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MIAMI OPEN PRESENTED BY ITAU TALKING POINTS

- Third round at the **Miami Open presented by Itau** continues on Monday, with the top half of the men's draw in action, highlighted by former champion and No. 1 seed **Carlos Alcaraz** taking on French veteran **Gael Monfils**. The Spaniard enters the match on a 7-match winning streak, aiming to stay on the path to becoming the first player since **Roger Federer** in 2017 to capture the "Sunshine Double".
- 2018 finalist **Alexander Zverev** meets No. 31 seed **Christopher Eubanks**, one of three Americans left in the draw. Eubanks came from qualifying in Miami last year to reach his 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF and make his Top 100 debut and will now attempt to equal the biggest win of his career in front of home crowd.
- The No. 3 American **Ben Shelton** faces No. 23 seed **Lorenzo Musetti** in their second **Lexus ATP Head2Head** meeting. Shelton aims to reach back-to-back R16 at ATP Masters 1000 events for the first time in his career, while Musetti attempts to join compatriots **Jannik Sinner** and **Matteo Arnaldi** in round of 16. It would mark just the fifth time 3 Italians are in R16 of ATP Masters 1000 event, first time on hard courts.

3+ Italians in ATP Masters 1000 Round of 16 (since the series began in 1990):

Tournament

2023 Monte-Carlo
2020 Rome
2019 Monte-Carlo
1992 Hamburg

Players

Berrettini, Musetti, Sinner
Berrettini, Musetti, Sinner, Travaglia
Cecchinato, Fognini, Sonogo
Caratti, Camporese, Furlan, Pescosolido

- Top 10 players, World No. 9 **Hubert Hurkacz** and No. 10 **Alex de Minaur**, aim to continue their solid starts to the event. Hurkacz meets No. 28 seed **Sebastian Korda** with the Polish No. 1 leading their head-to-head 3-1, while de Minaur takes on No. 24 seed **Jan-Lennard Struff**. Their H2H is tied at 2-2 with the lower-ranked German winning the last 2 matches, but meets de Minaur for the first time since the Aussie broke into Top 10.

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: MONDAY THIRD-ROUND SINGLES MATCHES

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[4] Alexander Zverev (GER) vs [31] Christopher Eubanks (USA) **Zverev Leads 1-0**
23 Geneva (Switzerland) Clay R16 Alexander Zverev 6-2 6-3

Alexander Zverev | Age: 26 | World No. 5 | Career-High No. 2 | 2024: 15-5 (2 SFs) | Miami: 14-8 (2018 Final)
> 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 21 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.
> Defeated Djokovic at 2017 Rome and Federer at 2017 Montreal for 1st and 2nd of his 5 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 (2021 Madrid QF).

NOTE: Zverev attempts to advance to Miami 4R for the fourth time in his career (2017 QF, 2018 final, 2022 QF) and make the round of 16 in 8th of 11 ATP Masters 1000 events since the start of 2023 season.

Christopher Eubanks | Age: 27 | World No. 32 | Career-High No. 29 | 2024: 4-5 (Miami 3R) | Miami: 5-3 (2023 QF)
 > Earned personal-best 21 wins and made his Top 100 debut at age 26 in 2023, peaking at No. 29 in July soon after reaching 1st Grand Slam QF at Wimbledon defeating No. 5 Tsitsipas for biggest win of career in 4R.
 > Broke into Top 100 by reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF as a Q at 2023 Miami in March and Top 50 by capturing 1st ATP Tour title at 2023 Mallorca (d. Mannarino) in June.
 > Defeated countrymen Fritz and Donaldson in his hometown for 1st ATP Tour wins en route to 2017 Atlanta QF as WC.
 > Beat then-No. 106 Auger-Aliassime en route to qualifying at 2019 Australian Open and Martinez for 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2022 US Open.
 > Played college tennis at Georgia Tech from 2015-17 and was a 2-time All-American and 2-time ACC Player of the Year.

NOTE: Eubanks is 1-6 vs. Top 10 players (0-4 on hard courts), defeating No. 5 Tsitsipas at 2023 Wimbledon for lone win. He aims to reach round of 16 at ATP Masters 1000 level for the second time after Miami last year and win consecutive matches at any event since 2023 Atlanta last July.

[1] Carlos Alcaraz (ESP) vs Gael Monfils (FRA)

22 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.) Hard R16 Carlos Alcaraz

Alcaraz Leads 1-0

7-5 6-1

Tennis Data Innovations Insights uses algorithmic software to process ball and player tracking data in real-time to calculate shot type, shot quality, situation, phase of play and tactic for every shot. Insights explained at <https://www.atptour.com/en/news/insights-introduction>.

Insight from their 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells 4R averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Gael Monfils	26%	48%	12%	7.8	6.2	7.0	6.6
Carlos Alcaraz	28%	88%	52%	8.2	7.4	9.4	7.0
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.6	7.2

It was a full house of Insights advantage to Alcaraz last time. The significant gap in forehand Shot Quality will be one to watch, Monfils hit 33% of his forehand through the middle of the court, in contrast Alcaraz hit just 17%. It was this superior use of the space on the court that allowed Alcaraz to dominate the Conversion Score and the Groundstroke Shot Qualities.

Carlos Alcaraz | Age: 20 | World No. 2 | Career-High No. 1 | 2024: 13-3 (Indian Wells Title) | Miami: 11-2 (2022 Title)
 > 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, then remaining atop rankings through end of season.
 > Became third Spanish man in Wimbledon history to win the singles title after Nadal (2008, 2010) and Santana (1966), defeating 7-time champion Djokovic in a 5-set battle for his 2nd Grand Slam title.
 > 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.
 > Became youngest ATP 500 champion at 2022 Rio de Janeiro (177 events since 2009) and 3rd-youngest ATP Masters 1000 champion at 2022 Miami (299 events since 1990).
 > 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.
 > Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2021 US Open, becoming youngest men's quarter-finalist at US Open since Koch, 18, in 1963 (Amateur Era) and at any Grand Slam since Chang, 18, at 1990 Roland Garros.

NOTE: Alcaraz comes into the match on a 7-match winning streak after capturing his 5th ATP Masters 1000 title in Indian Wells last week. He is 11-1 vs. Frenchmen on tour-level (l. to Gaston at 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Paris 3R).

Gael Monfils | Age: 37 | World No. 47 | Career-High No. 6 | 2024: 9-7 (Doha SF) | Miami: 15-11 (2016 QF)
 > Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 6 in 2016 and married former WTA No. 3 Elina Svitolina in 2021.
 > Owns 12 ATP Tour titles, including ATP 500s at 2016 Washington, 2019 Rotterdam and 2020 Rotterdam.
 > Reached at least 1 final in 19 straight seasons (2005-23), including ATP Masters 1000s at 2009 Paris, 2010 Paris and 2016 Monte Carlo.
 > Earned 550 career victories, highlighted by biggest wins over No. 1 Nadal at 2009 Doha and No. 1 Medvedev at

2022 Indian Wells, as well as career-long win streaks of 12 matches and 25 sets in 2020.

> Advanced to 2008 Roland Garros and 2016 US Open SFs after winning junior titles at Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2004.

NOTE: Monfils became the 2nd French player in Open Era to win 550 tour-level matches (Gasquet – 603). He aims to reach 4R in Miami for the fifth time, 19 years after reaching the 4R in his debut in 2005 (2005, 2009, 2015-16). He is 6-25 vs. Top-2 players, defeating No. 1 Medvedev at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells for latest win.

ATP Tour Win Leaders (Active Players):

Player	Wins	Player	Wins
Novak Djokovic	1095	Marin Cilic	582
Rafael Nadal	1070	Stan Wawrinka	569
Andy Murray	738	Fernando Verdasco	559
Richard Gasquet	603	Gael Monfils	550

GRANDSTAND

[9] Alex de Minaur (AUS) vs [24] Jan-Lennard Struff (GER)

Series Tied 2-2

18 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.)	Hard	R128	Alex de Minaur	3-6 7-6(3) 7-6(5)
19 Basel (Switzerland)	Hard	QF	Alex de Minaur	6-4 7-6(4)
20 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Jan-Lennard Struff	6-2 6-4
23 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (Monaco)	Clay	R32	Jan-Lennard Struff	6-3 6-2

Alex de Minaur | Age: 25 | World No. 10 | Career-High No. 9 | 2024: 18-5 (Acapulco Title) | Miami: 2-4 ('22, '24 3R)

> Two-time Next Gen ATP Finals runner-up achieved career-high No. 9 in February 2024 soon after defeating No. 1 Djokovic at 2024 United Cup for biggest win of career.

> Earned personal-best 47 victories in 2022, then captured biggest of 8 ATP Tour titles in Acapulco in 2023 and 2024.

> Advanced to his first ATP Masters 1000 QF, SF and final at 2023 Toronto, losing to Sinner.

> Reached 1st Grand Slam QF at 2020 US Open immediately after winning 1st ATP Tour doubles title at 2020 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati w/Carreno Busta in team debut and at same venue.

> Defeated Murray to help Team World win 2022 Laver Cup and went 6-1 in Davis Cup play during the season, leading Australia to its 1st final since 2003.

> Son to a Uruguayan father and Spanish mother, splits time between Australia and Spain, and speaks English, Spanish and French.

NOTE: de Minaur is tied with Ruud and Sinner for most wins on the ATP Tour this season (18). The Australian No. 1 is 14-1 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 in his last 15 matches against them (l. to No. 74 Michelsen in Los Cabos).

Jan-Lennard Struff | Age: 33 | World No. 25 | Career-High No. 21 | 2024: 6-7 (2 times in 3R) | Miami: 6-7 ('17, '21, '24 3R)

> Achieved career-high No. 21 in June 2023 after reaching 3rd ATP Tour final at 2023 Stuttgart (l. to Tiafoe).

> Upset No. 5 Tsitsipas at 2023 Madrid en route to becoming the 1st lucky loser in ATP Masters 1000 history (since 1990) to reach the championship match (l. to Alcaraz).

> On home soil, advanced to 1st ATP Tour singles final at 2021 Munich and earned biggest win of career over No. 2 Medvedev in 2021 Halle 1R.

> Defeated No. 10 Goffin en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2020 Cincinnati and No. 4 Ruud en route to 2nd ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2023 Monte Carlo.

> Posted personal-best 35 victories in 2019, highlighted by 1st Grand Slam 4R appearance at Roland Garros.

> In 2018, became 1st player in Open Era to rally from 2 sets down in Wimbledon 1R and 2R (d. L. Mayer and Karlovic).

> Lost in qualifying at 20 tour-level events before qualifying for 1st time at 2013 Roland Garros and earning 1st tour-level win at 2013 Wimbledon as Q (d. Kavcic).

NOTE: Struff is 12-36 vs. Top 10 players, 8-8 when meeting them at ATP Masters 1000 level, looking to break a 4-match losing streak against them to record first win since defeating No. 5 Tsitsipas en route to becoming the first lucky loser to reach an ATP Masters 1000 final at 2023 Madrid.

[28] Sebastian Korda (USA) vs [8] Hubert Hurkacz (POL)

Hurkacz Leads 3-1

21 Delray Beach (U.S.A.)	Hard	F	Hubert Hurkacz	6-3 6-3
23 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R16	Sebastian Korda	3-6 6-3 6-2 1-6 7-6(7)
23 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai (China)	Hard	SF	Hubert Hurkacz	6-3 6-4
23 ATP Masters 1000 Paris (France)	Hard	R64	Hubert Hurkacz	6-3 6-7(6) 6-3

Insight from their 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Paris 1R averages:

Player	In Attack	Conversion Score	Steal Score	Serve Quality	Return Quality	Forehand Quality	Backhand Quality
Sebastian Korda	26%	61%	31%	8.6	6.3	7.3	6.8
Hubert Hurkacz	25%	69%	39%	8.6	7.3	7.2	7.2
Tour Average	25%	66%	34%	7.9	6.6	7.6	7.2

Hurkacz's return Shot Quality was the difference maker in Paris. Hurkacz was particularly effective in targeting the Korda backhand (Korda 57% backhands on Serve+1 shot), with Hurkacz winning 63% of the points when he made the return to the backhand of Korda.

Sebastian Korda | Age: 23 | World No. 29 | Career-High No. 23 | 2024: 10-7 (Adelaide SF) | Miami: 7-2 (2021 QF)
 > Achieved career-high No. 23 in October 2023 after reaching 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at Shanghai.
 > Earned biggest wins of career over Medvedev as No. 3 at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai 3R en route to SF and No. 8 at 2023 Australian Open 3R en route to the QF.
 > Did not drop a set en route to 2021 Parma title, joining Petr Korda as 3rd father-son duo to win a tour-level championship in Open Era (Phil & Taylor Dent, Ramanathan & Ramesh Krishnan).
 > Advanced to 2020 Roland Garros 4R as Q and 2021 Wimbledon 4R, becoming 3rd men's player in Open Era to reach 4R in debut at both events (Borg in 1973, Pernfors in 1986).
 > Became World No. 1 junior by winning 2018 Australian Open boys' singles title 20 years after his father won Australian Open men's singles title.
 > Father, Petr, peaked at No. 2 on ATP Tour; mother, Regina, peaked at No. 26 in WTA; sister, Nelly, became World No. 1 women's golfer in 2021; sister, Jessica, peaked at No. 8 in women's golf.

NOTE: Korda is 6-13 vs. Top 10 players (0-3 in 2024), aiming to earn his first Top 10 win since defeating No. 3 Medvedev en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2023 Shanghai (l. to Hurkacz).

Hubert Hurkacz | Age: 27 | World No. 9 | Career-High No. 8 | 2024: 14-7 (Marseille SF) | Miami: 14-3 (2021 Title)
 > Top Polish men's player in history appeared in Nitto ATP Finals in 2021 and 2023 and reached career-high No. 8 in January 2024.
 > Entered 2021 Wimbledon on 6-match losing streak, then reached 1st Grand Slam SF by defeating 8-time champion Federer 6-3 7-6(4) 6-0 in final singles match of Swiss' career.
 > Upset 5 seeds to win 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Miami title and saved a championship point to win 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai after losing in the 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal final.
 > Also advanced to ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2021 Paris, 2022 Miami and 2023 Cincinnati and captured ATP Masters 1000 doubles titles at 2020 Paris w/Auger-Aliassime and 2022 Miami w/Isner.
 > Defeated No. 1 Medvedev 6-1 6-4 in 63 minutes to win 5th ATP Tour singles title in 5th final at 2022 Halle (now 7-2 in finals).

NOTE: Hurkacz aims to reach his third Miami 4R in fifth appearance (2019 3R, 2021 Title, 2022 SF, 2023 3R). Miami is his most successful ATP Masters 1000 event with 14 wins (2nd Indian Wells – 10, 3rd Canada – 9).

[11] Grigor Dimitrov (BUL) vs Yannick Hanfmann (GER)

First Meeting

Grigor Dimitrov | Age: 32 | World No. 12 | Career-High No. 3 | 2024: 16-4 (Brisbane Title) | Miami: 12-12 ('12, '16 4R)
 > Former World No. 1 junior ended 2017 at career-high No. 3 after becoming 1st debutant to go 5-0 en route to Nitto ATP Finals title since McEnroe in 1978.
 > Top-ranked Bulgarian in history and only champion from his country, winning 9 titles including 2017 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati.
 > Surpassed 400 wins in September 2023, highlighted by biggest win over No. 1 Djokovic at 2013 ATP Masters 1000 Madrid.
 > Advanced to Grand Slam SFs at 2014 Wimbledon, 2017 Australian Open and 2019 US Open, as well as 10 ATP Masters 1000 SFs.
 > Posted 1st win in 8 meetings with Federer in 2019 US Open QF as World No. 78, becoming 2nd-lowest-ranked US Open men's semi-finalist in history (No. 174 Connors in 1991).

NOTE: Dimitrov aims to reach the fourth round in Miami for the third time in his career (2012, 2016). Miami is the only ATP Masters 1000 event, where the Bulgarian No. 1 is yet to reach a quarter-final (SF at 7 of 9, missing Miami and Madrid).

Yannick Hanfmann | Age: 32 | World No. 56 | Career-High No. 45 | 2024: 7-8 (Cordoba QF) | Miami: 3-1 (2024 3R)
 > Hearing-impaired player broke into Top 100 in 2018 and achieved career-high No. 45 in July 2023.
 > Earned biggest win of career over No. 5 Tsitsipas at 2023 Mallorca en route to 6th ATP Tour SF.
 > Defeated No. 9 Fritz in 2R and No. 6 Rublev in 4R to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2023 Rome.
 > Qualified en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2017 Gstaad and 2nd final at 2020 Kitzbuhel.
 > Captured 1st Top 10 win of career over No. 9 Monfils at 2020 Hamburg, where he accepted main draw WC instead of playing qualifying at Roland Garros.
 > Posted 1st Grand Slam main draw win in 7th try at 2022 Australian Open as Q (d. Kokkinakis).
 > Captured 6 Challenger titles after playing for University of Southern California (2012-15), where he helped Trojans win 2 NCAA national titles.

NOTE: Hanfmann is 8-12 vs. Top 20 players in his career, 2-0 in 2024, earning wins over No. 19 Jarry in Rio de Janeiro 1R on clay and No. 20 Mannarino in Miami 2R this week for his first hard court Top 20 win (1-5).

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[20] Francisco Cerundolo (ARG) vs [15] Karen Khachanov	Khachanov Leads 2-0
22 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal (Canada) Hard R64 Karen Khachanov	7-6(4) 5-7 6-3
23 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.) Hard QF Karen Khachanov	6-3 6-3

Francisco Cerundolo | Age: 25 | World No. 21 | Career-High No. 19 | 2024: 7-8 (Rio SF) | Miami: 9-2 (2022 SF)
 > Broke into Top 100 and achieved new career-high ranking 11 times in 2022, then reached career-high No. 19 in June 2023 soon after reaching 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 Roland Garros (d. No. 8 Fritz in 3R).
 > Moved into Top 25 after defeating No. 5 Ruud en route to 1st ATP Tour title at 2022 Bastad title and No. 8 Rublev en route to 2022 Hamburg SF a week later.
 > Captured 2nd ATP Tour title at 2023 Eastbourne, to become the first Argentine to win a grass court tour-level title since Javier Frana in 1995.
 > As World No. 103 at 2022 Miami, became lowest-ranked semi-finalist in 37-year tournament history and 1st player to reach SF in his ATP Masters 1000 main draw debut since Janowicz at 2012 Paris.
 > Father, Alejandro, also played pro tennis; younger brother, Juan Manuel, won 2021 Cordoba title; sister, Constanza, played for Argentine field hockey team that won gold medal at 2018 Youth Olympics.

NOTE: Cerundolo is making his third appearance in Miami, reaching 2022 SF and 2023 QF. He is 14-20 vs. Top 20 players, seeking first win since defeating No. 8 Ruud at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Paris.

Karen Khachanov | Age: 27 | World No. 16 | Career-High No. 8 | 2024: 11-5 (Doha Title) | Miami: 7-7 (2023 SF)
 > 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), before beating No. 3 Tsitsipas en route to 4th ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2023 Miami, first since 2019 Montreal.
 > At 2018 Paris, became 1st unseeded ATP Masters 1000 champion since Nalbandian at 2007 Paris.
 > 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 attempts to book a place in round of 16 at ATP Masters 1000 level for the 20th time (7-12), second time in Miami (2023 SF). He is on a 5-match winning streak vs. Argentines since losing to No. 16 Schwartzman at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo (11-10; 8-5 on hard courts after 1-5 start).

[23] Lorenzo Musetti (ITA) vs [16] Ben Shelton (USA)	Musetti Leads 1-0
23 London / Queen's Club (Great Britain) Grass R16 Lorenzo Musetti	6-4 4-6 6-4

Lorenzo Musetti | Age: 22 | World No. 24 | Career-High No. 15 | 2024: 6-8 (Adelaide QF) | Miami: 3-3 (2021, 2024 3R)
 > Former World No. 1 junior earned personal-best 34 wins in 2022, then broke into Top 20 in January 2023 and achieved career-high No. 15 in June.
 > Defeated 19-year-old Alcaraz in 2022 Hamburg final at age 20, marking youngest ATP Tour final since 2005 Bastad (19-year-old Nadal d. 19-year-old Berdych).
 > At 2023 Monte Carlo, earned 1st 6-0 6-0 victory at an ATP Masters 1000 event since 2016 over Nardi in 2R before upsetting No. 1 Djokovic in 3R for biggest win of career to reach 2nd ATP Masters 1000 QF.
 > Did not drop a set en route to 2nd ATP title at 2022 Naples, defeating countryman and United Cup teammate Berrettini in final on home soil.

- > Advanced to 2021 Roland Garros 4R (l. to No. 1 Djokovic from 2 sets up) and 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Paris QF (d. No. 4 Ruud in 3R).
- > Reached 2018 US Open boys' singles final, won 2019 Australian Open boys' singles title and defeated Wawrinka at 2020 Rome to become 1st player born in 2002 to win an ATP Tour match.

NOTE: Musetti is 17-33 vs. Top 20 players (1-11 in last 12 matches), aiming to capture first Top 20 win since defeating No. 14 Khachanov at 2023 Beijing. He is 7-1 vs. left-handers since last April (12-9 in career), aiming to reach round of 16 at ATP Masters 1000 level for the 8th time (2-5), first time since 2023 Toronto (l. to Medvedev).

Ben Shelton | Age: 21 | World No. 17 | Career-High No. 15 | 2024: 11-6 (Auckland, Dallas SF) | Miami: 1-1 (2024 3R)

- > Achieved career-high No. 15 in October 2023 after winning first ATP Tour title at 2023 Tokyo.
- > Defeated compatriots Paul and Tiafoe at 2023 US Open to become the youngest American man to reach US Open semi-finals since Chang in 1992, then beat No. 4 Sinner to reach 1st ATP Masters QF at 2023 Shanghai.
- > 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.
- > Upset No. 5 Ruud to reach 2022 Cincinnati 3R in ATP Masters 1000 debut at age 19, becoming youngest American man to earn Top-5 win since Roddick, 18, at 2001 Montreal (d. No. 1 Kuersten).
- > Ended 2022 season on ATP Challenger Tour with 3 indoor hard titles in as many weeks at Charlottesville, Knoxville and Champaign.
- > 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, the highest ranked American left in the draw, aims to reach round of 16 of ATP Masters 1000 events for the fourth time (2022 Cincinnati, 2023 Shanghai, 2024 Indian Wells).

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Alexei Popyrin (AUS) vs Fabian Marozsan (HUN)

First Meeting

Alexei Popyrin | Age: 24 | World No. 45 | Career-High No. 38 | 2024: 7-3 (Doha SF) | Miami: 6-3 (2021, 2024 3R)

- > Achieved personal-best 23 wins in 2023, highlighted by 2nd ATP Tour title in Umag, then reached career-high No. 38 in February 2024.
- > Reached 1st ATP Tour SF, advanced to 1st final and won 1st title at 2021 Singapore.
- > Qualified 10 times at tour-level events in 2019, tying single-season record set by M. Zverev in 2016.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 3 Tsitsipas via RET to reach 2021 ATP Masters 1000 Paris 3R as LL.
- > Defeated No. 6 Auger-Aliassime en route to 2023 Adelaide-1 QF as Q, No. 9 Fritz to reach 2023 Australian Open 3R as WC and No. 10 Auger-Aliassime en route to 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Rome 4R as Q.
- > Peaked at No. 2 in junior rankings after ending career with 17 straight wins and 2017 Roland Garros boys' singles title.

NOTE: Popyrin is 5-0 vs. players ranked outside Top 50 this season, aiming to reach the round of 16 at ATP Masters 1000 level for the fifth time in his career (2021 Madrid, 2021 Paris, 2023 Rome, 2023 Cincinnati).

Fabian Marozsan | Age: 24 | World No. 57 (Career-High) | 2024: 9-8 (Indian Wells 4R) | Miami: 2-0 (2024 3R)

- > Broke into Top 200 in August 2022, Top 100 in June 2023 and earned career-high No. 57 in January 2024.
- > In ATP Tour debut, qualified and defeated No. 2 Alcaraz for biggest win of career en route to 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Rome 4R, then reached QF at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai QF (d. No. 5 Ruud in 4R).
- > Earned 1st Grand Slam main draw win at 2023 US Open (d. Gasquet) and reached 3R at 2024 Australian Open.
- > Owns 55-30 record on Challenger tour (3-1 in finals), winning titles at 2022 Banja Luka, 2023 Antalya and 2023 Perugia and losing to compatriot Fucsovics in 2022 Bratislava-2 final.
- > Began playing tennis at age 5 and credits his father for teaching him everything about the sport.

NOTE: Marozsan is playing in his 4th ATP Masters 1000 event, looking to make the 4R on all four occasions (2023 Rome 4R, 2023 Shanghai QF, 2024 Indian Wells 4R). He is up to No. 51 on the PIF ATP Live Rankings and would move inside Top 50 with a 3R win.