

# Asia Cup Records: Most Runs, Wickets, Centuries & Five-Wicket Hauls

The **Asia Cup** has been one of cricket's most celebrated tournaments, showcasing intense rivalries and unforgettable performances since its start in 1984. Across both ODI and T20I editions, the competition has produced legendary batting feats, bowling masterclasses, and historic milestones. Let's take a closer look at some of the standout records in Asia Cup history.



## Most Runs

At the top of the batting charts stands **Sanath Jayasuriya** of Sri Lanka, whose explosive batting redefined the tournament in the 1990s and early 2000s. He leads the run tally with his combination of power-hitting and consistency. Among modern players, names

like [Virat Kohli](#) and [Rohit Sharma](#) have made significant contributions, keeping India's dominance intact in recent editions.

## Most Wickets

When it comes to bowling, **Muttiah Muralitharan** has been the most successful wicket-taker in [Asia Cup history](#). His ability to spin the ball on any surface made him a constant threat for opposition batters. Other bowlers like **Lasith Malinga** and **Irfan Pathan** have also left their mark with match-winning spells.

## Most Centuries

Centuries in the Asia Cup often come in high-pressure matches, and few have delivered more than **Sanath Jayasuriya**, who tops the list for the most hundreds. Indian stalwarts such as **Virat Kohli** and **Shikhar Dhawan** have also played memorable innings, ensuring their names are etched in the tournament's history. These knocks have not only entertained fans but also swung matches in their team's favor.

## Most Five-Wicket Hauls

In a tournament dominated by batters, five-wicket hauls remain rare and precious. Bowlers like **Lasith Malinga** have stood out for producing fiery spells, dismantling batting line-ups and turning games single-handedly. These performances highlight the importance of strike bowlers in a competition often remembered for big scores.

## Final Word

The Asia Cup is more than just a regional tournament—it's a stage where legends are made. From Jayasuriya's blistering runs to Muralitharan's spin magic, these records reflect the quality and intensity of cricket played over decades. With every edition, fans eagerly wait to see which stars will rise to challenge and perhaps break these remarkable records.

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