

## A Retro-Bit Shmup Collection: New Limited Edition Toaplan Games Come Back for the SEGA Genesis® and Mega Drive

POMONA, CA, [9/15/2020] -- [Retro-Bit® Publishing](#) has come forth with another limited edition publication - this time partnering with Shmup pioneer Toaplan - to release a whole collection of officially licensed Toaplan games for the SEGA Genesis® and Mega Drive consoles.

Retro-Bit® Publishing has partnered with Toaplan and developer Masahiro Yuge to reintroduce a whole collection of the most esteemed titles as an exclusive Collector's Edition. This release joins Retro-Bit® Publishing's assortment of titles like [Metal Storm](#), [Holy Diver](#), and [R-Type](#).

The Toaplan Collection is set to release this 2020 Holiday Season and will include the Toaplan games:

- Fire Shark
- Hellfire
- Truxton
- Zero Wing

First introduced in 1979, Japanese developer Toaplan, together with Masahiro Yuge, became the creators of 80's classic shooting games most famous for featuring parallax scrolling backgrounds, which is where the background and foreground move at different speeds - making an enticing difference during this classic time of gaming. They were also one of the first companies to start releasing game soundtracks through disc media.

Its title Zero Wing for SEGA® Mega Drive was previously only released in Japan and Europe and had proved to be a successful arcade game that translated well onto home consoles. Zero Wing made a modern-day return with a notable meme on the internet in the retro gaming community for its scene dialogue "All your base are belong to us", making the game considerably more treasured by retro gamers. Retro-Bit's release of Zero Wing now includes over 30 alternate endings translated to English for the first time ever.

Toaplan's title Fire Shark is a classic shoot em up style game based in the war era and had a complete soundtrack released in 1989. It is filled with smooth, non-stop shooting and promises some action packed explosions.

Hellfire used a unique power up system to give 4 different firing options. The Genesis version was well-received upon release with Mega Tech magazine stating it is "a slick and very good looking blaster which oozes playability."

Meanwhile, Toaplan's Truxton features a setting in space where players will battle against an alien invasion. The classic shoot 'em game up was raved by Mean Machines as "a fine example of a pure, no-frills arcade blast."

With the original carts running up to [\\$249USD](#) online, Retro-Bit Publishing remains determined to localize and bring these rare classics for more to enjoy. The whole collection is indeed unique and highly acknowledged by the retro gaming community.

Like other Collector's Editions Retro-Bit® has issued, these Collector's Edition games will mirror the other selections with exclusive extras made just for this limited time release.

Commemorating this release are one-of-a-kind collectors contents included with every title:

- Special interview with developer Masahiro Yuge (specialized per game)
- Full-Color, Individually Numbered Certificate of Authenticity
- Exclusive Vintage 80's Puffy Sticker Set
- Vivid & Detailed Instruction Booklet filled with artwork and tips to enhance gameplay
- Premium and original art prints
- 16-Bit Cartridge with unique and vibrant colors per game
- Collector's Embossed Outer Sleeve with colorful and custom design
- Reversible cartridge cover with embellished artwork
- To every person who purchases all 4 shmup games in this collection: a commemorative slipcover, collectible Zero Wing enamel pin, and Thank You Card from Mashiro Yuge

Pre-Orders are aimed to start this month at Limited Run Games and Castlemania Games for an MSRP of \$44.99 per game and \$159.99 for the whole collection. Europe will have an MSRP €39,99 per game and €144,99 for the whole collection.

To learn more about this collection, visit <http://retro-bit.com/toaplan-shooters/>

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