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Welcome to Dream
Land, a small and
peaceful country
situated on a far
away little star. In
Dream Land the
local pastime is a
puzzle game called

"Avalanche." Kirby decided that since every Dream Lander plays the game, it would be a great idea to have a country-wide competition to determine who is the best player of all.

After months of organizing, the First
Annual Dream Land's Avalanche
Competition was finally announced. To be
held at the Dream Fountain, this would be
the biggest event in the history of Dream
Land!

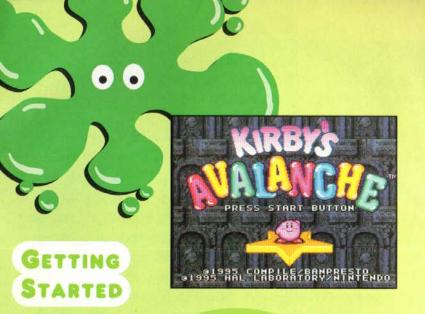
All the Dream Landers have been practicing, and all plan to attend and compete.

Like Kirby, they have been dreaming sweet dreams of becoming the Avalanche

Champion and claiming the highly sought after "Dream Fountain Cup."

The rules for the competition are quite simple: Everyone will travel by foot to the Dream Fountain. If, while on their journey, two Dream Landers happen to meet, they must challenge each other to an Avalanche match. Only the winner of the match may continue onward towards the Dream Fountain. In this way, the number of competitors will be whittled down to a manageable size before the final action at the Dream Fountain.

Can you help guide Kirby through the competition so he arrives successfully at the Dream Fountain? Can he rise above the grizzled veterans and achieve his dream of becoming the reigning champion? His fate is in your hands!



Insert the Kirby's Avalanche game pak into your Super Nintendo Entertainment System and switch the power to the ON position. The title screen will then appear.

To begin playing immediately, press the START Button on your controller.

If you wish to watch an instructional demonstration on how to play the game, do not press START, and simply kick back and watch.

Note: Your Controller may be plugged into either port for this game.

### CONTROLLER FUNCTIONS +Control Pad: Move Blobs Switch menu selections Alter Options **SELECT Button:** Activate menu selection START Button: Start the Game, L or R Pause or Unpause **Button:** Activate

B Button: Flip the Blob counterclockwise

X Button: Activate menu selection

A or Y **Button:** Flip the Blob

menu selec-

tion

clockwise

Note: Any Button pressed activates the current menu selection



#### Competition

IP vs. 2P

Practice

**Options** 

On the Game Modes menu screen, you are given four different choices to choose from. Use the ↑ and ↓ arrows on the +Control Pad to select the desired Mode and then press any Button to start.



#### Competition

This is the 1-player game, in which the player helps guide Kirby to his ultimate dream of winning the Dream Fountain Cup. Selecting Competition brings up a stage select screen.

Depending on your skill level, you may choose to start off with the Training levels, Level 1 or Level 4. Choose a level by using the ← and → arrows on the +Control Pad, and then press any Button.

Each level begins with a Boss introduction screen in which a picture of the Boss is shown and a voice states the Boss's name.



This is followed by a conversation screen in which Kirby and the Boss get acquainted.



Then the game commences.



#### IP Vs. 2P

This is the 2-player game, which is simply a one-on-one Avalanche showdown.

Selecting 1P Vs. 2P brings up the level select screen. Each player may choose their own level depending on their confidence in their Avalanche skills. The difficulty levels are delineated by both the jalapeno pepper and the corresponding number. The levels are as follows: Mild (#1), Medium (#2), Spicy (#3), Hot (#4) and Cajun (#5). Needless to say, the hotter the jalapeno, the more challenging the level.

Once both players have selected a level, the game begins.

#### Practice

This is the practice mode. You may practice alone or with a friend. In this mode, the Avalanches are turned off, which means that regardless of how well or poorly you play, you can not affect your partner's screen. Competition is not a factor.

In the practice mode, each player has the option of setting their own difficulty level. The choices are similar to that of the 2-player game. Mild (#1) is easy, Spicy (#3) is intermediate and Cajun (#5) is hard.

Once a player selects a difficulty level, the practice session begins.

The Options are covered on page 18.



# WHAT DOES IT ALL MEAN?

The screen is divided into three major areas:

- · Player one's playing field
- · Player two's playing field
- The central informational area

The two playing fields are identical. The left playing field is controlled by controller one, the right by controller two. In this way, you may play a 1-player game on either playing field.



In the playing fields, the Blobs appear in pairs at the top, and they are maneuvered as they free fall towards the bottom of the screen.

The Blobs all appear through a chute at the top of the playing field, and if the chute becomes blocked, that player's game is over.



When playing the Competition mode, the only difference between the Boss's playing field and the player's is that the Boss appears in a window in its playing area. The Boss will not be shown if the "Face" Option has been turned "OFF" (see Options, page 18).

The Central Informational Area displays the following information, from top to bottom:

- The NEXT piece to fall.
- An abbreviation of the character's name.
- The current Stage number.
- Kirby's Box Seat, from which he tries to cheer you on to victory!
- The players' scores are displayed at the very bottom of the playing field.

In the 1-player game, the player is always identified as "Kirby."





# OF BLOBS AND BOULDERS

#### Blobs

Blobs always appear in pairs. Sometimes the Blobs will be the same color, and sometimes they will be different col-

ors. (Check your NEXT box to clue in on what will be the next pair to fall into the playing field.)

The first of the pair to appear on the screen will be the dominant one.

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The dominant one can be identified by its flashing white edge. When you spin the pair of Blobs, the dominant one will maintain its position while the other Blob will revolve around it like a satellite.

The Blobs come in five glorious colors. Anytime two or more Blobs of the same color end their moves adjacent to each other (either horizontally or vertically), they glom together. If four or more of one color glom together into a single group, they explode and disappear.

#### Boulders

Boulders are obstacles that clog up the playing fields. They do not act like Blobs, and can only be elim inated when Blobs adjacent to them are exploded.





Boulders are produced when large amounts of Blobs are made to explode with the drop of a single pair.

Moments before these Boulders avalanche down upon the playing field and disrupt normal play, the Boulders appear above the playing field in the form of Boulder warning icons (SEE Page 17)



## STRATEGIES

The key to the game is to produce as many Boulders as possible, so as to bury your opponent in a flurry of avalanches. It is possible to produce Boulders by simply exploding single groups of Blobs, but the most ruthless and efficient means of producing Boulders is through the use of the Chain Reaction.

A Chain Reaction is the exploding of multiple groups of Blobs, one after another, triggered by the drop of a single pair.

The key to this is understanding that when a group of Blobs form and explode, they disappear and any Blobs

and Boulders that were piled on top of them then fall down to fill in the newly created space.

Hence, the manner in which you stack the Blobs directly affects whether or not chain reactions will occur. Here is one example of



building up for a chain reaction:

Note that the pile on the far right is made up of Blobs the player deemed unusable.

When you successfully make a chain reaction you will hear a voice call out. These voices serve as both a reward for good play and a warning to your opponent. If you manage to pull off multiple chain reactions, you will hear a series of different voices, one for each chain reaction created.

#### The following are some examples of chain reactions:

#### 1 Chain Reaction







2 Chain Reactions



3 Chain Reactions



Keep in mind that the more chain reactions you produce, the more Boulders will avalanche down on your opponent.

As you become a skilled player, you will find it possible to generate large numbers of chain reactions. Sometimes they will even occur by accident!

Always remember to move quickly, otherwise you may find your beautifully prepared stacks of Blobs hopelessly buried underneath Boulders.

# BOULDER WARNING ICONS

Just before an avalanche cascades down upon you or your opponent, Boulder warning icons will appear above the playing field. There are 3 types of warning icons, each representing different numbers of incoming Boulders:





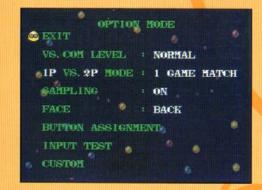




### THE OPTIONS SCREEN

Unless otherwise specified within the option's explanation, the +Control Pad does all the work while on the Options Screen.  $\uparrow$  and  $\downarrow$  scroll through the Options menu, while  $\leftarrow$  and  $\rightarrow$  change the setting of the option currently selected.

- Exit: Sets all the changes made while on the Option Screen and returns the player to the Title Screen. Press any Button to Exit.
- <u>Vs. Com Level:</u> Alters the difficulty of a 1-player game. Choose between "Easy", "Normal", "Hard" or "Hardest."
- <u>1P vs. 2P Mode:</u> Sets the length of a 2-player vs. game. Choose between a 1, 3, 5, 7, 9, 11, 13 or 15 Game Match.

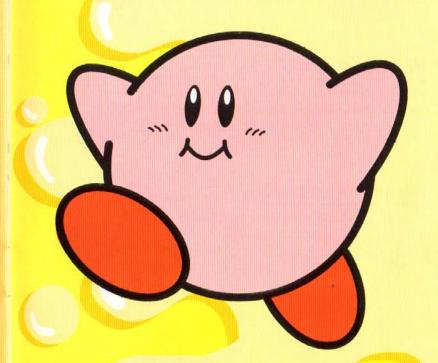


- Sampling: Turns the Avalanche voices ON or OFF.
- **Face:** Changes the placement of the Boss's picture in the 1-player game. Choose between "Front", "Back" and "Off."
- **Key Assignment:** Customizes the game controls for both or either of the controllers. ← and → alter the current Button's function. ↑ and  $\checkmark$  cycle through the Buttons. Press START to access or exit this option.
- Input Test: Use this to test your controllers. When you press any Button or any direction on the +Control Pad, it will change the corresponding button on the screen from a green "OFF" to a white "ON." Press START to access this option. Hold down both the L and R Buttons to exit.
- <u>Custom:</u> Check out all the sound effects and voices in the game. Switch the audio between "Stereo" and "Mono." Turn the Boss Character's Sweat from "ON" to "OFF." Place the Boss's face HIGH, LOW or in the MIDDLE of the screen.

# The Cast of Characters

#### KIRBY

Kirby, our hero from Dream Land, is represented by the player.



#### WADDLE DEE

A sniveling little whiner, you will find Waddle Dee to be the easiest of the bosses to defeat.



## BRONTO BURT

A full time bully who needs to be taught a lesson or two. Luckily, he is not a good Avalanche player.



### WADDLE DOO

Waddle Dee's first cousin, this cyclops lacks perspective, seeing everything in only two dimensions.



## POPPY BROS. SR.

This Happy-Go-Lucky, bomb-slinging boss is your first real Avalanche challenge.



## WHISPY WOODS

A contemplative, age-old enemy of Kirby, Whispy Woods will prove to be the mightiest oak you have ever encountered.



## KABU

Kabu, the immovable object, will attempt to block Kirby, the irresistible force.



## BROOM HATTER

This pesky, little character will try to sweep you right off the path to the Dream Fountain Cup.



## SQUISHY

An eight-tentacled boss who is the master of meddling, Squishy is also quite an accomplished Avalanche player.



#### LOLOLO AND LALALA

What a frustrating pair! Bury their parade in Boulders as early and often as possible.





## BUGZZY

Don't let the overly aggressive Bugzzy intimidate you.



#### PAINT ROLLER

Don't let this boss paint you into a corner. Once he's got you down, there will be no escape.



## HEAVY MOLE

A sneaky, underhanded underworld figure, Heavy Mole will hit you when you least expect it.



#### MR. SHINE AND MR. BRIGHT

Another deadly duo. Don't let down your guard on account of their friendly sounding names!



## KRACKO

If you thought Thor was the God of Thunder, this boss will change your mind in a hurry.



### METAKNIGHT

Chivalrous to the last, Metaknight is an all but unbeatable Avalanche player.



### KING DEDEDE

Kirby's goofy arch-rival is the #1 Avalanche player in Dream Land. You will need to focus all of your Avalanche skills to beat this character.



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