

### SWISS INDOORS BASEL – ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 – MONDAY 21 OCTOBER 2024

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# SWISS INDOORS BASEL TALKING POINTS

- ATP Tour returns to **Swiss Indoors Basel** for the 53rd edition of the event, as double defending champion **Felix Auger-Aliassime** bids to become the second player in tournament history to win three consecutive titles after 10-time champion **Roger Federer** (2006-08, 2017-19). The 24-year-old, who would become the first player born in 2000s to three-peat at an ATP Tour event, is joined in the draw by 2016 champion **Marin Cilic**.
- No. 1 seed **Andrey Rublev** makes his Basel debut, as the No. 8 on <u>PIF ATP Race to Turin</u> attempts to win 17th ATP Tour title at 17th different location to further his chances to qualify for Nitto ATP Finals for the fifth consecutive year. No. 2 seed **Casper Ruud** is playing in Basel for the third consecutive year and will aim to reach his 1st QF at the event after losing to Swiss players **Wawrinka** in 2022 1R and **Stricker** in 2023 2R.
- No. 3 seed **Stefanos Tsitsipas** returns to Basel for the first time since 2019, when he reached the semi-finals (I. to Federer). The Greek is 0-11 in ATP 500 finals and will aim to break the streak in Basel to win his 12th ATP Tour title. No. 4 seed **Holger Rune** makes his third Basel main draw, previously reaching the final in 2022 and semi-finals last year, losing to **Auger-Aliassime** on both occasions.
- 21 years after his debut as No. 172-ranked WC in 2003, Stan Wawrinka plays in his 17th Basel main draw and owns second-most appearances at the event behind Federer (19). The 39-year-old is joined by 22-year-old Dominic Stricker, who last year became the youngest Swiss quarter-finalist in Basel since Federer in 2001, and 21-year-old Jerome Kym, who came through the qualifying draw. They will attempt to become the 4th different Swiss champion in event history after Burgener in 1972, Hlasek in 1991 and Federer (10 times).

Race	Player	Points	This Week
1	Jannik Sinner (ITA)	10,330	
2	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	6,710	
3	Alexander Zverev (GER)	6,215	Vienna – 1R vs. Schwaerzler
4	Daniil Medvedev	4,820	
5	Taylor Fritz (USA)	4,290	
6	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	3,910	
7	Casper Ruud (NOR)	3,845	Basel – 1R vs. Bautista Agut
8	Andrey Rublev	3,620	Basel – 1R vs. Borges
9	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	3,355	Vienna – 1R vs. Struff
10	Tommy Paul (USA)	3,135	Vienna – 1R vs. Nakashima
10	Grigor Dimitrov (BUL)	3,100	Vienna – 1R vs. Zhang
12	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	2,875	Basel – 1R vs. F. Cerundolo
13	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	2,630	
14	Frances Tiafoe (USA)	2,550	Vienna – 1R vs. Norrie
15	Holger Rune (DEN)	2,475	Basel – 1R vs. Jarry
16	Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)	2,400	Vienna – 1R vs. Sonego

### PIF ATP LIVE RACE TO TURIN

BOLD: Qualified for 2024 Nitto ATP Finals in Turin (10-17 November)



### 2024 SWISS INDOORS BASEL SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	BASEL W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Andrey Rublev	40-21 (Hong Kong, Madrid Titles)	0-0 (Debut)
2	Casper Ruud (NOR)	49-20 (Barcelona, Geneva Titles)	1-2 (2023 2R)
3	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	40-20 (Monte-Carlo Title)	5-2 (2019 SF)
4	Holger Rune (DEN)	38-21 (Brisbane Final)	7-2 (2022 Final)
5	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	33-22 (Marseille, Dubai Titles)	4-2 (2023 SF)
6	Ben Shelton (USA)	37-23 (Houston Title)	0-0 (Debut)
7	Arthur Fils (FRA)	32-24 (Hamburg, Tokyo Titles)	0-0 (Debut)
8	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	31-24 (Madrid Final)	10-0 (2022-23 Title)

Tournament History	1970-2019, 2022-Present (53rd Edition) Note: 1970-74 editions are not considered tour-level
Singles Final	Sunday 27 October at 3.30 pm
Wild Cards (3)	Denis Shapovalov (CAN), Dominic Stricker (SUI), Stan Wawrinka (SUI)
Qualifiers (4)	Daniel Altmaier (GER), James Duckworth (AUS),
	Jerome Kym (SUI), Botic van de Zandschulp (NED)
Protected Ranking (1)	Marin Cilic (PR-21)
Special Exempt (1)	Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP) – won Antwerp title on Sunday
Oldest Player	Stan Wawrinka (39)
#NextGenATP (3)	Shang Juncheng (19), Arthur Fils (20)
<b>Tournament Records</b>	Most Titles – Roger Federer (10)
	<u>Most Wins</u> – Roger Federer (75)
	Youngest Champion – Jim Courier, 19, in 1989
	Oldest Champion – Roger Federer, 38, in 2019
	Highest-Ranked Champion – No. 1 Pete Sampras (1996), No. 1 Roger Federer (2006-07)
	Lowest-Ranked Champion - No. 44 Jiri Hrebec in 1975
	Last Swiss Champion – Roger Federer in 2019

# **COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (19)**

France (4) Argentina (3)	Arthur Fils, Ugo Humbert, Adrian Mannarino, Giovanni Mpetshi Perricard Sebastian Baez, Francisco Cerundolo, Tomas Martin Etcheverry			
Spain (3)	Roberto Bautista Agut, Roberto		o Martinez	
Switzerland (3)	Jerome Kym, Dominic Stricker,			
Canada (2)	Felix Auger-Aliassime, Denis Shapovalov			
Chile (2)	Nicolas Jarry, Alejandro Tabilo			
Netherlands (2)	Tallon Griekspoor, Botic van de	e Zandschulp		
Australia (1)	James Duckworth	Greece (1)	Stefanos Tsitsipas	
China (1)	Shang Juncheng	Italy (1)	Matteo Arnaldi	
Croatia (1)	Marin Cilic	Kazakhstan (1)	Alexander Bublik	
Czech Republic (1)	Jiri Lehecka Norway (1) Casper Ruud			
Denmark (1)	Holger Rune Portugal (1) Nuno Borges			
Germany (1)	Daniel Altmaier Andrey Rublev	United States (1)	Ben Shelton	

## PIF ATP RANKINGS POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

SWISS INDOORS BASEL	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	500	330	200	100	50	0
Singles Prize Money (€)	446,045	239,990	127,900	65,345	34,880	18,605
Doubles Ranking Points	500	300	180	90	0	
Doubles Prize Money (€)	146,500	78,135	39,530	19,765	10,230	



# 2024 SWISS INDOORS BASEL DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2024 (BEST FINISH)	BASEL (BEST FINISH)
4	Wesley Koolhof (NED)	61-28 (37-15 in 2024)	40-19 (4 Titles)	0-1 (2019 1R)
1	Nikola Mektic (CRO)	5 Titles (4 in 2024)	38-18 (4 Titles)	1-2 (2017 QF)
2	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX)	73-38 (13-13 in 2024)	28-26 (2 Finals)	7-3 (2023 Title)
2	Edouard Roger-Vasselin (FRA)	5 Titles (2 SFs in 2024)	27-23 (Hamburg Final)	14-6 (2023 Title)
2	Austin Krajicek (USA)	20-10 (10-6 in 2024)	29-20 (3 Finals)	5-1 (2022 Title)
3	Rajeev Ram (USA)	1 Title (1 Final in 2024)	33-20 (Adelaide Title)	1-2 (2016 QF)
4	Hugo Nys (MON)	77-57 (28-21 in 2024)	32-23 (Acapulco Title)	4-2 (2023 Final)
4	Jan Zielinski (POL)	4 Titles (1 in 2024)	29-22 (Acapulco Title)	4-2 (2023 Final)

Doubles Final: Sunday 27 October at 1:00 pm

## SWISS INDOORS BASEL SINGLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	7-6(3) 7-6(5)
2022	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	Holger Rune (DEN)	6-3 7-5
2020-21	TOURNAMENT NOT HELD		
2019	Roger Federer (SUI)	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	6-2 6-2
2018	Roger Federer (SUI)	Marius Copil (ROU)	7-6(5) 6-4
2017	Roger Federer (SUI)	Juan Martin del Potro (ARG)	6-7(5) 6-4 6-3
2016	Marin Cilic (CRO)	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	6-1 7-6(5)
2015	Roger Federer (SUI)	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	6-3 5-7 6-3
2014	Roger Federer (SUI)	David Goffin (BEL)	6-2 6-2
2013	Juan Martin del Potro (ARG)	Roger Federer (SUI)	7-6(3) 2-6 6-4
2012	Juan Martin del Potro (ARG)	Roger Federer (SUI)	6-4 6-7(5) 7-6(3)
2011	Roger Federer (SUI)	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	6-1 6-3
2010	Roger Federer (SUI)	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	6-4 3-6 6-1
2009	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	Roger Federer (SUI)	6-4 4-6 6-2

BOLD: Player in 2024 Swiss Indoors Basel singles draw.

# SWISS INDOORS BASEL DOUBLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Santiago Gonzalez / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	Hugo Nys / Jan Zielinski	6-7(8) 7-6(3) [10-1]
2022	Ivan Dodig / Austin Krajicek	Nicolas Mahut / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	6-3 7-5
2020-21	TOURNAMENT NOT HELD		
2019	Jean-Julien Rojer / Horia Tecau	Taylor Fritz / Reilly Opelka	7-5 6-3
2018	Dominic Inglot / Franko Skugor	Alexander Zverev / Mischa Zverev	6-2 7-5
2017	Ivan Dodig / Marcel Granollers	Fabrice Martin / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	7-5 7-6(6)
2016	Marcel Granollers / Jack Sock	Robert Lindstedt / Michael Venus	6-3 6-4
2015	Alexander Peya / Bruno Soares	Jamie Murray / John Peers	7-5 7-5
2014	Vasek Pospisil / Nenad Zimonjic	Marin Draganja / Henri Kontinen	7-6(13) 1-6 [10-5]
2013	Treat Huey / Dominic Inglot	Julian Knowle / Oliver Marach	6-3 3-6 [10-4]
2012	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	Treat Huey / Dominic Inglot	7-5 6-7(4) [10-5]
2011	Michael Llodra / Nenad Zimonjic	Max Mirnyi / Daniel Nestor	6-4 7-5
2010	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	6-3 3-6 [10-3]
2009	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	6-2 6-3

**BOLD**: Player in 2024 Swiss Indoors Basel doubles draw – teams Gonzalez/Roger-Vasselin, Murray/Peers and Nys/Zielinski remain intact.



## LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

### **CENTER COURT**

### [5] Ugo Humbert (FRA) vs [Q] Jerome Kym (SUI)

**First Meeting** 

Series Tied 2-2

**Ugo Humbert** | Age: 26 | World No. 16 | Career-High No. 13 | 2024: 33-22 (2 Titles) | Basel: 4-2 (2023 SF) > Broke into Top 20 in November 2023, then earned career-high No. 13 in April 2024 soon after winning Dubai, joining Gulbis and Klizan as the third player in Open Era to win 6th ATP Tour title in 6th final.

> Upset No. 6 A. Zverev and No. 7 Rublev en route to 3rd of 6 career titles at 2021 Halle.

> Captured 4th and 5th ATP Tour titles on French soil at 2023 Metz, his hometown, and 2024 Marseille.

> Won 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Auckland as 21-year-old to become youngest French champion since Gasquet, 21, at 2007 Mumbai and saved 4 MPs vs. Evans en route to 2nd ATP Tour title at 2020 Antwerp.

> Owns 12-16 record vs. Top 10 and earned biggest win of career over No. 2 Medvedev at 2022 ATP Cup.

> Defeated former No. 3 Thiem 6-3 6-0 to win 7th Challenger title of career at 2022 Rennes and in May 2023 earned 8th and 9th Challenger titles at Cagliari and Bordeaux in a 3-week span.

**NOTE**: Humbert looks for personal-best 34th win of the season (2023-24 – 34), highlighted by titles in Marseille and Dubai. He is 11-2 in hard court opening rounds in 2024 and aims to reach Basel 2R for third straight year.

Jerome Kym | Age: 21 | World No. 140 (Career-High) | 2024: 1-0 (Davis Cup) | Basel: 0-0 (2022 Q1)

> Former Junior World No. 5 began 2024 season as No. 485, then broke inside Top 300 in June and Top 200 in July, achieving career-high No. 140 in October before making his ATP Tour debut at 2024 Basel as Q.

> Made tour-level debut at 2021 Davis Cup with a win over Troost, then also won his second tour-level match in 2024 Davis Cup over No. 212 Buse to help Switzerland defeat Peru 4-0.

> Defeated compatriot Riedi to play in final qualifying round at 2024 US Open (lost in deciding set tiebreak to Halys).
> Owns 32-19 Challenger record (2-0 in finals), defeating No. 70 Nishioka in 2R and No. 108 Cachin in SF to capture 2024 Prostejov title as No. 444-ranked Q, then saved 7 MPs vs. Topo in QF to win 2024 Zug title on home soil.
> Started playing tennis at age 3 after finding a racquet at his grandmother's home and credits Swiss Davis Cup captain Severin Luthi for being a great mentor.

> Ended junior career by advancing to 2021 US Open boys' singles SF after reaching Wimbledon QF earlier that year.

**NOTE**: As a qualifying WC, Kym defeated No. 61 Rinderknech in Q1 and compatriot Bernet in Q2 to make his ATP Tour main draw debut. In his first match vs. a Top 50 opponent, he looks for the biggest win of his career.

#### [Q] Daniel Altmaier (GER) vs [7] Arthur Fils (FRA) 23 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France) Hard R64 Daniel Altmaier

23 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	R64	Daniel Altmaier	6-2 6-4
24 Auckland (New Zealand)	Hard	QF	Arthur Fils	7-6(2) 1-0 RET
24 Barcelona (Spain)	Clay	R32	Arthur Fils	6-4 1-6 6-1
24 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	R64	Daniel Altmaier	6-2 6-3

Daniel Altmaier | Age: 26 | World No. 82 | Career-High No. 47 | 2024: 11-20 (Auckland QF) | Basel: 0-0 (Debut) > Made Top 50 debut a day before his 25th birthday in September, achieving career-high No. 47 in October 2023.

> In 2023, reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at Madrid as a LL and defeated No. 7 Rublev for biggest win of career en route to 2023 Hamburg QF.

> Ended 2022 season with 13 wins in his last 14 Challenger matches, including back-to-back titles at Lima-2 and Guayaquil.

> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour SFs of career in back-to-back weeks at Umag and Kitzbuhel in July 2021.

> Made Grand Slam qualifying debut at 2020 Roland Garros and earned 6th win of tournament over No. 8 Berrettini to reach 4R and defeated No. 9 Sinner en route to 2023 Roland Garros 3R.

> Hits a one-handed backhand and says that his idols growing up were fellow one-handers Federer and Wawrinka.

**NOTE**: Altmaier is 4-14 vs. Top 20 players in his career, 1-9 on hard courts, defeating compatriot No. 6 Zverev in Acapulco 1R this February for lone win. Earned wins over de Jong in Q1 and Fearnley in Q2 to successfully pass through qualifying for the first time this season.

Arthur Fils | Age: 20 | World No. 20 (Career-High) | 2024: 32-24 (Hamburg, Tokyo Titles) | Basel: 0-0 (Debut) > Achieved new career-high ranking 13 times in 2023, breaking into Top 200 in January, Top 100 in May and Top 50 in July before peaking at No. 20 in July 2024.

> Equaled biggest win of career over No. 4 Zverev to capture 2024 Hamburg title, then saved a championship point in an all-French final defeating Humbert at 2024 Tokyo.



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> Became youngest Frenchman at 18 years and 11 months to win an ATP Tour title since Gael Monfils at 2005 Sopot, defeating F. Cerundolo to lift the 2023 Lyon title as No. 112-ranked WC.

> In February 2023, became the youngest Frenchman to reach an ATP Tour SF since Gasquet in 2004 at 2023 Montpellier (I. to Sinner) and advanced to 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2023 Marseille (I. to Bonzi).

> Defeated former Top-20 player Tomic in Grand Slam qualifying debut at 2021 Roland Garros as 16-year-old ranked 1,035th, advanced to boys' singles final (I. to countryman Van Assche) and won the boys' doubles title w/Mpetshi Perricard, achieving career-high No. 3 in junior rankings during 2021 season.

NOTE: Fils is on a 10-match winning streak in ATP 500 events, capturing titles in Hamburg on clay and Tokyo on hard court after saving 1 MP vs. Humbert in all-French final. The Frenchman is No. 1 on PIF ATP Live Race To Jeddah and looks for second Next Gen ATP Finals appearance (I. to Medjedovic in 2023 final).

## PIF ATP LIVE RACE TO JEDDAH

Race	Player	Points	This Week
1	Arthur Fils (FRA)	2,105	Basel – 1R vs. Altmaier
2	Alex Michelsen (USA)	1,145	Vienna – 1R vs. Giron
3	Shang Juncheng (CHN)	1,075	Basel – 1R vs. Shapovalov
4	Jakub Mensik (CZE)	1,020	Vienna – 1R vs. Popyrin
5	Luca Van Assche (FRA)	464	Brest CH – 1R vs. Nava
6	Learner Tien (USA)	427	
7	Joao Fonseca (BRA)	365	Brest CH – 1R vs. Majchrzak
8	Martin Landaluce (ESP)	341	Brest CH – 1R vs. Djere

### [1] Andrey Rublev vs Nuno Borges (POR)

### First Meeting

Andrey Rublev | Age: 27 | World No. 7 | Career-High No. 5 | 2024: 40-21 (2 Titles) | Basel: 0-0 (Debut) > Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 20 in January 2020, Top 10 in October 2020 and Top 5 in September 2021.

> Came back from a set down in both SF and final for the first time in his career at 2023 Monte-Carlo to earn 1st ATP Masters 1000 title, then defeated double-defending champion No. 3 Alcaraz en route to 2nd title at 2024 Madrid. > Defeated No. 3 Nadal at 2021 Monte-Carlo, No. 2 Medvedev at 2021 Cincinnati and No. 1 Sinner at 2024 Montreal en route to ATP Masters 1000 finals and beat No. 1 Djokovic for 11th of 16 ATP Tour titles at 2022 Belgrade. > Led tour with 5 titles in 2020, tied for tour-lead with 41 victories in 2020, and won 23 matches and 4 titles in a row at ATP 500 events from 2020-21.

> Ten-time Grand Slam guarter-finalist reached 2022 Nitto ATP Finals SF and won gold medal in All-ROC mixed doubles final at 2020 Tokyo Olympics w/Pavlyuchenkova (held in 2021).

> Went 9-1 in singles and 4-1 in doubles at team events during 2021 season, sweeping titles at ATP Cup, Laver Cup and Davis Cup.

NOTE: Rublev, who turned 27 on Sunday, is playing in Switzerland for the first time since 2018 Gstaad (also 2015 Geneva & Gstaad). The World No. 7 aims to become the fourth man to record 30 hard court wins this season.

#### 2024 ATP Tour Hard Court Win Leaders

Player	W-L	Best Result
Jannik Sinner	45-3	Aus. Open, Rotterdam, Miami, Cincinnati, US Open, Shanghai Titles
Grigor Dimitrov	31-10	Brisbane Title
Alexander Zverev*	30-11	Aus. Open, Los Cabos, Miami, Cincinnati SF
Andrey Rublev	29-13	Hong Kong Title
Daniil Medvedev	28-11	Aus. Open, Indian Wells Finals
* nlavs in Vienna 1R on M	londay	

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Nuno Borges | Age: 27 | World No. 33 | Career-High No. 30 | 2024: 24-22 (Bastad Title) | Basel: 0-0 (Debut) > Became the 2nd Portuguese man to break inside Top 50 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973) in 2024, reaching career-high No. 30 in September 2024 after reaching US Open 4R.

> Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2024 Bastad by joining Djokovic, Federer, Murray and Zeballos as the only men to defeat Rafael Nadal in an ATP Tour clay court final.

> Defeated No. 13 Dimitrov for biggest win of career to reach 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2024 Australian Open, becoming the first Portuguese in fourth round in tournament's history.

> Advanced to 10 Challenger finals, winning titles at 2021 Antalya-3, 2022 Barletta, 2023 Monterrey, 2023-24 Phoenix and 2023 Maia in his hometown.



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> Five-time All-American during 4-year college career at Mississippi State University, posting 31-match win streak that ended in his last match (I. to Jubb in 2019 NCAA singles final).

NOTE: Borges is playing in his first match since US Open due to wrist injury and looks for the biggest win of his career (0-9 vs. Top 10). The 27-year-old bids to become the first Portuguese match winner in tournament history.

#### **IWB COURT 1**

[LL] David Goffin (BEL) vs Matteo Arnaldi (ITA)

**First Meeting** 

[Q] James Duckworth (AUS) vs Giovanni Mpetshi Perricard (FRA) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meeting 6-1 6-2

23 Bengaluru CH (India)

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James Duckworth