



Releasing games on Steam

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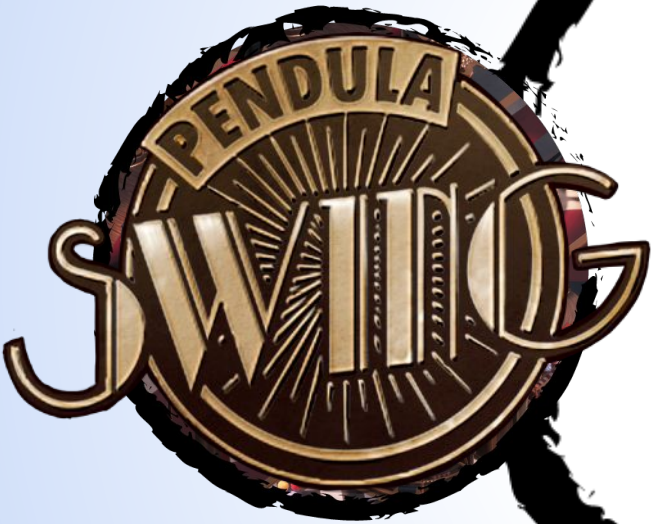
Games since 2011

Companies like Paradox, Lionbite & FutureGames

Ex solo indie dev

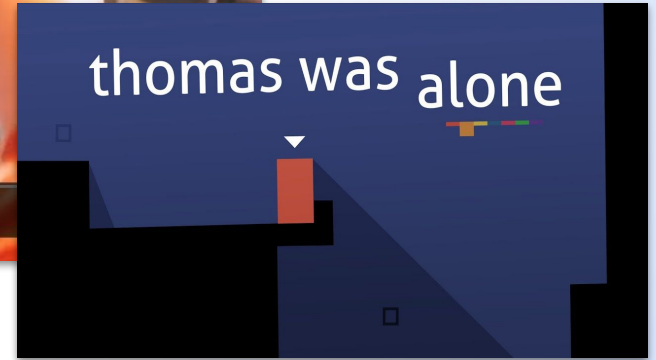
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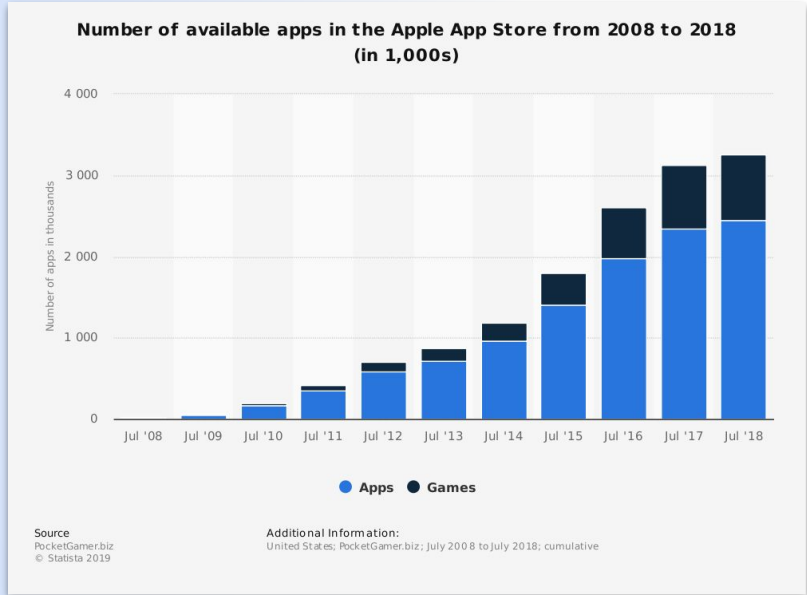




1. Background to what Steam's like
2. The state of Steam today
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6. Other OSs beside Windows
7. Other platforms beside Steam
8. Our journey at Valiant
9. Key takeaways

Background





Over 500 games now submitted to iOS App Store every day



Have you ever wondered how many mobile games are submitted to the iOS App Store every month?

March 9, 2016 | By Chris Kerr

17 comments

Well, you can find out the answer by paying a visit to [PG.biz's iOS App Store Metrics page](#), which has been keeping tabs on that exact stat since the App Store opened.

More: [Smartphone/Tablet](#), [Business/Marketing](#)



Having so much data in one place makes it easy to see how the mobile industry has evolved over the past eight years. For example, when PG.biz first started tracking data in July 2008, they only recorded a paltry 258 games submissions for the entire month.



March 2, 2015

If You Love Something, Set It Free

Community News

By Tim Sweeney

Unreal Engine 4 is now available to everyone for free, and all future updates will be free!



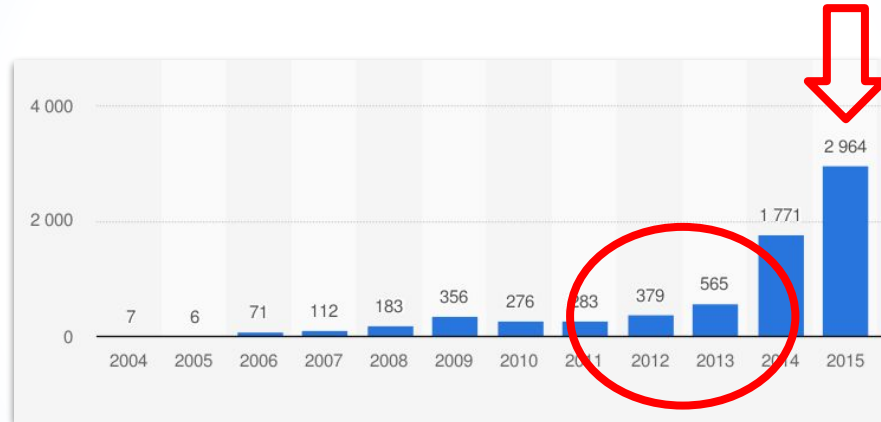
VALVE LAUNCHES STEAM GREENLIGHT

Press Release - Valve

30 Aug, 2012

Over 30 Titles Awaiting Community Feedback

August 30, 2012 -- Valve, creators of best-selling game franchises (such as Counter-Strike, Half-Life, Left 4 Dead, Portal, and Team Fortress) and leading technologies (such as Steam and Source), today announced the launch of Steam Greenlight, a new platform feature that enlists the community's help in selecting some of the next games to be released on Steam.



In 2015, people started using the term “indiepocalypse”

The 5 Myths of the Indiepocalypse

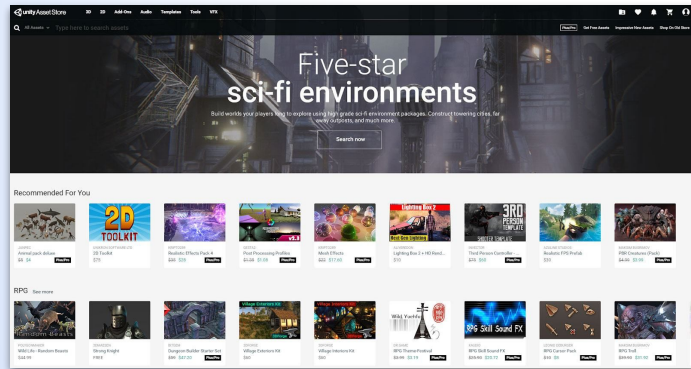
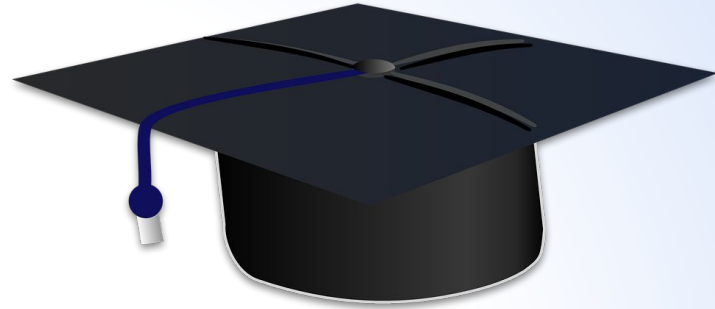
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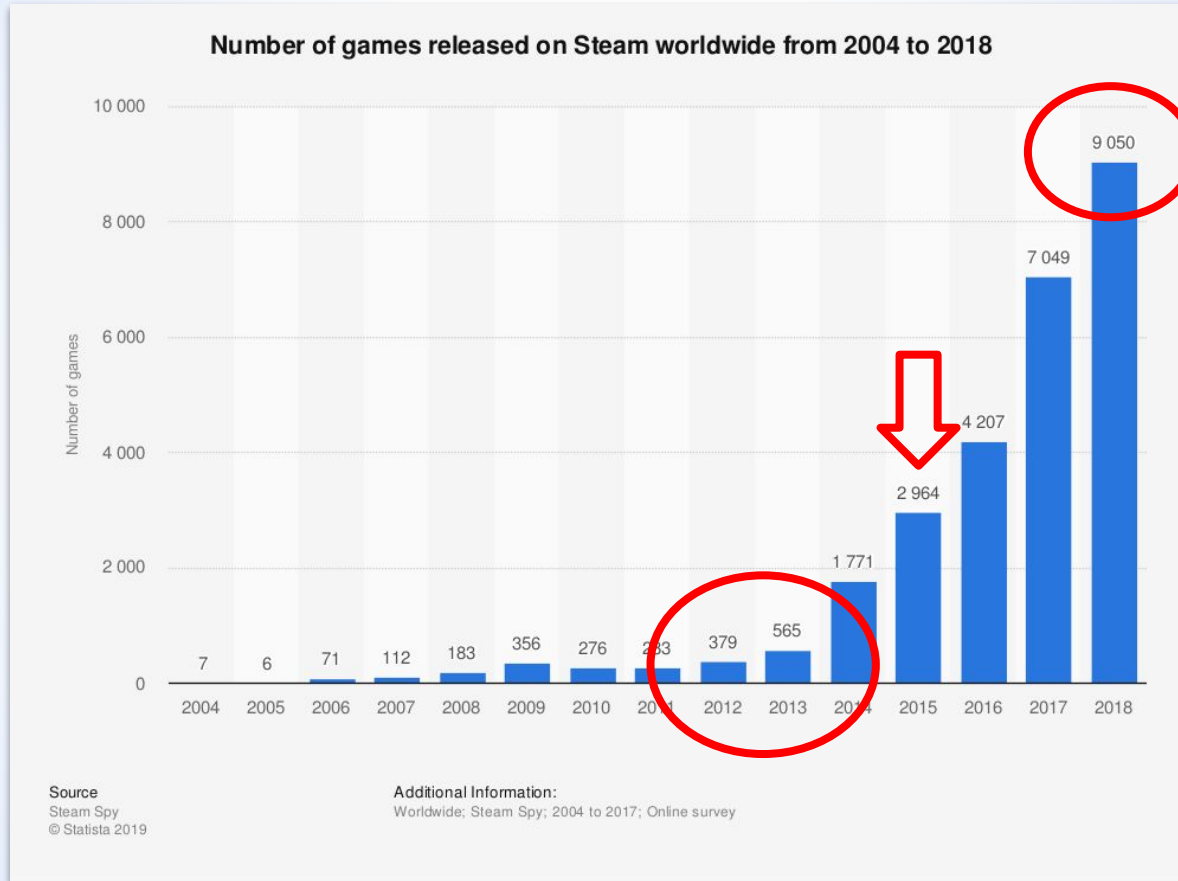
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The hot topic for independent developers these days is the so-called “indiepocalypse”. It’s the notion that indies are going to have an increasingly difficult time making a living now that mobile and Steam are both “flooded” with games. Indiepocalypse posts tend to focus on 5 key ideas:

1. There is too much competition, especially now that so many games launch on Steam each week.
2. Various charts are showing bad things, such as revenue per game declining.
3. The App Store is a wasteland. Steam will now become a wasteland.
4. A few high profile indie games have had weaker-than-expected launches lately. Surely this means that the apocalypse is upon us?
5. Triple-I independent games are going to force indie budgets to rise inexorably, mirroring what happened with AAA.



Steam today



The average game on Steam will sell about
2000 copies and make
\$12,500 in revenue in its first **month**.

The average game will make
\$30,000 in its first **year**.



Valiant Game Studio
@Valiant_GS

We're celebrating two years as a company! 🍷🍷

Thank you so much to everyone who has supported us along the way ❤️

#indiedev #gamedev #startup #celebration #anniversary
#stillalive



About Pendula Swing



Ways of bringing games to market

1. Premium
2. F2P
3. Episodic
4. Subscription
5. Season pass
6. Early Access
7. etc



Dashboard | Apps & Packages | Tools | Users & Permissions | Financial Info | Find by App Name or ID

Steamworks > App Admin > Pendula Swing Episode 1 - Tired and Retired

App Data Admin: Pendula Swing Episode 1 - Tired and Retired (840290)

Application | **SteamPipe** | Installation | Security | Stats & Achievements | Community | Workshop | Manage Keys | Misc | Publish

Your Builds [View SteamPipe Documentation](#)

Note that once you create a build branch, you will still need to make sure that any depots in that build are also in the appropriate packages. If you are testing yourself, you will need to make sure the depots in the build are also included in your "developer comp" package, which should be the red-colored package in the [list of packages](#) for this application.

Keep in mind that all branch names and descriptions are visible to public, if the app is released.

Beta : Upload depots as ZIP directly without using steamcmd (512MB max). Click [here](#)

4 available app branches :

Branch	Description	Password	BuildID		
conference	Buids for showing in public	showoffbuild	4250322	Disable	Update
internal	For dev purposes	hedgehogpants	4377292	Disable	Update
testing	For making sure the game is goooood	swinginforatest	4377292	Disable	Update
default	Public default branch		4250322		

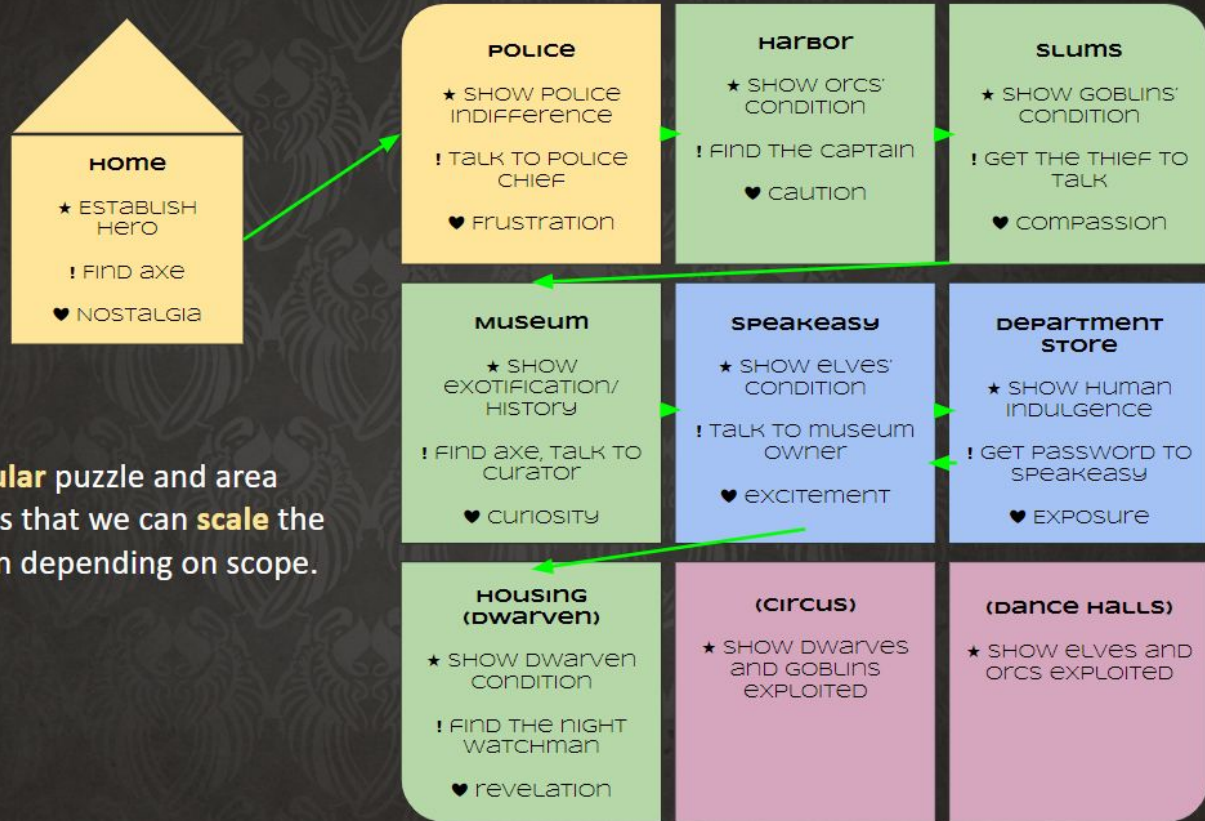
[Create new app branch](#)

Show Update Download Size from Build: To Build : [GO](#)

Showing last 50 builds; [Show older builds](#)

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Steam Direct: \$100



We work with **modular** puzzle and area design, which means that we can **scale** the project up and down depending on scope.

Pricing

	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 7 - FACTS AND ARTIFACTS 14 Nov, 2019 Briallynne is closing in on the mastermind who brought her out on the wild goose chase. Yet still, there are more surprises waiting.	4,50€
	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 6 - PUBLIC DISPLAY OF HEROISM 15 Aug, 2019 The hunt for her missing axe brings Briallynne to the seat of the academics in Duberdon. Could these scholars be the ones hiding her precious artifact?	4,50€
	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 5 - GLAMOUR SPELL 16 May, 2019 The fact that dwarven ale is prohibited does not mean it's not possible to find if you know where to look. Many interesting people frequent the establishments that provide it. In Pendula Swing Episode 5- Glamour Spell, you finally get the chance to do so!	4,50€
	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 4 - NO SILVER SPOONS 28 Feb, 2019 When entering a familiar part of Duberdon, now called Old Town, Briallynne finds that it is in great disrepair. A great place for the thief who stole her axe to hide out.	4,50€
	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 3 - ORCING HARD OR HARDLY ORCING 22 Nov, 2018 A lead brings Briallynne to the Harbor District, where she aims to ask the captain of a ship what she knows about the missing axe. Were the bars in Duberdon always this seedy, though?	4,50€
	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 2 - THE OLD HERO'S NEW JOURNEY 15 Aug, 2018 Briallynne sets foot in Duberdon for the first time in 400 years and is mesmerized by how the world changed. She hopes to find someone who can help recover her axe, which appears to be harder than she had anticipated. And who is that	4,50€
	PENDULA SWING EPISODE 1 - TIRED AND RETIRED 15 Aug, 2018 Tolkien meets The Great Gatsby in this adventure set in a fantasy version of the American Roaring 1920s! Play as the famous hero Briallynne, forced to interrupt her retirement. You knew the world has changed, but not just how much.	Free

ITEMS INCLUDED IN THIS BUNDLE

	Pendula Swing Episode 2 - The Old Hero's New Jour... Adventure, Casual, Free to Play, Indie, RPG	4,50€
	Pendula Swing Episode 3 - Orcing Hard or Hardly Or... Adventure, Indie, RPG	4,50€
	Pendula Swing Episode 4 - No Silver Spoons Adventure, Casual, Indie, RPG	4,50€
	Pendula Swing Episode 5 - Glamour Spell Adventure, Indie, RPG	4,50€
	Pendula Swing Episode 6 - Public Display of Heroism Adventure, Indie, RPG	4,50€
	Pendula Swing Episode 7 - Facts and Artifacts Adventure, Indie, RPG	4,50€
Price of individual products:		27,-€
Bundle discount:		30%
Your cost:		18,90€
Here's what you save by buying this bundle		8,10€

All Games > Adventure Games > Midvinter

Midvinter

[Community Hub](#)



Interact



Midvinter is a cozy little point-and-click game, which invites you to explore Swedish folklore using puzzles and riddles as well as compelling music and voice over. In it, you as a player take on the role of gnome - the guardian of the farm - and get to interact with various dark and fantastical creatures.

ALL REVIEWS: [Positive](#) (31)

RELEASE DATE: 5 May, 2016

DEVELOPER: [Talecore Studios](#)

PUBLISHER: [Talecore Studios](#), [Valiant Game St...](#)

Popular user-defined tags for this product:

[Adventure](#) [Indie](#) [Point & Click](#) [+](#)

Buy this game as a gift for a friend

Buy Midvinter



4,99€

Add to Cart



SteamSpy: \$20 and \$60 were the top-earning Steam game prices last year

SteamSpy operator and Epic employee Sergey Galyonkin [published a Medium post](#) today that's full of interesting stats gleaned from what his Steam surveillance platform saw in 2017.

Notably, Galyonkin reports that last year the most popular game price was \$10, but the games that generated the most revenue on Steam were priced at \$30 (25.56 percent of all revenue for the year) and \$60 (18.49 percent of all revenue.)

However, it's important to note that PUBG Corp.'s *PlayerUnknown's Battlegrounds* dominated Steam last year, selling over 25 million copies and generating over \$600 million in revenue, according to SteamSpy estimates. When Galyonkin removed *PUBG* from his dataset, the overall shape of the graph (reprinted below) remained the same but \$20 became the top earner, accounting for 19.56 percent of total revenue for the year.

"Surprise: cheap games do not make a lot of money," wrote Galyonkin. "People are still mostly buying relatively expensive and quality titles."

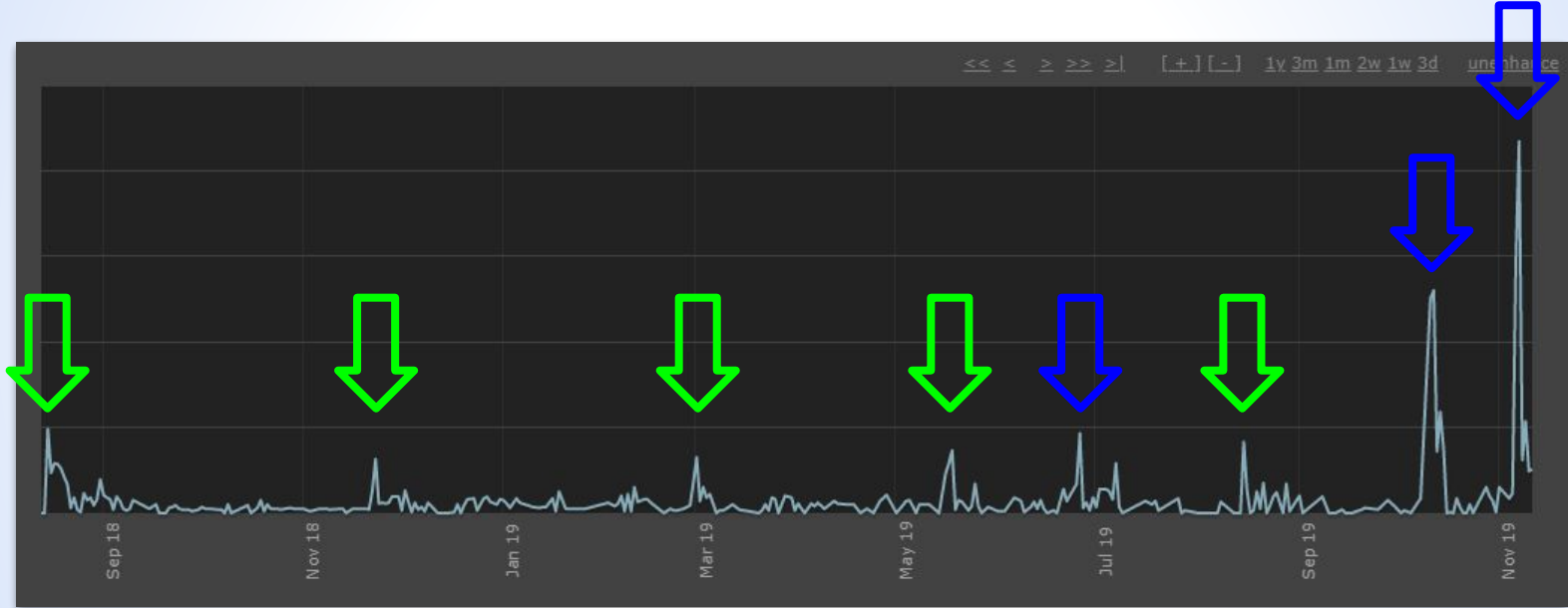
April 4, 2018 | By Alex Wawro

 2 comments

More: [Console/PC](#), [Indie](#), [Business/Marketing](#)



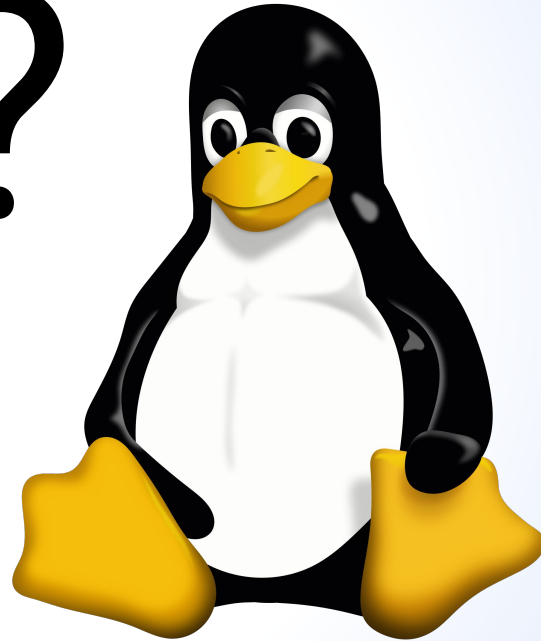
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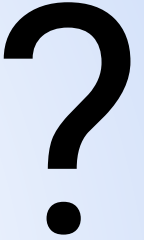
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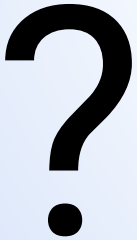
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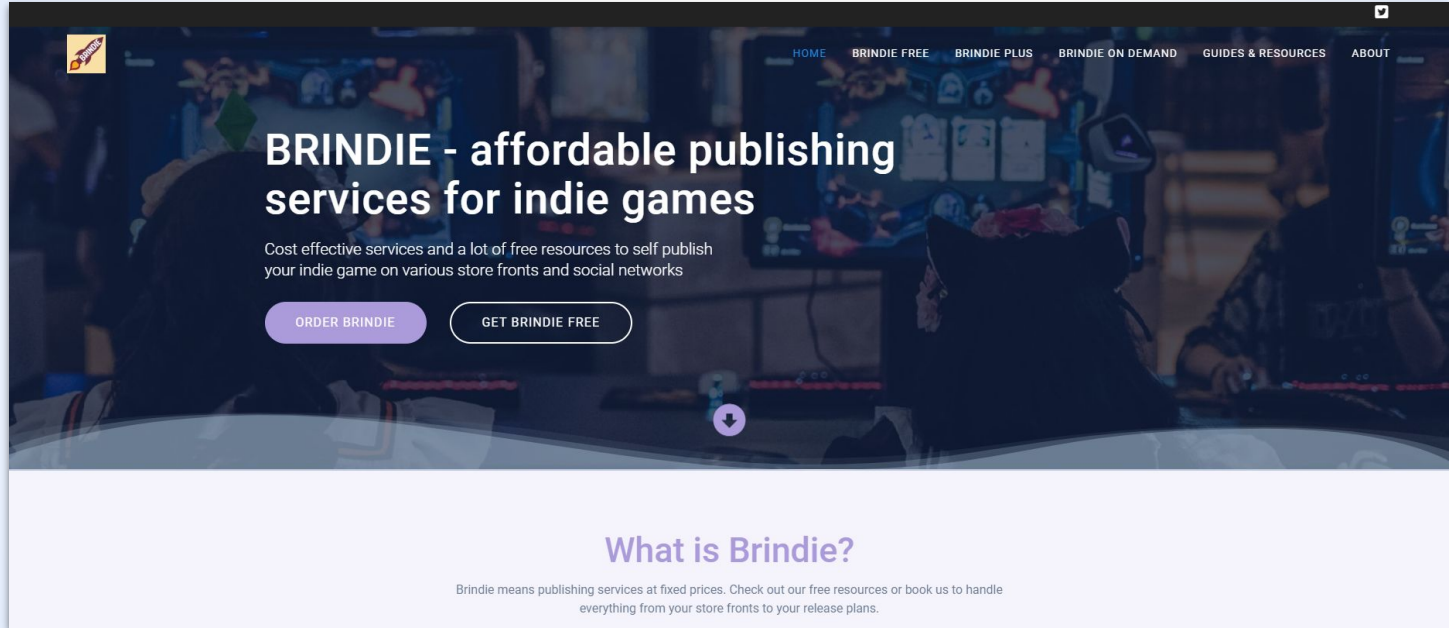


XBOX



NINTENDO
SWITCH





The screenshot shows the homepage of the Brindie website. At the top left is the Brindie logo, a small orange square with a white bear head. The navigation menu at the top right includes links for HOME, BRINDIE FREE, BRINDIE PLUS, BRINDIE ON DEMAND, GUIDES & RESOURCES, and ABOUT. The main heading is "BRINDIE - affordable publishing services for indie games". Below this is a sub-heading: "Cost effective services and a lot of free resources to self publish your indie game on various store fronts and social networks". There are two buttons: "ORDER BRINDIE" (a purple pill-shaped button) and "GET BRINDIE FREE" (a white pill-shaped button with a purple border). A purple arrow icon points downwards. Below the main content area, there is a section titled "What is Brindie?" with a sub-heading "What is Brindie?". The text below reads: "Brindie means publishing services at fixed prices. Check out our free resources or book us to handle everything from your store fronts to your release plans."

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ZESTREA - a marriage negotiation board game

Experience ridiculous Romanian traditions, arrange weddings & survive Hard Times in a beautiful, witty game ready for commercial print



 Project We Love  Tabletop Games  Cluj-Napoca, Romania

SEK 195,294
pledged of SEK 120,000 goal

679
backers

9
days to go

 Share  Tweet  Mail  Embed

All or nothing. This project will only be funded if it reaches its goal by Thu, November 21 2019 11:00 AM CET.

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Community Hub

CREATE CHARACTER

FIRST NAME:
LAST NAME:
CITIZENSHIP:
SEX: F M
AGE: 25
VALID TILL: 2027-04-14

Melpasse 'Noble' Nighes

- * A VALID PASS PAPER GRANTING HER VISAS
- * SHE NEEDS VISAS TO VISIT ANY COUNTRY
- * SHEY NEED A COUNTRY WITHOUT A WALL OR A BARRIER TO IN QUART AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT
- * SHEY NEED TO EARN A BILLY AS WELL AS A TRAVEL IDEN.
- * SHEY NEED TO BE BORN IN A COUNTRY WITH A WALL

Heart. Papers. Border. is an optimistic strategy game about travelling, freedom and changing the world!

ALL REVIEWS: 5 user reviews

RELEASE DATE: 20 Aug, 2017

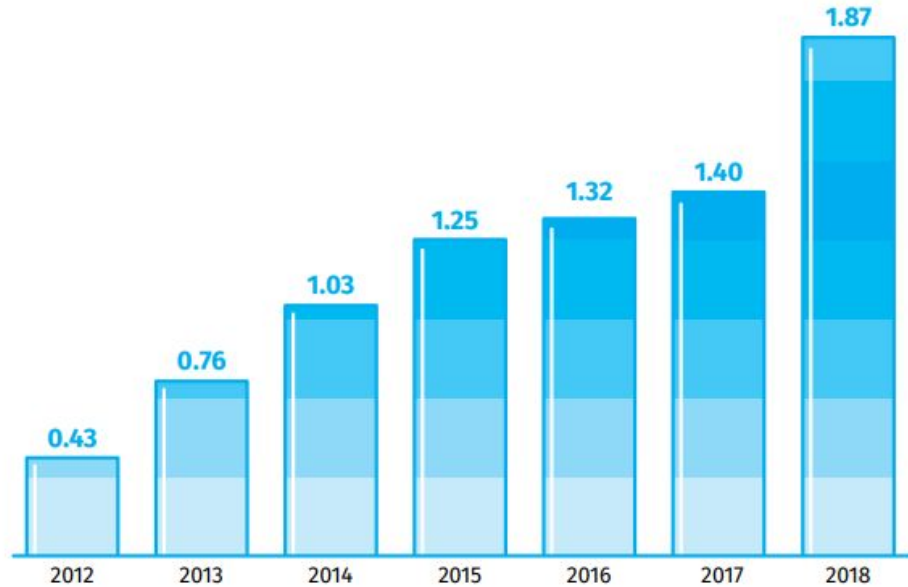
DEVELOPER: Jovian Industries
PUBLISHER: Jovian Industries Valiant Game S...

Popular user-defined tags for this product:

[Early Access](#) [Indie](#) [Strategy](#) [Simulation](#) [Sci-fi](#)



Revenue B EUR



Currency conversions from SEK to EUR is based on the yearly average reported by the Swedish Central Bank, Riksbanken

The **challenge** is to **stand out**,
and finding **alternative sources of revenue**.

Key takeaways

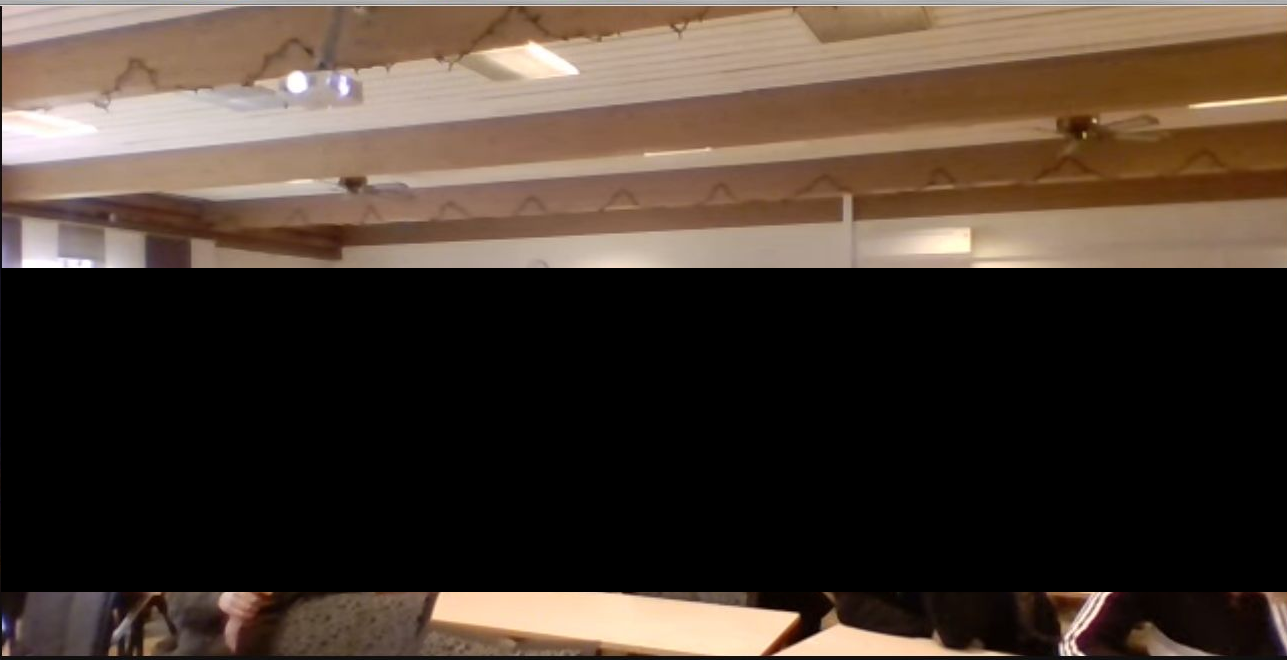
1. Find your **target audience**, and stick to it
2. Be open to **pivot** - have plans, but be ready to change them
3. Strive for a **diverse portfolio**
4. **Don't** plan a **Magnum Opus** and build a company just because you have to
5. If no-one in the team likes business, **find a CEO/bizdev person**
6. There are **alternative ways of earning money**, besides just making games
7. Keep your **IP** in mind
8. Find ways to be **unique**



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Thank you!



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Jessica Lycker



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