

Helpful Sudoku

Puzzle 04 of 10 | X Sudoku

Hard | 24 clues | Clues only

	3	6	8					1
				1	7			
2		4					8	
				7		5		
8	7					2		
			3			1		
1				6	5			
	6		7	4				
			1				4	

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Every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains 1-9 once. Both diagonals do too.

Notes:

Hard:

X Sudoku with one to three branching choices, or no branching choices with more hidden singles than naked singles.

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5 7 9	3	6	8	2 5 9	2 4 9	4 7 9	2 5 9	1
5 9	5 8 9	5 8 9	2 4 5 6 9	1	7	3 4 6 9	2 5 9	2 3 4 5 6 9
2	1 5 9	4	5 6 9	3 5 9	3 6 9	7 9	8	3 5 6 7 9
3 4 6 9	1 2 4 9	1 2 3 9	2 6 9	7	2 4 8 9	5	3 6 9	3 4 6 8 9
8	7	1 3 5 9	4 5 6 9	5 9	1 4 6 9	2	3 6 9	3 4 6 9
4 5 6 9	2 4 5 9	2 5 9	3	2 5 8 9	2 6 8 9	1	6 7 9	4 6 7 8 9
1	2 4 8 9	2 7 8 9	2 9	6	5	3 7 8 9	2 3 7 9	2 3 7 8 9
3 5 9	6	2 3 5 8 9	7	4	2 3 8 9	3 8 9	1 2 3 5 9	2 3 5 8 9
5 7 9	2 5 8 9	2 3 5 7 8 9	1	2 3 8 9	2 3 8 9	3 6 7 8 9	4	2 3 5 6 7 8 9

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Candidates show legal possibilities in the starting grid. Cross them out as you solve.

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7	3	6	8	9	2	4	5	1
5	8	9	4	1	7	6	2	3
2	1	4	5	3	6	7	8	9
6	9	1	2	7	4	5	3	8
8	7	3	6	5	1	2	9	4
4	2	5	3	8	9	1	6	7
1	4	8	9	6	5	3	7	2
3	6	2	7	4	8	9	1	5
9	5	7	1	2	3	8	4	6

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Original clues are bold. Other digits complete the solution.

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