

5 HBO Max tricks to get the most out of your new streaming subscription

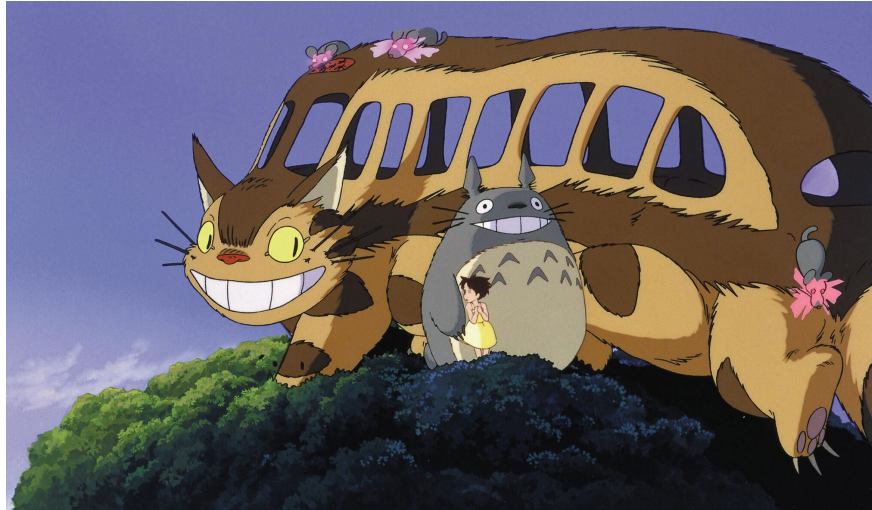
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HBO Max, the hot new streaming service from HBO, was released last week with 10,000 hours of content. For \$14.99 a month, subscribers can find almost every Studio Ghibli film, the Harry Potter movies, classics like Casablanca, all 10 seasons of Friends (and a promised reunion episode) and cult favorites such as Rick and Morty. Though HBO Max's price tag is the same as HBO and HBO Now through most pay-TV subscribers, it's on the steep end when compared to the basic plans from Netflix (\$8.99 a month) and Hulu (\$5.99 a month).



Despite its sprawling catalog, CNET's review of HBO Max shows it still comes up short, with no app on Roku or Amazon TV. The service doesn't have 4K HDR capability, and you can't import your watch history or personalized recommendations. HBO Max is still in its infancy, so there's time for those shortcomings to turn around.

If you've subscribed to HBO Max, here are a few tips and tricks that we've found so far to help you get the most out of the streaming service.



1. Add on HBO Max to your Hulu plan

If you want to subscribe to HBO Max or even just try the seven-day free trial, you can do that as an add-on to your Hulu plan. It won't lower your price, so you'll still be paying for your Hulu subscription and the HBO Max subscription, but you can watch both in one place, along with any other add-ons you've got on Hulu.

