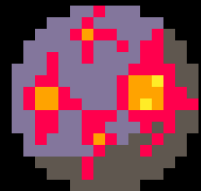
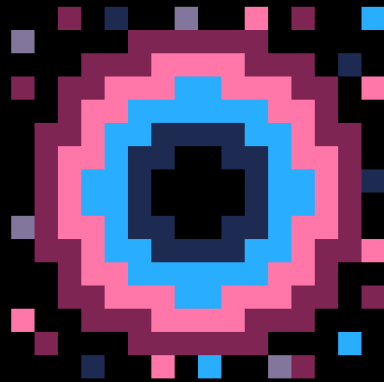


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# MERCHANTS



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# VOID MERCHANTS

**VOID MERCHANTS** IS A SPACE INVADERS-INSPIRED SIDE-SCROLLER ROGUE-LIKE ACTION GAME BUILT ON PICO-8.

**BLAST** ENEMIES, **COLLECT** RESOURCES, AND **TRADE** YOUR WAY TO UPGRADES AS YOU PROGRESS THROUGH INCREASINGLY DIFFICULT SPACE BATTLES!

THIS IS THE GAME MANUAL. IT INTENTIONALLY DOESN'T REVEAL EVERY LITTLE DETAIL.

BUT IT SHOULD STILL AID YOU WELL IN YOUR ADVENTURE.

**THANK YOU FOR PLAYING!**

## CONTROLS

↑ ↓ ← → **MOVE** YOUR SHIP AND CURSOR WHILE TRADING

X OR V **SHOOT**—CAN BE HELD DOWN

Y/Z OR C **INTERACT**—TALK TO CHARACTERS OR PERFORM TRADES

ENTER OPEN THE PICO-8 **PAUSE MENU** FOR OPTIONS, SUCH AS THE VOLUME CONTROLS. USE THE START BUTTON ON CONTROLLERS!

**CONTROLLERS ARE ALSO SUPPORTED!**

THE BUTTONS SHOWN IN THE GAME ARE FOR A PLAYSTATION CONTROLLER BUTTON LAYOUT.

## SAVE & LOAD

YOU CAN CREATE A **SAVE** FOR YOUR CURRENT GAME AT EACH VISIT TO THE TRADER BY HITTING THE SHOOT BUTTON.

YOU CAN **LOAD** THEM AGAIN AT THE TITLE SCREEN BY HITTING THE INTERACT BUTTON.

**BEWARE THOUGH!**

EACH TIME YOU LOAD BACK INTO YOUR SAVE, **100 POINTS** WILL BE SUBTRACTED FROM YOUR HIGH-SCORE AT THE END OF THE GAME.

## Abbreviations

HP	SHIP <b>HULL</b> POINTS
SH	SHIP <b>SHIELD</b> POINTS
DR	<b>DRONE HULL POINTS</b> + <b>SHIELD POINTS</b>
STG	COMBINED FREE SHIP & DRONE <b>STORAGE</b>
DMG	SHIP+DRONE <b>DAMAGE</b>
WPS	EQUIPPED SHIP+DRONE <b>WEAPONS</b>
SP	YOUR <b>SPEED</b> AS DECIMAL
STS	YOUR <b>SHOT SPEED</b> AS DECIMAL

HP: <b>28</b>	SH: <b>2</b>	DR: <b>12+3</b>	STG: <b>6</b>
DMG: <b>10+3</b>	WPS: <b>3+1</b>	SP: <b>1.8</b>	STS: <b>2.3</b>

## Trading

NAVIGATE WITH ↑ AND ↓.  
**SELL** OR **BUY** WITH THE INTERACT BUTTON.  
**SAVE** WITH THE SHOOT BUTTON.

THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS ARE  
AVAILABLE AT THE **TRADER**:

**SELL GOODS** - SELL ALL GOODS YOU'VE  
PICKED UP

**SELL UPGRADES** - SELL ALL YOUR STORED  
UPGRADES

**REPAIR SHIP HULL** - FULLY RESTORE YOUR  
SHIP'S HULL POINTS

**UPGRADE SHIP** - UPGRADE YOUR SHIP TIER.  
THIS IS ONLY AVAILABLE WHEN YOUR SHIP IS  
AT FULL HULL POINTS

**REPAIR DRONES** - FULLY RESTORE YOUR  
DRONES' HULL POINTS

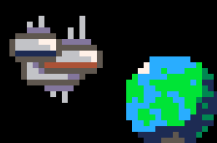
**RESTORE SHIP SHIELD** - RESTORE ONE POINT  
OF YOUR SHIP'S SHIELD

**RESTORE DRONE SHIELD** - RESTORE ONE POINT  
OF YOUR DRONES' SHIELD

**INSTALL STORED UPGRADES** - INSTALL STORED  
UPGRADES THAT COULD NOT BE EQUIPPED  
DURING THE BATTLE

**INSTALL STRONGER WEAPONS** - APPLIES ONLY  
TO SHIP WEAPONS

**INSTALL NEW WEAPON** - POSSIBLE NUMBER OF  
WEAPONS INCREASES WITH UPGRADED SHIP AND  
MORE DRONES



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BUY ATTACK / CARGO DRONE -  
GET AN ADDITIONAL DRONE

REBUILD DRONES TO ATTACK / CARGO -  
CHANGES THE DRONE TYPE. **BEWARE!** THIS  
MIGHT COME WITH CERTAIN **CAVEATS!**

Ⓢ SELL GOODS(296) = 1009  
SELL UPGRADES(40) 8  
REPAIR SHIP HULL(15)  
REPAIR DRONES(30)  
RESTORE SHIP SHIELD(1 x 25)  
RESTORE DRONE SHIELD(3 x 50)  
INSTALL STORED UPGRADES(1)  
INSTALL STRONGER WEAPONS(50)  
INSTALL NEW WEAPON(150)  
BUY ATTACK DRONE(400)  
REBUILD DRONES TO CARGO  
LEAVE Ⓜ TO SAVE

YOUR CREDITS  
STORED ITEMS

LEAVE THE TRADER



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## ITEMS

THESE ARE ALL ITEMS THAT CAN BE DROPPED BY ENEMIES, LISTED IN THEIR ORDER OF RARITY AND VALUE.

## BUFFS & RESTORATION



SPEED BUFF



SHOT SPEED BUFF



HULL RESTORE



SHIELD RESTORE

## CREDITS



CREDIT



SUPER CREDIT

## UPGRADES



DAMAGE UPGRADE



EXTRA WEAPON UPGRADE



EXTRA DRONE UPGRADE



# VOID MERCHANTS

## TRADING GOODS



SCRAP



COPPER



GOLD



PARTS CRATE



COBALT



PLATINUM



VOID FRAGMENT



VOID CRYSTAL

