How Does ParaSheet Work?

A ParaSheet document is like any other spreadsheet, comprised of cells arranged in rows and columns. The rows are labeled, 1, 2, 3, etc., while the columns are labeled A, B, C, etc. Thus, any given cell is referred to by its row-column label, such as A4, C12, or Z195. A cell can contain either a value (such as the number “12”, the name “Lighthouse Design”, or the date “October 20, 1965") or a formula (such as “=A1+3”).

When used properly, ParaSheet can save you a considerable amount of time—in conjunction with its powerful macro language and charting engine, it can revolutionize the way you work.

Learning ParaSheet

Although we’d like to think our applications are simple enough to launch and use, we never underestimate the value of a good tutorial. We hope you will take advantage of our ParaSheet tutorial and work through its exercises. It is a wise investment that will save you hours later on.

What If The Manual Isn’t Enough?

If you’ve looked through the manual and still can’t find what you’re looking for, use the Suggestion panel to send us your question or call us directly. We’d be happy to hear from you. Our electronic mail address is **parasheeet@lighthouse.com**, or in the United States, you can dial 1-800-366-2279 toll-free (from other countries, call 1-415-570-7736). You can also fax us at 1-415-570-7787.

Thanks

Lighthouse Design is committed to putting the power of NEXTSTEP to work for everyday users. Our goal is simple: to provide truly useful tools which free you to spend your time thinking, not laboring. Thanks for your support.

Chapter 1

Welcome To ParaSheet

Welcome to ParaSheet 1.0, Lighthouse Design's traditional spreadsheet. If this is your first NEXTSTEP application, or if you are unfamiliar with NEXTSTEP, we recommend reading through your NEXTSTEP User's Guide. You should be comfortable with the basics of windows, buttons, mouse actions, and the file system before proceeding with this manual.

What Is ParaSheet?

ParaSheet is a traditional spreadsheet application, combining a familiar rows and columns interface with a powerful macro language and graphics engine. ParaSheet can be used for all of your daily financial analysis and accounting needs. ParaSheet includes an interface that will be familiar to users accustomed to the look and feel of traditional spreadsheets like Lotus 1-2-3® and Microsoft® Excel.