

MISSISSIPPI STATE MEN'S

TENNIS



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HAIL DEAR O' STATE! FIGHT FOR THAT VICTORY T ODAY!
HIT THAT LINE AND TOTE THAT BALL, CROSS THE GOAL BEFORE YOU FALL! AND THEN
WE'LL YELL - YELL, YELL, YELL! FOR DEAR O' STATE WE'LL YELL LIKE H-E-L-L!
FIGHT FOR MIS-SIS-SIP-PI STATE, WIN THAT GAME TODAY!

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2026 SCHEDULE & RESULTS

Overall: 19-4 | SEC: 10-3 | H: 8-1 | A: 8-2 | N: 3-1
 Indoor: 9-2 | Outdoor: 10-2 |

Date	Opponent	Time/Result
January (6-0)		
10	at SMU	W 5-2
10	Lamar <i>(Dallas)</i>	W 6-1
16	at Illinois ⁽²⁴⁾	W 5-2
18	at Indiana	W 6-1
23	Santa Clara %	W 4-1
24	Auburn %	W 4-2

February (4-2)

1	at Memphis	CANCELED
7	Alabama State	CANCELED
13	Florida ⁽²³⁾ #	W 4-1
13	Virginia ⁽¹⁾ #	L 1-4
13	Stanford ⁽⁴⁾ #	W 4-3
21	Vanderbilt ⁽³⁷⁾ *	W 4-3
23	Texas ⁽³⁾ *	L 3-4
26	South Alabama	W 7-0

March (8-1)

1	at Auburn ⁽¹⁸⁾ *	W 5-2
6	Tennessee ⁽⁶¹⁾ *	W 7-0
8	Georgia ⁽⁸⁾ *	W, 4-2
13	at South Carolina ⁽¹⁴⁾ *	W, 4-3
15	at Florida ⁽²²⁾ *	W, 4-3
20	at Texas A&M ⁽⁹⁾	L, 3-4
22	at LSU ⁽⁷⁾ *	W, 6-1
27	Ole Miss *	W, 6-1
29	Kentucky *	W, 4-1

April (1-1)

2	at Arkansas *	W, 5-2
4	at Oklahoma *	L, 3-4
12	Alabama *	1 p.m.
15-19	SEC Championship <i>(Bryan-College Station, Texas)</i>	

May (0-0)

1-3	NCAA Rounds 1 & 2 <i>(TBD)</i>	
8-9	NCAA Super Regional <i>(TBD)</i>	
14-17	NCAA Championships <i>(Athens, Ga.)</i>	

* SEC match | ** SEC Championship | ^ NCAA Tournament | + Indoors
 % ITA Kickoff Weekend, Starkville | # ITA National Indoor Championships
 All Times Central | Neutral site location ()

MATCH AT A GLANCE



Mississippi State Bulldogs

11-2, 2-1 SEC

ITA Team Ranking

#6

ITA Singles Rankings

- #5 - Benito Sanchez Martinez
- #10 - Petar Jovanovic
- #83 - Mario Martinez Serrano
- #85 - Niccolo Baroni

ITA Doubles Rankings

#4 - Jovanovic / Sanchez Martinez



Alabama Crimson Tide

12-15, 3-10 SEC

ITA Team Ranking

#49

ITA Singles Rankings

- #82 - Matic Kriznik
- #92 - Vit Kalina

ITA Doubles Rankings

#8 - Kalina / Zimnokh
 #38 - Olar / Zimnokh

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SERIES NOTES & HISTORY

- » Mississippi State is 40-26 all-time vs. Alabama.
- » Mississippi State is 19-12 all-time vs. Alabama in Starkville.
- » The Bulldogs have won their last two meetings against the Crimson Tide.
- » Mississippi State holds the advantage at home, 14-10.
- » The last time Mississippi State hosted Alabama, it was a 4-3 victory for the Bulldogs.
- » Matt Roberts won his first 10 meetings against the Tide.
- » Matt Roberts is 15-2 all time vs. Alabama.

NOTES TO KNOW

- » The Bulldogs have secured 13 ranked wins this season
- » **Benito Sanchez Martinez** leads the team in wins with 40 victories.
- » Mississippi State has maintained a winning record across all singles positions throughout the season.
- » **Petar Jovanovic** is the all-time leader for wins in Mississippi State tennis program history.
- » All of Mississippi State's conference victories have been over ranked opponents.
- » **Raphael Vaksmann** has been strong in singles play, with the highest Bulldog win percentage in singles.
- » Niccolo Baroni, Benito Sanchez Martinez, Petar Jovanovic, Mario Martinez Serrano and Raphael Vaksmann have all reached double-digit singles dual wins this season.
- » Head coach **Matt Roberts** holds the career all-time wins record as the Bulldogs' head coach with 231 victories, overtaking Andy Jackson for the most wins all-time at the helm.
- » The Bulldogs picked up their first top-five victory of the season defeating No. 4 Stanford 4-3 at the ITA National Team Indoor Championships.
- » Mississippi State is in its 102nd season as a program, with an all-time record of 1,127-648-8.
- » The doubles tandem of Petar Jovanovic and Benito Sanchez Martinez is the highest ranked SEC duo at No. 4.

MEN'S TENNIS PHOTO ROSTER



Niccole Baroni

Sophomore
Viareggio, Italy



Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes

Junior
Lakeland, Tenn.



Bryan Hernandez Cortes

Sophomore
Mallorca, Spain



Petar Jovanovic

Senior
Podgorica, Montenegro



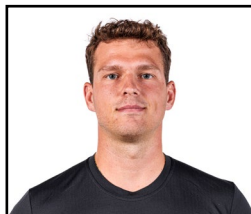
Marshall Landry

Junior
Pinehurst, N.C.



Mario Martinez Serrano

Senior
Zaragoza, Spain



Michal Novansky

Senior
Trnava, Slovakia



Benito Sanchez Martinez

Senior
Potsdam, Germany



Raphael Vaksman

Freshman
Paris, France



Matt Roberts

Head Coach



Derek Siddiqui

Associate Head Coach



Trevor Gotkowski

Assistant Coach

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MISSISSIPPI STATE WORD ROSTER

Name	Yr.	Ht.	Exp.	Hometown	High School (Previous School)
Niccolo Baroni	So.	5-10	1L	Viareggio, Italy	University of Pisa
Roberto Ferrer Guimaraes	Jr.	5-11	2L	Lakeland, Tenn.	Memphis University School
Bryan Hernandez Cortes	So.	6-3	1L	Mallorca, Spain	Martin Klein Schiller
Petar Jovanovic	Sr.	6-4	3L	Podgorica, Montenegro	Gymnasium Slobodan Skerovic
Marshall Landry	Jr.	6-1	2L	Pinehurst, N.C.	Pinecrest HS
Mario Martinez Serrano	Sr.	6-0	1L	Zaragoza, Spain	(Troy)
Michal Novansky	Sr.	6-0	3L	Trnava, Slovakia	Stredna sportova skola Jozefa Herdu
Benito Sanchez Martinez	Sr.	6-2	3L	Potsdam, Germany	Carl-Friedrich-Gauss Schule
Raphael Vaksman	Fr.	6-1	HS	Paris, France	National Centre for Distance Education

Pronunciation Guide

Niccolò Baroni	Nih-KOH-loh Buh-ROH-nee
Roberto Ferrer Guimarães	roh-BEHR-toh FEH-rehr gee mah-RYE-esh
Bryan Hernández Cortés	BRY-en Her-NAHN-dess kor-TESS
Petar Jovanović	PEH-tar yoh-VAH-no-vich
Marshall Landry	MAR-shul LAND-ree
Mario Martínez Serrano	MAHR-ee-oh mar-TEE-nez seh RAH-noh
Michal Novanský	MEE-hahl noh-VAHN-skee
Benito Sánchez Martínez	beh-NEE-toh SAHN-chéz mar-TEE-nez
Raphael Vaksman	rah-fah-EL VAHKS-man

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	Matt Roberts
	Alma Mater Arkansas, 2006
	Record at MSU 231-87 (12th Season)
	Career Record Same
Associate Head Coach	Derek Siddiqui
Assistant Coach	Trevor Gotkowski

ALABAMA WORD ROSTER

Name	Ht.	Yr.	Hometown	High School (Previous School)
Carlos Gimenez Perez	6-3	Sr.	Alicante, Spain	(UAB)
Rohan Hazratwala	6-5	Fr.	Townsville, Australia	Brisbane Boys College
Vit Kalina	5-7	Fr.	Prague, Czech Republic	--
Matic Kriznik	5-10	So.	Ljubljana, Slovenia	--
Brendan Loh	5-11	R-Fr.	Adelaide, Australia	Northridge HS
Jacob Olar	6-5	Fr.	Bradenton, Fla.	Laurel Springs School
Yoshka Sborowsky	5-9	Fr.	Hometown Lyon, France	--
Andrii Zimnokh	6-0	Jr.	Hometown Kharkiv, Ukraine	--

Coaching Staff

Head Coach	George Husack
Associate Head Coach	Ezequiel Gils
Graduate Assistant	Sam De Vries

2026 MISSISSIPPI STATE MEN'S TENNIS

GENERAL INFORMATION

Location	Starkville, Miss. 39762
Population	24,168
Founded	February 28, 1878
Nickname	Bulldogs
Enrollment	23,563
Colors	Maroon (PMS 202) and White
Mascot	Bully
Live Mascot (Bully XXII)	Dak
President	Dr. Mark Keenum
Director of Athletics	Zac Selmon
Faculty Athletics Representative	Brent J. Fountain
Conference	Southeastern

FACILITY INFORMATION

Outdoor [A.J. Pitts Tennis Centre](#)

Indoor [Rula Tennis Pavilion](#)

TEAM HISTORY

NCAA Team Championship Appearances	34 (last in 2025)
NCAA Team Championship Record	38-29
NCAA Round of 16 Appearances	18 (last in 2025)
NCAA Quarterfinals Appearances	6 (last in 2025)
NCAA Semifinals Appearances	2 (1998, 1994)
NCAA Finals Appearances	n/a
SEC Regular Seasons Championships	3 (1993, 1967, 1965)
SEC Tournament Championships	3 (2019, 2018, 1996)
ITA Top 25 Finishes	31
Final 2025 Team ITA Ranking	10th
All-American Honors	52
All-SEC Honors	111

COLLEGE TENNIS SCORING

A collegiate tennis match consists of three doubles matches and six singles matches which determine seven total points as follows:

- All matches will be played with no-ad scoring.
- Doubles matches will be played to begin the match. Each match will be one set (first to six & win by two).
- There is a five minute break between doubles and singles.

2026 TEAM INFORMATION

ITA Preseason Ranking	7
Current ITA Ranking	6
Season-High Team Ranking (Date)	5 (3/24/2026)

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Matt Roberts (Arkansas, 2006)
Record at MSU	231-87 (12th Season)
Career Record	Same
SEC Record	94-44
NCAA Tournaments	10
Best NCAA Finish	Quarterfinals (2025, 2018)
Associate Head Coach	Derek Siddiqui (San Deigo State, 2013)
Years at MSU	1st Season
Assistant Coach	Trevor Gotkowski (Wofford, 2017)
Years at MSU	2nd Season

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- Six singles matches will be played after the break. Each singles match will be best 2-out-of-3 sets (first to six & win by two).
- Tiebreakers (first to seven & win by two) will be played if a doubles or singles set reaches 6-all.
- The team to score four points or more is the winner of the match.

2026 MISSISSIPPI STATE MEN'S TENNIS

Records

Overall: 19-4 SEC 10-3 Region: Home: 8-1 Away: 8-2 Neutral: 3-1
 vs. National ranked: 11-4 vs. Regional ranked: 0-0 Win Streak: 7 Home Streak: 3

Singles Results


PLAYER	OVERALL	DUAL	TOUR	CONF	RANKED									
					1	2	3	4	5	6	NATL	REG	STREAK	LONG
CORTES, Br Hernandez	8-7	8-7	0-0	6-3	---	---	0-1	---	4-4	4-2	0-0	0-0	W5	W5
GUIMARAES, Ro Ferrer	8-6	8-6	0-0	4-5	---	---	---	1-0	1-1	6-5	1-0	0-0	L1	L3
NOVANSKY, Michal	2-3	2-3	0-0	0-1	---	---	---	---	1-2	1-1	0-0	0-0	L3	L3
MARTINEZ, Be Sanchez	16-4	16-4	0-0	10-3	16-4	---	---	---	---	---	11-4	0-0	W7	W7
SERRANO, Ma Martinez	16-5	16-5	0-0	8-4	---	---	8-5	8-0	---	---	3-2	1-0	L2	W6
JOVANOVIC, Petar	15-4	15-4	0-0	8-2	---	15-4	---	---	---	---	8-4	1-0	W2	W6
VAKSMANN, Raphael	15-4	15-4	0-0	9-3	---	---	---	4-3	9-1	2-0	4-0	0-0	W1	W7
BARONI, Niccolo	12-2	12-2	0-0	7-2	---	1-1	7-1	4-0	---	---	2-1	1-0	L1	W10
LANDRY, Marshall	1-0	1-0	0-0	0-0	---	---	---	---	---	1-0	0-0	0-0	W1	W1

Doubles Results

PAIR	OVERALL	DUAL	TOUR	CONF	RANKED									
					1	2	3	NATL	REG	STREAK	LONG			
JOVANOVIC, Petar / MARTINEZ, Be Sanchez	8-8	8-8	0-0	6-3	8-8	---	---	5-1	0-0	L2	W6			
NOVANSKY, Michal / SERRANO, Ma Martinez	7-6	7-6	0-0	4-6	0-1	7-5	---	2-3	0-0	L1	L4			
CORTES, Br Hernandez / GUIMARAES, Ro Ferrer	5-3	5-3	0-0	4-3	---	---	5-3	1-0	0-0	L1	W4			
BARONI, Niccolo / SERRANO, Ma Martinez	3-4	3-4	0-0	0-1	1-0	2-4	---	0-0	0-0	L1	L1			
CORTES, Br Hernandez / NOVANSKY, Michal	3-2	3-2	0-0	0-0	---	1-0	2-2	0-0	0-0	L1	W2			
CORTES, Br Hernandez / VAKSMANN, Raphael	1-3	1-3	0-0	0-1	---	---	1-3	0-0	0-0	L3	L3			
MARTINEZ, Be Sanchez / NOVANSKY, Michal	1-0	1-0	0-0	1-0	1-0	---	---	1-0	0-0	W1	W1			
BARONI, Niccolo / CORTES, Br Hernandez	1-2	1-2	0-0	1-2	---	---	1-2	0-0	0-0	L2	L2			
GUIMARAES, Ro Ferrer / LANDRY, Marshall	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	---	---	---	0-0	0-0	L0	L0			
GUIMARAES, Ro Ferrer / MARTINEZ, Be Sanchez	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	---	---	---	0-0	0-0	L0	L0			
BARONI, Niccolo / GUIMARAES, Ro Ferrer	0-1	0-1	0-0	0-1	---	---	0-1	0-0	0-0	L1	L1			

Season Results

DATE	OPPONENT	SCORE	OVERALL	CONF	RANK	ATT
Jan 10, 2026	at SMU	W 5-2	1-0	0-0	#7	
Jan 10, 2026	Lamar University	W 6-1	2-0	0-0	#7	
Jan 16, 2026	at #24 Illinois	W 5-2	3-0	0-0	#7	
Jan 18, 2026	at Indiana	W 6-1	4-0	0-0	#7	
Jan 23, 2026	Santa Clara	W 4-1	5-0	0-0	#7	
Jan 24, 2026	Auburn^	W 4-2	6-0	0-0	#7	
Feb 13, 2026	#23 Florida	W 4-1	7-0	0-0	#6	
Feb 14, 2026	at #1 Virginia	L 1-4	7-1	0-0	#6	
Feb 15, 2026	#4 Stanford	W 4-3	8-1	0-0	#6	
Feb 21, 2026	#37 Vanderbilt*	W 4-3	9-1	1-0	#10	
Feb 23, 2026	#3 Texas*	L 3-4	9-2	1-1	#10	
Feb 25, 2026	South Alabama^	W 7-0	10-2	1-1		
Mar 01, 2026	at #18 Auburn*	W 5-2	11-2	2-1	#5	
Mar 06, 2026	#61 Tennessee*	W 7-0	12-2	3-1	#5	
Mar 08, 2026	#8 Georgia*	W 4-2	13-2	4-1	#5	
Mar 13, 2026	at #14 South Carolina*	W 4-3	14-2	5-1	#7	
Mar 15, 2026	at #22 Florida*	W 4-3	15-2	6-1	#7	
Mar 20, 2026	at #9 Texas AM*	L 3-4	15-3	6-2	#6	
Mar 22, 2026	at #7 LSU*	W 6-1	16-3	7-2	#6	
Mar 27, 2026	Ole Miss*	W 6-1	17-3	8-2		
Mar 29, 2026	Kentucky*	W 4-1	18-3	9-2		
Apr 02, 2026	at #35 Arkansas*	W 5-2	19-3	10-2	#6	
Apr 04, 2026	at #11 Oklahoma*	L 3-4	19-4	10-3	#6	

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