



## **User's Manual**





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Perhaps you remember your last conversation with Atrus - as he sat in that ancient room, constantly writing into the volume that lay before him. He spoke to you, even pleaded with you, regarding his sons, but still, his mind seemed occupied by something else, burdened. He was struggling with a tremendous weight, and he even spoke of a greater foe ...

### MESSAGE FROM THE CREATORS

Well, here we are again. For some of you this will be a new journey, for others it is just a continuation after a brief hiatus. Either way, what you are about to experience is the culmination of our blood, sweat and tears over the last four years (OK, maybe not blood).

**Riven** was designed to be an immersive experience. So, shut the door, turn down the lights, turn up the sound, sit in a comfortable chair, and let yourself be drawn into the world of **Riven**.

And, for goodness sake, use a pair of headphones or a good pair of speakers!

Sincerely,

The Riven Development Team

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## GETTING STARTED



#### WINDOWS® CD-ROM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS\*

- Windows 95 required
- 100MHz Pentium® or faster
- 16MB RAM
- Minimum 75MB hard disk space
- 4X CD-ROM drive or faster
- 640X480 display, High Colour
- Windows compatible sound device
- Video and sound cards compatible with DirectX\*\*

#### \*System Configuration:

May require minor adjustments to the configuration of your operating system, additional hard disk space, and/or updates to the hardware component drivers.

\*\*If you experience problems with the installation or compatibility of DirectX on your computer, please consult the hardware manufacturer of your video or sound card for the latest drivers compatible with DirectX. You may also want to check Microsoft's Web page for more information.

#### WINDOWS 95 INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

#### TO INSTALL

- Begin at the Windows 95 desktop.
- Insert Riven1 disc into your CD-ROM drive.
- The Riven Startup window should appear.
- Click the Install button and follow the on-screen instructions to install the program.

If the *Riven* Startup window does not appear automatically on screen, you can install the program manually:

- Click the Start button on the taskbar and choose Run.
- Type D:\SETUP.EXE in the line labelled Open. (If your CD-ROM drive uses a letter other than D, substitute that letter for D).
- Click the OK button and follow the on-screen instructions to install Riven.

#### TO PLAY

After successfully installing the program, click the **Run** button at the **Riven** Startup window to start the program. The **Riven** Startup window will usually appear each time the **Riven1** disc is inserted into the CD-ROM drive.

If the Riven Startup window does not appear automatically on screen:

- Begin at the Windows 95 desktop.
- Click the Start button, point to Programs, and then Riven.
- Click the *Riven* menu item to start the program.

#### TO REMOVE

If you need to remove *Riven*, begin at the Windows 95 desktop. Click the **Start** button, point to **Settings**, and then click **Control Panel**. Double-click the **Add/Remove Programs** icon. Click the **Install/Uninstall** tab and select *Riven* from the list of programs. Click the **Add/Remove**... button and then click the **Yes** button to remove the program.







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#### MACINTOSH® CD-ROM SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS\*

- Mac<sup>™</sup> OS required
- System 7.5 or higher
- 90MHz PowerPC or faster
- 9MB RAM free
- Minimum 65MB hard disk space
- 4X CD-ROM drive or faster required
- 640X480 display, thousands of colours

#### \*SYSTEM CONFIGURATION:

May require minor adjustments to the configuration of your operating system, additional hard disk space, and/or updates to the hardware component drivers.

#### MAC™ OS INSTALLATION INSTRUCTIONS

Insert the Riven1 disc into your CD-ROM drive. Double-click the Riven1 disc icon, then double-click the Riven Installer icon to launch the install program. Click the Continue button to view the ReadMe file. When you have finished viewing the ReadMe file, click the Continue button again. Make sure the pull-down menu in the upper left corner of the Riven Installer window is set to Easy Install. Select the hard disk where you would like Riven to be installed by clicking the Switch Disk button until the correct hard disk is displayed. Click the Install button. Restart your computer when the installation is finished.

## TO PLAY

To play *Riven*, locate the *Riven Folder* on your hard drive, double-click the folder to open it, then double-click the icon labelled *Riven* to launch the application.

#### To REMOVE

If you need to remove  ${\it Riven}$ , just drag the  ${\it Riven Folder}$  into the Trash and empty the Trash.







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## PLAYING THE GAME

An old D'ni proverb reads, "Lose your questions and you will find your answers." *Riven* is a continuation of the story from the *Myst* CD-ROM and the *Myst* novels. The secret to *Riven* is there are no secrets! Become lost in the beauty of its worlds and think as if you were actually there. Take time to explore and pay close attention to the details in the worlds; don't overlook anything. Keeping brief notes may help remind you of important clues and information you encounter along the way. Think about what you have seen in other parts of *Riven* and logically piece together everything you know.

#### Moving Around

Basics:

Moving through **Riven** is simple and intuitive. Position the mouse pointer where you would like to go, then click. When you would like to move forward, click near the centre of the screen. When you want to turn right or left, click on the right or left side of the view.

Details:

You are able to turn around from most locations by moving the hand pointer to the left or right side of the view and clicking. When the hand pointer changes to point either left or right with a bent finger, 'S' clicking will turn you 180° in that direction. It also may be possible to look or move up or down in certain areas. In these cases, when the pointer is near the top or bottom of the screen, the regular hand pointer with the thumb extended 'N' will change to a pointer that points up or down with the thumb retracted 'N'.

In some locations, when you are very close to an object, clicking to the side of the object will move you back one step. Some areas are not accessible. Clicking on these areas will have no effect, indicating that they are not valid paths and contain no important information.

Zip Mode:

**Riven** has a Zip Mode which enables quick transportation to places you have already been. When Zip Mode is checked in the **Options** menu, the pointer changes into a lightning bolt when it is over certain objects or areas. Clicking the mouse will *zip* you to these areas immediately, bypassing all the areas in between. You can only zip to a location you have previously visited. Be careful; if you use Zip Mode too early or without care, you may miss some important details in the areas that you are bypassing.

#### MANIPULATING OBJECTS

Basics:

If you want to examine or use an object, just click it, or click and drag it.

Details:

Clicking an object will either bring that object closer to you or bring you closer to the object. If the object is functional, clicking it may activate it, or manipulate it (such as turning on a switch or flipping the pages in a book). If the object is not important, clicking it may have no effect.

It is also possible to move some objects, such as switches and levers, by dragging them. If an object can be dragged, the regular pointer will turn into an open hand who when you click the object the pointer will change into a grabbing hand who will be able to move the object.

There are a few objects which can be picked up and carried with you. When one of these objects is selected, it will automatically come into your possession. To access an item you have picked up, move your mouse pointer over the black area at the bottom of the screen. The items in your possession will appear; click on any one of them to use or examine it. When you have finished examining or using an item, click to either side of the object to put it away.

To jump to the end of a movie, press the spacebar. But, as with Zip Mode, be careful not to skip through an important movie.



## REFERENCE KEYS

To view or hide the menu bar:

Windows users: hold down the Ctrl key and press the spacebar, or click near the top of the screen.

Macintosh users: hold down the **Command** key (**36**) and press the spacebar, or click near the top of the screen.

Windows Mac

New Ctrl +N %-N Start a new game.

Open... Ctrl +O #-O Open a saved game.

Save Ctrl +S %-S Save a game.

Save As... Save the current game using a new name.

Exit/Quit Alt +F4 96-Q Quit

# TROUBLESHOOTING WINDOWS 95

The Startup window will usually appear each time the **Riven1** disc is inserted into the CD-ROM drive. If you prefer **Riven** to launch without

seeing this screen, click the check box at the bottom of the Startup window marked "Show this window next time you insert the CD" so that the check mark is removed. The next time the CD is inserted into the CD-ROM drive, the program will automatically launch. (Note: This AutoPlay feature is not available if the *Riven* Startup window does not automatically appear the first time the CD is inserted.)

To reactivate the Startup window, insert the **Riven1** disc into your CD-ROM drive. When the program begins, immediately press **Alt+F4** to quit. Double-click the **My Computer** icon on the Windows 95 desktop. Click the **Riven** CD icon once with the right mouse button and select **AutoPlay Dialog**. Click the check box at the bottom of the Startup window marked "Show this window next time you insert the CD" so a check mark is placed there. Click **Run** to start the program.

#### MAC OS

For *Riven* to work properly, your system software must include the following *QuickTime*<sup>™</sup> 2.5 components in the *Extensions* folder.

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QuickTime™ Musical Instruments

QuickTime™ PowerPlug Sound Manager (version 3.2.1)

During the installation process these files should be installed into your **Extensions** folder. If the *Riven* installer encounters an earlier version of these files, it will prompt you to save the older versions. When the **QuickTime 2.5** files are installed, any older versions will be saved in a folder named **QuickTime™(Old Version)** which can be found in the **System Folder**.

If for some reason you need to reinstall the older versions of the **QuickTime** extensions, you will need to disable **QuickTime** 2.5 manually. In order to disable **QuickTime** 2.5, double-click the hard drive icon on your desktop. In the hard drive window, double-click the **System Folder** icon. When the **System Folder** window opens, pull down the **File** menu and select **New Folder**. Name the new folder **QuickTime** (for **Riven**). Double-click the **Extensions** folder to open it. Drag the **QuickTime** 2.5 extension from the **Extensions** folder onto the **QuickTime** (for **Riven**) folder. Repeat the last step as needed to move any other **QuickTime** 2.5 extensions.







Once QuickTime 2.5 is disabled, you may reinstall your older version of QuickTime. Again, locate the System Folder. Double-click the System Folder icon to open the folder and locate the QuickTime™ (Old Version) folder and double-click this folder to open it. Locate the Extensions folder in the System Folder window and drag the files from the QuickTime™ (Old Version) folder onto the Extensions folder icon. Note: If you do reinstall the older extensions, *Riven* will no longer run. You will need to perform a Custom Install before running *Riven* again.

To perform a **Custom Install**, insert the **Riven1** disc into your CD-ROM drive and double-click the **Riven1** disc icon. Double-click the **Riven**Installer icon to launch the install program. Click the **Continue** button to finish viewing the ReadMe document. Select **Custom Install** from the pull-down menu in the upper left corner of the installer window. Click the small box next to the **QuickTime™** 2.5 **Components** item in the list of items that can be installed. Make sure you are installing onto the hard disk where your **System Folder** is located by clicking on the **Switch Disk** button until the correct hard disk is displayed. Click the **Install** button. Restart your computer when the installation is finished.

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## CYAN

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