have a song and dance with Magix Music Maker.



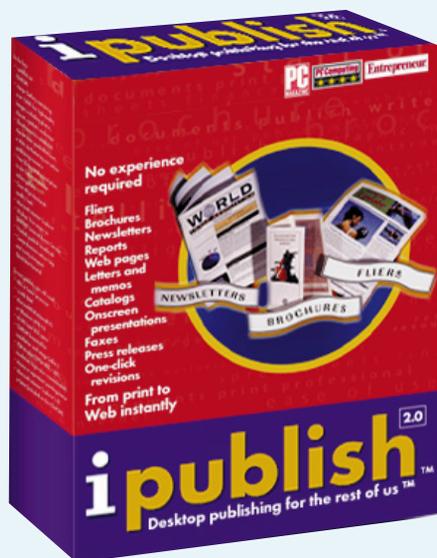
**Canterbury Classics:**  
Listen to Schubert as you browse through this month's catalogue of CD classical music titles.



**The Stoney Blokes:**  
Rib-tickling revelations from VNU's Internet e-zine.



**You Don't Know Jack**  
Get a buzz from this fast-paced trivia quiz show.



cards that use the 3Dfx Voodoo Graphics or Voodoo Rush chipsets.

**Arts**

We have 32 high quality images from the Image Bank (copyright of the Image Bank). You can browse the electronic music catalogue and listen to music by Schubert, brought to you by Canterbury Classics.

**Getting started**

A beginner's interactive guide to the basics of PCs, notebooks, and printers.

**Focus on**

We take a look at computer products that started life on TV.

**What PC? Printshop**

A selection from *Personal Computer World* magazine's Hands on section, enabling you to search hundreds of pages of hints, tips, and solutions, plus the entire December issue of *What PC?* Acrobat Search for CD-ROM is required for this and is supplied on the cover disc.

**The Stoney Blokes**

Join cartoon characters the Stoney Blokes in their latest adventure.

**Software library**

Scores of great utilities, games and more, waiting to be downloaded to your hard disk. If you're not familiar with Netscape, =>

● **Arts**



**Images**  
Great pictures from the Image Bank.

● **Focus on**



**TV spin-offs**  
Once you've started, you won't want to finish.

● **Getting started**



**Getting started**  
Point and click to find out more.

or require information about downloading or installing files, click the Help button from the *What PC?* loader.

**Indexes**

Searchable reviews and CD indexes.

**Free trial Internet software**

**Compuserve** – Use this trial software to get access to the Internet.

**Claranet** – Get online using this trial software for Claranet's Internet service.

**MSN** – Microsoft's Internet up-to-date news and entertainment service.

**Important notice**

The publisher, VNU, has checked this

CD-ROM for known viruses at all stages of production, but cannot accept liability caused to your data or your computer system which may occur while using either the disc or any software contained on it. If you do not agree with these conditions do not use the disc.

It is good practice to run a virus-checker on any new software before running it on your computer and to make regular backup copies of all your important data.

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**CD-ROM problems**

If you experience problems with the CD, such as the message 'Cannot read from drive D:', please return the disc (within the cover date month) with your name and address to: TIB plc, TIB House, 11 Edward Street, Bradford, BD4 7BH for a free replacement. The technical helpline is available on weekdays from 10.30am to 12.30pm and 1.30pm to 4.30pm on: **0891 715929**. Calls cost 50p per minute.