

IOWA HAWKEYES



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2011 Fall Schedule		
S 16Purdue Invite.....	All Day
S 17Purdue Invite.....	All Day
S 18Purdue Invite.....	All Day
S 23	.....Drake Invite.....	All Day
S 23	.....H-E-B Tournament.....	All Day
S 24	.....Drake Invite.....	All Day
S 24	.....H-E-B Tournament.....	All Day
S 25	.....Drake Invite.....	All Day
S 25	.....H-E-B Tournament.....	All Day
O 1	.....ITA All-American.....	All Day
O 2	.....ITA All-American.....	All Day
O 3	.....ITA All-American.....	All Day
O 20	.....ITA Regionals.....	All Day
O 21	.....ITA Regionals.....	All Day
O 22	.....ITA Regionals.....	All Day
O 21	.....Northwestern Invite.....	All Day
O 22	.....Northwestern Invite.....	All Day
O 23	.....Northwestern Invite.....	All Day
O 28-31	.....Big Ten Singles/Doubles.....	All Day
	.....at Iowa City, Iowa.....	

2011-12 Roster	
Mitch Beckert, Jr.....	
Marc Bruche, Sr.....	
Jonas Dierckx, So.....	
Garret Dunn, Jr.....	
Andres Estenssoro, Fr.....	
Connor Gilmore, Jr.....	
Matt Hagan, Fr.....	
Tom Mroziewicz, Sr.....	
Alejandro Rios, Fr.....	
Christopher Speer, Sr.....	
Michael Swank, So.....	
Chase Tomlins, So.....	
Will Vasos, Sr.....	
Joey White, So.....	

Hawkeye Quickfacts	
2011 Record.....	8-12
2011 Big Ten Record.....	2-8
2011 Big Ten Standing.....	10 (tie)

THIS WEEK

The University of Iowa men's tennis team opens the fall season Sept. 16-18 at the Purdue Invitational. Iowa will face competition from Purdue, Arkansas, DePaul, and Western Michigan among others at the Schwartz Tennis Center in West Lafayette, Ind.

SEASON RECAP

Iowa finished the regular season with an 8-12 overall record and a 2-8 mark in Big Ten play. Iowa fell 4-2 to Purdue in the opening round of the Big Ten Tournament. The Hawkeyes won three straight matches early in the season, and also won two-of-three matches on their spring break trip. Iowa won back-to-back conference matches with wins over Penn State and Purdue. The Hawkeyes were ranked as high as 57th by the ITA and had two wins over ranked foes.

LAST YEAR AT PURDUE INVITE

At this tournament last year, Iowa finished 12-10 in singles while senior Marc Bruche won his first three matches in Flight A.

BRUCHE HONORED

Senior Marc Bruche was named second team All-Big Ten last season, after finishing with 12 singles victories and 14 doubles victories - all of which came in the No. 1 spot. Bruche, who is ranked No. 101 in singles by the ITA, has 76 career victories and has played No. 1 singles for the past two seasons for Iowa.

VETERANS BACK IN ACTION

Iowa returns 10 letterwinners from last year's squad. The Hawk-eyes have four seniors on the roster as well as three juniors to form an experienced group. Seniors Marc Bruche, Will Vasos and Tom Mroziewicz return after very successful campaigns in Big Ten play. Vasos led Iowa with a 14-7 dual singles record and went 13-6 in duals with Marc Bruche in doubles play. Bruche went 11-10 in dual singles play in the No. 1 position. Mroziewicz finished 6-3 in Big Ten doubles play. Mitch Beckert, Garrett Dunn and Connor Gilmore also return for their junior campaigns.

HAWKEYE NEWCOMERS

Iowa signed three prep student-athletes for the 2011-12 season in Matt Hagan, Andres Estenssoro and Alejandro Rios. Hagan was a state champion at Creighton Prep in Omaha, Neb. Estenssoro is the top-ranked doubles player and second ranked singles player out of Bolivia, while Rios was ranked No. 7 in Bolivia and was a national doubles champion.

HEAD COACH STEVE HOUGHTON

Steve Houghton, the dean of Big Ten tennis coaches, is in his 31st year as head coach of the Hawkeyes. He has compiled a career record of 331-341 (.493), recording the most wins of any coach in Iowa men's tennis history.