

# Why Use CatBase?



- ✓ Save Time
- ✓ Save Money
- ✓ Create Customised Editions
- ✓ Eliminate Errors



If you've got some data in a database, spreadsheet, or any other source, and you need to turn it into a perfectly formatted publication, CatBase will save you a great deal of time and money by automating the job.

#### What is CatBase?

CatBase is a data publishing application that automates the tedious, repetitive and error-prone task of converiting plain data into beautiful publications such as catalogues, price lists, and directories.

Based on a full-featured database engine, CatBase offers tremendous flexibility. You can use CatBase to manage and maintain your data, or you can import the data from another source - such as a spreadsheet or another database - and then let CatBase create your publication.



## Use CatBase to produce:

- Catalogues
- Directories
- Price Lists
- Personalised Documents

- Customised Order Documents
- School Yearbooks
- Prospectuses
- ... or any kind of data-based publication

## Create publications as

PDFs
 Microoft Word documents
 Adobe InDesign files

#### Features:

- User-definable tables, fields, list and data entry views
- Create any number of <u>Publishing Projects</u> to produce all kinds of publications from your data
- Include any number of images, such as product images, logos, etc.
- Define Rules to determine what details to publish and/or how to format them
- Automatically create and publish <u>Bar Codes and QR Codes</u>
- <u>Update data in your publication</u> eg pricing updates (when publishing with InDesign)
- Add <u>hyperlinks</u> to any field
- Insert customised text
- Insert punctuation, such as tabs and soft returns
- Create and fill text boxes, such as "Car Trader"-style mini ads (currently, only with InDesign)
- Create all kinds of tables with customised columns let CatBase figure out how many columns to include for each table, according to the product's details
- Send merged emails and letters
- Produce customised labels
- Use Memos to create reminders
- Spelling checker
- Update existing data with imported data
- UNPARALLELED context-sensitive help topics

### Watsons Directories (UK)

"This is a brilliant and flexible product that allows us to maintain a huge database of business information that is then published digitally creating a search engine of over 18,000 business listings and marketing profiles across 328 industry categories." - Amanda Watson, MD See Website



# Examples of Publications that have been created with CatBase





# JAMM Design (London, UK)

"Catbase enables us to automate the importing and styling of large quantities of text and images, saving us time and streamlining a process which can otherwise take many hours. It's a great product which is invaluable to our business." - Jacki Freeman





More Examples of Publications that have been created with CatBase





#### **Technical Stuff:**

- Runs on Macintosh and Windows PCs
- Single-user and Multi-user versions available: Clients can be any mixture of PCs and Macs.
- Based on a SQL-compliant Relational Database Management System
- Publish data in many formats:
  - Adobe InDesign tagged text
  - QuarkXpress tagged text
  - Word document
  - PDF
  - Save an editable version of your publication within the database
  - Excel spreadsheet
  - Rich Text Format
  - Tab-delimited text
  - CSV (comma-separated text)

  - MySql database (Data Chameleon Edition)
  - ODBC data source (Data Chameleon Edition)
- Define your database:
  - Define any number of tables
  - Define the relationships between the tables
  - Define any number of fields for each table
  - Design your data entry forms and list views

- Import data from many sources:
  - Excel spreadsheet
  - CSV file
  - Tab-delimited text file
  - Text file with custom delimiters
  - XML
  - MySql database (Data Chameleon Edition)
  - ODBC data source (Data Chameleon Ediiton)
- Security:
  - Complete control over each user's access to database functions.
  - Built-in, robust backup system with automatic restore in case of a crash.
  - Comprehensive Audit Trail keeps track of every modification: What was changed, who changed it, and when (optional).
- Special Requirements:
  - If you need CatBase to do something it does not do out-of-the-box, we can create custom scripts and modules to perform just about any task. For an example, see this Case Study.

# Get a free, fully functional Trial Version Click here to download a fully functional Trial version of CatBase from our website!

# Any Questions?



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