

# DualSense is the video game controller for PlayStation 5. Here's what it does.

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Credit: Sony

While we wait to get our first official glimpse of the PlayStation 5, Sony is sharing the first details on the video game console's controller.

The DualSense features a two-toned look with a white touchpad and subtle PlayStation blue light bar illuminating the sides. It also boasts white grips, with black shoulder buttons and thumbsticks.

The DualSense will include many of the features of the DualShock [controller](#) used on the PlayStation 4 but will focus more on how games feel as you use the controller, said Hideaki Nishino, Sony's senior vice president of platform planning and management.

Nishino said the controller will have [haptic feedback](#) to mimic "powerful sensations you'll feel when you play, such as the slow grittiness of driving a car through mud."

Adaptive triggers on the back shoulder buttons (L2 and R2) will recreate tension, such as when pulling back a bow to fire an arrow.

The Share button used to capture video or screenshots has been replaced with a Create button that will offer "new ways for players to create epic gameplay content to share with the world," said Nishino.

The controller also has a built-in microphone to chat with friends without the need for a headset.



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"DualSense marks a radical departure from our previous controller offerings and captures just how strongly we feel about making a generational leap with PS5," said Sony Interactive Entertainment president and CEO Jim Ryan in a statement.

The PlayStation 5 is expected to launch later this year, marking another transition between video game consoles. This [holiday season](#), Microsoft is expected to release the Xbox Series X.

**More information:** [blog.us.playstation.com/2020/0 ... r-for-playstation-5/](https://blog.us.playstation.com/2020/0...r-for-playstation-5/)

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