Posted by DBB on Wed, 14 Apr 2004 23:51:18 GMT

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Is the GeForce 5900xt a good card for \$200? I just saw it at Best Buy, and since im looking to upgrade from this GeForce4mx it seemed pretty good. Anyone thoughts on this--or does anyone own this card? Thanks.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by pytschlag on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 00:13:12 GMT

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i got the fx5200 and i like it alot so the 5900 would probably be great!

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Posted by DrasticDR on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 00:19:40 GMT

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Posted by DBB on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 00:47:06 GMT

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Im assuming by that ^ comment he disagrees? But heh, anything can be better then a GeForce 4mx INTEGRATED!

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by Hydra on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 01:04:04 GMT

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GeForce FX 5950 XTs are \$200 now??? Grrrr... I bought my GeForce FX 5700 ultra for that same price!!!

Subject: K

Posted by zH4ckerx on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 01:25:05 GMT

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I have a GeForceFX 5600SE it was a GeForceFX 5600XT until i upgraded it (free). Its easy to upgrade just contact me and i'll tell u how to do it. I love my video card

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Posted by Renx on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 01:32:44 GMT

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I thought XT was better than SE?

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 01:38:59 GMT

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Ahh im so confused on what card to buy! All these different numbers haha.

I think im going to wait till a few weeks into May, since the new GeForce 6800 or w/e is coming out April 26th, prices should be dropping soon then.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by Creed3020 on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 02:36:22 GMT

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Nvidia 5200 FX sucks hard. A Geforce 4 0wns that card.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by IRON FART on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 05:00:16 GMT

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5200 doesn't suck. It's not the best but for its price, its a very good deal.

And \$200 for the 5900XT is an even better deal in my opinion.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DrasticDR on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 12:03:52 GMT

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Wait just one minute. Why not buy an ATI card?

Posted by Xtrm2Matt on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 14:10:00 GMT

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I'd buy it

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Posted by DrasticDR on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 15:14:59 GMT

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Don't buy it because it sounds good. Check the clock speeds and look at some benchmarks.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by Ferhago on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 15:45:28 GMT

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No matter what brand you buy all cards are going to have different clock speeds. But the highest end nividia one I saw the Gigabyte or something like it had the highest clock speed and core speed of any card.

On the downside im sure it generates a LOT of heat

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by mrpirate on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 18:03:59 GMT

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GeForce 6800 is out now, with the Radeon X800 Pro soon to follow. No matter what you get, unless you're willing to spend \$500, you're going to get left in the dust.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by Krazyfoxx on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 19:34:22 GMT

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This might help you decide:

http://www.legionhardware.com/html/doc.php?id=295

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 21:30:12 GMT

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Thanks all!

Everyone is telling me to buy a ATI 9800. But, I have a Nvidia, so wouldnt that conflict with everything? Ahhh im so computer dumb!

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Posted by tooncy on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 22:17:32 GMT

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IRON-FART5200 doesn't suck. It's not the best but for its price, its a very good deal.

Yeah, I got mine for 80\$. It may not be the best, but it beats the hell out of my old TNT2.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 22:21:50 GMT

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Yah, I saw that card for 99\$. Im told I wouldnt see much of an improvement (if any) over my GeForce 4mx.

When you install a video card, do you need to use a power plug (like that connects to teh hard drive or power supplier?) Some say I do some say I dont, by the way it would be an AGP card.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by IRON FART on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 22:29:46 GMT

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The high-end cards like the FX5950 or possibly the 5900 and above need direct power from the comp.

The 5200 and 5600 don't.

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Posted by DBB on Thu, 15 Apr 2004 22:37:38 GMT

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How about the ATI Radeon 9800 pro....or normal version?

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Fri, 16 Apr 2004 00:25:41 GMT

Does anyone know if

eVGA e-GeForce FX 5500 256MB DDR AGP Graphics Card

requires a power source? I really dont want to buy a card that does require me too, lack of trust in my hardware skills!

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Fri, 16 Apr 2004 19:42:30 GMT

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Does the geforce 5700 need a power source? Cannot find any information on it anywhere as to if it needs it! Ahh thanks.

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Posted by liberator on Fri, 16 Apr 2004 20:54:56 GMT

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If it doesn't specify it probably doesn't need one.

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Posted by DBB on Fri, 16 Apr 2004 22:07:18 GMT

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Well, I cant find any information on installation specifically! I google.com it and I find nothing for installation guides, and we all know the workers at BestBuy know nothing. Ahh

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by SuperFlyingEngi on Fri, 16 Apr 2004 23:33:24 GMT

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GeForce 4 MXs are crappy cards. They can't play Splinter Cell: Pandora Tomorrow.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Sat, 17 Apr 2004 00:18:50 GMT

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Posted by Retro on Sat, 17 Apr 2004 09:13:01 GMT

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hmm.. I sold my Rad 9600 Pro 128mb to Rad 9800 Pro 128Mb

I dont see much different thought...

[PS: I didnt remember i have account as Retro (I'm SirRetro)]

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Posted by abakshi on Sat, 17 Apr 2004 23:41:09 GMT

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You should see quite a big difference - the 9600 Pro is a pretty good card (in most cases better than GFFX 5700U, in DX9 games like Half-Life 2, beats a 5900 Ultra at times), but the 9800 Pro beats the 9600 Pro in every game - it's simply a higher-end card...

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Posted by abakshi on Sat, 17 Apr 2004 23:46:55 GMT

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DBBThanks all!

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If you can get an ATI Radeon 9800 or 9800 Pro, that's definitely the best card you can get for the money.

For \$200, you can get a 9800 Pro 128MB - which will beat any GeForce FX in most games and slaughters them in DX9 games like Half-Life 2, etc.

For \$100, you could go for a 9600 Pro 128MB, but if you can get the 9800, go for it.

As far as a conflict with your current nVidia, yes, sometimes there are issues switching from nVidia to ATI and vice versa - some of it is deliberately caused so as to cause the user trouble when being "unloyal" Use a driver cleaner, though, and you should be fine - such as the one at DriverHeaven.net.

Posted by DBB on Sun, 18 Apr 2004 00:54:26 GMT

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^Thanks! I figured thats why there would be a conflict. Darn unloyalists!

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Posted by Krazyfoxx on Mon. 19 Apr 2004 14:56:32 GMT

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Posted by nastym4n on Tue, 20 Apr 2004 01:01:24 GMT

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it seems highly unlikely that you will need a secondary power supply for your card.

Besides, if you are that concerned about your hardware skills is it really worth making the saving on the card rather than paying someone else?

I have yet to come across a GPU a 10 year couldnt fit, especially since it it also highly doubtful you have more than one AGP slot on your system!!

Buy it, take the side off your case, plug it in, case back together, power on.

voila.

I also have a Ti4200. it kicks the crap out of the FX5200 for the same price.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by DBB on Tue, 20 Apr 2004 22:38:14 GMT

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Well I guess it cant be that hard to install! Hmm time will tell.

Posted by Bearxor on Thu, 22 Apr 2004 22:09:14 GMT

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The only cards that you can buy currently that require an external power adapter are the GFfx 5900 series (all of them), and the Radeon 9800 Pro and XT, but not the SE.

The GF 6800 series requires 2.

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Posted by Bearxor on Sat, 24 Apr 2004 03:26:10 GMT

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Don't forget that the GF4 Ti series are DirectX 8 compliant cards, whereas the GF4 MX series are DirectX 7 compliant cards. Big difference.

Subject: OT:GeForce 5900xt

Posted by SuperFlyingEngi on Sat, 24 Apr 2004 15:52:33 GMT

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Also don't forget that the GF4 Ti series can play Splinter Cell: Pandora Tomorrow, whereas the GF4 MX series cannot play Splinter Cell: Pandora Tomorrow. Big difference.