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A Mysterious Domain

In a world governed by sentient computers called "motes," a seemingly unstoppable force named Lina is annihilating every bit of data in its path. With their defenders, the **Blade Strangers**, erased from existence, the motes make a last-ditch effort at survival by summoning heroes from **parallel dimensions**: a sword-wielding princess, robotic soldiers, a young fisherwoman, a shovel-equipped knight and many others.

Implanted with artificial memories, these warriors must face each other in **one-on-one combat** to see who will emerge as the new Blade Stranger and put a stop to the devastation...or, should they fail, **witness the world consumed** by Lina's madness.

Preparing for Combat

From the Blade Strangers title screen, press any button to access the main menu, then select from the following choices:

Story—Play through each character's unique story.

Tutorial—Learn the basics of combat.

Missions—Complete Challenges for each character or conquer Survival mode.

Arcade—Battle a series of opponents. You can adjust the difficulty, timer and number of rounds per fight.

Versus—Fight against local friends or the computer.

Training—Practice moves and combos. You can adjust various settings for yourself and the training dummy.

Online—Fight opponents online and view the leaderboards. You can create rooms for others to join or search for existing rooms.

Manual—View the in-game instructions.

Profile—View various records and set plate and face icons. **Options**—Customize visual, audio and control settings. Story Tutorial Missions Arcade Versus Training nnline Manual Profile Dotions Exit

Main Menu

Basics of Battle



Jump back Move back/ Stand guard Crouch guard Crouch guard

Note: Controls listed are for characters facing right. Left/right are reversed when characters are facing left. Buttons can be reassigned in the Options menu. Overhead Attack (Forward + Unique Attack) A mid-level attack that's effective against Crouch Guards and normal low atta Techning and the state of th

A low attack that knocks down opponents. Effective against most standing Skill

Throw (Heavy Attack + Light Attack) or (ZR Button) Effective on guarding opponents. You can counter by inputting the throw com

Offensive Skill (Light Attack + Unique Attack) or (ZL Button) A charge attack that cancels your current move or knocks back an opponent Gauge.

Strong Skill (Heavy Attack + Skill) Used in conjunction with directional inputs, Strong Skills are typically more powe

EX Skill (Unique Attack + Skill) Powered-up versions of regular Skills. Using them consumes half a bar from your

Ultra Skill (Heavy Attack + Unique Attack + Skill) or (R Button) A powerful super-attack that consumes at least one bar of the Skill Gauge. Hold Ultra Skill used.

Heat Up (Light Attack + Heavy Attack + Unique Attack) or (L Button) Enter an armored state that drains the Skill Gauge. Can only be performed whe

How to Follow the Fight

Player 1 Icon [character icon in upper-left]: A portrait representing player 1. Player 2 Icon [character icon in upper-right]: A portrait representing player 2 or the CPU.

Energy Gauge (Player 1) [red/green meter in upper-left]: Your remaining health. Deplete your opponent's energy to win the round.

Energy Gauge (Player 2) [red/green meter in upper-right]

Remaining Time [number in upper middle]: Time left in the round. If the timer expires, the character with the most energy wins.

Skill Gauge (Player 1) [meter in lower-left]: Fills up as you fight. Allows you to use special abilities and Ultra Skills.

Skill Gauge (Player 2) [meter in lower right]

Combo Gauge (Player 1) [white meter below the player 1 energy gauge]: After landing an attack, you may continue to string together consecutive moves until this gauge is depleted.

Combo Gauge (Player 2) [white meter below the player 2 energy gauge]





Meet the Challengers

Skill

Summoned from various worlds, these warriors face off to determine the next Blade Stranger. Who will emerge victorious?!

Solange

As Seen In: Code of Princess EX Stage: DeLux Castle The princess of the Kingdom of DeLuxia and the heir to the throne. She wields the second control of the throne it.

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> Attack + Skill + Unique Attack wn + Heavy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack

Ali

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As Seen In: Code of Princess EX Stage: Ancient Tower Interior This nimble thief with a heart of gold helped Solange save her kingdom from the forces of evil. Master of the five-finger discount.

Skills (Ground): Whirlwind: Forw d + Skill Affliction: Ligh Meteor: Hee Inferno: Unj Momento Violent Expt Affliction: Ligh Momento Comparison Compariso

> Attack + Skill + Unique Attack avy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack

Liongate

As Seen In: Code of Princess EX Stage: Crumbling Ancient Castle One of the finest swordsmen in DeLuxia, Joe the Liongate conceals his face as well as his true intentions behind a mysterious mask.

Skills (Ground): Dante's Fire: Skill Lion Tornado: E Dante Fire: D

Ultra Skills: Lion Dance King Gazer

kill + Unique Attack

Master T

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As Seen In: Code of Princess EX Stage: Beasts of Legends Temple Pity the fool who crosses paths with this practitioner of Ultimate Manimal Arts, a fighting style that harnesses the power of legendary beasts.

Skills (Ground): Tiger Cyclone Kick: Sk Inogon Tackle:

> nique Attack - Skill + Unique Attack

Gurly

Skills (Ground): Blade Slash: Ski Machine

Anti-Ai

Firel WMD Ultr

8-Bit

As Seen In: Cave Story+ Stage: Deep Cave A female robotic soldier who's especially skilled with her machine gun. Like her comrade Quote, she helped save the Mimiga race from an evil doctor.

ard + Skill

Up + Skill

tack + Skill + Unique Attack vy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack

Helen

As Seen In: N/A Stage: Athens Under Siege A proud warrior from ancient times. Armed with a sword and shield, she's more than a match for any man.



Kawase

As Seen In: Umihara Kawase series Stage: Riverbed of Memories Always wearing her trademark backpack, this young woman is known for acrobatic exploits in which she uses a fishing line as a grappling hook. It's a surprisingly good fighting tool, as well.

Skills (Ground): Fish Hook: Skill Rocket Dash: Borneskill Rubber Ri Dancing

Ultra S Tragedy Giga I

Noko

Skills (Ground):

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As Seen In: Umihara Kawase series Stage: Space-Time Transmission Device Believe it or not, Noko is a time-traveling policewoman from the future who happens to be one of Kawase's descendants.

> yvy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack A pr: Down + Heavy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack

Emiko

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Shaken

Ba

As Seen In: Umihara Kawase series Stage: Dream Town A childhood friend of Kawase. What this diminutive girl lacks in muscle she makes up for with the presence of her giant cat companion Shakemaru.

ward + Skill

Skill

ttack + Skill + Unique Attack

Quote

Skills (Ground): Blade Rush: Dash Shift: 5

lump Shift

As Seen In: Cave Story+ Stage: Balcony

After awakening from a long slumber, this robotic soldier fought bravely to save the Mimiga race from a terrible fate. He's armed with his Polar Star blaster.

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Skill + Unique Attack n + Heavy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack

lsaac

As Seen In: The Binding of Isaac: Afterbirth+ Stage: The Basement Having overcome the horrors of the basement, Isaac is ready to share his pain with others by using a variety of unusual weapons and attacks.

Skills (Ground): Tears Shot: Skill Mom's Knife: Forward + Skill Bomb: Down + Skill Summon Spider: Back + Skill Summon Spider: Back + Skill + Heavy Attack Summon + Skill + Unique Attack

> Attack + Skill + Unique Attack Attack + Skill + Unique Attack (x2) Javy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack

Shovel Knight

As Seen In: Shovel Knight Stage: The Lich Yard The chivalrous, shovelrous knight best known for defeating the Order of No Quarter. His unusual weapon belies great strength and skill.

Skills (Ground): Charge Handle: Skill (hold) Unearth: Back + Skill Trench 3lade: Down + Skill

> < + Skill + Unique Attac g!: Down + Heavy A

ible in air) nique Attack



Ultra

War

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Gunvolt

As Seen In: Azure Striker Gunvolt 2 Stage: Downtown An "adept" with the power to control lightning, Gunvolt is a freelance mercenary with a strong sense of justice. He moves fast and hits hard from afar.

Skills (Ground): Cerberus: Skill Naga: Skill + He Orochi: Skill + He Charge: Down Crashbolt: D Prevasion: D Prevasion: D Das Hashfir

Ay Attack Ique Attack

xill + Heavy Attack Unique Attack

avy Attack + Skill + Unique Attack (also possible in air) y Attack + Skill + Unique Attack (x2) Attack + Skill + Unique Attack (x3)

Lina

As Seen In: N/A Stage: VR Room If this malevolent destructive force wins, the universe loses. Her cybernetic halo and blades are actually a separate entity called Devian.



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