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Trent Rockets announce retained players on Deadline Day

- Trent Rockets men's and women's teams confirm returning players for fourth year of The Hundred
- The Hundred Draft powered by Sage to take place at The Shard on Wednesday 20 March⊠⊠
- First Trent Bridge game to be played on Wednesday 31 July, double-header against Birmingham Phoenix

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Joe Root, Nat Sciver-Brunt, Rashid Khan and Alana King will all be back in action at Trent Bridge in The Hundred next season with Trent Rockets confirming the retention of 14 players across both teams on Deadline Day.

Blockbuster trio Alex Hales, Lewis Gregory and Luke Wood are among the names who'll be back in action for Trent Rockets men, while the women's team will see the return of both Bryony Smith and Kirstie Gordon.

The retention list leaves 13 spots to be filled at The Hundred Draft powered by Sage.

That will take place at The Shard on Wednesday 20 March, live-streamed from 5.30pm on **thehundred.com**, YouTube and TikTok. Each team will take it in turns to select domestic and overseas players to complete their squads.

Trent Rockets' fourth season in The Hundred gets underway at Headingley on Friday 26 July.

Their first home game at Trent Bridge is on Wednesday 31 July, one of 68 matchdays across the tournament promising world class men's and women's sporting action, live music, and a host of family-friendly entertainment.

Retained Players

Trent Rockets Women: Nat Sciver-Brunt, Alana King (O), Bryony Smith, Kirstie Gordon, Alexa Stonehouse, Grace Potts

Trent Rockets Men: Joe Root, Rashid Khan (O), Alex Hales, Lewis Gregory, Luke Wood, John Turner, Sam Hain, Sam Cook

Trent Rockets all-rounder Rashid Khan said: "I'm so glad to be back at Trent Rockets for The Hundred this season. I was really disappointed to have to miss the competition last year, and it's exciting to be able to return and hopefully to help the team to progress. We have kept our squad together since the first year and I think that will help us. I'm really excited about

getting back in front of the fans at Trent Bridge."

Nat Sciver-Brunt, the No.1 ranked batter in women's ODI cricket, said: "I'm really pleased to be retained by Trent Rockets again this year. Trent Bridge is a great place to play cricket and the Rockets fans always turn the stadium yellow in their support for us. We've got the motivation to get back in the qualification spots and, with a similar squad and the additions still to come, we're confident we can do that."

A record 580,000 fans were in attendance across The Hundred last season, including over 300,000 in the women's competition. The Hundred's blend of high-quality sport and entertainment saw 41% of all tickets sold to families, 23% to juniors and 30% to women.

From 13-27 March there will be an exclusive window open to buy tickets for fans who have previously attended The Hundred. There will be a priority window open from 9-23 April for all fans who sign up in advance at the hundred.com.

The general sale period begins from 25 April.

Tickets are once again great value, with prices set at £5 for juniors aged 3-15 (free for under 3s) and adults starting from £11.▶

All games will again be live on Sky Sports and BBC broadcast and digital channels throughout the competition.

To stay up to date with the latest news, buy tickets or to sign up for priority access, visit **thehundred.com** or follow The Hundred, and the eight teams, on Instagram, TikTok and YouTube.

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The Hundred is an action-packed, unmissable cricket competition that fuses

Combining a short, fast format of cricket, with each game lasting less than three hours, and incredible entertainment beyond the sport, The Hundred is making cricket more accessible and reaching a broader audience. It's simple: 100 balls per team, most runs wins, so every ball counts.

The Hundred features eight teams from seven cities, with men's and women's competitions taking place side by side: Welsh Fire (Cardiff), Southern Brave (Southampton), Northern Superchargers (Leeds), London Spirit, Trent Rockets (Nottingham), Oval Invincibles (London), Manchester Originals and Birmingham Phoenix. Each teams features some of the best international and domestic cricketers from around the world, including England Men's & Women's World Cup winners.

About The Hundred Draft powered by Sage:⊠

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