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MIAMI OPEN PRESENTED BY ITAU TALKING POINTS

• 39th edition of **Miami Open presented by Itau** gets underway on Wednesday, with four former champions in the draw, including No. 1 seed **Carlos Alcaraz**, who enters the event fresh off capturing his 5th ATP Masters 1000 title in Indian Wells for the second year in a row. 2022 champion will attempt to become the first player since **Roger Federer** in 2017 to win the 'Sunshine Double'.

ATP Masters 1000 Sunshine Double (Indian Wells, Miami)

Year	Player	Year	Player
2017	Roger Federer	2005	Roger Federer
2016	Novak Djokovic	2001	Andre Agassi
2015	Novak Djokovic	1998	Marcelo Rios
2014	Novak Djokovic	1994	Pete Sampras
2011	Novak Djokovic	1992	Michael Chang
2006	Roger Federer	1991	Jim Courier

- Reigning champion Daniil Medvedev will attempt to defend a title for the first time in his career. The World No.
 4 captured 20 tour-level titles at 20 different locations. He arrives to Miami after losing to Alcaraz in Indian
 Wells final for the second year in a row and seeks his 7th ATP Masters 1000 title over the next ten days.
- World No. 3 and Australian Open champion Jannik Sinner lost his 19-match winning streak in Indian Wells, but remains in hot form with 16-1 record this season. As a 19-year-old in 2021, he became the first Italian finalist in tournament history, before reaching the final again in 2023, looking for his 1st Miami title this year.
- Sinner is a Top-2 seed at an ATP Masters 1000 event for the first time in his career. Alcaraz (20) and Sinner (22) are the youngest pair of top seeds at an ATP Masters 1000 tournament since Nadal (19) and Roddick (23) at 2005 Madrid and second youngest (43,46) in Miami tournament history (2002; Hewitt and Ferrero 43,15).
- No. 1 American Taylor Fritz leads tournament-high 13 Americans in the field with 6 of them seeded. Fritz aims
 to reach back-to-back Miami QFs, while No. 2 American Tommy Paul looks to maintain the form that saw him
 reach Indian Wells SF last week. A year after qualifying to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF and break into Top
 100 in Miami, Christopher Eubanks is the No. 31 seed, aiming for a run at the Hard Rock Stadium again.

ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT

Tournament History Finals Schedule

39th Edition (1985-2019, 2021-Present) Singles - Sunday 31 March Not Before 3 pm

Doubles - Saturday 30 March Not Before 12:30 pm

Wild Cards (5) Darwin Blanch (USA

Darwin Blanch (USA), Martin Damm (USA), Martin Landaluce (ESP),

Kei Nishikori (JPN), Shang Juncheng (CHN),

Qualifiers (12) Roberto Bautista Agut, Lukas Klein, Vit Kopriva, Aleksandar Kovacevic,

Harold Mayot, Brandon Nakashima, Emilio Nava, Diego Schwartzman,

Thiago Seyboth Wild, Andrea Vavassori, Adam Walton, Coleman Wong

Lucky Loser (1) Yoshihito Nishioka (W/D of No. 32 seed Coric)

Protected Rankings (3)

Gael Monfils (37)

Oldest Player #NextGenATP (7)

Darwin Blanch (16), Martin Landaluce (18), Shang Juncheng (19),

Alex Michelsen (19), Arthur Fils (19), Coleman Wong (19), Luca Van Assche (19)

Denis Shapovalov (PR-27), Matteo Berrettini (PR-74), Soonwoo Kwon (PR-80)



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Tournament Records

Most Titles - Andre Agassi (6), Novak Djokovic (6)

Most Wins - Andre Agassi (61)

<u>Youngest Champion</u> – Carlos Alcaraz, 18, in 2022 <u>Oldest Champion</u> – Roger Federer, 37, in 2019

Highest-Ranked Champion - No. 1 (8 times), most recently N. Djokovic in 2016

<u>Lowest-Ranked Champion</u> – No. 45 Tim Mayotte in 1985

Last American Champion: John Isner in 2018

PIF ATP RANKINGS POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Miami Open presented by Itau	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64	R128
Singles Ranking Points	1,000	650	400	200	100	50	30*	10^
Singles Prize Money (\$)	1,100,000	585,000	325,000	185,000	101,000	59,100	34,500	23,250
Doubles Ranking Points	1,000	600	360	180	90	0		
Doubles Prize Money (\$)	447,300	236,800	127,170	63,600	34,100	18,640		

^{*} Singles players who receive a bye in R128 and lose in R64 earn 10 ranking points

2024 MIAMI OPEN PRESENTED BY ITAU SINGLES SEEDS

SEED	PLAYER	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	MIAMI W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	12-3 (Indian Wells Title)	10-2 (2022 Title)
2	Jannik Sinner (ITA)	16-1 (Aus. Open, Rotterdam Titles)	13-3 (2021, 2023 Finals)
3	Daniil Medvedev	14-3 (Aus. Open, Indian Wells Finals)	14-4 (2023 Title)
4	Alexander Zverev (GER)	14-5 (2 SFs)	13-8 (2018 Final)
5	Andrey Rublev	15-5 (Hong Kong Title)	10-8 (2021 SF)
6	Holger Rune (DEN)	13-6 (Brisbane Final)	2-1 (2023 4R)
7	Casper Ruud (NOR)	16-4 (2 Finals)	6-4 (2022 Final)
8	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	13-7 (Marseille SF)	13-3 (2021 Title)
9	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	17-5 (Acapulco Title)	1-4 (2022 3R)
10	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	11-5 (Los Cabos SF)	8-5 (2021 QF)
11	Grigor Dimitrov (BUL)	15-4 (Brisbane Title)	11-12 (2012, 2016 4R)
12	Taylor Fritz (USA)	12-4 (Delray Beach Title)	9-7 (2023 QF)
13	Tommy Paul (USA)	14-5 (Dallas Title)	4-4 (2023 4R)
14	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	14-4 (2 Titles)	3-4 (2021 3R)
15	Karen Khachanov	10-5 (Doha Title)	6-7 (2023 SF)
16	Ben Shelton (USA)	10-6 (Auckland, Dallas SF)	0-1 (2023 2R)
17	Alexander Bublik (KAZ)	14-6 (Montpellier Title)	5-4 (2021 QF)
18	Sebastian Baez (ARG)	17-6 (2 Titles)	0-2 (2023 2R)
19	Adrian Mannarino (FRA)	7-8 (Dallas SF)	13-10 (2015, 2017, 2023 4R)
20	Francisco Cerundolo (ARG)	6-8 (Rio de Janeiro SF)	8-2 (2022 SF)
21	Frances Tiafoe (USA)	7-6 (Delray Beach SF)	13-6 (2019 QF)
22	Nicolas Jarry (CHI)	8-7 (Buenos Aires Final)	1-3 (2018 2R)
23	Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)	5-8 (Adelaide QF)	2-3 (2021 3R)
24	Jan-Lennard Struff (GER)	5-7 (Indian Wells 3R)	5-7 (2017, 2021 3R)
25	Tallon Griekspoor (NED)	9-6 (Rotterdam SF)	0-1 (2022 1R)
26	Jiri Lehecka (CZE)	13-7 (Adelaide Title)	2-1 (2023 3R)
27	Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP)	7-6 (Marseille, Dubai QF)	1-2 (2023 3R)
28	Sebastian Korda (USA)	9-7 (Adelaide SF)	6-2 (2021 QF)
29	Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)	5-6 (Cordoba, Buenos Aires QF)	1-1 (2023 2R)
30	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	9-5 (Rio de Janeiro SF)	4-5 (2022 4R)
31	Christopher Eubanks (USA)	3-5 (Aus. Open, Dallas 2R)	4-3 (2023 QF)
32	Borna Coric (CRO)	5-6 (Montpellier Final)	10-7 (2018-19 QF)
33	Jordan Thompson (AUS)	13-7 (Los Cabos Title)	5-5 (2019 4R)

[^] Singles wild cards who lose in R128 earn 0 ranking points

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COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (30)

Italy (8)

United States (13) Darwin Blanch, Martin Damm, Christopher Eubanks, Taylor Fritz, Marcos Giron,

Sebastian Korda, Aleksandar Kovacevic, Alex Michelsen, Brandon Nakashima,

Emilio Nava, Tommy Paul, Ben Shelton, Frances Tiafoe

Australia (8) Alex de Minaur, Rinky Hijikata, Christopher O'Connell, Alexei Popyrin, Max Purcell

Max Purcell, Jordan Thompson, Aleksandar Vukic, Adam Walton

Matteo Arnaldi, Matteo Berrettini, Flavio Cobolli, Luciano Darderi, Lorenzo Musetti, Jannik Sinner, Lorenzo Sonego, Andrea Vavassori

Arthur Fils, Ugo Humbert, Adrian Mannarino, Harold Mayot

France (7) Gael Monfils, Alexandre Muller, Luca Van Assche

Sebastian Baez, Pedro Cachin, Francisco Cerundolo, Facundo Diaz Acosta, Argentina (6)

Tomas Martin Etcheverry, Diego Schwartzman

Carlos Alcaraz, Roberto Bautista Agut, Roberto Carballes Baena, Spain (6)

Alejandro Davidovich Fokina, Martin Landaluce, Jaume Munar

Germany (5) Daniel Altmaier, Yannick Hanfmann, Dominik Koepfer, Jan-Lennard Struff, Alexander Zverev

Great Britain (4) Jack Draper, Daniel Evans, Andy Murray, Cameron Norrie

Czech Republic (3) Vit Kopriva, Jiri Lehecka, Tomas Machac Japan (3) Taro Daniel, Kei Nishikori, Yoshihito Nishioka Serbia (3) Laslo Djere, Miomir Kecmanovic, Dusan Lajovic Canada (2) Felix Auger-Aliassime, Denis Shapovalov

Nicolas Jarry, Alejandro Tabilo Chile (2) China (2) Shang Juncheng, Zhang Zhizhen Marton Fucsovics, Fabian Marozsan Hungary (2) Kazakhstan (2) Alexander Bublik, Alexander Shevchenko Netherlands (2) Tallon Griekspoor, Botic van de Zandschulp

Sebastian Ofner Austria (1)

Brazil (1) Thiago Seyboth Wild Hong Kong (1) Coleman Wong Bulgaria (1) Grigor Dimitrov Norway (1) Casper Ruud Poland (1) Colombia (1) Daniel Elahi Galan **Hubert Hurkacz** Denmark (1) Holger Rune Portugal (1) Nuno Borges Emil Ruusuvuori Finland (1) Slovakia (1) Lukas Klein Greece (1) Stefanos Tsitsipas South Korea (1) Soonwoo Kwon

Karen Khachanov, Pavel Kotov, Daniil Medvedev, Andrey Rublev, Roman Safiullin

MIAMI OPEN PRESENTED BY ITAU SINGLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Daniil Medvedev	Jannik Sinner (ITA)	7-5 6-3
2022	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	Casper Ruud (NOR)	7-5 6-4
2021	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	Jannik Sinner (ITA)	7-6(4) 6-4
2020	Tournament Canceled		
2019	Roger Federer (SUI)	John Isner (USA)	6-1 6-4
2018	John Isner (USA)	Alexander Zverev (GER)	6-7(4) 6-4 6-4
2017	Roger Federer (SUI)	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	6-3 6-4
2016	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	6-3 6-3
2015	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Andy Murray (GBR)	7-6(3) 4-6 6-0
2014	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	6-3 6-3
2013	Andy Murray (GBR)	David Ferrer (ESP)	2-6 6-4 7-6(1)
2012	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Andy Murray (GBR)	6-1 7-6(4)
2011	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	4-6 6-3 7-6(4)
2010	Andy Roddick (USA)	Tomas Berdych (CZE)	7-5 6-4
2009	Andy Murray (GBR)	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	6-2 7-5

BOLD: Player in 2024 Miami Open presented by Itau singles draw



2024 MIAMI OPEN PRESENTED BY ITAU DOUBLES SEEDS

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM W-L & TITLES	2024 (INDIVIDUALLY)	MIAMI (INDIVIDUALLY)
1	Rohan Bopanna (IND)	49-23 (9-3 in 2024)	9-3 (Aus. Open Title)	12-12 (2012 SF)
	Matthew Ebden (AUS)	3 Titles (1 in 2024)	9-3 (Aus. Open Title)	1-2 (2022 2R)
2	Ivan Dodig (CRO)	85-38 (9-4 in 2024)	9-5 (Dubai Final)	12-8 (2019, 2021 SF)
	Austin Krajicek (USA)	8 Titles (0 in 2024)	10-4 (Dubai Final)	5-4 (2023 Final)
3	Rajeev Ram (USA)	184-85 (7-3 in 2024)	8-3 (Adelaide Title)	15-11 (2016 Final)
	Joe Salisbury (GBR)	14 Titles (1 in 2024)	7-3 (Adelaide Title)	7-4 (2021 SF)
4	Marcel Granollers (ESP)	135-69 (11-5 in 2024)	11-5 (3 Finals)	10-11 (2013 SF)
	Horacio Zeballos (ARG)	8 Titles (0 in 2024)	11-5 (3 Finals)	5-6 (2019, 2022 QF)
5	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX)	11-7 (all in 2024)	11-7 (2 Finals)	7-6 (2023 Title)
	Neal Skupski (GBR)	(2 Finals)	11-7 (2 Finals)	10-4 (2021-22 Finals)
6	Maximo Gonzalez (ARG)	56-33 (8-5 in 2024)	8-5 (Cordoba Title)	6-4 (2019, 2022-23 QF)
	Andres Molteni (ARG)	7 Titles (1 in 2024)	8-5 (Cordoba Title)	2-3 (2023 QF)
7	Kevin Krawietz (GER)	51-27 (10-5 in 2024)	10-5 (Brisbane Final)	3-3 (2023 SF)
	Tim Puetz (GER)	1 Title (0 in 2024)	10-5 (Brisbane Final)	1-1 (2021 2R)
8	Wesley Koolhof (NED)	40-16 (16-3 in 2024)	16-4 (3 Titles)	10-4 (2019, 2022 Finals)
	Nikola Mektic (CRO)	4 Titles (3 in 2024)	16-4 (3 Titles)	11-5 (2021 Title)

MIAMI OPEN PRESENTED BY ITAU DOUBLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Santiago Gonzalez / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	Austin Krajicek / Nicolas Mahut	7-6(4) 7-5
2022	Hubert Hurkacz / John Isner	Wesley Koolhof / Neal Skupski	7-6(5) 6-4
2021	Nikola Mektic / Mate Pavic	Daniel Evans / Neal Skupski	6-4 6-4
2020	Tournament Canceled		
2019	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Wesley Koolhof / Stefanos Tsitsipas	7-5 7-6(8)
2018	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Karen Khachanov / Andrey Rublev	4-6 7-6(5) [10-4]
2017	Lukasz Kubot / Marcelo Melo	Nicholas Monroe / Jack Sock	7-5 6-3
2016	Pierre-Hugues Herbert / Nicolas Mahut	Raven Klaasen / Rajeev Ram	5-7 6-1 [10-7]
2015	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Vasek Pospisil / Jack Sock	6-3 1-6 [10-8]
2014	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	7-6(8) 6-4
2013	Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi / Jean-Julien Rojer	Mariusz Fyrstenberg / Marcin Matkowski	6-4 6-1
2012	Leander Paes / Radek Stepanek	Max Mirnyi / Daniel Nestor	3-6 6-1 [10-8]
2011	Mahesh Bhupathi / Leander Paes	Max Mirnyi / Daniel Nestor	6-7(5) 6-2 [10-5]
2010	Lukas Dlouhy / Leander Paes	Mahesh Bhupathi / Max Mirnyi	6-2 7-5
2009	Max Mirnyi / Andy Ram	Ashley Fisher / Stephen Huss	6-7(4) 6-2 [10-7]

BOLD: Player in 2024 Miami Open presented by Itau doubles draw - no team remains intact.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: WEDNESDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

STADIUM

Tomas Machac (CZE) vs [WC] Darwin Blanch (USA)

First Meeting

Tomas Machac | Age: 23 | World No. 60 (Career-High) | 2024: 6-5 (Marseille QF) | Miami: 0-0 (2023 Q2)

- > Former Top-20 junior broke into Top 100 in time for 2022 year-end rankings, then earned career-high No. 62 in March 2024 soon after reaching 3rd ATP Tour QF at Marseille.
- > Defeated former champion Sock en route to 1st ATP Tour QF at 2023 Houston.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 17 Tiafoe en route to 1st Grand Slam 3R at 2024 Australian Open.
- > Representing Czech Republic, defeated Sousa to reach 2020 Tokyo Olympics 2R (held in 2021) and beat both Gasquet and Evans during 2021 Davis Cup Finals.
- > Boasts 110-54 Challenger record (6-5 in finals), including back-to-back titles at Orleans and Mouilleron le Captif in October 2023.
- > Says that his favourite sports team is Chicago Bulls and his hero is Michael Jordan, who played his last game as a Bull in 1998 2 years before Machac was born.



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Berrettini Leads 3-2

NOTE: Machac is playing in his 3rd ATP Masters 1000 event, after 2022 and 2024 Indian Wells, earning 1R wins on both occasions (d. Popyrin in 2022 1R and Wawrinka in 2024 1R).

Darwin Blanch | Age: 16 | World No. 1034 (Career-High) | 2024: 0-0 (M15 Torello SF) | Miami: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Current World No. 8 junior earned first ranking point in February 2022, then reached career-high No. 1034 in March 2024 after advancing to his second ITF World Tennis Tour SF at M15 Torello.
- > Making his ATP Tour debut at 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Miami as WC, becoming the 5th-youngest player at ATP Masters 1000 events since the series began in 1990.
- > He is 11-13 on the ITF World Tennis Tour, highlighted by SFs at 2023 M15 Telde and 2024 M15 Torello.
- > Peaked at No. 4 on junior circuit and owns a 71-35 record, highlighted by runs to 2023 Roland Garros (d. No. 1 Pacheco Mendez in 1R) and Wimbledon SFs in boys' singles.
- > Left-handed American is based in Juan Carlos Ferrero academy and is a regular training partner of World No. 2 Alcaraz.

NOTE: Blanch is making his ATP Tour debut, aiming to become the second youngest player to win an ATP Masters 1000 match since the series began in 1990 and tie Mardy Fish for 3rd-lowest ranked player with an ATP Masters 1000 match win.

Youngest Players at ATP Masters 1000 Event

No.	Player	Age	Event
1	Donald Young	15	2005 Indian Wells
2	Donald Young	15	2005 Miami
3	Richard Gasquet	15	2002 Monte Carlo
4	Magnus Norman	16	1992 Stockholm
5	Darwin Blanch	16	2024 Miami
6	Donald Young	16	2006 Indian Wells
7	Donald Young	16	2006 Miami
8	Yuki Bhambri	16	2009 Miami
9	Richard Gasquet	16	2003 Miami
10	Richard Gasquet	16	2003 Monte Carlo

Youngest Players to Win ATP Masters 1000 Match

No.	Player	Age	Event	Rd.	Opponent
1	Richard Gasquet	15	2002 Monte Carlo	1R	Franco Squillari
2	Rafael Nadal	16	2003 Monte Carlo	1R	Karol Kucera
3	Rafael Nadal	16	2003 Monte Carlo	2R	No. 7 Albert Costa
4	Rafael Nadal	16	2003 Hamburg	1R	Paul-Henri Mathieu
5	Rafael Nadal	16	2003 Hamburg	2R	No. 4 Carlos Moya
6	Dinu Pescariu	17	1991 Monte Carlo	1R	Franco Davin
7	Fabrice Santoro	17	1990 Miami	1R	Marc Rosset
8	Denis Shapovalov	17	2016 Toronto	1R	Nick Kyrgios
9	Fabrice Santoro	17	1990 Hamburg	1R	Petr Korda
10	Andrey Rubley	17	2015 Miami	1R	Pablo Carreno Busta

Andy Murray (GBR) vs [PR] Matteo Berrettini (ITA)

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19 Beijing (China)	Hard	R32	Andy Murray	7-6(2) 7-6(7)
21 London / Queen's Club (Great Britain)	Grass	R16	Matteo Berrettini	6-3 6-3
22 Stuttgart (Germany)	Grass	F	Matteo Berrettini	6-4 5-7 6-3
22 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Matteo Berrettini	6-4 6-4 6-7(1) 6-3
23 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R128	Andy Murray	6-3 6-3 4-6 6-7(7) 7-6(6)

Andy Murray | Age: 36 | World No. 62 | Career-High No. 1 | 2024: 3-7 (3 times in 2R) | Miami: 29-11 ('09, '13 Titles) > Became 1st British World No. 1 in singles at age 29 in 2016, making him 2nd-oldest player to debut at No. 1 behind Newcombe, 30, in 1974.

- > Ended 2016 on 24-match win streak, defeating No. 2 Djokovic at Nitto ATP Finals to clinch year-end No. 1 and ATP-best 9th title of season.
- > First British Grand Slam men's singles champion (2012 US Open) and Wimbledon champion (2013, 2016) since Perry in 1936 (Wimbledon, US Championships).
- > Also 1st player to win 2 Olympic gold medals in singles (2012 London, 2016 Rio), highlighted by 6-2 6-1 6-4 rout of No. 1 Federer in 2012 final on Wimbledon's Centre Court.



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> Owns 736 career wins and is only player with at least 7 victories vs. Djokovic, Federer and Nadal, including championship wins over all 3 among his 14 ATP Masters 1000 and 46 tour-level titles overall.

NOTE: 2-time champion Murray looks to win his opening round for the fourth consecutive tournament (after 0-4 start to 2024) and become the third active player with 30 wins at the event (Djokovic 44, Nadal 40).

Matteo Berrettini | Age: 27 | World No. 142 | Career-High No. 6 | 2024: 0-0 (Phoenix CH F) | Miami: 0-2 (2023 2R) > Achieved career-high No. 6 after reaching 2022 Australian Open SF, becoming 3rd-highest-ranked Italian since start of PIF ATP Rankings in 1973 (No. 3 Sinner in 2024, No. 4 Panatta in 1976).

- > At 2021 Wimbledon, became 1st Italian men's singles finalist in tournament history and 1st Italian Grand Slam men's singles finalist since Panatta at 1976 Roland Garros.
- > First Italian man to reach QFs of all 4 Grand Slam events and 1st to earn a win at Nitto ATP Finals (d. Thiem in 2019 RR).
- > Owns 36-8 record on grass with 4 of his 7 ATP Tour titles, including 2021 and 2022 London/Queen's Club to become 1st player in Open Era to win titles in each of his 1st 2 appearances at that event.
- > Defeated No. 3 Thiem en route to 2021 ATP Cup team final and No. 3 Ruud en route to 2023 United Cup team final for biggest wins of career.

NOTE: Berrettini is playing in his first tour-level event since 2023 US Open (retired to Rinderknech in 2R), looking for his first win at 8th of 9 ATP Masters 1000 events (0-2 in Miami and Paris). He played in his first tournament of the season last week, reaching Phoenix CH final (l. to Borges).

Alex Michelsen (USA) vs [Q] Lukas Klein (SVK)

First Meeting

Alex Michelsen | Age: 19 | World No. 73 (Career-High) | 2024: 7-7 (Los Cabos QF) | Miami: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Youngest American in Top 200 of the PIF ATP Rankings earned career-high No. 73 in January 2024 after becoming the youngest American in Grand Slam 3R since Young in 2007, reaching 3R at Australian Open.
- > Earned 1st ATP Tour win and reached 1st QF, SF and final at 2023 Newport, becoming the youngest American ATP Tour finalist since Fritz at 2016 Memphis.
- > Defeated No. 9 de Minaur for the biggest win of career at 2024 Los Cabos.
- > Owns a 34-15 Challenger record (2-2 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Chicago and Knoxville.
- > Reached career-high No. 25 in ITF Juniors, highlighted by 2022 Wimbledon boys' doubles title w/Gorzny.
- > Started playing at the age of 3, hitting with his mother, former college player, every day until 15 years of age.

NOTE: Michelsen captured his first ATP Masters 1000 win in main draw debut at Indian Wells last week (d. Munar in 1R). He aims to be the youngest American man to win a match in Miami since 19-year-olds Fritz and Tiafoe in 2017.

Lukas Klein | Age: 25 | World No. 128 (Career-High) | 2024: 4-3 (3 times in 2R) | Miami: 0-0 (2023 Q2)

- > Broke into Top 300 in 2020 and Top 200 in 2022, then achieved career-high No. 128 in March 2024 after earning 1st ATP Masters 1000 match win in Miami (d. Moreno de Alboran in 1R).
- > Made ATP Tour debut at 2021 Buenos Aires as World No. 291-Q, defeating compatriot Martin in 1R.
- > Played 2021 Tokyo Olympics and made Grand Slam debut at 2022 Wimbledon, before defeating Kwon at 2024 Australian Open for 1st Grand Slam win (I. to No. 6 Zverev in 2R in fifth set tie-break).
- > Opened 2024 season by defeating No. 28 Baez for biggest win of career in Brisbane (I. to Arnaldi in 2R).
- > Owns 95-74 Challenger record (3-2 in finals), winning titles at 2022 Troisdoft, Alicante and 2023 Ortisei.

NOTE: Klein earned new career-high No. 128 on Monday, becoming the Slovak No. 1 for the first time in his career. He came from qualifying to reach 2R at Indian Wells, looking to do the same in Miami after defeating No. 18 seed Paire in Q1 and No. 4 seed Mensik in Q2.

GRANDSTAND

Luciano Darderi (ITA) vs [PR] Denis Shapovalov (CAN)

First Meeting

Luciano Darderi | Age: 22 | World No. 75 | Career-High No. 73 | 2024: 8-2 (Cordoba Title) | Miami: 0-0 (Debut) > Former Top 10 junior achieved career-high No. 73 in March 2024 soon after winning 1st ATP Tour title in Cordoba in the third final between two qualifiers since the ATP Tour was established in 1990 (d. Bagnis).

- > In ATP Tour debut as Q at 2023 Cordoba defeated Gaston for first win, then entered 2023 Acapulco as LL.
- > Owns a 75-56 Challenger record (2-2 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Todi and 2023 Lima 2.
- > Peaked at No. 8 in junior rankings in February 2020 after earning 3 singles and 3 doubles titles to start the season.
- > Born in Argentina, started playing tennis at age 4 with his father Luciano Enrique, a former tennis player and current coach.



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NOTE: Darderi is making his ATP Masters 1000 debut, seeking first ATP Tour hard court win (0-1) and first win outside South American clay events. He is 4-1 vs. left-handers on tour-level in his career.

Denis Shapovalov | Age: 24 | World No. 126 | Career-High No. 10 | 2024: 2-7 (2 times in 2R) | Miami: 9-5 (2019 SF) > After becoming 1st Canadian US Open men's singles quarter-finalist in 2020, joined Raonic as 2nd Canadian man in history to break into Top 10.

- > Defeated 2-time champion Murray and earned 5-set wins over Kohlschreiber and Khachanov en route to 1st Grand Slam SF at 2021 Wimbledon.
- > Reached 2019 Paris final and 4 other ATP Masters 1000 SFs, including 2017 Montreal, where he upset No. 2 Nadal and became youngest semi-finalist in series history at age 18 (since 1990).
- > Beat Carreno Busta to begin 2022 ATP Cup final and Kokkinakis to begin 2022 Davis Cup final, helping Canada sweep both team titles.
- > Ended junior career with 2016 Wimbledon boys' singles title, then broke into Top 50 of PIF ATP Rankings less than 15 months later.

NOTE: Shapovalov is 4-1 in opening rounds in Miami (I. to Harris in 2022 2R), highlighted by run to 2019 SF with wins over No. 99 Rublev in 3R, No. 10 Tsitsipas in 4R and No. 34 Tiafoe in QF (I. to No. 5 Federer).

Marcos Giron (USA) vs Dominik Koepfer (GER) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meetings 16 Columbus 2 CH (U.S.A.) 7-6(3) 6-4 Hard R32 Dominik Koepfer 19 Aptos CH (U.S.A.) Hard QF Dominik Koepfer 6-1 6-4 21 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati Q (U.S.A.) Hard Q2 Marcos Giron 7-6(6) 6-4 23 ATP Masters 1000 Paris Q (France) Q1 Marcos Giron 7-6(5) 6-3 Hard

Marcos Giron | Age: 30 | World No. 51 | Career-High No. 44 | 2024: 8-6 (Dallas Final) | Miami: 1-3 (2021 2R) > One of 3 former UCLA Bruins to break into Top 50 during 2022 season (also Cressy, McDonald), then earned career-high No. 44 in February 2024 after reaching 2nd ATP Tour final in Dallas.

- > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour final at age 29 and in his home state of California at 2022 San Diego.
- > Qualified at 10 ATP Masters 1000 events, including 2023 Toronto, earning biggest win of career over No. 6 Rune in 2R.
- > Reached 2021 Roland Garros 3R after rallying from 6-2 6-4 5-1 down and saving 3 MPs vs. Dimitrov in 1R.
- > Won 2014 NCAA singles title for UCLA and broke into Top 100 in 2020 following right hip surgery in 2015 and left hip surgery in 2016.

NOTE: Giron looks for first ATP Masters 1000 win since defeating Galan at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 1R (l. to Sinner in 2R). He is 4-3 vs. Top 50 players this year, including wins over No. 43 Purcell, No. 14 Tiafoe and No. 17 Mannarino to reach 2nd ATP Tour final in Dallas in February.

Dominik Koepfer | Age: 29 | World No. 50 | Career-High No. 49 | 2024: 5-5 (2 QFs) | Miami: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Improved year-end ranking in 6 straight seasons (2016-21), breaking into Top 100 in 2019 and Top 50 in 2021, earning career-high No. 49 in March 2024.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2021 Acapulco and 2nd SF at 2023 Los Cabos.
- > Qualified and made ATP Masters 1000 main draw debut at 2020 Rome, where he earned biggest win of career over No. 9 Monfils en route to 1st ATP Tour QF.
- > Posted 6 wins en route to 2019 US Open 4R as Q, then reached 3R at Roland Garros, Wimbledon, Tokyo Olympics and ATP Masters 1000 Paris in 2021.
- > Earned finance degree and was a 2-time All-American at Tulane University in New Orleans (2013-16).

NOTE: Koepfer looks for 50th tour-level win of career (49-59), attempting to earn first ATP Masters 1000 win since defeating No. 53 Paire at 2022 Indian Wells 1R. Lost to then-No. 51 Shevchenko in Indian Wells 1R two weeks ago.



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[WC] Martin Damm (USA) vs Zhang Zhizhen (CHN)

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Arthur Fils (FRA) vs Matteo Arnaldi (ITA)

Arnaldi Leads 1-0

23 US Open (U.S.A.)

Hard R64

Matteo Arnaldi

3-6 7-5 7-6(5) 5-7 6-4

Other Meeting

23 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid Q (Spain)

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Q2

Matteo Arnaldi

3-6 6-3 6-2

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Insight from their 52-wk averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Arthur Fils	25%	70%	33%	7.8	6.4	8.0	7.2
Matteo Arnaldi	24%	66%	34%	7.7	6.4	7.3	7.1
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.6	7.2

Insights point to the Fils Forehand Quality and Conversion as key to him winning this match, if those fall and the Arnaldi Steal and Quality off the ground take over then the match will swing the other way.

COURT 1

Jack Draper (GBR) vs Taro Daniel (JPN)

First Meeting

Max Purcell (AUS) vs Marton Fucsovics (HUN)

First Meeting

Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) vs [WC] Shang Juncheng (CHN)

First Meeting

COURT 5

Rinky Hijikata (AUS) vs Botic van de Zandschulp (NED)

First Meeting

[LL] Yoshihito Nishioka (JPN) vs Flavio Cobolli (ITA)

24 Los Cabos (Mexico)

Hard R32 Yoshihito Nishioka

Arnaldi Leads 1-0

6-1 6-0

[Q] Thiago Seyboth Wild (BRA) vs Nuno Borges (POR)

First Meeting

COURT 2

Pavel Kotov vs Luca Van Assche (FRA)

First Meeting

Christopher O'Connell (AUS) vs [Q] Vit Kopriva (CZE)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meetings

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Clay R32 Vit Kopriva Clay QF Christopher

Vit Kopriva 3-6 6-4 6-1 Christopher O'Connell 7-5 6-3

Pedro Cachin (ARG) vs [Q] Andrea Vavassori (ITA)

First Meeting