# French Sports

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#### The 5 most popular sports!

- The most popular sport in France is Football
- Then it is Cycling
- Then Rugby
- Next is Tennis,
- And lastly Skiing.













#### Football



- Football is a really big sport in France as it is a lot of other places in the world.
- The most successful team in French history is PSG which stands for Paris Saint Germain.
- The France national team is one of the best country's when it comes to football as they are ranked 3<sup>rd</sup> best in the world. And recently they won the biggest trophy in football: the world cup.
- The player that has scored the most goals ever in French history is a player called Thierry Henry and the most appearances is a player that not many people might know but he is one of the best players ever and he is called Lilian Thuram. France have only ever won two world cups. The French national team joined the footballing world in 1907.

## Cycling

- The Tour de France is an annual men's multiple stage bicycle race primarily held in France, while also occasionally passing through nearby countries.
- Like the other Grand Tours, it consists of 21 day-long stages over the course of 23 days.
- It has been described as "the world's most prestigious and most difficult bicycle race







### Rugby

- Rugby union in France is a popular team sport.
- The France national rugby union team competes annually against England, Ireland, Italy, Scotland and Wales in the Six Nations Championship.
- They have won the championship outright seventeen times, shared it a further eight times, and have completed nine grand slams.
- Ten former French players have been inducted into the World Rugby Hall of Fame.







#### Tennis

- The French Open, officially Roland-Garros, is a major tennis tournament held over two weeks at the Stade Roland-Garros in Paris, France, beginning in late May.
- It is the premier clay court tennis championship event in the world and the second of four annual Grand Slam tournaments
- The event is widely considered to be the most physically demanding tennis tournament in the world.







## Skiing

- Skiing is a popular sport in France, the best places for skiing are in the mountainous areas in the south, centre and east of the country where most French ski resorts are located.
- Émile Allais won four World Championship golds in the 1930s.
- Henri Oreiller won Olympic gold at the 1948
  Winter Olympics.
- France is also a popular Skiing destination for British tourists
- The biggest and best known resorts are, of course, in the Alps, where the winter Olympics are sometimes held



