

INTRODUCTION

Wrestling fans, hard cases and other disturbers of the peace, welcome to Showdown Legends of Wrestling, the engaging new entertainment experience that will have you striking, strangling and stomping an enormous cast of classic canvas characters like never before.

Showdown Legends of Wrestling offers some exciting new features to charm and alarm you. Among them is Edit A Legend, which for the first time gives you the ability to edit any wrestling great you choose. Want to turn Hulk Hogan into an overweight blimp or a 90 pound weakling? Get to it. Want to turn Andre the Giant into Andre the Average? Go for it! You can also create your very own wrestlers from scratch in Create A Wrestler mode. Once they're saved, you can bring all these marvels into game play and watch them caper and stomp ass.

There are tons of fantastic modes to mangle in, from the gutty grit of Showdown Challenge (spanning the golden wrestling years of the 70s, 80s and 90s) to the instant gratification of Quick Play, not to mention all the Tournament, Tag Teams and Exhibition matches you can stand. It's a Battle Royal for your brain!

So join the very best tyrants of the tie-up, all the titanic talents from yesterday and today in possibly the finest at-home wrestling experience money like yours or mine can buy, Showdown Legends of Wrestling!

Disclaimer: Showdown Legends of Wrestling presents computerized harming of humans for entertainment. It would be foolish and mean to attempt such things in real life. Please don't.

MAIN MENU

Press the **START** button to advance to the Main Menu. The Main Menu will soon become like a second home to you, only neater and not as roomy.



QUICK PLAY Start stomping without all the pussyfooting. See page 14.

MATCH PLAY One-off matches of every description, including Classic matches. See page 16.

SHOWDOWN CHALLENGE Take on three decades of wrestling legends. See page 15.

CREATE A LEGEND Create and edit your own wrestler, or edit one of the Legends! See page 19.

OPTIONS Adjust the options to suit your own twisted taste. See page 6.

EXTRAS Enjoy all the extras you'd expect and some you wouldn't. See page 7.



Match Play

Match Play offers a wide variety of matches of various styles

VS. A standard one on one slam fest, ending when one wrestler is pinned.

3 MAN Three wrestlers compete for the right to rule the ring.

4 MAN A four way free for all, and may the best man win.

8 MAN It sounds crowded, but it's worth the traffic jam to see so many talents brawling at once.

BATTLE ROYAL Win the Battle Royal by throwing opponents over the rope to the arena floor (Ouch!). Up to 30 wrestlers compete one after another in this fierce show of stamina and strength for up to four players (4 wrestlers in the ring at one time).

CAGE MATCH Take a steel cage and two tough guys desperate for victory and you have the recipe for a blood bath. The first objective is to get the cage door open. Then decide to climb the cage and leap to the arena floor or walk through the door to victory.

LADDER MATCH A ladder match is all about climbing the ladder to grasp the glorious belt that hangs above it. The first fellow who can is our kind of champion! Up to two players can compete.

TABLE MATCH Who says manners matter? This match features family-style fighting and fun, as the object is to put your opponent through the table any way you can. Pass the blood pudding!

CREATE A LEGEND

CREATING WRESTLERS

Like electronic paper dolls made by Dr. Frankenstein, Created Wrestlers are among the scariest and most poorly understood creatures ever to walk the Earth. Perhaps we can clear that up. It's simple, really. You enter Create mode, choose what you want to do (create a wrestler, edit a created wrestler, etc), enter all manner of information up to and including Dad's Visa number. Then you assign all the physical attributes and homey touches that make this creation truly your own, including move sets. You can even clone the moves of a legendary wrestler. Here's what I came up with:



Not bad for someone with one eye and no taste! I don't doubt for an instant that you can easily do much, much better. Why don't you give it a try? Once you're done, save your creation to your Xbox hard disk and the fabulous fighter will be available in any game mode.

EDITING WRESTLERS

In person, you wouldn't want to make fun of Hulk Hogan or any of the other canvas classicists in Legends III if you planned to walk away or just ever again. But in the privacy of your own much-envied home, you're free to unleash your playful if cowardly imagination and make those Legends your puppets. That's what your money paid for: these mighty grapplers are not just yours to command in the ring, but in the dressing room as well. As you know, most professional wrestlers have rich reservoirs of humor, and won't mind at all as you change their attributes to suit your own twisted desires. Unless they catch you, that is. The good thing is, once you save your revised wrestler, you can bring him into a match and enjoy seeing your "what if?" dream come true.