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CINCINNATI OPEN TALKING POINTS

- American **Frances Tiafoe** faces Frenchman **Arthur Fils** in the championship match of **Cincinnati Open** with both players attempting lift their first ATP Masters 1000 trophy. Fils won their only previous encounter in ATP Masters 1000 Miami third round last year in three sets. The champion will also become the sixth man to win multiple tour-level titles this season after Fils won Barcelona and Tiafoe captured Halle title.

Finals Between Players Looking for First ATP Masters 1000 Title since 2020

2021 Miami	Hurkacz d. Sinner	2022 Miami	Alcaraz d. Ruud
2021 Monte-Carlo	Tsitsipas d. Rublev	2023 Toronto	Sinner d. de Minaur
2021 Indian Wells	Norrie d. Basilashvili	2025 Shanghai	Vacherot d. Rinderknech

2026 ATP Tour Title Leaders

Jannik Sinner	6 (Indian Wells*, Miami*, Monte-Carlo*, Madrid*, Rome*, Wimbledon)
Ben Shelton	4 (Dallas, Munich, Stuttgart, Montreal*)
Carlos Alcaraz	2 (Australian Open, Doha)
Francisco Cerundolo	2 (Buenos Aires, London/Queen's Club)
Daniil Medvedev	2 (Brisbane, Dubai)

* ATP Masters 1000 event

- 28-year-old **Frances Tiafoe** advanced to his second ATP Masters 1000 final after losing to Sinner in the final at this venue two years ago. He now attempts to win the fifth and biggest ATP Tour title of career to become the eleventh American ATP Masters 1000 champion in series history and join Montreal champion Shelton to mark the first time multiple Americans win M1000 titles in a season since 2004 (Roddick – Miami, Agassi – Cincinnati). He bids to be third American men's Cincinnati champion this century, joining Agassi and Roddick.

American ATP Masters 1000 Champions (since the series began in 1990)

Andre Agassi	17	Ben Shelton^	2
Pete Sampras	11	Taylor Fritz^	1
Michael Chang	7	John Isner	1
Jim Courier	5	Jack Sock	1
Andy Roddick	5	Chris Woodruff	1

^ active player

- French No. 1 **Arthur Fils** is playing in the biggest final of his career and at 22 years bids to become fifth and youngest French ATP Masters 1000 champion in series history (youngest currently - Grosjean, 23, at 2001 Paris) and first since Tsonga at 2014 Toronto. The World No. 21 would also become the seventh man born in 2000s to win a title at this level, second born in 2004 or later, joining 2005-born Mensik (2025 Miami).

ATP Masters 1000 Champions Born in 2000s*

Jannik Sinner	2001	10	Jack Draper	2001	1
Carlos Alcaraz	2003	8	Jakub Mensik	2005	1
Ben Shelton	2002	2	Holger Rune	2003	1

* Fils (2004) bids to join the list

2026 ATP Tour - Hard-Court Win Leaders

Brandon Nakashima	22-9	Frances Tiafoe	21-9
Arthur Fils	21-7	Daniil Medvedev	20-7
Jakub Mensik	21-9	Taylor Fritz	20-10

Cincinnati Champions at US Open since 2022

2022 – Borna Coric	2R (l. to Brooksby)	2024 – Jannik Sinner	Champion (d. Fritz)
2023 – Novak Djokovic	Champion (d. Medvedev)	2025 – Carlos Alcaraz	Champion (d. Sinner)

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P&G STADIUM COURT

[21] Arthur Fils (FRA) vs [17] Frances Tiafoe (USA)

25 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.) Hard R32 Arthur Fils

Fils Leads 1-0

7-6(11) 5-7 6-2

Tennis Data Innovations Insights uses algorithmic software to process ball and player tracking data in real-time to calculate shot type, shot quality, situation, phase of play and tactic for every shot. Insights explained at <https://www.atptour.com/en/news/news-filter-results/insights>

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Fils	25%	71%	36%	7.8	6.7	8.2	7.9
Tiafoe	26%	68%	33%	7.9	6.6	7.4	7.1
<i>Tour Average</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.0</i>

Insights from their matches en route to Cincinnati final:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Fils	28%	75%	40%	7.9	6.1	8.9	7.5
Tiafoe	30%	72%	37%	7.7	6.4	8.2	6.9
<i>Tour Average</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>6.4</i>	<i>7.3</i>	<i>7.0</i>

Arthur Fils | Age: 22 | World No. 21 | Career-High No. 14 | 2026: 31-10 (Barcelona Title) | Cincinnati: 6-2 (2026 Final)

> In 2023, broke into Top 200 in January, Top 100 in May and Top 50 in July before peaking at No. 14 in April 2025 after becoming youngest player to reach QFs of 1st three ATP Masters 1000 events in same year in series history.

> Posted 17-4 record at ATP 500 level in 2024, defeating No. 4 Zverev for Hamburg title and saved a championship point to defeat Humbert in all-French final in Tokyo.

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

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

> Achieved career-high No. 3 in junior rankings during 2021 season, advanced to boys' singles final (l. to countryman Van Assche) and won the boys' doubles title w/Mpetshi Perricard.

NOTE: Fils looks for fifth and biggest ATP Tour title (4-2 in finals) to become the fifth French ATP Masters 1000 champion since the series began in 1990. He secured new career-high on Monday and will jump to No. 12 or No. 11 if he becomes second French men's Cincinnati champion in Open Era after Forget in 1991. 22-year-old owns 7-0 record vs. Americans since the start of 2025 season and 9-0 record in deciding sets this year.

French ATP Masters 1000 Champions (since the series was introduced in 1990):

Player	Titles
Guy Forget	2 (1991 Cincinnati, 1991 Paris)
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	2 (2008 Paris, 2014 Toronto)
Cedric Pioline	1 (2000 Monte-Carlo)
Sebastien Grosjean	1 (2001 Paris)

First Man to Reach ATP Masters 1000 Final and Win a Title by Birth Year (since 2000):

Year of Birth	First Finalist	First Champion
2005	Jakub Mensik (2025 Miami)	Jakub Mensik (2025 Miami)
2004	Arthur Fils (2026 Cincinnati)	?
2003	Carlos Alcaraz (2022 Miami)	Carlos Alcaraz (2022 Miami)
2002	Lorenzo Musetti (2025 Monte-Carlo)	Ben Shelton (2025 Toronto)
2001	Jannik Sinner (2021 Miami)	Jannik Sinner (2023 Toronto)
2000	Felix Auger-Aliassime (2019 Miami)	?

2026 ATP Masters 1000 Win Leaders

Player	W-L	Best Result
Jannik Sinner	29-0	5 Titles
Alexander Zverev	20-7	Madrid final
Arthur Fils	19-5	Cincinnati final
Rafael Jodar	15-6	Montreal SF
Jiri Lehecka	14-7	Miami final

Frances Tiafoe | Age: 28 | World No. 23 | Career-High No. 10 | 2026: 37-15 (Halle Title) | Event: 18-9 ('24, '26 Finals)
 > Former World No. 2 junior achieved career-high No. 10 in June 2023 after lifting 3rd title in Stuttgart, saving 1 MP vs. Struff in the final to own ATP Tour titles on all three surfaces.
 > Joined Fritz in Top 10 to be 1st American duo in Top 10 of PIF ATP Rankings since Fish and Isner in May 2012.
 > Defeated 4-time champion Nadal en route to 2022 US Open SF, becoming that event's 1st American men's semi-finalist since Roddick in 2006 and returned to US Open SF in 2024, losing to Fritz in all-American match.
 > Led Team World to 2022 Laver Cup title, teaming w/Sock to defeat Federer/Nadal in Swiss' final match before clinching cup with win over Tsitsipas.
 > Won 1st ATP Tour title as 20-year-old at 2018 Delray Beach, did not drop a set en route to 2nd title at 2023 Houston and earned 3 Top 10 wins to capture biggest title of career at 2026 Halle.
 > Parents emigrated from Sierra Leone in 1996 and father was Head of Maintenance at Junior Tennis Champions Center in Maryland, where Frances and his twin brother Franklin trained as kids.

NOTE: Tiafoe aims to capture his fifth and biggest ATP Tour title (4-8 in finals), second this season (Halle), to become the third active American ATP Masters 1000 champion after Shelton (2) and Fritz (1). He is No. 12 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and would pass Fils to No. 11 by becoming first American men's Cincinnati champion since Roddick in 2006. 28-year-old owns third-most wins on ATP Tour this season (37) behind Zverev (46) and Sinner (44).

American Win Leaders on ATP Tour in 2026

Player	W-L	Titles
Frances Tiafoe	37-15	1
Tommy Paul	36-16	1
Ben Shelton	33-13	4
Taylor Fritz	31-14	1
Brandon Nakashima	31-17	0

2026 ATP Tour Win Leaders

Player	W-L	Titles
Alexander Zverev	46-13	1
Jannik Sinner	44-3	6
Frances Tiafoe	37-15	1
Rafael Jodar	36-14	1
Tommy Paul	36-16	1

American Cincinnati Men's Champions (Open Era)

Player	Titles
Pete Sampras	3 (1992, 1997, 1999)
Andre Agassi	3 (1995-96, 2004)
Harold Solomon	2 (1977, 1980)
Michael Chang	2 (1993-94)
Andy Roddick	2 (2003, 2006)
Cliff Richey	1 (1969)
Stan Smith	1 (1971)
Jimmy Connors	1 (1972)

Player	Years
Marty Riessen	1 (1974)
Tom Gorman	1 (1975)
Roscoe Tanner	1 (1976)
Eddie Dibbs	1 (1978)
Peter Fleming	1 (1979)
John McEnroe	1 (1981)
Brad Gilbert	1 (1989)

Active American ATP Masters 1000 Finalists –

Player	Final	End Result
Reilly Opelka	2021 Toronto	l. to Medvedev
Taylor Fritz	2022 Indian Wells	d. Nadal
Frances Tiafoe	2024 Cincinnati	l. to Sinner
Ben Shelton	2025 Toronto	d. Khachanov
Ben Shelton	2026 Montreal	d. Nakashima
Brandon Nakashima	2026 Montreal	l. to Shelton
Frances Tiafoe	2026 Cincinnati	plays Fils

2026 ATP Masters 1000 Finals

Tournament	Result
Indian Wells	Jannik Sinner (2) d. Daniil Medvedev (11)
Miami	Jannik Sinner (2) d. Jiri Lehecka (22)
Monte-Carlo	Jannik Sinner (2) d. Carlos Alcaraz (1)
Madrid	Jannik Sinner (1) d. Alexander Zverev (3)
Rome	Jannik Sinner (1) d. Casper Ruud (25)
Montreal	Ben Shelton (10) d. Brandon Nakashima (31)

2026 Cincinnati Statistics	Arthur Fils	Frances Tiafoe
Aces	25	26
Winners	92	123
Unforced Errors	121	132
Net Points Won	74% (20 of 27)	73% (61 of 83)
Fastest Serve	221 km/h (137 mph)	221 km/h (137 mph)
1st-Serve Percentage	62% (192 of 312)	50% (183 of 366)
1st-Serve Points Won	79% (152 of 192)	80% (146 of 183)
2nd-Serve Points Won	62% (74 of 120)	53% (97 of 183)
Service Games Won	94% (50 of 53)	86% (49 of 57)
Break Points Saved	75% (9 of 12)	60% (12 of 20)
1st-Serve Return Points Won	31% (55 of 178)	28% (54 of 194)
2nd-Serve Return Points Won	55% (73 of 133)	56% (91 of 163)
Return Games Won	33% (16 of 49)	30% (17 of 56)
Break Points Converted	47% (16 of 34)	55% (17 of 31)
Time on Court	7:12	9:07

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: DOUBLES FINAL

**Orlando Luz (BRA) / Rafael Matos (BRA) vs
[ALT] Constantin Frantzen (GER) / Robin Haase (NED)**

First Meeting

Luz/Matos Notes

- > Brazilian duo is 40-20 on tour-level as a pair (36-19 in 2026), making their team debut by winning 2019 M15 Portimao before making their ATP Tour debut at 2020 Rio de Janeiro.
- > Captured 4 ATP Tour titles together, winning at 2024 Bastad and Buenos Aires and Santiago earlier this season before becoming the 1st all-Brazilian team to win an ATP Masters 1000 title in Montreal last week.
- > Also joined Melo (9) and Soares (4) as only Brazilians to win ATP Masters 1000 doubles titles in series history.
- > Ousted No. 5 seeds Harrison/Skupski in 1R, Melo/Zverev in 2R, No. 4 seeds Bolelli/Vavassori in QF and Nys/Roger-Vasselin in SF.
- > They bid to become the fifth team to win Canada and Cincinnati doubles titles in a season in the Open Era after Manson/Teacher in 1980, Bob and Mike Bryan in 2010, Dodig/Melo in 2016 and Herbert/Mahut in 2017.
- > They would become the third men's team to win 4+ doubles titles this season, joining Arribage/Olivetti (5) and Heliovaara/Patten (5).
- > Team is ranked No. 6 on [PIF ATP Doubles Teams Rankings](#). Individually, Luz is ranked No. 22 (career-high), and Matos is ranked No. 20 (career-high). Luz will make his Top 20 debut on Monday.
- > Luz, 28, is 4-3 in ATP Tour finals, reaching final of 2024 Santiago (w/Soto) before winning titles at 2024 Bastad, 2026 Buenos Aires, 2026 Santiago and 2026 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal, all w/Matos.
- > Matos, 30, is 14-9 in ATP Tour doubles finals, and alongside Luz bids to join Melo in 2016 (w/Dodig) and Soares in 2018 (w/J. Murray) as only Brazilian men's doubles champions in Cincinnati's Open Era history.

Frantzen/Haase Notes

- > German/Dutch duo is 34-25 as a pair on tour-level (23-19 in 2026), highlighted by winning their 1st ATP Tour title as a team at 2025 Chengdu.
- > Also advanced to 2025 US Open QF, saving 3 MPs to defeat No. 3 seeds Heliovaara/Patten in 1R and 2 MPs to defeat Luz/Olivetti in 2R, before losing to eventual champions Granollers/Zeballos in QF in 3 sets.
- > This year, the pair reached ATP Tour finals of Montpellier and Rio de Janeiro, both in February, before run to ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati final.
- > Defeated Miedler/Polmans in 1R, 2022 champions Ram/Salisbury in 2R, Arribage/Olivetti in QF, and 2021 champions and No. 2 seeds Granollers/Zeballos in SF.
- > Frantzen attempts to become 1st German men's doubles champion in Cincinnati in Open Era after Prinosil lost 2001 final w/Damm, while Puetz finished as 2022 runner-up w/Venus.
- > Haase is the second Dutch men's doubles finalist after Rojer in 2016 w/Tecau (l. to Dodig/Melo).
- > Team is ranked No. 13 on [PIF ATP Doubles Teams Rankings](#). Frantzen is ranked No. 41 (career-high No. 34 in March 2026), while Haase is ranked No. 44 (career-high No. 29 in 2023).
- > Frantzen, 28, is 1-5 in ATP Tour finals, advancing to finals w/Jebens at 2023 Metz, 2024 Kitzbuhel, and 2024 Hangzhou, before winning 1st title at 2025 Chengdu w/Haase.
- > Frantzen attempts to be the fifth German ATP Masters 1000 doubles champion after Puetz (3), Becker (2), Krawietz (2) and Stich (1), third this season after Krawietz/Puetz won Monte-Carlo.
- > Haase, 39, is 10-17 in tour-level doubles finals, including run to 2013 Australian Open final w/Sijsling.
- > Haase bids to become the eighth Dutch ATP Masters 1000 doubles champion after Haarhuis (10), Eltingh (8), Koolhof (6), Rojer (4), Siemerink (2), Koevoets (1) and Krajicek (1).