

BLUPIMANIA

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How to pronounce Blupi

Easy : just say it as it comes : Blupi, as in Blue Pea !

How to run Blupimania from Windows 3.x

When you install your BLUPIMANIA program, the files are transferred from the diskette to a directory. The standard name for this directory is C:\BLUPIMANIA, but you may call it almost anything you like. BLUPI.PIF enables you to run the program from Windows(TM) and BLUPI.ICO contains an Icon you can use. Both files in the directory mentioned above.

To run BLUPIMANIA from Windows(TM), you must create an access to BLUPIMANIA in one of the groups in the Program Manager :

- Click on the group you want to add BLUPIMANIA in or create a new group using the New option in the File menu of the Program Manager.

- Select New in the File menu of the Program Manager.

- Activate the "Program" button, then click "OK".

- Fill in the options in the dialog :

 Name : BLUPIMANIA

 Command Line : C:\BLUPIMAN\BLUPIMAN.PIF

Do not fill in the other elements.

- Click "Change icon..."

A message stating no icon is available will appear. Don't worry, just click "OK".

- In the next dialogue, type C:\BLUPIMAN\BLUPI.ICO, then click "OK" twice.

- Validate these entries by clicking "OK" again.

Of course, if you change the name of the directory when you install BLUPIMANIA, you must use the new name in the Path settings, instead of C:\BLUPIMANIA in the instructions above.

How to run BLUPIMANIA from Windows 95

To run BLUPIMANIA you can create a shortcut to BLUPIMAN.EXE. Open the folder where you have installed BLUPIMANIA. Right click on the Blupiman application icon and choose "Create shortcut". Now you can drag the shortcut to whatever location you want.

You may put the Blupi icon on your shortcut. Right click on the shortcut and chose "Properties".

Choose the "Program" tab, click on the "Change icon" button, browse to the path where you have installed BLUPIMANIA and select the BLUPIMAN.ICO file

Memory setup

BLUPIMANIA needs 480000 executable program size to run properly.
If BLUPIMANIA does not run,, but displays something like

You don't have enough free conventional memory for this program.
You have 408224 bytes of free conventional memory and you need at
least 480000 bytes of free conventional memory.

some conventional memory must be freed by removing resident applications and drivers, and/or
by using a high memory utility such QEMM386 by Quarterdeck. With MS-DOS 6, the
"MEMMAKER" command can also be used. Refer to your MS-DOS manual for this command.

The "MEM" DOS command will display information relative to the occupation of your memory. You
need at least 480000 largest executable program size.

If BLUPIMANIA doesn't run, but displays:

Not enough XMS memory

this means probably that you don't have enough memory to run BLUPIMANIA. This message
usually appears only on computers with less than 4 Mb of RAM.
You can probably free some memory by giving less memory to the SMARTDRV disk cache
program.

Proceed like this:

- edit your AUTOEXEC.BAT file
- look for the line that reads "SMARTDRV", "SMARTDRV /X", "SMARTDRV 1024" or similar.
- If a number follows "SMARTDRV" decrease the number for example by dividing it by 2
- If no number follows "SMARTDRV", try putting "200" or even less after "SMARTDRV"

For example:

Before	After
SMARTDRV /X 1024	SMARTDRV /X 512
SMARTDRV	SMARTDRV 200

The number after "SMARTDRV" indicates how much memory should be allocated to the disk
cache. If you decrease that number, you increase the free memory for BLUPIMANIA.

On the other hand it is not recommended to remove completely SMARTDRV.

Using a mouse

BLUPIMANIA is a DOS program and must be run using a DOS mouse driver. When you install
BLUPIMANIA onto your disk, a message will warn you if no DOS mouse driver is installed.

Query:

The mouse does not respond and the arrow is not displayed.

Remedy:

The DOS mouse driver is probably not installed. Usually, the mouse driver is loaded by
AUTOEXEC.BAT or CONFIG.SYS when your computer is started up. The usual name for the
DOS mouse driver is MOUSE.COM (for AUTOEXEC.BAT) or MOUSE.SYS (for CONFIG.SYS).
Other common names are AMOUSE, GMOUSE, IMOUSE, HPMOUSE. Even if you start
BLUPIMANIA from Windows(TM), it is necessary to install a DOS mouse driver. Please refer to
your mouse manual.

If you use a SICOS mouse driver, BLUPIMANIA may not work correctly. You should change your mouse driver.

Using a sound board

BLUPIMANIA comes with a great musical background and sound effects. This means you need a SoundBlaster or compatible sound board. As sound boards are rather touchy, here are some answers to problems you may have :

Query:

I'm not getting any sound effects or music.

Remedies :

- Are you sure you've got a sound board ?
- Make sure your speakers are connected, and the volume turned up.
- Check the setup. Use the SETUP program in the directory where you installed BLUPIMANIA. Please refer to your sound board manual. You may need to restart your computer if you change the settings.
- Check the volume controls in the BLUPIMANIA control screen (click on the blue machine on the right side of the BLUPIMANIA main screen.

Query:

- I've got music, but no sound effects or voice.

Remedies:

- Your sound board may not be SoundBlaster compatible. Sorry, no sound effects !
- If your sound board is SoundBlaster compatible, then check the settings as explained above.
- Check the volume controls in the BLUPIMANIA control screen (click on the blue machine on the right side of the BLUPIMANIA main screen.

Query:

I've got the sound effects, but no music.

Remedies :

- Check the volume controls in the BLUPIMANIA control screen (click on the blue machine on the right side of the BLUPIMANIA main screen.
- Some sound boards need auxiliary programs that are installed in the Config.Sys and/or AutoExec.Bat files. Check your sound board manual for details.

Query:

- I'm sure I've set BLUPIMANIA up correctly, but I still don't have music or sound effects.

Remedy:

- In some configurations, sound boards do not work properly if you run your program from Windows(TM). Quit Windows(TM) completely and run BLUPIMANIA directly at the DOS prompt. Change directories : CD C:\BLUPIMAN and type BLUPIMAN.

Query:

- BLUPI suddenly returns to Windows(TM) stating an error.

Remedy:

- Refer to previous remedy.

Other hazards

Query:

When I try to run SETUP, I get the Windows setup or another setup program.

Remedies :

- You are not in the correct directory.

If you are using the Windows File Manager, open the BLUPIMAN directory before clicking setup.exe. If you are in DOS, type CD C:\BLUPI-M (or the path you chose when you installed BLUPIMANIA)

- Have you installed BLUPIMANIA on your disk ?

Query:

- My BLUPMANIA displays an error message similar to "Fatal error: BLUPI20.COL: No such file or directory"

Remedy:

- One of the auxiliary files (for instance BLUPI20.COL) has been accidentally deleted. You must install BLUPIMANIA again.

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