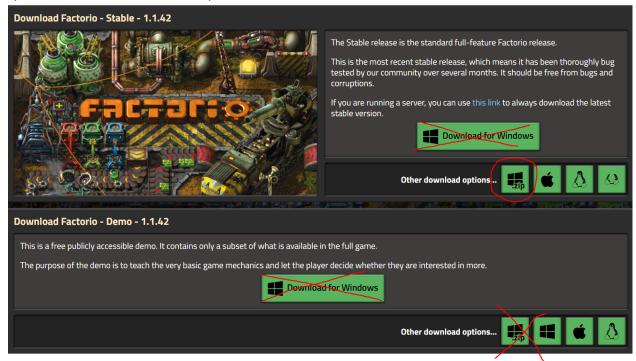
PART 1: Factorio Archipelago Setup Guide for Windows (Steam)

- 1) Purchase Factorio on Steam and Register an account.
- → Fuzzy on the details here since it's been a while I think you should be able to create an account inside Factorio at the main menu by going to <u>Settings</u> -> <u>Other</u>
- **2)** Go to https://www.factorio.com/download and login to the website with your account. This should unlock all the downloads available for the full game.
- 3) Download the full client in .zip format:



4) Extract the newly downloaded client to a location where you have full read/write privileges (i.e. **not** into C:\Program Files (x86)\. This will be referred to as the "stand-alone Factorio" in the rest of the guide

5) Launch your stand-alone Factorio by launching \factorio\bin\x64\factorio.exe. This will create missing folders such as the /config/ folder and /mods/ folder. Your stand-alone factorio folder should have a folder structure looking something like this:

This PC > Lenovo (D:) > Program Files > Factorio

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lame	Date modified	Туре	Size
bin	6/4/2021 8:55 PM	File folder	
config	6/4/2021 9:07 PM	File folder	
data	10/23/2021 6:16 PM	File folder	
doc-html	10/23/2021 6:16 PM	File folder	
mods	10/24/2021 2:35 PM	File folder	
saves	10/24/2021 2:31 PM	File folder	
script-output	6/25/2021 6:31 PM	File folder	
temp	10/24/2021 3:57 PM	File folder	
lock	10/24/2021 3:57 PM	LOCK File	0
_autosave5.zip	7/28/2021 11:41 PM	Compressed (zipped)	2,853
achievements.dat	7/19/2021 9:45 PM	DAT File	2
achievements-modded.dat	10/23/2021 6:21 PM	DAT File	3
blueprint-storage.dat	6/4/2021 9:08 PM	DAT File	1
config	6/4/2021 8:57 PM	Shortcut	1
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crop-cache.dat	10/23/2021 6:16 PM	DAT File	1,758
factorio-current.log	10/24/2021 3:57 PM	Text Document	3
factorio-previous.log	10/24/2021 3:57 PM	Text Document	3
mods	6/4/2021 8:57 PM	Shortcut	1
player-data.json	10/24/2021 2:34 PM	JSON File	11
saves	6/4/2021 8:57 PM	Shortcut	1
server-adminlist.json	10/23/2021 8:12 PM	JSON File	1
unins000.dat	6/4/2021 8:57 PM	DAT File	2,441
unins000.exe	6/4/2021 8:54 PM	Application	1,169

6) Open the **/config/** folder and then open **config.ini** in Notepad. Confirm at the top that the following lines are present:

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[path]
read-data=__PATH__executable__\..\..\data
write-data=__PATH__executable__\..\..
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config.ini - Notepad

File Edit Format View Help
; version=9
; This is INI file: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/INI_file#Format
; Semicolons (;) at the beginning of the line indicate a comment. Comment lines are ignored.

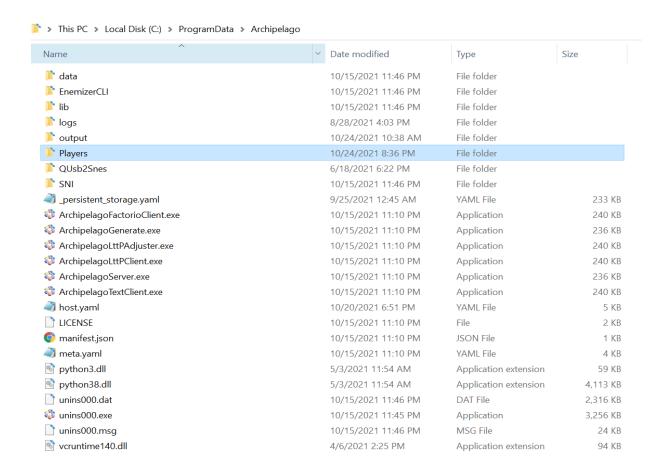
[path]
read-data=_PATH_executable_\..\.\data
write-data=_PATH_executable_\..\..

[general]
locale=

[other]
; Options: true, false
; verbose-logging=false

; Options: true, false
; log-saving-statistics=false
```

7) Download and install Setup.Archipelago.0.#.#.exe, the latest archipelago software from https://github.com/ArchipelagoMW/Archipelago/releases/. Make sure to have Factorio selected as a game when prompted during the install, along with any other games you may want to play in the future. This should install the archipelago software by default to C:\ProgramData\Archipelago\. The install folder should look something like this:



8) In the Archipelago folder, open **hosts.yaml** in Notepad. Near the bottom of the hosts.yaml file will be a factorio_options section, under which an executable path will be listed. This path needs to be updated to point to the factorio.exe in your stand-alone factorio installation. The format for this path also requires double back-slashes in-between each folder in the path. It's also a good idea to put quotes around the path.

For example, if your stand-alone Factorio was extracted to **D:\Program Files\factorio**, your executable should be set to:

factorio options:

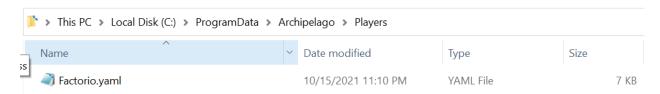
executable: "D:\\Program Files\\factorio\\bin\\x64\\factorio"

Note: This line will be overwritten each time you install a new version of Archipelago, so don't forget to reset it with each new version.

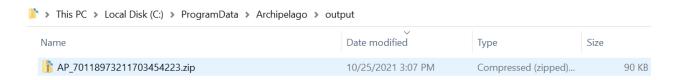
PART 2: Testing that your Factorio Archipelago Setup is Working

This is intended simply to be a quick test to make sure everything in part 1 was configured correctly, and that you can generate an archipelago mod and connect to your server. A more detailed explanation for customizing your Factorio randomized game is later in the document.

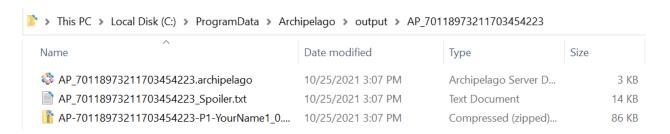
1) In your Archipelago folder, open the \players\ folder. Inside this folder you will find a series of .yaml files, one for each different game that is currently supported in Factorio. Remove each other .yaml file except for factorio.yaml. (Recommended to back those other files up somewhere else in case you want to generate other games in the future).



2) With the one .yaml file in place, in your Archipelago folder run "ArchipelagoGenerate.exe". This program generates the needed files for your archipelago game, one game per .yaml file contained in **\players**. Once this program is run, check the **\output** folder in your Archipelago folder. It should contain one single .zip file, which should look like "AP_#######.zip".



3) Extract this zip file, which should contain three files inside - the Archipelago server that was generated, a spoiler log for the generated run, and another .zip file. This extra zip file is the Factorio mod that needs to be added to BOTH of your Factorio installations.

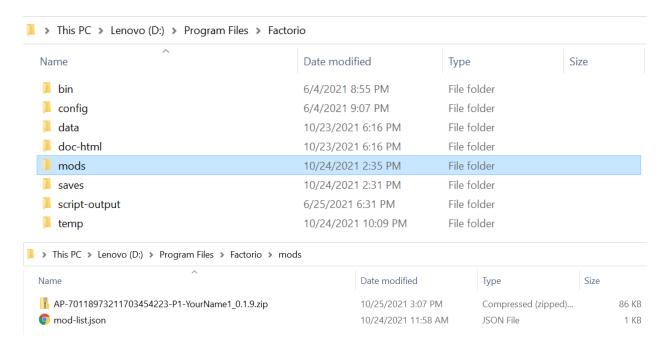


4) Launch the Archipelago Server client. It should open up an extra window, and state that the server is listening on 0.0.0.0:38281. If it does, go ahead and minimize that window and ignore it for now.

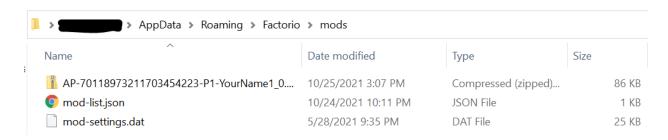
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C:\ProgramData\Archipelago\ArchipelagoServer.exe

[2021-10-25 15:12:32,292] No save data found, starting a new game
[2021-10-25 15:12:33,550] Hosting game at :38281 (No password)
[2021-10-25 15:12:33,557] server listening on [::]:38281
[2021-10-25 15:12:33,558] server listening on 0.0.0.0:38281
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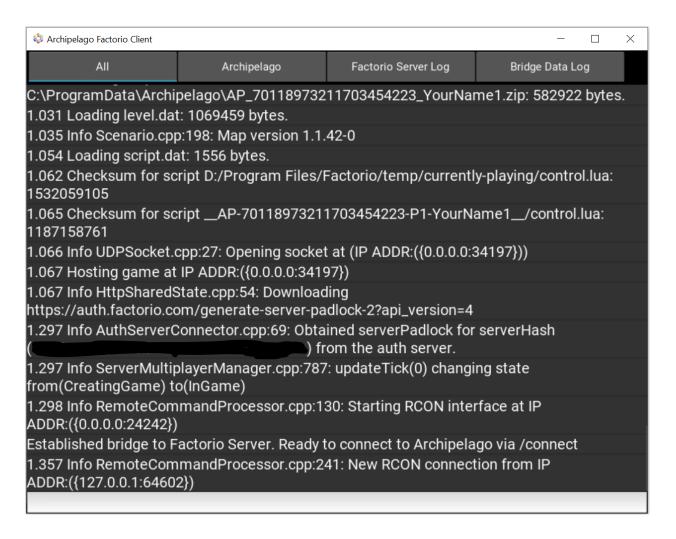
5) Copy the Factorio mod .zip file into your stand-alone Factorio installation. For the stand-alone Factorio, the mods file should be contained directly wherever you extracted your stand-alone Factorio to. If this folder is missing, be sure to launch this copy of Factorio once to generate the mods folder and other files that may be missing:



6) Copy the Factorio mod into your main installation of Factorio. If installed from Steam (and possibly if also installed directly from the Factorio download page), your default mods folder will be "C:\Users\%USERNAME%\AppData\Roaming\Factorio\mods"



7) Back in your Archipelago folder, launch the ArchipelagoFactorioClient.exe. This will launch a client that will automatically generate your Factorio world, and then host a local Factorio multiplayer server using your stand-alone Factorio Installation. If everything is working correctly, the window should look like this:

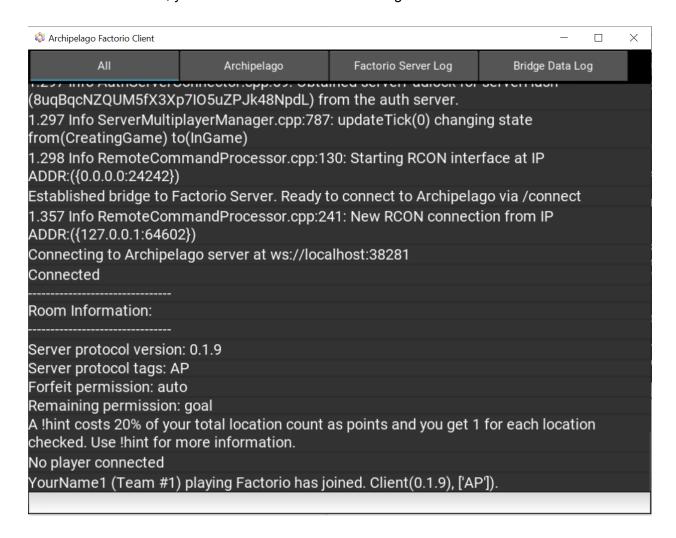


8) Connect your Archipelago Factorio Client to the Archipelago server you launched back in step #4. This is done by typing in the /connect command, followed by the ip address: port that the archipelago server is being hosted at. Since you are hosting your own local archipelago server for this test, you can connect using your local address and the default AP port: "/connect localhost:38281"

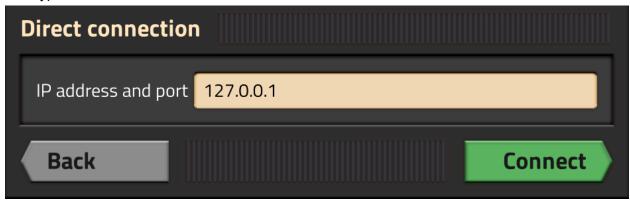
Established bridge to Factorio Server. Ready to connect to Archipelago via /connect 1.357 Info RemoteCommandProcessor.cpp:241: New RCON connection from IP ADDR:({127.0.0.1:64602})

/connect localhost:38281

Once this is executed, you should see a welcome message:

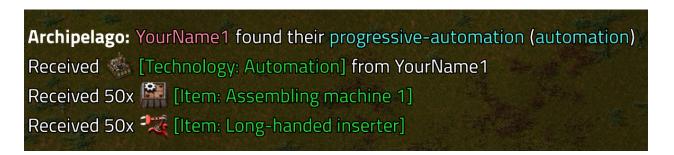


9) Launch Factorio on Steam. Once at the main menu, go to Multiplayer -> Connect to address, then type in 127.0.0.1



10) You should now be successfully connected to your randomized Factorio game! By successfully connecting your AP Factorio server to the main archipelago server and then logging into the game, that should demonstrate that all configurations have been setup correctly, and you're ready to generate and play Archipelago Factorio games.

You can continue in this world and research one thing to further confirm that the AP server and Factorio server are communicating correctly. If you research a technology, in the corner you should see an Archipelago message relaying who found what item. You should also receive a free stack of items that are associated with the technology that you researched:



Part 3: Introduction to the Factorio Randomizer and Setting Up Your Factorio Randomized World Settings - Factorio.yaml

Just like in vanilla Factorio, your goal to win the game is to launch your first rocket. In a typical game, this will require you to both research the Rocket Silo technology, and then fill the silo with enough ingredients to build 100 rocket parts and successfully launch the rocket.

The Archipelago randomizer gives you a large set of options to choose from through a .yaml file to configure how easy or difficult your game will be. You can setup a world where it's trivial to launch a rocket within a few hours, or you can turn up the difficulty and take days or even weeks launching your rocket. The main features offered are to configured how many different levels of science are required (You won't always have to research all the way through yellow science), the tech tree layout, the costs of all research, and even the ingredients required to craft each color of research pack.

If you're familiar with randomizers for other games, you can consider each technology researched within Factorio as a "check". The research will either send yourself a technology back to your Factorio game, or it may send an item over to another player's game, such as researching a hookshot or piece of heart for a Link to the Past player.

In your Archipelago folder, there will be a folder called **\Players**. Inside this folder will be a set of .yaml files that can be edited with Notepad or any other text editor. Each of these files contains the configurable options for each game integrated with Archipelago in the currently installed version. You are interested in the **Factorio.yaml** file.

This file contains all the different ways for you to customize your own factorio game, such as which science packs are required, science pack ingredient randomization, and research costs, amongst many, many more options. The file itself is commented to give a description of what each configuration option affects within your Factorio world.

It's important to note the comment at the start of the document, which is copied here:

```
# How do I use it?
# The options in this file are weighted. This means the higher number you assign to a value, the more
# chances you have for that option to be chosen. For example, an option like this:
# # map_shuffle:
# on: 5
# off: 15
#
# Means you have 5 chances for map shuffle to occur, and 15 chances for map shuffle to be turned off
```

When choosing your options, if you want to enforce a specific setting, you need to make sure the option you want is set to 1 (or greater), and all other options are set to 0.

Below is a list of the main configurable options (in no particular order) for Factorio in Archipelago (work in progress):

NAME: Don't forget to give yourself a name near the top of the .yaml file. You don't want to be the guy known as "YourName_1" for the whole multiworld.

name: YourName{number}

#{player} will be replaced with the player's slot number.

#{PLAYER} will be replaced with the player's slot number if that slot number is greater than 1. #{number} will be replaced with the counter value of the name.

#{NUMBER} will be replaced with the counter value of the name if the counter value is greater than 1.

MAX_SCIENCE_PACK: This option sets the highest level of science pack you will ever need to produce to launch your rocket or to find required advancement items for other players in your multiworld. Your rocket silo research will always require all science packs up to and including the science pack you have configured. In the example below, logistics science pack (green science) is the max science pack, so your rocket silo technology will require both red and green science to research, and all other technologies in the game

max_science_pack: # Maximum level of science pack required to complete the game.

automation_science_pack: 0
logistic_science_pack: 1
military_science_pack: 0
chemical_science_pack: 0
production_science_pack: 0
utility_science_pack: 0
space_science_pack: 0

RECIPE_INGREDIENTS: This option will configure two different things at once. The Rocket setting determines whether the three ingredients to build your rocket parts within your rocket silo are randomized or not. The rocket part difficulty will be tied to your **max_science_pack** setting, so the random ingredients picked for your rocket parts will be of appropriate difficulty (i.e. no nuclear fuel requirements for a game with a max science level of green).

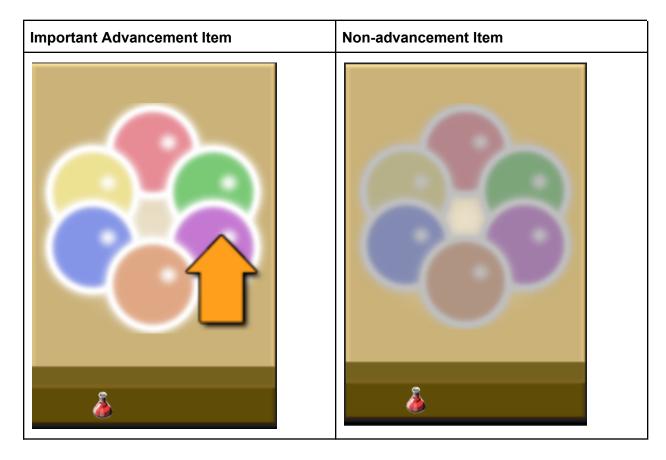
The science_pack setting will randomize BOTH the rocket part ingredients AND the ingredients needed to produce all colors of science packs. The ingredients picked for each science pack will

not exceed a certain difficulty (i.e. no nuclear fuel requirements to produce a green science pack).

Important note: If you set science_pack to 1, it will also randomize the rocket. Your choices are no randomization (Both set to 0), rocket part randomization (rocket set to 1) or both science pack and rocket part randomization (science_pack set to 1). If you set both rocket and science_pack to 1, that is telling the game generator to give you a 50/50 chance of generating a game with only rocket parts randomized, or generating a game with both randomized.

recipe_ingredients: # Select if rocket, or rocket + science pack ingredients should be random.
rocket: 0
science_pack: 1

TECH_TREE_INFORMATION: This option is used to hide exactly what technologies or items will be awarded when a particular technology is researched. When it is set to **full**, you will be able to see exactly what will be received without having to fully research that technology. When set to **advancement**, you will no longer be able to know what will be awarded when any specific technology is researched. Advancement will split technologies into two different categories, shown by two different icons:



If the setting is set to **none**, then every single technology will be marked as an important advancement item, so you'll never know whether you're researching a new science pack or three rupees.

tech_tree_information: # How much information should be displayed in the tech tree.

none: 0

advancement: 0

full: 50

TECH_COST: This option determines how many science packs it requires to complete a particular research. The default (normal) means that to research any particular technology, it require the same number of science packs as the vanilia game (i.e. Automation requires 10 science packs, Spidertron requires 2500 science packs). Setting the value to kind reduces those science pack costs by 50% (i.e. Automation requires 5 science packs, Spidertron requires 1250 science packs). If you want to play a longer (expensive) game, you can set the value to hard or higher.

tech_cost: # How expensive are the technologies.

very_easy: 0 easy: 0 kind: 0 normal: 50 hard: 0 very_hard: 0 insane: 0

TECH_TREE_LAYOUT: This determines how the technologies are laid out in the randomized tech tree. The original tech tree is not used in Archipelago, instead being replaced with several different options. Single makes it so that no technology is a prerequisite of any other tech. Examples of each tech tree shape:

Diamond:	Pyramid:	Funnel:	Single:
Ο	Ο	0 0 0	Ο
/ \	/ \	\ / \ /	
0 0	0 0	0 0	
\ /	/ \ / \	\ /	
Ο	0 0 0	Ο	

tech_tree_layout: # Selects how the tech tree nodes are interwoven.

single: 50

small_diamonds: 0 medium_diamonds: 0 large_diamonds: 0 small_pyramids: 0 medium_pyramids: 0 large_pyramids: 0 small_funnels: 0 medium_funnels: 0 large_funnels: 0

FREE_SAMPLES: This option allows all players on the server to receive items whenever a technology is received. In a case where Automation is researched (which provides Factories and Long-handed Inserters), a full stack provides 50 of each item to each player, a half stack provides 25, a single craft provides 1 of each, and none would give no free items.

Important Note: This setting can be very important - if it is set to none, you will be required to build the rocket silo itself before you can launch a rocket and win the game. If set to single_craft or higher, then you are provided a free "stack" of one rocket silo when the Rocket Silo technology is researched.

free_samples: # Get free items with your technologies.

none: 0 single_craft: 0 half_stack: 0 stack: 50

Part 4: Generating and Hosting Your Game on Archipelago.gg

If you don't want to fight with forwarding ports and hosting your own Archipelago server to play on, the main Archipelago.gg website can host your Archipelago games for you.

You have two options for hosting a game:

A) Generate an Archipelago game locally, and upload that game to the website:

1) Gather up all the .yaml files for the games that you want to play together. Remember that each .yaml file will generate one game. For example, if you wanted to play a multiworld that contained one Link to the Past player and two Factorio players, you would need to have three different .yaml files - one for aLttP, and two different files for the two different Factorio players.

The settings for each game do not need to match - for example one Factorio player could have their max science pack set to blue science in their .yaml file, while the other factorio player could have their max science pack set to green science. This gives each player the option to generate a world specifically to their liking, without affecting any other players' games.

- 2) Copy all your .yaml files into the \Players\ folder in your local Archipelago installation (typically at C:\ProgramData\Archipelago\Players).
- 3) In the main Archipelago folder, run "ArchipelagoGenerate.exe". This will read each .yaml file contained in your \Players\ folder, and generate an Archipelago server and corresponding files for each requested game, one per .yaml file. The generated game is placed in the \output\ folder as a single .zip file.
- 4) Go to https://archipelago.gg/uploads, and then click Upload File. Select the .zip file that was generated in your \output\ folder. If everything was generated correctly, you should be redirected to your game-specific room:



5) To connect your Factorio game to this server, continue to section C) below.

B) Use the website to both generate and host your Archipelago game:

1) Gather up all the .yaml files for the games that you want to play together. Remember that each .yaml file will generate one game. For example, if you wanted to play a multiworld that contained one Link to the Past player and two Factorio players, you would need to have three different .yaml files - one for aLttP, and two different files for the two different Factorio players.

The settings for each game do not need to match - for example one Factorio player could have their max science pack set to blue science in their .yaml file, while the other factorio player could have their max science pack set to green science. This gives each player the option to generate a world specifically to their liking, without affecting any other players' games.

- 2) Compress all the collected .yaml files into a single.zip file.
- **3)** Go to https://archipelago.gg/generate. You can typically leave the Forfeit and Hint Cost options at their defaults, or adjust them to your preference. Click on Upload File, and then upload the .zip file containing all your .yaml files.
- **4)** If an error is returned due to an invalid .yaml file, correct that error and re-upload the corrected file(s). If the files are accepted, you should be redirected to a newly created room:

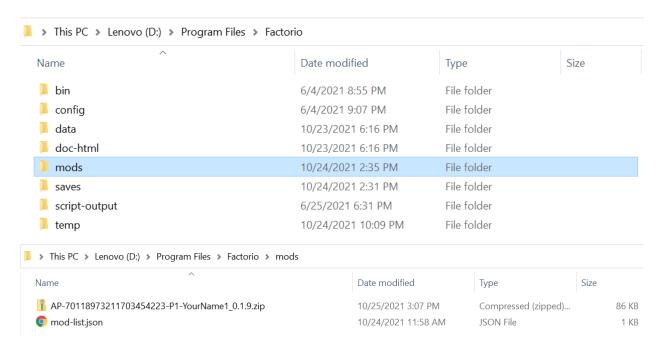


5) To connect your Factorio game to this server, continue to section C) below.

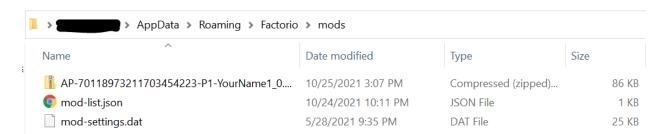
C) Connect your Factorio game to the Archipelago server:

- 1) Click on Create New Room. This will launch the server and provide a link for each mod file required for each player included in your game. The room will also contain a connect string such as "/connect archipelago.gg:62404" that will tell you which port to use when connecting to archipelago.gg in your respective game clients. Share this room link with the other players participating in your generated multiworld game.
- 2) Find the link to your specifically named mod, and download it from the Archipelago.gg room
- Mod for player 1 YourName1

Copy the Factorio mod .zip file into your stand-alone Factorio installation. For the stand-alone Factorio, the mods file should be contained directly wherever you extracted your stand-alone Factorio to. If this folder is missing, be sure to launch this copy of Factorio once to generate the mods folder and other files that may be missing:



Next, copy the Factorio mod into your main installation of Factorio. If installed from Steam (and possibly if also installed directly from the Factorio download page), your default mods folder will be "C:\Users\%USERNAME%\AppData\Roaming\Factorio\mods"



3) Once the mods are copied to their respective mod folders, go to your Archipelago folder and launch "**ArchipelagoFactorioClient.exe**". Once that client is launched and waiting, use the /connect command provided by your archipelago.gg room, such as:

Established bridge to Factorio Server. Ready to connect to Archipelago via /connect 1.282 Info RemoteCommandProcessor.cpp:241: New RCON connection from IP ADDR:({127.0.0.1:59851})
/connect archipelago.gg:62404

If the connect is successful, you should see the welcome screen:

Connecting to Archipelago server at ws://archipelago.gg:62404
Connected
Room Information:
Server protocol version: 0.1.9
Server protocol tags: AP, WebHost
Forfeit permission: auto
Remaining permission: goal
A !hint costs 20% of your total location count as points and you get 1 for each location checked. Use !hint for more information.
No player connected
YourName1 (Team #1) playing Factorio has joined. Client(0.1.9), ['AP']).

4) Launch your main (Steam) Factorio installation. Once at the main menu, go to Multiplayer -> Connect to address, then type in 127.0.0.1



This will connect you to your local, personal Factorio randomized world, and you're now ready to play.

Appendix A: Beginner Factorio yaml file v0.1.9 (copy this into a factorio.yaml file):

- # What is this file?
- # This file contains options which allow you to configure your multiworld experience while allowing others
- # to play how they want as well.
- # How do I use it?
- # The options in this file are weighted. This means the higher number you assign to a value, the more
- # chances you have for that option to be chosen. For example, an option like this:

#

map_shuffle:

on: 5

off: 15

#

- # Means you have 5 chances for map shuffle to occur, and 15 chances for map shuffle to be turned off
- # I've never seen a file like this before. What characters am I allowed to use?
- # This is a .yaml file. You are allowed to use most characters.
- # To test if your yaml is valid or not, you can use this website:
- # http://www.yamllint.com/

description: Default Factorio Template # Used to describe your yaml. Useful if you have multiple files

Your name in-game. Spaces will be replaced with underscores and there is a 16 character limit

name: YourName{number}

#{player} will be replaced with the player's slot number.

#{PLAYER} will be replaced with the player's slot number if that slot number is greater than 1. #{number} will be replaced with the counter value of the name.

#{NUMBER} will be replaced with the counter value of the name if the counter value is greater than 1.

game:

Factorio: 1

requires:

version: 0.1.9 # Version of Archipelago required for this yaml to work as expected.

Shared Options supported by all games:

accessibility:

items: 0 # Guarantees you will be able to acquire all items, but you may not be able to access all locations

locations: 1 # Guarantees you will be able to access all locations, and therefore all items

none: 0 # Guarantees only that the game is beatable. You may not be able to access all locations or acquire all items progression balancing: on: 1 # A system to reduce BK, as in times during which you can't do anything by moving your items into an earlier access sphere to make it likely you have stuff to do off: 0 # Turn this off if you don't mind a longer multiworld, or can glitch/sequence break around missing items. Factorio: max science pack: # Maximum level of science pack required to complete the game. automation science pack: 0 logistic science pack: 1 military_science_pack: 0 chemical science pack: 0 production_science_pack: 0 utility science pack: 0 space_science_pack: 0 tech_tree_layout: # Selects how the tech tree nodes are interwoven. single: 0 small_diamonds: 1 medium diamonds: 0

large diamonds: 0 small_pyramids: 1 medium pyramids: 0 large pyramids: 0 small_funnels: 1 medium funnels: 0 large_funnels: 0 tech cost: # How expensive are the technologies. very_easy: 0 easy: 0 kind: 1 normal: 0 hard: 0 very hard: 0 insane: 0 silo: # Ingredients to craft rocket silo or auto-place if set to spawn. vanilla: 1 randomize recipe: 0 spawn: 0 free samples: # Get free items with your technologies. none: 0 single_craft: 0

half stack: 0 stack: 1

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tech_tree_information: # How much information should be displayed in the tech tree.
  none: 0
  advancement: 0
  full: 1
 starting_items:
  burner-mining-drill: 19
  stone-furnace: 19
  gun-turret: 10
 recipe_time: # randomize the time it takes for any recipe to craft, this includes smelting,
chemical lab, hand crafting etc.
  vanilla: 1
  fast: 0
  normal: 0
  slow: 0
  chaos: 0
 recipe_ingredients: # Select if rocket, or rocket + science pack ingredients should be random.
  rocket: 0
  science pack: 1
 imported_blueprints:
  false: 0
  true: 1
 world_gen:
  autoplace_controls:
   coal:
     frequency: 2
     richness: 5
     size: 6
   copper-ore:
     frequency: 2
     richness: 5
     size: 6
   crude-oil:
     frequency: 2
     richness: 5
     size: 6
   enemy-base:
     frequency: 1
     richness: 1
     size: 1
   iron-ore:
     frequency: 2
     richness: 5
     size: 6
   stone:
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frequency: 2
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 trees:
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  size: 1
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  frequency: 2
  richness: 5
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cliff_settings:
 cliff elevation 0: 10
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 richness: 1
enemy_evolution:
 destroy factor: 0.002
 enabled: true
 pollution factor: 9.0e-07
 time factor: 4.0e-06
enemy_expansion:
 enabled: true
 max expansion cooldown: 216000
 max_expansion_distance: 7
 min expansion cooldown: 14400
 settler_group_max_size: 20
 settler_group_min_size: 5
peaceful_mode: false
pollution:
 ageing: 1
 diffusion ratio: 0.02
 enabled: true
 enemy_attack_pollution_consumption_modifier: 1
 min_pollution_to_damage_trees: 60
 pollution_restored_per_tree_damage: 10
property_expression_names:
 control-setting:aux:bias: 0
 control-setting:aux:frequency:multiplier: 1
 control-setting:moisture:bias: 0
 control-setting:moisture:frequency:multiplier: 1
seed: null
starting area: 1
terrain segmentation: 0.5
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water: 1.5
progressive:
 off: 0
 grouped_random: 0
 on: 1
evolution traps: # Trap items that when received increase the enemy evolution.
 # you can add additional values between minimum and maximum
 0: 1 # minimum value
 4: 0 # maximum value
 random: 0
 random-low: 0
 random-high: 0
attack_traps: # Trap items that when received trigger an attack on your base.
 # you can add additional values between minimum and maximum
 0: 1 # minimum value
 4: 0 # maximum value
 random: 0
 random-low: 0
 random-high: 0
evolution trap increase:
 # you can add additional values between minimum and maximum
 1: 0 # minimum value
 100: 0 # maximum value
 random: 0
 random-low: 0
 random-high: 0
 10:1
local_items: # Forces these items to be in their native world.
 non_local_items: # Forces these items to be outside their native world.
 start_inventory: # Start with these items.
 {}
start hints: # Start with these item's locations prefilled into the !hint command.
 start location hints:
 exclude locations:
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