BY: MINDSCAPE
PRICE: £24.99

GAUNTLET

ORIGINAL COIN-OP RELEASE: 1985
ORIGINAL COIN-OP BY: ATARI
ORIGINAL COIN-OP HISTORY:

One of the first four-player coin-ops in history, Gauntlet broke records as the biggest-earning coin-op of its time as players took the role of their favourite character and plundered the never-ending dungeons for treasure.
GAME: Enter the scrolling dungeons, blast all the baddies, plunder the treasure and find the exit.

COMMENT

Another incredible conversion from Mindscape! All the graphics, sounds (including sampled speech and noises) and gameplay from the original coin-op have been crammed into this, and the end result is stunning - a miniature black and white Gauntlet coin-op in the palm of your hand. The simultaneous two-player option is the icing on the cake. A must-buy!

PRESENTATION 87%
GRAPHICS 90%
SOUND 96%
PLAYABILITY 93%
LASTABILITY 90%
ACCURACY TO COIN-OP 98%
OVERALL 91%

BY: JALECO
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Q-BERT

ORIGINAL COIN-OP RELEASE: 1983
ORIGINAL COIN-OP BY: COLUMBIA
ORIGINAL COIN-OP HISTORY:

Totally original in its time, this genre of game became very popular in the early 80's. The format is now being revitalised with Super QBert on the Super NES.
GAME: Jump from one square to another and change them all to the right colour to complete the screen. And don't get hit by the baddies!

▲ The action blurs as Q*Bert leaps to avoid the evil snake.

COMMENT

I always loved QBert, and this version is absolutely superb! The control takes a bit of getting used to (the arcade game had a diagonal 4-way joystick), but once you've got the hang of it, this is an addictive and thoroughly enjoyable game which will keep you at your Gameboy for weeks!

PRESENTATION 89%
GRAPHICS 87%
SOUND 88%
PLAYABILITY 93%
LASTABILITY 89%
ACCURACY TO COIN-OP 91%
OVERALL 90%

▲ On later levels, squares require Q*Bert to jump on them up to three times to change them to the correct colour.
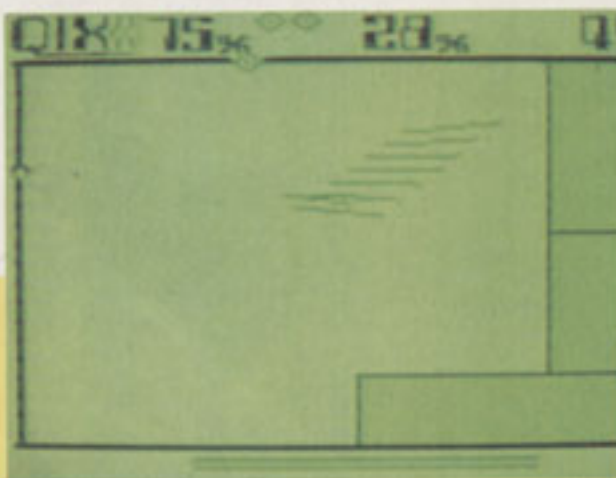
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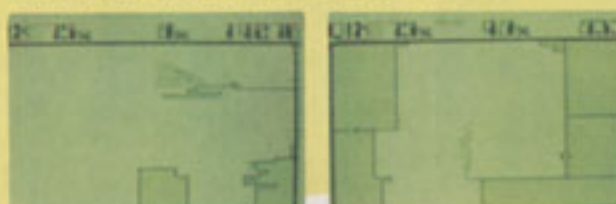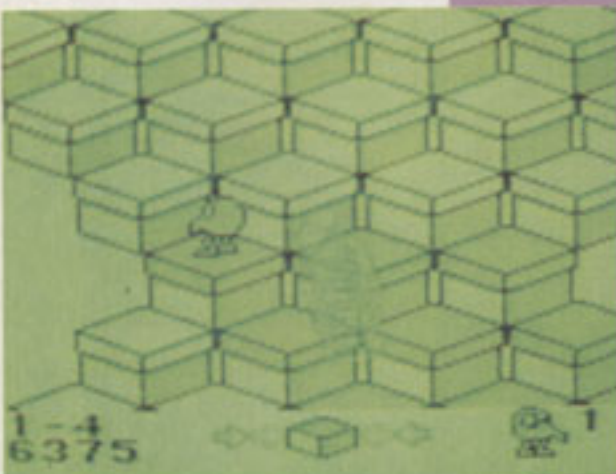## PRICE: £24.99

QIX

ORIGINAL COIN-OP RELEASE: 1981
ORIGINAL COIN-OP BY: TAITO
ORIGINAL COIN-OP HISTORY:

Critically acclaimed but just too weird for mass appeal, this became a cult hit the instant it was released.
GAME: Complete each screen by filling it 75% or more with your colour before you get knobbled by the Qix.

▲ That load of lines is the Qix. That little blob is you. Weird.

Qix is an original and very weird game, even by today's standards. The challenging, but abstract gameplay is very much a matter of taste - some will love it and some will absolutely hate it! Personally I like it, but if you are interested I do stress that you should definitely give it a go before buying.

PRESENTATION 76
GRAPHICS 68%
SOUND 53%
PLAYABILITY 84%
LASTABILITY 78%
ACCURACY TO COIN-OP 92%
OVERALL 81%