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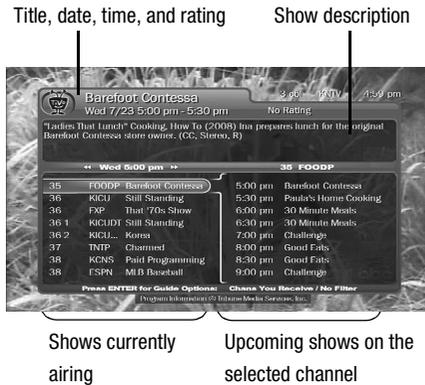
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Using the Guide to find shows

The Guide displays up to two weeks of TV programming at the touch of a button — the **GUIDE** button on your TiVo remote. When you press **SELECT** on a show in progress, the channel changes and the program guide disappears.

If you press **SELECT** on an upcoming show, you'll see a screen with recording options. Set up your recording or press **LEFT** to go back to the guide.

You can choose to display the guide as a grid, or use the TiVo Live Guide. When you're viewing the guide, press **ENTER** to display Guide Options and choose the view you want.

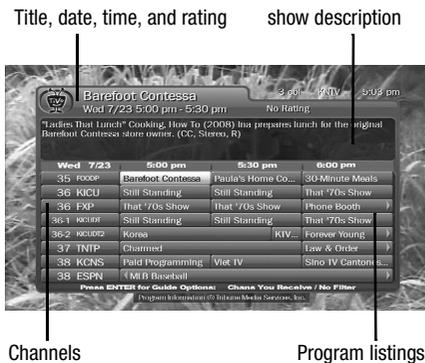


Using the TiVo Live Guide

The TiVo Live Guide displays your channels in the left pane, and the selected channel's programming in the right pane.

To move around in the TiVo Live Guide, move the highlight to a channel in the left pane.

- Press **FORWARD** ►► to move the displayed time ahead one half-hour at a time, or press **REWIND** ◀◀ to move it backward.
- Press **ADVANCE** (⏭) to jump 24 hours ahead, or **INSTANT REPLAY** (⏮) to jump 24 hours back.



Using the grid guide

The grid guide displays your channels in the left column, and each channel's programming to the right in half-hour increments.

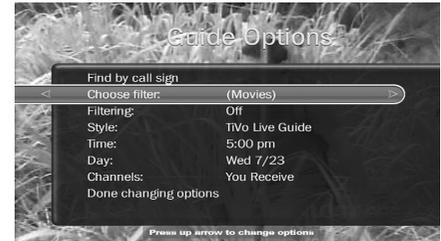
To move around in the grid guide, move the highlight to a channel in the left column and press FORWARD ►► to move the displayed time one screen ahead, or press REWIND ◀◀ to move it one screen backward.

Setting filters on the guide

When you're viewing the guide, press ENTER to display Guide Options. Set 'Filtering' to 'On,' then select 'Choose Filter' and choose category and sub-category filters

When filtering is on, the guide shows only channels that have a show in the category you chose in the next six hours. Shows that fit the category are highlighted; other titles are dimmed. To see all channels again, set 'Filtering' to 'Off.'

You can also use Guide Options to see only what's on at a particular day and time. Just enter the day and time you're interested in, and the guide will be limited to that information.



Choosing channels for the guide

You can use the Guide Options screen to choose which channels to display in the guide.

All Display all channels available from your service provider, even channels you don't receive.

You Receive Display only the channels that are checked in the Channel List (recommended).

Favorites Display only the channels you rated as your favorites in the Channel List. See page 58 for more information on the Channels List.

Finding more showings

For a comprehensive list of all upcoming showings of a program, including repeats, select the show from the guide, then select 'Season Pass and other options,' and 'View upcoming episodes.' You can use this list to choose the showing that is most convenient for you to record.





Replace hyphens (-), slashes (/) and periods (.) with spaces. For example, use 20 20 to search for the title “20/20.” Any other marks, such as apostrophes (’), asterisks (*) and ampersands (&) are ignored. For example, use 6 OCLOCK NEWS to search for the title “6 O’Clock News.”

Searching for shows

You can search for both broadcast and broadband content or set up recordings by time or channel.

Searching by title

If you know the title of the show you want to record, finding it is easy.

1. From TiVo® Central, select ‘Find Programs’, then ‘Search by Title.’
2. Choose whether to narrow the search to a particular category and sub-category, or select ‘All programs.’
3. Use the letter grid to spell out the title. Use the arrow buttons to move around, then press SELECT on each letter you want. (Skip “a,” “an,” or “the.”) As you select letters, an alphabetical list of shows appears on the right.
4. Keep selecting letters until you see your show. If you make a mistake, you can press CLEAR to erase everything, or REWIND to erase one letter at a time. Insert a space by pressing FORWARD.
5. When you see your show, press the RIGHT arrow to move to the list. Then use the UP/DOWN arrows to highlight your show, and press SELECT. The Program Information screen shows your available options.

Using Swivel Search

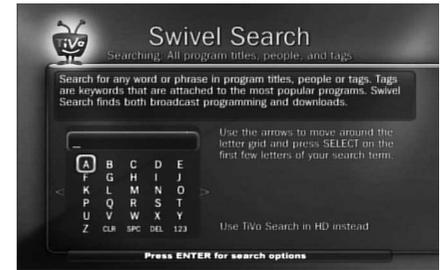
When you use Swivel Search, your search results show both broadcast shows and shows that are available through RCN's VOD library and through your broadband Internet connection.

To use Swivel Search, your TiVo Premiere must be broadband-connected, parental controls must be OFF, and your privacy status must be set to allow Swivel Search. When you first use Swivel Search, you may see on-screen prompts telling you how to change the settings if necessary.

1. To start searching, choose 'Find Programs' from TiVo Central, then select 'Swivel Search.'
2. Enter the first few letters of a show title or actor's name. A list of search results will appear in the middle pane of the screen.
3. Select a show title or actor's name to see more details and schedule recordings.
 - For a show, you can schedule a recording or a create a Season Pass from the Details screen. You can also view upcoming episodes or browse the episode guide, explore details about the cast, learn about other shows that might interest you, or view bonus features.
 - For an actor, you can browse TV shows or movies featuring this actor or create a WishList search.

Recording by time or channel

If you don't remember the exact name of a show, but you know what time or channel it's on, use 'Record by Time or Channel.' You'll have three options:



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Browse by time Browse shows on a specified day and time. You can filter the list to see only shows in a particular category. For example, you can browse all movies airing on Saturday night.

Browse by channel Browse through shows airing on a particular channel. You can start with all channels, or just your favorites.

Manually record time/channel Schedule a recording on a specific channel at a specific time.

Recommended shows

With all the programming available to your TiVo® Premiere, sometimes you might want show recommendations. TiVo Suggestions are a result of the THUMBS UP  and THUMBS DOWN  ratings you give shows. Based on those ratings, TiVo Suggestions can automatically record recommended shows for you.

TiVo Suggestions

You can rate any show — whether it's live, recorded, or listed in the program guide — by pressing the THUMBS UP  or THUMBS DOWN  button on your remote. You can give a show up to three Thumbs Up (great!) or three Thumbs Down (terrible!).

TiVo Suggestions uses these ratings to create a list of shows you might like. The more shows you rate over time, the better TiVo Suggestions will get at finding interesting shows for you.

Auto-recording TiVo Suggestions

When your TiVo Premiere has available space, it automatically records TiVo Suggestions. But you don't *ever* need to worry about recorded Suggestions taking up space — here's why:

- TiVo Suggestions never replace shows you record or prevent your shows from being recorded.
- TiVo Suggestions are always the first shows deleted to make room for your recordings.

If you'd prefer not to record TiVo Suggestions automatically, you can turn them off. From TiVo Central choose 'Messages & settings,' then 'Settings,' then 'Recording,' then 'TiVo Suggestions.'



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On the TiVo Suggestions screen, choose ‘No, don’t record TiVo Suggestions.’ You can still see the TiVo Suggestions list and choose to record individual shows.

Viewing the suggestions list

You can review a list of upcoming TiVo Suggestions by going to TiVo Central and choosing ‘Find Programs,’ then ‘TiVo Suggestions.’

The list is ranked, so shows you’re more likely to enjoy are near the top.

To record a show, highlight it and press either **SELECT** or **RECORD** on your remote. Or use **THUMBS UP** or **THUMBS DOWN** to rate shows and improve future recommendations.

Watching TiVo Suggestions

Recorded suggestions appear in the TiVo Suggestions group inside the Now Playing List. You can watch, save, or delete them just like any other shows.

Reviewing your thumb ratings

To display a list of all shows that you’ve rated, select ‘Find Programs,’ then ‘TiVo Suggestions.’

Press **ENTER** to see the Review Thumbs screen. Then, highlight a show and use the **THUMBS UP** and **THUMBS DOWN** buttons on your remote to change its rating.



Any time you choose to record a show, it automatically gets one Thumbs Up.

Season Pass® recordings

A Season Pass recording automatically records every episode of a series that airs on a certain channel — even if the day or time changes! Just select a show from the guide or your search results and choose ‘Get a Season Pass.’

If the TiVo Service finds any conflicts in scheduling upcoming episodes of the Season Pass recording, you’ll be asked to choose whether you want to keep the previously scheduled recording or record the new show instead.

Season Pass recording options

When you set up a Season Pass recording, you can choose how many episodes to keep and how long to keep them using Recording Options.

Choose ‘First run only’ if you want to skip the re-runs.

You can cancel the recording of any episode in a Season Pass by highlighting the title in the To Do List and pressing CLEAR.

You can delete the entire Season Pass or change recording options using the Season Pass manager.





 Not all actor or director names may be listed. To search for a name that is not on the list, enter the name in the format: LAST NAME, FIRST NAME. You must match the spelling of the name exactly, and you must use a comma (available in the grid under the letter W).

Creating WishList® searches

A WishList search finds shows that match your search criteria on any channel you receive — and it keeps on searching for as long as you keep the WishList search.

You can search for something specific by creating a WishList search with multiple criteria: for instance, you might create a WishList search for actor George Clooney, category Movies, and sub-category Action. This WishList search would find action movies starring George Clooney.

You can even use WishList searches to find something *very* specific. For example, the Keyword GIANTS with category Football would find Giants football games, but not Giants baseball games.

Creating a WishList search

Creating a WishList Search is simple:

1. From TiVo Central, choose 'Find Programs,' then 'WishList search,' then 'Create a WishList search.'

Next, start choosing criteria for your WishList Search. You can choose any or all of the following:

Keyword Search for shows with specific words in the show or episode title, description, actor, director, year, or category.

Title Keyword Search for shows with specific words in the show or episode title.

Actor Search for shows with your favorite actor.

Director Search for shows by a specific director.

Category Search for specific categories and sub-categories of shows (for example, action movies or nature documentaries).

2. After entering your initial search criteria, you'll return to the Create WishList Search screen. Continue adding as many search criteria to your WishList search as you like. For instance, you could create a WishList search like this:
 - Keyword: Pirate
 - Actor: Johnny Depp
 - Category: Movies

Your results would include only pirate movies starring Johnny Depp.

3. The TiVo Service automatically assigns a name to your WishList search. To assign a different name, select 'WishList Name.'
4. When you're finished entering search criteria, select 'Done creating this WishList search.'

After you've created the WishList search, you can do any of the following:

View upcoming episodes You'll see a list of shows airing in the next two weeks or so that match your WishList search criteria. You can choose to record individual shows from the list.

Auto-record WishList programs Your TiVo Premiere will automatically record any shows matching your Wishlist search criteria until you modify or delete the WishList search.

Edit or delete Wishlist search You can change the WishList search — for example, to correct a misspelling or to add a category to narrow the results — or cancel it.



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 You can use the asterisk only at the end of a keyword, not to omit letters at the beginning or in the middle of a word.

 The more specific a WishList Search is, the better suited it is to auto-recording. For example, a Category WishList Search for the category Documentary would find every upcoming documentary. You might not want to record them all, but you could occasionally browse the search results list and choose the ones you do want to record.

Using the Asterisk (*) in WishList Searches

To search for similar words in a Keyword or Title WishList, use the asterisk (*) as a wild card symbol that replaces the endings of words. For example, the keyword AIRP* would find shows containing “airport,” “airplane,” “airplanes,” as well as the movie “Airplane!” To enter an asterisk, press the SLOW  button on the remote.

Tips for entering keywords

- Use quotation marks to specify an exact phrase in a Keyword or Title Keyword WishList Search (to enter quotation marks, press PAUSE .
- Replace hyphens (-), slashes (/) and periods (.) with spaces. For example, use the keyword 20 20 to search for the title “20/20.”
- Any other marks, such as apostrophes (') and ampersands (&), are ignored. For example, you would use the keyword phrase 6 OCLOCK NEWS to search for the title “6 O’Clock News.”
- For dollar signs (\$) substitute the letter S.

Auto-recording a WishList search

You can set a WishList search to auto-record, and it will record every show it finds, on any channel you receive.

Each auto-recording WishList Search and its upcoming recordings are marked with a star  in To Do List and the Season Pass manager. If you want to be sure that all matching shows are recorded, give the auto-recording WishList search a high priority in the Season Pass manager. See page 23 for details.

Finding shows online

Using TiVo.com

Schedule recordings on your TiVo Premiere at home from any computer with Internet access and a standard web browser. Go to tivo.com/tco to search for shows by time, title, keyword, or actor/director. Schedule a single episode, or set up a Season Pass recording with all the options you have on your TiVo Premiere at home. You can even set the show not to record if it conflicts with a recording already scheduled on your TiVo Premiere.

To schedule recordings online:

1. Go to tivo.com/tco and sign in.
2. In the upper right corner of the Find TV Shows page, select the name of the TiVo Premiere for which you want to schedule recordings.
3. Use the simple or advanced search of your TV listings, browse by category or channel, or search the TV Listings Guide.
4. From the list of search results, click the name of a show and choose either '1-Click Record,' '1-Click Season Pass,' or 'Record with Options.'

Using TiVo Mobile

With TiVo Mobile, you can access TV listings and schedule shows to record on your TiVo Premiere, all from your web-enabled mobile phone. Just launch your phone's web browser and go to m.tivo.com.

Once you sign in, you can search by keyword, show title, actor, or director, view Daily Picks, find the Most Popular shows, or browse by category.



You can schedule a recording within an hour of its air time from any place that you have access to the Internet!

Using the TiVo for BlackBerry® smartphone application

You can schedule shows on your TiVo Premiere from your BlackBerry smartphone with the free TiVo for BlackBerry smartphone application. You can search by title, keyword, or person, explore daily picks, and even get a Season Pass.

For step-by-step instructions on using your BlackBerry smartphone with your TiVo Premiere, go to tivo.com/howto/blackberry.

Managing recordings

The To Do List shows all your scheduled recordings and lets you change recording options or cancel recordings. The Season Pass manager prioritizes all your repeating recordings and lets you manage conflicts and set options.

Using the To Do List

To view the To Do List, from TiVo Central choose 'Find Programs,' then 'To Do List.'

You'll see a list of all shows scheduled to record in the next two weeks or so. Press SELECT on any show to see available options.

Canceling a Recording

To cancel a recording, just highlight the show title on the To Do List and press CLEAR.

Viewing recording history

Choose 'View Recording History' on the To Do List if you're curious why a particular show or episode was not recorded, why it's not scheduled to record, or when it was deleted from your Now Playing List. The Recording History is organized by date; use the UP/DOWN arrows to browse the shows in the list. Select the show's title for more information about it.

Using the Season Pass manager

Season Pass recordings are prioritized by the order in which you set them up: the first has highest priority, and so on.

From TiVo Central choose 'Find Programs,' then 'Season Pass Manager.'

In the To Do List, individual recordings are marked with a single check mark: 

Season Pass recordings and manual repeating recordings are marked with a double check mark: 

Auto-recording WishList Searches are marked with a star: 



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Use the UP/DOWN arrows to highlight a repeating recording, and press RIGHT to highlight the arrows to the right of the title, then use the UP/DOWN arrows to move the selected title up or down in the list.

Because your TiVo® Premiere has two tuners, recording conflicts should be minimized.

Editing a repeating recording

You can also use the Season Pass manager to view and change recording options, view upcoming episodes, or cancel Season Pass recordings or auto-recording WishList searches. Highlight the show title and press SELECT to view available options.

Recording with Overlap Protection™

Being able to record two programs at the same time doesn't eliminate all possible recording conflicts. The Overlap Protection feature gives you additional options for dealing with recording conflicts when they occur.

If Overlap Protection is turned off, when two shows on the same tuner overlap by a few minutes (for example, one program ends at 8:33, while the next program begins at 8:30), the lower priority recording is cancelled. But with Overlap Protection turned on, the TiVo Premiere simply clips the lower priority recording by just enough minutes to allow both programs to record.

Overlap Protection works by determining the priority of each program scheduled to record. For repeating recordings, it uses the Season Pass manager to learn which programs have higher or lower priorities (see page 23). One-time recordings are not listed on the Season Pass manager; these individual recordings that you schedule receive the highest priority. The most recent individual recording that you requested always has the highest priority. (TiVo Suggestions always have the lowest priority.)



When scheduling new recordings, the TiVo Premiere notifies you of any recording conflict and gives you options for resolving it. If Overlap Protection is on, your options include clipping the lower priority program.

Overlap Protection is a global setting, not a show-specific choice. To set your Overlap Protection preference, from Tivo Central, choose 'Messages & Settings,' then 'Settings,' then 'Recordings,' then 'Overlap Protection.'

Extending live recordings

Live events (like sporting events and awards shows) often run past their scheduled end time. When the Extend Live Recordings setting is turned on, the TiVo Premiere will remind you to add extra time when you set up a recording of a live event.

Extend Live Recordings is a global setting, not a show-specific choice. To set your Extend Live Recording preference, from TiVo Central, choose 'Messages & Settings,' then 'Settings,' then 'Recordings,' then 'Extend Live Recordings.'

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