Kicking the Tires

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Product: **CopyPaste-X v1.6.1**
Company: Script Software
Requirements:
Retail Price: (US)$20.00; 20,00 Euros
Test Rig: iBook G4/933/640 MB RAM
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With the leap to OS X, many apps have tried to make the jump but few have made it. One of those survivors is the venerable CopyPaste, the "multiple clipboard editing, archiving and display utility." Think of it as the never-ending clipboard.

"CopyPaste's main features can save you minutes in copying and pasting each time all day long but the tools built into CopyPaste might save you hours of your precious time." Precious ... I thought that that was in Lord of the ... oh, never-mind!

Be sure to pick a buddy and don't let go of their hand! OK, here we go.

"Drag this file into your Applications folder." Straight forward. Intuitive. Sets instead of just one clipboard you have 10. Thorough documentation. combines the 5 major Mac integration technologies the clipboard, drag&drop, contextual menus, QuickTime and files in one application.

Click and drag to, from or between the palettes. To swap two clipboards, drag one of them into the other's position. Lets you drag text, pictures or sound data or files to any clipboard on the palette.

You can exchange Clip Sets with other CopyPaste users by using the "Import Clip Set..." and "Export Clip Set" command.

Open any text document from withing the Clipboard Editor by choosing 'Open' from the File menu and finding the text document or choosing 'New' to create a new document.

You can store picture files and SND files, as well.

Tools out the whaazo.

"CopyPaste Dictionary" creates an almost naturaly ordered list, you can create columns.

The Bad

Nada.

The Ugly

Nada.

The Close

If you are constantly retyping the same passages or phrases over and over again, then this is the app that can be very useful. Set a business set, an acquaintance set, a business set, an in-law set, etc. And if you're not using X (and BTW, why aren't you?) you are not left high and dry. There's also CopyPaste Classic for $20 and CopyPaste-X + CopyPaste Classic Bundle for $30. So you have no reason not to at the very least give this wonderful program a ride.

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Thank you.