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<p>2024 video game</p>

<p>Call of Duty: Black Ops 4 (stylized as Call of Duty: Black Ops IIII) is

a 2024 multiplayer first-person shooter developed by Treyarch and published by Activision. It was released worldwide for PlayStation 4, Windows, and Xbox One on October 12, 2024. It is a sequel to the 2024 game Call of Duty: Black Ops III, the fifth entry in the Black Ops sub-series, and the 15th installment in the Ca

ll of Duty series overall.</p>

<p>Black Ops 4 is the first mainline Call of Duty title without a traditio

nal single-player campaign mode. Instead, it features the Specialist HQ, which f

ocuses on the backstories of the game's multiplayer characters, known as &qu

ot;Specialists". The missions take place between Black Ops II and III chron

ologically. Some of the Specialists also carried over from Black Ops III. The mu

ltiplayer mode is the first in the series to not feature automatic health regene

ration and introduces both predictive recoil and a new ballistics system. The ga

me included three Zombies experiences on release day, four if a special edition

of the game, or the Black Ops Pass, was purchased. The locations of the maps inc

lude the RMS Titanic, a Gladiatorial Arena in Roman Egypt, and Alcatraz Federal

Penitentiary. The game also introduced a battle royale mode called Blackout, whi

ch features up to 100 players in each match. Many characters from this and other

Black Ops titles can be used as the player's character model in this mode.&

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<p>Development for the game started shortly after the release of Black Ops

III. Treyarch chose not to create a traditional singleplayer campaign for the g

ame at the beginning of production, instead focusing on a new 'Career' m

ode with a greater focus on the multiplayer aspect. They cited an increased inte

rest for multiplayer and lack of time spent by the playerbase on the campaign mo

de as reasons why they shifted their focus. Black Ops 4 utilizes Blizzard's

Battle platform for the Windows version instead of Steam, the first game in the

series to do so. Teasing of the game began in March 2024, with a full reveal tak

ing place later in May. Two betas were held for the game; one for the multiplaye

r in August and one for Blackout in September. The release date was moved up to

October instead of the series's usual November in an attempt to avoid coincid

ing with the release of other high-profile games.</p>

<p>Pre-release reception of the game was negative due to the game's la

ck of a campaign mode and the Black Ops Pass, a season pass that distributes dow

nloadable content (DLC) in the form of "Operations". Black Ops 4 recei

ved positive reviews upon release, with praise towards its three modes, particul