

Skill: Dropshot tactics

Difficulty: advanced



Intention

Apply dropshots...

- **when relaxed** and not under pressure (shot requires precision, can be missed easily)
 - from an **offensive area** inside the court (not from baseline, air time is too long)
 - when opponent **moves away** from ball (playing to wrong foot)
 - **neutralise topspin** balls and break patterns
- Don't use it on high balls (too easy to return)

Drill

Level 1: cross+dropshot

Create an advantage by moving the opponent out + drop shot to the other side

- (1) deep crosscourt shot
- (2) dropshot to other side

Level 2: wrongfooting dropshot

Fool a quickly recovering opponent - instead of targeting the other side you place dropshot to the same side they recover from

- (1) deep crosscourt shot
- (2) dropshot to that same side the opponent just left