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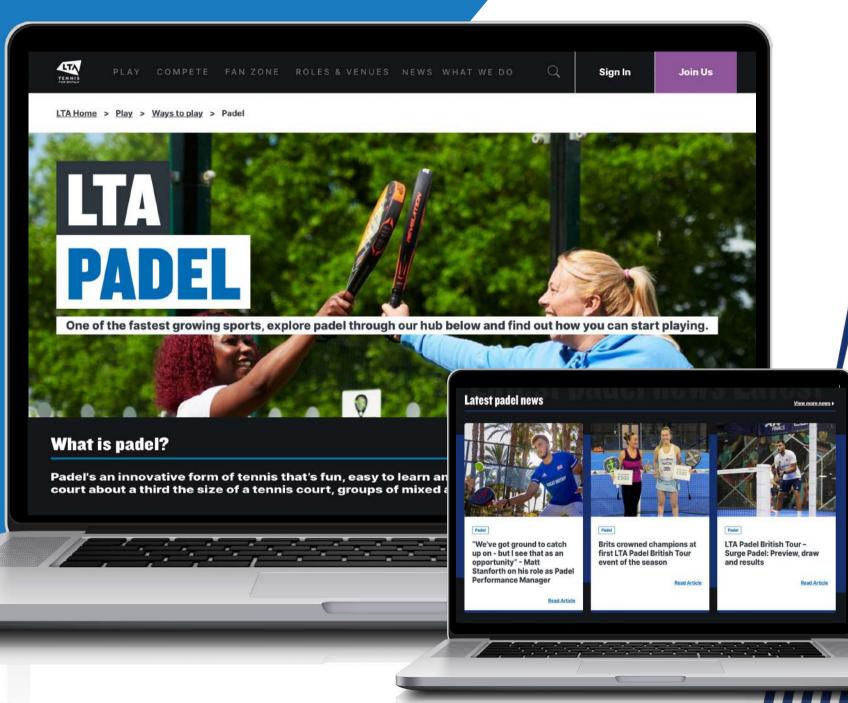


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LTA Padel - <u>Court directory & map</u>





BRITISH PLAYERS ON TOUR

At time of writing, Christian Medina Murphy and his partner take the win in the first round of FIP Gold's main draw in Dubai.

Sam Jones partnered by fellow Brit, Nikhil Mohindra also competed in the Qualification rounds.

To follow their progress along with other top British players, visit their player profiles on the LTA website.





Britain's Tia Norton set to star in the first Pro Padel League

British No.1 Tia Norton has been selected to play for team Las Vegas in the inaugural player draft for the 2023 Pro Padel League (PPL) in the USA.

<u>Norton</u> was selected as one of only 52 players from approximately 500 entries into the competition and was the first women's player picked by Las Vegas to join the team.



Read the full article here



LTA PADEL BRITISH TOUR

British padel stars triumph at Padel Tour Competition in Derby

The first event of the LTA Padel British Tour took place at We Are Padel in Derby across the 10 - 12 March, with British padel stars claiming victory across the weekend.

For our event summary, including draws and results go to the padel hub on the LTA website.



For more information on graded competitions and to view the 2023 calendar click <u>here</u>.



BRITISH TOUR IN DERBY

Geri Charakchieva reports from We Are Padel Derby



LTA Padel British Tour Grade 1 tournament

"We hosted the first event of the LTA Padel British Tour on 10-12 March which featured several British padel stars.

The men's final saw a terrific battle – after a tough semi-final win against fellow British player Chris Salisbury and his partner Alfonso Patacho, Louis Harris and Sam Jones lost out in three sets to eventual winners Richard Brooks and his partner, Spain's Mario Cerezo.

Tia Norton and Aimee Gibson defeated Dutch duo Liza Groenveld and Janine Hemmes in the women's final.

Derby local Yasmin Clarke and her partner Harry Murphy won the mixed." Read more about the tournament <u>here</u>.

"We also hosted the **iPadel Club League Winter Finals** on 18 - 19 March. The biggest iPadel Leagues Finals yet with 30 teams from across the country competing for prize money and the winning titles.

This was also the first time the tournament finalists were awarded LTA ranking points after the iPadel league received its LTA Approved League status. We Are Padel provided a prize pot of £3,000 for winners across the men's, women's and mixed doubles.

Roehampton retained their men's title in very close final with Huddersfield. The Harbour Club Chelsea were dominant in the women's and the mixed events, defeating valiant efforts from both Middlesbrough and Sundridge Park.

The standard of the padel matches were brilliant, and we are happy to see that interest in the event grows every year! Our growing padel community had the opportunity to witness these competitive matches right in front of their eyes and we are happy to have contributed towards this amazing sport and event."

COACHING PADEL

The LTA Padel Instructor* qualification is now being delivered by Coach Development Centres. This means that there will be a proliferation of courses across the UK and throughout the year.

The LTA Instructor qualification entails 4 days' core training, face to face with the Tutor plus one further five-hour Elective workshop, from a choice of two.

The electives, also available as CPD are as follows:

- 1. Coaching the Double Glass
- 2. Coaching Kids' Padel

For more information on padel coaching click <u>here</u>.



*Pre-requisite:

Coaches wishing to prepare for the Padel Instructor qualification will need to ensure a successfully completed <u>Padel Instructor</u> <u>Readiness Test</u>, which can be booked via the LTA Course Search Tool.

The test costs £36 and is carried out remotely/video based.



PADEL EXPERIENCE AT THE NTC

Experience Padel at the National Tennis Centre!

This package includes 4-hours of on-court coaching, a tour around Wimbledon, a meal at a local restaurant serving authentic Spanish cuisine and an overnight stay at the NTC.

Need more information? Email: <u>ntc.padel@lta.org.uk</u> Tel: 0208 487 7296

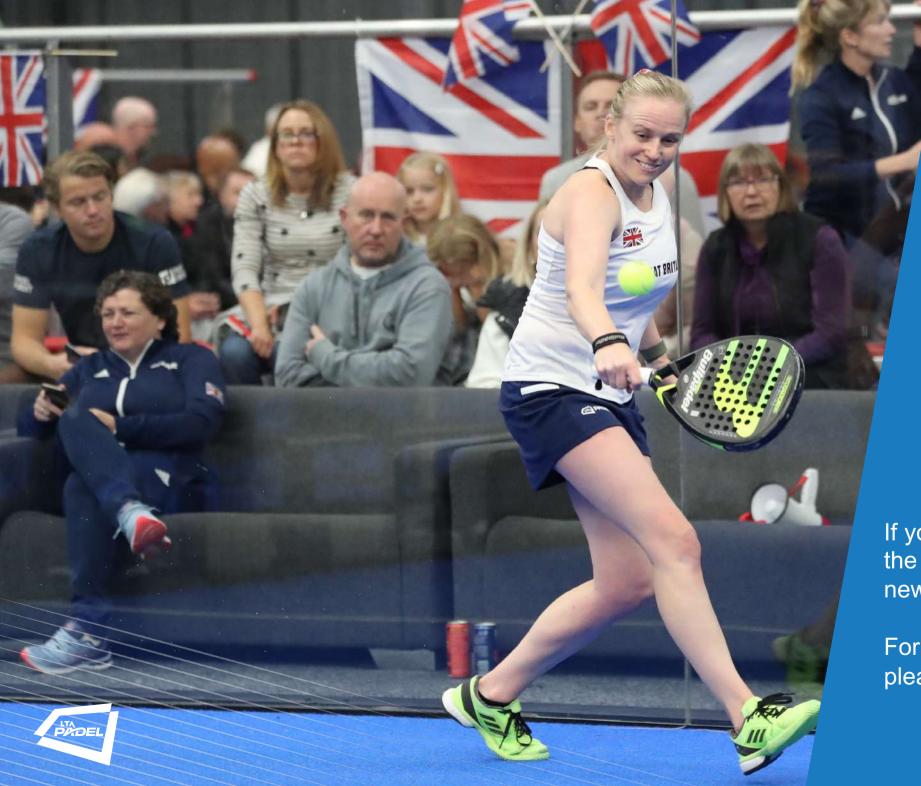


For those venues considering padel, the NTC can offer personalised group sessions.

There's also regular sessions for anyone wanting to try padel. Players can also book the padel courts on a pay-and-play basis.

Booking details <u>here</u>





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