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Sudirman Cup Finals 2025

# PREVIEW



# RICH LEGACY




The Sudirman Cup is the World Mixed Team Championships which takes place every two years. The event is a test of the all-round strength of a team. There are five matches in every tie: men's singles, women's singles, men's doubles, women's doubles and mixed doubles.

Dick Sudirman, in whose honour the Cup was instituted, was one of the founders of the Indonesian Badminton Federation (PBSI) and its President for 22 years. He was also a respected administrator with other governing bodies such as Asian Badminton Confederation and International Badminton Federation (now BWF).

Following Sudirman's death on 10 June 1986, his friend and PBSI vice-president Suharso Suhandinata wrote to ask if IBF would consider Indonesia's proposal for a competition to be instituted in his name. The proposal was approved by the IBF Council in 1988.

The trophy is made of 22-carat gold-plated solid silver. Standing 80cm high, it sits on an octagonal base made of jati wood. The body of the cup is shaped like a shuttlecock, while the lid is designed after the famous Borobudur Temple. The handles are shaped like stamens, symbolising the seeds of badminton. The trophy was presented to IBF in May 1989.

The Sudirman Cup was initially held in conjunction with the IBF World Championships. The first edition was played at Bung Karno Stadium in Jakarta from 24 to 29 May 1989 with 28 teams. By the eighth edition in Eindhoven (2003), it had built up sufficient momentum to be staged as a standalone event.

The event has been held every two years since 1989. Indonesia won the inaugural edition at home – the only time they've taken the title. Korea emerged champions at the next two editions, followed by China, who won all but two editions from 1995 onwards (Korea interrupted China's reign in 2003 and 2017).



## EVOLUTION OF FORMAT

The format has seen subtle changes over the years. Until 2003, the elite Group 1 (teams that competed for the title) had six teams in two groups; the top two teams in each group would enter the semifinals. Only teams in Group 1 could compete for the title; teams in the lower tiers competing for overall placings.

In 2005, Group 1 had eight teams in two groups, while in 2011, 12 teams were entered in the elite group, which were sub-divided into four sub-groups of three teams each. The top two teams from each sub-group would enter the quarterfinals.

For the 2021 edition held during the pandemic, the top 16 teams were selected based on team rankings (Europe had conducted the continental championships and the semifinalists qualified). All 16 qualifiers could compete for the title.

In 2023, the various continental mixed team championships helped select the teams. Semifinalists from the Asian and European championships, and winners of Africa, Pan Am and Oceania were shortlisted. Apart from the hosts and defending champions who are automatic qualifiers, the rest were selected based on team rankings. This format has been followed for the 2025 edition.

**Winning Teams**

China
**13 times**

Korea
**4 times**

Indonesia
**Once**

# TIMELINE

Badminton had team championships for men (Thomas Cup) since 1948-1949 followed by one for women (Uber Cup) since 1956-1957, but it would be three decades before a World Mixed Team Championships was held. With the Sudirman Cup, came badminton's biggest test of all-round team strength.

**10 June, 1986**

Death of Dick Sudirman, Founder of PBSI, and its President of 22 years.

**August 1986**

Proposal to institute a competition in Sudirman's honour.

**1988**

IBF convinced of viability of World Mixed Team Championships and accepts Indonesian offer of trophy.

**1989**

Trophy presented to IBF. First Sudirman Cup held in Jakarta in conjunction with IBF World Championships; 28 participating teams divided into Groups 1 to 7, with only Group 1 contesting the title. Indonesia beat Korea in close final.

**1991, 1993**

Korea emerge superpowers, beating Indonesia in both finals, with Park Joo Bong playing starring role.

**1995-2001**

China's all-round prowess proves difficult to match for other teams.

**2003**

Sudirman Cup held as standalone event. Korea, powered by strength in doubles, claim title.

**2005-2015**

Decade-long reign of six consecutive triumphs by China, incredibly winning all finals 3-0, boosted by the exceptional abilities of players like Lin Dan, Zhang Ning, Cai Yun, Fu Haifeng and others.

**2017**

Sudirman Cup travels to Gold Coast, Australia. Korea halt China's run, with surprise 3-2 result in final.

**2019**

China bounce back strongly on home turf in Nanning with relatively young squad.

**2021**

Sudirman Cup travels to Vantaa in Finland with the world grappling with COVID-19 pandemic. Edition held with changed format; 16 teams invited based on ranking, and all of them compete for title. China once again stand tall.

**2023**

China a point from elimination in the semifinals against Japan – on the brink of their earliest defeat since 1993 – but their men's pair recover from four match points down. Having survived the trial by fire, hosts rout Korea in final.

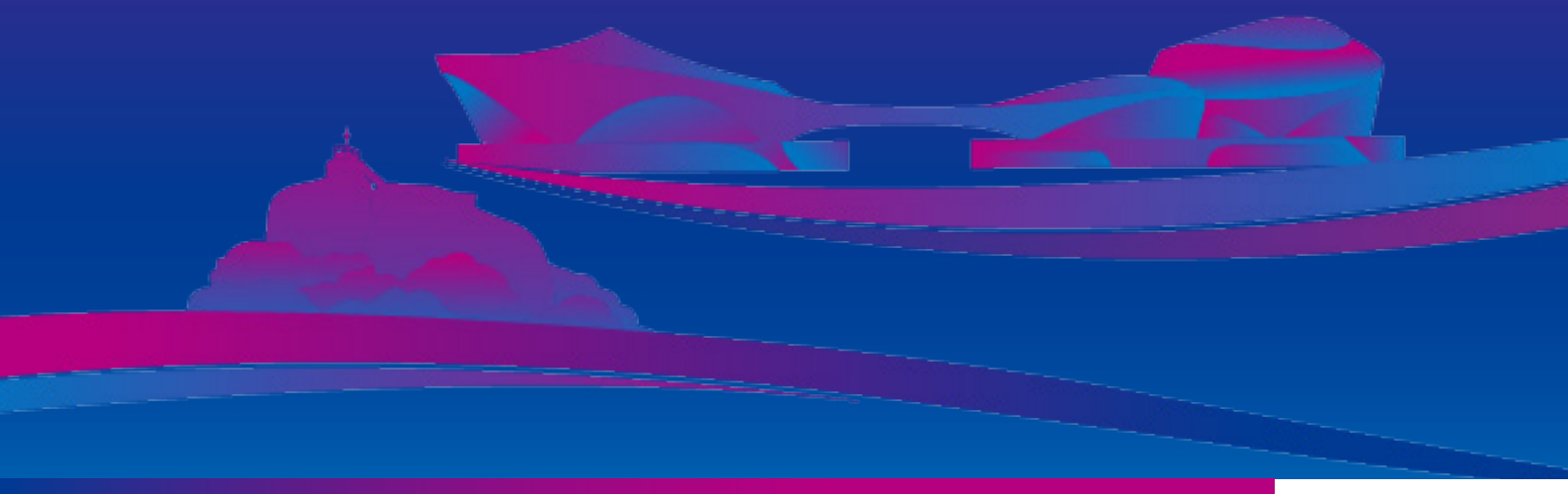
# ROLL OF HONOUR

| Year | City | Winners | Runners-up | Score |
|---|---|---|---|---|
| 1989 | Jakarta | **Indonesia** | Korea | 3 – 2 |
| 1991 | Copenhagen | **Korea** | Indonesia | 3 – 2 |
| 1993 | Birmingham | **Korea** | Indonesia | 3 – 2 |
| 1995 | Lausanne | **China** | Indonesia | 3 – 1 |
| 1997 | Glasgow | **China** | Korea | 5 – 0 |
| 1999 | Copenhagen | **China** | Denmark | 3 – 1 |
| 2001 | Seville | **China** | Indonesia | 3 – 1 |
| 2003 | Eindhoven | **Korea** | China | 3 – 1 |
| 2005 | Beijing | **China** | Indonesia | 3 – 0 |
| 2007 | Glasgow | **China** | Indonesia | 3 – 0 |
| 2009 | Guangzhou | **China** | Korea | 3 – 0 |
| 2011 | Qingdao | **China** | Denmark | 3 – 0 |
| 2013 | Kuala Lumpur | **China** | Korea | 3 – 0 |
| 2015 | Dongguan | **China** | Japan | 3 – 0 |
| 2017 | Gold Coast | **Korea** | China | 3 – 2 |
| 2019 | Nanning | **China** | Japan | 3 – 0 |
| 2021 | Vantaa | **China** | Japan | 3 – 1 |
| 2023 | Suzhou | **China** | Korea | 3 – 0 |



# GROUPS

| GROUP A | GROUP B | GROUP C | GROUP D |
|---|---|---|---|
| CHINA | KOREA | JAPAN | INDONESIA |
| THAILAND | CHINESE TAIPEI | MALAYSIA | DENMARK |
| HONG KONG CHINA | CANADA | FRANCE | INDIA |
| ALGERIA | CZECHIA | AUSTRALIA | ENGLAND |



# TEAM INFO

## China



**Best result:**
Winners (13 times)

**Appearances:**
18

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Semifinal)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Winners)

**Host:**
2005 (Winners)
2009 (Winners)
2011 (Winners)
2015 (Winners)
2019 (Winners)
2023 (Winners)

## Indonesia



**Best result:**
Winners (1989)

**Appearances:**
18

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Winners)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Quarterfinal)

**Host:**
1989 (Winners)

## Korea



**Best result:**
Winners (4 times)

**Appearances:**
18

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Runners-up)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Semifinal)

**Host:**
None

## Japan



**Best result:**
Runners-up (3 times)

**Appearances:**
18

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Group stage)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Semifinal)

**Host:**
None

## Malaysia



**Best result:**
Semifinalists
(3 times)

**Appearances:**
17

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Group stage)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Semifinal)

**Host:**
2013 (Group stage)

## Denmark



**Best result:**
Runners-up (2 times)

**Appearances:**
18

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Semifinal)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Quarterfinal)

**Host:**
1991 (Semifinal)
1999 (Runners-up)

## Chinese Taipei



**Best result:**
Quarterfinalists
(7 times)

**Appearances:**
17

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Group stage)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Quarterfinal)

**Host:**
None

## Thailand



**Best result:**
Semifinalists
(3 times)

**Appearances:**
17

**First Sudirman Cup:**
1989 (Group stage)

**Most recent appearance:**
2023 (Quarterfinal)

**Host:**
None

# TEAM INFO

## India



**Best result:** Quarterfinalists (2 times)

**Most recent appearance:** 2023 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 17

**Host:** None

**First Sudirman Cup:** 1991 (Group stage)

## France



**Best result:** Group stage

**Most recent appearance:** 2023 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 16

**Host:** None

**First Sudirman Cup:** 1989 (Group stage)

## Hong Kong China



**Best result:** Group stage

**Most recent appearance:** 2019 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 16

**Host:** None

**First Sudirman Cup:** 2005 (Group stage)

## Canada



**Best result:** Group stage

**Most recent appearance:** 2023 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 15

**Host:** None

**First Sudirman Cup:** 1989 (Group stage)

## England



**Best result:** Semifinalists (Once)

**Most recent appearance:** 2023 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 16

**Host:** 1993 (Group stage)

**First Sudirman Cup:** 1989 (Group stage)

## Australia



**Best result:** Group stage

**Most recent appearance:** 2023 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 16

**Host:** 2017 (Group stage)

**First Sudirman Cup:** 1989 (Group stage)

## Czechia



**Best result:** Group stage

**Most recent appearance:** 2015 (Group stage)

**Appearances:** 11

**Host:** None

**First Sudirman Cup:** 1991 (Group stage)

## Algeria



**Best result:** Debutants

**Most recent appearance:** N/A

**Appearances:** N/A

**Host:** None

**First Sudirman Cup:** N/A

# SQUADS

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Chen Yu Fei
Feng Yan Zhe
Guo Xin Wa
Han Yue
Huang Dong Ping
Jia Yi Fan
Jiang Zhen Bang
Li Shi Feng
Liang Wei Keng
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Daniel Lundgaard
Amalie Magelund
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Callum Hemming
Harry Huang
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Miu Lin Ngan
Freya Redfearn
Lizzie Tolman
Estelle Van Leeuwen
Ethan Van Leeuwen

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Léonice Huet
Elsa Jacob
Margot Lambert
Arnaud Merkle
Camille Pognante
Lucas Renoir
Enogat Roy
Anna Tatranova

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Law Cheuk Him
Lee Cheuk Yiu
Lee Chun Hei Reginald
Lo Sin Yan Happy
Lui Chun Wai
Lui Lok Lok
Saloni Samirbhai Mehta
Ng Ka Long Angus
Ng Tsz Yau
Tang Chun Man
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Muhammad Shohibul Fikri
Rehan Naufal Kusharjanto
Febriana Dwipuji Kusuma
Daniel Marthin
Bagas Maulana
Lanny Tria Mayasari
Pitha Haningtyas Mentari
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Kim Hye Jeong
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Toh Ee Wei

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Laksika Kanlaha
Supanida Katethong
Kittinupong Kedren
Phataimas Muenwong
Ruttanapak Oupthong
Supissara Paewsampran
Dechapol Puavaranukroh
Jhenicha Sudjaipraparat
Peeratchai Sukphun
Sapsiree Taerattanachai
Pakkapon Teeraratsakul
Panitchaphon Teeraratsakul
Kunlavut Vitidsarn
Kantaphon Wangcharoen

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Chiu Hsiang Chieh
Chiu Pin-Chian
Chou Tien Chen
Hsieh Pei Shan
Hsu Wen Chi
Hsu Yin-Hui
Hu Ling Fang
Hung En-Tzu
Lee Jhe-Huei
Lin Chun-Yi
Wang Chi-Lin
Yang Ching Tun
Yang Po-Hsuan
Ye Hong Wei

# THE RUNDOWN

**Korea** have a formidable look about them as they head to the Sudirman Cup looking to challenge superpowers China, who are seeking a record-extending 14th title.

Korea have had a spectacular year so far, with their remixed partnerships delivering in all three doubles categories. Kim Won Ho/Seo Seung Jae have won three titles from four finals; among several successful Korean partnerships are Kim Hye Jeong/Kong Hee Yong (women's doubles) and Lee Jong Min/Chae Yu Jung (mixed doubles). With An Se Young winning all four of her events this year, Korea have a strong line-up, except perhaps in men's singles.

Unlike their principal rivals, **China** have their bases covered in all departments. While the team boasts experienced stars such as Shi Yu Qi, Li Shi Feng, Chen Yu Fei, Chen Qing Chen, Jia Yi Fan and others, there will be some youthful faces as well, in the form of Liu Sheng Shu, Tan Ning, Chen Bo Yang and Liu Yi.

**Japan**, who were a point away from dethroning China in the semifinals of the last edition, head to Xiamen noticeably strong in men's singles (Kodai Naraoka, Koki Watanabe), women's singles (Akane Yamaguchi, Tomoka Miyazaki) and women's doubles (Mayu Matsumoto/Yuki Fukushima; Nami Matsuyama/Chiharu Shida).

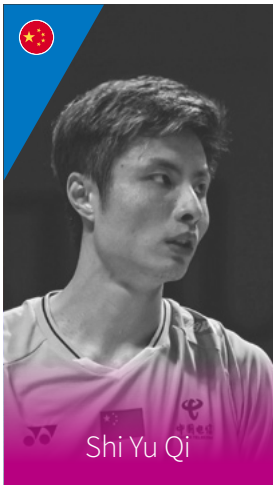
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An Se Young


Kim Won Ho

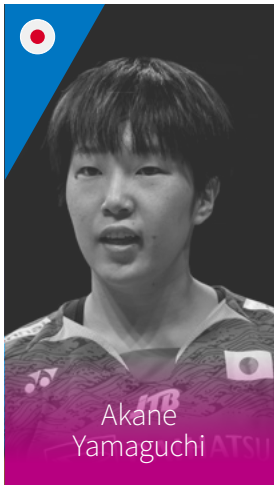

Chen Yu Fei


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Jia Yi Fan


Kodai Naraoka

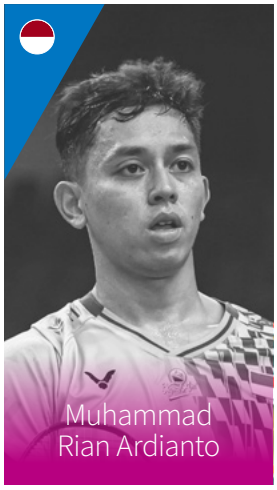

Chiharu Shida


Akane Yamaguchi









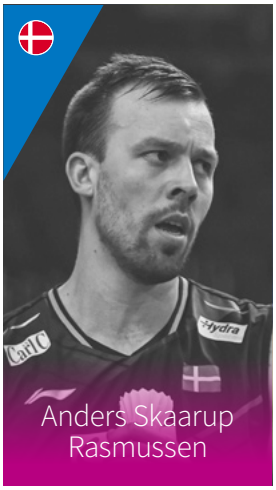



















**Indonesia**, who won the Sudirman Cup in its debut year 1989, can rely on Jonatan Christie, Gregoria Mariska Tunjung, and strong men's doubles (Fajar Alfian/Muhammad Rian Ardianto; Muhammad Shohibul Fikri/Daniel Marthin, etc.)

**Malaysia** will look to their seasoned doubles pairs to lead the way. With Aaron Chia/Soh Wooi Yik winning the Badminton Asia Championships, and with the likes of Nur Izzuddin/Goh Sze Fei, Pearly Tan/Thinaah Muralitharan and Goh Soon Huat/Lai Shevon Jemie in their ranks, the Malaysians will be confident of a strong performance, even though they are without men's singles ace Lee Zii Jia.

Meanwhile, European power **Denmark** will have to do without Viktor Axelsen, who is recovering from a recent surgery. However, the Danes do have big names such as Anders Antonsen, Kim Astrup, Anders Skaarup Rasmussen, recent European champions Line Kjaersfeldt, and mixed doubles duo Jesper Toft/Amalie Magelund, among others.

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Another European power, **France**, have named a squad minus two European champions – Alex Lanier and Christo Popov/Toma Junior Popov.

Of the teams that are likely to challenge the frontline contenders, **Thailand** (Kunlavut Vitidsarn, Ratchanok Intanon, Dechapol Puavaranukroh, Sapsiree Taerattanachai), **Chinese Taipei** (Chou Tien Chen, Lin Chun Yi, Wang Chi-Lin, Lee Jhe-Huei, Yang Po-Hsuan) and **India** (H. S. Prannoy, Pusarla V. Sindhu) will be the ones to watch.

While they may not be seen as frontline contenders, teams like **Canada** (Michelle Li, Brian Yang); **Hong Kong China** (Tang Chun Man/Tse Ying Suet), **Algeria** (Koceila Mammeri/ Youcef Sabri Medel), **Czechia** (Jiri Kral, Tereza Svabikova), **Australia** (Gronya Somerville/ Angela Yu) and **England** will look to cause an upset or two and liven up the competition.
























# FUN FACTS

- Sudirman Cup is the youngest of BWF's team championships, having started in 1989.
- It is held in odd-numbered years, and thus does not coincide with the Thomas and Uber Cups.
- Twenty-eight teams competed at the first edition.
- By 1997, the number of participating Member Associations had more than doubled.
- The first seven editions were held in a two-week tournament by the same host as the World Championships.
- That ended in 2003, when the Sudirman Cup was hosted as a separate event in Eindhoven, Netherlands.
- Denmark are the only European country to contest a final. They finished runners-up in 1999 and 2011.
- Indonesia hosted and won the inaugural Sudirman Cup. It remains their only victory to date.
- Besides China, Korea and Indonesia, no other countries have managed to lift the trophy.




- Only five countries have entered finals – China, Korea, Japan, Denmark and Indonesia.
- China have won every edition bar two since 1995 – Korea interrupted their winning streak in 2003 and 2017.
- When Korea won in 2003, Lee Hyun Il took their first ever singles point in a final.
- China bounced back from the 2003 defeat and took the next five titles without dropping one match in any of the finals.
- They were also among the top four at all 18 editions.
- Indonesia have the highest number of runner-up finishes.
- Host nations have won seven times.


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