



Ascendancy additional technical information

Q. Can I run Ascendancy under Windows '95?

A. Ascendancy is a DOS based program and therefore you will need to shut your computer down and restart in the MS-DOS mode. If you still experience problems, then please use the details below to make a boot disk for this game. *Note: If you find that in the DOS mode when you try to change to the letter of your CD-ROM drive that you receive an "invalid drive specification" message, then you will need to install your DOS CD-ROM drivers.*

NOTE: Please read the following instructions very carefully. If certain lines listed below are not present or you do not feel confident in making changes to your system after reading then contact your system supplier. Virgin Interactive cannot accept any responsibility for any damage caused to either hardware or software, from the following procedure.

Step 1: Insert a blank floppy disk into drive **A:**

Step 2: Double-Click on My Computer.

Step 3: Using the **Right Mouse Button**, Click on the **3½ Floppy Icon** and select **Format** from the list.

Step 4: Select **FULL** from the top options and **COPY SYSTEMS FILE** from the bottom options in the Format Window.

Step 5: Click on **START** and proceed to format the disk.

Step 6: Go to the **MS-DOS prompt** on the **Start, Programs** and **MS-DOS prompt** option on the status bar.

Step 7: You will now need to create on your **A:** drive a **CONFIG.SYS** file which should look like this. For information in doing this, please consult your system manual or contact your system supplier. ***(Please note: the highlighted text (see over) represents drivers that are unique to your system, for this information please consult your hardware documentation or contact your system supplier).***

```
SWITCHES=/F
DEVICE=C:\WINDOWS\HIMEM.SYS /TESTMEM:OFF
DOS=HIGH,UMB,NOAUTO
FILESHIGH=30
BUFFERSHIGH=30
LASTDRIVEHIGH=M
FCBSHIGH=4,0
STACKSHIGH=9,256
DEVICEHIGH=<<< PLEASE INSERT YOUR SOUND CARD DEVICE DRIVERS
>>>
DEVICEHIGH=<<< PLEASE INSERT YOUR CD-ROM DEVICE DRIVERS >>>
```

Step 8: Save these settings.

Step 9: You will now need to create on your **A:** drive a **AUTOEXEC.BAT** file which should look like this (*as above, the highlighted text below represents drivers that are unique to your system, for this information please consult your hardware documentation or contact your system supplier*).

```
@ECHO OFF
PROMPT $PSG
PATH C:\WINDOWS\COMMAND
<<< PLEASE INSERT YOUR SOUND CARD DEVICE DRIVERS >>>
LOADHIGH <<< PLEASE INSERT YOUR MOUSE DRIVER >>>
LOADHIGH <<< PLEASE INSERT YOUR CD-ROM DEVICE DRIVERS >>>
```

Step 10: Save these settings & then EXIT.

Step 11: Restart your computer with the new boot disk in the disk drive.

Please remember that the boot disk does create a basic operation, therefore commands that you would normally use may give the 'Bad command or file name' error. To return to normal use of the machine remove the 'BOOT DISK' and reset the machine. WARNING: DO NOT RUN WINDOWS FROM THIS DISK