


# 2021 ROLAND GARROS
# DAY 5 MEN'S NOTES
## Thursday 3 June
2nd Round Top Half

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**On court today…**

- In the first of 2 intriguing men's 2nd round matches on Court Philippe-Chatrier today, Roger Federer and Marin Cilic, 2 of the 4 Grand Slam champions remaining in the men's draw, contest their 11th Tour-level match. Federer has won 9 of the pair's previous 10 meetings, including in the finals at 2017 Wimbledon and the 2018 Australian Open. Cilic's only victory against Federer came in the semifinals at the 2014 US Open. The duo become the 44th pair of players in the Open Era to contest a match at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments – Cilic is the 10th different opponent that Federer has played at each of the 4 majors, while Federer is the first opponent that Cilic has faced at each of the 4 Grand Slam events.

- The night session on Chatrier sees Rafael Nadal take on Frenchman Richard Gasquet. The rivalry between the 2 players covers more than 2 decades, with the pair having first met as 12-year-olds in the semifinals at Les Petits As, a tournament for players aged 12-14, in 1999. Gasquet won on that occasion, but he has never been able to overcome Nadal in the 16 Tour-level matches the pair have contested. Should Nadal record a 17th victory over Gasquet today, it will be the 6th rivalry in the Open Era in which a player has won 17 matches without defeat.

- Six Italian players are in action here today, including one all-Italian match-up between Jannik Sinner and Gianluca Mager, which is the 2nd match on Court Simonne-Mathieu. In total, 7 Italian men reached the 2nd round here, the highest number of Italians through to the 2nd round of the men's singles at a Grand Slam since 1955 Roland Garros. All of them will hope to join Fabio Fognini in the 3rd round here – the Open Era record for most Italian men in the 3rd round at a Grand Slam was set at Roland Garros last year, when 5 Italians reached the last 32.

- On Monday, Carlos Alcaraz became the youngest player to win a match at Roland Garros since Novak Djokovic in 2005 – and the 18-year-old Spaniard bids for more history when he plays No. 28 seed Nikoloz Basilashvili in the 4th match on Court 14 today. Should he win today, Alcaraz will become the youngest man to reach the 3rd round at Roland Garros since Andrei Medvedev in 1992 and the youngest man to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam since Nadal at the 2004 Australian Open. Alcaraz is one of 3 teenagers, alongside Sinner and Lorenzo Musetti, who are aiming to reach the 3rd round here today.

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# NO. 1 NOVAK DJOKOVIC (SRB) v PABLO CUEVAS (URU)

## Head-to-head: first meeting

Djokovic has lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 92 Cuevas on just one occasion, when he fell to No. 117 Denis Istomin in the 2nd round at the 2017 Australian Open. The lowest-ranked player to have defeated Djokovic at Roland Garros is No. 72 Marco Cecchinato in the quarterfinals in 2018.

| DJOKOVIC | v | CUEVAS |
|---|---|---|
| 34 | **Age** | 35 |
| 1 | **ATP Ranking** | 92 |
| 83 | **Titles** | 6 |
| 304-45 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 24-37 |
| 75-15 | **Roland Garros Record** | 13-11 |
| 955-195 | **Career Record** | 237-210 |
| 238-59 | **Career Record - Clay** | 167-110 |
| 21-3 | **2021 Record** | 9-5 |
| 12-3 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 6-3 |
| 33-10 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 5-11 |
| 4 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 1 |
| 268-145 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 110-94 |
| 6-4 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 3-0 |

- 2016 champion **DJOKOVIC** is contesting his 350th Grand Slam match today.
- Djokovic is bidding to reach the **3rd round here for the 16th straight year**. This is his 17th consecutive appearance at Roland Garros and his 64th Grand Slam overall.
- Djokovic advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Tennys Sandgren 62 64 62 in the 1st round on Tuesday.
- Djokovic **has lost in the 2nd round here once before** – on his Roland Garros debut as a qualifier in 2005 (d. Robby Ginepri, l. Guillermo Coria).
- **Last year here**, Djokovic reached the final for the 5th time – and for the first time since he won the title here in 2016 – but fell to Rafael Nadal 60 62 75. It was the first time that Djokovic had lost a set 60 in a Grand Slam final.
- Djokovic is bidding to win his **19th Grand Slam title** here and close the gap on Roger Federer and Nadal (20 Grand Slam titles each) at the top of the all-time list for most Grand Slam men's singles titles. He claimed sole ownership of 3rd place on the list, ahead of Pete Sampras, by winning his 15th major title at the 2019 Australian Open.
- Djokovic is bidding to become the **first man in the Open Era – and only the 3rd man in history – to win each of the 4 Grand Slams twice**. Roy Emerson and Laver are the only men to have won each Grand Slam on 2 or more occasions. (NB While Laver completed the feat in 1969, some of the titles were won before the start of the Open Era)
- Djokovic is bidding to become the **3rd man in history to win the Australian Open and Roland Garros titles in the same year on multiple occasions** after Emerson and Laver. He won the titles at both the Australian Open and Roland Garros in 2016, when he became the first man to complete the Melbourne-Paris double since Jim Courier in 1992.
- Aged 34 years 22 days, Djokovic is bidding to **win his 7th Grand Slam title since turning 30** and claim sole ownership of the Open Era record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles won after the age of 30, ahead of Nadal. Since celebrating his 30th birthday on 22 May 2017, Djokovic has won the titles at Wimbledon in 2018-19, at the 2018 US Open, and at the Australian Open in 2019-21. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)
- Djokovic became the **8th man in history to win all 4 Grand Slam events** by winning his first Roland Garros title in 2016, defeating Andy Murray in the final. He is one of only 3 men in history, alongside Don Budge and Laver, to have held all 4 Grand Slam titles simultaneously.

- Earlier this year, Djokovic won his **9th Australian Open title, and 18th Grand Slam title overall**, defeating Daniil Medvedev in the final. He became the 2nd player to win 9 singles titles at a Grand Slam tournament after Nadal (13 Roland Garros titles) and Margaret Court (9 Australian Championships/Open titles).

- Djokovic is bidding to record his **305th Grand Slam match-win**. By defeating Milos Raonic in the round of 16 at the Australian Open this year, he became the 2nd player to record 300 men's singles match-wins at the Grand Slams, after Federer.

- Djokovic **won the title at Belgrade II last week**, defeating Alex Molcan in the final. Elsewhere on clay this season, he reached the final at Rome-1000 (l. Nadal), the semifinals at Belgrade I (l. Aslan Karatsev) and the 3rd round at Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Daniel Evans).

- Of Djokovic's **83 Tour-level singles titles**, 16 have come on clay – compared with 61 on hard court and 6 on grass.

- Djokovic has won 6 of his last 7 **five-set matches**. His only defeat in a 5-set match in that time came against Dominic Thiem in the semifinals here in 2019. He has a 7-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and a 33-10 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.

- Djokovic's victory against Taylor Fritz in the 3rd round at the Australian Open this year was his 30th victory in a 5-set match at the Grand Slams, equalling Federer's **record for most 5-set matches won at the Grand Slams**.

**Most 5-set matches won at the Grand Slams (all-time)**

| Player | 5-set match win-loss |
|---|---|
| **Novak Djokovic** | **30-9** |
| Roger Federer | 30-17 |
| Pete Sampras | 29-9 |
| Marin Cilic | 27-12 |
| Lleyton Hewitt | 26-19 |

- Djokovic has held the world No. 1 ranking for a total of 323 weeks (including this week) and holds the **record for most weeks ranked No. 1**, having surpassed Federer's mark of 310 weeks as world No. 1 on 8 March 2021.

- Djokovic has played **Davis Cup** for Serbia since 2004, has a 37-11 win-loss record in the competition and led Serbia to their only title in the competition to date in 2010. He won all 3 singles matches he contested as Serbia reached the quarterfinals last year (l. Russia). Serbia will compete alongside Germany and Austria in Group F the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Djokovic is coached by Marian Vajda and Goran Ivanisevic.

- **CUEVAS** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 5th time and equal his best Grand Slam performance. This is his 12th Roland Garros appearance and his 38th Grand Slam overall.

- Cuevas advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Lucas Pouille 63 61 63 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- **Last year here**, Cuevas reached the 2nd round (d. Henri Laaksonen, l. Stefanos Tsitsipas).

- Cuevas' **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the 3rd round at Roland Garros on 4 occasions – in 2015 (l. Gael Monfils), 2016 (l. Tomas Berdych), 2017 (l. Fernando Verdasco) and 2019 (l. Dominic Thiem).

- **In Grand Slam play in 2021**, Cuevas reached the 2nd round at the Australian Open (d. Andreas Seppi, l. Alex de Minaur).

- Cuevas' **best result in 2021** is reaching the semifinals as a qualifier on clay at Geneva (l. Denis Shapovalov). He also reached the 3rd round at the Great Ocean Road Open in Melbourne (l. Hubert Hurkacz).

- **Also on clay this season**, Cuevas reached the 2nd round at both Munich (d. Tennys Sandgren, l. Casper Ruud) and Belgrade II (d. Miomir Kecmanovic, l. Federico Coria), but failed to qualify at both Madrid-1000 and Rome-1000. He withdrew from Belgrade I due to an adductor injury.

- Clay is Cuevas' **best surface** – and the only surface on which he has a positive win-loss record. He has a 167-110 win-loss record on clay, compared to 63-90 on hard courts, 7-10 on grass and 1-1 on carpet.

- Cuevas has won **6 Tour-level singles titles**, all of which have come on clay – at 2014 Bastad (d. Joao Sousa), 2014 Umag (d. Tommy Robredo), Sao Paulo in 2015 (d. Luca Vanni), 2016 (d. Pablo Carreno Busta) and 2017 (d. Albert Ramos-Vinolas) and 2016 Rio de Janiero (d. Guido Pella). He has also won 9 doubles titles, 7 of which have come on clay.

- Cuevas is bidding to **defeat a world No. 1 for the first time** on his 3rd attempt. He lost both of his previous matches against a world No. 1, failing to Rafael Nadal in the round of 16 at 2017 Paris-1000 and at the 2020 ATP Cup during Uruguay's group stage defeat to Spain. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 3 Stan Wawrinka in the 3rd round at 2017 Monte Carlo-1000. The highest-ranked player he has defeated at the Grand Slams is No. 30 Kyle Edmund in the 2nd round here in 2019.

- Cuevas is a **former Top 20 player**, having reached a career-high ranking of No. 19 in August 2016. He dropped outside the Top 100 for first time since July 2014 for 2 weeks in May this year but plays here at No. 92.

- Cuevas has played **Davis Cup** for Uruguay since 2004 and has a 42-12 win-loss record in the competition. He won one of the 2 singles matches he contested in Uruguay's defeat to Austria in the Qualifiers last year. Uruguay host Netherlands in a World Group I tie in September.

- Cuevas is coached by Facundo Savio.

# NO. 3 RAFAEL NADAL (ESP) v RICHARD GASQUET (FRA)

### Tour-level head-to-head: Nadal leads 16-0

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2003 | St Jean de Luz Challenger (FRA) | Hard (I) | R16 | Gasquet | 6-2 ret. |
| 2004 | Estoril | Clay (O) | R16 | Nadal | 64 36 62 |
| 2005 | AMS Monte Carlo | Clay (O) | SF | Nadal | 67(6) 64 63 |
| **2005** | **Roland Garros** | **Clay (O)** | **R32** | **Nadal** | **64 63 62** |
| 2007 | Tennis Masters Cup | Hard (I) | RR | Nadal | 36 63 64 |
| 2008 | AMS Toronto | Hard (O) | QF | Nadal | 67(12) 62 61 |
| 2008 | AMS Madrid | Hard (I) | R16 | Nadal | 64 62 |
| **2009** | **US Open** | **Hard (O)** | **R128** | **Nadal** | **62 62 63** |
| 2011 | Monte Carlo-1000 | Clay (O) | R16 | Nadal | 62 64 |
| 2011 | Rome-1000 | Clay (O) | SF | Nadal | 75 61 |
| 2011 | Davis Cup (WG-SF) | Clay (O) | R1 | Nadal | 63 60 61 |
| **2013** | **US Open** | **Hard (O)** | **SF** | **Nadal** | **64 76(1) 62** |
| 2013 | Paris-1000 | Hard (I) | QF | Nadal | 64 61 |
| 2014 | Beijing | Hard (O) | R32 | Nadal | 64 60 |
| 2015 | Basel | Hard (I) | SF | Nadal | 64 76(7) |
| 2017 | Cincinnati-1000 | Hard (O) | R32 | Nadal | 63 64 |
| **2018** | **Roland Garros** | **Clay (O)** | **R32** | **Nadal** | **63 62 62** |

A 17th Tour-level meeting for Nadal and Gasquet. Gasquet won a set in 4 of their first 5 Tour-level meetings – but Nadal has won their 11 most recent meetings in straight sets. This is their 5th meeting at a Grand Slam and their 3rd at Roland Garros, having met in the 3rd round here in both 2005 and 2018.

Gasquet's only victory against Nadal as a professional came at the St Jean da Luz Challenger in 2003. The pair never contested a match on the ITF junior tour but did meet in the semifinals at Les Petits As, a tournament for players aged 12-14, in 1999, when both were 12 years old. Gasquet won 67 63 64 on that occasion and went on to win the title. Nadal won the title at Les Petits As the following year.

Victory for Nadal would see him record his 17th match-win against Gasquet at Tour-level. It would be the 6th match-up in the Open Era in which a player has recorded 17 wins without defeat.

**Most dominant Tour-level head-to-head records (Open Era)**

| Player | Opponent | Head-to-head |
|---|---|---|
| Bjorn Borg | Vitas Gerulaitis | 17-0 |
| Novak Djokovic | Gael Monfils | 17-0 |
| Roger Federer | David Ferrer | 17-0 |
| Roger Federer | Mikhail Youzhny | 17-0 |
| Ivan Lendl | Tim Mayotte | 17-0 |
| Ivan Lendl | Scott Davis | 16-0 |
| Ivan Lendl | Brad Gilbert | 16-0 |
| **Rafael Nadal** | **Richard Gasquet** | **16-0** |
| Bjorn Borg | Harold Solomon | 15-0 |
| Roger Federer | Jarkko Nieminen | 15-0 |

Nadal is facing a French player for Roland Garros for the 9th time. He has won all 8 of his previous meetings with French players here and has a 24-2 win-loss record against French players at the Grand Slams. The only French players to have defeated Nadal at the Grand Slams are Jo-Wilfried Tsonga, in the semifinals at the 2008 Australian Open, and Lucas Pouille, in the round of 16 at the 2016 US Open.

Nadal is bidding to extend a 13-match winning streak against French players at Tour-level. He has not lost to a French player since falling to Pouille at the 2016 US Open. He has a 93-13 win-loss record against French players at Tour-level overall.

Nadal has a 28-4 win-loss record against players at their home Grand Slams. In addition to his 8-0 win-loss record against French players at Roland Garros, he has an 8-2 win-loss record against Australian players at the Australian Open, a 7-2 win-loss record against American players at the US Open and a 5-0 win-loss record against British players at Wimbledon.

| NADAL | v | GASQUET |
|---|---|---|
| 35* | **Age** | 34 |
| 3 | **ATP Ranking** | 53 |
| 88 | **Titles** | 15 |
| 287-40 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 108-60 |
| 101-2 | **Roland Garros Record** | 28-17 |
| 1023-207 | **Career Record** | 556-336 |
| 460-42 | **Career Record - Clay** | 149-91 |
| 19-3 | **2021 Record** | 8-6 |
| 15-2 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 6-4 |
| 22-13 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 11-13 |
| 3 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 2 |
| 249-162 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 199-166 |
| 2-2 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 0-4 |

*Turns 35 today

- Four-time defending champion **NADAL** is bidding to win his 21st Grand Slam title and claim sole ownership of the all-time record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles, ahead of Roger Federer.

- Nadal advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Alexei Popyrin 63 62 76(3) in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- Nadal is bidding to close the gap on Steffi Graf in 3rd place on the list for **most Grand Slam singles titles**. Margaret Court (24 major titles), Serena Williams (23) and Graf (22) are the only players to have won more Grand Slam singles titles than Nadal or Federer.

- Last year here, Nadal won his **13th Roland Garros title**, defeating Novak Djokovic 60 62 75 in the final. His victory over Djokovic was his 100th match-win at Roland Garros, making him the first player in history to win 100 singles matches here.

- By winning his 13th title here last year, Nadal extended his **record for most singles titles at the same Grand Slam tournament**. By winning the title here in 2019, he moved ahead of Court, who won 11 women's singles titles at the Australian Open.

- Nadal is also bidding to further extend his record for the **most men's singles Grand Slam titles at any one event**. He won the title here in 2005-08 and 2010-14, making him the only man in history to have won 5 titles in a row at Roland Garros, before winning 4 straight titles here in 2017-20.

- Nadal is bidding to win the title here for a 5th consecutive year and become the **first player in history to record 2 streaks of 5 men's singles titles at the same Grand Slam event**. Federer is the only man to have recorded streaks of 5 consecutive titles at the same Grand Slam event on 2 different occasions, having won 5 straight Wimbledon titles in 2003-07 and 5 straight US Open titles in 2004-08.

- Nadal is also bidding to become the **first player in the Open Era to win 14 singles titles at any Tour-level event**. The only other player to have won 12 or more singles titles at one event is Martina Navratilova, who won 12 singles titles at Chicago between 1978 and 1992.

- Aged 35 years 10 days, Nadal is bidding to **win his 7th Grand Slam title since turning 30** and claim sole ownership of the Open Era record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles won after the age of 30, ahead of Djokovic. Since celebrating his 30th birthday on 3 June 2016, Nadal has won the titles at Roland Garros in 2017-20, and at the US Open in 2017 and 2019. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

- Nadal has a 126-2 win-loss record in **best-of-five-set matches on clay**. His only defeats came at Roland Garros – in the round of 16 in 2009 (l. Robin Soderling) and the quarterfinals in 2015 (l. Djokovic).

- Nadal is the **leading performer in Roland Garros history**. He has a 101-2 win-loss record at Roland Garros, ahead of Djokovic (75-15), Federer (71-17) and Guillermo Vilas (58-17). This is Nadal's 17th consecutive Roland Garros and his 62nd Grand Slam appearance overall.

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Nadal reached the quarterfinals at the Australian Open, where he fell to Stefanos Tsitsipas in 5 sets, despite holding a 2-0 lead. It was the 3rd time in his career that he had lost a match after being 2-0 up.

- Nadal's **best results in 2021** are winning the titles at Barcelona (d. Tsitsipas) and Rome-1000 (d. Djokovic). He also reached the quarterfinals at Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Andrey Rublev) and Madrid-1000 (l. Alexander Zverev).

- Nadal is **bidding to win his 63rd career clay court title** at Roland Garros. By winning his 50th clay court title at 2017 Monte Carlo-1000, he set an Open Era record for the most career clay court titles ahead of Vilas (49). He has won 88 Tour-level titles in total.

- Nadal has won both **5-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros – against John Isner in the 1st round in 2011 and against Djokovic in the semifinals in 2013. He has a 22-13 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Nadal is **seeded No. 3 at Roland Garros for the 2nd time** in his career. He won the title as No. 3 seed here in 2013. It is the 5th time in his career he has been seeded No. 3 at a Grand Slam.

- Nadal **dropped to No. 3 in the rankings in March this year** – the first time he had been ranked outside the Top 2 since May 2017. He rose to No. 2 for 2 weeks in April-May before dropping to No. 3 again. He has spent a total of 209 weeks as world No. 1, having first reached the top ranking in August 2008.

- Nadal is a **4-time Davis Cup champion**. He made his debut in the competition in 2004 and was part of the Spanish teams which won the title in 2004, 2008, 2011 and 2019 – among active players, he holds the record for most Davis Cup titles, alongside Feliciano Lopez. At last year's Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, he won all 8 matches he contested as Spain won their 6th title. Spain will compete alongside the Russian Tennis Federation team and Ecuador in Group A at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Nadal is coached by Carlos Moya, who won the title here in 1998, and Francisco Roig.

- **GASQUET** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 10th time – and for the first time since 2018.

- Gasquet advanced to the 2nd round after defeating wild card Hugo Gaston 61 64 62 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- Gasquet is one of 3 Frenchmen to reach the 2nd round here from the 18 who began the main draw at this year's Roland Garros – it is the **lowest number of Frenchmen to reach the 2nd round at Roland Garros in the Open Era**. Should both Gasquet and Gael Monfils, who also plays his 2nd round match today, lose today it would be the first time in the Open Era that no Frenchmen have reached the 3rd round here. Should only one of Gasquet or Monfils win today, it would be the 5th time in the Open Era that only one Frenchman has reached the 3rd round here.

- **Last year here**, Gasquet fell to Roberto Bautista Agut in straight sets in the 1st round. It was his earliest exit here since 2010, when he fell to Andy Murray in the 1st round.

- Gasquet's **best Roland Garros result** is reaching the quarterfinals in 2016 (l. Murray). By reaching the quarterfinals on his 13th appearance here, he went top of the Open Era list for most Roland Garros appearances before reaching the quarterfinals.

- Gasquet's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the semifinals on 3 occasions – at Wimbledon in 2007 (l. Roger Federer) and 2015 (l. Novak Djokovic) and at the 2013 US Open (l. Nadal).

- Gasquet is bidding to record his 109th Grand Slam match-win today. He is in **3rd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam match-wins by a Frenchman**. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (121 Grand Slam match-wins) and Monfils (111 Grand Slam match-wins) are the only Frenchman to have recorded more Grand Slam match-wins than Gasquet.

- Gasquet is making his **18th appearance at Roland Garros** and his 62nd Grand Slam overall. Among active players, he is in 3rd place on the list for most Roland Garros appearances, behind Feliciano Lopez and Federer, who are making 21st and 19th appearances, respectively, here this year.

- Gasquet's **best results in 2021** are reaching the quarterfinals on clay at both Lyon (l. Karen Khachanov) and Parma (l. Jaume Munar). Also on clay this year, he reached the 2nd round at Estoril, where he defeated Juan Ignacio Londero before giving a walkover to Cristian Garin due to a left leg injury, but fell in the 1st round at Barcelona (l. Jordan Thompson) and Rome-1000 (l. Reilly Opelka).

- **Also in 2021**, Gasquet reached the 2nd round at both Doha (d. Blaz Rola, l. Andrey Rublev) and Dubai (d. Marco Cecchinato, l. Hubert Hurkacz). He fell in the 1st round at the Murray River Open in Melbourne (l. Mackenzie McDonald) and withdrew from the Australian Open due to a foot injury.

- Gasquet has won 6 of his last 7 **five-set matches**. His only defeat in a 5-set match in that time came in the 2nd round at 2014 Wimbledon, when he fell to Nick Kyrgios despite holding a 2-0 lead. He has not contested a 5-set match since he defeated Thanasi Kokkinakis in the 1st round at the 2015 US Open. He has a 1-2 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and an 11-13 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Gasquet is a **former Top 10 player**, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 7 in July 2007. He plays here at No. 53.

- Gasquet **won the mixed doubles title here in 2004** with Tatiana Golovin, defeating Cara Black/Wayne Black in the final.

- Gasquet is **one of 5 former Roland Garros junior champions** through to the 2nd round here from the 8 who started in this year's men's main draw. He won the boys' title here in 2002 (d. Laurent Recouderc) and was named ITF Junior World Champion the same year.

- Gasquet has played **Davis Cup** for France since 2005, compiling an 18-12 overall win-loss record. He was a member of the French team that defeated Belgium 3-2 in the 2017 Final to win the title for the first time since 2001. France will compete alongside Great Britain and Czech Republic in Group C at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Gasquet is coached by Julien Cassaigne and Thierry Ascione.

# NO. 8 ROGER FEDERER (SUI) v MARIN CILIC (CRO)

### Head-to-head: Federer leads 9-1

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| 2008 | AMS Paris | Hard (I) | R16 | Federer | 63 64 |
| 2011 | Monte Carlo-1000 | Clay (O) | R16 | Federer | 64 63 |
| **2011** | **US Open** | **Hard (O)** | **R32** | **Federer** | **63 46 64 62** |
| 2012 | Shanghai-1000 | Hard (O) | QF | Federer | 63 64 |
| 2014 | Toronto-1000 | Hard (O) | R16 | Federer | 76(5) 67(3) 64 |
| **2014** | **US Open** | **Hard (O)** | **SF** | **Cilic** | **63 64 64** |
| **2016** | **Wimbledon** | **Grass (O)** | **QF** | **Federer** | **67(4) 46 63 76(9) 63** |
| **2017** | **Wimbledon** | **Grass (O)** | **FR** | **Federer** | **63 61 64** |
| 2017 | ATP Finals | Hard (I) | RR | Federer | 67(5) 64 61 |
| **2018** | **Australian Open** | **Hard (O)** | **FR** | **Federer** | **62 67(5) 63 36 61** |

An 11th meeting for Federer and Cilic and their 6th at the Grand Slams. It is just their 2nd meeting on clay, with Federer winning their only previous clay court match in straight sets at 2011 Monte Carlo-1000.

The pair have contested 2 Grand Slam finals – at 2017 Wimbledon and the 2018 Australian Open, with Federer winning on both occasions. Cilic's only victory against Federer came in the semifinals at the 2014 US Open, before going on to win his only Grand Slam title to date. Federer and Cilic are 2 of the 5 Grand Slam champions who began the men's draw here this year.

Federer and Cilic are the 44th pair of players in the Open Era to contest at least one men's singles match at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments. Cilic is the 10th different opponent that Federer has faced at all 4 Grand Slam events – but Federer is the first opponent whom Cilic has played at all 4 Grand Slam events.

**Federer's win-loss record against players he has faced at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments**

| Opponent | Grand Slam win-loss | Australian Open win-loss | Roland Garros win-loss | Wimbledon win-loss | US Open win-loss |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Tomas Berdych | 9-2 | 5-0 | 1-0 | 3-1 | 0-1 |
| **Marin Cilic** | **4-1** | **1-0** | **0-0** | **2-0** | **1-1** |
| Juan Martin del Potro | 5-1 | 2-0 | 2-0 | 1-0 | 0-2 |
| Novak Djokovic | 6-11 | 1-4 | 1-1 | 1-3 | 3-3 |
| Nicolas Kiefer | 4-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 |
| David Nalbandian | 4-2 | 1-1 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 1-1 |
| Tommy Robredo | 5-1 | 2-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 1-1 |
| Jo-Wilfried Tsonga | 4-2 | 3-0 | 0-1 | 0-1 | 1-0 |
| Stan Wawrinka | 6-1 | 2-0 | 3-1 | 1-0 | 1-0 |
| Mikhail Youzhny | 5-0 | 1-0 | 1-0 | 2-0 | 1-0 |

Two of Federer and Cilic's previous matches have gone to 5 sets, with Federer recovering from 0-2 down to win in 5 sets in the quarterfinals at 2016 Wimbledon, and also winning in 5 sets in the final at the 2018 Australian Open.

Federer jointly holds the record for most successful comebacks from 0-2 down, having achieved the feat on 10 occasions – Boris Becker, Francois Jauffret and Andy Murray have also each recorded 10 successful comebacks from 0-2 down. Among active players, Cilic is in joint-3rd place on the list behind Federer and Murray – he has recorded 8 successful comebacks from 0-2 down, level with Fabio Fognini.

Cilic and Federer are 2 of the 10 players to have recorded 30 or more victories in 5-set matches. Cilic is in joint-3rd place on the list for most victories in 5-set matches, while Federer is in joint-6th place on the list. (see table overleaf)

**Most 5-set matches won (all-time)**

| Player | 5-set match win-loss |
|---|---|
| Ivan Lendl | 36-22 |
| Ilie Nastase | 35-19 |
| **Marin Cilic** | **33-17** |
| Novak Djokovic | 33-10 |
| Pete Sampras | 33-15 |
| Boris Becker | 32-15 |
| **Roger Federer** | **32-23** |
| Lleyton Hewitt | 32-25 |
| Nicolas Lapentti | 30-16 |
| Yannick Noah | 30-20 |

Federer and Cilic are also both in the top 5 on the list for most 5-set matches won at the Grand Slams. Federer is level with Novak Djokovic in first place on the list, while Cilic is in 4th place.

**Most 5-set matches won at the Grand Slams (all-time)**

| Player | 5-set match win-loss |
|---|---|
| Novak Djokovic | 30-9 |
| **Roger Federer** | **30-17** |
| Pete Sampras | 29-9 |
| **Marin Cilic** | **27-12** |
| Lleyton Hewitt | 26-19 |

| **FEDERER** | **v** | **CILIC** |
|---|---|---|
| 39 | **Age** | 32 |
| 8 | **ATP Ranking** | 47 |
| 103 | **Titles** | 18 |
| 363-59 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 125-50 |
| 71-17 | **Roland Garros Record** | 26-14 |
| 1244-273 | **Career Record** | 524-292 |
| 224-71 | **Career Record - Clay** | 129-80 |
| 2-2 | **2021 Record** | 10-9 |
| 1-1 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 5-4 |
| 32-23 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 33-17 |
| 10 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 8 |
| 461-244 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 209-187 |
| 1-0 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 3-7 |

- 2009 champion **FEDERER** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 16th time.
- Federer advanced to the 2nd round after defeating qualifier Denis Istomin 62 64 63 in the 1st round on Monday.
- Federer **missed Roland Garros last year** due to a knee injury. On his last appearance here, in 2019, he reached the semifinals (l. Rafael Nadal). He is making just his 2nd appearance at Roland Garros since 2015 – he withdrew from the event in 2016 due to a back injury, ending his streak of 65 consecutive appearances at the Grand Slams, and missed the whole clay court seasons in 2017 and 2018 in order to focus on the grass court season.
- Federer has **not lost in the 1st round at a Grand Slam** since he fell to Luis Horna in the 1st round here in 2003. He has fallen in the 1st round here on 2 other occasions – in 1999 (l. Olivier Delaitre) and 2002 (l. Hicham Arazi).
- Federer's **best Roland Garros performance** is winning the title in 2009, defeating Robin Soderling in straight sets in the final. He became the 6th man in history to win the titles at all 4 Grand Slam events. He has also finished runner-up here on 4 occasions – in 2006-08 and 2011, losing to Nadal on each occasion.
- Federer is bidding to win a 2nd Roland Garros title 12 years after his first in 2009 and set the **record for longest gap between winning a 2nd title at a Grand Slam event in the Open Era**. Jimmy Connors currently holds the record with 8 years between his first and 2nd titles at Wimbledon, having won his first Wimbledon title in 1974 and his 2nd Wimbledon title in 1982.
- Federer is also bidding to become the **first man in the Open Era – and only the 3rd man in history – to win each of the 4 Grand Slam titles twice**. Roy Emerson and Laver are the only players to have won each Grand

Slam on 2 or more occasions. (NB While Laver completed the feat in 1969, some of the titles were won before the start of the Open Era)

- Federer is bidding to win his **21st Grand Slam title** and reclaim sole ownership of the all-time record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles, ahead of Nadal. Nadal equalled Federer's mark of 20 Grand Slam titles by winning the title here last year. It was also the first time in their rivalry that Federer and Nadal had won an equal number of Grand Slam titles.

- Federer is also bidding to close the gap on Steffi Graf in 3rd place on the list for **most Grand Slam singles titles**. Margaret Court (24 major titles), Serena Williams (23) and Graf (22) are the only players to have won more Grand Slam singles titles than Federer or Nadal.

- At 39 years 309 days Federer is looking to become the 3rd man to **win 5 Grand Slam titles after turning 30**. Since turning 30 on 8 August 2011, Federer has won 4 Grand Slam titles – at Wimbledon in 2012 and 2017, and at the Australian Open in 2017 and 2018. Novak Djokovic and Nadal have both won 6 major titles since turning 30. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

- Federer is also bidding to become the **first player aged 38 or older to win a Grand Slam men's singles title in the Open Era**. Ken Rosewall is the oldest winner of a Grand Slam men's singles title in the Open Era – he won the title at the 1972 Australian Open aged 37 years 62 days.

- Federer is the **oldest player in the men's singles draw at Roland Garros this year**. He is 21 years 270 days older than Carlos Alcaraz (18 years 39 days), who is the youngest player in the men's draw this year.

- Federer is playing in his **80th Grand Slam** event at this year's Roland Garros. He holds the all-time record for most Grand Slams contested. This is his 19th appearance at Roland Garros, equalling Nicola Pietrangeli in 4th place on the all-time list for most appearances here.

- Federer is contesting his **5th match of the 2021 season**. His only appearances so far this season came at Dubai and Geneva – he reached the quarterfinals after receiving a bye through the 1st round at Dubai (d. Daniel Evans, l. Nikoloz Basilashvili), but lost his opening match on clay at Geneva (l. Pablo Andujar).

- Federer **did not compete during the 2020 season** after reaching the semifinals at the Australian Open, where he fell to Novak Djokovic. He underwent 2 right knee surgeries in 2020, and returned to action at Dubai this year.

- Federer has won 6 of the 7 **five-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros. His only defeat in a 5-set match here came against Ernests Gulbis in the round of 16 here in 2014. He has a 32-23 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Federer is coached by Ivan Ljubicic, who reached the semifinals here in 2006, and Severin Luthi.

- **CILIC** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 9th time. This is his 15th Roland Garros appearance and his 53rd Grand Slam appearance overall.

- Cilic advanced to the 2nd round after defeating wild card Arthur Rinderknech 76(6) 61 62 in the 1st round on Monday.

- **Last year here,** Cilic fell to Dominic Thiem in straight sets in the 1st round. He has lost in the 1st round here on 3 other occasions – on his debut in 2007 (l. Thierry Ascione), and in 2011 (l. Ruben Ramirez Hidalgo) and 2016 (l. Marco Trungelliti).

- Cilic's **best Roland Garros result** is reaching the quarterfinals in both 2017 (l. Stan Wawrinka) and 2018 (l. Juan Martin del Potro). Cilic **won his only major title to date** at the 2014 US Open, defeating Kei Nishikori in the final. He was the first Croatian to win a Grand Slam title since Goran Ivanisevic at 2001 Wimbledon. He also reached the final at 2017 Wimbledon and the 2018 Australian Open, falling to Federer on both occasions.

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Cilic fell to Grigor Dimitrov in straight sets in the 1st round at the Australian Open.

- Cilic's **best results in 2021** are reaching the semifinals on hard courts at Singapore (l. Alexander Bublik) and on clay at Estoril (l. Cameron Norrie). He also reached the round of 16 on hard courts at Miami-1000 (l. Andrey Rublev).

- **Also on clay this year**, Cilic reached the 2nd round at Rome-1000 (d. Bublik, l. Stefanos Tsitsipas), but fell in the 1st round at both Monte Carlo-1000 (l. David Goffin) and Geneva (l. Dominic Stricker).

- Cilic has won 2 of the 3 **five-set matches** he has played at Roland Garros – recording 5-set victories against Leonardo Mayer in the 3rd round in 2010 and Fabio Fognini in the round of 16 in 2018, but falling to Dimitrov in 5 sets in the 1st round in 2019. He has a 33-17 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Cilic reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in January 2018 following his runner-up finish at the Australian Open. He plays here at No. 47 – his lowest ranking since October 2013 when he was also ranked at No. 47.

- Cilic has won **18 career titles** including 2 on clay – at 2012 Umag (d. Marcel Granollers) and 2017 Istanbul (d. Raonic).

- Cilic won the **Roland Garros boys' singles title** in 2005 (d. Anton van der Duim) and finished that year at No. 2 in the ITF Junior rankings behind Donald Young, having reached the quarterfinals at the other 3 Grand Slams. He is one of 8 Roland Garros junior singles champions to begin the men's draw here this year.

- Cilic became a **Davis Cup** champion after leading Croatia to the title in 2018. He won 6 of the 7 matches he contested during 2018 and defeated Lucas Pouille in the 4th match of the Final to seal Croatia's 2nd Davis Cup title. He has a 39-17 win-loss record in the competition and won both his singles matches in Croatia's victory over India in the 2020 Davis Cup Qualifiers. Croatia will compete alongside Australia and Hungary in Group D at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Cilic is coached by Vedran Martic and Vilim Visak.

# NO. 9 MATTEO BERRETTINI (ITA) v FEDERICO CORIA (ARG)

### Tour-level head-to-head: Berrettini leads 1-0

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2017 | San Benedetto Challenger (ITA) | Clay (O) | SF | Berrettini | 62 64 |
| 2020 | Rome-1000 | Clay (O) | R32 | Berrettini | 75 61 |

A 2nd meeting for Berrettini and Coria at Tour-level, and their first at a Grand Slam. Both of their previous meetings, at all levels, came on clay, with Berrettini winning in straight sets on both occasions.

Berrettini has lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 94 Coria on 2 occasions – falling to No. 100 Tennys Sandgren in the 2nd round at the Australian Open last year and to No. 186 Daniel Altmaier in the 3rd round here last year.

| BERRETTINI | v | CORIA |
|---|---|---|
| 25 | **Age** | 29 |
| 9 | **ATP Ranking** | 94 |
| 4 | **Titles** | 0 |
| 22-11 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 4-3 |
| 6-3 | **Roland Garros Record** | 3-1 |
| 90-56 | **Career Record** | 16-20 |
| 39-17 | **Career Record - Clay** | 14-14 |
| 19-5 | **2021 Record** | 9-10 |
| 11-3 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 8-7 |
| 3-1 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 1-0 |
| 1 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 1 |
| 44-37 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 10-3 |
| 7-3 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 4-2 |

- **BERRETTINI** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 3rd time and equal his best Roland Garros performance. This is his 4th Roland Garros appearance and his 13th Grand Slam overall.

- Berrettini advanced to the 2nd round after defeating qualifier Taro Daniel 60 64 46 64 in the 1st round here on Tuesday.

- Berrettini is one of the 7 Italian men through to the 2nd round here – an **Open Era record for most Italian men in the 2nd round at a Grand Slam**, and the most since 1955, when 7 Italian men also reached the 2nd round at Roland Garros. The previous Open Era record for most Italian men in the 2nd round at a Grand Slam was 6 – at 2018 Wimbledon and at Roland Garros last year. The Open Era record for most Italian men to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam was set at Roland Garros last year, when 5 Italian players reached the 3rd round of the men's singles.

- Last year here, Berrettini equalled his **best Roland Garros performance** by reaching the 3rd round. As No. 7 seed, he defeated Vasek Pospisil and Lloyd Harris before falling to qualifier Daniel Altmaier. He also reached the 3rd round on his debut here in 2018 (l. Dominic Thiem).

- Berrettini's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the semifinals at the 2019 US Open (l. Rafael Nadal), where he became the 4th Italian man in the Open Era to reach a Grand Slam semifinal – after Adriano Panatta (1973, 1975, 1976 Roland Garros), Corrado Barazzutti (1977 US Open, 1978 Roland Garros) and Marco Cecchinato (2018 Roland Garros).

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Berrettini reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open. He defeated Kevin Anderson, Tomas Machac and Karen Khachanov before giving a walkover to Stefanos Tsitsipas due to an abdominal injury.

- Berrettini's **best result in 2021** is winning the title at Belgrade I in April, defeating Aslan Karatsev in the final. He also reached his first Masters-1000 final, finishing runner-up at Madrid-1000 (l. Alexander Zverev), but fell in the 3rd round at Rome-1000 (l. Tsitsipas) and lost his opening match at Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Alejandro Davidovich Fokina).

- **Also in 2021**, Berrettini reached the quarterfinals at Antalya (l. Alexander Bublik) and won 3 of the 4 singles matches he contested as Italy reached the final at the ATP Cup, falling to Russia's Daniil Medvedev in the final.

- Berrettini's has won the 3 of the 4 **five-set matches** he has contested, with his only defeat in a 5-set match coming against Tennys Sandgren in the 2nd round at the 2020 Australian Open. He has never contested a 5-set match at Roland Garros.

- Berrettini has won **4 Tour-level singles titles**, 3 of which have come on clay. In addition to his victory at Belgrade I this year, he also won the titles on clay at 2018 Gstaad (d. Roberto Bautista Agut) and 2019 Budapest (d. Filip Krajinovic), and on grass at 2019 Stuttgart (d. Felix Auger-Aliassime).

- Berrettini reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 8 in November 2019, becoming the highest-ranked Italian man since No. 8 Barazzutti in 1978. He plays here one place lower at No. 9.

- Berrettini made his **Davis Cup** debut in February 2019 during Italy's victory against India in the Qualifiers. He also competed in the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, losing both singles matches he contested, falling to Denis Shapovalov and Taylor Fritz. He has a 2-3 overall win-loss record in the competition. Italy will compete alongside USA and Colombia in Group E at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Berrettini is coached by Vincenzo Santopadre, Marco Gulisano and Umberto Rianna.

- **CORIA** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 2nd time and equal his best Grand Slam performance. This is his 2nd Roland Garros appearance and his 4th Grand Slam overall.

- Coria advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Feliciano Lopez 63 76(4) 62 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- Last year here, on his Roland Garros debut, Coria recorded his **best Grand Slam performance** by reaching the 3rd round. He defeated Jason Jung and Benoit Paire before falling to Jannik Sinner.

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Coria fell to Milos Raonic in the 1st round at the Australian Open. He lost in the 2nd round on his only other Grand Slam main draw appearance at the 2020 US Open (d. Jung, l. Cameron Norrie).

- Coria's **best result in 2021** is reaching the semifinals at Cordoba, where he defeated Dominik Koepfer, Francisco Cerundolo and Benoit Paire before falling to Juan Manuel Cerundolo. He also reached the quarterfinals at Belgrade II (l. Novak Djokovic).

- **Elsewhere on clay this year**, Coria reached the 2nd round at Munich (d. Cedrik-Marcel Stebe, l. Norbert Gombos) and Santiago (d. Gianluca Mager, l. Juan Pablo Varillas), but lost in the 1st round at Buenos Aires (l. Francisco Cerundolo), Sardinia (l. John Millman) and Belgrade I (l. Nikola Milojevic), and failed to qualify at Monte Carlo-1000 and Madrid-1000.

- **At Challenger-level this year**, Coria's best result is reaching the quarterfinals on clay at Concepcion (CHI) (l. Alejandro Tabilo). He also reached the 2nd round at 2 other clay court Challenger events – at Zagreb (CRO) (d. Mohamed Safwat, l. Juan Manuel Cerundolo) and Oeiras III (POR) (d. Alex Molcan, l. Gastao Elias).

- Coria has **contested all but 23 of the matches he has played as a professional on clay**. Of the 1015 matches that Coria has contested as a professional, at all levels, 992 have come on clay. He has a 568-424 win-loss record at all levels on clay courts – compared to 6-17 on hard courts.

- Coria is bidding to **defeat a Top 10 opponent for the first time** on his 3rd attempt. He lost his 2 previous matches against Top 10 opposition, falling to No. 8 Berrettini in the 2nd round at 2020 Rome-1000 and to No. 1 Novak Djokovic in the quarterfinals at Belgrade this year. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 26 Benoit Paire in the 2nd round here in 2020.

- Coria reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 83 in March 2021. He plays here at No. 94.

- Coria's brother, Guillermo, is a former world No. 3 who reached the final here in 2004, falling to Gaston Gaudio.

- Coria is coached by Andres Schneiter.

# NO. 10 DIEGO SCHWARTZMAN (ARG) v ALJAZ BEDENE (SLO)

### Tour-level head-to-head: Bedene leads 2-1

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|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| 2013 | Banja Luka Challenger (BIH) | Clay (O) | FR | Bedene | 63 64 |
| 2014 | Rio de Janeiro Qualifying Draw | Clay (O) | QF | Bedene | 76(5) 61 |
| 2015 | Nottingham | Grass (O) | R64 | Bedene | 61 67(5) 62 |
| 2018 | Buenos Aires | Clay (O) | QF | Bedene | 64 64 |
| 2019 | Buenos Aires | Clay (O) | R16 | Schwartzman | 64 26 62 |

A 4th Tour-level meeting for Schwartzman and Bedene, their 3rd on clay, but their first at a Grand Slam. The pair are tied 1-1 in their previous Tour-level matches on clay, but Schwartzman won their most-recent meeting, in the 2nd round at 2019 Buenos Aires – his first victory against Bedene at any level.

Schwartzman has lost a Roland Garros match to a player ranked as low as No. 56 Bedene on one occasion – in 2019, when he fell to No. 68 Leonardo Mayer in the 2nd round.

| SCHWARTZMAN | v | BEDENE |
|---|---|---|
| 28 | **Age** | 31 |
| 10 | **ATP Ranking** | 56 |
| 4 | **Titles** | 0 |
| 40-26 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 14-30 |
| 15-7 | **Roland Garros Record** | 6-7 |
| 181-153 | **Career Record** | 134-145 |
| 91-68 | **Career Record - Clay** | 60-57 |
| 13-10 | **2021 Record** | 13-10 |
| 8-6 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 7-5 |
| 6-5 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 5-3 |
| 1 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 1 |
| 48-57 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 67-64 |
| 1-1 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 9-5 |

- **SCHWARTZMAN** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 4th time. This is his 8th Roland Garros appearance and his 27th Grand Slam overall.
- Scwartzman advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Yen-Hsun Lu 62 62 63 in the 1st round on Tuesday.
- **Last year here**, Schwartzman recorded his best Grand Slam performance by reaching the semifinals, falling to eventual champion Rafael Nadal in straight sets.
- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Schwartzman reached the 3rd round at the Australian Open, defeating Elias Ymer and Alexandre Muller before falling to qualifier Aslan Karatsev in straight sets.
- Schwartzman's **best result in 2021** is winning the title on clay at Buenos Aires (d. Francisco Cerundolo), becoming the first Argentinian champion at the event since David Nalbandian in 2008. It was also his first Tour-level title on home soil.
- Schwartzman's **other highlights this year** are reaching the quarterfinals on clay at both Cordoba (l. Albert Ramos-Vinolas) and Barcelona (l. Pablo Carreno Busta), and the round of 16 on hard courts at Miami-1000 (l. Sebastian Korda).
- Schwartzman has won one of the last 3 **five-set matches** he has contested, with his only victory in a 5-set match in that time coming against Dominic Thiem in the quarterfinals here last year. He has a 4-2 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and a 6-5 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Schwartzman **broke the Top 10 for the first time** after reaching the semifinals here in October last year, rising to a career-high ranking of No. 8. He plays here 2 places lower at No. 10.
- Schwartzman has won **4 Tour-level singles** titles, 3 of which have come on clay. In addition to his victory at Buenos Aires this year, he also won the titles on clay at 2016 Istanbul (d. Grigor Dimitrov) and 2018 Rio de Janeiro in 2018 (d. Fernando Verdasco), and on hard courts at 2019 Los Cabos (d. Taylor Fritz).

- Schwartzman has played **Davis Cup** for Argentina since 2015 and has a 5-6 overall win-loss record in the competition. He won one of the 3 matches he contested as Argentina reached the quarterfinals at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid. Argentina will next play at home to Belarus in a World Group I tie in September 2021.

- Schwartzman is coached by former world No. 15 Juan Ignacio Chela and Leonardo Olguin.

- **BEDENE** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 3rd time and equal his best Grand Slam result. This is his 8th appearance at Roland Garros and his 31st Grand Slam overall.

- Bedene advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Adrian Mannarino 75 36 75 62 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- Last year here, Bedene equalled his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the 3rd round. He defeated Arthur Rinderknech and Nikola Milojevic before retiring due to a hamstring injury while trailing Stefanos Tsitsipas 61 62 3-1 in the 3rd round. He has also reached the 3rd round at a Grand Slam on 3 other occasions – at 2016 Roland Garros (l. Novak Djokovic) and at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Gilles Muller) and at the 2019 US Open (l. Alexander Zverev).

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Bedene fell in the 1st round at the Australian Open (l. Alexander Bublik).

- Bedene's **best results in 2021** are reaching the quarterfinals on clay at both Sardinia (l. Taylor Fritz) and Lyon (l. Lorenzo Musetti). He also reached the 3rd round on hard courts at both the Great Ocean Road Open in Melbourne (l. Jannik Sinner) and Dubai (l. Kei Nishikori).

- **Also on clay in 2021**, Bedene reached the 2nd round at Belgrade I (d. Sebastian Korda, l. Aslan Karatsev) and Parma (d. Salvatore Caruso, l. Marco Cecchinato), but fell in the 1st round as a lucky loser at Rome-1000 (l. Jan-Lennard Struff).

- Bedene is bidding to **defeat a Top 10 player at a Grand Slam for the first time** on his 9th attempt. The highest-ranked player he has defeated at a Grand Slam is No. 23 Ivo Karlovic in the 1st round at 2017 Wimbledon. He has a 2-22 win-loss record against Top 10 opposition at Tour-level overall.

- Bedene won the only **5-set match** he has contested at Roland Garros, defeating Pablo Carreno Busta in 5 sets in the 2nd round here in 2016. He has a 5-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Bedene reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 43 in February 2018. He plays here at No. 56.

- Bedene has played **Davis Cup** for Slovenia since 2010 and has a 9-3 win-loss record in the competition. Slovenia will next play Paraguay in a World Group II tie in September this year.

- Bedene was a member of the 18-and-under international touring team in North America in 2007, funded by the Grand Slam Development Fund.

- Bedene is coached by his twin brother, Andraz Bedene, and Miha Mlakar.

## NO. 14 GAEL MONFILS (FRA) v MIKAEL YMER (SWE)

### Head-to-head: first meeting

Monfils has lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 105 Ymer on 3 occasions – falling to No. 105 Igor Kunitsyn in the 1st round at 2006 Wimbledon, No. 105 Juan Carlos Ferrero in the 2nd round at the 2011 US Open and No. 120 Illya Marchenko in the 1st round at the 2015 US Open. The lowest-ranked player to have defeated Monfils at Roland Garros is No. 92 Fabio Fognini in the 2nd round in 2010.

Ymer is facing a French player at Roland Garros for the first time. He has won of the 3 matches he has played against French players at Tour-level overall, defeating Richard Gasquet in the 1st round at 2020 Marseille, but falling to Adrian Mannarino in the 1st round at the Murray River Open in Melbourne and to Arthur Rinderknech in the 1st round at Lyon this year.

| MONFILS | v | YMER |
|---|---|---|
| 34 | **Age** | 22 |
| 15 | **ATP Ranking** | 105 |
| 10 | **Titles** | 0 |
| 111-54 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 5-5 |
| 37-14 | **Roland Garros Record** | 2-2 |
| 495-286 | **Career Record** | 25-33 |
| 131-88 | **Career Record - Clay** | 6-11 |
| 2-5 | **2021 Record** | 5-6 |
| 2-3 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 1-2 |
| 17-17 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 4-1 |
| 2 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 0 |
| 197-147 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 6-11 |
| 1-2 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 2-1 |

- **MONFILS** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 12th time. This is his 15th appearance at Roland Garros and his 55th Grand Slam overall.

- Monfils advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Albert Ramos-Vinolas 16 76(6) 64 64 in the 1st round here on Tuesday.

- Gasquet is one of 3 Frenchmen to reach the 2nd round here from the 18 who began the main draw at this year's Roland Garros – it is the **lowest number of Frenchmen to reach the 2nd round at Roland Garros in the Open Era**. Should both Monfils and Richard Gasquet, who also plays his 2nd round match today, lose today it would be the first time in the Open Era that no Frenchmen have reached the 3rd round here. Should only one of Monfils or Gasquet win today, it would be the 5th time in the Open Era that only one Frenchman has reached the 3rd round here.

- **Last year here**, Monfils fell to Alexander Bublik in 4 sets in the 1st round. It was only the 2nd time he had lost in the 1st round here – the only other occasion where he lost his opening match here was on his Roland Garros debut as a wild card in 2005, when he fell to Guillermo Canas.

- Monfils' **best performance here – and at a Grand Slam** – is a semifinal finish in 2008 when, ranked No. 59, he lost to Roger Federer. He also reached the last 4 at the 2016 US Open (l. Novak Djokovic).

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Monfils fell to Emil Ruusuvuori in 5 sets in the 1st round at the Australian Open. It was the first time that he has fallen in the 1st round at back-to-back Grand Slam events since 2005-06, when he fell to Djokovic in the 1st round at the 2005 US Open and to Luis Horna in the 1st round at the 2006 Australian Open.

- Monfils is bidding to record his 112th Grand Slam match-win today. He is in **2nd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam match-wins by a Frenchman**. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (121 Grand Slam match-wins) is the only Frenchman to have recorded more Grand Slam match-wins than Monfils.

- Monfils is bidding to record his **3rd Tour-level match-win since the Tour resumed following the hiatus between March and August last year**. Since returning to competition at Rome-1000 last September, his only match-wins have come in a 2nd round finish at Lyon this year (d. Thiago Seyboth Wild, l. Yoshihito Nishioka) and in the 1st round here on Tuesday. He has lost his opening match at the other 7 individual events he has contested since last September, and lost the only singles match he contested at the ATP Cup.

- **On clay in 2021**, in addition to his 2nd round finish at Lyon, Monfils lost his opening matches at both Rome-1000 (l. Lorenzo Sonego) and Belgrade II (l. Roberto Carballes Baena). He withdrew from Monte Carlo-1000 due to a calf injury.

- Monfils has won **10 Tour-level titles**. His first title, at 2005 Sopot, where he defeated Florian Mayer in the final, is the only Tour-level title he has won on clay.

- Monfils reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 6 in November 2016. He dropped out of the Top 10 after Roland Garros last year and plays here at No. 15, his lowest-ranking since he was ranked No. 15 in August 2019.

- Monfils has played 14 of the 34 **five-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros. He has a 10-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and a 17-17 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Monfils narrowly **missed out on achieving the Junior Grand Slam** in 2004 after winning the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon. His preparation for the junior US Open that year was hampered by a knee injury and he lost in the 3rd round to Viktor Troicki. He was named 2004 ITF Junior Boys' World Champion. Monfils is one of 8 former Roland Garros junior singles champions to start in the men's main draw.

- Monfils is coached by Gunter Bresnik and Richard Ruckelshausen.

- **YMER** is bidding to become the first Swedish man to reach the 3rd round at Roland Garros since Robin Soderling in 2011. This is his 3rd Roland Garros appearance and his 6th Grand Slam appearance overall.

- Ymer advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Roberto Carballes Baena 64 06 46 62 62 in the 1st round on Tuesday. It was the first **5-set match he has contested at Roland Garros** and improved his overall win-loss record in 5-set matches to 4-1.

- Ymer recorded his **best Grand Slam performance** by reaching the 3rd round at this year's Australian Open, where he became the first Swedish man to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam since Soderling at 2011 Wimbledon. He defeated Hubert Hurkacz and Carlos Alcaraz before falling to Stefanos Tsitsipas.

- Ymer is bidding to record his **2nd Tour-level match-win on clay in 2021**. Prior coming here, he fell in the 1st round at both Tour-level clay court events he has contested this season – as a qualifier at both Lyon (l. Arthur Rinderknech) and Parma (l. Jaume Munar). He fell in the 1st round of qualifying at Barcelona (l. Holger Vitus Nodskov Rune).

- Ymer is bidding to **record back-to-back match-wins at Tour-level for the 3rd time this season**. He recorded back-to-back match-wins in 3rd round finishes at both the Australian Open and Miami-1000, where he defeated Alejandro Tabilo and Nikoloz Basilashvili before falling to Emil Ruusuvuori.

- Ymer is bidding to **defeat a Top 20 player for the first time** on his 7th attempt. He has lost all 6 of his previous matches against Top 20 players, 4 of which have come at the Grand Slams. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 30 Hurkacz in the 1st round at the Australian Open this year.

- Ymer broke the Top 100 for the first time in September 2019 and reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 67 in March last year. He plays here at No. 105.

- By defeating Carballes Baena in 5 sets in the 1st round here, Ymer won the only **5-set match he has contested at Roland Garros** and improved his overall win-loss record in 5-set matches to 4-1.

- Ymer's **older brother, Elias**, contested qualifying here this year, falling in the 1st qualifying round to Joao Menezes.

- Ymer has **won one Tour-level doubles title**. In 2016, he and brother Elias won the title as a wild card team at Stockholm (d. Mate Pavic/Michael Venus), becoming the first Swedish pair to win the Stockholm title since Nicklas Kulti/Mikael Tillstrom in 1998.

- Ymer had a **successful junior career**. He reached a career-high junior ranking of No. 3 and reached the final of the boys' singles at 2015 Wimbledon (l. Reilly Opelka) and the quarterfinals of the boys' singles at the US Open in 2014 (l. Jan Choinski) and 2015 (l. Chung Yunseong). He reached the 2nd round on his only appearance in the boys' singles here – in 2015 (d. Clement Larriere, l. Opelka)

- Ymer has played **Davis Cup** for Sweden since 2015 and has a 11-4 win-loss in the competition. He won both singles matches he contested in Sweden's victory over Chile in the Davis Cup Qualifiers last year. Sweden will compete alongside Canada and Kazakhstan in Group B at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Ymer is coached by Frederik Nielsen and Kalle Norberg.

# NO. 18 JANNIK SINNER (ITA) v GIANLUCA MAGER (ITA)

## Head-to-head: first meeting

This is the 9th all-Italian men's singles match at Roland Garros in the Open Era – and the first since Fabio Fognini defeated Andreas Seppi in the 1st round here in 2019. It is the 18th all-Italian men's singles match at the Grand Slams in the Open Era – and the 2nd this year, after Fognini defeated Salvatore Caruso in the 2nd round at the Australian Open in February.

Sinner and Mager are 2 of the 7 Italian men through to the 2nd round here – an Open Era record for most Italian men in the 2nd round at a Grand Slam, and the most since 1955, when 7 Italian men also reached the 2nd round at Roland Garros. The previous Open Era record for most Italian men in the 2nd round at a Grand Slam was 6 – at 2018 Wimbledon and at Roland Garros last year.

The Open Era record for most Italian men to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam was set at Roland Garros last year, when 5 Italian players reached the 3rd round of the men's singles.

Sinner is facing an Italian player at Tour-level for the 2nd time. He defeated Stefano Travaglia in the final at the Great Ocean Road Open in Melbourne this year in his only previous Tour-level match against an Italian player.

Mager is facing an Italian player at Tour-level for the 5th time. He has a 1-3 win-loss record against Italian players at Tour-level with his only victory coming against Salvatore Caruso in the 1st round at Buenos Aires this year.

| SINNER | v | MAGER |
|---|---|---|
| 19 | **Age** | 26 |
| 19 | **ATP Ranking** | 87 |
| 3 | **Titles** | 0 |
| 6-5 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 1-3 |
| 5-1 | **Roland Garros Record** | 1-1 |
| 52-31 | **Career Record** | 14-18 |
| 18-12 | **Career Record - Clay** | 11-13 |
| 22-10 | **2021 Record** | 8-10 |
| 8-5 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 6-7 |
| 1-2 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 0-1 |
| 0 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 0 |
| 19-17 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 11-9 |
| 13-5 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 3-4 |

- **SINNER** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 2nd time. This is his 2nd Roland Garros appearance and his 6th Grand Slam overall.

- Sinner advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Pierre-Hugues Herbert 61 46 67(4) 75 64 in the 1st round on Monday. It was his **first victory in a 5-set match**. He saved one match point at 4-5 in the 4th set.

- Last year here, on his Roland Garros debut, Sinner recorded his **best Grand Slam performance** by reaching the quarterfinals, falling to eventual champion Rafael Nadal in straight sets. Aged 19 years 56 days, he became youngest man to reach the quarterfinals here since Novak Djokovic (19 years 20 days) in 2006 and the youngest man to reach the quarterfinals at a Grand Slam since Bernard Tomic (18 years 255 days) at 2011 Wimbledon.

- Aged 19 years 301 days, Sinner is one of **3 teenagers to reach the 2nd round here**, alongside Carlos Alcaraz and Lorenzo Musetti, from the 4 who started this year's Roland Garros men's singles main draw. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Sinner fell to Denis Shapovalov in 5 sets in the 1st round at the Australian Open. He lost both 5-set matches he had contested prior to coming here, having also fallen to Karen Khachanov in 5 sets in the 1st round at the US Open last year.

- Sinner's **best result in 2021** is winning his 2nd Tour-level title at the Great Ocean Road Open in Melbourne (d. Stefano Travaglia). He won his first Tour-level title at Sofia in November last year (d. Vasek Pospisil). He also won the 2019 NextGen ATP Finals as a wild card, defeating Alex de Minaur in the final.

- Sinner reached his **first Masters-1000 final** earlier this year, falling to Hubert Hurkacz in the title match at Miami-1000. He also reached the semifinals on clay at Barcelona (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and the quarterfinals on hard courts at both Marseille (l. Daniil Medvedev) and Dubai (l. Aslan Karatsev).

- **Also on clay this year**, Sinner reached the 2nd round at Madrid-1000 (d. Guido Pella, l. Alexei Popyrin), Rome-1000 (d. Ugo Humbert, l. Nadal) and Lyon (d. Karatsev, l. Arthur Rinderknech).

- Sinner **broke the Top 20 for the first time** in April this year reached a career-high ranking of No. 17 in May. He plays here 2 places lower at No. 19.

- Sinner reached a **career-high junior ranking of No. 133** and did not contest the boys' singles events at any of the Grand Slam tournaments. His best result as a junior was reaching the quarterfinals as a wild card at the Grade A Trofeo Bonfiglio event in Milan in 2018 (l. Naoki Tajima).

- Sinner is coached by Riccardo Piatti and Andrea Volpini.

- **MAGER** is bidding to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam for the first time. This is his 2nd Roland Garros appearance and his 4th Grand Slam overall.

- Mager advanced to the 2nd round after defeating lucky loser 62 36 64 75 in the 1st round on Monday for his **first Grand Slam match-win**.

- **Last year here**, on his Roland Garros debut, Mager fell to Dusan Lajovic in the 1st round. He had lost in the 1st round on all 3 of his Grand Slam main draw appearances prior to coming here this year – on his Grand Slam debut at the 2020 US Open (l. Miomir Kecmanovic) and the Australian Open this year (l. Aslan Karatsev).

- Mager's **best results in 2021** are reaching the quarterfinals on hard courts at Delray Beach (l. Christian Harrison) and on clay at Belgrade I (l. Karatsev).

- **Also on clay this year**, Mager reached the 2nd round at Buenos Aires (d. Salvatore Caruso, l. Pablo Andujar), Marbella (d. Mikhail Kukushkin, l. Casper Ruud) and as a wild card at Rome-1000 (d. Alex de Minaur, l. Lorenzo Sonego). He lost in the 1st round at Cordoba (l. Francisco Cerundolo), Santiago (l. Federico Coria) and Parma (l. Lorenzo Musetti), and failed to qualify at Monte Carlo-1000 and Madrid-1000.

- **At Challenger-level in 2021**, Mager won the title on clay at the Marbella Challenger (ESP) (d. Jaume Munar) and reached the quarterfinals on clay at the Zadar Challenger (CRO) (l. Lukas Klein).

- Mager **won his only previous match against a Top 20 player** – against No. 4 Dominic Thiem in the quarterfinals at 2020 Rio de Janeiro.

- Mager has reached **one Tour-level final** – as a qualifier on clay at 2020 Rio de Janeiro (l. Cristian Garin). He had recorded just 2 Tour-level singles match-wins prior to the tournament.

- Mager **broke the Top 100 for the first time** after reaching the final at Rio de Janeiro in February last year, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 77. He plays here 10 places lower at No. 87.

- Mager made his **Davis Cup** debut in March last year, defeating Nam Ji-Sung in Italy's victory over Korea, Republic in the Qualifiers. Italy will compete alongside USA and Colombia in Group E at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Mager is coached by his girlfriend, Valentine Confalonieri, and Matteo Civarolo.

# NO. 21 ALEX DE MINAUR (AUS) v MARCO CECCHINATO (ITA)

**Head-to-head: De Minaur leads 3-2**

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| **2018** | **Wimbledon** | **Grass (O)** | **R128** | **De Minaur** | **64 67(6) 76(5) 64** |
| 2019 | Rome-1000 | Clay (O) | R64 | Cecchinato | 46 63 61 |
| **2019** | **Wimbledon** | **Grass (O)** | **R128** | **De Minaur** | **60 64 76(5)** |
| 2019 | Cincinnati-1000 | Hard (O) | R64 | De Minaur | 67(5) 61 62 |
| **2020** | **Roland Garros** | **Clay (O)** | **R128** | **Cecchinato** | **76(9) 64 60** |

A 6th meeting for De Minaur and Cecchinato, and their 2nd meeting at Roland Garros, having contested a 1st round match here last year. De Minaur leads both the pair's overall head-to-head (3-2) and their Grand Slam head-to-head (2-1) – but Cecchinato has won both of their previous meetings on clay.

| DE MINAUR | v | CECCHINATO |
|---|---|---|
| 22 | **Age** | 28 |
| 22 | **ATP Ranking** | 83 |
| 4 | **Titles** | 3 |
| 19-14 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 8-15 |
| 2-4 | **Roland Garros Record** | 8-4 |
| 96-68 | **Career Record** | 58-97 |
| 6-15 | **Career Record - Clay** | 48-55 |
| 12-10 | **2021 Record** | 11-13 |
| 4-4 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 11-10 |
| 4-3 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 1-3 |
| 0 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 1 |
| 42-32 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 38-33 |
| 2-2 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 6-1 |

- **DE MINAUR** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the first time. This is his 5th Roland Garros appearance and his 15th Grand Slam overall.
- De Minaur advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Stefano Travaglia 62 64 76(4) in the 1st round on Tuesday.
- **Last year here**, De Minaur fell to Cecchinato in straight sets in the 1st round. He has lost in the 1st round on 3 of his previous 4 appearances here.
- De Minaur's **best Roland Garros performance** is reaching the 2nd round in 2019 (d. Bradley Klahn, l. Pablo Carreno Busta).
- De Minaur recorded his **best Grand Slam performance** by reaching the quarterfinals at the 2020 US Open, falling to eventual champion Dominic Thiem in straight sets.
- De Minaur's **best result in 2021** is winning his 4th Tour-level title at Antalya, winning the final when Alexander Bublik retired due to a right ankle injury. All 4 of his Tour-level titles have come on hard courts.
- **On clay in 2021**, De Minaur reached the 3rd round at Barcelona (after receiving a bye through the 1st round) (d. Bublik, l. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and Madrid-1000, where he defeated Jaume Munar and Lloyd Harris before falling to Thiem. He fell in the 1st round at Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Alejandro Davidovich Fokina) and Rome-1000 (l. Gianluca Mager).
- De Minaur has a 3-3 win-loss record in **5-set matches** at Tour-level, but has never contested a 5-set match at Roland Garros.
- De Minaur broke the Top 20 in October 2019 and reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 18 the same month. He plays here 4 places lower at No. 22.
- De Minaur was a **good junior**, reaching a career-high junior ranking of No. 2 in February 2016. He finished runner-up in the boys' singles event at 2016 Wimbledon (l. Denis Shapovalov). He reached the 2nd round on both of his appearances in the boys' singles here, in 2015 (l. Louis Wessels) and 2016 (l. Nicola Kuhn).
- De Minaur made his **Davis Cup** debut in 2018 and has a 4-3 win-loss record in the competition. Australia will compete alongside Croatia and Hungary in Group D at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- De Minaur is coached by Adolfo Gutierrez.

- **CECCHINATO** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 3rd time. This is his 5th Roland Garros appearance and his 16th Grand Slam overall.

- Cecchinato advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Yasutaka Uchiyama 36 61 62 64 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- Cecchinato is one of the 7 Italian men through to the 2nd round here – an **Open Era record for most Italian men in the 2nd round at a Grand Slam**, and the most since 1955, when 7 Italian men also reached the 2nd round at Roland Garros. The previous Open Era record for most Italian men in the 2nd round at a Grand Slam was 6 – at 2018 Wimbledon and at Roland Garros last year. The Open Era record for most Italian men to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam was set at Roland Garros last year, when 5 Italian players reached the 3rd round of the men's singles.

- **Last year here**, Cecchinato came through qualifying to reach the 3rd round of the main draw. He defeated De Minaur and Juan Ignacio Londero before falling to Alexander Zverev.

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Cecchinato fell to Mackenzie McDonald in the 1st round at the Australian Open. He has fallen in the 1st round on 13 of his previous 15 Grand Slam appearances

- Cecchinato's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the semifinals at here in 2018. He defeated No. 10 seed Pablo Carreno Busta, No. 8 seed David Goffin and No. 20 seed Djokovic before falling to No. 7 seed Dominic Thiem in the last 4. At No. 72 he was the lowest-ranked man to reach the semifinals at Roland Garros since No. 100 Andrei Medvedev in 1999.

- Cecchinato's **best result in 2021** is finishing runner-up as a wild card at Parma last week (l. Sebastian Korda).

- **Also on clay this year**, Cecchinato reached the 2nd round at Cordoba (d. Hugo Dellien, l. Diego Schwartzman), Sardinia (d. Thomas Fabbiano, l. Yannick Hanfmann), Monte Carlo-1000 (d. Dominik Koepfer, l. David Goffin), Belgrade I (d. Viktor Troicki, l. Matteo Berrettini), Estoril (d. Lloyd Harris, l. Ugo Humbert) and Lyon (d. Stefano Travaglia, l. Denis Shapovalov). All 11 of his Tour-level victories this season have come on clay.

- Clay is Cecchinato's **best surface**. Of his 58 Tour-level match-wins, 48 have come on clay – compared to 8 on hard courts and 2 on grass.

- Cecchinato has won one of the 2 **five-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros – defeating Marius Copil in 5 sets in the 1st round in 2018 but falling to Nicolas Mahut in the 1st round in 2019. He has a 1-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Cecchinato has **won 3 Tour-level titles**, all of which have come on clay – at 2018 Budapest (d. Budapest), 2018 Umag (d. Guido Pella) and 2019 Buenos Aires (d. Diego Schwartzman).

- Cecchinato broke the Top 20 for the first time in October 2018 and reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 16 in February 2019. He plays here at No. 83.

- Cecchinato is coached by Massimo Sartori.

# NO. 24 ASLAN KARATSEV (RUS) v PHILIPP KOHLSCHREIBER (GER)

### Head-to-head: Kohlschreiber leads 1-0

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| 2015 | Moscow | Hard (I) | R16 | Kohlschreiber | 76(3) 26 64 |

A 2nd meeting for Karatsev and Kohlschreiber – but their first in nearly 6 years. It is also their first meeting at a Grand Slam or on clay. Karatsev is now ranked 106 places higher than Kohlschreiber, but at the time of their previous meeting, in October 2014, Kohlschreiber (at No. 31) was ranked 166 places higher than Karatsev (at No. 197).

| KARATSEV | v | KOHLSCHREIBER |
|---|---|---|
| 27 | **Age** | 37 |
| 26 | **ATP Ranking** | 132 |
| 1 | **Titles** | 8 |
| 6-1 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 74-63 |
| 1-0 | **Roland Garros Record** | 15-16 |
| 25-18 | **Career Record** | 471-375 |
| 9-5 | **Career Record - Clay** | 176-136 |
| 22-8 | **2021 Record** | 1-1 |
| 9-5 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 1-1 |
| 1-0 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 16-14 |
| 1 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 2 |
| 5-5 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 190-188 |
| 3-3 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 1-0 |

- **KARATSEV** is bidding to reach the 3rd round on his Roland Garros debut. This is his 2nd Grand Slam appearance.

- Karatsev advanced to the 2nd round after defeating qualifier Jenson Brooksby 63 64 64 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- **Last year here**, Karatsev fell to Sebastian Korda in the final round of qualifying. It was the 3rd time he had attempted to qualify here, having also fallen in qualifying in 2015-16.

- As a qualifier at the Australian Open this year, Karatsev became the **first man in the Open Era to reach the semifinals on his Grand Slam debut**, falling to Novak Djokovic in the last 4. Ranked at No. 114, he also became the lowest-ranked man to reach the Australian Open semifinals since No. 114 Patrick McEnroe in 1991 and lowest-ranked man to reach the semifinals at a Grand Slam No. 125 Goran Ivanisevic at 2001 Wimbledon. He was also the first qualifier to reach a Grand Slam semifinal since Vladimir Voltchkov at 2000 Wimbledon, and the first to do so at the Australian Open since Bob Giltinan in December 1977.

- Karatsev **won his first Tour-level title** at Dubai this year, defeating Lloyd Harris in the final. He also reached the final on clay at Belgrade I in April (l. Matteo Berrettini) and was a member of the Russian team which won the ATP Cup title prior to the Australian Open.

- **Also on clay this season**, Karatsev reached the 3rd round at Madrid-1000 (l. Alexander Bublik) and Rome-1000 (l. Reilly Opelka), and the 2nd round at Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas), but fell to Jannik Sinner in the 1st round at Lyon.

- Karatsev has **recorded 22 of his 25 Tour-level match-wins during the 2021 season**. Prior to this year, he had a 3-10 win-loss record at Tour-level, with his only Tour-level victories coming in 2nd round finishes as a qualifier at 2015 Moscow (d. Mikhail Youzhny, l. Kohlschreiber), as a wild card at 2020 St Petersburg (d. Tennys Sandgren, l. Karen Khachanov) and as a qualifier at 2020 Sofia (d. Taro Daniel, l. Alex de Minaur).

- Karatsev won the only **5-set match** he has contested – he recovered from 0-2 down to defeat Felix Auger-Aliassime in 5 sets in the round of 16 at the Australian Open this year.

- Karatsev **broke the Top 50 for the first time** after reaching the semifinals at the Australian Open this year. He reached a career-high ranking of No. 25 in May and plays here one place lower at No. 26.

- Karatsev is coached by Yahor Yatsyk.

- **KOHLSCHREIBER** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 5th time – and for the first time since 2014. This is his 17th straight Roland Garros appearance and his 65th Grand Slam overall.

- Kohlschreiber advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Fernando Verdasco 76(3) 62 26 64 in the 1st round on Tuesday.

- **Last year here**, Kohlschreiber fell to Cristian Garin in 4 sets in the 1st round.

- Kohlschreiber's **best Roland Garros performance** is reaching the round of 16 on 2 occasions – in 2009 (l. Tommy Robredo) and 2013 (l. Novak Djokovic).

- Kohlschreiber broke through to his **first Grand Slam quarterfinal** at 2012 Wimbledon (l. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga). It was his 33rd Grand Slam appearance which put him in 4th place for the most Grand Slam appearances before reaching his first quarterfinal at the majors. It remains his best performance at the Grand Slams.

- Kohlschreiber's victory against Verdasco in the 1st round here this year **ended a 7-match Tour-level losing streak**. He had previously not won a match at Tour-level since reaching the 2nd round at 2020 Dubai (d. Mohamed Safwat, l. Djokovic). He lost the only match he has contested at Tour-level this year, falling to Dominik Koepfer in the 1st round as a wild card at Munich.

- **Also in 2021**, Kohlschreiber reached the quarterfinals at the Heilbronn Challenger (GER), defeating Maxime Janvier and Brandon Nakashima before falling to Daniel Elahi Galan, and the 2nd round at the Belgrade Challenger (SRB) (d. Maxime Cressy, l. Damir Dzumhur). He fell to Teymuraz Gabashvili in the 1st round of qualifying at Parma.

- Kohlschreiber has **struggled with hip injury in recent months**. He did not compete following his 1st round defeat here last year until making his return at the Belgrade Challenger in April. He missed the Australian Open for the first time since 2014.

- Kohlschreiber has lost his last 4 **five-set matches**. He has not recorded a 5-set match-win since defeating Lukas Rosol in Germany's Davis Cup World Group first round tie against Czech Republic. He has a 2-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and a 16-14 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Kohlschreiber has won **8 Tour-level singles titles** – 6 of which have come on clay. He is a 3-time champion at Munich (2007, 2012 and 2016), a 2-time champion at Kitzbuhel (2015 and 2017) and also won on clay at 2014 Dusseldorf.

- Kohlschreiber is a **former Top 20 player**. He reached a career-best ranking of No. 16 in July 2012. He dropped outside the Top 100 for the first time since February 2006 in February this year and plays here at No. 132. He entered the tournament using a protected ranking of No. 96.

- Kohlschreiber has played **Davis Cup** for Germany since 2007. He has a 24-17 win-loss record in the competition, but lost his most-recent match, falling to Egor Gerasimov in Germany's victory over Belarus in the Qualifiers last year. Germany will compete alongside Serbia and Austria in Group F at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.

- Kohlschreiber is coached by Markus Hipfl.

# NO. 28 NIKOLOZ BASILASHVILI (GEO) v (Q) CARLOS ALCARAZ (ESP)

## Head-to-head: first meeting

Basilashvili has won 4 of the 5 matches he has played against qualifiers at the Grand Slams, with his only defeat to a qualifier at a major coming against Dominik Koepfer in the 3rd round at the 2019 US Open. He has a 15-15 win-loss record against qualifiers at Tour-level overall.

Basilashvili has lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 97 Alcaraz on one occasion – to No. 118 Koepfer at the 2019 US Open. The lowest-ranked players to have defeated Basilashvili at Roland Garros are No. 84 Thanasai Kokkinakis in the 1st round in 2015 and No. 84 Thiago Monteiro in the 1st round last year.

| BASILASHVILI | v | ALCARAZ |
|---|---|---|
| 29 | **Age** | 18 |
| 31 | **ATP Ranking** | 97 |
| 5 | **Titles** | 0 |
| 17-21 | **Career Grand Slam Record** | 2-1 |
| 3-6 | **Roland Garros Record** | 1-0 |
| 115-124 | **Career Record** | 9-9 |
| 41-39 | **Career Record - Clay** | 6-5 |
| 15-13 | **2021 Record** | 8-8 |
| 8-6 | **2021 Record - Clay** | 5-4 |
| 6-1 | **Career Five-Set Record** | 0-0 |
| 1 | **Comebacks from 0-2 Down** | 0 |
| 53-38 | **Career Tiebreak Record** | 4-4 |
| 4-3 | **2021 Tiebreak Record** | 2-4 |

- **BASILASHVILI** is bidding to reach the 3rd round here for the 2nd time and equal his best Roland Garros performance. This is his 7th Roland Garros appearance and his 22nd Grand Slam overall.

- Basilashvili advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Dusan Lajovic 64 63 06 62 in the 1st round on Monday.

- Basilashvili's **best Roland Garros performance** is reaching the 3rd round in 2017, when he defeated Gilles Simon and Viktor Troicki before falling to Rafael Nadal. He has lost in the 1st round on his 5 other appearances here – including last year, when he fell to Thiago Monteiro in straight sets.

- Basilashvili's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the round of 16 at the 2018 US Open, where he defeated Aljaz Bedene, Jack Sock and Guido Pella before falling to Nadal. He is the only Georgian man to have reached at least the 2nd round at all 4 Grand Slams.

- Basilashvili is one of 6 players to have **won multiple Tour-level titles in 2021**. He won the titles on hard courts at Doha (d. Roberto Bautista Agut) and on clay at Munich (d. Jan-Lennard Struff).

- Basilashvili's **other highlights this year** are reaching the semifinals on clay at Sardinia (l. Laslo Djere) and on hard courts at Antalya (l. Alex de Minaur). He has lost his opening match at the other 9 events he has contested this year, 4 of which have been on clay – at Monte Carlo-1000, where he retired due to a left wrist injury while trailing Filip Krajinovic 61 2-0, and at Barcelona (l. Jeremy Chardy), Madrid-1000 (l. Benoit Paire) and Rome-1000 (l. Matteo Berrettini).

- Basilashvili has **won 5 Tour-level singles titles**. In addition to his 2 titles this year, he also won back-to-back titles on clay at Hamburg in 2018 (d. Leonardo Mayer) and 2019 (d. Andrey Rublev), and on hard courts at 2018 Beijing (d. Juan Martin del Potro).

- Basilashvili reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 16 in May 2019. He plays here at No. 31.

- Basilashvili was a member of the ITF/GSDF European 14 & under team in Europe in 2006, funded by the Grand Slam Development Fund.

- Basilashvili is currently without a permanent coach.

- Qualifier **ALCARAZ** is bidding to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam for the first time on his Roland Garros debut. This his 2nd Grand Slam appearance overall.

- Aged 18 years 39 days, Alcaraz is bidding to become the **youngest man to reach the 3rd round at Roland Garros** since Andrei Medvedev (17 years 281 days) in 1992. He would also become the youngest man to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam since Rafael Nadal (17 years 243 days) at the 2004 Australian Open. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

- Alcaraz reached the 2nd round here after defeating fellow qualifier Bernabe Zapata Miralles 63 26 61 76(4) in the 1st round on Monday.

- As No. 7 seed, Alcaraz defeated Lukas Lacko (SVK) 63 63, Andrea Pellegrino (ITA) 61 62 and Alejandro Tabilo (CHI) 61 61 in the 3 rounds of qualifying here. It was the **2nd time he has successfully qualified at a Grand Slam** on his 3rd attempt.

- By defeating Zapata Miralles to reach the 2nd round here, Alcaraz became the **youngest man to record a Roland Garros match-win** since Novak Djokovic (18 years 14 days) reached the 2nd round here in 2005.

- Alcaraz is **one of 3 teenagers to reach the 2nd round here**, alongside Lorenzo Musetti and Jannik Sinner, from the 4 who started this year's Roland Garros men's singles main draw. Alcaraz was the youngest man to begin the men's draw here this year.

- **Last year here**, Alcaraz fell to Aleksandar Vukic in the 1st round of qualifying. It was his first appearance in qualifying at a Grand Slam.

- Alcaraz made his **Grand Slam debut** as a qualifier at the Australian Open this year. He reached the 2nd round of the main draw (d. Botic van de Zandschulp, l. Mikael Ymer).

- Alcaraz's **best result in 2021** is reaching the semifinals as a wild card on clay at Marbella (l. Jaume Munar). He also reached the 3rd round on hard courts at the Great Ocean Road Open in Melbourne (l. Thiago Monteiro) and the 2nd round on clay at Madrid-1000 (d. Adrian Mannarino, l. Nadal). He fell in the 1st round as a wild card at Barcelona (l. Frances Tiafoe) and as a qualifier at Estoril (l. Marin Cilic).

- Also in 2021, Alcaraz won his **4th Challenger title** – on clay at Oeiras (POR) (d. Facundo Bagnis). He has won all 4 of his titles at Challenger-level at clay court events since play resumed following the hiatus between March and August last year.

- Alcaraz **broke the Top 100 for the first time** last week, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 94. He plays here 3 places lower at No. 97.

- Alcaraz **led Spain to victory at the 2018 Junior Davis Cup Finals** in Budapest, defeating Spain in the title match. He reached the quarterfinals of the boys' singles at 2019 Wimbledon (l. Martin Damm) and reached a career-high junior ranking of No. 22 in January last year. He fell in the 1st round on his only appearance in the boys' singles here, in 2019 (l. Toby Kodat).

- Alcaraz is coached by former world No. 1 Juan Carlos Ferrero, who won the title here in 2003.