

The World's Top Tennis Players Battle It Out Gladiatorial Style At London's O2 Arena



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Tennis fans flock to London as the Barclays ATP World Tour Finals returns to The O2

Serbian Novak Djokovic, winner of three out of four Grand Slam titles this year including the Wimbledon Championships, is a strong contender to take the 2011 Barclays ATP World Tour crown from defending champion Roger Federer when the tennis contest returns to the O2 Arena from 20th to 27th November.

More than 250,000 fans are expected to come to the O2 for the world's biggest indoor tennis event and the London specialist website LondonTown.com has plenty of [cheap hotels in London](#) near to the venue. Visitors will be treated to eight days of world class tennis from the likes of Djokovic and last year's winner Federer who are joined by Rafael Nadal, David Ferrer and Andy Murray on the list of players who have qualified so far.

During the hotly contested tournament, worth \$5 million in total prize money, the eight players are divided into two groups of four to play a minimum of three round-robin matches so that each will face all the other players in their group. The two with the best results in each group progress to the semi-finals which is a knockout stage.

As well as the men's singles there's a doubles tournament featuring World No. 1 doubles pairing Bob Bryan and Mike Bryan who won their second Wimbledon crown this year. They are joined by French-Serbian duo Michael Llodra and Nenad Zimonjic who defeated the World No. 1 team in the final of the Rogers Cup in Montreal in August. Max Mirnyi and Daniel Nestor, Jurgen Melzer and Philipp Petzschner, and 'Indian Express' Mahesh Bhupathi and Leander Paes have also qualified for the doubles ATP World Tour Finals after reforming their full-time partnership this season.

Watching tennis at The O2 offers a completely different experience to securing a seat at Wimbledon : it's a theatrical affair and the players take each other on in a gladiatorial style contest. The audience is plunged in darkness and all eyes are on the bright court below. Don't miss the sporting action, plan your visit through LondonTown.com where you can find restaurants situated close to the tennis, explore the local nightlife and check out other events and attractions in London . Tickets to the Barclays ATP World Tour Finals are available online through BarclaysATPWorldTourFinals.com.

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