Desktop Halfpipe

A cozy skatepark that lives at the bottom of your screen, now a whole town to ride through.

Fact sheet

Developer / publisher	Stripey Cat Games
Steam Early Access	November 1, 2026 (Pacific) / November 2, 1 AM Eastern
Version 2.0, the New Look	November 15, 2026
Platforms	Windows (Steam and itch.io); any modern browser (Desktop Halfpipe Online)
Price	Buy once; every update is free and everything is included. Desktop Halfpipe Online is free to play.
Players	Single-player, in a world that shares its clock and weather with every player
Languages	31
Genre	Cozy desktop companion / casual / indie
Steam achievements	100
Steam	https://store.steampowered.com/app/5066400/Desktop_Halfpipe/
itch.io	https://stripeycatgames.itch.io/desktop-halfpipe
Play Online	https://play.desktophalfpipe.com/
Website	https://desktophalfpipe.com/
Press page	https://desktophalfpipe.com/press/
Update log	https://desktophalfpipe.com/log/
Discord	https://discord.gg/rRMumGX5z

About

Desktop Halfpipe is a cozy skatepark that sits along the bottom of your screen while you work, stream or relax. Ride, land tricks, fish, farm and hang out on Pipe Street, pick a home street, join a guild, and watch the seasons and weather change with the real clock. Buy once; every update is free, and everything is included.

Desktop Halfpipe started as a skateable halfpipe that lives on your desktop: a little rider at the bottom of your screen who drops in, lands tricks and keeps you company while you get on with your day. It launched in Steam Early Access on November 1, 2026.

Version 2.0, the New Look, arrived on November 15, 2026 and opened the park onto a whole town. Pipe Street and the places around it are one long, hand-painted panorama that scrolls with your ride through all four seasons. Every player's world runs on the same clock and the same weather, so a storm in your game is a storm in everyone's.

Pick a home town and street, move into a house, and grow a plot with crop beds and fruit trees. Join one of four guilds, take on quests from the guildmasters, and get to know the locals. Between rides you can fish, catch bugs, spot wildlife, hunt spirits, collect shells, play the lane card game or tune in to Desktop Radio.

Everything that used to be a separate download is now part of the game. Buy once, and every update is free. Desktop Halfpipe Online brings the same town to the browser, free to play.

Features

- A cozy skatepark that lives at the bottom of your screen, under your windows, while you work or stream
- Eight ways to ride: skateboard, inline skates, BMX, scooter, skis, snowboard, ice skates and sled
- A hand-painted town that scrolls with your ride, through all four seasons, with one shared clock and weather for every player
- A home of your own: pick a town and street, move into a house, and grow crops and fruit trees
- Four guilds, guildmaster quests and a cast of locals to befriend
- Fishing, bug catching, wildlife spotting, spirit hunting and 64 shells to collect
- Desktop Radio: six stations of Vibehenge music, plus the Pocket arcade, pets, the Drive-In and a lane card game, all included
- Play free in the browser with Desktop Halfpipe Online, and keep your rider with an optional free account

Music

Desktop Radio's music is by Vibehenge, on Gravy Boat Records: ambient lo-fi and chill instrumentals.

Want to use Desktop Radio music in a video or stream? Email us and we'll sort it out.

Studio and contact

Stripey Cat Games makes small, characterful games for the Windows desktop. It's part of the Wilder Workspace family, alongside Vibehenge and Gravy Boat Records.

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