

Welcome to Star Warped.

This "Read Me" file contains the latest information about running Star Warped to insure the best playing experience possible. Please refer to the printed "User Guide" for Star Warped instructions. Also, please refer to the printed "Online Guide" for details on configuring Star Warped to launch your browser and going online to the Star Warped web site.

System Requirements

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To run Star Warped, your Macintosh must have at least:

- A 33 MHz 68040 processor (PowerPC processor recommended)
- 8 MB RAM (16 MB recommended)
- 10 MB free hard disk space
- A double speed CD-ROM (quad speed recommended)
- System 7.1 (7.5 or later recommended)
- QuickTime 2.5 (supplied on the CD-ROM) or later

To connect to the Star Warped web site, you must also have:

- At least 12 MB RAM recommended
- A 14.4 Kbps modem (28.8 Kbps recommended)
- Netscape Navigator version 2.0 or later, or
Microsoft Internet Explorer 3.0 or later
- A subscription to an Internet Service Provider (ISP), or

America Online 3.0 or later
- MacTCP 2.0.6 or later, or Open Transport 1.1 or later

Troubleshooting

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If Star Warped Launcher fails to launch Star Warped:

1. Before running Star Warped, close all open windows (except the Star Warped folder) and quit all running programs, including those that run automatically when you start up your Mac (such as screen savers and toolbars).
2. Turn off nonessential extensions and control panels using the

Extensions Manager control panel (restart your Mac afterwards).

The extensions needed to run Star Warped are:

- Apple CD-ROM
- QuickTime
- QuickTime Powerplug (PowerPC's only)
- Sound Manager (System 7.1.x only)

In addition, to go online, you need:

- MacTCP, Open Transport and PPP extensions
- Dialer (PPP) control panels

3. If the above two steps fail to correct a launching problem, please upgrade your RAM to 12 MB or greater.

Video, Animation and Sound:

If you are experiencing problems with video, animation or sound:

1. Set your monitor graphics mode to display 640x480 resolution with 256 colors. To do so, launch the Monitors control panel.
2. Turn off virtual memory. To do so, launch the Memory control panel. You must restart your Mac for this to take effect.
3. Before running Star Warped, close all open windows and quit all running programs, including those that run automatically when you start up your Mac.
4. Computers with slower components (33 MHz 68040's, 60 MHz Power PC's, 2X CD-ROM drives) or smaller memories (8 MB RAM) may exhibit poor audio/video performance and long delays (loads) between screens.
5. If you don't see the opening Star Warped title video, you may not have QuickTime (QT) installed. Star Warped requires QT version 2.5 (or later) which is included on the CD-ROM. You can check to see if you have QT installed and your QT version number. Open the Systems folder, open the Extensions folder, select QuickTime (if installed), and press Command-I to get the version information. If you need to install QT, double-click on the "Install QuickTime" icon in the CD-ROM folder.
6. If you have a 68040-based Macintosh (e.g. Quadra or an early Performa model), make sure that you set the Cache Switch control panel to "Faster."

Going Online:

If you have trouble visiting the Star Warped web site from within the Star Warped program:

1. Run Browser Setup to configure Star Warped to launch your browser. Browser Setup cannot find an open browser -- make sure that you quit your browser before running Browser Setup.
2. Make sure that your browser and dialer are configured to connect to your ISP, then try launching your browser to a well-known web page BEFORE running Star Warped and going online. If you don't see the web page (make sure it's not "cached" on your hard drive), call your ISP for support. If you do see the web page, try launching your browser to <http://www.parrot.com> next. If you can't enter the Parrot site, our web server may be busy or unavailable, so please try again later.
3. You must run Browser Setup after installing the AT&T Worldnet browser, or any updated browser you choose to install later.
4. To return to Star Warped after going online, make sure you quit your browser. Closing the last (or only) open browser window won't quit your browser.
5. Open Transport improperly unloads from memory, resulting in a Type 11 system error, requiring you to restart your Mac. Make sure that Open Transport doesn't unload when you disconnect from your ISP:
 - Open the TCP/IP Control Panel.
 - Select Edit, then select User Mode.
 - Click the Advanced button and click OK.
 - Click Options (lower right of screen).
 - Click to uncheck "load only when needed" and click OK.
 - Close the TCP/IP Control Panel and click Save.
6. Apple's PPP dialer installed with Open Transport doesn't run reliably with System 7.6. Please upgrade your system to version 7.6.1 or later.
7. Some 68040 configurations fail to launch Netscape Navigator 2.0x browsers (including the WorldNet browser found on this CD-ROM) to the Star Warped web site from the Star Warped program. If this is the case, please use Netscape Navigator 3.0 or later, or Microsoft Internet Explorer 3.01 (recommended with 8 MB RAM Macs) or later.
8. If Star Warped fails to launch your browser, see troubleshooting items (1) through (3) above under "If Star Warped Launcher fails to launch Star Warped."

Other:

1. If you have a PowerPC-based Macintosh, make sure that you turn on the Modern Memory Manager in the Memory control panel.

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