Microsoft ahead in game console race

Playstation 3 is to hit shops in November, but at a higher price than Xbox 360, which is likely to have sold 10 million consoles by that time.

Nintendo has vet to announce a release date for its Wii console **PlayStation 3** Xbox 360 \$299-399





\$499-599



Nintendo Wii \$250*

Capable of downloading and playing games from earliest Nintendo davs previously restricted to older models



CPU: Three 3.2Ghz IBM PowerPC cores

Memory: 512Mb Ports: Three USB.

ethernet. Wi-Fi Hard disk: 20Gb

Other storage: Two

64Mb memory cards, CD / DVD burner

Controller: Up to four wireless pads

Games: Backwards

compatible

Graphics: HDTV Release: Nov 22, 2005 3.2Ghz seven core Cell Processor

512Mb

Four USB, ethernet. Wi-Fi. Bluetooth 20Gb and 60Gb

Memory Stick / Duo / Pro, SD, CompactFlash,

CD / DVD burner Up to seven Bluetooth

tilt-sensitive control pads Backwards compatible

with PS1 and PS2 HDTV resolution

Nov 11, 2006

Unknown

Two USB, ethernet, Wi-Fi 512MB flash memory

Broadway

PowerPC code-named

SD memory card, GameCube memory

card ports Up to four wireless pads

with position tracking

Backwards compatible with GameCube

Unknown Late 2006

*Expected price

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