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ROLEX SHANGHAI MASTERS TALKING POINTS

- Four-time champion **Novak Djokovic** is playing in his 10th **Rolex Shanghai Masters** QF, as he takes on World No. 65 **Jakub Mensik** in their first **Lexus ATP Head2Head** meeting. At 37 years and 4 months, he bids to become the third oldest ATP Masters 1000 semi-finalist in series history (since 1990). The Serb holds the records for most ATP Masters 1000 titles (40), finals (58) and semi-finals (77).

Oldest ATP Masters 1000 Semi-finalists

No.	Player	Age	Semi-final
1	Roger Federer	37y 7 months	2019 Miami
2	Roger Federer	37y 7 months	2019 Indian Wells
3	Roger Federer	37y 2 months	2018 Paris
4	Roger Federer	37y 2 months	2018 Shanghai
5	Roger Federer	37y 10 days	2018 Cincinnati

Most ATP Masters 1000 Semi-finals

No.	Player	SF
1	Novak Djokovic	77
2	Rafael Nadal	76
3	Roger Federer	66
4	Andy Murray	33
5	Andre Agassi	32

- Mensik earned four 3-set wins to advance to his 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF and become the youngest quarter-finalist in tournament history. If he joins compatriot **Tomas Machac** in Shanghai SF, it will mark the third time in ATP Masters 1000 history two Czechs reached the semi-finals of the same event after Petr Korda and Ivan Lendl at 1991 Montreal and Tomas Berdych and Radek Stepanek at 2005 Paris.

Teenagers to Defeat Novak Djokovic on ATP Tour:

Filip Krajinovic, 18 years 2 months, at 2010 Belgrade QF – 6-4 RET

Carlos Alcaraz, 19 years 2 days, at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid SF – 6-7(5) 7-5 7-6(5)

Holger Rune, 19 years 6 months, at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Paris Final – 3-6 6-3 7-5

Stefanos Tsitsipas, 19 years 11 months, at 2018 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto 3R – 6-3 6-7(5) 6-3

- 19-year-old **Mensik** attempts to become the youngest player to both reach an ATP Masters 1000 SF and defeat **Djokovic** since Carlos Alcaraz at 2022 Madrid. When Mensik was born on September 1 in 2005, Djokovic was already Top 100 on PIF ATP Rankings and reached 3R in his US Open debut that week (d. Monfils in 1R, l. to Verdasco in 3R). With 18 years and 3 months of difference, it makes it the fifth biggest age gap in any ATP Masters 1000 match and the biggest age gap in any ATP Masters 1000 QF, SF or final.

Biggest Age Gaps in ATP Masters 1000 QF or Later:

18 years 3 months – Jakub Mensik (19) vs. Novak Djokovic (37) in 2024 Shanghai QF

17 years 8 months – Denis Shapovalov (19) vs. Roger Federer (37) in 2019 Miami SF

17 years 4 days – Stefanos Tsitsipas (20) vs. Roger Federer (37) in 2019 Rome QF

16 years 10 months – Carlos Alcaraz (18*) vs. Rafael Nadal (35) in 2022 Indian Wells SF and 2022 Madrid QF

16 years 1 month – Rafael Nadal (19) vs. Andre Agassi (35) in 2005 Montreal Final

* Alcaraz turned 19 a day prior to their Madrid QF clash

- World No. 7 **Taylor Fritz** takes on **David Goffin** in their third **Lexus ATP Head2Head** meeting with the pair splitting their matches 1-1. In their first encounter since 2021 Doha, when Fritz saved 3 match points before defeating Goffin in third set tie-break 11-9, both bid to reach their first SF in Shanghai. Fritz bids to be the 8th American to reach 5+ ATP Masters 1000 SFs, his 1st on hard courts since winning 2022 Indian Wells.
- Goffin attempts to advance to his 1st SF above ATP 250 level in more than 5 years (2019 Tokyo in October). After defeating No. 3 Zverev in 4R, he aims to earn multiple Top 10 wins in a season for the first time since 2018 and become the lowest-ranked Shanghai semi-finalist in tournament history. The Belgian is No. 53 on PIF ATP Live Rankings and could rise to No. 47 with QF win, as he targets return to Top 50 for the first time since April last year.

PIF ATP LIVE RACE TO TURIN

Race	Player	Points	Scenario
1	Jannik Sinner (ITA)	9,730	+400 for SF win vs. Machac on Saturday
2	Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)	6,710	<i>Lost in Shanghai QF to Tomas Machac</i>
3	Alexander Zverev (GER)	6,215	<i>Lost in Shanghai 4R to David Goffin</i>
4	Daniil Medvedev	4,820	<i>Lost in Shanghai QF to Jannik Sinner</i>
5	Taylor Fritz (USA)	4,090	+200 for QF win vs. Goffin on Friday
6	Casper Ruud (NOR)	3,805	<i>Lost in Shanghai 2R to Aleksandar Vukic</i>
7	Andrey Rublev	3,580	<i>Lost in Shanghai 2R to Jakub Mensik</i>
8	Novak Djokovic (SRB)	3,460	+200 for QF win vs. Mensik on Friday
9	Alex de Minaur (AUS)	3,305	----
10	Grigor Dimitrov (BUL)	2,935	<i>Lost in Shanghai 4R to Jakub Mensik</i>
11	Tommy Paul (USA)	2,885	<i>Lost in Shanghai 4R to Tomas Machac</i>
12	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	2,835	<i>Lost in Shanghai 4R to Daniil Medvedev</i>
13	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	2,680	----
14	Frances Tiafoe (USA)	2,510	<i>Lost in Shanghai 3R to Roman Safiullin</i>
15	Holger Rune (DEN)	2,475	<i>Lost in Shanghai 4R to Taylor Fritz</i>
16	Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)	2,400	<i>Lost in Shanghai 2R to David Goffin</i>

BOLD: Qualified for 2024 Nitto ATP Finals in Turin (10-17 November)

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Insight from matches at ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai this week:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Jannik Sinner	27%	79%	33%	8.7	7.7	9.1	8.1
Daniil Medvedev	24%	70%	39%	8.1	8.3	7.6	8.1
Carlos Alcaraz	27%	76%	41%	8.1	7.2	8.6	7.9
Tomas Machac	25%	74%	37%	7.7	7.3	9.2	7.6
Jakub Mensik	24%	67%	36%	8.3	7.1	7.7	7.5
Novak Djokovic	28%	82%	42%	8.1	7.2	9.4	8.7
Taylor Fritz	32%	77%	27%	9.0	8.1	8.7	7.5
David Goffin	25%	71%	35%	7.2	7.8	8.1	7.1
<i>Tour Average</i>	<i>24%</i>	<i>67%</i>	<i>33%</i>	<i>7.9</i>	<i>6.5</i>	<i>7.5</i>	<i>7.1</i>

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: FRIDAY QUARTER-FINAL SINGLES MATCHES

[7] Taylor Fritz (USA) vs David Goffin (BEL)

19 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (U.S.A.) Hard R64 David Goffin
21 Doha (Qatar) Hard R16 Taylor Fritz

Series Tied 1-1

6-4 4-6 6-4
6-1 5-7 7-6(9)

Taylor Fritz | Age: 26 | World No. 7 | Career-High No. 5 | 2024: 48-19 (2 Titles) | Shanghai: 7-4 (2024 QF)

> Former World No. 1 junior won 5th ATP Tour title at 2023 Delray Beach to achieve career-high No. 5 and become 1st American in Top 5 since Roddick in September 2009.

> Became the 1st American man in Grand Slam final since 2006 at 2024 US Open after earning wins over No. 8 Ruud in 4R, No. 4 Zverev in QF and No. 20 Tiafoe in an all-American semi-final.

> 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.

> Advanced to 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2022 Australian Open and 1st Grand Slam QF at 2022 Wimbledon after entering season with 0-7 record in Grand Slam 3R matches.

> 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 seeks 5th ATP Masters 1000 SF (1-3), second of the season (Madrid) and join Korda in 2023 as the only American semi-finalists in Shanghai tournament history. He is 25-2 vs. players ranked outside Top 50 this season, 10-1 on hard courts (l. to No. 76 Seyboth Wild in ATP Masters 1000 Miami 2R). He looks for his third hard court ATP Masters 1000 SF, first outside of Indian Wells (2021 SF, 2022 Title).

American ATP Masters 1000 Semi-final Leaders (since 1990):

Player	QFs	Player	QFs
Andre Agassi	32	John Isner	13
Pete Sampras	31	Mardy Fish	6
Andy Roddick	20	Taylor Fritz	4
Michael Chang	18	Todd Martin	4
Jim Courier	14	MaliVai Washington	4

David Goffin | Age: 33 | World No. 66 | Career-High No. 7 | 2024: 15-14 (Winston-Salem SF) | Shanghai: 10-4 ('16, '24 QF)

> Earned career-high 59 wins in 2017, ending season at career-high No. 7 after defeating No. 1 Nadal and No. 2 Federer en route to Nitto ATP Finals championship match.

> Became 6th and final player to beat Nadal and Federer at same event (also Davydenko, Del Potro, Djokovic, Murray and Nalbandian).

> First Belgian to break into Top 10, qualify for Nitto ATP Finals, defeat World No. 1 and reach an ATP Masters 1000 final (2019 Cincinnati).

> In 2022, earned 300th victory (d. Andujar in Marrakech 2R), captured 6th ATP Tour title (Marrakech) and posted 3rd win over World No. 1 (d. Alcaraz in Astana 1R).

> Advanced to 4 Grand Slam QFs, most recently 2022 Wimbledon, and led Belgium to Davis Cup finals in 2015 and 2017.

NOTE: Goffin attempts to advance to his 6th ATP Masters 1000 SF (1-4), first since reaching 2019 Cincinnati final. After defeating No. 3 Zverev for first Top 10 win since October 2022, he aims to record multiple Top 10 wins in the same event for the fourth time in career. He would be the lowest-ranked ATP Masters 1000 semi-finalist since No. 121 Karatsev at 2023 Madrid.

David Goffin - Multiple Top 10 Wins at a Tournament:

2017 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo – d. No. 9 Thiem in 3R and No. 2 Djokovic in QF

2017 Nitto ATP Finals – d. No. 1 Nadal in RR, No. 4 Thiem in RR and No. 2 Federer in SF

2018 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati – d. No. 6 Anderson in 3R and No. 3 del Potro in QF

Lowest-Ranked Shanghai Semi-finalists – * No. 65 Mensik could also enter the list on Friday

Rank	Player	Year	End Result
No. 47	Kei Nishikori	2011	SF (l. to Murray)
No. 41	Feliciano Lopez	2009	SF (l. to Nadal)
No. 41	Juan Monaco	2010	SF (l. to Murray)
No. 33	Tomas Machac	2024	plays Sinner in SF
No. 32	Gilles Simon	2016	SF (l. to Murray)

Jakub Mensik (CZE) vs [4] Novak Djokovic (SRB)

First Meeting

Jakub Mensik | Age: 19 | World No. 65 | Career-High No. 64 | 2024: 23-15 (Doha Final) | Shanghai: 4-0 (2024 QF)
> Former World No. 2 junior broke into Top 100 in February 2024 after reaching 1st QF, SF and final in Doha and earned career-high No. 64 in August.

> Also in Doha, defeated former champions Murray, Monfils and No. 5 Andrey Rublev for biggest win of career to become the youngest Czech ATP Tour finalist and first ATP Tour finalist born in 2005 or later.

> In tour-level debut, reached 3R at 2023 US Open as Q, becoming the youngest player to reach Grand Slam 3R since Nadal at 2004 Aus. Open and youngest at US Open since Santoro in 1990, then l. to Fritz on his 18th birthday.

> Qualified for 2nd tour-level event at 2024 Australian Open, defeating former-Top 10 player Shapovalov in 1R.

> Owns a 30-21 Challenger record, winning 1st title at 2023 Prague-2 in May as No. 333-ranked WC.

> Went 85-28 on ITF Juniors circuit, highlighted by reaching 2022 Australian Open boys' singles final.

NOTE: Mensik is playing in his 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF and aims to record his fifth consecutive Top 10 win. After defeating No. 6 Rublev in 2R and No. 9 Dimitrov in 4R, he bids to become the 4th player to reach ATP Masters 1000 SF by recording three Top 10 wins in series history (since 1990). He is No. 51 on [PIF ATP Live Rankings](#) and could jump to No. 44 with a QF win, securing his Top 50 debut. He seeks 3rd ATP Tour SF after Doha and Umag this year.

Three Top 10 Wins En Route To ATP Masters 1000 SF (since the series began in 1990):

Holger Rune at 2022 Paris (d. No. 10 Hurkacz in 2R, No. 9 Rublev in 3R and No. 1 Alcaraz in QF)

Stefanos Tsitsipas at 2018 Toronto (d. No. 8 Thiem in 2R, No. 10 Djokovic in 3R, No. 3 Zverev in QF)

Guillermo Canas at 2002 Toronto (d. No. 10 Federer in 1R, No. 5 Kafelnikov in 3R, No. 2 Safin in QF)

Jakub Mensik vs Top 10 in 2024:

W/L	Opponent	Score	Tournament
?	No. 4 Novak Djokovic	--	ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai QF
W	No. 9 Grigor Dimitrov	6-3 3-6 6-4	ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 4R
W	No. 6 Andrey Rublev	6-7(7) 6-4 6-3	ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 2R
W	No. 10 Grigor Dimitrov	6-2 6-7(4) 6-3	ATP Masters 1000 Madrid 2R
W	No. 5 Andrey Rublev	6-4 7-6(6)	Doha QF
L	No. 9 Hubert Hurkacz	6-7(9) 6-1 5-7 6-1 6-3	Australian Open 2R

Novak Djokovic | Age: 37 | World No. 4 | Career-High No. 1 | 2024: 35-8 (Paris Olympics Title) | Shanghai: 37-5 (2012-13, 2015, 2018 Titles)

> Record breaking 7-time Nitto ATP Finals champion owns ATP/WTA record for most weeks at No. 1 (428), as well as PIF ATP Rankings records for most years ended at No. 1 (8) and most wins vs. Top 10 (258), finishing in Top 5 in 16 of last 17 years (2017 – No. 12).

> All-time leader for most Grand Slam men's singles titles in history (24), including record 10 Australian Open titles, and is 1 of 3 men to hold all 4 Grand Slam championships at same time (also Budge, Laver).

> Only player to win all 9 ATP Masters 1000 events since start of series in 1990, doing so multiple times for a record total of 40 titles.

> Owns most Grand Slam match wins in history (377), 3rd-most men's singles titles in Open Era (99), 3rd-most men's singles wins in Open Era (1,122).

> Captured men's singles Olympic gold medal at 2024 Paris Olympics, joining Agassi and Nadal in completing the men's singles Career Golden Slam.

> Boasts winning records against both Federer (27-23) and Nadal (31-29), as well as win streaks of ATP Tour-record 43 matches (2010-11), ATP Masters 1000-record 31 matches (2011) and Open Era-record 30 Grand Slam matches (2015-16).

NOTE: Djokovic is 8-1 in Shanghai quarter-finals and leads the tournament in wins (37) and titles (4). He bids to advance to his record-extending 78th ATP Masters 1000 SF, second of 2024 (Monte-Carlo), and become third oldest man to reach ATP Masters 1000 semi-final after Federer at 2019 Indian Wells and Miami. With a title win, Djokovic would capture 100th tour-level title of career and tie Nadal for most ATP Masters 1000 wins in series history. By reaching Shanghai SF, he would pass Rublev to No. 7 spot on [PIF ATP Live Race to Turin](#).

ATP Masters 1000 Win Leaders (since 1990):

Player	W/L	Titles
Rafael Nadal	410-90	36
Novak Djokovic	407-89	40
Roger Federer	381-108	28
Andy Murray	230-101	14
Andre Agassi	209-73	17

ATP Masters 1000 Hard Court Win Leaders (since 1990):

Player	W/L	Titles
Novak Djokovic	268-51	29
Roger Federer	264-66	22
Rafael Nadal	210-63	10
Andy Murray	177-68	12
Andre Agassi	168-48	14