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BALL BUSTING FUN ABOUNDS WITH ALL STAR TENNIS '99 ON GAME BOY COLOR

Ubi Soft Entertainment serves up All Star Tennis '99 - blistering arcade action all the way in this superb offering from UK based developers Smart Dog.

All Star Tennis 99 binds together vibrant visuals and hyper-fast action, while retaining a subtlety of play, which will keep players courting the court. While the inclusion of eight real life, top-ranked tennis players – including Wimbledon champ Jana Novotna - ensures the title will appeal to quick fix arcade addicts and serious tennis enthusiasts alike.

All Star Tennis '99 offers an as yet unseen range of shots, volleys, slices, passes and power slams, while also affording astonishingly precise ball placement. You'll need it too. As the full Tournament mode takes you on an intense twelve match, round the world, tussle between man and racket. Take in the clay based delights of France, the grassy embrace of Japan and, home of the globe's priciest strawberries, Wimbledon itself on your quest to become the game's primo ball handler.

Game Play/Key Features:

- Eight top ranked tennis players: Jonas Bjorkman (Sweden), Michael Chang (USA), Amanda Coetzer (South Africa), Richard Krajicek (Holland), Gustavo Kuerten (Brazil), Conchita Martinez (Spain), Mark Philippousis (Australia) and Wimbledon champion Jana Novotna (Czech Republic).
- Eight different courts around the globe: Australia, Japan, Saudi Arabia, Italy, France, USA, Mediterranean and of course the English home of tennis Wimbledon. Each court features unique weather conditions and a different playing surface, which measurably effects play. There is superb attention to detail in the crowd backgrounds, umpire commentary and on-court noises.
- Game options include: Smash Tennis, a single match for up to eight players. Arcade mode, 12 rounds of single player fun, where the ultimate goal is to hammer the champ and take your place at the top. And the unlockable Bomb Tennis, a (literally) explosive match where mines are laid each time the ball bounces.
- Four extra fictional characters to choose from: Randy Powell (USA), Vanessa Child (USA), Zoe Taylor (England) and Leon Rodez (France).
- Each character has varying strengths, unique skills and duel outfits which allow for doubling-up.
- A menu of shots including: slice, smash, back spin, top lob, lob and volley. All shots can have 'aftertouch' added, a feature which varies slightly from character to character – thus defining their strengths and weaknesses.
- Five special moves per character, two of which are character specific. Examples include the racket breaker – the ball blasts through opponent's racket – the hard shot – strong enough to fell an opponent – and the roundhouse kick – you actually boot the ball over the net. Also points are built up with aces and skill shots to access 'special shots'. These include teleporting the ball randomly to fool the opponent and a flame shot which burns the ball across the court.

Platform and Availability

All Star Tennis '99 is available Game Boy Color in September 1999.

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