

# Gaming machines 'hybrid' of Sony and Nintendo

The console, priced at over 8 billion VND, is actually a discarded 'hybrid son' of rivals Sony and Nintendo.

Sony and Nintendo are now the two big players in the world gaming industry and are seen as each other's competitors in this area. But back in 1991, Sony partnered with Nintendo to create its first line of gaming consoles.

The project was known briefly as "PlayStation", but it was completely different from the later Playstation version.

Accordingly, this is a console model developed from Super Nintendo Entertainment System (SNES) with an integrated CD-ROM drive. Basically, this device is used to play 16-bit games, adding the ability to read CDs for SNES.



The Nintendo PlayStation, an incomplete mix of two SNES and the PlayStation 1.

However, the disagreement between Sony and Nintendo prevented the Nintendo PlayStation from being born.

This incident turned out not to be a loss for Sony but also a condition to help promote the company to develop in a separate direction. In 1994, Sony released the PlayStation version, the first to open up an extremely successful gaming console brand to this day.

Returning to the in-progress Nintendo PlayStation, Olaf Olafsson, former president of Sony Computer Entertainment North America, was the original owner before he sold it to Terry Diebold for \$ 75.

Terry stored the Nintendo PlayStation on the family loft. By 2015, his son discovered and shared it on Reddit. Since then, the Diebold family has traveled extensively with the device and displayed it at various game shows.



The Nintendo PlayStation is displayed at game shows.

At the auction held by Heritage Auctions recently, the Nintendo PlayStation sold for \$ 360,000 (equivalent to over VND 8.3 billion). Previously, Terry Diebold had been suggested by a Norwegian collector to cost up to 1.2 million USD (nearly 28 billion VND) but he refused. Although the amount of 360,000 USD this time is not as high as Terry's initial expectation, the profit compared to the money spent is still quite high.

The newest owner of the Nintendo PlayStation is called Greg McLemore. He is known for many successful retail site projects and is planning to set up a game museum.

According to DailyMail, Greg McLemore is happy to be able to own a rare gaming machine for only \$ 360,000. Compared to 1.2 million USD, McLemore clearly has a bargain when saving up to 840 thousand USD.

McLemore also said that the Nintendo PlayStation seems to be more valuable than a Super Mario Bros. game disc. SNES rare version sold recently for \$ 100 thousand.

*Refer to DailyMail*

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