

Press Release

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## 2019 Sudirman Cup Team

Badminton Australia is pleased to announce the 2019 Sudirman Cup Badminton Team.

The bi-annual Sudirman Cup Championships will be held this year in Nanning, China from 19-26 May after last being held on the Gold Coast in 2017.

### **Australian Team:**

#### **Women:**

Tiffany Ho	(NSW)
Louisa Ma	(VIC)
Setyana Mapasa	(NSW)
Gronya Somerville	(VIC)

#### **Men:**

Ashwant Gobinathan	(VIC)
Simon Leung	(QLD)
Jacob Schueler	(VIC)
Sawan Serasinghe	(VIC)
Eric Vuong	(VIC)



Australia is in Group 3, Pool A competing against New Zealand – Ireland – Nepal.

The Sudirman Cup is the world mixed team badminton championship that takes place every two years. There are five matches in every round: men and women's singles, men and women's doubles and mixed doubles. The Cup is named after Dick Sudirman, a former Indonesian badminton player and the founder of the Badminton Association of Indonesia (PBSI). The first Sudirman Cup tournament took place in Bung Karno Stadium, Central Jakarta, Indonesia on May 24 – May 29, 1989.

The Sudirman Cup stands 80 cm high. It is made of 22 carat (92%) gold-plated solid silver and stands on an octagonal base made of jati wood (Java teak wood). The body of the Cup is in the form of a shuttlecock and is surmounted by a replica of the Borobudur Temple. The handles are in the shape of stamens, symbolising the seeds of badminton.

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