

HoverDesk 2.50 build 0807 (July 2002)

HoverDesk 2.50 contains many new features and additions to existing features. Several are unique visual effects not found in other software. Others are new system access tools and organization tools. HoverDesk 2.50 is compatible with Windows versions 95, 98, 98SE, NT4.0, 2000, ME and XP.

Please see the NEW help file for detailed, illustrated, descriptions of all the new features and their usage

**** Some New Features in Release 2.50 ****

The main improvements are speed and resource usage but we've added some cool features :

- HOT ! - Popup menu available over any window !** hit CTRL+SHIFT+right click over any window to open your desktop popup menu (CTRL+SHIFT+left click to close it)
- HOT ! - Middle-click Popup menu for tasklist** (on desktop or CTRL+SHIFT+middle click over any window)
- HOT ! - Auto-Stretchable Taskbar background texture** (auto-adjusted to user's screen resolution)
- HOT ! - Auto-tasks arrangement on taskbar** : hoverdesk will re-arrange your taskbar tiles regarding the running application type for ex: all ie session, then all explorer folder ..
- **Improved taskbar grouping mode** : display the current active window text on the group task tile
- **Improved dropshadow effect**
- HOT ! - New popup menu commands (shell commands like Control Panel / My Computer etc...)**
- **Menu delay when opening submenus**
- **New Fade-In menu effect** (General Configuration / Fade effect on menu open)
- HOT ! - Icon saturations** for Taskbar / Popup menus
- **HoverDesk popup menu improved** : menu assigned on tiles / improved scrolling inside large menus and optimizations
- HOT ! - Popup menu custom icons library** : it's a per theme icon lib : if you copy your hvdicons.icl inside the theme folder, hvd will use that one. If hvd can't find the hvdicons.icl inside the theme folder, then it'll look inside the HoverDesk folder to see if one is present (would be a default one). If none is present in the HoverDesk directory, then the default icons are used.
- Popup menu options : Auto-Open / Menu delay / Hide system files / Show Extension are now USER options (eg. stored in your USER folder)
- **Label Offset Y for Caption on tiles**
- Label Offset X / Label Offset Y / Outline / Drop Shadow are now working for Transparent tiles (without texture eg. only icons & text) !
- **Desktop Area is now a Theme resolution settings** which means that you can set different Area Values for each Theme resolution
- Icon Size now available inside the Tile Properties dialog box
- No more Adjust to Texture size / Icon size option
- **Shutdown option** now performs a real shutdown for PC with ACPI (note : if you have a pb with the shutdown command, then uncheck the option "Power off on Shutdown" in the Main Settings)

PLUG-INS : Plug-ins not included in the General HoverDesk release can be downloaded at <http://www.hoverdesk.net/plugins.htm>

CMDLINE PLUG : the command line plugin now accepts files dopped from explorer (for ex, you can drop an exe on the command line to add parameters after the exe line)

VWM PLUG : Now you can set the Offset X / Offset Y / Width / Height of the VWM inside a texture, this means that you no longer have to create a background tile for the VWM to have it at the right place. Have a look at the VWM.BMP image

HDNEWS plugin updated : takes advantage of the new features like the trackbars
New entries in the modules.ini file are : NewsBarX / NewsBarY / NewsBackBMP / NewsSlideBMP / NewsVert / SeekBarX / SeekBarY / SeekBackBMP / SeekSlideBMP / SeekVert.
You can use your own My Channels list generated by the standalone exe version of HoverNews. Simply copy the file CHANNELS.INI into your HOVERDESK\USER directory

Enjoy HoverDesk !

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