
After Install Xplanet and WinXplanetBg

Posted by nonostar - 2008/09/09 22:20

Hi,
I've installed Xplanet and WinXplanetBG on Windows XP. Xplanet start successfull and WinXplanetBG run successfull.

I read howto to configure WinXplanetBG, i download make_cloud_map.bat on forum, but earth have not cloud.

Can you help me.

Re:After Install Xplanet and WinXplanetBg

Posted by mkoe - 2008/09/09 23:37

Hello Nonostar,

when you use the make_cloud_maps.bat, you will also have to copy the config file: overlay_clouds into the config directory of xplanet. In this config file you see the needed map files.

This file looks like this:

```
"Earth"  
cloud_map=clouds_2048.jpg  
cloud_threshold=0  
map=earth.jpg      # This image needs to be cloud-free  
night_map=night.jpg  # This image needs to be cloud-free
```

Here you can see that you need these files:

```
clouds_2048.jpg  
earth.jpg  
night.jpg
```

In the make_cloud_maps.bat file you can see that xplanet is called with the parameter: -make_cloud_maps

```
xplanet -config overlay_clouds -tmpdir .\xplanet\images\ -make_cloud_maps
```

From the xplanet readme you can see that in the -tmpdir two new files are created, in this example day_clouds.jpg and night_clouds.jpg

```
-make_cloud_maps
```

If there is an entry in the config file for cloud_map, xplanet will output a day and night image with clouds overlaid and then exit. The images will be created in the directory specified by -tmpdir, or in the current directory if -tmpdir is not used. The names of the output images default to day_clouds.jpg and night_clouds.jpg, but may be changed by the -output option. If "-output filename.extension" is specified, the output images will be named "day_filename.extension" and "night_filename.extension". The dimensions of the output images are the same as the day image.

Now you have to use these two new files as your image maps on the Parameter/Xplanet Configuration/ tab:

Images:

```
map: day_clouds.jpg  
night_map: night_clouds.jpg
```

That's it. I hope this will help.

Greetings from Bremen in Germany

Markus

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Re:After Install Xplanet and WinXplanetBg

Posted by nonostar - 2008/09/10 02:17

Sorry Markus, i see config file (edit with notepad) in config folder, and i can see where i can define tmpdir ?

Now i'm in home, and i try to install xplanet and winxplanetbg on windows vista. I think run successfull because i can see clouds. I don't configure anything.

At work on windows xp, clouds not display. (i 'll tryed tomorrow).

Regards

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Re:After Install Xplanet and WinXplanetBg

Posted by mkoe - 2008/09/10 03:12

Sorry, I see that there are some backslashes are missing.

There is a problem to display the backslashes, I replaced them here with a slash.

The In the make_cloud_maps.bat file you can see that xplanet is called with the parameter: -make_cloud_maps

```
xplanet -config overlay_clouds -tmpdir ./xplanet/images -make_cloud_maps
```

In this batch file the -tmpdir is a relative path, starting from the batch directory and is ./xplanet/images"

Markus

Post edited by: mkoe, at: 2008/09/10 03:13

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Re:After Install Xplanet and WinXplanetBg

Posted by nonostar - 2008/09/10 13:14

OK but slash is on unlike system.

I must use \ on windows xp no ?

Regards

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