

SAVING MOTHER EARTH

ALIEN RESURRECTION

PlayStation Preview

- **Size:** 1 CD-ROM
- **Style:** 1-Player Action
- **Special Features:** 5 Playable Characters (Ripley, Call, Johner, DiStefano, or Christie); 13 Levels of Gameplay; Tons of Different Weapons; Use Onboard Computer To Solve Puzzles; Destructible Environments
- **Created by:** Argonaut Software for Fox Interactive
- **Available:** 2nd Quarter for PlayStation

50% Complete



Aliens. For some, the word is little more than a moniker for the X-Files generation. But for others, the name is a reminder of one of the coolest sci-fi movie series around. The mother of all sci-fi horror, the Alien franchise is world-renowned. From the writing of the story to the finishing touches by artist H.R. Giger, the tale has always been about violent atrocities and terror in outer space, as humankind waged war for its future existence. Throughout the entire series, grotesque displays of blood and alien remains have expressed the world of the Alien, a world that almost collided with ours in the most recent installment, Alien Resurrection.

Now, in Fox Interactive's game based on this recent movie, players can take on the role of any of the five survivors: Ripley, Call, Johner, DiStefano, or Christie. Take up arms in third-person view and attempt to debilitate and then annihilate the aliens before your ship crashes into Earth, bringing a terrifying alien menace to a world filled with unsuspecting people. Now that's tension!

Created by Argonaut Software, the makers of Starfox, Alien Resurrection hopes to further the third-person action genre. Taking a clue from Syphon Filter, Alien Resurrection allows you to shoot all the way around your character. No more stopping and lining up, hoping to hit the target; here, hit-and-run is the way to go. Arm yourself with one of many different weapons, all taken from the movie – a shotgun, a grenade launcher, a gun that looks like a thermos. These and other weapons will be in your arsenal. As you rock the beasts from another place, you will also be destroying the ship's rooms. Such highly destructible environments keep the bored mercenary busy, while he or she decides what to do next.

But this game is not simply about blasting aliens to smithereens. No, these aliens are highly intelligent, and you have to outsmart them. To help you, Father, the onboard central computer, is available anytime you beckon. He can help you open doors, learn crucial information, and more. He also assigns you specific tasks to complete in order to destroy the alien hordes. A small readout in the corner of the screen tells the player what Father is doing at each moment, what he is working on, and what is happening in other parts of the ship.

As the summer draws near, it will be hard to think about anything sci-fi except for the imminent release of Episode I. So check out Alien Resurrection in between moments of jonesing. It could help to tide you over. ■

