Helpful Sudoku

Puzzle 03 of 10 | Classic Sudoku

Hard | 24 clues | Clues without candidates

		3	9					4
						5		9
5			3			6		
	5		2	4				
						3	7	
	2			7	1			6
7	4			1				
		2				9		
	3						4	

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Every row, column and 3 x 3 box contains 1-9 once.

Notes:

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1 2 6 8	1 6 7 8	**3**	**9**	2 5 6 8	2 5 6 7 8	1 2 7 8	1 2 8	**4**
1 2 4 6 8	1 6 7 8	1 4 6 7 8	1 4 6 7 8	2 6 8	2 4 6 7 8	**5**	1 2 3 8	**9**
5	1 7 8 9	1 4 7 8 9	**3**	2 8	2 4 7 8	**6**	1 2 8	1 2 7 8
1 3 6 8 9	**5**	1 6 7 8 9	**2**	**4**	3 6 8 9	1 8	1 8 9	1 8
1 4 6 8 9	1 6 8 9	1 4 6 8 9	5 6 8	5 6 8 9	5 6 8 9	**3**	**7**	1 2 5 8
3 4 8 9	**2**	4 8 9	5 8	**7**	**1**	4 8	5 8 9	**6**
7	**4**	5 6 8 9	5 6 8	**1**	2 3 5 6 8 9	2 8	2 3 5 6 8	2 3 5 8
1 6 8	1 6 8	**2**	4 5 6 7 8	3 5 6 8	3 4 5 6 7 8	**9**	1 3 5 6 8	1 3 5 7 8
1 6 8 9	**3**	1 5 6 8 9	5 6 7 8	2 5 6 8 9	2 5 6 7 8 9	1 2 7 8	**4**	1 2 5 7 8

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Candidates show legal possibilities in the starting grid. Cross them out as you solve.

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2	7	8	1	6	4	**5**	3	**9**
5	9	4	**3**	2	7	**6**	1	8
6	**5**	7	**2**	**4**	3	8	9	1
4	8	1	5	9	6	**3**	**7**	2
3	**2**	9	8	**7**	**1**	4	5	**6**
7	**4**	5	6	**1**	9	2	8	3
8	1	**2**	4	3	5	**9**	6	7
9	**3**	6	7	8	2	1	**4**	5

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Original clues are bold. Other digits complete the solution.

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