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Streaming Web Videos To Your T.V.

Ever missed an episode of your favorite TV show on satellite or cable? Or, feel like watching a movie, but don't want the hassle of running out to rent a DVD? The internet is a great source of an unlimited supply of videos ranging from television shows, podcasts, music, full-length movies, news and even live concerts. Some of the more popular sites for viewing or streaming these videos include YouTube, Netflix, and Hulu.

The most popular video streaming website, YouTube has thousands of videos on nearly every topic imaginable, all user submitted and free to watch. Videos on YouTube are often short homemade movies, but if you're looking for a recap of the latest sports game, news cast, or speech, YouTube is your best option. Visit **www.youtube.com** for more information.

Netflix is the prime destination for movies, but one of its main strengths is as a library of older content that people still want to watch, including complete seasons of television episodes. With Netflix streaming service, you may view the video directly on your computer or other compatible device. Netflix also offers a DVD subscription service that allows you to rent DVDs through the mail. Each of these services are \$7.99 per month. Check out www.netflix.com for more details.

Hulu (www.hulu.com) is also a free service that focuses primarily on recent TV shows (such as the most recent seasons of current shows and day-after viewing) though it does have a decent amount of older shows and movies. Participating networks include ABC, NBC, Fox and many cable networks including Food Network, HGTV, MTV, History Channel, and Fox Sports. HuluPlus is the paid subscription version which allows you an expanded selection of older episodes for \$7.99 per month.

But, sitting at the computer is not always the most enjoyable way to watch web videos, especially if there is more than one of you watching. Fortunately, your

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wireless-ready DSL modem from Haviland Telephone simplifies streaming this content to your television when used in conjunction with any of a number of easy-to-use devices. We have provided a list of just some of your options below.

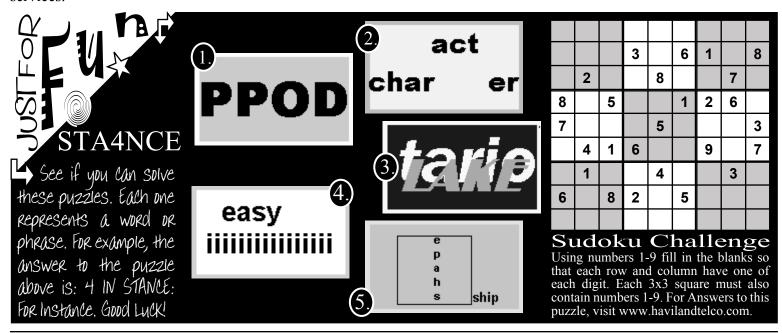
For most of these options, all you need is the device, a TV, a high speed internet connection (at least 1.5M), a computer to activate the player and channels, and a few minutes. Unless otherwise noted, all of these options are compatible with older TVs.

These devices will connect wirelessly to your existing Haviland Telephone modem, so make sure you know your wireless network name (SSID) and your wireless security password, if you use one. Our office can help you find that information if you need assistance.

Some of the options available for steaming videos to your TV:

Streaming Device	Cost	Might Be For You If
Streaming Only Set-Top Box Streaming Only Please!	\$100	Mainly interested in streaming content from services such as Netflix and YouTube? One of the most popular brands of set-top boxes is Roku, which offers a wide array of free and subscription-based content. Apple also has a version that has exclusive access to iTunes. Both boxes will stream Netflix, MLB.TV,YouTube and many more. Please note: if you get the AppleTV box, it may not be compatible with older TV models. For more information, visit www.roku.com or www.apple.com/appletv.
Gaming Systems Play and Stream!	\$150- 300	Want an all-in-one gaming, streaming and blu-ray player? The PlayStation3 (PS3) is the best choice at \$300. This device is compatible with older TVs as well, but if you want to get the full effect of high definition video features, you will want to use an HDTV. The PS3 also has the most access to free and subscription-based streaming services of the three gaming systems. An Xbox 360 (\$200) also allows for gaming and online entertainment. It plays standard DVDs, but not Blu-ray movies. If you are really only interested in streaming Netflix the Wii gaming system (\$150) will work well for you, but it does not play DVDs or blu-rays and currently only streams content from Netflix. For more information, visit www.wii.com, www.us.playstation.com/ps3 or www.xbox.com.
Blu-ray players DVD/Blu-ray and stream!	\$80- 250	Interested in being able to play DVDs or blu-ray discs AND get video from the internet? There are a wide variety of blu-ray players available. Your best bet to find the one for you is to visit the sites you want to stream from; they will provide a list of compatible players. Or, if shopping at a retail store, the players often note on the box what services are compatible. For information on which devices come ready to stream Netflix, visit www.netflix.com/NetflixReadyDevices.
Hook your computer up directly to your TV	\$20- \$100+	If you really just want to view your computer screen on the TV, an HDMI cable may be all you need. The feasibility of this option and the total expense depend mainly on the age of your TV and computer. If you have an HDTV, and your laptop has an HDMI output, just get a long HDMI cable and connect the two. For more information visit: http://hookpctotv.com.

If you have ever wondered about getting internet content on your TV, we hope to have given you just some of the options available to you. Haviland Telephone does not sell, endorse, or provide technical support for any of these products or services.



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