

Getting started with ImageDB-MyDB - A program from PetriSoft,



The screenshot shows the PetriSoft's Gallery - ImageDB application window. The title bar reads "PetriSoft's Gallery - ImageDB: C:/Programmer/PetriSoft/ImageDB/db/FilmDB/Film.db". The menu bar includes File, Edit, View, Setup, Language, and Help. The main window displays a table of film records with columns for Genre, Titel, Year/Country, Rating, Price, Runtime(min), Picture 1, Picture 2, Link, tr, Buy date, and Film compa. The records are organized by genre, with a tree view on the left. The "Family" genre is currently selected, and the record for "Scooby-Doo - The..." is highlighted.

Genre	Titel	Year/Country	Rating	Price	Runtime(min)	Picture 1	Picture 2	Link, tr	Buy date	Film compa
Action	CopLand	1997 / USA	3	49.00	101.00				01.08.2004	-
Adventure	Supergirl	1984 / USA	1	99.00	124.00				29.08.2003	On Air DVD
	Superman 3	1981 / USA	1	99.00	123.00				29.08.2003	Warner Bros
	Superman The mo...	1978 / UK	2	88.00	142.00				10.02.2003	On Air DVD
Animation	Iceage	20 Century Fox	5	149.00	78.00				05.04.2003	20 Century F
	Lilo & Stich	2002 / USA	1	249.00	85.00				24.04.2003	Walt Diesne
	Stuart Little 2	2002	4	199.00	77.00				17.05.2003	Columbia Pic
Comedy	What Women want	2000	5	100.00	121.00				05.10.2002	Egmont Entk
Documentary	De fabelagtige ba...	1989 / USA	2	50.00	114.00				01.03.2002	20 Century F
	Kundun	1999 / USA	5	99.00	99.00				19.12.2000	Touchstone
	Syv år i tibet	1997 / USA	5	99.00	136.00				15.12.2000	Walt
Drama	Elizabeth	1998 / UK	1	99.00	124.00				19.12.2000	Polygram
	Fire.Ice and Dyna...	1990 / Tyskland	1	99.00	102.00				29.08.2003	Walt Diesne
	Thrillers - 4 great ...	1990/96	3	49.00	445.00				01.08.2004	Bellevue Int
Family	Scooby-Doo - The...	2002 / USA	1	199.00	89.00				12.02.2003	Bellevue Int
History										
Horror/Thriller										
Kids	Shrek	2001 / USA	5	249.00	90.00				23.03.2002	Dreamworks
Musical, Musicfilm	The Wall (R2)	1982 / USA	5	149.00	100.00				09.02.2003	Sony Music
Romance										
Sci-Fi										

Short about ImageDB/MyDB:

ImageDB/MyDB is a Windows (98/NT/2000/Me/XP/Vista) program which can be used as archive/register for: **music, film, art, clients, suppliers, addresses** etc..

A lot of metadata information about each record can be stores along with pictures, descriptions, link to extra documentation, web-links and a lot more.

ImageDB/MyDB is available in 3 different versions:

ImageDB/MyDB Std (Free) is freeware software and can be used by all users to evaluate the facilities of the software. A limit of 25 records exists in this free/shareware version.

ImageDB/MyDB Std (license required) is typically used by the private user. Up to 15 user defined groups exist - no limits in the number of records you can save. Free email support.

ImageDB/MyDB Pro (license required) is for the “professional” private, companies, shops, institutions, schools - all people with high demands of freedom. No limits at all !! In this version there is support for XML output. Free Phone and email support.

Tip: Fields can be renamed freely by the user.

Free demo databases to investigate/use:

The program has ”build-in” support for the database registers (via demo databases to copy for own use):

Music (CD, LP’s, Music DVD, MP3..)

Film (movies...)

Client/address register

Art register (paintings, drawings etc)

A predefined setup you can use for your own purpose is included. Just open one of the files below and save it (File Save As...) in your own folder/filename:

1) Art: C:\Program Files\PetriSoft\ImageDB\db\DemoGalleri\DemoGalleri.txt

2) Adresses:C:\Program Files\PetriSoft\ImageDB\db\AdresseKartotek\AdresseKartotek.db

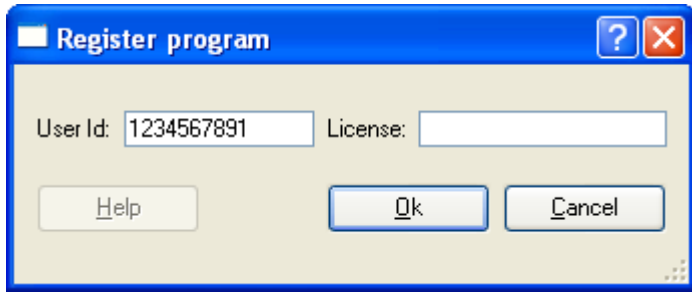
3) Film: C:\Program Files\PetriSoft\ImageDB\db\FilmDB\Film.en.db

4) Music: C:\ Program Files \PetriSoft\ImageDB\db\MusikDB\Musik.db

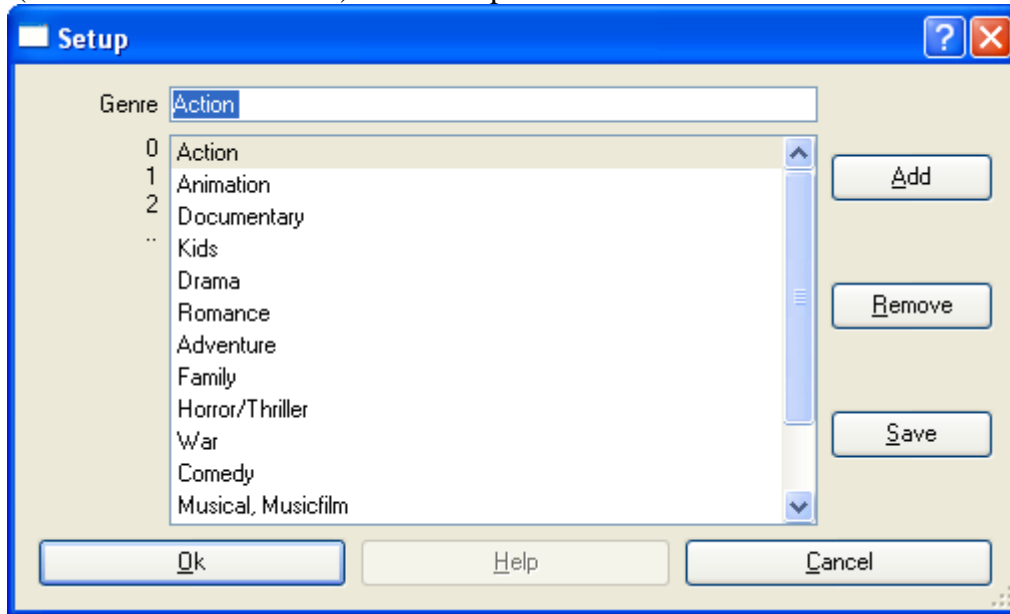
It is easy to add other types/groups/field names ☺

Creating your own database/register – step by step:

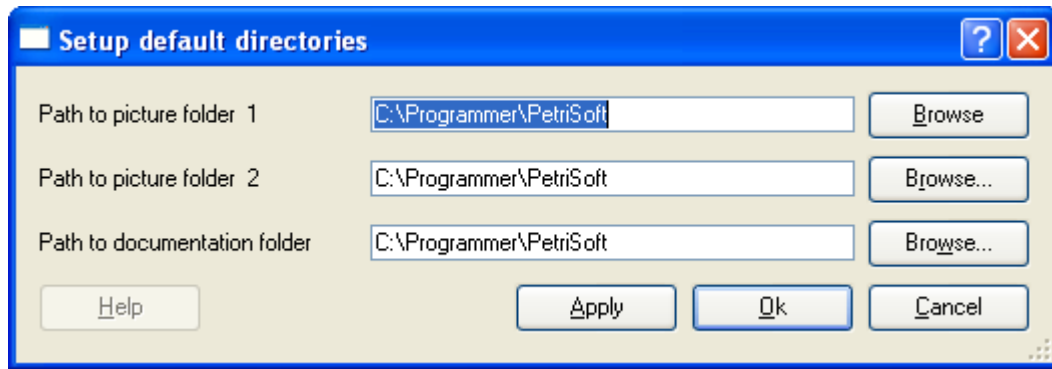
1. If you have not already installed ImageDB/MyDB - Download the program – e.g. follow the steps show here (Danish):
<http://www.petrisoft.dk/Download/DownloadAndInstallPetriSoftProgram.htm>
2. When ImageDB/MyDB have been installed you start the program from Windows:
Start, PetriSoft, ImageDB-MyDB
3. Start the program and if you bought a license enter User **Id** and **license** in menu:
Edit, Register program.



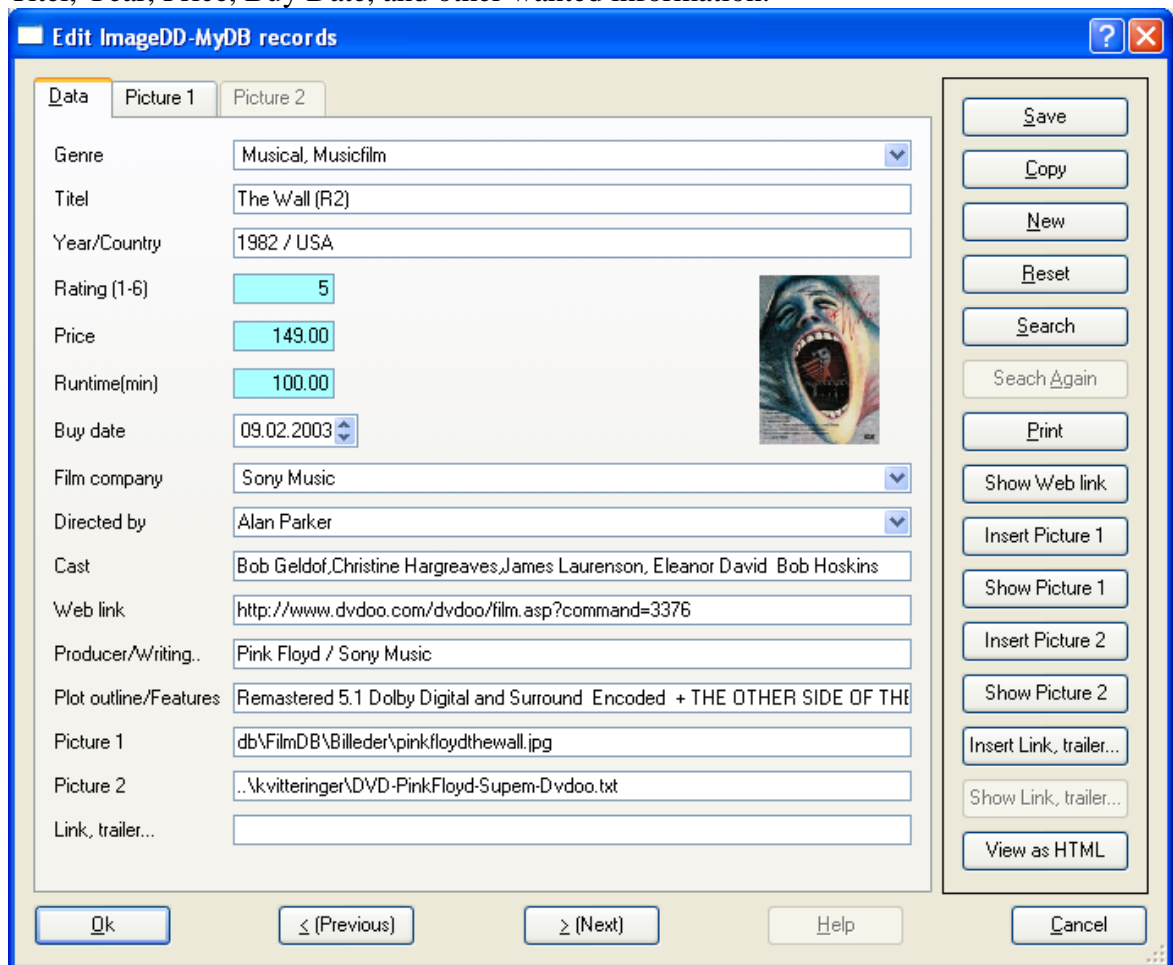
4. The program is now ready and you can start making your own database. The program shows from start a demo database. You can investigate the features playing with this or you could make your own from scratch.
5. Setup database groups: named groups in GalleryDB, category in AddressDB and genre in a filmDB. The steps to make your own settings/database making your own groups is simply to select **Setup, Genre...** (also named Group in the other types) This enables you to create, change or delete in the list of existing groups (remember to select **Save**). See example below for a FilmDB.



6. Setup “film company “ and “Directed by: This enables you to create, change or delete in the list of predefined settings (remember to select **Save**).
7. Setup default folders: Select **Setup, Default folders...**, this enables you to define the default start-up folders for placing front and backside pictures, and documents describing your collections. **Tip: Make a sub folder Pictures and Documentation direct under the folder where you want to store you collection database(s)**

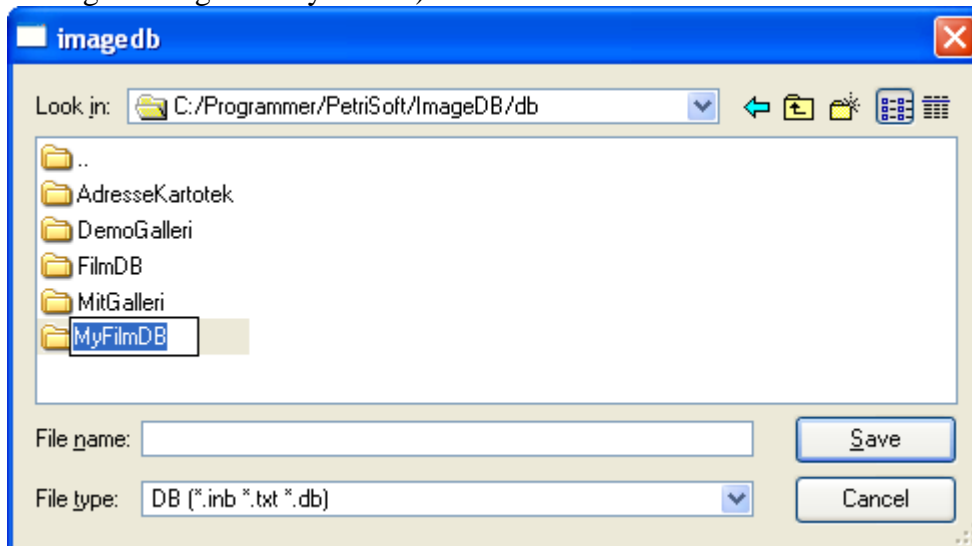


8. Restart ImageDB/MyDB program: **File, Exit**. When ImageDB/MyDB is restarted with your current setup you can next create your own database.
9. Select **File, New register**
10. Create a new record by selecting **Edit, Edit...**
11. In the '**Maintenance**' dialog: Select **Genre** (=group). Fill all needed fields like Titel, Year, Price, Buy Date, and other wanted information.

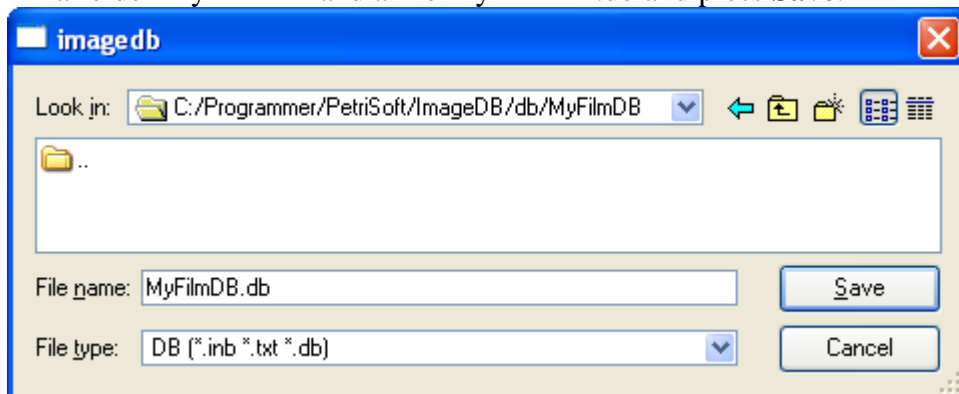


12. Select **Save**
13. Select **New** or **Copy** **Tip: Copy** make a copy of current record – nice to have if the new item only has small changes from previous record.

14. Perform item 10) - 13) for each coin/banknote/... you want to create.
15. Next select **File, Save As** - Select a new folder for the database - 'Create New Folder' with same name as the database name you want (e.g. EnglishImageDB/MyDB.db) and click into this folder.



16. Enter an appropriate file name for your new ImageDB/MyDB database (eg. Create a folder MyFilmDB and a file MyFilmDB.db and press **Save**:



17. If you wish a certain size or position of the program next time ImageDB/MyDB start up, you should resize and position the main window followed by **File, Save settings**

Other Hints and shortcut keys:

Show all (Ctrl + A): Show (open) all inventory groups and display all inventory records in the list window

Show picture (Ctrl + B): Show picture (if any) for current selected inventory

Edit (1): Click right mouse button => Select **Edit ImageDB/MyDB** in quick menu (popup) and the current selected record is displayed

Edit (2): Double click left mouse button on highlighted item in list=> the current selected record is displayed

Edit (3): Press return on highlighted item in list=> the current selected record is displayed,

Print the database: Define field lengths and sorting etc in menu **Setup, Print**. **Tip: Select landscape (to use the paper more effectively).**

Copy record: Press return on highlighted item in list=> the current selected record is displayed. Press **Copy** – change fields and press **Save**. This will give you a new record based on an existing record.

Copy field: Click right mouse button in “Maintenance” dialog => a pop up menu is shown with copy, paste ...functions

Undo: data entered in a field (Undo): press **Ctrl+Z**

Redo in a field: Press **Ctrl+Y**

Copy the whole inventory database: Select **File, Save as...** (Tip: Use this whenever you want to upgrade the program to have a copy – for daily backup use **File, Backup**)



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