BUZZ BOMBERS Cartridge Instructions (For 1 Player)

Little Buzz Bombers keep barreling down towards your spray can. Blast one with a spray that sends him into a tailspin. Now you've got a honeycomb and 100 points, but KEEP MOVING. Moment by moment your spray can is being hemmed in by flowers. Make every shot count. You hit two bees with one shot...but the Buzz Bombers have other tricks up their little beesleeves. Here come the worst bees of them all -- the Buzz Bomber KILLER BEES. Spray them all and watch the points pile up.

OBJECT OF THE GAME

Spray bees as quickly as you can with your spray can before they fly down and pollinate the flowers. Flower can surround and trap your can. A sprayed bee creates a honeycomb which your friendly Hummingbird will eat. Points are scored for spraying bees and allowing the Hummingbird to eat the honeycombs. Additional points may be scored at the end of a level for any beehive on the screen. A beehive is created by a trapped worker bee. Score enough points and you win an extra spray can. Be thankful because you're going to need that can at the higher levels. The game gets tougher as you play.

YOUR CONTROLS

USING THE DISC. The disc is used to move the spray can either right or left in the flower bed. It cannot be moved vertically. Press the outside edge of the direction [disc] in the direction you want to move the spray can.

TO FIRE SPRAY use any [side button]. Press the button at the time you want to fire the spray.

YOU CAN FIRE THE SPRAY AND MOVE THE SPRAY CAN AT THE SAME TIME.

GAME START

Press the [reset] button on your console and the game title will appear. Press any [KEY] or the DIRECTION [DISC] and the game will start. The game gets more difficult as you play.

THE SPRAY CAN

You control the spray can. Move the spray can either right or left using the disc. You start with three spray cans. One is used immediately. The other two are displayed in the lower left corner of the screen. Each spray can provides 56 sprays. Every 8 sprays, the spray level in the can will lower so you can see how much spray you have left.

When you use up all the spray in a can, the replacement can (if there is one) will automatically take its place.

Regardless of how much spray is left in your can, it will fill up again when you complete a level.

THE FLIGHT OF THE BUZZ BOMBERS

The Buzz Bombers are the bees that fly down on your spray can (to the tune of The Flight of the Bumblebee). They fly down on invisible flight paths called "tiers." Each time they bump into the side of the screen they reverse direction and drop to the next lower tier.

When they reach the bottom, they pollinate the flowers. Pollination causes flowers to multiply and restrict the movement of your can. When the flowers completely hem in your spray can, you lose it.

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WORKER BEES

Worker bees are YELLOW. At the lower levels, most of the attacking Buzz Bombers will be worker bees. A worker bee becomes a YELLOW HONEYCOMB when hit by spray. Worker bees drop one tier each time they reach the side of the screen OR bounce off a honeycomb.

KILLER BEES

Killer bees are WHITE and fly much faster than worker bees. The higher the playing level, the more likely it is that a killer bee will appear. Don't be surprised if 5 or 6 dive on you at once. Killer bees turn into RED HONEYCOMBS if you are skilled enough to hit them with spray. They DO NOT bounce off a honeycomb and drop one tier. They ONLY reverse direction and drop a tier when they reach the side of the screen.

THE HUMMINGBIRD

The Hummingbird is your friend in this battle of the bees. She darts around the screen looking for honeycombs. Every time she finds and eats one, you get points. Spray won't kill your Hummingbird, but it will make her sick. If you spray her too much, she turns green and leaves the screen for a breath or two of fresh air. She'll return later.

HONEYCOMBS

A honeycomb is created by any bee after he is hit by spray. You get points for spraying the bee, but you can earn more points by leaving the honeycomb for your Hummingbird. The red honeycomb of the killer bee is worth more than the yellow honeycomb of the worker bee (Consult chart.) A honeycomb will DISAPPEAR if sprayed. Sometimes a honeycomb gets in the way and should be sprayed. It depends on your situation. Consult the Scoring Chart and design your own Buzz Bombers strategy.

BEEHI VES

On occasion, a worker bee will get stuck on a flight down, usually between a honeycomb and the side of the screen. If this happens, the worker bee will build a BEEHIVE. The beehive is worth big points when you successfully complete the level. Spray will destroy the beehive, so be careful where you spray.

ONCE THE BEEHIVE IS ALREADY FORMED ON THE RIGHT SIDE IN THE MIDDLE A TRAPPED WORKER BEE WILL MAKE A BEEHIVE IN A MOMENT OR TWO.

FLOWERS

Flowers usually grow from both sides toward the middle, but don't count on it. Flowers can also start growing in the center and push your can to one side. When the flowers restrict your can, it will magically leap to the open space (if there is one). If flowers kick you can out of the garden and you still have a spray can left, then the screen will clear of all flowers and you will get another chance (using the extra can) to successfully complete the level. Unfortunately, you must start the level again from scratch.

SCORING CHART

HITTING A WORKER BEE

100 points

HUMMINGBIRD EATS YELLOW HONEYCOMB

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Top two screen tiers: 1000 points Third, fourth and fifth tiers: 800 points

All remaining tiers: 500 points

HITTING A KILLER BEE

1000 points

HUMMINGBIRD EATS RED HONEYCOMB

Top two screen tiers: 2000 points Third, fourth and fifth tiers: 1800 points All remaining tiers: 1500 points

BEEHIVES (When you complete a level)

Hive on the top two tiers: 2000 points Third, fourth and fifth tiers: 1600 points All remaining tiers: 1000 points

BONUS CANS RECEIVED AT:

20,000 points 40,000 points 80,000 points Every 80,000 POINTS thereafter.

MAXIMUM SCORE

Once you get 1,000,000 points, the scoring begins at zero again. At the end of each game you will see a number over the flower bed. This tells you how many times you have reached 1,000,000. You may reach 1,000,000 a total of 255 times...for a possible score of 255,999,900. GOOD LUCK!!!

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