



MATCHDAY GUIDE

ENGLAND v AUSTRALIA

MEN'S INTERNATIONAL T20

FRIDAY 13 SEPTEMBER 2024

GATES OPEN - 16:30

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We look forward to welcoming all of our Members and supporters to Sophia Gardens as England and Australia come to Cardiff to play the second instalment of the Men's IT20 Series.

Please read through the information below ahead of your arrival at the stadium, and share it with others in your group who are not signed up to receive our communications.

KEY TIMINGS: (times subject to change)

16:30	GATES OPEN
18:30	MATCH STARTS
18:30 - 19:55	FIRST INNINGS
19:55 - 20:15	INTERVAL
20:15 - 21:40	SECOND INNINGS
21:40	MATCH ENDS



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OUR STADIUM



ENTRY TO SOPHIA GARDENS



TICKETS

All ticket purchasers are to enter via the gate that is on your respective tickets.

Digital tickets are in use and have to be scanned from the Sophia Gardens Ticketing App, which can be downloaded from the Apple App Store and Google Play Store.

Please download your tickets onto the app in advance to avoid connectivity issues on the day.

In the rare case that you have not received your tickets, please reach out to TICKETS@GLAMORGANCRICKET.CO.UK for assistance.

On the day, if you have any queries, please visit the Ticket Office next to Gate 2.

ALLOCATED SEATING

All seating for the England v Australia Men's IT20 is **ALLOCATED**.

Please see your ticket for your gate entry number and seat number.

Should you need any help or have any questions during the match, our friendly stewards will be more than happy to assist you.

Sit back, relax, and enjoy the thrilling game ahead!

BAG SEARCH

If you are bringing a bag, please leave yourself extra time for entry as this bag will need to be searched and tagged on entry.

The Stadium reserves the right to refuse entry to any person carrying any prohibited items which may be deemed to be offensive, disruptive, dangerous or likely to infringe any party's rights, safety or security, or any dangerous article or substance not referred to below.

PROHIBITED ITEMS

- Sharp implements such as knives and forks
- Firearms, weapons, knives and imitation weapons
- Glass bottles and containers
- Alcohol
- Cans (soft drinks or alcohol)
- Fireworks, explosives and flammable items
- Air horns/blow horns
- All musical instruments including whistles
- Gas Containers
- Illegal drugs
- Animals (except guide dogs)

PERMITTED ITEMS

- Personal (folding) umbrellas
- Cooler bags/boxes
- Own foodstuff (with plastic cutlery)
- Soft drinks/water in plastic containers (tops to be removed, although stewards may in certain conditions allow tops to remain – e.g. for medical conditions, elderly people, family usage)
- Cameras and video cameras (for recreational and non-commercial use only)
- Flasks and reusable water bottles
- Small radios, CD/DVD/MP3 players – only with headphones
- Glass containers – perfume, prescription medication, insect repellent
- Aerosol deodorant, medication or insect repellent

A DAY FOR ALL



ACCESSIBILITY AND INCLUSIVENESS

Sophia Gardens, Cardiff is a venue that caters for all of our visitors' needs.

Glamorgan Cricket is a proud member of the Level Playing Field organisation. Please visit our [website](#) for more information!

Glamorgan Cricket can supply a match-day sensory pack for fans with sensory needs. These packs include items such as noise-cancelling headphones, fidget spinners, a map of the Stadium, and more. They are designed to enhance the matchday experience for people living with Autism, ADHD and Down Syndrome. The sensory packs will be available from Reception for a cost of £10 per pack. For more information click [HERE](#).

If you have any further enquiries please email info@glamorgancricket.co.uk or phone our main reception desk on 02920 409 380.

We have a dedicated accessibility stewarding team on site – please speak to your nearest steward if you require any assistance.

We have been making improvements around the stadium and now have a Changing Places Toilet located on the Castell Howell concourse and we have a Family Toilet located behind the CM.com Stand.

Multi-Faith Prayer rooms will be available in the Sport Wales building located near to Gate 2. Please ask the nearest steward if you require assistance.



HEALTH AND SAFETY

We ask that stadium visitors remain considerate and respectful while at the venue and remember that other Members, supporters and staff may have ongoing health challenges that may affect them or their close families.



GROUND REGULATIONS

We would like to politely remind all Members and spectators to check our Ground Regulations before you arrive. Please read these [HERE](#).



CALL IT OUT

Sophia Gardens ask visitors to UNITE against all forms of discrimination. There is no place for it in our sport.

We're dedicated to raising the game and making our stadium welcoming for all.

Text UNITE to 60650 to report unacceptable behaviour, or inform your nearest stadium steward.

If you witness it, challenge it and CALL IT OUT!



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FOOD & DRINK



CASHLESS VENUE

Please note: Sophia Gardens is a cashless venue.

Food and beverage outlets throughout the stadium accept card and contactless payments only.

25? CHALLENGE 25

Please note: As a venue, we operate a Challenge 25 procedure. This means that anyone who looks 25 or under will be asked to produce an accepted form of ID.

No ID, No Sale.

Only 4 drinks are to be sold per person. If you are intoxicated, you will not be served.

PLEASE DRINK RESPONSIBLY



SUSTAINABILITY

We have installed water fountains throughout the stadium to aid our push to stop the reliance on single-use plastic.

In our public areas we have removed plastic single-use disposable pint glasses and we now use the TWINONE Flexy glasses around the stadium.

We would like to encourage all spectators to use our new recycling stations in the correct manner to help us to meet our recycling goals.



FOOD & DRINK

There's an extensive range of catering outlets located around the stadium, most will be located in the FOOD VILLAGE which is located behind the PRO STEEL ENGINEERING STAND, located on the map at the start of this guide.

All of our catering outlets offering vibrant flavours and exciting menus, plus a wide selection of vendors serving vegetarian, vegan and Halal menu options.

You'll never be far away from a refreshing beverage, with bars and kiosks located around the venue. Whether you fancy a draught lager, a refreshing cider, a classic G&T or a soft drink – we've got you covered.

If you're feeling fruity, go for the new Thatchers' range or if you're feeling adventurous, we have a choice of ales on offer from our partner Glamorgan Brewing Co and a selection of amazing gins from our Official Gin Partner, Hensol Gin.

Food & Drink outlets located around the stadium:

- Chang's Wok
- Daisy and Belle Ice Cream
- Dinky Donuts
- Event Mobile Catering
- Fire & Flank
- Hello Good Pie
- Hensol Gin
- Kerala Karavan
- Little Dragon Pizza
- Meating Point
- Prosecco Pronto
- RJR Bars
- Straight Outta Canton
- Symonds Event Bars
- The Posh Fish & Chip co.
- Urban Jungle Coffee
- Utah Coffee
- Wingstack
- The Real Ting



ENTERTAINMENT

You'll be able to test your cricket skills in the Family Fun Zone with the Glamorgan Community Team. There will be live music with the Acoustic Duo, face painters, and grab a photo in the giant deckchair.

TRAVEL



ROAD CLOSURE

PLEASE NOTE: There will be a full road closure in place at the entrance to Sophia Close from 16:30 at the discretion of the Cardiff Council.

If deemed necessary, Cardiff Council have the right to close the road earlier than this. If you have booked accessible parking, please ensure that you arrive with plenty of time.

PARK & RIDE

Location: Pentwyn, just off the A48(M) at CF23 8HH

Drop Off Location: Outside Pontcanna Inn, just a two-minute walk to the stadium.

Timings: First bus to leave Pentwyn at approx. 13.00. Last bus to leave from outside Pontcanna Inn at approx. 23.00.

Cost: £15

Cash and card payments accepted.

No pre-booking – pay on the day.

PLEASE NOTE: If you are heading towards the city centre or train station at the end of the match, please be aware that the gates to Bute Park will close at 19:00. While you will still be able to cross the bridge into the park, you will not be able to exit. Please utilise the Taff Trail footpath running alongside the river which will bring you out at Cowbridge Road East/Castle Street.

PARKING

There is no public car parking available at the Stadium. There are a number of independent car parks located throughout the city.

Please visit:



[NCP CARDIFF](#)



[CARDIFF COUNCIL PARKING](#)

TRAIN

Cardiff Central railway station is approximately 1 mile from Sophia Gardens (walking time approximately 20 mins). There are regular trains that run between Cardiff and all major towns and cities including London, Bristol, Birmingham, Manchester and Swansea. For the latest train information, please visit www.nationalrail.co.uk.

BIKE

Supporters can travel via bicycle. If you decide to travel to the Stadium by bike, there is bike parking available at Gate 2 and Gate 5.

WALK

The most popular and picturesque means of reaching the Stadium from the city centre is on foot. The final part of the leisurely stroll takes you along the banks of the famous River Taff and the grounds of Cardiff Castle.



CRICKET'S WARMEST WELCOME

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