

## SA gears up for a Federer-Nadal showdown at CT Stadium

The sixth Match in Africa - and first to be held in Africa - will take place at the Cape Town Stadium on 7 February 2020. The event - which will see a Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal showdown - is set to be the biggest tennis event South Africa ever has seen.

This entertainment extravaganza features a celebrity curtain-raiser match, a host of local talent performing and uniquely interactive crowd experience. And incidentally, the organisers also aim to set the new world record for the most attendees at a tennis match.



## World-class tennis and more

The day's main event is the match between 20-time Grand Slam champion Roger Federer and 19-time Grand Slam champion and rival Rafael Nadal. But they won't be the only international stars on the court. Bill Gates and Trevor Noah will be shedding their work attire and putting on tennis shoes for the celebrity curtain-raiser doubles match with Federer and Nadal.

Federer says: "After a long period of planning and a huge effort from the whole team, I have finally arrived in South Africa to experience a unique moment. I am very much looking forward to a spectacular evening in Cape Town. I hope that as many people as possible will be able to join me in and outside the stadium or in front of the TV."



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Fans will not only be treated to world-class tennis. They will also be dazzled by an equally impressive entertainment lineup. The show includes performances from The Ndlovu Youth Choir, who took the world by storm in 2019 and promise to deliver energetic compositions with a unique South African flavour, along with mesmerising choreography. The choir will be teaming up with the Zip Zap Circus – a Cape Town-based non-profit organisation that was founded to inspire young people and to help build a new culture of peaceful coexistence in South Africa. Their performance will include trapeze acts, juggling and much more.

For those who prefer to watch the match in the comfort of your own home, the match will be screened live on SuperSport on 7 February 2020, beginning with the celebrity curtain-raiser match at 7.30pm followed by the main event at 8.30pm. Numerous international TV stations will also be broadcasting the event.

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Here you'll find all the details and logistics you need ahead of the event taking place on February 7th in Cape Town, South Africa. <u>pic.twitter.com/Nrel133fFU</u>— @MatchInAfrica (@matchinafrica) <u>January 21, 2020</u>

All the net profits generated by The Match in Africa will be channelled into the Roger Federer Foundation, which supports education in rural Southern Africa. The organisation has been supporting education programmes for over 16 years, and has invested considerably throughout Africa, in Botswana, Malawi, Namibia, Zambia, Zimbabwe and South Africa. The foundation's key driver is education as one of the most powerful means of change in a person's life, and its primary focus is improvement in the quality of early learning. Since 2003 over 1.5 million children have benefitted from a higher quality of education due to the foundation's projects.

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