

Dragan Milic releases Springy 1.5 Archiving Utility

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Dragan Milic today released Springy 1.5, an update to his powerful archiving utility for Mac OS X. Springy integrates seamlessly with the Finder and includes some incredibly useful features. Users can see the contents of an archive or disk image without being forced to extract any file from it; add, and/or extract files of choice from an existing archive, as well as previewing them. All archiving tasks can be done via Drag and Drop or through Finder contextual menu plug-in.

's-Hertogenbosch Netherlands - Springy 1.5 is a simple and elegant, yet powerful archiving utility for Mac OS X. Springy integrates seamlessly with the Finder and includes some incredibly useful features. At a glance, users have the ability to see the contents of an archive or disk image without being forced to extract any file from it, add, and/or extract files of choice from an existing archive or disk image, as well as previewing them.

All archiving tasks can be done via Drag and Drop using Finder-alike application or through Springy's Finder contextual menu. This makes Springy an excellent archiving utility, particularly where ease of use is desired. If you can find your way through bunch of files in Finder, you would do so in Springy in matter of seconds:

Springy Features at a glance:

- * Open and browse the contents of an archive or disk image without being forced to extract any file from it
- * Quickly extract all files or only files of choice from an archive or disk image
- * Modify the contents of an existing archive or disk image on the fly: add, overwrite, delete and rename files in the archive or disk image
- * Full Drag & Drop support for archiving and extracting from and into Mac OS X Finder
- * Edit and modify any file in an archive or disk image by double click
- * Live preview of many types of files inside archive, without extracting
- * Archiving and extracting tasks may be accomplished quickly and efficiently using Finder contextual menu
- * Browsing files in archives and disk images and extracting particular file or folder using hierarchical Finder contextual menu
- * Support for all most widely used archiving and compression formats: ZIP, TAR, RAR, PAX, CPIO, CPGZ, GZIP, BZIP2, Unix Compress, SIT, JAR and DMG and ISO disk images. Support for more will come in future releases

New Springy Features:

- * No Panther support. Starting with version 1.5, first release of Tiger (10.4) or above is required
- * Springy contextual menu is shown in the root of Finder contextual menu even in Leopard, diving into "More" submenu is not needed any more (contextual menu plug-in only)
- * Complete support for archiving and extraction of files containing extended attributes, ACL lists and quarantine data, in accordance with AppleDouble standard
- * Redesigned and enhanced handling and processing of RAR archives, bringing faster operation, less memory and disk I/O usage and better error handling
- * Improved processing of DMG and ISO disk images
- * Much better treatment of non-ASCII characters in file names inside TAR, PAX and CPIO archives
- * UTI are now used to distinguish recognisable file types application can handle (application only)
- * Springy now tries to open every file handed to it, even if UTI suggests non-recognisable file type. If a file is any of archive type Springy can handle, it is successfully open

regardless of UTIs. Otherwise, Springy will report that the file is not recognisable archive

- * Added option to either quickly archive/add files into an archive using default archiving parameters, or to choose particular parameters just prior start of archiving
- * Added option to either quickly extract files to the archive's enclosing folder, or to choose particular extraction location (application only)
- * Archive and compressed file operations can be paused and continued at any time
- * Modified archive processing so that files partially processed due to an error are preserved and the operation is continued, with option to abort it completely
- * Complete redesign of view preferences panes (application only)
- * Added option to show real file contents as file icons in addition to standard file type icons (application only)
- * Redesigned and enhanced preview column in column view (application only)
- * Added option to show real file contents in a preview column in addition to standard file type icon (application only)
- * Sorting of listed files in all three view types (icons, list, columns) using all available file attributes (name, dates, comment, etc.) for sorting criteria (application only)
- * Added option to show list of files in list view and search view using alternate row colours (application only)
- * Added path text field, which enables easy positioning to particular folder in an archive just by typing folder full path into it (application only)
- * Added option to show real characters in password secure text fields in addition to masking them with bullets
- * New application icon (includes 512x512px version for Leopard)
- * New document icons for all supported file types (include 512x512px version for Leopard)
- * Redesigned alarm panels and sheets, removing all possible incorrect rendering and quirks
- * New licensing system
- * Sparkle framework code directly included into contextual menu plug-in, not as a framework as before, thus eliminating occasional crashes which some users experienced (contextual menu plug-in only)
- * Redesigned preference panel
- * Redesigned About Panel, which now includes licensing information
- * Maximal number of recent extraction locations increased to 20
- * Maximal number of favourite extraction locations increased to 40
- * Many changes in UI in order to unify experience in both Tiger and Leopard and to make it even more Finder-alike (application only)
- * Menu items for archive creation moved one level up in the hierarchy (contextual menu plug-in only)
- * Fixed bug which sometimes caused setting of wrong permissions of files extracted from ZIP archives
- * Fixed bug which enabled renaming a file to a same name as some other file in the same archive (application only)

System Requirements:

- * Mac OS X 10.4.4 or later for Macintosh computers with Intel processor
- * Mac OS X 10.4 or later for Macintosh computers with PowerPC processor
- * Macintosh with PowerPC G3, G4 or G5 processor or any Macintosh computer with Intel processor
- * Minimum 256 MB of RAM
- * Minimum 20 MB free space on hard disk (for both application and Contextual Menu plug-in)

Pricing and Availability:

The price for Springy starts at \$19.95 (USD) for single license, \$24.95 for family license

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and \$34.95 for site license. The quantity discount is available for site licenses. These prices include both Springy application and Contextual Menu plug-in. Users can enjoy Springy in almost its full functionality for free; it will never expire, with no reminders to register. By licensing Springy, supports further development and improvements. Licensed users take priority in support and feature requests.

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