How To Set Up A Minecraft Server LAN

You can share the worlds that you create with other players on your network in real time -- "Minecraft", which allows you to open your game up to your local area network, also includes the option to share your worlds with others. Minecraft Players don't have to log in to your physical LAN to access your world, however; software like LogMeIn Hamachi, Comodo Unite and Wippien enable you to create virtual LANs with users anywhere in the world. These virtual LANs look exactly the same as physical networks to "Minecraft." To host a LAN party in "Minecraft", connect other players to your virtual network and then configure the game for other users.

Virtual LAN

Download, install and open LogMeIn Hachi, Comodo Unite and Wippien (links under the Resources).

Click on the power button and then click on "Create" Hamachi. For Comodo Unite click "Register New Account", fill out the form, then click "Register." To create a Wippien account, fill in the form that appears after you open the program.

Click "Create a New Network" in Hamachi. For Comodo Unite: Click "Sign Me in," select "Networks", then click "Create New Network". Wippien: Click the "+" symbol on the toolbar. Then click "Add/RemoveContacts."

Enter a network password and network name, then click "Create" Hamachi. For Comodo Unite, enter a network name and password, check "Enable VPN," and then click "Create." Enter the Jabber ID for Wippien and click "Add Contact" then click "OK."

Give your Jabber ID, or the virtual network name and password, to the other players to enable them to connect to the virtual LAN.

Physical LAN

To open the Networks pane in Desktop mode, click on the signal bar located on the taskbar.

Select your wireless network from the list, and then click "Connect."

To sign the computer onto the LAN, enter your security key if necessary.

Server setup

Open "Minecraft," click on "Singleplayer", then click on "Create New World."

Enter a name for the world into the World Name field, and then click "Game Mode: Survival" to set the game to Survival, Hardcore or Creative mode.

To load a new world, click "Create New World". To open Game Options, press "Esc" immediately after the game loads.