How To Play Multiplayer Minecraft

Minecraft has been a fan favorite since years. The game has been updated many times to make it even more enjoyable for its fans. You might be intimidated by the idea that you can play a single player game for hours. Minecraft's singleplayer building feature is a great way of spending time and getting creative juices flowing. However, most users will get infinitely more enjoyment from the game when they play with their friends on or offline.

Don't worry, if you don't know how to get started in Minecraft multiplayer. This article will guide you through the process for all Minecraft editions.

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There are several ways to play Minecraft together with friends, or even strangers. A smaller group may choose to play on a local connection, which requires almost no technical knowledge. Advanced users can access thousands of servers or create their very own. Each server offers more freedom and has different rules and cheats. The Realms edition is entirely online but has some caveats, while the special education edition was built with online play in mind.

How do you play Multiplayer in Minecraft in the Same House

Minecraft enthusiasts who want to play in the same place often use a LAN network. You can connect all devices to one router via Ethernet cables or create a LAN network over your Wi-Fi. Here's how to start up a LAN world on Minecraft:

1. Open Minecraft on a console or PC and go to one of your singleplayer games.

2. Press Escape to go to the game menu.

3. To open the LAN, press Open. Select whether you want cheats enabled or not and which game mode you want to select for other players.

4. Select Start LAN world.

How can I play on a Local Area Network, (LAN)?

Other players can join this LAN-world from their devices now:

1. Select Multiplayer from the main menu.

2. The game will scan your LAN for an ongoing universe.

3. If the LAN world has been set up, the game will display LAN World on the list with the world's name and the creator's username below.

4. Double-click on the server name to join or click on it. Then click Join Server.

How do I use Splitscreen in Minecraft

If you have one to three friends over for a Minecraft session on a console, you can enable split-screen to allow everyone to play in the same world at once. You can set up a new game by connecting additional game console controllers.

1. Select Play Game. Select Play Game to create a new or modify an existing one.

2. Check the Online game setting.

3. Once the first player is in the world, the rest of the players can join the fun by pressing START.

You will need an additional console to allow online play and expand your split-screen experience. These steps are the same as for single-console play. However, you will need to enable Online Game before you can start.

How to Play Multiplayer Online on Minecraft

Online gaming can be done on PC or consoles. You can either use a large library of servers or your own private server to play with a smaller number of friends. Both have their benefits and drawbacks. Servers require an internet connection and a strong infrastructure to function. The server hosting it may not be able access the other servers. On the other hand, joining public servers requires you to abide by their rules, moderation, and regulation.

Although it takes time and technical knowledge to set up a server, online hosting services can make it easier. If you want to learn how to build your Minecraft server from scratch, the documentation required to do so is available here. Warning: These instructions have been updated to the most current Minecraft version and have been publicly edited. They may not work on your computer configuration.

If you don't have the technical know-how or the time to set the server up, online server hosting platforms can make that process a lot simpler. Apex Minecraft Hosting is one example.

1. Visit their website.

2. Choose the plan that you want to buy. The number of players in a friend group will affect how much RAM is required for hosting. The platform also offers some rough recommendations. For example, ten players running multiple mods would typically need 2GB of RAM.

3. Once you place an order for the server you will need to enter all your information, including your email.

4. The platform techs will construct the server for you. They will send you an e-mail with the required information to log in to view the server's IP.

5. This IP allows you to join the game with your friends.

As an alternative to making a new server, there are publicly-available servers online for users to join. You can find the one that interests you and copy the IP address.

Once the server setup has been completed (whether you used a service or did it yourself),

copy the server IP address and follow these steps to get started.

1. Open Minecraft

2. Select Multiplayer. Select Servers if Minecraft Bedrock is your preferred method.

3. Click on Add Server at bottom.

4. Enter a name you'll recognize, then type in or paste the IP address in the Server Address field. Fill in the port field with the port number you have created or received.

5. To play on the server, select Bedrock Edition and click Save.

Java Edition: Press Done. Next, select the server you wish to join from the multiplayer list.

How to Play Multiplayer on Minecraft Dungeons

The steps for playing with friends in Minecraft Dungeons are the same as joining a LAN network. Here are the steps for LAN multiplayer.

1. Connect additional controllers.

2. The primary player must press A to initiate a local game.

3. To connect to a game, the other player(s), must press the appropriate button on their controller (usually L3).

These are the steps you need to follow in order to join an online Minecraft Dungeons game.

1. Complete the tutorial.

2. To open the menu and access the online multiplayer settings, press A while you are playing Minecraft Dungeons.

3. You will need to link the Microsoft account to your console. To access the URL shown, you will need a different device than a PC or smartphone. Follow the prompts shown on the console screen. Enter the code provided by the game.

4. Once you've linked your accounts, you'll see a list of your friends on the screen. One player will be the host, while the others can join them by pressing Join next to the host's name to play together.

How to Play Multiplayer with Minecraft Education Edition

The Minecraft Education Edition is a great addition for students. It allows them to use their creativity and teamwork in offline and online play. Users can play Minecraft EE Online with their Office 365 Accounts. Here's what you need to do:

1. The host must create a game world and note the IP address. Then, press Play. After selecting the game options, choose Host.

2. By opening a new Minecraft EE game, you can see your IP & port. Press Escape to close the game.

3. For best results, you're better off switching to a static IP address if you want to have multiple sessions in the same world.
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4. Turn on port forwarding. Log into your router using your browser. Next, select Port Forwarding. Enter the IP address noted on the world. Use 19132 and 19133 respectively as the starting and ending ports. You'll need to set this up for both TCP and UDP protocols.

5. Take a look at the game menu for the Join code. It is composed of four pictures. You can share the join codes with other players.

6. Multiplayer is now available on Minecraft EE. After entering the join code, other players can join a world.

This guide will help you to access more settings.

What's the Difference Between Bedrock and Java Editions?

It is important to choose the right Minecraft edition for your game. There are two main Minecraft versions for multiplayer: Bedrock edition and Java edition.

The only edition that console users can access is the Bedrock edition (PS4, Xbox, Switch). It has limited modding support, and you'll usually need to pay to get access to more mods. It is the only way to connect players across consoles and PCs.

PC users have the option of choosing between the two. We recommend the Java version if you have a lot of friends who use a PC. It doesn't limit mods, can enable hardcore mode for no-respawn gameplay, and is updated first with more developmental features.

How Do You Play Minecraft Multiplayer for Free?

You can only play with friends free of charge by setting up your own server. However, this may take more time and you will need to ensure everything is set up correctly. You can also find trusted hosts online.

Minecraft With Friends

While playing Minecraft by yourself can be a great way to pass the time while you're at it, playing with friends can bring out the best and worst of your group and force you to think outside the box. Now you are familiar with all the multiplayer Minecraft options.
If you're tech-savvy, setting up your server can be a great way to improve your tech knowledge and play online for free.

Which is your favorite way to play Minecraft?

Which platform do you prefer to play multiplayer? Let us know in the comment section below.