
Subject: Graphics card

Posted by [Blue_Leader](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 01:39:08 GMT

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Subject: Re: Graphics card

Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 02:00:52 GMT

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Im pretty sure thes best PCI card is the FX5500 which will give you some improvement but not a great deal though.

Subject: Re: Graphics card

Posted by [Zion](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 02:08:38 GMT

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Agreed.

If you want something good enough to actually be worth buying, you'll need a new motherboard and processor to accompany it.

Subject: Re: Graphics card

Posted by [sadukar09](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 02:21:21 GMT

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Which might just mean a new PC. You can install your old Hard Drive or transfer your old files to the new PC too. But if you want to install the old HD, you need to call MS, since they will think your new PC may be a pirate.

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Posted by [AoBfrost](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 02:40:43 GMT

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I think upgrading to a new PC would be best, even if it was a cheap PC, i'm sure the specs would be better and the graphics card built in would be better than what you currently have. Most PC's today come with a 6150 in it as the standard graphics card, otherwise, you could get a cheap PC, toss out the old crappy graphics card, and put your own 7500 in, the 7500 is pretty cheap now and runs cnc3 at full settings and 1280x1024 smoothly.

Subject: Re: Graphics card
Posted by [Zion](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 09:25:15 GMT
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AoBfrost wrote on Sun, 20 January 2008 02:40the 7500 is pretty cheap now and runs cnc3 at full settings and 1280x1024 smoothly.

That's a lie.

I have a 7900GS and it runs it like shit at that res, i have to have it on at least medium settings to get it to run realistically (else i play in bullet time)...

Subject: Re: Graphics card
Posted by [AmunRa](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 09:46:49 GMT
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wrong.

Subject: Re: Graphics card
Posted by [Xylaquin](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 10:28:59 GMT
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Don't you get PCI 6200's?

Subject: Re: Graphics card
Posted by [JPNOD](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 11:35:16 GMT
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Just get a new PC.

PCI-gaming card's is just a no go unless, you play a game once in a blue moon and don't want to play on a mid end detail.

Subject: Re: Graphics card
Posted by [Ghostshaw](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 12:03:14 GMT
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No he is right, if you change mobo and processor WGA will consider it a system change and start complaining.

-Ghost-

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Posted by [Muad Dib15](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 14:23:49 GMT

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Posted by [EvilWhiteDragon](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 14:43:02 GMT

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Just reinstall windblows and then activate by phone -> no problemos

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Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 15:13:27 GMT

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Posted by [EvilWhiteDragon](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 15:15:07 GMT

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Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 15:17:23 GMT

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They made a AGP version as well but that was my point, no good recommending a card that the topic starter cannot use.

Subject: Re: Graphics card

Posted by [Muad Dib15](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 16:13:28 GMT

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Wait, Blue Leader can't use AGP? If he doesn't have PCIe, then he should have AGP. If you don't even have AGP, get a new computer.

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Posted by [Caveman](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 16:17:51 GMT

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Posted by [IronWarrior](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 16:39:54 GMT

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Are you sure your motherboard can't support AGP? if not, that really sucks.

I wouldn't advise buying a whole new computer unless you got the money for it, just build it up, then you buy the parts you want.

Most shops and websites, sell pre-made builds that are just crap for gaming.

Subject: Re: Graphics card

Posted by [Chuck Norris](#) on Sun, 20 Jan 2008 20:07:38 GMT

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Here are your options short of a new PC. Remember, you need PCI only, NOT PCI-Express. These are somewhat in order from best to worst, although all are low-end. They will be expensive considering the performance they give.

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Anything lower would barely be better than integrated.

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Indeed. But those cards are terrible, unless he has a AGP or PCI-E he is better of buying a new mobo+cpu/mem. If he is able to do this himself, else he will have to consider a total new pc. Other then that it would be waste really.