

## INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA - ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 – WEDNESDAY 8 MAY 2024

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# INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA TALKING POINTS

- 2024 edition of Internazionali BNL d'Italia begins on Tuesday, highlighted by four former champions in the draw, including World No. 1 and 6-time champion **Novak Djokovic**. The Serb, who owns the record for most ATP Masters 1000 titles (40), finals (58) and semi-finals (77) in series history, will be playing in his fifth event of the year and looking to capture his first title since winning 2023 Nitto ATP Finals on Italian soil in Turin.
- After having to skip the 2023 edition due to injury, Rafael Nadal enters the draw for the 19th time in last 20 years, breaking the record for most appearances in Rome (Open Era). He leads the tournament in titles (10) and wins (69), reaching the quarter-finals stage on 16 of 18 previous occasions (2008 2R, 2022 3R). Last year marked the 1st Internazionali BNL d'Italia final without either Djokovic or Nadal for the 1st time since 2004.
- Reigning champion **Daniil Medvedev** arrived to Rome last year with a 0-3 record at the event, before capturing his first ATP Tour title on clay. The World No. 4 now attempts to defend a title for the first time in his career, previously winning all his 20 titles at 20 different locations. He will start his title defense against the winner of first round encounter between **Borna Coric** and **Jack Draper**.
- No. 4 seed **Andrey Rublev** arrives to the event on a 6-match winning streak after lifting his 2nd ATP Masters 1000 title in Madrid on Sunday. Fellow clay court ATP Masters 1000 champion of 2024 joins him in the third section, as the Monte-Carlo champion and No. 6 seed **Stefanos Tsitsipas** aims to make the semi-finals for the third consecutive year in Rome. The players could face each other in the quarter-finals.
- Three-time Rome semi-finalist **Casper Ruud** leads the ATP Tour in wins (31) and finals (4) this season. The Norwegian is 13-3 on clay this season, winning the biggest title of his career in Barcelona last month. He will now seek his 1st ATP Masters 1000 title and could meet top seed **Djokovic** in the quarter-finals in a re-match of their ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo semi-final battle from April, then won by Ruud in three sets.
- Despite the withdrawal of World No. 2 Jannik Sinner, 13 Italians are featured in the main draw this year, led by No. 26 seed Lorenzo Musetti. Joining him are 2021 semi-finalist Lorenzo Sonego and former quarterfinalist Matteo Berrettini, as they all bid to become the first Italian finalist at the tournament since Adriano Panatta in 1978 (I. to Borg).

Internazionali BNL d'Italia	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32	R64	R128
Singles Ranking Points	1,000	650	400	200	100	50	30*	10^
Singles Prize Money (€)	963,225	512,260	284,590	161,995	88,440	51,665	30,255	20,360
Doubles Ranking Points	1,000	600	360	180	90	0		
Doubles Prize Money (€)	391,680	207,360	111,360	55,690	29,860	16,320		

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

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



# 2024 INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	ROME W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	11-4 (Australian Open SF)	67-11 ('08, '11, '14-'15, '20, '22 Titles)
2	Daniil Medvedev	22-6 (Aus. Open, Indian Wells Finals)	6-3 (2023 Title)
3	Alexander Zverev (GER)	22-9 (3 times in SF)	18-6 (2017 Title)
4	Andrey Rublev	21-8 (Hong Kong, Madrid Titles)	5-4 (2021 QF)
5	Casper Ruud (NOR)	31-8 (Barcelona Title)	13-4 (2020, 2022-23 SF)
6	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	21-8 (Monte-Carlo Title)	13-6 (2022 Final)
7	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	23-10 (Estoril Title)	2-4 (2020 3R)
8	Grigor Dimitrov (BUL)	22-7 (Brisbane Title)	11-11 (2014 SF)
9	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	23-9 (Acapulco Title)	2-5 (2022 3R)
10	Holger Rune (DEN)	18-10 (Brisbane Final)	5-1 (2023 Final)
11	Taylor Fritz (USA)	19-8 (Delray Beach Title)	2-4 (2019, 2021, 2023 2R)
12	Ben Shelton (USA)	16-8 (Houston Title)	0-1 (2023 2R)
13	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	19-8 (Marseille, Dubai Titles)	2-3 (2020 3R)
14	Tommy Paul (USA)	15-7 (Dallas Title)	1-3 (2022-23 2R)
15	Alexander Bublik (KAZ)	16-9 (Montpellier Title)	2-4 (2023 3R)
16	Karen Khachanov	17-8 (Doha Title)	4-6 (2019, 2022 3R)
17	Sebastian Baez (ARG)	18-10 (Rio de Janeiro, Santiago Titles)	2-2 (2022-23 2R)
18	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	16-11 (Madrid Final)	4-5 (2022 QF)
19	Adrian Mannarino (FRA)	7-10 (Dallas SF)	0-7 ('11, '15, '17-18, '20-'21, '23 1R)
20	Francisco Cerundolo (ARG)	12-13 (Rio de Janeiro SF)	3-2 (2023 QF)
21	Nicolas Jarry (CHI)	11-11 (Buenos Aires Final)	0-2 (2018, 2023 1R)
22	Frances Tiafoe (USA)	10-9 (Houston Final)	1-4 (2023 3R)
23	Tallon Griekspoor (NED)	13-10 (Rotterdam SF)	0-1 (2022 1R)
24	Sebastian Korda (USA)	12-11 (Adelaide SF)	0-2 (2023 2R)
25	Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)	11-11 (Houston, Barcelona SF)	1-1 (2023 2R)
26	Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)	9-13 (Adelaide QF)	5-3 (2023 4R)
27	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	13-9 (Rio de Janeiro SF)	5-4 (2023 4R)
28	Mariano Navone (ARG)	12-6 (Rio de Janeiro, Bucharest Finals)	0-0 (Debut)
29	Alejandro Tabilo (CHI)	15-9 (Auckland Title)	0-0 (Debut)
30	Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP)	9-10 (Marseille, Dubai QF)	4-4 (2021, 2023 3R)
31	Arthur Fils (FRA)	13-12 (Auckland SF)	1-1 (2023 2R)
32	Jordan Thompson (AUS)	16-11 (Los Cabos Title)	0-0 (Debut)

# ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT

Tournament History Singles Final Doubles Final	57th Edition of Open Era (1968-2024) Sunday 19 May at 5 pm Sunday 19 May at 12 pm
Wild Cards (5)	Matteo Gigante (ITA), Fabio Fognini (ITA), Stefano Napolitano (ITA),
Protected Rankings (2) Qualifiers (12)	Andrea Vavassori (ITA), Giulio Zeppieri (ITA) Rafael Nadal (PR-9), Denis Shapovalov (PR-27) Terence Atmane (FRA), Gregoire Barrere (FRA), Zizou Bergs (BEL), Maximilian Marterer (GER), Hamad Medjedovic (SRB), Thiago Monteiro (BRA), Niselan Marterer (JCA), Alexandra Maller (FRA), Brenden Malershing (JCA)
	Nicolas Moreno de Alboran (USA), Alexandre Muller (FRA), Brandon Nakashima (USA), Francesco Passaro (ITA), Diego Schwartzman (ARG), Botic van de Zandschulp (NED)
Lucky Loser (1)	Corentin Moutet (FRA) – withdrawal of Stan Wawrinka
Oldest Player	Rafael Nadal (37)
#NextGenATP (3)	Jakub Mensik (18), Alex Michelsen (19), Arthur Fils (19)
Open Era Records	<u>Most Titles</u> – Rafael Nadal (10)
	Most Wins – Rafael Nadal (69)
	Youngest Champion – Bjorn Borg, 17, in 1974
	<u>Oldest Champion</u> – Novak Djokovic, 34, in 2022
	Highest-Ranked Champion – No. 1 on 8 occasions, most recently Novak Djokovic in 2022
	Lowest-Ranked Champion – No. 47 Felix Mantilla in 2003
	Last Italian Champion: Adriano Panatta in 1976



# **COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (29)**

Italy (13) United States (11)	Matteo Arnaldi, Matteo Berrettini, Flavio Cobolli, Luciano Darderi, Fabio Fognini, Matteo Gigante, Lorenzo Musetti, Stefano Napolitano, Luca Nardi, Francesco Passaro, Lorenzo Sonego, Andrea Vavassori, Giulio Zeppieri Christopher Eubanks, Taylor Fritz, Marcos Giron, Sebastian Korda, Mackenzie McDonald, Alex Michelsen, Nicolas Moreno de Alboran, Brandon Nakashima, Tommy Paul, Ben Shelton, Frances Tiafoe				
France (9)	Terence Atmane, Gregoire Bar				
	Gael Monfils, Corentin Moutet,				
Argentina (6)	Sebastian Baez, Pedro Cachin				
	Tomas Martin Etcheverry, Mari		wartzman		
Australia (6)	Alex de Minaur, Rinky Hijikata,	•			
	Alexei Popyrin, Jordan Thomps				
Germany (6)	Daniel Altmaier, Yannick Hanfn Maximilian Marterer, Jan-Lenna				
Spain (5)	Roberto Carballes Baena, Aleja				
	Pedro Martinez, Jaume Munar,		,		
Serbia (4)	Novak Djoković, Miomir Kecma		amad Medjedovic		
Great Britain (3)	Jack Draper, Daniel Evans, Ca		-		
Brazil (2)	Thiago Monteiro, Thiago Seybo				
Canada (2)	Felix Auger-Aliassime, Denis S	•			
Chile (2)	Nicolas Jarry, Alejandro Tabilo				
Czech Republic (2)	Tomas Machac, Jakub Mensik				
Hungary (2) Kazakhstan (2)	Marton Fucsovics, Fabian Marc Alexander Bublik, Alexander Sl				
Netherlands (2)	Tallon Griekspoor, Botic van de				
Austria (1)	Sebastian Ofner				
Belgium (1)	Zizou Bergs Finland (1) Emil Ruusuvuori				
Bulgaria (1)	Grigor Dimitrov Greece (1) Stefanos Tsitsipas				
China (1)	Zhang Zhizhen Japan (1) Yoshihito Nishioka				
Colombia (1)	Daniel Elahi Galan	Norway (1)	Casper Ruud		
Croatia (1)	Borna Coric Poland (1) Hubert Hurkacz				
Denmark (1)	Holger Rune	Portugal (1)	Nuno Borges		
	Aslan Karatsev, Karen Khachanov, Pavel Kotov, Daniil Medvedev, Andrey Rublev, Roman Safiullin				

# 2024 INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYERS	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2024 (BEST FINISH)	ROME (BEST FINISH)
4	Marcel Granollers (ESP)	144-72 (20-8 in 2024)	20-8 (3 Finals)	30-9 (2012, 2020 Titles)
1	Horacio Zeballos (ARG)	8 Titles (0 in 2024)	20-8 (3 Finals)	12-4 (2020 Title)
2	Rohan Bopanna (IND)	54-25 (14-5 in 2024)	14-5 (2 Titles)	14-12 (2013 Final)
2	Matthew Ebden (AUS)	4 Titles (2 in 2024)	14-5 (2 Titles)	2-2 (2022-23 2R)
3	Rajeev Ram (USA)	186-88 (9-6 in 2024)	10-8 (Adelaide Title)	8-8 (2021 Final)
3	Joe Salisbury (GBR)	14 Titles (1 in 2024)	10-7 (Adelaide Title)	6-5 (2021 Final)
4	Austin Krajicek (USA)	0-0	14-8 (2 Finals)	2-5 (2019, 2023 2R)
4	Neal Skupski (GBR)	(Team Debut)	13-11 (2 Finals)	6-5 (2023 SF)
5	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX)	61-27 (1-2 in 2024)	12-11 (2 Finals)	7-7 (2013 SF)
5	Edouard Roger-Vasselin (FRA)	5 Titles (0 in 2024)	10-9 (5 QFs)	6-9 (2016, 2020 SF)
6	Kevin Krawietz (GER)	56-30 (15-8 in 2024)	15-8 (Brisbane Final)	5-3 (2021-22 QF)
0	Tim Puetz (GER)	1 Title (0 in 2024)	15-8 (Brisbane Final)	1-0 (2023 2R)
7	Wesley Koolhof (NED)	43-19 (19-6 in 2024)	19-8 (3 Titles)	8-5 (2023 SF)
1	Nikola Mektic (CRO)	4 Titles (3 in 2024)	19-7 (3 Titles)	13-5 (2021-22 Titles)
Q	Hugo Nys (MON)	64-45 (15-9 in 2024)	15-10 (Acapulco Title)	5-0 (2023 Title)
0	Jan Zielinski (POL)	4 Titles (1 in 2024)	16-9 (Acapulco Title)	5-0 (2023 Title)



# INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA DOUBLES FINALS (since 2005)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Hugo Nys / Jan Zielinski	Robin Haase / Botic van de Zandschulp	7-5 6-1
2022	Nikola Mektic / Mate Pavic	John Isner / Diego Schwartzman	6-2 6-7(6) [12-10]
2021	Nikola Mektic / Mate Pavic	Rajeev Ram / Joe Salisbury	6-4 7-6(4)
2020	Marcel Granollers / Horacio Zeballos	Jeremy Chardy / Fabrice Martin	6-4 5-7 [10-8]
2019	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Raven Klaasen / Michael Venus	6-1 6-3
2018	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Pablo Carreno Busta / Joao Sousa	3-6 6-4 [10-4]
2017	Pierre-Hugues Herbert / Nicolas Mahut	Ivan Dodig / Marcel Granollers	4-6 6-4 [10-3]
2016	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Vasek Pospisil / Jack Sock	2-6 6-3 [10-7]
2015	Pablo Cuevas / David Marrero	Marcel Granollers / Marc Lopez	6-4 7-5
2014	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	Robin Haase / Feliciano Lopez	6-4 7-6(2)
2013	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Mahesh Bhupathi / Rohan Bopanna	6-2 6-3
2012	Marcel Granollers / Marc Lopez	Lukasz Kubot / Janko Tipsarevic	6-3 6-2
2011	John Isner / Sam Querrey	Mardy Fish / Andy Roddick	Walkover
2010	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	John Isner / Sam Querrey	6-2 6-3
2009	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	7-6(5) 6-3
2008	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Daniel Nestor / Nenad Zimonjic	3-6 6-4 [10-8]
2007	Fabrice Santoro / Nenad Zimonjic	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	6-4 6-7(4) [10-7]
2006	Mark Knowles / Daniel Nestor	Jonathan Erlich / Andy Ram	6-4 5-7 [13-11]
2005	Michael Llodra / Fabrice Santoro	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	6-4 6-2

BOLD: Player in 2024 Internazionali BNL d'Italia doubles draw (teams Nys/Zielinski, Ram/Salisbury, Granollers/Zeballos remain intact)

# LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: WEDNESDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

### **CENTER COURT**

#### Luciano Darderi (ITA) vs [PR] Denis Shapovalov (CAN) 24 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.) Hard R128 Denis Shapovalov

**Shapovalov Leads 1-0** 6-3 6-7(3) 6-4

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Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Darderi	25%	66%	26%	7.6	5.9	5.9	7.3
Shapovalov	29%	74%	34%	8.4	6.4	7.9	6.7
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.6	7.2

Insight from their 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Miami 1R meeting:

In the 2nd set the Daderi's Conversion score was at 81% while Shapovalov's fell to 69%,

Shapovalov will likely lead the In Attack balance again so converting those points efficiently will be important to both players.

Luciano Darderi | Age: 22 | World No. 54 (Career-High) | 2024: 12-6 (Cordoba Title) | Rome: 0-0 (2020 Q1) > Former Top 10 junior achieved career-high No. 54 in May 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).

> Defeated No. 23 Cerundolo for biggest win of career en route to 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2024 Houston.

> In ATP Tour debut as Q at 2023 Cordoba defeated Gaston for first win, then entered 2023 Acapulco as LL.

> Owns a 78-57 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 aims to record his first ATP Tour win on home soil. He earned 12 of 13 career wins this season, highlighted by Cordoba title and Houston SF. He defeated No. 40 Monfils two weeks ago for 1st ATP Masters 1000 win of career in Madrid.

**Denis Shapovalov** | Age: 25 | World No. 126 | Career-High No. 10 | 2024: 6-11 (2x 3R) | Rome: 12-5 (2020 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 5-0 in opening rounds in Rome and 10-0 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 at the Foro Italico. Rome is his most successful ATP Masters 1000 event with 12 wins (Miami – 11, Canada & Madrid – 8) and multiple quarter-final appearances (2020 SF, 2022 QF).

### Daniel Evans (GBR) vs [WC] Fabio Fognini (ITA)

20 Dubai (U.A.E.)

Hard R32 Daniel Evans

Evans Leads 1-0 3-6 6-4 7-5

**Daniel Evans** | Age: 33 | World No. 67 | Career-High No. 21 | 2024: 3-10 (4 times in 2R) | Rome: 0-6 (2023 2R) > Former Top-10 junior was unranked in April 2018 before becoming No. 1 Brit for 1st time in October 2019 and achieving career-high No. 21 in August 2023 after winning 2nd ATP Tour title at Washington.

> Did not drop a set en route to 1st ATP Tour title as a 30-year-old at 2021 Melbourne-2.

> Rallied from 2 sets down and won 5th-set TB vs. Popyrin to reach 2nd Grand Slam 4R of career at 2021 US Open.
> Reached ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2021 Monte Carlo (d. No. 1 Djokovic in 3R) and 2022 Montreal.

> Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 doubles finals at 2021 Miami w/N. Skupski, 2021 Monte Carlo w/N. Skupski and 2022 Montreal w/Peers.

**NOTE**: Evans seeks 150th tour-level win of career (149-166) and aims to break a 4-match losing streak since defeating Sonego at ATP Masters 1000 Miami in March and record 1st clay win since defeating No. 32 F. Cerundolo to reach Barcelona SF last year.

**Fabio Fognini** | Age: 36 | World No. 92 | Career-High No. 9 | 2024: 3-2 (Marrakech QF) | Rome: 15-16 (2018 QF) > As a 32-year-old in 2019, became oldest player to break into Top 10 for 1st time, as well as 1st Italian in Top 10 since Barazzutti in 1979.

> Also became 1st Italian ATP Masters 1000 champion, beating Nadal for 3rd time on clay en route to 2019 Monte Carlo title.

> Boasts most victories of any Italian man in Open Era (417), highlighted by biggest win of career over No. 1 Murray at 2017 Rome.

> Owns 9 singles and 8 doubles titles, breaking through as a doubles player in 2015 by winning Australian Open, reaching 3 ATP Masters 1000 finals and qualifying for Nitto ATP Finals w/Bolelli.

> Married to 2015 US Open women's singles champion Flavia Pennetta with 3 children – Federico, Farah and Flaminia.

**NOTE**: Fognini is making his 17th appearance in Rome, first making his debut as 294th-ranked qualifier in 2006 (I. to T. Johansson in 1R), highlighted by biggest win of career over No. 1 Murray in 2017 2R and QF run in 2018. He is 7-1 vs. Brits on clay after 0-1 start (11-7 across all surfaces).

### **GRAND STAND ARENA**

[Q] Maximilian Marterer (GER) vs	First Tour-Level Meeting			
Other Meeting 23 Danderyd CH (Sweden)	Hard	SF	Maximilian Marterer	6-2 6-0

Maximilian Marterer | Age: 28 | World No. 98 | Career-High No. 45 | 2024: 0-7 | Rome: 0-0 (2023 Q2) > Former World No. 12 junior achieved career-high No. 45 in August 2018 before suffering left knee injury and falling as low as No. 379 in February 2020.

> Defeated No. 16 Schwartzman for biggest win of career en route to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2018 Munich.



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> Ended 0-14 start to career in tour-level matches by advancing to 2018 Australian Open 3R, then went on to reach 2018 Roland Garros 4R.

> Qualified at 7 Grand Slam events, including Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open in 2022.

> Owns 158-108 Challenger record (9-4 in finals), ending 2023 season with most recent title at 2023 Danderyd .

**NOTE**: Marterer is attempting to snap a 9-match tour-level losing streak since reaching his 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2023 Antwerp and record his first ATP Masters 1000 win since defeating No. 56 Fritz in 2019 Miami 1R.

Flavio Cobolli | Age: 21 | World No. 57 (Career-High) | 2024: 11-10 (2 times in QF) | Rome: 0-2 (2022-23 1R)

> Broke into Top 200 in January 2022 and Top 100 in October 2023, achieving career-high No. 57 in May 2023.

> Earned biggest win of career over No. 18 Jarry en route to 1st Grand Slam 3R at 2024 Australian Open as Q.

> Came through qualifying to earn 2 Top 100 wins en route to 1st ATP Tour QF at 2023 Munich.

> Saved 3 MPs vs. Giron to win ATP Tour main draw debut 3-6 7-6 7-6 at 2021 Parma as 429th-ranked WC.

> Won Challenger titles at 2022 Zadar and 2023 Lisbon and reached finals at 2021 Rome-2, 2021 Barletta and 2023 Olbia.

> Peaked at No. 8 in juniors and ended junior career by winning 2020 Roland Garros boys' doubles title w/Stricker.

**NOTE:** Cobolli, who turned 22 on Monday, looks for 1st ATP Tour win on home soil since winning in tour-level debut at 2021 Parma (d. Giron in 1R). In previous event, reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 3R in Madrid (d. No. 23 Jarry in 2R).

### [WC] Matteo Gigante (ITA) vs [WC] Giulio Zeppieri (ITA)

### **First Meeting**

**Matteo Gigante** | Age: 22 | World No. 139 (Career-High) | 2024: 0-1 (Marrakech 1R) | Rome: 0-0 (2020, 2023 Q1) > Left-handed Italian earned 1st ranking point at age 17, broke into Top 200 in February 2023 after winning 1st Challenger title as LL at Tenerife-3 and achieved career-high No. 139 in April 2024.

> Made ATP Tour debut at 2024 Marrakech as Q, then received a WC for 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Rome.

> He owns a 65-48 Challenger record (4-2 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Tenerife-3, 2023 Cordenons, 2024 Nonthaburi-3, 2024 Tenerife-2.

> Defeated No. 88 Etcheverry in 2022 Forli-6 QF for first Top 100 win of career.

> Peaked at No. 51 in junior rankings, highlighted by main draw appearances in 2020 Australian Open boys' singles and doubles.

**NOTE**: Gigante aims to capture his first ATP Tour win in his second main draw appearance (2024 Marrakech). He is 18-3 on Challenger circuit this season, highlighted by titles at Nonthaburi-3 and Tenerife-2 (5-1 vs. fellow Italians).

**Giulio Zeppieri** | Age: 22 | World No. 144 | Career-High No. 110 | 2024: 1-3 (Aus. Open 2R) | Rome: 0-2 (2022-23 1R) > Earned 1st ranking point at age 16 in July 2018 and achieved career-high No. 110 at age 21 in January 2024 after qualifying to reach 2R at Australian Open.

> At 2022 Umag, earned 1st ATP Tour win, 1st QF and SF, before losing to No. 5 Alcaraz in 3 sets.

> Earned Grand Slam wins over No. 51 Bublik at 2023 Roland Garros and No. 51 Lajovic at 2024 Australian Open.
> Qualified at 2022 Roland Garros in 1st try at a Grand Slam event, defeating 38-year-old Seppi in Q1 to snap his countryman's streak of 66 straight Grand Slam main draw appearances.

> Captured 1st Challenger title of career on home soil at 2021 Barletta before winning 2023 Cherbourg.

> Peaked at No. 12 in juniors after falling to countryman Musetti in 2019 Australian Open boys' singles SF and teaming with Musetti to reach 2019 Australian Open boys' doubles SF.

**NOTE**: Zeppieri seeks first ATP Tour win on home soil and first tour-level win since defeating Lajovic at Australian Open in January. He earned 4 of 5 career wins on clay, including run to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2022 Umag.



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#### Mensik Leads 1-0 Jakub Mensik (CZE) vs Yannick Hanfmann (GER) 24 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain) Clay R128 Jakub Mensik 6-4 7-6(3) Other Meeting 22 Bratislava-2 CH (Slovakia) Hard R32 Yannick Hanfmann 6-3 6-4 Insight from their Madrid (1st) 2024 meeting: Conversion Serve Return Forehand Backhand Steal Player In Attack Score Score Quality Quality Quality Quality Mensik 23% 67% 45% 7.9 6.4 7.1 7.4 Hanfmann 24% 55% 33% 7.7 6.6 5.1 8.1 Tour Average 25% 66% 34% 7.9 6.6 7.6 7.2 Hanfmann was effective off the backhand side leading the shot quality 8.1 to 7.4, hitting it faster (73mph avg. to 68mph) and hitting just 21% through the middle compared to Mensik's 35%. The forehand was a different story with Mensik making 87% of his forehands while Hanfmann made just 75% of his forehands in the match. [Q] Thiago Monteiro (BRA) vs Gael Monfils (FRA) Monteiro Leads 2-1 17 Roland Garros (France) 6-1 6-4 6-1 Clay R64 Gael Monfils 18 Quito (Ecuador) Clay QF Thiago Monteiro 6-4 2-6 6-4 22 Adelaide-2 (Australia) R16 6-7(2) 6-3 1-0 RET Hard Thiago Monteiro Arthur Rinderknech (FRA) vs [Q] Francesco Passaro (ITA) First Meeting **COURT 12** Zhang Zhizhen (CHN) vs Daniel Elahi Galan (COL) Galan Leads 1-0 23 Houston (U.S.A.) R32 Daniel Elahi Galan 6-2 6-3 Clay Pavel Kotov vs Alex Michelsen (USA) First Meeting Christopher Eubanks (USA) vs [Q] Terence Atmane (FRA) First Meeting COURT 1 Yoshihito Nishioka (JPN) vs Sebastian Ofner (AUT) First Meeting **[LL]** Corentin Moutet (FRA) vs Roman Safiullin Safiullin Leads 1-0 23 Wimbledon (Great Britain) Roman Safiullin 7-5 6-3 7-6(4) Grass R64 **Other Meeting** 21 Orleans CH (France) R16 Corentin Moutet Hard 6-4 2-6 7-6(7) COURT 2 Nuno Borges (POR) vs Pedro Martinez (ESP) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meeting 21 Oeiras 3 CH (Portugal) Clay R16 Nuno Borges 6-2 6-4 Alexander Shevchenko (KAZ) vs Fabian Marozsan (HUN) First Meeting [Q] Diego Schwartzman (ARG) vs Aleksandar Vukic (AUS) **First Tour-Level Meeting** Other Meeting 23 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto Q (Canada) Hard Q2 6-4 6-4 Diego Schwartzman

Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) vs [Q] Brandon Nakashima (USA)Kecmanovic Leads 1-022 Los Cabos (Mexico)HardQFMiomir Kecmanovic6-2 6-4

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