

HEARTSEEKER



RULEBOOK

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Set-Up

Separate all cards by their card backs. Shuffle all of the cards face down and place them into piles where all players are within reach.

**Note: All cards that share a back belong in the same deck.*

Take 3 **Character** cards from the top of the **Character Deck** and put them face up in play. (if there is an **Enter** effect it doesn't apply for the start of the game).

Every player begins the game with 5 cards in their hand (these cards may be looked at).

The player who most recently watched an anime goes first. If there's a tie, then it's the player who most recently watched a slice of life anime. If there's still a tie, then the biggest otaku goes first.

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Objective

Gain the love of 3 Characters! Each Character is represented by a **Character** card with a red back. To win the love of the Characters, you'll need to be the player to place the last **Move** card on them, with at least one **Move** card on the **Character** to match each of their icons. After a **Character's** love is gained, add a new **Character** into play (there should always be 3 in play).

Gameplay

At the start of your turn, you may choose to draw 1 card from the **Main Deck** OR refill your hand up to 5 and end your turn. If at any point a player needs to use the **Main Deck** and cards are out, the discard pile is shuffled back into the **Main Deck**. During your turn, you may play up to 1 of each card type: **Action**, **Move**, and **Favor**. These cards are gained through the **Main Deck**.



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The Main Deck

This refers to the **Move** cards, **Action** cards, and **Favor** cards. These cards are represented with pink card backs and are shuffled into the same deck.

- **Move Cards**

These cards represent 1 of 5 different type of Moves: Adventure, Hearts, Humor, Smarts, and Sweets.

- **Action Cards**

These cards have various effects that are activated immediately after playing.

- **Favor Cards**

These cards instantly acquire the **Character** whose name it matches.

*A **Favor** card may be played instantly to cancel another player's **Favor** card. This can be done any number of times. When negating, players choose in turn order.

Winning

After all **Characters'** love is gained, the player with the most **Character** cards wins! If there's a tie, the player with the most varied icons among the **Character** cards they have is the winner.

Wrecking

Instead of playing a **Move** to match a **Character** icon and attempt to gain that **Character**, you can instead place your **Move** card sideways under the **Character**.

If there's 2 or more **Move** cards placed this way, considered, "Wrecked," then the **Character** is discarded and no player gets a point.

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Locations

These are optional cards to make for a more in-depth game, recommended for experienced players or those looking to spend an evening playing Heartseeker! Shuffle the **Location** cards and put them in the center of the table face down. Flip over 1 **Location** to be face up for every player in the game. Whenever you play a **Move** card, you may choose to travel to one of the revealed **Location** cards at **Level 1** and apply its effect if able. If there are multiple **Level 1**'s, then choose whichever you desire. You can't take more than 1 **Character** to a **Location** at a time. If you're with a **Character** and would complete **Level 3**, you may move them to another **Location** when you play your next **Move** on them.

Characters (With Locations)

Instead of using 3 **Characters**, play with 1 **Character** per **Location**.

Moves (With Locations)

When playing with locations, you can't play **Move** cards on **Characters** already at a **Location** unless you're the player to take that **Character** to a **Location**. ***Wrecking** doesn't activate the **Location** effect.

Favors (With Locations)

When playing with **Locations**, **Favors** can gain **Characters** at locations with other players.

Solo

Want to test your mettle solo? No problem!

At the start of the game, shuffle any non-Favor cards to make a 40 card **Main Deck**.

Take your turns, attempting to gain the love of the **Characters**.

At the end of each turn, put the top 3 cards of the Main Deck into the discard pile. If you can't, the game is over.

See how many Characters' love you can gain in the meantime!

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Double Date

Want to play 2 player co-op?

Play is similar to Solo, except you can help one another out with your cards and the **Main Deck** will be 30 random non-Favor cards!

Players take their turn together. During their turn, players may swap up to 1 card from each of their hands with other.

To win, the players must gain the love of 3 **Characters** each.

The game continues until all cards run out from the Main Deck.

Aika

Favorite Food: Steak (cooked the only way it should be cooked... rare)

Favorite Music: Hardcore, instrumental (with guitar)

Favorite Color: Black

Hobbies: Training, hiking, horseback riding, binge watching shows

Likes: Animals...especially dogs, not so much cats

Dislikes: Being told what to do, overly cautious and negative people, being taken for granted

Zodiac: Aries

Akaia

Favorite Food: Subs

Favorite Music: Rock anthems, punk rock

Favorite Color: Orange

Hobbies: Adventuring, sports, swimming, working out

Likes: Collecting different types of stones, drinking, winning

Dislikes: When people whisper in front of her, being disappointed

Zodiac: Sagittarius

Ai

Favorite Food: Crepes

Favorite Music: Cider Girl, KANA-BOON, Amoyamo

Favorite Color: Pink

Hobbies: Going for walks, eating, sleeping

Likes: Humans, monsters, food

Dislikes: Anybody that Kiki tells her to, disappointing others, blood

Zodiac: Leo (summoned August 12th, birth date unknown)

Alesnya

Favorite Food: Lobster and scallops

Favorite Music: Pop and dance

Favorite Color: Blue

Hobbies: Dancing and writing

Likes: Gossip, hockey, education, learning, and politics

Dislikes: Interruptive people, bad breath

Zodiac: Virgo

Cara

Favorite Food: Pizza

Favorite Music: Pop and alternative rock

Favorite Color: Pink

Hobbies: Interior decorating, baking cupcakes

Likes: Meeting new people, jamming out music

Dislikes: Being left out

Zodiac: Leo

Cleopatra

Favorite Food: Taramasalata

Favorite Music: Pop Rock

Favorite Color: Green

Hobbies: Painting and going out to eat

Likes: Perfume, snakes

Dislikes: Liars, fakes, and gossipers

Zodiac: Capricorn

Emma

Favorite Food: Steak, carrots, mashed potatoes

Favorite Music: Metal (and occasionally, sometimes country music)

Favorite Color: Green (but doesn't think it looks good on her)

Hobbies: Hunting, racing, cookouts, camping, spending time with friends

Likes: Shopping, slushies, having "girls night"

Dislikes: Stalkers, people who put personal gain above loyalty, hydras, and AAA studios who can't fix the bugs in their games

Zodiac: Cancer

Kiki

Favorite Food: Anything with strawberries

Favorite Music: Marilyn Manson, Asian Kung-Fu Generation, Eve

Favorite Color: Purple

Hobbies: Texting, playing guitar, potion making

Likes: Cell phones, american food, blonde hair

Dislikes: Teachers, birds, annoying people

Zodiac: Aquarius (born January 27th)

Lala

Favorite Food: Takoyaki

Favorite Music: Koh Ikeda, hironobu kageyama, OxT

Favorite Color: Red

Hobbies: Building robot model kits, watching anime, reading manga

Likes: Tokusatsu, kiki, toys

Dislikes: Bullying, skimpy/revealing outfits, social media

Zodiac: Scorpio (born November 17th)

Leaf

Favorite Food: Corn dogs and turkey legs

Favorite Music: Lutecore

Favorite Color: Yellow

Hobbies: Archery, hanging out with Aika, painting

Likes: Chaos, Aika, her friend Bench, her sisters, and meeting animals

Dislikes: Rules

Zodiac Sign: Taurus

Lilith

Favorite Food: Apples

Favorite Music: Romantic goth and ethereal wave

Favorite Color: Doesn't care

Hobbies: Drinking, gambling, deal making, and journaling

Likes: Poetry, yoga, and fantasy epics

Dislikes: Movie critics, a majority of comedians, and fruit beer

Zodiac Sign: Scorpio

Luna

Favorite Food: Macaroni and cheese... and any cheese really...

Favorite Music: Pop Punk

Favorite Color: Purple

Hobbies: Reading, drawing, teaching

Likes: Love, romance, deep connections, reading

Dislikes: Being criticized, loud people, big crowds

Zodiac: Pisces

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