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ATP HEAD2HEAD: WEDNESDAY SINGLES MATCHES CENTRE COURT

(2R) Pablo Andujar (ESP) vs [2] Denis Shapovalov (CAN)

Shapovalov Leads 1-0

19 Australian Open (Australia)

Hard R128 Denis Shapovalov

6-2 6-3 7-6(3)

Pablo Andujar | Age: 35 | World No. 92 | Career-High No. 32 | 2021: 11-16 (SF Geneva) | St. Pete: 1-1

- > Achieved career-high No. 32 in 2015 and broke back into Top 100 in 2018 following right elbow surgeries in March 2016, November 2016 and April 2017.
- > Owns 4-5 record in finals with all 9 finals on clay and 3 of 4 titles in Morocco.
- > Won most recent title at 2018 Marrakech as No. 355, becoming 2nd-lowest-ranked champion since ATP Tour was established in 1990 (No. 550 Hewitt at 1998 Adelaide).
- > In 2021, upset Federer in Geneva 2R, rallied from 2 sets down for biggest career win vs. No. 4 Thiem in Roland Garros 1R and reached 1st Grand Slam doubles SF at Roland Garros with countryman Martinez.
- > Peaked at No. 5 in junior rankings after winning 2004 Roland Garros boys' doubles title with countryman Granollers.

Note: All 4 of Andujar ATP titles have been won on clay so far.

Denis Shapovalov | Age: 22 | World No. 13 | Career-High No. 10 | 2021: 26-21 (F, Geneva) | St. Pete: 5-2

- > After becoming 1st Canadian US Open quarter-finalist in 2020, became 2nd Canadian in history to break into Top 10 (also Raonic).
- > Defeated 2-time champion Murray and earned 5-set wins over Kohlschreiber and Khachanov en route to 1st Grand Slam SF at 2021 Wimbledon.
- > Won 1st ATP Tour title in 1st final at 2019 Stockholm and ended season with 5 wins to lead Canada to its 1st Davis Cup final.
- > Reached 2019 Paris final and 4 other ATP Masters 1000 SFs, including 2017 Montreal, where he upset No. 2 Nadal and became youngest semi-finalist in series history at age 18 (since 1990).
- > Ended junior career with 2016 Wimbledon boys' singles title, then broke into Top 50 less than 15 months later.

Note: Reached SF in 2020 falling to Rublev (6-4 3-6 4-6).

(1R) Marin Cilic (CRO) vs Albert Ramos-Vinolas (ESP) Cilic Leads 5-3 11 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China) Albert Ramos-Vinolas Hard R64 6-3 6-4 12 Hamburg (Germany) Clay QF Marin Cilic 6-4 7-6(5) 13 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.) Marin Cilic Hard R64 7-6(7) 6-2 16 Australian Open (Australia) Marin Cilic Hard R64 6-4 6-3 7-6(4) 17 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo (Monaco) QF Albert Ramos-Vinolas 6-2 6-7(5) 6-2 Clay QF 17 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China) Marin Cilic Hard 6-3 6-4 19 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China) Hard **R64** Albert Ramos-Vinolas 6-4 6-4 21 ATP Masters 1000 Canada (Canada) Hard **R64** Marin Cilic 6-2 4-6 6-3

Marin Cilic | Age: 33 | World No. 35 | Career-High No. 3 | 2021: 26-18 (T, Stuttgart) | St. Pete: 8-3 (T, 2011)

- > 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 fell to Swiss in 2017 Wimbledon and 2018 Australian Open finals
- > Earned biggest career wins over No. 1 Djokovic (2016 Paris) and No. 1 Nadal (2018 Australian Open) before beating countryman Karlovic for 500th win (2019 Moscow).
- > 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).
- > Captured 19th tour-level title at 2021 Stuttgart, where he became 1st player since 1991 to win 100% of his 1st-serve points in multiple matches at a single tournament (3 matches).

Note: Cilic last played St. Petersburg 10 years ago, winning the title by defeating Janko Tipsarevic (6-3 3-6 6-2).



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Albert Ramos-Vinolas | Age: 33 | World No. 43 | Career-High No. 17 | 2021: 24-23 (T, Estoril) | St. Pete: 0-2 > Achieved career-high No. 17 in 2017 and is 1 of 4 left-handed Spaniards to finish each of last 10 seasons in Top 100 (also Lopez, Nadal, Verdasco).

- > Ten-time finalist on ATP Tour, winning clay-court titles at 2016 Bastad, 2019 Gstaad and 2021 Estoril.
- > Advanced to 3R, 4R and QF of a Grand Slam for 1st time at 2016 Roland Garros.
- > Reached QF, SF and final of an ATP Masters 1000 event for 1st time at 2017 Monte Carlo, earning biggest career win over World No. 1 Murray in 3R from 0-4 down in 3rd set.
- > Defeated defending champion and World No. 3 Federer in 2015 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 2R for 1st win in 16 tries vs. Top 10.

Note: Defeated Cameron Norrie to win Estoril title (2nd F on ATP Tour in 2021) but lost to Norrie 1st R of Queens.

(1R) Adrian Mannarino (FRA) vs [6] Karen Khachanov (RUS)				Khachanov Leads 3-0
16 Chengdu (China)	Hard	R16	Karen Khachanov	3-6 6-3 6-1
17 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R128	Karen Khachanov	6-4 3-6 7-6(9) 6-3
18 Moscow (Russia)	Hard	F	Karen Khachanov	6-2 6-2
Other Meeting				
15 Mouilleron Le Captif CH (France)	Hard	QF	Adrian Mannarino	2-6 6-2 7-5

Adrian Mannarino | Age: 33 | World No. 50 | Career-High No. 22 | 2021: 12-22 (1 SF) | St. Pete:

- > Achieved career-high No. 22 in 2018 and ended 8 straight years in Top 60 (2013-20).
- > Advanced to 10 ATP Tour finals, capturing 1st title in 7th final at 2019 's-Hertogenbosch.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 5 Cilic to reach biggest final of career at 2017 Tokyo.
- > Posted career-high 33 wins in 2017, ending season on 25-13 run including 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at Montreal.
- > Reached Wimbledon 4R in 2013, 2017 and 2018, as well as US Open 3R in 2013, 2014, 2017 and 2020.

Note: Mannarino has beaten 2 Top 10 players on the ATP Tour in 2021 (Thiem in Mallorca & Rublev in Moscow).

Karen Khachanov | Age: 25 | World No. 30 | Career-High No. 8 | 2021: 33-22 (F, Olympics) | St. Pete:

- > Broke into Top 10 and achieved career-high No. 8 in 2019, becoming 1st Russian in Top 10 since Youzhny in 2011.
- > Upset Top-10 players Isner, A. Zverev, Thiem and Djokovic en route to 2018 ATP Masters 1000 Paris title.
- > First Russian to win an ATP Masters 1000 title since Davydenko at 2009 Shanghai and 1st unseeded ATP Masters 1000 champion since Nalbandian at 2007 Paris.
- > Advanced to Grand Slam QFs at 2019 Roland Garros and 2021 Wimbledon, where he broke Korda 7 times in 5th set of 4R win.
- > Entered 2020 Tokyo Olympics as No. 4 Russian and went on to earn silver medal (held in 2021).

Note: Khachanov made his debut in St. Petersburg in 2013 at the age of 17 reaching the Round of 16 (I. to Rosol).

(2R) [1] Andrey Rublev (RUS) vs Ilya Ivashka (BLR) 19 St. Petersburg (Russia) Hard R32 Andrey Rublev 4-6 6-0 6-4

Andrey Rublev | Age: 24 | World No. 6 | Career-High No. 5 | 2021: 47-18 (T, Rotterdam) | St. Pete: 8-4

- > Broke into Top 20 in January 2020, Top 10 in October 2020 and Top 5 in September 2021.
- > Defeated countryman and World No. 2 Medvedev for biggest win of career and to reach 2nd ATP Masters 1000 final at 2021 Cincinnati.
- > Led ATP Tour with 5 titles in 2020, tied for tour-lead with 41 victories in 2020, and won 23 matches and 4 titles in a row at ATP 500 events from 2020-21.
- > Went 4-0 in singles to help Russia win 2021 ATP Cup and earned gold medal in All-Russian mixed doubles final at 2020 Tokyo Olympics w/Pavlyuchenkova (held in 2021).
- > Advanced to Grand Slam QFs at 2017 US Open, 2020 US Open, 2020 Roland Garros and 2021 Australian Open.

Note: The '20 defending champion made his debut in St. Petersburg at the age of 17 in 2015 (I. to Bolelli in R of 32).



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Ilya Ivashka | Age: 27 | World No. 46 | Career-High No. 43 | 2021: 29-14 (T, Winston Salem)| St. Pete: 2-3

- > Qualified at 8 tour-level events in 2018 to break into Top 100 and earned personal-best 25 wins in 2021 to achieve career-high No. 53.
- > Defeated Olympic bronze medallist Carreno Busta en route to 2021 Winston-Salem title, becoming 2nd Belarusian singles champion in ATP Tour history (also Mirnyi at 2003 Rotterdam).
- > Upset No. 6 A. Zverev for biggest win of career en route to 2021 Munich SF as Q.
- > Advanced to 2021 Wimbledon 4R and 2021 US Open 3R after starting career 1-6 at Grand Slams.
- > Won 3-setters against Monfils and Kukushkin to reach 2020 Tokyo Olympics 3R (held in 2021).

Note: Ivashka has beaten fellow St. Petersburg player, McDonald, twice in 2021.

(2R) [7] Alexander Bublik (KAZ) vs Jan-Lennard Struff (GER)

Struff Leads 1-0

18 Budapest (Hungary)

Clay R16 Jan-Lennard Struff

6-1 6-4

Alexander Bublik | Age: 24 | World No. 34 | Career-High No. 34 | 2021: 31-26 (2 Finals) | St. Pete: 1-3

- > Achieved career-high No. 34 and earned personal-best 29 victories in 2021, including biggest win of career over No. 7 A. Zverev at Rotterdam.
- > Reached ATP Tour finals at 2019 Newport, 2019 Chengdu, 2021 Antalya and 2021 Singapore.
- > Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2021 Miami and 2021 Madrid.
- > Owns 6-0 career record in Challenger finals with titles in 2019 at Budapest, Pau and Monterrey.
- > In doubles, advanced to 2021 Roland Garros final w/Golubev and 2020 Australian Open SF w/Kukushkin.

Note: Bublik made his debut in qualifying in St. Petersburg in 2015 at the age of 18.

Jan-Lennard Struff | Age: 31 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 29 | 2021: 21-26 (F Munich) | St. Pete: 4-3

- > Achieved career-high No. 29 after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2020 Cincinnati.
- > On home soil, advanced to 1st ATP Tour singles final at 2021 Munich and earned biggest win of career over No. 2 Medvedev in 2021 Halle 1R.
- > Posted personal-best 35 victories in 2019, highlighted by 1st Grand Slam 4R appearance at Roland Garros.
- > In 2018, became 1st player in Open Era to rally from 2 sets down in Wimbledon 1R and 2R (d. L. Mayer and Karlovic).
- > Lost in qualifying at 20 tour-level events before qualifying for 1st time at 2013 Roland Garros and earning 1st tour-level win at 2013 Wimbledon as Q (d. Kavcic).

Note: Struff has beaten 2 ATP Tour top 10 ranked players in 2021 (Medvedev at Halle, Rublev at Roland Garros).