Valve's new handled PC the Steam Deck is starting to ship out but there's going to be a long wait for some, and others might not be able to get one at all for various reasons - I'm here to help.

Now that any embargo is up and I can do whatever Steam Deck content I like, I had a thought. I know a lot about Linux, and since I have a Steam Deck why not help out those who need it? So that's exactly what I'm announcing: a free Steam Deck testing service for developers.

I'd bet the Steam Deck (and other changes) will have the following impacts on Linux overall by the end of 2022.

[...]

I'm expecting at least 20% increase on the Steam Hardware Survey (so 1% to 1.20%) not including Steam Deck. Right now, the Steam Linux usage is less than half what you get from other sources.

[...]

Encourage Linux consumer focused pre-installs with similar AMD chips to what's in the Steam Deck (I know many have asked for more AMD preinstalls for a long while)
So the Steam Deck has just launched, and IGN had the good idea to reconnect with GabeN to collect some of his thoughts about the device, as well as asking him what he thinks of the Ukraine conflict. Nah, that second part did not happen.

**Yes, ?Elden Ring? Is Perfectly Playable On Linux (Including Online Features)**[5]

Based on the amount of misinformation being dished out on social media and the gaming press this weekend, you deserve to hear this: Elden Ring is perfectly playable on Linux, including online functionality. That doesn’t just apply to Valve’s Steam Deck; it applies to any modern desktop Linux distribution running Steam.

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