



ABIERTO DE TENIS MIFEL– ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 – MONDAY 1 AUGUST 2022

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2022 ABIERTO DE TENIS MIFEL SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2022 W-L (BEST FINISH)	LOS CABOS W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Daniil Medvedev	27-10 (3 Finals)	0-0 (Debut)
2	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	30-17 (Rotterdam Title)	0-0 (Debut)
3	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	32-16 (Delray Beach, Lyon Titles)	8-2 (2021 Title)
4	Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)	27-15 (Munich SF)	0-0 (Debut)
5	Fabio Fognini (ITA)	44-15 (Rio de Janeiro, Belgrade SF)	5-1 (2018 Title)
6	Brandon Nakashima (USA)	17-15 (3 times in QF)	4-1 (2021 Final)
7	Thanasi Kokkinakis (AUS)	15-10 (Adelaide-2 Title)	6-4 (2017 Final)
8	Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)	1-10 (Cordoba 2R)	0-0 (Debut)
9	Quentin Halys (FRA)	3-6 (Pune, Wimbledon, Newport 2R)	2-2 (2017-18 2R)

Tournament History	2016-2019, 2021-Present (6th edition in 2022)
Singles Final	Saturday 6 August at 8:00pm
Wild Cards (3)	Alex Hernandez (MEX), Feliciano Lopez (ESP), Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez (MEX)
Qualifiers (4)	Nick Chappell (USA), Rinky Hijikata (AUS), Max Purcell (AUS), Kaichi Uchida (JPN)
Lucky Loser (1)	Gonzalo Villanueva (ARG)
Oldest Player	Feliciano Lopez (40)
#NextGenATP (4)	Rinky Hijikata (21), Brandon Nakashima (20), Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez (17), Chun-Hsin Tseng (20)
Tournament Records	<u>Most Titles</u> – Fabio Fognini, Ivo Karlovic, Cameron Norrie, Sam Querrey, Diego Schwartzman (1) <u>Most Wins</u> – Taylor Fritz (9) <u>Youngest Champion</u> – Cameron Norrie, 25, in 2021 <u>Oldest Champion</u> – Ivo Karlovic, 37, in 2016 <u>Highest-Ranked Champion</u> – No. 15 Fabio Fognini in 2018 <u>Lowest-Ranked Champion</u> – No. 30 Cameron Norrie in 2021 <u>Last Mexican Champion</u> – None

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (15)

Australia (6)	Rinky Hijikata, Thanasi Kokkinakis, Jason Kubler, John Millman, Max Purcell, Jordan Thompson
United States (5)	Nick Chappell, Ernesto Escobedo, Steve Johnson, Brandon Nakashima
Argentina (3)	Facundo Bagnis, Tomas Martin Etcheverry, Gonzalo Villanueva
Mexico (2)	Alex Hernandez, Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez
Spain (2)	Feliciano Lopez, Fernando Verdasco
Canada (1)	Felix Auger-Aliassime
China (1)	Chun-Hsin Tseng
France (1)	Quentin Halys
Germany (1)	Yannick Hanfmann
Great Britain (1)	Cameron Norrie
Japan (1)	Kaichi Uchida
Lithuania (1)	Ricardas Berankis
Moldova (1)	Radu Albot
Serbia (1)	Miomir Kecmanovic
Switzerland (1)	Henri Laaksonen

PEPPERSTONE ATP RANKING POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Abierto de Tennis Mifel	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	20*	0
Singles Prize Money (\$)	125,040	72,935	42,885	24,850	14,430	8,815
Doubles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	0	--
Doubles Prize Money (\$)	43,440	23,250	13,630	7,610	4,490	--

* Singles players who receive a bye in R32 and lose in R16 earn 0 ranking points

2022 ABIERTO DE TENIS MIFEL DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2022 (BEST FINISH)	EVENT (BEST FINISH)
1	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX) Andres Molteni (ARG)	32-20 (4 Titles) 18-15 in 2022 (2 Titles)	24-19 (2 Titles) 23-20 (2 Titles)	2-4 (2019 SF) 1-2 (2016 QF)
2	Matthew Ebden (AUS) Max Purcell (AUS)	25-10 (2 Titles) 22-9 in 2022 (2 Titles)	24-12 (2 Titles) 23-10 (2 Titles)	2-2 (2017, 2021 QF) 0-1 (2019 1R)
3	Ariel Behar (URU) Gonzalo Escobar (ECU)	59-51 (3 Titles) 20-16 in 2022 (1 Title)	20-21 (Belgrade Title) 21-18 (Belgrade Title)	0-1 (2019 1R) 0-0 (Debut)
4	Raven Klaasen (RSA) Marcelo Melo (BRA)	14-5 (2 Titles) 6-5 in 2022 (1 Final)	16-18 (2 Finals) 19-18 (3 Finals)	0-0 (Debut) 0-0 (Debut)

Doubles Final: Saturday 6 August at 5:30pm.

ABIERTO DE TENIS MIFEL SINGLES FINALS (since 2016)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2021	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	Brandon Nakashima (USA)	6-2 6-2
2020	TOURNAMENT NOT HELD		
2019	Diego Schwartzman (ARG)	Taylor Fritz (USA)	7-6(6) 6-3
2018	Fabio Fognini (ITA)	Juan Martin del Potro (ARG)	6-4 6-2
2017	Sam Querrey (USA)	Thanasi Kokkinakis (AUS)	6-3 3-6 6-2
2016	Ivo Karlovic (CRO)	Feliciano Lopez (ESP)	7-6(5) 6-2

BOLD: Player in 2022 Abierto de Tenis Mifel singles draw.

ABIERTO DE TENIS MIFEL DOUBLES FINALS (since 2016)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2021	Hans Hach Verdugo/John Isner	Hunter Reese/Sem Verbeek	5-7 6-2 [10-4]
2020	TOURNAMENT NOT HELD		
2019	Romain Arneodo/Hugo Nys	Dominic Inglot/Austin Krajicek	7-5 5-7 [16-14]
2018	Marcelo Arevalo/ Miguel Angel Reyes-Varela	Taylor Fritz/Thanasi Kokkinakis	6-4 6-4
2017	Juan Sebastian Cabal/ Treat Huey	Sergio Galdos/Roberto Maytin	6-2 6-3
2016	Purav Raja/Divij Sharan	Jonathan Erlich/Ken Skupski	7-6(4) 7-6(3)

BOLD: Player in 2022 Abierto de Tenis Mifel doubles draw – no teams remain intact in doubles draw.

ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

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Ricardas Berankis (LTU) vs [9] Quentin Halys (FRA)

22 Pune (India)

Hard R32 Quentin Halys

Halys Leads 1-0

6-1 6-2

Other Meetings

18 Brest CH (France)

Hard R16 Ricardas Berankis

6-2 6-2

21 Mouilleron le Captif CH (France)

Hard R16 Quentin Halys

7-6(4) 7-5

22 Lille CH (France)

Hard F Quentin Halys

4-6 7-6(4) 6-4

Ricardas Berankis | Age: 32 | World No. 98 | Career-High No. 50 | 2022: 7-8 (Dubai QF) | Los Cabos: 0-0 (Debut)

> 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 holds a 108-101 (0.517) career record on hard courts, compared to 12-30 (0.286) on clay and 7-18 (0.280) on grass. He is 7-0 after winning 1st set on tour-level, but 0-8 when losing the first set in 2022.

Quentin Halys | Age: 25 | World No. 73 (Career-High) | 2022: 3-6 (3 times in 2R) | Los Cabos: 2-2 (2017-18 2R)
> Former World No. 3 junior earned 1st ranking point at age 15 in 2012, entered Top 200 at age 18 in 2015 and broke into Top 100 at age 25 in 2022, peaking at No. 73.
> Qualified at Australian Open in 2018, 2020 and 2021, as well as at US Open in 2021.
> Owns 34-9 Challenger record in 2022 (2-3 in finals), winning titles on home soil at Pau and Lille.
> Defeated future World No. 3 Tsitsipas en route to 2nd of 5 career Challenger titles at 2018 Quimper.
> Went 129-46 in singles and 83-35 in doubles on ITF Junior Circuit, ending junior career with run to 2014 US Open boys' singles final after winning 2014 Roland Garros boys' doubles title with countryman Bonzi.

NOTE: Halys is 1-2 on tour-level on hard-court, getting his only win vs. his next opponent, Berankis, in Pune in February and later beat Berankis in the final for one of the two ATP Challenger Tour titles won this year. He is 0-3 in deciding sets this year (1-13 in career).

[Q] Rinky Hijikata (AUS) vs [WC] Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez (MEX) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meeting

22 Morelos CH (Mexico) Hard R32 Rinky Hijikata 6-3 6-2

Rinky Hijikata | Age: 21 | World No. 224 | Career-High No. 217 | 2022: 0-1 (Melbourne 1R) | Los Cabos: 0-0 (Debut)
> Achieved a career-high of No. 217 in 2022 following qualifying for his first tour-level event at 2022 Melbourne and winning two consecutive M25 tournaments on the ITF Tour in March.
> Holds a 7-15 on the ATP Challenger Tour (6-12 in 2022), making his best run at 2022 Morelos CH in April, reaching the semi-final.
> Got biggest career win in 2022 Melbourne qualifying, defeating No. 98 Laaksonen in Q2 in his only match vs Top 100 player after already beating No. 102 Laaksonen two years prior in 2020 Australian Open qualifying.
> Won a silver medal in doubles at 2018 Youth Olympic Games in Buenos Aires partnering Adrian Andreev, losing to home favorites Sebastian Baez/Facundo Diaz Acosta.
> Got into tennis early, as his father, Junko, is a tennis coach and points at Hewitt and Nishikori as his childhood idols.
> Reached Top 10 in juniors (career-high No. 9), reached 2018 Australian Open Juniors QF and played two years at University of North Carolina before turning pro.

NOTE: Hijikata is searching for his first tour-level win in his second career tour-level event and played Pacheco Mendez en route to his first ATP Challenger Tour semi-final earlier this year.

Rodrigo Pacheco Mendez | Age: 17 | World No. 1545 (Career-High) | 2022: 0-0 (Debut) | Los Cabos: 0-0 (Debut)
> Achieved career-high No. 1545 in August 2022 after achieving his first pro win in 2022 Monterrey CH qualifying.
> Played in his first ATP Tour qualifying, receiving a wildcard at 2022 Acapulco, won the first set before falling to No. 100 Kudla in 3 sets.
> A left-hander, who started playing tennis at the age of 5 cites hard courts as his preferred surface.
> Currently sits at his career-high of No. 11 on the ITF Juniors Tour and has a 18-9 record on the juniors tour in 2022.
> Reached the quarter-final stage of junior competition at both 2022 Australian Open and 2022 Roland Garros before falling in 2R of 2022 Wimbledon.

NOTE: 2005-born Pacheco Mendez bids to become the 1st player born after Carlos Alcaraz, 19, to win an ATP Tour or Grand Slam main draw match. Players born after Alcaraz are 0-18 in tour-level matches. He would be the lowest-ranked player to win a tour-level match in 2022 (No. 863 Bhambri in Pune).

Henri Laaksonen (SUI) vs [Q] Max Purcell (AUS) First Meeting

Henri Laaksonen | Age: 30 | World No. 103 | Career-High No. 84 | 2022: 5-11 (3 times in 2R) | Los Cabos: 0-0 (Debut)
> Broke into Top 100 after reaching 1st ATP Tour SF at 2017 Shenzhen, then achieved career-high No. 84 in February 2022.
> Qualified at 2019 Australian Open, 2020 Roland Garros, 2021 Australian Open, 2021 Roland Garros and 2021 US Open after failing to qualify in 1st 15 attempts at Grand Slam events.
> Earned 5 victories en route to both 2021 Roland Garros 3R and 2021 US Open 3R, including biggest win of career over No. 11 Bautista Agut in Paris.
> Owns 167-140 Challenger record with titles at 2015 Champaign, 2016 Shanghai, 2016 Champaign, 2019 Bangkok, 2019 Rome and 2021 Orleans.
> Represented Finland as a Top-20 junior after being born in Lohja to a Swiss father and Finnish mother.

NOTES: Laaksonen is hoping to break a 4-match losing streak across all levels since reaching the Braunschweig CH semi-final in early July.

Max Purcell | Age: 24 | World No. 234 | Career-High No. 156 | 2022: 1-4 (Newport 2R) | Los Cabos: 0-0 (Debut)
> Aussie reached a career-high No. 156 on 20 June 2022 after reaching QFs at Surbiton, GBR Challenger.
> Achieved doubles career-high of No. 25 on 11 April 2022 after winning 1st ATP Tour title in Houston (w/Ebden).
> Upset ex-No. 5 Anderson and ex-No. 6 Monfils en route to 1st ATP Tour singles SF at 2021 Eastbourne as LL.
> Replaced 2-time Olympic gold medallist Murray in 2020 Tokyo Olympics draw and defeated No. 15 Auger-Aliassime in 1R for biggest singles win of career (held in 2021).
> Reached 2020 Australian Open doubles final as WC with countryman Saville, becoming 1st All-Aussie Grand Slam men's doubles finalists since Woodbridge/Woodforde at 2000 Wimbledon.

NOTE: Purcell has a 7-11 career tour-level record in singles (3-6 on hard court), looking for his first tour-level win on hard courts since 2021 Winston Salem (d. No. 59 Thompson as a lucky loser).

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[Q] Nick Chappell vs Chun-Hsin Tseng (TPE)

First Meeting