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CINCINNATI OPEN TALKING POINTS

World No. 2 and 2023 Cincinnati Open finalist, Carlos Alcaraz, aims to record 50th win of the season (49-6) and is on a 12-match winning streak at ATP Masters 1000 level after titles in Monte-Carlo and Rome. In a battle of former Next Gen ATP Finals champions, 2021 champion Alcaraz takes on 2023 champion Hamad Medjedovic, as 22-year-old Serbian aims to become 1st man younger than Alcaraz to defeat him (0-9).

2025 ATP Masters 1000 Win Leaders

Player	Record	Best Result				
Lorenzo Musetti	17-7	Monte-Carlo Final				
Carlos Alcaraz	16-2	Monte-Carlo, Rome Titles				
Jack Draper	15-4	Indian Wells Title				
Francisco Cerundolo	15-6	Madrid SF				
Jakub Mensik (14-4) seeks 15th win vs. Nardi on Tuesday						

 World No. 3 and 2021 champion Alexander Zverev aims to tie Roddick for 10th-most wins in ATP Masters 1000 events since the series was established in 1990 (156-67). German No. 1 is 13-2 in Cincinnati since taking the title four years ago and leads Lexus ATPHead2Head against Brandon Nakashima 4-0 with the American seeking his second Top 5 win to reach last 16 in Cincinnati in back-to-back years.

Most ATP Masters 1000 Wins

Player	Wins	Player	Wins	Player	Wins
Novak Djokovic	414	Andre Agassi	209	Stan Wawrinka	166
Rafael Nadal	410	Tomas Berdych	191	Andy Roddick	157
Roger Federer	381	Pete Sampras	190	Alexander Zverev	156
Andy Murray	230	David Ferrer	189	Grigor Dimitrov	155

 No. 5 seed Ben Shelton captured his first ATP Masters 1000 title in Toronto on Thursday as he looks to become first man to win in Canada and Cincinnati back-to-back since Nadal in 2013. American No. 2 aims to tie Davidovich Fokina (34) for 5th-most tour-level wins this season and faces Roberto Bautista Agut, who aims to become 10th Spaniard to record 100 ATP Masters 1000 wins in series history (since 1990).

Spanish ATP Masters 1000 Win Leaders (since series began in 1990):

Player	W-L	Player	W-L
Rafael Nadal	410-90	Juan Carlos Ferrero	126-80
David Ferrer	189-122	Feliciano Lopez	116-139
Tommy Robredo	135-103	Albert Costa	109-77
Carlos Moya	133-98	Alex Corretja	100-74
Fernando Verdasco	128-130	Roberto Bautista Agut	99-85

Two other American men are in action on Tuesday with Reilly Opelka taking on Francisco Comesana and wildcard Jenson Brooksby facing No. 14 seed and last week's Toronto finalist Karen Khachanov. Both aim to reach their first ATP Masters 1000 R16 since 2022. Opelka, who opens P&G Centre Court play, reached QF at this event in 2020, while Brooksby earned first Cincinnati wins this week.



LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: TUESDAY THIRD-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

P&G CENTER COURT

Reilly Opelka (USA) vs Francisco Comesana (ARG)

First Meeting

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Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Opelka	32%	65%	24%	9.1	5.3	6.4	5.9
Comesana	23%	69%	34%	8.1	5.8	7.0	6.5
Tour Average	24%	69%	31%	7.9	6.5	7.5	7.1

Reilly Opelka | Age: 27 | World No. 73 | Career-High No. 17 | 2025: 23-16 (Brisbane Final) | Cincinnati: 8-5 (2020 QF) > Former Wimbledon junior champion became No. 1 American in June 2021 and achieved career-high No. 17 in February 2022 before undergoing hip surgery later that year.

- > Defeated Isner for 4th ATP 250 title on American soil at 2022 Houston after beating him 7-6(7) 7-6(22) en route to 2022 Dallas title, winning longest tiebreak in ATP Tour history (since 1990).
- > At 2020 Delray Beach, saved 1 MP vs. Raonic and defeated Nishioka on same day to win 2nd title.
- > At 2019 New York, saved 6 MPs and hit 43 aces vs. Isner in SF, then hit 43 more aces vs. Schnur in final to win 1st title.
- > Upset No. 3 Tsitsipas at 2021 Toronto for biggest win of career and to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 final and defeated No. 7 Djokovic en route to 2025 Brisbane final to break Serbian's 34-match winning streak vs. Americans.

NOTE: Opelka seeks first ATP Masters 1000 R16 since 2022 Indian Wells (I. to Nadal) and second at this event after reaching 2020 QF (I. to Tsitsipas via RET). He is 23/23 on service games won this week after defeating Dellien and de Minaur (overcoming a 0-5 Lexus ATPHead2Head), saving all 12 break points faced.

Opelka a 'solo mad scientist' trying to find his perfect serve

Francisco Comesana | Age: 24 | World No. 71 | Career-High No. 61 | 2025: 15-16 (Rio SF) | Cincinnati: 2-0 ('25 3R)

- > Broke into Top 200 in June 2023, Top 100 in April 2024 and achieved career-high No. 61 in April 2025.
- > In Grand Slam main draw debut at 2024 Wimbledon, defeated No. 6 Rublev in 1R for 1st tour-level win of career and beat Walton in 2R to become youngest Argentine in Wimbledon 3R since del Potro in 2011.
- > Reached 2024 US Open 3R to become 3rd Argentine man in Open Era to advance to 3R in 1st two Grand Slam main draw appearances after Jaite (in 1984-85) and Markus (in 1991).
- > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF and SF at 2025 Rio de Janeiro, defeating No. 2 Zverev for biggest win of career in QF.
- > Posted 45-21 Challenger record in 2023, earning most Challenger wins that season, highlighted by titles in Vicenza and Liberec and finals in Skopje and Santa Cruz.

NOTE: Comesana is playing in his 2nd ATP Masters 1000 3R after Madrid in April (I. to F. Cerundolo). He would be first Argentinian man in Cincinnati R16 since Schwartzman in 2022 (I. to Tsitsipas) and could move up to No. 54 on PIF ATP Live Rankings with 3R win.

Hamad Medjedovic (SRB) vs [2] Carlos Alcaraz (ESP)

First Meeting

Insights from their 52-week averages:

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Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Medjedovic	28%	69%	33%	8.4	6.6	7.7	6.8
Alcaraz	25%	71%	38%	7.9	7.6	8.6	8.0
Tour Average	24%	69%	31%	7.9	6.5	7.5	7.1



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Shelton Leads 2-0

Hamad Medjedovic | Age: 22 | World No. 72 | Career-High No. 61 | 2025: 13-9 (Marseille Final) | Cincinnati: 2-0 ('25 3R) > 2023 Next Gen ATP Finals champion broke into Top 100 in January 2025 after opting to miss Australian Open Q to win Challenger title at Oeiras-1 and achieved career-high No. 61 in April 2025.

- > Advanced to 2025 Marseille final after defeating former champions Khachanov and No. 8 Medvedev for biggest win of career.
- > Came through qualifying and upset former World No. 3 Thiem en route to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2023 Gstaad and defeated countryman Djere to reach 1st ATP Tour final in Belgrade as WC.
- > Qualified for Grand Slam main draws at Roland Garros in 2023 and 2024, 2023 Wimbledon and 2024 US Open.
- > Owns 51-31 Challenger record (5-1 in finals) and joined Djokovic and Tipsarevic as 3rd Serbian teenager to win 3 Challenger titles, doing so at 2022 Luedenscheid, 2023 Szekesfehervar and 2023 Mauthausen.
- > Achieved career-high No. 9 in junior rankings after winning titles without dropping a set at 2019 Berlin Grade 1 and 2019 New Delhi Grade 2.

NOTE: Medjedovic seeks biggest win of career and is 1-2 vs. Top 10, defeating No. 8 Medvedev in Marseille SF in February. He is playing in his 2nd ATP Masters 1000 3R after 2024 Rome (I. to No. 4 Medvedev).

Serbians to Claim a Top-2 Win in PIF ATP Rankings History (since 1973)

Player Top-2 Wins

Novak Djokovic 45 (most recent vs. No. 2 Alcaraz at 2023 Nitto ATP Finals, 3 in Cincinnati)
Janko Tipsarevic 2 (No. 1 Djokovic at 2011 Nitto ATP Finals, No. 1 Djokovic at 2012 Madrid)

Filip Krajinovic 1 (No. 2 Djokovic at 2010 Belgrade)
Dusan Lajovic 1 (No. 1 Djokovic at 2023 Banja Luka)
Slobodan Zivojinovic 1 (No. 2 J. McEnroe at 1985 Australian Open)

Carlos Alcaraz | Age: 22 | World No. 2 | Career-High No. 1 | 2025: 49-6 (5 Titles) | Cincinnati: 7-4 (2023 Final) > Youngest and first teenage World No. 1 and year-end No. 1 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973), making

record rise from No. 32 at end of 2021 to No. 1 at age 19 in September 2022, earning total of 36 weeks.

- > Beat Ruud in 2022 US Open final for No. 1 ranking, becoming youngest men's champion at US Open since Sampras, 19, in 1990 and at any Grand Slam event since Nadal, 19, at 2005 Roland Garros.
- > Won 2024 Roland Garros to become youngest man to win Grand Slam titles on all three surfaces and saved 3 championship points in longest Roland Garros final in tournament history to defend the title at 2025 Roland Garros.
- > Defeated 7-time champion Djokovic in 2023 and 2024 Wimbledon finals to be 2nd man in Open Era to win 1st four Grand Slam finals and became youngest Olympic men's finalist since 1904, earning silver medal at Paris Olympics.
- > Youngest player to defeat both Nadal and Djokovic and 1st to do so at same clay-court event, beating them on back-to-back days en route to 2nd ATP Masters 1000 title at 2022 Madrid.

NOTE: Alcaraz is on a 12-match winning streak at ATP Masters 1000 level after titles in Monte-Carlo and Rome earlier this year and is on a 34-2 run since April. He leads the ATP Tour in wins (49) and titles this year (5) and looks to post 50+ tour-level wins for 4th season in a row, becoming 1st man to achieve this feat since Djokovic in 2013-16.

Men to Win 50+ Tour-Level Matches in Four Consecutive Seasons This Century

Player	Seasons	Player	Seasons
Roger Federer	11 (2002-12)	Tomas Berdych	5 (2011-15)
Novak Djokovic	10 (2007-16)	Nikolay Davydenko	5 (2005-09)
Rafael Nadal	7 (2005-11)	Andy Roddick	4 (2002-05)
David Ferrer	6 (2010-15)	- -	,

Alcaraz Tour-Level Win/Loss Record by Season (since 2022)

Year	Record	Titles	Year	Record	Titles
2022	57-13	5	2024	54-13	4
2023	65-12	6	2025	49-6	5

[5] Ben Shelton (USA) vs Roberto Bautista Agut (ESP)

 24 Australian Open (Australia)
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 R128
 Ben Shelton
 6-2 7-6(2) 7-5

 24 US Open (U.S.A.)
 Hard
 R64
 Ben Shelton
 6-3 6-4 6-4

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Shelton	28%	68%	28%	8.7	6.5	7.6	6.5
Bautista Agut	22%	68%	33%	7.4	6.6	8.0	7.2
Tour Average	24%	69%	31%	7.9	6.5	7.5	7.1



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Ben Shelton | Age: 22 | World No. 6 (Career-High) | 2025: 33-16 (Toronto Title) | Cincinnati: 7-3 (2024 QF) > Broke into Top 200 in August 2022, Top 100 in November 2022 and Top 20 in September 2023, achieving career-

high No. 6 in August 2025 after capturing 1st ATP Masters 1000 title in Toronto.

> Defeated countrymen Paul and Tiafoe en route to 2023 US Open SF, becoming youngest American man in US Open SF since Chang, 20, in 1992 and beat No. 4 Sinner for 1st of 3 ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2023 Shanghai.

> Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2023 Tokyo, joining Bryan Shelton as 4th father-son duo to win a tour-level championship in Open Era (Phil & Taylor Dent, Ramanathan & Ramesh Krishnan, Petr & Sebastian Korda).

> Advanced to 2023 Australian Open QF at age 20 and on his 1st trip outside USA, becoming youngest American man in Aus. Open QF since Giammalva Jr., 19, in 1982, and in Grand Slam QF since Roddick, 20, at 2002 US Open.

> Posted 65-10 singles record in 2 seasons for University of Florida, clinching 2021 NCAA team title and 2022 NCAA singles title while being coached by his father Bryan, a former World No. 55.

NOTE: Shelton is on a 6-match winning streak after capturing 1st ATP Masters 1000 title in Toronto last week. He is 1-5 vs. Spaniards this year after defeating No. 182 Carreno Busta in Australian Open 2R in first match and would guarantee career-high No. 5 on <u>PIF ATP Rankings</u> by reaching SF this week.

Shelton surging behind 'Big-Point Ben' success

ATP Masters 1000 Canada Champions to Reach Cincinnati R16 (since 2010)

Player	Year	Canada Result	`Cincinnati [′]
Andy Murray	2010	Toronto Title (d. Federer)	QF (I. to Fish)
Novak Djokovic	2011	Montreal Title (d. Fish)	Final (I. to Murray)
Novak Djokovic	2012	Toronto Title (d. Gasquet)	Final (I. to Djokovic)
Rafael Nadal	2013	Montreal Title (d. Raonic)	Title (d. Isner)
Andy Murray	2015	Montreal Title (d. Djokovic)	SF (I. to Federer)
Daniil Medvedev	2021	Toronto Title (d. Opelka)	SF (I. to Rublev)

2025 ATP Tour Hard-Court Win Leaders

Player	Wins	Best Result
Alex de Minaur	24	Washington Title
Taylor Fritz	22	Miami, Toronto SF
Alejandro Davidovich Fokina	20	Delray Beach, Acapulco, Washington Finals
Ben Shelton	20	Toronto Title
Felix Auger-Aliassime	18	Adelaide, Montpellier Titles

Roberto Bautista Agut | Age: 37 | World No. 53 | Career-High No. 9 | 2025: 14-19 (Queen's SF) | Cincinnati: 12-8 ('20 SF)

- > Captured 12th ATP Tour title in Antwerp and 400th win of career in 2024 and ended 2019 at career-high No. 9.
- > Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2019 Australian Open and 1st Grand Slam SF at 2019 Wimbledon after entering season with 0-9 record in Grand Slam 4R matches.
- > Defeated No. 1 Djokovic in 2016 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai SF, 2019 Doha SF and 2019 ATP Masters 1000 Miami 4R, as well as No. 1 Medvedev in 2022 Mallorca QF.
- > Went 4-1 at 2022 ATP Cup and 6-0 at 2020 ATP Cup to lead Spain to finals after helping his country win 2019 Davis Cup.
- > Played football for Villarreal C.F. until he was 14 years old.

NOTE: Bautista Agut seeks 1st ATP Masters 1000 R16 since this event in 2022 (I. to Coric). He is 1-4 vs. Top 10 this year, defeating No. 9 Rune in London / Queen's Club QF & seeks 1st Top 10 win on hard courts since defeating No. 8 Rund in Basel in October. At 37 years 3 months, he would be 6th-oldest man to reach Cincinnati R16 in Open Era.

Oldest Men to Reach Cincinnati R16 in Open Era

Player	Age	Year/Result
Ivo Karlovic	38 years 5 months	2017 R16 (d. Vesely, Tsonga, I. to Kyrgios)
Stan Wawrinka	38 years 4 months	2023 R16 (d. Nakashima, Tiafoe, I. to Purcell)
Roger Federer	38 years	2019 R16 (d. Londero, I. to Rublev)
Gael Monfils	37 years 11 months	2024 R16 (d. Popyrin, Alcaraz, I. to Rune)
Bob Hewitt	37 years 6 months	1977 R16 (d. Mitchell, Seewagen, I. to James)
John Isner	37 years 3 months	2022 QF (d. Bonzi, Hurkacz, Korda, I. to Tsitsipas)
Adrian Mannarino	37 years 1 month	2025 R16+ (d. Thompson, Machac, Paul, faces Sinner in 4R)

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[14] Karen Khachanov vs [WC] Jenson Brooksby (USA)

22 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.) Hard R64 Jenson Brooksby

Brooksby Leads 1-0

6-0 6-3

Insights from their 52-week averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Khachanov	26%	70%	31%	8.1	7.1	7.7	7.5
Brooksby	22%	66%	36%	7.1	6.3	6.9	7.3
Tour Average	24%	69%	31%	7.9	6.5	7.5	7.1

Karen Khachanov | Age: 29 | World No. 12 | Career-High No. 8 | 2025: 28-17 (Toronto Final) | Cincinnati: 10-7 ('17-'20, '25 3R) > Broke into Top 10 and achieved career-high No. 8 in July 2019 after ending 2018 season at No. 11.

- > Upset Top-10 players Isner, A. Zverev, Thiem and Djokovic en route to 2018 ATP Masters 1000 Paris title, but went on a 23-match losing streak to Top 10 players (August 2019-March 2023), ended by beating No. 3 Tsitsipas en route to 4th ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2023 Miami.
- > At 2018 Paris, became 1st unseeded ATP Masters 1000 champion since Nalbandian at 2007 Paris.
- > Recorded the biggest gap between ATP Masters 1000 finals in series history, reaching 2025 Toronto final 6 years, 9 months, and 3 days after his 2018 Paris title.
- > Advanced to QFs of all 4 Grand Slam events, highlighted by runs to 2022 US Open SF and 2023 Australian Open SF.
- > Entered 2020 Tokyo Olympics as No. 4 men's player on Team ROC and went on to earn silver medal (held in 2021).

NOTE: Khachanov is on a 9-match winning streak vs. players ranked outside Top 10 and looks to advance to 5th Cincinnati R16 in 8 appearances (2017-20). He reached 2nd ATP Masters 1000 final in Toronto last week (I. to Shelton) and sits at No. 10 on <u>PIF ATP Live Rankings</u>, seeking Top 10 return this week for first time since June 2023.

Jenson Brooksby | Age: 24 | World No. 101 | Career-High No. 33 | 2025: 15-10 (Houston Title) | Cincinnati: 2-1 ('25 3R) > Achieved career-high No. 33 in June 2022, then defeated 6-time champion Isner at 2022 Atlanta en route to 3rd ATP 250 final on home soil.

- > Captured 1st ATP Tour title in Houston as Q, after saving 1 MP vs. Gomez in qualifying, 3 MPs vs. Tabilo in 2R and 1 MP vs. Paul in SF and as No. 507 became 3rd-lowest-ranked champion in ATP Tour history (since 1990).
- > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final in his grass-court debut at 2021 Newport, becoming 2nd-youngest finalist at age 20 in 46-year tournament history (Rusedski, 19, in 1993).
- > Reached 2021 US Open 4R as 20-year-old WC, becoming youngest American in US Open 4R since Roddick, 20, in 2002
- > Defeated No. 3 Ruud for biggest win of career and to reach 2023 Australian Open 3R.
- > Qualified at 2019 US Open and ended former World No. 4 Berdych's career for 1st tour-level win, then missed entire 2020 season due to toe injury.

NOTE: Brooksby seeks 1st ATP Masters 1000 R16 since 2022 Rome (I. to Ruud) and 3rd on home soil after 2022 Indian Wells (d. Khachanov in 2R, I. to Norrie) and 2022 Miami (I. to Medvedev). He is 4-5 vs. Top 20 this year (9-17 in career), posting hard-court win vs No. 18 Auger-Aliassime in Indian Wells 2R in March.

[27] Brandon Nakashima (USA) vs	[3] Al	exande	er Zverev (GER)	Zverev Leads 4-0
20 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Alexander Zverev	7-5 6-7(8) 6-3 6-1
22 Roland Garros (France)	Clay	R32	Alexander Zverev	7-6(2) 6-3 7-6(5)
24 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R16	Alexander Zverev	3-6 6-1 6-2 6-2
25 Stuttgart (Germany)	Grass	QF	Alexander Zverev	7-5 6-4

Insights from their 52-week averages:

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Player	Attack	Score	Score	Quality	Quality	Quality	Quality
Nakashima	24%	69%	30%	8.4	6.4	7.5	6.8
Zverev	27%	71%	34%	8.8	7.4	8.3	8.0
Tour Average	24%	69%	31%	7.9	6.5	7.5	7.1



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Brandon Nakashima | Age: 24 | World No. 31 | Career-High No. 29 | 2025: 25-20 (2 SFs) | Cincinnati: 3-4 ('24-'25 3R) > Former World No. 3 junior broke into Top 50 in July 2022 and achieved career-high No. 29 in May 2025 after earning 100th career win en route to his biggest SF of career in Acapulco.

- > Defeated countryman Giron to win 1st ATP Tour title in hometown of San Diego in 2022 and ended season on 16-1 run in tiebreaks.
- > Played in back-to-back ATP Tour finals at Los Cabos and Atlanta as 19-year-old in 2021, becoming youngest American to reach multiple finals since Roddick in 2001-02.
- > Returned to Milan and went 5-0 to capture 2022 Next Gen ATP Finals title after reaching SF in 2021.
- > Reached Roland Garros 3R, Wimbledon 4R and US Open 3R in 2022, highlighted by first Top 20 wins of career over No. 16 Shapovalov in Wimbledon 2R and No. 19 Dimitrov in US Open 2R.

NOTE: Nakashima seeks biggest win of career and is 2-15 vs. Top 10 (1-4 vs. Top 5), defeating No. 5 Rune at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai and No. 8 Rublev at 2024 Barcelona (0-9 since). He looks to reach Cincinnati R16 for 2nd year in a row and aims to avoid 5th consecutive loss against an opponent for 2nd time in career (0-5 vs. Shelton).

Cincinnati Lexus ATP Head2Head Turnarounds

Matchup	Lexus ATPHead2Head Pre-Cincinnati	2025 Cincinnati Result
De Minaur vs Opelka	5-0	Opelka d. de Minaur 7-6(6) 6-4
Norrie vs Bautista Agut	4-0	Bautista Agut d. Norrie 7-6(5) 7-6(1)
Ruud vs Rinderknech	4-0	Rinderknech d. Ruud 6-7(5) 6-4 6-2
Tsitsipas vs Bonzi	3-0	Bonzi d. Tsitsipas 6-7(4) 6-3 6-4

Alexander Zverev | Age: 28 | World No. 3 | Career-High No. 2 | 2025: 40-15 (Munich Title) | Cincinnati: 13-8 (2021 Title) > Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 2 after tearing 3 ligaments in right ankle during 2022 Roland Garros SF vs. Nadal.

- > Led ATP Tour with 6 titles in 2021 and leads all players born since 1990 with 24 career titles, defeating No. 1 Djokovic en route to 2018 Nitto ATP Finals, 2020 Tokyo Olympics and 2021 Nitto ATP Finals championships.
- > Reached 1st Grand Slam final at 2020 US Open, rallying from 2-set deficit for 1st time to defeat Carreno Busta in SF before squandering 2-set lead for 1st time against Thiem in final.
- > Earned wins over 14-time champion Nadal en route to 2024 Roland Garros final and 10-time champion Djokovic via RET to reach 2025 Australian Open final.
- > Defeated Djokovic at 2017 Rome and Federer at 2017 Montreal for 1st and 2nd of his 7 ATP Masters 1000 titles.
- > Joined Murray and Thiem as 3rd player to defeat Djokovic on hard (3 times), Federer on grass (2016 Halle SF) and Nadal on clay (2 times).

NOTE: Zverev is 13-2 at this event since winning the title in 2021 (d. Rublev) after starting his career 0-6. He looks to record 5-0 Lexus ATPHead2Head start vs. an opponent for 6th time in career (9 – Mannarino, 6 – Anderson, Norrie, 5 – Lajovic, Rublev, Wawrinka) and is 13-2 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 on hard courts this year.

ATP Masters 1000	Match	Win Leaders (since 1990)	2025 ATP Tour Win Leaders	
Player	Born	Wins	Player	Wins
Alexander Zverev	1997	156	Carlos Alcaraz	49
Grigor Dimitrov	1991	155	Alexander Zverev	40
Milos Raonic	1990	125	Taylor Fritz	38
Daniil Medvedev	1996	115	Alex de Minaur	37
Stefanos Tsitsipas	1998	110	Alejandro Davidovich Fokina	34
			Ben Shelton seeks 34th win on Tu	uesday vs. Bautista Agut

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[21] Alexei Popyrin (AUS) vs [9] And	rey F	Rublev	,	Popyrin Leads 2-1
23 Vienna (Austria) Ha	ard	R32	Andrey Rublev	7-6(5) 6-4
24 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (Monaco)C	lay	R32	Alexei Popyrin	6-4 6-4
24 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal (Canada) Ha	ard	F	Alexei Popyrin	6-2 6-4

Alexei Popyrin | Age: 26 | World No. 19 (Career-High) | 2025: 16-17 (3 QFs) | Cincinnati: 3-2 (2023 QF)

- > Achieved career-high No. 19 in August 2025 after reaching QF in ATP Masters 1000 Canada title defense.
- > Posted 5 consecutive Top 20 wins, including saving 3 MPs vs. Dimitrov in 3R en route to 2024 Montreal title, becoming 1st Australian ATP Masters 1000 champion since Hewitt in 2003.
- > Earned biggest win of career over 4-time champion No. 2 Djokovic to reach 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2024 US Open after entering tournament with 0-6 record in Grand Slam 3R matches.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour SF, advanced to 1st final and won 1st title at 2021 Singapore and beat former champion

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Wawrinka for 2nd title at 2023 Umag.

- > Qualified 10 times at tour-level events in 2019, tying single-season record set by M. Zverev in 2016.
- > Peaked at No. 2 in junior rankings after ending career with 17 straight wins and 2017 Roland Garros boys' singles title.

NOTE: Popyrin is down to No. 36 on <u>PIF ATP Live Rankings</u> and would need to win the title to remain in Top 20 after debut last week. He is 5-2 vs. Top 20 opponents at ATP Masters 1000 level this year (5-5 overall), posting 3 wins in Monte-Carlo before defeating No. 14 Medvedev & No. 9 Rune en route to Toronto QF last week (I. to No. 3 Zverev).

Andrey Rublev | Age: 27 | World No. 11 | Career-High No. 5 | 2025: 27-18 (Doha Title) | Cincinnati: 11-7 (2021 Final)

- > Former No. 1 junior broke into Top 20 in January 2020, Top 10 in October 2020 and Top 5 in September 2021.
- > Rallied from a set down in both SF and final for 1st time in career at 2023 Monte-Carlo to capture 1st ATP Masters 1000 title and defeated two-time defending champion No. 3 Alcaraz en route to 2nd title at 2024 Madrid.
- > Defeated No. 3 Nadal at 2021 Monte-Carlo, No. 2 Medvedev at 2021 Cincinnati and No. 1 Sinner at 2024 Montreal en route to ATP Masters 1000 finals and beat No. 1 Djokovic for 11th of 17 ATP Tour titles at 2022 Belgrade.
- > Led tour with 5 titles in 2020, tied for tour-lead with 41 victories in 2020, and won 23 matches and 4 titles in a row at ATP 500 events from 2020-21.
- > Ten-time Grand Slam quarter-finalist reached 2022 Nitto ATP Finals SF and won gold medal in All-ROC mixed doubles final at 2020 Tokyo Olympics w/Pavlyuchenkova (held in 2021).
- > Went 9-1 in singles and 4-1 in doubles at team events during 2021 season, sweeping titles at ATP Cup, Laver Cup and Davis Cup.

NOTE: Rublev seeks 5th Cincinnati R16 (2019, 2021-22, 2024) in 8 appearances, highlighted by 2021 final (I. to Zverev). He is 3-4 vs. Top 20 this season, defeating No. 8 de Minaur and No. 16 Draper en route to Doha title in February before beating No. 19 Davidovich Fokina in Toronto 4R last week (I. to No. 4 Fritz in QF).

[16] Jakub Mensik (CZE) vs [LL] Luca Nardi (ITA)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meeting

24 ATP Masters 1000 Miami Q (U.S.A.)

Hard

Jakub Mensik

6-4 6-2

Jakub Mensik | Age: 19 | World No. 17 (Career-High) | 2025: 26-14 (Miami Title) | Cincinnati: 1-0 (2025 3R)

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- > Former World No. 2 junior broke into Top 100 in February 2025 and earned career-high No. 17 in June 2025 soon after becoming fourth man in series history to win 1st title at ATP Masters 1000 event in Miami.
- > Also in Miami, defeated No. 4 Fritz and 6-time champion No. 5 Djokovic to join Alcaraz as only teenagers to earn multiple Top 5 wins in one event this century and became 1st Czech ATP Masters 1000 champion since 2005.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final at 2024 Doha by defeating former champions Murray, No. 5 Rublev and Monfils, becoming 1st man born in 2005 or later to play in an ATP Tour final.
- > In tour-level debut, reached 3R at 2023 US Open as Q, becoming youngest man to reach Grand Slam 3R since Nadal at 2004 Aus. Open and youngest at US Open since Santoro in 1990, losing to Fritz on 18th birthday.
- > Also advanced to Grand Slam 3R at 2024 US Open, losing to Borges after holding 3 MPs and 2025 Australian Open, losing to Davidovich Fokina after squandering 2 MPs.
- > Posted 85-28 record on ITF Juniors circuit, highlighted by reaching 2022 Australian Open boys' singles final.

NOTE: Mensik is 14-4 at ATP Masters 1000 level this year, highlighted by Miami title in March. He would be 3rd teenager to reach Cincinnati men's R16 this decade after Alcaraz and Shelton, 19, in 2022.

Most ATP Masters 1000 Wins as Teens (since series was introduced in 1990):

Player	W-L	Player	W-L
Rafael Nadal	53-12	Novak Djokovic	23-13
Carlos Alcaraz	36-11	Jakub Mensik	21-8
Andrei Medvedev	27-10	Andy Murray	21-13
Andy Roddick	25-13	Pete Sampras	19-10
Denis Shapovalov	25-15	Lleyton Hewitt	19-13
NOTE: Mensik turns 20 on 1 S	September	•	

Luca Nardi | Age: 22 | World No. 98 | Career-High No. 67 | 2025: 7-10 (Dubai QF) | Cincinnati: 2-0 (2025 3R)

- > Broke into Top 200 in April 2022, Top 100 in March 2024, then achieved a career-high No. 67 in March 2025 after advancing to 1st ATP Tour QF in Dubai as LL.
- > Entered 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells as No. 123-ranked LL to become lowest-ranked player to defeat No.
- 1 Djokovic at an ATP Masters 1000 or Grand Slam event in his career.
- > Earned 1st ATP Tour win at 2022 Astana as Q after appearing in main draws of 2020 Antwerp as Q, 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Rome as WC and 2022 Hamburg as Q.
- > Owns 98-66 Challenger record (7-4 in finals), winning 1st title on home soil at 2022 Forli-1.



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> Coming from same hometown as Moto GP legend Valentino Rossi, he notes riding motorcycles as his biggest passion outside tennis.

NOTE: Nardi lost to Blockx in Q2 and now seeks 2nd ATP Masters 1000 4R after 2024 Indian Wells as LL (d. No. 1 Djokovic for lone Top 20 win (1-7), I. to No. 17 Paul in 4R). He would be 5th man to reach Cincinnati R16 as LL this century after Arthurs (2004), Benneteau (2009), Chardy (2012), and Popyrin (2023).

Lucky Losers to Reach ATP Masters 1000 R16 (since 2024)

Player Tournament/Result

Luca Nardi 2024 Indian Wells R16 (I. to Paul)
Lorenzo Sonego 2024 Monte-Carlo R16 (I. to Humbert)

Arthur Cazaux 2024 Paris R16 (I. to Rune)
Adam Walton 2025 Miami R16 (I. to Fritz)
Gabriel Diallo 2025 Madrid QF (I. to Musetti)

CHAMPIONS' COURT

[22] Jiri Lehecka (CZE) vs Adam Walton (AUS)

Lehecka Leads 1-0

24 Adelaide (Australia) Hard R32 Jiri Lehecka 6-1 6-3

Jiri Lehecka | Age: 23 | World No. 26 | Career-High No. 22 | 2025: 29-16 (Brisbane Title) | Cincinnati: 3-2 ('24-'25 3R)

- > Achieved career-high No. 22 in February 2025 after 8-0 start to year with Brisbane title and run to Aus. Open 4R.
- > Defeated No. 5 Rublev to reach 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2023 Doha and en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2024 Indian Wells before defeating No. 4 Medvedev via RET to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2024 Madrid.
- > In Australia, earned wins over No. 12 Norrie and No. 7 Auger-Aliassime en route to 2023 Australian Open QF and captured both ATP Tour titles at 2024 Adelaide and 2025 Brisbane.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour SF at 2022 Rotterdam as Q after defeating No. 12 Shapovalov in 1R for 1st ATP Tour win.
- > Celebrated 21st birthday during 2022 Next Gen ATP Finals and finished as runner-up.
- > Former World No. 10 junior won 2019 Wimbledon boys' doubles title with countryman Forejtek.

NOTE: Lehecka aims to earn 30+ tour-level wins for 3rd consecutive season (34 - 2023, 30 - 2024). Last year, he defeated No. 5 Medvedev in 2R before losing to Tiafoe in R16 and now seeks back-to-back ATP Masters 1000 4R after Toronto last week (I. to No. 4 Fritz).

30+ Tour-Level Wins in a Season by Czech Men This Century

Player	Seasons	Player	Seasons
Tomas Berdych	13 (2005-17)	Jiri Lehecka	2 (2023-24)
Radek Stepanek	6 (2004-06, 2008-09, 2011)	Tomas Machac	1 (2024)
Jiri Novak	3 (2002-04)	Bohdan Ulihrach	1 (2001)

Adam Walton | Age: 26 | World No. 85 | Career-High No. 84 | 2025: 11-13 (Los Cabos SF) | Cincinnati: 2-0 (2025 3R) > After starting 2024 season as No. 176 on PIF ATP Rankings, broke into Top 100 in May and achieved career-high No. 84 in July after reaching 1st ATP Tour SF in Los Cabos.

- > Made ATP Tour debut at 2024 Adelaide as Q, defeated former semi-finalist Hanfmann in 2024 Mallorca 1R for 1st win and No. 72 Coria at 2024 Wimbledon for 1st Grand Slam main draw match win.
- > Owns 84-51 Challenger record (4-5 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Cary, 2024 Burnie-2, 2024 Taipei and 2025 Brisbane-2.
- > Played college tennis for University of Tennessee for five years from 2017 and credits college tennis with improving his tennis and physique.

NOTE: Walton defeated No. 15 Medvedev for biggest win of career in 2R and is 1-11 vs. Top 50, seeking 2nd ATP Masters 1000 4R after Miami in March as LL (I. to No. 4 Fritz). He sits at No. 81 on <u>PIF ATP Live Rankings</u> and would climb to No. 71 with 3R win.