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STORY OF SEASONS

One cold winter day, as you were going about your daily routine, you discovered an unassuming pamphlet in your mailbox:

NEW FARMERS WANTED!
Join us and help Oak Tree Town grow as you work the land!

It seemed so different – a world apart from the life you'd been living. But at the same time, it held the promise of being just what you needed to shake up your life and find the direction you'd been looking for.

That same day, you wrote up an application and submitted it to the address on the back of the pamphlet – a small hamlet called Oak Tree Town.

One week later, you received a letter of congratulations. It turned out you had been selected as Oak Tree Town's newest up-and-coming farmer!

As you packed your things that day and arranged travel to Oak Tree Town, you felt the buzz of excitement at the opportunity you'd been given. You don't know what awaits you out in the countryside, but you can't wait to find out!



Electronic Manual

Select the icon for this software on the HOME Menu and touch MANUAL to view the electronic manual. Please read this manual thoroughly to ensure maximum enjoyment of your new software.



This software title includes an electronic manual to reduce the amount of paper used in its packaging. For support, please consult the electronic manual, the Operations Manual for your system or the Nintendo website. The electronic manual is available in PDF format on the Nintendo website.

IMPORTANT: Please read the separate Important Information Leaflet.

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4 Menu Screen

You can press (X) to display a list of items in your bag. If you choose an item, you'll be given several options, such as EQUIP and HOLD. If you press (X) again after an item is selected, you can set it to be accessed via the Fast Access Menu.

- 1 Current stamina and health
- 2 The amount of money you currently have
- 3 Description of the current item you've selected
- 4 The item's category
Press (L) or (R) to switch tabs.
- 5 Number of items you currently have/
Total number of items you can hold
- 6 Quantity of the selected item you currently have
- 7 Item quality (see below)



About Item Quality

The quality of items such as seeds, crops (see p. 9), or materials you can use to craft things will be indicated with stars. More stars indicate a higher level of quality, and good-quality items can be sold at a higher price when trading. Additionally, if you eat higher-quality foods, they'll restore more stamina than regular foods do. You can consolidate all items of the same type in your inventory into a single stack by pressing (Y), but be aware that the number of stars given to all items in the resulting stack will be averaged.



5 Time and Seasons

As you play, time will pass in the game's world, bringing each season in its turn. There are different crops you can grow in each season, and you may find that your friends and neighbours will have different things to talk about at different times of the year. Don't forget, too, that each season has its own festivals, celebrations and competitions for you to enjoy.

Spring

Turnips and potatoes are just a few of the staple crops you can grow in the spring. You'll enjoy fair weather and warming days as you anticipate fun yearly events like the Flower Fair and White Day.

Summer

Tomatoes and onions are popular crops to grow in the summer, and you'll have fun celebrating the warmest season with outdoor activities like the Fireworks Show and the Fishing Tournament.

Autumn

Eggplants and green peppers are favoured crops of autumn. As the weather begins to cool and the leaves change their colours, keep an eye on your calendar for events like the Cooking Exhibition and the Autumn Concert.

Winter

It takes hearty crops, like radishes and napa cabbages, to grow and thrive in the cold of winter. But take heart – you can look forward to Valentine's Day and the Starlight Gala, among other wintry events.



2 Game Controls

Actions you can perform in the overworld are listed in red, while actions you can perform in menus are listed in black.



Touch Screen

You can tap the Touch Screen while in the overworld to toggle between a map of the area you're in and a wider map of Oak Tree Town's surrounding countryside.

You can also select menu options by tapping the icons on the right side of the Touch Screen.



6 Your Condition

Conservationism is an essential skill for any farmer, and conserving your stamina and money will help you go far. Don't overwork yourself or spend beyond your means, and you'll find your patience rewarded.

Health and Stamina

You consume stamina when you do farm work (see p. 9) or take care of your animals. If your stamina hits zero, you'll collapse from exhaustion and wake up the next day. The day after you pass out, your health rating will be lowered by one level. When your health is lower, each task you do will consume more stamina than usual.



About Health

There are four levels of health, going from "Good" to "Normal" to "Not Good" to "Bad".

You can restore lost stamina or increase your health level by eating food or visiting the clinic in town.

About Money

You earn money by shipping crops or livestock materials at the town's Trade Depot. You can also find a variety of things for sale from the merchants who set up shop at the Trade Depot, as well as in town at the General Store or Carpenter's.



3 Overworld Screen

While you're out and about, you can check your character's condition or select options from the menu.

- 1 Current stamina and health (see p. 6)
- 2 Today's weather
- 3 The tool you currently have equipped
- 4 The current date, time, and an event icon if a contest or holiday is being held that day
- 5 The mini map, which you can use to get your bearings or see where other people are

You can tap the Touch Screen to switch between a map that displays just the area you're in, and a map that displays all areas you can visit.

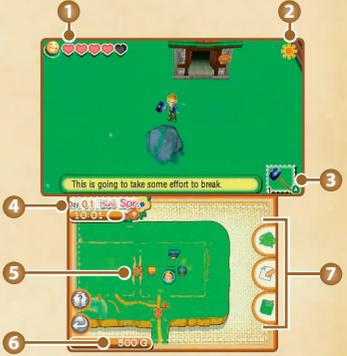
The House Icon shows all the guild-owned fields, what types of crops you can grow there, and who currently has the rights to use that field. If you tap the icon while in town, you can see the name of each store.

The Back Icon shows you the route home from where you currently are.

The amount of money you currently have. You can get more money by shipping crops or products to trade partners.

Menu Icons

- Backpack Icon:** Tap this icon to bring up the menu screen.
- Pencil & Paper Icon:** Tap this icon to see your shipping notes, shipping log, and current balance.
- Book Icon:** Tap this icon to display your journal, where you can save your progress, load save data, or return to the Title Screen.



7 Kitchen

What do you do with all those delicious things you harvest on the farm? One option is to turn them into delicious dishes in your kitchen! Eating food helps restore your stamina, so you can keep working strong all day long.

Making Food

First, you'll need to select the recipe you want to make. Recipes can be obtained from traders, or from certain events. Here's how to make a dish:



Choose which dish you'd like to make. Keep in mind that you can only select recipes you have enough ingredients to make.



Then, choose your ingredients for the dish and how many you want to make. The quality level of the end product depends on the quality level of the ingredients you use.



8 Basic Furniture

In STORY OF SEASONS, you can decorate your house any way you like! There are a few basic pieces of furniture that any good home needs, however, which we'll go over here.

Bed

When you sleep in your bed, you'll wake up the next day with your stamina and health restored. The amount of stamina restored and the time you wake up depend on when you go to sleep.



Calendar

You can check out upcoming holidays, competitions, and birthdays. Press [L] or [R] to switch between seasons and choose the day you want to see by using the + Control Pad. You can look a maximum of three seasons ahead.



Bookshelf

At your bookshelf, you can always look up informational guides on a variety of subjects you've been taught about.



Closet

The closet holds all your clothes and accessories, and lets you customise your character's appearance at any time.



The Craft Table

You can use the Craft Table to create items from materials that have been gathered or bought.



9 Growing Crops

A big part of farming is growing and harvesting crops. But not to worry – you have plenty of choices when it comes to what you'd like to grow.

How to Grow Crops

Step 1: Clearing the Land

First, pick up branches and stones, and get rid of trees and boulders that prevent you from clearing a patch of ground for planting. You'll use hammers to break boulders, and axes to chop down trees and remove their stumps.



Trees you cut down and boulders you break will turn into materials you can collect, so be sure to pick up the remains after you've cleared your land. New trees and boulders will appear in the unused land on your farm after enough time has gone by.

Step 2: Tilling Your Farm

After you've cleared your land, use a hoe to till the field and prepare it for planting. Each patch you till contains nine spaces.



Step 3: Planting Seeds

Spread seeds in the field you've tilled. Sowing seeds covers all nine spaces of a single patch of ground at once. If you want to remove the seeds you've planted, use your hoe.



10 Growing Crops

Step 4: Watering Crops

Fill up your watering can and water your crops. You need to water your crops at least once a day every day. If you water them twice a day, your crops will grow faster.



Step 5: Harvesting

When your crops are fully grown, press [A] to harvest them (some crops require a sickle to harvest). Crops you have harvested will be put into a box automatically. Don't forget to press [A] again to add the contents of the box to your bag.



Be careful not to let your crops dry out. If you forget to water them for just a day, your crops will begin to wilt. If you neglect to water them for several days after that, they'll fully wither and die. Also, keep in mind that some crops can only grow during a particular season and will die if you try to grow them out of season, no matter how attentively you take care of them.



Specialty Farming

You can build things at your trusty craft table or use fields you're leasing courtesy of the town guild to accomplish some unique feats of farming not possible in your standard fields.



11 Raising Livestock

Once you've built a barn, you'll be able to keep livestock on your farm. You can build a barn or coop at your craft table if you have a blueprint and the necessary materials.

When you keep livestock in a barn or coop, you'll be able to collect milk from cows and eggs from chickens. Livestock can be purchased from traders. Below are just some of the livestock you'll be able to raise.



Cows

When cows are fully grown, they produce milk.



Sheep

When sheep are fully grown, you can shear their wool.



Chickens

When chickens are fully grown, they'll lay eggs for you.



Alpacas

When alpacas are fully grown, you can shear their wool.



Angora Rabbits

Angora rabbits will periodically shed their fluffy hair, which you can collect.

12 Livestock Care & Feeding

Collecting from Animals

To get eggs from chickens, simply pick them up from the nest. To collect milk from cows, you'll need a milker. You need a pair of clippers to shear wool or fur from most animals that produce it.



Using the Animal Notebook

If you check the Animal Notebook in the barn, you can see your animals' affection for you (displayed as heart-shaped icons on the Touch Screen), their stress level and what you've done for them today.

1 Checklist

You'll see icons that indicate the different things you can do for an animal. Things you have already done will be highlighted in colour.

- Feeding
- Collecting
- Interacting
- Brushing
- Giving a Treat

2 Stress

The orange gauge indicates your animal's stress level. The fuller the gauge is, the more stressed your animal is. Stress makes animals susceptible to illness, and sick animals don't produce anything.

3 Treats

The blue gauge indicates how many treats you've given to the animal. The gauge grows as you give more treats to the animal over time.

4 Affection

The amount of affection your animals feel toward you. More affection means they'll be more likely to produce additional milk, wool or eggs.



13 Bachelors and Bachelorettes

Dating

If you've gained enough affection with a bachelor or bachelorette, you'll be able to start dating them. Keep in mind, though, that you can't date more than one person at a time.



Marriage and Family

If you've built up lots of affection with your chosen bachelor or bachelorette, and you've been dating a while, you'll be able to pop the question to him or her and join together in married life. Once you get married, you may end up having children, and that's sure to shake up day-to-day life on your farm!

To get married, you'll need to have a large enough house and a special item...



14 Multiplayer Mode (Local Play [W]/Internet [G])

As you progress through the game, you'll gain the ability to play with other players – either near you, via local wireless, or further afield, via an internet connection. For information about connecting your system to the internet, refer to the Operations Manual for your system.

Farm Tours

You can visit other players' farms or invite them to your farm to lend a helping hand. When you invite people, you'll need to prepare three souvenirs (one for each visitor), and when you visit another player's farm, you'll need to choose a souvenir to take. It's always good to be gracious, whether as a host or visitor. Up to four players can participate. All players must have a copy of the software.

You Will Need:

System in the Nintendo 3DS family. One for each player
 STORY OF SEASONS software. One for each player

Setup

1. Select MULTIPLAYER from the Title Menu.
2. Select the save data you want to use, and choose a mode from LOCAL CONNECTION or INTERNET CONNECTION. If you choose INTERNET CONNECTION you will be given the choice to FARM WITH ANYONE or FARM WITH FRIENDS.
3. Choose OPEN FARM or SEARCH FOR FARM.
4. Choose souvenirs, then select OK / pick a room and wait for your host to start the game.

Receiving Souvenirs

After you're done with Multiplayer, you can visit the guild to receive the souvenirs you've been given. Simply speak with Veronica, select MULTIPLAYER OPTIONS, and choose ACCEPT GIFT.



15 Exchange Profiles (StreetPass [S])

Once you've set up StreetPass™, you'll be able to meet all kinds of new people! When you pass by other Nintendo 3DS™ systems that have StreetPass enabled for this game, you'll automatically exchange profiles, and they may show up to visit your town or Trade Depot. To communicate using this feature, all players must activate StreetPass for this software.

Checking Player Info

If you talk to another player's character in town or at the Trade Depot, you'll be able to see the other player's information, such as how they run their farm and which activities they spend a lot of time doing.

Setup

Activating StreetPass

1. Talk to Veronica at the guild and select MULTIPLAYER OPTIONS.
2. Choose STREETPASS SETTINGS, then select ACTIVATE STREETPASS.



Deactivating StreetPass

To deactivate StreetPass, open the System Settings and select DATA MANAGEMENT, then STREETPASS MANAGEMENT. Touch the icon for this software title, then select DEACTIVATE STREETPASS.

Note: You can also deactivate StreetPass in game. To do so, talk to Veronica at the guild and select MULTIPLAYER OPTIONS. Choose STREETPASS SETTINGS, then answer YES when Veronica asks you if you'd like to deactivate your StreetPass.



Note: You can restrict online interaction and/or StreetPass functionality via Parental Controls. For more information, refer to the Operations Manual for your system.