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2026 GRAND PRIX AUVERGNE-RHONE-ALPES SINGLES

SEED	PLAYER	2026 W-L (BEST FINISH)	EVENT W-L (BEST FINISH)
1	Flavio Cobolli (ITA)	33-22 (Acapulco Title)	0-0 (2022 Q1)
2/WC	Taylor Fritz (USA)	34-19 (Washington Title)	0-0 (Debut)
3	Valentin Vacherot (MON)	24-17 (Monte-Carlo, Tokyo SFs)	0-0 (Debut)
4	Tommy Paul (USA)	42-19 (Houston Title)	0-0 (Debut)
5	Brandon Nakashima (USA)	33-20 (Brisbane, Montreal Finals)	0-0 (Debut)
6	Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)	20-12 (Brisbane SF)	1-1 (2024 2R)
7	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	26-23 (Adelaide, Eastbourne Finals)	13-2 (2024-25 Titles)
8	Arthur Fery (GBR)	16-10 (Winston-Salem Final)	0-0 (Debut)

Tournament History

Singles Final

Wild Cards (3)

Qualifiers (4)

Oldest Player

#NextGenATP (3)

Tournament Records

Marseille 1993-2025, Lyon 2026 (34th Edition)

Sunday 25 October at 3:30pm

Taylor Fritz (USA), Moise Kouame (FRA), Stan Wawrinka (SUI)

TBD on Monday 19 October

Stan Wawrinka (41)

Moise Kouame (17), Felix Balshaw (20), Martin Landaluce (20)

Most Titles – Thomas Enqvist, Marc Rosset, Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (3)

Most Wins – Gilles Simon (29)

Youngest Champion – Stefanos Tsitsipas, 20, in 2019

Oldest Champion – Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, 31, in 2017

Highest-Ranked Champion – No. 3 Boris Becker in 1995, No. 3 Daniil Medvedev in 2021

Lowest-Ranked Champion – No. 79 Michael Llodra in 2010

Last French Champion – Ugo Humbert in 2025

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN (11)

France (7)

Felix Balshaw, Benjamin Bonzi, Titouan Droguet, Ugo Humbert,
Moise Kouame, Corentin Moutet, Luca Van Assche

Italy (5)

Matteo Arnaldi, Matteo Berrettini, Flavio Cobolli, Lorenzo Musetti, Lorenzo Sonego

United States (3)

Taylor Fritz, Brandon Nakashima, Tommy Paul

Great Britain (2)

Arthur Fery, Cameron Norrie

Argentina (1)

Sebastian Baez

Germany (1)

Daniel Altmaier

Monaco (1)

Valentin Vacherot

Portugal (1)

Jaime Faria

Serbia (1)

Hamad Medjedovic

Spain (1)

Martin Landaluce

Switzerland (1)

Stan Wawrinka

NOTE: Country breakdown excludes 4 qualifiers (TBD on Monday)

PIF ATP RANKINGS POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

Grand Prix Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes	W	F	SF	QF	R16	R32
Singles Ranking Points	250	165	100	50	25*	0
Singles Prize Money (€)	115,195	67,200	39,505	22,890	13,290	8,120
Doubles Ranking Points	250	150	90	45	0	--
Doubles Prize Money (€)	40,060	21,520	12,590	6,990	4,120	--

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

2026 GRAND PRIX AUVERGNE-RHONE-ALPES DOUBLES

SEED	PLAYER	TEAM (BEST FINISH)	2026 (BEST FINISH)	EVENT (BEST FINISH)
1	Julian Cash (GBR) Lloyd Glasspool (GBR)	99-41 (11 Titles) 32-19 in 2026 (3 Titles)	32-19 (3 Titles) 32-19 (3 Titles)	0-0 (Debut) 4-0 (2021 Title)
2	Theo Arribage (FRA) Albano Olivetti (FRA)	50-23 (6 Titles) 46-21 in 2026 (5 Titles)	51-23 (5 Titles) 46-21 (5 Titles)	0-0 (Debut) 1-5 (2022 QF)
3	Hugo Nys (MON) Edouard Roger-Vasselin (FRA)	62-43 (2 Titles) 25-21 in 2026 (1 Title)	28-22 (Eastbourne Title) 25-21 (Eastbourne Title)	2-2 (2025 SF) 21-7 ('12, '14, '23 Titles)
4	Robert Cash (USA) Alexander Erler (AUT)	4-6 (2026 Beijing SF)	16-25 (Marrakech Title) 22-21 (2 Finals)	6-5 (2021 Final) 0-0 (Debut)

Doubles Final: Sunday 25 October at 12:30 pm.

GRAND PRIX AUVERGNE-RHONE-ALPES SINGLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2025	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	Hamad Medjedovic (SRB)	7-6(4) 6-4
2024	Ugo Humbert (FRA)	Grigor Dimitrov (BUL)	6-4 6-3
2023	Hubert Hurkacz (POL)	Benjamin Bonzi (FRA)	6-3 7-6(4)
2022	Andrey Rublev	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	7-5 7-6(4)
2021	Daniil Medvedev	Pierre Hugues-Herbert (FRA) #	6-4 6-7(4) 6-4
2020	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)	6-3 6-4
2019	Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE)	Mikhail Kukushkin (KAZ)	7-5 7-6(5)
2018	Karen Khachanov	Lucas Pouille (FRA)	7-5 3-6 7-5
2017	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (FRA)	Lucas Pouille (FRA)	6-4 6-4
2016	Nick Kyrgios (AUS)	Marin Cilic (CRO)	6-2 7-6(3)
2015	Gilles Simon (FRA)	Gael Monfils (FRA)	3-6 6-1 6-3
2014	Ernest Gulbis (LAT)	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (FRA)	7-6(5) 6-4
2013	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (FRA)	Tomas Berdych (CZE)	3-6 7-6(6) 6-4
2012	Juan Martin del Potro (ARG)	Michael Llodra (FRA)	6-4 6-4
2011	Robin Soderling (SWE)	Marin Cilic (CRO)	6-7(8) 6-3 6-3
2010	Michael Llodra (FRA)	Julien Benneteau (FRA)	6-3 6-4
2009	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (FRA)	Michael Llodra (FRA)	7-5 7-6(3)

BOLD: Player in 2026 Grand Prix Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes singles draw. # plays in final round of qualifying on Monday

GRAND PRIX AUVERGNE-RHONE-ALPES DOUBLES FINALS (since 2009)

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
2025	Benjamin Bonzi / Pierre-Hugues Herbert	Sander Gille / Jan Zielinski	6-3 6-4
2024	Tomas Machac / Zhang Zhizhen	Patrik Niklas-Salminen / Emil Ruusuvuori	6-3 6-4
2023	Santiago Gonzalez / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	Nicolas Mahut / Fabrice Martin	4-6 7-6(4) [10-7]
2022	Denys Molchanov / Andrey Rublev	Raven Klaassen / Ben McLachlan	4-6 7-5 [10-7]
2021	Lloyd Glasspool / Harri Heliövaara	Sander Arends / David Pel	7-5 7-6(4)
2020	Nicolas Mahut / Vasek Pospisil	Wesley Koolhof / Nikola Mektić	6-3 6-4
2019	Jeremy Chardy / Fabrice Martin	Matwe Middelkoop / Ben McLachlan	6-3 6-7(4) [10-3]
2018	Raven Klaassen / Michael Venus	Marcus Daniell / Dominic Inglot	6-7(2) 6-3 [10-4]
2017	Julien Benneteau / Nicolas Mahut	Robin Haase / Dominic Inglot	6-4 6-7(9) [10-5]
2016	Mate Pavić / Michael Venus	Jonathan Erlich / Colin Fleming	6-2 6-3
2015	Marin Draganja / Henri Kontinen	Colin Fleming / Jonathan Marray	6-4 3-6 [10-8]
2014	Julien Benneteau / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	Paul Hanley / Jonathan Marray	4-6 7-6(6) [13-11]
2013	Rohan Bopanna / Colin Fleming	Aisam-Ul-Haq Qureshi / Jean-Julien Rojer	6-4 7-6(3)
2012	Nicolas Mahut / Edouard Roger-Vasselin	Dustin Brown / Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	6-4 7-6(4)
2011	Robin Haase / Ken Skupski	Julien Benneteau / Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	6-4 6-7(4) [13-11]
2010	Julien Benneteau / Michael Llodra	Julian Knowle / Robert Lindstedt	6-4 6-3
2009	Arnaud Clement / Michael Llodra	Julian Knowle / Andy Ram	3-6 6-3 [10-8]

BOLD: Player in 2026 Grand Prix Auvergne-Rhone-Alpes doubles draw – no team remains intact.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY FIRST-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

COURT CENTRAL AUVERGNE-RHONE-ALPES

Jaime Faria (POR) vs [NG] Felix Balshaw (FRA)

First Meeting

Jaime Faria | Age: 23 | World No. 56 (Career-High) | 2026: 16-13 (Rio, Estoril QFs) | Lyon: 0-0 (Debut)

> Achieved new career-high ranking 24 times in 2024, breaking into Top 400 in January and Top 200 in May before peaking at No. 56 in October 2026 soon after defeating No. 6 Shelton en route to ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati 4R.

> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QFs of career at 2025 Rio de Janeiro as LL and Santiago in back-to-back weeks and returned to Rio de Janeiro QF the following season, again as a lucky loser.

> Defeated Kotov in 2025 Australian Open 1R for 1st tour-level win to become the youngest Portuguese man to play and win a match in Grand Slam main draw since Marques at 1991 US Open.

> Became third Portuguese man in history to win main draw matches at all 4 Grand Slam events, joining J. Sousa and Borges, highlighted by run to 2026 Roland Garros 3R, before squandering 2 sets to 0 lead to No. 22 Tiafoe.

> He is 58-43 on ATP Challenger Tour (2-3 in finals), winning titles at Oeiras-4 and Curitiba in 2024.

> Went on a 20-match winning streak on ITF World Tennis Tour from February to March 2024, claiming 4 titles in a row at M25 Vila Real de Santo Antonio, M25 Faro, M25 Quinta do Lago, and M25 Vale de Lobo.

NOTE: Faria seeks first ATP Tour win on indoor hard courts in his career (0-2) and looks to extend his 10-3 record in opening rounds of tour-level events this season, 9-0 outside of ATP Masters 1000 level. If 23-year-old reaches Lyon SF this week, he will pass Borges to become Portuguese No. 1 for the first time in his career.

Felix Balshaw | Age: 20 | World No. 186 (Career-High) | 2026: 0-1 (Winston-Salem 1R) | Lyon: 0-0 (Debut)

> Entered PIF ATP Rankings for the first time at No. 965 in September 2024 following M15 Arad title, broke into Top 500 in May 2026 and Top 200 in September 2026, achieving career-high No. 186 in October 2026.

> Made ATP Tour debut at 2026 Winston-Salem as a qualifier, losing to Kovacevic in 1R, and entered 2026 Lyon with Next Gen Accelerator programme.

> Owns 23-15 Challenger record (1-2 in finals), advancing to finals of 2026 Lyon and 2026 Targu Mures, before winning his 1st title at 2026 Manacor.

> Also captured World Tennis Tour titles at 2024 M15 Arad, 2025 M15 Bastad, 2026 M15 Dubrovnik, 2026 M15 Prijedor and 2026 M25 Deauville.

> His father, Iain, was part of 2003 Rugby World Cup winning team for England.

NOTE: Balshaw seeks his first ATP Tour win of career after losing to Kovacevic in Winston-Salem 1R earlier this season. He aims to record the biggest win of his career (0-1 vs. Top 100, d. No. 138 Muller at 2026 Manacor CH).

Matteo Arnaldi (ITA) vs [4] Lorenzo Musetti (ITA)

Musetti Leads 4-0

23 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)

Clay R64 Lorenzo Musetti

6-4 6-4

23 Bastad (Sweden)

Clay R16 Lorenzo Musetti

6-3 4-6 7-6(6)

25 Australian Open (Australia)

Hard R128 Lorenzo Musetti

7-6(4) 4-6 7-6(5) 6-3

25 Washington (U.S.A.)

Hard R32 Lorenzo Musetti

6-0 3-1 RET

Other Meeting

19 Barletta CH (Italy)

Clay R32 Lorenzo Musetti

6-2 6-0

Matteo Arnaldi | Age: 25 | World No. 36 | Career-High No. 30 | 2026: 11-15 (Roland Garros SF) | Lyon: 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. 30 in August 2024 after advancing to 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF in Montreal.

> Spent record 19 hours and 42 minutes en route to 1st Grand Slam semi-final at 2026 Roland Garros to set up first all-Italian Grand Slam men's SF in history vs. Cobolli, before withdrawing due to viral illness.

> Reached 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2023 Umag and advanced to Grand Slam fourth rounds at 2023 US Open (d. No. 16 Norrie in 3R) and 2024 Roland Garros (d. No. 6 Rublev in 3R).

> At ATP Masters 1000 Madrid, defeated No. 4 Ruud to reach 3R in 2023 and No. 5 Djokovic en route to 2025 QF.

> Owns 64-39 Challenger record (5-2 in finals), including titles on home soil at 2022 Francavilla al Mare and 2026 Cagliari, where he defeated former-World No. 6 Hurkacz in the final.

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

NOTE: Arnaldi seeks third Top 30 win of 2026 after defeating No. 8 de Minaur in Rome 2R and No. 22 Tiafoe in Roland Garros 4R and first Top 30 win on hard courts since d. No. 8 Rublev in Indian Wells 2R last year. He is 3-9 on hard courts in 2026, earning wins over Marozsan in Montreal 2R, Sakamoto in Tokyo 1R and Tomic in Shanghai 1R.

Lorenzo Musetti | Age: 24 | World No. 26 | Career-High No. 5 | 2026: 20-12 (Hong Kong Final) | Event: 1-1 (2024 2R)
> Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 20 in 2023 and Top 10 in May 2025, earning career-high No. 5 in January 2026 after posting personal-best 45 wins in 2025 and making his Nitto ATP Finals debut.
> Defeated 19-year-old Alcaraz in 2022 Hamburg final at age 20, marking youngest ATP Tour final since 2005 Bastad (19-year-old Nadal d. 19-year-old Berdych) and did not drop a set en route to 2nd title at 2022 Naples.
> Upset Tokyo gold medallist Zverev en route to bronze medal at 2024 Paris Olympics, earning 1st Olympic singles medal for Team Italy in tennis since 1924 after advancing to his 1st Grand Slam SF at 2024 Wimbledon.
> At 2023 Monte-Carlo, earned 1st 6-0 6-0 victory at an ATP Masters 1000 event since 2016 over Nardi in 2R before upsetting No. 1 Djokovic in 3R for biggest win of career to reach 2nd ATP Masters 1000 QF.
> In 2025, reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 final in Monte-Carlo and advanced to SFs of Madrid and Rome to become first Italian to reach all 3 clay ATP Masters 1000 and Roland Garros SF in a season.

NOTE: Musetti went 8-6 indoors last year (0-0 in 2026), highlighted by runs to Athens final and Vienna SF and seeks first indoor win since defeating No. 7 de Minaur at Nitto ATP Finals. He aims to record 5 Lexus ATP Head2Head wins vs. an opponent for the second time in his career (5-1 vs. Mpetshi Perricard).

Lorenzo Sonego (ITA) vs [WC] Moise Kouame (FRA)

First Meeting

Lorenzo Sonego | Age: 31 | World No. 89 | Career-High No. 21 | 2026: 12-16 (2 times in 3R) | Event: 1-1 (2025 QF)
> Earned personal-best 30 wins and achieved career-high No. 21 in 2021, sweeping Cagliari titles to become 1st Italian champion on home soil in singles since 2006 and in doubles since 2005 (w/Vavassori).
> Broke into Top 50 after saving championship point vs. Kecmanovic to win 1st ATP Tour title at 2019 Antalya.
> At 2025 Australian Open, beat former champion Wawrinka and Next Gen ATP finalists Fonseca and Tien en route to QF at age 29, to be oldest Italian Grand Slam men's quarter-finalist since Mulligan at 1970 Roland Garros.
> Did not drop a set en route to 3rd singles title of career at 2022 Metz, including wins over former champions Simon and Hurkacz and captured 4th title at 2024 Winston-Salem.
> Upset No. 1 Djokovic 6-2 6-1 en route to 2020 Vienna final, becoming 1st lucky loser to defeat Djokovic and equalling fewest games ever conceded to Djokovic in a match.
> Saved 1 MP vs. Thiem en route to 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Rome SF, becoming 1st Italian semi-finalist at Foro Italico since 2007 and 2nd since 1978.

NOTE: Sonego owns 16-8 tour-level record on French indoor hard courts since 2022, highlighted by winning 2022 Metz title (d. No. 10 Hurkacz in SF) and win over No. 8 Musetti in ATP Masters 1000 Paris 2R last year. 31-year-old is 1-6 in his last 7 matches across all levels, sole win over No. 65 Duckworth in Chengdu 1R (l. to Brooksby in 2R).

Moise Kouame | Age: 17 | World No. 194 | Career-High No. 191 | 2026: 3-7 (Roland Garros 3R) | Lyon: 0-0 (Debut)
> Former Top-20 junior earned 1st ranking point in October 2024 and is the youngest man in Top 1000 of PIF ATP Rankings, achieving career-high No. 191 in September 2026 soon after run to Roland Garros 3R.
> At 2026 Roland Garros, defeated former semi-finalist Cilic and Vallejo to become the youngest man to reach Roland Garros 3R since Chang in 1988 and the youngest man to Grand Slam 3R since Nadal at 2003 Wimbledon.
> Also became the youngest man to win an ATP Masters 1000 match since Nadal in 2003 after defeating Z. Svajda at 2026 Miami, as well as the first man born in 2009 or later to record an ATP Tour win.
> Made ATP Tour debut at 2026 Montpellier as No. 552-ranked qualifier at age 16, becoming the youngest man to qualify for an ATP Tour event since Molleker, 16, at 2017 Hamburg.
> Captured back-to-back ITF World Tennis Tour titles M25 Hazebrouck and M15 Bressuire in January 2026 to be youngest Frenchman to win a professional title since Gasquet, 16, at 2003 Sarajevo CH.

NOTE: Kouame bids to record his fourth tour-level win after defeating Z. Svajda in Miami 1R before wins over Cilic and Vallejo to reach Roland Garros 3R. He bids to become third-youngest man to win a match in this event's history (held in Marseille 1993-2025) after Gasquet, 16, in 2003 (d. F. Lopez) and Federer, 17, in 1999 (d. Moya, Golmard).