

MANUAL v9.4.1



VOID MERCHANTS IS A SPACE INVADERS-INSPIRED ROGUELIKE ACTION GAME BUILT IN 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

X OR V SHOOT-CAN BE HELD DOWN

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

CONTROLLERS ARE ALSO SUPPORTED!

THE BUTTONS SHOWN IN THE GAME ARE FOR THE 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.



## Abbreviations

HP SHIP HEALTH POINTS

SH . SHIP SHIELD POINTS

DR DRONE HEALTH POINTS + \$HIELD

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>: WPS:5 SP:1.4</mark>STS:1.7





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

SAVE WITH THE SHOOT BUTTON.

THE FOLLOWING OPTIONS ARE AVAILABLE AT TRADER:

- SELL GOODS SELL ALL GOODS YOU'VE PICKED UP
- SELL UPGRADES SELL ALL YOUR STORED **UPGRADES**
- ŠHIP HULL FULLY RESTORE YOUR
- UPGRADE SHIP HULL REPAIR SHIP HULL SHIP'S LIFE SHIP'S LIFE UPGRADE SHIP UPGRADE YOUR SHIP UPGRADE SHIP UPGRADE WHE · UPGRADE TIER. THIS IS ONLY AVAILABLE WHEN YOUR SHIP IS AT FULL LIFE REPAIR DRONES - FULLY RESTORE YOU
- DRONES' LIFE 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 APPLIE
- APPLIES .
- ONLY TO SHIP MEAPONS INSTALL NEW MEAPON : PÖSSIBLE NUMBER OF WEAPONS INCREASES WITH UPGRADED SHIP AND MORE DRONES BUY ATTACK / CARGO DRONE - GET AN
- DRONE
- ADDITIONAL DRONE REBUILD DRONES TO ATTACK / CARGO CHANGES THE DRONE TYPE. BEWARE! CAN COME WITH CAVEATS!

@SELL GOODS(<del>2</del>96) = 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 LERVE

YOUR CREDIT BALANCE STORED ITEMS





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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



LIFE RESTORE



SHIELD RESTORE

#### CREDITS



CREDIT



SUPER CREDIT

#### **UPGŖADES**



DAMAGE UPGRADE



**EXTRA WEAPON UPGRADE** 



EXTRA DRONE UPGRADE







### TRADING GOODS



SCRAP



COPPER



GOLD.



PARTS CRATE



COBALT



PLATINUM



VDID FRAGMENT



VOID CRYSTAL



