

WormOut2097

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Chapter 1

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1.1 WormOut 2097 - The Guide

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1.2 Public Domain

--- Public Domain ---

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you will be for ever appreciated, and get a free version of the next game produced by Living and Electronic Dreams.

1.3 About WormOut 2097

--- About WormOut 2097 ---

The idea to make 'WormOut 2097' came from the 'secret' part of 'Klub Diznee' by Dexter/Abyss (A GREAT THX music mag!). Then the gameplay was spiced up with elements from 'The Worms' made by some Polish guy I don't remember (these so called elements was the rocks) and the inspiration for the door came from a Mac game I have some weird feeling is called 'Stix' although I have no idea if it's true. Along with the oversized playing area, this is what makes 'WormOut 2097' what it is.

WormOut 2097 does perform a few not so system friendly tricks, to make the game run smoothly even on slow processors (<68020) therefore it may not be fully compatible with all system setups. One thing you shouldn't mess to much around with is switching between NTSC and Pal screenmodes, as this sometimes makes the computer crash (but only if you keep switching the option around 10 times a second). Another thing that may upset some 'System Friendly Gamers' is the disabling of multi-tasking during the actual game (during the option and intro sequence the game fully multitasks). By the way A600 users will need a joystick, as there are no arrow keys on the keyboard of their favorite machine. Elsehow the game should run on all Amigas with 1mb of memory (I hope ;)

There is only one known bug in the game, and that is if you keep preessing 'P' while the game is paused, the game will continue in a sort of stop-motion slow-mo mode until the keyboard buffer is empty (this takes two seconds to fix, but who gives a damn anyways?)

1.4 The Aim of the Game

--- The Aim of the Game ---

Simple! Take control of a bio-mechanic worm and collect tokens (green circular things, with numbers inside), your worm will grow with the number of joints written inside the token and so will your score. At the same time as collecting tokens you must avoid colliding with the edges of the playing area, the rocks, and the wall (the rocks and the wall may be disabled if you are a wimp :). In the upper left hand corner of the screen an arrow will appear, this arrow points in the direction the next token is, if the next token is within visble range (on the screen) the arrow will turn into a dot.

The option menu gives you the choice of how many rocks you want on the playing area, the number of rocks is only representative as the game itself will calculate how many there are room for. Also in the options menu you can chose wether or not you wan't a door on the playing area. In case you select that the door should be there (on) a wall will intersect the playing area in two equal halves, and somewhere in this wall a door is placed. To open the door you should worm-over a button placed close to the door, the button will now be green, and the door open, as soon as you have gone through the door it will close again, and you will have to reopen it, using

the button on the other side.

If you were ever in doubt: the worm is controlled using either joystick or the arrow keys on the keyboard (too bad for you A600 owners), and space does the same trick as fire does on the stick.

When you eventually have crashed into something a small request will appear, asking you whether you want to replay the level or return to the options (intro) section of the game, choosing replay you will restart on the same level, with the rocks and wall/door placed at the same places, elsehow you will return to the options/intro sequence.

Why, don't just sit there play the game, you will figure it all out in no time... Good luck (You won't need it ;)

1.5 Installation of the game

--- Installing to HD ---

Simply copy the files from the archive to a drawer on your harddisk, and double-click on the 'WormOut2097' icon.

1.6 My address

--- Author's Address ---

If any questions or errors arise durring the use of the game, then you can contact me on the following address:

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1.7 Coders and Soundwizards needed

--- Coders and Soundwizards needed ---

For a new game from LED we need a good coder and a musician/sound FX creator. The game will be sort of copycat of Prince of Persia, and Tomb Raider (for PlayStation) mixed with a little more adventure elements. The game will be presented in a 2D platform way along with some stunning pre-rendered 3D presentation sequences. Emphasis will be put on super smooth character animation, and extravagant background scenarios. The game will be AGA/Graphics card only. To produce this game, a small development team has to be set up (as I (Mikkel Fredborg) am currently the only member of Living and Electronic Dreams).

Coders: must be able to program both action and adventure elements, and

do it in AGA (256 colours) or on graphics boards. A proven track record would be nice, but is no demand. Send some examples of your AMIGA work to LED (must be able to run on A1200 68030 8mb fast).

Musicians/Sound FX artists: Musicians should be able to create high quality modules in the classical or techno genre (a mix of these would be highly rated), some theoretical knowledge about music would be preferable, but if you just do great music then that's more than enough. Sound FX artists must be able to create/sample realistic human and animal sounds (footsteps, roars, breathing, etc.). Send examples of your work to LED.

It is also possible that assistant graphics artists will be required, if you're good at 3D rendering or 3D/2D animation, then send some examples of your work to LED.

As of this moment I cannot in anyway guarantee that the project will be carried out. Only if the right people (YOU!) are found this project will be started. If you're into it for the money, then don't bother writing, as it will be highly unlikely that a great amount of money will come out of this project. But if the game is finished, I can guarantee that you will at least get some credit for having been in the development of producing one of the best AMIGA games ever. If everything works out as it ought to the game will be published by a software house or be sold via mail order.

If you are (still) interested then don't hesitate, send your dream works today...

Mikkel Fredborg
Lead Artist/Conceptual Artist
Living and Electronic Dreams

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1.8 Magic Digitz and Special Thanx

--- Magic Digits ---

The release of WormOut2097 has been delayed for over a month due to that god damn f*%#!g AMOS Compiler that just happened to go totally nuts and crash my harddisk completely. Therefore a magic digit goes to

Francois Lionet

--- Special Thanks ---

But as there are jerks, there certainly are saviours and amongst them are

Søren Jørvang

who supplied me with a spare harddisk, and then the boring part began, namely copying all intact files from the smashed harddisk to the new one. Which only took around 150 floppies and some 3 weeks. Then another few weeks went by because I started my military services, but now finally I have the game finished, and I certainly hope you enjoy it a million times as much as

enjoyed finishing it.
