

Expansion FAQ

What is DeFi Kingdoms: Crystalvale?

DeFi Kingdoms: Crystalvale is the first expansion to the DeFi Kingdoms Universe. The original DeFi Kingdoms (which we will now refer to as DeFi Kingdoms: Serendale to maintain clarity) is hosted on the Harmony blockchain, while the new expansion will be hosted on the Avalanche blockchain. Players may choose to participate in only one world; however, these worlds as well as subsequent expansions are intended to complement one another, providing new content, quests, items, and play to earn opportunities. Players will have the best experience when they play in all worlds in the DeFi Kingdoms Universe.

What is the Avalanche blockchain?

Avalanche is an open platform for decentralized applications with incredibly fast transaction times and low gas fees. Avalanche boasts near-instant transaction finality, a throughput of over 4,500 transactions per second, and low fees, making it the perfect platform for GameFi applications. It already hosts many proven decentralized exchanges and the chain has a total TVL of over \$13B.

Will DFK: Crystalvale be a clone of DFK: Serendale?

No! The basic structure of the game will be the same in each world within the DFK Universe. There will be a main currency (power ERC-20 token) for each world. Serendale has Jewel while Crystalvale will have Crystal. There will be a Bank for DEX and in-game transaction fee sharing, a Marketplace for token swaps, a Garden for staking, NFT Heroes to be summoned, traded, and quested, and Land to be developed.

However, there will be many meaningful differences between Crystalvale and Serendale that allow players a variety of choices about how they want to spend their time and resources. For one, the primary method of acquiring Crystalvale's power token will be a single-staking model, where players will have the opportunity to stake Jewel for rewards in Crystal. This will allow players who are already invested in the DeFi Kingdoms Universe an opportunity to leverage their Jewel as this new expansion launches to get in early. There will also be various Crystal airdrops to Jewel holders and Hero owners.

Additionally, a new set of Generation 0 Heroes will be minted with this expansion. We have consistently held that Gen0 Heroes should remain extremely rare; however, we promised that new genetic lines would be introduced in the future, meaning that new Gen0 NFTs would need to be added to the gene pool. Crystalvale will see two new basic classes as well as new appearance genes introduced when the initial Gen0 mint occurs in the expansion.

Crystalvale will also have its own lore and history, which will be revealed through easter eggs, interactable items, and unique quest-lines which will only be available from Crystalvale NPCs. Likewise, as PVE questing launches in Serendale, many of its quests, lore, and NPCs will be unique and will only exist within that world. Make no mistake, though, these worlds *are* connected, and we expect to find points of convergence in the lore that will satisfy players who are familiar with both worlds. There will be quest lines that span blockchains to complete.

How do players connect between DFK: Crystalvale and DFK: Serendale?

The primary mechanism for players to move between the worlds will be the Docks. Initially, Crystalvale will launch as Serendale did, with the Bank, Marketplace, and Gardens active but no Heroes. Players will be able to begin staking Jewel for Crystal in the Gardens and depositing their Crystal in the Bank.

Then, as the Portal and Tavern areas become accessible in Crystalvale, the Docks will be updated to allow Hero NFTs and items to be transported between worlds. This will allow players to not only stake in both worlds, but to quest, level their Heroes, and intermingle the new genetic lines by Summoning in both worlds as well. Early expeditions into the new realm will also entail increased rewards.

What does this mean for the development of the game?

Great care was taken to ensure that the roadmap for the development of DFK: Serendale is not impacted in a negative way by expansions. We have scaled up our team in preparation for this launch and we will continue to do so.

DFK: Crystalvale will follow a similar roadmap to that of DFK: Serendale. Initially, Crystalvale will launch with the Bank, Marketplace, and Gardens active. We will follow up with the initial Gen0 Auction, the Portal, and the Tavern. Following those, we will see a launch of Quests and the Meditation Circle. Serendale will see new features launch in accordance with the roadmap with the Crystalvale equivalents launching some time after.

Our roadmap has many more stops before we're finished, including a variety of PVE quests, lands, equipment, a deeper look into the lore of our worlds, and PVP. Crystalvale's success will allow us to continue to expand our team and reinvest into our long-term vision for the DeFi Kingdoms Universe.

What's going to happen to the game on the Harmony blockchain?

Serendale contains 8 of the eventual 16 base classes, and as such will always be the flagship offering of DFK, meaning the road map will continue to be developed there first. New features will launch first in Serendale as well, creating an incentive for players to continue to play on Harmony. Serendale will continue to grow and thrive, with Crystalvale bringing added value in the form of new genes and unique quest lines so that there's always more than enough content for everyone!

What does this mean for JEWEL and Harmony?

This new partnership is designed to incentivize further growth for Jewel, Harmony, and Avalanche. We have carefully crafted our expansion strategy so that we can provide the maximum benefit to our existing players while also attracting more liquidity and players from new chains. In particular, the single-staking model is key. Jewel tokens will have even more intrinsic value, with professions quests now live on Serendale and the option to bridge to Avalanche and stake Jewel for the new Crystal token.

Meanwhile, Avalanche users who may not be on Harmony will have an incentive to bridge and start earning in Serendale as they prepare for Hero and Professions

launches in Crystalvale. And, since there will be more Quests available in Serendale than in Crystalvale for a good while, players will always have a reason to bridge onto the Harmony chain to play. There will be many quest arcs that go across chains to complete. Our goal is to onboard a host of new players, provide a new opportunity for ground-level entry into the Crystal token, and to increase the utility of both tokens and our NFTs, which benefits the entire community.