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The May of the Firestaff The Mord of Those who have gone before

In its short time on the U.K. software market Dungeon Master has already acquired something of a cult following. "The Way of the Firestaff" is a collection of useful information, tips and most important of all, maps of Theron's dungeons. This information has been provided by a large number of people, some from people who are still playing the game and some from the valiant who have slogged their way through the perils of the deepest dungeons to finish the game and achieve their desire.

Remember that this information has been gathered whilst actually playing the game and so cannot be guaranteed to be accurate or totally exhaustive under all circumstances (after all, drawing maps while you are fighting off sundry nasties can be a hair-raising and rather frustrating experience!) Also, we are only giving tips - you must solve the game.

As you move down into the dungeon, the monsters that you meet will increase in nastiness and display an increasingly frustrating reluctance to die. Most monsters may be killed by physical force, magic or using the facilities of the dungeon itself.

Physical force involves weapons or hand-to-hand. DO make sure that you are close enough for the weapon you are using to reach and DO make sure that you have your weapons in the correct hands. Throwing your bow instead of shooting an arrow could be fatal! Practice is essential so that your skill level will improve. As your skill level increases so will your repertoire of techniques for that particular weapon. For example, with a sword, 'parry' and then 'chop' will be added to 'swing' as your skill increases. A successful hit is indicated by a star (reminiscent of the Batman T.V. series) flashing up in place of the weapon box, the number inside the star indicating the effectiveness.

Magic, like fighting skills, must be practiced in order to reach higher levels of mastery so that more powerful spells may be cast. Try and have spells and potions already prepared and ready for instant use. Remember also that potions require a flask in the action hand and that certain objects can increase the power of your spell. Spells are often attuned to priests or wizards and so will be easier for that type of character but don't be fooled into thinking that because you have successfully cast a new spell once that you will succeed every time from now on - only more practice will ensure that.

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Make sure that you learn the light spell early in the game because there are never enough torches. The light can be made brighter and longer-lasting by increasing the power of the spell. The power of the spell is increased by selecting a higher value (counting from left to right in the spell box) as the first symbol. The same is true for any spell (all of the examples in the List of Spells have the lowest power as the first symbol) but will require more Mana as the power is increased.

The 'facilities' of the dungeon are the doors, gates and pits. Monsters can usually be killed by luring them under a door or gate and dropping it on them - this is great fun but be careful, occasionally one can slip through! Monsters can also be lured onto a hidden pit and disposed of that way, but beware, because they can often come back up again, usually behind you and when you aren't looking - they have no sense of fair play.

As you move around the dungeon it is a good idea to turn sideways and peek around corners before proceeding - monsters may be lurking out of sight. Sleeping is fairly safe on the first two levels but lower down it may be interrupted by monsters intending to put you to sleep permanently. Some security is given by sleeping in a room with the doors closed, just try not to get trapped!

The May of the Firestaff The Denizens of the Dungeon

Mainly for the benefit of newcomers to the world of adventuring we have given some tips on the monsters likely to be encountered on the first few levels. We will leave you to find out about those in the lower levels.

- Screamers Looking something a miniature oak tree, these monsters are fairly easy to kill. They are also edible so if you find a room where they keep returning (and there is one) remember it it's your supermarket!
- Mummies Again fairly easy to kill but they are not edible, thank goodness. (Well, would you want to eat something 2000 years old?). They can be dangerous if you meet up with a group of them and the sound they make as they attack is unmistakable. They can also move quite quickly when they come after you.
- Rock Monsters These nasties move very slowly but can still be very dangerous because we only know of two methods of killing these mobile rock piles: leading them back to a pit, or to a gate and dropping it on them. Unfortunately, this can take a while. The other method involves throwing a fireball at the same time as they rear up. This is emotionally very satisfying but is also extremely DANGEROUS! One adventurer claims that you can kill them if you keep hitting them enough times but no-one we know of has been rash enough to verify this. Medium power poison gas spells are also reputed to be effective.
- Blue Monsters These characters are about as pretty as a Rock Monster but with a disposition considerably worse. They use clubs as weapons and they hurt if they hit you. A fireball is pretty effective against them and allows you to stay out of range of their clubs. The clubs are left behind when they are killed.
- Giant Flying Insects Don't waste time admiring their gauzy prettiness, get in first or you'll be sorry. They sting but are fairly straightforward to kill. They are not edible.
- Worms These are nasty pieces of work. They can move very quickly at close quarters and are very deadly. Attacking from the front is a waste of time play dirty and attack their rear. Make sure that you have had plenty of practice so that you can cast powerful spells.
- Sneak Thief This funny-looking chap is not dangerous at all but he is a king-size pain in the neck. He will steal all your weapons and treasures and unless you catch him quickly they will be strewn all over the dungeon. Collecting them again is a nuisance.
- Ghosts Since ghosts are non-material objects, hiding behind a gate or door is pretty much a waste of time and trying to drop a gate on them has about the same effect. The scrolls give hints on how to deal with non-material entities.

We hope that "The Hay of the Airestaff" will help you to live a little longer and enjoy the game to the full. Good Luck!

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The Source of all Magic

4 Symbol Spells

- Marks your footprints
- 1153 Wisdom potion 1154 Vitality Potion
- Lets you see through walls etc. ? Invisibility Spell ? Some sort of fireball 1326 1335
- Long-lasting light (I think) 1345
- Dexterity Potion Strength Potion 1352 1451
- 1454 Party Fireshield (Same effect as wand) 1546 ? Makes room darker 1635 Zo Kath Ra Spell (You pick it up!)

- 1655 -Mana Potion!

3 Symbol Spells

- Magical Party Protection 114
- 152 Anti-Material Poison Bolt
- 151 Fireball 144
- 115 Magical Protection Potion
- Anti-Poison potion 125 131 Poison gas cloud
- Venom potion (Thrown, destroys one flask)

2 Symbol Spells

- Health potion
- 11 Stamina potion
- Anti-matter spell (Opens some doors) 16
- Light spell
- The first number/symbol is power which can be altered.
- All potions require empty flask in action hand.

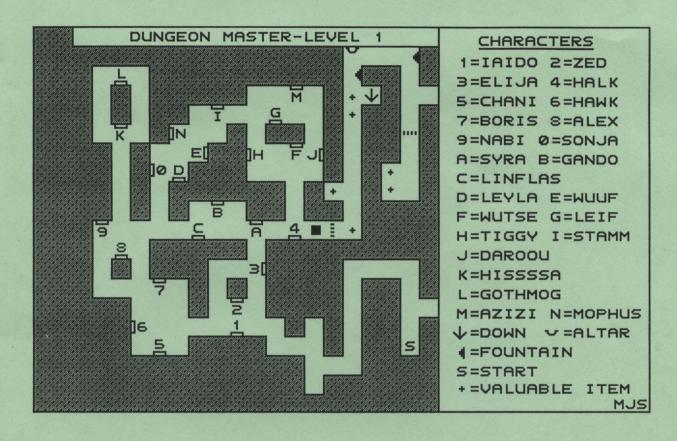
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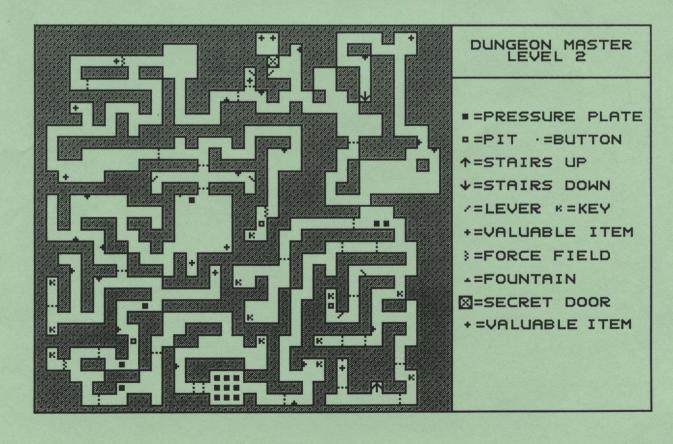
The Stuff from which Heroes are made

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AIDO	APP. FIGHTER NOV. PRIEST	48	65	11	43	55	40	35	45	50	SAMURAI SWORD
CHANI	NOV. FIGHTER APP. WIZARD		67	20	37	47	57	37	47	37	MOONSTONE
HAWK	NOV. FIGHTER APP. PRIEST		85	10	45	35	38	55	35	35	2 ARROWS
BORIS	NOV. NINJA APP. WIZARD	35	65	28	35	45	55	40	45	40	RABBIT'S FOOT
NABI	APP. PRIEST NOV. WIZARD	55	65	15	41	36	45	45	55	55	STAFF
SONJA	JOURN.EYMAN		70	2	54	45	39	49	40	40	SWORD / CHOKER
MOPHUS	JOURN. PRIES	ST 55	55	19	42	35	40	48	40	45	3 FOOD
STAMM	JOURNEYMAN FIGHTER	75	80	0	52	43	35	50	35	55	AXE
LEIF	APP. FIGHTER NOV. PRIEST	75	70	7	46	40	39	50	45	45	
AZIZI	NOV. FIGHTER	61	77	7	47	48	42	45	30	35	HIDE SHIELD / 2 DAGGERS
TIGGY	NOV.NINJA APP. WIZARD	25	45	36	30	45	50	35	59	40	WAND
DAROOU	APP. FIGHTER		65	6	50	30	35	45	30	45	
WU TSE	NOV. NINJA APP. PRIEST	45	47	20	38	35	53	45	47	40	3 THROWING STARS
HALK	JOURNEYMAN FIGHTER	90	75	0	55	43	30	46	38	48	CLUB / HELMET
SYRA	NOV. PRIEST APP. WIZARD	53	72	15	38	35	43	45	42	40	APPLE
GANDO	APP.NINJA NOV. WIZARD	39	63	26	39	45	47	33	48	43	2 POISON DARTS
WUUF	APP. NINJA NOV. PRIEST	40	50	30	33	57	45	40	35	40	EMPTY FLASK
LEYLA	JOURN. NINJA	48	60	3	40	53	45	47	45	35	ROPE
LINFLAS	APP. FIGHTER		50	12	45	45	47	35	50	35	BOW
HISSA	APP. FIGHTEF NOV. NINJA	80	61	5	58	48	35	35	43	55	
GOTHMOG	JOURN. WIZAI	RD 60	55	18	40	43	48	34	50	59	CLOAK OF NIGHT
ALEX ANDER	APP. NINJA NOV. WIZARD		57	13	44	55	45	40	35	40	SLINGSHOT*
ZED	NOV. FIGHTER										
	NOV. PRIEST NOV. WIZARD	60	60	10	40	40	40	50	40	40	TORCH
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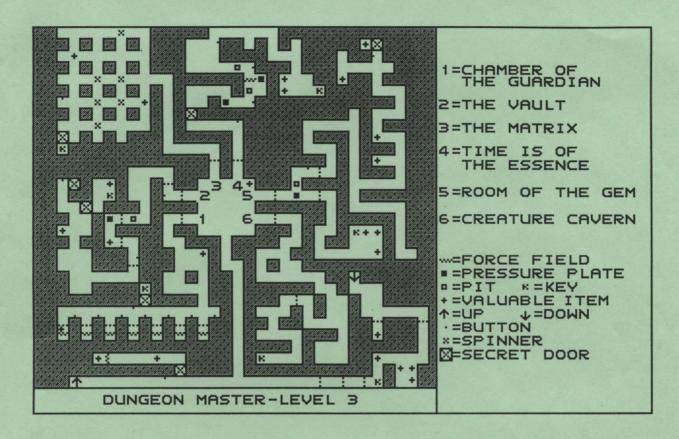
^{*} Note: in the U.S. version, Alex Ander has lockpicks instead of a slingshot.

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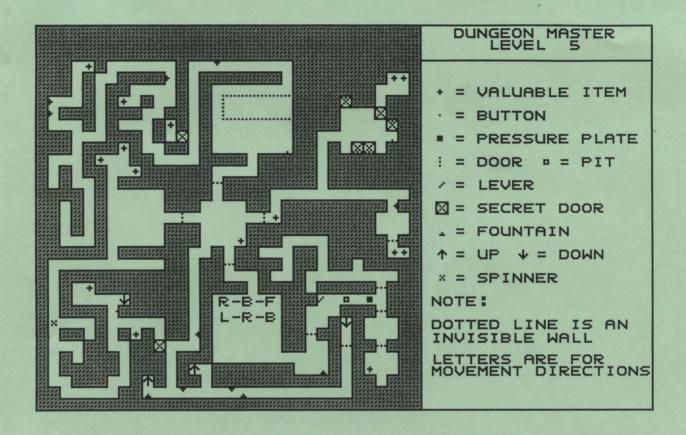


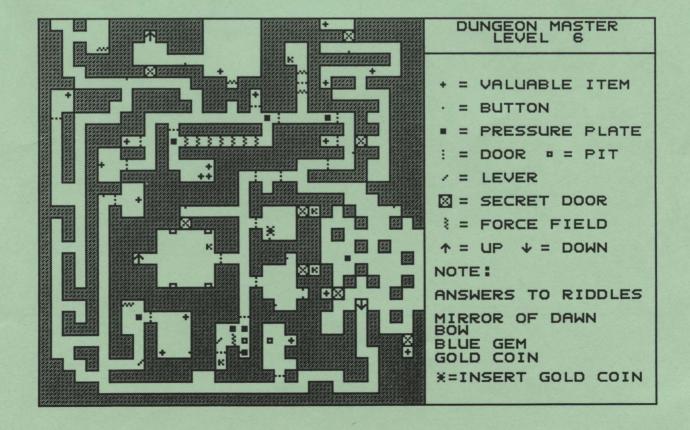


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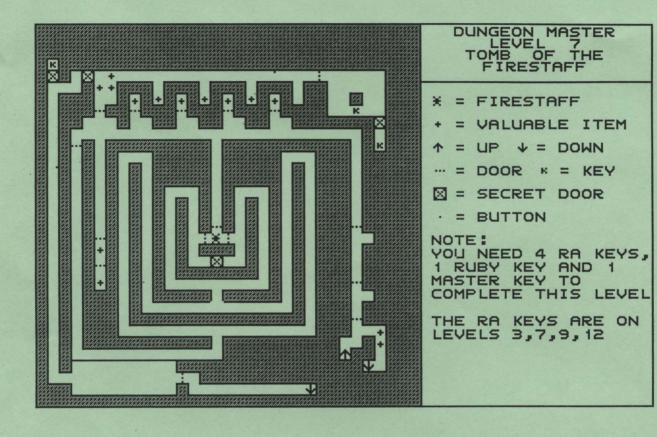
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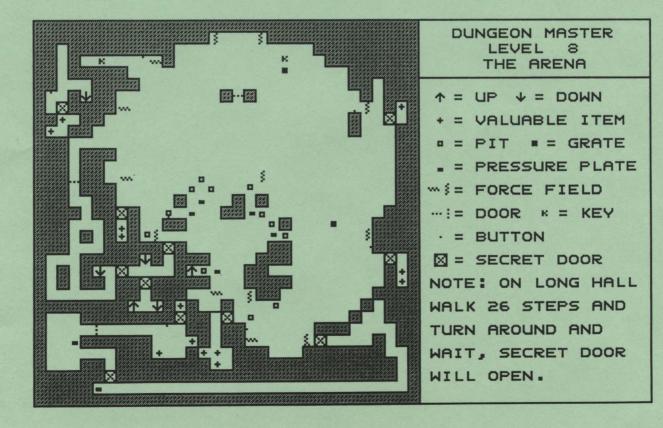
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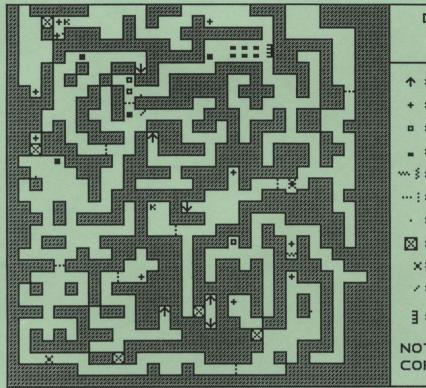


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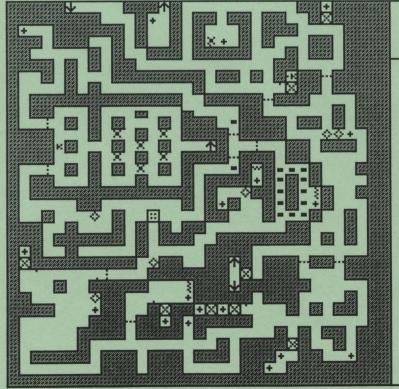
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DUNGEON MASTER LEVEL 9

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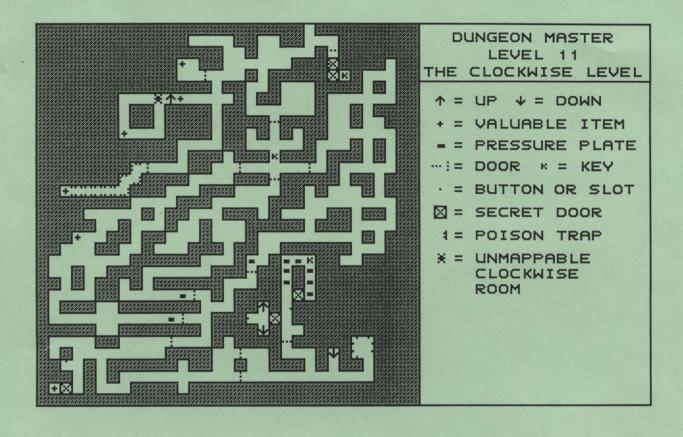
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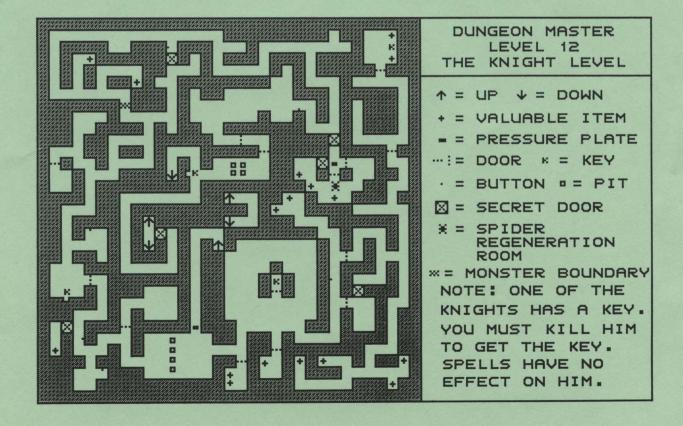


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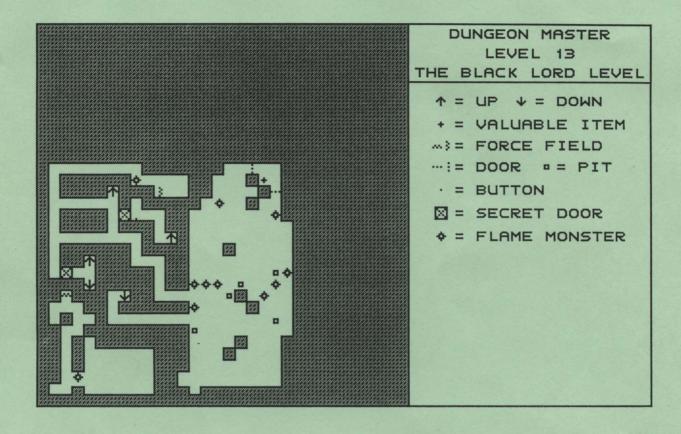
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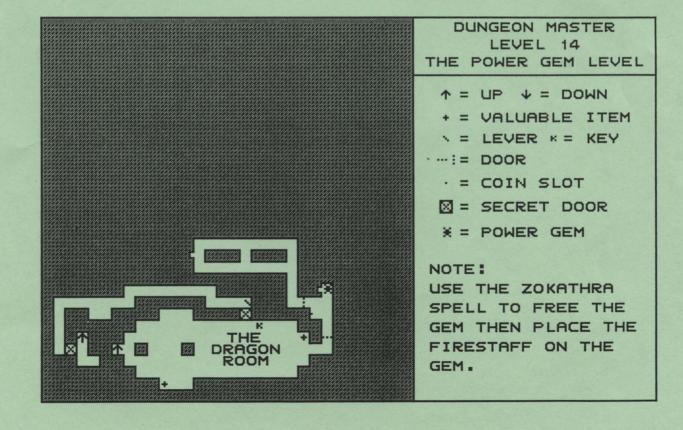
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Once the MASTER level has been attained, further advancement is signified by the prefixing of the appropriate POWER symbol, e.g. <<MASTER WIZARD for a first stage MASTER wizard.

Expert

Use this sheet to record the advancement of the heroes in your party as they gain practice and experience.



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