

Go Bananas for QuickStart!

WHY do tennis players warm up and cool down?

BECAUSE ... WARMING UP

- Prevents injuries from exercise
- Raises body temperature and increases oxygen absorption
- Reduces muscle stiffness
- Increases blood flow to muscles and brain
- Raises heart rate and prepares body to play

BECAUSE ... COOLING DOWN

- Prevents muscle soreness from exercise
- Decreases body temperature
- Allows muscles to relax, recover and reestablish their normal range of movement
- Reduces adrenaline in the blood
- Helps heart rate to return to resting rate

Want to be a great tennis player? Stretch like a great tennis player! **HOW to warm up?** Two minutes of lite jogging, then two minutes of leg and footwork drills and gentle stretching. Drink water before you play.

HOW to cool down? A few slow laps walking around the court to start, then some gentle stretching of arms, legs and torso. Drink a glass of chocolate milk.



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Go HOOs!

UVa Women's Player Taylor Wingo Goes Bananas for QuickStart and Preventing Injuries!!!

Taylor always warms up before she plays. She jogs and stretches. To cool down she runs a few laps around the court and does dynamic stretching to prevent injuries. Warming up and cooling down keep you healthy so you can play lots of tennis!

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Bag Check: On court Taylor has bananas, energy gels and bars, Gatorade, fruit snacks for quick energy and lots of water. For breakfast she has oatmeal and blueberries. For lunch Taylor likes a turkey sandwich. Dinner is a grilled chicken breast, rice and a salad. On special occasions Taylor likes a hot fudge sundae.