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World of Xeen

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INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

- 1. Insert CD into the CD ROM drive.
- 2. Click on Start then select Run.

3. In the Run dialog type "d:\install.exe" ("d" is the letter of your CD) then click OK.

- 4. A MS DOS window will appear which will guide you through the installation.
- 5. When the installation begins it will scan your hard drive for a previously installed version (to cancel the scan press ESC). If it finds XEEN.EXE it will automatically default to that directory. Otherwise it will default to C:\WORLD. In either case you can use the current selection by pressing Y, or you can specify a different directory.
- 6. Next the Install program will auto-detect your music and speech configuration. If it displays the correct configuration, press Y to continue. Otherwise press N and select your desired configuration.
- 7. The install program will ask if you wish to use the current configuration. Type Y if the current settings match your desired configuration.
- 8. When installation is complete, exit to DOS. Select "start" button, then "shut down" and "restart in DOS mode".
- 9. At the DOS prompt, type "CD c:\world", ("c" is the letter of your hard drive and "world" is the directory where the World of Xeen is Installed) hit "Enter". Type Xeen at the c:\world prompt.

*If you have any questions about the installation of the Worlds of Xeen, contact our Technical Support at (650) 261-3454 from 9am to 12 noon or 2pm to 5pm, Monday to Friday Pacific Standard Time

GETTING STARTED

At the main screen you will have the option of starting a new game or loading a saved game. Press S or click on "Start a New Game" to start a new game. Now select your gaming preference: Adventurer, a less combat intensive game, or Warrior, the standard game. You will

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begin your adventure in Vertigo with a party of six fully equipped characters. You can start playing immediately or go to the Tavern to create your own party of characters.

Press L or click on "Load a Saved Game" or load a saved game. A window will appear listing the names of all your saved games and the highest character level in the party. Select the game you wish to load.

GETTING AROUND.

To move through the world of Might and Magic, use the arrow keys or the mouse pointer on the Direction Icons in the Display Window. The Up and Down arrow keys move the party forward and backward, and the Left and Right arrow keys turn the party left and right. Holding down the Control key while pressing the Left or Right arrow key side steps the party without turning. Wait (pass) by pressing the Space Bar or W. Time does not pass when turning left or right.

IMPORTANT

Press the Space Bar or click on the display window to interact with an object. You must be in the same square object.

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ADVENTURING

Options Icons: There are nine icons just below the View window. These icons will be available for you to click on during normal adventuring, or you can use their keyboard equivalents. Here is a list of what they do:



Shoot (S): All party members equipped with a missile weapon fire in the direction the party is facing.

Cast (C): Brings up the Cast Spell window. Click on this icon again or type C to cast the readied spell of the spell caster selected. You can change the selected character by clicking on the portrait of the one you want or selecting his function key. You can change the readied spell by clicking on the 'new' button or pressing the N key. This will bring up a list of spells available to the selected character. Click on the spell you want to cast or use the arrow keys to select it and press ENTER. The spell is now ready to be cast.





will bash in. Your characters will take a small amount of damage for doing this.



Dismiss (D): Sends a party member back to the Tavern in Castleview or Vertigo. At least one character must remain in the party.

View Quests (V): Displays the Quest window. You will be presented with 3 choices: Quests, Notes, and Items. Selecting quests will display all of the quests the party is currently involved in. Selecting notes will display all the significant messages the party has encountered. Selecting items will display all of the items the party has that are necessary to complete the game.



Automap (M): Displays the map of the area you are currently in. The automap records all of the places you have been since you got the Cartography skill.



Information (1): Displays the Game Information window. This window lists the time, date, year, and day of the week. It also shows which spells the party has active such as Light or Protection from Fire.



Quick Reference (Q): Displays the Quick Reference chart. This chart lists the party's vital statistics, gold, gems, and food.

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CHARACTER SCREEN

If you click on a character portrait or select he function key of a character, you will find yourself in the Character Screen. Here you will see an icon for each of your character's statistics. Clicking on these icons will tell you what your current and maximum scores are as well as assigning a rating to your statistics. The other statistics are listed below:



Age: Every character begins the game at age 18. Clicking on this icon will show you character's birthday, his natural age, and his current age. It is possible for a character to be older than his natural age through magical attacks. As your character grows older, some of his statistics will decline.



Level: Shows your character's current level, maximum level, and the number of attacks per round character receives.







HP: shows your character's current and maximum hit points.





character takes from that attack considerably.



Resist: Shows your character's current resistance to spells and elemental attacks. The higher the number, the better the protection. A 100 Does not mean immunity from an attack, but will reduce the damage your



Skills: gives a list of the skills your character has accumulated.

Awards: Gives a list of the awards your character has accumulated.

Experience: Shows your current experience points and the number of experience points your character will need for the next level.

Party Gold: Shows how much gold your party has on hand and how much it has in the bank.

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Condition: Gives a list of any adverse conditions your character might have and any active protection spells.



Items (I): Selecting this option brings up the inventory screen.



Quick Reference (Q): Displays the Quick Reference chart. This chart lists the party's vital statistics, gold, gems, and food.

INVENTORY SCREEN

If you select the inventory screen a list of all the weapons the character has in his backpack will appear. Here is a list of your options in the inventory screen:

Equip (E): Readies a weapon, item, or armor for use. You must equip an item before it will work. You will not be able to equip an item that your character's class cannot use. You also cannot equip three swords or eleven rings, etc.

Remove (R): Removes an item from your character.

Discard (D): Eliminates an item from your inventory. If you use this command you will lose this item for good.

Weapon (W): Presents the weapons inventory.

Armor: (A): Presents the armor inventory.

COMBAT -

As you adventure, you will encounter lots of monsters you will need to defeat. If you begin fighting with some monsters, the combat icons will replace the normal adventuring icons. Here is a list of these new icons.



Exit (ESC): Brings you back to the Adventure screen.



Exchange (E): Selecting this option exchanges the position of the character you are viewing with the position of the character you select (F1 to F6).

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Accessories (C): Presents the accessories inventory.

Miscellaneous (M): Presents the miscellaneous items inventory.

Quests (Q): Presents the quest items inventory.

Use (U): If an item has some sort of special use or can cast a spell, you can use it with this command.



Quick Fight (F): Battles the opponent(s) using the current Quick Fight options settings. Holding down the mouse button while the pointer is on the Quick Fight icon will rapidly run through the party's attacks.







Attack (A): Attacks the targeted opponent with whatever weapon the character has equipped.



Use (U): Brings up the character's inventory window, where he can equip, remove, or use an item



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Run (R): If successful, the character will run to a safe location nearby and rejoin the party after the battle

Block (B): directs your character to try to block the next attack against him.

Quick Fight Option (O): Sets your quick fight option. You can direct a party member to attack, cast a readied spell, block, or run when the quick fight option is selected.



Cast (C): Same as in adventuring mode.

Quick Reference (Q): Same as in adventuring mode.

When the fight begins, your fastest character will be highlighted. You will have the opportunity to select any of the options listed above by clicking on their icons or pressing their keyboard equivalents. After you have finished selecting the option for the highlighted character, a different character will become highlighted

Whenever you hit a monster, a red splat will appear briefly on the screen. The bigger the splat, the more damage you did to the monster. If you used a spell or an item that does a different kind of damage, the splat may appear as a fire burst, or an electrical charge, or something else.

If there is more than one monster, you can choose which monster you want a character to fight by pressing 1, 2, or 3. This will highlight the name of the monster, letting you know which monster is targeted.

Note that it is possible to trade and equip weapons and armor during combat. Occasionally the need to exchange items between players will arise when faced with adversaries who cannot be harmed by the weapons they are currently equipped with. To accomplish this during combat, simply press the character's function key or click on the character's portrait to call up the Character screen. Then select the Items option to bring up the Inventory Screen. It is possible to have both a missile weapon and a melee weapon equipped at the same time.



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