

TERRA COGNITA

Playing Terra-Cognita

The game is shown in either plan view (top down) or in a 3D viewpoint, with the landscape scrolling down. You play the role of a Mining engineer, escaping in his small scout ship. You have to make your way over 100 screens of tortuous terrain to the mother ship waiting at the end....

But its not easy!. The computer has activated force beams that rise up from the surface. Should the ship hit them, your ship will explode. Defence droids controlled by the computer come at you in wave after wave. Avoid or destroy them - before they destroy you!

You have equipped a photon lazer beam that can easily destroy these droids but be warned that it does NOT have automatic fire and will need a recharge before each fire.

Flying over the surface uses up fuel. Your fuel status is shown across the top of the screen along with your current score and lives remaining. You can pick fuel up by flying over the "fuel zones".

Your ship can run at 3 speeds, dehydrated (slow), Standard photon drive (normal) and warp drive (fast). These speeds are selected by the + and - areas on the landscape.

Forcefields can be collected that encase your ship in a high energy forcefield. When the droids come into contact with it they are instantly destroyed.

Other than shooting the droids for points - you will also see special BONUS areas that give you extra points.

One word of warning. **AVOID TIME SHIFTS.**
These nasty forcefields will return you to the START of the landscape.

On the Main Title Screen
Press Fire to Play.

F1 - play with the Retro graphics
F2 - play with the Modern graphics
R - redefine the control keys.

In Game Controls

Cursor Left Cursor Up
 +
 Cursor Down Cursor Right

Z - Fire Laser
1 - Change to Plan View
2 - Change to 3D view



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