
LEGO Rock Raiders Universe description.

A guide to the product range & CD-Rom Game.

Rock Raiders is based upon the new LEGO System Underground theme and takes its name from the first few products in the range, due to be released in Q3, 1999. LEGO Media has collaborated with Futura ensuring that both the computer game and the LEGO models have total synergy.

The Background Story.

A LEGO deep space geological survey ship has encountered trouble. It has been hit by an asteroid and sent off its course. With failing power and damaged navigational systems the LMS - Explorer suffers further misfortune when it is pulled through a worm-hole in space and becomes stranded in orbit around a previously uncharted planet. The ship's scanners detect large deposits of LEGO power crystals and LEGO ore hidden beneath the planet's surface, deep in underground caves. There is hope that there will be enough power crystals to re-energise the ship's engines and return the crew safely home. The captain has sent the LEGO Rock Raiders team to the planet to begin a detailed survey of the caves and to establish a base camp before mining for the crystals and the LEGO ore begins. However, the scanners also detected other unidentified life forms and the Rock Raider team is proceeding with utmost caution...

The Mission. (CD-Rom game.)

In Rock Raiders the player takes direct control of the Rock Raider team: a group of five characters, their LEGO Underground vehicles and their base camp. They must navigate their way through the dangerous underground world, searching for LEGO power crystals and other resources (LEGO ore,) whilst avoiding hazards which include volcanic lava, icy water, rock falls and the unwelcome attentions of all the underground creatures!

LEGO Rock Raiders Character Descriptions

Version 1.0

Minifigures

- Rank: Captain
 - Call Sign: Chief
 - Role: Captain of LMS Explorer and adviser to the player in the computer game.
 - **Notes: This mini-figure is not included within the toy range, however a limited edition mini-figure will appear within the packaging of the computer game as a collectable item. No picture is available.**
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Chief is the oldest and most experienced of the LEGO Rock Raiders team. He is calm in any situation and he has the experience to solve almost any problem. The other LEGO Rock Raiders look to him for advice which he dispenses with his own no-nonsense style!

Arguably one of the greatest LEGO Rock Raiders in the whole of LEGO history he now resides on board the LMS - Explorer from where he advises the other LEGO Rock Raiders in his team. However, in times of extreme danger he has been known to put himself at great risk in order to save his team and put things right.

Nobody knows quite how he gained his plasma arm but some say that it was during a mission to save 37 LEGO mini-figures that were trapped in an underground cavern on a distant planet. He is courageous, modest and wise.

Skills	Rating out of Ten
Engineering	9
Driving	9
Piloting	8
Sailing	7
Geological Knowledge	9

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- Rank: Flight Lieutenant
 - Call Sign: **Jet**
 - Role: Pilot
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Jet is one of the most courageous and strong-minded of the Rock Raiders team. Her piloting skills are legendary and she has built a reputation of being able to fly anything from the tiny Hoverboard to the Giant Lifter-copter like no one else.

Ready for any challenge she always approaches her missions with a level head. Jet will never shirk a difficult task and has great problem solving skills.

Skills	Rating out of Ten
Engineering	6
Driving	7
Piloting	9
Sailing	8
Geological Knowledge	5

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- Rank: Midshipman
 - Call Sign: **Axle**
 - Role: Driver
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Axle is happiest behind the controls of The Giant Drilling Vehicle (GDV,) although he is an expert at handling all ground-based vehicles.

Three times “LEGO World Racing Champion” his ability to handle anything with wheels is second to none, but even more than speed Axle’s main passion is drilling into rock and stone with the GDV. Always on the look out for new adventures Axle is very impulsive and tends to jump headfirst into a situation, his racing instinct means that he will get a job done in half the time, however his eagerness earned him the reputation of being a little competitive. Quick witted and jovial Axle is always first to make a cheeky joke.

Skills	Rating out of Ten
Engineering	5
Driving	9
Piloting	7
Sailing	8
Geological Knowledge	6

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- Rank: Commander
 - Call Sign: **Docs**
 - Role: Geologist
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Docs is a very learned man with more qualifications than Sparks has tools! He is renown for his skill in locating precious LEGO power crystals and LEGO ore, the raw materials that are used to build and power LEGO home world. Indeed some mini-figures say that it is almost as if he can see them through the rock.

Docs is very rational and will always think his way around a problem. Unlike Axle, Docs will always assess a situation before making a decision. He is an expert in explosives and naturally a keen explorer. Nothing pleases him more than charting out a new planet or discovering new kinds of LEGO elements!

Skills	Rating out of Ten
Engineering	8
Driving	7
Piloting	5
Sailing	6
Geological Knowledge	9

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- Rank: Sub-Lieutenant
 - Call Sign: **Bandit**
 - Role: Helmsman
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Bandit is happiest on the water, sailing on underground lakes and riding the rapids. An expert navigator, Bandit takes great pride in his ability to always know where he is. Bandit is very capable at getting his work done; however if things are not going well, he is the first to let the others know by grumbling and grouching. Bandit will not stand for any nonsense and can appear irritated by others fooling around, especially if he is hungry and has missed his breakfast!

Although his appearance and character are a little gruff, Bandit is a very likeable character, however Jet makes sure that he is not within earshot when she says he is a big softy at heart.

Skills	Rating out of Ten
Engineering	8
Driving	5
Piloting	7
Sailing	9
Geological Knowledge	6

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- Rank: Midshipman
 - Call Sign: Sparks
 - Role: Engineer

Sparks is naturally curious about anything mechanical or electrical and is forever taking things apart and putting them back together. Unfortunately for the other members of the team, he is also the clumsiest of the Rock Raiders and has an uncanny ability to always be standing in the right place when things go wrong! However, Sparks works very well under pressure and can always be trusted to put things right in an emergency.

Despite his flame red hair Sparks has a very easy-going manner and gets on well with the other members of the Rock Raider Team. His favorite pastime is inventing new LEGO contraptions and equipment for the vehicles.

Skills	Rating out of Ten
Engineering	9
Driving	8
Piloting	6
Sailing	5
Geological Knowledge	7

LEGO Rock Raiders Vehicles Descriptions

4910 : The Hoverboard

These are small fast craft capable of transporting a single mini-figure over all solid terrain types. Do not try to fly over the water! They are very agile and quick at maneuvering around the underground caverns and caves.

4920 : The Cat

This is used for exploring underground lakes and slower moving underground rivers. It can hold one mini-figure and has a small bucket at the back for transporting the precious crystals. The vehicle has two powerful spotlights that it casts in front which can light a wide area ahead of the vehicle.

4930 : The Team

The Rock Raider team consists of five unique characters; "Docs," "Sparks," "Axle," "Jet," and "Bandit." They all have individual abilities and skills that make them great members of the best mining team in the LEGO Universe! Together they can handle all the vehicles and tools which are needed to excavate the precious power crystals from inside the Underground caverns and tunnels.

4940 : The Scout Driller

This is a powerful piece of digging apparatus that can climb over the majority of difficult land based areas due to its legs. The powerful turbines on the back of the driller are used to power the single drill at the front, enabling it to easily penetrate all but the hardest of the underground rock.

It has no form of rock storage and can only carry one mini-figure at a time.

Due to its long legs, the 'Scout Driller' is also quite vulnerable to attack and can be knocked over by taking repeated blows from angry Rock Monsters! However, when knocked over, it has the ability to right itself and stand up again, but may lose precious energy in the process.

4950 : The Loaderdozer

The Loaderdozer will happily drive around recently excavated areas and is used as a work horse for clearing away the surplus rock and soil created by the digging and tunneling vehicles. This allows the other vehicles to move more efficiently over these areas.

Loaderdozers are not very large but are very strong and can withstand considerable physical punishment. It can survive cave-ins and collapsing tunnels without any problem.

Loaderdozers can go over a lot of terrain types, but will move fairly slowly. It has excellent grip due to the huge wheels and tyres. It has no storage space for holding crystals, although they can be carried in the large shovel at the front of the Loaderdozer.

4970 : Giant Drilling Vehicle (The GDV)

The giant drilling vehicle has a single large drill on the left and a geological scanner on the right. It has huge wheels for excellent traction and has a large storage capacity ideal for carrying harvested rock and precious power crystals back to the base camp.

The GDV also has a highly sophisticated and powerful mining laser that is used in the excavation of LEGO ore and power crystals.

The GDV is a slow moving vehicle due to its massive size and huge engine. Although this makes it a very powerful drilling machine it does also mean that it is exposed to ambush from hungry Rock Monsters, keen to pilfer the cargo of power crystals!

4980 : The Giant Lifter-copter

This massive Lifter-copter is used to transport mini-figures and small vehicles in its underside hold. The hold can also be used to transport power crystals and LEGO ore back to the underground HQ.

The Lifter-copter can transport digging equipment and mini-figures over dangerous, inaccessible areas including lava, water and to high cavernous plateaus.

4990 : LEGO Underground HQ (UHQ)

The UHQ is the nerve center of all Rock Raider activity. This is where new equipment is made and damaged equipment can be repaired! LEGO ore is refined and turned into new building bricks, ready to be built into any of the Rock Raider vehicles or used to repair damaged ones. Power crystals are used to power the machinery and keep UHQ operational!

Other features of UHQ include a barracks, a defensive tower, a crane, and a teleportation platform.

NOTE: No picture is available.

Other Elements :

The Rock-Monster

These huge creatures lie dormant within the walls of the caverns and tunnels of the underground world! Rock Monsters survive by consuming energy from power-crystals and they guard their food jealously...

Mini-figures who threaten their food supply are facing dangerous consequences! However, Rock Monsters are not evil and will only become aggressive if agitated. But beware, an enraged Rock Monster is a powerful and dangerous foe. When they lose their temper the underground world will shake!

The Rock-Raider Helmet

A Rock Raider's helmet is perhaps their most valuable piece of equipment, protecting them from falling rocks, proving light and communications.

The Hand Held Scanner (HHS)

The HHS is a very hi-tech, multi-functional piece of equipment which is used to scan for LEGO ore and power crystals. The HHS can also be used to determine a multitude of other things including, the types of rock, the temperature, the levels of poisonous gases and the geography of underground caverns and tunnels.

Power Crystals and LEGO Ore

Power crystals are the primary source of energy in the LEGO Universe. Mining for power crystals is the LEGO Rock Raiders primary task – and it is vital to the LEGO home world that they are successful in providing enough of this element to keep things operational!

LEGO ore is the raw material that is used to make LEGO bricks. Once collected this precious resource is refined into an extremely high quality chemical that can be molded into spare parts to be used by the Rock Raiders to repair damaged vehicles and buildings!

The Multi - Laser

Mounted on the GDV and the defense tower the Multi – Laser is a powerful piece of equipment with a variety of functions. Primarily it is used as a high power cutting laser or a low energy laser light.