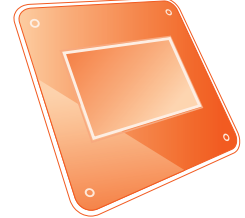
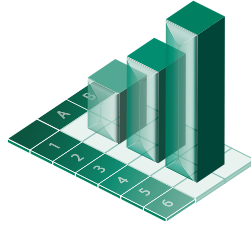
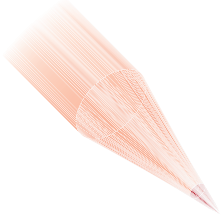


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SoftMaker

# Office 2008

for Windows

# 10 good reasons to choose SoftMaker Office

There are a lot of reasons for using **SoftMaker Office**. Below are the ten best ones:

## 1. It's complete.

In addition to new versions of the word processor **TextMaker** and the spreadsheet **PlanMaker**, SoftMaker Office 2008 now also includes the long-awaited presentation program **SoftMaker Presentations 2008** that lets you easily create all kinds of compelling presentations.

## 2. It's compatible.

No other office package can handle even the most complex Word, Excel, and PowerPoint files as well as SoftMaker Office 2008. **It reliably reads and writes all Word documents, Excel worksheets and PowerPoint presentations**, leaving all tables, graphics, charts, animations, etc., intact. This means that you can safely exchange Office files with colleagues and business partners even if they work with Microsoft Office.

Moreover, with TextMaker 2008, you can also open and save files in the ISO-certified **OpenDocument** file standard.

In addition, documents can now be exported directly from all SoftMaker Office applications as **PDF files**.

## 3. It's blazingly fast.

**SoftMaker Office 2008 starts up very quickly and handles all your tasks with lightning speed.** In no time at all, you can complete routine and not so routine tasks. SoftMaker Office requires substantially less disk space than its competitors. You can even install it on a USB flash drive, so that you can carry your office suite and documents with you wherever you go.

## 4. It's reliable.

Letters, scientific work, budget plans, product presentations: SoftMaker Office 2008 makes it easy to complete your tasks successfully. There are no nasty surprises due to application crashes, lost graphics or documents that look different when printed than they did on the screen.

## 5. It's accurate.

In addition to providing reliable spell-checking in 17 languages, SoftMaker Office also includes thesauri in ten different languages, automatic hyphenation, and a **five-language translation dictionary**.

## 6. It's understandable.

At SoftMaker, we value good documentation. SoftMaker Office comes with detailed PDF manuals and extensive electronic help.

## 7. It's a team player.

Thanks to the newly-added **OLE server capability**, SoftMaker Office programs work together seamlessly. Integrating documents from a SoftMaker Office application in other applications has never been easier. For example, you can embed a chart or spreadsheet from PlanMaker in Presentations or TextMaker, and continue to edit it freely: double-click on it, and it will open in its native application, where you can edit it in the usual way.

## 8. It's supported.

Unlike many other software vendors, SoftMaker provides customer support at no cost:

- ▶ **Not limited to the installation process**
- ▶ **No 30-day limit on support services**
- ▶ **Competent in-house support team**

*"Perhaps the most appreciated feature will be the lossless round-trip conversion for Word documents, which worked without a hitch."*

InfoSync

## 9. It's creative.

SoftMaker Office 2008 features extensive built-in graphics functions that make it easy to draw and design directly in the document. **Free-hand drawing**, fills and gradients, object rotation, **contour wrap** around objects, **AutoShapes** and **TextArt**, support for all commonly-used graphics file formats and so much more: Create your documents just like you would with a desktop publishing program!

*"The best cross-platform office suite I have yet used."*

softwareinreview.com

## 10. It's programmable.

SoftMaker Office 2008 includes the macro language **BasicMaker** that you can use to write VBA-compatible BASIC programs which let you automate recurring tasks in TextMaker and PlanMaker.

**Simply brilliant – Brilliantly simple!**

**SoftMaker Office.**

**The Office alternative made in Germany.**

*"SoftMaker Office represents an improved, more powerful Microsoft Office 2003, but built with ease and speed at every turn in its interface and engine. Most people will want exactly that, especially those not willing to relearn everything with Microsoft Office 2007."*

The Great Software Blog



## SoftMaker Office 2008

The new office suite made in Germany

**SoftMaker Office 2008** comes with all the programs you need for your day-to-day work:

- ▶ the word processor **TextMaker 2008**
- ▶ the spreadsheet **PlanMaker 2008**
- ▶ the presentation program **SoftMaker Presentations 2008**
- ▶ and the BASIC macro language **BasicMaker 2008**

**SoftMaker Office is the smart alternative** to expensive, unwieldy Office packages. It installs quickly and requires little disk space. It **works very fast**, is exceptionally user-friendly, and has all the functions that you have come to expect from a high-end office suite.

And the best news is: **SoftMaker Office reads and writes all Microsoft Word, Excel, and PowerPoint files seamlessly.**

If you have worked with Word, Excel, and PowerPoint before, it will take you only a few minutes to produce your first document in TextMaker, create a spreadsheet with PlanMaker, or build a presentation with SoftMaker Presentations – you won't need retraining to use SoftMaker Office.

At the same time, TextMaker, PlanMaker, and SoftMaker Presentations are **better organized and easier to use** than Word, Excel and PowerPoint.

However, SoftMaker Office is not only highly compatible and easy-to-use, it also has many useful functions that you won't find in Microsoft Office. For example, all SoftMaker Office applications can save documents directly as **PDF files**, making them viewable on any computer, and TextMaker 2008 reads and writes files in the standardized **OpenDocument format**.

**A dream team:** The applications in SoftMaker Office work together splendidly. Use the new **OLE server functions** to easily take one object from one of the programs and insert it in another – the object will remain available for editing in the original application. For example, you can use charts and spreadsheets from PlanMaker and insert them directly into SoftMaker Presentations or TextMaker.

Despite its many functions, SoftMaker Office uses so few resources that it can even be installed on a USB flash drive. This means that you can take your office suite with you and **use it wherever you go.**

## Prices and system requirements

### Prices

SoftMaker Office 2008 for Windows **€ 69.95/US\$ 79.95**  
 Upgrade to SoftMaker Office 2008 **€ 39.95/US\$ 49.95\***

### System requirements

Windows XP, Vista, or  
 Windows 2000

\* Upgrade price for owners of older versions of SoftMaker Office, TextMaker, or PlanMaker.



All prices include VAT for European customers.

# TextMaker 2008

Create, edit, and lay out all types of documents – from a single page to thousands.

Whether you want to compose just a simple letter or a full-length dissertation, a colorful flyer or a ready-to-print brochure – **TextMaker 2008** enables you to create all types of documents with ease.

TextMaker works extremely fast and reliably and is highly compatible with Microsoft Word. You will not find any other word processor that works as easily with Word documents as TextMaker 2008.

**Compose letters faster:** No other program lets you compose letters more efficiently. Simply select one of the letter templates and insert the recipient from the address book with the click of a button. Instantly, the address appears in the letterhead. Use the envelope wizard to print **envelopes** just as quickly. **Mail merges** that can be extremely cumbersome in other programs are a breeze with TextMaker, too.

**Reliable spell-checking:** According to the Commission for German Orthographic Standards, TextMaker's German-language spell checker is the best among all word processors that were reviewed. Of course, TextMaker doesn't limit itself to German: it comes with spelling dictionaries in 17 languages, synonym dictionaries in 10, and reliable automatic hyphenation in 33 different languages. It even includes a translation dictionary for **instant translations** between English, German, Spanish, French, and Italian.

**Accurate layout:** Users should be able to take this for granted, but many a competitor's product makes this process amazingly difficult: TextMaker offers **predictable text formatting**. Graphics and footnotes don't "just slip" from one page to another or get lost altogether.

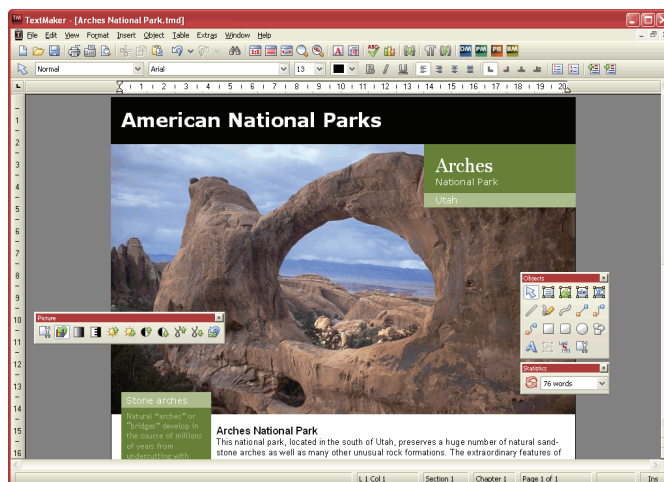
**All-around compatibility:** All formats, graphics, tables, and even complex page elements are imported 1:1 from Word documents and can also be correctly saved back to Word. For example, if you turn on the "Track Changes" function, the program logs all changes made to the document. When you forward the document to another user, he can accept or reject your changes one by one. It doesn't matter if he is working with TextMaker or Word. In the same way, Microsoft's AutoShapes and text effects from WordArt can be exchanged without loss between TextMaker and Word.

## Files and printing

- ▶ Read and write **Microsoft Word documents** seamlessly (Word 6.0, 95, 97, 2000, XP, Word 2003)
- ▶ Open password-protected Word files
- ▶ **NEW:** Read and write documents in the standardized **OpenDocument** file format
- ▶ Read and write numerous other file formats
- ▶ **NEW: Export to PDF format** directly out of TextMaker
- ▶ **NEW:** Print preview

*"TextMaker is fast, complete, reliable, and contains some smart functions. A real alternative to Microsoft Word and friends."*

PC Magazine



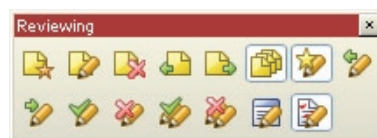
- ▶ **NEW: Print multiple pages** on one sheet
- ▶ Integrated document manager
- ▶ **NEW: Print envelopes**
- ▶ **NEW:** E-mail documents as TextMaker, Word, PDF, or OpenDocument files
- ▶ **NEW: Printer-independent formatting:** the page layout does not change between printers

## Text formatting

- ▶ **A large variety of sophisticated formatting styles**, such as hidden and protected text, customizable small caps, dropcaps, adjustable character spacing and width
- ▶ Fill patterns, shading, and borders
- ▶ Headers and footers, real **master pages**
- ▶ **NEW:** Different master page for the first page of a document or chapter
- ▶ **Format brush:** quickly transfer formatting in documents
- ▶ **Automatic numbering** of lines, lists, paragraphs, and headings
- ▶ **Kerning** for perfect character spacing

## Complex documents

- ▶ **Track changes:** track all changes and review them later, accepting and rejecting them one by one
- ▶ **Comments:** annotations inside the text appear as "bubbles" in the right margin
- ▶ **Quick navigation** in complex documents with the help of advanced search and jump functions
- ▶ Footnotes and end notes
- ▶ Indexes, bibliographies, and tables of contents
- ▶ **Cross references**
- ▶ **NEW:** Improved outline
- ▶ **SoftMaker Equation Editor** for creating and editing mathematical equations



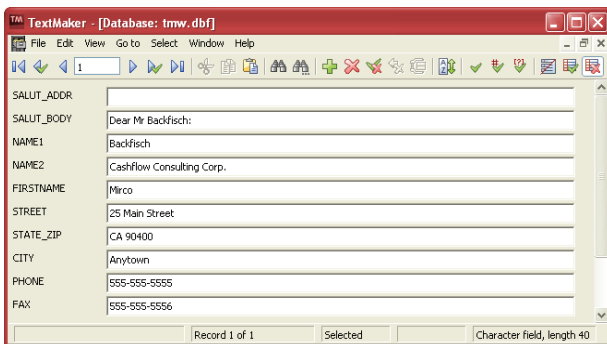
## Graphics and objects

- ▶ Place **frames** for text, tables, graphics, etc., freely on the page: TextMaker wraps the text around them automatically
- ▶ **NEW: Improved contour wrap** like in DTP programs
- ▶ AutoShapes (compatible with Microsoft's AutoShapes)
- ▶ Built-in drawing tools
- ▶ Comprehensive symbol library
- ▶ "Sticky" connector lines for flowcharts and orgcharts
- ▶ Exciting font effects with the **TextArt** function



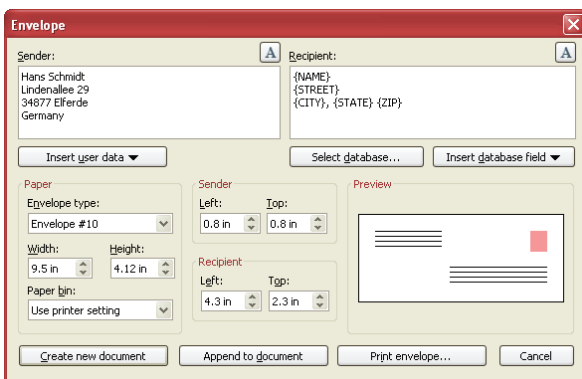
## Database connectivity

- ▶ Integrated **address book and database**: builds complete **letterheads at the push of a button**
- ▶ **Mail merges and fax merges** become child's play
- ▶ **NEW**: Create lists, labels, and envelopes



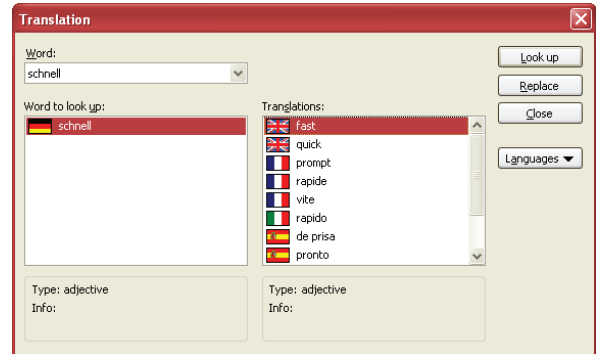
## Editing text

- ▶ Insert fields such as date, time, page number, author, document name, etc.
- ▶ **SmartText**: Just type "asap", and "as soon as possible" will appear in your document
- ▶ **Create forms** with input fields, check boxes, selection lists, calculations, etc.
- ▶ Calculate in text and tables



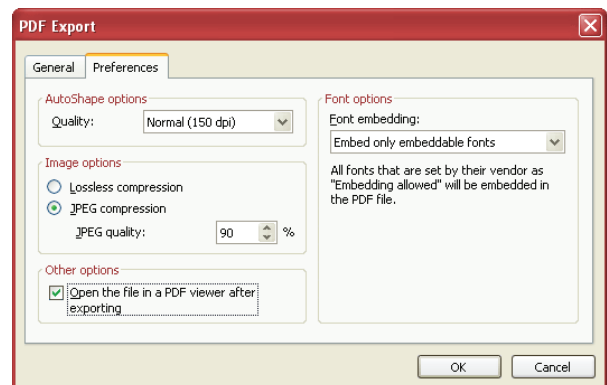
## Language tools

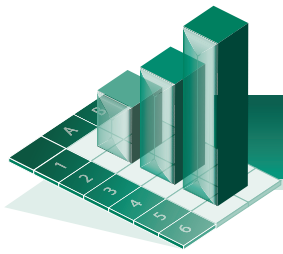
- ▶ **Menus and dialogs** in **14** languages
- ▶ **Spell checking** in **17** languages: English (US; UK), German, Swiss German, French (France; Canada), Italian, Spanish (Spain; Latin America), Portuguese (Portugal; Brazil), Dutch, Danish, Norwegian, Swedish
- ▶ **Thesaurus** (synonym dictionaries) in **10** languages
- ▶ **Automatic hyphenation** in **29** languages
- ▶ **Translation dictionary** in **5** languages (English, German, French, Italian, Spanish)



## Additional features

- ▶ **NEW**: Macro programming via **OLE Automation**
  - ▶ **NEW**: **OLE server** functionality
  - ▶ Read and write protection for documents
  - ▶ **NEW**: Full screen mode
  - ▶ **NEW**: Import and export of style sheets
  - ▶ **NEW**: Microsoft Word, RTF, and OpenDocument may be set as default file formats
- ... and much more!





# PlanMaker 2008

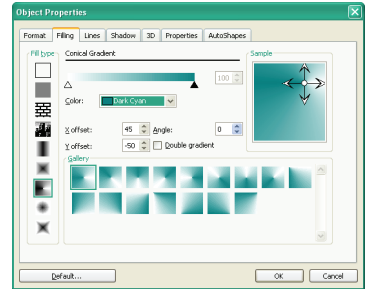
Calculate. Design. Persuade.

**PlanMaker 2008** is the spreadsheet program in SoftMaker Office 2008. Not only can it be used to perform all kinds of calculations, but also to design attractive worksheets and to persuasively present data as charts.

- ▶ Read and write password-protected Excel files
- ▶ Import and export dBASE and comma-separated (CSV) files
- ▶ **NEW: Print multiple pages** on one sheet
- ▶ **NEW: Export to PDF format** directly from PlanMaker

## A wide range of calculation functions

- ▶ **NEW:** More than **330 calculation functions**
- ▶ Numbers can be formatted as currencies, with fixed decimal places, as percentages, fractions, date and time, etc.
- ▶ Perpetual time format, negative time values
- ▶ **Goal seeker**
- ▶ Named ranges
- ▶ **Syntax highlighting**
- ▶ Cell comments
- ▶ Cell, sheet, and workbook protection
- ▶ Document encryption
- ▶ **Input validation**



## Design

- ▶ **AutoFormat** – formatting at a click of the mouse
- ▶ Transfer formatting with the **Format Brush**
- ▶ Cell rotation, fill with colors, patterns, or gradients
- ▶ Conditional formatting
- ▶ **Forms** with input fields, check boxes, lists, etc.

## Drawings and graphics

- ▶ Insert **pictures in all common graphics formats**
- ▶ Scan images directly into the worksheet
- ▶ Integrated **drawing program**
- ▶ **Symbol library** for flow charts and org charts
- ▶ All drawings fully compatible with Microsoft's AutoShapes
- ▶ Exciting font effects with the **TextArt** function

*"You won't find a more Excel-compatible spreadsheet on any operating system."*

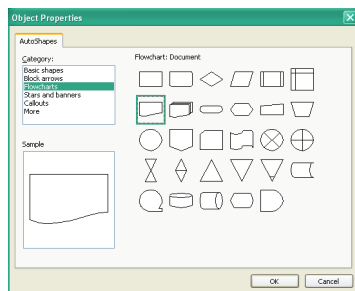
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**Calculate.** More than **330 calculation functions** are included: date and time calculations, mathematics, finance, data analysis, and much more. PlanMaker also features sophisticated statistics functions, can work on complex numbers, and includes array calculation functions.

Within your worksheets, you can also group data into database ranges and use statistical functions to analyze them. You can also sort and transpose ranges, as well as use the **AutoFilter** and **Special Filter** functions to filter by numerous criteria.

**Design.** PlanMaker lets you color, shade and border cells any way you like. Layout functions are available at the push of a button with the **AutoFormat** function, and you can use **AutoShapes** to create flowcharts in no time at all.

**Persuade.** If your goal is to persuade others, you need to present your numbers well-organized in the form of attractive charts. You can add bar graphs, histograms, or pie charts as easily as you can create surface or cone charts, or any of the other **70 chart types**. Fill your charts with elegant color gradients, freely rotate them in space or add background graphics and patterns. PlanMaker even provides donut, balloon, and pyramid charts as well as trend lines through bar graphs.



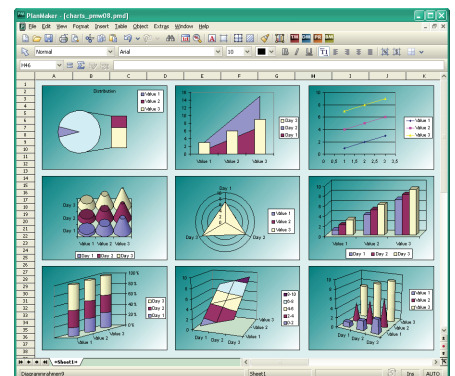
**Read and write Excel files.** PlanMaker comes with an **excellent Excel filter** that seamlessly reads Excel files and saves them again faithfully – preserving all calculations, data, charts, and graphics.

## Files and printing

- ▶ Read and write Microsoft Excel files (Excel 5.0, 95, 97, 2000, Excel XP, and Excel 2003)

## Charts

- ▶ **70 different chart types** (2D und 3D)
- ▶ All chart types and variants of Microsoft Excel
- ▶ **Rotate and distort** 3D charts in space
- ▶ Apply any **fill pattern** to each individual chart element



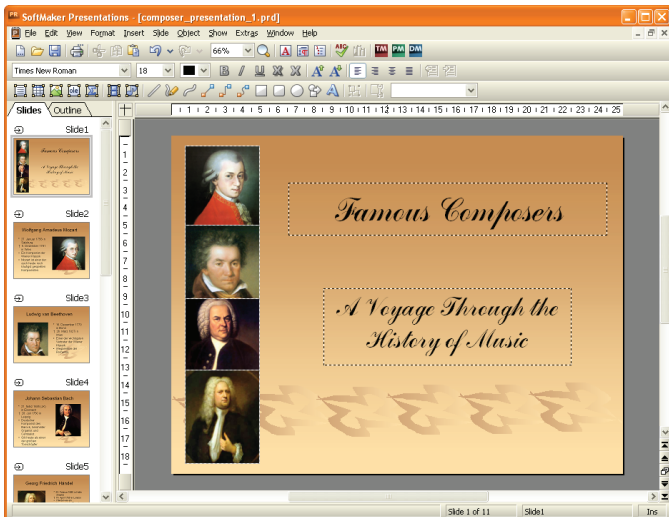
## Additional features

- ▶ **NEW:** Macro programming via **OLE Automation**
- ▶ **NEW:** OLE server functionality
- ▶ **NEW:** Full screen mode
- ▶ **NEW:** Watch window that monitors cell changes
- ... and much more!

# SoftMaker Presentations 2008

The new presentation graphics program: Visualize. Animate. Present.

Use the new **SoftMaker Presentations 2008** presentation software to easily create exciting presentations of all types. The program's best feature: SoftMaker Presentations is fully compatible with Microsoft PowerPoint, yet easier to use.



**SoftMaker Presentations 2008** is the right tool for anyone who values impressive presentations and reliable data exchange with PowerPoint.

**Read and write PowerPoint files.** SoftMaker Presentations features an **excellent PowerPoint filter** that you can use to read PowerPoint files seamlessly and then save them again as PowerPoint files. You can even select the PowerPoint format as your default file format for presentations.

**Quick results.** SoftMaker Presentations comes with more than 40 appealing **design templates** that you can choose from instead of having to create your presentations from scratch.

**Animate your presentation.** With its multitude of **object animations** and **slide transitions** – all of them, of course, compatible with PowerPoint – you can show, hide and highlight slides, graphics and text in any way you can think of and thus create energetic, compelling presentations.

**Sort, manage, organize.** You can use the program's integrated **outliner** function to edit text, and the corresponding slides are updated automatically. The practical slide **sorter** is a function that you can use to easily manage and organize your slides in different views.

**Colors at the push of a button.** **Color schemes** are a fantastic way to facilitate your work. With the push of a button, you can assign new colors to your entire presentation – naturally, the colors in each scheme match harmoniously.

## Design functions

- ▶ Numerous attractive **design templates**
- ▶ Each template comes with many matching **color schemes**
- ▶ **Slide layouts** for flexibly designing slides
- ▶ A large collection of **picture bullets** is included
- ▶ Well-conceived **master page concept**

## Drawing and graphics

- ▶ Insert graphics in many different formats
- ▶ Draw directly on the slide
- ▶ **AutoShapes** and **TextArt**
- ▶ **Tables** with many formatting options

## Movies and sounds

- ▶ Easily insert **movies and sound files** with a few mouse clicks
- ▶ Play them automatically or via actions (such as click or mouse-over)

## Animations and slide transitions

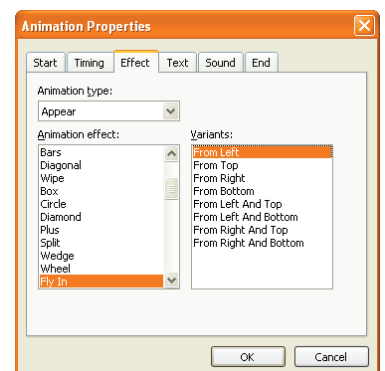
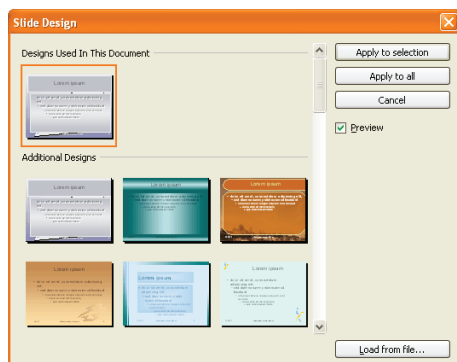
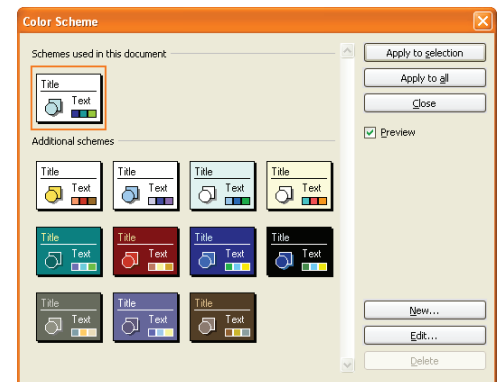
- ▶ Hundreds of **object and text animations**
- ▶ Ready-made **animation schemes** for entire presentations
- ▶ Attractive **slide transitions**

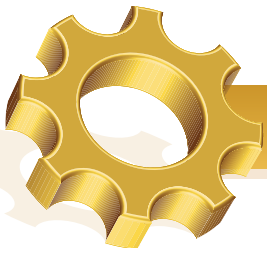
## Flexible output

- ▶ Flexible setup of screen and beamer slide show
- ▶ Manual slide show interaction with virtual **pen** and **highlighter**
- ▶ **Self-running slide shows without speaker** (kiosk mode)
- ▶ Slide shows can be displayed on a second monitor
- ▶ Save slides as pictures
- ▶ Use **notes** as memory aid for the speaker
- ▶ **Handouts** for the audience
- ▶ Direct output as **PDF files**

## Compatibility

- ▶ **Reads and writes PowerPoint files** seamlessly – including all animations, slide transitions, and color schemes
- ▶ Works with with TextMaker and PlanMaker as an **OLE server**





# BasicMaker 2008

The VBA-compatible macro language for SoftMaker Office

**BasicMaker 2008** is SoftMaker's new macro language that enables you to quickly write BASIC programs for TextMaker and PlanMaker to automate recurring tasks. BasicMaker's syntax resembles Visual Basic for Applications (VBA) and its OLE object model is similar to that of Microsoft Office.

If you are already experienced with macro programming in Microsoft Office, you will quickly find your way around SoftMaker Office as well. If you do not have experience – no problem: the program includes a comprehensive manual that offers a detailed introduction to macro programming with BasicMaker.

## What the press says...

### SoftMaker Office

*"SoftMaker Office is a well-designed office suite at an affordable price. It is an attractive proposition for all users coming from Microsoft Office."*

Computerwoche

*"At a price of 69.95 Euros, SoftMaker's version is a little software treasure whose benefits become apparent as you work with the program intensively. **Small, compact, and highly recommended.**"*

Portal der Wirtschaft

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The Great Software Blog

*"Recommended, compact office suite with very good filters for Microsoft Word and Microsoft Excel."*

PC Professionell

*"Microsoft Office users are able to work with the software very quickly without any training period. SoftMaker Office is comfortable, fast, and runs on any operating system."*

**PC Magazin**

**TOP-PRODUKT**

**Price/performance: Excellent  
Over-all rating: Excellent"**

PC Magazin

*"An extremely inexpensive alternative to the conventional Microsoft Office offering."*

Computer Partner

### TextMaker

*"The feature set is huge. TextMaker offers everything that you need to create sophisticated documents."*

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*"It's stable, capable, and lightweight, but its crowning feature is still its superior file format compatibility with Microsoft Word."*

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*"Imagine taking the best and most-used features of Word 2003, vastly expanding its document creation power, and throwing in a healthy dose of perfectionism throughout the user interface. Forget your imagination and just check out TextMaker. I'm betting you'll love it because it will never slow you down."*

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### PlanMaker

*"PlanMaker is a powerful and fast calculation program with an outstanding price/performance ratio. Quick to install, easy to learn."*

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*"You won't find a more Excel-compatible spreadsheet on any operating system."*

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*"The enormous feature-richness at minimal hardware requirements speaks for PlanMaker as an Excel alternative."*

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