

Minecraft Will Officially Enter China on Mobile and PC via NetEase

Microsoft, Mojang and NetEase Games introduce the sandbox game *Minecraft* to China

GUANGZHOU— **May 20, 2016** — Soon Chinese *Minecraft* fans will be able to create and explore their very own worlds limited only by their imaginations. Microsoft, Mojang and NetEase, Inc. today announced a five-year exclusive agreement to license Mojang's *Minecraft* mobile and PC editions to a NetEase, Inc. affiliate in mainland China. As part of the agreement, Mojang will develop a version of *Minecraft* tailored for the Chinese market and release it in partnership with NetEase. *Minecraft* is a world-renowned sandbox game that enables players to adventure in uncharted realms, collect resources and build in an infinite world.

Minecraft officially launched in 2011, and has received numerous global awards and accolades. There are more than 100 million registered Minecraft players of all ages in nearly every country in the world.

Minecraft features multiple game modes and offers players limitless ways to play. In survival mode, the players gather resources to keep themselves alive and build shelters and other contraptions. While in creative mode, players have access to endless resources so they can construct any building or scene out of almost any block in the game. Players also can enjoy maps and scenarios created by others in adventure mode. Besides these various game modes, the Minecraft community has over the years created countless numbers of mods and custom content for use in Minecraft. Minecraft provides players an open platform and enables them to create their very own utopia with endless possibilities.

"We'll always embrace opportunities to bring *Minecraft* to new players around the world, widening our community, and giving us a new perspective on our game," said Jonas Martensson, CEO of Mojang, creators of Minecraft. "NetEase understands our long-term vision for *Minecraft* and supports Mojang's ideals, so we're delighted to have them on board. We look forward to welcoming China's builders and adventurers to the world of *Minecraft*."

"We are excited to bring *Minecraft* to Chinese audiences, and expect our large online community to embrace this preeminent game," said William Ding, CEO and founder of NetEase, Inc. "With our deep understanding of the Chinese market and our ability to successfully launch world-renowned online and mobile games, we offer a strong platform for the introduction of *Minecraft* to China's vast user base. We believe this cooperation could leverage the strengths of both Mojang and NetEase, as well as provide the world's largest audience with a superior user experience."

To learn more about *Minecraft*, please visit www.minecraft.net.

About Microsoft

Microsoft (Nasdaq "MSFT" @microsoft) is the leading platform and productivity company for the mobile-first, cloud-first world, and its mission is to empower every person and every organization on the planet to achieve more.

About Mojang

Mojang is a game development studio based in Sweden, best known for developing *Minecraft*. In 2014, Mojang joined Microsoft Studios to continue work on *Minecraft* and bring their vision, creative energy and innovative mindset to the development of future games.

About NetEase, Inc.

NetEase, Inc. (NASDAQ: NTES) is a leading Internet technology company in China. Dedicated to providing online services centered around content, community, communication and commerce, NetEase develops and operates some of China's most popular online PC and mobile games, advertising services, email services and e-commerce platforms. In partnership with Blizzard Entertainment, NetEase operates some of the most popular international online games in China.

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