

Tales



Foreword

Welcome! Thank you for purchasing Tales, a point & click adventure by Ape Marina! You will soon be joining Alfred Walsh on a fantastical adventure in far away lands! Tales is simple to play and suitable for all ages, but before you start you may want to take note of the following words of wisdom... We wish you good luck!

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"Thank you for setting us free!"

- Oblivion

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Starting The Game

To start the game, you can double click on **TALES.EXE** from the installation folder, or go to **START > PROGRAMS > SCREEN 7 > PREMIER GAMES > TALES** and click **PLAY TALES**.

You will be taken to the main menu, where you can select a language, turn autosave on and off, restore or start a new game. To start a new game simply press **START NEW GAME**. To restore a previously saved game press **LOAD GAME** and then select the save slot you wish to restore. You can also quit back to desktop pressing **EXIT**.

If you have trouble starting the game, please see the **Troubleshooting section on page 5 for useful tips...**

Saving & Loading



During the game you may want to save your progress or restore a previously saved game. Click the **OPTIONS** icon in the top right of the screen to open a sub-menu with the option to save or load. You will need to type a name if you are saving your game. To load, simply pick the one you want from the list!

Don't forget you can quicksave and quickload to 4 slots whilst you play. Just press **F1, F2, F3 or F4** to quicksave and **F5, F6, F7 or F8** to load the quicksave slots. You can also press **F9** to quickload the last autosave! We recommend saving your game every so often!

Using The Inventory



Often, you will need to use your inventory. During your adventure, you will pick up items, be given items and sometimes need to combine inventory items to create new ones.

Simply move your mouse to the top of the screen and the inventory bar will show. Right click on an inventory item for a description, or Left click and the cursor will change to an image of the item. You can now use that item on other items in the inventory, or with characters and locations in the game. Right click to clear the item image from the cursor and it will be placed back to your inventory.

"A pelota match is too good to miss!"

- Iktan



Using The Magic Bag

It won't be long until Merlin gives you a special piece of equipment. The Magic Bag allows you to move inventory items from one book to another. Although you can only send one item at a time, it will prove useful to carry items in the magic bag!



To do so, move your mouse over the inventory as described in "Using The Inventory", Left click to select an inventory item and then Left click again on The Magic Bag. The item will be placed inside.

In any book, Left click The Magic Bag in your inventory to check the contents and to remove an item that is inside it. Use it wisely!

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Other Hints and Tips

You may want to keep a pen and paper handy!

It's a good idea to save your game once in a while!

It's always useful to speak to people you meet on your adventure!

Some objects in your inventory can be used in special ways!

Bad outcome? Don't worry, you will be given the chance to retry!

Play with Autosave enabled to secure your progress – press F9 to load the last autosave quickly!

Don't forget to visit Merlin for extra advice on your current quest!

You can often find other hints & tips on various web forums.



Exiting the Game

From the main menu, press QUIT GAME.

During the game, move your mouse to the top of the screen and click the Options icon. Then choose QUIT GAME. You will be prompted before quitting. Please remember to save your game before leaving!

You can also safely use ALT+TAB to switch between your Desktop and the game. To quickly leave the game without saving press ALT+F4. Please note there is no "exit save".

Troubleshooting

Please read the following section carefully if you are having problems starting or playing the game.

"I sense the sincerity in your heart..."

- Ninsun



Game Won't Start

In some cases where computers do not have onboard MIDI drivers, you may need to make sure MIDI is Disabled in the game configuration setup (winsetup.exe). If it is not already disabled, click Advanced >> and then Disable music under the MIDI music option in Sound Options.

In rare instances, the game can only be played in Windowed mode, which can be activated in the game configuration setup (winsetup.exe). However, it may simply be necessary to increase the Graphics Filter found under Graphics settings to play full-screen.

Problems Inside The Game

Occasionally, certain software can interfere with the mouse pointer. If you are running special software for your mouse, it may be necessary to temporarily disable it.

If the game crashes unexpectedly, please start the game again, load the last autosave and try again. If it continues to crash, please feel free to contact us with details of the error that is displayed (if any).

Other Common Problems

Please remember a DirectX compatible sound and graphics card is required. If you have problems with Sound, please try a different option in the Digital Sound setting. It may be necessary for you to utilize the DirectSound or Wave Out renderer.

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"Woe to you, you wicked soul!"

- Charon

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Merlin
Iktan / Bellerophon
Atab / Muyal
Oblivion / Utab
Gilgamesh / Passerpartout
Enkidu
Pantagruel
Thor / Papan
Loki / Library Manager
Jack / Feasting Lady
Mayan Tradeswoman
Alberich
Dante
Panurge / Cheese Merchant
Athena
Urshanabi
Charon
The Miller
Innkeeper
Mayan Lady / Feasting Lady
Ninsun
Soldier
Soldier 2
Mayan Guy
Drunkard
Greek Wayfairer
Jack's Mom
Mayan Gambler
Thrym
Library Girl
Pelota Champion
Philleas Fogg
Alasdair Beckett-King
David Lanzafame
Paul Hikari
Matthew Jones
Maciek Fitzner
Bradley Gareth
River Kanoff
Jason Bourne
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* STAY SAFE! *

* Please take regular breaks from the computer so your eyes don't pop out *

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