Valve will finally sell the Steam Deck in Australia

It’ll arrive *this* November in the same primary configurations Valve sells elsewhere: a 256GB configuration of the original LCD model, or 512GB and 1TB versions of the newer OLED model that also come with longer battery life, a better screen, and more. They’ll cost AUD $649, $899, and $1,049 respectively.

(While the OLED model does cost $250 AUD more than the original, it has so many important changes that I’d personally recommend it over the LCD version to anyone who can afford it.)

While even the OLED model will be an entire year old by the time it arrives in Australia, there’s no current indication that Valve will release a faster, better version anytime soon — and no handheld running Windows can currently match it for portable ease-of-use, even though some have an edge in performance and the Asus ROG Ally X can also beat it in AAA gaming battery life.

That said, Valve may also bring its SteamOS to rival handhelds like the Asus ROG Ally X before too many more months go by, and I’ve been very impressed when running Bazzite’s version of the SteamOS interface on my Ally X review unit (though it has its wrinkles).

If you’re at PAX Australia in Melbourne, you can try the Steam Deck at Valve’s booth today.

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