

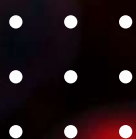


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# WELCOME MESSAGE



**Jonathan Castleman**  
MANAGING DIRECTOR AND  
GLOBAL HEAD OF BRAND AND  
BRAND PARTNERSHIPS  
HSBC

Welcome to the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens 2022, the fifth event of the HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series 2022.

We are delighted to be back at the Singapore National Stadium for the first time since 2019. One of the reasons for our successful long-term partnership with the HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series is that the sport mirrors so much of what we believe. A series that crosses the globe, features teams from six continents and gives an opportunity for so many developing nations and players to make their way on the biggest stage, is a perfect representation of our belief in 'Opening Up A World Of Opportunity.' To be back in Singapore - a thriving international hub that serves as a bridge between East and West and is a hugely important home for HSBC - is a wonderful demonstration of what we love about the sport.

The passionate local fans who will be returning to the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens are certainly set for an incredible show. South Africa have been dominant so far in the men's HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series, but Singapore will mark the return of powerhouse teams Fiji and New Zealand to the stage. With up-and-coming teams like Argentina and France all still in the mix, this should be a spectacular sporting showcase.

But our focus has never just been on the stars of today. A central pillar of our partnership programme has always been opening up opportunity for the next generation. Around the world our grassroots programmes have helped thousands of young people experience the sport, including in Singapore, where we've worked closely with Singapore Rugby to help young boys and girls be introduced to rugby, and the values that come with it. This year we've even introduced a global initiative called the World Of Opportunity Programme, helping young people find a path into a sporting career off the pitch.

We've always believed that global events like the HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series create huge opportunities for fans, players and the community of Singapore at large. We've achieved so much together already, and with the event back in 2022, we aren't stopping here.

I wish you a thrilling and enjoyable weekend.

**Jonathan Castleman**  
Managing Director and Global Head of Brand and Brand Partnerships  
HSBC





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# YOUR PASSION SINGAPORE

Heading down for the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens 2022? Take this chance to also experience tourism reimaged with new possibilities in the city!

Take your passion from the pitch to the streets. From seeking the thrilling rush of adrenaline to immersing in distinctive nightlife experiences, indulging in retail therapy or discovering hidden gems as a family, there are many possibilities to bring your passions to life here in Singapore.

Kickstart an unforgettable trip with an exciting night of arcade games, delectable snacks, inventive cocktails and live band music at Singapore's first Arcade Bar at Clarke Quay. Situated at the heart of the city's party hub, Level Up Bar has a slew of game machines and many Instagrammable corners for you to level up your social media feed. If this is not your scene, fret not, there are many other bars with a cosier setting or more sophisticated feel for you to choose from!

Ranked #9 on The World's 50 Best Bars 2021, Jigger & Pony has always been recognized for doing things differently. From communal seating to fresh interpretations of classic cocktails – including a Gin Fizz that takes 72 hours to make – this elevated speakeasy with distinguished décor, convivial atmosphere, and relaxed hospitality will surely leave you with an unforgettable experience.

Alternatively, visit Atlas famed for their Art Deco styling and largest collection of gins from around the world, or head over to the inventive Native bar known for the use of locally foraged ingredients in their distils. Those seeking a more underground experience can drop by Taylor Adam, a cocktail bar discreetly tucked away in the heart of Singapore's Central Business District and hidden behind its bespoke tailor façade.

If you're on the hunt for unique souvenirs, check out Supermama, a brand that makes quality porcelain wares with locally-influenced designs. Else, look no further than Design Orchard, nestled along the bustling Orchard Road. It houses over 60 home-grown labels, from fashion apparel, and accessories, beauty and wellness to artisanal home ware proudly designed in Singapore. For those seeking to get some serious shopping done, be sure to hit up mega malls like ION Orchard and Paragon for international luxury brands and street labels. Whatever your taste may be, Orchard Road is bound to dazzle you with unlimited choices.

Haven't gotten enough of the action and energy? Get an adrenaline rush at the city's most thrilling attractions. Take the plunge off a 17-storey tower at the AJ Hackett Sentosa Bungy Jump or experience true free fall at the world's largest wind tunnel at iFly Singapore. If these are not thrilling enough, brave through the obstacle courses at Hydrodash. Challenge your loved ones around the park's thrill-seeking floating obstacle course and let the games begin.

Feeling adventurous and looking for more intense water sports? Journey to the East Coast and show off your moves at Singapore Wake Park, a state-of-the-art cable ski park where you can wakeboard and water ski – both beginners and experienced riders are welcome!

If you're looking for a relaxing day with your family, visit the Singapore Botanic Gardens, the city's oldest garden and a UNESCO World Heritage Site. Stroll amidst lush greenery and admire the stunning collection of exotic orchids at the National Orchid Garden. A worthwhile stop is Jacob Ballas Children's Garden, the first garden in Asia dedicated to children with wonderful nooks to explore and learn about nature. If your little ones are fascinated by marine life, dive into the undersea world of S.E.A. Aquarium™ to discover interesting tidbits about the over 100,000 marine animals.

Visit us in Singapore and be greeted with both fresh and familiar experiences that seek to reignite your passions and love for travel.



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# WELCOME MESSAGE



**Edwin Tong**  
MINISTER FOR CULTURE,  
COMMUNITY AND YOUTH  
& SECOND MINISTER FOR LAW

Welcome to the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens!

It has been three long years since we last hosted this world class event in Singapore. This year, we are delighted to welcome fans from Singapore and around the world back for its return. The organisers have worked hard to bring sport back and make this year's edition a safe and exciting event.

The Singapore edition has previously featured some of the most memorable moments in the Series. The last time this was held here, spectators witnessed South Africa clinch its first-ever HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens title, narrowly edging out Fiji by 20-19. I'm sure we can look forward to more thrilling action-packed matches as teams attempt to gain some ground in their standings!

The return of the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens to Singapore is testament to the success of its previous editions, highlighting HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series' confidence in Singapore's ability to host a high calibre event and affirms Singapore's position as an international sporting destination.

To the organisers, teams, sponsors, volunteers and fans – thank you for your unwavering support.

Have an enjoyable weekend of rugby as the players thrill you with their skills, speed and strength!

**Edwin Tong**  
**Minister for Culture, Community and Youth**  
**& Second Minister for Law**

# Active Enabler Programme (AEP)

supports you in organising sport activities and events to bring sport back safely!

Share with us your best proposals and let us help you turn your dream sport event or activity into reality!

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- ◆ Employ innovation to engage the community through sport
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# WELCOME MESSAGE



**Sir Bill Beaumont, CBE, DL**

**CHAIRMAN  
WORLD RUGBY**

On behalf of World Rugby it is my pleasure to welcome you to the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens.

We are delighted to be returning to the National Stadium in Singapore for the first time since 2019 for what promises to be a very exciting round of the HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series 2022 following a uniquely challenging past two years for sport and the wider society.

The players and teams are raring to get back on the pitch and looking forward to entertaining fans once again by showcasing the action-packed speed, strength and skill of international rugby sevens.

South Africa were winners last time out in Singapore and they have been in unstoppable form so far in the 2022 Series with four consecutive tournament victories to lead the Series standings.

However the return to Series action of Olympic Champions Fiji and 2020 Series title winners New Zealand following enforced absences due to the logistical challenges of Covid-19 means that Singapore will be the first round of the 2022 Series to feature a full strength line-up of all 16 core men's teams.

The health and welfare of everyone involved remains our top priority and our thanks and gratitude go to Sport Singapore, the government authorities and all stakeholders for their hard work, collaboration and dedication to ensure the safe and secure delivery of this event.

This is a huge year for rugby sevens. Alongside the Series, the Commonwealth Games will take place in Birmingham, England in July and following the grand finale of the Series, all eyes will turn to Cape Town, South Africa for Rugby World Cup Sevens 2022 in September.

I would like to give special thanks to our title partner HSBC, as well as DHL, Capgemini, UL and Gilbert for their excellent support and continued commitment to the Series over what has been an uncertain and challenging period for all.

Thank you also to our hosts, the players, match officials, staff and volunteers who are all fundamental to the game.

I wish the best of luck to all teams and a hugely enjoyable event for all the fans.

**Sir Bill Beaumont, CBE, DL**  
**Chairman**  
**World Rugby**



**TACKLES**

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**LINE-BREAKS**

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On execution of these skills during a match, points are awarded – Offloads 2 points, Tackles 1 point, Line Breaks 3 points, Carries 1 point – to create a total score which is tracked through the DHL Impact Player table.

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# WELCOME MESSAGE



**Terence Khoo**  
PRESIDENT  
SINGAPORE RUGBY UNION

During the last two years, many sports especially Rugby bore the brunt of COVID-19 restrictions which kept our fields closed and players apart.

However with the easing of COVID-19 restrictions, the return of the highly anticipated HSBC Singapore 7s will undoubtedly set in motion the revitalisation of our community itching for a safe Return To Play.

To all the visiting international teams, I would like to extend a warm welcome to sunny Singapore.

To our rugby fans, I hope you revel in the opportunity to reconnect with life long friendships and celebrate the spectacle of 7s.

Finally to the organising team, I know that you have taken every effort to deliver a safe and enjoyable tournament for both player and fan alike, so thank you for the tremendous effort.

I wish the tournament a roaring success!

**Terence Khoo**  
**President**  
**Singapore Rugby Union**

A group of rugby players in white jerseys with red patterns are huddled together, embracing each other. The scene is backlit by a bright light source, creating a warm, golden glow. The players' jerseys have numbers and logos, including 'secure' and 'HSBC'.

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# CATCH ALL THE ACTION THIS WEEKEND!

JOIN US FOR THE WORLD CLASS RUGBY ACTION AND ENTERTAINMENT AT HSBC SINGAPORE RUGBY SEVENS!

## KIDS DROP-OFF ZONE GATE 22

Drop off your little ones (4-7 years old) and let their creative energies flow as they participate in various kids activities, while YOU catch the live rugby action!

Day 1: 9.00am – 6.00pm  
Day 2: 10.00am – 6.00pm

## MOVIE @ 7S GATE 22

Kick back and enjoy movies on the giant screen! Catch Sonic the Hedgehog or the quirky gang of Oddbods this weekend. If you're lucky, you may even get to meet and greet them here!

Day 1: 9.00am – 7.00pm  
Day 2: 10.00am – 7.00pm

## SPONSORS ZONE WEST ZONE BETWEEN GATE 23 & GATE 1

Check out the activities and grab exclusive memorabilia.

Day 1: 9.00am – 7.00pm  
Day 2: 10.00am – 7.00pm

## MERCHANDISE WEST ZONE BETWEEN GATE 23 & GATE 1

Get decked out head to toe in your favourite team colours.

Day 1: 9.00am – 7.00pm  
Day 2: 10.00am – 7.00pm

## MUSIC @ 7S IN-STADIUM, MAIN STAGE

Catch one of Singapore's favourite bands – Jive Talkin' and popular DJ Jeremy Boon at the National Stadium. Yes, live music is back!

Jive Talkin' / Day 2: 5.19pm  
DJ Jeremy Boon / Day 2: 5.39pm

## DANCE @ 7S GATE 2

Get ready for a dance party filled with interactive games and Tik Tok dance challenges!

Day 1: 9.30am – 6.30pm  
Day 2: 10.00am – 6.30pm

## BOUNCE @ 7S GATE 2

Check out Singapore Sevens' own inflatable playground! The little ones will be kept entertained for hours right here!

Day 1: 9.00am – 7.00pm  
Day 2: 10.00am – 7.00pm

# EVENT HIGHLIGHTS

## DAY 1 SATURDAY, 9 APRIL 2022

DOORS OPEN	0900
MATCHES START	1000
FUNZONE OPEN	0900 - 1900
KIDS DROP-OFF ZONE OPEN	0900 - 1800
DOORS CLOSE	2030

## DAY 2 SUNDAY, 10 APRIL 2022

DOORS OPEN	1000
MATCHES START	1100
FUNZONE OPEN	1000 - 1900
KIDS DROP-OFF ZONE OPEN	1000 - 1800
CUP SEMI FINALS START	1613
PLACING PLAY-OFFS	1807
CUP FINALS START	1928
DOORS CLOSE	2100

All information is accurate as of time of publication



# FUNZONE

GET READY FOR THE  
ULTIMATE FAMILY WEEKEND.

An exciting lineup of entertainment and  
activities await for all ages!

## MOVIE @ 7S

01



Kick back and enjoy movies on the giant screen!

This year, Sonic the Hedgehog will be headlining the array of family entertainment and taking you on a crazy ride. Based on the classic SEGA game franchise of the same name, Sonic the Hedgehog will be a delight to both kids and parents alike.

Catch Sonic, the little blue ball of energy with superspeed as he lives on Earth with his human friends. If you're lucky, you may even get to meet Sonic and Tails, but like any Sonic fan would know, you "gotta go fast"!

### SHOWTIMES FOR SONIC THE HEDGEHOG AND ODDBODS

#### DAY 1

9.00am, 10.20am, 11.05am, 12.50pm, 2.30pm,  
3.30pm, 6.00pm

#### DAY 2

10.00am, 11.00am, 11.30am, 11.50am, 1.05pm,  
2.30pm, 3.30pm, 5.20pm, 5.30pm, 6.00pm



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## BOUNCE @ 7S

02

Looking for something that will let your mini-me burn off all their excess energy? Check out Singapore Sevens' own inflatable playground! Featuring slides, trampolines and bouncy castles, you probably can keep your kids entertained for hours right now!



03

## DANCE @ 7S

Bop to the beats of the DJs at the kids-only dance floor. Expect hours of dancing, interactive games and Tik Tok trending dance challenges!

## KIDS DROP-OFF

A dedicated kids-only area for 4-7 year olds, let their creative energies flow as they participate in art & craft while enjoying the sights and sounds of all-time favourite children's programmes.

04





# MUSIC AT SINGAPORE SEVENS (DJ JEREMY BOON, JIVE TALKIN')

Catch one of Singapore's favourite bands – Jive Talkin' and popular DJ Jeremy Boon on Sunday evening at the National Stadium!

A veteran band with years of great success in Singapore, Jive Talkin' has performed together with some of the world's most famous music makers, including B.B. King, Kenny G, Gloria Estefan & the Miami Sound Machine, James Ingram and Def Leppard.

The versatile band has a very wide repertoire and can perform anything from old time Rock 'n' Roll to the current Pop-Rock, Soul, Reggae, R&B, and even Alternative Rock, always leaving our audiences wanting more.



Jive Talkin'

No stranger to the homegrown clubbing circuit, Zouk's pioneer resident DJ, Jeremy Boon, will also be pushing the boundaries and entertaining the crowd aside from the rugby action on the pitch.

Recognition of DJ Jeremy's tastemaker status has been solidified with regular features on Japan's Modaista J-Wave 81.3 FM, Singapore electronic music radio station, LUSH 99.5 FM and even a spot on the revered Worldwide Show on BBC Radio One. Helming overseas gigs at dance music meccas such as Ibiza, Japan & even at Gilles Peterson's Worldwide Festival in Sete, Jeremy's music resume and fan base has certainly grown by leaps and bounds.



DJ Jeremy Boon

# MEET THE LEGENDS



## NATHAN HIRAYAMA

Nathan Hirayama, the 6'0 feet, 205 lbs playmaker of Canada — nicknamed 'Spicy Nate' — truly exemplifies the values of the game, on and off the pitch.

He's tackled the biggest names in the game, outstepped the silkiest opponents, mentored some of Canada's best and inspired countless young athletes throughout his career.

"It's been an honour to wear the maple leaf on my chest and to have been able to compete against the world's best, alongside my friends. I'll always care deeply about this game, and I'm looking forward to supporting the next/future gen of rugby players both here in Canada and around the world however I can."



## WAISALE SEREVI

World Rugby Hall of Fame inductee Waisale Serevi is widely regarded as 'The King of Sevens' for his stunning contribution to the Rugby Sevens as a player and coach.

Able to turn a game in the blink of an eye with an untouchable side-step or a wonderfully weighted pass, Serevi was the heartbeat of the Fijian team, scoring 1,310 points in the World Rugby Sevens Series and a record 297 points in the Rugby World Cup Sevens tournaments.

"Rugby has been my true north since the age of 10. It has forged my character and filled my soul. I am humbled and proud to have worn the Fiji jersey for 21 years. The game gave me much and I will spend the rest of my days giving back to the game."

# SCHEDULE

## DAY 1

2.00PM - 2.30PM | MOVIE @ 7S  
(GATE 22)

## DAY 2

2.00PM - 2.30PM | MOVIE @ 7S  
(GATE 22)



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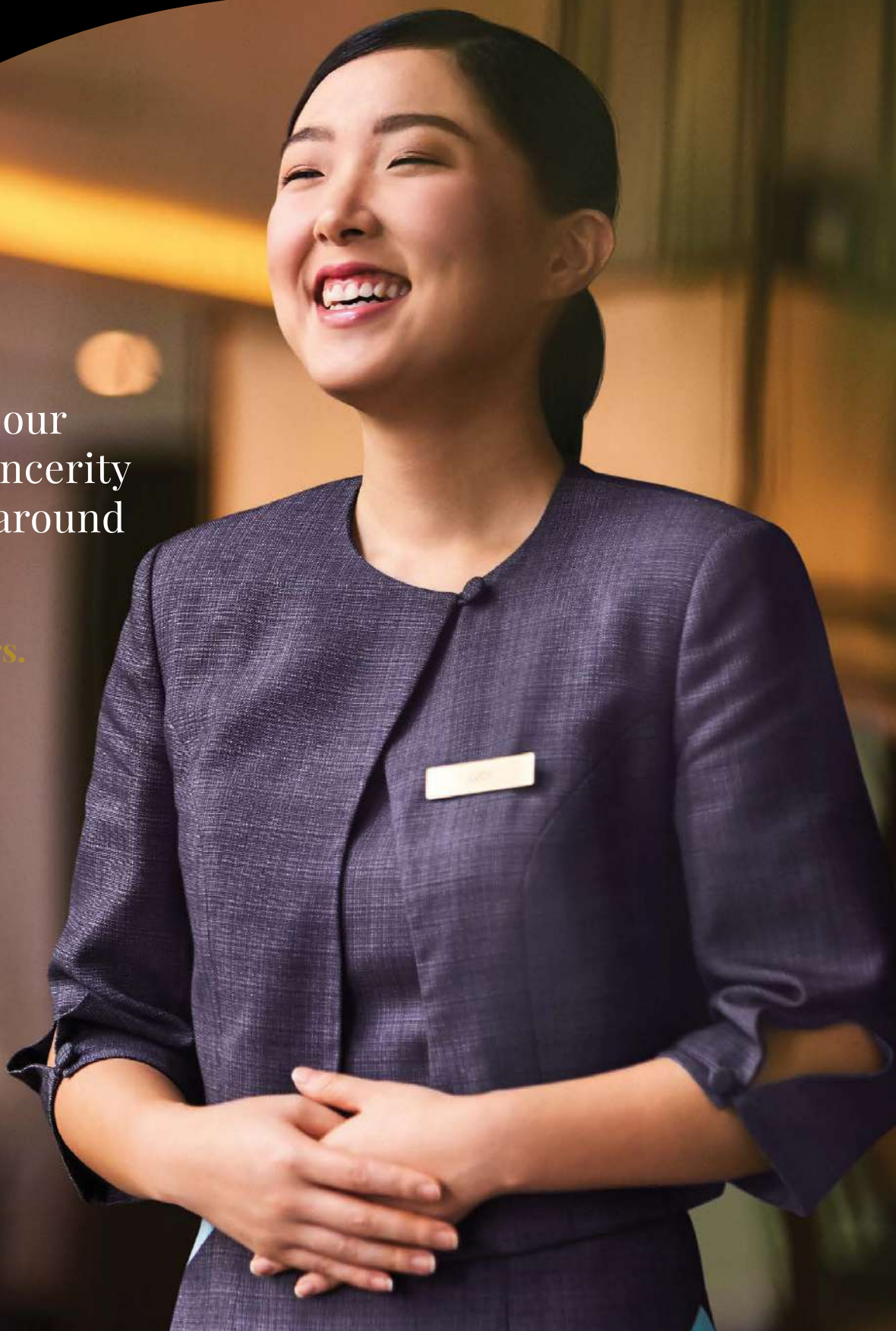
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# HSBC SINGAPORE RUGBY SEVENS TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

## POOL PLAY SCHEDULE

9 APRIL 2022, SAT

#	POOL	FIXTURES	KICK-OFF	SCORE
1	D	FRANCE VS JAPAN	10:00	
2	D	IRELAND VS FIJI	10:22	
3	C	SCOTLAND VS WALES	10:44	
4	C	ARGENTINA VS NEW ZEALAND	11:06	
BREAK				
5	B	ENGLAND VS SPAIN	11:28	
6	B	AUSTRALIA VS SAMOA	11:50	
7	A	USA VS KENYA	12:12	
8	A	SOUTH AFRICA VS CANADA	12:34	
9	D	FRANCE VS FIJI	13:06	
10	D	IRELAND VS JAPAN	13:28	
11	C	SCOTLAND VS NEW ZEALAND	13:50	
12	C	ARGENTINA VS WALES	14:12	
13	B	ENGLAND VS SAMOA	14:34	
14	B	AUSTRALIA VS SPAIN	14:56	
15	A	USA VS CANADA	15:18	
16	A	SOUTH AFRICA VS KENYA	15:40	
17	D	JAPAN VS FIJI	16:22	
18	D	IRELAND VS FRANCE	16:44	
19	C	WALES VS NEW ZEALAND	17:06	
20	C	ARGENTINA VS SCOTLAND	17:28	
21	B	SPAIN VS SAMOA	18:07	
22	B	AUSTRALIA VS ENGLAND	18:35	
23	A	KENYA VS CANADA	19:05	
24	A	SOUTH AFRICA VS USA	19:33	


## POOL A

SOUTH AFRICA	
USA	
KENYA	
CANADA	





## POOL B

AUSTRALIA	
ENGLAND	
SPAIN	
SAMOA	

## POOL C

ARGENTINA	
SCOTLAND	
WALES	
NEW ZEALAND	

## POOL D

IRELAND	
FRANCE	
JAPAN	
FIJI	

## KNOCK-OUT SCHEDULE

10 APRIL 2022, SUN

#	MATCH	FIXTURES	KICK-OFF	SCORE
25	9TH PLACE QF 1	3RD POOL B VS 4TH POOL C	11:00	
26	9TH PLACE QF 2	3RD POOL D VS 4TH POOL A	11:22	
27	9TH PLACE QF 3	3RD POOL C VS 4TH POOL B	11:44	
28	9TH PLACE QF 4	3RD POOL A VS 4TH POOL D	12:06	
29	CUP QF 1	1ST POOL B VS 2ND POOL C	12:28	
30	CUP QF 2	1ST POOL D VS 2ND POOL A	12:50	
31	CUP QF 3	1ST POOL C VS 2ND POOL B	13:12	
32	CUP QF 4	1ST POOL A VS 2ND POOL D	13:34	
33	13TH PLACE SF 1	LOSER MATCH 25 VS LOSER MATCH 26	14:01	
34	13TH PLACE SF 2	LOSER MATCH 27 VS LOSER MATCH 28	14:23	
35	9TH PLACE SF 1	WINNER MATCH 25 VS WINNER MATCH 26	14:45	
36	9TH PLACE SF 2	WINNER MATCH 27 VS WINNER MATCH 28	15:07	
37	5TH PLACE SF 1	LOSER MATCH 29 VS LOSER MATCH 30	15:29	
38	5TH PLACE SF 2	LOSER MATCH 32 VS LOSER MATCH 31	15:51	
39	CUP SF 1	WINNER MATCH 29 VS WINNER MATCH 30	16:13	
40	CUP SF 2	WINNER MATCH 32 VS WINNER MATCH 31	16:35	
41	13TH PLACE PLAY-OFF	WINNER MATCH 33 VS WINNER MATCH 34	16:57	
42	9TH PLACE PLAY-OFF	WINNER MATCH 35 VS WINNER MATCH 36	18:07	
43	5TH PLACE PLAY-OFF	WINNER MATCH 37 VS LOSER MATCH 38	18:31	
44	BRONZE FINAL	LOSER MATCH 39 VS LOSER MATCH 40	18:58	
45	CUP FINAL	WINNER MATCH 40 VS WINNER MATCH 39	19:28	





Captains of the 16 playing teams at the iconic Dragon Playground at Toa Payoh ahead of the 2022 HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens.

Featuring a dragon head decorated with terrazzo tiles and a spine of colourful steel rails, the Dragon Playground is one of the few remaining vintage playgrounds in Singapore, a staple playtime feature for many locals since its completion in 1979.

**Front Row:** Paulin Riva (France) • Phil Berna (Canada) • Nicholas Andrew Malouf (Australia) • Tevita Dauguna (Fiji) • Sam Dickson (New Zealand)  
(Left to Right) Alex Davis (England) • Javier De Juan Roldán (Spain) • Herman Humwa (Kenya)

**Back Row:** Jamie Farndale (Scotland) • Kevon Williams (USA) • Melani Matavao (Samoa) • Siviwe Soyizwapi (South Africa) • Billy Dardis (Ireland)  
(Left to Right) Gaston Revol (Argentina) • Luke Treharne (Wales)

**Not Photographed:** Kazuma Nakagawa (Japan)



# THE TEAMS

## ARGENTINA

COACH / SANTIAGO GOMEZ CORA



The Los Pumas 7s currently sit in second place in the 2022 World Rugby Sevens Series with 70 points. With World Rugby's Men's Sevens Player of the Year 2021 – Marcos Moneta – and several new players called up to the team, the 2021 Tokyo Olympic bronze medalists are looking forward to thrilling rugby fans at the National Stadium again with their raw pace and strength.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

7<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## AUSTRALIA

COACH / JOHN MANENTI



One of the world's rugby powerhouses, the Australian 7s will be building on their impressive start to the 2021 - 22 season. The man to watch is Corey Toole, who is coming into the Singapore Rugby Sevens after being named the DHL Impact Player in Malaga and Seville; he also tops the DHL Impact Table. One of the crowd favourites, the team will be looking for a strong performance in Singapore and to continue their ascent on the table.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

7<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## CANADA

COACH / HENRY PAUL



Canada's team roster for Singapore is infused with young talent, many of whom made their debuts when the series made its stop in Malaga. The team has been hard in training to prepare for a series of tournaments in April: the 2022 RAN Sevens Qualifiers, Singapore Sevens followed by the Vancouver Sevens. The National Stadium holds fond memories for the Canadians. In 2017, they beat rivals USA 26 - 19 to clinch their first-ever tournament win on the Series.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

11<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## ENGLAND

COACH / TONY ROQUES



Post the Tokyo Olympics, the England 7s is going through a period of transition and looking at the HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series as a key opportunity for them to mould and build the team for future successes. The team is going from strength to strength having finished third in the Malaga Sevens in January. England's best finish in the HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series is second place, which they have achieved four times, most recently in the 2016 - 17 season.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

3<sup>RD</sup>



# THE TEAMS

## FIJI

COACH / BENJAMIN PHILIP GOLLINGS



The Tokyo Olympic champions are back in the game after missing the first two tournaments in the 2022 series due to the COVID-19 pandemic. One of the most popular and successful Rugby Sevens teams in the world, fans will be thrilled to see them back in action at the National Stadium. Having won a total of four World Rugby Sevens Series titles, Fiji is one of the only two teams – along with the All Blacks Sevens, to finish in the top 4 in every season of the World Series, since its inception in 1999.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

2<sup>ND</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## FRANCE

COACH / DARET JEROME



The France 7s had mixed results in Malaga (two wins, three losses) and will be looking to up their game in Singapore. They are currently 5th on the table with a mere 9 points separating them from USA (4th). With a 55% winning rate in the Series so far, the France 7s will seek to get more wins under their belt and gain precious Series points and finish strong in their 2022 campaign.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

9<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## IRELAND

COACH / JAMES TOPPING



Ireland won the World Series Qualifier tournament for the 2019 - 2020 World Rugby Sevens Series and earned the "core team" status for the first time at the 2019 Hong Kong Sevens. Terry Kennedy leads the 2022 competition as player with the most tries scored (24 tries in 23 matches) and impresses with an average of 5.22 points scored per match. Kennedy will also be boosted by Jordon Conroy, who was instrumental in the team earning the "core team" status in 2019; Conroy led all try scorers in the 2019 competition with 30 tries.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

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# THE TEAMS

## JAPAN

COACH / KOICHI UMEDA



One of the strongest rugby nations in Asia, Japan has been rising in the world rugby stage, hosting the memorable 2019 Rugby World Cup and the 2020 Tokyo Olympics.

The Japan 7s had a less than ideal start to the series and co-captains Kazuma Nakagawa and Yuki Ishii will motivate and inspire the team to improve their performance and solidify their status amongst the core teams here in Singapore again.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

15<sup>TH</sup>



# THE TEAMS

## KENYA

COACH / INNOCENT SIMIYU



Kenya recorded their first-ever series win right here at the National Stadium with a stunning 30-7 victory over Sevens powerhouse Fiji in the 2016 Singapore Sevens. Kenya continues to impress with spectacular results in the Africa Cup Sevens, emerging as Champions three times over the past seven tournaments.

Currently 8th on the HSBC World Rugby Sevens, the Shujaa Sevens, which means warrior in Swahili, will definitely be fighting their way up the table.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

13<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## NEW ZEALAND

COACH / CLARK LAIDLAW



With 13 World Rugby Sevens Series titles attached to their name, the New Zealand All Blacks Sevens is arguably the most successful Rugby Sevens team in history. After missing four rounds of the 2021 - 22 HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series due to COVID-19 restrictions, the Singapore Sevens will see the return of the All Blacks Sevens. They will be eager to get back into action and try and take the wind out of the sails of defending champions, South Africa Springboks 7s.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

6<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## SAMOA

COACH / BRIAN PALA LIMA



Representing the Polynesian country of Samoa, the Manu Samoa 7s has a reputation for being tough, disciplined and known for their speed and agility. The Manu Samoa 7s also missed out on the first few legs of the Series and they will be eager to be reunited with the rest of the Rugby Sevens family in Singapore.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

5<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## SCOTLAND

COACH / CIARAN BEATTIE



The Scotland 7s is led by Head Coach Ciaran Beattie and aided by Olympians Alec Coombes, Ross McCann, as well as 2014 Commonwealth Games squad member Lee Jones. Several members of the squad made their debut at the Malaga Sevens, including Jordan Edmunds, who also made his debut for Scotland at their final Six Nations match against Ireland a few weeks ago.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

10<sup>TH</sup>



# THE TEAMS

## SOUTH AFRICA

COACH / NEIL POWELL



The South Africa 7s never fail to impress with their spectacular hand-offs and steps through their opponents. They have also proven themselves to be undefeatable in the 2022 Series winning 22 out of 23 games, with the 23rd game being a draw.

After winning the Malaga and Seville Rugby Sevens, the South Africa 7s are definitely looking to continue their incredible winning streak and defend their title at the National Stadium.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

1<sup>ST</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## SPAIN

COACH / PABLO FEIJOO



Spain had the honour of hosting two World Rugby Sevens Series tournaments, in Malaga and Seville, for the first time in January this year. After their relegation in the 2013 - 14 series, Spain returned to the series in 2018, finishing the year in 13th place. Currently ranked 9th, they will be looking to get a more consistent play and improve on their win percentage of 45%.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

14<sup>TH</sup>



# THE TEAMS

## USA

COACH / MIKE FRIDAY



The USA 7s are definitely a team to look out for. They started the Series strong, finishing in second place in Dubai. Steve Tomasin is flying high, ranking second on the Player Stats with Most Points Scored and an impressive 6.26 points scored per match. The team will be looking to close the gap with the Australia 7s who are 11 points ahead on the table.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

4<sup>TH</sup>

# THE TEAMS

## WALES

COACH / RICHIE PUGH



The Wales 7s made their return to the Series in Malaga after an absence of two years due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Led by Richie Pugh, a member of the Wales team that shocked the world and won Rugby World Cup Sevens 2009, there's much work to be done as the team rebuilds and regroups. The mix of young and experienced players will bring different elements to the team in their own unique way.

2019 POSITION IN SINGAPORE

11<sup>TH</sup>



# Safe Management Measures at the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens



Keep masks on except when consuming food and drinks



Each group will be capped at 5 with 2 seats kept empty between groups for safe distancing



All F&B, including beer, should only be consumed at the seats



Spectators will be seated in alternate rows

## ART Testing



Spectators (including kids aged 5 to 12) will be required to submit a negative ART on <https://go.gov.sg/sgrugby7s> before attending the event each day

## Who can join us at the HSBC Singapore Rugby Sevens

- Fully vaccinated individuals
- Individuals who have recovered from COVID-19 within the past 180 days
- Individuals who are medically ineligible for the vaccine
- Kids 12 and below, regardless of vaccination status

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