

2025 / 2026 RAFA NADAL TOUR AUSTRALIA FACT SHEET

12u & 14u Age Groups Only - Community Series



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Overview

The Rafa Nadal Tour is a junior tennis circuit launched in Spain in 2014. It has a strong focus on sport and education combining the tournament aspect with dynamic and fun educational activities for the players aiming to establish strong fundamental values, this involves teaching and working towards the 4 main pillars of the tour.

Rafa Nadal Tour Values

These values are qualities that the Rafa Nadal Tour think can help all players both on and off the court. The current values are as follows:

Humility

Humility is the capacity to live your life with freedom from pride or arrogance, the quality or state of being humble.

Resilience

Resilience is the ability to recover quickly from difficulties; to show toughness in adversity.

Commitment

Commitment is the players' capacity to acknowledge, get involved and accomplish something that has been previously agreed to.

Sportsmanship

Sportsmanship is the appropriate and correct behaviour during the practice of any sport, as well as the acceptance of adverse situations willingly.





Values Activities

During the tournaments there will be numerous fun learning activities run by the mentors from the Rafa Nadal Tour, focusing on the four key values of the circuit. These will be in the form of classroom activities sessions and fun activities helping the players learn the importance of teamwork, and warming up and cooling down. There will be one of each type of activity for each age/gender group for two days of each event.



The Trophy of Values

The Trophy of Values aims to recognise and reward those players at the Rafa Nadal Tour who put into practice the Rafa Nadal Tour values - positive values, attitudes and behaviours that are essential to helping the players' relevant personal and athletic development. The Academy facilitators, coaches, officials, and Tournament Director will be observing all players on court, during the Values activities and on-site generally and a consensus decision will choose the Values winners. Non-attendance of the Values sessions means it is unlikely that player will be chosen as a Values winner.

Prize Winners

The winning players from each 12/u & 14/u singles State Premier events held, as well as all selected winners of the Trophy of Values, will progress to the end of circuit Australian Rafa Nadal Masters event. The Trophy of Values recognises a player from each age/gender group at each event that shows a positive attitude and behaviour on and off the court, and who exhibits the values of the Rafa Nadal Tour.

The Rafa Nadal Australian Masters event is scheduled to be held in Melbourne early January 2026 (final dates and location to be confirmed). A maximum of sixteen (16) players will be invited to compete in each 12/u & 14/u boys and girls Masters event.

All participants at the Masters events will get further activities and Rafa Nadal Academy related prizes, and the four winners of the events also win flights to Spain and two free weeks of training at the Rafa Nadal Academy in Mallorca later in 2026 (all subject to confirmation).





Eligibility

The Rafa Nadal Tour will consist of 8 qualifying events (1 in each state and territory) for 12/u and 14/u players each year.

For 2025, the Rafa Nadal Tour events sit as stand-alone events outside of the De Minaur Junior Tour. As such, the tournaments will not have any De Minaur Junior Tour points attached to them but matches will still count towards a players UTR.

Players will have the ability to enter any eligible age group at Rafa Nadal Tour qualifying events on the Australian Competitive Play endorsed calendar. For the purpose of these regulations, the player's age as of the last day of the month that the event finishes shall be used for entry into the Rafa Nadal Tour qualifying events.

There will be an end of season Rafa Nadal Masters event held in early January of the year following the qualifying events. Eligible winning players from the qualifying events as well as the chosen Trophy of Value winners will be invited to the end of season Masters event.

However, for the purpose of the Rafa Nadal Tour Masters event conducted each year in January, the player's age category and eligibility will be based on the player's age as at the last day of the year in which the qualifying events were played. This means that all winning players from the qualifying events along with the chosen Trophy of Values winners, <u>must have competed in the correct age category as at the age they will be on the 31 December of the current year.</u>

Eligible winners of the Tournament and winners of the Trophy of Values from each tournament will be invited to compete in the Masters event in Melbourne in January 2026. The winner of each Masters event will be offered the ultimate prize which is a two-week training camp at the Rafa Nadal Academy, all expenses paid. To be eligible for the Rafa Nadal Academy prize, you must be an Australian resident and be a member of a TA affiliated club. Full details of the prize will be confirmed by TA.

To be eligible to compete in the 2026 Rafa Nadal Tour Masters, you must compete in the qualifying event as per the following table:

YEAR BORN	FOR ELIGIBILITY FOR NADAL MASTERS 2025, PLAYERS MUST COMPETE IN				
2016*	Not eligible to participate				
2015	U12				
2014	U12				
2013	U12				
2012	U14				
2011	U14				
2010	Not eligible to participate				

^{*}Players under the age of 10 shall not be eligible for entry into the Rafa Nadal Tour Masters. The player's age as at the 31 December 2025 shall be used.

Important:

- Players born in 2010 are still eligible to compete in the U14 event if they are in age, however they cannot be selected for the Rafa Nadal Masters event.
- Players born in 2013 are still eligible to compete in the U12 event if they are in age, however should they win they cannot participate in the U14 Rafa Nadal Masters event.
- Players born in 2016 or later are still eligible to compete in the U12 event if they wish, however cannot be selected for the Rafa Nadal Masters event.

Should a player outside the age eligibility criteria win any state event, the next highest finishing eligible player in that age group in that state will be invited to participate in the Rafa Nadal Tour Masters event in their place.



Calendar 2025

Most details are now finalised, with the calendar as follows:

START DATE		END DATE		STATE	CITY
Sat	03-May-25	Mon	05-May-25	QLD	Brisbane
Fri	30-May-25	Mon	02-Jun-25	WA	Perth
Fri	06-Jun-25	Mon	09-Jun-25	ACT	Canberra
Wed	25-Jun-25	Fri	27-Jun-25	NT	Darwin
Sun	13-Jul-25	Tue	15-Jul-25	NSW	Sydney
Tue	15-Jul-25	Fri	18-Jul-25	SA	Adelaide
Wed	24-Sep-25	Sat	27-Sep-25	VIC	TBC
Tue	30-Sep-25	Fri	03-Oct-25	TAS	Hobart
MON	12-Jan-2026*	FRI	16-Jan-2026*	VIC	Masters – Parkville*

^{*} TBC

Event #1

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - QLD

Date: 03 – 05 May 2025

Entries close: Tue 22 April 2025

Suburb: Tennyson **State:** Queensland

Venue: Queensland Tennis Centre

Status: Community Series Tournament Website

Event #2

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - WA

Date: 30 May – 2 June 2025 **Entries close:** Tue 20 May 2025

Suburb: Burswood State: West Australia Venue: State Tennis Centre Status: Community Series Tournament Website

Event#3

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - ACT

Date: 6-9 June 2025

Entries close: Fri 23 May 2025

Suburb: Lyneham

State: Australian Capital Territory Venue: Canberra Tennis Centre Status: Community Series Tournament Website





Event #4

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - NT

Date: 25 – 27 June 2025

Entries close: Wed 11 June 2025

Suburb: Marrara

State: Northern Territory

Venue: Darwin International Tennis Centre

Status: Community Series Tournament Website

Event #5

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - NSW

Date: 13 - 15 July 2025

Entries close: Sun 29 June 2025

Suburb: Homebush

Territory: New South Wales Venue: Sydney Olympic Park Status: Community Series Tournament Website

Event#6

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - SA

Date: 15 – 18 July 2025 Entries close: Fri 4 July 2025 Suburb: North Adelaide Territory: South Australia

Venue: The Drive

Status: Community Series <u>Tournament Website</u>

Event #7

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - VIC

Date: 24 - 27 September 2025

Entries close: Sun 14 September 2025

Suburb: TBC Territory: Victoria Venue: TBC

Status: Community Series

Tournament Website

Event#8

2025 Rafa Nadal Tour - TAS

Date: 30 September – 3 October 2025 **Entries close:** Sat 20 September 2025

Suburb: Hobart State: Tasmania

Venue: Domain Tennis Centre Status: Community Series Tournament Website





2025 / 2026 Rafa Nadal Masters Event



Date: 10 - 16 January 2026 (TBC)

Suburb: Parkville (TBC)

State: Victoria

Masters Event Invitations

Eligible winners of the Tournament and Winners of the Trophy of Values from each tournament will be invited to compete in the Masters event in Melbourne in January 2026. The winner of each Masters event will win two weeks training at the Rafa Nadal Academy, all expenses paid. Full details to be confirmed. As an invitational event, the Rafa Nadal Masters does not have any Australian Tour points attached to it.

Behaviour and Regulations

The Tournaments will be played in accordance with the 2025 Australian Competitive Play Regulations and Code of Behaviour. These policies can be viewed at https://www.tennis.com.au/competitiveplay/regulations

Additional Information

More information about the Rafa Nadal Tour by Santander (Spain): www.rafanadaltour.com Further information about the Rafa Nadal Academy by Movistar: https://www.rafanadalacademy.com/en