



## David “Red” Ayme

Coach Ayme, a WTA/ATP coach, is a rare find in the tennis world. A Louisiana native, Coach Ayme has been around the game his entire life and has been Nick Bollettieri’s right-hand man for the last twenty five years. Upon arrival at the Academy, his value was quickly realized, as many of the top touring professionals wanted to work and travel with him. Ayme has worked with Boris Becker, Marcelo Rios, and, most extensively, for eight years with Tommy Haas.

Ayme’s playing days ended shortly before he came to IMG Academies. He was a four-year letter winner at Nicholls State University where he competed in singles and doubles. His deep desire to coach and help others soon led him to the IMG Bollettieri Tennis Academy. Says Ayme, “I was only supposed to come for one year, and now it’s been 23.”

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