

Elon Musk: Tesla's next software update to have 'classic' Atari games built in

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As if driving a Tesla wasn't different enough already from the cars and trucks we have been wheeling around on the road for decades, how about adding some "Asteroids" to the mix?

That could be in the works, and might soon appear on that iPad-like screen that serves as the control center for all-things-Tesla when you are sitting behind the car's wheel. Tesla Chief Executive Elon Musk even said so Wednesday by way of his preferred method of getting information out to the public, Twitter.

"Some of the best classic @Atari games coming as Easter eggs in Tesla V9.0 release in about 4 weeks. Thanks @Atari!," tweeted Musk.

For those not in the know, "Easter eggs" refers to a hidden bonus feature included in a piece of software, or a DVD, that users have to find on their own. In the case of Tesla, Musk means that a driver (or, for safety reasons, preferably a passenger) will know the games are available, but they will be up to their own devices to find and play them.

And for [game](#) developers who are looking for a new gig, well, Musk said to send your resume on over.

"If you're into [video game development](#), consider applying to Tesla. We want to make super fun games that integrate the center touch screen, phone and car irl," Musk tweeted. He added, "Please send examples of prior work when applying. Looking for max playability & creativity."

You can almost hear the fingers tapping across Tesla in-car screens already, as drivers (or, for safety reasons, preferably passengers) begin that furious search to find "Space Invaders," or whatever games Musk has in store.

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