



## 2018 US OPEN

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DAY 10 MEDIA NOTES | Wednesday, 5 September 2018

## MEN'S SINGLES QUARTER-FINALS (BOTTOM HALF)

### ARTHUR ASHE STADIUM

[7] Marin Cilic (CRO) vs [21] Kei Nishikori (JPN)

Nishikori Leads 8-6

[6] Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs John Millman (AUS)

Djokovic Leads 1-0

### DAY 10 HIGHLIGHTS

- Four years after meeting for the US Open championship, **Marin Cilic** and **Kei Nishikori** will play a rematch in the quarter-finals on Wednesday. Neither Cilic nor Nishikori had reached a Grand Slam final entering the 2014 US Open. That all changed with semi-final upsets of then-No. 3 **Roger Federer** and then-No. 1 **Novak Djokovic** respectively. Two days later, Cilic defeated Nishikori 6-3 6-3 6-3 to capture the biggest title of his career. Cilic has played in two more Grand Slam finals since then, but Nishikori has yet to repeat his run at the 2014 US Open.
- Nishikori and **Naomi Osaka** made history by winning their fourth-round matches on Monday. A Japanese man and woman are in the quarter-finals of the same Grand Slam tournament for the second time in the Open Era. **Shuzo Matsuoka** and **Kimiko Date** each reached, and lost, in the 1995 Wimbledon quarter-finals. While Osaka appears in her first Grand Slam quarter-final, Nishikori competes in his ninth. Nishikori is 2-6 in Grand Slam quarter-finals with both victories at the US Open. He won five-setters over **Stan Wawrinka** in 2014 and **Andy Murray** in 2016.
- Though Nishikori is 8-6 against Cilic, the Croat is 2-1 in their meetings at the US Open. Before beating Nishikori for the 2014 title, Cilic defeated him in four sets at the 2012 US Open. Nishikori rallied for a five-set victory over Cilic in four hours, 59 minutes at the 2010 US Open. With two more wins this week, Cilic would reach his third final in the last six Grand Slam events. He was runner-up to Federer at 2017 Wimbledon and the 2018 Australian Open.
- Djokovic is back in a Grand Slam quarter-final for the 42nd time in his career -- second-most in the Open Era behind Federer's 53. They would have met on Wednesday were it not for 55th-ranked **John Millman**, who stunned Federer to reach the first Grand Slam quarter-final of his career. Millman, who was ranked No. 235 during the 2017 US Open, is the first Australian quarter-finalist in Flushing since **Lleyton Hewitt** in 2006. If he defeats Djokovic, the 29-year-old from Brisbane would be the first Aussie semi-finalist at any Grand Slam since Hewitt at the 2005 US Open.
- Djokovic is a US Open quarter-finalist for the 11th time in his last 11 appearances (2007-16, 2018). The two-time champion is 10-0 in US Open quarter-finals and meeting a player ranked outside of the Top 25 for the first time in this round. With a win over Millman, Djokovic will break a tie with Federer and **Andre Agassi** for the second-most US Open semi-final appearances in the Open Era. **Jimmy Connors** advanced to the US Open semi-finals 14 times.

### ATP RACE TO LONDON (as of Tuesday, 4 September at 1:30 pm)

No.	Player	Points	KEY
1	Rafael Nadal*	7,120^	Top 8 qualify for Nitto ATP Finals
2	Novak Djokovic	4,805^	* Qualified
3	Roger Federer	4,800	^ Add 360 points for QF win
4	Alexander Zverev	4,365	
5	Juan Martin del Potro	4,070^	
6	Marin Cilic	3,815^	
7	Kevin Anderson	3,450	
8	Dominic Thiem	3,365^	
9	John Isner	2,930^	
10	Kei Nishikori	2,115^	
11	Fabio Fognini	1,940	
12	David Goffin	1,785	
13	Stefanos Tsitsipas	1,782	
14	Pablo Carreno Busta	1,730	
15	Milos Raonic	1,710	
16	Borna Coric	1,700	

#### Most Grand Slam Quarter-finals of Open Era

1	Roger Federer	53
2	Novak Djokovic	42
3	Jimmy Connors	41
T4	Rafael Nadal	36
T4	Andre Agassi	36

#### Most US Open Quarter-finals of Open Era

1	Jimmy Connors	17
2	Andre Agassi	13
T3	Roger Federer	12
T3	Ivan Lendl	12
5	Novak Djokovic	11

#### Most Grand Slam Semi-finals of All Time and Open Era

1	Roger Federer	43
2	Novak Djokovic	32
3	Jimmy Connors	31
T4	Rafael Nadal	28 (Entering Tuesday)
T4	Ivan Lendl	28

#### Most US Open Semi-finals of Open Era

1	Jimmy Connors	14
T2	Novak Djokovic	10
T2	Roger Federer	10
T2	Andre Agassi	10
T5	Pete Sampras	9
T5	Ivan Lendl	9

#### Most Grand Slam Finals of All Time and Open Era

1	Roger Federer	30
2	Rafael Nadal	24
3	Novak Djokovic	22
4	Ivan Lendl	19
5	Pete Sampras	18

#### Most US Open Finals of Open Era

T1	Ivan Lendl	8
T1	Pete Sampras	8
T3	Novak Djokovic	7
T3	Roger Federer	7
T3	Jimmy Connors	7

#### Most Grand Slam Titles of All Time

1	Roger Federer	20
2	Rafael Nadal	17
3	Pete Sampras	14
4	Novak Djokovic	13
5	Roy Emerson	12

#### Most US Open Titles of Open Era

T1	Roger Federer	5
T1	Jimmy Connors	5
T1	Pete Sampras	5
4	John McEnroe	4
T5	Rafael Nadal	3
T5	Ivan Lendl	3

## [7] Marin Cilic (CRO) vs [21] Kei Nishikori (JPN)

08 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells	Hard	R128	Marin Cilic	6-2 6-4
<b>10 US Open (U.S.A.)</b>	<b>Hard</b>	<b>R64</b>	<b>Kei Nishikori</b>	<b>5-7 7-6(6) 3-6 7-6(3) 6-1</b>
11 Chennai (India)	Hard	R32	Kei Nishikori	4-6 7-6 6-2
<b>12 US Open (U.S.A.)</b>	<b>Hard</b>	<b>R32</b>	<b>Marin Cilic</b>	<b>6-3 6-4 6-7(3) 6-3</b>
13 Memphis (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Kei Nishikori	6-4 6-2
14 Brisbane (Australia)	Hard	QF	Kei Nishikori	6-4 5-7 6-2
14 Barcelona (Spain)	Clay	QF	Kei Nishikori	6-1 6-3
<b>14 US Open (U.S.A.)</b>	<b>Hard</b>	<b>F</b>	<b>Marin Cilic</b>	<b>6-3 6-3 6-3</b>
15 Washington (U.S.A.)	Hard	SF	Kei Nishikori	3-6 6-1 6-4
15 Tokyo (Japan)	Hard	QF	Kei Nishikori	3-6 7-5 6-3
16 Wimbledon (Great Britain)	Grass	R16	Marin Cilic	6-1 5-1 ret
16 Basel (Switzerland)	Hard	F	Marin Cilic	6-1 7-6(5)
16 ATP Finals (Great Britain)	Hard	RR	Marin Cilic	3-6 6-2 6-3
18 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo	Clay	QF	Kei Nishikori	6-4 6-7(1) 6-3

## Nishikori Leads 8-6

MARIN CILIC	vs	KEI NISHIKORI
29 (9/28/88)	Age (Birthdate)	28 (12/29/89)
No. 7 (No. 3 on 1/29/18)	ATP Ranking (Career-High)	No. 19 (No. 4 on 3/2/15)
Medjugorje, Bosnia-Herzegovina	Birthplace	Shimane, Japan
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Bradenton, FL, USA
37-12 (20-6)	2018 Record (on hard)	27-13 (11-6)
472-244 (288-143)	Career Record (on hard)	358-168 (237-111)
1 / 18	2018 Titles / Career Titles	0 / 11
111-41	Career Grand Slam Record	80-33
33-8 (2014 <b>Champion</b> )	US Open Record (Best Result)	22-8 (2014 Runner-up)
29-14 (3-2)	Career 5th-Set Record (YTD)	17-6 (1-0)
6	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	2
179-152 (19-11)	Career Tiebreak Record (YTD)	110-76 (11-3)
\$24,534,130	Career Prize Money	\$19,286,966
Ivan Cinkus	Coach	Dante Bottini, Michael Chang

## MARIN CILIC

### 2018 Highlights

**W (1):** London/Queen's Club (d Djokovic)

**F (1):** Australian Open (l Federer)

**SF (3):** Pune (l Simon); ATP Masters 1000 Rome (l A. Zverev); ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (l Djokovic)

**QF (4):** ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (l Nishikori), Roland Garros (l Del Potro), ATP Masters 1000 Toronto (l Nadal); US Open

### 2018 in Review

- Appearing in 3rd Grand Slam QF of season (1-1), 13th of career (5-7) and 5th at US Open (2-2).
- Saved 1 championship point to capture 2nd London/Queen's Club title and 18th ATP title overall (d. Djokovic).
- Won an ATP World Tour title for 11th straight season (2008-18).
- Defeated No. 1 Nadal in 5 sets en route to 3rd Grand Slam final at Australian Open (l. to Federer in 5 sets).
- Achieved career-high No. 3 in ATP Rankings on 29 January following run to Australian Open final.
- Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 SFs at Rome (l. to A. Zverev) and Cincinnati (l. to Djokovic).
- Reached Roland Garros QF for 2nd straight season (d. Fognini in 5 sets, l. to Del Potro).
- Dropped only 8 games in 6 sets to beat Popko and Kukushkin during Davis Cup QF (CRO d. KAZ 3-1).
- Withdrew from Buenos Aires (fatigue), Acapulco (stomach muscle strain) and ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (knee).

## Career Highlights

- > Achieved career-high No. 3 on 29 January 2018 after reaching Australian Open final. Ended 2016 and 2017 at No. 6. Broke into Top 10 on 1 February 2010 following run to Australian Open SF. Became World No. 1 junior on 2 January 2006.
- > Qualified for Nitto ATP Finals in 2014, 2016 and 2017, posting 1-8 record overall.
- > Won 1+ title in 11 straight seasons (2008-18), highlighted by 2014 US Open. Earned only win in 10 H2H meetings with Federer, then beat Nishikori for 1st Grand Slam title and 300th win of career. Fell to Federer in 2017 Wimbledon and 2018 Australian Open finals. Captured 2005 Roland Garros junior title.
- > Secured 1st ATP Masters 1000 title at 2016 Cincinnati in 71st appearance at that level. Also advanced to ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2016 Paris, 2017 Shanghai, 2018 Rome and 2018 Cincinnati. Defeated No. 1 Djokovic in 2016 Paris QF and No. 1 Nadal in 2018 Australian Open QF.
- > Led Croatia to 2016 Davis Cup final with 3-2 wins over Belgium, USA and France. Went 2-1 in final, but fell to Del Potro after leading by 2 sets (ARG d. CRO 3-2).

## KEI NISHIKORI

### 2018 Highlights

**F (1):** ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (l. Nadal)

**SF (1):** New York (l. Anderson)

**QF (4):** ATP Masters 1000 Rome (l. Djokovic); Wimbledon (l. Djokovic); Washington (l. A. Zverev); US Open

### 2018 in Review

- Appearing in 2nd Grand Slam QF of season (0-1), 9th of career (2-6) and 3rd at US Open (2-0).
- Earned Top 5 wins over Cilic and A. Zverev to reach Monte-Carlo final (l. to No. 1 Nadal). Fell to 0-4 in ATP Masters 1000 finals. As World No. 36, became lowest-ranked Monte-Carlo finalist since No. 53 Aranzi in 2001.
- Played 44 tour-level events since most recent title at 2016 Memphis (d. Fritz). Lost his last 7 finals.
- At Wimbledon, became 1st Japanese player to complete set of QFs at all 4 Grand Slams (l. to Djokovic).
- Reached New York SF (l. to Anderson in 3rd-set TB), Rome QF (l. to Djokovic) and Washington QF (l. to A. Zverev).
- Defeated Frenchmen Janvier, Paire and Simon to reach Roland Garros 4R for 4th straight year (l. to Thiem).
- Fell to No. 39 in ATP Rankings on 2 April -- lowest since No. 40 on 10 October 2011.
- Captured 6th ATP Challenger Tour title -- 1st since 2010 -- at Dallas, USA as WC (d. McDonald).
- Retired in Barcelona 2R vs. Garcia-Lopez due to right leg injury.
- Withdrew from Brisbane, Sydney and Australian Open (right wrist), as well as Indian Wells (illness).

## Career Highlights

- > Top-ranked Asian in ATP Rankings history. Achieved career-high No. 4 on 2 March 2015 after reaching Acapulco final. Ended 2014, 2015 and 2016 in Top 10. Passed by Chung on 19 March 2018 after nearly 7 years as No. 1 Asian.
- > Earned 50+ wins to qualify for Nitto ATP Finals in 2014, 2015 and 2016. Reached SF in 2014 and 2016.
- > Owns 11 ATP World Tour titles, capturing 1st at 2008 Delray Beach as 18-year-old qualifier ranked 244th. Remains youngest ATP champion since Hewitt, 16, at 1998 Adelaide. Enjoyed 30+ victories in 7 straight seasons (2011-17), highlighted by 300th win in 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Paris 2R (d. Troicki).
- > Defeated No. 1 Djokovic at 2014 US Open to become 1st Asian Grand Slam men's singles finalist. Also 1st Japanese man to reach QFs at all 4 Grand Slam events. Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 finals at 2014 Madrid, 2016 Miami, 2016 Toronto and 2018 Monte-Carlo. Owns 6 ATP World Tour 500 titles, including Tokyo in 2012 and 2014.
- > Beat 2008 Beijing Olympics gold medalist Nadal to capture 2016 Rio Olympics bronze medal. Saved 3 MPs in Rio Olympics QF to defeat Monfils in 3rd-set TB.

## [6] Novak Djokovic (SRB) vs John Millman (AUS)

18 London/Queen's Club (Great Britain) Grass R32 Novak Djokovic

## Djokovic Leads 1-0

6-2 6-1

NOVAK DJOKOVIC	vs	JOHN MILLMAN
31 (5/22/87)	Age (Birthdate)	29 (6/14/89)
No. 6 (No. 1 on 7/4/11)	ATP Ranking (Career-High)	No. 55 (No. 49 on 7/30/18)
Belgrade, Serbia	Birthplace	Brisbane, Australia
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Brisbane, Australia
37-10 (15-4)	2018 Record (on hard)	18-15 (9-6)
820-173 (523-99)	Career Record (on hard)	47-58 (33-40)
2 / 70	2018 Titles / Career Titles	0 / 0
255-41	Career Grand Slam Record	13-14
66-10 (2011, 2015 <b>Champion</b> )	US Open Record (Best Result)	6-3 (2018 Quarter-finals)
29-9 (1-0)	Career 5th-Set Record (YTD)	2-3 (0-0)
4	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
228-133 (10-9)	Career Tiebreak Record (YTD)	20-26 (8-10)
\$115,310,890	Career Prize Money	\$1,853,718
Marian Vajda	Coach	Jonas Luetjen

## NOVAK DJOKOVIC

### 2018 Highlights

**W (2):** Wimbledon (d Anderson); ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (d Federer)

**F (1):** London/Queen's Club (l Cilic)

**SF (1):** ATP Masters 1000 Rome (l Nadal)

**QF (2):** Roland Garros (l Cecchinato); US Open

### 2018 in Review

- Appearing in 3rd Grand Slam QF of season (1-1), 42nd of career (31-9 with 1 win by w/o) and 11th at US Open (10-0).
- Ended career-long 54-week title drought by winning 4th Wimbledon and 13th Grand Slam title overall (d. Anderson).
- As World No. 21, became lowest-ranked Grand Slam champion since No. 44 Gaudio at 2004 Roland Garros.
- Improved to 27-25 vs. Nadal by defeating World No. 1 in Wimbledon SF 10-8 in 5th after 5 hours, 15 minutes.
- Improved to 24-22 vs. Federer by beating World No. 2 for 1st ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati title.
- Became 1st player to win titles at all 9 ATP Masters 1000 events since start of series in 1990.
- Earned 800th career win in London/Queen's Club QF (d. Mannarino), but squandered 1 MP in final (l. to Cilic).
- Advanced to Roland Garros QF-or-better for 9th straight year (l. to Cecchinato in QF).
- Reached ATP Masters 1000 Rome QF-or-better for 12th straight season (l. to Nadal in SF).
- Started year 6-6 with 3 straight losses to Chung in Aus. Open 4R, Daniel in Indian Wells 2R and Paire in Miami 2R.
- Fell to No. 22 in ATP Rankings on 21 May -- lowest since No. 22 on 2 October 2006. Returned to Top 10 on 16 July.
- Underwent surgery on right elbow shortly after Australian Open, which was his 1st tournament in 6 months.

### Career Highlights

> Ended 4 years as World No. 1 (2011-12, 2014-15). One of 7 players to finish 4+ seasons at No. 1 along with Sampras (6), Connors (5), Federer (5), Lendl (4), McEnroe (4) and Nadal (4). Spent 223 total weeks at No. 1, 5th all-time behind Federer's 310, Sampras' 286, Lendl's 270 and Connors' 268. Finished Top 3 and earned 60+ wins in 10 straight seasons (2007-16).

> Qualified for Nitto ATP Finals in 10 straight years (2007-16), capturing 5 titles overall and becoming 1st player to sweep 4 straight titles (2008, 2012-15).

> Owns 70 singles titles, 6th-most in Open Era, including 13 Grand Slams (4th all-time) and 31 ATP Masters 1000s (2nd behind Nadal's 33). Won 2+ titles each year from 2006-18, including all 4 Grand Slam and 9 ATP Masters 1000 events. Only player with titles at all 9 ATP Masters 1000s since start of series in 1990. Enjoyed win streaks of 43 matches overall (2010-11), 31 matches at ATP Masters 1000s (2011) and 30 matches at Grand Slams (2015-16). One of 3 active players with 800+ victories (also Federer, Nadal), earning 800th win in 2018 London/Queen's Club QF (d. Mannarino). Owns winning records against Nadal (27-25), Federer (24-22) and Murray (25-11).

> Swept titles at 2015 Wimbledon, 2015 US Open, 2016 Australian Open and 2016 Roland Garros, becoming 8th player to complete career Grand Slam and 3rd to hold all 4 major titles at one time (also Budge, Laver). Tied with Emerson and Federer for most Australian Open titles in history (6). Loss to Querrey in 2016 Wimbledon 3R snapped streaks of 28 QFs, 9 SFs, 6 finals and 4 titles in a row at Grand Slams.

> Won 2008 Beijing Olympics bronze medal, then led Serbia to 2010 Davis Cup title with straight-set wins over Simon and Monfils (SRB d. FRA 3-2). Lost in 2012 London Olympics bronze medal match and 2013 Davis Cup final, despite defeating Stepanek and Berdych in straight sets (CZE d. SRB 3-2).

## JOHN MILLMAN

### 2018 Highlights

**F (1):** Budapest (l. Cecchinato)

**QF (2):** Eastbourne (l. Cecchinato); US Open

### 2018 Year in Review

- Appearing in 1st Grand Slam QF after earning biggest win of career over No. 2 Federer in 1st Grand Slam 4R.
- Upset Pouille in 2R and saved 3 MPs vs. Bedene in SF to reach 1st ATP World Tour final at Budapest (l. to Cecchinato). Also lost to Cecchinato in Eastbourne QF.
- Achieved career-high No. 49 in ATP Rankings on 30 July.
- Advanced to 2R at 8 events, including in hometown of Brisbane (l. to Dimitrov after holding 2 MPs).
- Defeated countrymen for Challenger titles at Kyoto, JPN (d. Thompson) and Aix En Provence, FRA (d. Tomic).
- Withdrew from Rotterdam qualifying, Houston and Lyon due to lower back/right hip injury.
- Retired in ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati qualifying 1R vs. Smyczek due to back injury.

### Career Highlights

> Achieved career-high No. 49 on 30 July 2018 after reaching Hamburg 2R. Finished 5 straight seasons in Top 200 despite injuries (2013-17). Rose from No. 1,101 on 18 August 2014 to No. 71 on 17 August 2015 following right shoulder surgery. Fell to No. 235 on 28 August 2017 following groin surgery.

> Upset defending champion Pouille and saved 3 MPs vs. Bedene en route to 1st ATP World Tour final at 2018 Budapest. Advanced to 1st ATP World Tour SF at 2016 Winston-Salem.

> At hometown tournament in Brisbane, made ATP World Tour debut in 2010 (l. to Stepanek) and earned 1st ATP World Tour win in 2013 (d. Ito). Owns 3-6 Brisbane record with 3-set losses in last 3 appearances to No. 3 Murray in 2013, No. 2 Federer in 2015 and No. 3 Dimitrov in 2018.

> Earned biggest win of career over No. 2 Federer to reach 1st Grand Slam QF at 2018 US Open as World No. 55. Owned 0-10 record vs. Top 10 opponents entering match, while Federer owned 40-0 record vs. Non-Top 50 players at US Open. Advanced to Grand Slam 3R at 2016 Australian Open, 2016 Wimbledon and 2017 US Open.

> Owns records of 141-75 on ATP Challenger Tour (11-6 in finals) and 123-54 on ITF Futures Circuit (7-7 in finals). Defeated countrymen in his last 3 Challenger finals at 2017 Hua Hin, THA (d. Whittington); 2018 Kyoto, JPN (d. Thompson) and 2018 Aix-en-Provence, FRA (d. Tomic). Boasts Challenger wins over current or former Top 20 players Baghdatis, Chung, Dimitrov, Edmund, J. Melzer and Tomic.