

The Mac Games Release List

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This is the most comprehensive and informative release list for the Macintosh gaming community. Take the release dates with an ion of salt because they are VERY tentative! In fact, some of these titles may never see daylight.

Summary of titles released in May

- Sherlock Holmes 3 (CD-ROM) - ICOM Simulations
- Bridge Master - Capstone
- Uncharted Waters - Koel
- Space Madness - High Risk Ventures (Defend the universe from -invading aliens)
- Harpoon Designer Series 2 - Three-Sixty (Includes 50 page data annex and Official Guide to Harpoon Tactics)
- Wilderlands - Avalon Hill (Sequel to Legend of the Lost Realm)

Summary of titles released in June

- Decisive Battles of the American Civil War Vol. 3 - SSG
- G-NETIX - ISM
- The Iron Helix (CD-ROM) - Drew Pictures (Explore a derelict spaceship with a probe and try to prevent a war)
- Microcosm 2 - Softstream
- Operation Intercept - Softstream
- Super Maze Wars - Calisto (Spectre-like network game)

July

- The 7th Guest (CD-ROM) - Virgin Games (This HUGE game involves solving puzzles in each of the 22 fully-realized 3D rooms in a haunted mansion. Shipping on 2 CD-ROMs, this interactive drama will feature over 90 minutes of full-motion video, synthesized music, and speech)
- Bridge Deluxe with Omar Sharif - MacPlay
- Carriers at War (Released) - SSG (Naval simulation that will take full advantage of the Mac's capabilities)
- The Classic 5 - MacPlay
- Crosswords - Dynamix
- Crystal Crazy - Casady & Greene (Totally new Crystal Quest type game)

- DragonBlade (Released) - RJ Best (A traditional RPG which takes players into every dungeons on a Quest to free an imprisoned Wizard. With original graphics created by a San Francisco artist, sound effects which will keep you on the edge of your seat, and enhanced animation)
- Dragon's Lair 3 (Released) - ReadySoft
- Freddy Pharkas: Frontier Pharmacist (Released) - Sierra (From Al Lowe, creator of Leisure Suit Larry)
- Fun House - Amtex Software (More pinball from the guys who gave us 8 Ball Deluxe)
- Gate - Seven Hills Software (A gauntlet-type adventure featuring 256 colors, smooth animation, and great sounds)
- Hell Cab (CD-ROM) (Released) - Warner New Media (An adventure in which you must travel through time and save your soul from Satan)
- Hill Street Blues - Digitek (Play your favorite characters from the TV show)
- The Lost Admiral - OOP (Strategic war game that is very popular on MS-DOS platforms right now)
- The Magic Death (CD-ROM) - CMC (A murder/mystery type game with multiple endings and different killers. Uses full-motion video, sound, animation)
- NFL Challenge: Premium Edition - XOR (Color with more features)
- Rex Nebular (Released) - Microprose (Sci-fi graphic adventure with humor)
- Royal Flush - Amtex Software (More pinball from the guys who gave us 8 Ball Deluxe)
- Sargon V - Spinnaker
- Spaceway 2000 - Casady & Greene (Spyhunter type game set in space)
- Star Trek's 25th Anniversary - MacPlay (Graphic role-playing adventure with your favorite Star Trek characters from the old Trek)
- Sword-Juno-Gold - Three-Sixty (Next battleset in the V for Victory series)
- Take-a-Break Pinball - Sierra
- Uninvited - ICOM (Will now run on the latest Macs under System 7)
- Victory at Sea - Three-Sixty (World War II naval warfare game)
- Virtual Valerie: Director's Cut (CD-ROM) - Reactor (Virtual Valerie 1 with added video never seen before)
- Zone of Avoidance (Released) - Casady & Greene (Defend a 2001-like space station from an alien attack)

August

- 727 Flight Simulator - Robert Dorsett (A full-function, professional-level flight and systems simulator with state-of-the-art realism and flight dynamics, worldwide navaid and approach systems database)
- Awesome Adventures of Victor Vector & Yondo 2 (CD-ROM) - Sanctuary Woods (Next in series, entitled "The Dinosaur's Egg")
- Awesome Adventures of Victor Vector & Yondo 3 (CD-ROM) - Sanctuary Woods (Next in series, entitled "The Hypnotic Harp")
- The Chaos Continuum (CD-ROM) - CMC (Incorporates images and special effects created in SGI workstations, using the most powerful 3D and modeling software on the market)
- Darkseed - Cyberdreams (Sci-fi/Horror adventure with artwork from H.R. Giger)
- Dragon Boy - Leviathan Corporation (An action/adventure game featuring a fire-spitting boy)
- F/A -18 Hornet (8/15/93) - Graphic Simulations (Highly anticipated flight simulator from the makers of the very popular Hellcats over the Pacific)
- Eric's Ultimate Solitaire - Delta Tao
- The Incredible Machine 2 - Dynamix (Thinking game like a computer erector set)
- Jeopardy - Gametek
- Lexicross + - MacPlay

- Pathways Into Darkness - Bungie Software (Action/Adventure that uses a three-dimensional, continuous-motion graphics system that utilizes texture mapping)
- Strategic Conquest - Delta Tao
- Total Distortion (CD-ROM) - Pop Rocket (Billed as the first "Music Video Adventure Game" in which the player travels to the "Distortion Dimension" in search of fresh material for music videos. Mingle with virtual rock stars and make your own music videos. The game is filled with interactive 3D animation, challenging games, talking characters, and creative activities)
- Windstalker - Delta Tao

September

- Awesome Adventures of Victor Vector & Yondo 4 (CD-ROM) - Sanctuary Woods (Next in series, entitled "The Cyberplasm Formula")
- Chuck Yeager's Air Combat - Electronic Arts (Rewritten specifically for the Mac, this flight sim is loaded with features and lets you experience air combat in three historical periods, WWII, Korea, and Vietnam, and fly 50 historically accurate missions)
- F117A Stealth Fighter - Microprose (Port is being done by the same team that brought Civilization to the Mac)
- The Legend of Kyrandia (CD-ROM) - Virgin Games (Same as the disk version, but with 85 megabytes of added speech)
- Oh No More Lemmings! - Psygnosis (Features another 100 or so levels)

October

- Chessmaster 3000 - Software Toolworks (Direct port from the DOS version with some possible added features)
- Day of the Tentacle - LucasArts (Graphic cartoonish adventure. Sequel to Maniac Mansion)
- Better Dead (CD-ROM) - ARTSector One Inc. (Enter a strange, ominous, breathtaking photorealistic 3D world where you seek out and implement humankind's one last, desperate hope for survival)
- Global Golf (CD-ROM) - ICOM Simulations (This game places players on imaginary courses amid the Earth's most awesome natural wonders. Each hole contains 200 pre-rendered "real" images which gives the game an unusual sense of realism)
- In Search of the Fabulous Fuzzbox (CD-ROM) - MacPlay (A Macromind Director comic-book like CD-ROM game)
- Jump Raven (CD-ROM) - Cyberflix (Combat Flight Simulator in a futuristic setting that uses tons of weapons, full dither, smoke screens, flaming shrapnel, etc.) (4th Quarter '93)
- SimCity 2000 - Maxis (This new version will include an impressive 3D view and have 256 color graphics plus many other new and unique features such as the ability to dig underground tunnels and subways and lay pipe for transporting water)
- U-233 - Deadly Games (Type VII German U-boat in the North Atlantic)
- Virtual Valerie 2 (CD-ROM) - Reactor (New graphics and sophisticated 3D modeling, animation, digitized sound effects, and an original music score)

November

- Dark Sun: Shattered Lands - Strategic Simulations (Completely new Mac engine that takes full advantage of the Mac)
- Dracula Unleashed (CD-ROM) - ICOM Simulations (In this game, players are transported back to Victorian England where they will travel through London, gathering information, objects, and valuable contacts. The player's five-day mission is

to identify and destroy Dracula before he destroys them. Dracula Unleashed features 135 scenes with multiple endings, and a total of 96 minutes of color motion video)

December

- Alone in the Dark - I-Motion (This outstanding looking horror/action-adventure game features amazing 3D graphics with up to nine different camera angles, depending on your location in the room)
- Crusaders of the Dark Savant - Sir-Tech (Takes full advantage of Mac's capabilities. 8-bit color)
- Pirates GOLD - Microprose (A 256-color much improved version of the original classic strategy/adventure game)
- Strategic Conquest 4.0 - Delta Tao (Update to the classic wargame. Two new units, new algorithms)
- Third Reich - SSG (WWII strategy game)

4th Quarter and beyond

- A-10 - Parsoft (New A-10 flight simulator from Eric Parker, creator of Hellcats)
- Castles 2 - MacPlay (The original Castles was cancelled for the Mac, but Castles 2 is much improved and will feature a great Mac interface)
- Citadel 2 - Postcraft International (This sequel is suppose to be in color)
- CyberRace - Cyberdreams (Revolutionary 3D combat and racing sim that uses ultra-fast voxel landscapes, ray-traced racing vehicles that you can customize, cinematic 256-color, between race sequences, hundreds of plot variations, digitized actors and dialogue, stunning sound effects, and a outstanding musical score by a Emmy award-winning composer) (March 1994)
- DragonSphere - Microprose (Graphic adventure set in the medieval times with lots of magic and fantasy creatures.)
- El-fish - Maxis (From Russia with fish. Breed your own. PC version already released.)
- Empire Deluxe - New World Computing (A world conquest game)
- Fleet Commander - Internecine (Sub simulation)
- Hole-in-one Miniature Golf Deluxe - Digitek
- Might & Magic: Arena - New World Computing (Described as a cross between Wolfenstein 3D and Ultima, Arena will reportably feature continuous motion graphics and a scenario editing feature)
- MYST - Broderbund (A non-linear HC-based full animation game. It has awesome graphics and sounds. In Beta test)
- Nobunaga's Revenge - Koel
- Prince of Persia 2 - Broderbund (Will have better graphics and more enemies)
- Return of the Phantom - Microprose (Graphic adventure)
- Rivers of Dawn (CD-ROM) - New World Computing (Rumor has is that the acclaimed artist, Pepe Moreno, will be working on this game after his work in Warner New Media's Hellcab is done)
- Screaming Metal (CD-ROM) - Reactor
- Sim Farm - Maxis
- Spaceship Warlock 2 (CD-ROM) - Reactor (January 1994)
- Stalingrad - Three-Sixty (Next battleset in the V for Victory series)
- Viking: Fields of Conquest - Realism Entertainment (Wargame like Warlords for color Macs only)

Keep in mind that if you're in the industry or "in-the-know" about certain upcoming releases, YOU can contribute GREATLY to this listing. Please e-mail me at the addresses below if you have additional information that you see may be useful to this list. I'm basically looking for HARD FACTS or GOOD rumors. (Corrections also appreciated)

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