NSTRUCTION BOOKLET

FINALFANTASYIII



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Beings of pure magic once ruled the world with power and command. But power rarely leads to contentment. A dispute amongst these beings

contentment... A dispute amongst these beings turned into an all-out war. Beasts of doom, known as Espers, were created and unleashed to do the bidding of their masters. This War of the Magi' reduced the world to smoldering rubble. When it

reduced the world to smoldering rubble. When it ended, the Espers were gone, as were most of the citizens of the world.



Many centuries have passed since the war. Civilizations have been rebuilt with troe, machines and technology. For years the Espers have existed only in ancient legends. Now, an Esper has been discovered and the forces of magic are beginning to return. The tisk of another, more devastating war is growing. The

# Controls

There are two main types of actions that you'll experience in playing Final Fantasy III: fighting and traveling. The methods of control are different for each activity. Here's a basic rundown:

Super NES Controller



Control Pad Use the Control Pad to move your party across the field, to move the cursor on ments screens and to steer Ghocobos and Airships.



The main function of the Start Buttop is to pause the action in battle's enes. Press the Start Button for a Becather while you're fighting. You can visio lise it to turn the field may on and offf while traveling and to complete the name-entering process.



Press the Select Button in menu screens with long lists to scroll the length of an entire screen.



In fighting scenes, you can press the L Button or the R Button to make a spell affect all of your enemies. You can also attempt to run from a fight by pressing and holding both buttons.



Use the X Button to go to the subscreen while you're in the field or in towns. The X Button also allows you to go to the action inside the flying Airship and to skip party members in battles.



In multi-party battles, you can switch from one party to the next by pressing the Y Button. You can also use it to show the Magic Points needed for spells in the spell list.



The A Button is the main action botton. With it, you can talk to villagers, open treasure chests and push switches. You can also use the A Button to confirm choices in all mems and the subscreen. Move the cursor to the appropriate space with the Control Pad, then press the A Button to make the selection. In vehicle driving scenes, the A Button allows you to make the Chocobo or Airship move forward.



In most cases, the B Button cancels the last choice you mde. It also lets you climb off Chocobos and the Airship.

Special Name Input

When a new character is introduced into the game, you can keep the pre-set name by pressing the Start Button, or change the name to something else.

A Button Use the A Button to confirm each letter and move on to the next space.

B Button You can erase a letter in the name and move back one space with a tan of the

Control Pad Move the cursor through the alphabet with the Control Pad.

Droce the Start Button when you have

Start Button Press the Start Button when you have arrived at a name to your liking.



You can stay with the name that appears automatically or change the name. The name must be made of six or fewer letters. Special Controls

# Vehicles

When you're riding Chocobos or Airships, enemies in the field cannot attack. Both types of vehicles are controlled in similar ways.

#### Chocobos

The Chocobo is an ostrich-like bird that travels on the ground. When you ♣♠ Press Up to move forward







When you secure the Airship, you'll be able to explore the world quickly and Press Up or Down

to adjust height. Press Left and ←+→ Right to turn.

Press A to move forward. Press B to leave the Airship.

Press X to switch your view to the in-

Press Y to turn the Airship when it's not moving. Use these to make

high-speed turns.

The game pak's built-in battery holds as many as three saved game files. If there are saved files, you'll have the choice to continue a quest or start a new game.

## If there are no saved files the

game will begin with the introductory story, without showing the saved file screen. Shortly after you begin, you'll arrive at a place where you can save the game to a new file.



# Continuing a Quest

if the battery is Reeping one or more saved files, you will have the option at the beginning of the game to choose a file and continue a quest. Move the cursor to the desired file and press the A Button.



# New Game

You can start a new game even if the battery is keeping saved files. Move the cursor to the New Game option on the saved file screen and press the A Button. The game will start from the beginning.



# Saving Progress

When you save the progress of your adventure, you can replace an old file or choose an empty file. The Save option is on the subscreen. If the option is highlighted, you can save the game by moving the cursor to the word "Save" and pressing the A Button.





# Safe to Save

You can save your progress at any time in the field or at specific "Save Points." If the Save option is available, the word "Save" will be highlighted on the





# Subscreen

The subscreen gives you access to important information about your party and allows you to make decisions relating to the party and the game in general. Press the X Button to enter the subscreen.



### Your Party

In this section of the subscreen, you can examine the members of your party and take a look at their current status.

#### Play Time

This entry keeps tabs on time invested in playing up to your current posttion.

#### Commands

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Save

vour wealth.

#### Steps / Gold

Here you can see how many steps your party has taken and examine

# Name

The name of the character is shown here. vou've changed the name the new name will bed displayed.







#### Character Close-Up

This depiction of the character's face is a good representation of what the character looks libe

here.

Level As your character gains experience, his or her experience level increases as shown here

#### Hit Points

This entry shows the Hit Points that remain for the character and the Hit Point maximum

### Magic Points

Current Magic Points and current Magic Point maximums are shown



The members of your party can be positioned in any order you wish. Only the character in the lead will be shown as the party marches through the field.



Press Left on the Control Pad.
The pictures of the party
members will shift to the right
and the cursor will appear on
the left.



Move the cursor so that it points to one of the characters you would like to move, then press the A Button.



Move the cursor so that it points to the other character involved in the switch, then press the A Button again. The members of your adventuring party can storm up to the front of every battle or they can stay back and take a more defensive position. This posturing dictates the amount of damage they will take and inflict.







The fighter in question will change from the front to the back or from the back to the front.



A position on the front lines of the battle means a fighter will inflict as much damage as possible on the enemies.



can be more defensive, taking and inflicting about helf as much damage. Special items can be used to recover Hit and Magic Points, and to cure your characters from various states. Items, unequipped Weapons and Relics are shown on the Item screen.



Item Commands

All of the Items in your party's possession are shown in this list Use the Control Pac or the L and F Buttons to scrol through the list.

Often 20 State Sta

This line explains the use of the currently selected item.

Item Commands

The Item commands allow you to use Items, change the order of the list and display those Items in the list which are very rare.



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Press the B Button to make the cursor go from the Item list to the Item commands.

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### Using Items will use that Item

All of the Items which are highlighted at any one time can be used. Choose an Item, then select the character who



Move the cursor so that it points to the desired Item, then press A.



#### Weapons, Armor and Relics

Unequipped Weapons, Armor and Relics appear on the Item list. You can examine their properties from the list.



Move the cursor so that it points to a Weapon, type of Armor or



Arrange

The Arrange option organizes the Items in your list into groups of Items of similar types,



# Skills

Special skills of your party members are accessible from the subscreen. Individual skills are also included as battle options.







Espers Mysterious beings known as Espers give Magic powers to fighters in your party when they are equipped by the fighters.



and accumulate Magic Points

Whenenough Magic Points have bee earned, the lighter equipped with the Exper learns the Exper's spent. Magi

Some characters automatically learn the use of Magic Spells. Others must be equipped with Espers in order to learn Spells.



Choose a Spell from to press the A Button

on the nature of the Spell.

SwdTech See Page 62 This special ability is unique to the character Cyan. He will learn up to eight powerful sword techniques over the course of the adventure.

Blitz

The Blitz technique is used by Sabin. After you choose to Blitz, you must press a series of buttons in order to eract one of up to eight techniques.

Lore See Page 70 The character Strago is capable of learning up to 24 different Spells from enemy characters. In order to learn a Spell he must survive its power once.

Rage See Page 64 Gau is a resident of the Veldt who can learn the fighting techniques of other Veldt characters.

Dance See Page 5 The character Mog can quickly learn powerful, magical dances in each of the eight areas of the World.

# **Equipping Fighters**

A fighter can hold equipment in each hand and wear Armor on his or her head and body. Equipping fighters increases their offensive and defensive power.



Current Equipment



Equipment Commands The Fighter

> Current Powers

Equip s

The Equip command puts equipment on the selected fighter. Different pieces of equipment affect the fighter's powers in different ways



e equipped and press A.

Yellow numbers indicate ad

strength. Gray numbers indicate less strength. Optimum The useful Optimum command equips the fighter in question with the available Items that can add to that fighter's powers in the best possible way.







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Empty

By using the Rmove command, you can take away a particular piece of equipment from the selected fighter

Use the Empty command on a fighter to remove all of that fighter's current equipment. Then re-easin the fighter anew.

# Survey the Troops

With a quick command, you can call up a list of all the ipment your fighters are currently using



- Press Left when the cursor is flashing on the word "Equip." This will make the cursor point to all fighters.

Press the A Button, A list of the fighters and their currently equipped items will

# Relics

Relics are items that, when equipped, give fighters special abilities. Each fighter can be equipped with up to two Relics at once











Some Relics are best suited for particular characters, changing that character's special powers. The Thief's Glove, for example, makes Locke's stealing capability more powerful.







As is the case with Weapons and Armor, some Relics change a fighter's offensive and defensive strengths. You can see these potential changes before the Relics are officially equipped.





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While all Relics have their good points, there are a trio of Relics which are particularly useful. They are:

### Sprint Shoes

When any character in your party is equipped with this fast footwear, you'll move with twice as much speed in in all areas excent the overworld.

#### Wall Ring

The incredible Wall Ring Relic makes enemy Spells bounce off of the equipped fighter and shoot back at the enemy

#### Black Belt

The magic of the martial arts makes a fighter who is equipped with the Black Belt randomly counterattack when hit.

## Status Screen

The Status screen clues you in on the experience, power and abilities of the members of your party. You can access the information from the subscreen.





A fighter's level of experience and his or her Armor and Weghter's level of fensive and defensive powers. The Status screen allows you to analyze those factors. By looking at the Status screen, you can determine the strengths and weaknesses of the fighter in question.

The Experience level of your fighter directly Experience affects his or her maximum Hit Points. Medic This entry lets you know the number of points Next Level your fighter needs to reach the next level. A fighter's Vigor relates to his or her general strengths and abilities to take and inflict If your fighter has a high Speed rating, his or Speed If your fighter has a high Stamina level he or Stamina she will gain more Hit Points with the next Magic Power indicates the offensive strength Mag. Power of your fighter's Macic abilities. It should be low for fighters that don't use Marie Battle Power relates to your fighter's total Bat. Power attacking power. If it's high, he or she will be a powerhouse with the Fight command. The Defense rating shows your fighter's Defense current defensive power, taking into account the Armor that he or she is wearing.

which are likely to miss.

Magi. Def. Mag. Defense relates to the power of the fighter smagicabilities to wardoff or weaken enemy attacks.

Evade

The Evade rating shows the percentage of

enemy attacks aimed at the fighter inquestion

Magic Blocks the percentage of enemy Spells directed at your fighter and which are likely to fizzle out before they can cause damage.



Several features relating to the performance of the game can be adjusted in the Config screen. There are two "pages" of adjustable entries.







### Bat. Mode

The two possible settings for Battle Mode are "Active" and "Walt." These settings relate to the attack methods of your enemies. If the Battle Mode is set on "Active," the enemies will attack whenever they have the power to do so. If the setting is "Wait," the enemies will not attack while you are accessing menus in the middle of a fight.



#### Active Active mode allows enemies to attack at will in fighting scenes,

#### Wait Wait mode keeps enemies from attacking when you're looking

# Msg. Speed

Bat. Speed The Battle Speed determines how quickly battles will be played out. Message Speed makes screen text appear on the screen at various speeds.

Cmd. Set

The two Command Set options are "Window" and "Shorts" These options relate to the way commands are laid out in fighting scenes "the "Window" configuration is the default method of displaying the commands The Short configuration features a shorter window with commands ar-ranged in a more compact manner.







This option allows you to turn off the power bar which shows the progress of your fighter returning to battle strength





Sound

The Sound option allows you to switch from stereo to mono output.

With this option, you can make the cursor "remember" its position in a particular situation. This feature is useful if you always use a fighter to attack or defend in a certain way. You can set it up once, then simply press the A Button repeatedly to carry out the action.

Re-equip When the Re-equip option is set on Optimum, the game will automatically re-equip
your fighter with optimum pieces when
you equip power-changing Relics.

Controller

While Final Fantasy III is generally a single-player game, you can use the Controller option to set the game up for use with two controllers in lighting scene. The multi-controller feature allows you to

The multi-controller feature allows you to assign individual fighters to Controller I or Controller 2.

The Magic Order option affects the format of the Soulls list. The continuations allow

of the Spells list. The configurations give varying priorities to different types of

Spells. While one configuration pids healing Spells at the top of the list, followed by affaching Spells and effect Spells, another configuration reverses the order. There are six configurations in all.

Window

This option allows you to select one of eight different designs for window back-grounds.

Color With the Color option, you can change the entire background, the color of the lettering in the game text ("font") and the borders around the edges of the windows.

Save

See Page II

Once you've set all of the configurations to your liking, make sure to use the Save option on the subscreen to secure all of your choices.

# Fighting Screen

When monsters attack, the encounter will take place in the fighting screen. This is where your preparation and battle strategies pay off.

Enemy attackers
usually appear on
the left side of the
screen. If they ambush, they could
appear on the right
side or surround
your party.

4 Enemies and members of your party take turns carrying out battle actions. The current action is shown here.

2 When the members of your party are energized to a point where they can make a battle action, their options appear here. 5 The members of your party are shown on the right side of the screen, unless they've been ambushed. Their appearance indicates their current



Information relating to the current HIT Points and battle readiness of your party members is shown in the lower-right section of the screen





Victory brings Gold, Experience and Magic Points and, occasionally, aspecial Item, Weapon or piece of Armor.

#### Fighting Commands



When a member of your party is poweredup and ready to fight, a list of commands will appear in the lower-left section of the fighting screen. It's up to you to decide exactly how your fighter will contribute to the effort.



A fighter given the command to "Fight" jumps into the middle of the action and hits the chosen target with his or her Weapon.

#### Special Skills See Page 54-72

Many of the fighters in your party will have special Skills which will help them dispatch enemy attackers. These Skills often cause more damage to the enemies than a standard attack

Magic vour fighters will have Magic powers at the beginning of he adventure, they will have the opportunity to learn Spells from the Espers, After vou've selected Magic as a fighting command, you'll have a list of available Spells to choose from





Espers.

When chosen Espers can only attack once in every enemy encounter. Press Up on the Control Pad in the Magic menus to access the equipped



Item

Most of your special Items will provide Health and Power for the members of your party. When you use Items, you'll be able to target one of the fighters in your party to be the recipient of that Item.





a bad state. They often prove to be useful in long, tough battles.

When you're in the Item list, you can manage your Weapons by pressing up on the Control Pad.

ROW

By pressing Left on the Control Pad, you can instruct a fighter to step to the back row when it's his or her turn to fight.

Defense

Press right on the Control Pad to command a member of your party to set up a defensive position.

Run

If you're not ready to fight, press and hold the L and R Buttons. The members of your party will attempt to make a run for it. You can continue to fight while your party members try to flee.

# Changes in Status

Enemies can trigger a variety of damaging "status changes." If you have access to the right Items or Spells you can correct negative conditions. Condition

Float



You can defend against the

awesome powers of a Quake spell by casting Float on the members of your party

Petrify Imp



This strange condition turns your fighters into statues, so that they cannot move or attack. Use Soft to

The Imp spell turns the spell recipient into an Imp. If you wish to cure the condition, you can use

Clear



Clear makes the targeted fighter invisible. Use Remedy to cure this

Poison



Zombie



Fighters in a Zombie state are uncontrollable. A shot of Revivity will bring a Zombie back to his or



Dark



Ink-shootingenemies can cover the eyes of their opponents, making themmiss on many or one of Evedrop does the job here.



Wounded	If a member of your party has lost all of his or her Hit Points, he or she is "wounded." Fenix Down will cure this condition.	
Psyche	Some enemies can cause your fighterstonodoff. Theonly action that will wake them up is a direct attack.	Zag.
Muddled	Muddled fighters attack monsters and members of their own party. A Remedy is a useful counter to this condition.	3
Mute	A Mute condition silences the Magic powers of your party members. Echo Screen will give them a voice again.	
Condemned	Condemned party members will lose all of their Hit Points if the countdown above them reaches zero.	13
Berserk	This condition makes fighters go wildly out of control. Use Dispel to bring them back to normal.	
Slow	Fighters that have been targeted by a Slow spell will be slow to return to battle readiness after they make a move.	
Stop	If your fighters have been hit by Stop, time is standing still for them. Use Dispel to get the clock ticking again.	-
Regen	You can use Regenon the members of your party to make them regain Hit Points at regular intervals during a fight.	154

There are several villages in the world of Final Fantasy III. In addition to gathering important information from the villagers on the streets and in houses, you can revitalize the members of your party at Inns and purchase Items in shops.

#### Inns

If the members of your party are suffering from a negative change in Status or if their Hit Points or Magic Points are low, you can power them up for a small fee at an lm.



#### Weapon Shops Weapon shops offer a variety of powerful

tems that will add to the performance of your fighters in the field. If you're low on eash you can sell old Weapons for half their purchase price.





ons and Armor, you'll notice a lineup of fighters at the bottom of the screen. Each fighter will raise his or her arms if he or she can be equipped with a particular item.

#### Armor Shops

If you're in the market for protective gear, an Armor Shop is the place to be. Look through the list of items available and purchase the items which will be of the greatest benefit to your party.



#### Item Shops

Items are generally used to replenish Hit Points and to cure fighters from changes in Status. Stock up with as many Items as you can afford before you venture into the



#### Relic Shops

Every fighter in your party can equip up to two Relics. Buy as many different types of Relics as you can afford and use them wisely.



### Chocobo Stables

Chocobos are available in a few villages and remote forest locations. For a fee, you can hop onto a Chocobo and ride across the fields, free of enemy intervention.



#### Cafes

While you're in town, make sure you visit these establishments to catch up on current events.



# Items

You can hold up to 99 of each type of Item. They can be found in Item Shops and Treasure Chests. You can also earn some Items by defeating enemies.

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Item	Effect	Cost
Green Cherry	This item reverses the effect of an Imp spell, changing as Imp finite; bank to normal	150

Tincture If a magic user drinks a Tincture, he or she will recover 150 Masic Points toward his or her current maximum. 1500

X-Ether This powerful potion recovers all of the targeted fighter's Magic Points. No Cos

Ether A standard Ether gotion will recover 150 Magic Points for the targeted Magic user. No Cost

X-Potion If you find an X-Potion in the field, you can use it to fully recover the Ht Points of a fighter in your party. No Co.

Elixir The power-packed Elixir recovers Hit Points and Magic Points fully for the targeted party member. No co

Soft If your party members have been petrified, you can bring them back to normal with this item. 200

Smoke Romb You can set a smoke screen in a bettle with this 200

Super Ball Toss this bouncing sphere at attacking enemies and set them up for big damage.

Revivify

If a reember of your party has fallen under the power of the Zombie spell, you can use Revivify to counter the effects.

300

Warp Stone Use a Warp Stone to escape quickly from an enemy confrontation or an underground maze. 700

Tent By pitching a tent at save points or in the field, you can recover your entire party's lift Points and Magic Points.

tem	Effect	Cost
Antidote	If a fighter in your party is poisoned, you can counteract the poison with an Antidote.	50
Sleeping Bag	A Sleeping Bag recovers all of the Hit Points and Magic Points for one member of your party.	500
Potion	A Pation recovers 250 Hit Points for the targeted fighter.	300
Remedy	This cure-all recovers a fighter from any negative status change with the exception of the Zombie spell.	1000
Fenix Down	A wounded fighter will be on the road to recovery after a rest in these curative feathers.	500
Dried Meat	This food item gives the receiving party member recovery of ISO His Points.	150
Tonic	If a member of your party sips a Tonic, he or she will recover 50 Hit Points.	50
Magicite	The mysterious Magicite calls on a randomly selected Esper for a quick blast of magic.	No Cost
Eyedrop	Use an Eyedrop to take away the mask of ink worn by a fighter who has been stricken with Dark.	50
Echo Screen	When a Muted fighter is hit with the Echo Screen, he or she is able to use Magic once again.	120
Megalixir	A Megalizir instantly recovers all Hit Points and Magic Points for your party.	No Cos
Rename Card	This elusive item allows you to rename the characters that have joined you in your journey.	No Cos
Shadow Edge	Use the Shadow Edge to spread shadows out across the battle field.	400
Fire Skean	Your enemies will feel the heat of a fire attack when you use this item.	500
Inviz Edge	The fighter who throws this item will be invisible to attacking enemies.	200

Cost Water Skean When a fighter throws this item, you'll have help from a lightning and thunder blast. Thunder Edge 500 Relics Relics can be equipped by members of your party two at a time. They impart a variety of different abilities. Cost Amulet When a member of your party wears an Amulet, he or she is protected from Posson, Bark and Zombie. Back Guard This item protects your party from Back Attacks 7000 Wearing the Rage Ring will give more power to Rage Ring Umaro's Rape attack Earrings Earnings allow Magic users to cause extra damage with

Effect

Offering The mighty Offering relic gives extra power to the bearer's Fight command.

When a fighter wears Running Shoes, he or she has the power of the Haste spell.

7000

5000

Marvel Shoes Wear the Marvel Shoes and marvel at their

Gauntlet While holding the Gauntlet, a fighter canhold one Weapor with two hands, causing more damage per swing

A member of your party can cause additional damag Atlas Armlet

Running Shoes

Item	Effect	Cost
Gold Hairpin	A Magic user wearing a Gold Heirpin can cut in half the Magic Power needed for each spell.	No Cos
Goggles	Fighters wearing Goggles can protect against the damages of a Dark spell.	500
Crystal Orb	The Crystal Orb increases maximum Megic Points by half against their previous amount.	No Cos
Merit Award	The Merit Award allows the bearer to wear heavy Armor.	No Cos
Exp. Egg	The amazing Exp. Egg doubles the Experience Points the wearer receives.	No Cos
Genji Glove	Fighters looking for a two-fisted attack can wear the Genji Glove and carry two swords at once.	No Cos
Blizzard Orb	If Umano is looking to cool down his enemies, they will experience the chilling effects of the Bizzard Orb.	No Cos
Jewel Ring	Wearing the Jewel Ring will protect the bearer from Dark and Petrify spells.	1000
Sniper Sight	Accuracy is the name of the game with this Relic. It ensures a 100 percent hit rate with the Fight command.	3000
Economizer	Magic users will be able to do a lot of good with this item. It cuts spell costs to one Magic Point each.	No Cos
Safety Bit	Wearing this item will protect the bearer from magic attacks which would have inflicted mortal damage.	No Cos
Gem Box	This Relic adds power to all Magic Spells cast by the bearer.	No Cor
Zephyr Cape	The Zephyr Cape allows a member of your party to dodge attacks with more success.	7000
Charm Bangle	When the leader of the party is wearing the Charm Bangle, few enemies will attack from the field.	No Cor
Tintinabar	The Tintinabar has the opposite effect of Poison. The bearer recovers Ht Points with every step.	No Cos

Item	Effect	Cost
Sprint Shoes	When anyone in your party wears Sprint Shoes, your party will walk twice as fast as before.	1500
Fake Mustache	A fighter with a Sketch command can change it to Control while wearing the Fake Stache.	No Cosi
Cherub Down	A fighter who bears the Cherub Down has the power to cast a Float spall.	6300
Cure Ring	When a member of your party wears the Cure Ring, he or she can cast a Regen spell.	No Cost
Sneak Ring	When Locke wears this ring, he has a higher success rate while using his ability to Steal.	3000
Thief Glove	The Thief Glove changes Locke's Steal command to Capture.	No Cos
True Knight	This item offers protection to members of your party who are low on Hit Points.	1000
Cursed Ring	The Cursed Ring, being true to its name, is cursed.	No Cos
Hyper Wrist	When a fighter wears the Hyper Wrist, his or her Vigor is reised.	8000
Gale Hairpin	When a member of your party wears the Gale Heirpin, your chances of making preemptive attacks are greater.	8000
Barrier Ring	The Barrier Ring casts a Shell spell when the wearer is low on Hit Points.	500
Dragon Horn	If a fighter is equipped with the Dragon Horn, he or she will jump at every opportunity.	No Cos
Fairy Ring	The bearer of the Fairy Ring has protection from Poison and Dark spalls.	7000
Relic Ring	This powerful Relichas mysterious effects on wounded righters.	No Cos
Black Belt	This martial arts powerhouse makes the bearer fight back automatically when hit.	5000

ltem	Effect	Cost
Hero Ring	The wearer of the Hero Ring is given increased power for Fight and Magic commands.	No Cost
Czarina Ring	The wearer of the Czarina Ring casts Safe and Shell spells when his or her Hit Points are low.	3000
Guard Ring	The power of the Guard Ring causes the bearer to cast a Safe spell when his or her Hit Points are low.	5000
Coin Toss	The Coin Toss relic changes Setzer's Slot command to GP Rain.	No Cost
Star Pendant	When a member of your party is equipped with the Star Pendant, he or she is protected from Poison.	500
White Cape	This cloth shield protects the wearer from the power of Imp and Mute spells.	5000
Muscle Belt	The bearer of the Muscle Belt can add 50% to the total of his or her maximum Hit Points.	No Cost
Pod Bracelet	While wearing this accessory, a member of your party can cast Safe and Shell spells.	No Cos
Beads	Beads give the wearer a better chance of avoiding enemy attacks.	4000
Mithril Glove	The Mithril Glove casts a Safe spell when its bearer is low on Hit Points.	700
Marvel Shoes	The mysterious Marvel Shoes have unpredictable powers.	No Cos
Moogle Charm	If the leader of your party wears the Moogle Charm, your party will be protected from random attacks.	No Cos
Peace Ring	The bearer of the Peace Ring is protected from Berserk and Muddle spells.	3000
Ribbon	The Ribbon protects the wearer from all status changing alments.	No Cos
Dragoon Boots	These nifty boots change the Fight command into a Jump command.	9000

The magic force of the Espers can be learned by fighters who are equipped with Espers while they earn Magic Points. When a fighter learns 100 percent of an Esper's spell, he or she can use the spell.



Equipping

Each fighter in your party can use one Esper at a time. Select the Esper command from the Skills heading for a particular fighter and move the cursor to an Esper that is highlighted, then press the A Button to equip that Esper.





Points you wear the Esper, Mag Points you earn will go toward learning the Esper's spells.

# of your party, then press A. Bonus Points

As your fighters increase their Experience Levels, some Espers will reward them with extra powers.





Listed below are the Espers and their spells. The numbers next to the spells are the learning rates. These numbers are multiplied by earned Magic Points. When the results reach 100, the spells are learned.

# The Esper's Name

on to the

Cure ..... x 25 Cure 2 ... x 16 Cure 3 \_x 1 Regen .... x 20 Remedy x 20



Regen..... x3 Antdot .... x4 Scan y5



Starlet

Life\_\_\_\_x10 Life 2 v 3 Life 3 ..... x 1 Cure 3 v 2 Fire 3 v

#### Unicorn



#### Palidor

Haste v 20 laste 2 x 2 Slow 2 x 2

#### Sraphim



Cure ..... x 20 Regen....x 10 Remedy x 4



Fire \_ Fire 2 Drain.

# Shiva

... x10 Ice 2 .....x 5 Rasp...

Osmose\_x 4 Cure ..... x 3 Fire 2 x3

Meteor .... x I

Odin









Ramuh

Shoat

ke 2 .. Bolt 2 ..... x3











Bahamut



Crusader



Bolt 2 ..... x 2 Poison ..... x 5











# Alexandr



Shell xIO Disnel ..... x10 Remedy .. x15

ZoneSeek

Rasp ..... x 20 Osmose.x 15 Shell x 5

#### Ragnarok

Ultima..... x

Golem

Safe ..... x5 Stop..... x5 Cure 2..... x5

#### Terrato

Quake ..... x3 Quartr..... x 1

W Wind . x I

Muddle ... x7 Float ...

#### Carbunkl

Rflect ..... x5 Haste ..... x3 Shell..... x 2 Safe ...... x 2 Warp ..... x2



Warp .... x 10 X-Zone . x 5 Stop ..... x 3

Bserk. Vanish

\_\_ x3 Demi ..... x 5 Siren Sleep ..

\_x10 Mute . Slow ... \_x6

# Magic Spells

Some warriors who join up with your party will be born Magic users, but the bulk of the fighters will have to learn Magic from the Espers.



# Spell Collection

Every Esper offers a series of Spells for the wearer to learn. Some Spells are offered by more than one Esper. When a fighter learns 100 percent of a particular Spell, he or she can use it.

### Different Espers, Different Speeds

Some Spells are offered by more than one Esper, but the learning speeds vary. Compare the learning speeds so you can learn each spell as quickly as possible.





Magic, Armor, Weapons and Items
me items other than Espers allow adventurers to learn spells. To
perimenting by equipoing with a variety of Armor and Weapons.

### Recovery Magic

Cure A single Cure spell can recover as much as 270 Hit Points. The casting cost is five Magic Points.

Cure 2 Cure 2 is capable of reviving a fighter with three times as many Hit Points as

Cure 3 This Hit Point reviving spell is

seven times as powerful as the original Cure spell.

Life This spell has basically the same effect as a Ferix Down It brings wounded

fighters back to fighting strength.

Life 2 This deluxe spell revives a fighter from Wounded status and recilenishes

Life 3
Life 3 has the same initial effect as the original Life spell. It revives the fighter when Hit Points are depleted.

Antidot For an affordable casting cost of three Magic Points, this spell cures fighters from Poison.

Remedy The Remedy spell has the same effect as the Remedy item: recovery from all status changes except Zombie.

Regen The Regen spell revivesHtPointsat regular time intervals for several seconds after being cast.

Offensive Magic

Enemies will be on the receiving end of ablast of heat and flame when this spell is cast in their direction.

Fire 2

This blazing spell offers three times the blast of the first Fire spell for a cost of 20 Magic Points.

Fire 3 is the strongest Fire spell at six times the power of the original. The cost is 57 Madic Points.

Lightning strikes attacking enemies when the members of your party have the power to cast Bolt.

Bolt 2 The second incarnation of Bolt Magichas three times the power of the first Bolt spell.

Bolt 3 This lightning spree is six times as powerful as the original. The casting cost is 63 Magic Points

This freezing spell is especially powerful against snakes, frogs and other simy creatures.

Ice 2 lice 2 has three times the power of lce. The casting cost is 21 Magic Points.

This freezer is six

as the original for a casting cost o Magic Points.

With this spell, the Meteor With this spell, the Offensive Magic hanges to outer space and a meteor hits the enemy target. By casting Poison This super-power-

on your enemies, ful spell hits all attacking creatures at a cost of 80 Mario an cause gradual damage for a cost of three Magic Points.

The ground shakes Drain magic takes Hit Points from the and hits all groundemy and gives them to the caster

This spell hits the enemy target with The Bio spell is

a tornado that takes 90 percent of its causing multiple hits as time goes on,

Meriton At a cost of 85 Magic Points, this The Break snell spell hits the enemy target with a turns enemies to stone at a cost of 25 Magic Points.

power of Doom will

mies when it hits. Effect Magic attack can be cast For a casting cost of

at a cost of 40 Magic Points 3 Magic Points, you can examine the enemy's power and The Flare spell hits weak points

once for big damage at a cost of 45 Your enemy takes more time to gear up for an attack when you cast this snall Atacost of 33 Magic

This unusual spell takes Manic Points away from the enemy target. The Quartr spell is half as powerful as

Points, this spell can

the Demi spell at a cost of 48 Magic When an enemy is hit with Mute, it can't use Magic to retaliate.

This mysterious snell sends enemies The Safe spell

raises the defeninto the X-Zone for a cost of 53 Magic sive nower of the targeted fighter

This spell succeeds inconscious when this spell is cast the battle readiness of all attacking For a casting cost of You can take away 8 Maric Points you enemy Manic can confuse the enemies so they hit Points with this spell. The Warp spell has the same effect as The Haste spell the Warp Stone, allowing you to escape gives the targeted lighter the ability to ready for attacks more quickly. For a casting cost of spell gives your 10 Magic Points, party the speed advantage over attacking enemies you can temporarily freeze your

The Dispel spell A fighter hit with a Bserk spell will spells cast on your characters all a

cost of 25 Magic Points attack before receiving orders to do so

is the perfec defense against Quake.

This spell changes the target creature to or from the strange Imp beast.

The Rillert snell reflects enemy spells at a cost of 22 Magic Points:

The Shell spell is a that protects the target character from

target character tem-por and vinvisible. Haste 2 speeds 40

Adventuring parties can include up to four fighters. There are considerably more than four fighters who are willing to join up with you. At certain points, you can make a new party from all of the available fighters.







oventurers in your-party at any ne time.

# Party Planner

There are only a few places where you can regroup your party. One of those places, the Airship, is mobile. If you're looking to change your party, find the Airship or head to Narshe,





# Special Events

There are a few instances when slightly modified controls or actions will come into play. They are as follows:

#### Multi-Party Battles

When you're managing more than one party in a battle against another multi-party side, you can switch control from one party to the next by pressing the Y Button.



# Opera House and Dinner Party

Your verbal responses will play an important role in a pair of social circumstances. in these cases, you'll be given the choice of several things is say (or sing). The results of the interaction will be dependent on your choice of words.



### Follow the Star

The solution to a dungeon maze is revealed the flight of a star. You must prove your party in the same battern as the star in order to get through the maze.



the charge star in order to get gh the maze.

# Character Guide



Terra represents the rebirth of magic. She has abilities the likes of which no one in the world has seen before. The evil



army has tried to harness her magic powers, but the magic of the Espers will see to it that she will escape from the army's control.

## Special Skill | Morph

When Terra learns more about herself and her origins, she will gain the ability to morph into a blazing, spirit-like creature. She'll have twice as much strength in her morph state as she has in her normal form.

Terra begins the When

dventure as a Morph, Terra will formal creature have twice her with moderate previous strength.



# Mog Don't let his cute looks de-ceive you. The teddy bear-

like Mog can fight with a vengeance, especially when he has learned his powerful,



erally a peaceful creature, but he can make a big commotion on the dance floor.



# Dance

Mog can learn a series of dances for each of the eight types of terrain in the world. After he gets one good hit in a fight he'll learn the dances of the

region. Then he'll go into hoofing high gear.





Wind Song **Farth Blues** in the grass fields of the world. Mog The Earth Blues are learned in the learns the dances of the Wind Song mountain regions of the world This dance produces Water Rondo Forest Suite When Mog fights in the woods, he learn these dances of the deep Wild Bear Specter Desert Aria Dusk Requiem In the desolate desert regions, Mod Mod learns these dances in caves. You'll Pois. Frog Love Sonata Snowman Jazz Mog learns the steps of the Snown Mog can learn these steps in rare ne when he fights in a town. Snowball enemy Hit Points in half

# Edgar

The King of Figaro castle is very handy with machinery and tools, making him a very valuable part of the team. He also fancies himself to be fall



ladies' man, but moves in that direction often result in failure

#### Tools

Edgar's mastery of machinery turns out to be a very useful skill. He can use all eight Tools that are available throughout the adven-

ture, Many of them can defeat an entire party of attacking enemies at once.



Most of the Tools hit

# Autocrossbow is arrow-firing device will all of the attacking

Bio Blast

green cloud of gas over all of

Noise Blaster

enemy party

can go right through one

Debilitator

This odd item finds weak points in enemy attackers.

Chainsaw

This hard to find item is capable of destroying an

Air Anchor

making enemy attackers self-destructive



Sabin is the brother of King Edgar. After a falling-out with his family, Sabin left for the mountains and learned the

.

techniques and strong conviction make him a good member of the team.

### Special Skills Blitz

The Blitz techniques that Sabin learns over the course of the adventure each call for a different button-pressing combination. You can

see those combinations using the Skills Menu from the subscreen.





The state of the s



Mantra

Pummel



# Special Skills SwdTech

The master of the sword can lash out at enemies with a series of brilliant strikes. There are eight different techniques in all.

vanced techniques require more preparation time than the others.





enemies take notice

This quick attack has good results when it centers on a single enemy.

Empowerer

This advanced technique takes Magic Points and Hit

Retort Stunner

When Cyan is using Retort, The automatically attacks his after being hit.

ort, This incredible blast of Magic icks hits the whole attacking party and stops them.

Slash

Quadra Slice

With the Slash technique, Cyanhits enemies and earns Hit Points. The Quadra Slice hits four times with twice the strength of the Quadra Slam.

Quadra Slam



for, but is worth ŀ

The wild boy of the Veldt left home when he was very young. He now lives and communicates with the animals. If you can manage to get Gas.



to join your party, you'll be able to use his abilities to learn the powers of the Veldt animals.



# Leap / Rage

When Gau is fighting with your party in the Veldt, he can Leap onto one of the attacking creatures and ride away with it. Gau will

it. Gau will reappear in another Veldt encounter with knowledge of the monster's fighting tech-







When Gau uses his Rage skill, he can choose from a long list of enemy skills that he has learned to be the kin knowledge of enemy shills that le has learned to be the skin knowledge of enemy of these.

his knowledge of er attacks.



Shadow The mysterious ninja,

Shadow, is a loner. His

only friend is his dog. Interceptor, When Shadow ioins the party, he brings

with him the ability to throw objects with accuracy.



## Throw

Shadow's throwing skills allow him to hit enemies with no danger to himself. Some village shops sell Weapons that

the ninia can aim at enemy attackers. They have varying strengths and properties.

dow can throw a Adi variety of items designed impression



At one time, Celes was a General of the evil army. She has since been disillusioned by the army and has decided to join the resis-



tance. She has command over Runic Blade which absorbs enemy spells.

#### Special Skills Runic

Celes has the power of Runic which, when cost, makes all enemy spells target her. She can absorb the spells without causing much

damage to her or the other members of the party.



inic to thwart enemy Spells will target Celes an users. Spells will target Celes an fizzle out, giving her MPs.





loker Doom

The offert of the Slot command depends on the entire enemy party gomor

defeat to both parties

Three Bars will b

ome Hit Points and status recovery.

calls out a flock of

trampling birds.

hits all of the enemies with a strong blast

is similar to that of the

out a randomly cho

Chocobop

appear, the enemies receive a blast of light.

Coin Toss



When Setzer is uipped with the Coin Toss Relic. his Slot command changes to GP Rain gold coins, costing

The Coin Toss relic turne Slot into GP Rain

down on unsuspecting

points of damage it inflicts.

# Strago

The old man, Strago. both a passive and powerful Blue Mage. He has the ability to learn the spells of some



enemy attackers, but he must feel the effect of those spells before he can use them.



# Lore

The special skill that Strago brings to your party is Lore. When enemies aim their spells at Strago and he is hit, he

hack with bnowledge of the snells after the hattle has heen won







Agua Breath This spell is the specia

Rafe and Shell spells

attack of the water Stone This spell creates a

The Aero spell emits a

This magic cures one This super-charge snell results in big character, but spells Clean Sweer Like the Agua Breati

doom for Stragos The effects of this

Dischord

Revenge The Revenge spel

attack enemy our Mouth

Blow Fish The Blow Fish hits enemies for 1000 points

This strange spel cures status changes in party members. Grand Train

Step Mine This spell results in with a Flare

gradual damage to

L.5 Doom baracters with leve a multiple of 5 are

Condemned This snell creates a When the Pearl Wind blows, party members experience recovery.

The multiple factor is the last digit of your GP

# Relm

The granddaughter of Strago, Relm is a great artist and a friend to Shadow's dog. She can sketch



with their powers through her drawings.



#### Sketch skill centers around her artistic abilities.

Relm's spec etches an enemy, she learns that enemy's methods of attack. She can also con trol enemies while wearing the Fake Mue tache relic





Save Your Progress

It pays to save your progress when you have the chance. Always save immediately before you enter a no save situaExplore Thoroughly
There are many hidden
items in the World of the
game. Get in the habit of
touching objects and
pressing the A Button to

find Items.

## Adventurer's Advice

Before you begin exploring the World of Final Fantasy III, you should take a look at these helpful tips and live by them when you embark on your adventure.

Buy Potions Galore
In the early parts of your
adventure, Potions and
Terra's limited Heal spell
are the only things that
will keep your party going.

Losers Prosper

Even if the members of your party are annihilated, they'll still retain their Experience Points. Don't reset the game.

Equip on Party Changes

vou have.

When characters join your party, make sure to take a look at their equipment. They may be in need of Weapons or Armor that

Esper

Management Some Espers give rewards

when your characters go up in Experience Levels. Make sure to equip with those Espers before leveling up. Two soldiers escort the captured magic user, Terra, on Magitek machines. She is unaware of her magical origins. But, soon she will remember



agitek machines emit powerful When monsters are defeate asts of energy. When monsters are defeate you'll earn Experience Points



The first opportunity to save Youcansave your progress is in this cave. Youcansave your progress any of three files.



ead. Don't attack the shell.

cave is a giant snai

### Multi-Party Battle



Mog learns the Dusk Re Dance in the cave.



You'll find training outside Narshe.

Inside, you can save, recover Hit Points and pick up tips.

Figaro Bound

Locke is good friends with Edgar, the King of Figaro. When things go sour in Narshe, Locke takes Terra to the safety of Figaro Castle.





save your propress anywhere



#### In the City

South Figaro is in real danger of being taken over by the evil army. Our adventurers decide to leave and seek assistance in their effort to overtable the army. Before they leave, they should buy Sprint Shoes, Pottons and Antidotes



## Mountain Adventure

Edgar's brother is in the mountains. The party meets up with this martial artist and other "Returners." After some drama, they join each other and decide to move on together.



is a maze of caves.



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#### Returner Hideout

The Returner Hideout is the headquarters of the resistance. Terra is the key here. She has to talk to the leader, Banon, and make the decision to John the resistance.



### River Ride

The growing party takes a raft on the Lete River. While the party fights, Banon provides everyone with recovery from damage using his Health spell.



## The Party Splits Up

After the ride on the river, the story splits up into three different scenarios. You'll eventually play out all three

scenarios.
The order in
which you
play them
out is your
choice.



#### Locke's Scenario

South Figaro has been taken over by the army. It's up to Locke to go into the city and save Celes. He'll achieve his goal by using his ability to steal from attackers. The clothes of a merchant and a soldier will allow him to explore the city.





## Banon's Scenario

Banon and Terra leave for Narshe to regroup and find out what to do next. Their quest is straightforward and quick. The only challenge is to find a way into the city.





The main entrence to Nershe is blocked off, You'll find another entranceleft of the training area.

#### Sabin's Scenario

Sabin has a long road ahead of him. He will start at the edge of the Lete River and work his way through an enemy camp, several towns and a handful of challenging areas. Along the way, he'll meet up with Cvan, Gau and possibly, Shadow.





Shadow may or may not join up with Sabin - it's your choice.











igin you on your journey



## Serpent Trench

ing free. The





## Nikeah

After themembers of the party buy Items, relies, gumor and weapons, they confoord a vessel and take off for Narshe where they will meet up with the other members of the resistance.



# The Adventurers Regroup

Now that all of the adventurers are back together, they can decide how they will proceed. The first thing to do is be victorious in a decisive battle, then listen carefully to the clues.

Good Luck!

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