

HIDDEN OBJECT HIT CRIMINAL CASE CROWNED FACEBOOK GAME OF THE YEAR

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French indie studio Pretty Simple's hugely successful hidden object title Criminal Case has been crowned game of the year 2013 on Facebook.

The title, which tasks players with investigating crime scenes, was singled out for "standing above the rest by all measurements".

A wave of titles were also selected for best new game of the year, including King's Farm Heroes Saga, Wooga's match-three title Jelly Splash, Social Point's monster collecting and fighting game Monster Legends and Plarium's RTS Soldiers Inc.

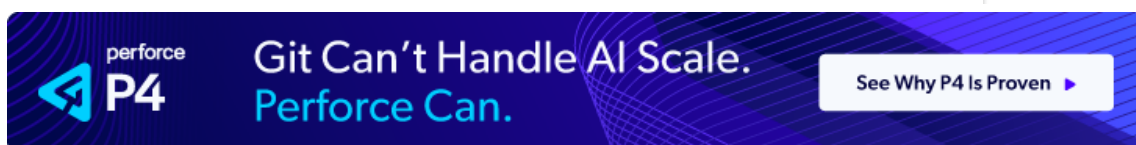


This year's hall of fame featured King's popular breakout hit Candy Crush saga, Zynga's FarmVille 2, Playtika and Caesar's Interactive's Slotomania and DoubleDown Interactive and IGT's DoubleDown Casino.

Staff favourites meanwhile included MMO strategy game Wartune by Road7, Kixeye's RTS War Commander and Disruptor Beam's role-playing sim Game of Thrones Ascent.

In total, 23 titles were highlighted in the games of the year rundown, with ten of them coming from studios based in the Europe and Middle East. Eight titles were made by indie developers.

Reflecting Facebook's push into the cross-platform and core gaming markets, the list featured eight cross-platform titles and seven mid-to-hard core titles. A further five games were arcade titles, while another five were described as casino or slot



For more details on what these trends mean for Facebook, and what the social network has planned in future, you can read our interview with the company's developer relations for games AJ Glasser [here](#).

The full list of Facebook's best games of the year 2013:

Game of the Year 2013

Criminal Case by Pretty Simple

Best New Games of 2013

Bake Shop Drop by Broken Bulb Studios

Farm Heroes Saga by King

Heart of Vegas by Product Madness/Aristocrat

Hit It Rich Casino Slots by Zynga

Jelly Splash by Wooga

Kitchen Scramble by Disney Interactive

Monster Legends by Social Point

The Smurfs & Co.: Spellbound by Ubisoft

Soldiers Inc. by Plarium

Solitaire Tales by Qublix

Thunder Run War of Clans by SpinPunch Games

Vikings Gone Wild by EveryDayiPlay

Staff Favorites

DoubleU Casino by AFewGoodSoft



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King's Bounty: Legions by Nival

Panda Jam by SGN

Wartune by Road7/Proficient City

War Commander by Kixeye

2013 Hall of Fame

Candy Crush Saga by King

DoubleDown Casino by DoubleDown Interactive/IGT

FarmVille 2 by Zynga

Slotomania by Playtika/Caesar's Interactive



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