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## Mac OS 7.6: About MacLinkPlus Read Me (1/97)

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TOPIC -------------------------------------------------------------

This article is the About MacLinkPlus Read Me file which comes with the Mac OS 7.6 CD-ROM disc.

DISCUSSION --------------------------------------------------------

For more information regarding MacLinkPlus, check out our World Wide Web page at http://www.dataviz.com or e-mail us at info@dataviz.com.

What is MacLinkPlus?
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MacLinkPlus is file translation software which allows you to:

- Easily use DOS/Windows files on your Mac
- Convert Mac files into DOS/Windows files
- Convert between different Mac formats

When translating between different Mac and PC formats, such as Word Mac and WordPerfect for Windows, MacLinkPlus makes sure the file's original formatting remains intact (that is, bold, italics, graphics, etc.). Once a file is translated, you can actually use the file in the new application format (in this case WordPerfect for Windows) just as if it were originally created there! MacLinkPlus can convert between thousands of combinations of files, including word processing, spreadsheet, graphics and database formats.

Who needs MacLinkPlus?
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• Anyone who needs to use files created in DOS or Windows applications
• Anyone who needs to use files created in Macintosh applications
  different from the one they use (that is, you use Word Mac, but your
  colleagues use ClarisWorks or WordPerfect, etc.)

It's there when you need it - automatically!

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Perhaps the best thing about MacLinkPlus is that you won't see it until you need it. Your Macintosh came with a System Extension called Macintosh Easy Open. When you double-click on a file that wasn't created by an application you have, Easy Open pops up choices of applications on your Mac you can open the file into with the help of MacLinkPlus file translation.

The MacLinkPlus QuickStart "card" included in the MacLinkPlus folder provides more information on the uses of MacLinkPlus.

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