

IEB+ ARGENTINA OPEN – ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 – MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2024

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2024 IEB+ ARGENTINA OPEN SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	4-1 (Australian Open QF)	4-0 (2023 Title)
2	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	5-2 (Auckland QF)	3-1 (2023 Final)
3	Nicolas Jarry (CHI)	4-3 (Adelaide QF)	0-2 (2019, 2022 1R)
4	Francisco Cerundolo (ARG)	2-5 (4 times in 2R)	8-5 (2021 Final)
5	Sebastian Baez (ARG)	5-4 (Cordoba SF)	1-2 (2022 2R)
6	Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)	3-5 (Cordoba QF)	2-2 (2023 QF)
7	Laslo Djere (SRB)	0-3 (Hong Kong, Aus. Open 1R)	4-4 (2021 QF)
8	Arthur Fils (FRA)	6-3 (Auckland SF)	0-0 (Debut)

Tournament History Singles Final Wild Cards (3) Qualifiers (4)	2001-Present (24th Edition in 2024) Sunday 18 February at 4pm Marin Cilic (CRO), Facundo Diaz Acosta (ARG), Diego Schwartzman (ARG) Daniel Elahi Galan (COL), Mariano Navone (ARG), Camilo Ugo Carabelli (ARG), Andrea Vavassori (ITA)
Special Exempts (2)	Federico Coria (ARG), Luciano Darderi (ITA)
Oldest Player	Stan Wawrinka (38)
#NextGen ATP (1)	Arthur Fils (19)
Tournament Records	<u>Most Titles</u> – David Ferrer (3)
	<u>Most Wins</u> – Nicolas Almagro (29)
	Youngest Champion – Carlos Alcaraz, 19, in 2023
	<u>Oldest Champion</u> – David Ferrer, 31, in 2014
	Highest-Ranked Champion – No. 2 Gustavo Kuerten in 2001, No. 2 Carlos Alcaraz in 2023 Lowest-Ranked Champion – No.90 Nicolas Massu in 2002
	Last Argentinian Champion – Diego Schwartzman in 2021

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (14)

Argentina (9)	Sebastian Baez, Pedro Cachin, Federico Coria, Francisco Cerundolo, Facundo Diaz Acosta, Tomas Martin Etcheverry,				
	Mariano Navone, Diego Schwartzman, Camilo Ugo Carabelli				
Spain (3)	Carlos Alcaraz, Roberto Carballes Baena, Bernabe Zapata Miralles				
Chile (2)	Nicolas Jarry, Alejandro Tabilo				
Germany (2)	Daniel Altmaier, Yannick Hanfmann				
Italy (2)	Luciano Darderi, Andrea Vavassori				
Serbia (2)	Laslo Djere, Dusan Lajovic				
Austria (1)	Sebastian Ofner	France (1)	Arthur Fils		
Brazil (1)	Thiago Seyboth Wild Great Britain (1) Cameron Norrie				
Colombia (1)	Daniel Elahi Galan Peru (1) Juan Pablo Varillas				
Croatia (1)	Marin Cilic Switzerland (1) Stan Wawrinka				

PEPPERSTONE ATP RANKING POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

IEB+ Argentina Open	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	250	165	100	50	25*	0
Singles Prize Money (\$)	97,745	57,015	33,520	19,425	11,280	6,890
Doubles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	0	
Doubles Prize Money (\$)	33,960	18,170	10,650	5,950	3,510	

* Singles players who receive a bye in R32 and lose in R16 earn 0 ranking points



2024 IEB+ ARGENTINA OPEN DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	CAREER (BEST FINISH)	EVENT (BEST FINISH)
1	Marcel Granollers (ESP)	129-66 (8 Titles)	492-312 (25 Titles)	13-3 ('09, '14, '20 Titles)
1	Horacio Zeballos (ARG)	5-2 in 2024 (Auckland F)	328-202 (20 Titles)	27-8 (2010, 2018-20 Titles)
2	Maximo Gonzalez (ARG)	55-30 (7 Titles)	233-178 (18 Titles)	13-13 (2019 Title)
2	Andres Molteni (ARG)	7-2 in 2024 (Cordoba Title)	195-162 (17 Titles)	15-8 (2018, 2022 Titles)
3	Simone Bolelli (ITA)	15-9 (3 Finals)	255-204 (11 Titles)	10-3 (2013, 2023 Titles)
3	Andrea Vavassori (ITA)	5-1 in 2024 (Aus. Open F)	63-52 (3 Titles)	3-2 (2023 SF)
4	Marcelo Melo (BRA)	1-2	613-403 (37 Titles)	0-1 (2007 1R)
4	Matwe Middelkoop (NED)	(2024 Adelaide 2R)	222-199 (14 Titles)	2-1 (2020 SF)

Doubles Final: Sunday 18 February at 1:30 pm.

IEB+ ARGENTINA OPEN SINGLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	6-3 7-5
2022	Casper Ruud (NOR)	Diego Schwartzman (ARG)	5-7 6-2 6-3
2021	Diego Schwartzman (ARG)	Francisco Cerundolo (ARG)	6-1 6-2
2020	Casper Ruud (NOR)	Pedro Sousa (POR)	6-1 6-4
2019	Marco Cecchinato (ITA)	Diego Schwartzman (ARG)	6-1 6-2
2018	Dominic Thiem (AUT)	Aljaz Bedene (SLO)	6-2 6-4
2017	Alexandr Dolgopolov (UKR)	Kei Nishikori (JPN)	7-6(4) 6-4
2016	Dominic Thiem (AUT)	Nicolas Almagro (ESP)	7-6(2) 3-6 7-6(4)
2015	Rafael Nadal (ESP)	Juan Monaco (ARG)	6-4 6-1
2014	David Ferrer (ESP)	Fabio Fognini (ITA)	6-4 6-3
2013	David Ferrer (ESP)	Stan Wawrinka (SUI)	6-4 3-6 6-1
2012	David Ferrer (ESP)	Nicolas Almagro (ESP)	4-6 6-3 6-2
2011	Nicolas Almagro (ESP)	Juan Ignacio Chela (ARG)	6-3 3-6 6-4
2010	Juan Carlos Ferrero (ESP)	David Ferrer (ESP)	5-7 6-4 6-3
2009	Tommy Robredo (ESP)	Juan Monaco (ARG)	7-5 2-6 7-6(5)

BOLD: Player in 2024 IEB+ Argentina Open singles draw.

IEB+ ARGENTINA OPEN DOUBLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Simone Bolelli / Fabio Fognini	Nicolas Barrientos / Ariel Behar	6-2 6-4
2022	Santiago Gonzalez / Andres Molteni	Horacio Zeballos / Fabio Fognini	6-1 6-1
2021	Tomislav Brkic / Nikola Cacic	Ariel Behar / Gonzalo Escobar	6-3 7-5
2020	Marcel Granollers / Horacio Zeballos	Guillermo Duran / Juan Ignacio Londero	6-4 5-7 [18-16]
2019	Maximo Gonzalez / Horacio Zeballos	Diego Schwartzman / Dominic Thiem	6-1 6-1
2018	Andres Molteni / Horacio Zeballos	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	6-3 5-7 [10-3]
2017	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Santiago Gonzalez / David Marrero	6-1 6-4
2016	Juan Sebastian Cabal / Robert Farah	Inigo Cervantes / Paolo Lorenzi	6-3 6-0
2015	Jarkko Nieminen / Andre Sa	Pablo Andujar / Oliver Marach	4-6 6-4 [10-7]
2014	Marcel Granollers / Marc Lopez	Pablo Cuevas / Horacio Zeballos	7-5 6-4
2013	Simone Bolelli / Fabio Fognini	Nicholas Monroe / Simon Stadler	6-3 6-2
2012	David Marrero / Fernando Verdasco	Michal Mertinak / Andre Sa	6-4 6-4
2011	Oliver Marach / Leonardo Mayer	Franco Ferreiro / Andre Sa	7-6(6) 6-3
2010	Sebastian Prieto / Horacio Zeballos	Simon Greul / Peter Luczak	7-6(4) 6-3
2009	Marcel Granollers / Alberto Martin	Nicolas Almagro / Santiago Ventura	6-3 5-7 [10-8]

BOLD: Player in 2024 IEB+ Argentina Open doubles draw – team Granollers/Zeballos remains intact.



LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

COURT GUILLERMO VILAS

[WC] Facundo Diaz Acosta (ARG) vs Daniel Altmaier (GER) First Meeting

Facundo Diaz Acosta | Age: 23 | World No. 87 (Career-High) | 2024: 2-4 (Cordoba QF) | Event: 1-3 (2023 2R) > Left-handed Argentine climbed to career-high No. 87 in February 2024 after reaching 1st ATP Tour QF at Cordoba. > Made ATP Tour debut at 2020 Buenos Aires as a WC and earned first ATP Tour win at 2023 Buenos Aires, his hometown.

> Owns 82-53 Challenger record (5-3 in finals), earning titles at 2022 Coquimbo, 2023 Savannah, Oeiras-4, Milan and Montevideo, going 44-17 in 2023.

> Captured ITF World Tennis Tour titles at 2019 Santa Cristina, 2020 Hurlingham and 2021 Eupen.

> Former World No. 6 junior ended junior career in Buenos Aires by earning singles silver medal and doubles gold medal with countryman Baez at 2018 Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Diaz Acosta is 8-2 against one-handed backhand players across all levels with five wins in a row. He earned biggest win of career against No. 49 Coria in Buenos Aires 1R last year and 1st ATP Tour QF in Cordoba last week.

Daniel Altmaier | Age: 25 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 47 | 2024: 3-4 (Auckland QF) | Event: 0-0 (2021 Q3) > Made Top 50 debut a day before his 25th birthday in September, achieving career-high No. 47 in October 2023. > In 2023, reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at Madrid as a LL and defeated No. 7 Rublev for biggest win of career en route to 7th ATP Tour QF at 2023 Hamburg.

> Ended 2022 season with 13 wins in his last 14 Challenger matches, including back-to-back titles at Lima-2 and Guayaquil.

> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour SFs of career in back-to-back weeks at Umag and Kitzbuhel in July 2021.

> Made Grand Slam qualifying debut at 2020 Roland Garros and earned 6th win of tournament over No. 8 Berrettini to reach 4R and defeated No. 9 Sinner en route to 2023 Roland Garros 3R.

> Hits a one-handed backhand and says that his idols growing up were fellow one-handers Federer and Wawrinka

NOTE: Altmaier has won 6 of his last 7 tour-level opening rounds on clay with the only loss coming to Coria at Cordoba last week. He is 1-4 against Argentinian players on the ATP Tour, 0-4 on clay.

[WC] Marin Cilic (CRO) vs [7] Lasl	Cilic Leads 2-0			
19 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid (Spain)	Clay	R16	Marin Cilic	4-6 6-3 6-2
22 Adelaide-1 (Australia)	Hard	QF	Marin Cilic	6-3 6-2

Marin Cilic | Age: 35 | World No. 1044 | Career-High No. 3 | 2024: 0-3 (2 times in 1R) | Event: 0-0 (Debut) > Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 10 after reaching 2010 Australian Open SF and achieved career-high No.

3 following run to 2018 Australian Open final.

> Defeated Federer en route to 2014 US Open title, but lost to him in 2017 Wimbledon and 2018 Australian Open finals.

> Upset No. 2 Medvedev en route to 2022 Roland Garros SF, becoming 4th active player to advance to SFs of all 4 Grand Slam events (also Djokovic, Murray, Nadal).

> Owns 20 titles and 582 victories, highlighted by biggest wins of career over No. 1 Djokovic at 2016 Paris and No. 1 Nadal at 2018 Australian Open.

> Won 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati title, clinched 2018 Davis Cup for Croatia, and earned silver medal in All-Croatian men's doubles final at 2020 Tokyo Olympics w/Dodig (held in 2021).

NOTE: Cilic is seeking his 1st win since 2023 Pune, having missed 9 MPs vs Struff in his opening match of the season in Hong Kong. This is his first appearance in South America since 2018 (I. to Monfils in Rio de Janeiro 2R).

Laslo Djere | Age: 28 | World No. 35 | Career-High No. 27 | 2024: 0-3 (2 times in 1R) | Event: 4-4 (2021 QF) > Former World No. 3 junior broke into Top 30 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2019 Rio de Janeiro without dropping a set, reaching career-high No. 27 in June 2019.

> Dedicated Rio title to his parents, Caba and Hajnalka, who both passed away from cancer.

> Defeated countryman Lajovic en route to 2nd title at 2020 Sardinia.

> Earned 5 victories and won 5 TBs en route to 2022 Winston-Salem final despite entering event with 15-44 career record on hard courts and 1-18 TB record in 2022.

> Also on hard courts, upset World No. 3 Ruud at 2023 Auckland for biggest win of career.



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NOTE: Djere is looking for his 1st win of 2024 (0-3), having missed 2 MPs vs Shang in his opening match of the season in Hong Kong. Last year, he took a set off eventual champion Alcaraz in Buenos Aires 2R.

Stan Wawrinka (SUI) vs Pedro Cachin (ARG)

First Meeting

Stan Wawrinka | Age: 38 | World No. 60 | Career-High No. 3 | 2024: 0-1 (Aus. Open 1R) | Event: 10-3 (2013 Final) > Achieved career-high No. 3 in 2014 and ended 2014-16 at No. 4 before undergoing 2 left knee surgeries in 2017 and 2 left foot surgeries in 2021.

> Boasts 5 wins over World No. 1 at Grand Slams, including finals of 2014 Australian Open (d. Nadal), 2015 Roland Garros (d. Djokovic) and 2016 US Open (d. Djokovic).

> One of 3 players to defeat Djokovic, Federer, Murray and Nadal at Grand Slams (also Berdych, Tsonga).

> Owns 16 singles titles with 11 straight wins in finals from 2014-16, defeating fellow Swiss Federer for Ione ATP Masters 1000 title at 2014 Monte Carlo.

> Won 2008 Beijing Olympics doubles gold medal w/Federer and helped Switzerland capture 2014 Davis Cup.

NOTE: Wawrinka is looking for his 1st win of 2024 after losing in five sets to Mannarino at the Australian Open. He has not appeared in South America since making the 2013 Buenos Aires final (I. to Ferrer).

Pedro Cachin | Age: 28 | World No. 74 | Career-High No. 48 | 2024: 0-3 (3 times in 1R) | Event: 1-2 (2023 2R) > After debuting in Top 200 in September 2015, broke into Top 150 in June 2022 and Top 100 in July 2022 before peaking at No. 48 in August 2023 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at Gstaad.

> Won 5th-set TBs over Bedene and Holt to reach 2022 US Open 3R and earned first Top 20 win over No. 11 Tiafoe en route to 4R at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid.

> Defeated Norrie and Carreno Busta en route to 1st ATP Tour QF at 2019 Cordoba as Q.

> Posted 38-11 Challenger record in 2022 (4-3 in finals), winning clay-court titles at Madrid, Prague-2, Todi and Santo Domingo.

> Achieved career-high No. 8 in junior rankings, defeating future ATP No. 5 Rublev en route to 4th ITF Junior Circuit title at 2013 Offenbach.

NOTE: Cachin is aiming to snap an 8-match losing streak across all levels, dating back to October last year. Buenos Aires was the event where he picked up his first win of the season in 2023 (0-5 before defeating Monteiro in 1R).

Roberto Carballes Baena (ESP) vs [6] Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG)Etcheverry Leads 1-023 Buenos Aires (Argentina)ClayR16Tomas Martin Etcheverry4-6 6-1 6-2

Roberto Carballes Baena | Age: 30 | World No. 64 | Career-High No. 49 | 2024: 3-3 (Auckland QF) | Event: 5-6 (2019 QF) > Former World No. 8 junior entered Top 50 at 30 years of age at career high No. 49 after rallying from a set down three times in five matches to win 2nd ATP Tour title at 2023 Marrakech.

> At 2018 Quito, became 1st Spanish qualifier to win an ATP Tour title since Almagro at 2006 Valencia.

> Defeated No. 11 Shapovalov 8-6 in 5th after 5 hours to reach 2020 Roland Garros 3R for 1st Top 20 win and defeated No. 4 Rune at 2023 US Open for 1st Top 10 win in 14th attempt.

> Defeated Goffin for 1st ATP Tour win en route to 2014 Casablanca SF as Q.

> Boasts 233-149 Challenger record (11-8 in finals), including clay-court titles at 2022 and 2023 Seville

NOTE: Carballes Baena is making his 7th main draw appearance in Buenos Aires, only exceeded by Lajovic (8th) and Schwartzman (11th) from all the players in the main draw field this year.

Tomas Martin Etcheverry | Age: 24 | World No. 27 (Career-High) | 2024: 3-5 (Cordoba QF) | Event: 2-2 (2023 QF) > Former World No. 12 junior broke into Top 200 in June 2021 and Top 100 in April 2022 before achieving career-high No. 27 in February 2024 after earning personal-best 30 wins in 2023.

> At 2023 Roland Garros, earned 1st two Top 20 wins of career over No. 19 de Minaur in 2R and No. 16 Coric in 3R and reached the quarter-finals without losing a set.

> Defeated clay-court champions Fognini, F. Cerundolo, Lajovic and Baez en route to 1st ATP Tour final at Santiago a month before reaching 2nd ATP Tour final at 2023 Houston.

> Qualified at 2022 Australian Open and earned 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2023 Australian Open (d. Barrere).
> Posted Challenger records of 49-19 in 2021 and 41-16 in 2022, highlighted by clay-court titles at 2021 Perugia, 2021 Trieste and 2022 Concepcion-2.

NOTE: Etcheverry is 9-4 in opening round tour-level matches on clay since the beginning of the 2023 season. He defeated Carballes Baena in Buenos Aires 2R last year before losing to eventual runner-up Norrie.