[Top 15] Minecraft Best Servers That Are Fun (2022 Edition)

Minecraft is a game that's plenty of fun to play alone, but is best when you're adventuring along with friends. While purchasing a realm or setting up a private server are both valid options, there are also a plethora of public servers already running as we speak, featuring all kinds of creative minigames and multiple game modes to experience. Here are 15 of some of the best servers available to join now!

15. Minecraft Central

Featuring a wide variety of fun and classic Minecraft game modes, it's no wonder that Minecraft Central, owned by Alex_Markey, is so well beloved.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 529 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Game modes: Factions, Survival, KitPvP, Prison, Skyblock, and Skywars
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Factions, Survival, KitPvP, Prison, Skyblock, Mini Games, and Skywars
- This server does include microtransactions

IP: best.mccentral.org

Player limit, as listed on their website: 10000

14. Pikouchu

Run by a Minecrafter of the same name, Pikouchu is described by its moderation team as a "small and simple server with a good community." In addition to the adorable Pikachu imagery scattered across this server's branding, this IP features a wide range of game modes to try.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in France
- Ranked 288 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Game modes: Block Party, Build Battle, Creative, EcoPvp, Murder Mystery, Vanilla, Skywars
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Creative, PvP, Survival, Mini Games, and Vanilla gameplay
- This server does not include or require microtransactions, but you can donate via PayPal to help the creators continue to run it!

IP: play.pikouchu.com

Player limit, as listed on their website: 1000

13. VagueMC

According to PVP2Max, this server's creator, VagueMC is "a Minecraft Network that offers a unique experience. We've engineered our servers to provide an outstanding experience with zero lag!" Of course, zero lag is a must when playing on a large public server.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 155 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Game modes: Competitive Factions, Competitive SkyBlock, Competitive Prisons, The Pit, Creative Plots, and Survival
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Skyblock, Factions, Prison, Survival, and Creative

IP: play.vaguemc.net

12. MineSeed

CreationMC describes their server, Mineseed, as a "relaxing Minecraft SMP server with player-oriented plugins to enhance your in-game experience!" It's a grief-protected (mostly) vanilla server with warps and economy elements to make everything more fun and interesting.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 46 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Survival, Vanilla, SMP, Towny, Economy, Roleplay, and PvE

IP: bms.mineseed.org

11. PixelBlock

"Pixelblock is a player-driven community that loves to have a good time. Whether you're playing with friends or taking on the journey solo, Pixelblock is fun for all," reads Aliesland1's description of their server. This server reportedly also supports Bedrock players.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.17
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 43 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Economy, PvE, Vanilla, PvP, Survival, Roleplay, and MCMMO
- This server does include microtransactions

IP: best.pixelblockmc.com

Player limit, as listed on their website: 200

10. ImagineFun

ImagineFun is, according to the server's description, "the most realistic Disneyland in Anaheim recreation you can possibly imagine." Their website includes beautiful cycling footage of this stunningly designed Minecraft theme park.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18

- Based in the United States

- Ranked 36 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Economy, Mini Games, and Roleplay
- This server does include microtransactions, and even physical merch you can buy and own!

IP: imaginefun.net

Player limit, as listed on their website: 2022

9. FadeCloud

FadeCloud - the Minecrafter and owner, not the server itself - claims to offer a wide variety of game modes that are iconic in the public Minecraft server sphere, but with a touch of uniqueness that can only be found here.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 28 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Prison, Skyblock, Survival, Towny, and SMP
- This server does include microtransactions

IP: best.fadecloud.com

8. LemonCloud

iLemon describes LemonCloud as, "an established Minecraft network with a friendly chill community offering multiple awesome game modes." If you're seeking a nice community with a bright and cheery color palette, this server's for you.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 16 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/

- Game modes: OP Prison, OP Factions, Factions, Skyblock, Creative, Survival, KitPvP
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Creative, Skyblock, Factions, Survival, Prison, SMP, and Vanilla

IP: best.lemoncloud.net

7. DonutSMP

Don't let the sugary name fool you - DonutSMP's creator, DrDonut, says that "DonutSMP is a HARDCORE Minecraft Server and SMP that allows Bedrock and Java. Extremely active community... where, if you die, you get banned for 2 days. Griefing, Stealing, and Killing are all allowed and the goal of the server is to Earn Money and Become #1."

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 15 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Hardcore, Anarchy, Vanilla, SMP, and Survival
- This server does include microtransactions

IP: DonutSMP.net

Player limit, as listed on their website: 2000

6. OPBlocks Network

"OPBlocks is a premium Survival SMP, Prison, and Skyblock server featuring unique content and an amazing community, friendly staff, and awesome players like you," reads the description of this highly-ranked server. OPBlocks Network also supports Bedrock!

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18
- Based in the United States
- Ranked 9 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/
- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Prison, Survival, SMP, Skyblock, PvE, Factions, and Vanilla
- This server does include microtransactions

IP: mc.opblocks.com

Player limit, as listed on their website: 3453

5. Purple Ore MC

Created by Minecrafter Sachino all the way back in 2014, Purple Ore is "proud to have been rated the BEST MINECRAFT SERVER IN 2021! Absolutely EVERYONE is welcome to play

here! Whether you're a noob or a Minecraft pro, come join in!"

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18

- Based in the United States

- Ranked 8 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/

- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Prison, PvP, Factions,

Parkour, Survival, Roleplay, and Mini Games

- This server does include microtransactions

IP: bmc.purpleore.net

Player limit, as listed on their website: 1513

Uptime: 99.7%

4. TulipSurvival

Yet another great, highly ranked vanilla server, TulipSurvival is a "super chill Minecraft Survival server with quality of life plugins to make your experience better." Risks Players are capable of claiming land and making their own warps.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18

- Based in the United States

- Ranked 7 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/

- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for SMP, Survival, Towny,

Vanilla, Economy, Parkour, and PvE

IP: smp.tulipsurvival.com

Player limit, as listed on their website: 500

3. PikaNetwork

PikaNetwork is described by its owner, Craftigames, as "a Cracked Minecraft server! Open to both Regular and Cracked players. Our server's player base is intermittently growing since its first release, users around all over the world playing our amazing gamemodes and enjoying their time here with our beloved community."

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18

- Based in the United States

- Ranked 3 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/

- Game modes: Factions, Prison, Skyblock, Survival, Skywars, Mini Games, Bedwars

- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Factions, Prison,

Skyblock, Survival, Skywars, Mini Games, and Bedwars

IP: best.pika.host

Player limit, as listed on their website: 6500

2. Complex Gaming

Complex Gaming, run by FrankCG, is a stock-standard multi-game mode server, featuring a wide variety of game modes to play with your friends. It's one of the highest rated servers

available, likely due to its playability, connection quality, and staff affability.

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18

- Based in the United States

- Ranked 2 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/

- Game modes: Factions, Survival, Skyblock, Pixelmon, Prison, Vanilla, SMP

- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Factions, Survival,

Skyblock, Pixelmon, Prison, Vanilla, and SMP

- This server does include microtransactions

IP: bm.mc-complex.com

Player limit, as listed on their website: 3000

1. MCHub

MCHub is an amazing server, packed full of unique features that I had never even heard of before. According to its page on Best Minecraft Servers, MCHub "offers many unique features for all three game modes, including backpacks and Backpack Enchantments, Enchantment Gemstones, Private Mines, Cities, Gangs, etc."

- Currently running Minecraft 1.18

- Based in the United States

- Ranked 1 on https://best-minecraft-servers.co/

- Game modes: Economy, Prison, Roleplay, Skyblock, Survival, PvP, PvE

- Found by searching for public Minecraft servers that are known for Economy, Prison,

Roleplay, Skyblock, Survival, PvP, and PvE

- This server does include microtransactions

IP: bmc.mchub.com

Player limit, as listed on their website: 5885

Uptime: 100%

Check out their website here!

With these 15 great options to choose from, you have no shortage of incredible adventures to embark on, with all your friends, old and new, at your side. We'll see you around - and happy gaming!