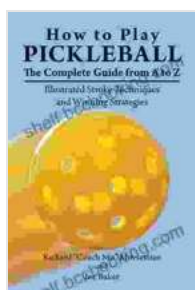


How to Play Pickleball: The Complete Guide for Beginners

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The Rules of Pickleball

Pickleball is played on a badminton-sized court with a net that is 36 inches high at the sides and 34 inches high in the middle. The game is played with paddles that are similar to ping-pong paddles, and a plastic ball that is about the size of a tennis ball. Players can play singles or doubles.

The object of the game is to hit the ball over the net and into your opponent's court. The ball must bounce once on each side of the net before a player can hit it. Players can hit the ball overhead, underhand, or with a volley. The game is won by the first team to reach 11 points, with a lead of at least 2 points.

Pickleball Equipment

To play pickleball, you will need the following equipment:

- A pickleball paddle
- A pickleball
- A pickleball court

Pickleball paddles come in a variety of shapes and sizes. The most common type of paddle is the paddle used for tennis. Pickleball paddles are also available in lightweight and graphite materials. The type of paddle you choose will depend on your personal preference.

Pickleballs are made of plastic and are about the size of a tennis ball. Pickleballs come in different colors, and they can be either smooth or textured.

Pickleball courts are typically made of concrete or asphalt. The court is 20 feet wide and 44 feet long. The net is 36 inches high at the sides and 34 inches high in the middle.

Basic Pickleball Techniques

There are a few basic techniques that you need to know to play pickleball. These techniques include:

- The forehand
- The backhand
- The volley
- The serve

The forehand is the most common shot in pickleball. To hit a forehand, stand with your feet shoulder-width apart and your knees slightly bent. Hold the paddle in your dominant hand, with your thumb on the top of the handle and your fingers wrapped around the bottom. Swing the paddle forward and hit the ball with the flat part of the paddle.

The backhand is similar to the forehand, but you hit the ball with the back of your paddle. To hit a backhand, stand with your feet shoulder-width apart and your knees slightly bent. Hold the paddle in your non-dominant hand, with your thumb on the top of the handle and your fingers wrapped around the bottom. Swing the paddle back and hit the ball with the back of the paddle.

The volley is a shot that is hit before the ball bounces. To hit a volley, stand with your feet shoulder-width apart and your knees slightly bent. Hold the paddle in your dominant hand, with your thumb on the top of the handle and your fingers wrapped around the bottom. Swing the paddle forward and hit the ball with the flat part of the paddle.

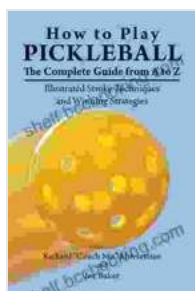
The serve is the first shot of the game. To serve, stand behind the baseline with your feet shoulder-width apart and your knees slightly bent. Hold the paddle in your dominant hand, with your thumb on the top of the handle and your fingers wrapped around the bottom. Swing the paddle forward and hit the ball with the flat part of the paddle.

Getting Started with Pickleball

If you're interested in learning how to play pickleball, there are a few things you can do to get started.

- Find a local pickleball court. You can find a list of pickleball courts near you by visiting the USA Pickleball Association website.
- Take a pickleball lesson. This is a great way to learn the basic rules and techniques of the game.
- Join a pickleball league. This is a great way to meet other pickleball players and get some practice.

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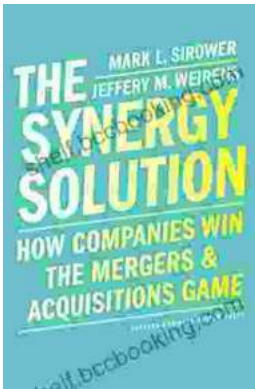
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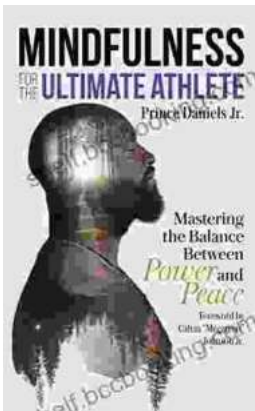
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