Rockstar Games Grand Theft Auto 3

Rockstar Games Grand Theft Auto III for PlayStation 2: Instruction Manual

Model: Grand Theft Auto 3 | Brand: Rockstar Games

1. Introduction

Welcome to Liberty City, a sprawling urban environment where anything can happen. Grand Theft Auto III places you in the role of Claude, a character seeking revenge after being betrayed and left for dead. This game offers a unique blend of narrative-driven missions and open-world exploration, allowing players to engage with a dynamic city filled with diverse characters and activities. Navigate the criminal underworld, complete objectives for various factions, and explore the vast landscape at your own pace.

This manual provides essential information for setting up, operating, and maintaining your Grand Theft Auto III game for the PlayStation 2 console.

2. Setup and Installation

2.1 Package Contents

- Grand Theft Auto III Game Disc (PlayStation 2)
- Instruction Manual (this document)
- Game Map (included in original packaging)

2.2 System Requirements

- Sony PlayStation 2 Console
- Compatible Television or Display
- PlayStation 2 Controller
- Memory Card (8MB or greater, for saving game progress)

2.3 Initial Setup

1. Ensure your PlayStation 2 console is properly connected to your television and power supply.
2. Insert the Grand Theft Auto III game disc into the disc tray of your PlayStation 2 console.

3. Close the disc tray.
4. Turn on your PlayStation 2 console. The game should load automatically.
5. Follow the on-screen prompts to start a new game or load a saved game.



Figure 2.3.1: Grand Theft Auto III game case opened, displaying the game manual and the PlayStation 2 game disc.

3. Operating the Game

3.1 Basic Controls (Analog Control)

Grand Theft Auto III utilizes the PlayStation 2 DualShock controller. The game supports analog control for precise movement and vehicle handling.

Action	Controller Input
Move Character/Vehicle	Left Analog Stick
Camera Control	Right Analog Stick
Run/Accelerate (Vehicle)	X Button
Jump/Brake (Vehicle)	Square Button
Action/Enter Vehicle	Triangle Button
Fire Weapon/Handbrake (Vehicle)	R1 Button
Target Lock	L1 Button
Change Weapon	L2/R2 Buttons
Pause Menu	Start Button

Note: This is a simplified control list. Refer to the in-game pause menu for a complete and detailed control scheme.

3.2 Gameplay Overview

- **Missions:** Progress through the main storyline by accepting missions from various characters marked on your radar.
- **Exploration:** Liberty City is an open world. Explore its three distinct islands: Portland, Staunton Island, and Shoreside Vale.
- **Vehicles:** Steal and drive over 50 different types of vehicles, including cars, boats, and emergency vehicles.
- **Weapons:** Acquire a wide array of weapons from pistols and shotguns to rocket launchers and grenades.
- **Side Activities:** Engage in various optional activities such as taxi driving, firefighting, vigilante missions, and more.

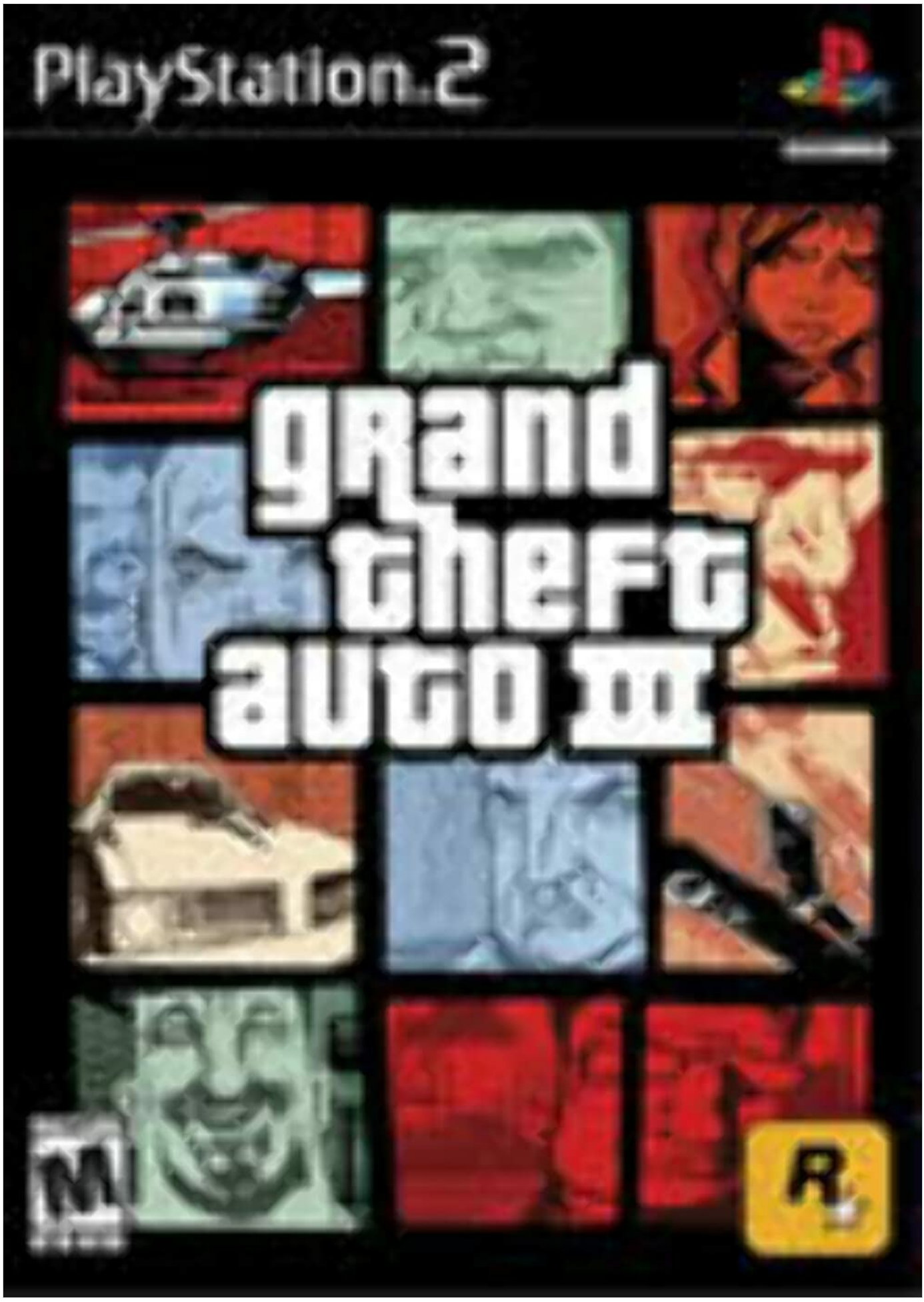


Figure 3.2.1: Front cover art of Grand Theft Auto III for PlayStation 2, depicting key characters and elements of Liberty City.

4. Game Features

- **Dynamic Open World:** Experience a living, breathing city with day-night cycles and changing weather conditions.
- **Diverse Soundtrack:** Enjoy hours of in-game radio stations featuring various music genres and talk shows.
- **Extensive Vehicle Selection:** Command a wide range of vehicles, each with unique handling characteristics.
- **Weapon Arsenal:** Utilize a comprehensive collection of firearms and explosives for combat situations.
- **Non-Linear Gameplay:** While a main story exists, players have the freedom to explore and engage in side activities.



Figure 4.1.1: Back cover of Grand Theft Auto III, highlighting gameplay elements and the game's setting in Liberty City.

5. Maintenance and Care

- **Disc Handling:** Always hold the game disc by its edges. Avoid touching the shiny, playable surface.

- **Cleaning:** If the disc becomes dirty, gently wipe it with a soft, lint-free cloth from the center outwards. Do not use abrasive cleaners or solvents.
- **Storage:** Store the disc in its original case when not in use to protect it from dust, scratches, and direct sunlight.
- **Console Care:** Ensure your PlayStation 2 console's disc tray and lens are clean and free of obstructions for optimal performance.



Figure 5.1.1: Close-up view of the Grand Theft Auto III game disc for PlayStation 2, indicating its format and rating.

6. Troubleshooting

- **Game Not Loading:**

- Check if the disc is inserted correctly and clean.
- Ensure the PlayStation 2 console is functioning properly with other games.
- Inspect the disc for significant scratches or damage.

- **Game Freezes or Crashes:**
  - Clean the game disc.
  - Ensure your PlayStation 2 console has adequate ventilation to prevent overheating.
  - Try restarting the console and the game.
- **Saving Issues:**
  - Verify that a PlayStation 2 Memory Card is inserted and has sufficient free space.
  - Ensure the Memory Card is not corrupted.
- For further assistance, consult the official Rockstar Games support website or your PlayStation 2 console's user manual.

7. Specifications

- **ESRB Rating:** Mature (M)
- **Genre:** Action/Adventure
- **Number of Players:** 1
- **Platform:** PlayStation 2
- **Release Date:** October 23, 2001
- **Product Dimensions:** 7.8 x 5.4 x 0.6 inches (Game Case)
- **Item Weight:** 4 ounces
- **UPC:** 0710425270796
- **ASIN:** B00005O0I2

8. Support Information

For technical support, game updates, or additional information regarding Grand Theft Auto III, please visit the official Rockstar Games website:

www.rockstargames.com

For PlayStation 2 console support, refer to your console's official documentation or the Sony PlayStation support website.

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