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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES FINAL

[3] Taylor Fritz (USA) vs [4] Jan-Lennard Struff (GER)

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Taylor Fritz | Age: 26 | World No. 15 | Career-High No. 5 | 2024: 15-6 (Delray Beach Title) | Munich: 5-1 (2024 Final) > 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.

> 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 and helped Team World capture 2022 and 2023 Laver Cups.

NOTE: Fritz is 6-0 in ATP Tour finals since the start of 2022 season and now seeks his 8th title (7-5 in finals), 1st on clay. He would be the 2nd American to win a clay title this year after Shelton in Houston and 1st off US soil since Korda at 2021 Parma. The 26-year-old aims to be the 4th American champion in Munich in Open Era (1973 - S. Mayer, 1982 - G. Mayer, 1993 - Lendl).

Jan-Lennard Struff | Age: 33 | World No. 28 | Career-High No. 21 | 2024: 11-9 (Munich F) | Munich: 15-8 ('21, '24 Final) > Achieved career-high No. 21 after reaching 3rd ATP Tour final at 2023 Stuttgart (I. to Tiafoe).

> Upset No. 5 Tsitsipas at 2023 Madrid en route to becoming the 1st lucky loser in ATP Masters 1000 history (since 1990) to reach the championship match (I. to Alcaraz).

> 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.

> Defeated No. 10 Goffin en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2020 Cincinnati and No. 4 Ruud en route to 2nd ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2023 Monte Carlo.

> 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 tourlevel win at 2013 Wimbledon as Q (d. Kavcic).

NOTE: Struff is looking for his 1st ATP Tour title (0-3 in finals) and is playing in 3rd final on home soil (2021 Munich I. to Basilashvili, 2023 Stuttgart I. to Tiafoe missing 1 MP). He is 5-3 vs. Top 20 opponents on clay since the start of the 2023 season, including win over No. 12 Rune in SF, and would become the 3rd oldest ATP Tour first-time champion at 33 years and 11 months (he turns 34 on Thursday).

Oldest ATP Tour First-Time Champions (since the ATP Tour was established in 1990)

Player	Age	Tournament
Paolo Lorenzi	34 years, 7 months	2016 Kitzbuhel
Victor Estrella Burgos	34 years, 6 months	2015 Quito
Wayne Arthurs	33 years, 11 months	2005 Scottsdale
Gilles Muller	33 years, 8 months	2017 Sydney
Jeremy Bates	31 years, 10 months	1994 Seoul

First-Time ATP Tour Champions in 2024 (5) - Struff aims to be the 6th first-time champion in 2024 (Navone is trying to achieve the same feat in Bucharest).

Player	Age	Tournament	Player	Age	Tournament
Jiri Lehecka	22	Adelaide	Facundo Diaz Acosta	23	Buenos Aires
Alejandro Tabilo	26	Auckland	Jordan Thompson	29	Los Cabos
Luciano Darderi	21	Cordoba	-		

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2024 Munich Statistics	Taylor Fritz	Jan-Lennard Struff
Aces	31	21
1st-Serve Percentage	72% (135 of 188)	64% (112 of 176)
1st-Serve Points Won	84% (113 od 135)	73% (82 of 112)
2nd-Serve Points Won	62% (33 of 53)	66% (42 of 64)
Service Games Won	97% (33 of 34)	93% (27 of 29)
Break Points Saved	86% (6 of 7)	75% (6 of 8)
1st-Serve Return Points Won	31% (45 of 143)	42% (59 of 142)
2nd-Serve Return Points Won	48% (34 of 71)	55% (38 of 69)
Return Games Won	22% (7 of 32)	34% (10 of 29)
Break Points Converted	32% (7 of 22)	37% (10 of 27)

BOLD: Leads all 28 players in 2024 BMW Open.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: DOUBLES FINAL

[WC] Andreas Mies (GER) / Jan-Lennard Struff (GER) vs Yuki Bhambri (IND) / Albano Olivetti (FRA)

First Meeting

Mies/Struff Notes

> The German duo is making their debut as a pair, reaching their 1st ATP Tour final together in Munich.

> Struff is trying to become the 2nd player to win singles and doubles at one event in 2024 (Thompson at Los Cabos).
 > They bid to be the 4th all-German pair to win the title in Munich (1990 - Riglewski/Stich, 2008 - Berrer/Schuettler, 2022 - Krawietz/Mies).

> Team is ranked No. 74 on <u>PIF ATP Doubles Team Rankings</u>. Mies is ranked No. 46 (career-high No. 8 in 2019), while Struff is ranked No. 121 (career-high No. 21 in 2018) and will return to the Top 100 with a title.

> Mies, 33, is playing in his 8th tour-level final (6-1), making all previous final appearances alongside Krawietz, including 2 Roland Garros titles (2019 - 2020) and Munich title in 2022.

> Struff, 33, is playing in his 8th ATP Tour doubles final (4-3), 1st on clay with all previous 7 coming on hard courts, including Dubai w/Griekspoor this season.

Bhambri/Olivetti Notes

> The Indian/French duo is 5-1 as a pair, made their team debut in Marrakech, reaching the semi-finals.

> On the way to the final they defeated 2021 runners-up Gille/Vliegen and defending champions Erler/Miedler, avenging the Marrakech SF loss.

> Bhambri would be the 1st Indian champion in event history (runner-up Sharan w/Demoliner in 2019), while Olivetti would be the 1st Frenchman to achieve the same feat (Halliet, Delaitre, Chardy/Martin all finished runner-up).
> Team is ranked No. 52 on <u>PIF ATP Doubles Team Rankings</u>. Bhambri is ranked No. 59 (career-high No. 58 in July 2023), while Olivetti is ranked No. 53 (career-high No. 46 in February 2024) and would return to Top 50 with a title.
> Bhambri, 31, is playing in his 3rd ATP Tour final (1-1) and is now an ATP Tour finalist on all three surfaces after winning 2023 Mallorca on grass w/L. Harris and finishing runner-up w/Cash on hard courts at 2023 Stockholm.
> Olivetti, 32, is playing in his 4th ATP Tour final (0-3), runner-up at 2021 Bastad w/Begemann, 2023 Montpellier w/Weissborn.

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