

# MALLORCA CHAMPIONSHIPS – ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 – SUNDAY 19 JUNE 2022

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## 2022 MALLORCA CHAMPIONSHIPS SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2022 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Daniil Medvedev	26-8 (3 Finals)	4-0 (2021 Title)
2	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	36-13 (Monte Carlo Title)	0-0 (Debut)
3	Denis Shapovalov (CAN)	16-13 (Dubai SF)	0-0 (Debut)
4	Pablo Carreno Busta (ESP)	18-13 (Barcelona Final)	2-1 (2021 SF)
5	Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP)	19-8 (Doha Title)	1-1 (2021 QF)
6	Botic van de Zandschulp (NED)	22-15 (Munich Final)	0-0 (Debut)
7	Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)	25-13 (Munich SF)	0-1 (2021 1R)
8	Sebastian Baez (ARG)	19-14 (Estoril Title)	0-0 (Debut)

**Tournament History** 2021-Present (2nd Edition in 2022) **Singles Final** Saturday 25 June at 3:00 pm

Wild Cards (3) Feliciano Lopez (ESP), Jaume Munar (ESP), Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)

Qualifiers (4) TBD on Sunday
Special Exempts (1) Nick Kyrgios (AUS)
Oldest Player Feliciano Lopez (40)
Youngest Player Sebastian Baez (21)

Tournament Records

Most Titles - Daniil Medvedev (1)

Most Wins - Daniil Medvedev (4)

<u>Youngest Champion</u> – Daniil Medvedev, 25, in 2021 <u>Oldest Champion</u> – Daniil Medvedev, 25, in 2021

Highest-Ranked Champion – No. 2 Daniil Medvedev in 2021 Lowest-Ranked Champion – No. 2 Daniil Medvedev in 2021

Last Spanish Champion - None

## **COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (13)**

Spain (4) Roberto Bautista Agut, Pablo Carreno Busta, Feliciano Lopez, Jaume Munar

Serbia (3) Laslo Djere, Miomir Kecmanovic, Dusan Lajovic

Argentina (2) Sebastian Baez, Federico Delbonis

Netherlands (2) Tallon Griekspoor, Botic van de Zandschulp

United States (2) Marcos Giron, Mackenzie McDonald

Australia (1)
Canada (1)
Finland (1)
France (1)
Germany (1)
Greece (1)
Portugal (1)

Nick Kyrgios
Denis Shapovalov
Emil Ruusuvuori
Benjamin Bonzi
Daniel Altmaier
Stefanos Tsitsipas
Joao Sousa

**Slovakia (1)** Alex Molcan NOTE: Qualifiers not included, TBD on Sunday

## PEPPERSTONE ATP RANKING POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Mallorca Championships	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	20*	0
Singles Prize Money (€)	134,835	78,650	46,240	26,795	15,560	9,505
Doubles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	0	
Doubles Prize Money (€)	46,860	25,070	14,690	8,210	4,840	

<sup>\*</sup> Singles players who receive a bye in R32 and lose in R16 earn 0 ranking points



#### 2022 MALLORCA CHAMPIONSHIPS DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2022 (BEST FINISH)	<b>EVENT (BEST FINISH)</b>
4	Marcelo Arevalo (ESA)	26-12 (3 Titles)	27-11 (3 Titles)	0-0 (Debut)
'	Jean-Julien Rojer (NED)	26-11 in 2022 (3 Titles)	26-11 (3 Titles)	0-0 (Debut)
2	Kevin Krawietz (GER)	69-48 (6 Titles)	18-13 (2 Titles)	0-0 (Debut)
2	Andreas Mies (GER)	16-11 in 2022 (2 Titles)	21-13 (2 Titles)	0-0 (Debut)
2	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX)	29-16 (4 Titles)	21-15 (2 Titles)	0-1 (2021 1R)
3	Andres Molteni (ARG)	15-11 in 2022 (2 Titles)	19-15 (2 Titles)	1-1 (2021 QF)
4	Andrey Golubev (KAZ)	4-2 (2022 Rome SF)	16-16 (5 times in SF)	0-0 (Debut)
	Maximo Gonzalez (ARG)	4-2 in 2022 (Rome SF)	19-10 (2 Finals)	3-0 (2021 Title)

Doubles Final: Saturday 25 June at 12:30pm

## MALLORCA CHAMPIONSHIPS SINGLES FINALS (since 2021)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2021	Daniil Medvedev	Sam Querrey (USA)	6-4 6-2

BOLD: Player in 2022 Mallorca Championships singles draw.

## MALLORCA CHAMPIONSHIPS DOUBLES FINALS (since 2021)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2021	Simone Bolelli/Maximo Gonzalez	Novak Djokovic/Carlos Gomez-Herrera	Walkover

BOLD: Player in 2022 Mallorca Championships doubles draw – no team remains intact in the 2022 draw.

## ATP HEAD2HEAD: SUNDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

#### **CENTRE COURT**

### Alex Molcan (SVK) vs [7] Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)

#### **First Meeting**

Alex Molcan | Age: 24 | World No. 45 | Career-High No. 38 | 2022: 15-10 (Marrakech, Lyon Finals) | Mallorca: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Ended 2021 as No. 1 Slovakian, then broke into Top 50 in April 2022 and achieved career-high No. 38 in May 2022. > Earned 1st 4 ATP Tour main draw wins of career en route to 2021 Belgrade-2 final as 255th-ranked Q (I. to No. 1 Djokovic).
- > Also advanced to clay-court finals at Marrakech and Lyon in 2022, defeating No. 9 Auger-Aliassime for biggest win of career in Marrakech 2R.
- > Defeated Nakashima in 5 sets to join 4 other qualifiers in 2021 US Open 3R.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 1st Challenger title at 2021 Liberec, defeating Jaziri 6-1 6-0 in SF and Machac 6-0 6-1 in final.

**NOTE**: Molcan is seeking his first grass tour-level win (0-1). He is 3-8 vs. Top 30 players, achieving all 3 wins on clay this season (d. No. 9 Auger-Aliassime en route to Marrakech final and d. No. 24 Khachanov, No. 21 de Minaur en route to Lyon final).

Miomir Kecmanovic | Age: 22 | World No. 30 (Career-High) | 2022: 25-13 (Munich SF) | Mallorca: 0-1 (2021 1R)

- > Broke into Top 40 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Kitzbuhel and achieved career-high No. 30 in June 2022.
- > Went 2-11 to end 2021 and 24-11 to begin 2022, reaching Grand Slam 3R and 4R for 1st time at 2022 Australian Open.
- > Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2019 Indian Wells as LL, 2022 Indian Wells and 2022 Miami, equaling biggest win of career in 2022 Indian Wells 4R vs. No. 6 Berrettini.
- > Beat Ruud and Davidovich Fokina to reach 2019 Intesa Sanpaolo Next Gen ATP Finals SF (I. to eventual champion Sinner).
- > Defeated Tsitsipas in 3rd-set TB to win 2015 Orange Bowl junior title, then ended 2016 as World No. 1 junior ahead of No. 2 Tsitsipas.



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**NOTES:** No. 2 Serbian (behind No. 3 Djokovic) has won a personal-best 25 matches this season (13-8 on clay, 12-4 on hard) with a SF in Munich and five quarter-finals. Has a 7-7 career tour-level record on grass and has a 14-5 record vs. players lower-ranked than him on tour-level this season.

Mackenzie McDonald (USA) vs Joao Sousa (POR)				McDonald Leads 1-0
19 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.)	) Hard	R128	Mackenzie McDonald	6-4 3-6 6-3
Other Meetings				
22 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	Q1	Mackenzie McDonald	6-2 3-6 6-4
22 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	Q1	Joao Sousa	6-2 6-4

**Mackenzie McDonald** | Age: 27 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 49 | 2022: 13-15 (Dubai QF) | Mallorca: 0-0 (Debut) > Broke into Top 50 and achieved career-high No. 49 in February 2022 after undergoing right hamstring surgery in 2019 and falling out of Top 250 in 2020.

- > Defeated former champions Kyrgios and Nishikori en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2021 Washington.
- > Also in 2021, qualified at Roland Garros and Wimbledon after reaching Australian Open 4R as No. 192, becoming lowest-ranked player in Australian Open 4R since No. 248 Canas in 2004.
- > Posted biggest win of career over No. 4 Del Potro to reach 1st ATP Tour SF at 2019 Delray Beach.
- > Qualified for 2013 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati at age 18 by defeating USC legend Johnson, then went on to win 2016 NCAA singles and doubles titles for UCLA.

**NOTE**: McDonald owns a 6-6 career tour-level record on grass, highlighted by his run to 4R at 2018 Wimbledon (I. to No. 32 Raonic in 4R). He is 10-5 in his tour-level opening rounds in 2022.

Joao Sousa | Age: 33 | World No. 57 | Career-High No. 28 | 2022: 12-9 (Pune Title) | Mallorca: 0-0 (2021 Q2)

- > Top Portuguese player in Pepperstone ATP Rankings history, achieving career-high No. 28 in 2016.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 4 Ferrer, then saved 1 MP vs. Benneteau to become 1st Portuguese ATP Tour champion at 2013 Kuala Lumpur.
- > Winner of 4 titles overall, including 2018 Estoril, where he saved 2 MPs vs. P. Sousa in 2R and was congratulated following final by Portuguese President Marcelo Rebelo de Sousa.
- > Became 1st Portuguese player to reach a Grand Slam 4R (2018 US Open, 2019 Wimbledon) and 2nd to reach an ATP Masters 1000 QF (2016 Madrid).
- > Speaks Portuguese, Spanish, Catalan, English, French and Italian.

**NOTE**: Sousa is looking for his first grass tour-level win since advancing to 4R at 2019 Wimbledon (d. No. 18 Cilic in 2R). He has a 14-23 (0.378) career tour-level record on grass, compared to 89-93 (0.489) on clay and 109-131 (0.454) on hard courts.

[WC] Jaume Munar (ESP) vs Aslan Karatsev				Karatsev Leads 2-0
21 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R128	Aslan Karatsev	7-5 1-6 6-3 6-2
22 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R128	Aslan Karatsev	3-6 7-6(1) 6-7(3) 6-4 6-4
Other Meeting				
17 Zhuhai (China)	Hard	Q3	Jaume Munar	6-3 6-4

**Jaume Munar** | Age: 25 | World No. 75 | Career-High No. 52 | 2022: 11-12 (Melbourne QF) | Mallorca: 0-1 (2021 1R) > Former World No. 3 junior achieved career-high No. 52 after upsetting No. 3 A. Zverev for biggest win of career at 2019 Marrakech.

- > Defeated countryman Alcaraz before falling to countryman Carreno Busta in 1st ATP Tour final at 2021 Marbella.
- > Competed at 2018 Intesa Sanpaolo Next Gen ATP Finals and qualified for ATP Masters 1000 events at Indian Wells, Miami and Monte Carlo in 2022.
- > Owns 113-58 Challenger record (8-6 in finals), including 2 titles in 2022 (Marbella, Perugia), both on clay.
- > Reached 2014 Roland Garros boys' singles final and won boys' doubles title in 2015 with countryman Lopez San Martin.

**NOTE**: Munar is looking for his 1st tour-level career win on grass (0-6). He is 2-8 vs. Top 50 players on Pepperstone ATP Rankings in 2022 (wins over No. 16 Carreno Busta at ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells and No. 20 Basilashvili at Barcelona).



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**Aslan Karatsev** | Age: 28 | World No. 38 | Career-High No. 14 | 2022: 9-14 (Sydney Title) | Mallorca: 0-0 (Debut) > Broke into Top 20 after winning 2nd ATP Tour title at 2021 Moscow, then achieved career-high No. 14 following 3rd title at 2022 Sydney.

- > Reached 2021 Australian Open SF as World No. 114, becoming 1st men's semi-finalist in Grand Slam debut in Open Era, 1st men's qualifier to reach Grand Slam SF since Voltchkov at 2000 Wimbledon, and lowest-ranked Grand Slam men's semi-finalist since No. 125 Ivanisevic at 2001 Wimbledon.
- > Ended 23-match ATP 500 win streak of countryman Rublev en route to 1st ATP Tour title at 2021 Dubai, then defeated No. 1 Djokovic at 2021 Belgrade-1 and No. 2 Medvedev at 2021 Rome.
- > In mixed doubles w/Vesnina, finished as 2021 Roland Garros runner-up and 2020 Tokyo Olympics silver medallist in All-ROC final (held in 2021).
- > Went 18-2 on ATP Challenger Tour from August-November 2020, including titles at Prague-2 and Ostrava.

NOTE: Karatsev is seeking to break his 5-match tour-level losing streak, losing 9 of his last 10 tour-level matches.