# THE ANCIENT ART OF WAR QUICK REFERENCE CARD

It's so easy to start playing The Ancient Art of War that you probably won't need to use the manual. Just follow the directions below to get started. Then turn to the manual when you want to improve your skills and learn more about military strategy.

**Getting Started:**

If your computer is off:

Turn your computer on and insert The Ancient Art of War disk in the internal drive.

If your computer is on:

Eject any disks in your computer. Press the reset button on the left side of your computer; if you do not have a reset button, turn the power off and then back on again. Then, insert The Ancient Art of War disk in the internal drive.

Sound Level: Adjust the sound level by using the control panel while you are still at the desktop.

Refer to The Ancient Art of War manual for descriptions of Macintosh terms that you don't understand.

Now, double click The Ancient Art of War icon.

Title Screen: For a new game, select Go to War from the Game Menu. To continue with a game you have saved, select Continue Saved Game from the Game Menu.

To find out where you are and what you should do, select Help whenever it appears on the Menu Bar at the top of the screen.

When you are ready to move on, select Continue from the Done Menu.

**Strategic Operations:**

Anything you do on the war map is a strategic action. The aim of strategy is to bring your squads into action in a way that will give them an advantage. You will be dealing with such things as troop movement, enemy reconnaissance, terrain considerations, and computer analysis of the balance of power. Here's a quick look at what every military leader should know.

**NOTE:** Before you can do anything with a squad, you must first select the squad by clicking it with the mouse. A selected squad will have a box around it.

**Detach:** To divide a squad into two, select Detach from the Squad Menu.

**Formation:** To examine or change a squad's formation, select Info from the Squad Menu. The Formation window will appear on the left of the screen.

**Info:** For an intelligence report on a squad, select Info from the Squad Menu.
Hint: Double clicking a squad will also show Info.

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**Join:** To join two squads together or to pass men between two squads, select Join from the Squad Menu when the two squads are close together.

**Soldiers:** There are four types of soldiers.

Archer – fights with a bow and arrow.
Barbarian – fights with his bare hands.
Knight – fights with a sword.
Spy – defenseless in battle but can see twice as far as others.

**Surrender:** To surrender to the enemy, select Surrender from the Options Menu.

**Time:** Adjust the flow of time at any point in a campaign by clicking any of the four Time Buttons.

**View:** Click the View Button for a computer analysis of the balance of power during a war.

**Zoom:** To zoom in on the battlefield, click the Zoom button when it is on. The Zoom button will turn on when two opposing squads come close together. In a multiple battle situation, click the squad you want to command and then click the Zoom button.

Some strategic hints: Soldiers will tire quickly if ordered to march fast.

A squad on the high side of a hill has an advantage when fighting.

Archers are needed to attack or defend a fort if you use the Zoom command.

**Tactical Operations:**

Strategy becomes tactics when two opposing forces join in battle. Give commands on the battlefield that will use your formation to maximum advantage. You will be making tactical decisions after clicking the Zoom Button.

**Attack:**

After you have Zoomed, click the Attack button to let the fighting begin. Give individual commands to each type of soldier by clicking the button that describes the command.

**Some tactical hints:**

Archers are strongest against Knights.
Knights are strongest against Barbarians.
Barbarians are strongest against Archers.

**Goal:**

Defend the white flags and seize the enemy's black flags, or defeat the enemy in battle.

**To Leave the Game:**

At the end of a war: Select Continue from the Options Menu.

During a war: Select Save Game from the Options Menu, if you want to finish the game; select Surrender if you want to give up.

From the title screen: Select Quit from the Done Menu.

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