



The Sydney Cricket Ground (SCG) is one of the world's most famous sporting venues where test cricket, one-day international cricket, the Ashes are played, as well as Australian Rules football, rugby league and rugby union.

The SCG was established on the former 1852 Garrison Ground behind Victoria Barracks, Paddington, by the NSW Cricket Association. It is one of only three grounds worldwide to have hosted 100 cricket Tests. Almost every famous Australian cricketer, league and rugby footballer has competed within its precincts, as have numerous other sporting stars.

The SCG itself is historic, with the Members Pavilion (1886) and Ladies Pavilion (1896) among the nation's architectural treasures.

Arguably the world's greatest cricketer, Sir Donald Bradman, played at the SCG, which he regarded as the finest in the world. Bradman played 52 Tests, scoring 6996 runs and averaged 99.94. He also played 234 first-class games, scoring 28,067 runs and averaged 95.14.

Bradman first came to the SCG for the Test in the Ashes series of 1920–21, saw a fine century by Charlie Macartney and resolved he would not be satisfied until he had played there himself. During Country Week in the 1926-27 season, he slept in the dormitory at the back of the Members Pavilion. After more than 160 years of first class cricket at the SCG, Don Bradman still holds the record for the highest individual innings – 452 not out.

Donald Bradman toured England in 1948 with an Australian cricket team that went undefeated in their 34 tour matches, including the five Ashes Tests. Bradman was captain, one of three selectors and, overall, a dominant figure of what was regarded as one of the finest teams of all time, earning the name The Invincibles. An autographed photo of The Invincibles, as well as an autographed caricature of Donald Bradman, hang in The Hughenden. Indeed, members of The Invincibles team – Sam Loxton, Bill Johnston and Ian Johnson – enjoyed the hospitality of The Hughenden.

Renowned cricketer Dennis Lillee was also a guest of The Hughenden. Regarded as the most outstanding bowler of his generation known for his never-say-die attitude, Lillee was inducted in the ICC Cricket Hall of Fame.

With the SCG within walking distance of the hotel and school cricket and sporting fields at Centennial Parklands nearby, The Hughenden is often "home base" for both players and supporters of all ages from all over Australia, the UK and other countries.

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AND SPREAD ITS WINGS.  
THE WORLD CAN ONLY  
BE RICHER FOR IT.**

Sir Donald Bradman

