

Celebrating The Legend of Zelda

Nintendo's *Legend of Zelda* series is one of gaming's most beloved adventure game franchises, focusing on the adventures of Link – most often tasked with rescuing Princess Zelda from the clutches of evil Ganon, in the kingdom of Hyrule. Some exceptions exist though, such as *Link's Awakening*



Nintendo shows new Zelda remake at E3



Out: Sep 20, 2019

GAME RELEASED (Console)

2019	Link's Awakening (Switch)
2018	
2017	Breath of the Wild (Switch)
2016	Twilight Princess HD* (Wii U)
2015	Majora's Mask 3D* (3DS)
	Tri Force Heroes (3DS)
2014	
2013	The Wind Waker HD* (Wii U)
	A Link Between Worlds (3DS)
2012	
2011	Ocarina of Time 3D* (3DS)
	Skyward Sword (Wii)
2010	
2009	Spirit Tracks (DS)
2008	
2007	Phantom Hourglass (DS)
2006	Twilight Princess (Wii/GC)
2005	
2004	Four Swords Adventures (GC)
	The Minish Cap (GBA)
2003	
2002	Four Swords (GBA)
	The Wind Waker (GC)
2001	Oracle of Seasons (GBC)
	Oracle of Ages (GBC)
2000	Majora's Mask (N64)
1999	
1998	Ocarina of Time (N64)
	Link's Awakening DX* (GBC)
1997	
1996	
1995	
1994	
1993	Link's Awakening (GB)
1992	
1991	A Link to the Past (SNES)
1990	
1989	
1988	
1987	The Adventure of Link (NES)
1986	The Legend of Zelda (NES)

One of few Zelda games not to take place in land of Hyrule, or feature Princess Zelda or Triforce

Total games sold: 109m



Hylian Shield

Master Sword: Invariably hidden in game world. Players, who control **Link**, can track it down and use it to defeat **Ganon**



Ganon (aka Ganondorf): Link's nemesis. Often captures **Zelda** in attempt to conquer **Hyrule**

Princess Zelda:

Titular character and member of Hyrule royal family. Generally portrays damsel in distress who can assist Link's progress in adventures



Created by **Shigeru Miyamoto** (right), who also created **Mario** and many other popular Nintendo properties



Tokyo

Nantan



Game inspired by Miyamoto's childhood explorations of forests and caves around his home in **Sonobe**, Japan (now city of Nantan)

Name derived from wife of U.S. author F. Scott Fitzgerald, **Zelda Sayre** (right)



First Zelda game could fit into **128K ROM** cartridge



Original Link sprite (movable graphic) only occupies **16x16 pixel grid**



Link: Soul of "legendary hero" reincarnated into teenage boy when need arises for him to defeat forces of evil

Triforce (of Power): Sacred relic left behind by three goddesses who created Hyrule. Bestows magical abilities on those who bear it

Kingdom of Hyrule: In *Breath of the Wild*, game map is **360km²** – about size of **Kyoto**, Japan

