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ATP HEAD2HEAD: QUARTER-FINAL SINGLES MATCHES

NOTE: Australians went 5-0 in 2022 Los Cabos 1R and 0-5 in 2R (Hijikata, Kokkinakis, Kubler, Purcell, Thompson).

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[4] Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) vs [6] Brandon Nakashima (USA) First Meeting

Miomir Kecmanovic | Age: 22 | World No. 38 | Career-High No. 30 | 2022: 28-15 (Munich SF) | Los Cabos: 1-0 (2022 QF)
> Broke into Top 40 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Kitzbuhel and achieved career-high No. 30 in June 2022.
> Went 2-11 to end 2021 and 25-11 to begin 2022, reaching Grand Slam 3R and 4R for 1st time at 2022 Australian Open.
> Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2019 Indian Wells as LL, 2022 Indian Wells and 2022 Miami, equaling biggest win of career in 2022 Indian Wells 4R vs. No. 6 Berrettini.
> Beat Ruud and Davidovich Fokina to reach 2019 Intesa Sanpaolo Next Gen ATP Finals SF (l. to eventual champion Sinner).
> Defeated Tsitsipas in 3rd-set TB to win 2015 Orange Bowl junior title, then ended 2016 as World No. 1 junior ahead of No. 2 Tsitsipas.

NOTE: No. 2 Serbian (behind World No. 6 Djokovic) has won a personal-best 28 matches this season (13-8 on clay, 13-4 on hard and 2-3 on grass). He seeks 2nd semi-final of the year (1-5 in quarter-finals in 2022).

Brandon Nakashima | Age: 21 | World No. 61 | Career-High No. 49 | 2022: 19-15 (4 times in QF) | Los Cabos: 6-1 (2021 F)
> Former World No. 3 junior achieved career-high No. 49 after reaching 2021 Intesa Sanpaolo Next Gen ATP Finals SF.
> Advanced to back-to-back ATP Tour finals at Los Cabos and Atlanta as a 19-year-old in 2021, becoming youngest American to reach multiple finals since Roddick in 2001-02.
> Reached 2020 Delray Beach QF as 18-year-old WC in ATP Tour debut.
> Owns 3-0 record in Challenger finals with titles at 2020 Orlando, 2021 Quimper-2 and 2021 Brest.
> Went 44-18 across pro, college and junior tennis in 2019, beginning season on ITF World Tennis Tour, starring at University of Virginia, advancing to US Open boys' singles SF and ending year on ATP Challenger Tour.

NOTE: Nakashima reached 4th ATP Tour quarter-final of the year on his 21st birthday on Wednesday beating Purcell in 2R. He now seeks 3rd career ATP Tour semi-final (2nd in Los Cabos).

[1] Daniil Medvedev vs Ricardas Berankis (LTU)

18 Moscow (Russia)
19 Dubai (U.A.E.)

Hard	QF	Daniil Medvedev
Hard	R32	Ricardas Berankis

Series Tied 1-1

6-2	1-6	6-4
6-3	6-3	

Other Meeting

16 Kazan CH (Russia)

Hard	R32	Daniil Medvedev
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6-4	3-6	6-4
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Daniil Medvedev | Age: 26 | World No. 1 (Career-High) | 2022: 28-10 (3 Finals) | Los Cabos: 1-0 (2022 QF)
> Achieved career-high No. 1 in February 2022, becoming tallest World No. 1 in history at 1.98m (6'6") and 1st World No. 1 other than Djokovic, Nadal, Federer and Murray since Roddick in February 2004.
> Four-time Grand Slam finalist denied No. 1 Djokovic calendar Grand Slam by defeating him for 2021 US Open title.
> Beat No. 1 Djokovic, No. 2 Nadal and No. 3 Thiem en route to 2020 Nitto ATP Finals title, becoming 1st player to sweep Top 3 in tournament history and anywhere on ATP Tour since 2007 Madrid (Nalbandian).
> Earned 20 straight wins from 2020-21 (12 vs. Top 10), led ATP Tour with 63 victories in 2021, and captured team titles at 2021 ATP Cup, Laver Cup and Davis Cup.
> Won 12 of his 13 singles titles on hard courts (6 indoor, 6 outdoor), including ATP Masters 1000 championships at 2019 Cincinnati, 2019 Shanghai, 2020 Paris and 2021 Toronto.

NOTE: Medvedev needs two more wins to reach Los Cabos final and secure World No. 1 ranking until after 2022 US Open.

Ricardas Berankis | Age: 32 | World No. 98 | Career-High No. 50 | 2022: 9-8 (2 times in QF) | Los Cabos: 2-0 (2022 QF)
> Advanced to ATP Tour finals at 2012 Los Angeles as 141st-ranked Q and 2017 Moscow as No. 169.
> Broke into Top 50 in spring 2016 after winning Challenger titles at Gwangju and Nanjing.
> Advanced to Grand Slam 3R at 2011 Australian Open, 2013 Australian Open as Q, 2020 US Open and 2021 Roland Garros.
> Owns 200-103 Challenger record (13-10 in finals), including wins over former or future Top-10 players Anderson, Dimitrov, Goffin, Hurkacz, Khachanov, Pouille and Rublev.
> Finished 2007 as World No. 1 junior and on a 24-1 run with 4 titles, including US Open.

NOTE: Berankis seeks biggest career win (No. 4 Raonic at 2016 Basel) and is 1-7 vs. Top 5 players and 2-18 vs. Top 10 players in his career (both wins over Raonic).

Steve Johnson (USA) vs [2] Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN) **Auger-Aliassime Leads 1-0**
19 Lyon (France) Clay QF Felix Auger-Aliassime 6-4 2-6 6-4

Steve Johnson | Age: 32 | World No. 92 | Career-High No. 21 | 2022: 13-11 (2 times in QF) | Los Cabos: 4-2 (2021-22 QF)
> Achieved career-high No. 21 and became No. 1 American during 2016 season.
> Won grass-court titles at 2016 Nottingham and 2018 Newport, as well as clay-court titles at Houston in 2017 and 2018, becoming 1st repeat Houston champion since Roddick in 2001-02.
> Posted 7 wins at 2016 Rio Olympics, finishing as doubles bronze medallist w/Sock and singles quarter-finalist (l. to eventual gold medallist Murray in 3rd-set TB).
> Defeated then-No. 37 Dimitrov to reach 2016 Wimbledon 4R, but owns 1-9 record in Grand Slam 3R with all 9 losses to Top-15 players.
> One of the greatest college tennis players of all time, sweeping 2009-12 NCAA team titles with USC, winning 2011-12 NCAA singles titles and ending career with 72 straight singles wins.

NOTE: Johnson seeks 5th career Top 10 win (4-28), first since beating No. 9 Isner in 2018 Houston en route to the title and first tour-level semi-final since 2019 Winston-Salem (0-4 in ATP Tour quarter-finals since).

Felix Auger-Aliassime | Age: 21 | World No. 9 (Career-High) | 2022: 31-17 (Rotterdam Title) | Los Cabos: 1-0 (2022 QF)
> Achieved career-high No. 9 after helping Canada win 2022 ATP Cup title, defeating No. 3 A. Zverev along the way for biggest win of career.
> Defeated fellow Top-10 players Rublev and Tsitsipas at 2022 Rotterdam for 1st ATP Tour title in 9th final.
> At 2021 US Open, became 1st Canadian men's singles semi-finalist in tournament history (since 1881).
> Also advanced to Grand Slam QFs at 2021 Wimbledon and 2022 Australian Open.
> As an 18-year-old in 2019, became youngest Top-25 player since Hewitt, 18, in 1999; youngest ATP 500 finalist in series history at Rio de Janeiro (since 2009); and youngest semi-finalist in Miami tournament history (since 1985).

NOTE: Auger-Aliassime seeks 18th tour-level semi-final (9-8), fourth of 2022, reaching the stage in Rotterdam (eventual champion), Marseille (l. to Rublev in the final) and 's-Hertogenbosch (l. to van Rijthoven in SF).

Radu Albot (MDA) vs [3] Cameron Norrie (GBR) **First Meeting**

Radu Albot | Age: 32 | World No. 118 | Career-High No. 39 | 2022: 7-7 (Los Cabos QF) | Los Cabos: 5-1 (2019 SF)
> Achieved career-high No. 39 and earned personal-best 31 wins in 2019, highlighted by 1st ATP Tour title at Delray Beach (d. Evans after saving 3 MPs).
> Defeated No. 12 Carreno Busta in 5 sets for biggest win of career en route to 2018 Wimbledon 3R.
> Struggled with right shoulder injury to start 2020, then ended season by equaling career-best win over No. 12 Shapovalov in Sofia 2R.
> Peaked at No. 11 as a junior in 2007 and earned wins over future ATP No. 3s Dimitrov and Raonic.> Speaks Romanian, Russian, English and a bit of German and Spanish after training in Romania, USA, Germany and Spain.

NOTE: Albot seeks 7th ATP Tour semi-final (1-5) and aims to equal his best career win over No. 12 Carreno Busta at 2018 Wimbledon 1R and No. 12 Shapovalov at 2020 Sofia 2R. He is 6-22 vs. Top 20 players (0-2 in 2022).

Cameron Norrie | Age: 26 | World No. 12 | Career-High No. 10 | 2022: 33-16 (2 Titles) | Los Cabos: 9-2 (2021 Title)
> Achieved career-high No. 10 in April 2022, joining Henman, Murray and Rusedski as 4th Brit to break into Top 10.
> Earned 52 wins in 2021 after entering season with 51 career wins, becoming 1st Brit to win ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells title in 46-year tournament history.
> Won 1st of 4 ATP Tour titles at 2021 Los Cabos following runner-up finishes at 2019 Auckland as WC, 2021 Estoril, 2021 Lyon and 2021 London/Queen's Club.

- > Posted 14 straight wins in North America from 2021-22, including upset of No. 4 Tsitsipas in 2022 Acapulco SF to equal biggest win of career.
- > Born in South Africa to a Scottish father and Welsh mother, grew up in New Zealand, became No. 1 collegiate player in USA at Texas Christian University, and has represented Great Britain since 2013.

NOTE: Norrie aims to become the first player with 10 wins at the event in tournament history (currently equaled with Fritz at 9). He is making his 4th appearance in Los Cabos, reaching the semi-finals in 2018 (l. to eventual winner Fognini), 2R in 2019 and winning his 1st ATP Tour title in 2021 (0-4 in finals prior to 2021 Los Cabos). He is 5-0 vs. players ranked outside of Top 100 on tour-level in 2022 and has an 18-match winning streak against them (l. to No. 119 Korda at 2021 Delray Beach SF).