

MEN'S TEAM PROFILE

JAPAN



Japan claimed its third BNP Paribas World Team Cup men's title in 2018 after finishing 14th in 2017 with an entirely different team line-up. It's 16 years since world No. 1 Shingo Kunieda helped Japan become the first Asian nation to win a World Team Cup title before adding its second title in 2007. Japan also reached the 2016 men's final in Tokyo. In Kunieda and Takashi Sanada, Japan has two current Top 10 ranked players who both stepped up to win their respective singles rubbers against top seed Great Britain in last year's final. Two-time Paralympic men's singles gold medallist Kunieda is a 42-time Grand Slam champion, having won 22 of those titles in singles.

YOSHINOBU FUJIMOTO

Lives: Kashiwa
Age: 42

SHINGO KUNIEDA

Lives: Kashiwa
Age: 35

TAKASHI SANADA

Lives: Saitama
Age: 33

KOUHEI SUZUKI

Lives: Ichihara
Age: 26