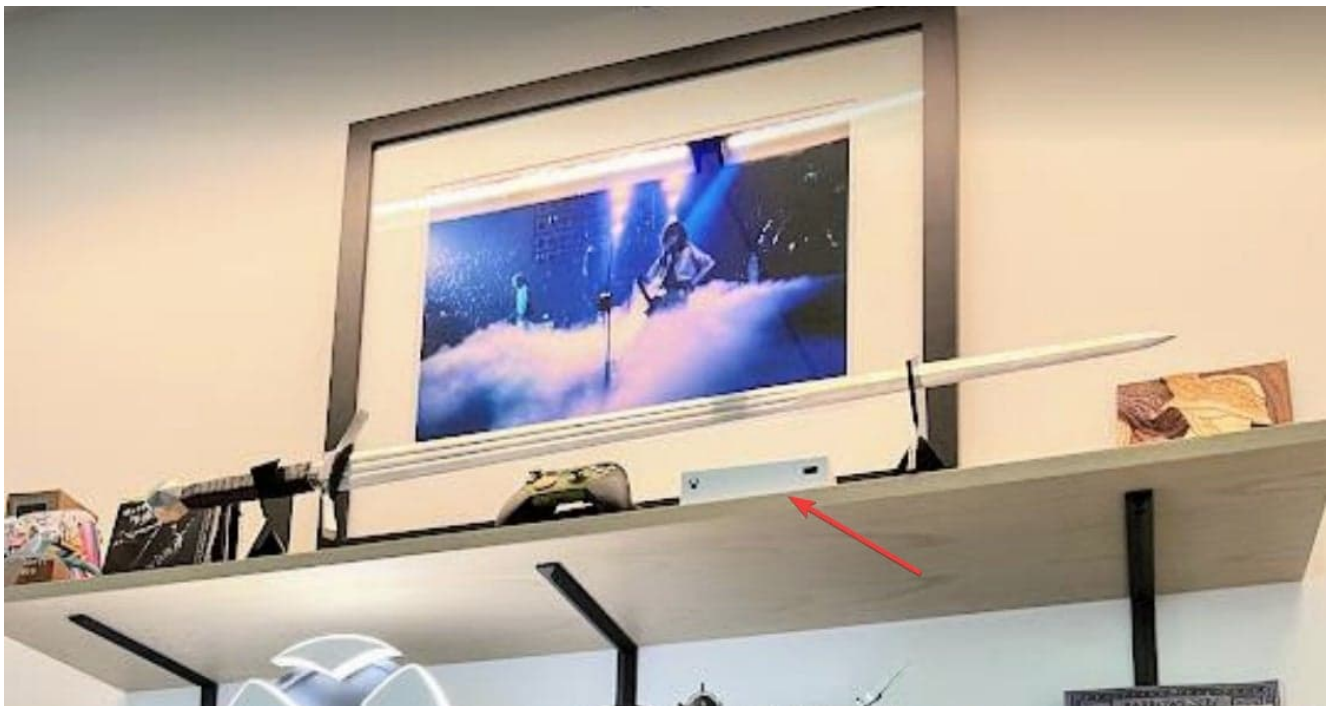


This is Microsoft's Xbox game streaming device

Microsoft's head of Xbox, Phil Spencer, has just revealed the company's dedicated Xbox game streaming device. Spencer published a photo of the device on Twitter, where you can see it sitting on top of his shelf in his Microsoft office space. It's a small white box, that resembles the look of the Xbox Series S and will be dedicated to accessing Xbox games over the company's Xbox Cloud Gaming service.

Microsoft first announced it was planning an Xbox streaming device last year, and many had incorrectly assumed it would be a stick that would plug directly into a HDMI port. While Microsoft is still working on this Xbox streaming console, codenamed Keystone, it will be more of a box or puck-like device that attaches to monitors and TVs.



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Spencer (Twitter)

The Xbox streaming device will also likely include access to media apps like Netflix and a lightweight user interface to launch Xbox games. Microsoft acknowledged the Keystone name earlier this year, but revealed it was still working on a new revision of the device. Sources familiar with Microsoft's plans tell *The Verge* that the Xbox team continues to work on its streaming device, and still plans to bring it to market.

Microsoft has managed to launch an Xbox TV app, though. Available on 2022 Samsung TVs and monitors, the Xbox TV app launches games from Xbox Cloud Gaming and supports streaming games at 1080p at up to 60fps. You simply log into your Microsoft account in the app and stream Xbox games just like you would through Xbox Cloud Gaming in a browser.

Microsoft hasn't officially commented on the appearance of its Xbox streaming device, but the Xbox account on Twitter replied to Spencer's tweet with "Now what did we say about putting old prototypes on your shelf boss." That's a big wink wink, nudge nudge if ever I've seen one.

Update, October 10th 2:05PM ET: Article updated with a response from the Xbox Twitter account.

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