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Here are one hundred of the fastest, most useful, feature-rich

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The WINDOWS 100 awards were selected by the WINDOWS Magazine staff and contributing editors from among thousands of Windows products introduced during last year. The list of nominees was long, and our deliberations were extensive. • You'll notice that some of the categories have changed from last year's awards; they will continue to change and reflect the diverse universe of hardware and software choices for Windows users. • We picked 100 outstanding products because that's a large enough number to give you a good cross section of excellent choices, but small enough for you to read, digest and use. Don't discount a product simply because it isn't on the list. If a product suits your needs, then that's the one to buy whether it's a WINDOWS 100 winner or not. • The Win100 is a great place to start when you're looking for any kind of Windows hardware and software.

ACCOUNTING/FINANCIAL MANAGEMENT

Heizer Tax Series/PC Excel

The series helps you through tax season with IRS forms implemented as linked Excel spreadsheet templates. Federal return, $49; state return, $19. Heizer Software, (800) 888-7667; (510) 943-7667. Circle Inquiry #701

MYOB 2.0

Like a personal accountant, but without the jargon, MYOB 3.0 has general ledger, accounts payable, accounts receivable, checkbook and inventory functions. $249. Teleware Inc., (201) 586-2200; fax: (201) 586-8885. Circle Inquiry #702

Quicken 2.0

The windows version of this popular DOS program allows you to record and categorize all your financial transactions using the Quicken checkbook register. It will track your spending in each category for budgeting or tax purposes. Also included are advanced features for electronic check writing and investment tracking. $69.95. Intuit Inc., (800) 624-8742; fax: (415) 852-0155. Circle Inquiry #703

Turbo Tax

Everything a Windows tax program should be, Turbo Tax offers IRS instructions and on-screen replicas of the IRS form. Its well-designed interface and interview feature make April 15 easier by helping you through all the forms. Federal return, $79.97; state return, $49.95. ChipSoft Inc., (619) 453-8722; fax: (800) 756-1040. Circle Inquiry #704

ALTERNATIVE DESKTOPS

hDC Power Launcher 2.0

Build a custom button bar to lauch macros, scripts, programs or all three at the same time—or launch them from keyboard and mouse combinations. $99.95. **hDC Computer Corp.**, (800) 321-4606; fax: (206) 881-9770. Circle Inquiry #705
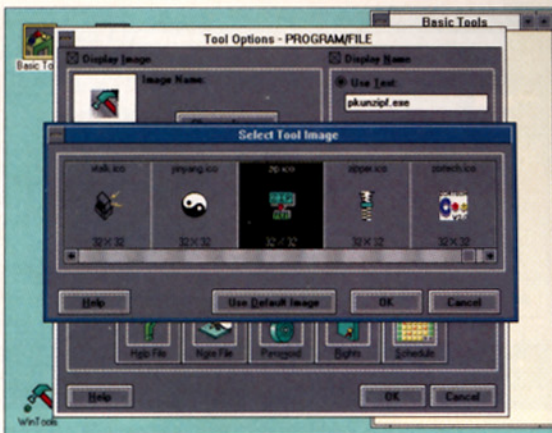
NewWave 4.1

NewWave 4.1 is an easy, object-centered desktop manager that puts everything at your fingertips. $195. **Hewlett-Packard Co.**, (800) 554-1305; (408) 720-3441. Circle Inquiry #706

Norton Desktop 2.0

Picking up where Program Manager and File Manager left off, Norton Desktop includes icon and text editors, file backup, antivirus utilities, macro and batch file builders, a task scheduler, disk repair capabilities and more. $179. **Symantec Corp.**, (800) 441-7234; (408) 253-9600. Circle Inquiry #707
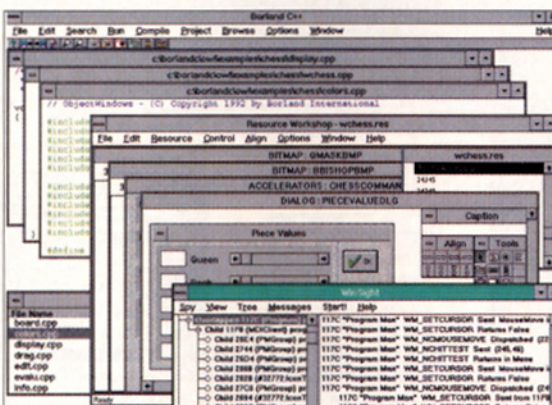
WinTools

WinTools has drag-and-drop integration capabilities and many options for customization. $149. **Tool Technology Publishing**, (415) 459-3700; fax: (415) 459-1079. Circle Inquiry #708
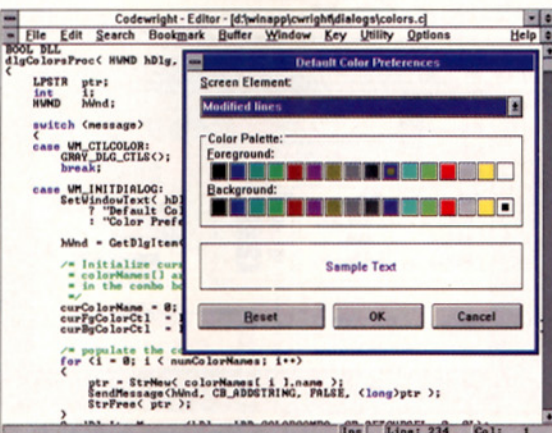
APPLICATION DEVELOPMENT/LANGUAGES

Borland C++ & Application Frameworks 3.1

The Windows IDE has a nice feel, and WinSight and Resource Workshop are the best tools of their kind. $749 ($495 for Borland C++ alone). **Borland International**, (800) 331-0877; (408) 438-8400. Circle Inquiry #709

Codewright 2.0

This is the best Windows editor available for writing software programs. $249. **Premia Corp.**, (800) 547-9902; (503) 647-9902. Circle Inquiry #710