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Introduction

You begin your adventure as an Arctic Explorer, separated from your companions while trying to resolve the legacy of your father, who disappeared on the polar ice cap thirty years earlier. With nothing more than a cryptic mention of Herculania as your guide, you have become lost in an arctic blizzard. At the end of your physical limits, you lie unconscious, drifting between strange and foreboding dreams. A shadow appears out of the arctic mists... the ship Herculania. But does this seeming oasis mean salvation, or damnation?

Getting Started

First, verify that you meet the system requirements for the game, then insert the Morpheus™ Disc 1 into your CD-ROM drive.

Windows®:

In most cases, the CD will automatically run, giving you the option to install the program on your hard drive. You can manually install the program in the following way:

1. Click on the "Start" button, then choose the "Run..." option.
2. Type D:\SETUP in the dialog box (where 'D' is your CD drive letter) and press OK.
3. Follow the prompts to complete the installation.
4. To start the program, select Morpheus from the Start menu under Programs > Morpheus.

The setup program will also install QuickTime™ 3, which is required to run the program. If you already have this installed, you can skip this part of the installation. Previous versions of QuickTime may be required for other programs to run. QuickTime 3 was designed to let different versions be installed at the same time.

Macintosh®:

To install the game, simply drag the "Morpheus" folder over to your hard drive. This folder is located on Disc 1 of the set.

To start the program, double-click on the "Morpheus" icon.

QuickTime™ 3 is required to run the program. If you do not already have version 3 installed, we've included the installer on the CD-ROM. Simply double-click on the 'QuickTime Installer' icon and follow the instructions on your screen.

You will need to restart your system after this installation.

System Requirements

Windows®:

Pentium®
8 MB RAM
Quad-speed CD-ROM drive
640x480 display
(256 color or higher)
Windows® 95
Windows® compatible
sound card and mouse

Macintosh®:

PowerMac
8 MB RAM
Quad-speed CD-ROM drive
640x480 display
(256 color or higher)
System 7.5 or above

About the Game

Morpheus™ a virtual reality adventure game, allows you to interact with ghostly apparitions and uncover horrifying secrets through the dreamworlds of some of her lost passengers. You will soon discover that someone desperately needs your help.

The Explorer

You play the role of an arctic explorer searching for the secrets behind his lost father's disappearance.

The Ship

On the verge of death, you discover the wreck of the Herculania. Your adventure takes place within the confines of this ship, and the other worlds it contains.

Your Goal

To survive and discover the secrets locked within the Herculania and to finally know the fate of your father.

How to Play

You use the mouse to move around the VR environments of the game. You can then click on objects to manipulate them. Please see Game Controls on page six for complete instructions.

Menu Options

Save - This lets you save your current game. It will display a standard file box asking you where you want to save your game.

New - This lets you start a new game.

Quit - Quits the current game of Morpheus™.

Restore - Restores a previously saved game of Morpheus™.

Volume - Changes the volume of music and sounds.

Window - Switches between large and small window sizes. You can switch to a smaller sized window if the game is playing slowly on your system.

Hi-Res Pans - You can turn this on and off. High resolutions panoramas look better, but can move slower on some systems. Low resolution panoramas are faster, but don't look as nice.

Transitions - Use this to turn on and off the transition movies which take you between different locations.

Game Controls

The primary way you control the game is with your mouse. As you move the mouse over the screen, the cursor will change shape. The shape of the cursor indicates the type of action you can take on that part of the screen. Each cursor represents a different action. The different cursors and what they do are listed below:



Ship Wheel Cursor - The Ship Wheel Cursor means that the current scene is a panorama. On a panorama you can turn left and right, up and down, by dragging around with the mouse. The speed at which you turn is dependent on how you drag with the mouse.



Open Hand Cursor - As you play Morpheus™, you will come across numerous levers, knobs, dials, etc. These are items you can move and manipulate. When the cursor is over one of these objects, it will change to an open hand. When you click the mouse on it, the cursor changes to a closed hand. Dragging with the mouse button down will move the corresponding lever, knob, or dial.

Most of the remaining cursors indicate something that you can do by single clicking. Even though the cursor is over one of these hotspots, you can still move around a panorama by dragging with the mouse.



Pointing Finger - A hand with a pointing finger represents a button or similar object that you can interact with.



Arrow Cursor - When the cursor is over a hotspot that will move you to a new location, the cursor changes into an arrow. Click with the mouse to actually move to that destination.



Magnifying Glass - If there is something that you can look at closer, the cursor will change into a magnifying glass. Click to examine the item.



Microphone - When there is some narrative associated with a spot, the cursor changes to a microphone. Click on it to hear the story.



Down Arrow - If you can look down at something, the cursor is a downward pointing arrow.



Circular Arrow - A circular arrow is a "Go Back" cursor. This will return you to the location you just came from.

Special Objects - There are a few objects that you can pick up during the course of the game. While you are carrying one of these, you will get a cursor depicting that object instead of the ship wheel cursor. This is to let you know that you are carrying that object.

Technical Support

Morpheus™ may experience performance problems if other applications are running. Please quit all other applications before running the game.

Make sure you are using the very latest drivers for your video card. Also, be sure that your computer meets all of the minimum system requirements. Almost all troubleshooting problems result from driver issues or from not meeting system requirements.

For many technical support answers, please visit the technical support forum on our web site at: www.piranhainteractive.com

If you do not find the answer to your question there, you can get support by e-mail at: help@piranhainteractive.com

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