



  
ICC Academy



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COMMERCIAL PARTNER

Sports Training Camps and Tours  
*Harness sporting excellence  
in the heart of Dubai*

# ABOUT US

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**Expat Sport is the first choice in sports tours and training camps to the UAE. We host school clubs, academies and professional teams from around the world including ICC World Twenty20 champions, the West Indies.**

We are the official travel supplier to ICC Academy and offer official cricket tours, training camps and tournaments so that teams can experience the ICC Academy's world class facilities.

Football, rugby and netball are also core sports for us – and we have contacts in most other sporting genres. The UAE is a great destination for sports tours, thanks to perfect winter temperatures, high standards of accommodation and service, exciting activities, safe environment and varied local competition.

Expat Sport is the leading team travel sports tours company in the UAE. Our rapid growth is driven by our passion for sport and desire to offer best-in-class experiences to visiting teams.

Personal service is essential in our approach. We work with teams to tailor their experience and provide competitive opposition at the right level. We aim to meet and exceed expectations and provide sporting memories that will stay with you forever.

**Let the Expat Sport team take care of everything, so you and your team can focus on achieving your full sporting potential.**



# OFFICIAL TRAVEL SUPPLIER TO ICC ACADEMY

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## **THE WORLD'S LEADING CRICKET DEVELOPMENT, EDUCATION AND HIGH PERFORMANCE INSTITUTE**

The ICC Academy is the the hub of global cricket purpose built facility to improve cricketing performance. ICC Academy is situated directly next to the headquarters of the International Cricket Council (ICC), in Dubai Sports City.

Not only does it have a full time team of development coaches, the Academy also welcomes visiting and guest coaches who take part in the world-class programmes. The Academy offers a comprehensive grass-root player pathway for players of every age and ability.

Visiting teams benefit from bespoke training and playing camps; including planning, management and scheduling of games and programme development for teams. We work with teams of all levels to provide travel, accommodation and a full itinerary of activity at the ICC Academy in Dubai.

**Hone your team's skills in style with Expat Sport and the ICC Academy.**



# WHAT YOUR EXPERIENCE COULD LOOK LIKE...

**We work with every client to build a tailored tour to suit your preferences, timescales and budget.**

Tours can be for five, seven and ten days and for teams passing through Dubai we offer one and two night stopover training packages.

The example shown gives an idea of what is included in cricket, rugby, football or netball tour, but we will tailor the itinerary to suit your requirements and include the number of fixtures and training days accordingly.

Every March or April we run an under 18's cricket tournament at the ICC Academies world class facility in Dubai Sports City. This is a great way to test your teams skills against other teams from around the world, with teams taking part from the UK, India, South Africa, Australia and New Zealand.

It may still be possible to join the next tournament in April 2017 go to [www.expatsport.com/sport/icc-academy-warrior-t20/](http://www.expatsport.com/sport/icc-academy-warrior-t20/) or scan the QR code to see more



## Day 1 | Arrival Day

After being greeted at Dubai Airport by an Expat Sport Representative, transfer to your accommodation for 6 nights.

Once you have checked into your apartments you will be transferred by luxury coach to Wild Wadi Water Park for a day of fun on the 30 adrenalin pumping rides.

Transfer back to your hotel in time for dinner.



## Day 2 | Match Day 1

After breakfast you will have the morning at leisure to enjoy the hotel swimming pool or take the Dubai Metro to one of the large shopping malls.

After lunch you will be transferred to play your first game of the tour.



## Day 3 | Dubai

After breakfast take the Metro to Dubai Mall to experience the worlds largest shopping and entertainment centre.

Then take the elevator to the 124th Floor of the tallest building in the world. 'At the Top' Burj Khalifa experience will blow you away!

Rest of the day at leisure.



## Day 4 | Match Day 2

After breakfast, transfer to The Walk where you can spend some time on one of Dubai's beaches.

After lunch, transfer to game 2 at the at the world class ICC Academy, Dubai Sports City.



Yorkshire CCC training at ICC Academy

## Day 5 | Dubai

Enjoy your breakfast and have the morning at leisure. This could be preparing team tactics for tomorrow's final game or relaxing by the pool.

Mid afternoon you will depart for your Desert Safari where you will drive through some of the highest sand dunes in the UAE in a 4x4 vehicle. After a spot of adrenalin dune bashing you can try sandboarding, camel rides, traditional henna and enjoy your BBQ in the desert.



Lancashire CCC training at ICC Academy

## Day 6 | Match Day 3

After breakfast take your transfer to one of the best Paintball Parks in the UAE. The themed fields feature bunkers, aircraft, trenches, bridges, towers and more. With state of the art equipment and outdoor music you will be assured to have a fun filled time.

In the afternoon you will transfer to your final game of the tour.



## Day 7 | Departure Day

After the morning at leisure or some last minute shopping you will then transfer to Dubai Airport for your return flight home.

# ABOUT DUBAI

**Sport in Dubai:** Dubai has a large western influence and a large number of expats which brings a magnitude of sporting variety. With fantastic facilities on offer to match the city's surroundings, sport plays a huge role in bringing together all of Dubai's communities. You can be sure to enjoy the atmosphere and great sense of community spirit when you tour this fantastic city.

**Entertainment:** In your leisure time there are so many amazing entertainment venues and activities, along with fantastic beaches and waterparks.

Watch the video at <https://youtu.be/BUXtb4jYHkA> or scan the QR code



**Best time to tour:** October to May.

**Currency:** Arab Emirate Dirham (AED)

**Weather:** Conditions for outdoor sport in Dubai are fantastic from October until May. The summer months are too hot for teams to play outdoors, but we run indoor cricket and football summer camps in the summer, should your team wish to take advantage of the cheap summer hotel prices.

**Time Difference:** GMT +4

**Language:** English is widely spoken

**Visas:** Visitor visas, valid for 30 days, can be obtained on arrival in Dubai for some nationalities including British. No prior arrangements need to be made and the visa stamp is free when arriving at Dubai International Airport, Abu Dhabi Airport, or other airports. Our team will advise you if any of your players require a visa and if so we can issue them for you.

# The ICC Academy: developing performance

ICC Academy - SPIA Silver Winners

Best Outdoor and Recreation Facility

Watch the video at <https://vimeo.com/160200545>  
or scan the QR code



## When you want to shape the stars of tomorrow, there is no room for compromise.

That's why every detail at ICC Academy has been specially designed to enable players' reach their potential. Be it an international superstar or a young player just starting out in the game, ICC Academy seeks to support every cricketer through its full-edged facilities, rich resources and well-trained personnel.

ICC Academy prides itself on indoor facilities that are unarguably the best in the world. They include:

- Multi-purpose, air conditioned training space which can be easily adapted to suit coaching requirements including centre wicket training and indoor games
- 6 Indoor practice pitches and nets: 2 spin friendly nets, 2 pace friendly nets, and 2 batting wickets with full length run ups.
- 3G Turf fielding area
- Dedicated Pro Batter batting simulator lane
- Integrated Hawk-eye tracking and video analysis cameras
- Bowling machines, fielding machines, and spin bola
- 2 Changing rooms with a fully equipped recovery area and ice baths
- 3 Physiotherapy treatment rooms
- ICC Academy Power Base Gym: the world's first cricket-specific indoor and outdoor functional training, conditioning and physical testing facility
- Classrooms and learning space
- Fully equipped cricket retail store
- Public food and beverage area serving snacks and beverages





**It is important to have reliable outdoor facilities that simulate real life cricketing situations. The ICC Academy has a world of them, which includes:**

- 2 Floodlit full-size ovals accredited for ODI and T20 cricket, both containing Asian and Australian turf wickets (Gaba and WACA wickets and electronic scoreboards with integrated video analysis)
- Floodlit practice area including; 38 natural grass turf practice pitches (17 Australian, 17 Pakistani, 4 English) plus 7 synthetic and 1 hybrid spin pitch
- Floodlit Cricket Cage area; multi-purpose training, coaching and game play area containing 6 retractable cricket lanes
- Air-conditioned pavilion with 4 fully equipped changing rooms incorporating player and spectator seating, plus match officials' changing rooms and officiating and analysis rooms
- Banked areas for spectators

**PERFORMANCE SERVICES**

The ICC Academy is not just a venue; it's a varsity of cricket. It provides a range of high performance services across coaching, sport science, medical support, high performance management and consultancy. These services are designed to support existing programmes, teams and individuals and the experts are always available to discuss performance-related requirements.



# What people are saying about ICC Academy

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Richie Richardson – Former captain and team manager of the West Indian cricket team:

*"I heard a lot about this centre of excellence and wanted to be here. I am really impressed with the quality of the facility – a place where everyone would like to come before a tour. It's absolutely perfect".*

Ian Martin, Head of Disability Cricket for the ECB:

*The ICC Academy is the perfect place to stage training camps for cricketers of all levels and abilities. I visited with the England Physical Disability Cricket Team and found the facilities and the staff first class, my Squad were very well looked after and we will be returning."*

Hashim Amala, South Africa's top order batsman:

*"We were surprised to be able to train in conditions in Dubai that replicated different locations around the world... you can see the advantage of practicing here for a tour."*

**Virat Kohli,**

Indian international cricketer:

*"I am thoroughly impressed with the facilities. You can play golf on these fields (outdoor ovals)!"*





# What people are saying about Expat Sport

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Darren Gough, Cricketer

*"I have worked with Expat Sport on many occasions and always found them to be professional and great to work with. They are the guys to speak to for anything relating to cricket."*

## **Durham County Cricket Club**

*"Everything went wonderfully well and we will definitely be in touch to enquire about future bookings. Thanks for all your help."*

Bizsport, South Africa

*"It was an absolute pleasure working with you. You were always available to help and assist us. You definitely went the extra mile to ensure all was done in a timely and professional way."*

Minakshi Ahmad Ali, ADIB Bank

*"This is customer service as it should be and wish the rest of the world operates this way."*

Sir Ian McGeechan, ex British & Irish Lions coach

*"I worked with Expat Sport during the Emirates Airline Dubai Rugby Sevens in 2013 and was extremely happy with their professional and attentive service. Your team is in safe hands with these guys."*

Gillian McDarby, Programme Manager,  
Irish Rugby Football Union

*"Thank you for the excellent service that you provided for our team at the Dubai Rugby Sevens tournament."*

# Other sports training camps

**We do love cricket, but there's plenty we can offer for other sporting teams too. As an example, we're exclusive agents for rugby and netball teams taking part by invitation at the Dubai Rugby Sevens.**

We are also official agents of the Spanish Soccer Schools, offering world class coaching programmes run by ex-Real Madrid coaches and overseen by former Spanish International Michel Salgado.

So if you have a team of budding rugby or football stars, read on – or contact a member of our team today.

## Football training camps

Dubai Sports City's Football Academy is considered the new focal point for soccer in the Middle East. The centre offers modern training techniques, specialised facilities experienced management to help develop players to their full potential.

The Spanish Soccer Schools Coaching Programme is specially tailored to participants between five and 16 years of age, with almost 700 participants per year and special summer holiday camps.

**Michel Salgado, Director Football:**

*"I welcome you to be part of most exciting football initiative in Dubai at Dubai Sports City's Football Academy"*

## Football Academy facilities include:

- 2 full size outdoor floodlit natural turf pitches
- 1 full size outdoor floodlit pitch with FIFA approved synthetic surface
- 1 full size floodlit indoor pitch with FIFA approved synthetic surface
- Multipurpose Indoor Hall with sports flooring
- Bistro Restaurant and Kickers Sports Bar
- 8 changing rooms with showers and locker facilities
- Viewing gallery and outdoor terrace spectator seating areas





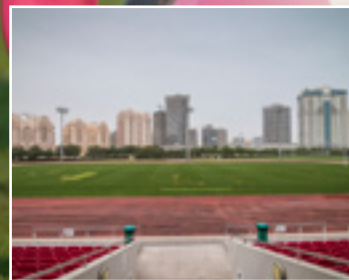
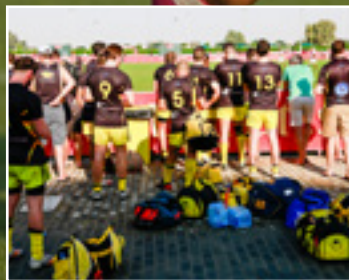
### Rugby training camps

As the leading rugby tour company in the Emirates, Expat Sport looks after school and professional teams on behalf of organisations like England Rugby Travel.

We look after the travel needs of most of the rugby clubs in this region and have close ties with them – so we can ensure your school team is set up with a suitably competitive match.

Our office in Cambridgeshire can assist school teams in the UK throughout the booking process before you head to Dubai. Once you arrive, an experienced Expat Sport tour manager will take care of your group throughout the trip and you gain 24-hour local emergency support.

For school teams looking for that extra edge, Expat Sport rugby ambassador and ex British & Irish Lion John Bentley will visit your school to give the team a coaching lesson before they head off to Dubai.





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