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THANK YOU

for buying **Wrath of the Black Manta** from Taito!

This hit is now yours to enjoy at home! For the most fun, read this instruction manual thoroughly before you begin your mission!

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THE STORY

Crime and kidnapping grips New York City. A lone figure leaps from the shadows and grabs an unsuspecting informant from **DRAT** (**D**rug **R**unners **A**nd **T**errorists). Stricken with fear, the poor fool stares into a pair of cold blue eyes. This mysterious hero is no ordinary crime fighter. His name sends cold shivers up the meanest criminal's spine. Criminals beware - **BLACK MANTA** is on your tail.

WRATH OF THE BLACK MANTA consists of five levels.

Each level is completed when the player defeats the criminals and their leaders. You must defeat the drug lord and rescue his prisoner to win the game.



HOW TO OPERATE

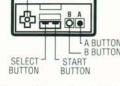
Controller

"A" Button

Jump Up.

"B" Button

Throw Dart/Use Knife



Start Button - Press the START button to begin the game.

Pause Function - Press the START button to pause the game - Press the START button to resume play.

Select Button - Press the SELECT button during game play to display the NINPO ARTS screen.

Conversation Mode:

Press the "A" button to see the next conversation scene.

Press the "B" button sto stop a conversation.

Press the "B" button to stop reading a letter.



HOW TO OPERATE (continued)

BLACK MANTA MOVEMENTS

Up Arrow Key Down Arrow Key Left Arrow Key

Right Arrow Key

Open Door. Crouch down. Move left.

Move right.



SPECIAL MOVEMENTS

Down Arrow + "A" Button Left Arrow + "A" Button Right Arrow + "A" Button Jump down. Somersault left.

Right Arrow + "A" Button Somersault right.



The player's current score and status are displayed below the game screen:

- Number of lives
- Player score.
- POW indicator.
- Current strength.







REGULAR WEAPONS

Black Manta has two types of regular weapons:

Darts Short Sword Thrown from a distance.
Always used at close range.

Press the "B" button once on Controller One to use these weapons. Press the "B" button repeatedly to perform multiple attacks.



NINPO ARTS

Ninpo Arts are divided into four groups:

GROUP "A" ARTS

Art of the Fire Bomb Art of Lightning Art of the Shadow Fire falls from the sky diagonally.
Lightning bolts strike enemy characters.
A second Black Manta appears.

GROUP "B" ARTS

Art of the Fire Ring Art of Invisibility A circle of fire surrounds Black Manta. Black Manta temporarily disappears.

GROUP "C" ARTS
Art of Ground Fire
Art of the Spider

Fireballs home in on enemy characters.
Black Manta travels underground.

GROUP "D" ARTS

Art of Fire Rain Art of Missiles

Art of Teleportation

Falling fire paralyzes enemy characters.

Black Manta hurls fire missiles across the screen. Black Manta can teleport anywhere on the screen.

NINPO ARTS (continued)

These highly specialized fighting techniques are earned by Black Manta when he successfully completes a level. These arts are extremely useful for defeating enemy characters and avoiding detection.

All Ninpo Arts that Black Manta can use are displayed on the Ninpo Arts Screen. This screen always appears at the beginning of a new level. Press the **SELECT** button during game play to bring up the **Ninpo Arts** screen.





NINPO ARTS (continued)

To select a GROUP ART:

Press the UP/DOWN ARROW keys.

To select a NINPO ART:

Press the **RIGHT ARROW** key. A small arrow will appear inside the **GROUP ART** menu in the upper right section of the screen.

Press the **UP/DOWN ARROW** keys to move the arrow beside the new art you want to use.

Press the "A" button to activate the new Art. It will now appear in the ACTIVE NINPO menu in the lower right section of the screen.

Press the LEFT ARROW key to exit the GROUP ART menu.

Press the START button to resume play.



NINPO ARTS (continued)

To use a NINPO ART:

Hold down the "B" button on Controller One until the **POW** indicator reaches maximum force.

Hold down one of these **ARROW** keys and release the "**B**" button to execute the Ninpo Art:

GROUP "A" ARTS (Release the 'B' button)

GROUP "B" ARTS (Press LEFT/RIGHT ARROW and release 'B' button)

GROUP "C" ARTS (Press DOWN arrow and release 'B' button)

GROUP "D" ARTS (Press UP ARROW and release 'B' button)



INTERNATIONAL INTRIGUE AROUND THE WORLD!

LEVEL ONE: New York City

Black Manta receives a telephone call in the middle of the night from his aging Master. What's going on? The city streets and underground sewers hold kidnapped kids and terrible whispers of an international conspiracy. Just who is Tiny anyway?



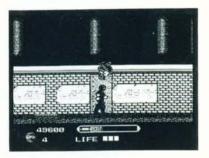




GAME LEVELS (continued)

LEVEL TWO: Tokyo, Japan

A shadow of crime casts its gloom over the Land of the Rising Sun. Black Manta enters Tokyo, only to find more kids being held prisoner by evil henchmen and Ninja. Is four to one really fair?



GAME LEVELS (continued)

LEVEL THREE: Rio De Janiero, South America

Welcome to lifestyles of the slick and infamous! A large private yacht lies at anchor. Who is the owner? What's inside those warehouses he owns? An ancient Voodoo temple holds the identity of this mysterious figure! But will Black Manta live to learn the awful truth?



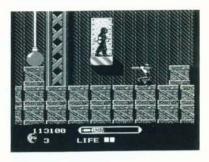




GAME LEVELS (continued)

LEVEL FOUR: New York City

Black Manta returns to New York, hot on the trail of this mystery man. One thing is certain: Mr. X doesn't like nosy crime fighters! The chase goes on through warehouses and underground tunnels. Can armed guards and iron balls hold back Black Manta?



GAME LEVELS (continued)

LEVEL FIVE: DRAT Headquarters

A deserted gray warehouse is actually a worldwide center of operations! Assassins wait behind every elevator door, and an army of mercenaries patrol the halls. The mystery man waits for Black Manta in his penthouse suite. Little does our hero know that this villain has one card left to play!







SPECIAL CHARACTERS

Informants

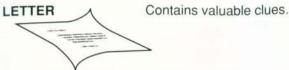
This pack of crooks are the eyes and ears of DRAT. Grab them quickly, maybe you'll learn something useful. Look for their reddish brown uniforms.

Kidnapped Kids

What does DRAT want with these innocent youngsters? It's up to Black Manta to rescue them. Who knows? They might have some important information! Be careful. They're hidden in heavily guarded rooms.



SPECIAL ITEMS



POW SYMBOL

LIFE SYMBOL

Gives Black Manta maximum strength.

Makes the **POW** indicator more powerful.



EXTRA LIVES

An extra life is awarded at 5,000, 10,000, and 15,000 points.



CONTINUE OPTION

A player can choose to end the current game or continue it after losing all his lives. The **CONTINUE** screen appears after the **GAME OVER** screen.

To continue the current game:

Press the **SELECT** button to choose the **CONTINUE** option. Press the **START** button to continue the current game.

To end the current game:

Press the START button when the CONTINUE screen appears.

A player can continue the current game four (4) times.

HINTS AND TIPS

- · Don't eliminate informants!
- · Rescue every kidnapped kid you find!
- · Read every letter for a valuable clue!
- · Hidden levels hold many secrets.
- Only four different Ninpo Arts can defeat the mysterious villain!





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