

HARVEST MOON: A NEW BEGINNING GOES GOLD

Popular Demand Creates Early End Date For Anniversary Edition Pre-Orders

Burlingame, CA. – October 17, 2012 – Natsume Inc., a worldwide developer and publisher of family-oriented video games, is pleased to announce their upcoming title Harvest Moon: A New Beginning has gone gold and will be available starting November 6th, 2012. Due to overwhelming demand, Natsume has also announced that pre-orders from the Natsume Online Store

(http://natsume.com/store/index.html) for the Harvest Moon: A New Beginning Anniversary Edition will end October 23rd. The 3DS-exclusive title has had a rabid fan following as the first Harvest Moon title made specifically for the Nintendo 3DS handheld. Natsume continues to celebrate *Harvest Moon*'s 15th anniversary in North America, so if you're not already a Harvest Moon fan, you soon will be!

"We've seen an unprecedented interest in our 15th Anniversary Edition with the premium cow plush, and pre-orders will be ending shortly," said Hiro Maekawa, President and CEO at Natsume. "Harvest Moon: A New Beginning is truly a new beginning for the series, and we're proud to celebrate it with fans!"

Fans have five days left to pre-order from the Natsume Online Store to get their game on November 6th! Pre-ordering *Harvest Moon: A New Beginning* will net players the adorable yak plush – one of two new animals found in *ANB*, and, for the ultimate fan is the Harvest Moon: A New Beginning 15th Anniversary Edition, which includes both the game and the coveted 12" premium cow plush. Pre-orders for the 15th Anniversary Edition end October 23rd, and are available exclusively at the Natsume Online Store: http://natsume.com/store/index.html

Natsume has been celebrating the 15th Harvest Moon anniversary by releasing numerous classic titles digitally, as part of their E3 promise to bring more games to users who want a downloadable alternative. 2012 has seen the release of *Harvest Moon: Boy and Girl, Innocent Life: A Futuristic Harvest Moon,* and *Harvest Moon: Hero of Leaf Valley* on the PlayStation Vita. September was a huge month for the PS3, seeing PSN releases of *Harvest Moon: A Wonderful Life SE* and *Innocent Life: A Futuristic Harvest Moon SE*.

Players can follow all the news for all of the beloved Natsume franchises at www.natsume.com, or by scooping all of the latest Natsume updates, contests, screen shots and more via www.natsume.com/facebook and www.twitter.com/natsume inc.

About Natsume

Natsume Inc. is a worldwide developer and publisher that specializes in unique and family-oriented interactive entertainment software for a variety of platforms. Most known for publishing Reel Fishing and Harvest Moon, Natsume is dedicated to producing quality video games. For more information about Natsume Inc., visit www.natsume.com

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