

TITLE:	Leisure Suit Larry
SYSTEMS:	Amiga, IBM
PRICE:	\$39.95
DESIGNERS:	Al Lowe and Mark Crowe
PUBLISHER:	Sierra Coarsegold, CA

Monty Python fans who think that people who work in accounting departments do not have a sense of humor should note that the review of this controversial game was written by a "bean counter" and wholesome family man

by Roy Wagner

Hey Guys (and vicarious gals), take the following quiz to "test" your lifetime experiences. Score zero for every experience you've had (some may wish to score more or less depending on the question). See how low you can score. Have you:

- 1) Visited a sleazy bar wherein you have had to listen to some slime telling dirty jokes (and you can only hear the punch lines);
- 2) Tried to pick up a girl who won't even talk to you because she's waiting for her boyfriend (sure!);
- 3) Given a drunk and/or a wino a drink and received more than you expected in return;
- 4) Used a filthy bathroom with plumbing that doesn't work and enough writing on the wall to extend your stay (some of it quite interesting);
- 5) Shared a bed briefly with "girl upstairs" after getting past her "guard" downstairs;
- 6) Met that "perfect" girl, given her all you possessed, wined her, married her and left her *all in the same evening*;
- 7) Bribed a sexy guard with drugs to get into the penthouse suite and experience two quite different girls; and/or
- 8) Played the slots and blackjack table to get just enough money to continue the "good" life?

If you score zero or less, you should skip this game, get your shots, take your pills, and pray for a cure. Come back next issue. If you have missed

some of the above activities in your life, now is the chance to get out there and *experience* them in game form.

Yo' Mama!

The game is *Leisure Suit Larry in the Land of the Lounge Lizards* from Sierra, a 3-D animated adventure

LEISURE SUIT LARRY The Slimier Things of Life



game in the tradition of their popular *Quest* games. This one, however, is intended for those over 18. A quiz at the beginning will do a fairly good job of testing you. (Assuming that most of the readers of this magazine are mature enough, I'll let you know that if you enter ALT-X in response to the first question, you can get right into the game.)

The main character of this game and the role you assume is Larry. He is 40 years old and was thrown out the house by his "ol' lady" (mother) when he was 38. He's a jerk with bad breath, but tonight he is out to experience it all. If he doesn't, you will find out what happens at "dawn."

Sierra describes this game as a humorous, harmless endeavor for

adults. That is accurate! It is very humorous with many "in jokes" related to people and places close to Sierra and has some references to other games. The morals may be loose, but never really offensive. You won't really see anything here that you probably haven't seen before. It is really for adults because half the fun is relating (vicariously or not) to what is going on as you travel by cab from Lefty's Bar to the Casino, Chapel, and Store (shades of *Softporn*).

Version Territory

The MS-DOS version of this game supports CGA, EGA, and Hercules Graphic cards and the game will also be available for the Amiga and other computers. The MS-DOS version provides you with the game on two 5 1/4" disks and on one 3 1/2" disk. (Very commendable for Sierra to do this.) It requires only 256K, one disk drive, and uses key disk protection so most of the game is played using your own copy of the game.

The graphics are great, and many of them are animated. You'll see blinking bar signs, people moving about, cabs going down the road, elevators going up and down, and many more action-packed moments. The animation is a distinguishing mark of quality to which Sierra adds three dimensions. Your character moves in front of and behind various objects that appear on the screen. The movement can be easily controlled using the keyboard or joystick. Other versions will even let you use the mouse.

There is also a limited amount of sound effects and music. Very nice! Through use of the Function keys, Control (CTRL) keys and Pop Up menus, you can carry out all major functions required to complete this adventure. The hint book, which can be purchased separately, is the most comprehensive that I have seen. It even contains the full text to the jokes that are told by the guy at Lefty's.

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Getting It All!

The activities that must be completed are fairly obvious as long as you *Look* at everything and, in some cases, *Repeat* your previous command until the command response repeats itself. Some of the items (see below) that you need are rather obscure, but if you pick up what you can, you'll have no problem. One item that you'll probably get will require shots, but unfortunately they are not available in this game. Oh well, you only live once. You did *Save* the game, didn't you?

(Hint: Be sure to buy a magazine at the store and read it for a clue to getting an item that is not easily gotten or seen, but needed near the end of the game.) Remember, be kind to all strangers and *Get* anything you can. You use a text entry line to enter your actions.

If you enjoy the playing the slot

machines and blackjack, you will find the gambling portion of the game quite enjoyable. Before you attempt to win more money by gambling, however, be sure to *Save* the game in order to save what money you do have.

You *will* gamble, because gambling is



Meet the Kind of Girls Your Mother Warned You About.

the only way you will get any more. However, as you increase your worth, continue to use the *Save* option. You will need no more than \$100 at any one time and you can always go back

to the casino to get more money.

Whatcha' Want, Good Graphics or Good Taste?

This game is a lot of fun to play and is very humorous. What I really liked in this game is that once you got the right idea and entered the action text, a lot of follow-up actions took place "automatically." For example, when you buy a drink at the bar, you automatically pay for it. You only enter, "BUY BEER", instead of "BUY BEER, GET WALLET, OPEN WALLET, PAY FOR BEER" which you enter in other games. A lot of other action takes

place as easily and makes the game flow much better by eliminating tedium. With good graphics, good design, and good fun provided, who needs "good taste"?



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