

Northward Fact Sheet

Release Date: TBA

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Development: Since April 2021

Developers: Yore & Yonder

Publisher: Self-published

Cost: TBA

Steam: [Click here for Steam Link](#)

Trailer: [Click here for Downloadable File](#)

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FEATURES

- Sail a scrappy ship through a cold open-world, with up to 3 friends (4 total)
- Explore 4 different biomes, and their unique challenges
- Solve a non-linear mystery about a fallen star
- Lots of different equipment, tools and items
- Character customization
- Fishing and cooking by the campfire
- Upgrade and customize your ship
- Recruit characters you come across for your crew
- Find hidden treasure
- Leviathan sea-creatures

WHAT IS NORTHWARD?

Northward is an open-world co-op adventure about sailing a scrappy ship through a northern archipelago. Exploring the uncharted, finding lost treasure, and uncovering the mystery of a fallen star.

SAIL TOGETHER

Sailing a ship requires teamwork and coordination. Who is at the helm? Who is aligning the sails with the wind? Who is below deck, shoveling coal into the engine or studying the map?

CLIMB & DIVE

Across 4 different biomes, climb the highest peaks and dive into the deepest oceans with the help of useful equipment and the cooperation of your friends. Manage your stamina and temperature as you avoid dangerous obstacles and creatures.

SURVIVE

Collect and cook food to stave off hunger and thirst, and find appropriate clothing for the temperature. If you don't take care of yourself you will not have enough stamina to explore the world around you.

UNCOVER A MYSTERY

Meet curious characters, explore forgotten locations and delve into ancient ruins to solve a mystery about a fallen star.

COLLECT

There are many things to collect in the world: whether it be a nice new hat, a fancy table for your ship, another book for your shelf or a new recruit for your crew.

MADE BY YORE & YONDER

Northward began in 2021 when Marcus Karåker and Filip Bergqvist compared a long list of possible game ideas and eventually landed on one idea that stuck out: a multiplayer sailing exploration game with fishing, discovery, and a mystery-twist. What started as evenings and weekends gradually grew into a long-term studio project, and in 2026 Yore & Yonder was founded.

INSPIRATIONS

Northward is a mix of mystery, cooperative exploration, and early-2000s animated-adventure spirit. With inspirations ranging from *Outer Wilds* and *Sea of Thieves* to *Treasure Planet* and *Atlantis: The Lost Empire*.

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