

# AMAZON™

## *Loading on COMMODORE 64™*

**Note:** This game uses one disk drive.

1. Arrange your computer with one disk drive and a monitor or television. Do not connect a printer.
2. Turn on the disk drive and the computer. Make certain that the SHIFT LOCK key is up.
3. Insert game Disk A into the disk drive and enter:  
**LOAD "DISK", 8**
4. When the computer responds with READY, enter:  
**RUN**

## *Additional Instructions*

### **Updates from Headquarters**

Enter **NEWDATA** to obtain information on the latest procedures.

### **Selecting Mission Controls**

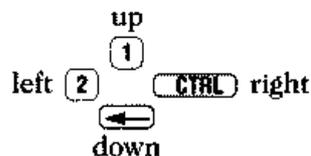
The mission may be conducted with or without pictures of the field and the mission. If no selection is made, the program will automatically provide pictures. Enter **PICTURESOFF** if only text is desired. This feature may be changed at any time by entering **PICTURESON**.

### **Selecting Command Controls**

In the course of your AMAZON mission, you may elect to use a joystick (in addition to the keyboard) by entering **JOYSTICK**. The program will automatically assume keyboard use if no other command is entered. You may change means of play by entering **KEYBOARD** or **JOYSTICK** at any time.

Plug the joystick into Control Port 2.

### **Keyboard Commands for Action Sequences:**



Press **Space Bar** to shoot.

### **RESTART**

This command starts the mission over.

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## **EXPEDITION INSTRUCTIONS**

While you are in the field, contact with NSRT experts will be intermittent at best. Contact with the native peoples and animals of the Amazon is to be expected and, we might add, feared. The following instructions should be utilized consistently. NSRT will have no liability in the event of psychological harm, bodily injury, or death.

## **INITIALIZING THE EXPEDITION: Technical Instructions**

### **Phase I: Loading AMAZON**

See insert for loading instructions.

### **Phase II: Identifying Your Expertise**

You will be asked to identify your level of expertise. Please use one of these three classifications:

**Novice:** A capable, trained field agent. (One of our Novices spent three months in the Yukon searching for signs of an allegedly extinct species of bear reported on the rampage. A small plane ferrying him into the region crash-landed and burned, leaving him with down garments, a magnifying glass, a Peregrine falcon, and a hunting knife. He survived, and the bear is now in captivity.)

**Seasoned Explorer:** An exceptionally qualified explorer. (A Seasoned Explorer parachuted into the southeasternmost portion of the Devil's Triangle, searching for a documented but unseen island at approximately 60°W, 28° N, near the Tropic of Cancer. After days in a rubber raft, he sighted the island, landed, and discovered a cache of moon rocks presumably lost by the Soviets.)

**Expedition Leader:** The pinnacle of expertise, with proven mental, diplomatic, and physical prowess. (Upon conquering Everest for the second time in 1973, our most infamous Expedition Leader descended into the country of Sikkim, made her way into the inner circles of the monarchy in Gangtok, and was retained to investigate alleged drug rings sponsored by foreign governments. She left in 1975 when the country was absorbed by India.)

### **Phase III: Starting and Conducting the Mission**

The AMAZON mission is now ready to begin. Consult the instructions on Mission Protocol and Address (attached) for information on how to conduct the mission communications. You may also choose from any of three special commands, which may be used at any time during the game.

#### **A. Create**

At any time in the mission, create a Save Disk for use in periodically storing data about your field position. In the event of a terminal accident, you may use the Save Disk to return to your previous position and resume the mission from there. (See instructions for the commands SAVE and RESTORE, below.)

##### **To create your Save Disk:**

1. Enter **CREATE** and follow the instructions on the screen.

Beware: The program will erase any contents of a disk that is being formatted as a Save Disk.

2. The disk drive light will go off when formatting is complete. Remove your Save Disk and reinsert the game disk. You are ready to continue with the mission.

#### **B. Save**

For all but the most skilled of Expedition Leaders, the use of a Save Disk is advised. If at any point in the mission you feel your life is in danger, save your field position before proceeding. You will be able to return to that position – and rectify your mistakes – if you are unable to escape death. (See “RESTORE,” following.) Without a save disk, your only choice would be to start the mission over. The program will save up to ten positions. You may identify each position as you choose.

##### **To save your field position at any point:**

1. Enter **SAVE** and follow the instructions on the screen.
2. You will be instructed to select the number of the next available position and name the location (up to ten characters).
3. Follow the instructions on the screen to resume the mission.

#### **C. Restore**

At any time you may return to a field position to your Save Disk. This is useful in two instances.

##### **1. In the event of a fatality**

- a. The computer will ask if you wish to play again. Follow the instructions on the screen.
- b. Enter **RESTORE** and follow instructions, selecting a field position from your Save Disk.
- c. The program will bring you to the position you chose, and you may continue from there.

##### **2. If you wish to resume an unfinished mission**

- a. Load AMAZON as usual.
- b. Enter **RESTORE** and follow the instructions on the screen, selecting the field position you wish from your Save Disk.
- c. The program will bring you to the position you chose, and you may continue from there.



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## **MISSION PROTOCOL AND ADDRESS**

### **I. General Communiques**

When communicating with AMAZON, it is important to remember that AMAZON can use more words when informing you than you can use when instructing it. Consult the following word list to see what words AMAZON understands.

AMAZON responds to succinct, precise commands. A verb (**FEED, SEARCH, TAKE**) should always start the command; and a noun, whether a person, a place, or a thing (**PACO, OFFICE, BOOK**), should follow the verb.

**FEED PACO**  
**SEARCH OFFICE**  
**TAKE BOOK**

If you like, you may use **THE** before a noun: (**TAKE THE BOOK**).

You should separate multiple nouns from each other using a comma or **AND**, such as:

**TAKE THE BOOK AND THE LETTER.**  
**TAKE THE BOOK, THE LETTER, AND THE BOX.**  
**TAKE BOOK, LETTER, AND BOX.**  
**TAKE BOOK, LETTER, BOX.**

It is not necessary to end a command with a period.

You may include several separate actions in one command, but you must separate each action by a comma or the word **THEN**. For example:

**TAKE THE BOOK THEN READ THE BOOK.**  
**TAKE THE BOOK, OPEN THE BOOK, THEN READ THE BOOK.**  
**SEARCH THE DESK, THE BOX, AND THE BIRDCAGE, THEN CLOSE THE DOOR.**

Commands should not be over two typed lines in length. If longer commands are necessary, separate commands into logical sequence and press **RETURN** between them.

### **II. Improper Commands**

Commands that make no sense to AMAZON, that are impossible under the circumstances, that utilize objects not present at the time, or that use unknown words, will elicit one of several responses. Should you encounter such a response, try a different phrase.

### **III. Communicating with Others**

Except when entering NSRT Headquarters or with the Kemani, you cannot speak unless you are spoken to first. Converse with others by entering your remark as you would any other command: **HELLO** (Unnecessary: "HELLO" or **SAY HELLO**.)

### **IV. Giving Directions and Exploring**

Commands for moving in any particular direction may be given in several ways. Specify directions as full sentences (**GO NORTH**), as directions (**SOUTH**), or as abbreviations (**S, N, W, E**). **UP** and **DOWN** may be abbreviated **U** and **D**.

When you come to a place you'd like to explore, enter **LOOK** for a description of your surroundings. For further details about any particular item, enter **INSPECT** (name of item) or **EXAMINE** (item).

### **V. Taking Inventory and Telling Time**

It would be wise to check your belongings from time to time, especially when you feel you might have lost—or might soon lose—some of them. You also ought to inspect any new acquisition. Enter **INVENTORY** for a complete listing of your possessions, and, for a description of any chosen item, enter **INSPECT** (item) or **EXAMINE** (item).

While exploring the Lost City of Chak, you may learn how quickly the day is passing by entering **TIME**.

## **Phase IV: Emergency Procedures**

### **A. Laser Defense Mechanism (LDM)**

Our reports from the earlier Amazon expedition confirm that a warrior tribe, the Huni, feared throughout the region and known for unspeakable atrocities to their victims, zealously guards the Lost City of Chak and its surrounding terrain. Any intruders are attacked by night. The expedition team reported utilizing to the fullest their camp defense kits, in particular the laser defense mechanism (**LASER**). Thus I urgently advise that any foray you make into the Lost City be concluded by dusk, so you may execute complete peripheral defenses before nightfall.

### **B. Restarting the Mission**

To return to the beginning at any point, enter **RESTART**.

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**STRATEGIC NOTES**

We don't expect you to be mystified or unnerved by the complex, highly dangerous situations you will encounter while on this mission. However, NSRT recognizes that even the most expert field agent may encounter obstacles while resistance is low, or in a tight spot might forget the resources available. The following strategic notes have been designed as prompts, reminders, or, if you will, a "bag of tricks" for those rare moments when you feel most human.

One general hint: If you form an association with Paco the Parrot, ask his help by entering **PACO**. In many situations, Paco can assist enormously.

At the airport:

At the jail:

At the Institute:

In the office:

Getting down the cliff:

Deep in the jungle:

Outside troops' tent:

Later that same night:

Kemani:

Cave (Novice level):

(Expert level):

Weather turns cold:

Boat repairs:

At the river (hippo):

Alligator:

At bridge:

Fighting Hunis:

At the statue:

At the antechamber doors:

Soft volcanic earth:

a	b	c	d	e	f	g
...						
h	i	j	k	l	m	
n	o	p	q	r	s	t
u	v	w	x	y	z	

## WORDLIST

**NOTE:** Frequently used commands are listed in **boldface**.

### VERBS

Aktivieren	Activate	Zählen	Count	Fliegen	Fly	Küssen	Kiss	Lies	Read	Sprechen	Speak
Frage	Ask	Überqueren	Cross	Einfrieren	Freeze	Verlassen	Leave	Entfernen	Remove	Verkippen	Spill
Angriffen	Attack	Graben	Dig	Nehmen	Get	Heben	Lift	Reparieren	Repair	Starten	Start
Metzeln	Avoid	Schleichen	Drag	Geben	Give	Suchen	<b>Look (L)</b>	Ruhe	Rest	Stoppen	Stop
Sei	Be	Fallen lassen	Drop	Gehen	Go	Benötigen	Need	Rennen	Run	Schalten	Switch on/off
Nörgeln	Be at	Ausladen	Dump	Helfen	Help	Anbieten	Offer	Suchen	Search	Nehmen	Take
Beginnen	Begin	Essen	Eat	Schlagen	Hit	Öffnen	Open	Suchen	Seek	Rede	Talk
Bestiegen	Board	Leeren	Empty	Hüpfen	Hop	Zahlen	Pay	Schießen	Shoot	Berühren	Touch
Bestechen	Bribe	Betreiben	<b>Enter</b>	Verletzen	Hurt	Zugreifen	Point	Zeigen	Show	Drehen	Turn
Kaufen	Buy	Untersuchen	Examine	auffblasen	Inflate	Drücken	Press	Schließen	Shut	Abdecken	Uncover
Rufen	Call	hinweggehen	Exit	hineinstecken	Insert	knöpfeln	Pry	Sitzen	Sit	Entwickeln	Undrape
Tragen	Carry	folgen	Feed	untersuchen	<b>Inspect</b>	ziehen	Pull	Schlafen	Sleep	Benutzen	Use
Klettern	Climb	finden	Find	prüfen	<b>Inventory</b>	Erwerben	Purchase	Riechen	Smell	Warten	Wait
Schließen	Close	anzünden	Fire	Springen	Jump	Schieben	Push	Lächeln	Smile	Willen	Want
Kommen	Come	Reparieren	Fix	Töten	Kill	Stecken	Put	Schnüffeln	Sniff	Tragen	Wear

### NOUNS

Luft	Air	Zigarette	Cigarettes	Freund	Friend	=	London	Graben	Pits	Stufen	Stairs
Flugzeug	Airplane	? Cigs		Frucht	Fruit	=	Los Angeles	Ebene	Plane	Start	Start
Amazon	Amazon	Codebuch	Codebook	Flimmern	Glimmer	Mann	Man	=	Police	Verstehen	Stash
Anaconda	Anaconda	Münze	Coin	Schilde	Goggles	Mediz.	Medicine	Floß	Raft	=	Statue
Antenne	Antenna	Münzen	Coins	=	Gold	Wirt	Merchant	Verpflegung	Rations	Stein	Stone
Gepäck	Backpack	=	Computer	Boden	Ground	=	Mgubu	Kühlschrank	Refrigerator	Steine	Stones
Batterien	Batteries	Poliz.	Cop	Gewehr	Gun	=	Miami	Gewehr	Rifle	Zelt	Tent
Anfänger	Beginner	Höflichkeit	Courtesy	=	Helicopter	Minen	Mines	=	Rio	Zelt	Tents
Gürtel	Belt	Schrank	Cupboard	Loch	Hole	Geld	Money	Fluß	River	Thron	Throne
Vogelkäfig	Birdcage	Zoll	Customs	=	Hotel	=	Nairobi	Fels	Rock	=	Ticket
Boot	Boat	=	Cuzco	=	Houston	Notiz	Note	Zellen	Rocks	Zeit	Time
Knochen	Bones	Schreibtisch	Desk	=	Institute	Notizb.	Notebook	Seil	Rope	=	Tokyo
Buch	Book	Reiseziel	Destination	Jacke	Jacket	Neuling	Novice	Schutt	Rubble	Baum	Tree
Büchse	Booth	=	Director	=	Jet	Büro	Office	Stückchen	Scrap	Bäume	Trees
Kiste	Box	Tuch	Drape	=	Kemani	Beamer	Officer	Regale	Shelves	Reise	Trip
Schmiedegerät	Bribe	Schubladen	Drawer	Ausstatt.	Kit	Paket	Pack	Schovel	Shovel	Röhre	Tube
Käfig	Cage	Umhüllung	Envelope	Lampe	Lamp	=	<b>Paco</b>	Skelett	Skeleton	Reben	Vines
Lager	Camp	Forstler	Explorer	Lasen	Laser	Papier	Paper	Schädel	Skull	Wand	Wall
Karton	Carton	Flug	Flight	Führer	Leader	=	Parka	Platte	Slabs	Wände	Walls
Bargeld	Cash	Floer	Floor	Brief	Letter	Papagei	Parrot	Gerüche	Smell	Wasser	Water
Höhle	Cave	Nahrung	Food	Hebel	Lever	=	Peru	Lächeln	Smile		
Hackmesser	Chopper	Wirt	Frige	Schloss	Lock	Grube	Pit	Schlange	Snake		

### DIRECTIONS

Fort	Away	Östlich	East, E	Außen	Out
unterhalb	Below	hinten	In	S	South, S
Herab	Decend	innen	Inside	hoch	Up, U
Runter	Down, D	N	North, N	W	West, W

### MISCELLANEOUS

Freundlich	Friendly	OK	Okay (OK)	Neubeginn	Restart
hallo	Hello, Hi	Aus	Off	still/leer	Still
Nein	No	An	On	dawn	Then
Nichts	Nothing	Ruhig	Quiet	?	Trip
				Ja	Yes

**SECRET TOP SECRET**

## **NSRT FIELD PARTY REGULATIONS**

### **NSRT FIELD EQUIPMENT PACKS**

All Field Parties are equipped with everything they will need for field work. It is the responsibility of the Field Parties to thoroughly inventory and examine their equipment!

### **USE OF THE NSRT FIELD COMPUTER**

All Field Parties are provided with a portable computer for use in communicating with NSRT Base.

After turning on the computer, an Input Code will be required to open transmission.

Each Field party will be informed of their Standard Input Code, and their Emergency Input Code. Standard Codes can be used at any time favorable for satellite transmission. Emergency Codes should be used only during emergencies.

Field Parties should make a note of their respective codes.

### **NSRT CODED FIELD MAP COORDINATES**

All NSRT Field Maps are security coded for transmitting data coordinates to field operatives by satellite.

Rules for Coordinate Transmission via computer are as follows:

1. X Coordinate is always two letters (i.e., TB) and Y Coordinate is always a letter and a number (i.e., T5).
2. X Coordinate is always transmitted first (example: TB, T5).
3. Field operatives should always make a note of their location.
4. In situations where field operatives may be experiencing trouble determining their location, NSRT will transmit map coordinates at a rapid rate to assist the operatives. Remember: NSRT can locate your position anywhere on the surface of the earth within 2 meters.

# **Amazon Expedition Ends In Death**

Scientists and Support Crew Perish in Failed Archaeological Trek

Cajun, Louisiana, UPI:

Eleven members of an archaeological expedition sponsored by the University of Tropicale in Cajun, Louisiana, have died in their attempt to reach the Lost City of Chak in the South American Amazon jungle. A twelfth member has survived with multiple critical injuries. The expedition was in its fourth month of a quest designed to take a full year to complete.

The US scientific team was headed by Dr. Nobel Savage, Professor of Anthropology at the University of Tropicale. His hand-picked team of five scientists and six support crew members was making its third

attempt to reach the Lost City of Chak. The surviving team member, Dr. Basil Hykem, also with the University's Department of Anthropology, is in the care of the Rio de Janeiro General Hospital. Word on his condition has not been received, and an interview has not been permitted.

Last words from the expeditionary force were received in a radio transmission last Tuesday from Dr. Hykem to the Archaeological Center at the University. The transmission, however, was garbled and incomplete. Apparently, Dr. Hykem had witnessed the tragedy that beset the expedition, and is believed to have been assaulted during the transmission.

A radio transmission earlier in the week, from Savage to his wife, Dr. Felicity Jones-Savage, spoke of progress and elation on the part of the team.

"He said there was light at the end of the tunnel," reported Dr. Savage-Jones, "meaning they had apparently reached the first signs of the Lost City, and were about to entrench for the long haul."

The Lost City of Chak has yet to be reached and photographed by a modern expeditionary force. Legend holds that the ancient emerald mines near the city hold a rare form of emerald needed for the development of top secret materials for national defense. The Lost City has been the object of numerous attempts to brave the intense Amazon climate.