# Flicklet TV Tracker - Complete User’s Guide

## Welcome to Flicklet! 🎬

Flicklet is your personal TV and movie tracking companion. This guide will walk you through every feature, from setting up your username to mastering advanced Pro features.

## Getting Started

### 1. First Time Setup - Username

When you first sign in to Flicklet, you’ll be prompted to set up your username:

**What happens:** - After signing in with Google, Apple, or Email, you’ll see a prompt asking for your username - This username appears in the left sidebar (snark area) and helps personalize your experience - You can change it later in Settings

**Username Tips:** - Choose something memorable and fun - It will be displayed publicly in your profile - Keep it appropriate for sharing with friends

**Where to find it:** - Look for your username in the left sidebar below the navigation - It appears as a personalized message or “snark”

## Search System 🔍

### How to Search

**Desktop:** - Click the search icon in the top navigation - Type your query in the search box - Results appear instantly as you type

**Mobile:** - Tap the search icon - Use the mobile-optimized search interface - Swipe to browse results

### Search Options & Features

**What you can search for:** - **Movies**: “The Matrix”, “Inception”, “Avengers” - **TV Shows**: “Breaking Bad”, “The Office”, “Stranger Things” - **Actors**: “Tom Hanks”, “Meryl Streep” - **Directors**: “Christopher Nolan”, “Quentin Tarantino” - **Genres**: “Action”, “Comedy”, “Horror”

**Search Results Display:** - **Poster**: High-quality movie/TV show poster - **Title**: Full title with year - **Type**: Movie or TV Show badge - **Genres**: Up to 2 genre tags - **Description**: 2-3 line overview - **Rating**: Interactive 1-5 star rating - **Actions**: Add to lists, mark not interested

**Search Actions:** - **Add to Want**: Adds to your wishlist - **Not Interested**: Removes from search results - **Details**: Opens TMDB page for more info - **Pro Preview**: Shows Pro features (Pro users only)

## Home Page Overview 🏠

### Navigation Tabs

The main navigation consists of 6 tabs:

**1. Home Tab** 🏠 - **Purpose**: Your personalized dashboard - **Content**: Recently added items, recommendations, quick stats - **Features**: Overview of your watching activity

**2. Watching Tab** 👀 - **Purpose**: Shows you’re currently watching - **Content**: TV shows and movies in progress - **Features**: Episode tracking, move to other lists - **Pro Features**: Smart Notifications, Viewing Journey

**3. Wishlist Tab** 📝 - **Purpose**: Things you want to watch - **Content**: Movies and shows you’ve saved for later - **Features**: Move to watching, mark not interested - **Pro Features**: Advanced Customization

**4. Watched Tab** ✅ - **Purpose**: Shows you’ve completed - **Content**: Finished movies and TV series - **Features**: Move back to wishlist, rate shows - **Pro Features**: Extra Trivia content

**5. Discover Tab** 🔍 - **Purpose**: Find new content - **Content**: Search results, recommendations, trending - **Features**: Add to lists, explore new shows - **Pro Features**: Pro Preview toggle

**6. Settings Tab** ⚙️ - **Purpose**: Customize your experience - **Content**: Account, preferences, Pro features - **Features**: Theme, language, notifications, Pro upgrade

## Card System Explained 🎴

### Card Layout

Each card displays information in a consistent format:

**Desktop Layout (Horizontal):**

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│ [Poster 180x270] Title: The Fantastic 4: First Steps │  
│ Year: 2004 │  
│ [Movie] [Action] [Adventure] │  
│ │  
│ Description text here, clamped to │  
│ 2-3 lines maximum for consistency... │  
│ │  
│ ★ ★ ★ ★ ☆ (Interactive Rating) │  
│ │  
│ [▶ Want to Watch] [🚫 Not Interested] │  
│ [📺 Episode Tracking] [🔒 Smart Notifications] │  
│ │  
│ Poster opens TMDB │  
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**Mobile Layout (Vertical):**

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│ [Poster - Full Width] │  
│ │  
│ Title: The Fantastic 4: First Steps │  
│ Year: 2004 │  
│ [Movie] [Action] [Adventure] │  
│ │  
│ Description text here, clamped to │  
│ 2-3 lines maximum for consistency... │  
│ │  
│ ★ ★ ★ ★ ☆ (Interactive Rating) │  
│ │  
│ [▶ Want to Watch] [🚫 Not Interested] │  
│ [📺 Episode Tracking] [⋯] │  
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│ Poster opens TMDB │  
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### Card Components

**1. Poster Image** - **Size**: 180px × 270px (2:3 aspect ratio) - **Behavior**: Clickable, opens TMDB page - **Loading**: Lazy-loaded for performance - **Fallback**: Shows placeholder if image fails

**2. Title** - **Font**: Bold, 16px - **Clamp**: Maximum 2 lines - **Fallback**: Uses localized title, falls back to original title

**3. Year & Type** - **Year**: Extracted from release\_date or first\_air\_date - **Type**: “Movie” or “TV Show” based on media\_type - **Display**: Year followed by type badge

**4. Genres** - **Format**: Pill-shaped badges - **Limit**: Shows first 2 genres - **Source**: From TMDB genre data

**5. Description** - **Font**: 14px, gray-600 color - **Clamp**: 2-3 lines maximum - **Source**: TMDB overview field - **Fallback**: “No description available”

**6. Interactive Rating** - **Range**: 1-5 stars - **Behavior**: Click to rate, persists immediately - **Visual**: Amber stars for rated, gray for unrated - **Event**: Emits app:rating:updated for Discover logic

### Card Actions by Tab

**Watching Tab Actions:** - **Primary**: Want to Watch, Not Interested - **Secondary**: Details, Episode Tracking - **Pro**: Smart Notifications, Viewing Journey

**Wishlist Tab Actions:** - **Primary**: Move to Watching, Not Interested - **Secondary**: Details - **Pro**: Advanced Customization

**Watched Tab Actions:** - **Primary**: Back to Want, Not Interested - **Secondary**: Details - **Pro**: Extra Trivia

**Discover Tab Actions:** - **Primary**: Add to Want, Not Interested - **Secondary**: Details - **Pro**: Pro Preview

## Settings Page Deep Dive ⚙️

### Account Settings

**Profile Information:** - **Username**: Change your display name - **Email**: View your account email - **Photo**: Update your profile picture - **Pro Status**: View your subscription level

**Authentication:** - **Google Sign-In**: Primary login method - **Apple Sign-In**: Alternative login - **Email/Password**: Backup login option

### Display Preferences

**Theme Settings:** - **Light Theme**: Default bright interface - **Dark Theme**: Dark mode for low-light viewing - **Auto Theme**: Follows system preference - **Pro Customization**: Advanced color schemes (Pro only)

**Language Settings:** - **English**: Default language - **Auto-Detect**: Uses browser language - **Manual Selection**: Choose specific language

### Notification Settings

**Smart Notifications (Pro Feature):** - **Episode Alerts**: Get notified of new episodes - **Custom Lead Times**: Set how far in advance to notify - **List Monitoring**: Choose which lists to monitor - **Notification Types**: Email, push, or both

**Free Notifications:** - **Basic Alerts**: Limited notification options - **Upgrade Prompt**: Encourages Pro upgrade

### Pro Features Section

**Available Pro Features:**

**🔔 Smart Notifications** - Set custom lead times for new episodes - Choose which lists to monitor - Never miss your favorite shows again

**📊 Your Viewing Journey** - Discover your watching habits - Beautiful charts showing favorite genres - Binge patterns and viewing trends over time

**🎨 Advanced Customization** - Unlock premium color schemes - Custom accent colors - Advanced layout options

**🧠 Extra Trivia** - Access additional trivia questions - Behind-the-scenes content - Enhanced show information

**⭐ Pro Preview** - Toggle Pro features on/off - See what’s available without purchasing - Test premium functionality

### Data Management

**Export Options (Pro Feature):** - **Watchlist Export**: Download your lists - **Rating Export**: Export your ratings - **Custom Reports**: Generate viewing reports

**Import Options:** - **CSV Import**: Import from other services - **Bulk Add**: Add multiple items at once

**Sync Settings:** - **Cloud Sync**: Automatic data backup - **Offline Mode**: Work without internet - **Conflict Resolution**: Handle sync conflicts

## Pro Features Explained 💎

### What is Flicklet Pro?

Flicklet Pro unlocks advanced features and premium content to enhance your TV and movie tracking experience.

### Pro vs Free Comparison

**Free Features:** - ✅ Basic list management (Watching, Wishlist, Watched) - ✅ Search and discover content - ✅ Rate movies and shows - ✅ Basic notifications - ✅ Standard themes - ✅ Episode tracking

**Pro Features:** - 🔒 Smart Notifications with custom timing - 🔒 Advanced Analytics and Viewing Journey - 🔒 Premium Themes and Customization - 🔒 Extra Trivia Content - 🔒 Pro Preview Mode - 🔒 Priority Support - 🔒 Advanced Export Options

### How to Upgrade to Pro

**Upgrade Process:** 1. Go to Settings → Pro Features 2. Click “Upgrade to Pro” button 3. Choose your subscription plan 4. Complete payment process 5. Enjoy Pro features immediately

**Pro Benefits:** - **Enhanced Experience**: More customization options - **Better Organization**: Advanced list management - **Insights**: Understand your viewing habits - **Convenience**: Smart notifications and automation - **Support**: Priority customer support

## Tips & Best Practices 💡

### Getting the Most Out of Flicklet

**List Management:** - Keep your Watching list current - Use Wishlist for future viewing - Rate shows to improve recommendations - Mark not interested to refine suggestions

**Search Tips:** - Use specific titles for best results - Try different spellings if no results - Use genre searches to discover new content - Check TMDB details for more information

**Pro Features:** - Set up Smart Notifications for favorite shows - Explore your Viewing Journey for insights - Customize themes to match your preferences - Use Extra Trivia to learn more about shows

### Troubleshooting

**Common Issues:**

**Cards Not Loading:** - Check internet connection - Refresh the page - Clear browser cache - Check console for errors

**Search Not Working:** - Verify TMDB API key - Check search query spelling - Try different search terms - Check network connectivity

**Pro Features Not Showing:** - Verify Pro subscription status - Check Settings → Pro Features - Refresh page after upgrade - Contact support if issues persist

**Rating Not Saving:** - Check internet connection - Verify user authentication - Try rating again - Check console for errors

## Advanced Features 🚀

### Keyboard Shortcuts

**Navigation:** - Tab - Navigate between elements - Enter - Activate buttons/links - Escape - Close modals/menus - Space - Toggle checkboxes/buttons

**Search:** - Ctrl+F / Cmd+F - Focus search - Enter - Execute search - Escape - Clear search

### Accessibility Features

**Screen Reader Support:** - All interactive elements have proper labels - ARIA attributes for complex components - Keyboard navigation support - High contrast mode support

**Visual Accessibility:** - Adjustable text sizes - High contrast themes - Focus indicators - Color-blind friendly design

### Mobile Optimization

**Touch Gestures:** - Swipe navigation for carousels - Tap to select items - Long press for context menus - Pinch to zoom (where applicable)

**Mobile-Specific Features:** - Responsive design for all screen sizes - Touch-friendly button sizes - Optimized layouts for small screens - Offline functionality

## Support & Help 🆘

### Getting Help

**Documentation:** - This user guide covers all features - In-app tooltips and hints - Contextual help messages - FAQ section in settings

**Community:** - User forums for tips and tricks - Feature request submissions - Bug report system - Community-driven content

**Contact Support:** - Email support for technical issues - Priority support for Pro users - Response time: 24-48 hours - Live chat during business hours

### Feature Requests

**How to Request Features:** 1. Go to Settings → Help & Support 2. Click “Feature Request” 3. Describe your idea 4. Submit for review

**Pro User Benefits:** - Priority consideration for requests - Direct communication with developers - Beta access to new features - Influence on product roadmap

## Conclusion 🎉

Flicklet is designed to be your complete TV and movie tracking solution. Whether you’re a casual viewer or a serious cinephile, Flicklet adapts to your needs.

**Key Takeaways:** - Start with username setup and basic list management - Use search to discover new content - Explore Pro features for enhanced experience - Customize settings to match your preferences - Take advantage of mobile optimization

**Next Steps:** - Set up your first lists - Explore the Discover tab - Try rating some shows - Consider upgrading to Pro for advanced features

Welcome to the Flicklet community! 🎬✨