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# The World's 28 Most Beautiful Tennis Courts

As the US Open gets underway, *AD* takes a look at the very grounds that host this centuries-old sport, from cliffside clay to sky-high lawns

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To enjoy beautiful tennis courts one doesn't have to be [Roger Federer](#) or [Rafael Nadal](#). With exquisite design and picturesque surroundings, you can perfect your strokes on some of the world's most beautiful tennis courts, located in places like [villages](#), [busy streets](#) of bustling cities, the [Amalfi Coast in Italy](#), or high over [New York City](#).

Designing tennis courts—or any sport facility, for that matter—has both a structured simplicity and an artistic challenge. In many ways, all courts are the same: They measure 78 feet long and 36 feet wide, they're ideally oriented from the north to the south, and they're all marked with the same baselines, service boxes, and cut by the same three-foot net. With so many predetermined elements, designing something unique presents a difficult but satisfying opportunity when carried out correctly.

With the US Open gearing up to take center court, *AD* looks at the 28 most breathtaking spots to go game-set-match around the world.

