*Our worst fears have been confirmed. The reported **abduction of farm workers and the resulting discovery of crop circles in the farmlands outside Washington, D.C. were no coincidence.** It seems that what started as an innocent country celebration, "Slap an Alien"—the locals' annual exorcism of superstitions fears—quickly became an unwitting welcome party for our Martian friends.*

*In the skies above TinyTown, hundreds of silhouettes are being reported on an almost hourly basis. **The Eastern United States has experienced two full solar eclipses, in the last two days.** Something extra-terrestrial is afoot! We have moved to DefCon1*

As a fully qualified Earthlink, pilot you must take on the Alien Invasion. With the aid of America's finest scientific brains and the unrivalled Earthlink research and development labs, you will follow the direct orders of the internationally acclaimed defense force. During your mission, you will pilot the latest development in aircraft technology research and build new ships and weapon types for use in later encounters.

Manipulate the awesome ground-based firepower of Earthlink Command, prevent the Martian takeover and help us take the fight back.

WATCH THE SKIES, PILOT–AND GOOD LUCK!

CONTROLS

FRONT VIEW

L1   *Switch between suck / blow mode and cycle through cargo inventory*
L2   *Strafe Left*
R1   *Cycle through weapon slots to select desired weapon.*
R2   *Strafe Right*

TOP VIEW

▲   *Reverse*
■   *Fire*
X   *Accelerate*
●   *Engage Suck-O-Matic*

The above key configurations can be changed in the controller configuration screen, which can be found in the options menu, accessible from the ship hangar menu.

SELECT

Display in-game mission briefs.

Hitting select while over the base displays your current mission plus a detailed description of your current base contents, including components and scientists rescued as well as the ships stored in your base hangar.

START

Pause and Un-Pause the game.

THE SHIP HANGAR

HANGAR MENU

ENTER MISSION
Begin the mission.

SAVE GAME
Save your game progress. Invasion From Beyond takes one memory card slot per save.

OPTIONS
SOUND/MUSIC VOLUME
Alters sound and music volume levels.

CONTROLLER CONFIGURATION
Invasion From Beyond supports the Standard Controller and Dual Shock™ Analog Controller.

In this screen, you will be able to change the default control configurations to better suit your piloting preferences. You may also turn on/off the vibration function.

ABORT GAME
Aborts your current game and returns to the Invasion From Beyond main menu. You will be prompted for confirmation.

MAIN HANGAR SECTION

You can deploy three ships, one at a time, during each mission. At the start of the game you will **only have three ships available for selection** (these are listed below), but keep in mind, as you research and build new ships (to a maximum of 12) you will only ever be allowed to deploy three ships per mission.

Choose your aircraft wisely. Each has its own individual pilot, handling characteristics, cargo space and weapon slots. If you lose one of your chosen three during a mission, it will be unavailable until the next mission while it undergoes essential repairs.

The panel on the left of the hangar screen displays the current three ships selected for service in the next mission. To change any of these ships, move the green cursor so that it points at the craft you wish to replace. Move through the hangar from left to right until the new ship you want to take into active service is displayed in the main viewing window, and hit X. The new will replace the old.

As a visual reminder, the bay in which selected ships reside will also have open launch doors, flashing red sirens and activated green runway strip lights.

RESEARCH AND DESIGN

To research, design and build new ships and weapon types, tap ● in the main hangar screen.

During missions, aside from your primary mission objectives and Earthlink guidelines, you must also collect alien components and rescue scientists and **bring them all back** to base as often as you can (instructions on how to do this later). On completion of a mission, you return to your hangar where you can implement these salvaged items and professors to build your new arsenal.

Once you have built new ships and weapons, you can test them out in the Earthlink simulator. Select this option from the hangar menu. Fly your new aircraft and test your new weapons against dummy alien saucers in the Earthlink VR environment.

Components are used to build new ships and weapons. The relative costs of each are displayed in the R&D screens on selection.

They look like this:

Scientists rescued can be used to increase the firepower, power level and cooling rate of your existing weapons.
They look like this:

WEAPONS

In the hangar you will initially be given two weapons, they are:

 MACHINE GUN Auto-targeting chain gun. Spits rapid lead at the aliens.

 PUMMEL ROCKET Unguided rocket. Takes out smaller UFOs with one shot but you have to be accurate.

There are over 12 more weapons for you to build as the game progresses. This all depends on the number of components you collect during missions. If you're a conscientious pilot, you should build about one weapon per level. Once you have built a weapon you can allocate it to any one of your ships.

Because some weapons are more **powerful than** others, some have a maximum number you can attach to any one ship. **However, you are not limited to** the number of your ships you can attach **them to**.

EQUIP SHIP

You will need to **monitor your fleet's power and technology** upgrades regularly. Once you have **built and researched new weapons, you're going to want to** clamp them **on to your alien-stomping airforce, your new and old ships.**

Highlight the ship you want to equip by moving it into the main viewing window **of the hangar. Hit ●. The camera will** switch to an overhead position and **automatically reveal the weapon slots** available for that craft. The weapons **currently available** for selection are displayed in a window above the ship.

Simply highlight the desired weapon and tap X, move the flashing cursor to the **required weapon slot** (vacant or used, it does not matter) and hit X again. You can use **this method** to load new weapons or replace previous selections. Old revisions of the **same weapon** will automatically be upgraded with the new.

Weapon information is listed in the descriptive window to the right of the ship. This gives details of the weapon type, **effect and power.** This will also relay information concerning any minimum and maximum numbers of the selected weapon allowed on the same ship at any one time.

Hit ▲ to return to the hangar main view.

If you make modifications **to any of your ships, you will** be prompted by Earthlink command as to whether **or not you want to** select this ship for active service.

Don't forget the ships you have **currently selected** for combat can be seen in the window on the left **of the hangar** screen.

INITIAL SHIPS AND THEIR PILOTS

Viewing from left to right in the hangar area, the first three ships are:

SILVERFISH

 SHIP DATA:
The first candidate in the UN fleet for front-line duty against the Alien invasion. A highly maneuverable and durable aircraft. Perfect for the newly qualified pilot.

PILOT:

Name: Irwin Stroker
Age: 28
Birthplace: Denver, Colorado
Biography: After a brief but unsuccessful career in vacuum sales Irwin moved on to the US Air Force. He achieved the ultimate honor, the Purple Helmet, for successfully stealing a secret aircraft from the Russians—the Silverfishski.

Cargo Hold: 5
Weapon Pods: 5

RED DEVIL

SHIP DATA:

A fast and responsive aircraft, the Red Devil is the ideal fighter for close-range UFO destruction. Tight turns and good acceleration, perfect for when a pilot really wants to get in, do the job and get you out in one piece.

Cargo Hold: 6
Weapon Pods: 3

PILOT:

Name: Dominique Dallas
Age: 18
Birthplace: Houston, Texas
Biography: After an unsuccessful career in Hollywood, spent mostly on the tinsel town casting couches, Dominique applied for Earthlink pilot status and found her true vocation—she passed first time.

WHIPLASH MK.II

SHIP DATA:

The name for the ship comes from the test pilots' most recent injury. Pilot this ship for only a matter of seconds and you'll understand. It's low on cargo space and weapon slots but the Whiplash more than makes up for these weaknesses with sheer speed and maneuverability.

Cargo Hold: 4
Weapon Pods: 4

PILOT:

Name: Clark Cable
Age: 41
Birthplace: Plumstead, England
Biography: Piloting the breakneck Whiplash Mk.II is no mean feat. Clark is the perfect man for the job. After suffering a life-threatening crash in a Go-Karting event, Clark's spine has been reinforced with a solid titanium core. Perfect for the 0 to 200 mph and back to 0 in 3 seconds performance level of the new Whiplash model.

THERE ARE NINE NEW SHIPS FOR YOU TO BUILD AND DISCOVER.
Hit 'Start' to enter the mission. Select 'Start Mission' to begin.

MISSION BRIEF

Your prime directive is to annihilate all invading alien forces. But whenever Earthlink command requires specific objectives and sub-missions completed, you will be notified via a flashing communications icon and a sonic Morse code warning. Hit select and your current mission brief will be displayed. You can also scroll back to older briefings to monitor your progress. If you are in the thick of battle when the icon appears don't worry, if you have any

unread messages the icon will stay on-screen until it is read.

Important: *All current primary objectives are marked in white on your radar and indicated using a green arrow in the level.*

YOUR SHIP

The ship you are currently piloting is in the center of the screen (but you already knew this, right?). All the ships in the Earthlink fleet move and operate in much the same way, but all have their own quirks and characteristics. All ships accelerate forward, decelerate and reverse, strafe to the left and right, and tip their nosecones up or down to aid you with targeting.

You will also find your ship closely hugs the landscape and all its undulating surfaces. This auto altitude tracking means you can concentrate on pointing your weapons at the Invaders, rather than piloting your ship. The plasma trail behind your ship also indicates its overall condition. If the trail turns black and begins to billow smoke you're in trouble and need to get back to base for a much needed re-charge.

RADAR

The radar in the bottom left of the screen displays your current position in the game world. Your ship is dead center. The angles pointing forward represent your field of vision.

Other Sonar blips on the radar are:

RED	**Aliens**
ORANGE	**Alien ground troops**
DARK BLUE	**AAA guns**
YELLOW	Your base
WHITE	Current mission objective
PURPLE	Human civilians
LIGHT BLUE	Ground vehicles (Human)
LARGE LIGHT BLUE	Aircraft (Human)

On the left is your ship's damage bar. On the right is your Ship's energy bar.

CARGO HOLD

This indicates the number of slots available in your cargo hold for collecting people and items from the landscape. The number of slots varies from ship to ship. Once you collect an object or person, an icon will be displayed relevant to the object gathered.

A green arrow points up towards your next vacant cargo slot. Hitting L1 switches the arrow to red and points it down. This indicates the object selected for ejection from your cargo.

WEAPON MOUNTS

Shows the number of weapon slots available for the current ship and which weapon you are currently using.

AIMING RETICULE

The reticule moves in front of your ship and operates in a different way depending on your current weapon selection. The more powerful weapons and most projectile weapons have manual targeting systems. Weapons like the chain-gun, laser weapons and guided missiles lock on to your selected target automatically. Essential for tracking fast moving targets.

The aiming reticule also indicates the location of your Suck-o-Matic teleport column. To suck up objects and people from the landscape, place the target over your intended cargo and hit ● to start the vacuum. Switching the Suck-o-Matic to blow places your intended ejection item in the location indicated by your target. A small icon will be a further guide as to what item you are about to eject.

SUCK-O-MATIC

An experimental device attached to all ships by default. You will use the Suck-o-Matic a lot during the game. This teleport device sucks and blows items in and out of your ships cargo hold. Keep in mind that if you swap ship's during a mission while over your base the ship's contents will remain in the ship while it is repaired.

The Suck-o-Matic is absolutely essential for collecting alien technology, rescuing scientists, picking up civilians, relocating AAA Guns and other objects, and capturing aliens for research.

YOUR BASE

When your ship takes too much damage and / or your weapons and shield energy are depleted, an alarm will sound. When this happens, return to your base as soon as possible, where your ship's energy will be recharged. At the same time, any components, scientists and aliens collected since your last visit will be automatically deposited in your base storage.

If one of your ships becomes heavily damaged, you can return to your base and switch to a different ship. After a few minutes in the base, the damaged ship will be as good as new.

COMPONENTS

When certain alien saucers are destroyed, extra-terrestrial components fall from the debris. These pieces can be salvaged by sucking them into your cargo hold and depositing them back at base. You can use these components later in your ship's hangar to build new ships and weapons.

Components look like this:

SCIENTISTS

All Earth scientists have been instructed by the US Government to help their country in the technological fight against the Alien Invaders. However, as the Alien Bombers destroy their buildings many of the Universities and labs used by the scientists are destroyed. This leaves them wandering the landscape desperately trying to avoid the invading force's attention.

Rescuing these scientists using your Suck-o-Matic is of enormous advantage to your battle against the Martians. Once you rescue rogue scientists, take them back to your base where they will be safely deposited. In your post-mission hangar screens you can allocate these scientists to improving the technology of your current weapon selection. This affects your weapons' accuracy, firepower, cooling and fire rate.

ALIENS

Earthlink is aware of at least 20 different types of alien saucers and attack aircraft spotted on radar. All will undoubtedly have different attack methods, movement strategies and objectives. Fighters, Bombers, Abductors and Landers are just a few you will encounter.

Besides the Aircraft and Saucers from Mars you will also have to deal with Alien ground troops from time to time. These small, fat, green aliens will walk the landscape attacking buildings, killing civilians and attacking your base. Destroy them on sight! If there are enough of them on the ground you'll be surprised how much damage they can cause when they start firing at you.

Aliens can also be sucked up into your cargo hold and taken back to base. Here Earth scientists will begin various experiments and psychological profiles, the results of which you will no doubt discover later on in the campaign!

Don't keep them in your hold for too long though; they will eat any people in storage and then move on to your engine room with their wrenches and wreak havoc.

AAA GUNS

In some areas AAA Guns are already in place. More will be delivered during your mission. These artificially intelligent automatic gun turrets fire at will when they sight any inbound alien aircraft. But you can also move them to wherever they help you the most. Move them just like any object, by using your Suck-o-Matic. AAA Guns are especially effective when defending prime alien targets, such as your base and civilian safe houses.

In the first few missions you will have a few medium strength AAA Guns at your disposal. As the missions increase in difficulty and more alien craft are captured you will have as many as 14 new AAA Gun types for your defense purposes.

Here ends the pilot briefing. Give 'em all you got, pilot, and remember — if it's saucer shaped, floats and is annoying, take it down!

GOOD LUCK EARTHLINK PILOT!