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QUARTER-FINALISTS: BY THE NUMBERS

Player	Ranking	Career-High	Age	Wins	QF	SF	F	Titles
[1] Pablo Carreno Busta	No. 15	No. 10	29	197	48	23	7	4
[3] Casper Ruud	No. 26	No. 24	22	68	13	8	3	1
[4] Albert Ramos-Vinolas	No. 47	No. 17	33	226	50	18	9	2
[7] Soonwoo Kwon	No. 81	No. 69	23	23	7	0	0	0
Norbert Gombos	No. 99	No. 80	30	19	4	0	0	0
Ilya Ivashka	No. 115	No. 80	27	30	5	1	0	0
Jaume Munar	No. 95	No. 52	23	35	8	1	0	0
[WC] Carlos Alcaraz	No. 133	No. 127	17	6	1	0	0	0

ATP HEAD2HEAD: FRIDAY QUARTER-FINAL SINGLES MATCHES

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[4] Albert Ramos-Vinolas (ESP) vs Norbert Gombos (SVK) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meeting

14 Munich (Germany) Clay Q3 Albert Ramos-Vinolas 6-4 5-7 6-4

Albert Ramos-Vinolas | Age: 33 | World No. 47 | Career-High No. 17 | Career: 226-249 (2 Titles) | 2021: 9-5 (Cordoba Final) > Achieved career-high No. 17 in 2017 and is 1 of 4 left-handed Spaniards to finish each of last 10 seasons in Top 100 (also Lopez, Nadal, Verdasco).

- > Nine-time finalist on ATP Tour, winning 1st title at 2016 Bastad and 2nd title at 2019 Gstaad (both against lefties).
- > Advanced to 3R, 4R and QF of a Grand Slam for 1st time at 2016 Roland Garros.
- > Reached QF, SF and final of an ATP Masters 1000 event for 1st time at 2017 Monte Carlo, earning biggest career win over World No. 1 Murray in 3R from 0-4 down in 3rd set.
- > Defeated defending champion and World No. 3 Federer in 2015 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 2R for 1st win in 16 tries vs. Top 10.

NOTE: Ramos-Vinolas defeated Berankis on Wednesday (saved 6/7 BPs). Appears in his 4th consecutive QF on clay court after 2021 Buenos Aires (I. to F. Cerundolo in SF), 2021 Cordoba (I. to J.M. Cerundolo in F) and 2020 Sardinia (I. to Cecchinato in QF).

Norbert Gombos | Age: 30 | World No. 99 | Career-High No. 80 | Career: 19-40 (4 QFs) | 2021: 2-4 (Marbella QF)

- > Broke into Top 100 and achieved career-high No. 80 in 2017 before ending a year in Top 100 for 1st time in 2020.
- > Posted best Grand Slam and ATP Masters 1000 runs in city of Paris, advancing to 2020 Roland Garros 3R before beating No. 14 Goffin for biggest win of career to reach 2020 Paris 3R.
- > Qualified at 5 tour-level events in 2020: Australian Open, Marseille, Cincinnati, Vienna and Paris.
- > Debuted on tour by defeating future World No. 3 Thiem during 2014 Davis Cup tie (SVK d. AUT 4-1).
- > Owns 185-139 Challenger record, winning 2 of his 7 titles on home soil at Bratislava (2016 and 2019).

NOTE: Gombos defeated Delbonis 57 76(4) 76(1) in 2R (3h20min) to reach 4th career ATP Tour QF – last one was at 2020 Montpellier (I. to eventual champion Monfils). Has 3-15 Tour-level record against Top-50.

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Ilya Ivashka (BLR) vs Jaume Munar (ESP)

First Meeting

Ilya Ivashka | Age: 27 | World No. 115 | Career-High No. 80 | Career: 30-36 (1 SF) | 2021: 3-2 (Marbella QF) > Achieved career-high No. 80 on 4 February 2019 soon after reaching Australian Open 2R. Broke into Top 100 on 13 August 2018 after advancing to Toronto 3R as Q. In 2018, became 1st Belarusian to finish in Top 100 since No. 59 Mirnyi in 2006.

- > Qualified at 8 tour-level events in 2018 -- tied with Klizan and Kudla for most on ATP Tour. Advanced to 1st QF and SF at 2018 Marseille as Q. Defeated No. 13 Wawrinka in Marseille 2R for biggest win of career. Enjoyed 1st ATP win at 2018 Pune as Q (d. Nagal).
- > Earned 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2019 Australian Open (d. Jaziri). Qualified for 2016 US Open, 2018 Roland Garros, 2019 US Open and 2020 Australian Open.
- > Also qualified in back-to-back years at ATP Masters 1000 Canada, reaching 2018 Toronto 3R and 2019 Montreal 2R.
- > Did not drop a set en route to ATP Challenger Tour titles at 2017 Fergana, UZB and 2018 Shenzhen, CHN. Owns 94-62 Challenger record (4-2 in finals) with wins over past or present Top 50 players Gabashvili, Hurkacz, Kuznetsov, Marchenko, Marterer and Sugita

NOTE: Ivashka is 1-3 in QF (2018 Marseille, d. Mahut). Saved all break points faced (9/9) against Davidovich Fokina in 2R. Before Marbella 1R, his last Tour-level win on clay court was against Safwat in 2016 Davis Cup G2 1R.

Jaume Munar | Age: 23 | World No. 95 | Career-High No. 52 | Career: 35-51 (1 SF) | 2021: 4-3 (Buenos Aires, Marbella QF)

- > Former World No. 3 junior achieved new career-high ranking 7 times in 2019, peaking at No. 52.
- > Defeated 2-time champion Haase en route to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2018 Kitzbuhel, helping him qualify for 2018 Next Gen ATP Finals.
- > Upset former junior rival and FedEx ATP Rankings No. 3 A. Zverev for biggest win of career at 2019 Marrakech.
- > Owns 30-8 Challenger record since tour resumption in August 2020 (29-7 on clay) highlighted by titles at 2020 Lisbon, POR and 2021 Antalya-1, TUR (d. Musetti in F), and 3 finals including 2021 Marbella, ESP last week (l. to Mager).
- > Reached 2014 Roland Garros boys' singles final and won boys' doubles title in 2015 w/Lopez San Martin.

NOTE: Munar defeated [Q] Laaksonen, followed with a 62 61 win over [2] Fognini. Appearing in 2nd QF in 2021 (Buenos Aires, I. to Schwartzman), and trying to advance to his 1st SF since 2018 Kitzbuhel (I. to Klizan).

[1] Pablo Carreno Busta (ESP) vs [7] Soonwoo Kwon (KOR) First Meeting

Pablo Carreno Busta | Age: 29 | World No. 15 | Career-High No. 10 | Career: 197-169 (4 Titles) | 2021: 5-3 (Marbella QF)

- > Winner of 4 singles and 4 doubles titles, achieved career-high No. 10 in singles and No. 16 in doubles during 2017 season.
- > Reached US Open SF in 2017 after defeating 4 qualifiers and in 2020 after defeating No. 1 Djokovic by default and earning 5-set wins over Uchiyama and Shapovalov.
- > Also advanced to Roland Garros QF in 2017 and 2020, as well as 2016 US Open doubles final with Garcia-Lopez.
- > Following back surgery in June 2012, posted 97-18 record in singles matches across all tours in 2013 with win streaks of 35 Futures and 17 Challenger matches.
- > Played almost exclusively on hard courts until moving to Barcelona at age 15.

NOTE: Carreno Busta is looking to reach his 1st SF on clay court since 2019 Hamburg (d. Fognini in QF, I. to Rublev).

Soonwoo Kwon | Age: 23 | World No. 81 | Career-High No. 69 | Career: 23-22 (7 QFs) | 2021: 5-5 (Marbella, Singapore QF) > Achieved career-high No. 69 on 2 March 2020 after reaching 4 QFs in as many weeks.

- > Made Grand Slam debut at 2018 Australian Open as WC, qualified at Wimbledon and US Open in 2019, then earned 1st Grand Slam win at 2020 US Open (d. Kwiatkowski).
- > Went 35-14 at Challengers in 2019 with titles at Yokohama, JPN and Seoul, KOR then captured 3rd Challenger title at 2021 Biella-2, ITA (d. Musetti in F).
- > Played exclusively in Asia and Australia on ITF Junior Circuit, ending career on 12-match and 22-set winning streaks in April 2015.
- > Enjoys going to the karaoke to sing with friends on his days off.

NOTE: Kwon is into his 2nd QF of the season after Singapore in February (squandered 1 MP vs. Cilic). Won 1st Tour-Level match on clay court over WC Rune in 1R. Trying to earn first win vs a Top-20 player (0-4).



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[WC] Carlos Alcaraz (ESP) vs [3] Casper Ruud (NOR)

First Meeting

Carlos Alcaraz | Age: 17 | World No. 133 | Career-High No. 127 | Career: 6-5 (1 QF) | 2021: 5-4 (Marbella QF)

- > Achieved career-high No. 127 in February 2021 after ending 2020 as youngest player in Top 600 at age 17.
- > Defeated countryman Ramos-Vinolas in ATP Tour debut at 2020 Rio de Janeiro as 16-year-old WC, becoming 1st player born in 2003 to win a match and youngest match winner since Garin, 16, at 2013 Vina del Mar.
- > Also became youngest ATP 500 match winner in series history (since 2009), youngest player to earn a Top-50 win since Gasquet, 16, at 2003 Marseille and youngest Spaniard to win a match since Nadal, 15, at 2002 Mallorca.
- > Qualified and advanced to 2021 Australian Open 2R at age 17, becoming youngest player to earn a Grand Slam win since Kokkinakis, 17, at 2014 Australian Open.
- > In 2020, went 20-4 at Challengers following tour resumption, capturing titles as a 17-year-old at Trieste, ITA, Barcelona, ESP and Alicante, ESP.

NOTE: Alcaraz is into 1st career QF after defeating [Q] Milojevic and [6] Lopez (saved 9/12 BPs). Bids to become the youngest ATP Tour semi-finalist since A. Zverev (17) at 2014 Hamburg. Bids to become the youngest ATP Tour semi-finalist from Spain since Nadal (17) at 2004 Auckland.

Casper Ruud | Age: 22 | World No. 26 | Career-High No. 24 | Career: 68-55 (1 Title) | 2021: 6-2 (Marbella, Acapulco QF)

- > Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 22 on 22 February 2021. In 2020, set new career-high ranking 6 times despite 22-week ranking freeze, breaking into Top 50 in January and Top 25 in September.
- > Became highest-ranked player and 1st ATP Tour champion from Norway by winning 2020 Buenos Aires, surpassing his father and coach Christian, who peaked at No. 39 after reaching 1995 Bastad final.
- > Advanced to Grand Slam 4R for 1st time at 2021 Australian Open (RET vs Rublev) after qualifying at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open in 2018.
- > Defeated No. 8 Berrettini for biggest win of career and to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2020 Rome.
- > Says that he loves golf just as much as tennis and even has an Instagram account dedicated solely to him and his friends golfing (@casper_golfer).

NOTE: Ruud defeated 2021 Marbella, ITA CH champion Mager to reach 2nd QF of season (conceded W/O to A. Zverev at Acapulco). Owns 8-3 record in QFs (8-2 on clay court) and seeking 1st SF since 2020 Hamburg (d. Fognini in 2R and Humbert in QF, I. to Rublev).