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ATP HEAD2HEAD: TUESDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

ESTADIO MANOLO SANTANA

[Q] Nikola Milojevic (SRB) vs [WC] Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)

First Meeting

Nikola Milojevic | Age: 25 | World No. 129 | Career-High No. 129 | Career: 4-4 (1 QF) | 2021: 0-0 (Tour Debut)
> Achieved career-high No. 129 in FedEx ATP Rankings on 5 April 2021 following his 3rd Challenger title at Zadar, CRO (d. Kuzmanov in F) and QF at Marbella CH, ESP.
> Owns 118-102 Challenger record (3-5 in finals), winning titles at 2019 Liberec, CZE (d. Coria and Vesely) and 2018 Fergana, UZB.
> Qualified for 1st time at a Grand Slam event at 2020 Roland Garros and advanced to 2R by earning biggest win of career vs. No. 29 Krajinovic (l. to Bedene).
> Made ATP Tour main draw debut at 2014 Dusseldorf as WC (d. Basic in 1R, l. to Karlovic 2R). 5 years after reached 1st ATP Tour QF at 2019 Moscow as LL (l. to eventual champion Rublev).
> Peaked at No. 1 in junior rankings on 7 January 2013, captured 11 ITF Junior titles and made a SF appearance at 2013 Roland Garros boys' singles (l. to A. Zverev). Also owns 149-40 record on ITF World Tennis Tour (11-10 in finals) with last title won at 2018 Kazakhstan F2, KAZ.

NOTE: Milojevic is appearing in his 4th ATP Tour tournament, 1st main draw since 2020 Pune where he lost to eventual finalist Gerasimov in 2R.

Carlos Alcaraz | Age: 17 | World No. 133 | Career-High No. 127 | Career: 4-5 (1 3R) | 2021: 3-4 (Melbourne-1 3R)
> Achieved career-high No. 127 in February 2021 after ending 2020 as youngest player in Top 600 at age 17.
> Defeated countryman Ramos-Vinolas in ATP Tour debut at 2020 Rio de Janeiro as 16-year-old WC, becoming 1st player born in 2003 to win a match and youngest match winner since Garin, 16, at 2013 Vina del Mar.
> Also became youngest ATP 500 match winner in series history (since 2009), youngest player to earn a Top-50 win since Gasquet, 16, at 2003 Marseille and youngest Spaniard to win a match since Nadal, 15, at 2002 Mallorca.
> Qualified and advanced to 2021 Australian Open 2R at age 17, becoming youngest player to earn a Grand Slam win since Kokkinakis, 17, at 2014 Australian Open.
> In 2020, went 20-4 at Challengers following tour resumption, capturing titles as a 17-year-old at Trieste, ITA, Barcelona, ESP and Alicante, ESP.

NOTE: Alcaraz made his ATP Masters 1000 tournament debut last week at Miami Open (l. to Ruusuvuori in 1R). Defeated No. 14 and top seeded David Goffin for biggest win of career in Melbourne-1 2R.

[6] Feliciano Lopez (ESP) vs Taro Daniel (JPN)

Lopez Leads 1-0

18 Acapulco (Mexico)

Hard R32 Feliciano Lopez

4-6 6-3 6-4

Feliciano Lopez | Age: 39 | World No. 64 | Career-High No. 12 | Career: 494-460 (7 Titles) | 2021: 2-5 (Aus. Open 3R)
> Ended 19 straight years in Top 100 (2002-20) -- 2nd-longest active streak behind fellow 39-year-old Federer's 22 (1999-2020).
> Won singles and doubles titles at 2019 London/Queen's Club as 37-year-old, becoming oldest player to sweep both titles at same event since Rosewall, 40, at 1975 Jackson.
> Counts victories over No. 1 Nadal (2010 London/Queen's Club) and No. 1 Djokovic (2016 Dubai) among his 38 Top-10 wins -- most among active players never ranked in Top 10.
> Played in record 75th consecutive Grand Slam men's singles main draw at 2021 Australian Open, becoming oldest player at age 39 to reach Grand Slam 3R since Rosewall, 44, at 1978 Australian Open.
> Three-time Wimbledon singles quarter-finalist beat No. 1 seeds and previous 3 champions to win 2016 Roland Garros doubles title w/M. Lopez.

NOTE: Lopez fell in Miami Open 1R against Popyrin last week in his 137th ATP Masters 1000 appearance.

Taro Daniel | Age: 28 | World No. 117 | Career-High No. 64 | Career: 50-82 (1 Title) | 2021: 1-3 (Singapore 2R)
 > Ended 6 straight years in Top 130 (2015-20), achieving career-high No. 64 in August 2018 after reaching Winston-Salem SF.
 > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour SF and final en route to 1st title at 2018 Istanbul, earning more wins in a week (5) than entire 2017 season (4).
 > Enjoyed biggest win of career over 5-time champion and World No. 13 Djokovic to reach 2018 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells 3R as Q.
 > Won 17 of 21 tour-level and Challenger matches during 6-week span in 2016, defeating 2-time medallist Sock at Rio Olympics along the way.
 > Owns 157-100 Challenger record with 7 titles, breaking into Top 100 after winning 2015 Yokohama, JPN.

NOTE: Daniel is 1-3 in 2021, posting lone win over Ramanathan in Singapore 1R and ending a 6-match losing streak (l. to Cilic in 2R). Owns 5-2 record on Challenger Tour this season highlighted by SF at Nur-Sultan-2, KAZ and QF at Marbella, ESP last week.

[5] Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP) vs Damir Dzumhur (BIH) **Davidovich Fokina Leads 1-0**
 20 Cologne-2 (Germany) Hard R32 Alejandro Davidovich Fokina 6-2 6-3

Alejandro Davidovich Fokina | Age: 21 | World No. 56 | Career-High No. 51 | Career: 21-24 (2 SFs) | 2021: 5-4 (Montpellier QF)
 > Posted 11-6 record after tour resumed in August 2020, reaching 2nd ATP Tour SF at Cologne-1, qualifying at ATP Masters 1000 events in Rome and Paris.
 > Qualified and beat No. 18 Monfils to reach 2019 Estoril SF in 2nd ATP Tour main draw.
 > Entered 2020 US Open 4R with 1-5 record on hard courts and reached 4R as World No. 99.
 > Youngest Spaniard to be ranked in Top 100, advance to an ATP Tour SF and reach a Grand Slam 4R since Nadal in 2006-07.
 > Ended junior career as World No. 2 after winning Wimbledon boys' singles title and posting 20-1 record in 2017.

NOTE: Davidovich Fokina achieved career-high No. 51 on 1 March 2021 following his 4th career QF at Montpellier (d. Hurkacz, l. to Gerasimov). Earned biggest win of career over No. 13 Bautista Agut in Rotterdam 1R (l. to eventual finalist Fucsovics in 2R).

Damir Dzumhur | Age: 28 | World No. 126 | Career-High No. 23 | Career: 117-128 (3 Titles) | 2021: 1-2 (Miami 2R)
 > Achieved career-high No. 23 on 2 July 2018 after winning 3rd ATP Tour title at Antalya. Broke into Top 100 on 23 February 2015 after reaching Morelos, MEX Challenger final. Finished 5 straight seasons in Top 100 (2015-19).
 > First player to sweep both Russian titles in a single season, capturing 1st championships of career at St. Petersburg and Moscow in 2017.
 > Earned personal-best 36 victories in 2017, highlighted by biggest wins of career over No. 3 Wawrinka in Dubai 1R and No. 4 A. Zverev in Shenzhen QF. Finished season on 24-7 run, including 1st final at Winston-Salem.
 > Advanced to Grand Slam 3R on 5 occasions, including 2018 Roland Garros, where he led No. 3 A. Zverev by 2 sets to 1 and held 1 MP before losing.
 > Defeated Nadal en route to 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Miami 4R. Also reached R16 at 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo as Q and 2018 ATP Masters 1000 Paris.

NOTE: Dzumhur earned lone win of the season over Anderson in ATP Masters 1000 Miami 1R as LL (l. to Tsitsipas), ending a 4-match losing streak. Last week lost to Vilella Martinez in Marbella, ESP Challenger 2R.

COURT 1

Ilya Ivashka (BLR) vs Pedro Martinez (ESP) **First Tour-Level Meeting**
Other Meeting
 18 Marrakech (Morocco) Clay Q2 Pedro Martinez 7-5 7-5

[Q] Barnabe Zapata Miralles (ESP) vs [Q] Mario Vilella Martinez (ESP) **First Tour-Level Meeting**
Other Meeting
 19 Murcia CH (Spain) Clay R16 Barnabe Zapata Miralles 7-6(1) 6-4

[Q] Henri Laaksonen (SUI) vs Jaume Munar (ESP)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

20 Canberra (Bendigo-1) CH (Australia) Hard R16 Jaume Munar

6-3 6-3

COURT 4

Facundo Bagnis (ARG) vs Francisco Cerundolo (ARG)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

20 Campinas CH (Brazil) Clay QF Francisco Cerundolo

6-2 7-5

Mikhail Kukushkin (KAZ) vs Gianluca Mager (ITA)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

17 Caltanissetta CH (Italy) Clay R32 Mikhail Kukushkin

6-4 6-0