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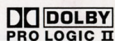
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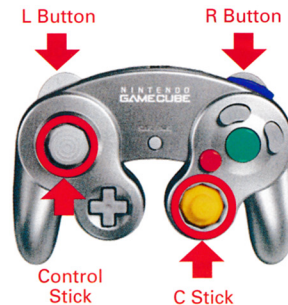
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A LAND DIVIDED

The continent of Tellius is home to two races—the beorc and the laguz. The human beorc are made in the image of the goddess, while the half-human laguz fill the space between the goddess and beasts. As each race has struggled to find its place in the land, the two have built a shared history of strife, mistrust, and compromise. As of this moment, Tellius comprises seven nations that enjoy relative harmony and peace. However, unnoticed by all, riot, mayhem, and murder lurk in encroaching shadows...

Ike ✿

Ike is the son of Greil, who commands a renowned mercenary company known as the Greil Mercenaries. Though young and inexperienced, Ike is determined to hone his sword-fighting skills and pull his weight as a member of the troop. He is a man of few words, but his heart burns with passion.

✿ Mist

Ike's little sister. She is a cheerful young girl who enjoys helping others, and supports the company by doing all sorts of errands. She carries an old medallion as a memento of her deceased mother.

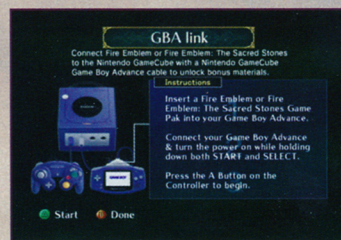


LINKING WITH THE GBA

If you connect Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance with either of the Game Boy Advance Fire Emblem titles (Fire Emblem or Fire Emblem: The Sacred Stones), you will get special bonus materials. Please see pages 24-25 for linking instructions.

How to Earn Bonus Materials

Select Extras from the menu screen, then Connect GBA to confirm your choice. Follow the on-screen instructions to see the bonus materials. You must complete Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance to unlock this option.



The Black Knight ✿

One of Daein's Four Riders, and perhaps the most feared. He is an enigmatic figure encased from head to toe in ebon armor.



Linking Instructions

Here's all you need to know to link a Game Boy Advance and a Nintendo GameCube using a Nintendo GameCube Game Boy Advance cable.

Necessary Items

- Game Boy Advance or Game Boy Advance SP
- Nintendo GameCube
- Nintendo GameCube Controller
- A Memory Card containing cleared game data for Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance
- Fire Emblem or Fire Emblem: The Sacred Stones Game Pak
- Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance Game Disc
- Nintendo GameCube Game Boy Advance cable

Linking Up

1. Insert one of the Fire Emblem Game Paks into a Game Boy Advance.
2. Follow the on-screen instructions and connect the Nintendo GameCube Game Boy Advance cable to the Nintendo GameCube.
 - Please see the image to the right to confirm connection points.
3. Connect the Nintendo GameCube Game Boy Advance cable to the Game Boy Advance.
4. On the Game Boy Advance, press and hold the START and SELECT Buttons, then turn the Power ON.
5. Follow the instructions as given on page 23.

Do not connect any Game Boy Advance systems or cables that will not be used to the Nintendo GameCube.

Welcome!

Thank you for buying Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance, exclusively for the Nintendo GameCube. Please review this instruction manual before playing the game. Be sure to keep the manual safely stored along with the Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance Game Disc.



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Laguz Units


Beast Tribes

	Tiger	A mighty unit who mows down opponents with crushing power.
	Cat	A lithe fighter who uses lightning-quick speed to overwhelm opponents. Lacks the pure strength of tigers.

Bird Tribes

	Hawk	A winged warrior who possesses staggering strength. The strongest of all the bird tribes.
	Raven	A fleet fighter whose speed outstrips that of hawks.

Dragon Tribes

	Red Dragon	A beast of rare and potent strength. One of the strongest creatures on the continent.
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










Petrine

One of Daein's famed and feared Four Riders, Possessed of a terribly short temper, she wields an arcane lance of deadly flame magic.



CONTROLS



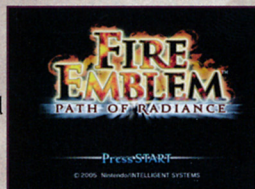
	Move cursor / select menu items / move units / quickly scroll through messages (down on  + )
	Start game / confirm menu selections / scroll through messages / select units (place cursor on a unit and press )
	Cancel selection / return to previous screen
	Move cursor to units that have not taken any actions during the current turn
	Display the status screen (with the cursor on a unit) / display help messages (on certain screens only)
	Display the map menu / display previous conversations
	Press and hold to remove displays on the map screen
	Zoom in and out of the map screen
	Change camera angle
	Start the game / display status screen / skip demos

Note that controls appear on the bottom of most game screens.



GETTING STARTED

Put the Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance Game Disc into the Nintendo GameCube and insert a Memory Card into Slot A. Close the Disc Cover and press the POWER Button. When the title screen appears, press START to bring up the menu screen and follow the onscreen instructions to create a game file. Once the file is created, select New Game and then No Data. Finally, choose a game difficulty and you're ready to go!



The Menu Screen

The menu screen can contain a maximum of six items, depending on the status of your game.

Resume Chapter	Resume a game from suspended data.
Restart Chapter	Resume a game from suspended data.
Copy File	Copy save data to another file.
Delete File	Delete a save data file.
New Game	Start a new game.
Extras	Enjoy fun bonus features! (Extras will not appear until you complete the game once.)

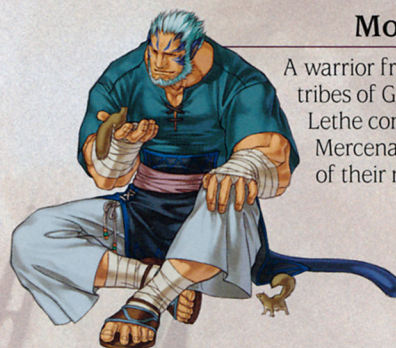
Game Difficulty

This game has three difficulty levels: Easy, Normal, and Hard.

Memory Card

Please refer to the Nintendo GameCube instruction booklet for directions on how to format and delete Memory Card files. This game requires 1 file and 19 blocks to save your game.

	Bishop	A priest who has changed classes. Can use both staves and light magic.
	Cleric	A magic-wielding woman dedicated to helping others. Specializes in staves.
	Valkyrie	A cleric who has changed classes. Can use swords and staves.
	Thief	A fast and stealthy unit. Can steal items and open locks.
	Bandit	A unit who roams both land and sea. Specializes in axes.
	Berserker	An axe-wielding powerhouse who specializes in killing blows.

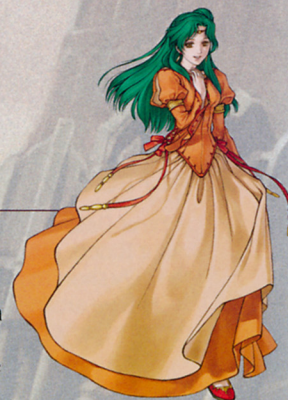


Mordecai

A warrior from the beast tribes of Gallia. He and Lethe come to the Greil Mercenaries as envoys of their nation.

Elincia

The Princess of Crimea. Her entire family was killed during Daein's invasion of the Crimean capital. Though she managed to escape, her escorts were slain in a battle with Daein pursuers.





THE BASICS

Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance is a role-playing strategy title set against a background of terrible warfare and unimaginable courage. Select your party members, deploy them with care, and defeat the enemy to bring lasting peace to Tellius.

Game Flow

This game is divided into chapters, and you must complete each chapter to progress through the game. Chapters can be broken down into the following steps: Story events, base preparations (starting at Chapter 8), more story events, combat preparation, actual combat, completion or failure of map objectives, end of chapter. (For more on map objectives, see page 16.)

Armies

The individual characters that appear on screen are called units. You can see which army a unit belongs to by looking at the color of the circle surrounding it. (Note that this circle turns gray after a unit has completed an action.)



Turns

This game is divided into turns. Each turn is made up of phases that occur in the following order: Player phase, Partner phase, Enemy phase, and Other phase. You can give orders to your units during the Player phase only.

Winning and Losing


When units lose all of their HP (hit points), they vanish from the map. Units can recover HP by using vulneraries or other healing items, resting on a healing space, or by using a healing staff. If one of your units falls in combat, he or she will be lost to you forever and the game will continue. If, however, Ike falls in combat (or if you fail to meet a map objective), your game will end. If that happens, try playing the chapter again using your most recent save data.

	Warrior	A fighter who has changed classes. Can use both axes and bows.
	Archer	A unit specializing in bows. Cannot engage in direct combat.
	Sniper	An archer who has changed classes and can wield bows with ease. Specializes in killing shots.
	Knight	A heavily armored unit who specializes in lances. Has great defense, but poor movement.
	General	A knight who has changed classes and can use both axes and lances. Possesses superior defense and attack power.
	Sword Knight	A mounted unit with exceptional movement. Weapon specialization is denoted by the unit type.
	Lance Knight	
	Axe Knight	
	Bow Knight	
	Paladin	A mounted knight that has changed classes. Can use two weapons.

Oscar

A member of the Greil Mercenaries. A serious, yet easygoing, young man. His greatest strength is the ability to deal with situations without losing his cool.



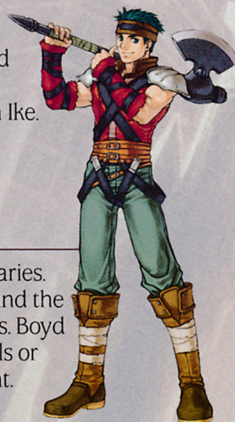
	Pegasus Knight	A pegasus-mounted unit that specializes in lances.
	Falcoknight	A pegasus knight that has changed classes and can use both swords and lances. Has a spectacular movement range.
	Wyvern Rider	A wyvern-mounted unit that specializes in lances.
	Wyvern Lord	A wyvern rider that has changed classes. Can wield axes as well as lances.
	Mage	A fierce wielder of nature's magic. Can use fire, thunder, and wind spells.
	Sage	A mage who has changed classes. Can use staves or knives in addition to spells.
	Priest	A holy man who uses staves to aid others.

Soren ❁

The staff-officer-in-training of the Greil Mercenaries. His calculating mind and blunt manner of speech has led many to consider him cold and heartless. He has an unshakeable faith in Ike.

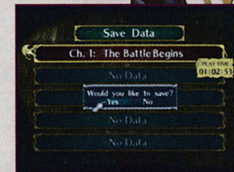
❁ Boyd

A member of the Greil Mercenaries. He's Oscar's younger brother, and the second-oldest of three brothers. Boyd could care less about the details or the odds—he just wants to fight.



SAVING YOUR GAME

You can save your game progress by choosing either Save or Suspend. You can have up to 5 saved data files on one Memory Card.



When to Save

After Finishing a Chapter... The save-data screen appears automatically after you clear a map. Simply choose a file and save your progress.

In the Base Menu... The Save command appears on the base menu. Select it to move to the save-data screen.

In the Combat Preparation Menu... The Save command also appears on the combat-preparation menu. Select it to move to the save-data screen.

When You Suspend

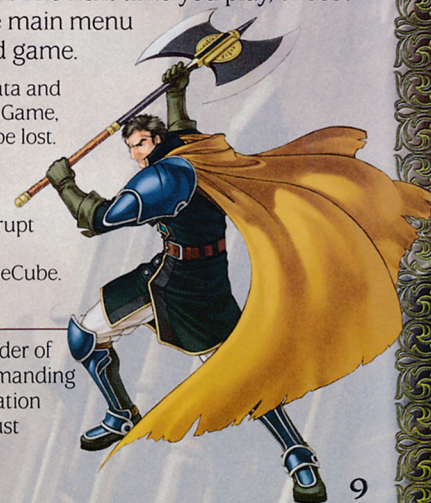
You can suspend a game in progress at any point during your turn. On the map menu, select Suspend and choose Yes to confirm the decision. The next time you play, choose Resume Chapter from the main menu to continue the suspended game.

If you have suspended game data and choose Restart Chapter or New Game, the suspended game data will be lost.

Never press the POWER Button or remove the Memory Card while saving! Doing so may corrupt your game data or damage the Memory Card or Nintendo GameCube.

❁ Greil

The father of Ike and Mist and leader of the Greil Mercenaries. Though demanding of his men, his fairness and dedication have earned him the complete trust of his company.





UNIT STATUS

While on the map menu, you can display the unit status screen by placing the cursor on a unit and pressing . Press Left or Right on to change pages. You can use the help window to view explanations for menu items that are not explained here.

Mv (Move)

The unit's movement ability.

Basic Data

The unit's fundamental information.

Trv (Traveler)

The name of the unit traveling with the selected unit, if applicable.

Cd (Condition)

The unit's current condition. Icons appear if the unit is affected by a status-changing condition.

Lv (Level)

Current HP/Max HP

Background Arrow

This corresponds to the unit's biorhythm.



Unit Class

EX
(Current experience points)

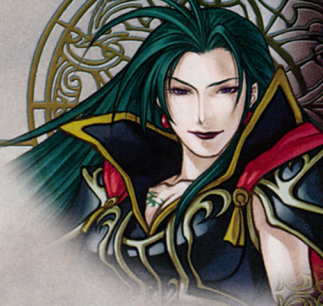
The First Status Page

This page displays a unit's personal data, combat abilities, and items.

You can purchase items at bases, find them in treasure chests, receive them as gifts, or take them from defeated enemies. Most items have a limited number of uses (known as item's durability). Magic and bows lose durability even if they miss an enemy, but all other weapons must make a successful strike.



Items



Before a battle, you can manage your army from either the base menu or the combat preparation menu. The base menu becomes available after Chapter 7.

The Base Menu

Bases are the place to check your units and make sure they are properly equipped before a fight. If you want more info about the base menu options, use the in-game help window.



Manage

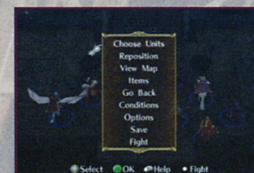
There are two parts of the Manage screen. Award Exp lets you distribute bonus EP you gained in battle, while Skills lets you assign and remove skills as they become available.

- ♦ You cannot remove unit-specific skills.
- ♦ You can only assign as many skills the unit's skill capacity allows.



Combat Preparation Menu

The combat preparation menu appears on the map screen before a battle, and allows you to manage your army and change a variety of options. Use the in-game help window if you want more details about the menu.





UNIT TYPES

The world of Fire Emblem: Path of Radiance is populated by two races—the beorc and the laguz. But units of the same race have different abilities and weapon preferences, depending on their type. Consider these factors when entering combat so you are prepared for anything.

Beorc and Laguz

You units will be either beorc or laguz. The beorc, whose name means “seed of knowledge,” use weapons and magic in combat. The laguz, whose name means “seed of power,” transform into birds and beasts, and attack with razor-sharp claws and talons.

Beorc Units

	Ranger	A well-balanced unit who specializes in swords of all kinds. Ike is the only Ranger in the game.
	Hero	A brave champion who possesses superior leadership skills. Can use both swords and axes.
	Myrmidon	A unit dedicated to the study of the sword. Possesses superior speed and skilled technique.
	Swordmaster	A myrmidon who has changed classes. Blazingly fast, and a master of killing strokes.
	Soldier	A spear- and lance-wielding unit. Uses the length of the weapons to hold off sword wielders.
	Halberdier	A soldier who has changed classes. Can handle even the most unwieldy lances and spears with ease.
	Fighter	A robust unit that is feared on the battlefield. Specializes in axes of all kinds.

ALL ABOUT UNITS

To select a unit, place the cursor on him or her and press **A**. Press and hold **B** to increase the cursor speed.

Controlling Units

Want to make units fight? Here's how!

1. Select a unit, choose where you want to move it with **+**, and press **A** to move.
2. The unit menu appears automatically once the unit has moved. Select Attack, then choose the item or weapon you want to use and confirm the choice.
3. Finally, the combat-information window appears. Choose the enemy you want to attack and confirm your choice to start the battle.



Your unit gains Exp (experience points) after the battle. The better the result, the more Exp gained.

Once every unit has been given orders, the Player phase ends automatically. To end the Player phase before issuing orders to every unit, select End from the map menu. (See page 16.)

Movement and Attack Ranges

A unit's movement range is displayed in blue, while its attack range is displayed in red. You can check and lock enemy range displays on, too.



- ◆ Different types of terrain can reduce your movement range.
- ◆ On terrain where height is a factor, there are certain situations where units cannot attack other units.
- ◆ Mounted units can cross the remainder of their movement range after they attack or perform another command.

Leveling Up

As units earn Exp, they gain levels and eventually change classes. Experience points are gained by engaging in combat, using staves, and performing other specific actions. Units automatically gain a level whenever they earn 100 Exp. Most units automatically change class when they reach Level 21.



THE COMMAND MENU

The command menu automatically appears once a unit has moved, and contains a list of actions that the unit can take. You can find out more about commands by choosing Guide from the map menu. (See page 16.)



Basic Commands

Attack	<p>The command to choose when you want to smite a foe. There are three types of attack; direct, indirect, and long range.</p> <p>◆ Combat Information Window</p> <p>This useful stat display appears when you choose an enemy to attack, and can be used to predict the outcome of the battle.</p>
Staff	Choose this to use a staff.
Shove	<p>Choose this to ram into a unit and push it into the next space.</p> <p>◆ Units can shove those whose Wt (weight) does not exceed their own by more than two.</p> <p>◆ Mounted units cannot shove.</p>
Rescue	<p>Use this to pick up allied, Partner, or Other units and have them travel with you in safety.</p> <p>◆ Though a rescued unit can't be attacked, the speed and skill of the rescuing unit is reduced by half.</p> <p>◆ Rescue is only available if the rescued unit's weight is at least two less than the rescuing unit's weight.</p>
Drop	<p>Use this to place a rescued unit in an adjacent space.</p> <p>◆ Dropped units cannot perform any commands that turn.</p>
Take	<p>Use this to take a rescued unit from another unit in an adjacent space.</p> <p>◆ The unit can only be taken if its weight is at least two less than the receiving unit.</p>
Items	Use this to open the item window, which allows a unit to equip, use, or drop items and weapons.
Trade	Use this to swap items with another unit.
Wait	Use this to have a unit do nothing until the next turn.



Special Commands

The following commands appear only when circumstances allow.

Talk	Speak with units in adjacent spaces. Talking lets you gain new allies and gather important information.
Visit	Enter certain homes and receive good things. But move fast—enemy thieves, berserkers, and bandits will destroy such homes.
Door / Chest	<p>Unlock a door or chest with a key.</p> <p>◆ Thieves can open locks without keys.</p>
Order	This command can be used by Ike to give orders to all members of his army. Units that don't get commands from the player will follow these orders.
Request	This command can be used by Ike to give general orders to Partner units. The Partners will act during the next movement phase.
Seize	Ike can use this to seize a specific location and clear the map.
Escape	Use this when a unit moves onto a space that allows him or her to flee the battle map. If Ike escapes, the map is cleared.
Reach	Use this when one of your units moves onto a blue target space. Choose it to clear the map.
Steal	<p>Steal an item or unequipped weapon from an adjacent unit.</p> <p>◆ A unit's strength and speed may prevent it from stealing some items.</p>
Chant	Use this on an adjacent unit that has finished its turn to give it an additional turn.

Lethe

A ruthless feline warrior from the country of Gallia, Lethe is extremely loyal to her king, Cainegehis. Like many of her countryman, she cannot forgive the injustices the beorc have inflicted upon her race—her mistrust and prejudice run deep.

Titania

Deputy commander of the Greil Mercenaries. She has a mysterious past of which little is known, other than her service as a knight of Crimea.





THE MAP MENU

Press **Z** on the map screen to display the map menu. The map menu contains essential commands for progressing through the game.



Unit

Select Unit to view eight pages of data for all deployed units. Use the cursor to select a data category and press **A** to sort.

Guide

Select Guide to watch in-game tutorials. New tutorials will become available as you move through the game, and contain information on rules and controls, as well as basic strategic advice.

Options

Select Options to adjust a variety of game settings. You can also turn the Controller Rumble Feature on or off.

Suspend

Select Suspend to stop playing and save a chapter at any point during your turn.

End

Select End to end the player phase of a turn.

Status Screen

Press **START** on the map screen to display the status screen. It shows information about the deployed armies, and also displays an overhead map of the battlefield. Press **A** here to see the terms of victory and other information.



The Second Status Page

This page shows a unit's build, class, and weapon level, as well as any active skills. In certain cases, it will also display the transform gauge.



Unit Skills

These are unit-specific skills that cannot be assigned or removed.

Personal Skills

These are individual skills that can be assigned or removed while at a base.

Each unit has a limited skill capacity. When you assign a skill, the unit's capacity is reduced accordingly.

Weapon Level

This displays the type of weapons, magic, and staves a unit can use, along with the corresponding weapon level and affinity. Weapon levels increase when the item is used a set number of times. Weapon levels are as follows (from worst to best): E > D > C > B > A > S.

Transform Gauge

Laguz do not use weapons, relying instead on natural combat skills. However, laguz can only attack while in animal form. The transform gauge shows how close a laguz is to entering animal form. When it is full, the laguz will transform into a beast and gain the ability to attack, at which point the gauge will gradually decrease. Once the gauge is empty, the laguz will revert to humanoid form and the gauge will begin to fill anew.



The Third Status Page

This page shows information on affinities, biorhythm, orders, and support levels and bonuses.

Support Level

A unit's affinity and current support level appears here. Support levels go from C to A, with A being the highest and granting the best stat bonuses.

