GETTING STARTED

1. Insert the CD-ROM into the CD-drive.

2. PC Computers: The program will start automatically in a few seconds. If the program doesn't start automatically, double click the CD-ROM icon in "My Computer". After that double click the "SOHO_PC" icon.

Macintosh computers: Double click the CD-ROM icon on your desktop. After that double click the "SOHO_MAC" icon.

3. (Only available in PC version): Choose the playback resolution for the program. You can try which of the choices fits best for your use. If you have a big monitor, in the full screen version (640 x 480) you might notice unwanted pixelation in the graphic.

If you use the program in a laptop or with a data projector, usually the best choice is to run the program in current resolution (the third choice).

If for some reason the original resolution is not switched back after exiting the program, you should restart your computer to get your original resolution back.

4. The starter program:
Make sure that you have QuickTime 4 installed on your system to get the best video playback quality. Important! When installing QuickTime 4, choose FULL installation.

There are two versions of the intro movie. If the first version is not working smoothly, please quit the program and try the version for slower computers.
5. The Main Menu:
Choose one of the four main topics:
A New View of the Sun, the Sun, SOHO or ESA.

You can exit the program by clicking the EXIT button in the Main Menu.

A new view of the Sun section contains over 100 high resolution movies and pictures based on SOHO's scientific results.

The Sun section tells you the history of solar research. Also general information on the Sun is included. Read about the space weather under the Sun-Earth Connection topic.

This section presents the SOHO spacecraft and its mission. Also main results from SOHO are described here. This section contains text, pictures and movies giving basic information on each of the 12 SOHO instruments.

Yesterday, today and tomorrow are the main topics in ESA history section. Read and see the evolution of ESA.
6. About navigation and playing the movies:

Back to the Main Menu

To play the movie file in a page, hold the mouse cursor on the movie clip. Click it to enlarge it.

This button leads you to the web resources section. (internet connection required)

Click this button to enter the glossary section.

The left/right arrows appear when there is more pages available for the current subject.

If you want to print or use the text in a page, click this button to open the text in editable form.

Click the yellow hyperwords to get an explanation to the word.

This button takes you back to the previous menu, or back to the last link.

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An interactive, multimedia exploration of the Sun through the eyes of SOHO the Solar and Heliospheric Observatory.

The CD covers topics ranging from the history of solar exploration to new scientific results and the Sun’s influence on the Earth’s environment. Includes new high resolution material not previously available to the public.

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System requirements (PC): Pentium® processor, Windows 95 / NT 4.0 or higher, 4X CD-ROM drive, mouse, 16 MB of memory, graphic adapter that is capable of displaying thousands of colors.

System requirements (Macintosh): PowerPC or faster, Macintosh OS 7.1 or higher, 4X CD-ROM drive, 32 MB of memory, graphic adapter that is capable of displaying thousands of colors.

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