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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES FINAL

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Hugo Gaston (FRA) vs Matteo Berrettini (ITA) Other Meeting

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First Tour-Level Meeting

Hugo Gaston | Age: 23 | World No. 91 | Career-High No. 58 | 2024: 9-9 (Kitzbuhel Final) | Kitzbuhel: 4-0 (2024 Final) > Broke into Top 100 after reaching 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Paris QF as Q, then achieved career-high No. 58 in July 2022.

> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final at 2021 Gstaad as World No. 155 and competed at Next Gen ATP Finals to end season.

> At 2020 Roland Garros, became 1st Frenchman to reach 4R in tournament debut since Dominguez in 1971, defeating 2015 champion Wawrinka in 5 sets before falling in 5 sets to 2-time finalist Thiem.

> As 239th-ranked WC, became lowest-ranked player to reach Grand Slam 4R since No. 248 Canas at 2004 Australian Open and Roland Garros 4R since No. 283 Di Pasquale in 2002.

> Ended 2018 as World No. 2 junior after winning gold medal in boys' singles and bronze medal in both boys' doubles and mixed doubles at Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Gaston saved 2 MPs vs. Baez in QF and is playing his 2nd ATP Tour final after 2021 Gstaad (I. to Ruud). With a title, he would guarantee a new career-high. The 23-year-old aims to be the first French Kitzbuhel champion in tournament history (Finalists - Leconte in 1983, Santoro in 1994, Benneteau in 2009, and Mathieu in 2015).

First-Time ATP Champions (10): Players trying to win their first ATP Tour title are 10-13 this season. Last year they went 6-17 in finals.

Player	Age	Tournament	Player	Age	Tournament
Alejandro Tabilo	26	Auckland	Jan-Lennard Struff	33	Munich
Jiri Lehecka	22	Adelaide	Giovanni Mpetshi Perricard	20	Lyon
Luciano Darderi	21	Cordoba	Jack Draper	22	Stuttgart
Facundo Diaz Acosta	23	Buenos Aires	Nuno Borges	27	Bastad
Jordan Thompson	29	Los Cabos	Marcos Giron	30	Newport

Matteo Berrettini | Age: 28 | World No. 50 | Career-High No. 6 | 2024: 20-5 (2 Titles) | Kitzbuhel: 6-1 (2024 Final) > 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 9 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 and No. 3 Ruud en route to 2023 United Cup team final for biggest wins of career.

NOTE: Berrettini is on a 9-match winning streak after claiming the title in Gstaad (d. Halys) and won last 18 sets played. He is 9-6 in tour-level finals (5-3 on clay) and aims to be the 3rd player to pick up 3 titles this year (4 - Sinner, 3 - Alcaraz). The 28-year-old is 14-1 on clay in 2024, lone loss to Kecmanovic at ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo in April, and would be the 3rd Italian champion in tournament history (Panatta - 1975, Lorenzi - 2016).

Players Making ATP Tour Finals in Back-To-Back Weeks in 2024					
Player	First Event/Result	Second Event/Result			
Tommy Paul	Dallas Title, d. Giron	Delray Beach Final, I. to Fritz			
Sebastian Baez	Rio de Janeiro Title, d. Navone	Santiago Title, d. Tabilo			
Casper Ruud	Los Cabos Final, I. to Thompson	Acapulco Final, I. to de Minaur			
Casper Ruud	ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo Final, I. to Tsitsipas	Barcelona Title, d. Tsitsipas			
Stefanos Tsitsipas	ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo Title, d. Ruud	Barcelona Final, I. to Ruud			
Matteo Berrettini	Gstaad Title, d. Halys	Kitzbuhel Final vs Gaston			



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2024 Kitzbuhel Statistics	Hugo Gaston	Matteo Berrettini
Aces	13	40
1st-Serve Percentage	48% (155 of 325)	75% (202 of 270)
1st-Serve Points Won	69% (107 of 155)	85% (172 of 202)
2nd-Serve Points Won	63% (107 of 170)	54% (37 of 68)
Service Games Won	85% (41 of 48)	96% (43 of 45)
Break Points Saved	68% (15 of 22)	71% (5 of 7)
1st-Serve Return Points Won	37% (75 of 203)	28% (59 of 209)
2nd-Serve Return Points Won	49% (62 of 126)	43% (50 of 116)
Return Games Won	31% (15 of 49)	11% (5 of 44)
Break Points Converted	54% (15 of 28)	21% (5 of 24)

BOLD: Leads all 28 players in 2024 Generali Open.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: DOUBLES FINAL

[6] Alexander Erler (AUT) / Andreas Mies (GER) vs[5] Constantin Frantzen (GER) / Hendrik Jebens (GER)

First Meeting

Erler/Mies Notes

> Austrian/German duo is making their debut as a pair this week.

> Erler won the Kitzbuhel title in 2021 and 2023 w/Miedler who pulled out of this year's event due to calf injury.

> They won three deciding sets in a row to get to the final, beating Altmaier/Thiem, No. 1 seeds J. Murray/Pavlasek, and No. 7 seeds Glasspool/Middelkoop.

> Team is ranked No. 104 on <u>PIF ATP Doubles Team Rankings</u>. Individually, Erler is ranked No. 45 (career-high No. 32 in May 2023), while Mies is ranked No. 62 (career-high No. 8 in 2019).

> Erler, 26, is playing in his 9th ATP Tour final (5-3), making all previous final appearances w/Miedler and seeking 4th title on home soil (2021, 2023 Kitzbuhel, 2022 Vienna). He aims to be the 3rd 3-time doubles champion in tournament history (5 - E. Sanchez, 4 - Casal, 2 - Cermak, Erler, Fassbender, Friedl, J. Sanchez, Miedler, Suk).

> Mies, 33, is playing in his 9th tour-level final (6-2) and seeking his first title since 2022 Munich. He won all six titles w/Krawietz and finished runner-up at 2024 Munich w/Struff.

Frantzen/Jebens Notes

> German duo is 20-19 on tour-level as a pair, making their team debut at 2022 M25 Trimbach before making their tour-level debut at 2023 Gstaad.

> They made the Wimbledon quarterfinals earlier this month, eliminating No. 2 seeds Bopanna/Ebden along the way.

> This week, they beat 2023 runners-up Escobar/Nedovyesov in QF and No. 2 seeds S. Gonzalez/Mansouri in SF.

> Frantzen/Jebens aim to be the 1st German doubles champions in Kitzbuhel since Emmrich/Kas in 2013.

> Team is ranked No. 19 on <u>PIF ATP Doubles Team Rankings</u>. Individually, Frantzen is ranked career-high No. 49 and Jebens is ranked career-high No. 48. With a title win, they would each improve their career-highs by five spots.
> Frantzen, 26, is playing in his 2nd ATP Tour final (0-1), having reached the 2023 Metz final w/Jebens (I. to Nys/Zielinski).

> Jebens, 28, is playing in his 2nd ATP Tour final (0-1), claiming 8 Challenger titles with German partners (7 - Frantzen, 1 - Fallert).