99 Best of C64 Classix®
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1) Epilepsy warning

Adults and especially children should carefully read these instructions before using the game.

People who suffer from photosensitive epilepsy may suffer epileptic seizures or losses of consciousness if they are exposed to certain flashing lights or lighting effects. These people may suffer a seizure when playing computer or video games, however these are generally not harmful to people with epilepsy. People may suffer from epilepsy who have never suffered an epileptic fit. If a person or one of your family members suffered symptoms associated with epilepsy (seizures or losses of consciousness) when exposed to flashing lights, please consult a doctor before playing the games. Parents should supervise their children when playing computer and video games. If an adult or child suffers symptoms such as dizziness, blurred vision, eye or muscle twitches, loss of consciousness, disorientation or any involuntary movements, convulsions or cramps while playing a computer or video game, they should IMMEDIATELY stop playing the game and consult a doctor.

Precautionary measures while playing a game
If someone suffers from photosensitive epilepsy, it's worthwhile taking some precautionary measures so they don't have to give up playing computer and video games all together.
- You should not sit too close to the screen; sit as far back from it as possible.
- Where possible, a small screen should be used for viewing games.
- You should not play when tired or if you are deprived of sleep.
- You should ensure that you are playing in a well-lit room.
- Take a break of at least 10-15 minutes every hour when playing computer or video games.

2) System requirements

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* Windows 98/ME/2000/XP/Vista
* 1GHz CPU or faster
* 256MB RAM
* 500MB free hard disk space
* 16MB graphics card or better
* DirectX 8
* 4x CD-ROM drive
* Mouse and keyboard
* Joystick / gamepad recommended

3) Introduction

'99 Best of C64 Classix'® – the best C64 games on one CD!

Features:
* 99 of the best C64 games from our Classix series (only full versions)
* Easy to use Windows menu: one click game start!
* Instructions & solutions for many games
* Information on the games' makers
* Background info on the history of Commodore
* Technical details on the C64 computer
* Bonus material: C64 game videos

4) Installation

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1. Place the CD-ROM (with the label facing up) in your CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive. After a few seconds, a notification should appear on the screen asking you if you want to install the programme. If the notification doesn't appear, please proceed to Point 2; otherwise, proceed directly to Point 3.

2. If the 'Autorun' function has been deactivated on your computer, double-click the 'My Computer' symbol on your Windows desktop. In the window that appears, double-click your CD-ROM or DVD-ROM drive to access the data on the CD. Following that, double-click the file named 'setup.exe'. Now continue to Point 3.

3. Select the language. Following that, click 'Next' to continue the installation process; carefully follow the on-screen instructions to complete the installation process.

5) Operation & troubleshooting

Selection menu:
After installing the programme, you can start 99 Best of C64 Classix® either using the Windows Start menu or by double-clicking the desktop icon that has been created. In the selection menu that now appears, you can select the various game genres (such as Action, Adventure, Arcade, Sport, Strategy, etc.) using the buttons on the top left. Once a selection has been made, a list of playable games is displayed on the left; screenshots and useful information relating to each game are displayed on the

right. If an instruction guide is available for the selected game, you can view it by clicking the relevant link. To start the selected game, click the 'PLAY' option.

You can access this manual, historical information about the C64 computer and its manufacturer Commodore, as well as a selection of game videos which show you scenes from some of the games contained in this collection by clicking the 'About' menu option.

On the right, you'll find the music menu (track1, track2, track3, track4, music on/off). Here, you can choose between four different tracks which play while you browse the menu. One track is played at random each time you start 99 Best of C64 Classix®.

Game control:
The games on this CD are played using the keyboard by default. If you have connected a joystick or gamepad to your computer, you can of course also use this. Please see below for more information on how to enable joystick control.
In general you must bear in mind that the original C64 computer had two joystick ports. Some games require a joystick on Port 1, while others prefer to have the controller on Port 2. For this reason, you'll need to use different keys depending on the game.

Use the following keys as joystick replacements:

Joystick on Port 1:
6 – right (numpad)
4 – left (numpad)
8 – up (numpad)
2 – down (numpad)
CTRL right – fire

Joystick on Port 2:
Right cursor – right
Left cursor – left
Up cursor – up
Down cursor – down
CTRL left – fire

Using a joystick/gamepad:
If a joystick or gamepad is already connected to your PC, you can of course also use this controller to game with. To enable your joystick/gamepad, first of all start any C64 game. A new window will now open. In this window, go to the 'Settings' option and then 'Joystick settings'. You can now select your controller both for Port 1 as well as for Port 2.

Please note: You only need to enable your joystick once for the C64 games on the 99 Best of C64 Classix® CD. The games' start programme saves the setting as soon as you close the window. This means you can use your joystick for any of the games from now on.

Additional keys:
If you are unable to cancel the intro of a particular game, start a game or get past a particular point, press one of the following keys:

Space

Shift (= Run/Stop)
Return / Enter
Y (= Yes)
N (= No)
Insert (= Help)
ESC
Fire & arrow keys
1, 2, F1, F2, F3, F5, F7, F8

In addition, the following key combinations are extremely handy:
ALT + W   = (Considerably speeds up the loading process. Deactivate again when you want to play a game.)
ALT + D   = (Full screen mode. Press again to return to window mode.)

Swapping disks during the game:
Some games are spread across multiple disks, which is why you're prompted to either turn the disk over or insert the next disk during the game. As you're not playing the game on a real C64, but under Windows, you don't of course have to swap any disks. All the games are available as Windows files, so all you have to do when prompted is simply select the next file for the game. To do that, proceed as follows:

As soon as you are prompted, go to the 'Files' option with your mouse pointer then select 'Detach disk image/Drive 8'. Now select 'Attach disk image/Drive 8' from the same menu option. A new window will open. In this window, navigate to the 'Games' subdirectory of the directory where you installed 99 Best of C64 Classix® (for example: C:\Program Files\C64Classix\msys\games\Games\). Now select the next file of the game you're playing. All files are named after the particular game. After that, follow the game's on-screen instructions:

For example: you are prompted to switch disks when playing 'TV Sports Football'. By following the aforementioned steps, you will find two files for this game: 'TVSportsFootball-Side1.vsf' and 'TVSportsFootball-Side2.d64'. The first file will have already been loaded by the game, so logically you now have select the file 'TVSportsFootball-Side2.d64' to continue the game's loading process.

FAQs – Frequently asked questions

Question: The installation process seems to have stopped...

Answer: Please don't be surprised if the installation process pauses for a while. Several video files are probably being copied to the hard drive, which require a lot of storage space. As soon as the files have been copied, the progress bar will increase rapidly to 100%.

Question: Game X won't load...

Answer: It could be that some emulator settings have been accidently changed. Please make sure that the 'True Drive Emulation' and 'Virtual Device Taps' functions are enabled in the emulator's 'Options' menu. Speeding up the loading process by pressing the key combination ALT + W may also cause incompatibility issues with one or the other game. Avoid using the acceleration function if a game doesn't load. If the game's loading process doesn't continue, make sure that 'WARP' mode (key combination ALT + W) isn't enabled. Following that, enable 'True Drive Emulation' and 'Virtual Device Taps' under the 'Options' menu (both options should be checked). Now exit the programme and

restart the game. The game should load without a problem if you DO NOT use the key combination ALT + W. Of course, the loading process will take a little longer for compatibility reasons.
For further information about the programme 'WinVICE' – which is used to load all the C64 games included on the CD under Windows – visit the manufacturer's official homepage at: http://www.viceteam.org/vice_toc.html. Please bear in mind that we didn't write this programme, so we're unable to provide assistance if you make changes to the settings. We licensed this programme to allow you to run C64 games under Windows.

Question: How can I view the videos?

Answer: To play the videos using your media player, you will need the DivX video codec. Please download and install the video software, and the corresponding codec, from the DivX website.

Question: Does magnussoft® have any other collections featuring older games?

Answer: The magnussoft® portfolio comprises multiple collections with numerous classics from the early days of the home computer. Our range features numerous CDs including Amiga Classix, C64 Classix and Retro Classix. Click the 'About' option in the CD's game menu to find out more about our products and where you can buy them.

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Track 3: Monty on the run (High Scores), remixed by Matti Paalanen
Track 4: Sweet, remixed by Marcel Donne
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