



## Arbutus Connect

**EASY SET-UP AND CONTROL FOR IT. EASY ACCESS FOR END-USERS.**

With hundreds of unique and advanced capabilities, Arbutus is fast, effective, and efficient – ideal for today’s audit work environment.

Based on 25 years of software innovation excellence, Arbutus will help you achieve the highest level of business assurance within your organization.

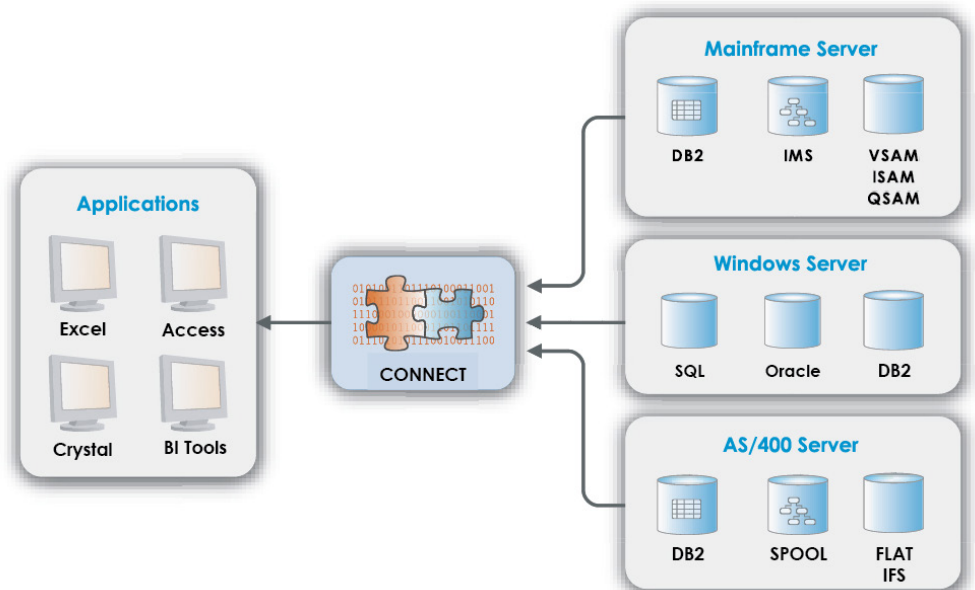
Already using data analysis software? Learn how Arbutus is compatible with your existing audit analysis tools. Switching is fast and easy.

Contact us today and get started with a free 30-day license of Arbutus!

### The Facts on Legacy Systems

- The challenge faced by many organizations is their legacy systems often do not support direct reporting and analysis from important business information contained in these systems.
- The barriers represented by legacy systems artificially limit the creativity and ability of end-users to solve problems and perform the full scope of reporting and analysis on the data that currently exists in their organization.
- The typical solutions that are put forward - upgraded software, data marts, or custom programs - all require a significant commitment of time and financial resources, making it difficult to build a strong business case for many projects that involve legacy systems.
- The fall-back decision of ‘do nothing’ has consistently proven to have its own real costs, both hidden and visible, as organizations are unable to make decisions and see risks based on all the information that could be made available to them.

Arbutus Connect significantly lowers the cost of fully utilizing the data within your legacy systems. With a short implementation timeframe, your reporting and analysis ideas can go from the whiteboard to the boardroom in just days or weeks.



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## WHY ARBUTUS CONNECT?

### For Auditors

- Allow for newer and better reporting on areas that were previously not thought possible
- Auditors continue to use existing reporting and analysis tools, but they now have access to additional legacy data sources, with no new training required
- Unique LegacyLink™ technology enables shortest distance between end-user applications and corporate data sources

### For IT

- Supports centralized set-up and administration of all data access
- New data sources can be set up in minutes
- All data sources can be filtered at both the record and field level
- Can potentially eliminate need and cost of new data mart
- Allows you to connect your Windows, Server, and Web applications to virtually any data source

### For Data Sources

- Easily integrates non-relational legacy data files with databases
- Complements existing data warehouses and data marts by providing access to data that is not available in these main repositories
- Simple set-up for direct access to legacy data sources
- Arbutus Servers support access to 'live' and staged data sources

## BENEFITS

### Effortless Access

- Deliver mainframe and AS/400 data directly to Windows applications; nothing new to learn
- Customize data delivery to accommodate any user, anywhere
- Eliminate technical complexity for end-users
- Strong data management controls provide flexibility and independence from IT personnel

### Powerful Capabilities

- Access even your most complex mainframe data directly
- Process unlimited file sizes, retrieving only the data you need
- Cleanse and dynamically transform your data, without altering original files

### Immediate Results

- Eliminate delays waiting for COBOL reports or extractions
- Maximize throughput via automated query optimization
- Add and adjust data links quickly as requirements change

## LICENSING

Arbutus has a flexible licensing model that accommodates the various needs and circumstances of our clients:

- Perpetual use licensing for those who have an ongoing need for the technology
- Rental-based licensing starting at 12-month terms, which is appropriate for project-based requirements or to provide an alternative to accommodate budget circumstances

Learn more about why your team should use Arbutus. Visit [arbutussoftware.com/10-reasons-to-like-arbutus](http://arbutussoftware.com/10-reasons-to-like-arbutus)

**“Analyzer has become an integral piece of my department. I could not do my job without it!”**

*Matthew White,*

*Senior Systems Auditor, HMSA*

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## HOW IT WORKS

Arbutus Connect utilizes Arbutus LegacyLink™ technology to provide your Windows applications direct, read-only, flexible connectivity to all of your data. LegacyLink™ communicates directly with the Arbutus Servers via TCP/IP. There are no additional hardware or software components required for connectivity. This direct connection to the server resident application offers a number of benefits:

- The low component count means low infrastructure, which translates directly into low costs, both to install and maintain
- Since no additional software interfaces are required, you are up and running quickly, with your existing equipment
- Having a mainframe-resident server gives you maximum access to your legacy data, including DB2, IMS, VSAM, and sequential (QSAM) flat files
- You don't need any additional technologies to transform the data for access.
- The interface can supply data through any ODBC, JDBC, OLE/DB, or .NET connection

The result is you can implement a data mart style solution, with full access to all your Windows applications, in a matter of days.

## A SIMPLE SOLUTION FOR COMPLEX IT ENVIRONMENTS

For many end-users, the data they need can reside in multiple environments, including data warehouses, core applications, or various legacy data sources, and be hosted on servers from mainframes to Windows. While an organization's core systems, including ERP, CRM, and custom legacy applications, do the data processing work and hold the data details, they are spread throughout the enterprise and are not an efficient source for reporting and analysis.

Arbutus offers alternatives to creating data warehouses, data marts, and other repositories that are typically used to consolidate data for end-user reporting and analysis.

**Direct Access** – Arbutus Connect can provide direct access to 'live' data that resides on multiple platforms, allowing users to have zero data latency when querying data.

**Staged Data** – When resource constraints or IT policy make direct access solutions impractical, or if Arbutus does not offer a native server for your source platform, Arbutus enables you to easily stage your data on a Windows or Linux server.

- Avoids the expensive loading and set-up process of additional data stores
- Provides an easy to implement solution that assures an integrated view of all your information that is adaptable to your ever-changing business requirements
- Enables fast, efficient delivery of meaningful information to end-users while providing strong IT data management controls

## ARBUTUS CONSULTING SERVICES

Our consultants have years of experience in using the Arbutus technology with all types of data, particularly mainframe-based, and are available to assist at any stage of your project. When needed, our seasoned consultants typically work with your team and provide assistance in the use of 'best practices' with the Arbutus technology. When our consultants become involved, your project timelines become our project timelines in ensuring an on-time and successful implementation of Arbutus Connect.

To request a free trial of Arbutus Connect, please contact us.

*"We prefer the use of Arbutus Analyzer over other analysis tools in our various forensic investigation projects."*

*Mike Mumford,  
Luminescent Inc.*

*"Arbutus has outstanding customer service and technical support. Its delivery is above and beyond any other data analysis software I have used."*

*Margie Reinhart,  
CEO, Reinhart Forensic Consulting LLC*

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*Based on 25 years of innovation excellence, Arbutus delivers the very best in purpose-built audit analytics technology to meet the exacting demands of today's business environment. Auditors, business analysts, and fraud investigators rely on Arbutus to enhance their testing, analysis, and compliance capabilities.*

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