

How to Choose a Wilson® Tennis Net

The type of net you choose depends on frequency of use, the length of your playing season and the type of court surface. Courts with heavy usage and/or long playing seasons need a net that will last and look good continuously.

- + The best nets are made of braided net cord and typically have double the mesh at the top 6 rows, side pockets for fiberglass dowels (that help hold the net taut) and vinyl-coated steel cables.
- + Braided nets are better than twisted because they're stronger and absorb more energy. When a ball hits the net it drops closer to the net instead of rebounding off it.
- + Polyethylene and polyester make good net materials because they are resistant to fading from UV radiation and weather well.

The type of court surface as well as personal preference dictates which headband is appropriate. Headbands are usually vinyl or polyester duck, often with double layers and 4 rows of lock stitching to hold the layers together.

- + Nets with polyester duck headbands are better for hard courts than for soft courts, where surface material can easily stick to and stain the fabric.
- + Vinyl headbands are more common on soft courts because they're easier to clean and more dirt resistant. However, balls can tend to skid wildly off vinyl headbands, which is less likely with a duck headband because the duck material absorbs the ball's energy and doesn't speed up the ball.

Anatomy of the Wilson Tidyfit Royale Tennis Net

