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Vaughan to lead Young Lions in South Africa

Somerset all-rounder Archie Vaughan will captain England Men U19s for the first time on their upcoming tour of South Africa.

Vaughan will lead an 18-man squad across three Youth ODIs and two Youth Test matches.

The squad will fly out on Thursday 9 January with the opening Youth ODI at Cape Town on Friday 17 January. The two-match Test series begins in Stellenbosch on Sunday 26 January before the second Youth Test in Cape

Town starting Monday 3 February.

Young Lions Head Coach, Michael Yardy, said: "After putting in a lot of purposeful work on a really good camp before Christmas, we get the opportunity to play against South Africa Under-19s, which will be very exciting for the boys competing in an England shirt."

England Men U19s squad for tour of South Africa:

Archie Vaughan (Somerset - captain)

Farhan Ahmed (Nottinghamshire)

Tazeem Ali (Warwickshire)

Ben Dawkins (Kent)

Kesh Fonseka (Lancashire - Test squad only)

Alex French (Surrey)

Alex Green (Leicestershire)

Jack Home (Worcestershire)

James Isbell (Middlesex)

Eddie Jack (Hampshire)

Ben Mayes (Hampshire)

James Minto (Durham)

Harry Moore (Derbyshire)

Joe Moores (Lancashire - ODIs only)

Thomas Rew (Somerset)

Aaryan Sawant (Middlesex)

Naavya Sharma (Middlesex)

Alexander Wade (Yorkshire)

England U19s tour schedule in South Africa:

Tuesday 14 January: 50-over warm-up – England Men U19s v Western Province CC, Cape Town.

Friday 17 January: 1st Youth ODI – England Men U19s v South Africa Men U19s, Western Province CC, Cape Town

Sunday 19 January: 2nd Youth ODI – England Men U19s v South Africa Men U19s, Western Province CC, Cape Town

Wednesday 22 January: 3rd Youth ODI – England Men U19s v South Africa Men U19s, Paul Roos Gymnasium, Stellenbosch

Sunday 26 January - 29 January: 1st Youth Test – England Men U19s v South Africa Men U19s, Coetzenburg CC, Stellenbosch

Monday 3 February - 6 February: 2nd Youth Test – England Men U19s v South Africa Men U19s, Western Province CC, Cape Town

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