

SimpleSketch 2.6

User's Manual

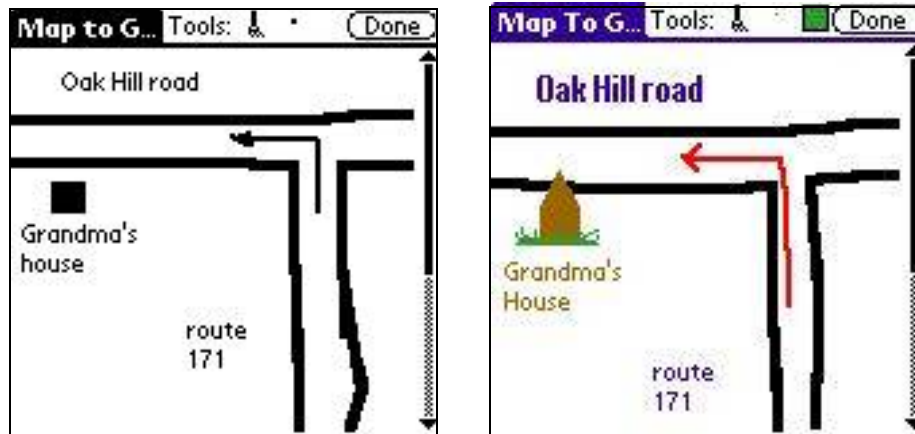
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1. Overview

SimpleSketch is small, quick program to easily allow you to take notes and draw simple images in freehand on the Palm. It is extremely useful for quickly jotting down a phone number, taking a quick note, or sketching directions. SimpleSketch also allows you to name each drawing and share it by beaming it to other Palm handheld users.

SimpleSketch is simple, so there's really very little to teach about how to use it. The drawing screen has a tools picker, where you can choose a tool, and then to the right of that, choose options for the tool if there are any options available (for instance, the size of the pen or eraser, or the font size for the text tool). Another neat tip is that you can tap on the word "Tools" to toggle between the current tool and an eraser, making it quite easy to fix mistakes in your drawings.

There are two views in SimpleSketch: the List View and the Drawing View. The List View shows a list of all of your drawings with a thumbnail of the drawing on the left-hand side. The Drawing View is where you create your drawings.



SimpleSketch works in black and white as well as in color. As you see above, SimpleSketch allows you to create color drawings on color Palm handhelds. **Note: If you are viewing this manual as a printed page, both images above may be in black and white.**

In addition, for Windows users, there is a SimpleSketch conduit that converts your SimpleSketch drawings to bitmaps (BMP) during a HotSync operation.

2. Special Feature

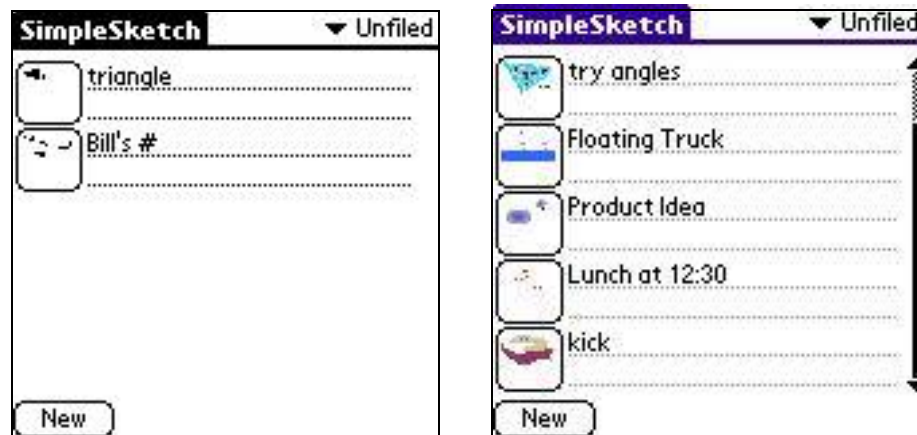
SimpleSketch has a special feature that allows you to beam SimpleSketch to another Palm user. If yours is a registered version and you beam it to another Palm user, the other Palm user will have the

SimpleSketch demo on their Palm handheld. This means that you can beam it to your friends, co-workers, someone on the subway, or any other Palm user with an IR port!

Now you can beam your SimpleSketch drawings to any user. If they don't have SimpleSketch, you can beam the demo.

3. List View

The List View shows a list of all of your drawings with a thumbnail of the drawing on the left-hand side. Here you can edit the names of the drawings. Each drawing can be given a name up to 31 characters. This is quite useful, because SimpleSketch also supports the system find routine. (Tapping on the SimpleSketch item in the find window will open the drawing.) If you tap on the drawing's thumbnail, you will go to the Drawing View where you can edit the drawing.



There are a few menu choices in the List View:

- **New Drawing:** create a new drawing
- **Delete Drawing:** delete the currently selected drawing.
- **Drawing Details:** Access the drawing details.
- **Beam Drawing:** For devices with an IR port, beam the currently selected drawing.

You can create up to 15 categories in which to keep your drawings. To change the category of a drawing, select it by tapping in the text field and choose "Drawing Details" from the menu.

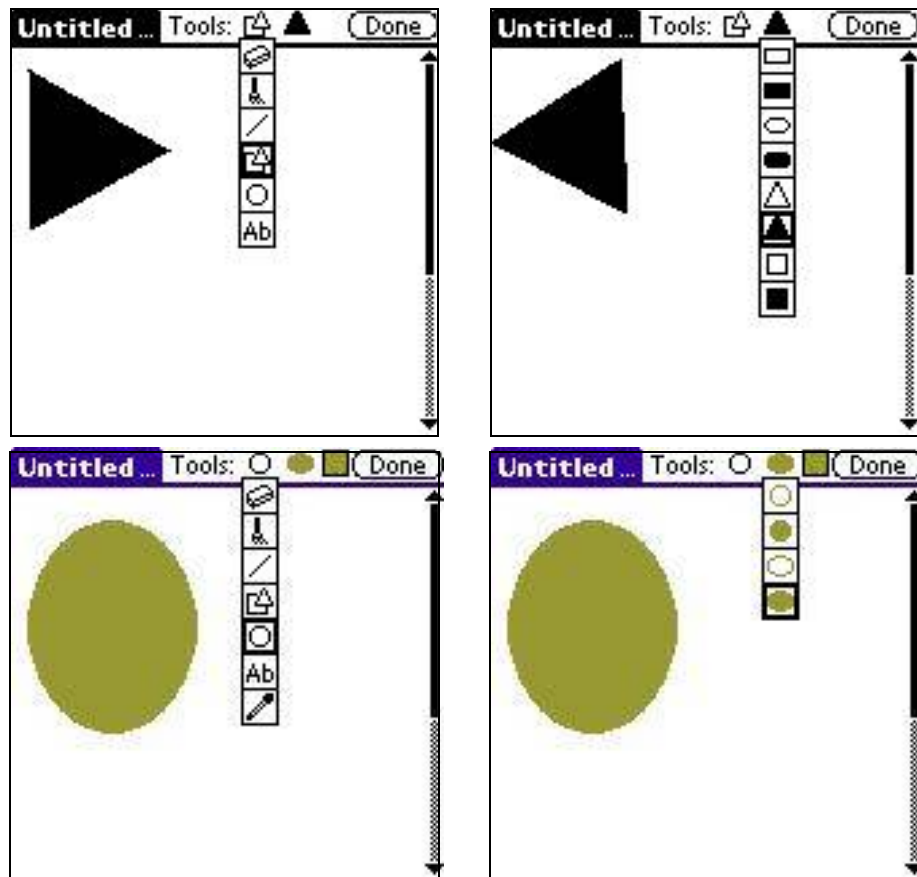
New drawings will be added at the end of the list.

4. Drawing View

The Drawing View is the view in which you create and edit your drawings. Along the top of the screen you will see the name of your drawing ("Untitled D.." for new drawings), the word "Tools," two buttons to choose your tool and tool size, and a Done button.

SimpleSketch 2 provides color drawing capabilities for users with color handhelds. To choose the drawing color, tap on the colored square to the left of the "Done" button. This will put a palette on the screen from which you choose a new drawing color.

To choose a tool, tap on the left button and a list of tools will pop up. Tap on the tool to choose it. For some tools, there will be a second button to the right that will allow you to choose the tool size and/or shape.



Drawing Tools:

- Paintbrush: 7 brush shapes
- Eraser: 2 sizes
- Line tool: 2 sizes
- Shape tool: rectangles, rounded corner rectangles, equilateral triangle, and square (all can be filled or empty)
- Circle tool: circles or ellipses (filled or empty)
- Text tool: 3 fonts
- Eye-Dropper: sample the color at any given pixel (only on color devices)

There is a menu here too:

- **Clear Screen:** Clear the drawing view.
- **Beam Drawing:** For devices with an IR port, beam the current drawing.
- **Delete Drawing:** Delete the drawing.

- **Rename Drawing:** change the name of a drawing.
- **Help:** View the help screen.

4.1. The Tools

The **Paintbrush** is very straightforward. Choose the paintbrush from the left menu and choose its shape from the right menu. Any contact with the drawing area will result in digital paint on the screen. Experiment with different brush shapes.

The **Eraser** tool is similar to the paintbrush except it paints white instead of black. There are two sizes.

The **Line** tool has two sizes. To draw a line, put the pen on the screen and drag it. You will see a line follow the pen. When you lift the pen from the screen, the line will be drawn.

The **Shape** tool has four options: rectangle, rounded-corners rectangle, equilateral triangle, and square. All of these shapes can be drawn filled or empty. To draw a rectangle put the pen on the screen and drag it. You will see a rectangle follow the pen. When you lift the pen from the screen, the rectangle will be drawn. Draw the other shapes using the same method.

The **Circle** tool can draw circles or ellipses (ovals). Draw the shapes in the same way that rectangles are drawn (described in the Shape tool description).

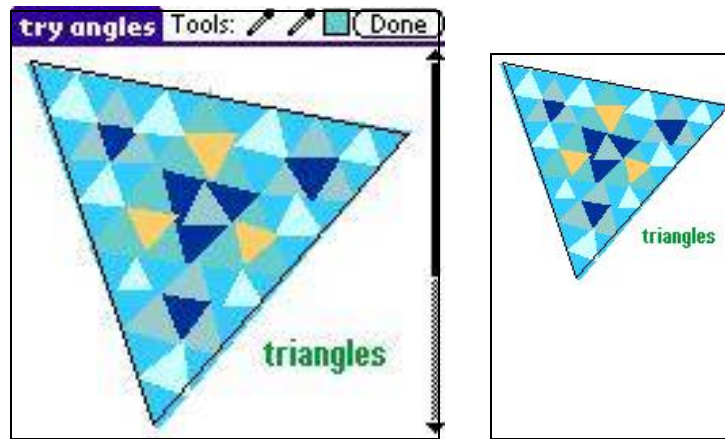
The **Text** tool can be used with one of three font sizes. To start writing, tap anywhere on the screen and use the graffiti area to write letters. If you want to determine the size of the text field, drag the pen to draw the text field and then start writing.

On color devices, the **Eye-Dropper** tool is available. This tool sets the current paint color to whatever color you tap on using the eye-dropper tool.

5. Windows Conduit

On Windows desktop computers, SimpleSketch 2 has a companion conduit. A Conduit is a program that runs during the HotSync operation that can do various things to the data on your Palm handheld. The SimpleSketch conduit will convert your SimpleSketch drawings into bitmap (BMP) files on your desktop computer.

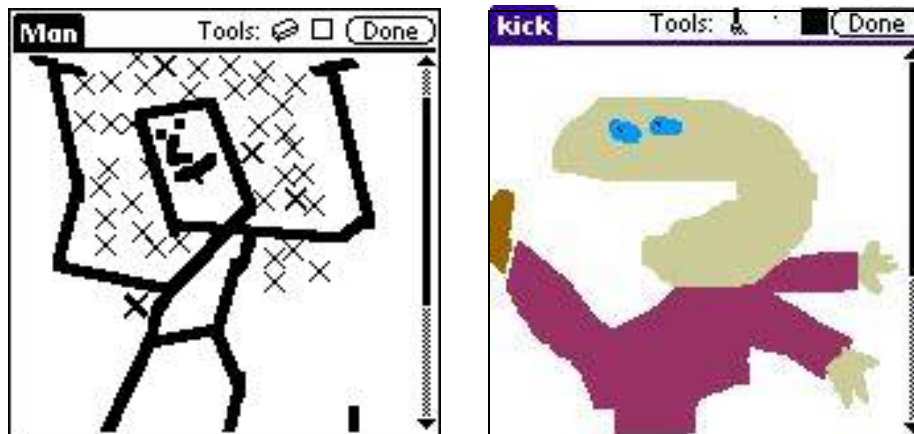
The bitmap files are created during every HotSync and are placed in a folder called “SSBmps” which is in the folder that resembles your Palm user name which is in your Backup Folder (folder/directory name may vary, see Palm handheld documentation for details). If you do not know where the Backup Folder is, do a Find-File on “SSBmps” to find the folder. Once you have found the folder, you can make a shortcut to it on your desktop or elsewhere.



For example, with a color device, the SimpleSketch drawing on the left, above, will be converted into a BMP file on the PC like the one on the right.

6. Conclusion

You may suggest features but keep in mind that we want to keep this application simple. Too many features can make an application bulky.



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