

MANUAL v0.9.6



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 <mark>LOAD</mark> 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.





HP SHIP HULL POINTS

SH . SHIP SHIELD POINTS

DR DRONE HULL POINTS + SHIELD

STG COMBINED FREE SHIP & DRONE

STORAGE

DMG COMBINED SHIP & DRONE DAMAGE

WPS COMBINED EQUIPPED WEAPONS

SP YOUR SPEED AS DECIMAL

STS YOUR SHOT SPEED AS DECIMAL

STG:0 DMG:<mark>:</mark> WPS:5 SP:1.4STS:1.7





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

THE SHOOT BUTTON. SAVE WITH

THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT 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

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 POINT OF YOUR SHIP'S SHIELD

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- RESTORE DRONE SHIELD RESTORE UN POINT OF YOUR DRONES' SHIELD INSTALL STORED UPGRADES INSTALL INSTALL STORED UPGRADES INSTALL STORED UPGRADES THAT COULD NOT BE EQUIPPED DURING THE BATTLE INSTALL STRONGER WEAPONS - APPLIE
- APPLIES .
- INSTALL STRUNGER MEHPONS APPLIES
 ONLY TO SHIP MEAPONS
 INSTALL NEW MEAPON POSSIBLE NUMBI
 OF MEAPONS INCREASES WITH UPGRADED
 SHIP AND MORE DRONES
 BUY ATTACK / CARGO DRONE GET AN
 ADDITIONAL DRONE
 REBUILD DRONES TO ATTACK / CARGO CHANGES THE DRONE TYPE. BEMARE! THE
 MIGHT COME WITH CERTAIN CAVEATS! POSSIBLE NUMBER
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@SELL GOODS(296) = 1009 SELL UPGRADES(40) REPRIR SHIP HULL(15) REPAIR DRONES(30) RESTORE SHIP SHIELD(1 * 25) RESTORE DRONE SHIELD(3 * 50) INSTALL STORED UPGRADES(1) INSTALL STRONGER WEAPONS(50) INSTALL NEW WEAPON(150) BUY ATTACK DRONE(400) REBUILD DRONES TO CARGO

YOUR CREDIT BALANCE STORED ITEMS





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10 SAVE LEAVE THE TRADER



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







TRADING GOODS



SCRAP



COPPER



GOLD.



PARTS CRATE



COBALT



PLATINUM



VDID FRAGMENT



VOID CRYSTAL



