NZ-W vs SA-W 2025 ICC Women's ODI World Cup: Predicted Playing XI, Match Preview & What to Expect

The 2025 ICC Women's ODI World Cup brings fans another high-voltage clash as New Zealand Women (NZ-W) take on South Africa Women (SA-W). Both teams have proven themselves as strong contenders in recent years, and this encounter promises to be a closely fought battle.



Match Preview

New Zealand Women will bank on their experienced core of **Sophie Devine** and **Amelia Kerr**, who provide balance with both bat and ball. Their batting depth and home advantage could play a big role. South Africa Women, on the other hand, have one of the best bowling units in world cricket, led by fiery pacer **Shabnim Ismail** and supported by

the consistency of **Ayabonga Khaka**. With **Laura Wolvaardt** in fine form, their top order is more than capable of setting or chasing big totals.

This clash is expected to be a test of New Zealand's batting strength against South Africa's bowling firepower.

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Predicted Playing XI

New Zealand Women (NZ-W)

- 1. Sophie Devine (c)
- 2. Suzie Bates
- 3. Amelia Kerr
- 4. Maddy Green
- 5. Brooke Halliday
- 6. Jess Kerr
- 7. Lea Tahuhu
- 8. Hannah Rowe
- 9. Izzy Gaze (wk)
- 10. Fran Jonas
- 11. Eden Carson

South Africa Women (SA-W)

- 1. Laura Wolvaardt (c)
- 2. Tazmin Brits
- 3. Sune Luus

- 4. Marizanne Kapp
- 5. Chloe Tryon
- 6. Mignon du Preez
- 7. Nadine de Klerk
- 8. Sinalo Jafta (wk)
- 9. Shabnim Ismail
- 10. Ayabonga Khaka
- 11. Nonkululeko Mlaba

What to Expect

Fans can expect a thrilling contest filled with world-class batting and top-quality bowling. If New Zealand's top order fires, they will hold the advantage. However, if South Africa's pacers strike early, the momentum could swing their way. The match is likely to go down to the wire, making it a must-watch fixture in the Women's ODI World Cup 2025.

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