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PLAYER'S GUIDE

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INTRODUCTION

TETRIS™ was invented by a 30-year-old Soviet researcher named Alexey Pajitnov, who currently works at the Computer Centre (AcademySoft) of the USSR Academy of Sciences in Moscow. The original programmer was 18-year-old Vadim Gerasimov, a student studying Computer Informatics at Moscow University.

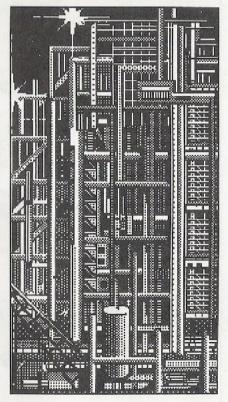
Tetris came into being through the joint efforts of AcademySoft (Moscow), Andromeda Software Lld. (London) and Spectrum HoloByte (USA).

Tetris will challenge even the most experienced gameplayer. As the four-square pieces tumble from the top of the screen into an empty pit, it's up to you to rotate them into a position which leaves no gaps in the layers at the bottom. Your speed and maneuvering ability will reap great rewards. Once aligned, you can drop the pieces into place and increase your score.

The tension escalates as you close the gaps in the layers across the bottom of the pit. As the lines are filled, they disappear. After a certain number of lines disappear, the four-square pieces fall at a faster rate. There are ten levels (and additional options such as the Advanced Mode and Tournament play) to continually challenge your mastery of this perplexing game.

Enjoy the many features and options while trying to close in on

the solution of Tetris—only to find it's just outside your grasp! Tetris is different every time you play. We know you'll find it provocative, fun, and utterly addictive!



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SYSTEM REQUIREMENTS

Amiga - 512K RAM and KickStart 1.2 or higher Atari ST - 512K RAM, a color monitor and a single-sided disk drive Macintosh - 512K RAM and an 800K disk drive (Please see page 12 of the manual if you are a Macintosh 512K owner with a 400K disk drive) Macintosh II - 1MB RAM and a 256-color video card

LOADING THE GAME

Amiga: Amiga 1000 users must use KickStart. When prompted for the Workbench disk, place the Tetris disk into the drive. The game will selfboot. If you're running Workbench, you can double-click on the Tetris.x icon. If you're running CLI, place the Tetris disk in the drive and log onto the drive. Then type run tetris and press Return, If you

> have 1MB RAM or more, Tetris can be multi-tasked.

Atari ST: Insert Disk 1 into the disk drive. If you have two disk drives, you may also insert Disk 2 into the other drive. Double-click on the file called TETRIS. PRG. The game will prompt you to insert Disk 2 if you have only one disk drive.

Macintosh: You can either boot from a separate System disk or from a hard drive. Insert the Tetris disk into the floppy drive. Doubleclick on the TETRIS icon to start the game.

Macintosh II: If you have two floppy drives, place Tetris • 1 in one drive and Tetris • 2 in the other. You can also run Tetris from your hard drive. Just copy all of the program files from Disk 1 except TETRIS and TETRIS da to a folder on your hard drive. Then copy the single file from Disk 2 into the same folder. Your

Control Panel to choose 256-color mode for your monitor. (After the game starts, you can change to a different monitor mode.) Double-click on the TETRIS. color icon to start the game.



BACKING UP THE TETRIS DISK

The Amiga, Macintosh and Macintosh II versions of Tetris are not copyprotected. Please make backup copies following the normal procedures for copying disks, making sure that the original disks are write-protected before starting. You may also copy the game to your hard drive.

The Atari ST of Tetris is copy-protected, which means that you cannot make a backup copy. You can, though, purchase a backup disk (which will also be copy-protected) for \$10.00. Please read your registration/warranty card for further details.

THE GAME

After Tetris loads, the title and credit screen comes up along with some music to help get you in the mood to play. Click the mouse button or press Feturn to continue to the Selection Screen.



Level

As the level increases, the four-square pieces fall faster from the top of the screen. This panel lets you choose the level (from 0 to 9) you want to begin with.

To select the level, click on the number. (You may also use the [4]

and $\boxed{6}$ keys on the numeric keypad or the letters \boxed{J} and \boxed{L} to select the level.)

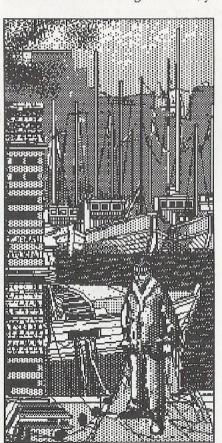
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Advanced Mode

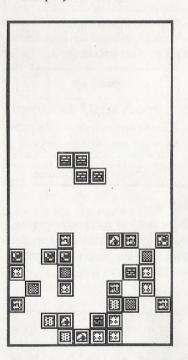
Clicking this button in the Mac versions toggles the *Advanced Mode*, which increases the speed of all levels. In the Amiga and Atari ST versions, choose *Advanced Mode* from the "Options" menu or the keyboard. Scores earned in *Advanced Mode* are are boldfaced on the Mac and Mac II "Top Ten Comrades" screens and colored red on the Amiga and Atari ST screens.

Height

You normally start the game with an empty pit (0 on the *Height* panel). To increase the challenge in Tetris, you can raise the height from the



bottom by selecting one of the other numbers in the *Height* menu. For instance, if you select "7," you will find seven randomly filled layers when you start to play.



To select a height, click on a number. If you wish to repeat the same random height configuration, click on the << (rewind) symbol.

You can challenge another player to better your score. When you have finished a game, have him or her select the << (rewind) symbol from the *Height* menu. This option begins a new game with the same block configuration as the *previous game* (that is, the game you just finished). And the pieces fall from the top in the same sequence as the previous game. This way all of you will play the exact same Tetris game.

Note: There is also a special Tournament Play mode available that allows up to six players to compete. See page 9.

To start the game, click on the "Start Game" button or press Return.

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J	move left	4
	move right	6
K	rotate	5
	speed up	8
,	drop	2
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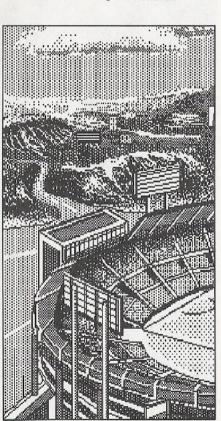
There are two methods (shown above) by which deft fingers can maneuver the four-square pieces into place.

Scoring

The faster a four-square piece comes to rest in the pit, the more points you accrue. After aligning the pieces, you can "drop" them

into place by hitting the designated key.

The higher the starting layers in the pit, the more points you get. You'll also score more points if you play at a higher difficulty level.



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Tournament Play

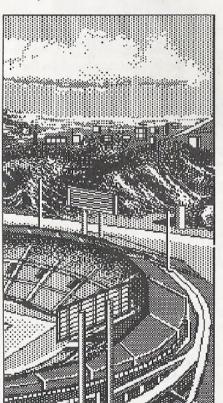
When you select *Tournament* from the menu, you are shown the Tournament Roster box. Type in the names of up to six players.

You may also select a time limit, which represents the maximum length of time each player's game can last. Click on the arrows to increase or decrease the time. (Press the up and down arrow keys in the Atari ST version to set the time limit.) The default is no time limit.

When you're ready to begin, press <code>Feturn</code> while the cursor is in the empty line after the last player's name. You're then returned to the Level/Height screen.

After you click the "Start Game" button, each player gets a chance to

play with the same sequence of pieces as everyone else. The player with the highest score wins. There will be a separate scoreboard for each *Tournament* Play. However, the scores may be placed on the "Top Ten Comrades" scoreboard if they're high enough.



Macintosh Desk Accessory Version

The black-and-white Mac Tetris disk also contains a Desk Accessory (DA) version of the game. There are some differences between the regular and DA versions. For example, the DA version saves only one high score, doesn't play music, and has only one menu (called "Tetris"). However, playing the game is identical in both versions. The big advantage in installing the desk accessory in your system is that Tetris is always instantly avail-

able to play. Install Tetris as you would any desk accessory with the Font DA/Mover application from Apple. Please refer to your Macintosh manual for more information on how to install desk accessories.

Menu Bar

Amiga Tetris uses the standard Amiga interface. Use the right mouse button to "pull down" the menu and select menu items. The left mouse button is used to select level and height options.

The Atari ST version of Tetris uses the standard GEM interface. Use the left mouse button to "pull down" the menu and select items.

The Mac and Mac II versions use the standard Mac interface. Move the pointer to the very top of the screen, and hold the mouse button to display the menu bar. Then select items from the menu in the normal way.

You can also select items with the listed keyboard equivalents.

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Reset High Scores	₩R
Abort Game	3€A
Tournament	(8)).

"Reset High Scores" erases the scores currently listed on the "Top Ten Comrades" screen. "Abort Game" ends your current game and takes you back to the "Top Ten Comrades" screen. "Quit Game" exits the Tetris program.

FILE MENU	Amiga	Atari ST	MAC
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Abort Game	A)(A)	[Alt][A]	[*](A)
Tournament Mode	ALT	ALT	T)
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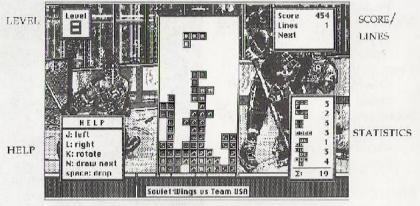
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"Pause Game" pauses the game; if pressed again, the game will start. "Next Shape" toggles the display that shows which piece will fall next. The Next Shape is shown in the score window, which is located in the upper right side of the

screen. "Sound" toggles the game sounds on and off. "Continuous Sound," when selected, plays the Tetris songs repeatedly (with a short interlude between repetitions). Otherwise, music is played only when you advance to the next level.

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OPTIONS MENU	AMIGA	Atari ST	Млс
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Next Shape	V		N or WN
Sound	S	S	3 or #S
Continous Sound			K or (%) K



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Level	983
Description	384

The Score/Lines window shows the total score, the total number of lines completed, and the "Next" shape (if selected). The Help window lists the playing commands. The Statistics window shows how many times each different Tetris shape has fallen during the game. The Level window

displays your current game level from 0 to 9. The Description window identifies the Russian-themed artwork shown in the background.

Options Menu (continued)	Amiga	ATARI ST	Mac
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Help	F1	F1	1 or # 1
Statistics	F2	[F2]	2 or #2
Level	[F3]	(F3)	[3] or \(\mathbb{H} \)[3]
Description	Г4	[14]	4 or 第4
Advanced Mode	[A]	\triangle	N/A

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Otherwise, you can exchange your 800K disk for a 400K disk by sending in your original Tetris Disk 1 to Spectrum HoloByte, Attn: Mac 512K Tetris, 2490 Mariner Square Loop, Alameda, CA 94501. Please include a short note requesting the disk exchange along with your name, address and daytime telephone number (in case our Customer Support department has any questions).

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