

How to use your

Win☆Writer *Express*



Get ready to jump right into the exciting world of Astrology with this **Win*Writer Express Personal CD**. **Win*Writer Express Personal** combines the most sophisticated calculation routines with easily grasped interpretations. You'll be creating astrological reports for you, your family, and friends right from the start!

This booklet highlights many useful features and shows how easy it is to use the one-click features from the program's main screen. An extensive onscreen **Help** menu accompanies **Win*Writer Express Personal** and is always available by pressing the **F1** key.



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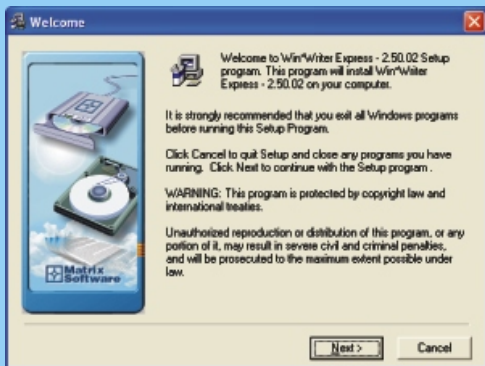
Win*Writer Express Personal Installation

To install **Matrix Win*Writer Express Personal**, simply insert the CD-ROM into your CD-ROM drive. The **Windows AutoRun** feature automatically starts the setup process. Follow the prompts to complete your installation.

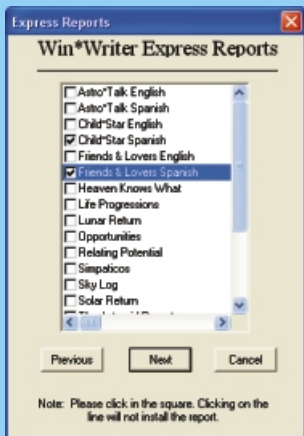
If your system does not initiate the setup process you may manually install:

Click **Start**, and select **Run**. Click **Browse** and find your CD-ROM drive. Select the **setup.exe** file and click **Open**.
Click **Ok** to run the installation.

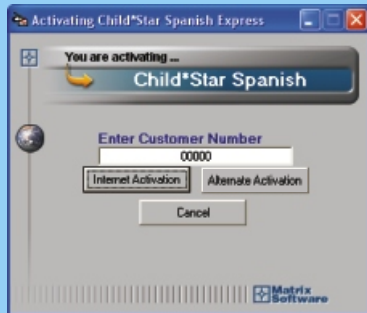
Follow the prompts to complete your installation.



Check the box next to the program(s) you have purchased. Press **Next**.



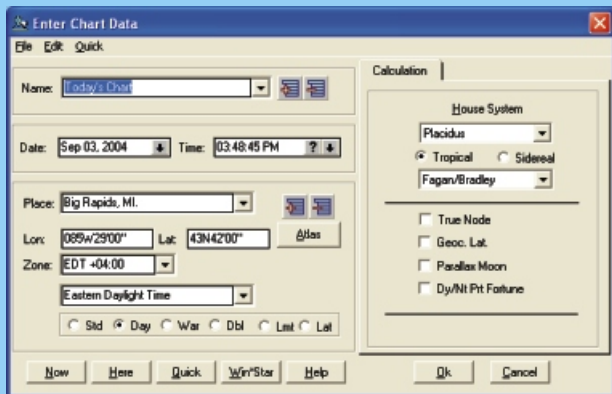
Activate each of your programs on the Internet using your Customer Number, which can be found on your invoice.



System Requirements: PC running Windows 98 SE, 2000, NT, XP, or Vista.
128 Mb RAM. VGA/SVGA monitor. Printer. 30 MB plus 2 MB per report of hard drive space.

How do I create a Win*Writer Express report?

1. Open **Win*Writer Express** by clicking on the  icon on your desktop.
2. Click .
3. Click  and choose the report you want to create.
4. Click  to enter (or select) the chart information you want to use for the report.



5. In the **Enter Chart Data** window, fill in the **Name** of the person you are doing the report for.
6. Enter the person's **Birth Date** in the space provided.
7. Enter the person's **Birth Time** if you know it. If you do not know the **Birth Time**, click .
8. Enter the city and state (or country) where the person was born in the **Place** field.
9. Click  to retrieve the **Latitude, Longitude, and Time Zone** information.
10. Click **Ok** to exit the **Enter Chart Data** window.
11. Some reports ask you to enter more information (such as gender, a second chart, start date, or current place). You can find out more about these options in the **Win*Writer Express** manual and help file.
12. Click **Ok** to process your report!

For details on each **Win*Writer Express** report, please consult your **Win*Writer Express Help File** and manual.

More on Entering Data

Click on the **Chart Data** button to open the **Enter Chart Data** window, where you can enter the necessary birth information for the report.

The screenshot shows the 'Enter Chart Data' window. The 'Name' field is 'Ladys Chai'. The 'Date' is 'Sep 03, 2004' and 'Time' is '03:48:45 PM'. The 'Place' is 'Big Rapids, MI'. The 'Lon' is '089w2900' and 'Lat' is '43N4200'. The 'Zone' is 'EDT +04:00'. The 'House System' is 'Placidus'. There are radio buttons for 'Tropical' and 'Sidereal', and checkboxes for 'True Node', 'Geoc. Lat.', 'Parallax Moon', and 'Dy/Nt Pit Fortune'. At the bottom, there are buttons for 'Now', 'Here', 'Quick', 'WinStar', 'Help', 'Ok', and 'Cancel'.

Saving Names

Here you type in the name of the person you want to create the report for. If it has already been entered and saved to this screen's **Quick*File**, use the **Down Arrow** button  to scroll through the saved names.

After you have entered your Name, Date, Time, and Place, you can save your entered name to the drop-down **Quick*File** by clicking the  button next to the Name box.

To remove a name from the drop-down list, click the  button. You can save as many as your computer hard drive permits.

Date Input

Type in the person's birth date, or click the arrow  to use the QuickClick Calendar.

Acceptable Formats:

You can use numbers for the months, spell out the full month names, or use abbreviations. Two- or four-digit years are acceptable (two-digit years will be assumed to be in the 20th century). You can separate dates with spaces, hyphens, or commas.

05-27-95

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Day-Month-Year format: You can change the program to recognize Day-Month-Year date format. Simply run **wwexopt.exe** (C:\Program Files\Matrix\wwexopt.exe) and click on the Input tab. Here you can change your date input format.

Time Data Input

Type the time in the format shown below, or click on the  button beneath the input box to set the hours, minutes, and seconds.

Acceptable Formats:

You can use 12- or 24-hour times. You can use spaces or colons to separate hours, minutes, and seconds. Type AM or PM after the date.

5:30:00

5:30 pm

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Place Input

Type in the person's birth place. Type the City name, then a comma, then a space, then the state abbreviation or Country name.

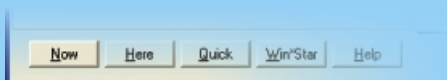
Example: **Baton Rouge, LA** or **Lisbon, Portugal**

Then click the **Atlas** button to retrieve the correct latitude, longitude, and time zone information.

Please Note: To find a location in the atlas, you must use a comma to separate city names and state (or country) names.

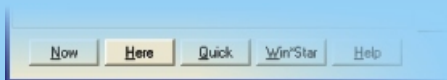
Now Button

The **Now** button will reset the Date and Time fields to the computer date and time.



Here Button

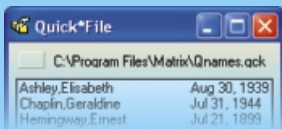
The **Here** button will reset all data entry fields to the program default place. This default can be set from the main screen File Menu.



Quick Button

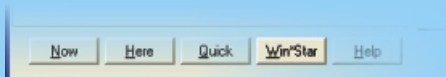
The **Quick** button accesses the current **Quick*File**, which contains previously saved chart data. Selecting a saved chart name here enters that chart (and its data) into the **Enter Chart Data** screen.

When you enter new birth data and click the **Add Chart** button,  that chart is saved to the **Quick*File**. This **Quick*File** can be saved to different files; a file can be selected by clicking the button at the top of the **Quick*List** dialog.



Win*Star button

(visible only to owners of **Matrix Professional-level Software**)



This button accesses the C:\WSTAR20\CHARTS20\ directory displaying the current chart database file. Selecting a chart from this file returns that chart to the **Enter Chart Data** window. If you do not own **Win*Star Plus**, but do own other **Matrix Professional-level software**, this button will appear and give you access to C:\Program Files\Matrix\Charts20.

Calculation Options

These options can be selected on a per-chart basis. Options include a choice of house systems, zodiac selection, and advanced calculation techniques. **It is recommended that you use the default settings.**

Note: The defaults for these options can be set in the **Win*Writer Express** Options program. Simply run wwexopt.exe (C:\Program Files\Matrix\wwexopt.exe.)

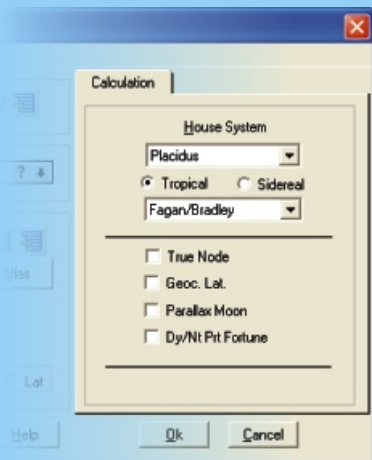
House Systems

Choose from 14 different house systems for calculating this chart.

Note: The default House System setting can be changed in the **Win*Writer Express** Options program. **The default setting is Placidus.**

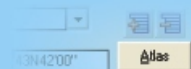
Tropical or Sidereal

Click either Tropical or Sidereal as the zodiac used in this chart's calculation. **The default and recommended setting is Tropical.**



Ayanamsas

Ayanamsas are used when you are using the Sidereal zodiac. This selector box provides ten ayanamsa methods, including the two most popular: Fagan-Bradley and Lahiri.



Atlas button

Be sure to use the **Atlas** for faster input of the location fields. Quick drop-down menus instantly locate the birthplace and transfer the necessary information to the input menu.

How do I create a Solar (or Lunar) Return report?

Note: **Solar Return** and **Lunar Return** reports are available to those who have purchased these programs.

Remember that the **Solar Return** Report and **Lunar Return** Report will generate a report for the return prior to the date you enter, so here is what you do to get a return for a desired date.

1. Click the **New Reports** button.
2. Select the Solar Return (or Lunar Return) report.
3. Click the **Chart Data** button and enter the birth information.
4. Click on the **Start Date** property.

5. This brings up the **Date Input** screen. At this screen, select the Input option at the bottom right. Now you can enter the appropriate start date — **this is the key part**.



- **Solar Return:** Your solar return occurs once a year, but it might happen a day or two after your birthday. Therefore, we recommend that you enter a start date of seven to ten days after your birthday for the specified year. That is, if your birthday is January 16th and you want your report for 2004, enter January 26, 2004 as your start date to produce the desired report.
- **Lunar Return:** Your lunar return occurs once a month, so to make sure your report uses the return for the current month, enter a start date during the upcoming month. For example, if you want your report to show the return in April, choose a start date in May.

6. Now click on the **Ok** button on the date input screen.
7. Click the **Process** button to create your report!

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Natal Reports

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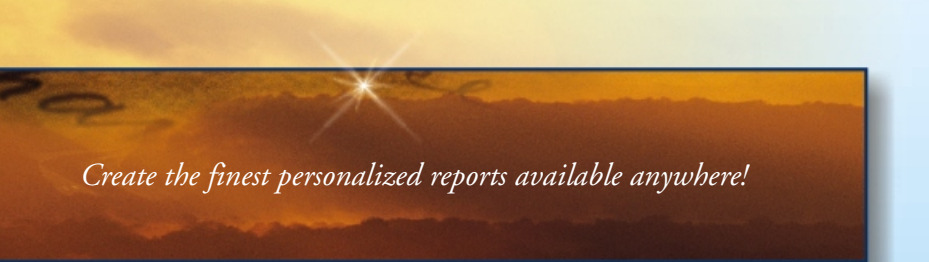
Heaven Knows What by Grant Lewi

Grant Lewi was one of the most brilliant and influential astrologers of the past century. His observations and research created much of the foundation for modern astrology. Each report you create contains both natal and transit reports of unmatched clarity and precision. Your **Heaven Knows What** report will be one that will provide guidance throughout your life.

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Asteroids by Viniita Hutchinson

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What a wonderful gift for the parents of a newborn child! **Child★Star** reports explore every aspect of the new life they are celebrating. Potential talents, emotional influences, and ways to enhance a child's development and assure a fulfilling life are all contained within the reports you'll create with this program.

Just for Women by Gloria Star

Today's woman is often expected to carry out the tasks of career person, wife, mother, community leader, and more all simultaneously. Figuring out where to put your energy, talents, and emotions can be daunting. **Just for Women** can help you get to know yourself and discover what you really want out of life and how you can achieve it.

Your Spiritual Path by Stephanie Clement

This is a sensitive and insightful report that helps you explore your spirituality and spiritual development, your creative process, core beliefs, communication and mental development, self-esteem, your spiritual partnerships, death and transformation, transcendent values, and more. Her collaboration with our staff produced Stephanie Clement's finest work.

Past Lives by Bernie Ashman

A **Past Lives** report is a time machine giving you a fascinating tour of who and what you may have been in another time and another place. If you subscribe to the theory of a progressing soul, you may gain special insight into yourself in your present existence. Revealing, tantalizing, maybe even startling.

Opportunities by Stephanie Clement

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Who will be a friend? Who a lover? How about your relationship with your boss or a co-worker? This software lets you compare any two people in any type of relationship or potential relationship. Look before you leap!

Relating Potential by John Townley

Why do some people seem to be born popular and just naturally have relationships that work? Is it something innate or something they learned to exploit within themselves to make things work for them? You can discover within your own natal chart the positive characteristics that can unlock your personal charm and appeal. It's there, you just need to unleash it.

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Life Progressions by Sophia Mason

The physical, mental, and emotional changes we experience in life can be predicted by carefully observing the progression of our natal chart through time. This exceptional report software reveals the opportunities and challenges you may encounter in coming weeks, months, and years and help you make the right choices at the right time. It's like having a life-map to success.

Lunar Return by John Townley

The moon is like a joker dancing through your chart each month, playing with emotions and events. Sometimes the effect is harmless, even fun. Then there are those days when you could suddenly find yourself deeply in the midst of something, or involved with someone, you should have avoided. The **Lunar Return** report provides you with an accurate, personalized "moon forecast." With this tool in hand you can avoid the rocks and sail smoothly through even the roughest seas.

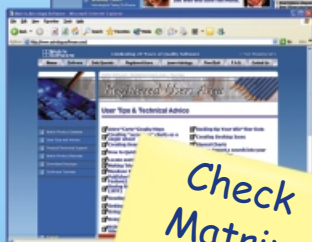
Solar Return by Ray Merriman

Ray Merriman's "birthday report" gives you a complete listing **and** interpretation of the 80 dates during the year that involve progressed solar return angles. You get a thorough report on what to expect for a full year. There is nothing like it!!!

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