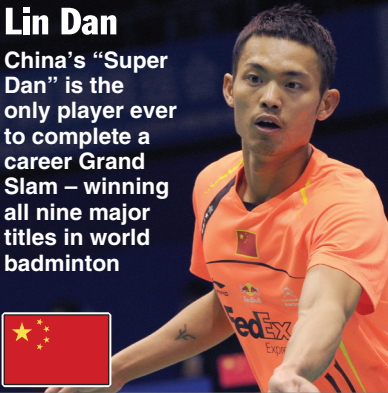


Lin Dan

China's "Super Dan" is the only player ever to complete a career Grand Slam – winning all nine major titles in world badminton



■ **Born:** October 14, 1983

■ **Birthplace:** Longyan, Fujian, China

■ **Career:** Total of 26 major titles won since turning professional in 2001, including 16 singles and 10 team awards

■ **Highlights:** Olympic singles gold in 2008. Four world championships – 2006, 2007, 2009 and 2011. Asian Games singles winner in 2010

■ **2011:** Completes career Grand Slam with victory in Super Series Masters Finals

■ **2012:** Becomes first player in 33-year history of Open era to win All-England title five times

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