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DEVONTHINK PE 1.7.3: »PANTHERISED« AND IMPROVED

Bietigheim-Bissingen (Germany, EU), 12th of Oct., 2003 -- DEVONtechnologies updates DEVONthink to version 1.7.3. The new version is optimised for Mac OS X 10.3 »Panther« (but still runs on Mac OS X 10.2), comes with new features, improvements and fixes. The new version is immediately available as a free download from www.devon-technologies.com.

When running on Mac OS X 10.3 (»Panther«), DEVONthink Personal Edition now features a »Special characters« command to open the character palette and new menu commands for auto-completion and the new text styles. Also, the conversion of HTML to RTF(D) now uses the WebKit engine, Web links inside RTF documents are supported (useful when working with text clippings from Safari) and Word documents can be imported directly using Panther's Word-to-RTF converter. DEVONthink 1.8, which will be published early next year, will fully support the WebKit engine for displaying HTML.

Other improvements include the possibility to import ».url« Internet location files (generated by Microsoft Internet Explorer) and ».mli«, ».mll« and ».sty« files. Also, the notepad and outliner views show the number of selected words and characters, the Dock icon bounces once after successfully adding new documents to the database using DEVONthink's Mac OS X service or DEVONagent to provide visual feedback, and many user interface details have been improved to make DEVONthink easier to use. In addition DEVONthink checks the data consistency before writing data back to disk to improve the overall data safety.

DEVONthink Personal Edition 1.7.3 runs on Mac OS X 10.2 or higher (Mac OS X 10.3 »Panther« recommended) and is immediately available as a free download from www.devon-technologies.com. It must be registered for US\$ 35 after the evaluation period.

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DEVONTHINK BACKGROUND

DEVONthink is an information manager capable of intelligently storing and organising all types of data, text files, PDFs and images. Put in whatever you want, organise it, let DEVONthink search for it. And with its integrated text and RTF editor you can even use it not only to enter short notes but to write letters, articles, books. Comfortable highlighting functions and character/word counters will help you, not to forget the split-screen view for navigating and editing even thousands of documents almost instantly.

Key features:

- Stores whatever you like, from texts, images and HTML to URLs
- Helps organising your stuff with a built-in, simple outliner
- Easy-to-use Finder-like user interface
- Super-fast navigation and display of contents
- Helps you to sort in new stuff (auto-classify, see-also, keywords)
- Advanced text editing including highlighting and realtime character count
- Lightning-fast, intelligent search function
- Built to seamlessly integrate with Mac OS X

What's unique:

- Works with much more file formats than all alternatives
- Imports and exports huge amounts of data extremely fast
- Works flawlessly with huge databases (>100 MB)
- Does not need indexing and still searches the database faster than all other freeform databases or scrapbook managers (which are in both, handling and performance, built for small databases)
- Stays highly performant even with big databases, i.e. double the size of the database does not mean half the performance
- Is built around industry standards and uses all major features of the operating system

CORPORATE BACKGROUND

DEVONtechnologies, founded in 2002 and headquartered in Germany, European Union, researches in the field of semantic and associative data analysis and synthesis, and develops key applications based on the DEVONtechnology. Named after the Devonian Period, the DEVONtechnology marks the departure into a new age of data processing. The main focus of all activities is clearly on

using of the robust, flexible and versatile architecture intelligently to create rock-solid applications for a variety of purposes, including but not limited to databases, intelligent agents, data-mining, information retrieval and human-computer-interfaces. More information: www.devon-technologies.com.

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