Uprising

Information

Multiplayer Information

- Internet play: yes
- LAN play: yes
- Lobby search: (yes)
- Direct IP: yes
- Play via Gameranger: reportedly
- Coop: no
- Singleplayer campaign: yes
- Hotseat: no

Uprising was published in 1997 by Ubisoft. It is a mixture of real time strategy and first/third person shooter. In this game you control a new secret weapon developed by the "Empire", stolen by rebels: the Warcat. Equipped with the latest weapon technologies and the ability to instantly teleport allied troops into battle, the Warcat is a powerful war machine.

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Uprising does not have any CD-Key or other restrictions (except the CD-Check), so you can buy the game anywhere where it is still offered, i.e. Ebay, Amazon, private sellers and other commercial dealers. As long as the CD is OK, everything is fine. On GOG it is distributed as an edited version, but only in English and only with two of the original four HUDs available. (E.g. the HUD that can be seen in the Screenshots is not available.)

Installation

The game can only be installed from the CD under NT systems with the compatibility mode Windows 95. However, the game *can* be played under 2000, XP and higher. The crack version is even more unstable than the original version. With crack and without CD you don't have the music from the CD.

The GOG version is easy to install and play. The stability is a little better, but still not 100%. In principle you have music too, but it doesn't always seem to work (Win 10).

Problems

Under Win 7 x64 the original game seems to have its problems with the display. Even with compatibility mode for Win 98 and started as administrator you can see only a gear wheel in the

lower right corner of the screen. The actual menu is still there, because if you move the mouse, you can still hear the usual sounds.

The GOG version also runs under Windows 10. It used to run without any problems, but lately (2021-07-20) running certain programs kept the game from starting. Actually the GOG version notifies you at the end of the installation process, that stopping most applications may improve upon that. The following programs were encountered as problematic when it comes to starting Uprising:

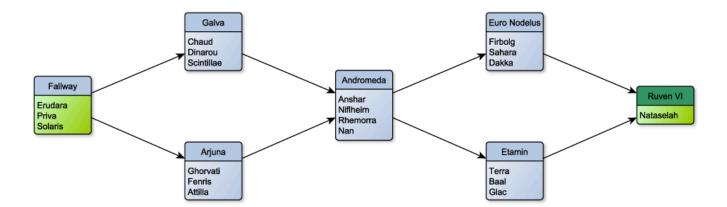
- Steam
- elgato Stream Deck software
- Discord

Also using more than one screen can cause problems, as the mouse pointer somehow seems to be able to leave the screen Uprising uses. If you click in this instance, then the game freezes.

However, the GOG version is only available in English. Since the German translation is not very good, this is not a real loss (at least for players who speak English).

Maps

There are several maps available for this game. Especially the single-player campaign provides for 20 missions with unique maps. The interesting part is, that two campaigns are not the same, as the missions are (mostly) shuffled in their order or missions. They are grouped into seven systems with three to four planets and therefore missions. There are five stages consisting of 1 or 2 systems. The first three missions are always part of the first system. The system's name, however changes. The very last mission is also always the same and also part of the same system. The distribution of planets in systems and the names of systems is otherwise random. Only the staging structure remains like this:



First stage is one system. The second stage consists of two systems. The third stage is again only one system, followed by two systems in the fourth stage. The fifth and last stage is always mission *Nataselah*. You can reach the next stage by completing at least two missions in one system of that stage. So technically a player does not have to play all missions to reach the last system. The greenish parts are fixed. The rest is random. The credit benefits of each mission make it useful to skip as few missions as possible in order to upgrade Warcat, units and buildings as much as possible.

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Multiplayer

The following maps can be started via the Singleplayer and/or the Multiplayer:

Overview	Map Name	Allowed Game Modes	Tech Credits in Multiplayer	Comments
	Aranon	MP & SP	120	
	Attilla	MP & SP	320	
	Baal	MP & SP	680	

Overview	Map Name	Allowed Game Modes	Credits in	Comments
	Centari	MP	120	
	Chaud	MP & SP	120	
	Dakka	MP & SP	570	
	Dinarou	MP & SP	120	

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	Erudara	MP & SP	20	
	Fenris	MP & SP	320	
	Firbolg	MP & SP	570	
	Glac	MP & SP	680	Bad starting position for the second player

Overview	Map Name	Allowed Game Modes	Tech Credits in Multiplayer	Comments
	Keori	MP	320	
	Moreska	MP	320	
	Nan	MP & SP	570	Bad starting position for the second player
	Niflheim	MP & SP	320	

Overview	Map Name	Allowed Game Modes	Tech Credits in Multiplayer	Comments
	Novus	MP	320	
2000	Rhemorra	MP & SP	320	
	Sahara	MP & SP	570	
	Solaris	MP & SP	20	

Map Name	Allowed Game Modes		Comments
Terra	SP	570	Here SP means that the map cannot be played with two human players, but can be started as MP-Map.
Tulgese	MP	320	Both players start at the same starting point

Singleplayer

There are still a handful of further maps, which are however actually reserved purely for the single player:



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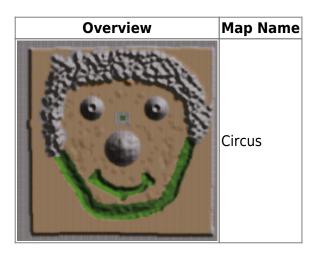
Training

The following three maps are the tutorial maps:



Easter Egg

And this one is obviously not a game map in the strict sense:



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Network

The game is playable over IPX and TCP. TCP game play is facilitated via DirectPlay. That means, in principle the following ports are needed for internet play on the server side: TCP 47624, TCP 2300-2400 and UDP 2300-2400. In reality after doing a Wireshark monitoring, the Ports TCP 47624, TCP 2300 and UDP 2350. So you may try it with those three alone, but if that fails, maybe you will have to forward the entire range from 2300-2400.

The game can be played over LAN without any problems, as long as everyone is playing the same version. The one who opens the server can only be found by the others if they know the hosts's IP. (No automatic game search on all PCs on the LAN.) The IP is actually prompted for in a text box as soon as you click on "Join game". But the text field is not always visible. Often the list box of the potentially open servers is displayed, but behind it the Windows text field is invisible. With a little luck you will still see the cursor blinking.

Whether you have this case is easy to find out: If you move the mouse over the buttons, you will normally hear a corresponding sound. If it doesn't come, the text field is active and you can (blindly) enter the IP. Only after that the buttons make noises again. Then the game looks for games on the computer.

After a match you can either go back to the network menu. Or you can wait *on the score screen* until the server creator has opened another server. Uprising searches for games after entering the server list screen and finds the already open server accordingly. But if this server is set up again after that, it won't search again, so you have to go all the way via the network menu again, incl. IP input.

Screenshots

A few bombers too many left, and you get mischief:



Videos

- Intro
- Let's Play of the entire game on Youtube
- Gameplay (Mission Priva)
- Outro

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