

Useful Tips and Tricks for Navigating YouTube



Keyboard Shortcuts

The YouTube video window must be active for these shortcuts to work.

Space	Play/pause video
k	Play/pause video
Left Arrow	Rewind 5 seconds
Right Arrow	Fast-forward 5 seconds
j	Rewind 10 seconds
l	Fast-forward 10 seconds
*0	Restart video
*1-9	Fast-forward in increments of 10%
Home	Restart video (Windows only)
End	Jump to end of video (Windows only)
, (Comma)	Rewind by one frame when video is paused
. (Period)	Fast-forward by one frame when video is paused
> (Shift + Period)	Increase playback speed
< (Shift + Comma)	Decrease playback speed
Shift + n	Jump to next video in playlist
Shift + p	Jump to previous video in playlist
**Ctrl + Right Arrow	Jump to next video in playlist
**Ctrl + Left Arrow	Jump to previous video in playlist
**Backspace	Jump to previous video in playlist
m	Mute/unmute video
Up Arrow	Increase volume by 5%
Down Arrow	Decrease volume by 5%
f	Toggle Full Screen Mode
t	Toggle Theater Mode
i	Toggle Miniplayer
c	Toggle captions if available
o	Cycle through text opacity options for captions
w	Cycle through window opacity options for captions
= (Equals)	Increase font size for captions
- (Minus)	Decrease font size for captions
w	Pan up in 360° video
s	Pan down in 360° video
a	Pan left in 360° video
d	Pan right in 360° video
[Zoom in within 360° video
]	Zoom out in 360° video
Tab	Cycle forward through onscreen elements
Shift + Tab	Cycle backward through onscreen elements
Space	Launch or open selected element
Enter	Launch or open selected element

/	Place cursor in search box
? (Shift + /)	Open YouTube shortcuts dialog
Esc	Exit Full Screen mode, exit dialogs
*Key(s) on the numeric keypad won't work.	
**On Mac keyboards, use Cmd instead of Ctrl and Delete instead of Backspace .	

URL Shortcuts

"Video_ID" in the following links refers to the 11-character sequence that appears in every YouTube URL.

*Link to any part of video	youtube.com/watch?v=Video_ID&t=YmXXs
*Start video from a specific point	youtube.com/watch?v=Video_ID&start=XX
Bypass age restrictions	genyoutube.com/watch?v=Video_ID
Loop video indefinitely	youtuberepeater.com/watch?v=Video_ID
View high-res thumbnail of video (if available)	img.youtube.com/vi/Video_ID/maxresdefault.jpg
Make a GIF from any part of video	gifyoutube.com/watch?v=Video_ID
*Y refers to minutes and XX refers to seconds	

Search Operators

Append search operator to your query.

+keyword	Force keyword matching
-keyword	Exclude keyword
"keyword(s)"	Force exact keyword(s) match
intitle:	Look for keywords in content title
,hour	Content uploaded in the last hour only
,today	Content uploaded today
,week	Content uploaded this week
,month	Content uploaded this month
,year	Content uploaded this year
,video	Videos only
,channel	Channels only
,playlist	Playlists only
,movie	Movies only
,show	Shows only
,long	Content longer than 20 minutes
,short	Content shorter than 4 minutes
,live	Live streaming content only
,4k	4K content only
,hd	HD content only
,cc	Captioned content only
,creativecommons	Creative Commons licensed content only

,spherical	360° content only
,3d	3D content only
,hdr	HDR content only
,purchased	Purchased content only
, (Comma)	Separate keywords/operators

Related Links

YouTube Trending	youtube.com/feed/trending
Your Subscriptions	youtube.com/feed/subscriptions
Your YouTube History	youtube.com/feed/history
YouTube Gaming	youtube.com/gaming
YouTube Premium	youtube.com/red
YouTube TV	youtube.com/tv
YouTube Copyright Basics	https://youtu.be/OQVHWsTHcoc
YouTube TestTube	youtube.com/testtube

Recommended Dimensions (in pixels) for Creating YouTube Graphics and Videos

Profile Picture	800x800
Thumbnail	1280x720
Banner (Cover Photo or Channel Art)	2560x440
Banner Safe Area	1546x423
Mobile Display	1546x423
Tablet Display	1855x423
Desktop Display	2560x423
TV Display	2560x1440
4K (2160p)	3840x2160
2K (1440p)	2560x1440
Max. Resolution for HD (1080p)	1920x1080
Min. Resolution for HD (720p)	1280x720
Standard Definition (480p)	854x480
Traditional Website Resolution (360p)	640x360
Minimum YouTube Video Size (240p)	426x240