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# England Men announce white-ball squads to play New Zealand

The England Men's selection panel has named the squads for the upcoming Metro Bank One-Day International Series and Vitality IT20 Series against New Zealand.

Ben Stokes returns to the England Men's ODI set-up after deciding to reverse his decision to retire from the format while uncapped Surrey quick Gus Atkinson is included in the 15-player squad.

The squad for the four-match Vitality IT20 Series against the Blackcaps

includes three players who are uncapped in the 20-over format – Atkinson, Josh Tongue and John Turner.

Tongue made his England debut during the drawn LV= Insurance Men's Ashes Series earlier this summer while Hampshire right-armer Turner makes his first England squad.

England Men's National Selector, Luke Wright, said: "We have been able to name two extremely strong squads that underline the depth of talent we enjoy in white-ball cricket.

"The return of Ben Stokes only adds to that quality with his match-winning ability and leadership. I am certain that every fan will enjoy seeing him back in an England ODI shirt again.

"We're also excited to give first international call-ups to both Gus Atkinson and John Turner while Josh Tongue has deserved a place in the T20 squad after impressing during the Ashes.

"Any series against New Zealand is closely fought and will provide us with an ideal opportunity to test ourselves against one of the best teams in the world."

#### **England Men ODI squad:**

Jos Buttler (Lancashire – captain)

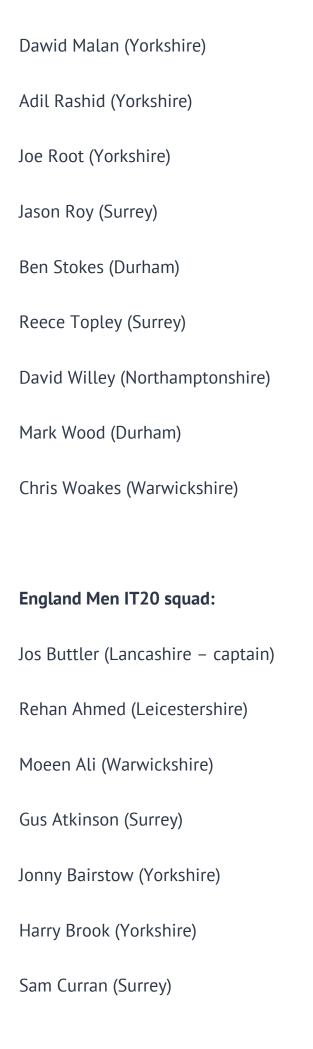
Moeen Ali (Warwickshire)

Gus Atkinson (Surrey)

Jonny Bairstow (Yorkshire)

Sam Curran (Surrey)

Liam Livingstone (Lancashire)



Ben Duckett (Nottinghamshire)

Will Jacks (Surrey)

Liam Livingstone (Lancashire)

Dawid Malan (Yorkshire)

Adil Rashid (Yorkshire)

Josh Tongue (Worcestershire)

John Turner (Hampshire)

Luke Wood (Lancashire)

## England Men v New Zealand – Vitality IT20 Series schedule

1<sup>st</sup> Vitality IT20: Seat Unique Riverside, Chester-le-Street - 30 August

2<sup>nd</sup> Vitality IT20: Emirates Old Trafford, Manchester - 1 September

3<sup>rd</sup> Vitality IT20: Edgbaston, Birmingham - 3 September

 $4^{\text{th}}$  Vitality IT20: Trent Bridge, Nottingham - 5 September

## England Men v New Zealand – Metro Bank One-Day Series schedule

1<sup>st</sup> Metro Bank ODI: Sophia Gardens, Cardiff – 8 September

2<sup>nd</sup> Metro Bank ODI: The Ageas Bowl, Southampton – 10 September

3<sup>rd</sup> Metro Bank ODI: The Kia Oval, London - 13 September

4<sup>th</sup> Metro Bank ODI: Lord's, London - 15 September

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