SILPHEED
THE LOST PLANET

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We are delighted that you have chosen **Silpheed®: The Lost Planet** for play on your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system. We hope that you will continue to enjoy this and all of our games for the PlayStation 2 computer entertainment system. Due in part to the numerous requests we've had for expansion into new game genres, this game now rests in your hands. Please continue to tell us what YOU want, because we are always interested in what YOU think of our games, and what games YOU would like to see released in this country.

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Silpheed:The Lost Planet is an update of a pioneering space shooter that first introduced console audiences to polygons and streaming video. Back when console CD-ROM was in its infancy, Game Arts decided to update a PC shooter called simply *Silpheed*. However, the update would take advantage of a new technology based on real-time flat-shaded polygons overlaid on a streaming pre-rendered video. This was a revolutionary idea at the time. Users playing the game would not be able to tell what was rendered in real-time and what was not, if Game Arts did their job well. They did. The game blew away hard-core video game enthusiasts when it was released in Japan, and also did reasonably well here. The fans were impressed by the feeling that they were moving and interacting in a 3D polygon world with huge objects and deadly enemies. How Game Arts achieved that feeling didn't really concern them.

Flash-forward six years. The technology had finally caught up to Game Arts' vision. Now the entire environment could be rendered in real-time, and additional eye-candy like shadows, lighting, and particle effects could wow users all over again. Game Arts decided to work with the well-respected maestros of shooter mayhem at Treasure to re-craft their classic. Treasure was responsible for many of the most important gaming milestones of the 90's, and *Silpheed: The Lost Planet* was their first foot into the new millennium of gaming. By all accounts, *Silpheed: The Lost Planet* realized their updated goals by bringing fast action, huge bosses, tough gameplay, and incredible visuals to a whole new audience on the PlayStation®2 in Japan.

When we converted the game for release in the U.S. market, we changed very little. The two major changes were removal of slowdown present in the Japanese release, and the addition of analog control. Analog control was important to retain the "arcade" feel of the shooter, rather than forcing gamers to bust their thumbs on the directional buttons.

That's it, the history of *Silpheed* and a little translation info to enrich the useless-knowledge area of your brain. Have fun playing the game, and we'll see you next with our RPG opus, *Arc the Lad*® *Collection*. Keep your cards and letters with questions and suggestions coming. Remember, we're nothing without you…
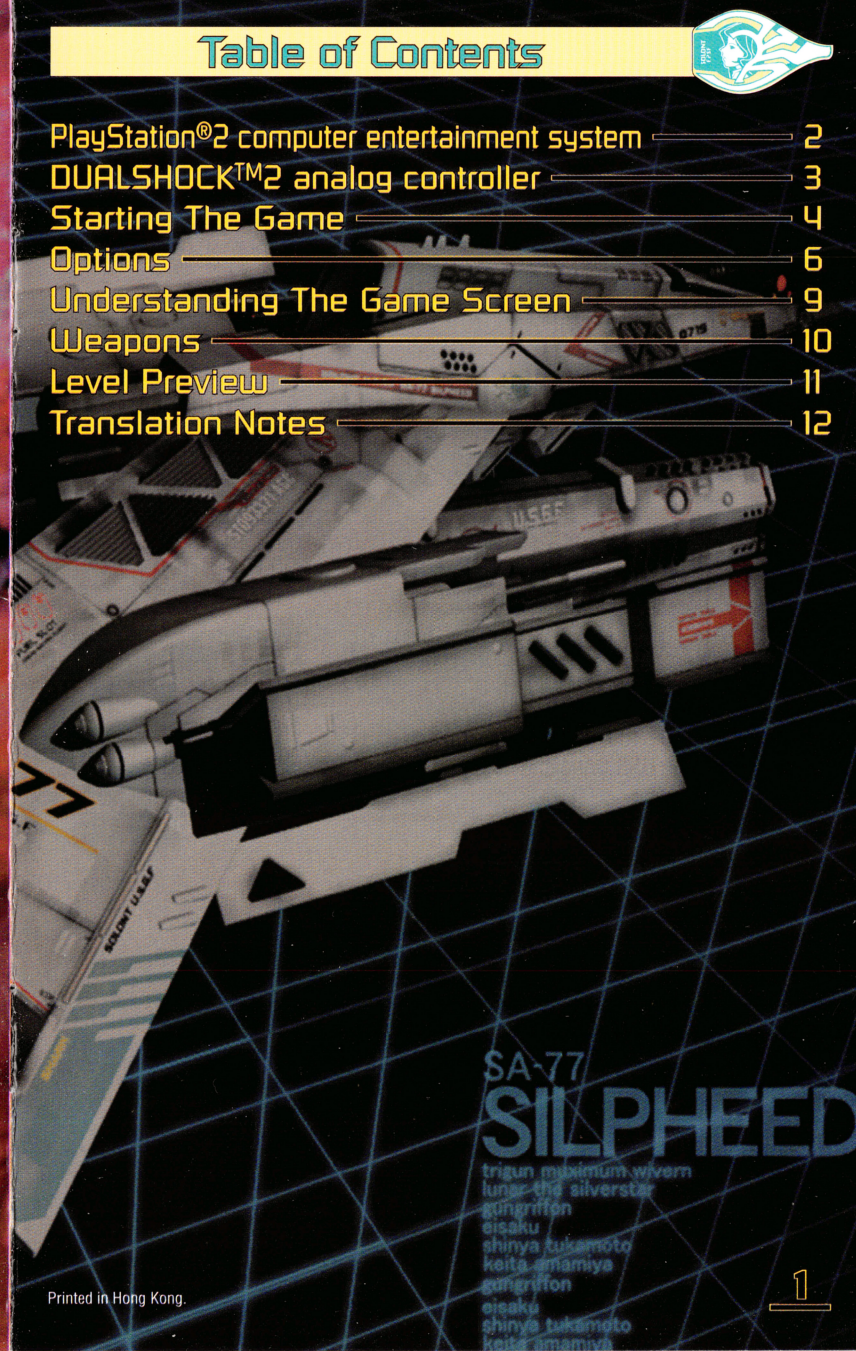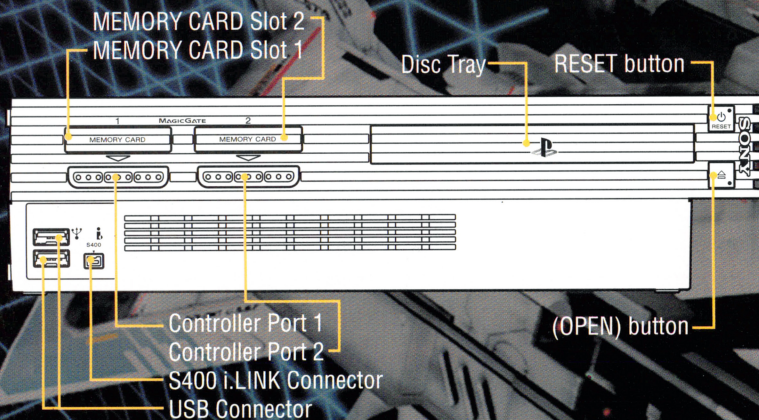
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Set up your PlayStation®2 computer entertainment system according to the instructions in its Instruction Manual. Make sure the MAIN POWER switch (located on the back of the console) is turned on. Press the RESET button. When the power indicator lights up, press the open button and the disc tray will open. Place the **Silpheed®: The Lost Planet** disc on the disc tray with the label side facing up. Press the open button again and the disc tray will close. Attach game controllers and other peripherals, as appropriate. Follow on-screen instructions and refer to this manual for information on using the software.

MEMORY CARD Slot 2
MEMORY CARD Slot 1
Disc Tray
RESET button
Controller Port 1
Controller Port 2
S400 i.LINK Connector
USB Connector
(OPEN) button

More than five centuries have passed since mankind first ventured into space. Although there has been suffering from occasional civil wars and unrest, mankind now prizes its peace and prosperity. The planet Solont, located near the center of the galaxy, is the 11th world to be colonized by man, and it is about to be visited by a new and unknown lifeform. 31 years after the Zakarite Civil War, mankind is about to confront a new threat—a threat from the darkest corner of the universe. The future of the human race now rests in the weary hands of the Silpheed Squadron, made up of the most skilled starfighter pilots in the Federation of Planetary Space Forces (FPSF). Every pilot in this group of space aces flies the Silpheed Type J, which boasts a defensive shield and two huge weapon racks for an incomparable combination of flexibility and power.

STAGE 1: INSTIGATION

As a sprawling fleet of alien spacecraft approaches the colonial planet Solont, the colony's population is filled with both excitement, at humanity's first contact with another spacefaring species, and unease: why are the aliens approaching, and what do they want? The Solont Republic sends a small squadron of ships to contact the aliens, and the mysterious beings reveal their evil intentions by attacking and destroying the Republic's welcoming party. Solont sends a second, larger squadron into space to halt the advance of the alien fleet.

STAGE 2: EVACUATION

After several failed attempts to stop the relentless approach of the alien marauders, the Earth Federation decides to allow the invaders to take over Solont, which the Federation will then destroy with a massive nuclear strike. Solont's own military forces are appalled by the Federation's decision, and mount an operation to evacuate as many civilians as they can before the suicidal strike. The Silpheed Squadron springs into action, knowing that only 21 hours remain before Solont is obliterated by atomic energy. How many lives can be saved in such a short time… and will it be possible to battle through the alien fleet to reach the civilians?
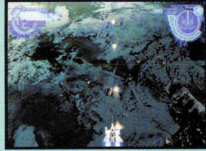
STAGE 3: CONFRONTATION

Solont's military leaders reluctantly retreat from their home planet, leaving behind 120 million doomed citizens, and relocate to the Earth Federation's Zenorium Fortress in the Horal Galaxy. The exhausted pilots of the Silpheed Squadron hope to get some much-needed rest, but those plans are put on permanent hold when the alien fleet attacks and invades the Fortress. The Silpheed Squadron is assigned the unenviable task of entering the Fortress and destroying the invaders while also battling Zenorium's own defensive systems. Can the Silpheed pilots reach the center of the Fortress and eliminate the alien plague once and for all?
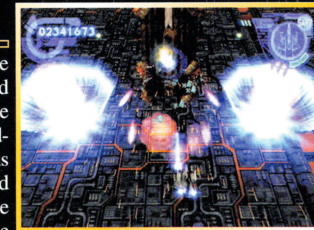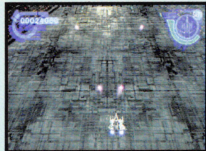
Weapons

There are six weapons that can be equipped to the Silpheed ship. Rumor has it that nine weapons have been developed, but this information has been classified. See below for brief descriptions of the six known weapons.

	↑	**V** Vulcan	This standard weapon fires shots in a straight line in front of the ship.
	↖↗	**VV** Vulcan	This wide-range weapon, based on the original Vulcan design, fires two shots in a "V" formation.
	↑	**O** Optics Laser	The Optics Laser is a perfect weapon for frontal assault. Its piercing beam will easily cut through the enemies.
	✸✸	**N** Napalm Bomb	Bombs will be launched in a "Y" formation. The range is very short; however, their blast is deadly.
	↑↗	**7** Type Beam	Use the ship to guide the direction of the beam. This is difficult to handle; however, it's very powerful.
	↑←	**F** Falsion Wiper	Press up or down on the directional buttons to move the beam from the front of the ship to the side.

DUALSHOCK 2 Controller Configurations

- L2 button
- L1 button
- SELECT button
- Directional buttons
- Left analog stick (L3 button when pushed down)
- ANALOG mode button
- R2 button
- R1 button
- START button
- △ button
- ○ button
- ✕ button
- □ button
- Right analog stick (R3 button when pushed down)
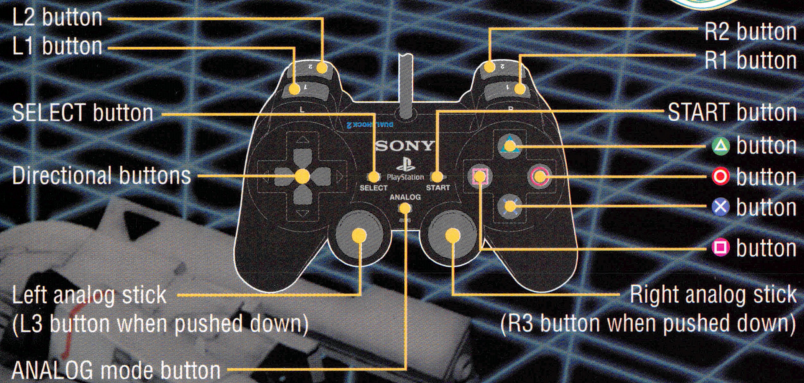
Pad Configuration

On the Options screen, under Pad Configuration, there are three pre-defined controller configurations. These configurations are listed below.

Type A

Directional buttons / **Left analog stick**	★ Maneuvers the Silpheed fighter. ★ Moves cursor on menu items and boxes that require a response.
△ button	★ Returns to the previous screen during menu commands.
□ button	★ Fires the left weapon.
○ button	★ Fires the right weapon.
✕ button	★ Confirms menu commands. ★ Hold down to automatically fire both the left and right weapons.

Type B

Directional buttons / **Left analog stick**	★ Maneuvers the Silpheed fighter. ★ Moves cursor on menu items and boxes that require a response.
△ button	★ Fires the right weapon. ★ Returns to the previous screen during menu commands.
□ button	★ Fires the left weapon.
○ button	★ Hold down to automatically fire both the left and right weapons. ★ Returns to the previous screen during menu commands.
✕ button	★ Confirms menu commands.

Type C

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Directional buttons / **Left analog stick**	★ Maneuvers the Silpheed fighter. ★ Moves cursor on menu items and boxes that require a response.
L1 button	★ Fires the left weapon.
R1 button	★ Fires the right weapon.
△ button	★ Returns to the previous screen during menu commands.
○ button	★ Hold down to automatically fire both the left and right weapons.
✕ button	★ Confirms menu commands.
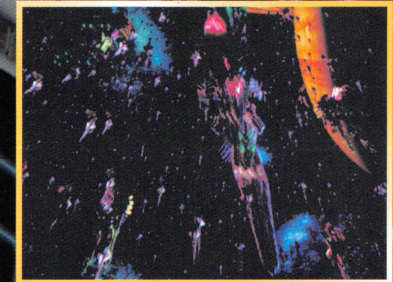
To reach the Title screen and bypass the opening animation, press the ✕ button. To begin the game, press the START button at the Title screen. Two options will be available: **Start** and **Options**. Each of these commands are described below.

Start

To begin the game, select "**Start**." Press the ✕ button. The Name Entry screen will be displayed. However, before starting the game, visit the Options screen to configure game settings.
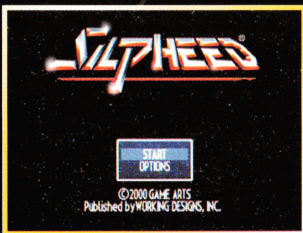
Name Entry Screen

Enter player's name. The player can enter up to eight letters for their name. To enter a player's name, press the left or right directional buttons to select a character. Once a character has been chosen, press the ✕ button. The cursor will be moved to the next space. Continue entering characters until the name is entered. If a mistake is made while entering a name, press the △ button or use the back arrow. This will erase that character. Once the name is completely entered, select "**END**" or press the START button. The Information screen will be displayed.

To bypass the Name Entry screen, simply press the START button. If the START button is pressed without entering a name, the player will automatically be logged in as "**Guest**."

If a name has already been entered it will automatically appear. To continue to use this name, press the START or ✕ button. *Alert: Only one name can be stored on the memory card (for PlayStation®2).*
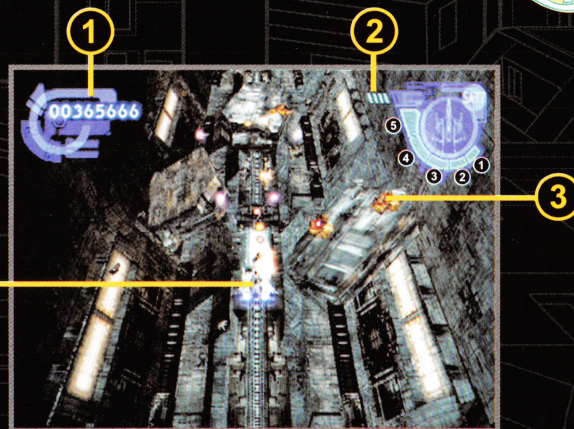
① Score

Displays the current score.

③ Enemy

Either destroy them or avoid them.

④ Silpheed

Player's ship.

Refuel

Change weapons and replenish shields. Upon successfully completing a portion of the stage, the Quartermaster Corps will appear to refuel and reload the weapons. At this time, four of the shields will be repaired. Also, the Weapon Select screen will appear, allowing weapons to be configured.
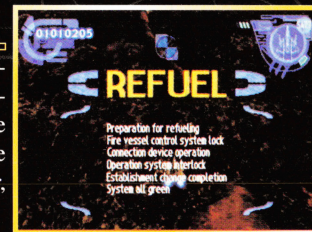
② Shield

Displays the number of shield tanks. Each shield tank contains five (5) shields, listed with white numbers on the screen shot. When all of the shield tanks reach zero (0), that's it, game over.

The shields can be refilled upon completing a stage or when the ship is refueled.

High Scores

**Use the Mega-Rate and Formation Bonus to increase scores.** The closer the player is to the enemy when it is destroyed, the higher the mega-rate multiplier. Also, by completely destroying a formation of enemies, bonus points will be added to the score.

Mega-Rate Bonus

Formation Bonus

Save

Save the game's current configuration and high scores. To save the game's configuration and high scores, select "**Save**" from the Options screen. Press the ⊗ button. To confirm the decision to save the game, select "**Yes**." Press the ⊗ button. The game's configuration will be saved. To cancel and return to the previous screen, select "**No**." *Alert: Please do not remove the memory card (for PlayStation®2) during a save or load.*
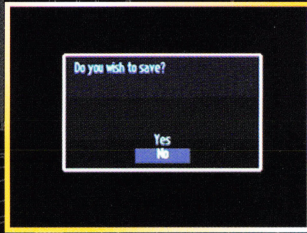
Load

Load previously saved data. To load a game, select "**Load**" from the Options screen. Press the ⊗ button. To confirm the decision to load the game, select "**Yes**." Press the ⊗ button. The game's configuration will be loaded. To cancel and return to the previous screen, select "**No**." *Alert: Please do not remove the memory card (for PlayStation®2) during a save or load.*
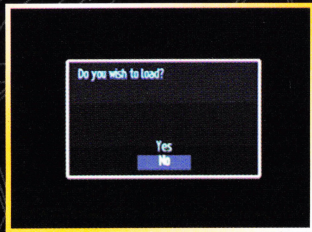
Default

Restore the game's original settings. To restore the original game settings, select "**Default**" from the Options screen. To confirm the decision to restore the game's original settings, select "**Yes**." The default settings will be restored. To cancel and return to the Options screen, select "**No**."
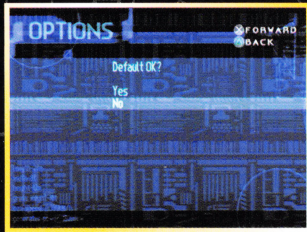
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Continue

Appears after the shield is depleted. To continue playing the level from the beginning, select "**Yes**." Press the ⊗ button. The game will start from the beginning of the level; however, the score will be reset to zero (0). To cancel, select "**No**."
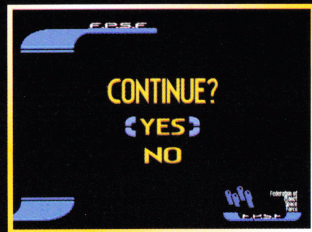
Information Screen

Gives detailed information concerning the mission. The Information screen will display the information concerning the current stage. Make sure to pay attention to this information as it will help to explain the story. To skip this screen and proceed to the Weapon Selection screen, press the START button or the ⊗ button.

Weapon Selection Screen

Equip the ship with different armaments. The ship can be equipped with different weapons for the left and the right guns. At the start of the game, only the Vulcan or the Vvulcan can be equipped. Weapons will continue to be unlocked as the player's performance improves. Usually, it is best to equip a fast weapon on one of the guns, and a more powerful, but slower, weapon on the other gun. This way, the weaker enemies can be destroyed quickly, and the more powerful weapon can be used on the bosses.

To equip a weapon, simply move the cursor to select a weapon for the left side of the ship. Press the ⊗ button. The weapon will then be equipped. Next, move the cursor to select a weapon for the right side. Press the ⊗ button. The weapon will be equipped and that stage will immediately begin.

ALERT: Immediately after pressing the ⊗ button to confirm the weapon for the right side, the stage will begin. There is no way to change the weapon selection for the right side. Be careful!

Start Menu

Pressing the START button during the game will display the following three options: **Continue** (returns the player to the game); **Restart** (returns to the beginning of the current level); and **Quit** (takes the player back to the Title screen). To confirm the decision to "**Restart**" or "**Quit**," select "**Yes**." To cancel and return to the Start menu,

Configure game settings. There are seven different commands under the Options screen that allow the game's configuration to be altered. These commands are: Game Configuration, Controller Configuration, Sound Configuration, Ranking, Save, Load, and Default. These options will be discussed below and on the following pages.
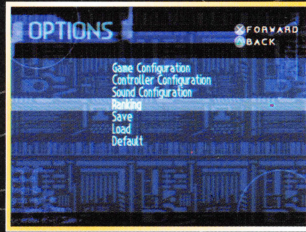
Game Configuration

Change difficulty level and number of shields. There are two options for the Game Configuration screen: Game Level and Shield.
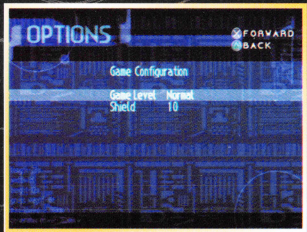
Game Level

There are two settings for the game's level: Normal and Hard.

Shield

The default number of the ship's equipped shields can be changed. There are two shield settings: 05 and 10.

Controller Configuration

Change the controller button configuration. There are three predefined controller settings: Type A, Type B, and Type C (displayed on page 3). Also, there are three settings for the vibration: Off (there will be no vibration), Normal (the vibration is minimal), and Active (the vibration will be set to the max, baby).
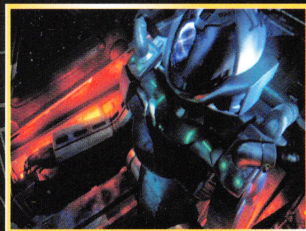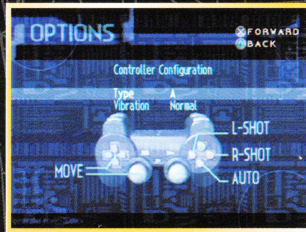
## Sound Configuration

Change sound settings. The following sound settings can be modified: Sound, BGM Level, and Sound Test. To change any of these settings, first use the up or down directional buttons to select an option to change. Next, use the left or right directional buttons to change the setting. To exit and return to the previous screen, press the △ button. The settings are described below.
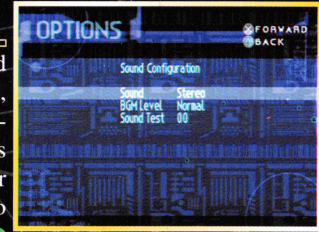
Sound

Changes how the sound is heard. The sound can be heard in either Mono or Stereo.

BGM Level

Volume at which the BGM (background music) will be played. The volume can be either Normal, Low or Off.

Sound Test

Listen to the game's music. There are fifteen different musical themes. Simply press the ⊗ button to listen to the music. *Alert: If the BGM Level is set to "Off," no music will be played.*

Ranking

Displays the high scores for Normal and Hard mode. The high scores for each of the modes, Normal and Hard, can be viewed. After selecting this option, press the ⊗ button. The Normal mode scores will be displayed first. To view the scores for Hard mode, press the ⊗ button. The Hard mode scores will be displayed. After viewing all of the scores, press the ⊗ button to return to the Options screen.

Normal Mode

Hard Mode