

DELRAY BEACH OPEN – ATP MEDIA NOTES PREVIEW & DAY 1 - MONDAY 12 FEBRUARY 2024

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2024 DELRAY BEACH OPEN SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Taylor Fritz (USA)	6-2 (Australian Open QF)	7-5 (2023 Title)
2	Frances Tiafoe (USA)	3-3 (Hong Kong, Dallas QF)	9-3 (2018 Title)
3	Tommy Paul (USA)	7-2 (Dallas Title)	5-4 (2022 SF)
4	Adrian Mannarino (FRA)	6-4 (Dallas SF)	13-10 (2015 SF)
5	Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)	5-4 (Australian Open 4R)	4-2 (2023 Final)
6	Matteo Arnaldi (ITA)	4-3 (Brisbane QF)	0-0 (Debut)
7	Daniel Evans (GBR)	1-2 (Adelaide 2R)	4-1 (2019 Final)
8	Max Purcell (AUS)	3-4 (3 times in 2R)	0-0 (Debut)

Tournament History Singles Final Wild Cards (3) Qualifiers (4)	Coral Springs 1993-98, Delray Beach 1999-Present (32nd Edition in 2024) Sunday 18 February at 3:00 pm Aleksandar Kovacevic (USA), Patrick Kypson (USA), Emilio Nava (USA) Radu Albot (MDA), Thanasi Kokkinakis (AUS), Nicolas Moreno de Alboran (USA), Zachary Svajda (USA)
Lucky Loser (1)	Gabriel Diallo (CAN)
Oldest Player	Adrian Mannarino (35)
#NextGenATP (2)	Shang Juncheng (19), Alex Michelsen (19)
Tournament Records	<u>Most Titles</u> – Jan-Michael Gambill, Ernests Gulbis, Xavier Malisse, Jason Stoltenberg (2) Most Wins – Xavier Malisse (26)
	Youngest Champion – Kei Nishikori, 18, in 2008
	Oldest Champion – Ivo Karlovic, 35, in 2015
	Highest-Ranked Champion – No. 7 Taylor Fritz in 2023
	Lowest-Ranked Champion - No. 244 Kei Nishikori in 2008
	Last American Champion: Taylor Fritz in 2023

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (11)

United States (10)	Taylor Fritz, Marcos Giron, Aleksandar Kovacevic, Patrick Kypson, Alex Michelsen,
	Nicolas Moreno de Alboran, Emilio Nava, Tommy Paul, Zachary Svajda, Frances Tiafoe
Australia (6)	James Duckworth, Rinky Hijikata, Thanasi Kokkinakis
	Max Purcell, Jordan Thompson, Aleksandar Vukic
France (2)	Constant Lestienne, Adrian Mannarino
Great Britain (2)	Liam Broady, Daniel Evans
Japan (2)	Taro Daniel, Yoshihito Nishioka
Canada (1)	Gabriel Diallo
China (1)	Shang Juncheng
Italy (1)	Matteo Arnaldi
Moldova (1)	Radu Albot
Portugal (1)	Nuno Borges
Serbia (1)	Miomir Kecmanovic

PEPPERSTONE ATP RANKINGS POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Delray Beach Open	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	250	165	100	50	25*	0
Singles Prize Money (\$)	100,635	58,700	34,510	19,995	11,610	7,095
Doubles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	0	-
Doubles Prize Money (\$)	34,960	18,710	10,970	6,130	3,610	-

* Singles players who receive a bye in R32 and lose in R16 earn 0 ranking points



2024 DELRAY BEACH OPEN DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2024 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Santiago Gonzalez (MEX)	4-3	4-3 (Dallas SF)	1-6 (2014 QF)
	Neal Skupski (GBR)	(2024 Dallas SF)	4-3 (Dallas SF)	3-1 (2019 Final)
2	Hugo Nys (MON)	52-38 (3 Titles)	4-3 (Adelaide SF)	8-5 (2018, 2020-2021 SF)
2	Jan Zielinski (POL)	3-2 in 2024 (1 SF)	4-2 (Adelaide SF)	0-0 (Debut)
3	Julian Cash (GBR)	6-8 (2 SFs)	2-5 (Hong Kong SF)	1-1 (2023 QF)
	Robert Galloway (USA)	2-5 in 2024 (1 SF)	2-5 (Hong Kong SF)	4-2 (2022-2023 SF)
4	Gonzalo Escobar (ECU)	21-15 (2 Titles)	4-4 (Adelaide SF)	4-0 (2021 Title)
	Aleksandr Nedovyesov (KAZ)	3-3 in 2024 (1 SF)	3-4 (Adelaide SF)	3-1 (2022 Final)

Doubles Final: Sunday 18 February at 12:30 pm

DELRAY BEACH OPEN SINGLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Taylor Fritz (USA)	Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)	6-0 5-7 6-2
2022	Cameron Norrie (GBR)	Reilly Opelka (USA)	7-6(1) 7-6(4)
2021	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	Sebastian Korda (USA)	6-3 6-3
2020	Reilly Opelka (USA)	Yoshihito Nishioka (JPN)	7-5 6-7(4) 6-2
2019	Radu Albot (MDA)	Daniel Evans (GBR)	3-6 6-3 7-6(7)
2018	Frances Tiafoe (USA)	Peter Gojowczyk (GER)	6-1 6-4
2017	Jack Sock (USA)	Milos Raonic (CAN)	Walkover
2016	Sam Querrey (USA)	Rajeev Ram (USA)	6-4 7-6(6)
2015	Ivo Karlovic (CRO)	Donald Young (USA)	6-3 6-3
2014	Marin Cilic (CRO)	Kevin Anderson (RSA)	7-6(6) 6-7(7) 6-4
2013	Ernests Gulbis (LAT)	Edouard Roger-Vasselin (FRA)	7-6(3) 6-3
2012	Kevin Anderson (RSA)	Marinko Matosevic (AUS)	6-4 7-6(2)
2011	Juan Martin del Portro (ARG)	Janko Tipsarevic (SRB)	6-4 6-4
2010	Ernests Gulbis (LAT)	Ivo Karlovic (CRO)	6-2 6-3
2009	Mardy Fish (USA)	Evgeny Korolev	7-5 6-3

BOLD: Player in 2024 Delray Beach Open singles draw

DELRAY BEACH OPEN DOUBLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2023	Marcelo Arevalo / Jean-Julien Rojer	Rinky Hijikata / Reese Stalder	6-3 6-4
2022	Marcelo Arevalo / Jean-Julien Rojer	Aleksandr Nedovyesov / Aisam-ul-Haq Qureshi	6-2 6-7(5) [10-4]
2021	Ariel Behar / Gonzalo Escobar	Christian Harrison / Ryan Harrison	6-7(5) 7-6(4) [10-4]
2020	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Luke Bambridge / Ben McLachlan	3-6 7-5 [10-5]
2019	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Ken Skupski / Neal Skupski	7-6(5) 6-4
2018	Jack Sock / Jackson Withrow	Nicholas Monroe / John-Patrick Smith	4-6 6-4 [10-8]
2017	Raven Klaasen / Rajeev Ram	Treat Huey / Max Mirnyi	7-5 7-5
2016	Oliver Marach / Fabrice Martin	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	3-6 7-6(7) [13-11]
2015	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Raven Klaasen / Leander Paes	6-3 3-6 [10-6]
2014	Bob Bryan / Mike Bryan	Frantisek Cermak / Mikhail Elgin	6-2 6-3
2013	James Blake / Jack Sock	Max Mirnyi / Horia Tecau	6-4 6-4
2012	Colin Fleming/Ross Hutchins	Michal Mertinak/Andre Sa	2-6 7-6(5) [15-13]
2011	Scott Lipsky/Rajeev Ram	Christopher Kas/Alexander Peya	4-6 6-4 [10-3]
2010	Bob Bryan/Mike Bryan	Philipp Marx/Igor Zelenay	6-3 7-6(7-3)
2009	Bob Bryan//Mike Bryan	Marcelo Melo/Andre Sa	6-4 6-4

BOLD: Player in 2024 Delray Beach Open doubles draw – no teams remain intact.



LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

STADIUM

Constant Lestienne (FRA) vs Aleksandar Vukic (AUS) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meeting

19 Playford CH (Australia)

Hard R32 Constant Lestienne 6-3 7-5

6-3 7-5

Constant Lestienne | Age: 31 | World No. 104 | Career-High No. 48 | 2024: 1-3 (Montpellier 2R) | Event: 0-0 (Debut) > Earned 1st ranking point at age 19 in February 2012, broke into Top 100 at age 30 in August 2022 and achieved career-high No. 48 in February 2023.

> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF at San Diego and 1st ATP Tour SF at Tel Aviv during back-to-back weeks in September 2022.

> Defeated Monteiro in Grand Slam main draw debut at 2023 Australian Open after failing to qualify at 21 Grand Slam events from 2015-22.

> Posted 40-17 Challenger record in 2022 (3-2 in finals), capturing hard-court titles at Malaga, Pozoblanco and Vancouver during summer.

> Secret talent is that he is a magician when he is not playing tennis, performing at weddings and parties.

NOTE: Lestienne is seeking 1st outdoor hard court tour-level win since 2023 Australian Open (d. Monteiro in 1R). He is 1-9 in last 10 matches vs. Top 100 players in tour-level events.

Aleksandar Vukic | Age: 27 | World No. 69 | Career-High No. 48 | 2024: 0-3 (3 times in 1R) | Event: 1-1 (2023 2R) > Broke into Top 200 in March 2020 prior to COVID-19 suspension of ATP Tour, then achieved career-high No. 48 in August 2023 soon after reaching 1st ATP Tour final at 2023 Atlanta.

> Also advanced to ATP Tour QFs at 2022 Adelaide-2 and 2022 Sofia.

> Qualified at 2020 Roland Garros, 2023 Australian Open and ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells in both 2021 and 2023.
 > Won Challenger titles at 2022 Bengaluru-2 and 2023 Busan and reached Challenger finals at 2021 and 2022 Champaign, where he was a 3-time All-American for University of Illinois from 2015-18.

> Born in Sydney after parents and older brother fled Montenegro during breakup of Yugoslavia in early-1990s.

NOTE: Vukic is on a 6-match losing streak and aims to win first match since defeating Carballes Baena in 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 1R.

Yoshihito Nishioka (JPN) vs [6] Matteo Arnaldi (ITA)

First Meeting

Yoshihito Nishioka | Age: 28 | World No. 77 | Career-High No. 24 | 2024: 3-1 (Dallas 2R) | Event: 8-6 (2020 Final) > Former No. 1 Asian men's player achieved career-high No. 24 in June 2023 after advancing to Grand Slam 4R at 2023 Australian Open and Roland Garros for the 1st time in career.

> Earned biggest win of career over No. 2 Ruud en route to 2nd ATP Tour title at 2022 Seoul.

> Saved 2 MPs vs. Shapovalov en route to 1st title at 2018 Shenzhen as 171st-ranked Q.

> Rallied from a set down 3 times en route to 2020 Delray Beach final and saved 1 MP vs. de Minaur en route to 2022 Washington final.

> Defeated countryman and World No. 5 Nishikori en route to 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati QF as Q.

NOTE: Nishioka is making his 7th appearance at the event, highlighted by reaching the final in 2020 (I. to Opelka). He is 1-10 vs Italians on tour-level, with a sole win vs. Musetti at 2021 Parma.

Matteo Arnaldi | Age: 22 | World No. 43 | Career-High No. 38 | 2024: 4-3 (Brisbane QF) | Event: 0-0 (Debut) > Broke into Top 500 in September 2021, Top 200 in August 2022 and Top 100 in May 2023, achieving career-high No. 38 in January 2024.

> Reached 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2023 Umag and 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 US Open.

> Qualified to reach 3R at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid, defeating No. 4 Ruud for biggest win of career a week after earning first career ATP Tour win at 2023 Barcelona (d. Munar).

> Owns 58-38 Challenger record (4-2 in finals), highlighted by 1st title on home soil at Francavilla al Mare.

> Peaked at No. 22 in juniors, posting 80-42 singles record (3 titles) and 34-35 doubles record (2 titles).

NOTE: Arnaldi is 14-2 in tour-level opening round matches since start of last April (I. to Carballes Baena at Wimbledon and to Karatsev at Zhuhai), including 8-1 on hard courts.



[LL] Gabriel Diallo (CAN) vs Nuno Borges (POR)

First Meeting

Gabriel Diallo | Age: 22 | World No. 136 | Career-High No. 130 | 2024: 2-0 (Davis Cup) | Event: 0-0 (Debut) > Broke into Top 500 in August 2022, Top 200 in April 2023 and achieved a career-high No. 130 in October 2023. > Made his tour-level debut at 2022 Davis Cup Finals vs. Serbia (I. to Djere) and earned 1st ATP Tour win by defeating No. 21 Evans at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Toronto 1R in front of home crowd.

> Owns a 46-26 record on Challenger level (2-1 in finals), winning 1st title at 2022 Granby as No. 519-ranked WC.
 > Played for the University of Kentucky, making the quarter-final round at 2022 NCAA Singles Championships before turning pro at the end of 2022.

NOTE: Diallo entered the draw as a LL following Koepfer's withdrawal due to illness. The Canadian is 2-2 vs. Top 50 opponents on tour-level, defeating No. 21 Evans at ATP Masters 1000 Toronto for 1st ATP Tour win and No. 18 Musetti at the Davis Cup Finals RR vs. Italy to help Canada advance to the quarter-finals.

Nuno Borges | Age: 26 | World No. 46 (Career-High) | 2024: 4-4 (Australian Open 4R) | Event: 1-1 (2023 2R) > Became the 2nd Portuguese man to break inside Top 50 in Pepperstone ATP Rankings history (since 1973) in 2024, reaching career-high No. 46 in February 2024.

> Defeated No. 13 Dimitrov for biggest win of career to reach 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2024 Australian Open, becoming the first Portuguese in the fourth round in tournament's history.

> Captured the Challenger title in Phoenix before winning a first-round qualifying match at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Miami within 24 hours.

> Advanced to 9 Challenger finals, winning titles at 2021 Antalya-3, 2022 Barletta, 2023 Monterrey, 2023 Phoenix and 2023 Maia, his hometown.

> Five-time All-American during 4-year college career at Mississippi State University, posting 31-match win streak that ended in his last match (I. to Jubb in 2019 NCAA singles final).

NOTE: Borges is looking for his first win since becoming the first Portuguese player to reach 4R in Australian Open tournament history. He is 7-2 vs. left-handers (I. to Draper at 2023 Winston-Salem and Marterer at 2023 Antwerp).

[WC] Patrick Kypson (USA) vs [5] Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) First Meeting

Patrick Kypson | Age: 24 | World No. 155 (Career-High) | 2024: 0-1 (Aus Open 1R) | Event: 0-0 (Debut) > Earned first ranking point at age 16 in 2015, broke into Top 200 in November 2023 after winning his 2nd Challenger title in Champaign and achieved career-high No. 155 in February 2024.

> Made his tour-level debut at 2017 US Open as a 17-year-old WC losing to Menendez-Maceiras in 1R.

> Captured 1st Challenger title at 2023 Medellin, hometown of current coach Alejandro Gonzalez.

> Earned biggest win of career over No. 98 Duckworth at 2024 Cleveland CH to capture his 3rd Challenger title.

> Owns a 38-32 Challenger record (3-0 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Medellin, Champaign and 2024 Cleveland.

> Peaked at No. 18 in junior rankings in 2017, reaching 2016 US Open QF as Q (I. to eventual champion Auger-Aliassime) and 2017 Wimbledon SF (I. to eventual champion Davidovich Fokina) in boys' singles.

NOTE: Kypson is playing in his 4th tour-level event of career (2017 US Open, 2023 Roland Garros, 2024 Australian Open), looking for his 1st ATP Tour win and biggest win of career in his first match vs. a Top 50 opponent.

Miomir Kecmanovic | Age: 24 | World No. 40 | Career-High No. 27 | 2024: 5-4 (Aus Open 4R) | Event: 4-2 (2023 Final) > Broke into Top 40 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Kitzbuhel and achieved career-high No. 27 in January 2023.

> Earned personal-best 38 wins in 2022, reaching Australian Open 4R, Roland Garros 3R and Wimbledon 3R.
 > Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2019 Indian Wells as LL, 2022 Indian Wells and 2022 Miami, equaling biggest win of career in 2022 Indian Wells 4R vs. No. 6 Berrettini.

> Beat Ruud and Davidovich Fokina to reach 2019 Next Gen ATP Finals SF (I. to eventual champion Sinner).
 > Defeated Tsitsipas in 3rd-set TB to win 2015 Orange Bowl junior title, then ended 2016 as World No. 1 junior ahead of No. 2 Tsitsipas.

NOTE: Kecmanovic, who became the second Serbian finalist in tournament history last year (Tipsarevic in 2011), is 20-5 against players ranked outside the Top 150. He aims to extend his opening round record to 4-0 in 2024.