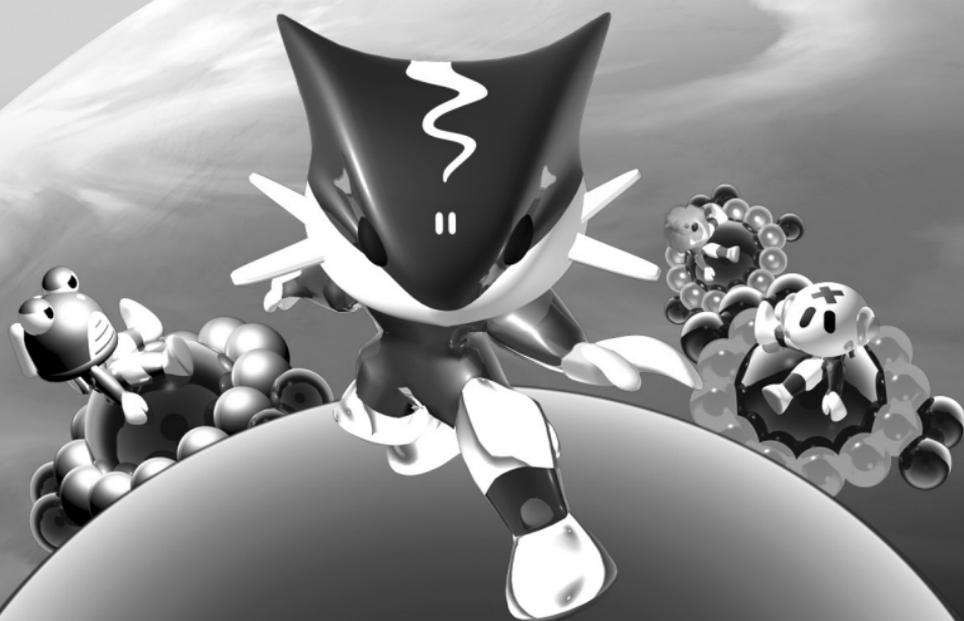




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Airburst Extreme

Welcome to Airburst Extreme, the addictive game of balloon popping and brow mopping! Cruise the Solar System, solve mysteries, and defeat the evil Mars Media Mega Corp.

There are over 30 different game types and ten different characters, some of which you'll have to unlock by playing through the *STORY GAME* first. All in all, Airburst Extreme offers millions of different game combinations and unlimited hours of fun for you and your Mac!

To get started, copy the Airburst Extreme folder from the CD to your hard drive. You may then eject the CD.

Run Airburst Extreme.

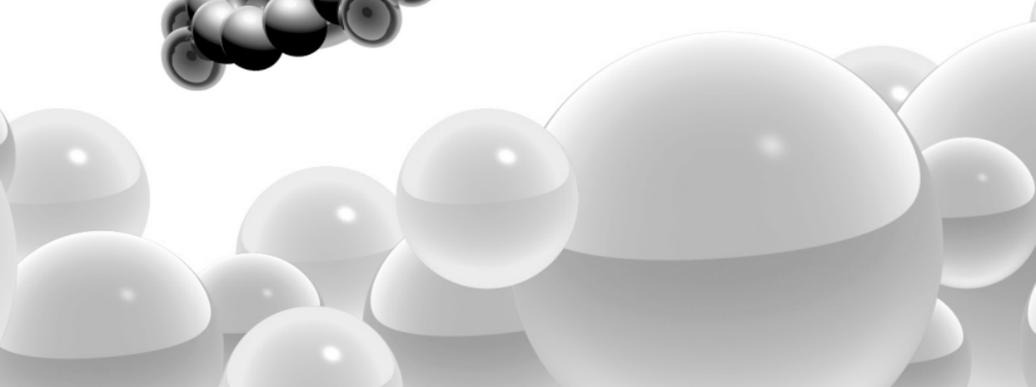
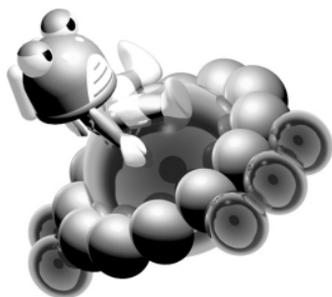
After the game loads, select **PLAY** and then click the right arrow until you see the **TUTORIAL** appear.

Select this to get a feel for the controls. Once you are comfortable moving the bat, you can try some other game modes, or jump right into the **STORY GAME**.

At its most basic, **Airburst Extreme** requires you to protect your balloons with your “bat” while knocking the “burster” ball towards your opponents to pop their balloons.

The default single-player controls for moving the bat are...

Rotate Left = Left Arrow
Rotate Right = Right Arrow
Action (gun, stickybat release, etc.) = Up Arrow
Thrust/Extreme Power = Down Arrow



GAME TYPES:

Story Game: Play Airburst games around the Solar System as each of the four original Airburst Characters, while solving mysteries and stopping the evil Mars Media Mega Corporation from achieving their goal of taking over the Airburst League.

Tutorial: Learn to control your character and play Airburst Extreme

Levels: Burst your opponent's floater balloons to win!

AirMail: Airburst Play by Mail. Take it in turns to burst your way through the maze of rooms!

DeathMatch: More players and only a single ring of balloons to defend you. Who can survive the longest?

Super DeathMatch: Even more players than DeathMatch and no balloons to defend you!

Revolution: You're caught up in the twister! pop out your opponents while you swirl around!

Asteroids: Who can survive the asteroid storm the longest ?

Pop: If you get hit, your balloons will keep popping until someone else is hit!

Football: First to 10 goals wins! You can shoot down the other team members too, but you can only score by putting the football into your opponent's goal.

Sumo: Push your opponent into the deadly mines!

Dogs!: It's a Mexican standoff! Everyone has a burster and only one ring of balloons!

Dogs Extreme!: What happens when 8 Extreme Powers are set off at once ?!

Catch The Frog: Catch the frog by bursting one of the opposing team's balloons. If your team has the frog you can't be burst!

Castles 1: First player to burst the castle in the centre wins!

Castles 2: A faster version of Castles, this time the castle only has one balloon ring!

Chaos: All the powerups in the game can spawn in the same level!

Team Levels: Knock out the opposing team!

Balloon Racing: Move 1 space around the board for each opponent's balloon you burst. The first player to complete a lap is the winner!

ShootOut!: Mayhem as each time a ball bursts a balloon, it's respawned from your bat!

Duel: One ball each, 5 paces then fire!

Duel2: One ball each, but there's 8 of you !

Burst: Before Airburst was invented, the Martians used to play a similar game in the canals on Mars. Now Burst is only played in the liquid methane seas of Uranus.

Thief: Burst opponent's balloons to steal them for yourself!

Grenades: Russian Grenade Roulette. Hit another player's balloons before the grenade explodes!

Tag Team: Each side picks 4 characters, as you lose a character, tag out to the next one!

Choosy: Each player picks their favourite power up. Mayhem ensues.

Ghosts: Spooky! can you see the other players enough to hit them

Invaders: Stop the invasion of alien balloon based robots!

Bonus: Can you collect all the bonuses without hitting a mine or losing any balloons ?

Racing: Race your floaters around a track rather than trying to burst each other out of the sky!

Gelops Boss: Can you beat Froda's Henchman Gelops?

Froda Boss: You vs the head of the Martian Media MegaCorporation!

MULTIPLAYER:

Playing Airburst Extreme against the computer opponents can be exciting, but nothing beats the thrill of popping your friends' balloons and watching them fall out of orbit!

There are three ways to play Airburst Extreme against other humans:

1. ON THE SAME KEYBOARD. This is probably the most fun since you can watch the expression on your friends' faces as they go pop! Under the **SETTINGS MENU** you can select **EDIT CONTROLS** to see (or change) the controls for up to four players on the same keyboard.

2. ON A LOCAL NETWORK. This one is fun too because you can probably at least hear your friends' groans and moans as you play. Under the **NETWORK** menu select **PLAY A LOCAL NETWORK GAME**. Then either Host or Join. You'll see a **CHAT ROOM** button has been added to the bottom of the main screen. Here you can chat and taunt in between games.

3. GAMESMITH. Here you can play with other people from around the globe. Under the **NETWORK** menu select **PLAY VIA GAMESMITH**. (If you don't already have a GameSmith account simply go to www.gamesmith.biz/accounts to create one. It's free!).

Once you've joined a game, close the chat box and go to **PLAY GAME** to start the match.

SPECIALS



freeze bat: freezes control of your bat



freeze player: freezes you and your bat in place



breeze: causes a wind to blow the players across the screen



pop gun: gives you 10 shots. press fire to fire them at your opponents



multiball: brings a new burster into play



sticky bat: makes your bat sticky



big bat: gives you a bigger bat



ickle bat: makes your bat smaller!



no bat: duh!



hardball: makes the burster tougher so that it bursts 2 balloons before bouncing



regenerate: repairs some of your balloons



armour: toughens up the inner ring of your balloons



speed ball: speed up the burster



slow ball: slow down the burster



googlie ball: makes the ball bounce off the edge of the screen more randomly



mines: releases a group of mines that spreads out then waits to burst a balloon



thrust: powers you around the screen for ten seconds



cluster bomb: releases a group of mines that bounce around the screen until they hit and burst a balloon



wrap: causes the burster to wrap around the arena instead of bouncing off the edges



deathmatch: when first triggered, reduces all players down to a single ring of balloons. If triggered again, all the balloons are removed!



tag: lures a High Altitude Woodpecker into the arena. High Altitude Woodpeckers love bursting balloons and don't stop until all the balloons are burst



bronze
2x bonus



silver
3x bonus



gold
4x bonus



necklace
8x bonus



crown
16x bonus



amethyst
1 000 pts



beryl
10,000 pts



sapphire
100,000 pts



gold ring
1,000,000 pts



gravity: causes bursters to swerve towards you



stealth: makes you nearly invisible and causes bursters to bounce off you without damage



Megaball: 8 bursters appear from the same spot



It: causes the burster to teleport back to your bat everytime it bursts a balloon



spikes: generates balloon bursting shredders all around your outer ring of balloons.



blur: causes the playing area to go blurry, making it tricky to see everything



revolve: starts your balloons revolving around your floater



antigravity: causes bursters to swerve away from you



mini!: switches Mini mode on and off for a short while



double bat: spawns a second automatically controlled bat to defend your balloons



warp: creates a warp in the arena. when a burster goes into a warp it's teleported randomly around the arena



swerveball: adds some spin to the burster so that it doesn't fly straight



HE Balloons: causes your balloons to be filled with a *High Explosive* gas, so that when they pop you are pushed about a lot faster by the blast.

SUPPORT:

Please visit our support page at www.freeverse.com/support for help with the game and for contact information.

NOTE: If you just barely meet the system requirements or the game seems too slow on your computer, Hold Down the "L" Key on Startup to Force the Game to Use the Minimum Specs.

A Special Note on Language and Spelling:

You may notice that the characters in the game like to call each other "Chap" and spell color as "colour" and flavor as "flavour" etc. The folks at Strange Flavour who created this game are apparently "English" and live in a small country called "England" which we believe to be located somewhere east of Brooklyn. We have refrained from localizing the game into American as we hope you will be able to parse the odd phrases and spellings without too much difficulty. If you do get into trouble, just remember that biscuits are cookies, a broly keeps the rain off, and that Andrew Lloyd-Webber could happen to anyone.

Disclaimer: Strange Flavour would like to point out that cases of Andrew Lloyd-Webber are entirely user induced and that Strange Flavour, their representatives or in fact anyone in the British Isles cannot be held liable for such outbreaks. Besides, you lot only encouraged him with that Broadway thingy.

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