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Elden Ring



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I will be reviewing Elden Ring which is FromSoftware's most recent title. It is an action adventure game with an emphasis on exploration and world building. Elden Ring released in 2022 and saw an immense amount of support and praise from fans and newcomers.

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Difficulty and the World Design

You immediately are thrown into an unforgiving world where enemies will be around just about every corner. The game features the classic flow and combat of the Dark Souls series with new added touches that makes this game really stand out from its predecessors. The worlds in the Dark Souls series was always somewhat interconnected but they took it to a whole new level in this new franchise by making the entire map open world and mostly accessible from the beginning. The game's difficulty is ruthlessly unforgiving but it is also nothing but fair, every death or mistake you make feels like it was earned by you or your lack of skill.



White Mask Varré

The game is filled with NPC characters and the first one you are introduced to is Varré "Oh yes... Tarnished, are we? Come to the Lands Between for the Elden Ring, hmm? Of course you have. No shame in it. Unfortunately for you, however, you are maidenless." This is the first line that an NPC speaks to you the player when you are in game finally. It does a lot it helps with world building and introducing where our character stands in this world.