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# Warner, Lanning, Mandhana and Williamson available in The Hundred Draft, powered by Sage

- England internationals and overseas star names available to sign in The Hundred Draft, powered by Sage
- The Hundred Draft to take place at The Shard on Wednesday 20
  March, live-streamed from 5.30pm on <u>thehundred.com</u>, YouTube
  and TikTok.
- First game to be played on Tuesday 23 July with The Kia Oval hosting the opening double-header
- For more information and to sign up for priority ticket access

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David Warner, Smriti Mandhana, Meg Lanning, Kane Williamson, Kieron Pollard and Beth Mooney are just some of the players available to sign in The Hundred Draft, powered by Sage.

There is also a host of English stars within the list, including Dawid Malan, Amy Jones, Ollie Pope, Lauren Filer and Jason Roy.

The Hundred Draft will take place at The Shard on Wednesday 20 March, live-streamed from 5.30pm on <a href="mailto:thehundred.com">thehundred.com</a>, YouTube and TikTok.

Ahead of the fourth year of the competition, there are 890 players from 22 countries up for grabs for the 16 men's and women's teams.

Each team will take it in turns to select domestic and overseas players to complete their squads. In the women's competition, Birmingham Phoenix will have the first pick. In the men's competition it will be Northern Superchargers, led by England legend Andrew Flintoff.

On Deadline Day 137 players were retained in total, which leaves 75 spots to be filled across both competitions at The Hundred Draft. A further 16 players, two per squad, will be added to both men's and women's teams via The Vitality Wildcard Draft before the competition starts.

England Men's World Cup winner Dawid Malan said: "I've really enjoyed playing in the competition across the last three years and I'm excited about getting the chance again this year. You look at the names involved, both those retained and those in list for the draft, and there's world class talent in The Hundred across both competitions."

Sri Lanka opening batter Chamari Athapaththu said: "I am really excited about being in The Hundred Draft. There are so many good players in this competition and I would really love to be a part of it. It has looked very fun over the last three years, with big crowds at big stadiums, and it would be very exciting to play in The Hundred this season."

Other names available to sign in The Hundred Draft include:

India's Jemimah Rodrigues, Deepti Sharma, Richa Ghosh; New Zealand's Daryl Mitchell, Suzie Bates, Tim Southee and Rachin Ravindra; Australia's Ashleigh Gardner, Tim David, Matthew Wade and Annabel Sutherland; Pakistan's Shadab Khan and Fatima Sana.

West Indies' Nicholas Pooran, Deandra Dottin and Shamar Joseph; Ireland's Orla Prendergast and Paul Stirling; Sri Lanka's Angelo Mathews; South Africa's Lizelle Lee and Lungi Ngidi, Afghanistan's Mujeeb Ur Rahman; Bangladesh's Jahanara Alam and Shakib Al Hasan

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 <a href="https://exclusive.com">https://exclusive.com</a>. 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 <u>thehundred.com</u> or follow The Hundred, and the eight teams, on Instagram, TikTok and YouTube.

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### **Notes to Editors**■

#### **About The Hundred:**■

The Hundred is an action-packed, unmissable cricket competition that fuses world-class cricket with blockbuster entertainment.

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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 Ifrom seven Icities, 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 Isome of the Ibest international and domestic cricketers from around the world, including England Men's & Women's World Cup winners. ■

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