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Review: Mixed Duet Technical Final

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As a huge surprise Italy have won their first ever world title in synchronised swimming as Manila Flamini (ITA) and Giorgio Minisini (ITA) won the Mixed Duet Technical ahead of Russia and United States.

Flamini and Minisini were also part of Italy's team which claimed bronze in this event as well as in Mixed Duet Free two years ago.

The Italian duet said the following at the press conference:

"We knew we worked hard to keep improving, we didn't expect gold though. We usually get about 85 points but this time we got 90 and this is quite a high score. It takes years of work to achieve 5 points more so we are glad that we managed to convince judges with our performance."



Aleksandr Maltsev (RUS) has now claimed three medals again in mixed events after claiming silver in Technical and gold in Free Routine two years ago.

"Our goal is still to win gold in the free routine and this silver boosts us to perform even better." - said the Russian duet.

Bill May (USA) has completed his medal tally of mixed events, after winning gold in this event and silver in the Free Routine two years ago.

"We clinched bronze, we are not at all disappointed about it. On the contrary, it shows the progression of the event. It shows the evolution of synchronised swimming, it is especially important concerning the Olympics. But we need more men, it is quantity we shall focus on now as the quality is getting better and better already." - May added.

1. Manila Flamini and Giorgio Minisini (ITA) 90.2979
2. Mikhaela Kalancha and Aleksandr Maltsev (RUS) 90.2639
3. Bill May and Kanako Kitao Spendlove (USA) 87.6682