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Internet Browsers

Netscape Navigator 3.0

The world's most popular and influential browser, Netscape Navigator 3.0 ($49 list price) still sets the standard that its competitors must meet. Navigator supports a host of widely used enhancements to HTML, including frames. And its built-in Java support lets you make use of the wealth of Java applets now on the Internet.

Navigator's plug-in architecture, which lets you add new capabilities to the browser on the fly, has triggered an explosion of cool audio, video, multimedia, and other special formats on the Web. A clear interface, easy-to-use controls, and a straightforward setup also add to this browser's appeal. And as if browsing weren't enough, Navigator includes e-mail and news programs, an Internet telephone, and the CoolTalk collaboration program.

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