Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen GOG FAQ

"Hail, Arisen!"

We have set up a GOG FAQ for *Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen* to answer any technical, gameplay and content-related questions you may have for the game.

Technical Troubleshooting FAQ

1. What are the system requirements for Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen?

For a list of System Requirements for *Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen*, please visit the game's <u>Store Page</u>.

2. Will the game run on my laptop?

While the game does not officially support laptops, the game should run well on modern laptop systems equipped with a dedicated graphics chip. We've played *DD:DA* on late model laptops such as the Alienware 14/15/17 which came equipped with GTX 960M, 970M, and 980M, and they appear to run well at 1080p/60fps (960M may require some adjustment to LOD/draw distance settings to achieve a solid 60fps). We have also briefly played *DDDA* on a 3.5 year-old ASUS Ultrabook laptop with a Core i7 + GT 650M chip where 'Medium' settings seem to be the sweet spot for running the game at 1080p with a reasonably stable 30fps (or 720p/60 with 'Low' settings).

Laptops without a dedicated graphics chip will have to further pare down graphics and resolution settings to get the game to run at a playable frame rate. Anecdotally speaking, the game seems to run okay on the aforementioned ASUS laptop when forced to run on an Intel HD4000 series processor at 720p, 30fps cap, and all other graphics settings set to low.

Compatibility and performance will vary depending on other factors so there's no guarantee; at the end of the day, you're on your own when it comes to laptops. Capcom does not warrant nor officially provide technical support for PCs that do not meet the official system requirements. If you're still unsure, search the forums or ask other forum members who may have already tried the game on a similarly spec'd laptop.

3. I'm getting a black screen / "d3derr_devicelost:getdevice0[&d3dppm]" crash error!

First, try updating your video card drivers, as oftentimes outdated drivers can cause a variety of issues ranging anywhere from in-game graphical problems, to the game not starting, and more.

For the latest Nvidia drivers, <u>click here</u>. For the latest AMD drivers, <u>click here</u>.

Additionally, please run the <u>DirectX End-User Runtime Web Installer</u> to install the most up-to-date version of DirectX. Also, ensure Windows Update has been run to get all the latest updates.

Next, open the game's config.ini file, located here:

C:\Users\%username%\AppData\Local\CAPCOM\DRAGONS DOGMA DARK ARISEN\config.ini

Ensure that the "VSYNC" line in this document is changed to "OFF." Save the file, then exit and re-launch the game.

If you still experience crash issues, you may want to try performing a clean installation of the video driver set. This will remove any extraneous driver DLL files or game profiles that existed with the previous driver installation.

To do a clean video driver install, many enthusiasts use a third-party program called <u>Display Driver Uninstaller (DDU)</u>, which completely removes components that were part of the original driver installation package.

Run DDU and uninstall old video driver.

Install the latest OEM video card driver and reboot your PC.

Run the latest DirectX installer package and reboot your PC.

IMPORTANT! Please don't forget to reboot Windows upon completing a video driver installation. This will help reinitialize the driver and the graphics card using the new driver.

4. I'm having issues with video playback in the game.

If you are encountering issues related to video playback with the game, this could be due to a missing Windows Media Player codec, which the game requires. Please ensure the appropriate version of <u>Windows Media Player</u> is installed on your system, as well as the appropriate Media Feature Pack for your version of Windows (restart your computer after installing a Media Feature Pack):

- Windows 10 Media Feature Pack
- Windows 8.1 Media Feature Pack
- Windows 8 Media Feature Pack
- Windows 7 Media Feature Pack

Windows 10 N and KN Edition users will need to download the following Media Feature Pack.

Save Data FAQ

5. Where are the cloud saves for *Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen* located?

Cloud saves for the GOG version of the game are stored in the following folder path:

 $<\!\!USER\!\!>\!\!\Lambda ppData \setminus GOG.com \setminus Galaxy \setminus Applications \setminus 49987265717041704 \setminus Storage \setminus Shared \setminus Files$

6. <u>Does the game support more than one save slot?</u>

No. The pawn trading system and interaction with the Rift server were designed around a single save and player profile. While hot-swapping save file outside of the game is technically possible, this will cause synchronization issues with the pawn you have uploaded to the Rift or shared out to friends and other community members.

7. Are my Steam cloud saves compatible with the GOG version?

Save data for the Steam version of *Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen* will not work with the GOG version, and vice versa.

Similarly, pawns, item trading, and other online functionalities utilized in the GOG version are exclusive to that version, and are not connected to Steam.

8. Can I use / transfer my saves from the Xbox 360 or PS3 versions?

No. Saves are not directly compatible with the PC version.

Configuration & Controller FAQ

9. Where is the configuration file for *Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen* located?

The configuration file, config.ini, is located in the following folder path:

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10. Does the game still have letterboxing?

The PC version now features full screen rendering without letterboxing on standard 16:9 aspect ratio widescreen monitors. 21:9 ultra widescreen monitors are not supported natively due to static UI elements designed around 16:9 output.

11. What's the maximum frame rate supported by the game?

Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen currently supports up to 150 frames per second, which means the game can take full advantage of 144Hz monitors provided you have a capable PC. Please note an upper limit has been imposed at 150 fps in order to avoid any potential game-breaking issues. (e.g., physics interaction and rendering errors)

12. What is the maximum resolution supported?

The game supports arbitrary resolutions exposed through Windows. We've only tested up to 4K (3,840 x 2,160) resolution, but the game theoretically should work beyond that provided you have a capable graphics card and a monitor that supports it.

13. What languages are supported in-game? Any plans to implement additional localization? What about voiceover?

The game supports English, French, Italian, German, Spanish, and Japanese text as they were originally available on the console version. There are currently no plans to add other languages. The game includes English voiceover. Japanese VO unfortunately is not supported due to licensing restrictions.

14. What controllers are supported natively? Will my gamepad work?

Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen supports both XInput and DirectInput-based controllers. This means popular gamepads such as the Xbox 360, Xbox One, Steam Controller, and PlayStation DualShock 4 controllers will work right out of the box. No XInput remapper app is required. We recommend disabling any remapper programs prior to launching the game, as they may cause undesired effects on your controls.

15. Will I be able to manually remap buttons when using a gamepad?

Yes and No. For XInput-compatible controllers (it'll display as Xbox 360 controller in-game), there are six presets you can choose from. For DirectInput-based controllers such as the DualShock 4 controller, you can manually reassign individual buttons as you see fit.

16. What's this item hot-key I keep hearing about?

The PC version allows you to bind commonly used items such as health/stamina recovery and lantern on/off toggle to keys $1 \sim 5$. Simply highlight the target item in the Inventory Menu and press the desired key you want to bind.

17. While pawns have endearing personalities and are great to have them around in my adventures, they're a bit talkative. Any way to shut them up?

The PC version adds a new option that completely silences the pawns. They will only speak when talked to. To enable this feature, simply go to Options -> Gameplay and set "Pawn Chatter" to OFF.

Gameplay / Content FAQ

18. How do I access Hard Mode?

Hard Mode is now unlocked by default and can be accessed from the main menu.

19. How do I access the Bitterblack Isle ("BBI") expansion content?

You must complete the early quest at the Encampment, create your main pawn, and then return to Cassardis at night time. Follow the purple marker on the mini-map to the dock area and talk to Olra. Be warned that BBI is considered post-game content. Players are advised to beat the main story before visiting BBI.

20. What DLC is included? Are there any plans for future DLC?

Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen for GOG is the complete package. There is no additional content to purchase beyond the base game! All previously released DLC on the console, including pre-order exclusives and bonus content, are all baked into the base game here.

21. Does the game feature Rift Crystal microtransactions like the console versions?

No. The microtransaction model has been removed completely for the PC version. Players can earn Rift Crystals through normal gameplay via loot drops, quest completion, and online pawn rentals.

22. Does the game include fast travel?

Yes! Fast travel system has been revamped and became a lot more accessible with the release of the *Dark Arisen* expansion content. Several Port Crystals (these are your jump portals) can be found throughout the adventure and placed anywhere on the world map as you see fit. In addition, the price of the Ferrystone has been reduced significantly from 20,000 to 2,000 gold pieces. Even better, we are now including the unlimited-use Eternal Ferrystone which can be unlocked after completing the quest "Off with its Head." The item can be found in the Storage which can be accessed from the Gran Soren Union Inn.

23. Does the game include the Berserk armor and weapon set?

Unfortunately, the Berserk gear is not included in the game due to licensing restrictions.

24. Are there any regional content differences?

No. There is only one version of the game. The game is identical worldwide.

25. How many hairstyles are available in the PC version?

There are 62 total. The PC version includes all previously released hairstyles, including the DLC add-on that was released on the console versions. There are also 42 facial hair styles to choose from.

26. Are the Eternal Ferrystone and bonus items/gears available in the PC version?

Yes! Bonus items that are immediately accessible include:

- Swordman's Ring
- Daggerist's Ring
- Staff-Bearer's Ring
- The Lion's Spine
- Robe of Enlightenment
- Wavering Cloth
- Vagabond Armor
- Tiara of Enlightenment
- Ruminator's Monocle
- Jester's Cap

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Completing the first escort quest and reaching Gran Soren will unlock the following:

- Eternal Ferrystone
- Set of Fop's Trek Wear
- Voldoan Armor
- Priest Vestments
- Lady's Trek Wear
- Queen's Clothing
- Nun Vestments

27. Does the game support modding?

Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen does not officially provide mod functionality nor tools to enable community mods. This is primarily due to limitations on the proprietary MT Framework engine and MTF development tools used to create the game. Unfortunately, tools only exist as a full-on development suite, contain licensed middleware solutions, fonts, and assets that cannot be sublicensed, and therefore commissioned for internal use only.

28. What's Capcom's stance on fan-made mods?

We won't stop modders from tinkering around with the GOG version of the game. The act of modding *Dragon's Dogma: Dark Arisen* and use of modded content is not officially warranted or supported by Capcom. Play at your own risk.

29. Can you bring back the "Into Free – Dangan—" theme song by B'z from the original *Dragon's Dogma*?

The song was only licensed for the original *Dragon's Dogma* (non-*Dark Arisen* version) on the Xbox 360 and PlayStation 3 back in 2012. You can still become the Dangan and fly into free by purchasing the digital single through official channels such as <u>iTunes</u>.

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