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ROLEX MONTE-CARLO MASTERS TALKING POINTS

- World No. 1 **Novak Djokovic** returns to the **Rolex Monte-Carlo Masters** semi-finals for the first time since winning the 2015 title. The Serb, who on Sunday became the oldest No. 1 in [PIF ATP Rankings](#) history, did not lose a set en route to his 77th ATP Masters 1000 SF, setting a new record for most semi-finals in series history.
- Djokovic** now meets World No. 8 **Casper Ruud** in their sixth meeting, with the 36-year-old winning all five previous matches in straight sets, including 2023 Roland Garros final. He is 257-113 vs. Top 10 players, the record for most Top 10 wins in [PIF ATP Rankings](#) history and seeks 1st Top 10 win since defeating No. 4 **Jannik Sinner** to win 2023 Nitto ATP Finals to reach an ATP Tour final for 19th consecutive season.

Most Consecutive Seasons with a Tour-Level Final in Open Era:

No. Player	Streak
1. Roger Federer	20 (2000-19)
2T. Gael Monfils	19 (2005-23)*
2T. Rafael Nadal	19 (2004-22)
2T. Jimmy Connors	19 (1971-89)
5. Novak Djokovic	18 (2006-23)*

* active streaks

- Casper Ruud** will attempt to post the biggest win of his career (0-11 vs. Top 3) to reach his 1st clay court ATP Masters 1000 final. The Norwegian leads the tour in clay court wins (97), finals (13) and titles (9) since the start of 2020 season and aims to break Djokovic's 10-match winning streak on clay. He would be the second consecutive Scandinavian in Monte-Carlo final after Dane **Holger Rune** played in last year's final.
- Jannik Sinner** is on a 9-match winning streak and leads the ATP Tour in wins (25) and titles (3) this season. He became the only player to reach the semi-finals at all three ATP Masters 1000 events this season and now seeks his 5th ATP Masters 1000 final, first on clay, against No. 12 seed **Stefanos Tsitsipas** in their ninth meeting. Sinner is on a 26-match winning streak vs. players ranked outside the Top 10.

Semi-Finals at all-First 3 ATP Masters 1000 Events of the Season (since the series began in 1990):

Player	Years (SFs at Indian Wells, Miami, Monte-Carlo)
Jannik Sinner	2023, 2024
Novak Djokovic	2012, 2014, 2015
Rafael Nadal	2008, 2010, 2011, 2012
Andy Murray	2009
Roger Federer	2006

BOLD: Won all three ATP Masters 1000 titles in that year

- Two-time champion **Stefanos Tsitsipas** takes a 5-3 **Lexus ATP Head2Head** lead into his SF vs. Sinner. He seeks his 3rd clay court win over a Top-2 player (2-9), first since defeating No. 2 Medvedev at 2021 Roland Garros and his 1st ATP Masters 1000 final since 2022 Cincinnati, 1st on clay since 2022 Rome. This weekend, the Greek could join **Rafael Nadal** (11), **Bjorn Borg** (3), **Thomas Muster** (3) and **Ilie Nastase** (3) as the only players with 3+ Monte-Carlo titles in Open Era.

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Insights from this week, 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Novak Djokovic	24.5%	70.1%	41.4%	7.99	7.17	8.25	8.10
Casper Ruud	22.6%	77.8%	45.2%	7.79	7.76	8.44	8.93
Stefanos Tsitsipas	27.8%	72.6%	52.6%	7.7	6.74	8.77	7.87
Jannik Sinner	22.7%	78.5%	42.6%	7.83	6.75	8.73	8.34
Tour Average	25.0%	66.0%	34.0%	7.9	6.6	7.6	7.2

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES SEMI-FINALS

COURT RAINIER III

[12] Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE) vs [2] Jannik Sinner (ITA)

19 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	R32	Stefanos Tsitsipas
20 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	R32	Jannik Sinner
21 Barcelona (Spain)	Clay	SF	Stefanos Tsitsipas
22 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	QF	Stefanos Tsitsipas
22 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	QF	Stefanos Tsitsipas
23 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R16	Stefanos Tsitsipas
23 Rotterdam (Netherlands)	Hard	R16	Jannik Sinner
23 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	RR	Jannik Sinner

Tsitsipas Leads 5-3

6-3 6-2
6-1 6-7(9) 6-2
6-3 6-3
6-3 6-4 6-2
7-6(5) 6-2
6-4 6-4 3-6 4-6 6-3
6-4 6-3
6-4 6-4

Insights from their 2023 Nitto ATP Finals Round Robin meeting:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Jannik Sinner	27%	81%	38%	8.7	7.7	9.5	7.4
Stefanos Tsitsipas	25%	62%	19%	8.5	6.3	8.5	6.6
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.6	7.2

A dominant performance from Sinner in Turin. Tsitsipas will have to have a much higher Conversion Score to stand any chance of beating Sinner.

- Stefanos Tsitsipas** | Age: 25 | World No. 12 | Career-High No. 3 | 2024: 15-6 (2 SFs) | Monte-Carlo: 18-3 (2021-22 Titles)
- > Top-ranked Greek of all time achieved career-high No. 3 in August 2021 and boasts 10 wins vs. Top-3 opponents (2 vs. No. 1, 3 vs. No. 2, 5 vs. No. 3).
 - > Six-time Grand Slam semi-finalist, highlighted by runs to 2021 Roland Garros and 2023 Australian Open finals, losing to Djokovic on both occasions.
 - > Captured 2018 Next Gen ATP Finals title at age 20 and 2019 Nitto ATP Finals title at age 21, becoming youngest champion of latter since Hewitt, 20, in 2001.
 - > Won 10 ATP Tour titles, including 2021 and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo, but still seeking 1st ATP 500 title (0-10 in finals).
 - > Youngest of 30 players to defeat Djokovic (2018 Toronto 3R), Federer (2019 Australian Open 4R) and Nadal (2019 Madrid SF), sweeping Big 3 before turning 21.

NOTE: Tsitsipas is 10-23 vs. Top-3 players, looking for first Top 3 win and first ATP Masters 1000 final since 2022 Cincinnati (d. No. 1 Medvedev in SF, l. to Coric in the final). The Greek seeks his 7th ATP Masters 1000 final overall, third in Monte-Carlo. He is No. 12 on the [PIF ATP Live Rankings](#) and would jump to No. 9 with a final, returning to Top 10 after 8-week absence.

Jannik Sinner | Age: 22 | World No. 2 (Career-High) | 2024: 25-1 (3 Titles) | Monte-Carlo: 10-3 (2023-24 SF)
 > Unranked to begin 2018, ended 2020 as No. 1 teenager and broke into Top 10 at age 20 in 2021, then reached career-high No. 2 in April 2024, becoming the highest-ranked Italian in PIF ATP Rankings history.
 > At 2024 Australian Open, defeated 10-time champion Djokovic in SF and rallied from two sets down in final against Medvedev to win his 1st Grand Slam title. Became 1st player to beat Djokovic in SF or later at the tournament.
 > Became the first Italian champion in Australian Open tournament history and second Italian man to win a Grand Slam title in Open Era (Panatta at 1976 Roland Garros).
 > Earned career-best 64 wins in 2023, setting the record for most wins by an Italian player in a single season in Open Era, highlighted by first ATP Masters 1000 title at Toronto.
 > As 19-year-old in 2021, became 1st teenager to win an ATP 500 title at Washington and 1st Italian finalist in tournament history of ATP Masters 1000 Miami (since 1985), winning the Miami title in 2024.

NOTE: Sinner is on a 9-match winning streak after winning his 2nd ATP Masters 1000 title in Miami and seeks his 5th ATP Masters 1000 final (2-2), 1st on clay, to become the third Italian to reach Monte-Carlo final in Open Era after Barazzutti in 1977 (l. to Borg) and Fognini in 2019 (d. Lajovic). The 22-year-old is 41-1 vs. players ranked outside the Top-2 since September (l. to No. 20 Shelton at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai).

[1] Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs [8] Casper Ruud (NOR)

Tournament	Surface	Round	Opponent	Score
20 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	SF	Novak Djokovic	7-5 6-3
21 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	RR	Novak Djokovic	7-6(4) 6-2
22 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	SF	Novak Djokovic	6-4 6-3
22 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	F	Novak Djokovic	7-5 6-3
23 Roland Garros (France)	Clay	F	Novak Djokovic	7-6(1) 6-3 7-5

Djokovic Leads 5-0

Novak Djokovic | Age: 36 | World No. 1 (Career-High) | 2024: 11-3 (2 SFs) | Monte-Carlo: 39-14 ('13, '15 Titles)
 > Record breaking 7-time Nitto ATP Finals champion owns ATP/WTA record for most weeks at No. 1 (420), as well as PIF ATP Rankings records for most years ended at No. 1 (8) and most wins vs. Top 10 (257), finishing in Top 5 in 16 of last 17 years (2017 – No. 12).
 > All-time leader for most Grand Slam men's singles titles in history (24), including record 10 Australian Open titles, and is 1 of 3 men to hold all 4 Grand Slam championships at same time (also Budge, Laver).
 > Only player to win all 9 ATP Masters 1000 events since start of series in 1990, doing so multiple times for a record total of 40 titles.
 > Owns 3rd-most men's singles titles in Open Era (98) and 3rd-most men's singles wins in Open Era (1,098) and 2nd-most Grand Slam match wins (366).
 > Boasts winning records against both Federer (27-23) and Nadal (30-29), as well as win streaks of ATP Tour-record 43 matches (2010-11), ATP Masters 1000-record 31 matches (2011) and Open Era-record 30 Grand Slam matches (2015-16).

NOTE: Djokovic became the oldest Monte-Carlo semi-finalist in Open Era tournament history and now aims to reach record-extending 59th ATP Masters 1000 final (40-18), 20th on clay. He aims to become the fifth man in Open Era to reach a tour-level final for 19 consecutive seasons the second player in Open Era to reach five Monte-Carlo finals (1st Nadal – 12).

Oldest ATP Masters 1000 Finalists – At 36 years and 10 months, Djokovic would become the 4th oldest player to reach an ATP Masters 1000 final since the series began in 1990.

No.	Player	Age	Final
1	Roger Federer	37	2019 Miami
2	Roger Federer	37	2019 Indian Wells
3	Roger Federer	37	2018 Cincinnati
4	Roger Federer	36	2018 Indian Wells
5	Novak Djokovic	36	2023 Paris

Casper Ruud | Age: 25 | World No. 10 | Career-High No. 2 | 2024: 23-6 (2 Finals) | Monte-Carlo: 9-4 (2021, 2024 SF)
 > Top-ranked Norwegian in history rose from No. 7 to career-high No. 2 after falling to Alcaraz in 2022 US Open final with No. 1 ranking at stake.
 > First Norwegian to win an ATP Tour title (10), play at Nitto ATP Finals (2021 SF, 2022 final), and reach both a Grand Slam final (2022 Roland Garros, US Open, 2023 Roland Garros) and an ATP Masters 1000 final (2022 Miami).
 > Swept clay-court titles at Bastad, Gstaad and Kitzbuhel in July 2021 to become 1st player to win 3 titles in as many weeks since Murray at 2011 Bangkok, Tokyo and Shanghai.
 > Former World No. 1 junior leads ATP Tour since start of 2020 season in clay-court wins (97), finals (13) and titles (9).
 > Defeated No. 4 A. Zverev on a hard court for biggest win of career en route to 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Miami final.

NOTE: Ruud is 0-11 vs. Top-3 players (0-25 in sets), 0-3 vs. World No. 1s, aiming to become the first Norwegian to defeat a World No. 1 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973). He aims to advance to 2nd ATP Masters 1000 final (1-6 in SFs) after 2022 Miami. He rose 3 spots to No. 7 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and would reach No. 6 with a final.

Most Clay-Court Wins Since the Start of 2020 Season:

No.	Player	Win/Loss
1.	Casper Ruud	97-27
2.	Stefanos Tsitsipas	72-17
3.	Carlos Alcaraz	66-16
4.	Albert Ramos-Vinolas	59-52
5.	Novak Djokovic	58-11

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: POTENTIAL SINGLES FINALS

[1] Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs [12] Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)

Event	Surface	Round	Winner	Score
18 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada)	Hard	R16	Stefanos Tsitsipas	6-3 6-7(5) 6-3
19 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	F	Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-4
19 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China)	Hard	QF	Stefanos Tsitsipas	3-6 7-5 6-3
19 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	QF	Novak Djokovic	6-1 6-2
20 Dubai (U.A.E.)	Hard	F	Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-4
20 Roland Garros (France)	Clay	SF	Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-2 5-7 4-6 6-1
21 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	QF	Novak Djokovic	4-6 7-5 7-5
21 Roland Garros (France)	Clay	F	Novak Djokovic	6-7(6) 2-6 6-3 6-2 6-4
22 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	F	Novak Djokovic	6-0 7-6(5)
22 Astana (Kazakhstan)	Hard	F	Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-4
22 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	SF	Novak Djokovic	6-2 3-6 7-6(4)
22 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	RR	Novak Djokovic	6-4 7-6(4)

Djokovic Leads 11-2

[1] Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs [2] Jannik Sinner (ITA)

Event	Surface	Round	Winner	Score
21 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (Monaco)	Clay	R32	Novak Djokovic	6-4 6-2
22 Wimbledon (Great Britain)	Grass	QF	Novak Djokovic	5-7 2-6 6-3 6-2 6-2
23 Wimbledon (Great Britain)	Grass	SF	Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-4 7-6(4)
23 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	RR	Jannik Sinner	7-5 6-7(5) 7-6(2)
23 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	F	Novak Djokovic	6-3 6-3
23 Davis Cup Finals (Spain)	Hard	SF	Jannik Sinner	6-2 2-6 7-5
24 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	SF	Jannik Sinner	6-1 6-2 6-7(6) 6-3

Djokovic Leads 4-3

[8] Casper Ruud (NOR) vs [12] Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)

Event	Surface	Round	Winner	Score
21 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	R16	Casper Ruud	7-6(4) 6-4
21 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada)	Hard	QF	Stefanos Tsitsipas	6-1 6-4
23 Los Cabos (Mexico)	Hard	SF	Casper Ruud	6-4 7-6(4)
Other Meeting				
16 Italy F10 (Italy)	Clay	F	Stefanos Tsitsipas	6-3 6-7(2) 7-6(2)

Ruud Leads 2-1

[8] Casper Ruud (NOR) vs [2] Jannik Sinner (ITA)

Event	Surface	Round	Winner	Score
20 Vienna (Austria)	Hard	R32	Jannik Sinner	7-6(2) 6-3
21 Vienna (Austria)	Hard	QF	Jannik Sinner	7-5 6-1

Sinner Leads 2-0