

## Free Steam Game: Alien Swarm

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### About the Game

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Available free of charge, the game thrusts players into an epic bug hunt featuring a unique blend of co-op play and squad-level tactics. With your friends, form a squad of four distinct IAF Marine classes. Plan your attack using an unlockable arsenal of weapons with countless loadout configurations against a wide variety of aliens. Blaze your way through an overrun, off-world colony, eradicating the alien infestation in environments ranging from the icy planet's surface, to a subterranean lava-flooded mining facility.

Along with the game get the complete code base for Alien Swarm that features updates to the Source engine as well as the SDK. Alien Swarm adds 3rd person camera, depth of field, improved dynamic shadows and a wide variety of gameplay additions to the Source engine.

Tactical, 4 player co-op action game with a top-down perspective

Complete game code and mod tools

Unlock persistent items by gaining levels

Over 40 weapons and equipment with countless loadout configurations

4 unique classes and 8 unique characters

Matchmaking, Steam Cloud, Steam Stats

64 achievements

Tile-based map generation tool

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System Requirements

### Minimum:

- OS: Windows® 7 / Vista / Vista64 / XP
- Processor: Pentium 4 3.0GHz
- Memory: 1 GB for XP / 2GB for Vista

- Graphics: DirectX 9 compatible video card with 128 MB, Shader model 2.0. ATI X800, NVidia 6600 or better
- Hard Drive: At least 2.5 GB of free space
- Sound: DirectX 9.0c compatible sound card

Recommended:

- OS: Windows® 7 / Vista / Vista64 / XP
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