

Elite Dangerous: Horizons 2.3 – The Commanders Available Now

Elite Dangerous: Horizons 2.3 adds Multicrew and Holo-Me avatar creator, and launches alongside FREE Elite Dangerous 1.8 update adding new content and experiences for all players.

Cambridge, UK. April 11 2017. Frontier Developments plc (AIM: FDEV) will today launch *Elite Dangerous: Horizons 2.3 – The Commanders* for PC and Xbox One.

Frontier's commitment to expanding and improving *Elite Dangerous* continues with the fourth update in the *Elite Dangerous: Horizons* season of expansions. *The Commanders* introduces Multicrew co-op play, the highly customizable Holo-Me avatar creator, the new Dolphin passenger vessel, an all-new third-person camera suite, cavernous Asteroid Bases and awe-inspiring Mega Ships.

See today's new *Elite Dangerous: Horizons – The Commanders* trailer <u>here</u>.

Elite Dangerous 2.3 – The Commanders arrives at a time when all eyes have turned to Merope, where the Empire and Federation are drawing closer to a collision, and the Commanders of the Pilots Federation have encountered a spacecraft unlike anything designed by humanity. As the galaxy prepares for conflict, Elite Dangerous 2.3 puts its Commanders front and center, with new ways to play and new discoveries to be made.

Multicrew co-op in *The Commanders* gives groups of players the opportunity to fly aboard the same ship, assuming one of three specialized roles. At the **Helm** is the pilot of the ship, while the **Gunner** handles secondary firing groups from a third-person tactical viewpoint and the **Fighter** flies into battle from the cockpit of their own ship-launched fighter deployed from the mother ship's launch bay.

Multicrewed ships benefit from precision firepower and additional control, giving Commanders a vital edge in combat. Players can join Multicrew vessels from anywhere in the Milky Way and will share in the galaxy's rewards... and its punishments.

Holo-Me is *Elite Dangerous: Horizons*' new Commander creator and editor, allowing players to create a unique face and physical appearance for their in-game avatar. The highly customizable Holo-Me system offers an amazing array of options at launch, making every Commander recognizable with just a glance across your ship's bridge in Multicrew, or in a very close fly-by out in the massively multiplayer galaxy.

Elite Dangerous grows for **every** player with today's free 1.8 gameplay update on PC, Mac and Xbox One, offering new sights, experiences and gameplay improvements throughout the galaxy. Starports carved into asteroids make for a new and unexpected stop-off point for commanders exploring planetary rings and asteroid belts; Mega Ships dwarf even the mightiest capital ships, offering one of the galaxy's mightiest man-made spectacles; and updates to the mission system unlock chained missions allowing players to progress through all-new questlines.

And by popular request, *Elite Dangerous'* new Camera Suite gives players total control over a third-person camera for screenshots, film-making and a whole new view on the *Elite Dangerous* galaxy.

For the full changelog, visit the *Elite Dangerous* forums <u>here</u>.

The Commanders is available today for all Elite Dangerous: Horizons season pass holders at no additional cost. Buy the Elite Dangerous: Horizons season pass today for £19.99 (\$29.99, €24.99) on Steam or FrontierStore.net, or buy Elite Dangerous and the Elite Dangerous: Horizons season pass together for £39.99 (\$59.99, €49.99) on Steam or FrontierStore.net.

Elite Dangerous: Horizons arrives on PlayStation 4 in Q2 2017 including 2.3 – The Commanders at launch.

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About Elite Dangerous

Take control of your own starship in a cutthroat galaxy. In the year 3300, across the vast expanse of an epic, full-scale recreation of our Milky Way, interstellar rivalries flare as galactic superpowers fight proxy wars. Some may know you as an ally; others will call you a pirate, a bounty hunter, a smuggler, an explorer, an assassin, a hero... Fly alone or with friends, fight for a cause or go it alone; your actions change the galaxy around you in an ever unfolding story.

Start with a small starship and a handful of credits, and do whatever it takes to earn the skill, knowledge, wealth and power to stand among the ranks of the Elite.

About Frontier Developments

Frontier Developments is the studio behind *Elite Dangerous*, *LostWinds* and *Planet Coaster*. Founded in 1994 by games industry veteran David Braben, Frontier develops games using its cutting-edge COBRA technology and is passionate about original gameplay, real community, player-driven narrative and cutting-edge technology.

Elite Dangerous is available now for PC and Xbox One, and is coming to PlayStation 4 in Q2 2017. Planet Coaster is available now for PC. Other Frontier titles include RollerCoaster Tycoon 3, Thrillville, LostWinds, Kinectimals, Kinect Disneyland Adventures, Zoo Tycoon, Tales from Deep Space and ScreamRide.