

Age of Empires 2 + The Conquerors installation

Windows XP/7/8/8.1/10

Tested on Windows 10

1. Run `DaemonTools10Lite.exe` making sure to set ISO file associations (only) and uncheck the bloatware
2. Double click `AoE2.iso` to mount, install normally (choose full installation)
3. Run `AoE2_patch.exe`
4. Repeat previous two steps using `AoE2_Conquerors.iso` and `AoE2_Conquerors_patch.exe` respectively
5. Copy & replace `empires2.exe` in `Program Files\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II`
6. Copy & replace `age2_x1.exe` in `Program Files\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\age2_x1`
7. Select The Conquerors desktop shortcut > Properties > Compatibility > Change settings for all users
 - Windows XP (Service Pack 3)
 - Disable display scaling
 - Run this program as administrator
8. (Optional) Copy contents of `Conquerors Custom Maps` to `Program Files\Microsoft Games\Age of Empires II\Random`

Notes:

- `AoE2_Conquerors.iso` needs to be mounted for multi player.
- Single player might additionally require `AoE2.iso` to be mounted.
- Multiplayer over TCP/IP will cause a DirectPlay installation prompt. Install/Allow.
- All round first aid tip: try restarting...?