

ARKANOID

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THE GAME

The era and time of this story is unknown. After the mothership "Arkanoid" was destroyed, a spacecraft "Vaus" scrambled away, only to be trapped in the void . . . You control the Vaus and have to penetrate 32 levels and then confront the "Dimension Changer" whom you must destroy in order to reverse time and ressurect the "Arkanoid". Frantic action and split second timing combine to produce the most addictive and compulsive game.

LOADING

Position the cassette in your Atari recorder with the printed side upwards and make sure that it is rewound to the beginning. Ensure that all the leads are connected. Hold down the START and OPTION-KEYS and turn your computer on. The computer will then beep once. After this has happened, press PLAY on your recorder, then press the SPACE BAR. Loading will then commence and once completed, press FIRE BUTTON or START KEY to begin.

CONTROLS

The game is controlled by Keyboard, Joystick or Paddle as follows.

KEYBOARD

Player one and Player two.

LEFT — Z


RIGHT — X

FIRE — SHIFT KEY

JOYSTICK

Player One in Port One

Player Two in Port Two or Port One when selected.

LEFT  RIGHT

FIRE — FIRE

HOW TO PLAY

You control the Vaus craft which can be moved left or right. Using your skills, you must deflect an energy bolt which will gradually break down the walls confronting you. Certain coloured bricks must be hit more than once and others are completely indestructable. Alien life forms descend at random to hinder you but are eliminated on contact with either the energy bolt or the Vaus craft.

You are aided in your attempts with energy Capsules which are hidden beneath certain bricks and released upon their destruction. Each capsule has

a different power and is denoted by a letter painted on its side. These are as follows:

- S** — Slows down the speed of the energy bolt, making it easier to position yourself.
- C** — Enables you to catch the bolt, move to the desired position and then fire.
- E** — Expands the Vaus craft, giving you more chance to deflect the bolt.
- D** — Disrupts the bolt into three separate components thereby giving you three times the effect.
- L** — Arms your Vaus with a laser allowing it to shoot bricks and aliens.
- B** — Breaks the section of the wall enabling your Vaus craft an alternative escape route to slip through to the next level.
- P** — Awards you an extra life.

STATUS AND SCORING

On screen scoring displays current score, hi-score, number of lives remaining and level attained.

Points are awarded between 50 and 120 for knocking out a brick, depending on the colour. Collecting a capsule is 1000 and hitting an alien scores 100 points. Extra lives are awarded for collecting the "P" capsules.

HINTS and TIPS

- ★ The disruption capsule is of great use if your bolt is caught behind, or enclosed within, a wall.
- ★ The laser is most useful to break down the bricks which require a number of hits.
- ★ Using the very edge of your vaus to deflect the bolt will give you a much sharper angle — most useful for manoeuvring it into restrictive places.

GOOD LUCK

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