

Virtua Tennis FAQ

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1. Introduction

This is a faq for Virtua Tennis. This is my first faq ever so I hope this will give me more experience so i can write more later. Virtua Tennis is a tennis game for the Dreamcast, it has some of the best graphics I have seen on a tennis game and best of all its so easy to just pick up the controller and play. So with that said lets get on with the faq.

2. Version History

Ver 1.2- Added tips on how to beat Master and King, also added How to get tennis wear 20-28.

Ver 1.1- Added Shops for the world circuit mode, added the rest of the players, also added 5 more general tips, and made the whole faq a little easier to read, also got rid of the controls section.

Ver 1.0 - Just made the Faq has a few tips on training games and single and doubles games.

3. Distribution of this faq

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4. The Game

A. Characters

Name: Jim Courier

Country: USA

Type: Various Shots

Pro: Jim is an average player he has nothing that he is really good at and nothing that he is bad at.

Con: When you are an average player your missing out on an advantage like speed and strength.

Name: Cedric Pioline

Country: France

Type: All-Around Player

Pro: Strong back hand.

Con: Slow, and a weak server.

Name: Tim Henman

Country: England

Type: Volley Master

Pro: Good speed, also good at vollies

Con: Not a strong player.

Name: Tommy Haas

Country: Germany

Type: Strong Forehand

Pro: Great forehand, and good speed

Con: weak server

Name: Mark Philippoussis

Country: Australia

Type: Big Server

Pro: Great serve, and good strength

Con: not so great speed

Name: Carlos Moya

Country: Spain

Type: Powerful Stroke

Pro: great strength, good speed, and good serve.

Con: minor things

Name: Thomas Johansson

Country: Sweden

Type: Fast Runner

Pro: very fast runner

Con: weak in at hitting

Name: Yevgeny Kafelnikov

Country: Russia

Type: Strong Backhand

Pro: good speed and a great backhand

Con: weak serve

Name: Pieter Tinbergen

Country: Netherlands

Type: Serve and Volley

Pro: Great Serve, volley and speed

Con: doesn't have a good reach

Name: Rolf Euler

Country: Switzerland

Type: Volley Virtuoso

Pro: volley master, great reach

Con: weak serve

Name: Davor Tesla

Country: Croatia

Type: Wide-Angle Shots

Pro: Very good wide shoots, good speed

Con: Weak serve, and shots

Name: Gilles Altman

Country: Canada

Type: Big Server

Pro: Great serves

Con: not a great runner

Name: Shyam Singth

Country: India

Type: All-Around Player

Pro: He is pretty average at everything

Con: has no real advantage

Name: Bruno Costa

Country: Brazil

Type: Strong Forehand

Pro: Strong forehand, good speed

Con: Weak serve

Name: Raf Ventura

Country: Italy

Type: Hard Hitter

Pro: Hard hitter

Con: doesn't have a great speed

Name: Masayuki Inoue

Country: Japan

Type: Quick mover

Pro: Fast player

Con: weak server

B. Stages

Country: Melbourne, Australia

Capacity: 21000

Surface: Hard

Country: Paris, France

Capacity: 15000

Surface: Clay

Country: New York, U.S.A.

Capacity: 22000

Surface: Hard

Country: London, England

Capacity: 13000

Surface: Grass

Country: LA, U.S.A

Capacity: 19500

Surface: Carpet

Country: Stockholm, Sweden

Capacity: 18000

Surface: Hard

Country: Berlin, Germany

Capacity: 15000

Surface: Hard

Country: Moscow, Russia
Capacity: 14500
Surface: Carpet

Country: Barcelona, Spain
Capacity: 16000
Surface: Clay

Country: Tokyo, Japan
Capacity: 18000
Surface: Grass

C. Modes

1. Arcade

Try and win all 5 stages of the world tournament!

2. Exhibition

Set your own rules in this mode.

3. World Circuit

Improve your skills, earn prize money and take on the world!

4. Options

Change the game settings.

5. World Circuit

A. Training Tips

1. Giant Ball

I think one of the best things to do in the Giant ball mini game is to go close to the net. That way your shots will be a lot more powerful. You should be able to get rid of the red balls quick but the blue and white can be a problem, so the best thing to do is go back a little after getting rid of the red balls. that way you have better access to the court and a good amount of strength too.

2. Return Ace

I find this to be pretty easy but if your having some troubles here are some tips that will help you. First stay in the back never come up close because if you do then you will have a hard time hitting the boxes that are close to the net. Now that doesn't mean that you cant come up a little just not to much. another thing that I think is a good idea is to take advantage of the weak serves when ever the person does a weak serve hit ball as hard as you can and you will most likely get a good result from that.

3. Big Wall

The best tip that I can give you for this one is to take care of the bottom pictures first then go to the top ones. This way you wont get mixed up with the A and B buttons so less confusion gives more time, not to mention the time it takes to make your ball go up then bringing it down in other words it just wastes to much time. Just in case you didn't know you have to lob to get the top ones.

4. Pin Crusher

The best thing that you can do here is just find the right spot to stand in and the right direction to serve the ball. So it comes down to trial and error eventually you will find the right places and directions for all the pins so it will be a lot easier.

5. Cannon Ball

For the cannon ball training game the best thing you can do is stand on the line in the middle this way you are not too far away and not too close either. When you stand on the line in the middle it becomes a lot easier to hit the cannons, not only that but it also gives you a room to dodge the red balls too. I also think its easier if you get rid of the three front cannons first then the last two since the two in the back seem to be easier at dodging the red balls.

6. Drum Shooter

The only tip that I can give you for drum shooter is that try to find the distance you have to stand for each of the drums, because once you find the distance success isn't too far away.

7. Bull's Eye

Lob is the secret to this game. Instead of using the A button use the B trust me you will get a lot better results that way. Don't forget to stand in the middle of the court not close to the net or way back.

8. Smash Box

In this game you have to do what the name of the game says smash so try to line yourself up with the ball so you can do a smash, but don't forget sometimes getting the ones that are closer to the net can be a challenge so try to move back and then smash or just hit them regularly.

B. Shops

Name: Shop Asia
Player: Ventura
Stage: Sweden
Tennis Wear: No.13, No.14, No.15, No.16
Partner: Tesla, Euler
Etc: New Strings, Recovery Drink

Name: South Shop
Player: Tesla, Altman
Stage: Germany
Tennis Wear: No.5, No.6, No.7, No.8
Partner: Tinbergen, Costa
Etc: New Strings, Recovery Drink

Name: North Shop
Player: Tinbergen, Euler
Stage: Spain
Tennis Wear: No.1, No.2, No.3, No.4
Partner: Ventura
Etc: New Strings, Recovery Drink

Name: Cape Shop
Player: Singth, Costa
Stage: Russia
Tennis Wear: No.9, No.10, No.11, No.12
Partner: Inoue, Altman
Etc: New Strings, Recovery Drink

Name: Pacific Shop
Player: Inoue
Stage: Japan
Tennis Wear: No.17, No.18, No.19, No.20
Partner: Singth
Etc: New Strings, Recovery Drink

C. General Tips

1. singles game

When playing singles the best thing to do is trick the opponent because, sometimes the opponent anticipates you to hit it to the right or to the left so every time you see that hit it on the opposite side.

2. Doubles game

In doubles you need more patience and you have to try to stay on your own side because if you don't then the opponent has an easy opportunity to hit it to the side that no one is guarding. The only time you should go on your partners side is if it is absolutely necessary.

3. Partner

Always make sure that you have the best partner when ever you get a new shop check out the partner section. For me the best partner was Singth but the problem is that he is only available as a partner in the last shop. Also make sure that you have a compatable partner someone you can work with if your having trouble with your partner the best thing to do is get a new one.

4. The Map

This is not really tip but when your playing world circuit mode make sure you only play training games and trail matches that are light and not dark. What I mean is look at the area your about to go to when it is dark it means that you have to finish something else before you can do this.

5. Lobs

When your opponent is to close to the net make sure you lob it over him.

6. Serves

Make sure that when you serve youe either hold left or right so that the serve goes in that direction and not right to your opponent.

7. shots

remember that the longer you hold the A button the stronger your shot will be.

D. Tips on beating King and Master

Beating King

King can be pretty hard to beat so these tips should help you get a win. First his serves are really strong so stay in the back and make sure that when his serve is on max use the lob button instead of the shot button. this is because of the fact that if you lob it after his maxed serve then he cant smash it most of the time. Also when he is the one serving he usually stays in the back so when he is in the back come close to the net this way he cant lob it over you and your shots are going to be stronger. Don't lob during the game no matter how close to the net he is he will still get it. Also if he is close to the net you better go back because he is stronger, faster, and a better lob then you. These tips should give you a much better chance at winning.

Beating King and masters

I thought beating king and masters was a lot easier then just beating king. First make sure that your partner is Signth. All I can really tell you is use the same things you used for king and also make sure not to do the lob trick for masters serve. Also make sure that you are really sure what's happening just because they are hitting the ball to your partner most of the time doesn't mean that your not going to get it. Stay on your side trust me on this Signth does a good job you don't need to go to his side and hit his shots. And I have to tell you use the lob here once in a while master comes so close to the net he cant get it and

king has to come all the way on the other side to get it. Also have the
Signth on Normal not netplay or baseline.

E. How to get tennis wear 20-28

I got some e-mails asking how to get Tennis wear 20-28 so I went to some
forums and found some answers.

1. Return Ace- You have to hit the all the boxes with two shots.
2. Pin Crasher- Get all strikes.
3. Canon Ball- Have to win before the timer turns red.
4. Giant Ball- Same thing win before the timer turns red.
5. Smash Box- Same here beat it before the timer turns red.
6. Drum Shooter- Make all the shots that you take.
7. Bull's Eye- Get a score of 7000 or more.
8. Big Wall- Beat the game before the timer turns red.

10. Credits

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Thanks to Sega for making such a great game and also thanks to their
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Thanks to my friend Art for letting me borrow this game.