

## THE WORLD CUP OF TENNIS®

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# Four host cities for 2024 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage confirmed

- 2024 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage events to take place 10-15 September
- Top two teams from each group progress to 2024 Davis Cup Final 8 in Malaga (19-24 November)
- Draw to take place at 1400 GMT on Tuesday 19 March and will be live streamed on Davis Cup website

Bologna (Italy), Manchester (Great Britain), Valencia (Spain) and Zhuhai (China, P.R.) will host the 2024 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage, the International Tennis Federation (ITF) has announced.

The Finals Group Stage takes place on 10-15 September, with 16 teams vying for a place in the 2024 Davis Cup Final 8 in Malaga (19-24 November).

As in 2022 and 2023, the Finals Group Stage events will be played in a round-robin format. The top two teams from each group will advance to Malaga, where the world's eight best teams will play in a knockout competition for the right to be crowned World Champions.

David Haggerty, ITF President, said: "Last year's Final 8 in Malaga was an incredible event for everyone involved, and the teams in the Finals Group Stage will be giving everything they've got for the chance to experience that again this year. The three returning hosts have track records for delivering great events, and we're excited to bring the Davis Cup Finals to China for the first time – a location that will fit with player flow given the post-US Open Asia swing. All four cities will provide the perfect backdrop for more intense and exciting Davis Cup action, where the world's best players will proudly represent their nations. We can't wait."

The 16 teams set to compete in the Davis Cup Finals Group Stage are:

Italy (2023 World Champions), Australia (2023 runners-up), Great Britain (wildcard), Spain (wildcard) Qualifiers winners: Argentina, Belgium, Brazil, Canada, Chile, Czechia, Finland, France, Germany, Netherlands, Slovakia and USA.

Bologna (Unipol Arena) and Valencia (Pabellon Fuente de San Luis) will host for the third consecutive year, while Manchester (AO Arena) will host for the second year in a row. The event at the Hengqin International Tennis Center in Zhuhai will be the first time China has hosted a Davis Cup Finals event.

The draw for the Finals Group Stage will take place on Tuesday 19 March at 1400 GMT at the ITF offices in London. It will be live streamed via the Davis Cup website and social media channels.

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The Davis Cup Finals and Qualifiers are an official part of the ATP Tour calendar, after the ITF and ATP established a new strategic collaboration on the competition's governance in 2022.

The 2024 Davis Cup Final 8 is being hosted in Malaga as part of a wider partnership between the ITF and the Region of Andalucia. The region will also host the 2024 Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge Finals in Seville in November, as well as the junior editions of both competitions.

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#### About the ITF

The International Tennis Federation (ITF) is the world governing body of tennis. Founded in 1913, its purpose is to ensure the long-term growth and sustainability of the sport, delivering tennis for future generations in association with its 213 member National Associations. The ITF oversees the rules and regulations that govern international and national competition. The ITF is responsible for the worldwide development of tennis through its highly regarded global Development Programme, its Science and Technical department which monitors equipment and technology, and its Officiating department which oversees the education and advancement of officials. The ITF organises up to 1850 men's, women's, and junior tournaments on the ITF World Tennis Tour, and manages the ITF junior team competitions, ITF Beach Tennis World Tour, UNIQLO Wheelchair Tennis Tour and the ITF World Tennis Masters Tour, together with the men's and women's World Cup of Tennis, Davis Cup and Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge respectively, the two largest annual international team competitions in tennis. The ITF manages the Olympic Tennis Event on behalf of the IOC and the Paralympic Tennis Event on behalf of the IPC and the Qualification Pathways for both events at the Games. For further information please visit www.itftennis.com.

### About Davis Cup

Davis Cup began in 1900 as a competition between USA and Great Britain. It is now the world's largest annual international team competition in sport, with a record 157 nations entered in 2024.

#### About the Region of Andalucia

The Region of Andalucia, in its capacity as a European Region of Sport has hosted a number of major international sport events in recent years including the Badminton World Cup, the finals of football's Spanish King Cup, Spain Sail Grand Prix Andalucia, Solheim Cup and Spanish Grand Prix MotoGP.

The Region of Andalucia is home to the ITF's 2024 World Cup of Tennis events – the Billie Jean King Cup by Gainbridge Finals in Seville, and the Davis Cup Final 8 in Malaga.





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