



Every year, the All England Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club opens its gates to the public to host the Wimbledon tennis tournament. It combines the best modern-day advanced sports technology with the charm of an English country garden. We examine some of the records and traditions that make the tournament one-of-a-kind.

## THE CHAMPIONS

### THE WINNERS AND THEIR COUNTRIES

The first Wimbledon tournament was held in 1877 and remained an amateur event until 1968, however the level of prestige has always remained the same. Players from the UK top the men's table, but only because for 27 years there were no foreign challengers. There hasn't been a homegrown male Wimbledon champion since Fred Perry in 1936.

#### GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS



#### LADIES' SINGLES CHAMPIONSHIPS



### SPANNING THE AGES

With the oldest competitor on record in his 60s and the youngest just barely 14, players of all ages have competed.

#### YOUNGEST AND OLDEST GENTLEMEN'S SINGLES CHAMPIONS



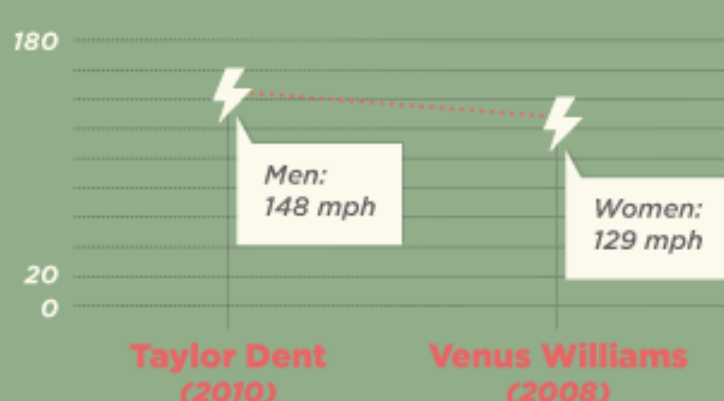
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### ANATOMY OF A WINNING SERVE

Though a fast serve doesn't guarantee an ace during play, it certainly helps. The top speeds of serves at Wimbledon are among the fastest in the world.

#### ALL-TIME FASTEST SERVES AT WIMBLEDON



## THE VENUE

### THE FAMED GRASS

Wimbledon is the only event of the four Grand Slam tournaments that is still played on grass. That world famous grass requires precious care and maintenance.



### FOOD TRADITIONS FOR WIMBLEDON FANS

With roughly 38,500 spectators visiting the grounds for the tournament, caterers have plenty of mouths to feed—often with foods particularly associated with the event.

#### AVERAGE QUANTITIES SUPPLIED BY WIMBLEDON'S CATERERS



## THE FUTURE OF WIMBLEDON

What will Wimbledon look like in 2036? The Sports Technology Institute at Loughborough University projected what the tournament may hold for players, audiences, and the sport.

