



MistCoin

A historic token created by the Ethereum team testing token standards in 2015

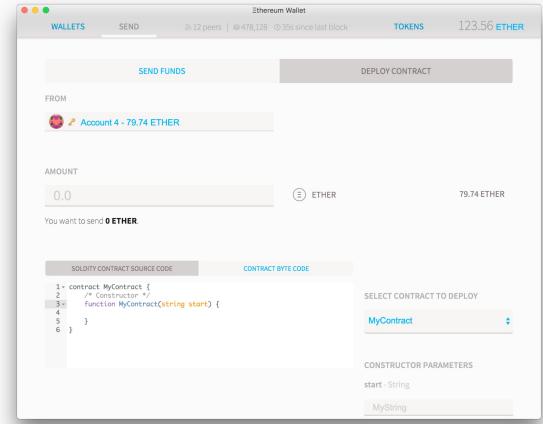
The Origin Story

MistCoin is born



In the early years of Ethereum, even before mainnet in 2014, EF leader [Alex Van de Sande](#) (Avsa) led a team called [Mist](#). The team's goal was to bring mass adoption to Ethereum by building Dapps that make it simple. [Fabian Vogelsteller](#) was brought in as the lead Dapp developer. Both Avsa and Fabian were keenly interested in contract development and the importance of establishing standards.

The Mist team led the Mist Browser and the Ethereum Wallet. The Ethereum Wallet was the official wallet for Ethereum at the time. On Nov 3, 2015, just before Devcon 1, the team [released a feature](#) allowing anyone to create tokens in the Wallet. Upon releasing the feature, Fabian [created MistCoin](#) and [sent half the supply](#) to Avsa.



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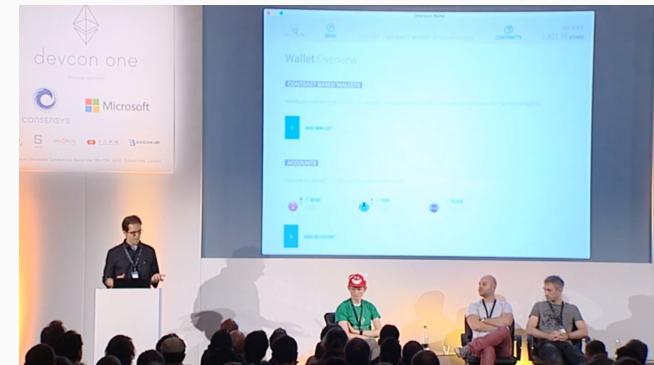
The MistCoin Standard



MistCoin was the first in hundreds of coins that were created from its source code in the Ethereum Wallet. With the new feature, these coins were the first to be heavily traded and used. Fabian and Alex were handing out MistCoin on Reddit.

A few days later, Avsa demoed the feature as a [keynote speaker](#) at Devcon 1. Fabian spoke on [standardization](#).

After [deliberation](#), and 16 days after creating MistCoin, Fabian published [EIP-20: Token Standard](#) with Vitalik Buterin, paving the way to the first established standard: ERC-20.



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Wrapped MistCoin



In 2022, Avsa and Fabian were approached asking for MistCoin to help fund a group interested in historic NFTs. Avsa gave a few hundred thousand and they did giveaways as well as [create a wrapper](#) to make it a standard ERC-20. Fabian gave another large amount, half of which was placed for sale. This funded a full-range V2 pool that was [locked for 100 years](#).

MistCoin, created by the co-author of the ERC-20 standard, the first token in a feature release to create tokens in the Ethereum Wallet, is now available for all to collect.

The screenshot shows the Etherscan interface for the MistCoin (MC) token. At the top, there's a navigation bar with 'Etherscan' and a 'Sign In' button. Below the navigation, there's a search bar with 'Token MistCoin (MC)' and dropdown menus for 'Buy', 'Exchange', 'Play', and 'Gaming'. A prominent message box states: 'This token is claimed to be the first ERC-20 token on Ethereum. Read more about it in this post by feindura.' At the bottom, there are buttons for 'ERC-20' and '# Payments', along with a link to 'misteth.com'.

MistCoin Timeline

Jun 2015 - Vitalik publishes the standards wiki

Nov 2015 - Fabian and Avsa create MistCoin and the first standard tokens

Nov 2015 - Avsa is a keynote speaker at Devcon 1 and speaks to the Ethereum Wallet feature to make tokens

Nov 2015 - Fabian and Vitalik publish EIP-20: Token Standard, now known as ERC-20.

Sep 2017 - ERC-20 is finalized

Jul 2022 - MistCoin is wrapped and an LP is launched

May 2025 - The MistCoin code is verified on Etherscan

Fabian Vogelsteller @feindura · Nov 27, 2024
Replying to @MistCoinEth @MistCoin and @VitalikButerin
I didn't pick the number randomly, it was the GitHub issue number 20. The idea was not that this becomes the official standard, but to be the discussion for a future standard 😊
People just went with my written specification, and used the name ERC20

#20 ERC: Token standard

frozeman opened on November 19, 2015
ERC: Token standard - Issue #20 - ethereum/EIPs

Alex Van de Sande (avsa.eth) @avsa · Jan 20, 2024
Here are some "Nice words". This token was made to test the token capabilities of Mist and ERC20 as a whole (gas was so cheap).
There's NO inherent value.
If you're a collector or like slot machines do your thing, but you probably will be someone else's greater fool.

Mist @MistCoin · Jan 17, 2024
Just 3 days left to make it to 3000 days since @MistCoin creation.
What about some nice words from its daddies @feindura @avsa?

Alex Van de Sande (avsa.eth) @avsa · Feb 23, 2018
Replying to @avsa @aantonop and 2 others
Just checked: I still have my 14700 Mist Tokens! Anyone wants to buy a piece of history? :-)

MIST TOKEN
14,700,000 MSC
0xf4eced2f682ce333f96...

Fabian Vogelsteller @feindura · Feb 23, 2018
Replying to @aantonop @TruthInCrypto and @VitalikButerin
The first ERC20 I did was MistCoin a fun creation to test tokens in the Ethereum Wallet. Right after somebody created "bitcoin" 🐻 I still own some super valuable MistCoin 😊

This token is claimed to be the first ERC-20 token on Ethereum. Read more about it in this post by feindura.

Alex Van de Sande (avsa.eth) @avsa · Nov 19, 2015
* helped launch ethereum
* launched the first Ethereum Wallet and Web3 Browser.
* coded one of the first ERC20 tokens, DAO, token sale and NFT (ENS) contracts, and they were used as templates in the Ethereum home.
* spent 2 years promoting ENS as a primary means of login

2:46 PM · Nov 3, 2021

Fabian Vogelsteller @feindura · Mar 21, 2024
I just submitted a ticket to @etherscan about #MistCoin to add the tag "First ERC20 token".
While doing that I realised, I actually deployed it 16 days before submitting the ERC proposal 😊, as I used it to test the standard idea.
I deployed it on the 3rd of November 2015, while Show more

ERC: Token standard #20
Closed frozeman opened this issue on Nov 19, 2015 · 362 comments
frozeman commented on Nov 19, 2015 · edited by Pandapip1
The final standard can be found here: <https://eips.ethereum.org/EIPS/eip-20>

138 321 80K



Mistonomics

- Total Supply: 1m
- Wrapped Supply: 600k
- V2 Full Range Liquidity Locked for 100 Years
- ~10-20% lost or inactive wallets
- Bridged to Base
- Listed on CoinEx & NonKYC
- Community Team Multisig holds ~15,000 MistCoin

MistCoin:

0xf4eCEd2f682CE333f96f2D8966C613DeD8fc95DD

Wrapped MistCoin:

0x7Fd4d7737597E7b4ee22AcbF8D94362343ae0a79

Website

CMC & CoinGecko

DexTools & DexScreener

Twitter

Tokens made BY



ethereum



MistCoin
Nov 3, 2015
ETH: \$0.90



Unicorns
Feb 11, 2016
ETH: \$6.38



Unicorn Meat
Mar 24, 2016
ETH: \$11.13



Devcon2
Nov 16, 2016
ETH: \$10.01

Ten Years Of Ethereum
Jul 29, 2025
ETH: \$3,793.46

