

CD Label Designer Manual

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CD Label Designer

User Manual

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Thank you for choosing CD Label Designer. We are certain that you won't be dissapointed with its abilities to make professional looking labels.

We hope that this manual will serve you well as an additional guide.

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Introduction

Part



1 Introduction





CD Label Designer is an application that will help you design and print CD/DVD covers, labels and booklets. It features a powerful set of design capabilities and highly configurable output options. You can enter RTF formatted text, insert pictures from number of popular formats, and draw shapes with customizable fill and borders. One of main strengths of this software is possibility to place labels anywhere on the paper or to change label size. By allowing size change, it becomes utility for printing any kind of labels or stickers, not just CD/DVD covers and labels.

From the first version of software, our users categorized **CD Label Designer** as extremely easy to use, while giving you necessary tools for designing professional looking labels. Its simplicity combined with powerful design features makes it suitable for both, home and professional use.

Features overview

- Designing **CD covers, DVD/BD boxes, booklets, disc round** and **business card** labels
- Compatible with **any printer type**
- **LightScribe** compatible
- Support for **images** ^[47], **texts** ^[52], **circled texts** ^[57] and **shapes** ^[35]
- Configurable **label size** ^[60]
- Defining unlimited number of **print layouts** ^[7] (number of which are already included in the installation)
- **RTF** (Rich Text Format) support
- **RTL** (right-to-left) languages support
- Spreadsheet-like **custom fields editor**
- **Scanner** support
- Choosing **transparent color** for images
- Image **effects and transformations** ^[50]
- **Tiled** images and backgrounds
- **Gradient style** ^[35] for shapes
- **Spine** ^[55] editing
- Reading **disc files/folders** ^[18] and placing on labels
- Reading song titles from **MP3 and WMA** ^[18] files

- Access to **CDDB**  audio discs database
- Multi-level **undo/redo**
- **Export labels**  to high quality image files
- Object **locking** to prevent accidental moving
- **Rotating** images and texts by any angle
- **Wizards** to help fast and easy label creation

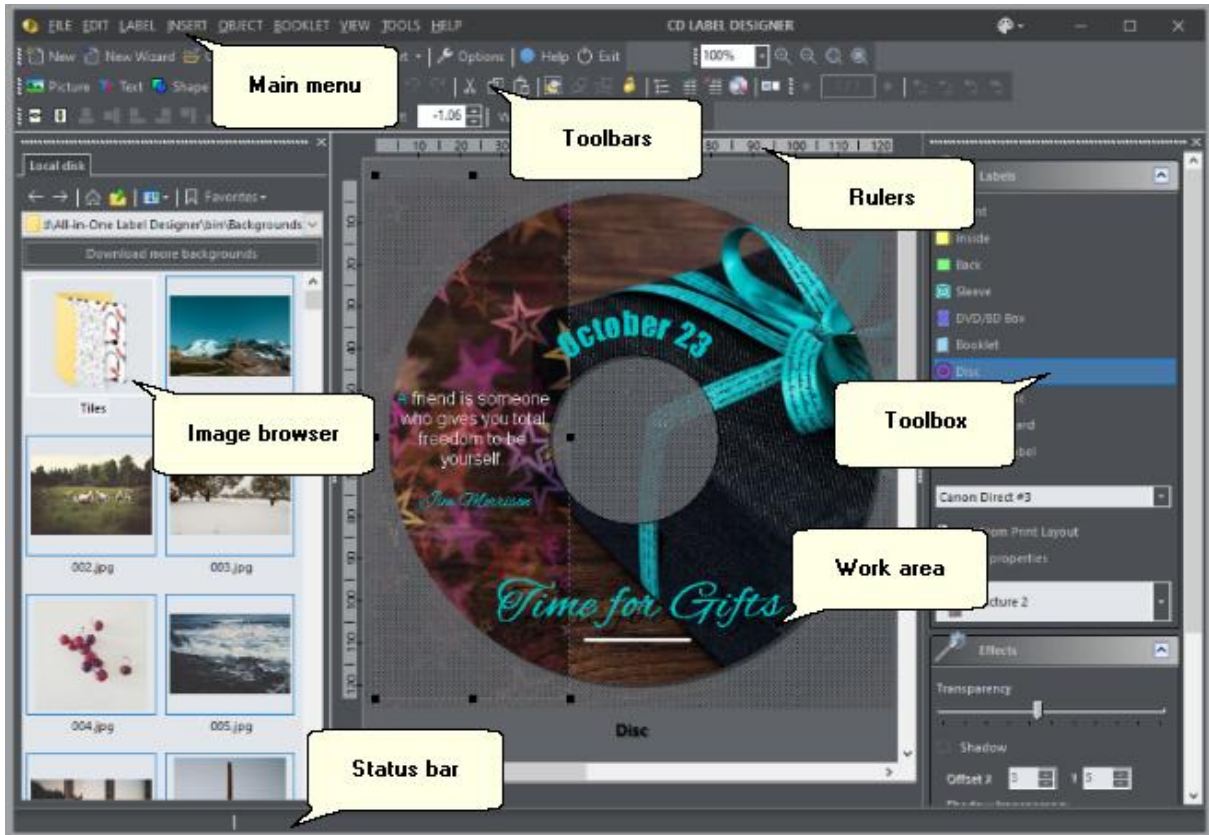
Manual content

Manual is divided into several chapters.

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|-----------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1. Introduction | Chapter Introduction (you are reading it right now) contains general information about software and about this manual. It shows basic information about main screen and explains few most important points. |
| 2. Getting started | Second chapter helps you start using CD Label Designer by explaining basic and advanced operations. |
| 3. User interface | Third chapter is a detailed reference of user interface elements such are menus, toolbars and windows. |
| 4. Other information | Last, fourth chapter contains other non-technical information. |

1.1 Main screen

On the picture you can see elements of main screen.



Main menu ²³ Use the main menu to access options of the software. Menu is divided into categories (submenus): click on any horizontal word to drop down the list of underlying options, and then click one of options.

Toolbars ²⁸ Main menu options that are often used are also accessible through toolbars. The visibility of each toolbar can be adjusted independently.

Toolbox ³² Toolbox is a handy window with mostly used object editing options, such as font for texts, fills for shapes, etc. Additionally, you can use it to select label view.

Image Browser ⁴³ Use this window to easily access images located on the local disk or on the web. To place image to design, just drag it from here.











Work area This is a main screen area for design drawing.

Status bar Status bar contains information about current cursor position on the label and short description of option under the cursor.

Rulers Use rulers as a guide while you design.

1.2 Label types

These are label types mentioned in the user interface, but please note that their usage is not limited by label names. **CD Label Designer** is initially designed for creating CD and DVD covers and labels, therefore its user interface and option names are named accordingly. Despite of that, thanks to Label Properties [\[60\]](#) and Print Layout [\[44\]](#) options, you can design any kind of labels or stickers.

-  **Front** Represents design of front CD box cover. It's a rectangular surface that easily can be resized to fit any other type of labels or stickers.
-  **Inside** Inside cover represents inner surface that is visible when CD box is opened. Technically it's a same as Front cover and its size can't be changed independently.
-  **Back** Back cover is a rectangular CD box tray insert with two spines.
-  **Sleeve** This is a template to create sleeve (envelope). You can design front and back side and they will be properly sliced and arranged so you can easily assemble the sleeve after printing. **Personal and Business edition.**
-  **DVD/BD Box** This is a rectangular insert for DVD/BD boxes with one spine in the middle of surface.
-  **Booklet** Booklet is a design that can contain more than one page. All pages are sized equally, and all have same background picture. When printed, pages are rearranged for easy assembly.
-  **Disc Label** These are round labels with a hole in the middle. Size of outer and inner diameter depends on the paper stock you have. When printed, because of simplicity, the content of the hole in the middle will not be removed. Thus,
-  **Second Disc** only inner diameter's purpose is to guide a design, but it's not necessary to be extremely precisely measured.
-  **Business Card** This is label that behaves similarly as Disc Label. You can use it to print labels for business card sized discs. **Business edition only.**
-  **Any Size Label** This is rectangular label of any size that can be used for cards, invitations, posters, mailing or shipping labels, etc.

See also

Explaining Print Layouts [\[7\]](#)

Label Properties [\[60\]](#)

Print Layout window [\[44\]](#)

1.3 Object types

On the label designs you can place three types of objects: **pictures**, **texts** and **shapes**. Additionally, there is a file (song) list that can be placed on the background of labels.

Picture

Pictures can be loaded **from disk**, acquired **from TWAIN device** such is scanner or dragged from the Web page. You can resize them (internally^[49] or just visually) or apply a number of transformations^[50] like rotation, brightness and contrast adjusting, etc. Special case of picture is a **Background picture**.

See also

Image Properties^[47]

Image Resize^[49]

Image Effects^[50]

Image Toolbox^[35]

Image Browser^[43]

Text

Text objects are RTF (Rich Text Format) enabled and, in addition to standard text object, they can be **circled** or **spine text** with similar set of options. Text can be formatted with any standard text formatting options (font styles, paragraph alignments, colors, etc). It also can be rotated by any angle.

See also

Text Edit^[52]

Text Toolbox^[34]

Shape

Shapes are meant to fulfill your design and make it more appealing. Shape can be **rectangle**, **rounded rectangle**, **circle**, **ellipse**, **diamond**, **star**, **polygon** or **line**. You can change frame properties and fill patterns (including number of types of two-color gradients).

See also


Shape Edit^[54]

Shape Toolbox^[35]


1.4 Print layouts

Print layouts are predefined paper sizes and label positions used for printing. If you use commercial paper stocks, you should create layouts for each of them.

Print layout definition files are located in **Layouts** subfolder inside common application folder (usually **C:\ProgramData\CD Label Designer\Layouts**) if installed for all users (as an administrator), or inside user's application data folder (**C:\Users\\AppData\Roaming\CD Label Designer\Layouts**) if installed for current user only. Each layout is placed in own XML file and you can easily exchange them by using provided options - you can export them to a file or import them from files or from the web.

CD Label Designer is deployed with number of popular print layouts, and hopefully you won't need to edit them. Still, if you have a different paper stock than initially supported, you can easily make  your own layout for printing.

See also

Print Layout  window

Getting started

Part




2 Getting started

2.1 Basic usage

2.1.1 Start new design

Method 1: From the main menu choose *File / New*.

Method 2: Click  (New) in the Main toolbar [17](#).

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+N** on keyboard.

See also:

Quickly make label [10](#)

Use an earlier prepared template [17](#)

Open saved label [10](#)

2.1.2 Open saved label

Method 1: From the main menu choose *File / Open*.

Method 2: Click  (Open) in the Main toolbar [17](#).

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+O** on keyboard.


See also:

Start new design [10](#)

Use an earlier prepared template [17](#)

2.1.3 Quickly make label

Method 1: From the main menu choose *File / New Label Wizard*.

Method 2: Click  in the Main toolbar [28](#).

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+W** on keyboard.

See also:

Start new design [10](#)


Use an earlier prepared template [17](#)

New Label Wizard [40](#)

2.1.4 Change label view

Method 1: From the main menu choose:

- **View / View Front**
- **View / View Inside**
- **View / View Back**
- **View / View Sleeve**
- **View / View DVD/BD box**
- **View / View Booklet**
- **View / View Disc**
- **View / View Second Disc**
- **View / View Business Card**
- **View / View Any Size**

Method 2: Click on one of buttons in a View toolbar .

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+1 to Ctrl+0** on the keyboard.

Method 4: Use Labels toolbox  actions.


2.1.5 Insert picture

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Insert / Picture**.

Method 2: Click on  in the Edit toolbar .

Method 3: Right-click on label and choose **Insert / Picture**.

Method 4: Drag image file from *Windows Explorer* and drop it to a label.

Method 5: Paste it from the clipboard .

See also:

Insert scanned picture 

Insert text 

Insert circled text 

Insert shape 

Picture Properties Window 

Picture Toolbox 

2.1.6 Insert scanned picture

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Insert / Acquire**.

Method 2: Right-click on label and choose **Insert / Acquire**.

See also:

Insert picture [11](#)

Insert text [12](#)

Insert circled text [12](#)

Insert shape [13](#)

Picture Properties Window [47](#)

Picture Toolbox [35](#)

2.1.7 Insert text

Method 1: From the main menu choose *Insert / Text*.

Method 2: Click  in the Edit toolbar [28](#).

Method 3: Right-click on a label and choose *Insert / Text*.

Method 4: Paste it from the clipboard [20](#).

See also:

Insert picture [11](#)

Insert scanned picture [11](#)

Insert circled text [12](#)

Insert shape [13](#)

Text Properties Window [52](#)

Text Toolbox [34](#)

2.1.8 Insert circled text

Method 1: From the main menu choose *Insert / Circled Text*.

Method 2: Click  in the Edit toolbar [28](#).

Method 3: Right-click on a label and choose *Insert / Circled Text*.

See also:

Insert picture [11](#)

Insert scanned picture [11](#)

Insert text [12](#)

Insert shape [13](#)

Circled Text Properties Window [57](#)

Text Toolbox 

2.1.9 Insert shape

Method 1: From the main menu choose *Insert / Shape*.


Method 2: Click  in the Edit toolbar .

Method 3: Right-click on a label and choose *Insert / Shape*.


See also:

Insert picture 

Insert scanned picture 

Insert text 

Insert circled text 

Shape Edit 

Shape Toolbox 

2.1.10 Edit spines


Method 1: From the main menu choose *Label / Edit Spines*.


Method 2: Right-click on a spine and choose *Properties*.

Method 3: Double click on a spine.

Note: *Back label* or *DVD/BD Box* view should be selected.

See also:

Insert text 

Change label view 

Spine Text Properties Window 

2.1.11 Edit object properties

Method 1: Select object and from the main menu choose *Object / Properties*.

Method 2: Select object and click on  in the Edit toolbar .

Method 3: Right-click on a object and choose *Properties*.

Method 4: Select object and press **Alt+Enter**.

Method 5: Double-click on object.

See also

Picture Properties Window [47](#)

Text Properties Window [52](#)

Circled Text Properties Window [57](#)

Spine Text Properties Window [55](#)

Shape Properties Window [54](#)

Label Properties Window [60](#)

2.1.12 Arrange objects

Method 1: Select object and from the main menu choose **Object / Arrange** submenu.

Method 2: Right-click on a object and choose **Arrange** submenu.


Method 3: Select object and use Object toolbar [29](#).


2.1.13 Rotate objects

Method 1: Select object and from the main menu choose **Object / Rotate** submenu.

Method 2: Right-click on object and choose **Rotate** submenu.

Pictures (any angle)

Method 3: Click  in the Picture toolbox [35](#) to open Image effects [50](#) window, and then choose **Rotate** option.

Method 4: Use Picture Properties [47](#) dialog, click  to open Image effects [50](#) window, and choose **Rotate** option.

Texts (any angle)

Method 3: Adjust **Angle** slider in the Text toolbox [34](#).

Method 4: Use Text Properties [52](#) dialog to enter the angle.

See also

Picture Properties Window [47](#)

Text Properties Window [52](#)

Image effects [50](#)

Picture toolbox [35](#)

Text toolbox [34](#)

2.1.14 Change background color

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Label | Background Color**.

Method 2: Right-click anywhere on working area and choose **Side Background | Background Color**.

See also

Set/Clear background picture [15](#)


2.1.15 Set/Clear background picture

Set

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Label | Set Background Picture**.

Method 2: Right-click anywhere on working area and choose **Side | Set Background Picture**.

Method 3: Right-click on a picture object and choose **Picture | Set As Background**.

Method 4: Click  in the Picture toolbox [35](#).

Clear

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Label | Clear Background Picture**.

Method 2: Right-click anywhere on working area and choose **Side Background | Clear Background Picture**.

See also:

Change background color [15](#)

Picture properties [47](#)

2.1.16 Save design

Method 1: From the main menu choose **File | Save**.

Method 2: Click  in the Main toolbar [28](#).

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+S** on keyboard.

Change name and save: From the main menu choose **File | Save As...**

See also


Start new design [10](#)

Open saved label [10](#)

2.1.17 Print label

Step 1

Method 1: From the main menu choose **File / Print**.

Method 2: Click  in the Main toolbar [28](#).

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+P** on keyboard.

Step 2

Select appropriate layout and click **Print** or **LightScribe** button.

See also:

[Print layouts overview](#) [7](#)

[Print Layout Window](#) [44](#)

2.2 Advanced usage

2.2.1 Design templates

Step 1

Design your template in a same way you design regular label. You can set sizes, place initial pictures and texts, choose colors, etc.

Step 2

Choose **File / Save As...**, change **File Type** to "CD Label Designer Template Files (*.clt)" and choose name.

After this, your label template is ready and you can use it by choosing **File / New From Template** and **File / New Label Wizard** options. You can also make it a **default template** in Options dialog^[66].

Default template (**Default.clt**) is loaded when you choose **File / New** option.

See also:

Use earlier prepared template^[17]

2.2.2 Use a template

First you must prepare one or more template designs as described in previous topic^[17].

Directly

Method 1: From main menu choose **File / New From Template**.

Method 2: Press **Ctrl+T** on keyboard.

From the New Label Wizard

Start New Label Wizard^[40] and on **Page 1 (General)** choose desired template file.

Note: By choosing **File / New** option, CD Label Designer loads default template file (**Default.clt**). To change **default template**, either edit it directly by opening it by **File / Open** menu option or use Options | Defaults^[66].

See also:

Design templates^[17]

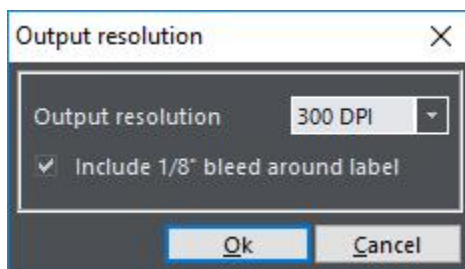
Quickly make label^[10]

New Label Wizard^[40]

[Options | Defaults](#)

2.2.3 Export label

From the main menu choose **File | Export** to save label picture to a disk. You can print this picture with some other software or send it to the printing office. After selecting file name you should choose **export resolution** for the best results. If you are not sure what resolution to use, it's best to ask your printing service company, but generally you probably don't want to go below 300 DPI or 600 DPI. In addition, you can also choose to include a so-called "**bleed**" around label edges, which is often required by printing companies. The bleed should contain a background extended by 1/8 inch (3 mm) on each side and it shouldn't contain any texts or important parts of design. While designing, in the main screen bleed area is indicated by dashed border around label.



Exporting booklets

Booklets usually have more than one page. Some image formats support multiple pages in one file, like TIFF. If you choose **TIFF** for your export format, pages will be saved to a single file with separate pages. If any other format is used, CD Label Designer will export each page in the separate file and add page number to the file name.

2.2.4 Make print layout

For the reference about print layouts see:

[Print layouts overview](#)

[Print Layout window](#)

2.2.5 Read drive or CDDB

CDDB (CD DataBase) is free web service that collects large number of audio CD titles. It is supported by CD Label Designer - if you insert audio CD in your drive and start this option, application will connect to this database and retrieve album and songs titles if they exist. If more than one match is found you will be able to choose the one you prefer.

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Label | Read Drive/CDDB**.

Method 2: Click  in the Edit toolbar [\[28\]](#).

Method 3: Press **Ctrl+F12** on keyboard.

Method 4: In the File List dialog [\[61\]](#) click on  in the toolbar.

If **data CD** is in drive, software will read file/folder structure and place it on the label.

If it's an **audio CD (CDA)**, software will contact **CDDB** over internet.

If it's a **data CD** and it contains **MP3** or **WMA** files, software will automatically read file tags and search for song titles.

See also:

Options | CDDB [\[68\]](#)

Format file list [\[19\]](#)

2.2.6 Format file list

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Label | File/Songs List**.

Method 2: Right-click on label and choose **File/Song List**.

Formatting options can be set In File List dialog [\[61\]](#).

See also:

File List dialog [\[61\]](#)

Read drive or CDDB [\[18\]](#)

2.2.7 Change label dimensions

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Label | Properties**.

Method 2: Deselect all objects and click  on the Edit toolbar [\[28\]](#).

Method 3: Right-click on label (NOT at objects and NOT at background if it exists) and choose **Properties**.

Method 4: Deselect all objects and press **Alt+Enter** on keyboard.

Method 5: Double-click somewhere on work area (NOT at object and NOT at background if it exists).

Get label dimensions from an existing Print Layout

Method 6: From the main menu choose **Label | Get From Print Layout option**.

Method 7: Click  on the Edit toolbar [\[28\]](#).

Method 8: Click  **Get From Print Layout** action in the Label toolbox [32](#).

See also:

Label Properties dialog [60](#)

Label toolbox [32](#)

2.2.8 Configure application

Method 1: From the main menu choose **Tools / Configuration Wizard**.

Method 2: From the main menu choose **Tools / Options**.

Method 3: Click  (**Options**) on the Main toolbar [28](#).

Method 4: Press **Ctrl+F** on keyboard.

See also:

Configuration Wizard [38](#)

Options dialog [63](#)

2.2.9 Clipboard operations

CD Label Designer uses clipboard to transfer objects from one label to another. In addition, you can exchange information between CD Label Designer and other applications, too. **Texts** are copied to the clipboard in RTF (Rich Text Format) format so you can copy text object to word processing application. And vice versa - you can copy part of text from word processing application and paste it to the label. **Pictures** are also copied in its native format, which means that you can exchange them between different application in a similar way.

User interface

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3 User interface

This is a detailed reference of user interface elements such are menus, toolbars and windows.

- Main menu [23](#)
- Toolbars [28](#)
- Toolbox [32](#)
- Dialogs [38](#)








3.1 Main menu

Use the main menu to access options of the software. Menu is divided into categories (submenus): click on any horizontal word to drop down the list of underlying options, and then click one of options.

- File menu ^[23]
- Edit menu ^[23]
- Label menu ^[24]
- Insert menu ^[24]
- Object menu ^[25]
- Booklet menu ^[26]
- View menu ^[27]
- Tools menu ^[27]







3.1.1 File menu

This menu contains basic file operations for creating, saving and printing designs.

 New	Ctrl+N	Open new design from the default template ^[66]
 New Wizard ^[40]	Ctrl+W	Answer a series of questions to quickly make a design
New From Template	Ctrl+T	Open new design from the selected template
 Open	Ctrl+O	Open previously saved design
 Save	Ctrl+S	Save current design
Save As...		Save current design while choosing new file name
Close		Close current design
 Export ^[18] ▶		Export submenu: export labels to a picture files
Printer Setup		Choose printer and set its options
 Print ^[44]	Ctrl+P	Print current design
Recent Files ▶		Submenu of recently opened files
 Exit		Close application

3.1.2 Edit menu

This menu contains options for clipboard operations ^[20] and undo/redo options.













 Undo	Ctrl+Z	Undo last operation
 Redo	Ctrl+Y	Redo last operation
 Cut	Ctrl+X	Cut selection to the clipboard ²⁰
 Copy	Ctrl+C	Copy selection to the clipboard ²⁰
 Paste	Ctrl+V	Paste clipboard ²⁰ content
 Select All	Ctrl+A	Select all objects on the label

See also

Clipboard operations ²⁰






3.1.3 Label menu

This menu contains general label options, such are background and file/song list options.

 Background Color		Change label background color
 Set Background Picture		Choose label background picture
 Clear Background Picture		Clear label background picture
 Background Properties		Set label background picture properties
 File/Song List ⁶¹		Edit file or song list and set its options
 Increase Columns	Ctrl+=	Increase number of file/song list columns
 Decrease Columns	Ctrl+-	Decrease number of file/song list columns
 Read Drive/CDDDB ¹⁸	Ctrl+F12	Read content of drive
 Custom Fields ⁵⁸		Edit custom fields
 Edit Spines ⁵⁵		Edit Back cover or DVD/BD box spines
 Get From Print Layout		Get label dimensions from an existing print layout
 Label Properties ⁶⁰		Label properties (label sizes)















3.1.4 Insert menu










This menu contains options for inserting new objects.

 Picture <small>47</small>	Insert picture from disk
 Acquire	Insert picture from scanner or other TWAIN device
 Shape <small>35</small>	Insert shape
 Text <small>52</small>	Insert text object
 Circled Text <small>57</small>	Insert circled text object

3.1.5 Object menu







This menu contains options that are applied to the object or group of objects.

 Delete	Del	Delete selected objects
 Group	Ctrl+G	Group selected objects
 Ungroup	Ctrl+U	Ungroup selected groups
 Lock Object	Ctrl+L	Lock selected objects
Arrange ▶		Arrange submenu
 Center to Page Horizontally		Center objects to page (horizontally)
 Center to Page Vertically		Center objects to page (vertically)
 Center Horizontally	Ctrl+E	Center objects inside selection bounds (horizontally)
 Center Vertically	Ctrl+R	Center objects inside selection bounds (vertically)
 Align Left		Align selected objects to the left edge of selection bounds
 Align Right		Align selected objects to the right edge of selection bounds
 Align Top		Align selected objects to the top edge of selection bounds
 Align Bottom		Align selected objects to the bottom edge of selection bounds
Move Up	Ctrl+PgUp	Move object one step up in Z-order
Move Down	Ctrl+PgDn	Move object one step down in Z-order
 Move to Front	Ctrl+Alt +PgUp	Move object to the front in Z-order
 Move to Back	Ctrl+Alt +PgDn	Move object to the back in Z-order

Rotate ▸		Rotate submenu
 Rotate right for 90°		Rotate object to the right for 90°
Rotate for 180°		Rotate object for 180°
 Rotate left for 90°		Rotate object to the left for 90°
Picture ▸		Picture submenu
 Set As Background		Set selected picture as a background picture
 Reset image		Reset image (optimize resolution)
 Reset size		Reset size of the selected picture (revert to the actual size)
 Reset Ratio Keep Width		Changes picture's height so its aspect ratio becomes equal to original
 Reset Ratio Keep Height		Changes picture's weight so its aspect ratio becomes equal to original
Replace Image		Replace image, but keep object position, size, effects...
Object Background Color		Choose background color of the object
Transparent Color		Choose transparent color of the selected picture
 Properties	Alt+Enter	Selected object properties. If no object is selected, it opens label properties 

















3.1.6 Booklet menu

Booklet menu contains options to manage booklet pages.

 Previous page	Select previous page
 Next page	Select next page
 Add page	Add new page to the end
 Delete page	Delete selected page
 Move page left	Move selected page one step to left
 Move page right	Move selected page one step to right



3.1.7 View menu

This menu contains view options, like zoom, label selection and styles.

	Style ▸		User interface style submenu
	Toolbars ▸		Toolbar ²⁸ visibility submenu
	View Front	Ctrl+1	View front cover
	View Inside	Ctrl+2	View inside cover
	View Back	Ctrl+3	View back cover
	View Sleeve	Ctrl+4	View sleeve
	View DVD/BD Box	Ctrl+5	View DVD/BD box cover
	View Booklet	Ctrl+6	View booklet
	View Disc	Ctrl+7	View disc label
	View Second Disc	Ctrl+8	View second disc label
	Business Card	Ctrl+8	View business card
	View Any Size Label	Ctrl+0	View any size label
	Zoom In	Ctrl+I	Zoom in
	Zoom Out	Ctrl+U	Zoom out
	Zoom Selected		Zoom to fit selected objects
	Zoom Page		Zoom to fit current label

3.1.8 Tools menu

This menu contains options for configuration.

	Configuration Wizard ³⁸		Configure most important options through this wizard
	Options Language ⁶³	Ctrl+F	Configure application options Change user interface language










3.2 Toolbars

Main menu options that are often used are also accessible through toolbars. The visibility of each toolbar can be adjusted independently.

- Main toolbar [\[28\]](#)
- Edit toolbar [\[28\]](#)
- Object toolbar [\[29\]](#)
- Zoom toolbar [\[30\]](#)
- View toolbar [\[30\]](#)
- Size toolbar [\[31\]](#)
- Booklet toolbar [\[31\]](#)






3.2.1 Main toolbar

















This toolbar contains several most important options of the software.

	New	Open new design from the default template [66]
	New Wizard	Answer a series of questions to quickly make a design [40]
	Open	Open previously saved design
	Save	Save current design
	Print [44]	Print current design
	Export [18] ▶	Export submenu: export labels to a picture files
	Options [63]	Configure application options
	Help	Open help file
	Exit	Close application

3.2.2 Edit toolbar











Edit toolbar contains several editing options from the Object, Edit and Label submenu.

	Insert picture [47]	Insert picture from disk
	Insert text [52]	Insert text object
	Insert shape [35]	Insert shape
	Insert circled text [57]	Insert circled text object
	Delete	Delete selected objects

 Properties	Selected object properties. If no object is selected, it opens label properties ^[60]
 Get From Print	Get label dimensions from an existing print layout
Layout	
 Undo	Undo last operation
 Redo	Redo last operation
 Cut	Cut selection to the clipboard ^[20]
 Copy	Copy selection to the clipboard ^[20]
 Paste	Paste clipboard ^[20] content
 Select All	Select all objects on the label
 Group	Group selected objects
 Ungroup	Ungroup selected groups
 Lock Object	Lock selected objects
 File/Song List ^[61]	Edit file or song list and set its options
 Increase Columns	Increase number of file/song list columns
 Decrease Columns	Decrease number of file/song list columns
 Read Drive/Cddb ^[18]	Read content of drive
 Custom Fields ^[58]	Edit custom fields

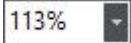




3.2.3 Object toolbar

Object toolbar contains object arrange options.

 Center to Page Horizontally	Center objects to page (horizontally)
 Center to Page Vertically	Center objects to page (vertically)
 Center Horizontally	Center objects inside selection bounds (horizontally)
 Center Vertically	Center objects inside selection bounds (vertically)
 Align Left	Align selected objects to the left edge of selection bounds
 Align Right	Align selected objects to the right edge of selection bounds
 Align Top	Align selected objects to the top edge of selection bounds
 Align Bottom	Align selected objects to the bottom edge of selection bounds
 Move Up	Move object one step up in Z-order
 Move Down	Move object one step down in Z-order












3.2.4 Zoom toolbar

Zoom toolbar contains zoom options. In the *Zoom percent* field you can type arbitrary zoom level - use **Enter** key to confirm.

	Zoom percent	Zoom percent value
	Zoom In	Zoom in
	Zoom Out	Zoom out
	Zoom Selected	Zoom to fit selected objects
	Zoom Page	Zoom to fit current label


3.2.5 View toolbar

Use view toolbar to quickly switch between labels.

	View Front	View front cover
	View Inside	View inside cover
	View Back	View back cover
	View Sleeve	View sleeve
	View DVD/BD Box	View DVD/BD box cover
	View Booklet	View booklet
	View Disc	View disc label
	View Second Disc	View second disc label
	Business Card	View business card
	View Any Size Label	View any size label
	Label Properties	Label properties (label sizes)





3.2.6 Size toolbar

Size toolbar can be used to change size and position of selected object.

X position	Distance from the left edge of label
Y position	Distance from the top edge of label
Width	Width of object
Height	Height of object
 Lock ratio	Lock object ratio

3.2.7 Booklet toolbar

Booklet toolbar contains options to manage booklet pages.

Booklet pages	Current page number, total number of pages and <i>Previous</i> and <i>Next</i> page buttons
 Add page	Add new page to the end
 Delete page	Delete selected page
 Move page left	Move selected page one step to left
 Move page right	Move selected page one step to right

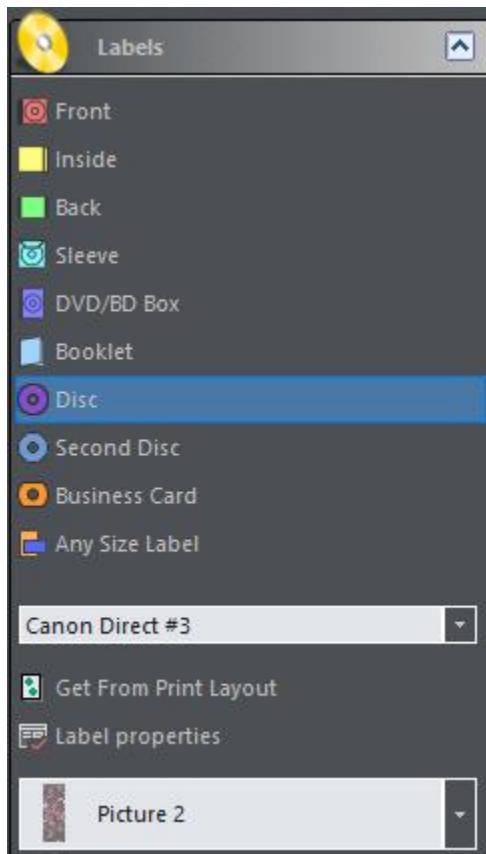
3.3 Toolbox




Toolbox is a handy window with mostly used object editing options, such is font for texts, fills for shapes, etc. Additionally, you can use it to select label view.










- Labels toolbox^[32]
- Effects toolbox^[33]
- Text toolbox^[34]
- Picture toolbox^[35]
- Shape toolbox^[35]

3.3.1 Labels toolbox

Labels toolbox is another shortcut for the View menu^[27] options (another shortcut is View toolbar^[30]).

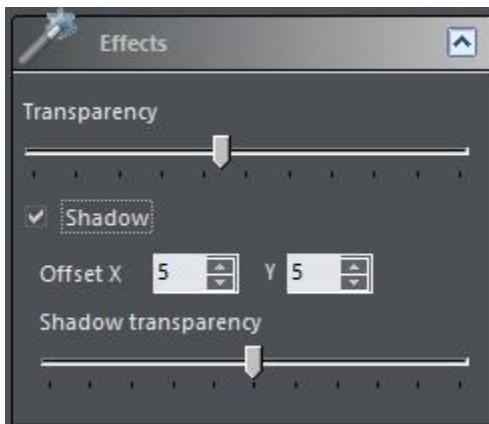


- | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------|
|  Front | View front cover |
|  Inside | View inside cover |
|  Back | View back cover |

	Sleeve	View sleeve (envelope)
	DVD/BD Box	View DVD/BD box cover
	Booklet	View booklet
	Disc	View disc label
	Second Disc	View second disc label
	Business Card	View business card
	Any Size Label	View any size label
	Layout name	Quickly select printing template for the current label
	Get From Print	Get label dimensions from an existing print layout
	Layout	
	Label Properties	Label properties (label sizes)
	Object Selector	Use to quickly preview and select objects placed on the current label

3.3.2 Effects toolbox

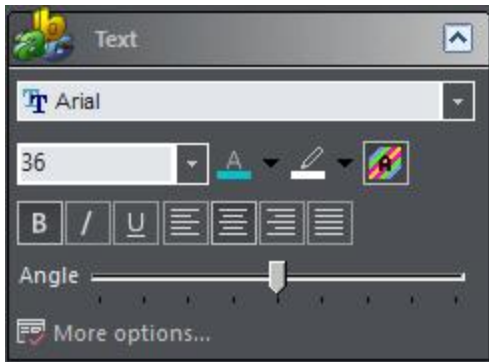
Effects toolbox contains several special effects options applicable to all types of objects (texts, images, shapes).

















Transparency	The level of global transparency of selected objects (0 - 100%)
Shadow	Draw drop-shadow
Offset X, Y	Shadow offset relative to object position
Shadow transparency	The level of shadow transparency (0 - 100%)

3.3.3 Text toolbox

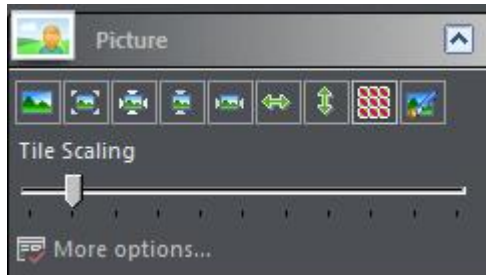
Text toolbox is a set of shortcuts for more important text editing options. Full set of options is accessible through Text Edit⁵²⁾ window. Text formatting options apply to whole text in the object, while formatting through Text Edit⁵²⁾ window allows different styles in the same text object.



 Arial	Font name	Choose font for text
 36	Font size	Choose font size
 A	Font color	Choose font color
	Background color	Choose background color
	Background transparent	Turn on/off background transparency
 B	Bold	Font bold
 /	Italic	Font italic
 U	Underline	Font underline
	Align left	Align paragraphs to left
	Centered	Center paragraphs
	Align right	Align paragraphs to right
	Justify	Justify paragraphs to both, left and right
	Angle	Change text angle
 More options ⁵²⁾	More options	Open Text Properties window

3.3.4 Picture toolbox

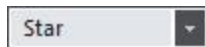
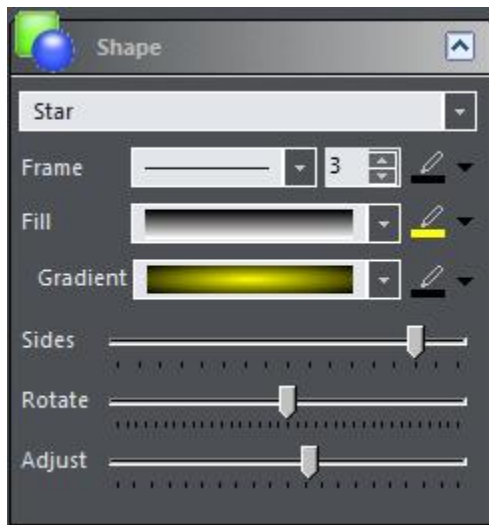
Text toolbox is a set of shortcuts for more important picture editing options. Full set of options is accessible through Picture Edit^[47] window.



- Set As Background** Set selected picture as a background picture
- Resize picture**^[49] Resize picture internally (optimize resolution)
- Reset size** Reset size of the selected picture (revert to the actual size)
- Reset Ratio Keep Width** Changes picture's height so its aspect ratio becomes equal to original Width
- Reset Ratio Keep Height** Changes picture's width so its aspect ratio becomes equal to original Height
- Flip horizontally** Flip picture horizontally
- Flip vertically** Flip picture vertically
- Tile** Turn on/off picture tiling
- Picture effects** Open *Picture Effects* window
- Tile Scaling**^[50] Use slider to adjust size of single tile
- More options**^[47] Open *Picture Properties* window

3.3.5 Shape toolbox

Shape toolbox is a set of shape editing options.



Shape type

Change shape type. Available options:

- Rectangle
- Rounded Rectangle
- Circle
- Ellipse
- Diamond
- Star
- Polygon
- Line Top
- Line Center Horiz.
- Line Bottom
- Line Left
- Line Center Vert.
- Line Right
- Line Forward Diagonal
- Line Backward Diagonal



Frame line type

Type of frame line



Frame width

Width of shape frame



Frame color




Color of shape frame



Fill style

Change fill style. Available options:

- Solid
- Clear
- Horizontal lines
- Vertical lines
- Backward diagonal lines

		<ul style="list-style-type: none">▪ Forward diagonal lines▪ Cross▪ Diagonal cross▪ Gradient
	Fill color	Color of shape fill (first color for gradient)
	Gradient style	Gradient style (available only if Fill style is Gradient)
	Second gradient color	Second gradient color (available only if Fill style is Gradient)
	Round	Percent rounded (available only if Shape type is Rounded Rectangle)
	Sides	If shape type is Star or Polygon , the Round slider becomes Sides slider, used to select number of sides that star or polygon has
	Rotate	Rotate shape from -180 to 180 degrees (Star , Polygon or Diamond)
	Adjust	Adjust Star shape (arm depth)

3.4 Dialogs

This is a reference of program windows.

- Configuration Wizard [\[38\]](#)
- New Label Wizard [\[40\]](#)
- Print dialog and print layouts [\[44\]](#)
- Picture Properties [\[47\]](#)
- Image Resize [\[49\]](#)
- Image Effects [\[50\]](#)
- Text Properties [\[52\]](#)
- Spine Text Properties [\[55\]](#)
- Circled Text Properties [\[57\]](#)
- Shape Properties [\[54\]](#)
- Custom Fields [\[58\]](#)
- Label Properties [\[60\]](#)
- File List [\[61\]](#)
- Options [\[63\]](#)

3.4.1 Configuration Wizard

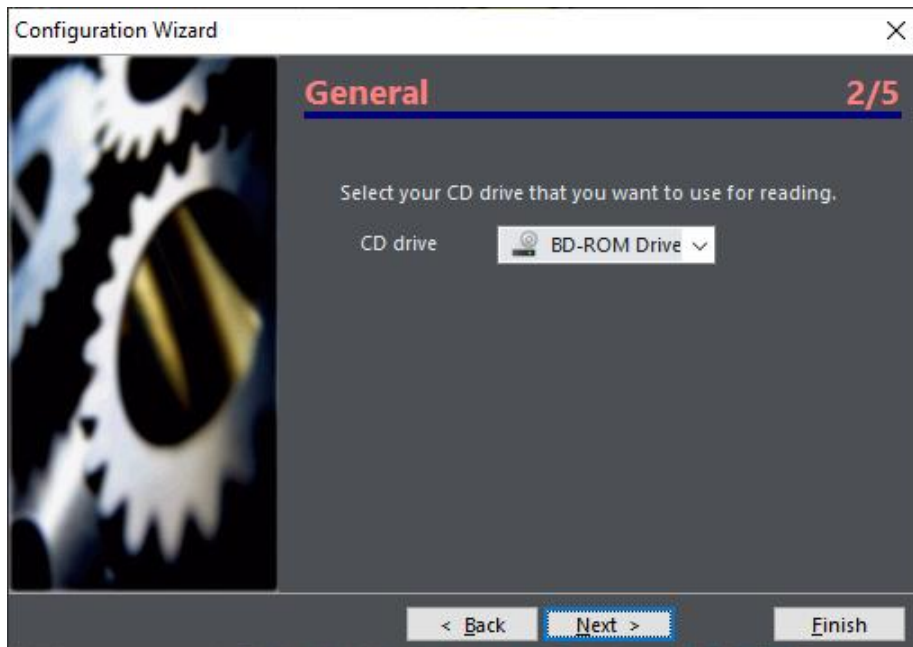
At the first start of **CD Label Designer**, **Configuration Wizard** will appear to let you set vital options for proper application working. You can also run this wizard later by selecting **Options | Configuration Wizard** option in the main menu.

The wizard will guide you through configuration pages. When you set or check all options on one page, click **Next** button to go to next step.

Page 1 – Introduction

Introduction page.

Page 2 – General



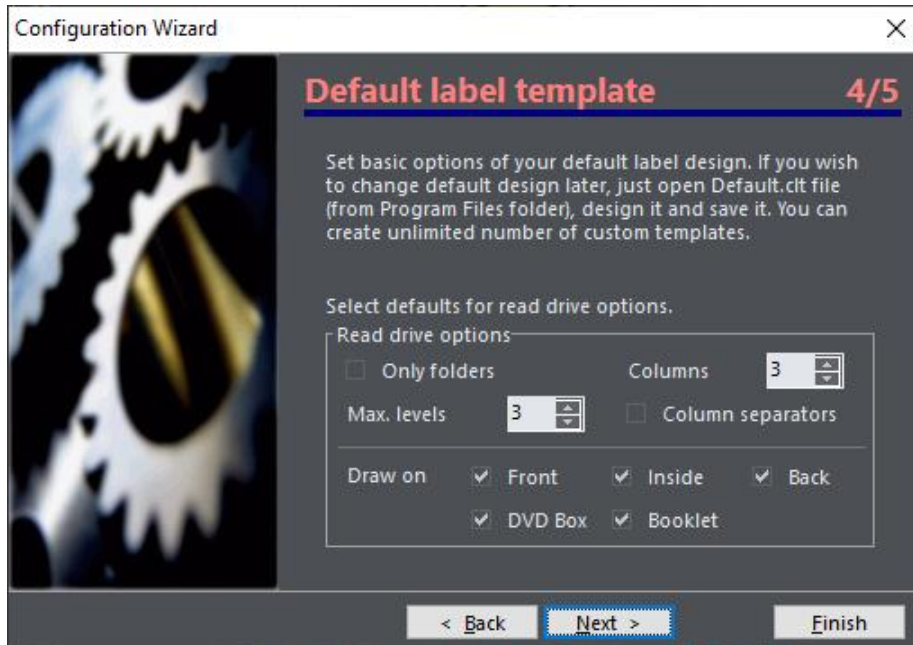
Check and set **CD drive** option in order to **Read drive** option works the way you wish.

Page 3 – CDDB



Enable or disable CDDB option, input server and your proxy settings.

Page 4 – Default label template



Set some of default options for new labels. Other options you can set if you load **Default.clt** file into application and saving it afterwards. For other information about creating templates see Design templates^[17] topic.

Page 5 – Finish page

Finish page.

See also

Options^[63]

3.4.2 New Label Wizard

When you need fast creating of labels, use this option. Wizard will ask you very few questions before label is being created. When you set or check all options on one page, click **Next** button to go to next step. Your settings will be remembered so you don't need to set them again when you run this option next time.

Page 1 – General



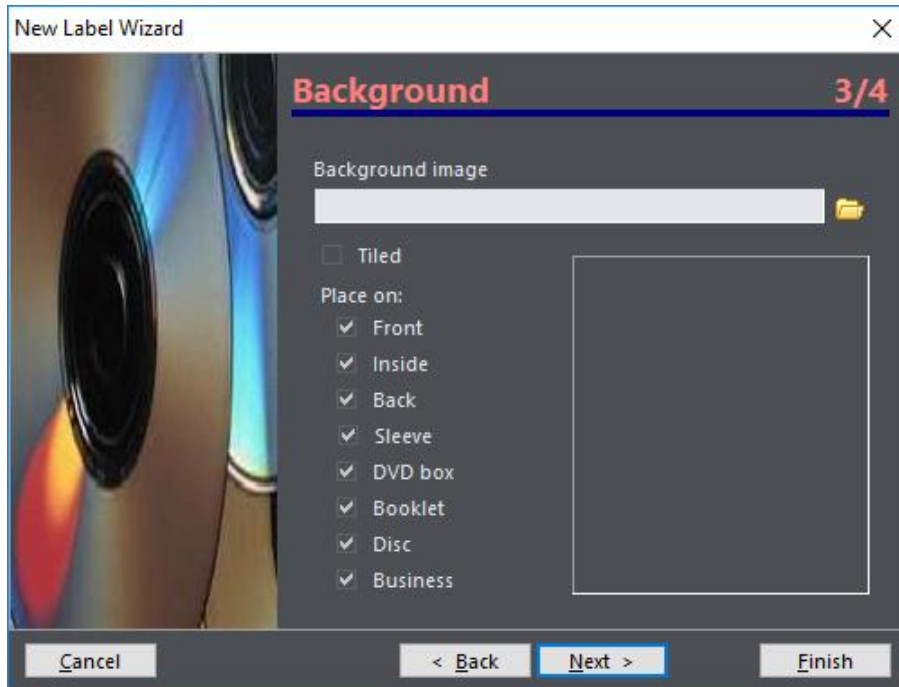
Select template file (if you want to) and enable/disable drive reading (or Cddb). **Replace title for audio CDs** means that after successful retrieving of album data from Cddb, title defined on next page will be replaced with Author/Album name.

Page 2 – Title



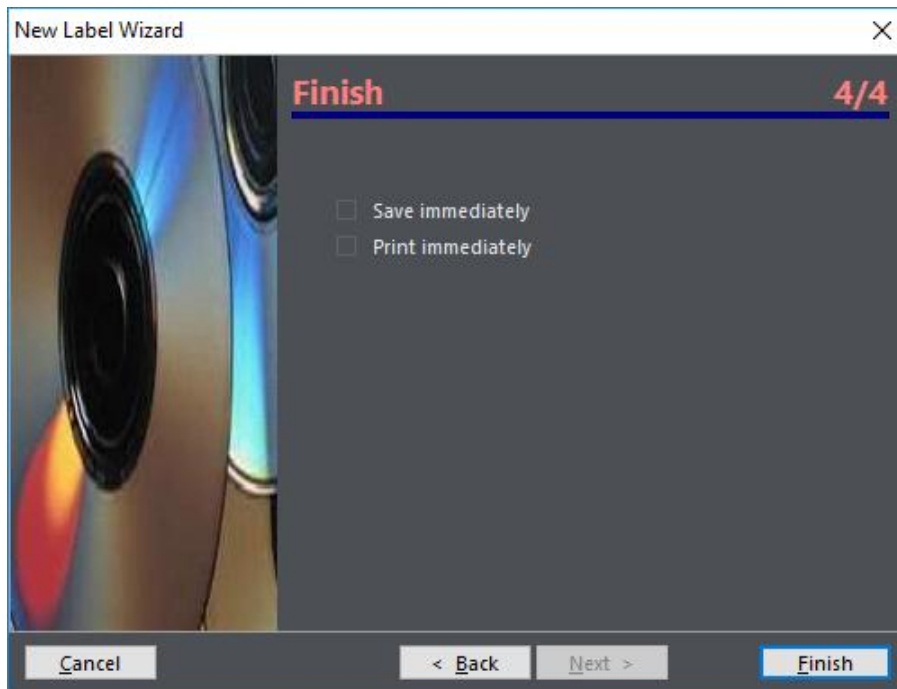
Set title of disc, choose font and select labels where it will be placed.

Page 3 – Background



Choose image for design background, set **Tiled** option and select labels where background will be placed.

Page 4 - Finish

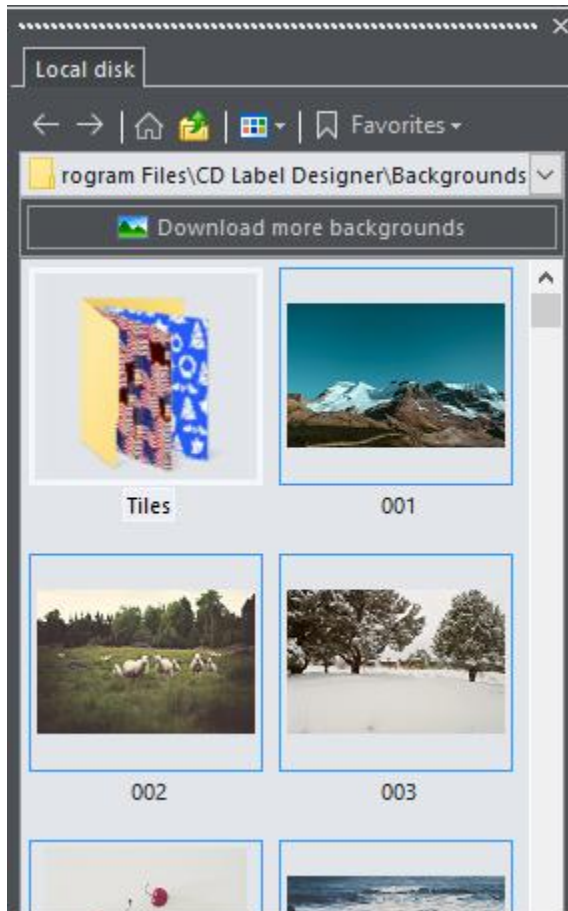


If you want to open **Save** or **Print** dialog right away, check these options on. When you finish, click on **Finish** button. You can abandon creating any time by clicking at **Cancel** button.

3.4.3 Image Browser

Use Image Browse panel to find and place images more easily. To place image on the label, simply drag it from the Image Browser.

Local disk



This is a window similar to Windows Explorer. You can browse through folders of local, portable or network disk, change view type (list, icons, thumbnails, ...) and save most visited folders to **Favorites** section. **Download more backgrounds** button will access our server to retrieve more quality backgrounds. Note that trial version will not download every image available, just high resolution of those already present on the hard disk.

See also

[Image properties](#)⁴⁷

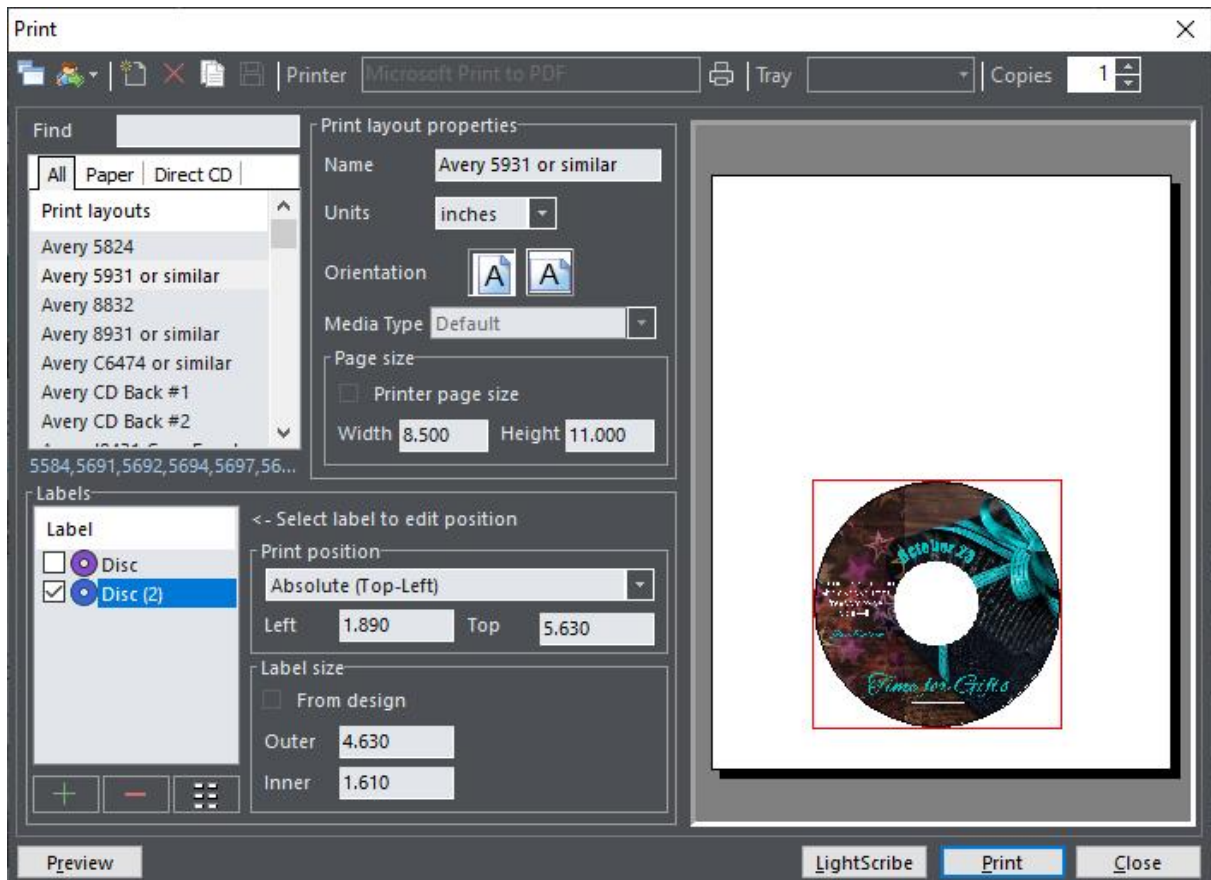
[Image resize](#)⁴⁹

[Image effects](#)⁵⁰









3.4.4 Print dialog and print layouts

Note: You can view general information about print layouts in the introductory topic⁷.

When you choose **Print** option, window similar to this will appear.



Toolbar

	Compact	Turn on and off compact dialog. Compact dialog doesn't contain editing options, just print layout list and simple preview.
	Exchange ▶	Exchange layouts with others
	Import from file	Import XML file from the disk
	Import from URL	Import XML file from the WWW (note: proxy settings  must be configured)
	Export to file	Export layout to XML file
	New	Create new print layout
	Delete	Delete currently selected print layout
	Copy layout	Create a copy of selected layout for further editing
	Save	Save currently selected print layout
	Printer Setup	Choose printer and its options
	Tray	Select paper source tray (bin) to use

CopiesNumber of copies to print

Print layouts

This is a list of installed print layouts. Create, delete and edit layouts and choose the layout you want to be printed.

Print layout properties


Edit layout properties.

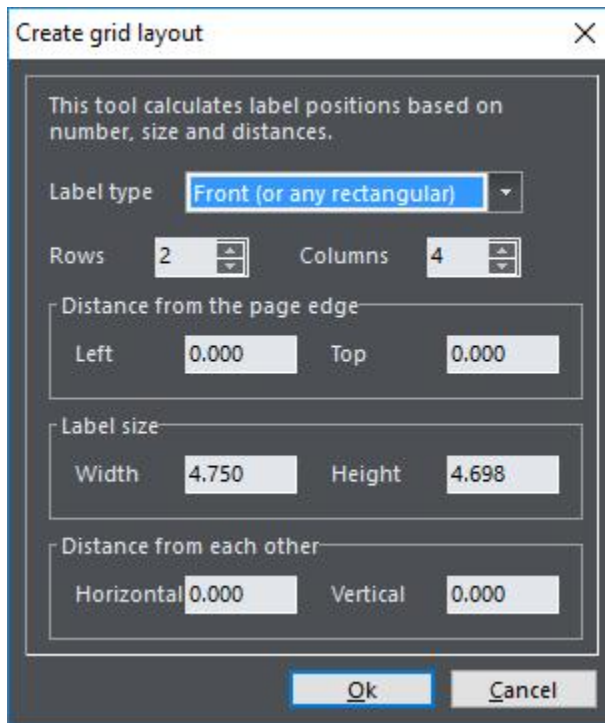
- **Name**
 - **Units**
 - **Orientation**
 - **Media Type** (select disc or type of paper)
 - **Printer page size** (if this option is on, page setup will be retrieved from the selected printer)
 - **Custom page size** (if Printer page size is off, here you can edit custom paper size)
-

Labels

In this area you can add (+) or delete (-) individual labels and define their positions. Position can be **Absolute (Top-Left)**, **Aligned** to other label or **Absolute (Center)**. If you choose absolute (top-left) position, you should enter distance of label from left and top edges of paper. Similarly, if you choose absolute (center) position, you should enter position of center of label. This is particularly useful when label size is set to **From design**. In that case, center of label will remain same regardless of size.

If you select aligned position, you will be able to select other label to align with. In this case, if you change position of one label, the other will be moved automatically.

Additionally, you can use a  button to easily create a grid-like layout. Just define number of rows and columns, distances from paper edges and from each other, and software will automatically create a complete layout for you.



Before printing, use check boxes next to label names to turn off labels that you don't want to be printed this time.

Simple preview

Here you can see rough sample of printout. To see high quality preview click on **Preview** button.

LightScribe

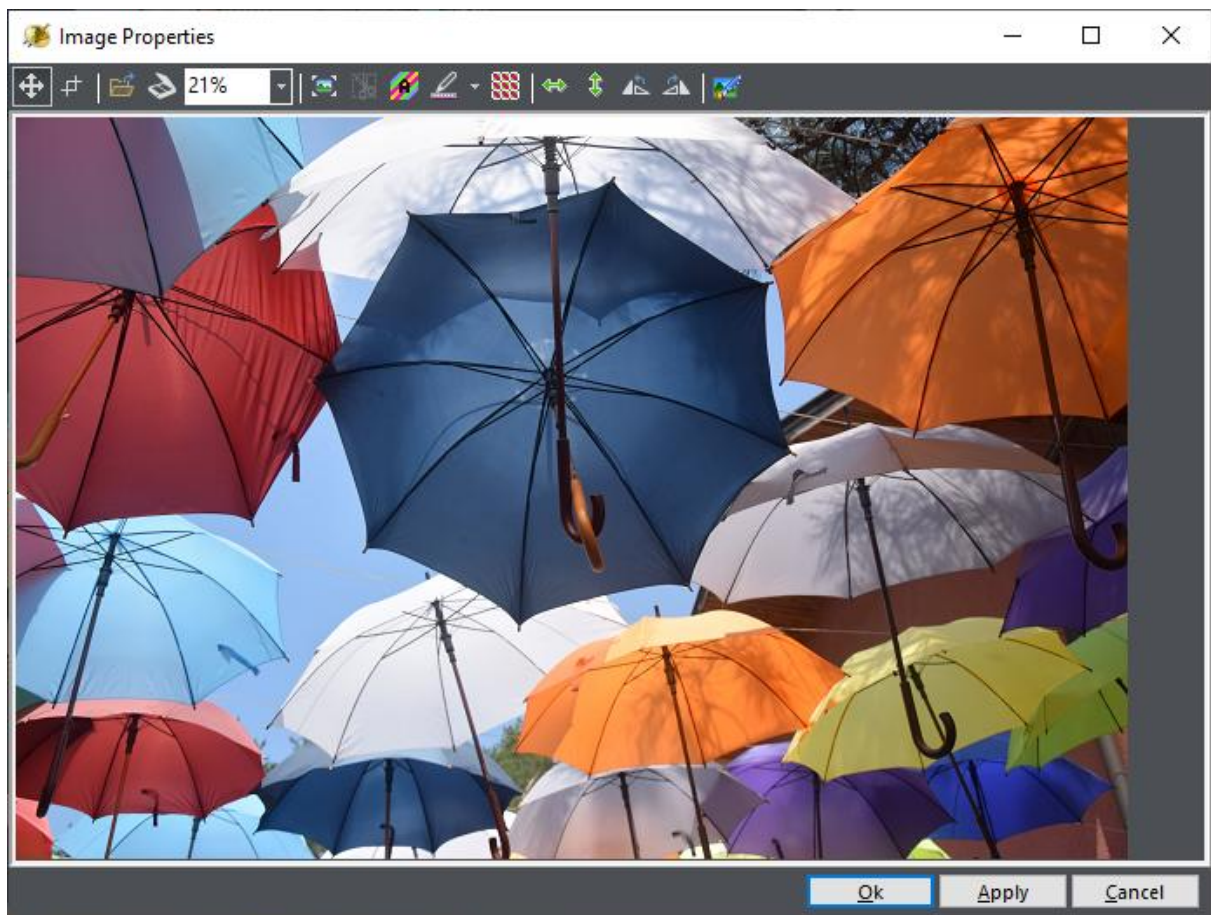
By clicking on the **LightScribe** button, instead to the printer, your design will be sent to a LightScribe compatible device (if present on the system).














See also



[Print layouts overview](#)

3.4.5 Image Properties

Edit pictures with this dialog.



- | | |
|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
|  Pan mode | When selected, use mouse to pan images that are too large for the window size |
|  Select mode | When selected, use mouse to mark part of image |
|  Load image | Load image from the disk |
|  Scan / Acquire | Scan / acquire image from the scanner or other TWAIN device |
| Zoom | Zoom level |
|  Resize image <small>49</small> | Change internal image size |
|  Crop | Crop to previously selected (see  above) portion of image |
|  Transparent | Transparency on/off |
|  Transparent color | Choose transparent color. Click on button and then at image to get color from the screen. Note that from v9.0 we introduced color tolerance of about 10%. |
|  Tiled | Image tiled in the placeholder. Otherwise it will be stretched |
|  Flip horizontally | Flip image horizontally |
|  Flip vertically | Flip image vertically |
|  Rotate left | Rotate image left for 90° |

-  **Rotate right** Rotate image right for 90°
-  **Image effects** ⁵⁰ Open image effects dialog. *Note:* image effects are not available for PNG images with alpha channel

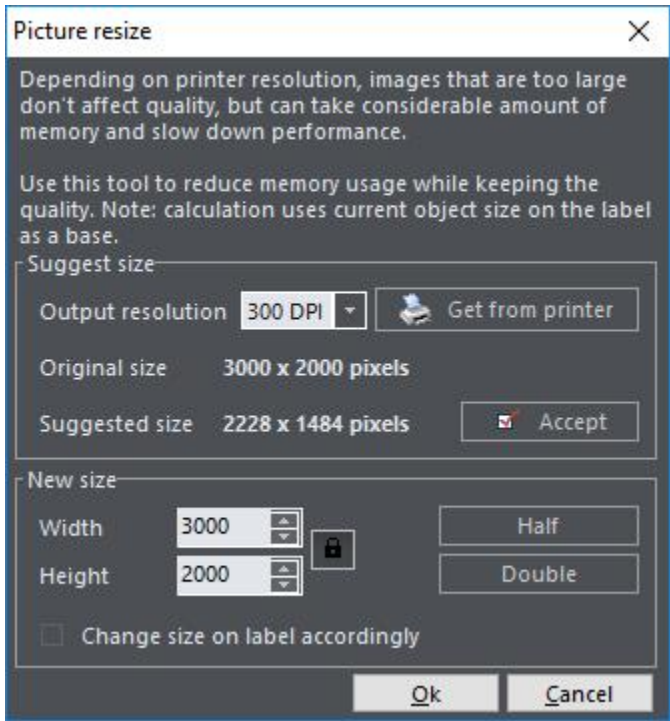
See also

- Image resize ⁴⁹
- Image effects ⁵⁰

3.4.6 Image Resize (Optimize)

Although it's possible to resize pictures directly on label (by dragging black square handles), internally, software still keeps original image. This way it ensures that best possible quality will be used while printing label. If you put extremely large picture to the label (for example, scanned high resolution image), sometimes it will use too much computer memory and reduce performance. In this case it would be advisable to **internally resize image** to improve memory usage while keeping same quality of printouts.

Another possible use of this option is to change size of one tile in case when **Tiled** option is used.



Suggest size

Output resolution Choose desired DPI resolution (Dots Per Inch). Note that you can (and

it's usually recommended) set smaller resolution than maximum printer resolution. While printing, images are resized by using **optimized algorithm** that assures maximum quality. For example, if your printer's resolution is **600 DPI**, you can safely set this value to **300 DPI**. In this case, image will use approximately 1/4 of memory than 600 DPI image, but you probably won't be able to notice any loss of printout quality.

Get from printer	Get default printer resolution
Original size	Original image size
Suggested size	Suggested new size for the image (based on DPI setting above and original size)
Accept	Accept suggested size. When clicked, suggested size will be transferred to New size values.

New size

Width	New image width
Height	New image height
Lock	Lock aspect ratio, to prevent image deformation
Half / Double	Set the new size to half / double of the current size
Change size on label	When checked, image boundaries on the label will be adjusted

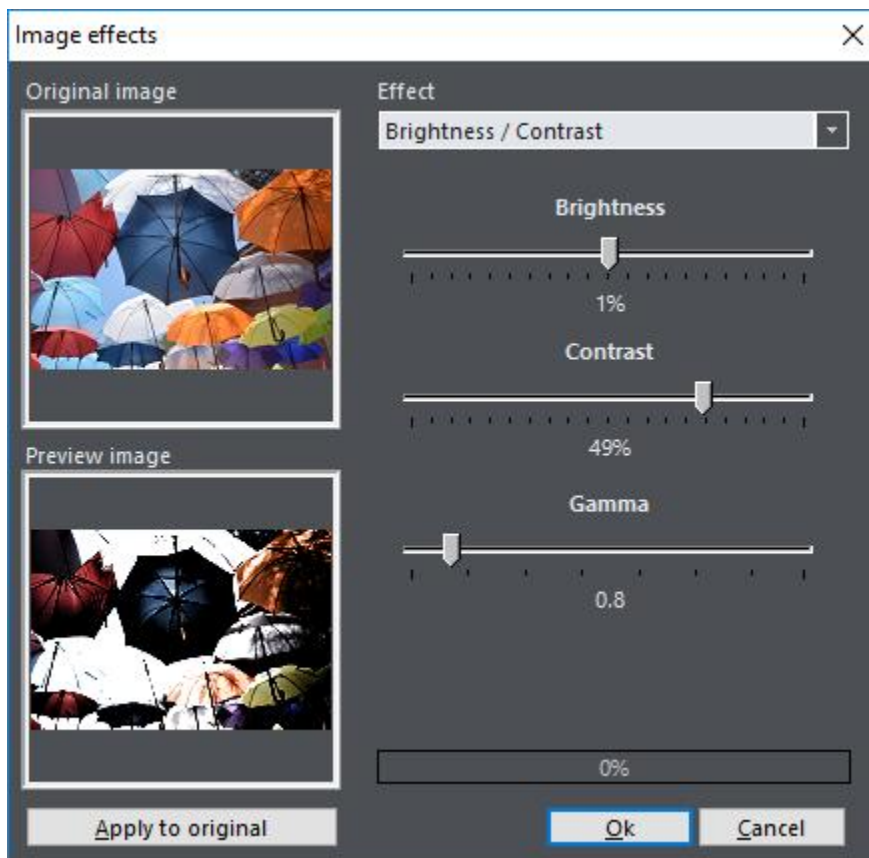
See also

Image properties [47](#)

Image effects [50](#)

3.4.7 Image Effects

Use this window for basic image transformations. Main idea is to save user from using another image editing software to apply simple effects.



Brightness / Contrast	Brightness, contrast and gamma transform
Reduce colors	Reduce number of image colors (dithering option is available)
Smooth	Smooth image
Negative	Invert colors
Rotate	Rotate for arbitrary angle
Skew	Skew image horizontally
Emboss	Emboss effect (colored, light, medium, dark)
Blur	Several blur methods
Edge	Edge enhancing and detection
Sharpen	Several sharpen methods
Miscellaneous	Miscellaneous effects (Glow, Prewitt, Trace, etc)

Note: image effects are not available for PNG with alpha channel.

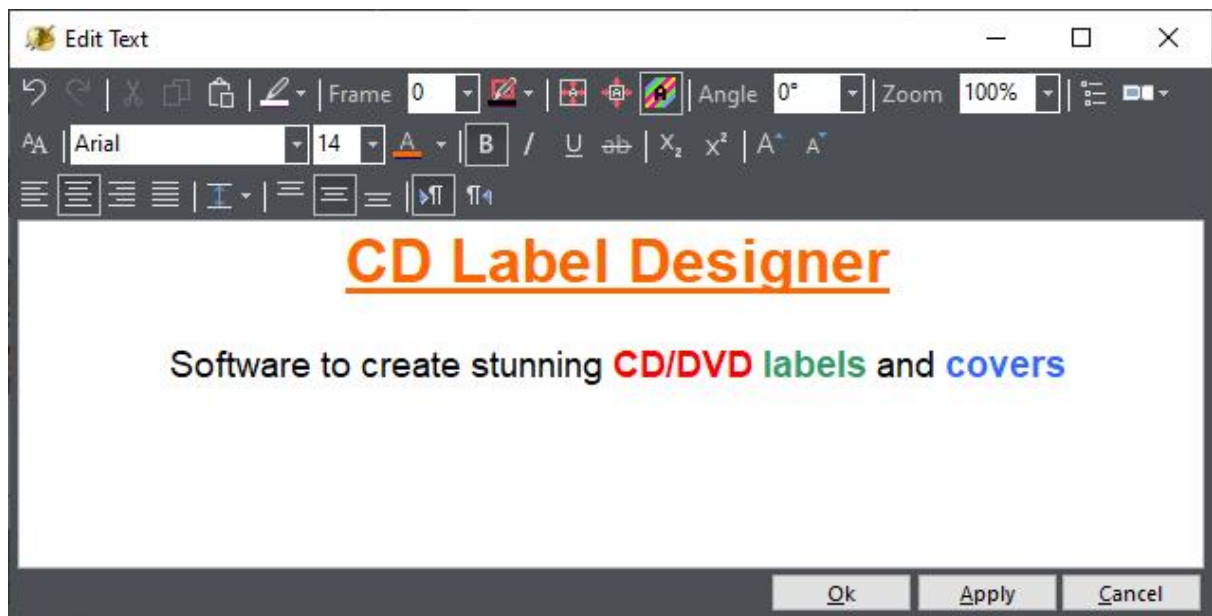
See also

Image properties [47](#)











Image resize [49](#)





3.4.8 Text Properties

Use this dialog to edit text objects. As you can see in the screenshot, it is possible to mix formatting, fonts and colors for each word/letter individually, similarly as you would do with regular word processing application.















Object related settings











	Undo	Undo last operation
	Redo	Redo last operation
	Cut	Cut selected text to clipboard
	Copy	Copy selected text to clipboard
	Paste	Paste text from clipboard
	Background color	Choose background color (not used if transparent)
	Frame width	Frame line width
	Frame color	Frame line color
	Stretch text to frame	Stretch text to text object boundaries. Note: if you are not satisfied with stretched text quality, enlarge Font size
	Autosize	Automatically adjust frame size to fit size of the text
	Transparent	Transparent background

	Angle	Text angle (any value between 0 and 360 is allowed)
	Zoom	Zoom text (only in editor, not affecting design font size)
	Read drive/CDDDB	Read drive/CDDDB list and put it into text box
	Custom Fields	Edit or insert custom fields




Font and character formatting

	Change font	Open standard font change window
	Font name	Change font name
	Font size	Change font size
	Text color	Change text color
	Bold	Font bold
	Italic	Font italic
	Underline	Font underline
	Strikeout	Font strikeout
	Subscript	Font subscript
	Superscript	Font superscript
	Increase font	Increase selected font size by one
	Decrease font	Decrease selected font size by one

Paragraph formatting

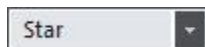
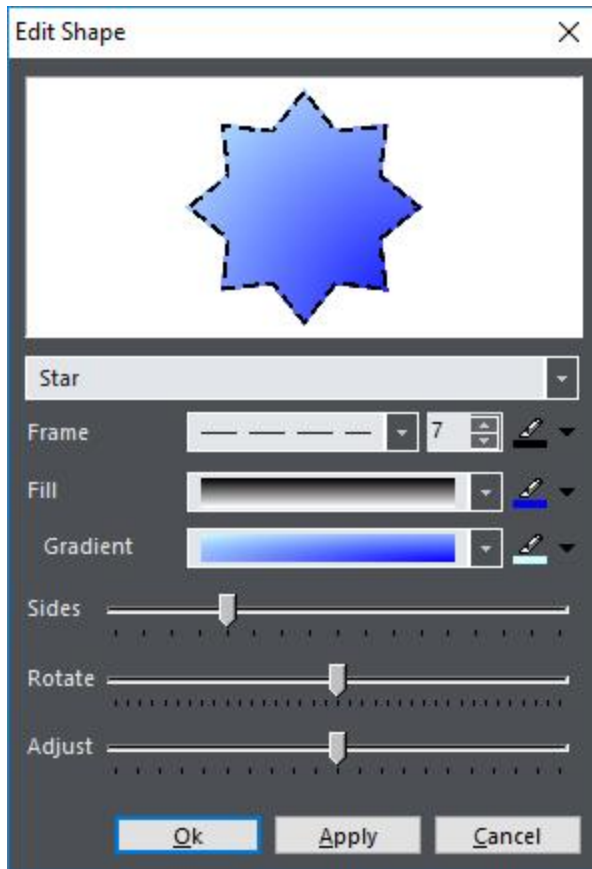
	Align left	Align paragraph to the left
	Centered	Center paragraph
	Align right	Align paragraph to the right
	Justified	Justify paragraph to both sides
	Line Spacing	Available options 1.0, 1.15, 1.5, 2.0, 2.5 and 3.0
	Align top	Align text to the top
	Centered vertically	Center text vertically
	Align bottom	Align text to the bottom
	Left to right (LTR)	Consider paragraph as left-to-right regardless of language
	Right-to-left (RTL)	Consider paragraph as right-to-left regardless of language

See also

- Spine Text Properties 
- Circled Text Properties 
- Custom Fields 

3.4.9 Shape Edit








Here you can edit shape properties, like shape type, colors, etc.



Shape type

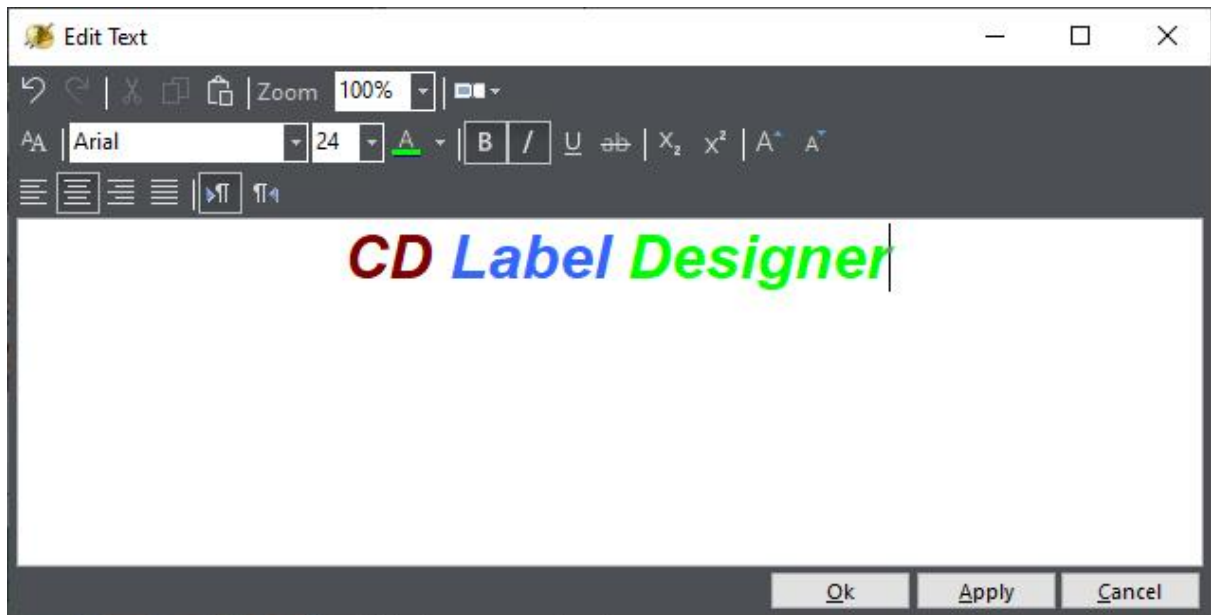
Change shape type. Available options:

- Rectangle
- Rounded Rectangle
- Circle
- Ellipse
- Diamond
- Star
- Polygon
- Line Top
- Line Center Horiz.
- Line Bottom
- Line Left
- Line Center Vert.








		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Line Right ▪ Line Forward Diagonal ▪ Line Backward Diagonal
	Frame line type	Type of frame line
	Frame width	Width of shape frame
	Frame color	Color of shape frame
	Fill style	Change fill style. Available options: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Solid ▪ Clear ▪ Horizontal lines ▪ Vertical lines ▪ Backward diagonal lines ▪ Forward diagonal lines ▪ Cross ▪ Diagonal cross ▪ Gradient
	Fill color	Color of shape fill (first color for gradient)
	Gradient style	Gradient style (available only if Fill style is Gradient)
	Second gradient color	Second gradient color (available only if Fill style is Gradient)
	Round	Percent rounded (available only if Shape type is Rounded Rectangle)
	Sides	If shape type is Star or Polygon , the Round slider becomes Sides slider, used to select number of sides that star or polygon has
	Rotate	Rotate shape from -180 to 180 degrees (Star , Polygon or Diamond)
	Adjust	Adjust Star shape (arm depth)

3.4.10 Spine Text Properties










Use this dialog to edit case cover spine text. As you can see in the screenshot, it is possible to mix formatting, fonts and colors for each word/letter individually, similarly as you would do with regular word processing application.



Object related settings







	Undo	Undo last operation
	Redo	Redo last operation
	Cut	Cut selected text to clipboard
	Copy	Copy selected text to clipboard
	Paste	Paste text from clipboard
	Zoom	Zoom text (only in editor, not affecting design font size)
	Custom Fields 	Edit or insert custom fields

Font and character formatting

	Change font	Open standard font change window
	Font name	Change font name
	Font size	Change font size
	Text color	Change text color
	Bold	Font bold
	Italic	Font italic
	Underline	Font underline
	Strikeout	Font strikeout
	Subscript	Font subscript
	Superscript	Font superscript
	Increase font	Increase selected font size by one

 **Decrease font** Decrease selected font size by one

Paragraph formatting

-  **Align left** Align paragraph to the left
-  **Centered** Center paragraph
-  **Align right** Align paragraph to the right
-  **Justified** Justify paragraph to both sides
-  **Left to right (LTR)** Consider paragraph as left-to-right regardless of language
-  **Right-to-left (RTL)** Consider paragraph as right-to-left regardless of language

See also

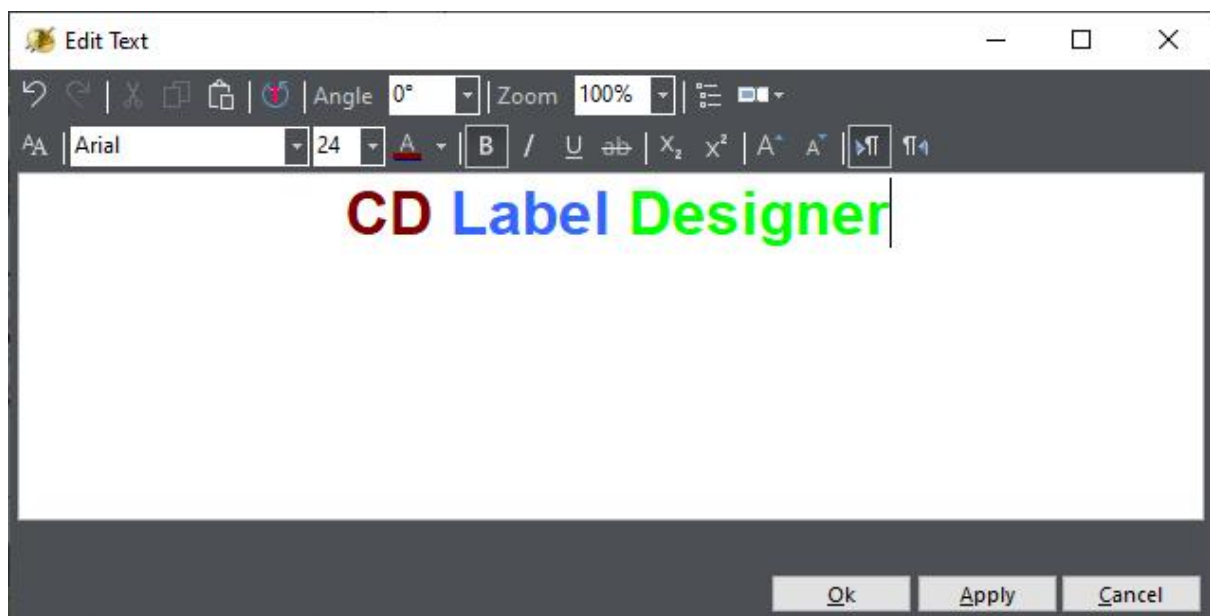
Text Properties [52](#)

Circled Text Properties [57](#)










Custom Fields [58](#)

3.4.11 Circled Text Properties













Use this dialog to edit circled text objects. As you can see in the screenshot, it is possible to mix formatting, fonts and colors for each word/letter individually, similarly as you would do with regular word processing application.



Object related settings

 Undo	Undo last operation
 Redo	Redo last operation
 Cut	Cut selected text to clipboard
 Copy	Copy selected text to clipboard
 Paste	Paste text from clipboard
 Direction	Circled text direction
Angle	Text angle (any value between 0 and 360 is allowed)
Zoom	Zoom text (only in editor, not affecting design font size)
 Read drive/CDDDB	Read drive/CDDDB list and put it into text box
 Custom Fields 	Edit or insert custom fields

Formatting

 Change font	Open standard font change window
Font name	Change font name
Font size	Change font size
 Text color	Change text color
 B Bold	Font bold
 / Italic	Font italic
 U Underline	Font underline
 Strikeout	Font strikeout
 X₂ Subscript	Font subscript
 X² Superscript	Font superscript
 A[^] Increase font	Increase selected font size by one
 A_^ Decrease font	Decrease selected font size by one
 Left to right (LTR)	Consider paragraph as left-to-right regardless of language
 Right-to-left (RTL)	Consider paragraph as right-to-left regardless of language

See also

Text Properties 

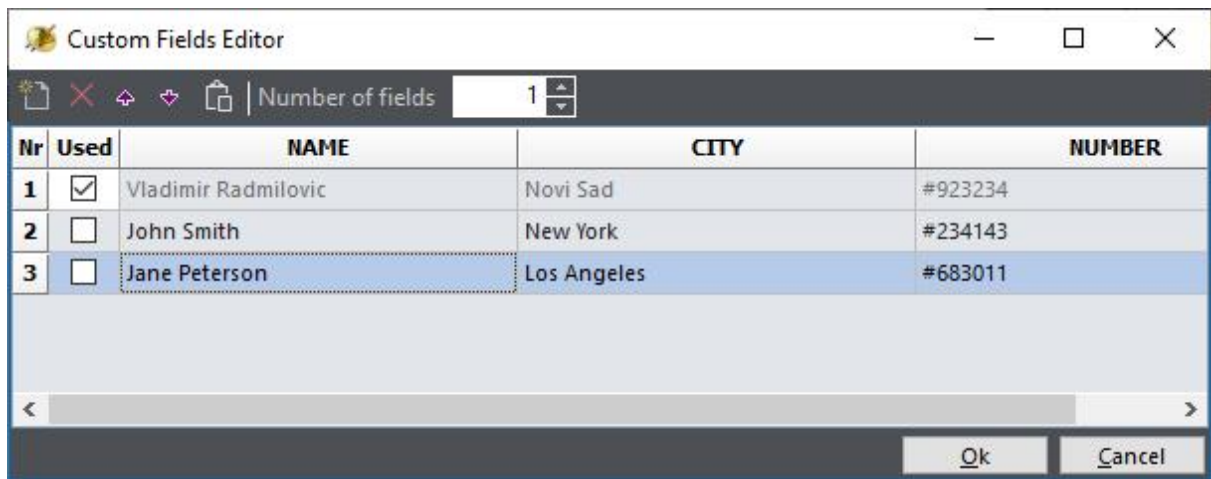
Spine Text Properties 

Custom Fields 

3.4.12 Custom Fields

With CD Label Designer you can maintain list of custom dynamic texts that you can place on the labels. Once when record (row) is printed, software will mark it and the next one will be used in the

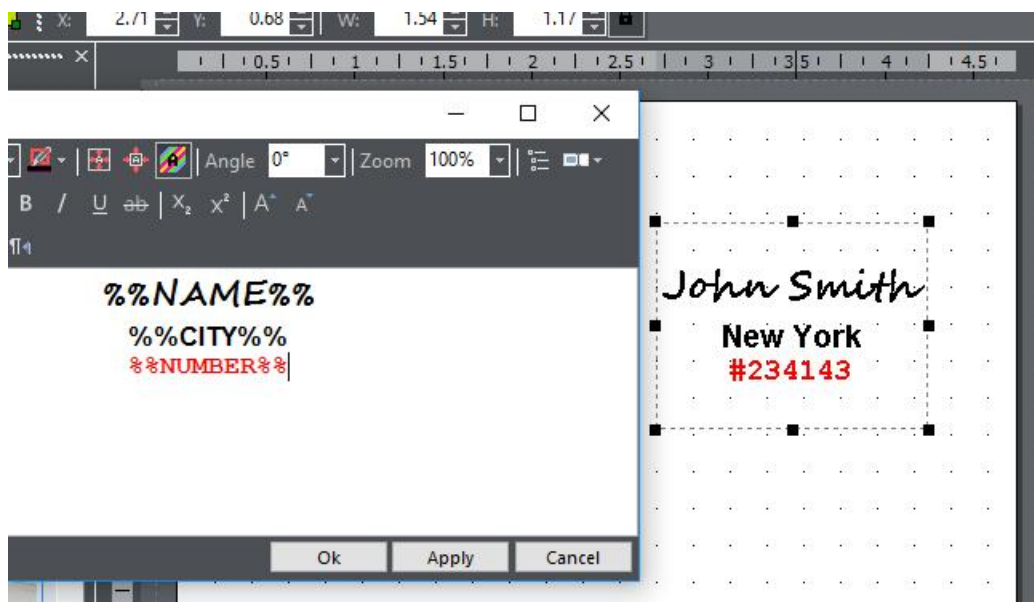
future (in this case you'll **need to save design file** after printing).



Custom fields editor window is similar to spreadsheet applications such as MS Excel. You can define number of fields, give them a name and type values. You can also change **Used** column to control which record will be printed next.

Using custom fields

To use custom fields, simply type `%%<FIELD_NAME>%%` somewhere in the text. You can also use **Custom Fields** drop-down button to insert fields more easily. As with regular text, format each field according to your preference.



In this screenshot you can see how the text object and its output looks like. Note that output contains data from the **first unused** record.

See also

[Text Properties](#) ⁵²

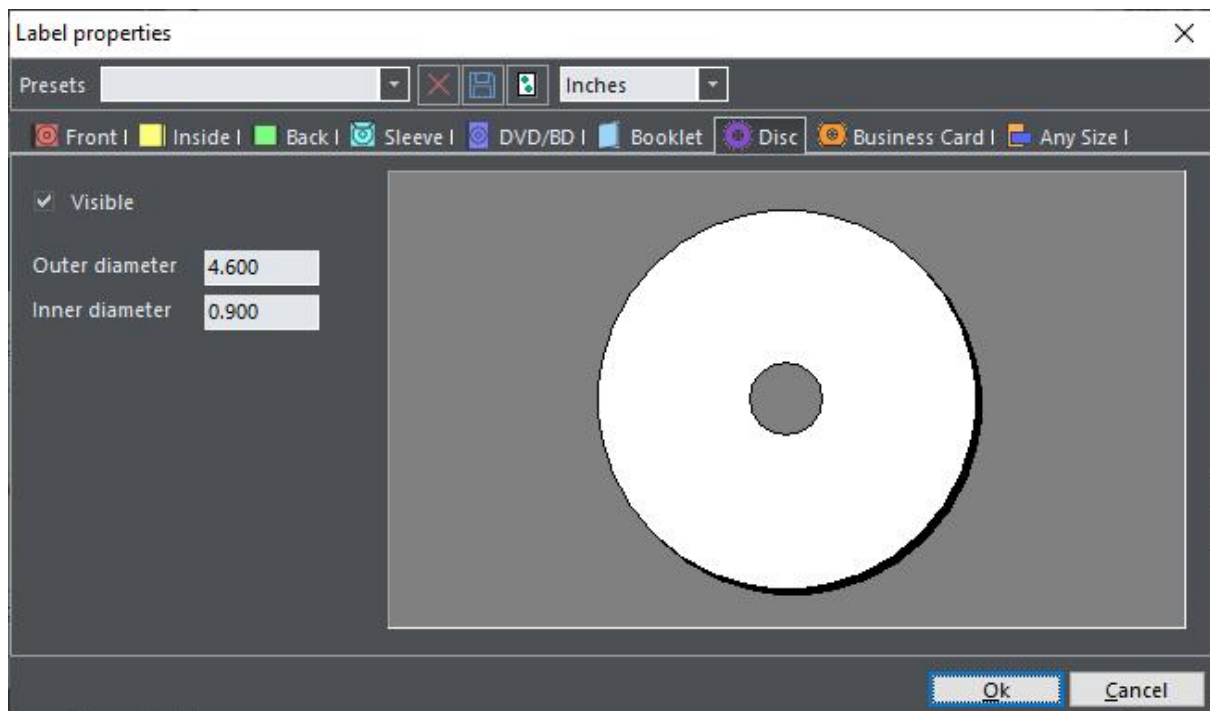
[Spine Text Properties](#) ⁵⁵

[Circled Text Properties](#) ⁵⁷

3.4.13 Label Properties

Use Label Properties window to change label dimensions.

It's important to understand that, in general, label dimensions changing is not mandatory, although it does help the design process. Different manufacturers produce differently sized pre-made labels, and that sizes should be entered in the print layout ⁷. When printing, CD Label Designer **automatically resizes** label to the correct size defined in the print layout. As long as size difference is not too large, you will still get high quality outputs.



Presets


Choose item from the list to get dimensions from the pre-defined preset.


Delete preset

Delete selected preset

Save preset	Save current dimensions to the preset
Get from Print Layout	Get dimensions from the print layout. After you choose print layout from the list, only labels that are contained in the layout will be changed, while other labels will remain unchanged. Thus, you can consecutively choose more than one layout . For example: select Avery disc layout, and then select Neato cover layout.
Units	Measurement units

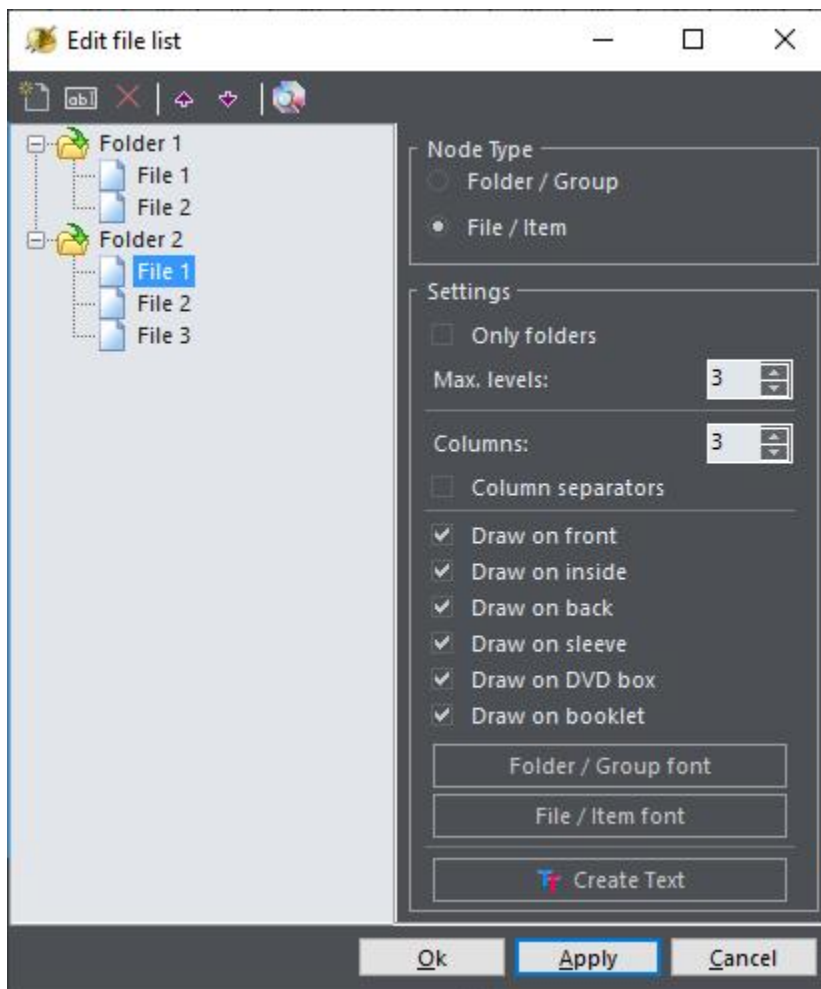
See also

[Print layouts overview](#) 







[Print Layout dialog](#) 

3.4.14 File List

Here you can edit list of files (or make your own groups/items tree) for including on case label printout.



List editing


	New	New item
	Rename	Rename selected item
	Delete	Delete selected item
	Move Up	Move selected items up
	Move Down	Move selected items down
	Read Drive/CDD	Get list from the drive

You can drag and drop items from one parent node to another by using your mouse, or right click on nodes to call pop-up menu. By using node type radio group, you can change type of selected node(s). Note that you cannot change folder/group type to file/item type if node has children.

Settings






- **Only directories** (read only directories when choosing Read drive option)
- **Max. levels** (maximum number of directory levels to read – level 0 corresponds to reading root only)
- **Columns** (number of columns list will be formatted in)
- **Column separator** (draw/print column separator lines)
- **Draw on front / inside / sleeve / back / DVD/BD box / Booklet** (select on which side(s) list will be placed)
- **Folder/Group font** and **File/Item font** (choose fonts for those two categories)
- Use **Create Text** button to place the list content into regular text object, so you can move and format it freely, like any other text

See also

Read drive or CDDB 

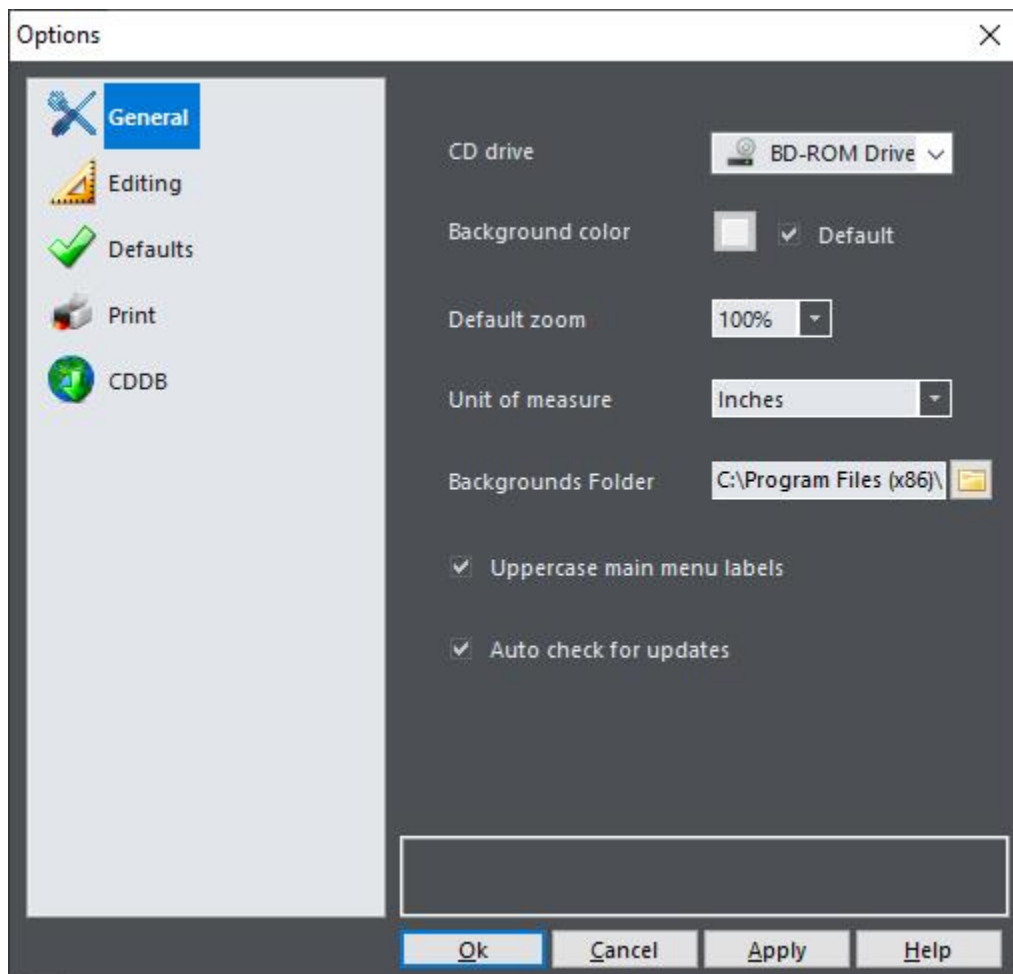
3.4.15 Options

Use Options dialog to change program settings. Settings are separated into five sections:

- General 
- Editing 
- Defaults 
- Print 
- CDDB 

3.4.15.1 General

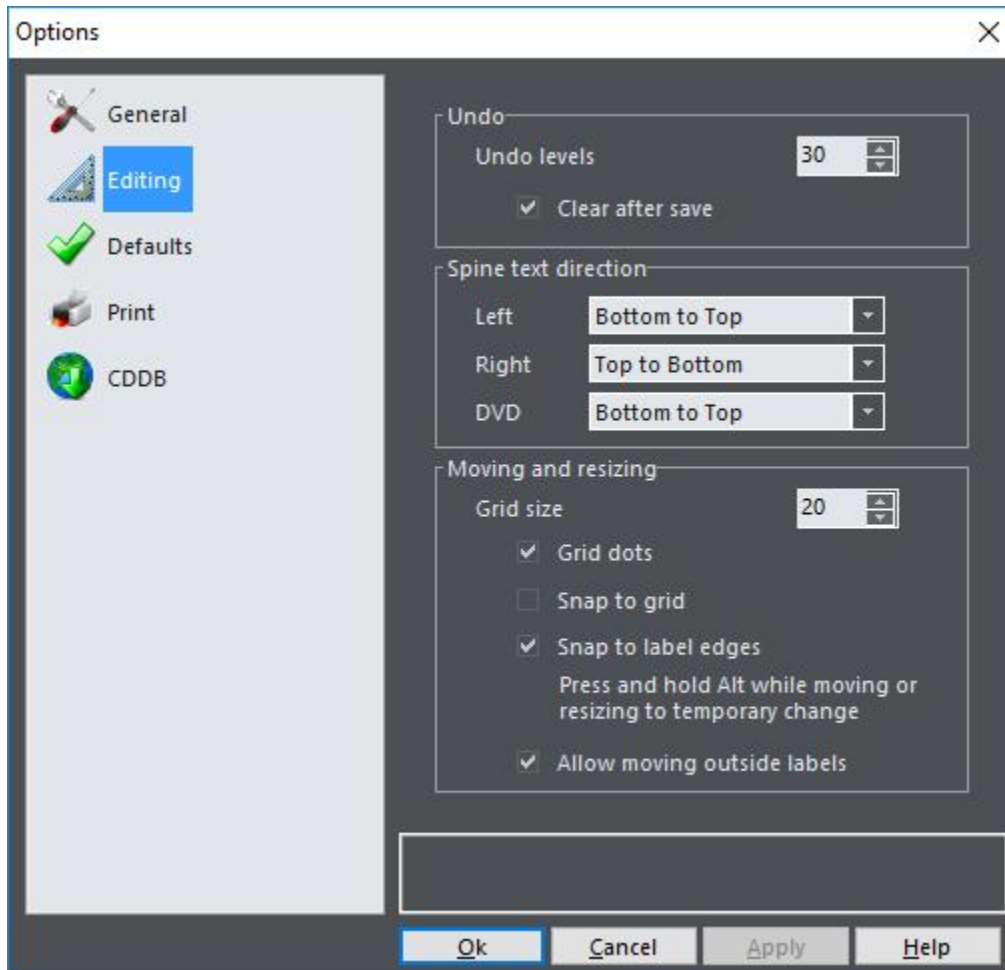
Use **General** section to set general application options.



CD Drive	Set CD drive for drive reading option
Background color	Set background color of work area. If Default is checked, color will depend on selected theme.
Default zoom	Set default zoom value
Unit of measure	Set measurement units to be used by default
Backgrounds Folder	Default folder for background images
Uppercase main menu labels	Should main menu top level labels be in uppercase or mixed case
Auto check for updates	Automatically check for software updates by using internet connection

3.4.15.2 Editing

Use **Editing** section to set editing options.



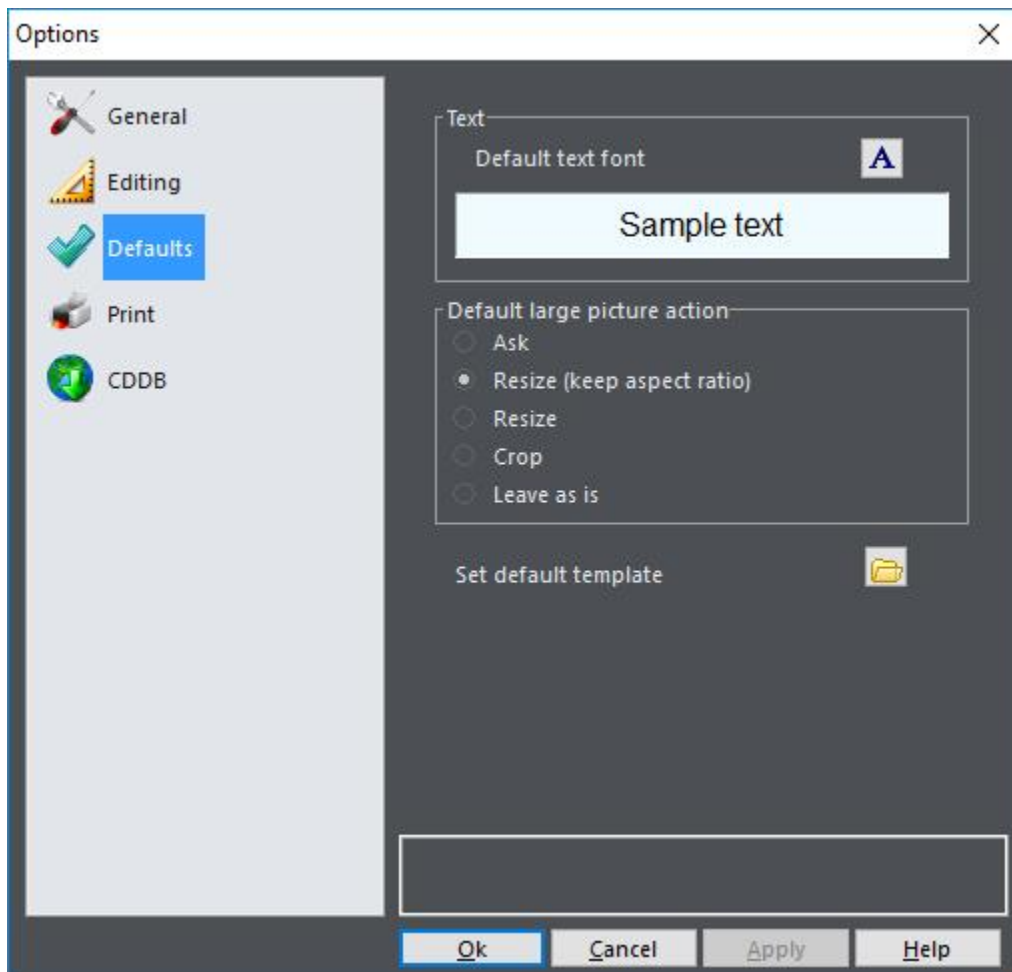
Undo levels	Maximum number of undo steps
Clear after save	Clear undo after saving design
Back spine text direction	Select text direction for back label spines
Left	Left spine
Right	Right spine
DVD	DVD/BD spine
Moving and resizing	Editing grid options
Grid size	Grid size in pixels
Grid dots	Draw grid dots
Snap to grid	Snap objects to grid when moving or resizing
Snap to label edges	Snap objects to label edges and folding lines
Allow moving	Allow moving objects outside label boundaries

outside labels

While moving or resizing, press and hold **Alt** key to temporary modify **Snap to grid** option. For example, if snapping is turned on, holding **Alt** will result in smooth (unsnapped) moving and resizing.

3.4.15.3 Defaults

Use **Defaults** section to set some program defaults.



Default text font

Default font for new text objects

Default large picture action

Set what action will be taken if inserted picture is larger than a label

Ask

Ask every time it happens

Resize (keep aspect ratio)

Resize picture but preserve aspect ration

Resize

Resize picture to the exact bounds of label

Crop

Crop picture to the bounds of label

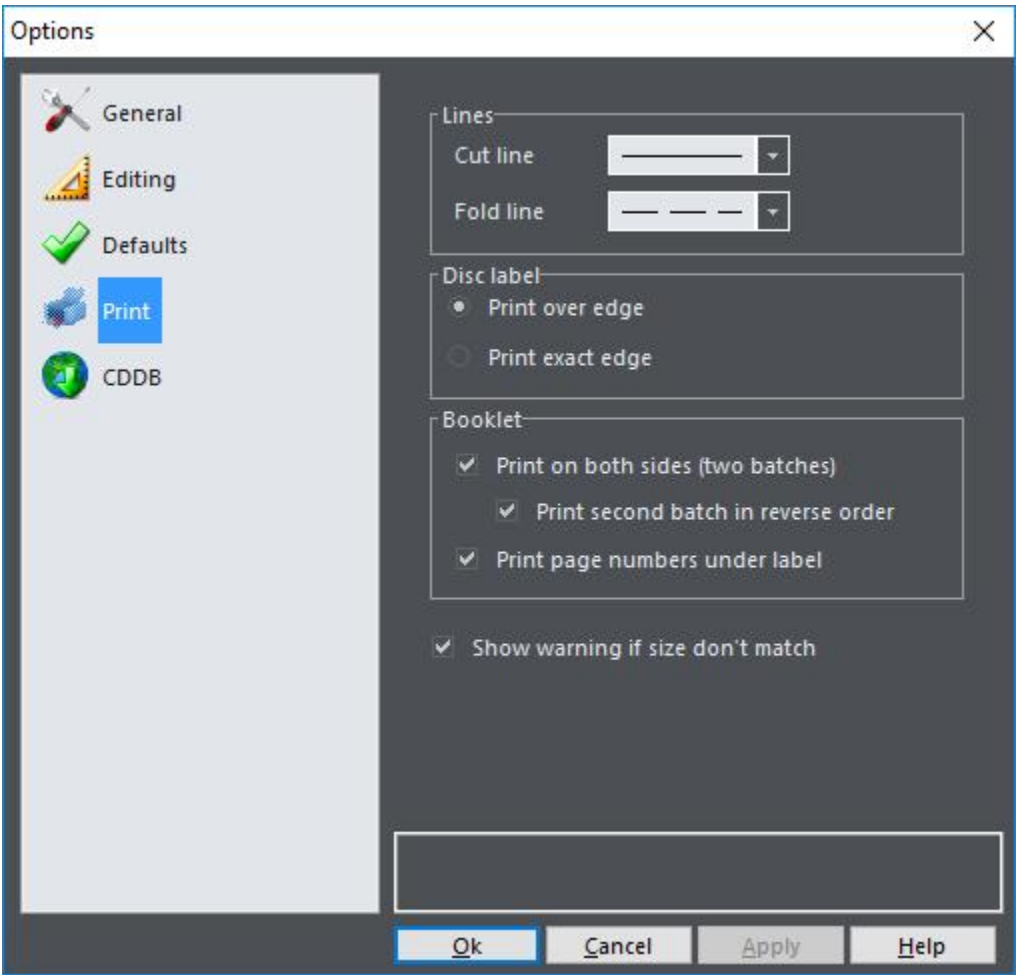
Leave as is
Set default template

Leave picture size as is
Choose template file and copy it over the *Default.clt. Default.clt* file is template used when **File / New** option is selected.

While moving or resizing, **Alt** key is a modifying key for **Snap to grid** option. For example, if snapping is turned on, holding **Alt** will result in smooth (unsnapped) moving and resizing, and vice versa.

3.4.15.4 Print

Use **Print** section to set printing options.



- Lines**
 - Cut line** Set line types (solid / dashed / clear)
 - Fold line** Set cut line
 - Fold line** Set folding line
- Disc label** Disc label printing (see below)
 - Print over edge** Print slightly larger area

Print exact edge	Print exactly same size
Booklet	Booklet printing options
Print on both sides	Print booklet on both sides of paper. Software will pause after half of pages to allow feeding them to the printer tray again.
Print second batch in reverse order	Select this option to print second batch in reverse order. Set this option according to your printer and its settings.
Print page numbers under label	Print page numbers under the label.
Show warning when size don't match	Show warning if size of label on print layout and design don't match

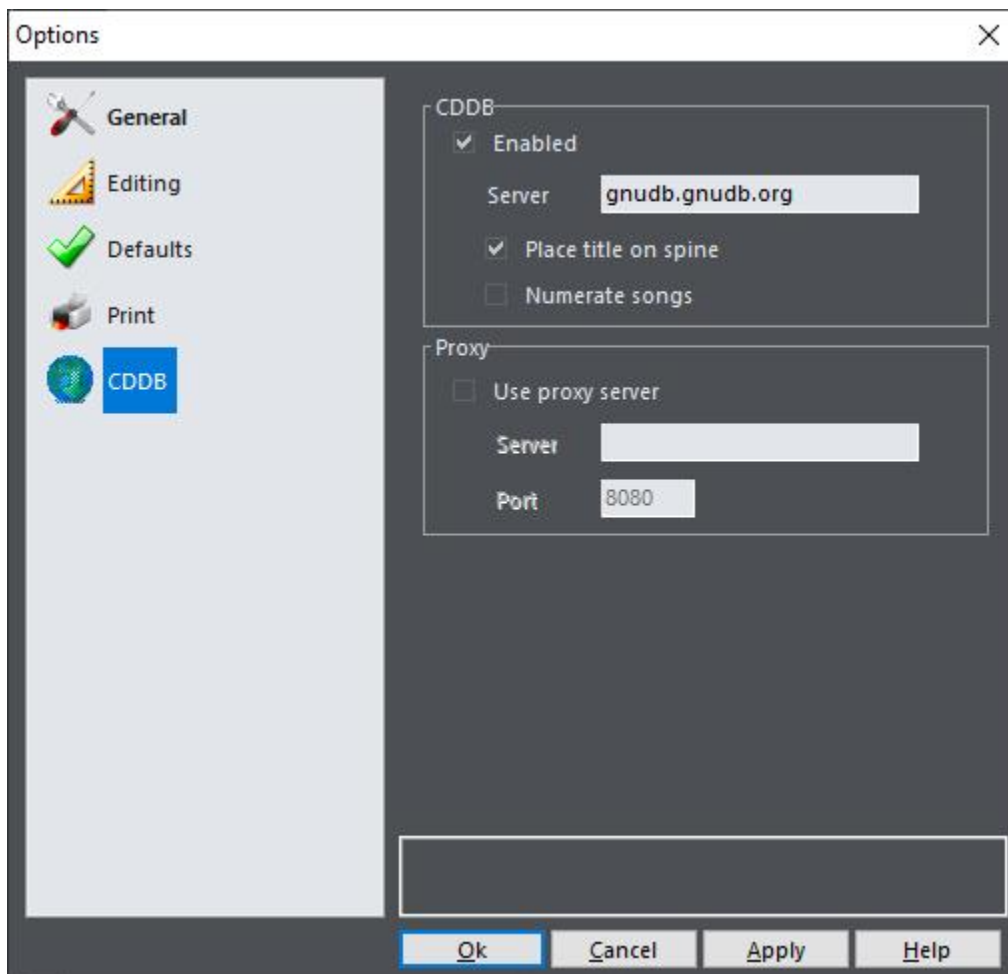
When **printing disc labels** you have two solutions: you can print them on special CD label paper with already cut edges or print them on plain paper and cut them with the scissors for example (if you are patient enough).

In the first case (**Print over edge**), printing of only visible part of label would be inappropriate – a small mistake caused by imprecise determining of positions or way printer takes paper, would result with ugly whiteness on edges of label. Because of that, there is possible to print somewhat larger label – with visible belt beyond edges. In this case cut lines are not printed.

In the second case (**Print exact edge**), you will probably want to print only visible part of label with cut lines visible.

3.4.15.5 CDDB

Use **CDDB** section to set CDDB and internet options.

**CDDB****Enabled****Server****Place title on spine****Numerate songs****Proxy****Use proxy server****Server****Port****CDDB options**

CDDB enabled

CDDB server (leave empty if you want to use default server)

Place album title on spine if CDDB entry is found on the server

Numerate songs in the list if CDDB entry is found on the server

Internet (HTTP) proxy settings

Use proxy or not

Server name

Server port

Other information

Part



4 Other information

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