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For the Adelaide Test in the [Ashes 2025](#), Australia plans to make major changes. **Pat Cummins and Nathan Lyon** are expected to **rejoin the team**, while **Usman Khawaja** may be **left out** of the starting lineup, according to reports. Australia's aim to regain pace in the important series is demonstrated by the possible rearrangement.

Khawaja's Mission Sparks Debate

Many were taken aback by **Usman Khawaja's** likely missing from the Adelaide Test, given his background and track record of success at home. However, the team's need for a more aggressive start and the changing form at the top of the order might have affected the selectors' decisions. Australia is prepared to take risks in an effort to beat England, with younger players fighting for a spot.

To counter England's bowling attack under lights, Australia might choose a more aggressive opener if Khawaja is left out, especially since the pink ball is going to be important at Adelaide Oval.

Cummins and Lyon Boost Australia

The expected return of **Nathan Lyon and Pat Cummins** will greatly improve Australia's starting lineup. [Cummins adds leadership](#), pace, and control—qualities essential in a **day-night Test**—and missed the previous game because of workload management. His capacity to lead the bowling unit and attack early might be crucial.

The return of Nathan Lyon is equally important. One of Australia's most dependable players in Ashes matches has been the seasoned off-spinner. Alongside the fast bowlers, his expertise brings balance to the attack, especially when it comes to taking advantage of marks and providing pressure throughout extended periods.

Australia led 2-0 in the 5 match test series

Australia won both test matches of the Ashes 2025. [Australia beat England by 8 wickets](#) in the first test match, finishing in just 2 days. **Australia beat England by 8 wickets** in the second test. The **third test match will be December 17-21 in Adelaide**.

Australia 11 For the Third Test Match of Ashesh 2025

Travis Head, Jake Weatherald, Marnus Labuschagne, Steve Smith, Cameron Green, Alex Carey (wk), Josh Inglis, Pat Cummins (c), Mitchell Starc, Nathan Lyon, Scott Boland

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