

## Italy's Performance at the London Olympics 2012: 12 Medals and Counting

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As of August 3rd, Italy ranks 7th place in the list of the winning nations in the [London Olympics 2012](#) [2]. In Beijing in 2008 Italy concluded the Olympics in the 8th place.

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Disappointing were the performances of both the women's and men's swimming teams. [Federica Pellegrini](#) [3] who boasted many Olympics medals in the past editions did not do as well this year,



and neither did her boyfriend Filippo Magnini. Their relationship was more exciting a topic for the international media than their performances.

Both the women's and men's Volleyball teams are doing very well. Men defeated Great Britain 3 to 0 yesterday, and will play against Australia on August 4. Australia seems to be an easy game for the Italian team, which will surely have a harder time in the match against Bulgaria scheduled for August 6.

The Italian women's Volleyball team, together with Russia, ranks 1st of its group and won all the games against Dominican Republic, Japan and Great Britain. Their next game will be against Algeria.

On August 3 the athletics competitions started. In the 3000 Hedges, Italian athlete Yuri Floriani ranked second and passed to the final. In the Hammer, Vizzoni arrived to the finals.

In Doubles Tennis, Roberta Vinci and Daniele Bracciali were eliminated in the quarter Finals of [Wimbledon](#) [4], losing against the German players Sabine Lisicki and Christopher Kas. The two Italian women were the only hope for Italian tennis, as all the other Italian players were eliminated in the course of the competition.

In Beach Volleyball, Lupo and Nicolai fared well against the American duo Rogers-Dallhausser. The two were Champions in the last Olympics. Nicolai and Lupo won 21-17 in the first set and 21-19 in the second set. The Italian duo passed to the quarters. They will either compete against the Dutch players Nummerdor and Schuil or the Swiss Bellaguarda and Heuscher.

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