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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: TUESDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

CENTRE COURT

Daniel Altmaier (GER) vs [Q] Gilles Arnaud Bailly (BEL) **Altmaier Leads 1-0**
24 Antwerp (Belgium) **Hard R32 Daniel Altmaier 6-4 6-3**

Daniel Altmaier | Age: 27 | World No. 51 | Career-High No. 47 | 2025: 18-24 (2 QFs) | Event: 1-1 (2024 2R)
> Made Top 50 debut a day before his 25th birthday in September, achieving career-high No. 47 in October 2023.
> Reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2023 Madrid as a LL and defeated No. 4 Fritz for biggest win of career en route to 2025 Roland Garros 4R, earning 3 of 5 career Top 10 wins at that event.
> 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.
> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour SFs of career in back-to-back weeks at Umag and Kitzbuhel in July 2021.
> Ended 2022 season with 13 wins in his last 14 Challenger matches, including back-to-back titles at Lima-2 and Guayaquil.

NOTE: Altmaier earned 11 of 18 wins this season on hard courts, highlighted by indoor QFs in Rotterdam and Marseille in back-to-back weeks. He aims to extend his 6-0 record vs. Belgians across all levels since the start of 2019 season, including win over Bailly in 1R of this event last year.

Gilles-Arnaud Bailly | Age: 20 | World No. 247 (Career-High) | 2025: 0-0 | Event: 0-2 (2022, 2024 1R)
> Former World No. 1 junior earned 1st ranking point in 2022, broke into Top 500 in 2023 and achieved career-high No. 247 in October 2025 soon after reaching 1st Challenger final at Porto-2.
> Made ATP Tour debut at 2022 Antwerp as WC, losing in 1R to Belgian No. 1 Goffin in three sets and qualified for main draw appearances at 2024 Antwerp and 2025 Brussels.
> Owns 11-14 Challenger record (0-1 in finals), advancing to 1st final at 2025 Porto-2 on clay, and 91-49 record on ITF World Tennis Tour (6-4 in finals), winning most recent title at 2025 M25 Meerbusch in September.
> Played one season of college tennis for University of Texas alongside his older brother Pierre-Yves.
> Defeated No. 1 junior Kuzuhara en route to 2022 Roland Garros boys' singles final and won four consecutive deciding set matches to advance to 2022 US Open boys' singles final.
> Won 2022 European Junior Tennis Championships Klosters without losing a set, beating Prizmic in the final.

NOTE: Bailly seeks 1st ATP Tour win to become the youngest Belgian match winner in tournament history and youngest Belgian to win an ATP Tour match since O. Rochus, 19, at 2000 Tokyo. He is 1-6 vs. Top 100 across all levels after defeating No. 70 Royer in final round of qualifying this week and now looks for biggest win of career.

[LL] Valentin Royer (FRA) vs [6] Sebastian Baez (ARG) **First Meeting**

Valentin Royer | Age: 24 | World No. 70 (Career-High) | 2025: 8-7 (Hangzhou Final) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)
> Broke Top 200 in May 2024 and Top 100 in August 2025 and achieved career-high No. 70 in October 2025 after defeating No. 14 Rublev for biggest win of career en route to 1st ATP Tour final in Hangzhou.
> Made tour-level debut at 2025 Roland Garros as WC, losing to Galan in 5 sets, before defeating No. 26 Tsitsipas in 2025 Wimbledon 1R via RET (6-3 6-2 ret.) as Q for first Grand Slam main draw win.
> He is 34-11 on ATP Challenger Tour this season, including going on a 14-0 run to win back-to-back titles in Kigali and advance to Zadar final, losing to Coric.
> Reached 1st Challenger final at 2024 Tunis in May before earning 1st title at 2024 Sibiu, defeating countryman Pavlovic in final.
> Peaked at No. 8 in junior rankings, finishing his junior career by earning 3rd place at 2019 ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals (l. to Rune in SF).

NOTE: Royer entered the draw as a lucky loser after defending champion Bautista Agut withdrew due to right leg injury. Frenchman earned 5 of 8 career tour-level wins in last 3 weeks with run to Hangzhou final and Shanghai 2R. He is 3-4 vs. Top 50, including hard-court wins over No. 14 Rublev and No. 39 Moutet in Hangzhou.

Sebastian Baez | Age: 24 | World No. 44 | Career-High No. 18 | 2025: 17-21 (Rio Title) | Event: 0-1 (2024 2R)
 > Broke inside Top 20 in March 2024 after winning back-to-back ATP Tour titles in Rio de Janeiro and Santiago, then earned career-high No. 18 in June.
 > During 2023 season, went on a career-best 12-match winning streak, lifting titles in Kitzbuhel and Winston-Salem and reached 1st Grand Slam 3R at US Open.
 > Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2022 Estoril, then earned 2nd title on home soil at 2023 Cordoba after entering tournament with 6 straight losses and 17 losses in previous 18 matches.
 > Broke into Top 300, 200 and 100 in 2021, posting 6-3 record in Challenger finals tied for 2nd-most titles in a season behind Griekspoor's 8 in 2021.
 > Became World No. 1 junior in March 2018 and went on to reach Roland Garros boys' singles final and win boys' doubles gold medal at Youth Olympics w/Diaz Acosta in his hometown of Buenos Aires.

NOTE: Baez seeks 1st Top 100 win since defeating No. 64 Goffin in ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati in August and first ATP Tour win on an indoor hard court since 2023 Basel (d. O'Connell in 1R). In his tournament debut last year, he lost to Bergs in 2R after receiving a 1R bye.

Francisco Comesana (ARG) vs [WC] David Goffin (BEL)

First Meeting

Francisco Comesana | Age: 25 | World No. 68 | Career-High No. 54 | 2025: 18-21 (Rio SF) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)
 > Broke into Top 200 in June 2023, Top 100 in April 2024 and achieved career-high No. 54 in August 2025.
 > In Grand Slam main draw debut at 2024 Wimbledon, defeated No. 6 Rublev in 1R for 1st tour-level win of career and beat Walton in 2R to become youngest Argentine in Wimbledon 3R since del Potro in 2011.
 > Advanced to 2024 US Open 3R to become 3rd Argentine man in Open Era to advance to 3R in 1st two Grand Slam main draw appearances after Jaite (in 1984-85) and Markus (in 1991).
 > Reached 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2025 Rio de Janeiro, defeating No. 2 Zverev for biggest win of career in QF.
 > Posted 45-21 Challenger record in 2023, earning most Challenger wins that season, highlighted by titles in Vicenza and Liberec and finals in Skopje and Santa Cruz.

NOTE: Comesana seeks 1st ATP Tour win on indoor hard courts after losing to de Jong in Davis Cup vs. Netherlands earlier this year. Argentine No. 5 is 14-1 after winning 1st set this season and owns 6-9 record on hard courts in 2025, highlighted by run to ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati 4R.

Most Wins by Argentines in 2025:

Player	W-L	Player	W-L
Francisco Cerundolo	35-22	Camilo Ugo Carabelli	18-22
Tomas Martin Etcheverry	21-26	Mariano Navone	18-23
Francisco Comesana	18-21	Sebastian Baez	17-21

David Goffin | Age: 34 | World No. 105 | Career-High No. 7 | 2025: 11-20 (2 QFs) | Event: 6-6 (2016 SF)
 > 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 is making his seventh appearance at the event, 2nd-most in tournament history (Gasquet, 8). He aims to tie Sinner for 4th-most wins at this event (7) to set up another all-Belgian match, facing the winner of Bergs vs. Collignon. Last week in Shanghai, he defeated No. 6 Shelton in 2R, before retiring to Diallo in 3R due to neck injury.

Most Wins in Tournament History*:

Player	W-L
Diego Schwartzman	12-6
Richard Gasquet	9-7
Ugo Humbert	8-1
Jannik Sinner	7-1

* **Goffin**, Edmund, Giron, Murray, Struff, Tsitsipas, Tsonga all tied with 6 wins

[8] Zizou Bergs (BEL) vs [WC] Raphael Collignon (BEL)

First Meeting

Zizou Bergs | Age: 26 | World No. 39 (Career-High) | 2025: 29-24 (2 Finals) | Event: 3-3 (2024 QF)
 > Former World No. 12 junior broke into Top 200 in July 2021, Top 100 in June 2024 and achieved career-high No. 39 in October 2025 after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 quarter-final in Shanghai.
 > Advanced to 2024 Roland Garros 3R as Q and upset No. 9 Rublev for biggest win of career to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 3R at 2025 Miami.
 > Defeated Ramos-Vinolas for 1st ATP Tour win at 2020 Antwerp as 528th-ranked WC and advanced to ATP Tour finals at 2025 Auckland and 2025 's-Hertogenbosch.
 > Earned 2022 Wimbledon WC after defeating former World No. 8 Sock for 2022 Ilkley Challenger title as Q.
 > Also won Challenger titles at 2021 St. Petersburg-1 as Q, 2021 Lille as Q, 2021 Almaty, 2023 & 2024 Tallahassee, 2023 Drummondville and 2023 Yokkaichi.

NOTE: Bergs is seeded at an ATP Tour event for the first time in his career and aims to become the fifth Belgian man to record 30 wins in a single season. He enters Brussels on a career-high after becoming an ATP Masters 1000 quarter-finalist in Shanghai last week, including wins over No. 12 Ruud and No. 21 F. Cerundolo.

Most Tour-Level Wins This Season (Men Ranked Outside Top 20):

Wins	Player	Ranking
35	Francisco Cerundolo	No. 21
30	Brandon Nakashima	No. 34
29	Zizou Bergs	No. 39
29	Luciano Darderi	No. 26

Belgian Men to Record 30 Wins in a Season (Open Era):

Player	Year (No. of Wins)
Xavier Malisse	2001 (38), 2002 (32), 2006 (31)
Olivier Rochus	2005 (37), 2006 (33)
Kristof Vliegen	2006 (32)
David Goffin	2015 (38), 2016 (49), 2017 (59), 2019 (36)

Raphael Collignon | Age: 23 | World No. 90 | Career-High No. 81 | 2025: 5-8 (US Open 3R) | Event: 0-1 (2024 1R)
 > Broke into Top 100 in February 2025 and achieved career-high No. 81 in April after posting 1st ATP Tour win over former-World No. 9 Fognini in Marrakech 1R.
 > Defeated former finalist No. 12 Ruud to reach 2025 US Open 3R and upset No. 8 de Minaur for biggest win of career to lead Belgium to victory in 2025 Davis Cup vs. Australia.
 > Earned 1st Challenger title by defeating No. 84 van de Zandschulp in 2024 Luedenscheid final and defeated No. 97 Coric en route to 2nd title at Lyon (Décines-Charpieu).
 > Coached by Belgium's Davis Cup captain and former World No. 38 Steve Darcis.
 > Injured his thumb in Hamburg, a week before Roland Garros, to delay his Grand Slam main draw debut, before playing in his 1st Grand Slam main draw at Wimbledon (l. to Cilic)

NOTE: Collignon aims to record his first ATP Tour win on home soil after losing to Fucsovics in 1R in his main draw debut at this event last year. He is 2-3 vs. Top 50 in his career, defeating No. 12 Ruud in US Open 2R and No. 8 de Minaur in Davis Cup, recording both wins since August.

[7] Joao Fonseca (BRA) vs Botic van de Zandschulp (NED)

Fonseca Leads 1-0

24 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage (Italy) Hard RR Joao Fonseca

6-4 7-6(3)

Joao Fonseca | Age: 19 | World No. 45 | Career-High No. 42 | 2025: 21-14 (Buenos Aires Title) | Event: 0-0 (Debut)
 > Reigning Next Gen ATP Finals champion became junior No. 1 in September 2023, broke into Top 100 of PIF ATP Rankings 16 months later and achieved career-high No. 42 in September 2025.
 > Captured 1st title at 2025 Buenos Aires at age 18, becoming youngest South American tour-level champion since Perez-Roldan in 1987 and youngest Brazilian champion in Open Era.
 > Earned biggest win of career over No. 9 Rublev in 2025 Australian Open 1R as Q, becoming youngest man to defeat a Top 10 player at Australian Open in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).
 > Went 5-0 at 2024 Next Gen ATP Finals to join Alcaraz and Sinner as only 18-year-old champions in event history as well as becoming 1st South American champion at the event.
 > In his hometown of Rio de Janeiro, made ATP Tour debut in 2023 and earned 1st ATP Tour wins over No. 36 Fils and former champion Garin for his 1st ATP Tour QF in 2024, 10 years after watching Nadal win 2014 title as a fan.
 > Won 2023 US Open boys' singles event to become World No. 1 in junior rankings after reaching quarter-finals of Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon earlier in the season.

NOTE: Fonseca is seeded at an ATP Tour event for the first time in career, becoming 1st Brazilian to be seeded at this level since Monteiro at 2021 Cordoba. He is No. 3 on [PIF ATP Live Race to Jeddah](#) and bids to be the third-youngest man to record a match win at this event after Sinner, 18, in 2019 and Fritz, 18, in 2016.

PIF ATP Race to Jeddah:

No. Player	Points	This Week
1 Jakub Mensik	2,140	---
2 Learner Tien	1,270	---
3 Joao Fonseca	1,085	Brussels – 1R vs. van de Zandschulp
4 Dino Prizmic	487	Stockholm Q – Lost to Zahraj in Q1
5 Nicolai Budkov Kjaer	450	Stockholm – 1R vs. Cilic

B. van de Zandschulp | Age: 30 | World No. 86 | Career-High No. 22 | 2025: 14-18 (Winston-Salem F) | Event: 2-4 ('21, '23 2R)
> Achieved new career-high ranking 14 times in 2022, peaking at No. 22 in August and ending 2nd straight season as No. 1 Dutchman.

> At 2021 US Open, became 3rd men's qualifier to reach US Open QF in Open Era, 1st Dutchman to reach Grand Slam QF since 2004, and only player to take a set off eventual champion Medvedev.

> Earned personal-best 38 wins in 2022, including victories over Norrie, Fritz and Bublik to help Netherlands qualify for Davis Cup Finals knock-out stage.

> In 2024, posted upsets over No. 3 Alcaraz in US Open 2R for biggest win of career and Nadal in Davis Cup Finals to end former World No. 1's career and help Netherlands advance to 1st Davis Cup final in history (since 1900).

> In Munich, upset No. 7 Ruud en route to 1st ATP Tour final in 2022 and No. 10 Fritz to reach 2nd final in 2023, before squandering 4 championship points in 2023 final and losing to Rune on both occasions.

> Went 11-1 in Grand Slam qualifying matches in 2021, qualifying at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open, while entering Wimbledon as LL (l. to Trungelliti in Q3).

NOTE: van de Zandschulp seeks first tour-level win since reaching Winston-Salem final in August (0-5 since). Dutch No. 3 is 12-1 after winning 1st set this season and 4-11 vs. Top 50 players in 2025, highlighted by win over No. 7 Djokovic in ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells in March.

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[Q] Eliot Spizzirri (USA) vs Pedro Martinez (ESP)
First Meeting
[PR] Emil Ruusuvuori (FIN) vs [5] Giovanni Mpetshi Perricard (FRA) GMP Leads 2-0

24 Wimbledon (Great Britain)	Grass	R32	G. Mpetshi Perricard	4-6 6-2 7-6(5) 6-4
24 Washington (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	G. Mpetshi Perricard	7-6(6) 7-6(6)