MOBILE GAMES (Free-to-Play):

Due to the nature of mobile otomes, most are character/romance-focused. With the exception of Mystic Messenger, the majority are also fairly light in terms of its atmosphere with only mild angst (and mentions of death for historical settings). All games below are compatible with iOS and Android.

The given number of routes is based on how many seem to be planned for release in total, rather than how many are currently released.

The vast majority of F2P mobile otomes do not have voice acting.

IMPORTANT: Remember to set up your data transfer account as early as possible to avoid losing saved data in case of data corruption/you temporarily or accidentally remove the app/need to transfer between devices/etc.! For Mystic Messenger especially there have been reported problems of data loss if you do this much later on.

Mystic Messenger

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: You were looking for a game app just to kill some time and stumbled upon an app called "Mystic Messenger".

It sounded interesting so you downloaded it. Once you opened it up, you found yourself chatting with someone nicknamed "Unknown".

"Unknown" persuaded you to go to some studio apartment. As soon as you walked in the apartment, your app suddenly connected to a mystic group chat with attractive guys!?

After a long chat, they ask you to join their secret party planning association called R.F.A...

Number of Routes: 3 F2P routes + 5 PPR routes + Secret Endings + DLC side-stories

Additional Notes: Out of the F2P games listed here this one is the shortest in terms of real-time needed to clear it with no premium boosts (11 days), but it also has the most content available per given day. It also has the most unconventional game design, with no gachas/avatar dress-up/game events/game friends/etc.

This game has partial voice acting in Korean.

Ikémen Sengoku: Romances Across Time

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: You've just nabbed your dream job as a fashion designer when you're sent hurtling back in time to an alternate version of Sengoku era Japan!

After accidentally changing history and earning the favor of warlord Nobunaga Oda by saving him from near death, you must survive 3 months surrounded by Japan's most famous and handsome Sengoku warlords before your next chance to make it back home. In a world where it takes one man to conquer a nation, do you have what it takes to conquer his heart?

Number of Routes: 17

Additional Notes: This game has partial voice acting in Japanese.

Love 365: Find Your Story

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

This is not a standalone game, but rather a library app of individual games by Voltage Inc.

These games come in two varieties:

- **1) Free-to-Play** (*Masquerade Kiss; A World Without You; Destind: Mr. Almost Right, Romance MD: Always On Call*)
- 2) Pay-to-Play (everything else) with individual routes available for purchase.

Every month, you can play chosen routes from the pay-to-play games for free for a limited period.

The F2P games are always available, but make use of a timer system rather than tickets like other games. Micro-transactions are required for premium choices and choices that lead to CGs.

<u>Please see the Mobile (Pay-to-Play) section for more information on individual game</u> <u>recommendations.</u>

Mr. Love: Queen's Choice

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: Who will be your soul mate? Mr Love: Queen's Choice is a romance simulation game that gives you the opportunity to text, chat and even call the main characters while developing your own career as a media producer. In a world filled with superpowers, fantasy, and surprise, you will experience a girl's whole life and get deeply involved with 4 male characters, feeling their romance, love, mystery and conflict in a deep story spanning dozens of episodes.

Number of Routes: N/A (4 love interests with romantic side-content - temporary branching routes in later chapters)

Additional Notes: This is another game with an unconventional F2P system, with no avatar/dress-up features, chapter tickets, etc. The game itself has a tutorial section, but for more tips, see this blog post.

This game has partial voice acting in Japanese and English.

Obey Me! Shall We Date

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: Become the master who brings the handsome demon brothers down to their knees and enjoy life at the Academy in the Devildom!

You have been selected to become an exchange student at RAD, a school for demons. Awaiting you are 7 demon brothers and a mountain of tasks...?!

There is only 1 rule you have to remember to survive...

One Master to RULE them all!

Number of Routes: N/A (7 love interests with romantic side-content)

Additional Notes: This is another game with an unconventional F2P system, with no avatar/dress-up features, chapter tickets, etc. Similar to Mr. Love: Queen's Choice, it's a cross between a card gacha and a visual novel.

This game has partial voice acting in Japanese.

Ayakashi Romance Reborn

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: Stand and fight for a love 1,000 years in the making.

Your once peaceful life is turned upside down when a mystic wand awakens your latent powers as an Onmyouji Diviner.

Ayakashi spirits, drawn to you by this newfound strength, have startling news for you: the Capital is under attack from evil creatures known as Wraiths.

Only you and your Ayakashi Spirit comrades have the power to save the city and end the Wraith scourge!

Strengthen your bonds, protect those you love, and discover the secrets that bind you all together...

Number of Routes: 15

Additional Notes: Similar to Mr. Love and Obey Me, Ayakashi Romance Reborn is also a cross between a card gacha game and a traditional otome. However, unlike the other two, it already has clearly chooseable romantic routes after the main story. For more information on its general mechanics, <u>please read this guide</u>.

This game has partial voice acting in Japanese.

Ikémen Revolution: Love & Magic in Wonderland

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: In 19th century London, a chase after a gentleman curiously resembling a white rabbit leads you to a land where magic trumps reason.

At the center of a struggle between Red and Black armies, 14 Wonderland Ikémen threaten to cast the spell to keep you from returning home— love.

Number of Routes: 17

Additional Notes: This game has partial voice acting in Japanese.

Ikémen Vampire: Temptation in the Dark

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: A chance encounter in the Louvre leads you into a mansion full of some of the greatest men from history! But there's a twist: they're all out for blood. Your blood. Can you survive a month living under the same roof as these deadly handsome men? Or will you give into temptation?

Number of Routes: 18

Additional Notes: This game has partial voice acting in Japanese.

Samurai Love Ballad: PARTY

=> Frequently recommended for beginners

Summary: In a time of war...

The strongest warriors appear to bring peace to the land... and you meet the man of your destiny.

Romance blossoms as you spend your days among the samurai...

"I'll make you the happiest woman in the land."

A love story that changes history begins now!

Number of Routes: 22 + Act 2 & 3 sequels, His POV stories, etc

Additional Notes: This game is split into two parts: "Radiance" (15 samurai routes with a cook MC) and "Shadow" (7 ninja routes with a ninja MC). This is also the F2P (party) version of Sakura Amidst Chaos (<u>Android</u> / <u>iOS</u>), though it has a few differences in terms of plot and characters.

Tears of Themis

Summary: Stellis, a city that rose from the clash of civilizations.

Modern tech has given it its radiant neon lights but also cast long shadows of obscurity. Lately, there has been an abnormal increase in the number of mental illness cases as well as incidents that threaten Stellis' social security.

Many gentle and good people of Stellis have somehow grown violent and volatile. These incidents may have been recorded, but they are often drowned out in a flood of data. Yet someone took notice of them and compiled them for detailed analysis... Codenamed "X-NOTE", the project aims to peel away layers of obscuring data and reveal the hidden truth beneath.

When all is put on the scales of the law before Lady Justice, you will be the one to weigh their crimes in the balance.

Number of Routes: 4 (romantic routes are unlockable)

Additional Notes: Another unconventional otome, Tears of Themis combines multiple layers of gameplay including investigations, court trials, and a gacha card system.

LoveUnholyc

Summary: You're an 'Unholyc', a race born between a human and a devil. As befitting of a descendent of the mighty devil himself, you are equipped with the power to charm and seduce others to do your bidding. However, in order to become a fully-fledged Unholyc, you were seeking partners for your coming-of-age ceremony when you accidently managed to form a contract with not one but three handsome humans....

Number of Routes: 3

Additional Notes: Often recommended to fans of Mystic Messenger. Like MM, it functions in real-time with a playthrough taking 7 days with chatrooms and calls.

This game has partial voice acting in Korean.

Wannabe Challenge

Summary: I, a prominent fashion model, hereby declare to run away from home! But before I can even move out, 4 strange men appear in my life! How will this unexpected rendezvous with 4 guys unravel?

Join a fashion contest "Wannabe Challenge" with the goblins! Many unforeseen events and heart-throbbing romance with hidden fates await you.

Number of Routes: 4

Additional Notes: Often recommended to fans of Mr. Love: Queen's Choice and Obey Me. Like the two games, it's a cross between a card gacha and a visual novel with no avatar/dress-up features, chapter tickets, etc.

This game has partial voice acting in Korean.

Midnight Cinderella: Ikémen Royals

Summary: You, a commoner, have now become princess of the entire country of Wysteria! The first job as "princess" is to find the prince who will rule beside you. You soon find yourself surrounded with a cast of nine highly eligible bachelors...

However, you can only pick one! Who will rule beside you at the throne?!

Number of Routes: 10 Main Story routes + Ever After epilogues

Liar! Uncover the Truth

Summary: Lies, truths, and misunderstandings... Which of these men can you trust?

"Have you been cheating on me?!" A breakup with your cheating boyfriend leads you...

...straight into the arms of ten gorgeous men?! But beware! Nine of these ten guys are no-good liars!

Just you watch. I'll find Mr. Right. These liars don't stand a chance!

Number of Routes: N/A (5 Lovers' Routes + Epilogues can be purchased separately)

Additional Notes: This game is often lauded as the "Ace Attorney of otome". While romance makes up the core of its plot as well as its true ending, it's first and foremost a mystery VN.

The first season (*Liar! Uncover the Truth*), second season (*Liar! Office Deception*), and third season (*Liar! Scheming Socialites*) are contained within the same app, although they're technically three separate games with the same overall theme and gameplay. The first game also has partial voice acting in Japanese.

Dangerous Fellows

Summary: A sudden outbreak of an unknown virus has destroyed the entire world. Most of the people has turned into horrendous, blood-seeking zombies.....

As I was trying to escape from a deadly attack by the zombie, I was miraculously saved by some strangers—five attractive fellows. They've been concealing themselves safely in a school building with other survivors.

.....But, is this place really safe for us?

Can we all survive from this bizzare catastrophe?

Find out the shocking ending of a romance thriller that you've never experienced before!

Number of Routes: N/A (5 character endings with minor romance)

Additional Notes: Another game with a slightly unconventional F2P system with no chapter tickets required. Premium choices are required in order to get the ending of your choice, however. As premium currency can be earned through log-in bonuses, it's generally recommended to start the game 2 weeks ahead of actual playtime just to gather enough currency to finish a playthrough in one go.

Mayday Memory

Summary: Year of 2099, a time where people can buy and sell memories.

[Vigil], the PI office that never sleeps, gets a big case!

Play as the office's youngest member ""Dell"", who lost her memories and try to solve the case!

The sharp-tongued main character "Dell," The superstar with a screw loose "Ain," The reckless colleague "Syd," The stingy freelancer "Hansol," The idiot chief "Jeff," And the world's laziest rabbit robot "Mode"! The kind of weird, and somewhat lacking, but strangely lovable 6 main characters with explosive chemistry!

To you who will complete our precious memories, Mayday, Mayday!

Number of Routes: N/A (3 character endings with minor romance)

Several Shades of Sadism

Summary: You, a 25 year old concierge at a top-class hotel in Japan; The Royal Shining, are the protagonist in this story. All of your hard work until now has been evaluated, and you've finally been assigned as the exclusive concierge to the Sweet Room!

However, on your first day of work on your new assignment, the Head Concierge collapses due to overwork?! In his place, you've been assigned to take care of the guests of the penthouse suite.

These guests: while they may look nice on the outside, are brothers with a sadistic streak... And to make matters worse, all of them are the sons of Kira Keiichirou, the President of the very hotel chain you work for!

The rumored successor of the company and current head of the English branch of hotels, Chiaki,

The diligent, but unforgivably strict head of the Japanese branch, Toma,

Clearly the model of the group, Shizuka,

The bright and friendly head of the American branch, Minami,

The world-renowned pianist with a stubborn streak, Mei,

Or the man in charge of the chain's affiliate companies, the famous management specialist, Rei.

You've been told to become the personal concierge of one of them but who will you choose to take orders from——?

Number of Routes: 6

Wicked Wolves -These Boys Come with a Bite-

Summary: Suddenly thrust into the world of werewolves and vampires, you become the mate of one of these brutish men!

You're a police officer assigned to one of the most bustling cities in the world; Tokyo. Underneath the vast near future metropolis, werewolves and vampires lurk in all corners of life. One fateful night plunges you into their world. Saved by the beautiful wolf men from a vampire who had his fangs in your neck, they are looking for a mate to continue their lineage - You!

The world of Wicked Wolves is a dangerous place and these boys come with a bite! Who will you choose?

Number of Routes: 8

Princess Closet

Summary: With no real ambition in life, you luck out and manage to get a job at a large company.

Although not overwhelmingly dissatisfied, you are bored by the daily, unchanging routine work. And you find yourself wondering, "Am I okay with the way things are?"

Your only small relief from all of this is fashion.

That is, until the day that "Leo," the up-and-coming fashion brand designer, suddenly appears in front of you.

At that moment, you never suspected that your encounter with him would change your life drastically...

"Fashion and romance will change my life."

A dating sim game for girls who want to experience heart-throbbing romance, while enjoying fashion!

Number of Routes: 4

Office Lover 2

Summary: It's your 2nd year working as a CM Planner in an Advertising Agency. Because of one word from the new President you're forced to drop out of the project you wanted!

"Because I'm too plain, is it really his reason?!"

You haven't met him yet, but you decide to show him who you are! With the help of your friend, you get a complete makeover and go to his welcome party.

There, you met a breathtaking charming man.

"What kind of person are you really?" "...You caught my interest."

You're attracted to each other, regardless of titles, as a man and a woman. With a serious gaze, his face gets closer to yours... The perfect distance for a kiss?!

But even in your craziest dreams, you would have never imagined this man was the new President..... !

Number of Routes: 7

Additional Notes: This is the sequel to <u>Office Lover</u>, but can be played as a standalone game.

The Arcana

Summary: You are a prodigy of the magical arts, left to your own devices by your wandering mentor. Make choices that shape your story as you fall headfirst into a whirlwind adventure, filled with a colorful cast of characters who all have one thing in common: their interest in you.

Delve deep into the heart of intrigue, and uncover a murder mystery that still hangs over the city like a shroud.

Be careful what secrets you reveal... yours is not the only fate that hangs in the balance. Magic and mystery await. Who will you love and who will you condemn?

Number of Routes: 6

Additional Notes: This game has serial monthly updates for its story. It doesn't have dress-up elements, though it does come with premium choices.

IMPORTANT! Despite its popularity, this game has a very mixed and polarized reception in the otome community due to past controversy with its Kickstarter backers and its paywalled content, which you can find more information about <u>here</u>. As a result of our survey, we have decided to feature it in this compendium with a warning per your votes.

Lovestruck: Choose Your Romance

Similar to Voltage 365, this is a library app of standalone games made by Voltage's former American branch, Voltage USA/Lovestruck.

However, unlike Love 365, these are 100% F2P that makes use of a 2-tickets-per-5-hours system and premium choices, with purchasable side-stories for some games. (For most games, CGs can be accessed without premium choices.) Route length and amount of CGs are about the same as Love 365.

And unlike Love 365, these stories are also written by Western writers, with LGBT+ love interests and Western settings. As such, they are more like OELVNs than traditional otome.

Popular Games: Gangsters in Love, Astoria: Fate's Kiss

Story Jar @ Shall We Date?

Another F2P game library app, though one by NTT Solmare. Inactive Shall We Date? games will gradually be moved to this app. You can read two full chapters per day, but to access CGs and the best endings you need to pay for premium choices.

Popular Games: Lost Alice, Guilty Alice, The Niflheim, Wand of Fortune

Seduce Me: the Otome

Summary: "It seemed like the start of something new. Something that would change."

You play the role of a senior in high school along with your two best friends, Naomi Patterson and Suzu Cappini. You are also the granddaughter of Harold Anderson, the CEO and founder of Anderson Toys, a toy company sworn to give children amazing products and give a large part of their profit to charity.

One day, you get called home to attend your grandfather's funeral. After the funeral, you learn that you have inherited his large estate. Your father suggests you move in immediately, so the next day, you move out of your parents home and into your estate.

When you enter your new home, however, you see five injured, yet very handsome men on the lobby floor. They eventually awaken and make it known that they were attacked by a group of dangerous 'misfits' and ran to find shelter, passing out as soon as they entered your home.

You find out that they are incubi, 'demons who consume and use sexual energy of humans to survive'. With nowhere to go and a target on their backs, they ponder what what to do. Out of sympathy, you offer your home as refuge for a while in exchange for minor servitude (it is a big house, after all). They happily agree.

What will happen as the incubi get comfy? Why exactly did they come the human world? Who are the 'misfits', and will they stop pursuing them so the incubi can leave?

...Will you WANT them to leave?

Number of Routes: 8

Additional Notes: This is a complete Western indie game with free voice acting and skippable sex scenes. Also available on PC.