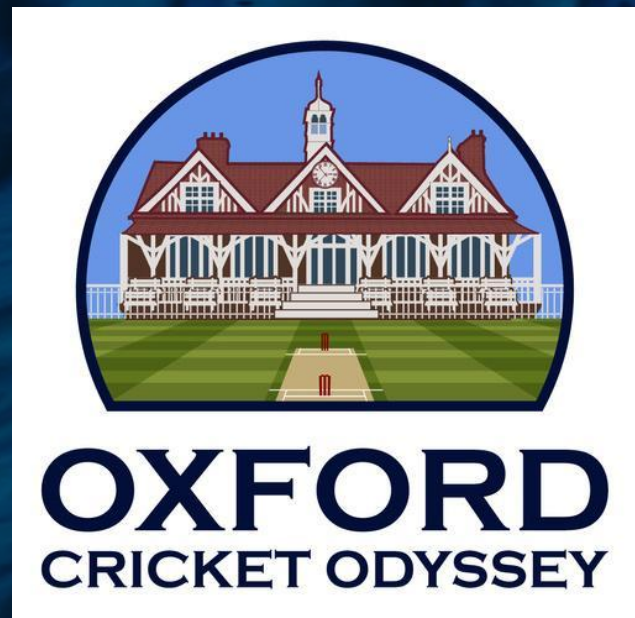


Oxford Cricket Odyssey

Delhi Public School



Discover Oxford: Cricket's Hidden Gem

Oxford, widely known for its academic prestige, harbors a lesser-known treasure: an extraordinary cricketing culture. With the highest per capita number of cricket grounds, this historic city offers an unparalleled experience for cricket lovers. The lush fields, the picturesque college grounds, and the vibrant cricketing community make Oxford an absolute haven for the sport. Our mission is to unveil this secret, sharing the delights of Oxford's cricketing bounty with teams from around the globe.



The Odyssey Explained

1

Cricket on Hallowed Grounds

Play on Oxford's legendary pitches where icons like Nawab of Pataudi, Abbas Ali Baig, Imran Khan and Viv Richards once stood.

3

High-Intensity Cricket Training

Sharpen your skills with daily sessions from elite coaches in the heart of Oxford.

5

Global Peer Alliances

Forge lifelong connections with future leaders from around the world, both on and off the field.

2

Elite Academic Engagement

Immerse yourself in top-tier summer courses, blending rigorous academics with cricketing passion.

4

Cultural Discovery

Explore Oxford's storied history with exclusive access to its iconic colleges and landmarks.

6

All inclusive package

All costs are included

The Complete Cricket Series

The 15 day experience is our premier offering to those looking for the very best that Oxford can offer. This holistic package offers an odyssey like no other, exploring the depths of Oxford cricket culture, its University and Colleges, and so much more. This is by far the most comprehensive and rewarding tour for Under-19s to get a real taste of the magic of Oxford.

- All inclusive - all costs are covered
- 10 matches at Oxford grounds
- Trip to London including Lord's Cricket Ground
- Tour of Oxford including famous colleges
- Academic engagement activities
- Exceptional accommodation
- All meals included
- On call first aid throughout





📄 Arrival



📄 Academic Brief & Exclusive Net Session



📄 Game 1: Oxenford CC



📄 Game 2: Eton College



📄 Game 3: ISIS CC



📄 Lost in London



📄 Game 4: Bicester & North Oxford CC



📄 Game 5: OUCCC



📄 An Oxford Odyssey



📄 Game 6: St Edward's School



📄 Game 7: St John's CCC



📄 Game 8: Oxford Downs CC



📄 Game 9: St Clements Strollers



📄 Game 10: Kingston Bagpuize CC



📄 Departure

15 Day Itinerary - Highlights

Day 2 - Academic Brief & Exclusive Net Session

Psychology of cricket masterclass at the magnificent Jesus College

Day 3 - Game 1: Oxenford CC

At the iconic Jesus College Sports Ground including its magnificent pavilion

Day 4 - Game 2: Eton College

Alma mater of many great figures on and off the cricket field

Day 6 - London Tour

All the major sights including Lord's!

Day 9 - Oxford Tour

An Odyssey into the city we call home - full of culture, history and hidden gems

Day 14 - Game 10: Kingston Bagpuize CC

Ending with an Awards Dinner!



15 Day Itinerary - Highlights

Day 2 - Academic Brief & Exclusive Net Session

10.00-12.00 - Team Brunch

12.00-2.00 Academic debrief

2.00 - Depart for cricket venue

2.30-3.30 - Psychology of cricket masterclass

3.30-6.30 - Coaching/nets

7.00-8.00 - Dinner

8.30-10.30 - Individualised academic support, including homework guidance, coursework assistance, personal tutoring, and dedicated office hours.

Day 3 - Game 1: Oxenford CC

7.30-9.30 - Breakfast

10.00 - Depart for the cricket venue

11.00-12.00 - Pre-match Leadership Masterclass in the Grand Pavilion (Part 1/2)

12.00-1.00 - Focused Individual Skill Development Session

1.00-7.00 - 40 over match including teas

7.00-7.30 - Post-match Leadership Reflection and Follow-up (Part 2/2)

7.30-8.30 - Dinner

8.30-10.30 - Individualised academic support, including homework guidance, coursework assistance, personal tutoring, and dedicated office hours.

Day 4 - Game 2: Eton College

7.30-9.30 - Breakfast

10.00 - Depart for the cricket venue

11.00-12.00 - Pre-match Leadership Masterclass in the Upper Club Pavilion (Part 1/2)

12.00-1.00 - Focused Individual Skill Development Session

1.00-7.00 - Timed match including teas

7.00-7.30 - Post-match Leadership Reflection and Follow-up (Part 2/2)

7.30-8.30 - Dinner

8.30-10.30 - Individualised academic support, including homework guidance, coursework assistance, personal tutoring, and dedicated office hours.

15 Day Itinerary - Highlights

Day 6 - Lost in London

Discover London’s iconic landmarks with the perfect balance of sightseeing and cricket. Choose between two plans, and customize the experience to suit your team’s interests.

Plan A: London Highlights Tour

- **12:00 - 3:00 PM** : Explore **Westminster** , including Big Ben and Buckingham Palace. Lunch included.
- **3:00 - 8:00 PM** : Visit **Oxford Circus** for shopping or optional museum visits.
- **8:00 PM** : Relax at **Hyde Park** , with dinner delivered at 8:30 PM. Conclude with a scenic loop around London.

Plan B: Cricket & London Sights

- **12:00 - 3:00 PM** : Explore **Westminster** , including Big Ben and Buckingham Palace. Lunch included.
- **3:00 - 9:00 PM** : Experience cricket with a **Lord’s tour** or a **T20 match** at Lord’s or the Oval.

This plan shortens sightseeing but adds a memorable cricket experience.

Optional Extras :

- **Lord’s Tour** : [Book here](#)
- **T20 Blast Fixture** : [Details here](#)
- **Lord’s Indoor Nets** : [More info](#)

Customization : Prefer a longer stay? We can curate a **two-day London experience** blending cricket and culture.

Day 9 - An Oxford Odyssey

Morning:

- **Oxford Union Experience** : A visit to the historic Oxford Union, featuring an introduction to its rich debating legacy.

Afternoon:

- **College Tours** : Explore the iconic **St. Catherine’s** and **Christ Church** Colleges.
- **Cultural Stops** : Visit the stunning **Divinity Schools** and the renowned **Ashmolean Museum** .
- **Cricket at University Parks** : Stroll through the **University Parks** , home to Oxford’s legendary cricket pavilion.
- **City Landmarks** : Walk through the heart of Oxford, taking in **Broad Street** , the **Bridge of Sighs** , **Radcliffe Camera** , **High Street** , and the **Sheldonian Theatre** .
- **Department Tours** : Explore Oxford’s academic side with visits to the **Engineering & Philosophy** departments and **Bodleian Libraries** .

Day 14 - Game 10: Kingston Bagpuize CC

7.30-9.30 - Breakfast

10.00 - Depart for the cricket venue

11.00-12.00 - Pre-match Leadership Masterclass in the Grand Pavilion (Part 1/2

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7.30-9.30 - Dinner & Awards Evening

The Amazing Venues For Cricket

The University Parks

The home of the legendary O.U.C.C. since 1881, this is the pinnacle of Oxford cricket. It has been the training ground for many a cricket legend from Imran Khan to the Nawab of Pataudi.

St Edward's School

Founded in 1863, Teddies are one of the best cricket schools in England, and enjoy some of the best facilities in the country for sporting excellence.

Pangbourne College

With 100 years of history as a leading English boarding school, Pangbourne has a terrific cricket setup which fosters exceptional standards of cricket amongst its students.

Eton College

One of the most renowned schools in the world, Eton College is famous for developing many a famous public figure such as Prince William. Its cricketing facilities are second to none, with an outstanding setup for burgeoning young talents.

Stowe School Cricket Ground

Home of many professional cricketers, including Ben Duckett of England. Recently celebrated their 100th anniversary!

Radley College Cricket Ground

One of the top boarding schools for boys in the UK, Radley College is a fiercely traditional school with world-class facilities for cricket.

Accommodation





Tour Curriculum

Compulsory Courses

1. Critical Thinking
2. Design Thinking
3. University Applications
4. Debating
5. Communication/storytelling

Optional Courses

1. Engineering+Physics
2. English+Philosophy

Program Highlights



1

Academic Enrichment

Develop your critical thinking, design thinking, and debating skills through our comprehensive workshops. Gain valuable insights into the application process for renowned universities like Oxford and Cambridge.

2

Cricket Experience

Attend thrilling cricket matches, engage in training sessions with expert coaches, and gain a deeper understanding of this beloved sport.

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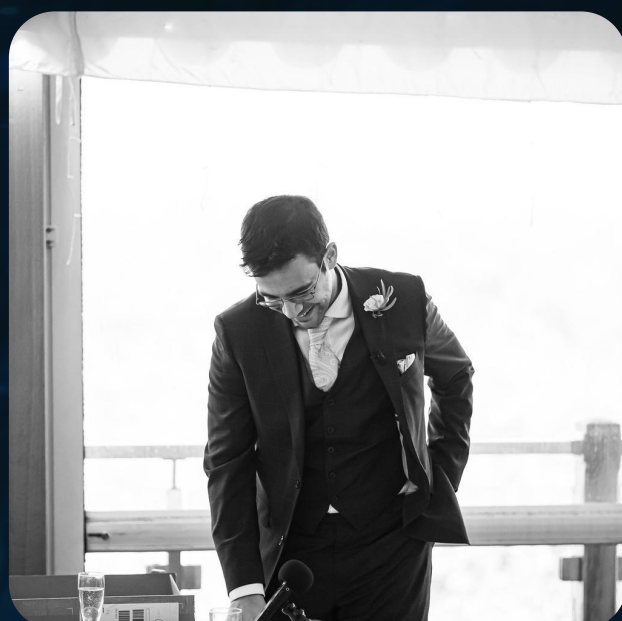
Cultural Exploration

Explore iconic landmarks, museums, and historical sites, immersing yourself in the vibrant culture and history of London.

4

Optional Courses

Choose from a selection of optional courses, including Engineering/Physics and English/Philosophy, to deepen your academic exploration.



Our Story

Oxford Cricket Odyssey is a passion project inspired by its founders—Oxford alumni deeply rooted in the city's vibrant cricket community. Our unique connection to Oxford's rich cricket heritage equips us to offer an unparalleled experience. We've created a platform for cricketers worldwide to immerse in Oxford's esteemed cricket culture, enhance their skills, and enjoy the historic beauty of the area.

Ashwani Arora



1

Corporate Leadership:

- Distinguished career in the food industry as Director of Operations at Domino's Pizza India.
- Pivotal role in expanding Domino's presence, launching 86 stores across India.
- Led the opening of 40 stores in just 90 days; recognized with the 2000 Pioneer Award.
- Developed leadership talent: Trained and promoted over 15 area and district managers.
- Transitioned to the logistics sector as Director Air Operations and Director Global BPO at DHL Express India, enhancing strategic management skills.

2

Cricketing Passion:

- Active cricketer representing India's over-50 team.
- Overseas player for Old Dunstonian Cricket Club in Beckenham, Kent.
- Competes in the Kent Cricket League during the UK cricket season.

3

Strategic Contribution to Oxford Cricket Odyssey:

- Combines C-suite experience with a deep passion for cricket.
- Ideal co-founder for Oxford Cricket Odyssey, blending corporate excellence with athletic prowess.
- Well-positioned to drive the venture's success, integrating sport, education, and executive development.

Bharat Ramanathan



1

Background & Academic Excellence

- Co-founder of Oxford Cricket Odyssey, where cricket meets Oxford's historic allure.
- Holds a Master of Engineering from the University of Oxford.
- Over a decade of immersion in Oxford's culture and cricketing community.

2

Professional Experience

- Career spans roles at Qualtrics, BAE Systems, and Deutsche Bank.
- Expertise in relationship management, technical consulting, and strategic partnerships.

3

Leadership & Cricketing Legacy

- Former President of Oxford University Club Cricket Club.
- Led the club through challenges like the demolition of the home ground and the global pandemic.
- Successfully managed international cricket tours to Sri Lanka and Mexico.

4

Strategic Network & Vision

- Leveraged extensive network within Oxford and its cricketing community.
- Offers institutions a blend of academic rigor, cultural immersion, and cricket heritage.
- Ensures a bespoke cricketing experience that is both authentic and immersive.

5

Vision for the Future:

Bharat aims to provide institutions with unique opportunities to experience Oxford's academic prestige and cricketing heritage, creating extraordinary cricket tours that blend history, sport, and culture



Junaid Aziz

A Visionary Leader In Brand Strategy & Design Thinking

1

Professional Expertise:

- Seasoned brand strategist with a focus on Design Thinking.
- Academic credentials from the University of Pennsylvania: MBA, M.A. in Creative Management, and Globalization & Consumer Behavior.

2

Career Highlights:

- Global Experience in haute horology with Rolex, Vacheron Constantin, and Montblanc across Asia, Europe, and the U.S.
- Former Director of Communication & Brand Development for F.P. Journe in the USA.
- CEO of Oxford Odyssey: Leading innovative cricket experiences in Oxford, blending education, sport, and culture.

3

Current Roles:

- Faculty at Stanford University's Hasso Plattner Institute of Design (D School) : Teaching strategic frameworks through design thinking.
- Senior Advisor on Strategic Partnerships & Communication Design at the United Nations Joint SDG Fund Secretariat.

4

Leadership & Innovation:

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- Expert in crafting strategic frameworks for aspirational brands.
- Research and solutions at the intersection of design thinking and brand communication.
- Innovative leadership in both academic and professional arenas.



Dr. Stephen Wright

Dr. Stephen Wright is a Lecturer in Philosophy at Lincoln College, Oxford. He has been teaching Philosophy to Oxford University undergraduates since 2014 and is also the Academic Fellow at the Weidenfeld-Hoffmann Trust.

As a junior cricketer, he captained his District team and has represented Hoddesdon CC in the Home Counties Premier League. Since arriving in Oxford, he has played for Oxenford, leading the club to two Airey Cup wins and overseeing an undefeated season in 2020.

Dr. Wright is also a qualified ECB Core (Level 2) coach. In his coaching, he aims to help cricketers of all ages and skill levels develop their technical, tactical, mental, and physical abilities.

A firm believer that the intellectual lessons developed through philosophical thinking can be applied on the pitch – and vice-versa – Dr. Wright aims to help his students develop an all-around game, both in cricket and in life.



Abhishek Batra

Abhishek's cricketing journey, much like his academic pursuits, has been a masterclass in balancing passion and practicality. From the school fields to the corporate boardrooms, he has consistently proven his ability to excel in both.

A standout performer on and off the field, Abhishek's academic achievements were as impressive as his cricketing feats. He topped his commerce class and captained his school's cricket team, laying the foundation for a successful career. His undergraduate days at Delhi University were no different, as he continued to shine academically while representing the university in cricket.

Post-graduation, Abhishek's corporate career took off, with stints at KPMG, managing a family business, and working in corporate banking. Yet, his love for cricket remained unwavering. He represented his school, university, and district at various levels, even participating in state camps.

In 2023, Abhishek's cricketing dream took a significant step forward. He won the reality show "Cricket ka Ticket," hosted by Rajasthan Royals. This victory ignited a renewed passion for professional cricket, leading him to train with the RR squad and play in club and league cricket across the globe.

As Abhishek embarks on this new chapter, his journey serves as an inspiration to aspiring cricketers. His ability to seamlessly blend his academic and sporting pursuits is a testament to his dedication, talent, and unwavering passion for the game.

Aisha Ahmad



Aisha Ahmad is an avid cricket fan and longtime follower of cricket in Oxford. She completed her PhD in International Development and MPhil in Development Studies (with distinction) at the University of Oxford, winning the Papiya Ghosh thesis prize for her work on law, governance and dispossession in urban Pakistan. Before this, she obtained an LLM at Harvard Law School, winning multiple Dean's Scholar Prizes for her work on global governance and law and international development. She completed her BA/LLB from LUMS in Lahore, Pakistan as the University's Gold Medalist in law. Aisha is currently an Assistant Professor at the Shaikh Ahmad Hasan School of Law at LUMS. Her research looks at land and urban governance in Lahore, Pakistan and she is interested in interdisciplinary approaches to law, law and development and the political economy of law. Aisha has previously taught courses at LUMS and the University of Oxford relating to legal theory, the political economy of law, research methodologies and core theories and issues in development studies.

Aisha has had a long and illustrious career in the field of public speaking and debate. Apart from winning many national tournaments and speaker prizes, she has served as the National Debate Coach for two countries—Pakistan (2011, 2012) and Denmark (2013). She has also served as Chief Adjudicator of the World Schools Debating Championships (2017, 2018), the world's premier international debating tournament. She looks forward to bringing her vast administrative, academic and communications experience to OCO and is excited to introduce the wonders of cricket in Oxford to students from around the world.

What Next?

Register Interest

Register Delhi Public School's interest by getting in touch with our team.

Travel Team

Our travel team engage with your cricket team to give you the best possible experience based on your preferences.

Deposits

Deposits will need to be made as soon as possible, as places are very limited for 2025.

Limited Availability

Please note that due to high volume and a tight cricketing schedule, we may not be able to accommodate your school for 2025.



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