

Futura™

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MacIntosh®

Loading Instructions

1. Turn on your Macintosh
2. Insert the Futuria disk
3. The program will "boot up" and you will see the Futuria title screen.
4. Just wait a few seconds and the game will automatically boot.

Object of the Game

During your travels in space, you are mysteriously caught in a timewarp and find yourself transported to the outskirts of the deserted steel city of FUTURIA in the year 2190.

FUTURIA is indeed a strange place and has a fully-developed underground. Its only inhabitants are a security force of intelligent Robot patrollers who have hidden your ship.

In order to survive you must successfully deactivate all Futurian Robots, find your spaceship, refuel it and escape.

Screen Layout

The screen's divided into three separate windows and a menu bar on top. The largest window on the left half of the screen is the one used for entering commands. All user interaction with Futuria will appear here.

The window on the top right is used for pictures, while the one below it is the location description window that shows where you are, the things you see and available exits.

Menu Descriptions

The menu bar appearing on the top of the screen has the following options as detailed below:

1. **Apple**—This box contains the program credits (about Futuria) and the remaining standard Mac Desk Accessories. Any number of the accessories can be active at once, but the game cannot be continued until all Desk Accessories are closed.
2. **File**—**Load Game**—Allows the player to restart a previously saved game.
Save Game—Saves the current state of the game for replay at a later time.
Quit—Allows the player to terminate the game. Selecting this option will result in a dialog box appearing in the lower right of the screen, allowing the player to confirm or cancel. To restart the game after quitting, simply open up the Unicorn icon named Futuria.
3. **Edit**—Contains the standard undo, cut, copy, paste and clear entries. This menu is active only for the Desk Accessories and cannot be accessed from Futuria.
4. **Shortcuts**—Contains many of the more popular commands used in the adventure, so that you may use your mouse instead of typing, if you wish.

The above menu selections have keyboard equivalents, so the adventure can be played with or without the mouse.

How to Play

You can explore Futuria by typing in commands that will appear on the bottom line of the left-hand window. To enter a command, type a verb followed by an optional noun and press the Return key. For example, TAKE INVENTORY, LOOK, GO NORTH, INVENTORY, etc. The computer will interpret your command and respond accordingly. For quick play you can abbreviate your commands by typing in the first four letters of longer words.

The complete Futuria vocabulary is listed in the enclosed hint booklet. Using any verb or verb/noun combinations that are not included in the vocabulary will result in an appropriate message.

Playing Tips

The picture window is there to stimulate your imagination. Be sure to always check the window below the picture for a complete detailed description of your location and sur-

rounding objects.

Always watch the command window on the left for informative messages that may appear during your adventure.

If you have made significant headway, and face a potentially dangerous situation, it is a good idea to save the game before going any further. It is recommended that games be saved on a separate disk, as detailed in the SAVE GAME OPTION following.

It is recommended that you make a map as you travel through Futuria. If you are really stumped, as a last resort, you can refer to the enclosed hint booklet.

Saving the Game

Pull down the File Menu and select the Save game option or use the corresponding keyboard command. A dialog box will appear. Type in the name you wish to give to the saved game and click save and your game will be saved on the Futuria game disk. Note, that due to disk limitations on the Futuria game disk, it is recommended that you eject the Futuria disk and save the game on another disk. When using another disk, simply follow the on-screen instructions.

Loading in a Previously Saved Game

Pull down the File Menu and select the Load option with your mouse or use the corresponding keyboard command. Select the game you wish to load and click open if your games have been saved on the Futuria disk. Otherwise, eject the Futuria disk and insert your separate saved game disk, select the desired file name and click open. The saved game disk will automatically be ejected and you will be prompted to reinsert the Futuria game disk.