

Introducing

ARDUVENTURE: Trail of the Blade

a story driven RPG with hours of gameplay made exclusively for the Arduboy!

Story

Many years ago, a great evil terrorized our lands and covered it in darkness. Man, woman, young and old stood up against it and fought a seemingly endless battle. United they stood strong but they were no match for the evil that had spread. Many people died, others were taken as prisoners. Those who survived started envying the dead.

When all hope seemed gone, a savior appeared out of nowhere. A farmer boy, the son of a well known blacksmith and mage couple, came to battle. Wielding a magical blade, he single handedly drove back all evil and brought peace back to the lands. The boy was praised for his deeds by many, though some envied him and got obsessed with the magical blade he carried. As the hero didn't want the magical blade to fall into the wrong hands, he decided to split it in 4 pieces and hide them separately across the land, each guarded by a fearsome beast.

The blade has long been lost but the legend remains.

Now, as darkness is about to spread over our lands once again, will the magical blade of legends be recovered and a new hero rise?

Gameplay

Embark on a journey to find 4 pieces of the long lost magical blade of legends. Venture through 4 unique regions in search of their hidden lairs, fighting off enemies (in classic turn based battles) along the way to gain experience and gold. Visit shops to upgrade your equipment and explore every corner of the land to find hidden treasure. The pieces of the magical blade won't be unguarded so be prepared.

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Features

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Classic top-down RPG with original 1-bit graphics

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Massive world to explore

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Complex battle system

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Items, weapons, armor, amulets and magic to collect

Hardware

The Arduboy team has worked closely with TEAM a.r.g. to design custom limited edition hardware that will only ever be available by backing this campaign!

Here are some features unique to the Arduventure edition Arduboy:

- Black Circuit Board

- Dark Tinted front plastic cover
- Gold color buttons
- Black anodized back
- Laser engraved artwork on back

Software

The Arduboy: Arduventure edition will come pre-installed with the Arduventure game. This is your chance to be the first to experience the most anticipated game made for the Arduboy platform.

Arduventure will be open sourced after backers receive their shipments, meaning you can learn from the amazing coding skills of TEAM a.r.g. Who knows, maybe you will make the next special edition!

The Arduventure edition of the Arduboy can also be reprogrammed as well, so if you want to add to your collection of programmable open source gaming consoles, this collectors item is a perfect fit.

SOFTTESTware

We wanted to offer something special to Arduboy fans, and this is your chance to own the official Arduventure plush toy!

Designed specifically for the launch of this title, only to be produced one for this campaign, the main character of Arduventure has been turned into a chibi doll for maximum kawaii.

- Shiny Black and gold color
- Functioning backpack that fits the Arduboy!

What's the Arduboy?

Arduboy is an open source gaming console that was successfully funded here on kickstarter 2 years ago! Since then we have shipped over 20,000 units in total!

Users have created over 200 open source games that are available for free. You can put these programs on this Arduboy also, so once you beat Arduventure, the fun can continue!

Arduboy is a great way to learn how to code, by focusing on creating your own game it is engaging and fun. We have tutorials and lessons to teach beginners how to get started. And because the features of the arduboy are accessible to anyone, even advanced users can flex their skills by developing mind-blowing games such as Arduventure and other games by TEAM a.r.g.

Arduboy also created the Tetris Microcard, our first customized hardware, especially for the official Tetris brand! If you love tetris, and you want to take it with you in your wallet, this is the best on-the-go tetris experience you can get!

What are you doing back?

We love kickstarter! You helped us get the start and we love the 2 way communication this platform provides. There would be no Arduboy without the community so we love that aspect.

But you shipped late last time, is that going to happen again?

Real Talk: Maybe! But there are a few things we think a few things are different this time that give us a head start:

- We've run a campaign before, so we know where the problems happen
- We already built the plastic and metal molds, and have secured the long lead time components
- We already have been working with Sseed Studio for 2 years now and they are ready to go also

But at the end of the day, it might happen. We set the due date in January so that there is no nightmare situations of someone not getting a christmas present.

With all of that said, we are going to try and be early! And besides, this is going to be your only chance to own one of these things, so better late than never, amirite?

Risks and challenges

Last time a landslide almost hit our factory, so really anything can happen, but we have produced 2 products that are now in stores so we feel we are prepared for a lot more.

We have sourced the critical components and now the biggest risk is just making sure everything ends up in the factory at the same time.

Shipping was a big problem last time, and so we are going to use a better supplier this time, but stuff can still get lost in the mail.