

# Sachin Tendulkar

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## Sir Donald Bradman

"I see myself when I see Sachin Batting"

### Brian Lara

"Tendulkar is to Cricket what Michael Jordan is to Basketball and Muhammad Ali is to Boxing"

### Hashim Amla

"Nothing bad can happen to us if we're on a plane in India with Sachin Tendulkar on it"

## Time Magazine

"We have had champions, we have had legends, but we have never had another Sachin Tendulkar and we never will"

## Matthew Hayden

"I have seen God. He bats for India a number 4 in Tests"

## A fan at the SCG

"Commit all your crimes when Sachin is batting. They will go unnoticed for even the Lord is busy watching him"

[Meh]

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### 1 Player Information

Full Name Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar

Born 24 April 1973 Height 5 ft 5 in (165 cm) Batting Style Right-handed

Relations Wife: Anjali Tendulkar

Daughter: Sara Tendulkar Son: Arjun Tendulkar

Test Debut 15 November 1989 v Pakistan
Last Test 14 November 2013 v West Indies
ODI debut 18 December 1989 v Pakistan
Last ODI 18 March 2012 v Pakistan
Only T20 1 December 2006 v South Africa

Source: [Wik]



Figure 1: First ever ODI double century

### 2 Introduction

Sachin Ramesh Tendulkar is a former Indian cricketer and captain, widely regarded as one of the greatest batsmen of all time. He took cricket at the age of eleven, made his Test debut on 15 November 1989 against Pakistan in Karachi at the age of sixteen, and went on to represent Mumbai domestically and India internationally for close to twenty-four years. He is the only player to have scored one hundred international centuries, the first batsman to score a double century in a One Day International, holds the record for most number of runs in both ODI and Test cricket, the only player to complete more than 30,000 runs in international cricket. [Wik]

There are so many things that Sachin Tendulkar is to so many people, that it is sometimes forgotten that he is first and foremost a batsman of unparalleled ability, dedication and mind. If he had taken to some other sport in early childhood, his persona would have been invented – by coaches who want to teach their wards the virtues a tight technique that allows attacking shots, by film-makers who want to create celluloid fantasy by depicting the perfect batsman and superstar, by marketing men who want to appeal to the broadest strata of public imaginable and by cricket fanatics who want to see batting perfection embodied in one person. [Som]

# 3 Captaincy

Tendulkar's two as captain of the Indian cricket team were not very successful. When Tendulkar took over as in 1996, it was with huge hopes and expectations. However, by 1997 the was performing poorly. Table 1 shows his captaincy stint.

	Matches	Won	Lost	Drawn	Tied	NR	Win%
Test	25	4	9	12	0	-	16%
ODI	73	23	43	_	2	6	31%

Table 1: Tendulkar's record as captain [Wik]

# 4 Playing Style

Sachin's batting is based on complete balance and poise while limiting unnecessary movements and flourishes. He appears to show little preference for the slow and low wickets which are typical in India, and has scored many centuries on the hard, bouncy pitches in South Africa and Australia. He is known for his unique punch style of hitting the ball over square. He is also renowned for his picture-perfect straight drive, often completed with no follow-through. The straight drive is often said to be his favourite shot. Figure 2 shows how he favours the covers and mid-wicket region the most.

#### Tendulkar ODI Runs 31 Jan 2009 - 31 Jan 2011 ( 24 matches )

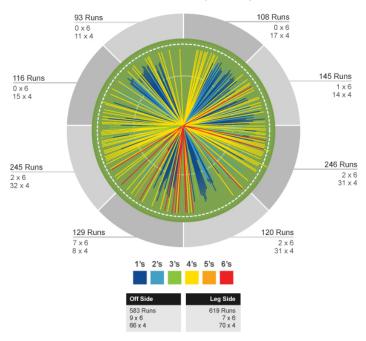


Figure 2: Wagon-wheel from year 2009-11

# 5 Batting Career Summary

	$\mathbf{M}$	Inn	Runs	HS	Avg	$\mathbf{SR}$	100	200	<b>50</b>	4s	6s
Tests	200	329	15921	248	53.79	54.08	51	6	68	2058	69
odl	463	452	18426	200	44.83	86.24	49	1	96	2016	195
T20	1	1	10	10	10	83.33	0	0	0	2	0
IPL	78	78	2334	100	33.83	119.82	1	0	13	295	29

Table 2: Bating Career Summary [Som]

## 6 Career breakdown

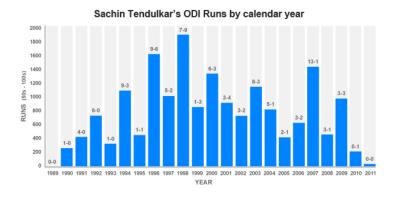


Figure 3: ODI batting performance (yearly)

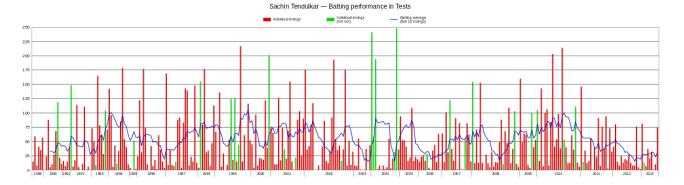


Figure 4: Test batting performance(per inning)

### 7 Achievements and Awards

### 7.1 National Honours [Wik]

- 1994 Arjuna Award, by the Government of India in recognition of his outstanding achievement in sports.
- 1997-98 Rajiv Gandhi Khel Ratna, India's highest honour given for achievement in sports.
- 1999 Padma Shri, India's fourth highest civilian award.
- 2001 Maharashtra Bhushan Award, Maharashtra State's highest Civilian Award.
- 2008 Padma Vibhushan, India's second highest civilian award.
- 2014 Bharat Ratna, India's highest civilian award.

### 7.2 Other Honours [Wik]

- 2003 Player of the tournament in 2003 Cricket World Cup.
- 2004, 2007, 2010 ICC World ODI XI.
- 2009, 2010, 2011 ICC World Test XI.
- 2010 Outstanding Achievement in Sport and the Peoples Choice Award at The Asian Awards in London.
- 2010 Wisden Leading Cricketer in the World.
- 2010 ICC Award-Sir Garfield Sobers trophy for cricketer of the year.
- 2012 Wisden India Outstanding Achievement award.
- 2012 Honorary Life Membership of Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG)
- 2012 Honorary Member of the Order of Australia, given by the Australian government.

# 8 Philanthropy

Tendulkar sponsors 200 underprivileged children every year through **Apnalaya**, a Mumbai-based *NGO* associated with his mother-in-law, Annabel Mehta. A request from Sachin on Twitter raised 1.02 crore through Sachin's crusade against cancer for the **Crusade against Cancer foundation**. Sachin Tendulkar spent nine hours on the 12-hour Coca-Cola-NDTV Support My School telethon on 18 September 2011 that helped raise 7 crore 2 crore more than the target for from the creation of basic facilities, particularly toilets for girl students, in 140 government schools across the country. [Wik]

### 9 Conclusion

Tendulkar has also been the single biggest factor behind the explosion of popularity that cricket enjoys in India which led to the Indian board becoming the richest and most powerful in world cricket. In a country already predisposed to cricket, Tendulkar gave the people a hero they could look upto regardless of age, colour, creed or sect – and catapulted cricket from a sport to a religion in the subcontinent. [Som]

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