Far Cry

Far Cry is a franchise of first-person shooter games published by Ubisoft. The first game to the
franchise, named Far Cry, was
developed by <u>Crytek</u> to show their <u>CryEngine</u> software, which was
released in March 2004. Ubisoft
later got the rights to the franchise
and began making newer games
using a modified version of
CryEngine. Far Cry is known for its open world gameplay.

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Platforms

First-person shooter **Genres**

Crytek (2004)

Developers Ubisoft Montreal (2005-)

<u>Ubisoft Toronto</u> (2018-)

Publishers Ubisoft

> Microsoft Windows, Xbox, Xbox 360, Wii, Arcade, PlayStation 3, PlayStation 4, Xbox One, Google Stadia, Amazon Luna,

Xbox Series X/S,

PlayStation 5

Far Cry First release

> 2020 2021

March 23, 2004

Latest release

Far Cry 6 October 7, 2021

> Release timeline Main series in bold

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History

Origins

The first *Far Cry* game was made by German studio Crytek using their CryEngine software. Crytek wanted to create a realistic outdoor spaces with their game engine, which was advanced compared with other game engines at the time. [1] Far Cry released in March 2004 for Microsoft Windows and sold 730,000 units in the first four months.^[2]

After the release, Crytek stopped working with Ubisoft and signed a deal in July 2004 to make a gaming franchise with another publisher called **Electronic** Arts, which became the *Crysis* franchise. [3] In March 2006, Ubisoft got the legal rights to the Far Cry series and a license for the CryEngine version used in the making of Far Cry. [4] Ubisoft Montreal became the main studio for making all future Far Cry games.

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2004		Far Cry	
2005		Far Cry Instincts	
2006		Far Cry Instincts: Evolution Far Cry Instincts: Predator Far Cry Vengeance	
2007		<u>Paradise Lost</u>	
2008		Far Cry 2	
2009			
2010			
2011			
2012		Far Cry 3	
2013		Far Cry 3: Blood Dragon	
2014		Far Cry 4	
2015			
2016		Far Cry Primal	
2017			
2018		Far Cry 5	
2019		<u>Far Cry New Dawn</u>	

Far Cry 6

Continued development

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Far Cry 2 was announced by Ubisoft in July 2007, with two large changes from the previous Far Cry games. First, the game use the Dunia Engine, a modified version of the licensed CryEngine by Ubisoft Montreal. The Dunia Engine creates a completely open-world game with realistic physics and destroyable environments. Secondly, Far Cry 2 is more open-ended than Far Cry, that means the player get to create their own stories with the other characters using an advanced artificial intelligence system.

Far Cry 2 was released in October 2008 and sold over 2.9 million units by 2009. [8]

Expansion

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After the release of Far Cry 2, Ubisoft Montreal made a newer version of the Dunia Engine to allow some open-world features such as weather system, which was shown in the next game of the series. [9] Far Cry 3 was announced in 2011 and released in November 2012, it still received positive reviews and had sold more than 10 million units by 2014. [10]

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