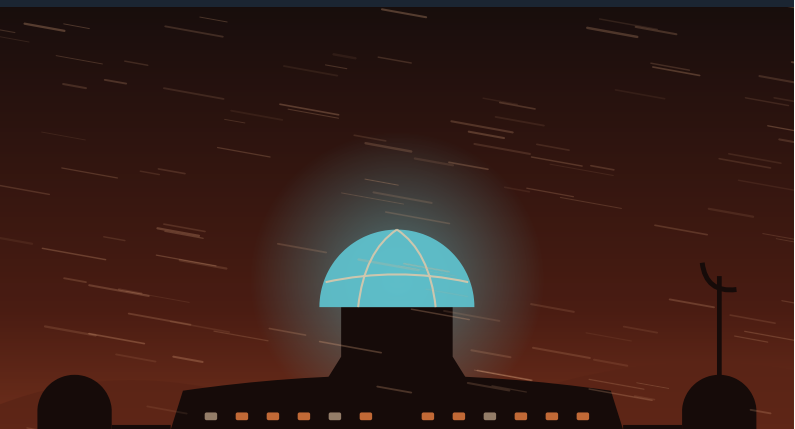


MURDER MYSTERY DINNER · 6 TO 8 PLAYERS

Radio Silence on Ares

A murder mystery dinner on a Mars station in 2152



SAMPLE

For three days a dust storm has been raging over Ares Station on Mars, and the antenna is down. After dinner the commander lies dead in the observation dome. Until the radio window opens in the morning, the crew has to solve the case on its own.

PLAYERS

6 to 8, the host plays along

AGE

16 and up

DURATION

about 3 hours

DIFFICULTY

medium



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What it's about

Mars, 2152. For three days a dust storm has been tearing across the Tharsis region, and on the Ares drilling station there is nothing to hear but grit rattling against the glass. The antenna is down, the main airlock sealed. Until morning no one can reach Earth, and no one can get out.

Dinner goes ahead anyway. The crew sits in the mess, the commander raises her glass to an old anniversary and says that anyone who wants to talk to her can find her later in the observation dome. When dessert arrives, her seat is empty. Shortly afterward Marit Halvorsen is found dead under the glass dome.

There are no police up here. Eight people sit in a sealed station, and one of them knows what happened in the dome. Until the radio window opens in the morning, you have to find out for yourselves.

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How the evening runs

- 1 **Beforehand** Each player gets their intro and gets to know the role.
- 2 **Prologue** The host reads aloud how the evening in the mess begins.
- 3 **Rounds 1 to 3** Each round brings new memories and logs. You question one another.
- 4 **Two events** The station computer MIRA speaks up with new data.
- 5 **Accusation** Everyone writes down who they think is guilty.
- 6 **Solution** The sealed solution is opened and read aloud.

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The Characters

Eight people were on the station that night. One of these roles will be yours.

**Kim Varga**

Head of Supply and Galley

Kim keeps the supplies in order and turns freeze-dried rations into meals the crew talks about for days afterward. Tonight Kim has invited everyone to dinner in the mess.

**Dr. Lena Okafor**

Station Physician

Lena patches up cuts, measures radiation doses and knows every crew member's medical file. She's the first one people call and the last to leave.

**Tomás Reyes**

Chief Engineer, Life Support and Power

Tomás keeps the air, water and power running and knows every pipe on the station by its first name. Since the storm he barely sleeps.

**Dr. Yuki Hartmann**

Head of Geology and Drilling Program

Yuki led the deepest drilling operation on Mars; the first drill core from 400 meters down is her pride and joy. Without her drilling program, the station would not exist.

**Viktor Sandström**

Envoy of the Operating Company (Nereid Consortium)

Viktor has been on Ares for two weeks, sent by the consortium to assess whether the station is still worth it. He is polite, well dressed and asks a lot of questions.

**Sanna Kowalczyk**

Communications and Navigation Officer

Sanna is the voice of the station: every message from Earth crosses her desk. Since the antenna failed in the storm, she has been trying to get it working again.

**Ezra Moll**

Botany and Hydroponics

Ezra tends the greenhouse that grows every fresh tomato on the station and talks to the plants when no one is listening. Ezra is the youngest crew member.

**Dario Ferrante**

Shuttle Pilot

Dario flies the shuttle between the station and orbit and considers himself the best pilot on Mars. In the storm he is stuck like everyone else, and bored out of his mind.

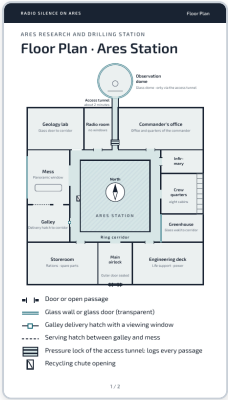
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What the materials look like

Three sample pages from the digital version. The round texts stay secret until the evening, so the round is blurred.



Intro, title page



Floor plan



Round 1 (blurred)

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What's included

- START HERE and host guide (no solution inside), with prologue and events to read aloud
- Floor plan of the station
- 8 role booklets with intro and three rounds
- 5 props with an overview
- Accusation sheets and sealed solution
- Digital version: the intro and each round as a separate file to send

Content notes: Violent death · Affair · Panic attacks · Alcohol · Gambling debts · Grief for the dead

The complete kit is available at krimiabend24.de.