



## 2023 ROLAND GARROS

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### MEN'S DOUBLES FINAL

#### [4] Ivan Dodig (CRO) / Austin Krajicek (USA) vs Sander Gille (BEL) / Joran Vliegen (BEL)

**Dodig/Krajicek Lead 2-0**

22 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	R16	Dodig / Krajicek	6-3 7-6(5)
23 Rotterdam (Netherlands)	Hard	SF	Dodig / Krajicek	6-4 7-6(3)

#### Head-to-Head Notes

- > Dodig is 5-1 vs. Gille and Vliegen, owning a 2-0 record against them w/Krajicek and Melo and 1-1 w/Polasek.
- > Krajicek is 3-3 vs. Belgians in tour-level matches and 3-4 across all levels, getting 2 wins w/Dodig and 1 w/Johnson.
- > Belgians faced Krajicek at Roland Garros before, defeating him and Sandgren in 2021 2R (6-4 6-1).

### IVAN DODIG / AUSTIN KRAJICEK

#### Roland Garros Stats

- > Dodig, 38, and Krajicek, 32, are 54-24 as a team (17-5 in 2023), winning 2 titles in 2023, Rotterdam and ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo.
- > They are 5-6 in finals (0-1 in Grand Slam finals), aiming to win their biggest title as a team.
- > Krajicek is No. 5 on [Pepperstone ATP Doubles Live Rankings](#) and would become doubles World No. 1 for the first time with a Roland Garros trophy, while Dodig would equal his previous career-high No. 4 with a title.
- > Won three of four matches in the deciding-set before defeating Granollers/Zeballos in straight sets in a repeat of last year's semi-final to reach 2nd consecutive Roland Garros final.
- > As unseeded team in 2022, saved 5 match points to defeat No. 1 seeds Ram/Salisbury in QF, rallied from a set down to defeat No. 4 seeds Granollers/Zeballos in SF, before losing to Arevalo/Rojer in the final after holding 3 match points.
- > Dodig is 33-10 in men's doubles at Roland Garros, highlighted by 1st Grand Slam title in 2015 w/Melo (d. Bryan/Bryan).
- > Dodig is 2-2 in Grand Slam men's doubles finals, also reaching 2013 Wimbledon final w/Melo, winning 2021 Australian Open title w/Polasek and 2022 Roland Garros final w/Krajicek. Also won 3 mixed doubles titles w/L Chang (2018, 2019 Roland Garros, 2019 Wimbledon) and 1 w/Mladenovic (2022 Australian Open).
- > Krajicek is 13-5 at Roland Garros, aiming to win his first Grand Slam title. Attempts to be the first American men's doubles champion since Ryan Harrison (w/Venus) in 2017 (d. S.Gonzalez/Young).

#### Ivan Dodig Career Highlights

- > Achieved career-high No. 4 in doubles after winning 2015 Roland Garros title w/Melo, then added 2021 Australian Open title w/Polasek.
- > Finished as Nitto ATP Finals runner-up in 2014 w/Melo and has qualified 8 times for year-end championships with 4 different partners.
- > Qualified for 2022 Nitto ATP Finals w/Krajicek after capturing 3 titles in 7 finals and winning 14 of 16 matches to end regular season.
- > Owner of 6 ATP Masters 1000 titles (4 w/Melo) and 4 Grand Slam mixed doubles titles (3 w/L. Chan).
- > Peaked at No. 29 in singles, winning 2011 Zagreb title and defeating No. 2 Nadal at 2011 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal for biggest win of career.

### Austin Krajicek Career Highlights

- > Former Top-100 singles player broke into Top 10 of doubles following run to 2nd ATP Masters 1000 final of career at 2022 Paris w/Dodig. Reached career-high No. 3 in April 2023 after capturing 1st ATP Masters 1000 title w/Dodig at 2023 Monte Carlo (d. Arneodo/Weissborn).
- > Qualified for 2022 Nitto ATP Finals w/Dodig after capturing 3 titles in 7 finals and winning 14 of 16 matches to end regular season. Has 54-24 career record w/Dodig entering the 2023 Roland Garros championship match.
- > Saved 5 MPs vs. Ram/Salisbury in QFs en route to 1st Grand Slam final at 2022 Roland Garros w/Dodig (l. to Arevalo/Rojer after holding 3 MPs).
- > In summer 2021, finished 4th at Tokyo Olympics w/Sandgren, reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 final at Cincinnati w/Johnson and advanced to US Open mixed doubles SF w/Pegula.
- > Won 2008 USTA Boys' 18s National Championship in singles and was a 6-time All-American at Texas A&M University, ending amateur career as 2011 NCAA doubles champion w/Dadamo.

### SANDER GILLE / JORAN VLIEGEN

#### Roland Garros Stats

- > The Belgians are 98-91 as a team, after first teaming up at 2013 Belgium F2 and won 7 ATP Tour titles (7-2 in finals), capturing all 7 titles at the ATP 250 level.
- > They own an 19-8 record in 2023, winning titles at Pune on hard courts and Estoril on clay.
- > They are No. 6 on the Pepperstone ATP Live Doubles Teams Rankings and would take the No. 1 spot from Dodig/Krajicek with a win on Saturday.
- > Gille is ranked No. 25 on the Pepperstone ATP Doubles Live Rankings and would secure a new career-high No. 10 with the tournament win. Vliegen is guaranteed a new career-high No. 26 and would go up to No. 11 with a title win.
- > They have only lost one set (10-1) en route to the final, defeating No. 8 seeds Mektić/Pavić in 1R, both earning 100th career tour-level win over Jebavy/Martinez in 2R, overcame a 2-5 deficit in the deciding set of 3R match vs. No. 9 seeds S.Gonzalez/Roger-Vasselin, before ousting No. 14 seeds M. Gonzalez/Molteni in QF and No. 12 seeds Middelkoop/Mies in SF.
- > They aim to become the 2nd Belgian men's doubles team to win a Grand Slam trophy in Open Era after Malisse/O. Rochus won at 2004 Roland Garros (d. Llorda/Santoro).
- > Came into 2023 Roland Garros with a 9-12 team record in Grand Slam events, reaching 1st Grand Slam quarter-final at 2020 US Open (l. to Koolhof/Mektić).
- > Gille, 32, is 9-3 at Roland Garros, previously reaching 3R in 2021 and 2022 w/Vliegen.
- > Vliegen, 29, is 12-4 at Roland Garros, earning 1st Grand Slam QF at 2019 Roland Garros w/Kukushkin.

#### Sander Gille Career Highlights

- > Achieved doubles career-high No. 24 in November 2021 after reaching 2018 ATP Masters 1000 Paris QF w/Vliegen.
- > Captured all 7 ATP Tour titles with Vliegen, including 3 on clay, 2019 Bastad, 2019 Gstaad and 2023 Estoril.
- > Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2020 US Open and 1st Grand Slam SF at 2023 Roland Garros (both w/Vliegen).
- > Played college tennis at East Tennessee State University from 2008-12. Graduated with business degree.
- > Earned two ATP Masters 1000 semi-finals at 2021 Madrid and 2021 Toronto.
- > Speaks Dutch, English and French and credits Wimbledon as a favourite tournament and forehand as his favourite shot.

#### Joran Vliegen Career Highlights

- > Broke into Top 100 of doubles in February 2018 and achieved career-high No. 28 in June 2021.
- > Captured 7 ATP Tour doubles titles – all at ATP 250 events alongside countryman Gille.
- > Earned first ATP Tour doubles title at 2019 Bastad followed with title in Gstaad and had 11-match winning streak come to an end with runner-up in Kitzbuhel.
- > Reached Grand Slam QFs at 2019 Roland Garros w/Kukushkin and 2020 US Open w/Gille, as well as ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2021 Madrid and 2021 Toronto w/Gille.
- > Advanced to 2022 Roland Garros mixed doubles final in team debut w/Eikeri.
- > Played college tennis at East Carolina University from 2011-14, where he earned undergraduate and graduate degrees in business and was named Conference USA Player of the Year as a senior.