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INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA TALKING POINTS

- World No. 1 **Jannik Sinner** returns to court on Saturday at **Internazionali BNL d'Italia**, as he takes on **Mariano Navone** in his first match since winning Australian Open title due to 3-month period of ineligibility. He is on a career-best 21-match winning streak and plays in his first clay tournament since Roland Garros last year. World No. 99 Navone seeks biggest win of career to become lowest-ranked player to defeat Sinner since his countryman then-No. 103 F. Cerundolo at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Miami QF via retirement.

- Italian No. 3 **Matteo Berrettini** opens **Campo Centrale** schedule on Day 4, taking on **Jacob Fearnley**. Berrettini is 20-3 on clay since the start of 2023 season, including winning 3 ATP Tour titles last year. He is playing in Rome for first time since 2021 and looks for his fourth 3R at the event (2019-21). Fearnley ended Fognini's final Rome appearance in 1R and now attempts to defeat another Italian to join Draper in 3R and become first British duo in men's singles Rome 3R since Henman and Rusedski in 2006.

- On **Grand Stand Arena**, Italian wildcards **Luca Nardi** and **Matteo Gigante** both look for 1st clay ATP Masters 1000 3R of their careers. Nardi takes on No. 8 **Alex de Minaur**, as Australian bids to tie Alcaraz for most wins on ATP Tour this season (25). Gigante takes on 19-year-old **Jakub Mensik**, who captured Miami title earlier this year, as Czech bids to tie Chang for 10th-most ATP Masters 1000 wins among teenagers (18).

- No. 6 seed **Casper Ruud** leads ATP Tour since start of 2020 season in clay-court wins (125), finals (17) and titles (12). Ruud begins his campaign to become first man since Nadal in 2013 to win Madrid and Rome in the same season. He takes on **Alexander Bublik**, as Ruud leads their **Lexus ATP Head2Head** 6-1.

- On **Court 1**, **Roberto Bautista Agut** looks for first Top 20 win on clay since defeating No. 15 Fognini at 2014 Stuttgart (0-28 since), as he takes on World No. 12 **Tommy Paul**. Former quarter-finalists at **Foro Italico** are also in action with World No. 17 **Andrey Rublev** taking on Hungarian **Fabian Marozsan**, while World No. 4 **Taylor Fritz** faces countryman **Marcos Giron**, with higher-ranked American leading their Lexus ATP Head2Head 4-1 and No. 30 seed **Hubert Hurkacz** looks for first win since March vs. **Pedro Martinez.**

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: TOP HALF SECOND-ROUND

CAMPO CENTRALE

[29] Matteo Berrettini (ITA) vs Jacob Fearnley (GBR) First Meeting

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Insights from 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Berrettini	**26%**	69%	31%	**8.8**	**6.5**	**7.9**	**6.9**
Fearnley	24%	**70%**	**32%**	7.7	6.2	7.4	7.0
Tour Average	*24%*	*69%*	*31%*	*7.9*	*6.5*	*7.5*	*7.1*

Matteo Berrettini | Age: 29 | World No. 30 | Career-High No. 6 | 2025: 12-9 (3 QFs) | Rome: 7-5 (2020 QF)
> Achieved career-high No. 6 after reaching 2022 Australian Open SF, becoming 3rd-highest-ranked Italian since start of PIF ATP Rankings in 1973 (No. 1 Sinner in 2024, No. 4 Panatta in 1976).
> At 2021 Wimbledon, became 1st Italian men's singles finalist in tournament history and 1st Italian Grand Slam men's singles finalist since Panatta at 1976 Roland Garros.
> First Italian man to reach QFs of all 4 Grand Slam events and 1st to earn a win at Nitto ATP Finals (d. Thiem in 2019 RR).
> Owns 42-11 record on grass with 4 of his 10 ATP Tour titles, including 2021 and 2022 London/Queen's Club to become 1st player in Open Era to win titles in each of his 1st 2 appearances at that event.
> Defeated No. 3 Thiem en route to 2021 ATP Cup team final, No. 3 Ruud en route to 2023 United Cup team final and No. 2 Zverev at 2025 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo for biggest wins of career.

NOTE: Rome-native Berrettini is making his sixth appearance in Rome, first since 2021, and bids to extend his 24-1 record vs. players outside Top 50 since last July, lone loss to No. 317 Stricker in Stockholm. With a win, he would already tie his most successful season in ATP Masters 1000 match wins (7-4 in 2025, 8-5 in 2022).

Jacob Fearnley | Age: 23 | World No. 57 (Career-High) | 2025: 8-6 (Aus. Open, Madrid 3R) | Rome: 1-0 (2025 2R)
> Unranked in July 2023, broke into Top 500 in June 2024, Top 200 in August 2024 and Top 100 in September 2024, before achieving career-high No. 57 in May 2025 after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 3R in Madrid.
> Made ATP Tour debut at 2024 Eastbourne as WC (l. to B. Harris in 1R), then defeated Moro Canas at 2024 Wimbledon for 1st tour-level win (l. to 7-time champion Djokovic in 2R).
> Posted 27-3 (.900) Challenger record in 2024 with titles in Nottingham 2, Lincoln, Rennes and Orleans, owning highest win percentage in a season at Challenger level since 2011 (min. 25 matches played).
> Peaked at No. 27 in junior rankings, highlighted by wins over future World No. 1s Alcaraz in 2018 Sanxenxo Grade 2 final by 6-2 4-6 7-6(12) and Sinner in 2017 Malta ITF U18 Grade 4 1R.
> Spent five-years playing college tennis for Texas Christian University, former team of countryman Norrie, becoming four-time ITA All-American and helped his team clinch the national championship in his final year.

NOTE: Fearnley is 1-5 vs. Top 30 players in his career after defeating No. 20 Machac en route to Madrid 3R two weeks ago. He is up 5 spots to No. 52 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and would need to reach at least 4R to extend his chances for Top 50 debut. He is 8-0 after winning 1st set on tour-level, including win over Fognini in 1R.

[1] Jannik Sinner (ITA) vs Mariano Navone (ARG) First Meeting

Insights from 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Sinner	**24%**	**74%**	**36%**	**8.3**	**8.2**	**8.9**	**8.4**
Navone	22%	63%	34%	7.3	6.2	7.0	6.9
Tour Average	*24%*	*69%*	*31%*	*7.9*	*6.5*	*7.5*	*7.1*

Jannik Sinner | Age: 23 | World No. 1 (Career-High) | 2025: 7-0 (Aus. Open Title) | Rome: 9-5 (2022 QF)
> Unranked to begin 2018, ended 2020 as No. 1 teenager, broke into Top 10 at age 20 in 2021 and became 1st Italian World No. 1 in PIF ATP Rankings history at age 22 in 2024, remaining at top of rankings since (35 weeks).
> At 2024 Australian Open, defeated 10-time champion Djokovic in SF and rallied from 2 sets down in final vs. Medvedev to be 2nd Italian men's singles Grand Slam champion in Open Era (Panatta at 1976 Roland Garros).
> Became 1st man since Nadal at 2005-06 Roland Garros to defend 1st Grand Slam title at 2025 Australian Open.
> Captured 2024 US Open title to join Djokovic, Federer and Wilander as only players to win both hard court Grand Slam titles in a season and be first man to win 1st two Grand Slam titles in one year since Vilas in 1977.
> Leads all players born since 2000 with 19 career titles, including ATP Masters 1000 championships at 2023 Toronto, 2024 Miami, 2024 Cincinnati and 2024 Shanghai.
> Led Italy to 2023 and 2024 Davis Cup titles, first since 1976, became 1st Italian to win Nitto ATP Finals title on home soil in Turin and third active male player to reach SFs of all 4 Grand Slam events (also Cilic, Djokovic).

NOTE: Sinner is playing in his first tournament since capturing Australian Open title and is on a 21-match winning streak since October and is 59-0 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 since the start of 2023 US Open. 23-year-old is the third Italian No. 1 seed in Rome's Open Era history following Mulligan in 1968 and Panatta in 1977.

Mariano Navone | Age: 24 | World No. 99 | Career-High No. 29 | 2025: 11-13 (Buenos Aires QF) | Rome: 1-1 (2024-25 2R)
> Broke into Top 200 in June 2023, Top 100 in February 2024 and Top 50 in April 2024, achieving career-high No. 29 in June 2024 after capturing 6th Challenger title of career in Cagliari.
> As No. 31 seed at 2024 Roland Garros, became 1st man in Open Era to be seeded in his Grand Slam main draw debut and defeated Carreno Busta in 1R.
> Earned 1st ATP Tour win and advanced to 1st QF, SF and final at 2024 Rio de Janeiro as Q and defeated clay-court champions Darderi, Seyboth Wild and F. Cerundolo en route to 2nd final in Bucharest.
> On home soil, made his ATP Tour debut at 2024 Cordoba as WC and earned biggest win of career over No. 12 Rune in 2025 Buenos Aires 2R before squandering 2 MPs vs. eventual champion Fonseca in QF.
> Posted 40-18 Challenger record in 2023, ending the season on a 19-2 run and led all players with 5 Challenger titles, winning in Poznan, Santa Fe, Santa Cruz, Buenos Aires and Santa Fe-2.
> Began playing at age 3 as his parents and sister all played tennis and is nicknamed La Navoneta.

NOTE: Navone looks for biggest win of career (0-2 vs. Top 10), bidding to become first Argentine to defeat a World No. 1 since del Potro over No. 1 Nadal at 2018 US Open and first on clay since Calleri over No. 1 Ferrero at 2003 Davis Cup. He aims to reach ATP Masters 1000 3R for first time in career (0-4 in 2Rs).

Players to Defeat No. 1 Seed in Rome Opening Round in Open Era:

Player	No. 1 Seed	Year
Fabio Fognini	Andy Murray	2017
Ernests Gulbis	Roger Federer	2010
David Ferrer	Andre Agassi	2003
Jim Courier	Pete Sampras	1997
Fabrice Santoro	Pete Sampras	1995

GRAND STAND ARENA

[4] Taylor Fritz (USA) vs Marcos Giron (USA) — Fritz Leads 4-1

21 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Taylor Fritz	6-2 6-2
22 Dallas (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Marcos Giron	6-4 3-6 7-6(3)
23 Dallas (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Taylor Fritz	7-6(7) 3-6 6-3
23 Geneva (Switzerland)	Clay	R16	Taylor Fritz	4-6 6-2 6-3
24 Delray Beach (U.S.A.)	Hard	SF	Taylor Fritz	7-6(8) 6-2
Other Meetings				
15 Sacramento CH (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Taylor Fritz	6-3 6-4
17 Dallas CH (U.S.A.)	Hard	R16	Taylor Fritz	7-5 4-6 6-3
19 Newport Beach CH (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Taylor Fritz	2-6 7-6(6) 7-6(7)

Insights from 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Fritz	**28%**	**70%**	29%	**8.7**	**7.3**	**8.1**	**7.7**
Giron	21%	60%	**35%**	7.7	6.2	7.8	7.2
Tour Average	*24%*	*69%*	*31%*	*7.9*	*6.5*	*7.5*	*7.1*

Taylor Fritz | Age: 27 | World No. 4 (Career-High) | 2025: 16-7 (Miami SF) | Rome: 5-5 (2024 QF)
> Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 4 in November 2024 after becoming 1st American man since Blake in 2006 to play in Nitto ATP Finals championship match and finish inside Top 5 of year-end rankings.
> At 2024 US Open, became 1st American Grand Slam men's singles finalist since 2009 after earning wins over No. 8 Ruud, No. 4 Zverev and No. 20 Tiafoe in an all-American SF.
> Defeated No. 2 Nadal en route 2022 Nitto ATP Finals SF after beating him in 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells final to become that event's 1st American men's champion since Agassi in 2001.
> Reached 1st ATP Tour final at 2016 Memphis as 18-year-old WC, becoming youngest American finalist since start of ATP Tour in 1990.
> Clinched inaugural United Cup for Team USA in 2023, helped Team World capture Laver Cup in 2022 and 2023 and earned bronze medal at 2024 Paris Olympics in men's doubles w/Paul.

NOTE: Fritz is 12-1 vs. players ranked outside Top 30 on clay since 2023 Roland Garros, lone loss to No. 65 Michelsen in Geneva 2R last year. He is playing in his second clay tournament of the season, reaching 4R of Madrid before losing to eventual champion Ruud, and aims to extend his perfect record in opening rounds this season (6-0).

Marcos Giron | Age: 31 | World No. 45 | Career-High No. 37 | 2025: 13-9 (3 QFs) | Rome: 4-3 (2022 3R)
> One of 3 former UCLA Bruins to break into Top 50 during 2022 season (also Cressy, McDonald) and achieved career-high No. 37 in August 2024 after saving 1 MP in Newport final to win 1st ATP Tour title.
> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour final at age 29 and in his home state of California at 2022 San Diego.
> Qualified at 11 ATP Masters 1000 events, highlighted by runs to 3R at 2020 and 2021 Paris and 2023 Toronto.
> Reached 2021 Roland Garros 3R after rallying from 6-2 6-4 5-1 down and saving 3 MPs vs. Dimitrov in 1R, as well as 3R of 2023 Roland Garros and 2025 Australian Open.
> Won 2014 NCAA singles title for UCLA and broke into Top 100 in 2020 following right hip surgery in 2015 and left hip surgery in 2016.

NOTE: Giron is 1-10 vs. Top 5, defeating No. 5 Ruud in ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells earlier this year for lone win. He would become fifth American man this century to record multiple Top-5 wins after turning 30 years of age, joining Agassi (11), Isner (5), Sampras (3) and Martin (2). He seeks ATP Masters 1000 3R on clay for 2nd time (2022 Rome).

American Men to Record Top-5 Wins on Clay since 2000:

Player	Win Over	Tournament
Pete Sampras	No. 3 Magnus Norman	2000 World Team Cup
Vincent Spadea	No. 5 Rainer Schuettler	**2004 ATP Masters 1000 Rome**
John Isner	No. 3 Roger Federer	2012 Davis Cup – SUI vs. USA World Group 1R
John Isner	No. 3 Stan Wawrinka	**2017 ATP Masters 1000 Rome**
Taylor Fritz	No. 3 Stefanos Tsitsipas	2023 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo
Tommy Paul	No. 4 Daniil Medvedev	**2024 ATP Masters 1000 Rome**

[20] Jakub Mensik (CZE) vs [WC] Matteo Gigante (ITA) First Meeting

Jakub Mensik | Age: 19 | World No. 21 (Career-High) | 2025: 17-8 (Miami Title) | Rome: 0-1 (2024 1R)
> Former World No. 2 junior broke into Top 100 in February 2025 and earned career-high No. 21 in May 2025 soon after becoming fourth man in series history to win 1st title at ATP Masters 1000 event in Miami.
> Also in Miami, defeated No. 4 Fritz and 6-time champion No. 5 Djokovic to join Alcaraz as only teenagers to earn multiple Top 5 wins in one event this century and became 1st Czech ATP Masters 1000 champion since 2005.
> At 2024 Doha, reached 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final by defeating former champions Murray, Monfils and No. 5 Andrey Rublev, becoming 1st man born in 2005 or later to play in an ATP Tour final.
> In tour-level debut, reached 3R at 2023 US Open as Q, becoming youngest man to reach Grand Slam 3R since Nadal at 2004 Aus. Open and youngest at US Open since Santoro in 1990, losing to Fritz on his 18th birthday.
> Also reached Grand Slam 3R at 2024 US Open, losing to Borges after holding 3 MPs and 2025 Australian Open, losing to Davidovich Fokina after squandering 2 MPs.
> Posted 85-28 record on ITF Juniors circuit, highlighted by reaching 2022 Australian Open boys' singles final.

NOTE: Mensik is 10-2 at ATP Masters 1000 level (17-6 in career), highlighted by 1st ATP Tour title in Miami in March and owns 6-1 record in opening rounds at ATP Masters 1000 events, lone loss to Hanfmann in Rome 1R last year. He aims to be 3rd teenager to reach Rome men's singles 3R this decade, joining Musetti and Sinner in 2020 (also Tien).

Teenagers to Reach Rome Men's Singles 3R since 2000: Tien and Mensik could join the list on Saturday.

Player	Age	Year	Player	Age	Year
Lleyton Hewitt	19	2000	Gael Monfils	19	2006
Roger Federer	19	2001	Novak Djokovic	19	2007
Andy Roddick	19	2002	Denis Shapovalov	19	2018
Nicolas Almagro	19	2005	Lorenzo Musetti	18	2020
Rafael Nadal	18/19	2005/06	Jannik Sinner	19	2020

Matteo Gigante | Age: 23 | World No. 164 | Career-High No. 132 | 2025: 2-2 (2 times in 2R) | Rome: 2-1 (2024-25 2R)
> Entered Top 200 in February 2023 after winning 1st Challenger title at Tenerife-3 as LL and achieved career-high No. 132 in June 2024.
> Qualified for ATP Tour debut at 2024 Marrakech and defeated countryman Zeppieri for 1st win at 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Rome as WC.
> Owns 84-64 Challenger record (5-3 in finals), earning 2 of 5 titles on home soil at 2023 Cordenons and 2025 Rome.
> Qualified for Grand Slam main draw debut at 2025 Australian Open without losing a set (l. to Humbert in 1R).
> Peaked at No. 51 in junior rankings, highlighted by J1 Traralgon doubles title w/Cobolli.

NOTE: Gigante defeated Rinderknech in 1R for his 3rd tour-level win, all at ATP Masters 1000 level (d. Zeppieri in Rome 1R last year and Baez in Indian Wells 1R this year). He aims to capture first Top 30 win (0-2) and record back-to-back ATP Tour wins for first time in his career.

[WC] Luca Nardi (ITA) vs [7] Alex de Minaur (AUS) — First Meeting

Insights from 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Nardi	**22%**	68%	31%	7.3	5.7	6.9	6.7
de Minaur	21%	**69%**	**38%**	**7.5**	**7.2**	**7.7**	**7.7**
Tour Average	*24%*	*69%*	*31%*	*7.9*	*6.5*	*7.5*	*7.1*

Luca Nardi | Age: 21 | World No. 95 | Career-High No. 67 | 2025: 5-7 (Dubai QF) | Rome: 2-3 (2024-25 2R)
> Broke into Top 200 in April 2022, Top 100 in March 2024, then achieved a career-high No. 67 in March 2025 after advancing to his 1st ATP Tour QF in Dubai as LL.
> Entered 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells as No. 123-ranked LL to become lowest-ranked player to defeat No. 1 Djokovic at an ATP Masters 1000 or Grand Slam event in his career.
> Earned 1st ATP Tour win at 2022 Astana as Q after appearing in main draws of 2020 Antwerp as Q and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Rome as WC and 2022 Hamburg as Q.
> Owns 94-63 Challenger record (7-4 in finals), winning 1st title on home soil at Forli-1.
> Coming from same hometown as Moto GP legend Valentino Rossi, he notes riding motorcycles as his biggest passion outside tennis.

NOTE: Nardi is 1-5 vs. Top 20, 0-2 on clay, attempting to record 2nd Top 10 win after defeating No. 1 Djokovic in Indian Wells 3R last year. If he joins Passaro in 3R (also Gigante), it would mark fourth time multiple wildcards reach men's Rome 3R after 1986 (Becker, Cane), 2007 (Starace, Volandri) and 2020 (Sinner, Travaglia).

Alex de Minaur | Age: 26 | World No. 8 | Career-High No. 6 | 2025: 24-9 (Rotterdam Final) | Rome: 4-6 (2024 4R)
> Two-time Next Gen ATP Finals runner-up achieved career-high No. 6 in July 2024 before becoming 1st Australian to qualify for Nitto ATP Finals in singles since Hewitt in 2004.
> Earned personal-best 47 victories in 2022 and 2024 and captured biggest of 9 ATP Tour titles in Acapulco in 2023 and 2024.
> Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2020 US Open immediately after winning 1st ATP Tour doubles title at 2020 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati w/Carreno Busta in team debut and at same venue.
> Also advanced to Grand Slam QFs at 2024 Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open and 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF, SF and final at 2023 Toronto.
> Playing for Australia, he went 6-1 in Davis Cup play during the 2022 season, leading Australia to its 1st final since 2003 and defeated No. 2 Nadal in 2023 and No. 1 Djokovic in 2024 at United Cup.
> Son to a Uruguayan father and Spanish mother, splits time between Australia and Spain, and speaks English, Spanish and French.

NOTE: de Minaur aims to become second man to record 25 wins this season after Alcaraz (also Cerundolo). He is one of 2 players to reach R16 of all four ATP Masters 1000 events played so far this year (also Dimitrov, l. to Passaro in 2R on Friday). He is 38-2 vs. players outside Top 30 in last 52 weeks, including 7-0 on clay.

SUPERTENNIS ARENA

Fabian Marozsan (HUN) vs [16] Andrey Rublev — Rublev Leads 2-1

24 Umag (Croatia)	Clay	QF	Andrey Rublev	5-7 6-3 6-2
25 Hong Kong (Hong Kong)	Hard	R16	Fabian Marozsan	7-5 3-6 6-3
25 Rotterdam (Netherlands)	Hard	R16	Andrey Rublev	7-6(2) 7-6(7)

Fabian Marozsan | Age: 25 | World No. 61 | Career-High No. 36 | 2025: 12-11 (Munich SF) | Rome: 4-2 (2023 4R)
> Broke into Top 200 in August 2022, Top 100 in June 2023 and earned career-high No. 36 in May 2024, becoming fourth Hungarian to break into Top 50 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).
> In ATP Tour debut, defeated No. 2 Alcaraz for biggest win of career en route to 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Rome 4R as Q and reached 1st QF at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (d. No. 9 Ruud in 4R).

> Upset No. 7 Rune in 2R and No. 10 de Minaur in 4R en route to 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Miami QF.
> Earned 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2023 US Open (d. Gasquet) and reached 3R at 2024 & 2025 Aus. Open.
> Owns 55-30 Challenger record (3-1 in finals), winning titles at 2022 Banja Luka, 2023 Antalya and 2023 Perugia and losing to compatriot Fucsovics in 2022 Bratislava-2 final.

NOTE: Marozsan is 8-16 vs. Top 20 players, 1-6 on clay, aiming to record second Top 20 win on the surface after defeating No. 2 Alcaraz in Rome 3R in 2023. He is 19-12 at ATP Masters 1000 level (.613), 2-4 this year, and aims to reach his 1st 3R at this level since Cincinnati last August and be 2nd Hungarian to earn 20 wins (Fucsovics – 24).

Andrey Rublev | Age: 27 | World No. 17 | Career-High No. 5 | 2025: 11-10 (Doha Title) | Rome: 6-5 (2021 QF)
> Former No. 1 junior broke into Top 20 in January 2020, Top 10 in October 2020 and Top 5 in September 2021.
> Rallied from a set down in both SF and final for 1st time in career at 2023 Monte-Carlo to capture 1st ATP Masters 1000 title and defeated two-time defending champion No. 3 Alcaraz en route to 2nd title at 2024 Madrid.
> Defeated No. 3 Nadal at 2021 Monte-Carlo, No. 2 Medvedev at 2021 Cincinnati and No. 1 Sinner at 2024 Montreal en route to ATP Masters 1000 finals and beat No. 1 Djokovic for 11th of 17 ATP Tour titles at 2022 Belgrade.
> Led tour with 5 titles in 2020, tied for tour-lead with 41 victories in 2020, and won 23 matches and 4 titles in a row at ATP 500 events from 2020-21.
> Ten-time Grand Slam quarter-finalist reached 2022 Nitto ATP Finals SF and won gold medal in All-ROC mixed doubles final at 2020 Tokyo Olympics w/Pavlyuchenkova (held in 2021).
> Went 9-1 in singles and 4-1 in doubles at team events during 2021 season, sweeping titles at ATP Cup, Laver Cup and Davis Cup.

NOTE: Rublev is 1-7 in his last 8 matches at ATP Masters 1000 level, lone win over Monfils in Monte-Carlo 2R last month. By reaching Rome SF this week, he would join Djokovic, Federer, Nadal and Murray as only players to complete the set of SFs at all 9 ATP Masters 1000 events in series history (since 1990).

Alexander Bublik (KAZ) vs [6] Casper Ruud (NOR) — Ruud Leads 6-1

19 St. Petersburg (Russia)	Hard	R32	Casper Ruud	6-7(3) 6-4 6-2
21 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	QF	Casper Ruud	7-5 6-1
21 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	R32	Casper Ruud	6-4 6-0
22 Davis Cup Qualifiers (Norway)	Hard	RR	Alexander Bublik	6-4 5-7 6-4
22 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Casper Ruud	6-3 6-2
23 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	**Clay**	**R32**	**Casper Ruud**	**6-1 4-6 7-6(0)**
23 Basel (Switzerland)	Hard	R32	Casper Ruud	7-6(5) 6-2

Insights from 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Bublik	**25%**	**68%**	**33%**	**8.5**	6.3	6.9	6.5
Ruud	24%	**68%**	**33%**	7.9	**7.1**	**8.0**	**7.6**
Tour Average	*24%*	*69%*	*31%*	*7.9*	*6.5*	*7.5*	*7.1*

Alexander Bublik | Age: 27 | World No. 76 | Career-High No. 17 | 2025: 7-11 (Montpellier QF) | Rome: 3-5 (2023 3R)
> Achieved career-high No. 17 in May 2024 after becoming 1st ATP Tour champion (since ATP Tour was established in 1990) to come back from a set down in every match en route to his 4th title in Montpellier.
> Defeated five Top 25 players in as many matches including No. 9 Sinner in QF and No. 7 Rublev in final to earn biggest of 4 ATP Tour titles at 2023 Halle.
> Earned biggest win of career over No. 3 A. Zverev in 2022 Montpellier final for 1st ATP Tour title in 5th final.
> Posted personal-best 35 wins in 2021 and advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at Miami and Madrid.
> In doubles, advanced to 2021 Roland Garros final with countryman Golubev and 2020 Australian Open SF with countryman Kukushkin.

NOTE: Bublik is 10-23 vs. Top 10, 2-5 on clay, after defeating No. 8 Monfils at 2020 Roland Garros and defending champion No. 8 Rublev in Madrid 3R last week. He would be the first man to defeat Madrid champion in Rome opening round since the latter moved to clay in 2009.

Casper Ruud | Age: 26 | World No. 7 | Career-High No. 2 | 2025: 21-6 (Madrid Title) | Rome: 13-5 (2020, 2022-23 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 (13), an ATP Masters 1000 title (2025 Madrid), play at Nitto ATP Finals (2021 SF, 2022 final, 2024 SF), and reach a Grand Slam final (2022-23 Roland Garros, 2022 US Open).
> 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 No. 1 junior leads ATP Tour since start of 2020 season in clay-court wins (125), finals (17) and titles (12), highlighted by 2025 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid title.
> Defeated World No. 1 Djokovic for biggest win of career en route to 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo final.

NOTE: Ruud is on a 6-match winning streak after winning biggest title of his career in Madrid on Sunday. He aims to reach Rome 3R for fifth time in six appearances after losing to Kecmanovic in 2R last year. He is 20-0 after winning 1st set this season and bids to record 7 tour-level wins vs. single opponent for first time (6-1 vs. Bublik, 6-2 vs. Rune).

[17] Francisco Cerundolo (ARG) vs Nicolas Jarry (CHI) — First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

21 Concepcion CH (Chile)	Clay	R16	Francisco Cerundolo	4-6 6-4 7-5

Francisco Cerundolo | Age: 26 | World No. 18 (Career-High) | 2025: 24-10 (Buenos Aires Final) | Rome: 4-3 ('23 QF)
> Broke into Top 100 and achieved new career-high ranking 11 times in 2022 and achieved career-high No. 18 in May 2025 after equaling biggest win of career over No. 2 Zverev en route to ATP Masters 1000 Madrid SF.
> Moved into Top 25 in July 2022 after defeating No. 5 Ruud en route to 1st ATP Tour title in Bastad and No. 8 Rublev en route to Hamburg SF in back-to-back weeks.
> Won 2nd title at 2023 Eastbourne to be 1st Argentine ATP Tour champion on grass since Frana in 1995.
> As World No. 103 at 2022 Miami, became lowest-ranked semi-finalist in 37-year tournament history and 1st player to reach SF in his ATP Masters 1000 main draw debut since Janowicz at 2012 Paris.
> Father, Alejandro, also played pro tennis; younger brother, Juan Manuel, won 2021 Cordoba title; sister, Constanza, played for Argentine field hockey team that won gold medal at 2018 Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Cerundolo leads the ATP Tour in clay wins this season (16), including run to Madrid SF last week. He is 9-0 in opening rounds since losing to Carballes Baena in Auckland 2R in his first match of 2025. One of two Argentines left in the draw (also Navone) and aims to keep Argentinian presence in Rome 3R in 9th of last 10 years (none in 2022).

Nicolas Jarry | Age: 29 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 16 | 2025: 5-9 (Brisbane QF) | Rome: 6-3 (2024 Final)
> Unranked to begin 2021, achieved career-high No. 16 in May 2024 after becoming 1st Chilean since Gonzalez in 2007 to reach ATP Masters 1000 final in Rome.
> In 2023, rallied from a set down three times in five matches to win 2nd ATP Tour title in Santiago, his hometown, and upset former champions Ruud and Zverev en route to 3rd title in Geneva.
> Joined countryman Garin as fellow 2019 first-time ATP Tour champion by winning Bastad title without losing a set.
> Saved 1 MP vs. No. 3 A. Zverev in 2019 Barcelona 2R for 1st Top 3 win of career, but squandered 2 MPs vs. A. Zverev in Geneva final one month later.
> Peaked at No. 8 in junior rankings after advancing to 2013 Roland Garros boys' doubles final with countryman Garin.
> Parents, Allan and Cecilia, are former pro volleyball players; grandfather, Jaime Fillol, great-uncle, Alvaro Fillol, and uncle, Martin Rodriguez, are former ATP players.

NOTE: Jarry seeks first Top 20 win since defeating No. 8 Tsitsipas and No. 16 Paul to reach Rome final last year (0-8 since) and aims to win back-to-back ATP Tour matches for only second time since (Brisbane QF). He is down 93 spots to No. 146 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and needs to reach SF to avoid dropping outside Top 100.

[12] Ben Shelton (USA) vs Jaume Munar (ESP) — Series Tied 1-1

23 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China)	Hard	R64	Ben Shelton	6-4 6-4
25 Dallas (U.S.A.)	Hard	R16	Jaume Munar	6-2 7-6(3)

Ben Shelton | Age: 22 | World No. 13 | Career-High No. 12 | 2025: 15-9 (Munich Final) | Rome: 1-2 (2024 3R)
> Broke into Top 200 in August 2022, Top 100 in November 2022 and Top 20 in September 2023, achieving career-high No. 12 in March 2025 after advancing to Australian Open SF.
> Defeated countrymen Paul and Tiafoe at 2023 US Open to become youngest American man in US Open SF since Chang, 20, in 1992 and beat No. 4 Sinner to reach 1st of 3 ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2023 Shanghai.
> Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2023 Tokyo, joining Bryan Shelton as 4th father-son duo to win a tour-level championship in Open Era (Phil & Taylor Dent, Ramanathan & Ramesh Krishnan, Petr & Sebastian Korda).

> Advanced to 2023 Australian Open QF at age 20 and on his 1st trip outside USA, becoming youngest American man in Aus. Open QF since Giammalva Jr., 19, in 1982, and in Grand Slam QF since Roddick, 20, at 2002 US Open.
> Posted 65-10 singles record in 2 seasons for University of Florida, clinching 2021 NCAA team title and 2022 NCAA singles title while being coached by his father Bryan, a former World No. 55.

NOTE: Shelton is playing in his third consecutive Rome main draw, rallying from a set down to earn lone win over Kotov in 1R last year. He is 15-2 in opening rounds of ATP Masters 1000 and Grand Slam events since the start of 2024 season, losing in Miami 2R to Wong and Davidovich Fokina in Monte-Carlo 1R, both this year.

Jaume Munar | Age: 28 | World No. 66 | Career-High No. 52 | 2025: 11-9 (2 SFs) | Rome: 2-2 (2024-25 2R)
> Former World No. 3 junior advanced to 2018 Next Gen ATP Finals SF and achieved career-high No. 52 in May 2019.
> Finished 2022 at year-end high No. 58 after earning personal-best 19 wins and qualifying for 4 ATP Masters 1000 events.
> Defeated countryman Alcaraz before falling to countryman Carreno Busta in 1st ATP Tour final at 2021 Marbella.
> Earned 2 Top-5 wins over No. 3 Zverev at 2019 Marrakech 2R and No. 3 Ruud at 2022 Tokyo 1R.
> Owns 141-72 Challenger record (10-8 in finals), including most recent clay-court title at 2024 Bad Waltersdorf.
> Reached 2014 Roland Garros boys' singles final and won boys' doubles title in 2015 with countryman Lopez San Martin.

NOTE: Munar is 12-37 vs. Top 20, including personal-best 4 wins this season (4-2), aiming to record 3 consecutive Top 20 wins for first time in career after defeating No. 8 Medvedev in ATP Masters 1000 Miami and No. 18 Tiafoe in Barcelona. He seeks 4th ATP Masters 1000 3R after 2022 Indian Wells, 2023 Madrid and 2025 Miami.

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[Q] Sebastian Ofner (AUT) vs [15] Frances Tiafoe (USA) — Tiafoe Leads 1-0

23 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Frances Tiafoe	6-3 6-1 6-4

[26] Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN) vs [Q] Thiago Seyboth Wild (BRA) First Meeting

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Learner Tien (USA) vs [19] Tomas Machac (CZE) — Machac Leads 1-0

25 Acapulco (Mexico)	Hard	QF	Tomas Machac	6-3 7-5

Pedro Martinez (ESP) vs [30] Hubert Hurkacz (POL) — Hurkacz Leads 3-0

22 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (Monaco)	Clay	R32	Hubert Hurkacz	6-3 4-6 6-4
23 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R128	Hubert Hurkacz	7-6(1) 6-2 6-2
24 Estoril (Portugal)	Clay	F	Hubert Hurkacz	6-3 6-4
Other Meeting				
18 US Open Q (U.S.A.)	Hard	Q3	Hubert Hurkacz	6-3 6-3

[LL] Jesper de Jong (NED) vs [25] Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP) First Meeting

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[11] Tommy Paul (USA) vs Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP) — Series Tied 3-3

21 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (Monaco)	Clay	R32	Roberto Bautista Agut	6-3 6-4
21 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	**Clay**	**R64**	**Roberto Bautista Agut**	**6-3 6-4**
21 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada)	Hard	R32	Roberto Bautista Agut	6-3 6-4
22 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	R64	Tommy Paul	6-4 6-4
23 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R16	Tommy Paul	6-2 4-6 6-2 7-5
24 Wimbledon (Great Britain)	Grass	R16	Tommy Paul	6-2 7-6(3) 6-2

Aleksandar Vukic (AUS) vs [22] Sebastian Korda (USA) — Vukic Leads 2-0

23 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (Canada)	Hard	R32	Aleksandar Vukic	6-3 4-6 7-6(5)
25 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R64	Aleksandar Vukic	6-4 3-6 2-6 6-3 7-5
Other Meeting				
19 Sarasota CH (U.S.A.)	Clay	R16	Sebastian Korda	6-4 2-6 6-4
19 Astana CH (Kazakhstan)	Hard	SF	Sebastian Korda	7-6(3) 6-3