SOTOTENNIS ACADEMY

INSPIRING EXCELLENCE

Full Time Player Information

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Sotogrande INTERNATIONAL SCHOOL
TENNIS SMART
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CLUB DE TENIS Y PADEL OCTOGONO SOTOGRANDE

Who are we?

SotoTennis Academy (STA) is an international Tennis Academy based in Sotogrande, Costa del Sol, catering for players throughout their journey, from juniors until those on the professional tour. Tailored programmes are created at various levels of management, ranging from full time the player service to shorter term access options designed to suit each individual.

What we do

We are tennis and much more. Our programmes develop tennis players in an environment that enables them to define and prepare for whatever path they want to take. We pride ourselves on the four pillars of our academy: Tennis, Sport Science, Academics and Lifestyle. We see tennis as the vehicle to our players' success, both on and off the court.

Our vision

We want to set the standards and be the benchmark for what people expect and demand from a tennis academy. There are only opportunities.

Our philosophy

We care about player welfare, player development and our players' pathway. We look after our players from day one, all the way through their journey.

Accommodation

We can provide a number of accommodation options:

1. Sotogrande International School (SIS) Boarding House (players only):
Full boarding accommodation in the fantastically-equipped and secure SIS boarding house alongside STA full-time academy players and other school students. Located 15 minutes from the tennis club. Includes all pastoral care, meals, transport. On-site activities such as swimming pool, basketball and gym.

2. STA self-catered apartment (players only)
For over 18s. Self-catered with weekly transport to supermarket included. Provides a transition between living at home and independent living.

2. Self catering local apartments (families):
We can help source apartments in and around Sotogrand that are situated near the tennis club, gym and local amenities. Further details on request.

3. Hotels (families):
We can recommend a range of different hotels local to Sotogrande. Further details on request.

Academics

For full-time players of secondary school age:

The Elite Sports Programme with Sotogrande International School (SIS)

The Elite Sports Programme provides structured days that allow time for both academics and tennis. SIS and STA work together to support our Student-Athletes, helping them to succeed on and off the court in their chosen pathway.

The programme is available for:

- Future Champions: 11 - 14 year-olds during M1 - M3 of the Middle Years Programme, who come to STA after the school day with the progression to coming out of school for some extra training sessions.
- Junior Champions: 14–15 year-olds, M4 - M5 of the Middle Years Programme (lessons end at 1.30pm each day) and
- Elite Champions: 16–18 year olds studying International A Levels (lessons start at 2pm each day).

With the help of Tennis Smart, Elite Sports Programme Student-Athletes are supported throughout the whole process of applying for university or college, from application and recruitment all the way through to arrival at university and even life after graduation.

Website: www.sototennis.com/academics

Other

A few players choose to pursue local schooling or home schooling options independently. In these cases, we can work players' tennis schedules around their studies as necessary.

Transport

There are a number of options for those travelling to, from and around Sotogrande. However, for families, we strongly recommend hiring a car as public transport in the area is limited.

Academy Transfer

For families unable to hire a car and players travelling alone, we can also arrange airport transfers (prices below). NB: Airport transfers must be booked at least 48 hours prior to arrival by emailing info@sototennis.com

STA Airport Transfer Fees

Gibraltar airport	Marbella bus station**	Malaga airport**	Malaga Train Station**	Estepona bus station**
1-4 people: €33 + IVA*	1-4 people: €50 + IVA*	1-4 people: €100 + IVA*	1-4 people: €110 + IVA*	1-4 people: €33 + IVA*
5-8 people: €44 + IVA*	5-8 people: €66 + IVA*	5-8 people: €132 + IVA*	5-8 people: €138 + IVA*	5-8 people: €44 + IVA*

An additional €20 surcharge will be added on to journeys leaving between the hours of 10pm and 7am inclusive.

** IVA is Spain's version of VAT and is currently set at 21%*
*** Faster toll routes are available at a small additional cost on request*

Buses

Avanzabus.com runs regular buses from Malaga airport to Marbella and less regular buses from Malaga airport to Estepona. The bus service brings you closer to Sotogrande where academy transfer/taxi is cheaper.

Car Rental

Recommended for parents/families. Available locally or from any airport.

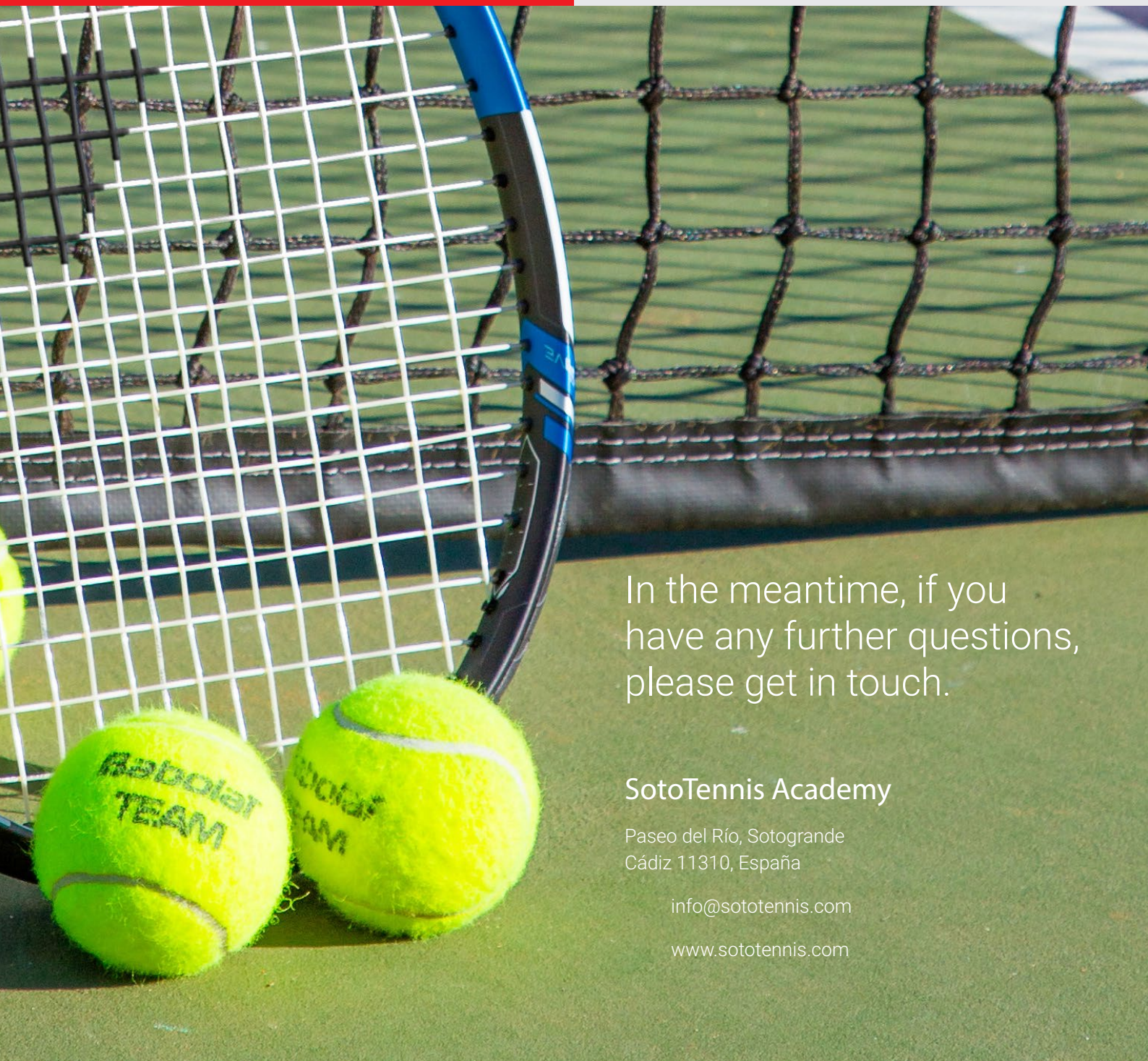
Registration

We invite suitable prospective full-time players for a trial at STA so that we can meet them and they can get a feel for the academy.

During the trial period, prospective players will have a meeting with a senior staff member to discuss the following:

- Performance planning
- STA culture/philosophy
- Academics
- Tournament process
- Additional questions

If you would like to pursue this option, please contact info@sototennis.com. We will then arrange the appropriate registration process.



In the meantime, if you have any further questions, please get in touch.

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