

DIAGONAL SUDOKU X-WING ADVANCED CHALLENGE

Sudoku X Rules: Standard 9x9 Constraints Plus Both Major Diagonals

DIFFICULTY / SPEC

Standard US Letter  
Bespoke Printable

|   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 7 |   |   |   | 2 |   |   |   | 9 |
|   | 3 |   |   |   |   |   | 4 |   |
|   |   | 8 |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |
|   |   |   | 5 |   | 6 |   |   |   |
| 4 |   |   |   | 1 |   |   |   | 8 |
|   |   |   | 9 |   | 7 |   |   |   |
|   |   | 2 |   |   |   | 3 |   |   |
|   | 6 |   |   |   |   |   | 5 |   |
| 1 |   |   |   | 8 |   |   |   | 4 |

SUDOKU X & X-WING AXIOMS

1. Diagonal Constraint (Sudoku X): The two shaded diagonal lines spanning corner-to-corner MUST each contain digits 1-9 uniquely.
2. Intersecting Apex: Center cell (4,4) belongs to BOTH diagonals, row 5, col 5, and the center 3x3 box.
3. X-Wing Technique: When a candidate appears exactly twice in two parallel rows/cols forming a rectangle, all other candidates in those columns/rows can be eliminated.

DIAGONAL TRACKER:

Main Diag: [ ] 1 [ ] 2 [ ] 3 [ ] 4 [ ] 5 [ ] 6 [ ] 7 [ ] 8 [ ] 9

Anti Diag: [ ] 1 [ ] 2 [ ] 3 [ ] 4 [ ] 5 [ ] 6 [ ] 7 [ ] 8 [ ] 9

ADVANCED SOLVING STRATEGY: CANDIDATE GRID & X-WING CODES

Candidate Scan: Identify rows where digit 5 is restricted to exactly two cells: Row \_\_\_\_\_ and Row \_\_\_\_\_

Column Lock: Verify column intersection alignment: Col \_\_\_\_\_ and Col \_\_\_\_\_

Elimination Action: Clear all candidate 5s from the conjugate columns outside the rectangle corners.

SOLVER PROFILE

Logician: \_\_\_\_\_

Logic Club: \_\_\_\_\_

Date Attempted: \_\_\_\_\_

DIAGONAL AUDIT

[ ] Standard 9x9 Checked

[ ] Main Diagonal (NW-SE) OK

[ ] Anti Diagonal (NE-SW) OK

CHALLENGE SCORE

Solving Time: \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes

X-Wing Applied: [ ] YES

Logic Rank: \* \* \* \* \*

CANDIDATE PENCIL MARK GRID & DUAL-DIAGONAL ELIMINATION NOTES: