

# Watch IPL 2026 Live Streaming: Every Match on JioHotstar, Star Sports and More

 **IPL 2026 starts March 28 with all 84 matches live across India and the world**, and whether you are watching on TV or your phone, here is every platform you need to know right now. Get the full **IPL 2026 match schedule** to plan which games you absolutely cannot miss this season.

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### How to Watch IPL 2026 Live in India

Indian fans have two main ways to catch every single match this season. Star Sports Network handles all TV broadcast rights and JioHotstar is the only official digital streaming platform in India.

One very important change from previous years is that **IPL 2026 is not free on JioHotstar**. The free streaming model that JioCinema offered during IPL 2023 and 2024 ended before last season. You now need either a paid JioHotstar subscription or a telecom recharge bundle that includes JioHotstar access.

#### JioHotstar Subscription Plans for IPL 2026

Plan	Price	Best For
Mobile Plan	Rs 79 per month	Single device, mobile only
Super Plan	Rs 299 per month	Multiple devices, HD quality
Annual Super Plan	Rs 1,499 per year	Best value for full season
Jio Prepaid Bundle	Starting Rs 349	Data plus JioHotstar included

The smartest way to save money is through a Jio prepaid recharge plan starting at Rs 349 that bundles JioHotstar access along with data and calls. Airtel, Vi and BSNL also offer similar bundles so check your current telecom plan before buying a separate subscription.

#### Star Sports TV Channels for IPL 2026 in India

Star Sports Network broadcasts IPL 2026 across multiple channels with commentary in Hindi, English, Tamil, Telugu and Kannada.

- **Star Sports 1 HD** for English commentary
- **Star Sports 1 Hindi HD** for Hindi commentary
- **Star Sports 1 Tamil HD** for Tamil fans

- **Star Sports 1 Telugu HD** for Telugu viewers
- **Star Sports 1 Kannada** for Kannada commentary

All channels are available through Tata Play, Airtel Digital TV, Dish TV and D2H. Most evening matches start at **7:30 PM IST** and afternoon matches at **3:30 PM IST**.

## How to Watch IPL 2026 Live Outside India

Fans across the world can watch IPL 2026 through regional broadcast partners. Every major cricket nation has an official platform lined up for this season.

### IPL 2026 Streaming by Country

Country or Region	TV Channel	Streaming Platform
India	Star Sports Network	JioHotstar
UK and Ireland	Sky Sports	Sky Sports App
USA and Canada	Willow TV	Willow TV App
Australia	Fox Sports	Kayo Sports App
New Zealand	Sky Sport NZ	Sky Go NZ, NOW App
Sub-Saharan Africa	SuperSport	SuperSport App, DStv
Middle East and MENA	CricLife	BeIN Connect
Afghanistan	Lemar TV	Lemar TV App
Bangladesh	Channel 9	Channel 9 Online
70 plus other countries	Various	YuppTV App

YuppTV is the most flexible option for fans in countries where no dedicated broadcaster holds IPL rights. It covers over 70 countries and supports Android, iOS and web browsers. For fans in South Asian communities across Europe and Southeast Asia, YuppTV is often the easiest option to set up.

## Tips to Get the Best IPL 2026 Streaming Experience

A poor internet connection on match day is the worst possible situation. Here are a few practical tips to make sure your stream runs smoothly all season.

- Use **Wi-Fi over mobile data** for longer matches to avoid buffering or data limits
- Choose **HD or 4K quality** on JioHotstar premium plans for the best experience
- **Download the app before March 28** and log in so you are ready from ball one
- If you are outside India and want JioHotstar, a **trusted VPN** can help but always check your platform's terms of service first

- **All India Radio** provides free ball-by-ball audio commentary in India if you ever just want to listen

Keep track of every result as the season progresses through the **IPL 2026 live points table** and stay updated with team news and match previews through the **latest IPL 2026 updates and news** on the site.

## FAQs

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#### **Where can I watch IPL 2026 live in India?**

**JioHotstar** is the official streaming platform and **Star Sports Network** is the official TV broadcaster for IPL 2026 in India. JioHotstar requires a paid subscription starting at Rs 79 per month.

#### **Is IPL 2026 free to watch on JioHotstar?**

No. **IPL 2026 is not free on JioHotstar**. The free streaming model ended before IPL 2025. You need a paid plan or a telecom bundle that includes JioHotstar.

#### **How can fans in the USA watch IPL 2026 live?**

**Willow TV** holds exclusive IPL broadcast rights in the USA and Canada. It is available through cable providers like Sling, DirecTV and Dish, as well as through the standalone Willow TV app.

#### **Which app do UK fans use to watch IPL 2026?**

**Sky Sports** holds IPL rights in the UK and Ireland through 2027. Fans can watch through the Sky Sports App or on the Sky Sports TV channel.

#### **Can I watch IPL 2026 in countries where no official broadcaster covers it?**

Yes. **YuppTV** streams IPL across 70 plus countries and is available on Android, iOS and web browsers. It is the most flexible option for fans in regions without dedicated broadcast partners.

#### **When does IPL 2026 start and how many matches are there in total?**

**IPL 2026 starts on March 28, 2026** with the opening game between RCB and SRH. The tournament runs until the final on May 31, 2026 with a total of **84 matches** across 10 teams.