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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES SEMI-FINALS

CENTER COURT

[1] Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG) vs Sebastian Baez (ARG) **Series Tied 1-1**

22 Lyon (France)	Clay	R32	Sebastian Baez	6-2 6-1
23 Santiago (Chile)	Clay	SF	Tomas Martin Etcheverry	7-5 6-3

Other Meetings

19 M15 Pinamar (Argentina)	Clay	R32	Tomas Martin Etcheverry	6-2 6-0
19 M15 Buenos Aires (Argentina)	Clay	R32	Sebastian Baez	6-2 6-3
19 M25 Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)	Clay	F	Sebastian Baez	4-6 6-4 4-1 RET
19 M25 Naples (U.S.A.)	Clay	QF	Tomas Martin Etcheverry	7-5 5-7 6-3

Tomas Martin Etcheverry | Age: 24 | World No. 34 | Career-High No. 30 | 2023: 22-17 (2 Finals) | Event: 2-0 (2023 SF)
> Former World No. 12 junior broke into Top 200 in June 2021 and Top 100 in April 2022 before achieving career-high No. 30 in June 2023 after reaching 1st Grand Slam QF at Roland Garros.

> Also at Roland Garros, earned first 2 Top 20 wins of career over No. 19 de Minaur in 2R and No. 16 Coric in 3R and reached the quarter-finals without losing a set.

> Defeated clay-court champions Fognini, F. Cerundolo, Lajovic and Baez en route to 1st ATP Tour final at Santiago a month before reaching 2nd ATP Tour final at 2023 Houston.

> Qualified at 2022 Australian Open and earned 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2023 Australian Open (d. Barrere).

> Posted Challenger records of 49-19 in 2021 and 41-16 in 2022, highlighted by clay-court titles at 2021 Perugia, 2021 Trieste and 2022 Concepcion-2.

NOTE: Etcheverry seeks 3rd ATP Tour final (0-2), previously reaching the finals of 2023 Santiago (l. to Jarry) and 2023 Houston (l. to Tiafoe). He is 13-4 vs. players outside the Top 50 on tour-level clay this season and is 4-0 vs. fellow Argentines on the ATP Tour this year.

Sebastian Baez | Age: 22 | World No. 72 | Career-High No. 30 | 2023: 19-19 (Cordoba Title) | Event: 3-0 (2023 SF)

> Achieved career-high No. 30 in April 2023 soon after capturing 2nd ATP Tour title on home soil at 2023 Cordoba after entering tournament with 6 straight losses and 17 losses in previous 18 matches.

> Defeated Ramos-Vinolas en route to 1st final at 2022 Santiago and 1st title at 2022 Estoril, as well as for 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2022 Australian Open.

> Beat No. 8 Rublev for biggest win of career en route to 2022 Bastad final (l. to F. Cerundolo).

> Broke into Top 300, 200 and 100 in 2021, posting 6-3 record in Challenger finals to tie 4 other players for 2nd-most titles in a season behind Griekspoor's 8 in 2021.

> Became World No. 1 junior in March 2018 and went on to reach Roland Garros boys' singles final and win boys' doubles gold medal at Youth Olympics w/Diaz Acosta in his hometown of Buenos Aires.

NOTE: Baez is playing in his 6th ATP Tour SF (4-1), aiming to reach his first final since winning the 2023 Cordoba title in February. He only lost in an ATP Tour SF once, to Etcheverry, at 2023 Santiago.

[5] Laslo Djere (SRB) vs [WC] Dominic Thiem (AUT) **Series Tied 1-1**

19 Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)	Clay	R32	Laslo Djere	6-3 6-3
22 Tel Aviv (Israel)	Hard	R32	Dominic Thiem	5-7 7-6(3) 6-4

Laslo Djere | Age: 28 | World No. 38 | Career-High No. 27 | 2023: 26-18 (Hamburg Final) | Event: 7-3 ('20, '23 SF)

> Former World No. 3 junior broke into Top 30 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2019 Rio de Janeiro without dropping a set.

> Dedicated Rio title to his parents, Caba and Hajnalka, who both passed away from cancer.

> Defeated countryman Lajovic en route to 2nd title at 2020 Sardinia.

> Earned 5 victories and won 5 TBs en route to 2022 Winston-Salem final despite entering event with 15-44 career record on hard courts and 1-18 TB record in 2022.

> Also on hard courts, upset World No. 3 Ruud at 2023 Auckland for biggest win of career.

NOTE: Djere is aiming to reach his 5th ATP Tour final (2-3), second in as many weeks after reaching the final of Hamburg last week (l. to A. Zverev). He is 10-3 vs. players ranked outside of Top 100 on tour-level this season.

Dominic Thiem | Age: 29 | World No. 116 | Career High No. 3 | 2023: 12-17 (Kitzbuhel SF) | Event: 17-8 (2019 Title)
> Achieved career-high No. 3 in March 2020 and remained in Top 5 until suffering right wrist tear in June 2021.
> Playing in his 4th Grand Slam final, defeated A. Zverev in 5th-set TB to win 2020 US Open title, becoming 1st player to win US Open final from 2 sets down since Gonzales in 1949 (Amateur Era).
> Qualified for Nitto ATP Finals each year from 2016-20, defeating No. 3 Federer and No. 2 Djokovic en route to 2019 championship match, then beating No. 2 Nadal and No. 1 Djokovic en route to 2020 final.
> Playing in his 3rd ATP Masters 1000 final, defeated 5-time champion Federer to win 2019 Indian Wells title.
> Went 9-3 from 2019-20 against Djokovic, Federer and Nadal, joining Murray as 1 of 2 players with at least 5 career wins over each member of Big 3.

NOTE: Thiem is playing in his 45th tour-level semi-final (28-15, 1 W/O), aiming to break a 4-match losing streak in ATP Tour semi-finals to reach his 1st final since 2020 Nitto ATP Finals (l. to Medvedev). He seeks 4th ATP Tour final on home soil after 2014 Kitzbuhel (l. to Goffin), 2019 Kitzbuhel (d. Ramos-Vinolas) and 2019 Vienna (d. Schwartzman). He rose 21 spots to No. 95 on the Pepperstone ATP Live Rankings, guaranteeing himself a return to the Top 100 on Monday.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: POTENTIAL SINGLES FINALS

[1] Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG) vs [5] Laslo Djere (SRB)	Djere Leads 1-0
23 Hamburg (Germany) Clay R32 Laslo Djere	7-6(2) 6-3

[1] Tomas Martin Etcheverry (ARG) vs [WC] Dominic Thiem (AUT) First Meeting

Sebastian Baez (ARG) vs [5] Laslo Djere (SRB)	Baez Leads 1-0
23 Santiago (Chile) Clay QF Sebastian Baez	7-6(4) 6-4

Sebastian Baez (ARG) vs [WC] Dominic Thiem (AUT)	Baez Leads 1-0
22 Bastad (Sweden) Clay QF Sebastian Baez	6-2 6-7(5) 6-4