



DON'T NOD's new IP Aphelion set to release on April 28th

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Paris, 13 March 2026 – DON'T NOD, an independent video game publisher and studio, is excited to announce that their upcoming sci-fi action-adventure, **Aphelion**, will be released on April 28th, 2026, on PC (Steam), Xbox Series X|S, and PlayStation 5. This new IP, developed in collaboration with the European Space Agency (ESA), will be an Xbox Play Anywhere title, and available day one on Game Pass.

A new “Persephone” trailer was revealed during the Future Games Show.

[Watch the new trailer here!](#)

The “Persephone” trailer showcases the beauty of Persephone in a striking juxtaposition as Thomas (voiced by Eric Geynes) delivers a voiceover full of promise and hope, while the footage gradually shifts in tone to introduce a growing sense of unease and foreboding.

“ With this original action-adventure game, we set out to push our creative standards further within one of the most popular genres. We're very excited to soon share this new experience, which truly reflects DON'T NOD's DNA”, says DON'T NOD Chairman and CEO Oskar Guilbert

Aphelion is a sci-fi action-adventure game at the edge of our solar system. In the shoes of ESA astronauts Ariane and Thomas, players will explore and survey the uncharted planet Persephone, and solve the mystery of the crash, all while trying to survive in the terrifying presence of a hostile and unknown lifeform.

A Game Made in Collaboration with the European Space Agency

Aphelion is developed in collaboration with the European Space Agency (ESA), grounding its depiction of space exploration in real scientific knowledge and humanistic values. Ariane and Thomas are both ESA astronauts, part of the fictional Hope 01 mission. This collaboration weaves authentic elements of space science into the emotional core of the game.





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About DON'T NOD

DON'T NOD is an independent French publisher and developer with studios in Paris and Montréal creating original narrative games in the adventure (Life is Strange™, Tell Me Why™, Twin Mirror™), RPG (Vampyr™, Banishers: Ghosts of New Eden™), and action (Remember Me™) genres. The studio is internationally renowned for unique narrative experiences with engaging stories and characters and has worked with industry leading publishers: Square Enix, Microsoft, Bandai Namco Entertainment, Focus Entertainment and Capcom. DON'T NOD creates and publishes its own IPs developed in-house such as Harmony: The Fall of Reverie™, Jusant™ and Lost Records: Bloom & Rage™ as well as using its knowledge and experience to collaborate with third-party developers whose editorial visions parallel the company's own. Step into the studio's immersive and innovative universe at dont-nod.com

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ESA has established formal cooperation with four Member States of the EU. Canada takes part in some ESA programmes under a Cooperation Agreement.

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