

Ways to Virtually Hangout With Your Friends

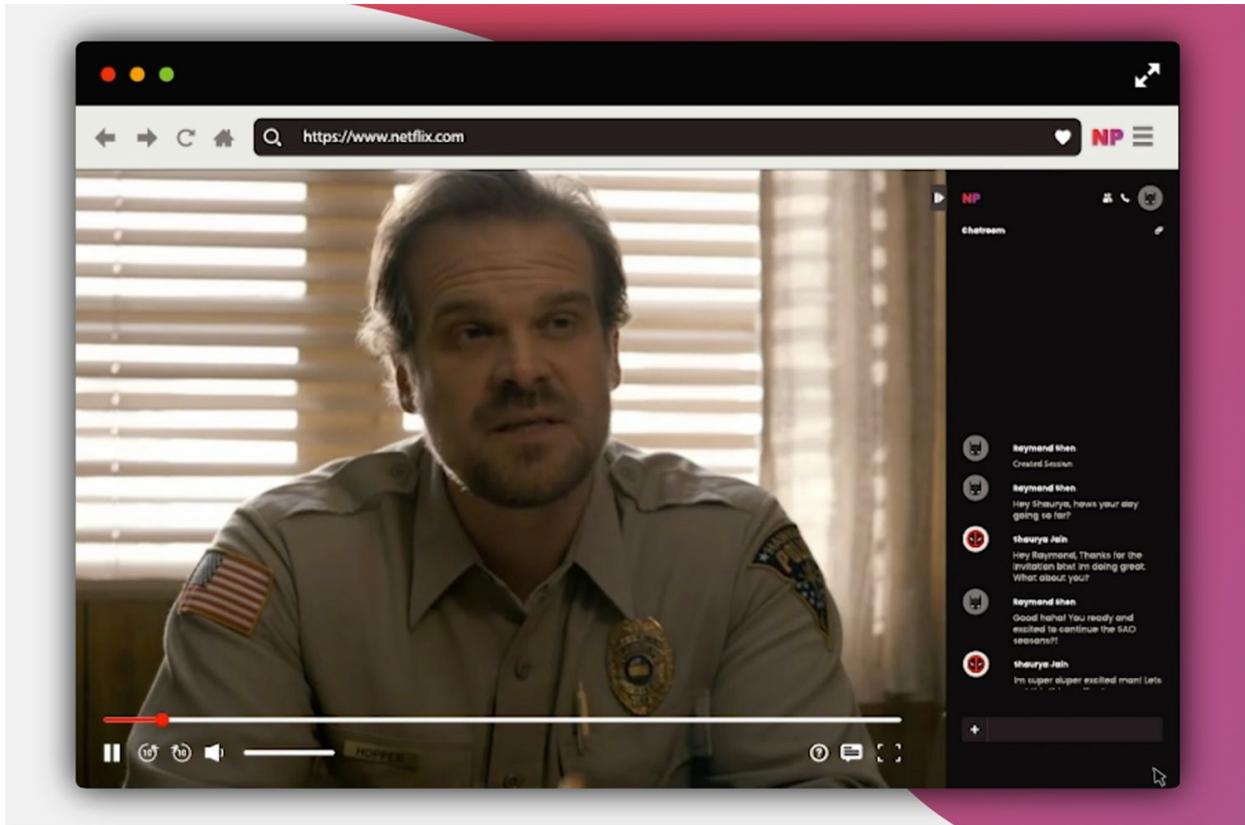
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During stressful times like these, what most people want to do is see their friends and forget about all the worries in the world. But sadly, this is not possible due to social distancing. Luckily, we live in a time period where technology is a huge part of our lives and can help cheat our way through the system. So here are some ways you can hangout with your friends but still maintain the importance of separation.

1. Netflix Party

Netflix Party is where you can join your friends in watching a movie or your favorite TV show. They will be able to watch with you and comment on the side about what you are watching or just talk about anything. It is also very easy to set up, here is how!

1. Download Netflix Party to Chrome Extension ([Chrome Extension](#))
2. Go to Netflix's website and pick your poison.
3. You can then either create a party or join!



2. Facetime/Skype

This one is obvious, however, it is the perfect way to see your friends! Skype can be downloaded on any phone or computer. Another suggestion that will allow you to see up to eight people is HouseParty, where you can call friends and play games.

These apps are available for both Android and IOS (with the exception of FaceTime).

3. Keep Up With Social Media

Social media is a great way to see what your friends are up to. A simple click to their profile will let you in on what their life looks like during quarantine. It's also a place to send them funny videos or pictures that you find while laying in bed... after your homework is done of course.



4. iMessage Games (iPhones only)

If you don't already have GamePigeon on your messages, it is time to get it. Go to your app store, search GamePigeon, and there you have it, one of the greatest apps ever created. You can send games to your friends including 8 Ball, Basketball, Cup Pong, Mini Golf, and many more! There are also games where you can play with multiple people such as Crazy 8.



5. Virtual Dinner

This was a suggestion from a Tartan member, shout out to Cam Fink!

He said to set up a dinner with a friend or significant other over facetime (or the suggested apps above) by either making your own food or Doordashing it to one another. If you want to add a little spice, light some candles, dim the lights, and play some soft jazz music. It is like a romantic dinner in France but in the comfort of your own home!

All of these are great ways to see your friends by respecting social distancing. This is hard to do but keep in mind this is the best for everyone and soon, it will all be over. For now, keep your distance and *virtually* see your friends!