



Paige Scholfield and Hollie Armitage are both named in all three squads. Pic: ECB/ECB via Getty Images

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England Women A squads to tour Australia confirmed

The England Women A squads to tour Australia have been confirmed.

The group, led by England Women A Head Coach and Performance Batting Coach Jon Lewis, will play three T20s, three 50-over matches and a four-day match against Australia A.

Returning batter Paige Scholfield, who had to withdraw from England Women's tour to South Africa in November 2024, is named in all three

squads. She is joined by players from the <u>England Women Pace Programme</u> including Surrey teammates Ryana MacDonald-Gay, Emma Jones (T20 and 50-over) and Alexa Stonehouse, who is selected across all formats.

Alice Capsey and Danielle Gibson (both 50-over and four-day only) as well as Bess Heath and Freya Kemp (all formats) were part of the England Women's Ashes squads earlier this year. Capsey and Gibson will join the tour following their time in the Women's Premier League (WPL) and all are selected for this tour to provide continued opportunity to play competitive matches against a strong Australian side.

The majority of the group have recently been preparing at a <u>training camp in Abu Dhabi</u> to further their skills in warm conditions and gain some competitive scenario practice. The group depart for Sydney on 17 March.

England Women A Head Coach **Jon Lewis** said: "We are looking forward to testing ourselves against a national side with great depth. We are aware of the challenge ahead.

"There has been some good work done by the players based in England and those who have been playing cricket over the winter around the world and this tour provides an opportunity for players to push for selection into the senior squad through strong performances against the Australians."

Jonathan Finch, Director of England Women's Cricket, added: "We have a good mix of experience across the three squads with all players striving to perform and push for selection into the senior team. The experience they will gain through highly competitive matches within a multi-format schedule will be really exciting, and hopefully invaluable for them in accelerating their development. A tour to Australia is what so many young cricketers dream of, and we wish them well."

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England Women A T20 squad: Hollie Armitage (Durham), Georgia Davis (Warwickshire), Mahika Gaur (Lancashire), Jodi Grewcock (Essex), Bess Heath (Durham), Emma Jones (Surrey), Freya Kemp (Hampshire), Ryana MacDonald-Gay (Surrey), Charis Pavely (Warwickshire), Grace Potts (Lancashire), Paige Scholfield (Surrey), Grace Scrivens (Essex), Seren Smale (Lancashire), Bryony

Smith (Surrey), Alexa Stonehouse (Surrey), Mady Villiers (Durham), Issy Wong (Warwickshire)

England Women A 50-over squad: Hollie Armitage (Durham), Alice Capsey (Surrey), Georgia Davis (Warwickshire), Mahika Gaur (Lancashire), Danielle Gibson (Somerset), Kirstie Gordon (The Blaze), Jodi Grewcock (Essex), Bess Heath (Durham), Emma Jones (Surrey), Freya Kemp (Hampshire), Ryana MacDonald-Gay (Surrey), Charis Pavely (Warwickshire), Grace Potts (Lancashire), Paige Scholfield (Surrey), Grace Scrivens (Essex), Seren Smale (Lancashire), Bryony Smith (Surrey), Alexa Stonehouse (Surrey), Mady Villiers (Durham), Issy Wong (Warwickshire)

England Women A four-day squad: Hollie Armitage (Durham), Alice Capsey (Surrey), Georgia Davis (Warwickshire), Danielle Gibson (Somerset), Kirstie Gordon (The Blaze), Jodi Grewcock (Essex), Bess Heath (Durham), Freya Kemp (Hampshire), Charis Pavely (Warwickshire), Grace Potts (Lancashire), Paige Scholfield (Surrey), Grace Scrivens (Essex), Seren Smale (Lancashire), Alexa Stonehouse (Surrey), Mady Villiers (Durham), Issy Wong (Warwickshire)

England Women A fixtures

T20 match schedule

Wednesday 26 March 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A 1st T20 (Hurstville Oval, 1pm local time, 2am UK time)

Friday 28 March 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A 2nd T20 (Hurstville Oval, 1pm local time, 2am UK time)

Sunday 30 March 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A 3rd T20 (Hurstville Oval 1pm local time, 3am UK time)

50-over matches

Wednesday 2 April 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A 1st 50-over match (Cricket Central, 10.30am local time, 00.30am UK time)

Friday 4 April 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A 2nd 50-over match (Cricket Central, 10.30am local time, 00.30am UK time)

Monday 7 April 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A 3rd 50-over match (Cricket Central, 9.45am local time, 00.45am UK time)

Four-day match

Saturday 12 April-Tuesday 15 April 2025: Australia Women A v England Women A four-day match (Cricket Central, 9.30am local time, 00.30am UK time)

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