JIGSAW SUDOKU PUZZLE BOOK

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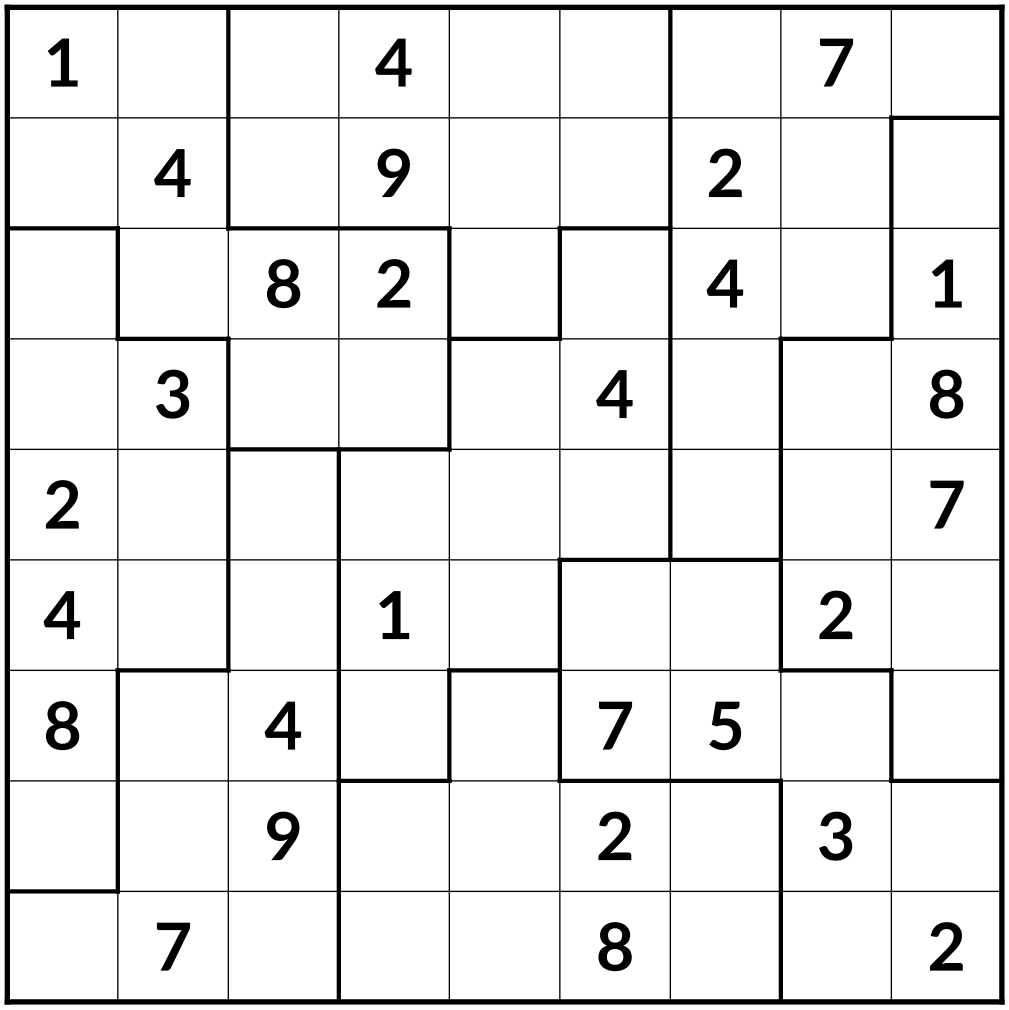
100 Irregular Sudoku Puzzles for Adults, Easy to Expert, One Big Puzzle per Page, with Solutions



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All 100 puzzles in this book are original. Each one has exactly one solution and can be solved by logic alone, without guessing.

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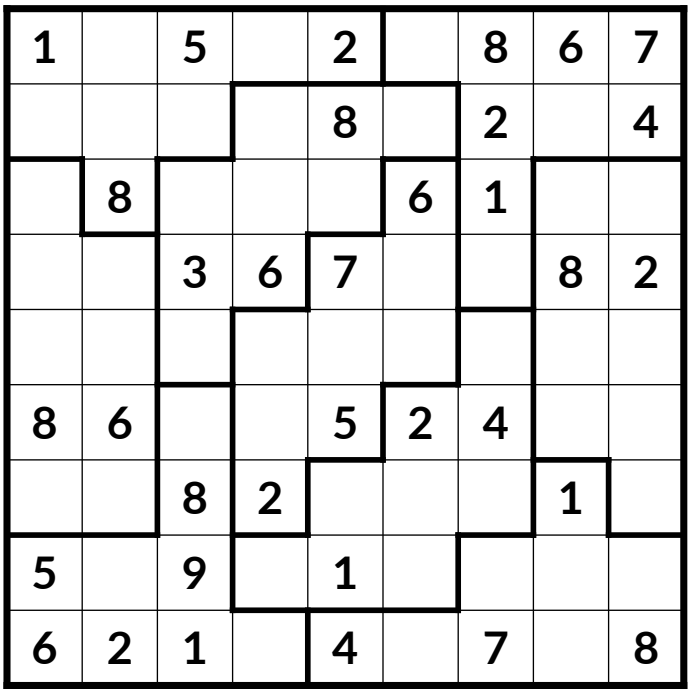
How to Play

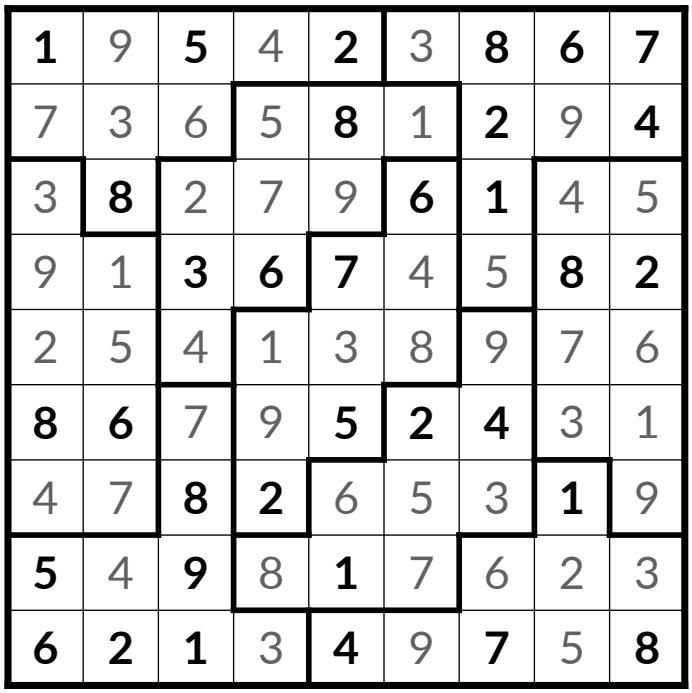
Jigsaw sudoku swaps the nine square boxes for nine irregular shapes, outlined with thick lines. Every shape still has exactly nine squares.

The rules

- ✓ Every row holds the numbers 1 to 9, each exactly once.
- ✓ Every column holds the numbers 1 to 9, each exactly once.
- ✓ Every outlined shape holds the numbers 1 to 9, each exactly once.



Example puzzle



Its solution

SOLVING TIP

Watch the shapes that reach into a row or column. If a number can only go in the part of a shape that lies in one row, it cannot go anywhere else in that row. Ragged edges hide many easy placements.

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How the Puzzles Are Graded

Every puzzle in this book is a jigsaw sudoku. The rules and a worked example are on the next page, and a short rules reminder sits above every puzzle.

Every puzzle was checked by a solver that works like a person: it always uses the easiest technique that makes progress, and it never guesses. A puzzle's level is set by the hardest technique it needs, so a Hard puzzle really is harder than a Medium one. A second, separate solver confirmed that every puzzle has exactly one solution. The solutions start on page 111.

★☆☆☆ **Easy**	**25 puzzles**	Scanning only
★★☆☆ **Medium**	**25 puzzles**	Hardest step: Naked Single, Pointing Pair, Box/Line Reduction
★★★☆ **Hard**	**25 puzzles**	Hardest step: Hidden Pair, Naked Triple, Hidden Triple
★★★★ **Expert**	**25 puzzles**	Hardest step: Swordfish, XYZ-Wing, Simple Coloring

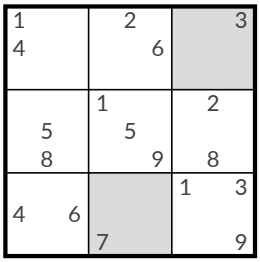
Solving techniques you will use

Scanning (hidden singles)

Pick a number and look at one unit: a row, a column, a box or shape, or a shaded diagonal or window. Cross out every square where the number cannot go because it is already in that square's row, column or other unit, or because the square's shading or a mark next to a number already placed (a bar, a dot, a letter, a thermometer or a sum) rules it out. If only one square is left, that is where it goes. Easy puzzles can be finished with this alone.

Pencil marks and naked singles

Write the possible numbers for a square as small pencil marks (its candidates). When a square has only one candidate left, that number goes there.



pencil marks

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Pointing pairs and box/line reduction

If a candidate inside a box (or shape, diagonal or window) sits only where it meets one row, it must go there, so erase it from the rest of that row. It works the other way round too: if in a row a candidate sits only inside one box, erase it from the rest of that box.

Naked and hidden pairs (and triples)

If two squares in a unit have the same two candidates and nothing else, those two numbers belong to those two squares: erase them from the rest of the unit. A hidden pair is the reverse: two numbers that can only go in the same two squares of a unit, so every other candidate in those squares can go.

X-Wing and XY-Wing

X-Wing: if a candidate appears exactly twice in each of two rows, and in the same two columns, erase it from the rest of those two columns. XY-Wing: a square with candidates XY sees one square with XZ and one with YZ. Whichever way the first square goes, one of the others is Z, so Z can be erased from any square that sees both of them.

Swordfish, XYZ-Wing and coloring

Swordfish is an X-Wing across three rows and three columns. XYZ-Wing is an XY-Wing whose pivot also holds Z. Coloring follows one candidate through squares where it has exactly two places to go and gives them alternating colors: one color must be true, so a square that sees both colors can lose that candidate.

Before you start

- ✓ Use a pencil and keep an eraser close.
- ✓ Start with puzzle 1: every level builds on the one before.
- ✓ Stuck? Read the rules reminder above the puzzle again, then look for the squares with the fewest possible numbers.
- ✓ Check your answers in the solutions at the back, starting on page 111.

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Puzzles 1 to 25

Every puzzle can be solved by scanning alone.

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Puzzle 1 ★☆☆☆ EASY

Time: _____

JIGSAW SUDOKU Every row, every column and every outlined shape holds 1 to 9 once.

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

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Puzzle 2 ★☆☆☆ EASY

Time: _____

JIGSAW SUDOKU Every row, every column and every outlined shape holds 1 to 9 once.

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

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Puzzle 3 ★☆☆☆ EASY

Time: _____

JIGSAW SUDOKU Every row, every column and every outlined shape holds 1 to 9 once.

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

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Puzzle 4 ★☆☆☆ EASY

Time: _____

JIGSAW SUDOKU Every row, every column and every outlined shape holds 1 to 9 once.

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

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Puzzle 5 ★☆☆☆ EASY

Time: _____

JIGSAW SUDOKU Every row, every column and every outlined shape holds 1 to 9 once.

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

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