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On court today...

- Novak Djokovic will hit the latest milestone of an all-time great career when he faces Tomas Martin Etcheverry on Rod Laver Arena this evening. The clash will be Djokovic's 100th match at Melbourne Park which sees him become the 3rd player to reach a century of singles matches here – after Roger Federer (117 Australian Open matches) and Serena Williams (105). The world No. 1 is bidding to maintain his winning run here, which now stretches to 30 matches, and while he has won both of his previous matches against Etcheverry in straight sets, Djokovic will be keen to avoid the drama of his opening 2 matches here this week – he dropped sets against both Dino Prizmic and Alexei Popyrin and will hope for a more straightforward victory tonight.

- The men's match in the day session on RLA sees 2 former junior world No. 1s go head-to-head as Stefanos Tsitsipas takes on Luca van Assche. Tsitsipas is, of course, now very much an established member of the sport's elite, with 2 Grand Slam runner-up finishes under his belt including his run to the final here last year. For 19-year-old Van Assche, who won the boys' singles title at Roland Garros less than 3 years ago, an upset win against Tsitsipas would see him become the youngest man to reach the last 16 in Melbourne in 12 years – although there are younger players than Van Assche still in the draw here who will contest their 3rd round matches on Saturday. The Frenchman has needed 5 sets to see off his opponents in the opening 2 rounds this week and will hope he retains enough energy to overcome Tsitsipas this afternoon.

- Australian No. 1 Alex de Minaur is the headline act on John Cain Arena today, with the world No. 10 up against an Italian opponent for the 2nd consecutive round. Having breezed past Matteo Arnaldi on Wednesday, De Minaur will now play Flavio Cobolli for a place in the last 16 this afternoon. Cobolli is a rising talent – and, having successfully navigated the qualifying draw here last week, he could become just the 6th qualifier to reach the round of 16 in the men's singles at the Australian Open this century. But De Minaur has been in excellent form so far this season, and will be confident of adding another victory when he takes to court today.

- Lefthanders Ben Shelton and Adrian Mannarino will contest the 3rd match of the day on Kia Arena in the first meeting between a pair of Top 20 players at this year's Australian Open. For all his success in his breakthrough year in 2023, the fact that Shelton failed to achieve a victory against a fellow lefthander was a slightly surprising statistical quirk – indeed he has lost all 4 matches he has played against lefthanded players at Tour-level. Mannarino has a poor record against fellow lefthanders at the Grand Slams, with just 5 victories from 16 matches, with his last victory coming in 2018. But the French veteran has been in excellent recent form against lefthanders on Tour and is bidding to extend an 8-match Tour-level winning streak against fellow lefthanded players. An intriguing clash awaits this afternoon.

NO. 1 NOVAK DJOKOVIC (SRB) v NO. 30 TOMAS MARTIN ETCHEVERRY (ARG)

Head-to-head: Djokovic leads 2-0

2023	Rome-1000	Clay (O)	R64	Djokovic	76(5) 62
2023	Paris-1000	Hard (I)	R32	Djokovic	63 62

A 3rd meeting between Djokovic and Etcheverry, their 2nd on a hard court, but first at a Grand Slam. Djokovic won both of their previous matches, which both came at Masters-1000 events last year, in straight sets.

Having defeated Andy Murray (the 4th-oldest player in the draw at 36 years 258 days) and Gael Monfils (the 3rd oldest-player in the draw at 37 years 149 days) in the opening 2 rounds here, Etcheverry now faces Djokovic, who is the 5th-oldest player in the draw at 36 years 251 days, in the 3rd round. Stan Wawrinka and Richard Gasquet, who both fell in the 1st round, were the only players older than Murray, Monfils and Djokovic to begin the men's singles main draw here this year. (NB all ages calculated at the end of the tournament).

Etcheverry is facing a world No. 1 for the 3rd time, with both of his previous meetings against a No. 1-ranked player coming against Djokovic in 2023. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 16 Borna Coric in the 3rd round at Roland Garros last year.

DJOKOVIC	v	ETCHEVERRY
36	Age	24
1	ATP Ranking	32
98	Titles	0
363-48	Career Grand Slam Record	9-8
91-8	Australian Open Record	3-2
1091-214	Career Record	36-45
692-124	Career Record - Hard	13-21
4-1	2024 Record	2-2
4-1	2024 Record - Hard	2-2
38-11	Career Five-Set Record	2-1
8	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
325-168	Career Tiebreak Record	16-25
1-2	2024 Tiebreak Record	1-2

- **DJOKOVIC** is contesting his 100th Australian Open match today. He is the 3rd player, man or woman, to contest 100 singles matches here – after Roger Federer (117 Australian Open matches) and Serena Williams (105).
- Djokovic is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 16th time and claim sole ownership of **2nd place on the Open Era list for most round of 16 appearances at the Australian Open**, ahead of Rafael Nadal. This is his 19th Australian Open appearance.

Most Australian Open men's singles round of 16 appearances (Open Era)

Player	No. of appearances
Roger Federer	18
Novak Djokovic	16??
Rafael Nadal	15
Tomas Berdych	11
Stefan Edberg	11

- Djokovic is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 63rd time. He is in **2nd place on the Open Era list for most round of 16 appearances at the Grand Slams**, behind Federer. This is his 73rd Grand Slam appearance.

Most Grand Slam men's singles round of 16 appearances (Open Era)

Player	No. of appearances
Roger Federer	69
Novak Djokovic	63??
Rafael Nadal	54
Jimmy Connors	43
Andre Agassi	42
Ivan Lendl	42

- Djokovic is bidding to record his **31st consecutive match-win at the Australian Open**. It is his longest streak of victories here and the longest streak of Australian Open men's singles match-wins in the Open Era. He has not lost an Australian Open match since falling to Chung Hyeon in the round of 16 in 2018, winning the title here in 2019-21 and last year. He did not compete here in 2022.

Longest men's singles winning streaks at the Australian Open (Open Era)

Player	Length of streak	Win to start streak	Defeat to end streak
Novak Djokovic	31??	d. Mitchell Krueger (2019 1R)	???
Andre Agassi	26	d. Mariano Puerta (2000 1R)	l. Marat Safin (2004 SF)
Novak Djokovic	25	d. Marcel Granollers (2011 1R)	l. Stan Wawrinka (2014 QF)
Ivan Lendl	20	d. Alexander Mronz (1989 1R)	l. Ivan Lendl (1991 F)
Roger Federer	19	d. Denis Istomin (2006 1R)	l. Novak Djokovic (2008 SF)

- Djokovic advanced to the 3rd round after defeating qualifier Dino Prizmic 62 67(5) 63 64 and Alexei Popyrin 63 46 76(4) 63 in the opening 2 rounds here.
- Djokovic is bidding to win his **11th Australian Open title** and extend his all-time record for most Australian Open men's singles titles. He claimed sole ownership of the record, ahead of Federer and Roy Emerson, by defeating Nadal in the final here in 2019 to win his 7th title – before adding further titles here in 2020 (d. Dominic Thiem), 2021 (d. Daniil Medvedev) and 2023 (d. Stefanos Tsitsipas). He also won the title here in 2008 (d. Jo-Wilfried Tonga), 2011 (d. Andy Murray), 2012 (d. Nadal), 2013 (d. Murray), 2015 (d. Murray) and 2016 (d. Murray).
- Djokovic is bidding to become the **3rd player in history to win at least 11 titles at any Grand Slam event** – after Nadal, who has won 14 titles at Roland Garros, and Margaret Court, who won 11 Australian Open women's singles titles. Martina Navratilova, who won 9 Wimbledon women's singles titles, is the only other player to have won at least 9 titles at one Grand Slam event.
- Djokovic is bidding to win his **25th Grand Slam title** and claim sole ownership of the record for most Grand Slam singles titles, ahead of Court. He would also extend his record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles, ahead of Nadal (22 Grand Slam titles) and Federer (20).
- At 36 years 251 days, Djokovic is bidding to become the **3rd man in the Open Era to win multiple Australian Open titles since turning 35** – after Ken Rosewall and Federer, both of whom won 2 titles here after their 35th birthdays. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)
- Djokovic is also bidding to win his **5th Grand Slam title since turning 35 and his 13th Grand Slam title since turning 30**, extending his Open Era records for both feats.
- Djokovic won 3 Grand Slam titles in 2023. In addition to his title here, he also won the titles at Roland Garros (d. Casper Ruud) and the US Open (d. Medvedev). He finished runner-up at Wimbledon (l. Carlos Alcaraz).
- Djokovic's **other highlights in 2023** were winning the titles at Adelaide 1 (d. Sebastian Korda), Cincinnati-1000 (d. Alcaraz), Paris-1000 (d. Grigor Dimitrov) and the ATP Finals (d. Jannik Sinner). With a total of 7 titles, he led the Tour for most titles won in 2023.
- Prior to the Australian Open**, Djokovic represented Serbia at the United Cup, where the team reached the quarterfinals before falling to Australia. He won singles matches against China, P.R.'s Zhang Zhizhen and Czechia's Jiri Lehecka but fell to Australia's Alex de Minaur. His defeat to De Minaur ended a 43-match winning streak in Australia, having previously not lost in Australia since falling to Chung in the round of 16 here in 2018.
- Djokovic is bidding to win his **99th Tour-level singles title**. Only Jimmy Connors (109 Tour-level titles) and Federer (103) have won more Tour-level singles titles in the Open Era than Djokovic.
- Djokovic **holds the record for most weeks ranked at No. 1**. He began his 408th week as world No. 1 on Monday. He returned to No. 1 after winning the US Open in September and has remained at No. 1 since then. He is one of 3 players in contention for the post-Australian Open No. 1 ranking, alongside Alcaraz and Medvedev.
- Djokovic has played **Davis Cup** for Serbia since 2004, and was a member of the team which defeated France in the 2010 final to win the nation's first Davis Cup title. He has a 40-8 win-loss record in Davis Cup singles matches and a 44-16 win-loss record in the competition overall. His 21-match Davis Cup singles winning streak ended during Serbia's semifinal defeat to Italy in November last year, when he fell to Sinner in 3 sets.
- Djokovic is coached by Goran Ivanisevic, who reached the quarterfinals here in 1989, 1994 and 1997.

- **ETCHEVERRY** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 2nd time. This is his 3rd Australian Open and his 9th Grand Slam overall.
- Etcheverry is bidding to become the **8th Argentinian man in history to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open** – after David Nalbandian and Guillermo Vilas* (who both made 5 appearances in the round of 16 here), Juan Martin del Potro (3), Guillermo Canas, Guillermo Coria and Diego Schwartzman (all 2), and Juan Ignacio Chela (one). *(Vilas' round of 16 appearances came in 1977-81; the Australian Open men's singles used a 64-player draw prior to 1982) (NB Sebastian Baez is also bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the first time).
- If both Etcheverry and Baez reach the round of 16 here, it will be the **5th time in history that multiple Argentinian men have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open** – and the first time since 2006, when Chela and Nalbandian both reached the round of 16 here. There were multiple Argentinian men in the last 16 here every year from 2003 to 2006.
- Etcheverry advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Andy Murray 64 62 62 and Gael Monfils 64 64 64 in the opening 2 rounds.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Etcheverry has recorded his **best Australian Open result**. His previous best result here was reaching the 2nd round last year (d. Gregoire Barrere, l. Jannik Sinner). He lost in the 1st round on his only other previous appearance here – as a qualifier on his Grand Slam debut in 2022 (l. Pablo Carreno Busta).
- Etcheverry recorded his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the quarterfinals at Roland Garros last year, where he defeated Jack Draper, Alex de Minaur, Borna Coric and Yoshihito Nishioka before falling to Alexander Zverev. Prior to this event, it was the only occasion he has advanced beyond the 2nd round on his 8 previous Grand Slam appearances.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Etcheverry reached the 2nd round at both Wimbledon (d. Bernabe Zapata Miralles, l. Stan Wawrinka) and the US Open (d. Otto Virtanen, l. Wawrinka).
- Etcheverry's best results in 2023 were reaching his **first 2 Tour-level finals**, finishing runner-up at both Santiago (l. Nicolas Jarry) and Houston (l. Frances Tiafoe). He also reached the semifinals at Kitzbuhel (l. Sebastian Baez) and the quarterfinals at Buenos Aires (l. Cameron Norrie), Zhuhai (l. Sebastian Korda) and Basel (l. Holger Rune).
- **Also in 2023**, Etcheverry reached the final at the Bordeaux Challenger (FRA) (l. Ugo Humbert). His only other appearance at Challenger-level this season came in a 2nd round finish at the Aix En Provence Challenger (FRA) (d. Hamad Medjedovic, l. Jurij Rodionov). Across 2021-22, Etcheverry had a 90-35 win-loss record at Challenger-level, winning more matches on the Challenger Tour than any other player in that time.
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Etcheverry fell in the 1st round at both Brisbane (l. Tomas Machac) and Adelaide (l. Alexander Shevchenko).
- Etcheverry has won 2 of the 3 **five-set matches** he has contested. He fell to Humbert in 5 sets the 1st round at 2022 Wimbledon, but recorded 5-set victories against Zapata Miralles in the 1st round at Wimbledon last year and against Virtanen in the 1st round at the US Open last year.
- Etcheverry reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 30 in June last year. He plays here 2 places lower at No. 32.
- Etcheverry reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 12 in January 2017. His best result at Grade A-level tournaments was reaching the quarterfinals at the 2016 Abierto Juvenil Mexicano (l. Juan Pablo Grassi Mazzuchi). He never competed in the junior event at the Australian Open.
- Etcheverry made his **Davis Cup** debut during Argentina's World Group I victory over Lithuania in September last year, defeating Edas Butvilas in the dead 4th match of the tie. Argentina will play at home against Kazakhstan in the 2024 Davis Cup Qualifiers in February.
- Etcheverry is coached by Walter Grinovero.

NO. 4 JANNIK SINNER (ITA) v NO. 26 SEBASTIAN BAEZ (ARG)

Head-to-head: Sinner leads 1-0

2023 Shanghai-1000 Hard (O) R32 Sinner 36 63 62

A 2nd meeting for Sinner and Baez, and their first at a Grand Slam. Sinner recovered from a set down to win on their only previous meeting, in the 3rd round at Shanghai-1000 last year.

SINNER	v	BAEZ
22	Age	23
4	ATP Ranking	29
11	Titles	4
40-16	Career Grand Slam Record	7-8
10-4	Australian Open Record	3-2
192-74	Career Record	62-61
131-46	Career Record - Hard	17-32
2-0	2024 Record	2-2
2-0	2024 Record - Hard	2-2
5-7	Career Five-Set Record	1-2
1	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
62-46	Career Tiebreak Record	14-28
0-0	2024 Tiebreak Record	0-0

- **SINNER** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd straight year. This is his 5th Australian Open appearance and his 17th Grand Slam overall.
- Sinner is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd time and become the **3rd Italian man in history to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open on 3 or more occasions** – after Fabio Fognini and Andreas Seppi, who both reached the round of 16 here on 4 occasions.
- Sinner is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 11th time and claim sole ownership of **2nd place on the all-time list for most Grand Slam round of 16 appearances by an Italian man**, ahead of Matteo Berrettini.

Most Grand Slam round of 16 appearances by an Italian man (all-time)

Player	No. of appearances
Nicola Pietrangeli	16
Jannik Sinner	11??
Matteo Berrettini	10
Giuseppe Merlo	9
Fabio Fognini	8
Adriano Panatta	8

- Sinner advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Botic van de Zandschulp 64 75 63 and qualifier Jesper de Jong 62 62 62 in the opening 2 rounds.
- **Last year here**, Sinner reached the round of 16. He defeated Kyle Edmund, Tomas Martin Etcheverry and Marton Fucsovics before falling to Stefanos Tsitsipas.
- Sinner's **best Australian Open result** is reaching the quarterfinals in 2022 (l. Tsitsipas).
- Sinner's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the semifinals at Wimbledon last year (l. Novak Djokovic). He has reached at least the quarterfinals at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments and is one of only 2 Italian men, alongside Matteo Berrettini to have achieved the feat. In addition to his quarterfinal finish here in 2022, he also reached the quarterfinals at 2020 Roland Garros (l. Rafael Nadal), 2022 Wimbledon (l. Djokovic) and the 2022 US Open (l. Carlos Alcaraz).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Sinner reached the round of 16 at the US Open, where he defeated Yannick Hanfmann, Lorenzo Sonego and Stan Wawrinka before falling to Alexander Zverev, but fell in the 2nd round at Roland Garros (d. Alexandre Muller, l. Daniel Altmaier).
- At 22 years 165 days, Sinner is bidding to become the **youngest Australian Open men's singles champion** since Djokovic won the title here in 2008 aged 20 years 250 days. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament)

- Sinner's **best result in 2023** was winning his first Masters-1000 level title at Toronto-1000 (d. Alex de Minaur) in his 3rd Masters-1000 final. He also won the titles at Montpellier (d. Maxime Cressy), Beijing (d. Medvedev) and Vienna (d. Medvedev) and finished runner-up at Rotterdam (l. Medvedev), Miami-1000 (l. Medvedev) and the ATP Finals (l. Djokovic).
- Sinner has won one of the 3 **five-set matches** he has contested at the Australian Open – his only victory in a 5-set match here came against Fucsovics in the 3rd round last year, when he recovered from 0-2 down to win in 5 sets for the only time in his career to date. His 2 defeats in 5-set matches here came against Shapovalov in the 1st round in 2021 and against Tsitsipas in the round of 16 last year. He has a 5-7 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- Sinner reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 4 after winning the title at Beijing in October last year. He plays here at the same ranking.
- 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 **led Italy to their 2nd Davis Cup title in 2023**, winning all 5 matches he played across singles and doubles at the Final 8 Knockout Stage in Malaga in November. He made his Davis Cup debut in 2021 and has an 11-4 overall win-loss record in the competition. As defending champions, Italy have automatically qualified for the 2024 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage in September.
- Sinner is coached by Simone Vagnozzi and Darren Cahill.
- **BAEZ** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time. This is his 3rd Australian Open appearance and his 9th Grand Slam overall.
- Baez is bidding to become the **8th Argentinian man in history to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open** – after David Nalbandian and Guillermo Vilas* (who both made 5 appearances in the round of 16 here), Juan Martin del Potro (3), Guillermo Canas, Guillermo Coria and Diego Schwartzman (all 2), and Juan Ignacio Chela (one). (*Vilas' round of 16 appearances came in 1977-81; the Australian Open men's singles used a 64-player draw prior to 1982) (NB Tomas Martin Etcheverry is also bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the first time).
- If both Baez and Etcheverry reach the round of 16 here, it will be the **5th time in history that multiple Argentinian men have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open** – and the first time since 2006, when Chela and Nalbandian both reached the round of 16 here. There were multiple Argentinian men in the last 16 here every year from 2003 to 2006.
- Baez advanced to the 3rd round after defeating JJ Wolf, who retired due to injury with Baez leading 36 62 63 3-0, and Daniel Elahi Galan 75 26 62 64 in the opening 2 rounds.
- By reaching the 3rd round, Baez has recorded his **best Australian Open result**. His previous best result here was reaching the 2nd round on his Grand Slam debut in 2022 (d. Albert Ramos-Vinolas, l. Stefanos Tsitsipas).
- By reaching the 3rd round, Baez has equalled his **best Grand Slam result**. He also reached the 3rd round at the US Open last year, where he defeated Borna Coric and Felipe Meligeni Rodrigues Alves before falling to Daniil Medvedev.
- **Last year here**, Baez fell to Jason Kubler in straight sets in the 1st round. Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023, Baez fell in the 1st round at both Roland Garros (l. Gael Monfils) and Wimbledon (l. Tomas Barrios Vera).
- Baez **won 3 Tour-level titles in 2023** – at Cordoba (d. Federico Coria), Kitzbuhel (d. Dominic Thiem) and Winston-Salem (d. Jiri Lehecka). He was one of 5 players to win 3 or more Tour-level titles last season – alongside Novak Djokovic (7 titles), Carlos Alcaraz (6), Medvedev (5) and Sinner (4).
- Baez's **other highlights in 2023** were reaching the semifinals at Santiago (l. Tomas Martin Etcheverry) and the quarterfinals at Rio de Janeiro (l. Nicolas Jarry), Estoril (l. Casper Ruud) and Lyon (l. Cameron Norrie).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Baez lost in the 1st round at both Brisbane (l. Lukas Klein) and Adelaide (l. Jack Draper).

- Baez is bidding to **defeat a Top 5 player for the first time**. He has lost all 10 matches he has played against Top 5 players, 4 of which have come at the Grand Slams – including his defeat to No. 4 Tsitsipas in the 2nd round here in 2022. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 8 Andrey Rublev in the semifinals at 2022 Bastad. The highest-ranked player he has defeated at a Grand Slam is No. 23 Coric in the 1st round at the US Open last year.
- Baez won the only **5-set match** he has contested at the Australian Open – against Ramos-Vinolas in the 1st round in 2022. He has lost the other 2 five-set matches he has contested at Tour-level.
- Baez reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 26 last week but plays here 3 places lower at No. 29.
- Baez is a **former junior world No. 1**, having reached the top ranking in March 2018. His best result in the junior events at the Grand Slams was reaching the final at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Tseng Chun Hsin). He also won boys' doubles gold alongside Facundo Diaz Acosta at the 2018 Youth Olympic Tennis Event in his hometown of Buenos Aires. He reached the 2nd round in his only appearance in the boys' singles at the Australian Open in 2018 (d. Admir Kalender, l. Ray Ho).
- Baez made his **Davis Cup** debut during Argentina's 2022 Qualifiers victory over Czechia and has a 2-3 overall win-loss record in the competition. Argentina will play at home against Kazakhstan in the 2024 Davis Cup Qualifiers in February.
- Baez is coached by Sebastian Gutierrez.

NO. 5 ANDREY RUBLEV v NO. 29 SEBASTIAN KORDA (USA)

Head-to-head: Rublev leads 2-0

2021	Miami-1000	Hard (O)	QF	Rublev	75 76(7)
2022	Gijon	Hard (I)	FR	Rublev	62 63

A 3rd meeting for Rublev and Korda, but their first at a Grand Slam. Rublev has won both of their previous matches in straight sets.

RUBLEV	v	KORDA
26	Age	23
5	ATP Ranking	26
16	Titles	1
58-24	Career Grand Slam Record	18-12
18-7	Australian Open Record	8-2
298-158	Career Record	98-62
208-115	Career Record - Hard	71-42
6-0	2024 Record	4-2
6-0	2024 Record - Hard	4-2
12-9	Career Five-Set Record	5-3
1	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
95-95	Career Tiebreak Record	38-36
2-0	2024 Tiebreak Record	1-0

- **RUBLEV** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 4th time. This is his 8th Australian Open and his 25th Grand Slam overall.
- Rublev is bidding to **reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slams for the 13th time**. He has made 3 round of 16 appearances at the Australian Open – compared to 5 at the US Open and 2 at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon.
- Rublev advanced to the 2nd round after defeating Thiago Seyboth Wild 75 64 36 46 76(6) and Christopher Eubanks 64 64 64 in the opening 2 rounds here.
- Last year here, Rublev equalled his **best Australian Open result** by reaching the quarterfinals (l. Novak Djokovic). He also reached the quarterfinals here in 2021 (l. Daniil Medvedev).
- Rublev's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals on 9 occasions. In addition to his 2 quarterfinal finishes here, he also reached the quarterfinals at the US Open in 2017 (l. Rafael Nadal), 2020 (l. Medvedev), 2022 (l. Cilic) and 2023 (l. Medvedev), and at Roland Garros in 2020 (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and 2022 (l. Frances Tiafoe), and at 2023 Wimbledon (l. Djokovic). He is the only man in the Open Era to have lost the first 8 (or more) Grand Slam quarterfinal matches he has reached.
- Rublev's **best result in 2023** was winning his first Masters-1000 title at Monte Carlo-1000 (d. Holger Rune). He also won the title at Bastad (d. Casper Ruud) and finished runner-up at Dubai (l. Medvedev), Banja Luka (l. Dusan Lajovic), Halle (l. Alexander Bublik) and Shanghai-1000 (l. Hubert Hurkacz).
- Prior to the Australian Open, Rublev won his **15th Tour-level title** at Hong Kong (d. Emil Ruusuvuori).
- Rublev has won all 3 **five-set matches** he has contested at the Australian Open – in addition to his victory against Seyboth Wild in the 1st round this year, he also recorded 5-set victories here against David Ferrer in the 1st round in 2018 and against Rune in the round of 16 last year. He has an 8-8 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- Rublev reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 5 in September 2021. He plays here at the same ranking.
- Rublev is a **former junior world No. 1** having topped the boys' rankings for the first time in June 2014 after winning the boys' singles title at 2014 Roland Garros. He reached the quarterfinals at the 2014 Junior Australian Open (l. Stefan Kozlov) and finished runner-up in the boys' doubles with Kozlov at 2014 Wimbledon. He also won two medals at the Youth Olympic Tennis Event in Nanjing later that year, winning boys' singles bronze and boys' doubles silver with Karen Khachanov. He was named 2014 ITF Junior World Champion.

- Rublev **won Olympic gold in mixed doubles** alongside Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova at Tokyo 2020, with the pair defeating Karatsev/Elena Vesnina in the final. Along with Khachanov, who won men's singles silver, he became the first tennis player to win medals at both the Youth Olympic Games and the Olympic Games.
- Rublev is coached by Fernando Vicente.
- **KORDA** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd straight year. This is his 3rd Australian Open appearance and his 13th Grand Slam overall.
- Korda is one of 5 American men to reach the 3rd round at the Australian Open this year. If all 5 American men here reach the round of 16, it will be the **most American to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since the 1995 US Open**, when 8 American men reached the last 16. It will also be the most American men to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 1995, when 8 American men reached the last 16 here.
- If at least 4 American men reach the round of 16 here this year, **it will be the first time 4 American men have reached the round of 16 at consecutive Grand Slams since 2003-04**, when 4 American men reached the round of 16 at both the 2003 US Open and the 2004 Australian Open.
- Korda advanced to the 3rd round after defeating qualifier Vit Kopriwa 61 64 26 46 62 and Quentin Halys 64 64 64 in the opening 2 rounds here.
- Last year here, Korda recorded his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the quarterfinals. He defeated Cristian Garin, Yosuke Watanuki, Daniil Medvedev and Hubert Hurkacz before falling to Karen Khachanov, retiring with a wrist injury while trailing 76(5) 63 3-0.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Korda reached the 2nd round at Roland Garros, (d. Mackenzie McDonald, l. Sebastian Ofner) but fell in the 1st round at Wimbledon (l. Jiri Vesely) and the US Open (l. Marton Fucsovics).
- Korda's **best results in 2023** were finishing runner-up at both Adelaide 1 (l. Novak Djokovic) and Astana (l. Adrian Mannarino). He also reached the semifinals at Queen's (l. Carlos Alcaraz), Winston-Salem, where he gave a walkover to Jiri Lehecka due to a left ankle injury, Zhuhai (l. Khachanov) and Shanghai-1000 (l. Hurkacz).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Korda reached the semifinals at Adelaide (l. Jiri Lehecka) but fell in the 1st round at Brisbane (l. Yannick Hanfmann).
- Korda is bidding to **defeat a Top 5 player for the 2nd time**. He has a 1-6 win-loss record against Top 5 players at Tour-level, recording his first victory in his most-recent match against a Top 5 player – in the 3rd round at 2023 Shanghai-1000, when he defeated No. 3 Medvedev.
- Korda is bidding to **defeat a Top 5 player at a Grand Slam for the first time**. He lost his only previous match against a Top 5 player at the Grand Slams, falling to No. 2 Nadal in the round of 16 at 2020 Roland Garros. The highest-ranked player he has defeated at the Grand Slams is No. 7 Medvedev in the 3rd round here last year.
- Korda reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 23 in October last year. He plays here at 3 places lower at No. 26.
- Korda has **won one Tour-level title** – on clay at 2021 Parma (d. Marco Cecchinato). He has a 1-4 win-loss record in Tour-level finals.
- Korda is **one of 2 former Australian Open boys' singles champions through to the 3rd round here** from the 6 who started this year's main draw. He won the title here in 2018 (d. Tseng Chun Hsin) and became junior world No. 1 the following week. He also reached the semifinals of the boys' singles at Roland Garros the same year (l. Tseng).
- Korda's father, Petr Korda, won the title here in 1998. His mother, Regina Rajchrtova, also played professional tennis and reached a career-high ranking of No. 26, while his sisters, Jessica and Nelly, are professional golfers on the LPGA Tour.
- Korda is coached by Radek Stepanek, who reached the 3rd round here on 5 occasions, and Martin Stepanek.

NO. 7 STEFANOS TSITSIPAS (GRE) v LUCA VAN ASSCHE (FRA)

Head-to-head: first meeting

TSITSIPAS	v	VAN ASSCHE
25	Age	19
7	ATP Ranking	79
11	Titles	0
59-25	Career Grand Slam Record	3-4
23-6	Australian Open Record	2-1
307-144	Career Record	15-22
187-99	Career Record - Hard	8-13
3-1	2024 Record	3-2
3-1	2024 Record - Hard	3-2
12-8	Career Five-Set Record	2-0
3	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
140-102	Career Tiebreak Record	14-8
2-0	2024 Tiebreak Record	1-2

- **TSITSIPAS** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 5th time. This is his 7th Australian Open appearance and his 26th Grand Slam overall.
- Tsitsipas is also bidding to reach the **round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 12th time**. He has reached the round of 16 or better at the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon, but his best US Open results are 3rd round finishes in 2020 and 2021.
- Tsitsipas advanced to the 3rd round after defeating lucky loser Zizou Bergs 57 61 61 63 and Jordan Thompson 46 76(6) 62 76(4) in the opening 2 rounds.
- Last year here, Tsitsipas reached his **2nd Grand Slam final** (l. Novak Djokovic). He also finished runner-up to Djokovic at 2021 Roland Garros. He is the only Greek player in history to have reached a Grand Slam final.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Tsitsipas reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros (l. Carlos Alcaraz) and round of 16 at Wimbledon (l. Christopher Eubanks) but fell in the 2nd round at the US Open (l. Dominic Stricker).
- At 25 years 169 days, Tsitsipas is bidding to become the **youngest Australian Open men's singles champion** since Djokovic won the title here in 2012 aged 24 years 252 days. (NB ages calculated at the end of the tournament).
- Tsitsipas' **best result in 2023** was winning the title at Los Cabos (d. Alex de Minaur). He also finished runner-up at Barcelona (l. Alcaraz) and reached the semifinals at Rome-1000 (l. Daniil Medvedev), Antwerp (l. Arthur Fils), Vienna (l. Medvedev) and Paris-1000 (l. Grigor Dimitrov).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Tsitsipas represented Greece at the United Cup, winning one of the 2 singles matches he contested. He defeated Canada's Steven Diez but fell to Germany's Alexander Zverev.
- The Australian Open is Tsitsipas' **best Grand Slam tournament**. He has a 23-6 win-loss record here, compared to 22-7 at Roland Garros, 8-6 at Wimbledon and 6-6 at the US Open.
- Tsitsipas has won all 4 **five-set matches** he has contested at the Australian Open – against both Thanasi Kokkinakis and Rafael Nadal in 2021, against Taylor Fritz in the round of 16 in 2022, and against Jannik Sinner in the round of 16 last year. His victory against Nadal in the 2021 quarterfinals, in which he recovered from 0-2 down to win in 5 sets, saw him become the 3rd player to record a successful comeback from 0-2 down against Nadal after Roger Federer and Fabio Fognini. He has an 11-8 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- Tsitsipas reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in August in 2021. He plays here 4 places lower at No. 7.
- Tsitsipas is a **former junior world No. 1**. He reached the quarterfinals of the boys' singles here in 2015 (l. Jurabek Karimov) and 2016 (l. De Minaur). His best result at a junior Grand Slam was reaching the semifinals of the boys' singles at 2016 Wimbledon (l. Shapovalov) and at the 2016 US Open (l. Felix Auger-Aliassime).

- Tsitsipas made his **Davis Cup** debut in September 2019 and has won 11 of the 12 singles matches he has contested in the competition since then. Greece will play at home to Romania in the 2024 Davis Cup World Group I Play-offs in February.
- Tsitsipas is coached by his father, Apostolos Tsitsipas.
- **VAN ASSCHE** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time. This is his 2nd Australian Open appearance and his 5th Grand Slam overall.
- At 19 years 262 days, Van Assche is bidding to become the **youngest man to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 2012**, when Bernard Tomic reached the round of 16 here aged 19 years 100 days. Fellow teenagers Alex Michelsen (19 years 156 days) and Shang Juncheng (18 years 360 days) are also competing in the 3rd round here on Saturday. (NB all ages calculated at the end of the tournament)
- If Van Assche, Michelsen and Shang all reach the round of 16 here, it will be the **first time that 3 teenagers have reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam men's singles event since the 1991 Australian Open**. If 2 teenagers reach the round of 16 here, it will be the first time that multiple teenagers have reached the men's singles round of 16 at the Australian Open since 2007.

Multiple teenagers in men's singles round of 16 at the Australian Open and the Grand Slams

Teenagers in R16	Most-recent occasion at Australian Open (players)	Most-recent occasion at a Grand Slam (players)
≥2	2007 (Djokovic, Murray)	2022 Roland Garros (Alcaraz, Rune)
≥3	1991 (Ferreira, Kraijcek, Woodbridge)	1991 Australian Open (Ferreira, Kraijcek, Woodbridge)

- Van Assche advanced to the 3rd round after defeating wild card James Duckworth 67(2) 63 36 63 63 and No. 25 seed Lorenzo Musetti 63 36 67(5) 63 60 for his **first Australian Open match-wins** in the opening 2 rounds. His victories here this week were the first 5-set matches he has contested.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Van Assche has recorded his **best Grand Slam result**. His previous best result at the Grand Slams was reaching the 2nd round at Roland Garros last year (d. Marco Cecchinato, I. Alejandro Davidovich Fokina).
- **Last year here**, as a wild card on his Grand Slam debut, Van Assche fell to Cameron Norrie in the 1st round. He also fell in the 1st round at Wimbledon (I. Aslan Karatsev) and the US Open (I. Nicolas Jarry) last year.
- Van Assche's **best Tour-level results in 2023** were reaching the semifinals at the NextGen ATP Finals (I. Arthur Fils) and the quarterfinals at Hamburg (I. Alexander Zverev) and Metz (I. Pierre-Hugues Herbert).
- Van Assche **won his 2nd and 3rd Challenger titles** in 2023 – at the Pau Challenger (FRA) (d. Ugo Humbert) and the Sanremo Challenger (ITA) (d. Juan Pablo Varillas). He also reached the semifinals at the Orleans Challenger (FRA) (I. Jack Draper).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Van Assche reached the 2nd round as a qualifier at Auckland (d. JJ Wolf, I. Norrie). He also competed at Brisbane, falling to Alexander Shevchenko in the 1st round.
- Van Assche is bidding to **defeat a Top 10 player for the first time** on his 2nd attempt. He lost his only previous match against a Top 10 player, against No. 1 Novak Djokovic in the 2nd round at Banja Luka last year. The highest-ranked player he has defeated, at any level, is No. 28 Musetti in the 2nd round here on Wednesday.
- Van Assche broke the Top 100 for the first time in April last year and reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 63 in October. He plays here at No. 79.
- Van Assche is a **former junior world No. 1**. He reached the top ranking in July 2021, one month after winning the boys' singles title at 2021 Roland Garros (d. Arthur Fils). He never competed in the boys' singles event at the Australian Open.
- Van Assche is coached by Yannick Quere.

NO. 10 ALEX DE MINAUR (AUS) v (Q) FLAVIO COBOLLI (ITA)

Head-to-head: first meeting

De Minaur has never lost an Australian Open match to a player ranked as low as No. 100 Cobolli. The lowest-ranked player to defeat De Minaur here is No. 32 Sam Querrey in the 2nd round in 2017.

De Minaur is facing an Italian player here for the 2nd consecutive round, having defeated Matteo Arnaldi in the 2nd round on Wednesday. He has a 5-5 win-loss record against Italian players at the Grand Slams and a 15-12 win-loss record against Italian players at Tour-level overall.

Cobolli is facing an Australian player at Tour-level for the 3rd time. Both of his previous Tour-level meetings with Australian players came at Munich last year, where he defeated Jordan Thompson in the 1st round before falling to Christopher O'Connell in the quarterfinals. He has faced 2 Australian players in qualifying at the Australian Open – defeating Andrew Harris in the 1st round of qualifying here in 2022 and Jeremy Jin in the 1st round of qualifying here this year.

DE MINAUR	v	COBOLLI
24	Age	21
10	ATP Ranking	100
7	Titles	0
37-25	Career Grand Slam Record	2-1
13-6	Australian Open Record	2-0
207-135	Career Record	8-11
160-90	Career Record - Hard	4-5
5-1	2024 Record	2-0
5-1	2024 Record - Hard	2-0
4-5	Career Five-Set Record	1-1
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
78-63	Career Tiebreak Record	2-3
0-2	2024 Tiebreak Record	0-0

- **DE MINAUR** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd straight year and equal his best Australian Open result. This is his 7th Australian Open appearance and his 26th Grand Slam overall.
- De Minaur is bidding to **reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slams for the 7th time**. He has reached the round of 16 or better at the Australian Open, Wimbledon and the US Open, but has never advanced beyond the 2nd round at Roland Garros.
- De Minaur advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Milos Raonic, who retired due to a hip injury with De Minaur leading 67(6) 63 2-0, and Matteo Arnaldi 63 60 63 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Last year here, De Minaur equalled his **best Australian Open result** by reaching the round of 16 (I. Novak Djokovic). He also reached the round of 16 here in 2022 (I. Jannik Sinner).
- De Minaur's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals at the 2020 US Open, where he fell to eventual champion Dominic Thiem in straight sets.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, De Minaur reached the round of 16 at US Open (I. Daniil Medvedev) but fell in the 2nd round at both Roland Garros (d. Ilya Ivashka, I. Tomas Martin Etcheverry) and Wimbledon (d. Kimmer Coppejans, I. Matteo Berrettini).
- De Minaur's best result in 2023 was winning his **7th Tour-level title** at Acapulco (d. Tommy Paul). He also finished runner-up at Queen's (I. Carlos Alcaraz), Los Cabos (I. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and Toronto-1000 (I. Sinner).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, De Minaur represented Australia at the United Cup, winning 3 of the 4 singles matches he contested as the team reached the semifinals. He fell to Great Britain's Cameron Norrie in his first match before defeating USA's Taylor Fritz, Serbia's Novak Djokovic and Germany's Alexander Zverev. His victory against Djokovic was his first victory against a world No. 1 and ended Djokovic's 43-match winning streak in Australia.

- De Minaur is the **only Australian man** to reach the 3rd round here. A total of 15 Australian players began the men's singles draw here this year – the most Australian men to compete at the Australian Open since 1998, when there were 17. He is looking to become the first home player to win the Australian Open men's singles title since Mark Edmondson in 1976.
- De Minaur has won both **5-set matches** he has contested at the Australian Open, having defeated Gerald Melzer in 5 sets in the 1st round in 2017 and Henri Laaksonen in 5 sets in the 2nd round in 2019. He has a 3-5 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- De Minaur reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 10 last week, becoming the first Australian man to be ranked in the Top 10 since Lleyton Hewitt in July 2006. He plays here at the same ranking.
- De Minaur reached a **career-high junior ranking of No. 2** in February 2016. He reached the semifinals of the boys' singles at the 2016 Australian Open (I. Jurabek Karimov) and won the doubles event alongside Blake Ellis. He also finished runner-up in the boys' singles event at 2016 Wimbledon (I. Denis Shapovalov).
- De Minaur has led Australia to **back-to-back Davis Cup finals in 2022-23**, the team's first appearances in the Davis Cup final since 2003. The team finished as runners-up to Canada in 2022 and to Italy in 2023. De Minaur won 10 out of 13 Davis Cup matches he contested in 2022-23, with his only defeats coming against Felix Auger-Aliassime in the 2022 final, against Daniel Evans in the 2023 Finals Group Stage and against Sinner in the 2023 final. He has a 15-8 win-loss record in the competition overall. As runners-up in 2023, Australia have qualified automatically for the 2024 Finals Group Stage in September.
- De Minaur is coached by Adolfo Gutierrez.
- Qualifier **COBOLLI** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time on his Australian Open debut. This is his 2nd Grand Slam appearance overall.
- Cobolli is bidding to become the **16th qualifier to reach the round of 16 of the men's singles at the Australian Open in the Open Era** – and just the 6th since 2000, after Christophe Rochus (2000), Fernando Gonzalez (2002), Marcos Baghdatis (2004), Milos Raonic (2011) and Aslan Karatsev (2021).
- Cobolli is bidding to become the **6th man to reach the round of 16 on his Australian Open debut in the last 10 years** – after Marton Fucsovics and Tennys Sandgren in (2018), Karatsev (2021) and Ben Shelton and JJ Wolf (2023). (NB Fabian Marozsan is also bidding to reach the round of 16 on his Australian Open debut today, while debutants Arthur Cazaux and Alex Michelsen contest their 3rd round matches here on Saturday)
- Cobolli advanced to the 3rd round after defeating No. 18 seed Nicolas Jarry 64 36 63 26 75 and Pavel Kotov 75 63 57 62 for his **first Grand Slam match-wins** in the opening 2 rounds.
- As No. 2 seed in qualifying last week, Cobolli defeated wild card Jeremy Jin (AUS) 62 62, Benjamin Hassan (GER) 64 63 and Santiago Rodriguez Taverna (ARG) 64 62. It is the **2nd time he has successfully qualified at a Grand Slam** on his 9th attempt.
- Cobolli **made his Grand Slam debut** at 2023 Roland Garros, falling to Carlos Alcaraz in the 1st round.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, He fell in the 1st round of qualifying at the Australian Open (I. Mitchell Krueger), Wimbledon (I. Juan Pablo Ficovich) and the US Open (I. Leandro Riedi).
- Cobolli's **best Tour-level result in 2023** was reaching the quarterfinals at 2023 Munich, where he defeated Jordan Thompson and Oscar Otte before falling to Christopher O'Connell. He recorded 3 other Tour-level match-wins last season – in 2nd round finishes at Pune (d. Sasikumar Mukund, I. Botic van de Zandschulp) and Umag (d. Marin Cilic, I. Matteo Araldi) and in the group stage at the NextGen ATP Finals, where he defeated Dominic Stricker.
- Cobolli **won his 2nd Challenger title in 2023** – at the Lisbon Challenger (POR) (d. Benjamin Hassan). He also finished as a runner up at the Olbia Challenger (ITA) (I. Kyrian Jacquet) and reached the semifinals at 6 other Challenger events.
- Cobolli is bidding to **defeat a Top 10 player for the first time on his 2nd attempt**. He lost the only match he has played against a Top 10 player, against No. 1 Alcaraz in the 1st round at Roland Garros last year. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 18 Jarry in the 1st round here this year.

- Cobolli **broke the Top 100 for the first time** in October 2023, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 95. He plays here 5 places lower at No. 100.
- Cobolli reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 8 in January 2020. He lost in the 2nd round on his only appearance in the boys' singles here in 2020 (l. Peter Fajta).

Cobolli is coached by his father, Stefano Cobolli.

NO. 12 TAYLOR FRITZ (USA) v FABIAN MAROZSAN (HUN)

Head-to-head: first meeting

FRITZ	v	MAROZSAN
26	Age	24
12	ATP Ranking	67
6	Titles	0
38-29	Career Grand Slam Record	3-2
12-7	Australian Open Record	2-0
234-168	Career Record	15-11
174-117	Career Record - Hard	10-7
3-1	2024 Record	3-2
3-1	2024 Record - Hard	3-2
9-11	Career Five-Set Record	1-0
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
126-101	Career Tiebreak Record	7-6
1-0	2024 Tiebreak Record	2-1

- **FRITZ** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd time and equal his best Australian Open result. This is his 8th Australian Open appearance and his 30th Grand Slam overall.
- Fritz is one of 5 American men to reach the 3rd round at the Australian Open this year. If all 5 American men here reach the round of 16, it will be the **most American to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since the 1995 US Open**, when 8 American men reached the last 16. It will also be the most American men to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 1995, when 8 American men reached the last 16 here.
- Fritz is bidding to reach the round of 16 at back-to-back Grand Slam tournaments for the first time in his career – he was one of 4 American men to reach the round of 16 at the 2023 US Open. If at least 4 American men reach the round of 16 here this year, **it will be the first time 4 American men have reached the round of 16 at consecutive Grand Slams since 2003-04**, when 4 American men reached the round of 16 at both the 2003 US Open and the 2004 Australian Open.
- Fritz advanced to the 3rd round after defeating qualifier Facundo Diaz Acosta 46 63 36 62 64 and lucky loser Hugo Gaston 60 63 61 in the opening 2 rounds.
- **Last year here**, Fritz reached the 2nd round. He defeated Nikoloz Basilashvili before falling to Alexei Popyrin in 5 sets. It was his earliest defeat here since 2017, when he fell in the 1st round (l. Gilles Muller). He has lost in the 1st round here on one other occasion – as a qualifier on his Grand Slam debut in 2016 (l. Jack Sock).
- Fritz's **best Australian Open result** is reaching the round of 16 in 2022, when he defeated Maximilian Marterer, Frances Tiafoe and Roberto Bautista Agut before falling to Stefanos Tsitsipas in 5 sets.
- Fritz's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals on 2 occasions – at 2022 Wimbledon, where he fell to Rafael Nadal in 5 sets, and at the US Open last year (l. Novak Djokovic).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Fritz reached the 3rd round at Roland Garros, where he defeated Michael Mmoh and Arthur Rinderknech before falling to Francisco Cerundolo, and the 2nd round at Wimbledon (d. Yannick Hanfmann, l. Mikael Ymer).
- Fritz's **best results in 2023** were winning the titles at Delray Beach (d. Miomir Kecmanovic) and Atlanta (d. Aleksandar Vukic). He also reached the semifinals at Dallas (l. Wu Yibing), Acapulco (l. Tommy Paul), Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Andrey Rublev), Munich (l. Botic van de Zandschulp), Geneva (l. Grigor Dimitrov) and Washington (l. Tallon Griekspoor).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Fritz represented USA at the United Cup. He won one of the 2 singles matches he played, defeating Great Britain's Cameron Norrie but falling to Australia's Alex de Minaur.
- Fritz has won 4 of the 8 **five-set matches** he has contested at the Australian Open, including his 1st round win against Diaz Acosta here this year, and has a 9-10 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.

- Fritz reached a career-high ranking of No. 5 in February last year, becoming the **first American man to be ranked in the Top 5** since Andy Roddick in 2009. He plays here at No. 12.
- Fritz is a **former junior world No. 1**. He was named 2015 ITF Junior World Champion after winning the boys' singles title at the 2015 US Open (d. Tommy Paul). He also finished as runner-up in the boys' singles at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Paul). He contested the boys' singles at the Australian Open in 2015, reaching the quarterfinals in 2015 (l. Hong Seong-chan).
- Fritz made his **Davis Cup** debut at the 2019 Finals and has a 5-3 win-loss record in the competition overall. USA play against Ukraine in Lithuania in the 2024 Davis Cup Qualifiers in February.
- Both of Fritz's parents were professional tennis players. His mother, Kathy, is a former Top 10 player.
- Fritz is coached by Michael Russell and Paul Annacone.
- **MAROZSAN** is bidding to reach the 3rd round at a Grand Slam for the first time on his Australian Open debut. This is his 3rd Grand Slam appearance overall.
- Marozsan is bidding to become the **3rd Hungarian man in history to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open** – after Szabolcs Baranyi (1973*) and Marton Fucsovics (2018, 2020). (*The Australian Open men's singles used a 64-player draw prior to 1982)
- Marozsan is also bidding to become the **11th Hungarian man in history to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam** – after Istvan Gulyas and Bela von Kehrling (who both made 7 Grand Slam round of 16 appearances), Balazs Taroczy (5), Jozsef Asboth and Fucsovics (both 4), Emil Gabori (3), Baranyi and Otto Szigetzi (both 2), and Andras Adam-Stolpa and Antal Jancso (both one).
- Marozsan is bidding to become the **6th man to reach the round of 16 on his Australian Open debut in the last 10 years** – after Marton Fucsovics and Tennys Sandgren in (2018), Karatsev (2021) and Ben Shelton and JJ Wolf (2023). (NB Flavio Cobolli is also bidding to reach the round of 16 on his Australian Open debut today, while debutants Arthur Cazaux and Alex Michelsen contest their 3rd round matches here on Saturday)
- Marozsan advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Marin Cilic 61 26 62 75 and No. 22 seed Francisco Cerundolo 76(5) 64 62 for his **first Australian Open match-wins** in the opening 2 rounds.
- **Last year here**, Marozsan fell to Shang Juncheng in the 1st round of qualifying. It was his first appearance in qualifying at a Grand Slam.
- Marozsan recorded his **first Grand Slam match-win** by reaching the 2nd round at the US Open last year, defeating Richard Gasquet in 5 sets before falling to Adrian Mannarino. He made his Grand Slam debut as a lucky loser at 2023 Wimbledon, falling to David Goffin in the 1st round of the main draw. He lost in the 2nd round of qualifying at Roland Garros (l. Shang).
- Marozsan's **best Tour-level results in 2023** were reaching the quarterfinals at Shanghai-1000 (l. Hubert Hurkacz) and Sofia (l. Jan-Lennard Struff).
- Also in 2023, Marozsan **won 2 Challenger titles** – at Antalya (TUR) (d. Sebastian Ofner) and Perugia (ITA) (d. Edoardo Lavagno).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Marozsan reached the 2nd round at Auckland (d. Gael Monfils, l. Ben Shelton) but fell in the 1st round at Hong Kong (l. Roberto Bautista Agut).
- Marozsan is bidding to **defeat a Top 20 player for the 4th time**. He has a 3-3 win-loss record against Top 20 players at Tour-level overall, with all 3 of his victories coming in 2023 – against No. 2 Carlos Alcaraz in the 3rd round at Rome-1000, against No. 11 Alex de Minaur in the 2nd round at Shanghai-1000 and against No. 9 Casper Ruud in the round of 16 at Shanghai-1000.
- Marozsan won the only **5-set match** he has contested at Tour-level, defeating Gasquet in the 1st round at the 2023 US Open. He lost the only 5-set match he has contested below Tour-level – falling to Maximilian Marterer in the final round of qualifying at 2023 Wimbledon.
- Marozsan achieved a **career-high ranking** of No. 61 in October 2023. He plays here 4 places lower at No. 65.

- Marozsan made his **Davis Cup** debut for Hungary at the 2021 Finals and has a 4-5 overall win-loss record in the competition. Hungary will play at home against Germany in the 2024 Davis Cup Qualifiers in February.
- Marozsan is coached by Gyorgy Balazs.

NO. 15 KAREN KHACHANOV v TOMAS MACHAC (CZE)

Head-to-head: first meeting

Khachanov has never lost an Australian Open match to a player ranked as low as No. 75 Machac. The lowest-ranked player to have defeated Khachanov at the Australian Open is No. 26 Nick Kyrgios in the 3rd round in 2020.

KHACHANOV	v	MACHAC
27	Age	23
15	ATP Ranking	75
5	Titles	0
59-26	Career Grand Slam Record	4-6
17-7	Australian Open Record	4-3
246-181	Career Record	19-18
163-123	Career Record - Hard	13-14
2-1	2024 Record	3-1
2-1	2024 Record - Hard	3-1
9-9	Career Five-Set Record	0-2
3	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
118-115	Career Tiebreak Record	7-11
2-1	2024 Tiebreak Record	2-2

- **KHACHANOV** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd time. This is his 8th Australian Open appearance and his 27th Grand Slam overall.
- Khachanov is bidding to **reach the round of 16 at the Grand Slams for the 11th time**. He has reached the round of 16 or better at all 4 Grand Slam tournaments.
- Khachanov advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Daniel Altmaier 57 63 76(5) 76(3) and qualifier Aleksandar Kovacevic 64 63 46 63 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Last year here, Khachanov equalled his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the semifinals. He defeated Bernabe Zapata Miralles, Jason Kubler, Frances Tiafoe, Yoshihito Nishioka and Sebastian Korda before falling to Stefanos Tsitsipas in the last 4. He also reached the semifinals at the 2022 US Open (l. Casper Ruud).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Khachanov reached the quarterfinals at Roland Garros (l. Novak Djokovic) but fell in the 1st round at the US Open (l. Michael Mmoh). He withdrew from Wimbledon due to a stress fracture injury.
- Khachanov's best result in 2023 was winning his **5th Tour-level title** – and first since 2018 Paris-1000 – at Zhuhai (d. Yoshihito Nishioka). He also reached the semifinals at Miami-1000 (l. Daniil Medvedev) and the quarterfinals at a total of 7 other Tour-level events.
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Khachanov competed at Hong Kong but lost his opening match to Emil Ruusuvuori.
- Khachanov has won one of the 2 **five-set matches** he has contested at the Australian Open, both of which came in 2020 – he defeated Mikael Ymer in the 2nd round before falling to Nick Kyrgios in the 3rd round. He has a 9-8 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- Khachanov **broke the Top 10 for the first time** in June 2019 and reached a career-high ranking of No. 8 the following month. He plays here at No. 15.
- Khachanov **won the men's singles silver medal at the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Tennis Event** in 2021, falling to Alexander Zverev in the gold medal match. Along with Andrey Rublev, who won mixed doubles gold, he became the first tennis player to win medals at both the Youth Olympic Games and the Olympic Games.
- Khachanov won the **boys' doubles silver medal** alongside Rublev at the 2014 Youth Olympic Tennis Event in Nanjing, China. The pair fell to Orlando Luz/Marcelo Zormann in the gold medal match. He fell to Nishioka in the 1st round on his only appearance in the boys' singles here in 2013.
- Khachanov is coached by Jose Clavet and Vedran Martic.

- **MACHAC** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time. This is his 4th Australian Open appearance and his 7th Grand Slam overall.
- Machac is bidding to become the **12th Czech man in the Open Era to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open** – after Tomas Berdych (11 round of 16 appearances here), Ivan Lendl (9), Petr Korda (2), and Martin Damm, Slava Dosedel, Jiri Lehecka, Karel Novacek, Jiri Novak, Tomas Smid, Bohdan Ulihrach and Vladimir Zednik (all one).
- Machac advanced to the 3rd round after defeating lucky loser Shintaro Mochizuki 75 61 75 and No. 17 seed Frances Tiafoe 64 64 76(5) in the opening 2 rounds.
- Machac's victory against No. 17 Tiafoe in the 2nd round here was his **first victory against a Top 20 player**. He had lost all 9 of his previous matches against Top 20 players – including both of his previous matches against Top 20 players at the Australian Open, against No. 10 Berrettini in the 2nd round in 2021 and No. 3 Ruud in the 1st round last year. The highest-ranked player he had previously defeated, at any level, was No. 25 Daniel Evans at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Machac has recorded his **best Grand Slam result**. His previous best results at the Grand Slams were reaching the 2nd round as a qualifier at the Australian Open in both 2021 (d. Mario Vilella Martinez, l. Matteo Berrettini) and 2022 (d. Juan Manuel Cerundolo, l. Maxime Cressy).
- **Last year here**, Machac fell to Casper Ruud in 4 sets in the 1st round. Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023, Machac lost in the 1st round as a qualifier at Wimbledon (l. Cameron Norrie), but fell in the final round of qualifying at the US Open (l. Borna Gojo) and in the 1st round of qualifying at Roland Garros (l. Lucas Pouille).
- Machac's **best Tour-level results in 2023** were reaching the quarterfinals as a qualifier at Houston (l. Yannick Hanfmann) and as a lucky loser at Stockholm (l. Laslo Djere).
- Machac **won back-to-back Challenger titles** in October 2023 – at Orleans (FRA) (d. Jack Draper) and Mouilleron Le Captif (FRA) (d. Arthur Fery). He also finished as runner-up at the Prostějov Challenger (CZE) (l. Dalibor Svrčina) and the Cassis Challenger (FRA) (l. Mattia Bellucci), and reached the semifinals at the Sarasota Challenger (USA) (l. Daniel Elahi Galan).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Machac reached the 2nd round as a qualifier at Brisbane (d. Tomas Martin Etcheverry, l. Rinky Hijikata). He fell in the first round of qualifying at Adelaide (l. Alex Bolt).
- Machac has lost both of the **five-set matches** he has contested – against Taylor Fritz in the 1st round at 2020 Roland Garros and Botic van de Zandschulp in the 1st round at the 2022 US Open.
- Machac reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 64 in October last year. He plays here at No. 75.
- Machac reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 16 in January 2018. He lost in the 1st round on his only appearance in the boys' singles at the Australian Open in 2018 (l. Rudolf Molleker).
- Machac made his **Davis Cup** debut for Czechia at the 2021 Davis Cup Finals and has an 8-6 win-loss record in the competition. Czechia will play at home against Israel in the 2024 Davis Cup Qualifiers in February.
- Machac is coached by Daniel Vacek.

NO. 16 BEN SHELTON (USA) v NO. 20 ADRIAN MANNARINO (FRA)

Head-to-head: Mannarino leads 1-0

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A 2nd meeting for Shelton and Mannarino and their first at a Grand Slam. Mannarino won their only previous meeting, in the 2nd round at Miami-1000 last year.

This is the first meeting between 2 players in the Top 20 in the men's singles at this year's Australian Open.

Shelton has won 4 of his last 6 matches against Top 20 players, with his only defeats to Top 20 players in that time coming against No. 2 Novak Djokovic in the semifinals at the 2023 US Open and against No. 4 Jannik Sinner in the 1st round at 2023 Vienna. He has a 2-1 win-loss record against Top 20 players at the Grand Slams and a 5-9 win-loss record against Top 20 players at Tour-level overall.

Mannarino is bidding to end a 7-match losing streak against Top 20 players at Tour-level, having not defeated a Top 20 player since defeating No. 14 Felix Auger-Aliassime in the 2nd round at Cincinnati-1000 last year. He has a 4-29 win-loss record against Top 20 players at the Grand Slams and a 24-104 win-loss record against Top 20 players at Tour-level overall.

Shelton and Mannarino are 2 of the 5 lefthanders through to the 3rd round from the 18 who began this year's Australian Open men's singles main draw. Just 6 lefthanded players have won the Australian Open men's singles title in the Open Era, most recently Rafael Nadal in 2009 and 2022.

Shelton is facing a lefthanded player at a Grand Slam for the first time. He has lost all 4 of his previous Tour-level matches against lefthanded players – in addition to his defeat to Mannarino at Miami-1000 last year, he also fell to Cameron Norrie in the 3rd round at 2022 Cincinnati-1000 and to Shang Juncheng twice in 2023, in the 1st round at Atlanta and the 2nd round at Washington.

Mannarino is bidding to end a 5-match losing streak against lefthanded players at the Grand Slams. He has not defeated a lefthanded player at the Grand Slams since defeating Jiri Vesely in the 2nd round here in 2018. He has a 5-11 win-loss record against lefthanded players at the Grand Slams overall.

Mannarino is bidding to extend an 8-match winning streak against lefthanded players at Tour-level. Since losing his most-recent Grand Slam match against a lefthanded player, against Ugo Humbert in the 1st round at Roland Garros last year, he has won all 8 matches he has played against lefthanded players. He has a 45-33 win-loss record against lefthanded players at Tour-level overall.

SHELTON	v	MANNARINO
21	Age	35
16	ATP Ranking	19
1	Titles	5
12-5	Career Grand Slam Record	44-54
6-1	Australian Open Record	13-14
33-29	Career Record	291-315
29-19	Career Record - Hard	205-212
4-2	2024 Record	3-3
4-2	2024 Record - Hard	3-3
3-1	Career Five-Set Record	13-3
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
24-21	Career Tiebreak Record	119-140
3-1	2024 Tiebreak Record	0-0

- **SHELTON** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd straight year. This is his 2nd Australian Open and 6th Grand Slam overall.
- Shelton is one of 5 American men to reach the 3rd round at the Australian Open this year. If all 5 American men here reach the round of 16, it will be the **most American to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since the 1995 US Open**, when 8 American men reached the last 16. It will also be the most American men to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 1995, when 8 American men reached the last 16 here.

- Shelton is bidding to reach the round of 16 at back-to-back Grand Slam tournaments for the first time in his career – he was one of 4 American men to reach the round of 16 at the 2023 US Open. If at least 4 American men reach the round of 16 here this year, **it will be the first time 4 American men have reached the round of 16 at consecutive Grand Slams since 2003-04**, when 4 American men reached the round of 16 at both the 2003 US Open and the 2004 Australian Open.
- Shelton advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Roberto Bautista Agut 62 76(2) 75 and Christopher O’Connell 64 61 36 76(5) in the opening 2 rounds.
- **Last year here**, on his Australian Open debut, Shelton reached the quarterfinals. He defeated Zhang Zhizhen, Nicolas Jarry, Alexei Popyrin and JJ Wolf before falling to Tommy Paul in the last 8. Aged 20 years 112 days, became the youngest American man to reach the last 8 at the Australian Open since Sammy Gimmalva Jr in 1982 (aged 19 years 172 days) and the youngest American man to reach the quarterfinals at a Grand Slam since Andy Roddick at the 2002 US Open (aged 20 years 9 days).
- Shelton’s **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the semifinals at the 2023 US Open (l. Novak Djokovic). Aged 20 years 336 days, he became the youngest American man to reach the semifinals at the US Open since Michael Chang (20 years 204 days) in 1992.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023**, Shelton reached the 2nd round at Wimbledon (d. Taro Daniel, l. Laslo Djere) but fell in the 1st round at Roland Garros (l. Lorenzo Sonego).
- Shelton’s **best result in 2023** was winning his first Tour-level title at Tokyo (d. Aslan Karatsev). He also reached the quarterfinals at Shanghai-1000 (l. Sebastian Korda).
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Shelton reached the semifinals at Auckland (l. Daniel). He also competed in Brisbane but fell to Roman Safiullin in the 1st round.
- Shelton has won 3 of the 4 **five-set matches** he has contested, with his only defeat coming on his Grand Slam debut, when he fell to Nuno Borges in 5 sets in the 1st round at the 2022 US Open. He won both 5-set matches he contested at the Australian Open last year, against Zhang in the 1st round and Wolf in the round of 16.
- Shelton reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 15 in October 2023 after winning his first Tour-level title at Tokyo. He plays here one place lower at No. 16 and is seeded at a Grand Slam for the first time.
- Shelton **played college tennis**. He represented the University of Florida for 2 seasons, compiling a 65-10 win-loss record in singles and winning the 2021 NCAA team title and the 2022 NCAA singles title.
- Shelton **contested just 4 tournaments as a junior player**, all of which came in his home country. His best result was reaching the 3rd round as a wild card at 2020 JA Plantation (USA) (also known as the Orange Bowl), falling to Jack Pinnington Jones.
- Shelton’s father, Bryan Shelton, reached a career-high ranking of No. 55 in March 1992. He made 6 appearances at the Australian Open, reaching the 2nd round on his debut in 1991.
- Shelton is coached by his father, Bryan Shelton, and Dean Goldfine.
- **MANNARINO** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd time and equal his best Grand Slam result. This is his 15th Australian Open appearance his 55th Grand Slam overall.
- Mannarino advanced to the 3rd round after defeating Stan Wawrinka 64 36 57 63 60 and Jaume Munar 63 63 16 26 63 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Mannarino has won the last 10 **five-set matches** he has contested. He has not lost a 5-set match since falling to Andy Murray in the 2nd round at the 2015 US Open. He has won all 4 five-set matches he has contested at the Australian Open – in addition to his 2 five-set victories here this year, he also recorded 5-set victories against Steve Johnson in the 1st round in 2014 and James Duckworth in the 1st round in 2022. He has a 13-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- Mannarino’s **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the round of 16 on 4 occasions, including at the 2022 Australian Open (l. Rafael Nadal). He has also reached the round of 16 at Wimbledon on 3 occasions – in 2013 (l. Lukasz Kubot), 2017 (l. Novak Djokovic) and 2018 (l. Roger Federer).

- **Last year here**, Mannarino reached the 2nd round (d. John Isner, l. Alex de Minaur). Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2023, he reached the 3rd round at the US Open (l. Frances Tiafoe) and the 2nd round at Wimbledon (l. Daniil Medvedev), but fell to Ugo Humbert in the 1st round at Roland Garros.
- Mannarino's best results in 2023 were **winning his 3rd, 4th and 5th Tour-level titles** – at Newport (d. Alex Michelsen), Astana (d. Sebastian Korda) and Sofia (d. Jack Draper). He also finished as runner-up at Mallorca (l. Christopher Eubanks) and reached the quarterfinals at 6 other Tour-level events.
- **Prior to the Australian Open**, Mannarino represented France at the United Cup, winning one of the 4 singles matches he contested. He defeated Italy's Lorenzo Sonego but fell to Germany's Alexander Zverev, Norway's Casper Ruud and Poland's Hubert Hurkacz.
- Mannarino **broke the Top 20, at No. 20, for the first time** last week and plays here at a new career-high ranking of No. 19.
- Mannarino made his **Davis Cup** debut in 2018 and has a 7-2 overall win-loss record in the competition. France will play away to Chinese Taipei in the 2024 Davis Cup Qualifiers in February.
- Mannarino is coached by Erwann Tortuyaux.