How to Install and Play the Taco Chronicles
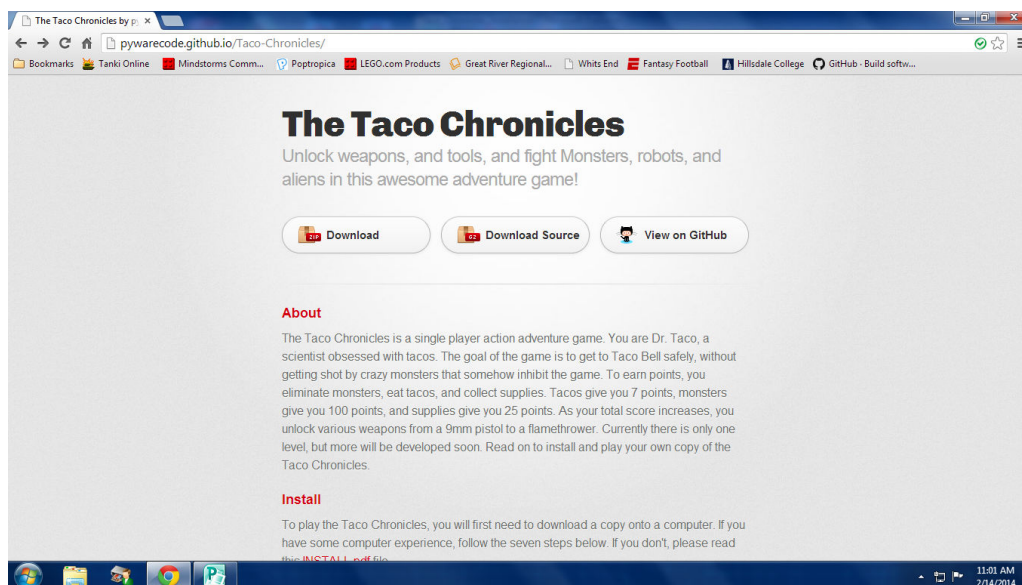
Introduction

The Taco Chronicles is a single player action adventure game. You are Dr. Taco, a scientist obsessed with tacos. The goal of the game is to get to Taco Bell, without getting shot by crazy monsters that some how inhabit the game. To earn points, you eliminate monsters, eat tacos, and collect supplies. Tacos give you 7 points, monsters give you 100 points, and the supplies each give you 25 points. As your score increases, you can unlock up to 5 different weapons. Currently there is only one level, but there will soon be four. Read on to install and play your own copy of the Taco Chronicles.

The Taco Chronicles is programmed in Python by Tyler Spadgenske. It is very delicate work; if one line of code is wrong, the entire game may fail.

Step One: Downloading the Files

The entire Taco Chronicles package is over 1000 files, so to safely use the Taco Chronicles you must download one single file, much easier to maintain than 1000 files. To do this, you first must go to pywarecode.github.io/Taco-Chronicles/. You should see a screen like the one below:
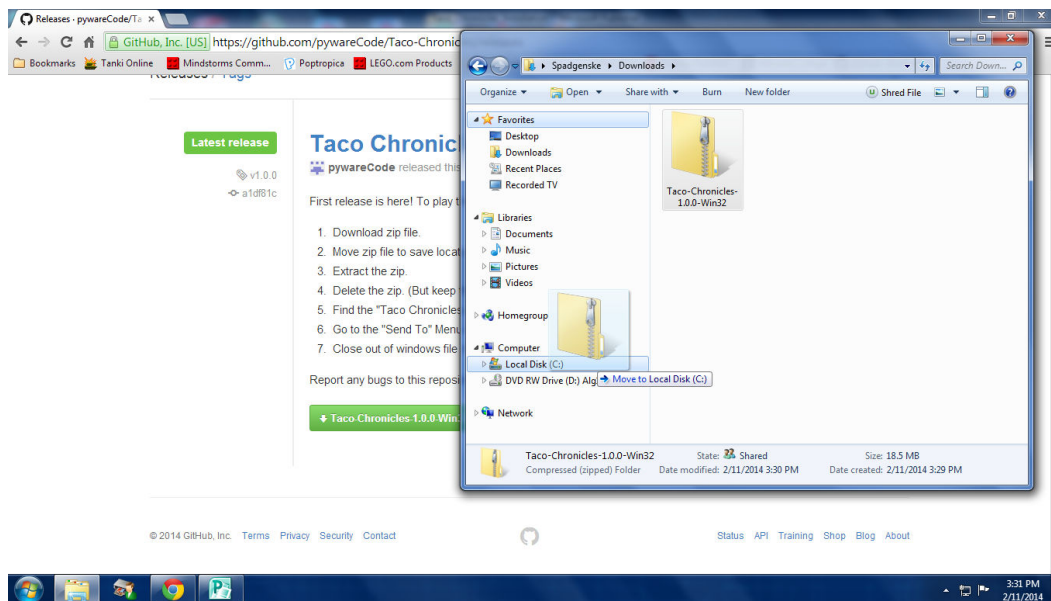
On this page, somewhat at the top, there should be three buttons. A Download button, a Download Source Button, and a "View on Github" button. <u>Click on the Download Button.</u> The download will begin, so you will have to wait for it to finish before moving on.
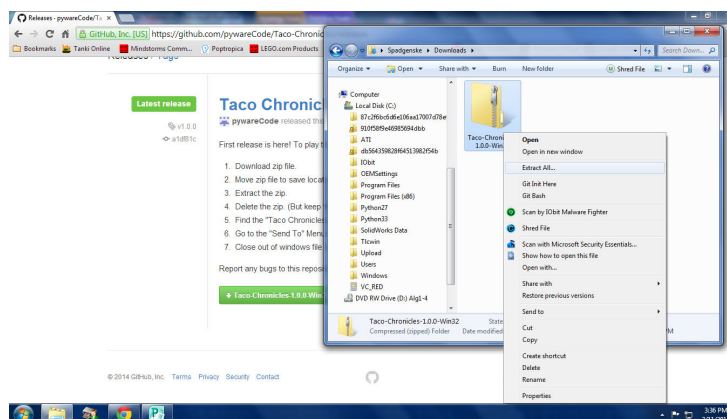
Step Two: Move the Files to a Safe Location

Once the download is complete, you should be able to double click on the file and it will go to the files location. If you can't click on it, go to the downloads folder in windows explorer, or where ever you saved your file to. Once there, drag the zip file to a safe location. (Image below demonstrates this) I recommend the C: drive, this is not only a safe place to store really important files it makes the game run faster.
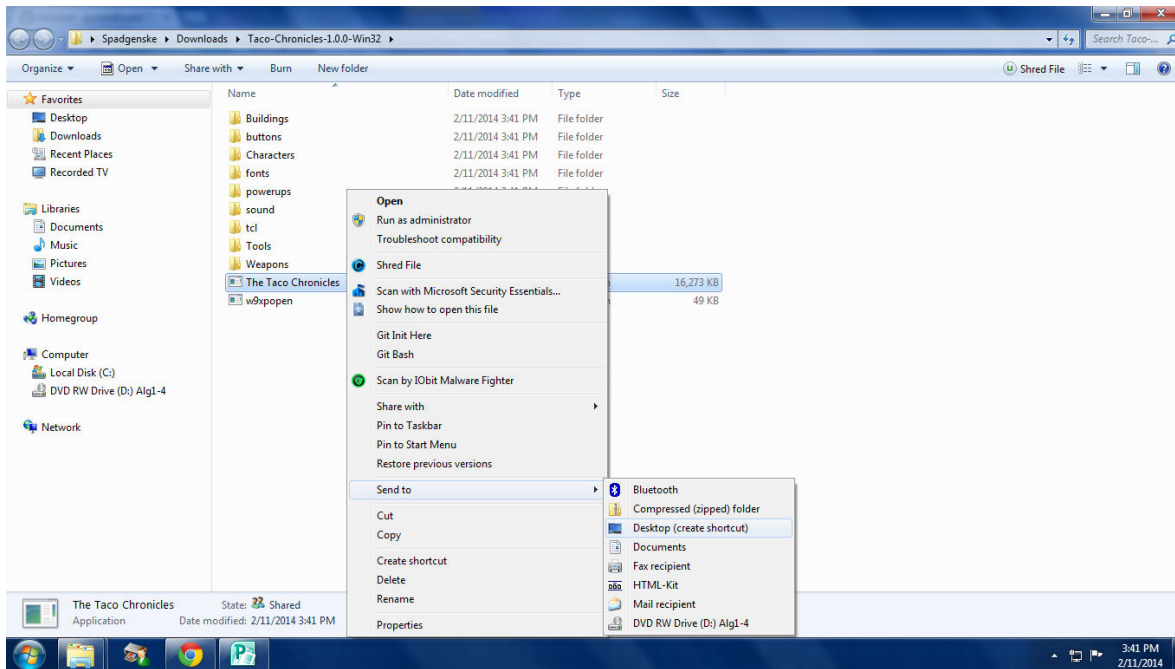
Step Three: Extracting the Files

Once you have moved the Taco Chronicles to a safe location, it is time to make the game usable. To do this, go to the zip file's location, and right click over the file. Click on "Extract" and wait for the package to extracted.

Step Four: Creating a Shortcut

Next, enter the Taco Chronicles folder and find the exe file Called simply "The Taco Chronicles" (It also has a taco for the icon). Right click on this file and go to the "Send To" menu and click "Desktop". Close out of Windows explorer.

Step Five: Starting the Game

You now have successfully installed the Taco Chronicles! To play the game, go to the Desktop, (Where you screen saver is and a lot of icons) and find the taco icon and the caption "The Taco Chronicles". Double click on that, and the credits and license should pop up. By clicking "OK" you agree to my terms and conditions. The game will start and your on your way!

Troubleshooting

Problem: The game runs slow.
Solution: When you run the game, in the upper right corner there is a FPS clock. If the FPS (Frames per second) is under 15, or even 20, the game is running slow. The solution is to run the game on a faster computer. A faster edition of the Taco Chronicles is still under development.

Problem: When I click on the start button, is shows please wait, but then a Windows Runtime Error occurs.
Solution: This error means Windows thinks the program is not responding. go to https://github.com/pywareCode/Taco-Chronicles/issues/14 for more information.

Problem: I get a error when I run the program. After clicking the start button. It says to check a error log.
Solution: This most likely means the software cannot find a file. The best option is to restart the game. If it still returns this error, try reinstalling the Taco Chronicles.