



## 2020 AUSTRALIAN OPEN DAY 6 MEN'S NOTES Saturday 25 January 3rd Round Top Half

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### On court today...

- Today's 3rd match on Rod Laver Arena is an all-Spanish clash between Rafael Nadal and Pablo Carreno Busta, with Nadal aiming to extend both a 4-match winning streak against Carreno Busta and a 17-match winning streak against Spanish opposition overall. Nadal's last defeat to a Spanish player came against Fernando Verdasco here, and he will hope to avoid another loss today. Carreno Busta has won just one set in his 4 previous meetings with Nadal, and will have to win at least 3 today if he is to overcome his Davis Cup teammate and reach the last 16 here for the 3rd time in his career.
- In one of 2 meetings between an Australian player and a Russian player here today, No. 4 seed Daniil Medvedev plays Australia's Alexei Popyrin in the 2nd night match on Rod Laver Arena. Medvedev will aim to defeat a home player here for the 2nd time, having defeated Thanasi Kokkinakis here 2 years ago. Since then, Medvedev's stock has risen considerably. He is now a Grand Slam finalist and well-established in the world's Top 5 – making the challenge for Popyrin, who is attempting to reach the last 16 at a major for the first time, even more daunting. The world No. 96 will need to defeat a Top 5 opponent for the first time if he is to progress.
- The other match between a Russian and an Australian today sees No. 16 seed Karen Khachanov take on No. 23 seed Nick Kyrgios in the 4th match of the day on Melbourne Arena. Prior to today, there have been 50 meetings between Russians and Australians at the Grand Slams, with Russian players winning on 27 occasions compared to 23 victories for Australian players. As in the match-up between Medvedev and Popyrin, the Russian is the higher-ranked of the 2 players in this clash – but Kyrgios has had more success at the Australian Open to date. The Australian reached the quarterfinals here in 2015, while Khachanov is aiming to reach the last 16 here for the first time.
- Two American men are in action here today, with both John Isner, who plays Stan Wawrinka on Court 3, and Taylor Fritz, who faces Dominic Thiem on Margaret Court Arena, hoping to join compatriot Tennys Sandgren in the round of 16. Should both Isner and Fritz win today, it will be the first time that 3 American men have reached the last 16 here since 2007, when James Blake, Mardy Fish and Andy Roddick all reached that stage. Should just one of them win, it will be the first time that 2 American men have reached the last 16 here since 2010, when Isner and Roddick both reached the round of 16.

# NO. 1 RAFAEL NADAL (ESP) v NO. 27 PABLO CARRENO BUSTA (ESP)

## Head-to-head: Nadal leads 4-0

2015	Rio de Janeiro	Clay (O)	R16	Nadal	75 63
2016	Doha	Hard (O)	R32	Nadal	67(5) 63 61
2016	Rio de Janeiro	Clay (O)	R32	Nadal	61 64
2017	<b>Roland Garros</b>	<b>Clay (O)</b>	<b>QF</b>	<b>Nadal</b>	<b>62 2-0 ret. (left abdominal injury)</b>

This is the 5th meeting between Nadal and Carreno Busta, their 2nd at a Grand Slam and their 2nd on a hard court. Carreno Busta has won just one set in their 4 previous matches – in their only previous hard court match in the 1st round at 2016 Doha.

This is the 30th meeting between 2 Spanish players in the men's singles at the Australian Open in the Open Era – and the 2nd here this year, after Roberto Bautista Agut defeated Feliciano Lopez in the 1st round. It is also the 165th meeting between 2 Spanish players in the men's singles at a Grand Slam in the Open Era.

Nadal is bidding to extend his 17-match winning streak against Spanish opposition at Tour-level. He has not lost to a Spanish opponent since falling to Fernando Verdasco in the 1st round here in 2016 (NB he gave a walkover to Marcel Granollers in the 3rd round at 2016 Roland Garros in that time). Nadal has a 22-3 win-loss record against Spanish players at the Grand Slams and a 130-21 win-loss record against Spanish players at Tour-level overall.

Carreno Busta is bidding to defeat a Spanish player at a Grand Slam for the first time. He has lost all 3 of his previous matches with Spanish opponents at the Grand Slams – to David Ferrer at 2014 Wimbledon, Roberto Bautista Agut at the 2015 US Open and when he retired due to a left abdominal injury against Nadal at 2017 Roland Garros. Carreno Busta has a 19-18 win-loss record against Spanish players at Tour-level overall.

Nadal and Carreno Busta are Davis Cup teammates. They were both members of the Spanish team which won their 6th Davis Cup title last year. Nadal won all 8 matches he contested at the Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, while Carreno Busta lost his only match at the Finals to Argentina's Guido Pella in the quarterfinals.

NADAL	v	CARRENO BUSTA
33	Age	28
1	ATP Ranking	30
84	Titles	4
273-38	Career Grand Slam Record	33-24
63-13	Australian Open Record	10-6
983-199	Career Record	175-155
474-134	Career Record - Hard	92-75
6-2	2020 Record	3-1
6-2	2020 Record - Hard	3-1
22-12	Career Five-Set Record	4-9
3	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	2
241-154	Career Tiebreak Record	80-78
2-2	2020 Tiebreak Record	1-0

- Nadal is bidding to **reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 47th time** and close the gap on Roger Federer and Novak Djokovic at the top of the list for most Grand Slam round of 16 appearances in the Open Era. This is his 59th Grand Slam appearance.

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

Player	No. of appearances
<b>Roger Federer*</b>	<b>67??</b>
<b>Novak Djokovic</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Rafael Nadal</b>	<b>47??</b>
Jimmy Connors	43
Andre Agassi	42
Ivan Lendl	42

\*Written prior to the conclusion of Roger Federer's 3rd round match on Friday

- Nadal is also bidding to **reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open for the 13th time** and equal Djokovic in 2nd place on the list for most Australian Open round of 16 appearances in the Open Era. Djokovic reached the round of 16 here for the 13th time after winning his 3rd round match on Friday. This is his 15th Australian Open appearance.

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

Player	No. of appearances
<b>Roger Federer*</b>	<b>18??</b>
<b>Novak Djokovic</b>	<b>13</b>
<b>Rafael Nadal</b>	<b>13??</b>
Tomas Berdych	11
Stefan Edberg	11

\*Written prior to the conclusion of Roger Federer's 3rd round match on Friday

- Nadal advanced to the 3rd round here for the 14th time after defeating Hugo Dellien 62 63 60 and Federico Delbonis 63 76(4) 61 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Nadal is bidding to win his **20th Grand Slam title** and equal Federer's record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles. He is also bidding to become the 5th player, man or woman, to win 20 or more Grand Slam singles titles – after Margaret Court (24 Grand Slam singles titles), Serena Williams (23), Steffi Graf (22) and Federer (20). (see Preview page 2)
- Nadal is bidding to become the **first man in the Open Era – and only the 3rd man in history – to win each of the 4 Grand Slam titles twice**. Roy Emerson and Rod Laver are the only players to have won each Grand Slam on 2 or more occasions. (NB While Laver completed the feat in 1969, some of the titles were won before the start of the Open Era.) (see Preview page 2)
- Last year here**, Nadal reached his 5th Australian Open final, but fell to Djokovic 63 62 63. In 27 Grand Slam final appearances, it is the only time he has lost a Grand Slam final in straight sets. Of his 8 defeats in Grand Slam finals, 4 have come at the Australian Open.
- Nadal's **best Australian Open performance** is winning the title in 2009 (d. Federer). He also reached the final in 2012, losing to Djokovic in the longest men's Grand Slam final on record at 5 hours 53 minutes, 2014 (l. Stan Wawrinka), 2017 (l. Federer) and last year.
- Elsewhere at Grand Slams in 2019**, Nadal won his 12th title at Roland Garros (d. Dominic Thiem) – where he became the first player in history to win 12 singles titles at one Grand Slam event – and his 4th title at the US Open (d. Daniil Medvedev). He reached the semifinals at Wimbledon (l. Federer).
- Also in 2019**, Nadal won the titles at Rome-1000 (d. Djokovic) and Montreal-1000 (d. Medvedev). He also reached the semifinals at Indian Wells-1000, where he gave a walkover to Federer due to a knee injury, Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Fognini), Barcelona (l. Thiem), Madrid-1000 (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and Paris-1000, where he gave a walkover to Shapovalov due to an abdominal injury.
- Prior to coming here**, Nadal represented Spain at the ATP Cup, where the team finished runners-up to Serbia. Nadal won 4 of the 6 matches he contested – defeating Georgia's Nikoloz Basilashvili, Uruguay's Pablo Cuevas, Japan's Yoshihito Nishioka and Australia's Alex de Minaur, but falling to Belgium's David Goffin and Serbia's Djokovic in the final.
- Nadal is bidding to win his **22nd Tour-level hard court title** and claim sole ownership of 8th place on the Open Era list for most Tour-level hard court titles won, ahead of Michael Chang and Andy Roddick. Only Federer (71 Tour-level hard court titles), Djokovic (57), Andre Agassi (46), Pete Sampras (36), Andy Murray (34), Ivan Lendl (26) and Jimmy Connors (23) have won more Tour-level hard court titles than Nadal in the Open Era.
- Nadal is also bidding to win his **85th Tour-level title**. Only Connors (109 Tour-level titles), Federer (103) and Lendl (95) have won more Tour-level titles in the Open Era than Nadal.
- Nadal and Djokovic are the only 2 players in contention for the **world No. 1 ranking** when the new rankings are released on Monday 3 February. Nadal can guarantee he remains at No. 1 following the Australian Open by reaching the semifinals. Djokovic will only return to No. 1 if he wins the title and Nadal loses prior in the semifinals.

- Nadal plays here ranked No. 1 after clinching the **year-end No. 1 ranking** for the 5th time in 2019. He returned to No. 1 in November 2019 for the first time since October 2018, after spending more than a year at No. 2.
- Nadal is a **4-time Davis Cup champion**. He made his debut in the competition in 2004 and was part of the Spanish teams which won the title in 2004, 2008, 2011 and 2019 – among active players, he holds the record for most Davis Cup titles, alongside Feliciano Lopez. At last year's Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, he won all 8 matches he contested as Spain won their 6th title. As defending champions, Spain have secured a place at the 2020 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid on 23-29 November.
- Nadal is coached by Carlos Moya, who finished runner-up here in 1997, and Francisco Roig.
- **CARRENO BUSTA** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd time and equal his best Australian Open performance. This is his 7th consecutive Australian Open appearance and 25th Grand Slam overall.
- Carreno Busta advanced to the 3rd round here for the 4th time after defeating lucky loser Jozef Kovalik 64 36 61 76(2) and qualifier Peter Gojowczyk 64 61 16 64 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Carreno Busta's **best Australian Open performance** is reaching the round of 16 on 2 occasions – in 2018 (l. Marin Cilic) and last year, when he fell to Kei Nishikori in 5 sets. He has a 2-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches here and a 4-9 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Carreno Busta recorded **his best Grand Slam performance** at the 2017 US Open, where he reached the semifinals before falling to Kevin Anderson.
- **Elsewhere in Grand Slam play in 2019**, Carreno Busta reached the 3rd round at Roland Garros (l. Benoit Paire) and the US Open (l. David Goffin), but fell to Alexei Popyrin in the 1st round at Wimbledon.
- Carreno Busta's best result in 2019 was winning his **4th Tour-level title** at Chengdu (d. Alexander Bublik). He also reached the semifinals at Antalya (l. Lorenzo Sonego), Hamburg (l. Andrey Rublev) and Stockholm (l. Filip Krajinovic), and reached the quarterfinals at 4 other Tour-level events.
- **Prior to coming here** Carreno Busta competed as No. 4 seed at Adelaide. He reached the quarterfinals after receiving a bye in the 1st round (d. Jeremy Chardy, l. Lloyd Harris).
- Carreno Busta is bidding to **defeat a world No. 1 for the first time** on his 2nd attempt. He lost his only previous meeting with a world No. 1, falling to No. 1 Novak Djokovic in the 3rd round at Cincinnati-1000 last year. His career-best victory came against No. 5 Grigor Dimitrov in the quarterfinals at 2018 Barcelona. The highest-ranked player he has defeated at a Grand Slam is No. 6 Milos Raonic in the round of 16 at 2017 Roland Garros.
- Carreno Busta **broke the Top 10 for the first time** after reaching the semifinals at the US Open in September 2017, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 10 that month. He plays here at No. 30.
- Carreno Busta made his **Davis Cup** debut in 2016. He has a 3-5 win-loss record the competition. He was a member of the Spanish team that won their 6th Davis Cup title last year, but lost the only match he contested at the Davis Cup Finals, falling to Guido Pella in the first match of Spain's quarterfinal victory over Argentina. As defending champions, Spain have secured a place at the 2020 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid on 23-29 November.
- Carreno Busta is coached by Samuel Lopez and Cesar Fagueras.

## NO. 4 DANIIL MEDVEDEV (RUS) v ALEXEI POPYRIN (AUS)

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

2019 Wimbledon Grass (O) R64 Medvedev 67(6) 61 64 64

This is the 2nd meeting between Medvedev and Popyrin, who met for the first time in the 2nd round at Wimbledon last year.

Medvedev has lost Grand Slam matches players ranked as low as No. 96 Popyrin on 3 occasions – on his first 3 Grand Slam appearances, when he fell to No. 131 Ernesto Escobedo in the 1st round at the 2017 Australian Open, when he retired due to cramping in his 1st round match against No. 266 Benjamin Bonzi at 2017 Roland Garros, and when he fell to No. 124 Ruben Bemelmans in the 2nd round at 2017 Wimbledon.

Medvedev is facing an Australian player at the Australian Open for the 2nd time – he defeated Thanasi Kokkinakis in the 1st round here in 2018. The only other Australian player he has faced at the Grand Slams is Popyrin at Wimbledon last year.

Popyrin is bidding to become the 2nd Australian player to defeat Medvedev at Tour-level – after Nick Kyrgios, who defeated Medvedev at Rome-1000 and Washington last year. Medvedev has a 6-2 win-loss record against Australian players at Tour-level overall.

This match is one of 2 meetings between a Russian player and an Australian player today, with Russia's Karen Khachanov facing Australia's Nick Kyrgios too. There have been 3 meetings between Russian players and Australian players here this year – including both of today's matches. Russia's Andrey Rublev defeated Australian wild card Christopher O'Connell in the 1st round.

In the 50 previous Open Era meetings between Russian players and Australian players at the Grand Slams, Russia leads the head-to-head 27-23. Of those 50 matches, 19 have taken place at the Australian Open – with Russia leading the head-to-head here 14-5.

MEDVEDEV	v	POPYRIN
23	Age	20
4	ATP Ranking	96
7	Titles	0
19-12	Career Grand Slam Record	8-5
6-3	Australian Open Record	4-2
136-75	Career Record	15-24
108-47	Career Record - Hard	13-19
6-1	2020 Record	2-1
6-1	2020 Record - Hard	2-1
0-5	Career Five-Set Record	0-1
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
48-31	Career Tiebreak Record	16-13
1-0	2020 Tiebreak Record	1-2

- **MEDVEDEV** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd time and equal his best Australian Open performance. This is his 4th Australian Open appearance and his 13th Grand Slam overall.
- Medvedev is bidding to become the **7th man representing Russia to reach the round of 16 at the Australian Open on multiple occasions** in the Open Era. Aleksandr Metreveli, Andrey Chesnokov, Yevgeny Kafelnikov, Marat Safin, Nikolay Davydenko and Mikhail Youzhny all reached the round of 16 here on 2 or more occasions. (NB Metreveli is Georgian-born but represented USSR throughout his playing career)
- Should Medvedev, Karen Khachanov and Andrey Rublev all win today and reach the round of 16, it will be the **first time that 3 Russian men have reached the round of 16 here in the Open Era**. There have been 2 Russian men in the last 16 here on 4 occasions in the Open Era – most recently in 2008, when Davydenko and Youzhny both reached the round of 16 here.
- Should Medvedev, Khachanov and Rublev all win today and reach the round of 16, it will also be the **first time that 3 Russian men have reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since 2007 Roland Garros**, when Igor Andreiev, Davydenko and Youzhny all reached the last 16.

- Medvedev advanced to the 3rd round here for the 2nd consecutive year after defeating Frances Tiafoe 63 46 64 62 and qualifier Pedro Martinez 75 61 63 in the opening 2 rounds.
- With Medvedev, Khacahnov and Rublev all reaching the 3rd round here, it is the **first time there have been 3 Russian players in the 3rd round at the Australian Open since 2008** when Andreev, Davydenko and Youzhny reached the 3rd round here. It is also the first time that 3 Russian men have reached the 3rd round at a Grand Slam since Evgeny Donskoy, Dmitry Tursunov and Youzhny reached the 3rd round at the 2013 US Open.
- Last year here, as No. 15 seed, Medvedev recorded his **best Australian Open performance** by reaching the round of 16. He defeated Lloyd Harris, Ryan Harrison and David Goffin in straight sets before falling to eventual champion Novak Djokovic in 4 sets.
- Medvedev reached his **first Grand Slam final** at the 2019 US Open, where he fell to Rafael Nadal in 5 sets. He became the first Russian man to contest a Grand Slam final since Marat Safin at the 2005 Australian Open and, aged 23 years 209 days, became the youngest man to contest a Grand Slam final since Djokovic (23 years 113 days) at the 2010 US Open.
- **Also in Grand Slam play in 2019**, Medvedev reached the 3rd round at Wimbledon, where he fell to Goffin in 5 sets, but fell to Pierre-Hugues Herbert in 5 sets in the 1st round at Roland Garros. He has lost all 5 five-set matches he has contested.
- Medvedev **won 4 Tour-level singles titles in 2019**, including his first Masters-1000 titles at Cincinnati-1000 (d. Goffin) and Shanghai-1000 (d. Alexander Zverev). He also won the titles at Sofia (d. Marton Fucsovics) and St Petersburg (d. Borna Coric).
- Medvedev's **other 2019 highlights** were reaching the finals at Brisbane (l. Kei Nishikori), Barcelona (l. Dominic Thiem), Washington (l. Nick Kyrgios), Montreal-1000 (l. Nadal) and the US Open. He became the 3rd player in the Open Era to reach the finals at Washington, the Canadian Open, Cincinnati-1000 and the US Open in the same year, after Ivan Lendl in 1982 and Andre Agassi in 1995. He also reached the semifinals at Rotterdam (l. Gael Monfils), Monte Carlo-1000 (l. Dusan Lajovic) and Queen's (l. Gilles Simon).
- **Prior to coming here** Medvedev represented Russia at the ATP Cup. He won 4 of the 5 singles matches he contested as Russia reached the semifinals before falling to Serbia, with his only defeat coming against Djokovic in the 2nd match of the semifinal.
- Medvedev **broke the Top 5 for the first time** after winning the title at Cincinnati-1000 last year. He reached a career-high ranking of No. 4 after his runner-up finish at the US Open and plays here at the same ranking.
- Medvedev reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 13 in January 2014. His best performance in the boys' singles here was reaching the 2nd round in 2013 (d. Hong Seong Chan, l. Nikola Milojevic).
- Medvedev made his **Davis Cup** debut in February 2017 and has a 4-3 win-loss record in the competition. He was nominated for the Russian team for the 2019 Davis Cup Finals, but withdrew from the team due to fatigue prior to the competition. As semifinalists in 2019, Russia have secured a place at the 2020 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid on 23-29 November.
- Medvedev is coached by Gilles Cervara.
- **POPYRIN** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time. This is his 3rd Australian Open appearance and 6th Grand Slam overall.
- Popyrin is bidding to become the **28th Australian man to reach the round of 16 here** since a 128-draw was introduced in 1982. He would become the 7th different Australian man to reach the last 16 here since 2000 – after Andrew Ilie, Nick Kyrgios, Lleyton Hewitt, Mark Philippoussis, Patrick Rafter and Bernard Tomic. Fellow Australian John Millman is also bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the first time this year. (NB written prior to Millman's match against Roger Federer on Friday)
- Popyrin advanced to the 3rd round here for the 2nd consecutive year after Jo-Wilfried Tsonga retired due to a back injury in the 1st round and after defeating Jaume Munar 62 76(5) 62 in the 2nd round.

- By reaching the 3rd round here, Popyrin has equalled his **best Grand Slam result**. He reached the 3rd round at a Grand Slam for the first time here last year, when, as a wild card, he recorded his first Grand Slam match-wins by defeating Mischa Zverev and Dominic Thiem before falling to Lucas Pouille in 5 sets. He also reached the 3rd round at the 2019 US Open (l. Matteo Berrettini).
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Popyrin reached the 2nd round as a wild card at Roland Garros (d. Ugo Humbert, l. Laslo Djere) and as a qualifier at Wimbledon (d. Pablo Carreno Busta, l. today's opponent).
- Popyrin is bidding to record **3 consecutive Tour-level match-wins for the first time**. By reaching the 3rd round here, he has recorded back-to-back match-wins at Tour-level for the 4th time – along with his 3rd round finishes at the Australian Open and at the US Open last year, he also achieved the feat in reaching the quarterfinals at 2019 Atlanta (l. Cameron Norrie).
- Popyrin **qualified for Tour-level events on 10 occasions during 2019** – equalling the record for most Tour-level events qualified for in a season, which was set by Mischa Zverev in 2016.
- **Prior to coming here** Popyrin competed as a wild card at Adelaide, where he fell to Djere in the 1st round. He also attempted to qualify at Doha, but fell in the final round of qualifying (d. Damir Dzumhur, l. Corentin Moutet).
- Popyrin is bidding to defeat a **Top 5 player for the first time** on his 4th attempt. He has lost all 3 of his previous matches against Top 5 opponents – falling to No. 5 Alexander Zverev in the 2nd round at 2018 Basel, No. 3 Zverev in the 1st round at 2019 Acapulco and No. 1 Novak Djokovic at 2019 Tokyo. His career-best victory came when No. 8 Thiem retired due to illness in the 2nd round here last year.
- Popyrin is one of **3 Australian men** through to the 3rd round here from the 11 who started this year's Australian Open main draw. He is looking to become the first native champion to win the Australian Open men's singles title since Mark Edmondson in 1976.
- Popyrin **broke the Top 100 for the first time** in June 2019 and reached a career-high ranking of No. 87 the following month. He plays here at No. 96.
- Popyrin was a **successful junior**. He won the boys' singles title at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Nicola Kuhn) and reached a career-high junior ranking of No. 2. His best result at the Junior Australian Open was a 2nd round finish in 2017 (d. Ajeet Rai, l. Alexey Zakharov).
- Popyrin made his **Davis Cup** debut in Australia's victory against Bosnia and Herzegovina in the 2019 Qualifiers, defeating Nerman Fatic in the only match he contested. He was not nominated for the Australian team which reached the quarterfinals at the Davis Cup Finals in November. Australia will play Brazil in the 2020 Qualifiers in Adelaide on 6-7 March.
- Popyrin is coached by Philipp Wagner.

## NO. 5 DOMINIC THIEM (AUT) v NO. 29 TAYLOR FRITZ (USA)

### Head-to-head: Thiem leads 2-1

2017	US Open	Hard (O)	R64	Thiem	64 64 46 75
2018	US Open	Hard (O)	R32	Thiem	36 63 76(5) 64
2019	Laver Cup	Hard (I)	D3	Fritz	75 67(3) [10-5]

A 4th meeting for Thiem and Fritz, and their 3rd at a Grand Slam. They met at the US Open in both 2017 and 2018, with Thiem winning in 4 sets on both occasions.

THIEM	v	FRITZ
26	Age	22
5	ATP Ranking	34
16	Titles	1
56-24	Career Grand Slam Record	10-14
12-6	Australian Open Record	4-3
278-150	Career Record	85-87
127-90	Career Record - Hard	61-61
3-2	2020 Record	3-3
3-2	2020 Record - Hard	3-3
8-6	Career Five-Set Record	2-4
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	2
104-94	Career Tiebreak Record	51-42
1-3	2020 Tiebreak Record	1-4

- **THIEM** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd time and equal his best Australian Open performance. This is his 7th straight Australian Open and his 25th consecutive Grand Slam.
- Thiem is also bidding to **reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 12th time**. Thomas Muster, who reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam on 14 occasions, is the only Austrian man to have made more appearances in the last 16 at the majors than Thiem.
- Thiem advanced to the 3rd round here for the 4th time after defeating Adrian Mannarino 63 75 62 and wild card Alex Bolt 62 57 67(5) 61 62 in the opening 2 rounds. His victories here this year are his **first Grand Slam match-wins since the semifinals at Roland Garros last year**.
- **Last year here**, Thiem reached the 2nd round, but retired due to illness while trailing wild card Alexei Popyrin 75 64 2-0.
- Thiem's **best Australian Open performances** are reaching the round of 16 in 2017 (l. David Goffin) and 2018 (l. Tennys Sandgren).
- Thiem reached **his 2nd Grand Slam final** at 2019 Roland Garros, becoming the first Austrian player to reach multiple Grand Slam singles finals. He fell to Rafael Nadal in 4 sets, having also lost to Nadal in the Roland Garros final in 2018.
- **Elsewhere in the Grand Slams in 2019**, Thiem lost in the 1st round at both Wimbledon (l. Sam Querrey) and the US Open (l. Thomas Fabbiano).
- Thiem won **5 Tour-level titles in 2019**. At Indian Wells-1000, he defeated Roger Federer in the final to become the first Austrian player to win a Masters-1000 (or equivalent) title since Thomas Muster at 1997 Miami. He also won the titles at Barcelona (d. Daniil Medvedev), Kitzbuhel (d. Albert Ramos-Vinolas), Beijing (d. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and Vienna (d. Diego Schwartzman) and finished runner-up at the ATP Finals (l. Tsitsipas).
- **Prior to coming here**, Thiem competed for Austria at the ATP Cup. He won one of the 3 singles matches he contested, defeating Argentina's Schwartzman but falling to Croatia's Borna Coric and Poland's Hubert Hurkacz.

- Thiem's victory against Bolt in the 2nd round here was his 3rd victory in a **5-set match** at the Australian Open. He has a 3-1 win-loss record in 5-set matches here and an 8-6 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Thiem reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 4 in November 2017. He has been ranked in the Top 5 continuously since March 2019 and plays here at No. 5.
- Thiem is a **former junior world No. 2**. He reached the boys' singles final at 2011 Junior Roland Garros as No. 14 seed, losing to Bjorn Fratangelo 36 63 86. He reached the 2nd round in his only appearance in the boys' singles here in 2011 (d. Dennis Novikov, l. Luke Saville).
- Thiem has played **Davis Cup** since 2014 and has a 9-4 win-loss record in singles matches and a 10-6 win-loss record in the competition overall. Austria will play Uruguay in the 2020 Davis Cup Qualifiers in Salzburg on 6-7 March.
- Thiem joined the Austrian military as part of the country's mandatory national service for 6 months from November 2014-April 2015, but continued to play on Tour during that time.
- Thiem is coached by Nicolas Massu, who reached the 2nd round on one of his 8 appearances here.
- **FRITZ** is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time. This is his 4th appearance here and his 15th Grand Slam overall.
- If Fritz wins today and joins Tennys Sandgren in the round of 16 here, it will be the **first time multiple American men have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 2010**, when John Isner and Andy Roddick both reached the last 16.
- If Fritz and Isner, who plays Stan Wawrinka in the 3rd round, both win today and join Sandgren in the round of 16, it will be the **first time that 3 American men have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 2007**, when Roddick, James Blake and Mardy Fish all reached the last 16 here.
- If Fritz and Isner both win today and join Sandgren in the round of 16 here, it will also be the **first time that 3 American men have reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since the 2011 US Open**, when Isner, Fish, Roddick and Donald Young all reached the last 16.
- Fritz advanced to the 3rd round here for the 2nd time after defeating qualifier Tallon Griekspoor 63 63 63 and Kevin Anderson 46 67(5) 76(4) 62 62 in the opening 2 rounds.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Fritz has equalled his **best Grand Slam performance**. He also reached the round of 16 here last year – when he defeated Cameron Norrie and Gael Monfils for his first Australian Open match-wins before falling to Roger Federer in straight sets – and at the 2018 US Open (l. today's opponent).
- Fritz's 5-set victory against Anderson here was his 2nd victory in 5-set match – it was also his **2nd successful comeback from 0-2 down**. He also recovered from 0-2 down to defeat Mischa Zverev in 5 sets in the 1st round at the 2018 US Open. He lost his only previous 5-set match at the Australian Open, falling to Jack Sock in 5 sets in the 1st round here in 2016. He has a 2-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Fritz is one of **5 American men to reach the 3rd round here** – the most since 2008, when there were also 5 Americans in the 3rd round of the men's singles here.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Fritz reached the 2nd round at Roland Garros (d. Bernard Tomic, l. Roberto Bautista Agut) and Wimbledon (d. Tomas Berdych, l. Jan-Lennard Struff) but fell to Feliciano Lopez in the 1st round at the US Open.
- Fritz's best result in 2019 was winning his **first Tour-level title** at Eastbourne (d. Sam Querrey). He also finished runner-up at both Atlanta (l. Alex de Minaur) and Los Cabos (l. Diego Schwartzman), reached the semifinals at Lyon (l. Benoit Paire) and the quarterfinals at Auckland (l. Cameron Norrie).
- **Prior to coming here** Fritz competed at Adelaide, where he fell to Alexander Bublik in the 1st round. He also represented USA at the ATP Cup, where he won one of the 3 singles matches he contested – he defeated Norway's Viktor Durasovic, but fell to Russia's Karen Khachanov and Italy's Stefano Travaglia.

- Fritz is **seeded at a Grand Slam for the 2nd time**. He was seeded at a major for the first time at the US Open last year.
- Fritz reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 25 in August last year. He plays here at No. 34.
- 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 on one occasion – reaching the quarterfinals in 2015 (l. Seong-chan Hong).
- Fritz made his **Davis Cup** debut at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid. He contested 2 singles matches, defeating Italy's Matteo Berrettini, but falling to Canada's Denis Shapovalov. USA will play Uzbekistan in the 2020 Qualifiers in Honolulu on 6-7 March.
- Both of Fritz's parents were professional tennis players. His mother, Kathy, is a former Top 10 player.
- Fritz is coached by Paul Annacone and David Nainkin.

## NO. 7 ALEXANDER ZVEREV (GER) v FERNANDO VERDASCO (ESP)

### Head-to-head: tied 2-2

2015	Metz	Hard (O)	R32	Verdasco	67(2) 63 63
2017	Madrid-1000	Clay (O)	R64	Zverev	75 63
<b>2017</b>	<b>Roland Garros</b>	<b>Clay (O)</b>	<b>R128</b>	<b>Verdasco</b>	<b>64 36 64 62</b>
2019	Paris-1000	Hard (I)	R32	Zverev	61 63

A 5th meeting for the pair, their 3rd on a hard court and their 2nd at a Grand Slam. Three of their 4 previous matches have been played in France.

Zverev has won just one of the 4 matches he has contested against lefthanders at the Grand Slams. His only victory against a lefthander at a Grand Slam came against Alex Bolt in the 3rd round here last year. He has a 27-12 win-loss record against lefthanders at Tour-level overall.

ZVEREV	v	VERDASCO
22	Age	36
7	ATP Ranking	51
11	Titles	7
34-18	Career Grand Slam Record	113-66
9-4	Australian Open Record	26-16
225-117	Career Record	550-417
127-71	Career Record - Hard	260-222
2-3	2019 Record	4-1
2-3	2019 Record - Hard	4-1
13-6	Career Five-Set Record	25-23
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	6
88-61	Career Tiebreak Record	212-222
2-1	2019 Tiebreak Record	1-0

- **ZVEREV** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 2nd straight year and equal his best Australian Open result. This is his 5th Australian Open appearance and his 19th Grand Slam overall.
- Zverev advanced to the 3rd round here for the 4th straight year after defeating Marco Cecchinato 64 76(4) 63 and Egor Gerasimov 76(5) 64 65 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Last year here, Zverev recorded his **best Australian Open result** by reaching the round of 16, where he fell to Milos Raonic in straight sets.
- Zverev's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals at Roland Garros in both 2018 (l. Dominic Thiem) and 2019 (l. Novak Djokovic).
- **Also in Grand Slam play last year**, Zverev reached the round of 16 at the US Open, falling to Diego Schwartzman in 4 sets, but fell to Jiri Vesely in the 1st round at Wimbledon. He has reached the round of 16 or better at all 4 Grand Slam events.
- Zverev's **best result in 2019** was winning his 11th Tour-level singles title at Geneva (d. Nicolas Jarry). It was the first year since 2016 when he had failed to win multiple Tour-level titles, having previously won 5 titles in 2017 and 4 titles in 2018.
- **Also in 2019**, Zverev finished runner-up at both Acapulco (l. Nick Kyrgios) and Shanghai-1000 (l. Daniil Medvedev), reached the semifinals at Hamburg (l. Nikoloz Basilashvili), Beijing (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas) and the ATP Finals (l. Thiem), and the quarterfinals at 5 other Tour-level events.
- **Prior to coming here** Zverev represented Germany at the ATP Cup, where he lost all 3 singles matches he contested – to Australia's Alex de Minaur, Greece's Tsitsipas and Canada's Denis Shapovalov.
- At 22 years 288 days, No. 7 seed Alexander Zverev is looking to become the **youngest Australian Open men's singles champion** since Rafael Nadal won the title here in 2009 aged 22 years 243 days. He would

also become the youngest Grand Slam champion since Juan Martin del Potro won the title at the 2009 US Open aged 20 years 355 days. (NB Age calculated at the end of the tournament)

- Zverev won all **5 five-set matches** he contested at the Grand Slams in 2019. He has won 10 of his last 11 five-set matches, with his only defeat in a 5-set match in that time coming against Ernests Gulbis in the 3rd round at 2018 Wimbledon. He has a 13-6 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Zverev rose to a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in November 2017, becoming the youngest player to break the Top 3 since Djokovic in 2007. He plays here at No. 7.
- Zverev is one of **3 former junior Australian Open champions** in this year's men's main draw. He defeated Stefan Kozlov to win the boys' singles title here in 2014. He also finished runner-up at 2013 Junior Roland Garros (l. Christian Garin) and was named 2013 ITF Junior World Champion. Stefan Edberg is the only player to have won both the boys' singles and men's singles titles here in the Open Era.
- Zverev is coached by his father, Alexander Zverev Sr.
- Lefthander **VERDASCO** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 4th time – and the first time since 2011.
- Verdasco is also bidding to **reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 19th time**. He is in joint-10th place among active players on the list for most round of 16 appearances at the Grand Slams alongside Gael Monfils and Milos Raonic – behind Roger Federer (66\*), Novak Djokovic (50), Rafael Nadal (46), Andy Murray (38), Stan Wawrinka (27), Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (25), Marin Cilic (24), Richard Gasquet (22) and Kei Nishikori (21). (\*written prior to Federer's 3rd round match against John Millman on Friday)
- Verdasco advanced to the 3rd round here for the 7th time after defeating lucky loser Evgeny Donskoy 75 62 61 and No. 26 seed Nikoloz Basilashvili 46 76(5) 64 64 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Verdasco recorded his **best Grand Slam performance** to date here in 2009. He reached the semifinals, losing to Rafael Nadal in 5 hours 14 minutes, the second-longest men's singles match ever at the Australian Open. He broke into the world's Top 10 later in the year, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 7 and finishing the year at No. 9.
- Verdasco is contesting his **17th consecutive Australian Open**. He has played here every year since making his debut in 2004. He is in joint-5th place on the list for most Australian Open men's singles appearances alongside Ivo Karlovic and Mikhail Youzhny – behind Roger Federer (21 appearances here), Lleyton Hewitt (20), Feliciano Lopez (18) and Fabrice Santoro (18). (see Preview page 7)
- Verdasco is also contesting **67th consecutive Grand Slam**. He has not missed a Grand Slam since making his Grand Slam debut at 2003 Wimbledon. His streak of 67 straight Grand Slam appearances is the 2nd-longest of all time – behind Lopez's streak of 72 consecutive Grand Slam appearances. He is in 5th place on the list for most Grand Slam men's singles appearances. (see Preview page 8)
- **Last year here**, Verdasco reached the 3rd round, defeating Miomir Kecmanovic and Radu Albot before falling to Marin Cilic in 5 sets. He has a 4-7 win-loss record in 5-set matches at the Australian Open and a 25-23 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Verdasco reached round of 16 at Wimbledon (l. David Goffin) and the 2nd round at the both Roland Garros (d. Daniel Evans, l. Antoine Hoang) and the US Open (d. Tobias Kamke, l. Hyeon Chung).
- Verdasco's **best results in 2019** were reaching the quarterfinals at 4 events – at Sofia (l. Matteo Berrettini), Rome-1000 (l. Nadal), Eastbourne (l. Sam Querrey) and Kitzbuhel (l. Lorenzo Sonego).
- **Prior to coming here**, Verdasco reached the quarterfinals at Doha, falling to Corentin Moutet.
- Verdasco has **won one of his last 11 matches against Top 10 opponents**. His only victory against a Top 10 player in that time came against No. 4 Dominic Thiem in 2nd round at Rome-1000 last year. He has a 28-107 win-loss record against Top 10 opposition at Tour-level overall.

- Verdasco is **facing a Top 10 player at the Australian Open for the 10th time** – and facing a Top 10 player at a Grand Slam for the 30th time. He has a 3-6 win-loss record against Top 10 opposition here and a 6-23 win-loss record against Top 10 players at the Grand Slams overall.
- Verdasco is one of **4 lefthanders** to reach the 3rd round here from the 20 who started the men's singles main draw. Rafael Nadal was the most recent lefthander to win the title here in 2009.
- Verdasco is a **former Top 10 player**. He reached a career-high ranking of No. 7 in April 2009. He plays here at No. 51.
- Verdasco is coached by Diego Dinomo, David Sanchez and Quino Munoz.

## NO. 10 GAEL MONFILS (FRA) v (Q) ERNESTS GULBIS (LAT)

### Tour-level head-to-head: Monfils leads 2-0

Year	Tournament	Surface	Round	Monfils	Gulbis
2013	Roland Garros	Clay (O)	R64	Monfils	67(5) 64 76(4) 62
2016	Rotterdam	Hard (I)	R32	Monfils	64 64
2018	Kaohsiung Challenger (TPE)	Hard (I)	QF	Monfils	76(4) 62

A 3rd Tour-level meeting between Monfils and Gulbis and their 2nd at a Grand Slam. Monfils has won all 3 of their previous meetings, including most recently in the quarterfinals of the Kaohsiung Challenger (TPE) in 2018.

Monfils is bidding to extend his 7-match winning streak against qualifiers at the Grand Slams. He has not lost to a qualifier at a major since he retired due to a lower back injury against Ilya Marchenko in the 1st round at the 2015 US Open. He has won all 5 of his previous matches against qualifiers at the Australian Open and has a 17-2 win-loss record against qualifiers at the Grand Slams overall.

Monfils has never lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 256 Gulbis. The lowest-ranked player to defeat Monfils at the Grand Slams is No. 120 Marchenko, who progressed when Monfils retired in their 1st round match at the 2015 US Open. The lowest-ranked player to defeat Monfils at the Australian Open is No. 92 Mikhail Kukushkin in the 3rd round in 2012.

MONFILS	v	GULBIS
33	Age	31
10	ATP Ranking	256
8	Titles	6
109-51	Career Grand Slam Record	40-44
28-14	Australian Open Record	4-9
480-275	Career Record	243-234
305-161	Career Record - Hard	140-136
3-1	2020 Record	2-0
3-1	2020 Record - Hard	2-0
17-16	Career Five-Set Record	7-9
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	3
192-144	Career Tiebreak Record	100-113
1-0	2020 Tiebreak Record	1-0

- **MONFILS** is bidding to reach round of 16 here for the 4th time – and for the first time since 2017. This is his 15th appearance at the Australian Open and his 52nd Grand Slam overall.
- Monfils is also bidding to **reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 19th time**. He is in joint-10th place among active players on the list for most round of 16 appearances at the Grand Slams alongside Fernando Verdasco and Milos Raonic – behind Roger Federer (66\*), Novak Djokovic (50), Rafael Nadal (46), Andy Murray (38), Stan Wawrinka (27), Jo-Wilfried Tsonga (25), Marin Cilic (24), Richard Gasquet (22) and Kei Nishikori (21). (\*written prior to Federer's 3rd round match against John Millman on Friday)
- Monfils advanced to the 3rd round here for the 10th time after defeating Yen-Hsun Lu 61 64 62 and Ivo Karlovic 46 76(8) 64 75 in the opening 2 rounds here.
- **Last year here**, as No. 30 seed, Monfils reached the 2nd round (d. Damir Dzumhur, l. Taylor Fritz).
- Monfils' **best Australian Open performance** is reaching the quarterfinals in 2016 on his 11th attempt (l. Milos Raonic), moving him into joint-2nd place with Mark Woodforde on the list for the most attempts before reaching the last 8 here in the Open Era.
- Monfils' **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the semifinals at 2008 Roland Garros ranked No. 59 (l. Roger Federer), and at the 2016 US Open (l. Novak Djokovic).
- **Elsewhere in Grand Slam play in 2019**, Monfils reached the quarterfinals at the US Open (l. Matteo Berrettini) and the round of 16 at Roland Garros (l. Dominic Thiem), but retired due to a left ankle injury during the 5th set of his 1st round match against Ugo Humbert at Wimbledon.

- Monfils' **best result in 2019** was winning his 8th Tour-level title at Rotterdam (d. Stan Wawrinka). He also reached the semifinals at Sofia (l. Daniil Medvedev), Dubai (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas), Montreal-1000, where he gave a walkover to Rafael Nadal due to an ankle injury, and Vienna (l. Diego Schwartzman) and reached the quarterfinals at 5 other Tour-level events.
- **Prior to coming here**, Monfils competed for France at the ATP Cup, where he won one of the 2 singles matches he contested – he defeated Chile's Cristian Garin but fell to Serbia's Novak Djokovic as France finished 3rd in Group A.
- Monfils has won one of his last 4 **five-set matches**. His only victory in a 5-set match during that time came against Denis Shapovalov in the 3rd round at the US Open last year. He has a 3-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches at the Australian Open and a 17-16 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Monfils **returned to the Top 10** for the first time since February 2017 in November last year and plays here at No. 10. He reached a career-high ranking of No. 6 in November 2016.
- Monfils narrowly **missed out on achieving the Junior Grand Slam** in 2004 after winning the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon. His preparation for the junior US Open that year was hampered by a knee injury and he lost in the 3rd round to Viktor Troicki. He was named 2004 ITF Junior Boys' World Champion. He is one of 3 former Australian Open boys' singles champions in the main draw here.
- Monfils returned to the French **Davis Cup** team at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, having previously not played for the team since 2016. He lost the only match he contested at the Finals, falling to Japan's Yoshihito Nishioka in straight sets. He has a 12-3 Davis Cup win-loss record overall. France have been awarded a wild card for the 2020 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid on 23-29 November.
- Monfils is coached by Liam Smith.
- Qualifier **GULBIS** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the first time. This is his 10th Australian Open appearance and his 45th Grand Slam overall.
- Ranked at No. 256, Gulbis is bidding to become the **lowest-ranked player to reach the round of 16 in the men's singles at the Australian Open**. The lowest-ranked player to reach the round of 16 here is No. 248 Guillermo Canas in 2004.
- Gulbis is bidding to become the **15th qualifier to reach the round of 16 of the men's singles at the Australian Open** – and the first since Milos Raonic in 2011. A qualifier has reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam in each of the last 3 years – Denis Shapovalov at the 2017 US Open, Gulbis at 2018 Wimbledon and Dominik Koepfer at the US Open last year.
- Gulbis is also bidding to become the **3rd man to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam as a qualifier on multiple occasions**, having also reached the round of 16 as a qualifier at 2018 Wimbledon. Wayne Arthurs (1999 Wimbledon, 2000 US Open) and Andrei Olhovskiy (1988, 1992 Wimbledon) are the only 2 men who have reached the round of 16 as a qualifier at a Grand Slam on multiple occasions.
- Gulbis advanced to the 3rd round here for the first time after defeating No. 20 seed Felix Auger-Aliassime 75 46 76(4) 64 and Aljaz Bedene 75 63 62 for his **first Australian Open match-wins since 2014** in the opening 2 rounds here.
- Gulbis qualified for the main draw here after defeating Maxime Cressy (USA) 63 63, No. 15 seed Federico Coria (ARG) 63 16 62 and No. 17 seed Prajnesh Gunneswaran (IND) 76(2) 62 in the **3 rounds of qualifying**.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Gulbis has recorded his **best Australian Open result**. His previous best results here were reaching the 2nd round in 2009 (d. Albert Montanes, l. Igor Andrejev) and 2014 (d. Juan Monaco, l. Sam Querrey).
- Gulbis' **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the semifinals at 2014 Roland Garros, where he defeated Roger Federer in the round of 16 and Tomas Berdych in the quarterfinals before losing to Novak Djokovic in the semifinals.
- **Last year here**, Gulbis retired in the 2nd set of his 1st round match against Stan Wawrinka due to a back injury.

- **Elsewhere in Grand Slam play in 2019**, Gulbis fell in the 1st round at both Roland Garros (l. Casper Ruud) and Wimbledon (l. Leonardo Mayer). He lost in the 1st round of qualifying at the US Open (l. Yosuke Watanuki).
- Gulbis' **best result in 2019** was reaching the quarterfinals at Pune (l. Ivo Karlovic). Prior to coming here, Gulbis had not recorded a Tour-level match-win since reaching the 2nd round at Los Cabos last year (d. Jason Jung, l. Diego Schwartzman).
- **Prior to competing in qualifying here**, Gulbis reached the 3rd round at the Noumea Challenger (CAL), where he defeated Maximilian Marterer and Mohamed Safwat before falling to Tristan Lamasine.
- Gulbis is bidding to record his **20th Tour-level victory against a Top 10 opponent**. He has a 19-49 win-loss record against Top 10 players, but lost both matches he contested against Top 10 opponents in 2019 – falling to No. 7 Kei Nishikori in the 2nd round at Rotterdam and No. 5 Alexander Zverev in the 2nd round at Geneva.
- Gulbis is also bidding to record his **9th victory against a Top 10 opponent at a Grand Slam**. He has an 8-8 win-loss record against Top 10 players at the Grand Slams and won his most recent match against a Top 10 player at a major, defeating No. 3 Zverev in the 3rd round at 2018 Wimbledon. He is facing a Top 10 player at the Australian Open for the first time.
- Gulbis has won his last 3 **five-set matches**. He has not lost a 5-set match since falling to Jeremy Chardy in the 1st round here in 2016. He has lost all 3 of the 5-set matches he has contested at the Australian Open and has a 7-9 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Five of Gulbis' **6 Tour-level singles titles** have come on a hard court. He has not won a Tour-level title since 2014 when he won at Marseille and Nice but reached the final as a qualifier at 2018 Stockholm (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas).
- Gulbis reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 10 after reaching the semifinals at Roland Garros in 2014. He dropped to No. 258 earlier this month – his lowest ranking since he was ranked No. 267 in August 2017 – and plays here 2 places higher at No. 256.
- Gulbis is coached by Pjotr Necajevs.

## NO. 11 DAVID GOFFIN (BEL) v NO. 17 ANDREY RUBLEV (RUS)

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

2017 US Open Hard (O) R16 Rublev 75 76(5) 63

A 2nd meeting for Goffin and Rublev, and their 2nd at a Grand Slam, with Rublev having won their only previous meeting at the 2017 US Open.

GOFFIN	v	RUBLEV
29	Age	22
11	ATP Ranking	16
4	Titles	4
54-29	Career Grand Slam Record	14-10
13-6	Australian Open Record	5-3
271-172	Career Record	95-75
176-109	Career Record - Hard	76-56
5-1	2020 Record	10-0
5-1	2020 Record - Hard	10-0
13-4	Career Five-Set Record	2-3
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
82-84	Career Tiebreak Record	35-43
1-0	2020 Tiebreak Record	4-1

- **GOFFIN** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd time. This is his 7th Australian Open and his 30th Grand Slam overall.
- Goffin is bidding to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the 12th time. He claimed sole ownership of the record for **most Grand Slam round of 16 appearances by a Belgian man in the Open Era** by reaching the last 16 at a major for the 10th time at Wimbledon last year – moving ahead of Xavier Malisse, who reached the last 16 at the Grand Slams on 9 occasions.
- Goffin advanced to the 3rd round here for the 4th time after defeating Jeremy Chardy 64 63 61 and Pierre-Hugues Herbert 61 64 46 16 63 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Goffin's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals on 3 occasions, including once at the Australian Open – in 2017, when he fell to Grigor Dimitrov in straight sets. He also reached the quarterfinals at 2016 Roland Garros (l. Dominic Thiem) and at Wimbledon last year (l. Novak Djokovic).
- **Last year here**, Goffin reached the 3rd round – he defeated Cristian Garin and Marius Copil before falling to Daniil Medvedev in straight sets.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Goffin reached the round of 16 at the US Open for the 3rd consecutive year (l. Roger Federer) and the 3rd round at Roland Garros (l. Rafael Nadal).
- Goffin's **best results in 2019** were runner-up finishes at Halle (l. Federer) and Cincinnati-1000 (l. Medvedev). He also reached the semifinals at Marseille and Estoril – falling to Stefanos Tsitsipas on both occasions – and Tokyo (l. Djokovic).
- **Prior to coming here**, Goffin represented Belgium at the ATP Cup. He won 3 of his 4 matches as Belgium reached the quarterfinals before falling to Spain – he defeated Moldova's Radu Albot, Bulgaria's Dimitrov and Spain's Nadal, but fell to Great Britain's Daniel Evans.
- Goffin has **won one of his last 7 matches against Top 20 opponents at the Grand Slams**. His only victory against a Top 10 player in that time came against No. 13 Medvedev in the 3rd round at Wimbledon last year. He has a 3-17 win-loss record against Top 20 players at the majors, with his 2 other victories both coming at the Australian Open – against No. 20 Thiem in the 3rd round in 2016 and No. 8 Thiem in the round of 16 in 2017. He has a 36-76 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at Tour-level overall.
- Goffin has won 11 of his last 12 **five-set matches** – including his victory against Herbert in the 2nd round here this year. His only defeat in a 5-set match in that time came against Milos Raonic in the round of 16 at

2016 Wimbledon. He has a 2-1 win-loss record in 5-set matches at the Australian Open and a 13-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.

- Goffin became the **first Belgian man to break the Top 10** in February 2017. He reached a career-high ranking of No. 7 in November 2017 and plays here 4 places lower at No. 11.
- Goffin has played **Davis Cup** for Belgium since 2012 and has a 24-7 overall win-loss record in the competition. He has helped Belgium reach 2 Davis Cup Finals, losing to Great Britain in 2015 and France in 2017. He won one of his 2 singles matches at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals, defeating Colombia's Daniel Elahi Galan but falling to Australia's Alex de Minaur. Belgium will play Hungary in the 2020 Davis Cup Qualifiers in Debrecen on 6-7 March.
- Goffin is coached by 2002 Australian Open champion Thomas Johansson.
- **RUBLEV** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the first time. This is his 4th Australian Open and his 11th Grand Slam overall.
- Should Rublev, Karen Khachanov and Daniil Medvedev all win today and reach the round of 16, it will be the **first time that 3 Russian men have reached the round of 16 here in the Open Era**. There have been 2 Russian men in the last 16 here on 4 occasions in the Open Era – most recently in 2008, when Davydenko and Youzhny both reached the round of 16 here.
- Should Rublev, Khachanov and Medvedev all win today and reach the round of 16, it will also be the **first time that 3 Russian men have reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since 2007 Roland Garros**, when Igor Andrejev, Davydenko and Youzhny all reached the last 16.
- Rublev advanced to the 3rd round here for the 2nd time after defeating wild card Christopher O'Connell 63 06 64 76(5) and Yuichi Sugita 62 63 76(5) in the opening 2 rounds.
- With Rublev, Khachanov and Medvedev all reaching the 3rd round here, it is the **first time there have been 3 Russian players in the 3rd round at the Australian Open since 2008** when Andrejev, Davydenko and Youzhny reached the 3rd round here. It is also the first time that 3 Russian men have reached the 3rd round at a Grand Slam since Evgeny Donskoy, Dmitry Tursunov and Youzhny reached the 3rd round at the 2013 US Open.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Rublev has equalled his **best Australian Open performance**. He also reached the 3rd round in 2018. On that occasion, he defeated David Ferrer in 5 sets – the only 5-set match he has contested at the Australian Open – and Marcos Baghdatis before falling to Grigor Dimitrov. He has a 2-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- **Last year here**, Rublev fell to Mackenzie McDonald in 4 sets in the 1st round. It was the first time he had failed to progress past the 1st round here.
- Rublev's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the quarterfinals at the 2017 US Open, where he became the youngest player to reach the last 8 since Andy Roddick in 2001. He defeated both Grigor Dimitrov and David Goffin before falling to eventual champion Rafael Nadal.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Rublev reached the round of 16 at the US Open (l. Matteo Berrettini) but fell in the 2nd round at Wimbledon (l. Sam Querrey). He missed Roland Garros due to a wrist injury.
- Rublev's **best result in 2019** was winning his 2nd Tour-level title at Moscow (d. Adrian Mannarino). He also finished runner-up at Hamburg (l. Nikoloz Basilashvili) and reached the quarterfinals at Marseille (l. Mikhail Kukushkin), as a qualifier at Cincinnati-1000 (l. Daniil Medvedev), and as a direct acceptance at Winston-Salem (l. Denis Shapovalov), St Petersburg (l. Medvedev) and Vienna (l. Berrettini).
- Prior to coming here, Rublev won the titles at both Doha (d. Corentin Moutet) and Adelaide (d. Lloyd Harris), becoming the **first man to win 2 titles in the opening 2 weeks of the season** since Dominik Hrbaty, who won the titles at Adelaide and Auckland in the opening 2 weeks of 2004.
- Rublev is bidding to extend a **14-match Tour-level winning streak**. In addition to his 2 victories here and his 4 victories at both Doha and Adelaide, he also won all 4 singles matches he contested at the Davis Cup Finals

in November last year. He has not lost a Tour-level match since falling to Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the 1st round at Paris-1000 in October.

- Rublev is bidding to record his 11th match-win of season. He is top of the list for **most Tour-level match-wins in 2020**, ahead of Novak Djokovic (9) and Roberto Bautista Agut (8).
- Rublev is bidding to **defeat a Top 20 opponent at the Australian Open for the first time** on his 3rd attempt. He lost both of his previous meetings with Top 20 opposition here – falling to No. 1 Andy Murray in the 2nd round in 2017 and to No. 3 Grigor Dimitrov in the 3rd round in 2018. He has a 3-4 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at the Grand Slams and an 11-21 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at Tour-level overall.
- Rublev **broke the Top 20 for the first time** after winning the title at Doha earlier this month, and rose to a career-high ranking of No. 16 after winning the title at Adelaide last week.
- 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 has played **Davis Cup** for Russia since 2014 and has a 14-9 win-loss record in the competition. He won all 4 singles matches he contested at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid as Russia reached the semifinals before falling to Canada. As semifinalists in 2019, Russia have secured a place at the 2020 Finals in Madrid on 23-29 November.
- Rublev is coached by Fernando Vicente.

## NO. 15 STAN WAWRINKA (SUI) v NO. 19 JOHN ISNER (USA)

### Head-to-head: Isner leads 3-1

2009	Tokyo	Hard (O)	R32	Wawrinka	64 64
2010	Belgrade	Clay (O)	SF	Isner	75 75
2011	Paris-1000	Hard (I)	R64	Isner	67(3) 75 76(5)
2017	Rome-1000	Clay (O)	R16	Isner	76(1) 64

This is the 5th meeting between Wawrinka and Isner, their 3rd on a hard court but their first at a Grand Slam. The pair met once a year in 2009-11 but have played just one match since then, at 2017 Rome-1000.

Isner leads the overall head-to-head, but the pair split their 2 meetings on a hard court. Wawrinka is bidding to end a 3-match losing streak against Isner, having not defeated him since their first meeting over 10 years ago.

WAWRINKA	v	ISNER
34	Age	34
15	ATP Ranking	19
16	Titles	15
146-55	Career Grand Slam Record	78-45
40-13	Australian Open Record	15-11
519-300	Career Record	428-267
298-169	Career Record - Hard	310-185
4-1	2020 Record	4-4
4-1	2020 Record - Hard	4-4
28-22	Career Five-Set Record	11-19
6	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	2
229-200	Career Tiebreak Record	434-283
0-1	2020 Tiebreak Record	7-5

- 2014 Australian Open champion **WAWRINKA** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 7th time – and the first time since 2017. This is his 15th Australian Open appearance and his 59th Grand Slam overall.
- Wawrinka advanced to the 3rd round here for the 11th time after defeating Damir Dzumhur 75 67(4) 64 64 and Andreas Seppi 46 75 63 36 64 in the opening 2 rounds. His 1st round match against Dzumhur was the **200th match he has contested at the Grand Slams**.
- Wawrinka's 2nd round match against Seppi was the **50th five-set match he has contested**. He has a 3-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches at the Australian Open and a 28-22 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- **Last year here**, Wawrinka reached the 2nd round (d. Ernests Gulbis, l. Milos Raonic). He has not progressed beyond the 2nd round here since 2017, when he reached the semifinals (l. Roger Federer).
- Wawrinka's **best Australian Open result** is winning the title in his first Grand Slam final in 2014 (d. Rafael Nadal). He was the first player to defeat the No. 1 and No. 2 seeds en route to a Grand Slam title since Sergei Bruguera won 1993 Roland Garros.
- Wawrinka has won **3 Grand Slam titles at 3 different majors**. He also won the titles at 2015 Roland Garros and the 2016 US Open, defeating Djokovic in both finals. He became the 2nd Swiss player – man or woman – in history to win Roland Garros. He is one of 8 men to have won multiple Grand Slam titles after turning 30 and is one of 5 Grand Slam champions to start in the men's draw here.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Wawrinka reached the quarterfinals at both Roland Garros (l. Federer) and the US Open (l. Daniil Medvedev). He reached the 2nd round at Wimbledon (d. Ruben Bemelmans, l. Reilly Opelka).
- Wawrinka's **best results in 2019** were reaching the finals at Rotterdam (l. Gael Monfils) and Antwerp (l. Andy Murray). As well as his quarterfinal appearances at Roland Garros and the US Open, he also reached 4 other Tour-level quarterfinals – at Doha (l. Roberto Bautista Agut), Acapulco (l. Nick Kyrgios), Madrid-1000 (l. Nadal) and Basel, where he gave a walkover to Federer due to a lower back injury.

- **Prior to coming here** Wawrinka competed at Doha where, as No. 1 seed, he fell to Corentin Moutet in the semifinals.
- Wawrinka has **won one of his last 5 matches against Top 20 opponents at Tour-level**. His only victory against a Top 20 player in that time came at the 2019 US Open, when No. 1 Djokovic retired due to a left shoulder injury in their round of 16 match. He has a 105-141 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at Tour-level overall.
- Wawrinka has also **won one of his last 5 matches against Top 20 opponents at the Australian Open**. His only victory against a Top 20 player here in that time came against No. 12 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the quarterfinals in 2015. He has an 8-10 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at the Australian Open and a 32-32 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at the Grand Slams overall.
- Wawrinka reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in January 2014. Having started 2019 at No. 66, he improved his ranking by 50 places over the course of the season to end the year at No. 16. He plays here one place higher at No. 15.
- Wawrinka was the 2003 **Roland Garros junior champion** (d. Brian Baker) – the only junior Grand Slam event he contested.
- Wawrinka is coached by Magnus Norman, who reached the semifinals here in 2000, and Dani Vallverdu.
- **ISNER** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd time and equal his best Australian Open performance. This is his 12th Australian Open appearance and his 46th Grand Slam overall.
- If Isner wins today and joins Tennys Sandgren in the round of 16 here, it will be the **first time multiple American men have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 2010**, when Isner and Andy Roddick both reached the last 16.
- If Isner and Taylor Fritz, who plays Dominic Thiem in the 3rd round, both win today and join Sandgren in the round of 16, it will be the **first time that 3 American men have reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open since 2007**, when Roddick, James Blake and Mardy Fish all reached the last 16 here.
- If Isner and Fritz both win today and join Sandgren in the round of 16 here, it will also be the **first time that 3 American men have reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since the 2011 US Open**, when Isner, Fish, Roddick and Donald Young all reached the last 16.
- Isner advanced to the 3rd round here for the 6th time – and the first time since 2016 – after defeating Thiago Monteiro 67(5) 76(4) 76(7) 76(5) and qualifier Alejandro Tabilo 64 63 63 in the opening 2 rounds.
- Isner is one of **5 American men to reach the 3rd round here** – the most since 2008, when there were also 5 Americans in the 3rd round of the men's singles here.
- **Last year here**, Isner fell to Reilly Opelka in the 1st round. He also fell in the 1st round in 2018 (l. Matthew Ebden).
- Isner's **best Australian Open performance** is reaching the round of 16 on 2 occasions – in 2010 (l. Andy Murray) and 2016 (l. David Ferrer).
- Isner's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the semifinals at 2018 Wimbledon, where he fell to Kevin Anderson 76(6) 67(5) 67(9) 64 26-24. At 6 hours and 36 minutes, the semifinal was the 2nd-longest singles match in history, after Isner's victory against Nicolas Mahut at 2010 Wimbledon, which lasted 11 hours and five minutes. Isner hit a tournament record of 214 aces during his run to semifinals.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019**, Isner reached 3rd round at the US Open, where he defeated Guillermo Garcia-Lopez and Jan-Lennard before falling to Marin Cilic, and the 2nd round at Wimbledon (d. Casper Ruud, l. Mikhail Kukushkin). He missed Roland Garros due to a foot injury.
- Isner's **best result in 2019** was winning the title at Newport (d. Alexander Bublik). He also finished runner-up as defending champion at Miami-1000 (l. Roger Federer), and reached the semifinals at New York (l. Opelka), Delray Beach (l. Daniel Evans) and Acapulco (l. Nick Kyrgios).

- **Prior to coming here** Isner competed at Auckland, where he reached the semifinals (l. Ugo Humbert). He also represented USA at the ATP Cup, where he lost all 3 matches he contested – he fell to Norway’s Ruud, Russia’s Daniil Medvedev and Italy’s Fabio Fognini.
- Isner has **won one of his last 15 matches against Top 20 opponents**. His only victory against a Top 20 player in that time came against No. 11 Gael Monfils in the 1st round at Beijing last year. He has a 54-98 win-loss record against Top 10 opposition at Tour-level overall.
- Isner is bidding to end a **6-match losing streak against Top 20 opposition at the Grand Slams**. He has not defeated a Top 20 player at a major since defeating No. 19 Feliciano Lopez in the 3rd round here in 2016. He has a 2-4 win-loss record against Top 20 players at the Australian Open and a 5-21 win-loss record at the Grand Slams overall.
- Isner reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 8 in July 2018 after reaching the semifinals at Wimbledon. He plays here at No. 19.
- Isner has played **Davis Cup** for USA since 2010 and has a 17-11 win-loss record in the competition. He did not play at the Davis Cup Finals last year following the birth of his second child. USA will play Uzbekistan in the 2020 Davis Cup Qualifiers in Honolulu on 6-7 March.
- Isner is coached by David MacPherson.

## NO. 16 KAREN KHACHANOV (RUS) v NO. 23 NICK KYRGIOS (AUS)

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

2019 Cincinnati-1000 Hard (O) R32 Khachanov 67(3) 76(4) 62

A 2nd meeting for Khachanov and Kyrgios and their first at a Grand Slam. Khachanov won in 3 sets on the pair's only previous meeting, on a hard court at Cincinnati-1000 last year.

Khachanov is facing an Australian player at a Grand Slam for the first time. He has a 4-2 win-loss record against Australian players at Tour-level overall, having lost to Jordan Thompson in the 2nd round at Miami-1000 last year and to John Millman in the 2nd round at Auckland earlier this month.

This match is one of 2 meetings between a Russian player and an Australian player today, with Russia's Daniil Medvedev facing Australia's Alexei Popyrin too. There have been 3 meetings between Russian players and Australian players here this year – including both of today's matches. Russia's Andrey Rublev defeated Australian wild card Christopher O'Connell in the 1st round.

In the 50 previous Open Era meetings between Russian players and Australian players at the Grand Slams, Russia leads the head-to-head 27-23. Of those 50 matches, 19 have taken place at the Australian Open – with Russia leading the head-to-head here 14-5.

KHACHANOV	v	KYRGIOS
23	Age	24
17	ATP Ranking	26
4	Titles	6
26-13	Career Grand Slam Record	39-24
6-3	Australian Open Record	13-6
124-98	Career Record	160-93
78-66	Career Record - Hard	113-58
6-2	2019 Record	5-1
6-2	2019 Record - Hard	5-1
4-3	Career Five-Set Record	6-2
1	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	2
64-72	Career Tiebreak Record	112-75
3-1	2019 Tiebreak Record	5-1

- **KHACHANOV** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the first time. This is his 4th Australian Open appearance and his 14th Grand Slam overall.
- Should Khachanov, Daniil Medvedev and Andrey Rublev all win today and reach the round of 16, it will be the **first time that 3 Russian men have reached the round of 16 here** in the Open Era. There have been 2 Russian men in the last 16 here on 4 occasions in the Open Era – most recently in 2008, when Nikolay Davydenko and Mikhail Youzhny both reached the round of 16 here.
- Should Khachanov, Medvedev and Rublev all win today and reach the round of 16, it will also be the **first time that 3 Russian men have reached the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since 2007 Roland Garros**, when Igor Andreev, Davydenko and Youzhny all reached the last 16.
- Khachanov advanced to the 3rd round here for the 2nd straight year after defeating qualifier Mario Vilella Martinez 46 64 76(4) 63 and Elias Ymer 62 26 64 36 76(8) in the opening 2 rounds.
- With Khachanov, Medvedev and Rublev all reaching the 3rd round here, it is the **first time there have been 3 Russian players in the 3rd round at the Australian Open since 2008** when Andreev, Davydenko and Youzhny all reached the 3rd round here. It is also the first time that 3 Russian men have reached the 3rd round at a Grand Slam since Evgeny Donskoy, Dmitry Tursunov and Youzhny reached the 3rd round at the 2013 US Open.
- By reaching the 3rd round here, Khachanov has equalled his **best Australian Open result**. He also reached the 3rd round here last year (l. Roberto Bautista Agut).

- Khachanov's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals at Roland Garros last year. He defeated Cedrik-Marcel Stebe, Gregoire Barrere, Martin Klizan and Juan Martin del Potro before falling to Dominic Thiem in straight sets.
- **Elsewhere at the Grand Slams last year**, Khachanov reached the 3rd round at Wimbledon (l. Roberto Bautista Agut) but fell to Vasek Pospisil in 5 sets in the 1st round at the US Open.
- Khachanov's **best results in 2019** were reaching the semifinals at Montreal-1000 (l. Daniil Medvedev) and Beijing (l. Thiem). He also reached the quarterfinals at Indian Wells-1000 (l. Rafael Nadal), Roland Garros, Halle (l. Matteo Berrettini), Moscow (l. Andreas Seppi) and Vienna (l. Diego Schwartzman).
- **Prior to coming here**, Khachanov competed at Auckland, where he lost his opening match to John Millman. He also represented Russia at the ATP Cup, winning 4 of the 5 singles matches he contested as Russia reached the semifinals – he defeated Italy's Stefano Travaglia, USA's Taylor Fritz, Norway's Viktor Durasovic and Argentina's Guido Pella before falling to Serbia's Dusan Lajovic in the semifinal.
- Khachanov **broke the Top 10 for the first time** in June 2019 and reached a career-high ranking of No. 8 in July. He plays here at No. 17.
- Khachanov's victory against Ymer in the 2nd round here was the first **5-set match** he has contested at the Australian Open. He has a 4-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- 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 Yoshihito Nishioka in the 1st round on his only appearance in the boys' singles here in 2013.
- Khachanov has played **Davis Cup** for Russia since 2013 and has a 7-7 win-loss record in singles matches in the competition. He was part of the Russian team that reached the semifinals at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, winning 3 of the 8 matches he contested at the Finals. As semifinalists in 2019, Russia have secured a place at the 2020 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid on 23-29 November.
- Khachanov is coached by Vedran Martic and Frederik Rosengren.
- **KYRGIOS** is bidding to reach the round of 16 here for the 3rd time. This is his 7th Australian Open appearance and his 25th Grand Slam overall.
- Kyrgios advanced to the 3rd round here for the 4th time after defeating Lorenzo Sonego 62 76(3) 76(1) and Gilles Simon 62 64 46 75 in the opening 2 rounds.
- At the 2015 Australian Open aged 19 years 280 days, Kyrgios equalled his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the quarterfinals (l. Andy Murray). He became the youngest man to reach the Australian Open quarterfinals since Andrei Cherkasov in 1990. He was the first Australian to reach the last 8 at the Australian Open since Lleyton Hewitt in 2005 and only the 3rd Australian man to reach the quarterfinals here as a teenager after Brad Drewett and Pat Cash.
- Kyrgios **also reached the quarterfinals at 2014 Wimbledon** (l. Milos Raonic). Ranked No. 144, he defeated world No. 1 Rafael Nadal in the round of 16 to become the lowest-ranked player to defeat a world No. 1 at a Grand Slam since No. 193 Andrei Olhovskiy defeated Jim Courier in the 3rd round at 1992 Wimbledon.
- **Last year here**, Kyrgios fell to Milos Raonic in the 1st round. Elsewhere at the Grand Slams in 2019, he reached the 3rd round at the US Open (l. Andrey Rublev) and the 2nd round at Wimbledon (d. Jordan Thompson, l. Rafael Nadal). He withdrew from Roland Garros due to illness.
- Kyrgios **won 2 Tour-level titles in 2019** – at Acapulco (d. Alexander Zverev) and Washington (d. Daniil Medvedev). He has won 6 career Tour-level titles, all on a hard court.
- **Prior to coming here** Kyrgios represented Australia at the ATP Cup, winning 3 of the 4 singles matches he contested as Australia reached the semifinals – he defeated Germany's Jan-Lennard Struff, Greece's Stefanos Tsitsipas and Great Britain's Cameron Norrie before falling to Spain's Roberto Bautista Agut in the semifinal.

- Kyrgios has **won one of his last 10 meetings with Top 20 opposition at the Grand Slams**. His only victory against a Top 20 opponent at the majors in that time came against No. 15 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga in the 3rd round here in 2018. He has a 4-16 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at the majors and a 35-46 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition overall.
- The Australian Open is Kyrgios's **joint-most successful Grand Slam event** in terms of matches won. He has a 13-6 win-loss record here and at Wimbledon, compared to 8-7 at the US Open and 5-5 at Roland Garros.
- Kyrgios has won 6 of the 8 **five-set matches** he has contested. Both of his defeats in 5-set matches have come at the Australian Open – when he fell to Benoit Paire in the 2nd round 2014 and to Seppi, despite holding a 2-0 lead, in the 2nd round in 2017. He has a 2-2 win-loss record in 5-set matches at the Australian Open overall.
- Kyrgios is one of **3 Australian men** through to the 3rd round here from the 11 who started this year's Australian Open main draw. He is looking to become the first native champion to win the Australian Open men's singles title since Mark Edmondson in 1976.
- Kyrgios reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 13 in October 2016. He dropped to No. 72 in February last year – his lowest ranking since he was No. 144 in June 2014 – but improved his ranking to end 2019 at No. 30. He plays here at No. 26 – his highest-ranking since he was No. 18 in August 2018.
- Kyrgios is one of **3 former Australian Open junior singles champions** to start in the men's main draw here this year. Kyrgios won the junior title in 2013, defeating compatriot Thanasi Kokkinakis in the final. He reached a career-high junior ranking of No. 1 in January 2013 after winning the boys' singles title here. He also won the boys' doubles title with Kokkinakis at 2013 Wimbledon.
- Kyrgios has played **Davis Cup** for Australia since 2013 and has an 11-6 overall win-loss record in the competition. He won both matches he contested at the 2019 Davis Cup Finals in Madrid as Australia reached the quarterfinals. Australia will play Brazil in the 2020 Davis Cup Qualifiers in Adelaide on 6-7 March.
- Kyrgios is currently without a permanent coach. His fitness trainer is Ashcon Rezazadeh and his physiotherapist is Will Maher.