

ASK AN EXPERT!

Get a Personalized Racquet Tune-Up

Ask an expert about getting a racquet tune up and get the most out of your equipment and your game.

Tennis Retailers have a wealth of knowledge when it comes to racquets and string. They can help tune-up your equipment, and ultimately, your game.



Did you know? **STRINGS**

There are four primary materials used for tennis strings: Nylon, Polyester, Kevlar, and Natural Gut. To get the most out of your game and your equipment, it's important that you let an expert help match you to the right string and tension.

Hybrid stringing: Mixes two types of string—one for the mains and one for the crosses—to provide even more specific characteristics for the individual player.

When to restring: The traditional rule has been, restring as many times a year as you play in a week. However, USRSA Master Racquet Technicians and/or Certified Stringers need to know other information, too, such as how many hours you play per week, your style of play, etc., to be able to match you to the best string and restringing schedule.

NYLON Most used string material. Often called Synthetic Gut, it comes in different constructions and shapes and is stiffer than Natural Gut, but softer than Polyester or Kevlar. Nylon is a great choice for players who don't break strings frequently and don't want to pay for Natural Gut.

POLYESTER Growing in popularity on the pro tour and for recreational players. It may offer enhanced spin for players with long, fast swing speeds. It's frequently used in hybrids as a stiffer, more durable alternative to Nylon or Natural Gut. But, it may not hold tension as well as the other materials.

KEVLAR Stiff and durable, it's generally used as the main strings in a hybrid with softer crosses. It's primarily used by players who break all other materials too quickly.

NATURAL GUT The softest, most arm-friendly strings available with good tension maintenance, used by players of all levels and swing styles. But it can be substantially more expensive than other materials.

Did you know? **RACQUETS**

With hundreds of racquet models in the marketplace, consumers need knowledgeable retailers and racquet technicians to help them choose the frame and string that best suits their game and style of play, and who can help them determine when their racquet needs to be serviced.



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