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Subject: Game Pilgrimage

Posted by [shiksabanger](#) on Sun, 25 Jan 2009 23:56:54 GMT

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Face it, Sega made great arcade games but bad home hardware. The Genesis was gimped. 64 colors is pathetic in 1989! Look at the Turbo. Not kosher, Sega.

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Now, Scott H, you sir have a lot to answer for.

The Genesis was an awesome system, but I'm just saying the SNES was better.

Unfortunately Scott H your getting your facts mixed around. Overall the Super Nintendo boasted the superior sound capabilities with its Sony made sound chip. A fact that isn't even open to interpretations or personal opinions.

Quote:

\*\*\*The sound on the Super Nintendo was revolutionary back in 1991. It impressed many players due to its ability to play back real instrument samples at good quality. The SNES can play samples at better quality than the Sega Genesis. The SNES' signal-to-noise ratio is also better and is a reason why its more crisp and clear than the Genesis. Voices on most SNES games generally sound fairly clear. However, some samples sound bad due to limited cartridge space and sound RAM. One minor downfall of the SNES sound chip is a lack of creativity; it has no built-in synthesizer (like in the Genesis). People had to find something to sample. However, with good quality samples, SNES music sounded great. One other very minor problem with the SNES' sound is the low-pass filter. It often made samples sound a little more dull than they should have, but it wasn't really an issue. On the whole, the sound chip made by Sony was a large leap in the console industry, and it proved to be better than the Z80/Yamaha chip running in the Sega Genesis. The SNES' even had better ADPCM sound capabilities than the so-called bigger and badder Neo Geo. However, the SNES' sound chip is kinda primitive compared to later systems.\*\*\*

Quote:

\*\*\*The Sega Genesis uses an FM synthesis sound chip made by Yamaha, a well-known company of music, audio equipment, and motorcycles. The sound chip is labeled as YM2612. The sound chip has 6 FM channels with the ability to switch FM channel #6 to a PCM channel for 8-bit sample

playback at a somewhat low samplerate. Additionally, the Genesis has a Texas Instruments PSG (Programmable Sound Generator) with 3 square wave channels and one noise channel (tones and white noise similar to some sounds on TG-16/PCE, GameBoy, NES, SMS) for extra parts of the music and sound effects. The 8-bit Z80 CPU at 3.58 Mhz controls the sound hardware.

Like the graphics, the Genesis' audio capabilities aren't very impressive. Many sound effects don't sound right because they are often FM synthesized. Voices and other sampled sound effects often sound somewhat grainy and scratchy because of memory limitations and space limitations. However, some games have relatively clear voices and digitized sound effects. The music, on the other hand, is usually good. The FM synthesizer, if programmed well, can produce really cool sounds as well as synthesizing most acoustic instruments fairly well. Basically, it was more creativity. The music in some games can be tinny at times and even sound more like NES music. On the other hand, when games are made for both Genesis and SNES, the SNES versions usually (but not always) has the better music. Overall, the sound capabilities of the Sega Genesis aren't bad at all, but they aren't that good either.\*\*\*

You know in snes you could actually save your games. Not have to use a password.

The Super Nintendo was able to display 256 colors on the screen at the same time and the Genesis could only display 64 so super nintendo games often looked better.

Genesis did had an advantage though in that it could display faster moving scenes and thus had the sonic titles.

Nintendo had better 3rd party support originating as a carry over from its NES days.

Sure the first Mortal Kombat was superior on Genesis because it was uncensored but that changed with Mortal Kombat II. The Snes version had a far better image quality with its larger color palette, higher quality music, higher quality voice recordings, and a controller that actually had enough buttons for all the inputs.

And you say that there's "no bottom line to these three versions of Mortal Kombat II that sets one above another absolutely. Whichever version was played first will very likely be the one that remains preferred"?!?! Are you fucking that far up Sega's kooter?

I played them both upon release, and there's no question that the Genesis' version is greatly inferior. It's so badly programmed that it doesn't even have low punch!

Even the 32X version is lacking overall compared to the awesome SNES version. It has bigger characters and the arcade intro, but no ending portraits, ugly backgrounds and sound that still sucks! Missing voices abound.

That Sony sound chip sure was advanced, it made the SNES sound better than the supposedly "32 bit" Genesis upgrade.

But then, Sony knows how to make great hardware.

We saw that with the Playstation's demolition of the Saturn, a machine that was made for the past (sprites), while Sony looked to the future (polygons).

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Subject: Re: Game Pilgrimage  
Posted by [BelPowerslave](#) on Mon, 26 Jan 2009 04:16:13 GMT  
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shiksabanger@gmail.com wrote:  
> One word: biased.

Here's another one: Trolling.

> Face it, Sega made great arcade games but bad home hardware. The  
> Genesis was gimped. 64 colors is pathetic in 1989! Look at the Turbo.  
> Not kosher, Sega.

What's not kosher is you using almost the exact same argument a known troll made more than 2 years ago, again involving Scott:

[http://groups.google.com/group/rec.games.video.sega/browse\\_thread/thread/9e2408cafc9eee11/5b5b71df52b262f2?lnk=gst&q=belpowerslave%2C+what%27s+pathetic+is+the+snes#5b5b71df52b262f2](http://groups.google.com/group/rec.games.video.sega/browse_thread/thread/9e2408cafc9eee11/5b5b71df52b262f2?lnk=gst&q=belpowerslave%2C+what%27s+pathetic+is+the+snes#5b5b71df52b262f2)

"it's really pathetic that Genesis could only display 64 colors on-screen at once, in hardware, without programmers resorting to special tricks or techniques that introduce other limitations of movement. the hardware was released in late 1988 in Japan (the MegaDrive). 64 colors at once was not much better than what the Sega Master System could display, which was either 52 or 32 at once. Master System hardware came out in 1984 or 1985 in Japan as the Sega Mark III, and in 1986 in the U.S. going from 32~52 colors on screen to 64 colors on screen in the space of 3-4 years is an unacceptable improvement. one could say it is a virtual step back given the time (not the actual number)."

The troll? AirRaid.

> And the sound? Fran Drescher sounds better!

<yawn>

> Now, Scott H, you sir have a lot to answer for.

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> The Genesis was an awesome system, but I'm just saying the SNES was  
> better.

....no, what you're saying is "biased" and "you sir have a lot to answer for". Idiot, you just posted both above.

> Unfortunately Scott H your getting your facts mixed around. Overall  
> the Super Nintendo boasted the superior sound capabilities with its  
> Sony made sound chip. A fact that isn't even open to interpretations  
> or personal opinions.

Yet "you're just saying" that the SNES was better? This has got to be one of the weakest, worst pieces of flamebait I have ever come across. You hide behind your fake-ass Gmail account...you have \*one\* whole message(this one) and you expect people to buy this bullshit?

You're lucky "As Time Goes By" is on right now...I wouldn't have even bothered busting your ass at all...

Bel

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Whip Ass Gaming: <http://www.whipassgaming.com/>

"Today I fly over Eu-Mei. Tomorrow... I'll kick over Wudan Mountain!"  
- Jen, Crouching Tiger, Hidden Dragon

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Subject: Re: Game Pilgrimage  
Posted by [Scott H](#) on Mon, 26 Jan 2009 15:47:05 GMT  
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shiksabanger@gmail.com wrote:  
> One word: biased.

Says the obvious Nintendo troll. I would like to point out two things.  
One, a million people stating their subjective opinion as fact does not make their opinion a fact. Two, there is no objective way to measure the differences between Genesis and SNES sound overall, and so the comparison is entirely subjective.

I say this for the benefit of anybody else out there that thinks they

can listen to sound, prefer the sound of one thing over another, and unilaterally pronounce one absolutely better. If you do this, you are by definition biased.

Some useful definitions are cited below.

Objective:

3 a: expressing or dealing with facts or conditions as perceived without distortion by personal feelings, prejudices, or interpretations

Subjective:

4 a (1): peculiar to a particular individual : personal <subjective judgments> (2): modified or affected by personal views, experience, or background

Bias:

3 a: bent , tendency b: an inclination of temperament or outlook ; especially : a personal and sometimes unreasoned judgment : prejudice c: an instance of such prejudice

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Scott

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Subject: Re: Game Pilgrimage

Posted by [Apple2Steward](#) on Sat, 31 Jan 2009 18:59:40 GMT

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Subject: Re: Game Pilgrimage

Posted by [Scott H](#) on Sun, 01 Feb 2009 14:40:03 GMT

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> just upset that he missed his "short bus" to school this morning.

I think my site needs a lot of work, but thank you. I also think

denizens of the short bus would be insulted to be associated with the original poster. ;)

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Scott

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Subject: Game Pilgrimage

Posted by [Scott H](#) on Tue, 31 Mar 2009 13:34:33 GMT

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Game Pilgrimage has been updated to a content managed website. Over the next several months I hope to get all of the old content converted to the new system. I will also be creating a series of polls that I hope everybody will participate in. Updates will be posted as they occur.

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Scott

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Subject: Re: Game Pilgrimage

Posted by [Scott H](#) on Thu, 23 Jul 2009 18:52:17 GMT

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I've updated the look and feel of the Library link on gamepilgrimage, and added the entire Nintendo 64 game library to the database. The N64 features a new "genre" field which I intend to add to all of the games in the database that have been classified as notable. The genre field, rather than shoehorning a game into a single term, features three phrases that summarize why actual gamers thought the game's gameplay was notable. It is a sort of ten birds with three stones approach. Any and all feedback is welcome.

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Scott

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