## MarioNintendo's Bio

## Why hello there!

I'm a newcomer in this whole business and, chances are, you too! I've been a member here since 2008, but only started stepping charts seriously on December of 2010. If you would like to read about my experiments pre-2010, I suggest you to read <u>this post I made</u> recently. Everybody begins somewhere! Who knows, reading about other people's experiences might help get you started.

I started stepping through Stepmania's editor after listening to Newgrounds' musicians and getting permissions from them (including NickPerrin, xKore and others). At the time, I was posting videos of my charts on my <u>youtube channel</u> in order to show them to my friends by passing them around. I ended up posting them on my FFR profile in order to get feedback from veteran steppers. I've received a PM from psychoangel691 (who had a blue name at the time :P) asking to join the <u>Dragons Fury community</u> in order to improve my stepping skills by showing my works to members of that community (essentially, DF is a concentration of FFR users that focuses, among other things, on stepping). It was the greatest move I ever did and I suggest you register to that site!

There, who\_cares973 told me to use DDReamstudio. I was reluctant to do so at the time, but I ended up trying to see if it suited me. After a bit of tutorials and experiments, I stepped 8 songs in the same week. What was great with that program is that, by letting you step faster, you can acquire experience faster too by experimenting with a lot of different kind of songs. Eventually, one of these songs (Automata) got accepted in February 2011's batch and in-game this May. If you play the song, you'll notice I used stepping tricks only possible through DDReam. You can also play the song Stress (stepped this March) which is included in this recent pack. If you read the players' reviews, you'll see people kind of disliked the file because it was hard to pull off with all the BPM effects. However, if you play it by keeping in mind how you can make such a chart, you'll see the possibilities DDReam can offer you and what I managed to do by my own in a couple of weeks.

That's my story. I'm still in-between being a n00b and being a well-known stepper. I can easily relate to you if you're beginning in the stepping department and **will** try to be as helpful as Dragons Fury's people have been to me. I believe anyone with a passion for music and a love for the game HAS to become great at stepping someday. Practice makes perfect and everybody's first song is a mess, I believe, but everybody can learn from them.

Good luck through Stepman University and I hope you'll have as much fun stepping as we all do!

P.S.: if you have any questions, drop me a PM, I'll reply for sure as fast as I can! I'd love to help you out if I can with whatever you might need (reviews, opinions, hints...)