
Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?

Posted by [half3lif3](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 11:08:10 GMT

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Posted by [Spice](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 12:28:23 GMT

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Posted by [joaorp](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 12:56:52 GMT

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It's true NVIDIA is just a brand thinking on games, though CAD companies do use ATI for some reason. I've always had ATI, not because I'm fanatic to it but because it's the best. I remember in games that needed a good card like Planetside and all people with NVIDIA had less than 5 FPS in the huge battles, while I had 60-80 at least. Anyway even though that was a couple years ago, since lately I haven't been much into games but Americas Army now and then. I still think you should go with ATI, afterall is the company who develops the most tech when it comes to graphic

cards market.

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Posted by [nastym4n](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 13:21:33 GMT

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i have a Gigabyte x800XT Platinum.

It will play every game I own on maximum resolution with everything set to max full or extra. it also managed Doom3 plus the ultra-high-quality mod with no problem at all.

As I understand it the 6800 ultras kick ass equally well and all your post is likely to do is start an argument!

rest assured if you are spending that much on a GFX card itll do the job.

2 notes:

[1] dont expect a massive FPS rise in Renegade. You need a faster CPU as well for that as Ren is largely CPU dependant.

[2] it may well be worth waiting a little while the x850 and 900s will be appearing soon, not to mention SLi.

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Posted by [half3lif3](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 13:50:12 GMT

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I have a

P4 3.0 GHRTZ 800 MHRTZ FSB, 1.0 GIG Dual Channel DDR400, 120 gigs WD HD, and now if I add x800xt to this system, do you think that I will have a steady FPS of 80 in Renegade with the 1028 resolution and lets say if the game is a 50 player server....

you think that x800xt could handle that?

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Posted by [JPNOD](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 13:57:01 GMT

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If u already have something like a 3,4 ghz p4 ore a athlon 4000 dont expect to get alot more fps in a big server.

Because Renegade is more cpu dependant.

But a X800 ore 6800, u could play this game on 1600x 1240 with the same fps as people on low resolution.

Its for Eyecandy really

oh, and back in when Renegade came out the Geforce 3 ti200 was the kick ass card..for this game, So i'd go with Nvidia imo even thoug ATI is good too..
Its just what u have more feeling for.

But at the moment i havent seen a full 50 player besides NoN00bs.net so upgrading for this game could be a bit of a waste if u already have lets say a 3ghz+ fx 5200 ore 9500pro

If ure going to play alot more new games besides this. Then ofcourse a über gfx card is a must

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Posted by [half3lif3](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 14:16:21 GMT
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my upgrading is not only for renegade, and ofcourse its for unreal tournament 2004, Halflife2 deathmatch, CS source, farcry, doom3, need for speed underground 2, IGI 2 (Covert Strike), and many more games that I have but I dont remeber.

and about the cpu thing, what do you mean that renegade is based on cpu, like as I said I have a P4 3.0Gigahertz. Do you mean this is not enough, and I currently have ati all in wonder 9800 pro 128 meg. and I get 60s fps on 3rd lowest graphics....

so if i buy the ultra or the x800xt, It wont make a difference???
YOUR SCARING ME!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [Opalkilla](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 14:54:12 GMT
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Nvidia sucks major cock. Go with he ATI, all the way.

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [almor999](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 15:12:56 GMT
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Go for ATI, especially if you will be playing Half-Life 2 and CS:S. I have an ATI 9800 PRO 256 MB and I get over 100 FPS easy with resolution and detail maxed in Renegade.

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Posted by [half3lif3](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 15:27:49 GMT
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thx guys, im counting on you guys

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [tooncy](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 15:42:38 GMT
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Well, ATI is usually better in Direct X games, (Ex, Half-Life 2 and Renegade), but Nvidia cards are usually better for open GL games (Ex, Doom 3). All and all, they're pretty equal though.

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [Wyld1USA](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 15:50:59 GMT
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This dude started 2 threads about the same thing!

This was my reply on the 1st thread he started:

I am loyal to Gforce and have a
<http://www.firingsquad.com/products/hwproduct.asp/1088?viewdesc=1> , but Radeon makes a good product too.

What you need to do is come research on your motherboard chipset and make sure what is better for it. You may find out one or the other is a better card, but your motherboard may have issues with compatibility.

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [Homey](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 15:52:39 GMT
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I don't think blowing your money on the top video card is wise. You will barely need that much and if you wait even 6 months when new shit comes out it'll be much cheaper.

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Posted by [z310](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 20:46:08 GMT
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Posted by [GetSm0keD](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 20:59:17 GMT

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i kinda have to agree with Homey..

u have a gig of ram and a p4 3.0 ghz.. just those alone are pretty good

what kinda card u have now?

6 months from now ull get that 6800 for like 200\$ lol

comin from a guy that has an ATI 9600 pro SAF with 256mb..

id go with nvidia..

i just like the desktop options nvidia had muhah

i play UT2k4 - Tribes VEN and HL2 full gfx at 1024x768..

never tried higher res then that

alot of the crazy computer ppl i know always say nvida aswell
and their the hard core ppl.. im not..

Subject: Re: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?

Posted by [icedog90](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 22:37:04 GMT

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nVIDIA won this round with their Geforce 6 series.

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Posted by [rm5248](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 22:45:50 GMT

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nastym4n[2] it may well be worth waiting a little while the x850 and 900s will be appearing soon, not to mention SLI.

SLI is already available. Although I belive that it's only available for nVidia though.

And the x850 is already out, I'm not sure about the 900's though.

Subject: Ok guyz

Posted by [half3lif3](#) on Sun, 13 Feb 2005 23:07:13 GMT

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ok guyz, I've made up my mind, and thanks a million for your opinions, you really helped me towards getting a new card, and I will wait and see until new cards will come out and hopefully like homey said, new shit will come out and the old cards would be cheaper.

Thanks again guyz, and you were there again when I needed you.

All Respects

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Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?

Posted by [IRON FART](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 01:01:11 GMT

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@rm5248

The X850 & XT is out. Not the X900s though.

Not worth getting them yet though. They cost like \$500.

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?

Posted by [DarkDemin](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 01:29:46 GMT

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I haven't had any problems with my 9600XT and until a game comes out that absolutely requires me to upgrade I am just fine.

Subject: Re: Ok guyz

Posted by [nastym4n](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 01:41:40 GMT

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half3lif3l will wait and see until new cards will come out

always a good choice but this is only limited by your budget.
I never bought a single top of range GFX card til my x800,
and i only bought that because i had some spare ca\$h -
i was actually planning on getting a 9800 pro.

hope you get something nice,
and if you can be really patient wait for the x900 -
they make the x800s look like voodoo3 gfx cards.

Subject: Re: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [mripirate](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 06:17:12 GMT
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EXdeath7Nvidia will always be better than ATI since Nvidia is made with game proformance in mind.

You win.

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [Alkaline](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 07:19:53 GMT
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Exdeath you need to backup what you are saying
I guess those HL2 benchmarks are just phony ehh?

ANyway, the best card is:

X800 PRO VIVO, bios swap to X800 XT PE,
you can get the pro vivo for 385.00, the XT bios can be flashed on it and it becomes an XT PE card.

They are manufactured as the same card, ati just puts a crippled bios on the x800 pro vivo

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [half3lif3](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 09:03:18 GMT
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Hey al, how do you flash the bios on the cards?
and where do you get the software for that??
thanks!

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [Blazer](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 10:01:41 GMT
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does it retain all of the VIVO functionality once flashed to XT ?

Subject: Which Graphics Card is better to buy!?
Posted by [Buavey](#) on Mon, 14 Feb 2005 11:36:21 GMT
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I have the 6800 GT and I must say its a pretty nice card but the 800 is suppose to be really good from what I hear. It all depends on what company you want to buy from, there is some slight differences between the card but not much! Nvidia is more slanted toward AMD where as ATI is more for Intel! Processors that is!

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Posted by [kopaka649](#) on Wed, 16 Feb 2005 03:36:54 GMT

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ati is better but they have no 3d linux drivers

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Posted by [Alkaline](#) on Wed, 16 Feb 2005 03:43:05 GMT

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Blazerdoes it retain all of the VIVO functionality once flashed to XT ?

yep,
the xt pe is the vivo with 4 extra pipelines,

search on the internet for x800 pro vivo to xt,
here it is:

<http://www.techpowerup.com/articles/overclocking/vidcard/100>

heh, i have had my card for 9 months, I bought it for 425.00, I can sell it today for a profit as a x800 XT PE

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Posted by [ADM](#) on Wed, 16 Feb 2005 16:59:50 GMT

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Best single card around at the moment is the ATi X850 XT PE. It's actually cheaper than the 6900 Ultra in the UK aswell. If you go for SLi though, on the certain games it does support (which is only like 15 games at the moment) you may find that 2 Ultras to be faster than anything on the market where gaming is concerned. 2 Ultras will put you back £800 in the UK though.

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or you can get the x800 pro vivo PCI express and flash bios to the x850 xt, that card is only 400 U.S.

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Posted by [ADM](#) on Wed, 16 Feb 2005 17:22:47 GMT
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The 850XT has improved memory, allowing for better overclocking.
