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### On court today...

- 12-time champion Rafael Nadal begins his Roland Garros campaign today, taking on Belarus' Egor Gerasimov in the 4th match on Court Philippe-Chatrier. A first victory for Nadal here would set him on the path to yet more history. Should he defeat Gerasimov and then record another six wins on his way to the title here, not only will he equal Roger Federer's all-time record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles, he will also become the first player in history to record 100 match-wins at Roland Garros.
- The 2nd match on Chatrier sees the 149th men's Grand Slam champion play the 150th men's Grand Slam champion – Marin Cilic, who won the US Open in 2014, faces No. 3 seed Dominic Thiem, who became the most-recent new major champion with victory in New York earlier this month. The pair actually contested a match at this year's US Open, with Thiem winning a 3rd round clash in 4 sets – and the Austrian has won their other 2 previous meetings too. Thiem has finished runner-up here in the last 2 years, and will hope a strong performance today can help build momentum as he looks to go one better this time round.
- On Court Suzanne-Lenglen, the French No. 1 Gael Monfils faces a tricky assignment against Alexander Bublik in the 3rd match of the day. Monfils was in excellent form prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August – but he is yet to win a match since play resumed last month, having lost his opening matches at both Rome-1000 and Hamburg. The effervescent Bublik arrives in Paris off the back of a quarterfinal finish at Hamburg last week, and will hope to cause an upset against the Frenchman today.
- In the final match of the day on Lenglen, No. 4 seed Daniil Medvedev will play Hungary's Marton Fucsovics – and despite having a resumé which includes a Grand Slam final, the Russian is yet to win a match at Roland Garros, having lost in the 1st round on his 3 previous appearances here. Medvedev played well in a run to the semifinals at the US Open, but lost the only match he has played on clay this year, having fallen to Ugo Humbert in the 1st round at Hamburg. Like Bublik, Fucsovics may fancy his chances of defeating a higher-ranked opponent on Lenglen too.

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## NO. 2 RAFAEL NADAL (ESP) v EGOR GERASIMOV (BLR)

### Head-to-head: first meeting

Nadal has lost a clay court match to a player ranked as low as No. 83 Gerasimov on just one occasion – when he fell to No. 113 Olivier Mutis in the 2nd round at 2004 Palermo.

Nadal has lost Grand Slam matches to players ranked as low as Gerasimov on 4 occasions – in 4 consecutive years at Wimbledon from 2012 to 2015. He fell to No. 100 Lukas Rosol in 2012, No. 135 Steve Darcis in 2013, No. 144 Nick Kyrgios in 2014 and No. 102 Dustin Brown in 2015.

NADAL	v	GERASIMOV
34	Age	27
2	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	83
85	Titles	0
275-39	Career Grand Slam Record	3-3
93-2	Roland Garros Record	0-0
992-201	Career Record	38-21
438-40	Career Record - Clay	6-4
15-4	2020 Record	9-5
2-1	2020 Record - Clay	0-0
22-12	Career Five-Set Record	3-2
3	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
242-156	Career Tiebreak Record	23-13
4-5	2020 Tiebreak Record	7-2

- Three-time defending champion **NADAL** is bidding to win his 20th Grand Slam title and equal Roger Federer's all-time record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles.
- Nadal is also bidding to become the **5th player, man or woman, to win 20 Grand Slam titles** – after Margaret Court (24 major titles), Serena Williams (23), Steffi Graf (22) and Federer (20).
- By winning his 12th Roland Garros title here last year, Nadal claimed sole ownership of the **record for most singles titles at the same Grand Slam tournament**, moving ahead of Court, who won 11 women's singles titles at the Australian Open. He defeated Dominic Thiem in 4 sets in the final.
- Nadal is also bidding to further extend his record for the **most men's singles Grand Slam titles at any one event**. He won the title here in 2005-08 and 2010-14, making him the only man in history to have won 5 titles in a row at Roland Garros, before winning 3 straight titles here in 2017-19.
- Nadal is also bidding to become the first player in the Open Era to win 13 singles titles at any Tour-level event. The only other player to have won 12 singles titles at one event is Martina Navratilova, who won 12 singles titles at Chicago between 1978 and 1992.
- Aged 34 years 140 days, Nadal is bidding to **win his 6th Grand Slam title since turning 30** and claim sole ownership of the Open Era record for most Grand Slam men's singles titles won after the age of 30, ahead of Djokovic. Since celebrating his 30th birthday on 3 June 2016, Nadal has won the titles at Roland Garros in 2017-19, and at the US Open in 2017 and 2019. (NB age calculated at the end of the tournament)
- Nadal has a 118-2 win-loss record in **best-of-five-set matches on clay**. His only defeats came at Roland Garros – in the round of 16 in 2009 (l. Robin Soderling) and the quarterfinals in 2015 (l. Novak Djokovic).
- Nadal is the **leading performer in Roland Garros history**. He enters the tournament with an 93-2 win-loss record at Roland Garros, ahead of Federer (70-17), Djokovic (68-14) and Guillermo Vilas (58-17). This is Nadal's 16th successive Roland Garros and his 60th appearance at a major.
- Nadal is also bidding to become the **4th player – and 2nd man – to win Grand Slam singles titles in 3 different decades in the Open Era**. Nadal has won Grand Slam titles in both the 2000s and the 2010s. Serena Williams (who won at least one major title in the 1990s, 2000s and 2010s), Martina Navratilova (1970s, 1980s and 1990s) and Djokovic (2000s, 2010s and 2020s) are the only 3 players who have achieved the feat in the Open Era.
- Nadal has played one event **since the resumption of play in August**, reaching the quarterfinals at Rome-1000. He defeated Pablo Carreno Busta and Dusan Lajovic before falling to Diego Schwartzman in the last 8. It is the first time in his career that he has not won a clay court title prior to Roland Garros.

- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Nadal reached the quarterfinals at the Australian Open, where he fell to Thiem in 4 sets. He did not compete at the US Open.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Nadal won the title at Acapulco (d. Taylor Fritz) and won 4 of the 6 matches he contested as Spain finished runners-up to Serbia at the ATP Cup.
- Nadal is **bidding to win his 60th career clay court title** at Roland Garros. By winning his 50th clay court title at 2017 Monte Carlo-1000, he set an Open Era record for the most career clay court titles ahead of Guillermo Vilas (49).
- Nadal has won both **5-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros – against John Isner in the 1st round in 2011 and against Djokovic in the semifinals in 2013. He has a 22-12 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Nadal is **seeded No. 2 at Roland Garros for the 7th time** in his career. He has won the title here as No. 2 seed in 2006-08, 2010, 2012 and 2019. It is the 25th time in his career he has been seeded No. 2 at a Grand Slam.
- Nadal will **remain at No. 2 when the new rankings are released** on Monday 12 October – unless Thiem wins the title, in which case he will drop to No. 3, his lowest ranking since he was ranked at No. 4 in May 2017. He has spent a total of 209 weeks as world No. 1, having first reached the top ranking in August 2008.
- Nadal is a **4-time Davis Cup champion**. He made his debut in the competition in 2004 and was part of the Spanish teams which won the title in 2004, 2008, 2011 and 2019 – among active players, he holds the record for most Davis Cup titles, alongside Feliciano Lopez. At last year's Davis Cup Finals in Madrid, he won all 8 matches he contested as Spain won their 6th title. As defending champions, Spain qualified automatically for the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Nadal is coached by Carlos Moya, who won the title here in 1998, and Francisco Roig.
- **GERASIMOV** is making his Roland Garros debut today. He is making his 4th Grand Slam main draw appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, Gerasimov fell to Nikola Milojevic in the 1st round of qualifying. He also fell in the 1st round in his other 2 appearances at Roland Garros qualifying – in 2016, when he retired while trailing Yannick Mertens 63-2-0, and 2018 (l. Sergiy Stakhovsky).
- Gerasimov has **reached the 2nd round at all 3 Grand Slam events he has contested** – on his Grand Slam debut as a qualifier at the US Open last year (d. Lloyd Harris, l. Diego Schwartzman), and as a direct acceptance at both the Australian Open (d. Casper Ruud, l. Alexander Zverev) and the US Open (d. Dusan Lajovic, l. Jordan Thompson) this year.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Gerasimov competed in qualifying at Cincinnati-1000, Kitzbuhel and Rome-1000. He reached the 2nd round of qualifying at Kitzbuhel (d. Alexander Erler, l. Maximilian Marterer), but fell in the 1st round of qualifying at both Cincinnati (l. JJ Wolf) and Rome (l. Marco Cecchinato).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Gerasimov reached his first Tour-level final at Pune (l. Jiri Vesely). He also reached the quarterfinals at Marseille (l. Felix Auger-Aliassime) and won one of his 2 singles matches in Belarus' defeat to Germany in the Davis Cup Qualifiers, defeating Philipp Kohlschreiber but falling to Jan-Lennard Struff.
- Gerasimov is contesting just his **2nd Tour-level tournament on clay**. His only Tour-level appearances on clay came in 5 Davis Cup ties and as a lucky loser at 2019 Budapest, where he fell to Pierre-Hugues Herbert in the 1st round.
- Gerasimov is bidding to **defeat a Top 5 player for the first time** on his 3rd attempt. He has lost both of his previous meetings with Top 10 opposition – falling to No. 4 Juan Martin del Potro in the quarterfinals at 2018 Los Cabos and to No. 4 Daniil Medvedev in the semifinals at St Petersburg last year. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 10 David Goffin in the 2nd round at Marseille this year.
- Gerasimov broke the Top 100 for the first time in September last year and reached a **career-high ranking of No. 65** in February this year. He plays here at No. 83.
- Gerasimov has played **Davis Cup** for Belarus since 2013 and has a 19-8 overall win-loss record in the competition. He won one of the 2 singles matches he contested as Belarus fell to Germany in the Qualifiers this year. Belarus will next play Argentina in a World Group I tie in either March or September 2021.

- Gerasimov is coached by Arturs Kazijevs.

## NO. 3 DOMINIC THIEM (AUT) v MARIN CILIC (CRO)

### Head-to-head: Thiem leads 3-0

2016	Brisbane	Hard (O)	QF	Thiem	26 76(4) 64
2019	Montreal-1000	Hard (O)	R16	Thiem	76(7) 64
<b>2020</b>	<b>US Open</b>	<b>Hard (O)</b>	<b>R32</b>	<b>Thiem</b>	<b>62 62 36 63</b>

Thiem and Cilic are meeting for a 4th time and at a 2nd consecutive Grand Slam. Thiem has won their 3 previous encounters, all of which have come on hard courts.

This meeting is one of 2 matches between a pair of Grand Slam champions in the 1st round here this year, with Stan Wawrinka defeating Andy Murray on Sunday.

These match-ups represent the first time that Grand Slam champions have faced each other in the 1st round at a major since Novak Djokovic defeated Juan Carlos Ferrero in the 1st round at 2012 Wimbledon. It is the first time that Grand Slam champions have faced each other in the 1st round at Roland Garros since Yevgeny Kafelnikov defeated Michael Chang in the 1st round here in 1999.

Thiem has never lost to a player ranked as low as No. 40 Cilic at Roland Garros. The lowest ranked player to have defeated Thiem at Roland Garros is No. 23 Pablo Cuevas in the 2nd round in 2015.

THIEM	v	CILIC
27	Age	32*
3	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	40
17	Titles	18
67-25	Career Grand Slam Record	124-48
24-6	Roland Garros Record	25-13
291-153	Career Record	514-278
138-46	Career Record - Clay	124-75
16-5	2020 Record	12-7
2-1	2020 Record - Clay	2-1
9-7	Career Five-Set Record	33-17
3	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	8
112-96	Career Tiebreak Record	205-178
11-6	2020 Tiebreak Record	6-8

\*celebrates 32nd birthday today

- US Open champion **THIEM** is bidding to maintain his record of always reaching the 2nd round here. This is his 7th straight Roland Garros appearance and his 27th Grand Slam overall.
- **Last year here**, Thiem finished runner-up for the 2nd straight year, falling to Rafael Nadal in 4 sets. He became the first Austrian player to reach multiple Grand Slam finals, having also lost to Nadal in the final here in 2018.
- Thiem is bidding to become the **first Austrian player – man or woman – in history to win multiple Grand Slam titles**. Thomas Muster, who won the title here in 1995, is the only other Austrian player to have won a Grand Slam title.
- Thiem won his **first Grand Slam title** at the US Open this year. He defeated Alexander Zverev 26 46 64 63 76(6) in the final, becoming the first man to win the US Open final from 0-2 down since Pancho Gonzales recovered from 0-2 down to defeat Ted Schroeder in 1949. He became the first new Grand Slam men's singles champion since Cilic won the title at the 2014 US Open and the first man born in the 1990s to win a Grand Slam title.
- Thiem is bidding to become the **10th different man in history to win the US Open and Roland Garros titles in the same year**. He would become the only one to do so in back-to-back majors, due to the changes to the calendar this year.
- **Also in Grand Slam play this year**, Thiem became the first Austrian player to reach the final at the Australian Open, where he fell to Novak Djokovic in 5 sets.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to victory at the US Open, Thiem competed at Cincinnati-1000, where he lost his opening match to Filip Krajinovic.

- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, in addition to his runner-up finish at the Australian Open, Thiem reached the quarterfinals on clay at Rio de Janeiro (l. Gianluca Mager) and won of the 3 singles matches he contested while representing Austria at the ATP Cup.
- Clay is Thiem's **best surface** in terms of matches won. He has a 138-46 win-loss record on clay, compared to 136-91 on hard courts and 14-14 on grass.
- Thiem reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 3 in March this year and plays here at the same ranking. He will rise to No. 2 if he wins the title here.
- Thiem won the only **5-set match** he has contested at Roland Garros, defeating Djokovic in 5 sets in the semifinals here last year. He has a 9-7 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Thiem is a **former junior world No. 2**. He reached the boys' singles final at Roland Garros as No. 14 seed in 2011, losing to Bjorn Fratangelo. As well as reaching the Roland Garros boys' singles final, Thiem's best junior result is winning the 2011 Orange Bowl (d. Patrick Ofner).
- 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 competed at Roland Garros on 9 occasions, reaching the 3rd round in 2004 and 2006.
- **CILIC** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 10th time. This is his 14th appearance at Roland Garros and his 51st Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, Cilic reached the 2nd round, defeating Thomas Fabbiano before falling to Grigor Dimitrov in 5 sets. It was the first 5-set match he has lost at Roland Garros, having won his previous two 5-set matches here – against Leonardo Mayer in the 3rd round in 2010 and against Fabio Fognini in the round of 16 in 2018. He has a 33-17 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Cilic's **best Roland Garros result** is reaching the quarterfinals in both 2017 (l. Stan Wawrinka) and 2018 (l. Juan Martin del Potro).
- Cilic **won his only major title to date** at the 2014 US Open, defeating Kei Nishikori in the final. He was the first Croatian to win a Grand Slam title since Goran Ivanisevic at 2001 Wimbledon. He is one of 6 Grand Slam champions to start in the men's main draw here.
- **At the Grand Slams in 2020**, Cilic reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open (l. Milos Raonic) and the 3rd round at the US Open (l. Thiem).
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his 3rd round finish at the US Open, Cilic reached the 3rd round on clay at Rome-1000 (l. Casper Ruud), but fell in the 1st round at on hard courts at Cincinnati-1000 (l. Denis Shapovalov).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, in addition to his round of 16 finish at the Australian Open, Cilic reached the 2nd round at Marseille (d. Ilya Ivashka, l. Shapovalov) but fell in the 1st round at Dubai (l. Benoit Paire). He won 2 of the 3 singles matches he contested representing Croatia at the ATP Cup and won both matches he contested at Croatia's Davis Cup qualifier against India in March.
- Cilic is **unseeded at a Grand Slam for only the 2nd time** since the 2014 Australian Open. He was also unseeded at this year's Australian Open, but played at the US Open as No. 31 seed.
- Cilic reached a **career-high ranking of No. 3** in January 2018 following his runner-up finish at the Australian Open. He dropped to No. 40 earlier this month – his lowest ranking since he was No. 41 in October 2013 – and plays here at the same ranking.
- Cilic has won **18 career titles** including 2 on clay – at 2012 Umag (d. Marcel Granollers) and 2017 Istanbul (d. Raonic).
- Cilic won the **Roland Garros boys' singles title** in 2005 (d. Anton van der Duim) and finished that year at No. 2 in the ITF Junior rankings behind Donald Young, having reached the quarterfinals at the other 3 Grand Slams.

- Cilic became a **Davis Cup** champion after leading Croatia to the title in 2018. He won 6 of the 7 matches he contested during 2018 and defeated Lucas Pouille in the 4th match of the Final to seal Croatia's 2nd Davis Cup title. He has a 39-17 win-loss record in the competition and won both his singles matches in Croatia's victory over India in the 2020 Davis Cup Qualifiers, securing Croatia's place in the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Cilic is coached by Vedran Martic and Vilim Visak.

## NO. 4 DANIIL MEDVEDEV (RUS) v MARTON FUCSOVICS (HUN)

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

2016	Portoroz Challenger (SLO)	Hard (O)	QF	Medvedev	63 62
2018	Monte Carlo-1000	Clay (O)	R64	Medvedev	67(4) 62 75
2019	Sofia	Hard (I)	FR	Medvedev	64 63

A 3rd Tour-level meeting for Medvedev and their 2nd on clay. Fucsovics has won just one set against Medvedev – on clay in the 1st round at 2018 Monte Carlo-1000.

Medvedev has not lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 63 Fucsovics since he fell to No. 69 Denis Shapovalov in the 1st round at the 2017 US Open.

MEDVEDEV	v	FUCSOVICS
24	Age	28
5	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	63
7	Titles	1
25-14	Career Grand Slam Record	11-13
0-3	Roland Garros Record	1-2
145-81	Career Record	83-77
10-17	Career Record - Clay	30-23
15-7	2020 Record	11-7
0-1	2020 Record - Clay	2-0
0-6	Career Five-Set Record	5-4
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
50-34	Career Tiebreak Record	29-37
3-3	2020 Tiebreak Record	2-4

- **MEDVEDEV** is bidding to record his first Roland Garros match-win. This is his 4th Roland Garros appearance and his 15th Grand Slam overall.
- **Last year here**, Medvedev fell to Pierre Hugues-Herbert in 5 sets in the 1st round. He also lost in the 1st round on his 2 other appearances here – on his Roland Garros debut in 2017, when he retired due to cramping in the 4th set of his match against wild card Benjamin Bonzi, and in 2018, when he fell to Lucas Pouille.
- Medvedev recorded his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the US Open final last year, 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.
- **At the Grand Slams in 2020**, Medvedev reached the semifinals at the US Open (l. Dominic Thiem) and the round of 16 at the Australian Open (l. Stan Wawrinka).
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his semifinal finish at the US Open, Medvedev reached the quarterfinals at Cincinnati-1000 (l. Roberto Bautista Agut). He lost the only clay court match he has contested this year, falling to Ugo Humbert in the 1st round at Hamburg.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Medvedev represented Russia at the ATP Cup, where 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 Novak Djokovic in the semifinal. He also reached the quarterfinals at Marseille (l. Gilles Simon), but fell in the first round at Rotterdam (l. Vasek Pospisil).
- Medvedev is bidding to end a **five-match losing streak** on clay. He has not won a clay court match since he defeated Kei Nishikori to reach the final at Barcelona last year (l. Thiem).
- Medvedev has won **7 career titles**, all on hard court. He won his first Masters-1000 titles at Cincinnati-1000 (d. David Goffin) and Shanghai-1000 (d. Alexander Zverev) last year.
- Medvedev has lost all six **5-set matches** he has contested, including his defeat to Herbert in the 1st round here last year.
- 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. He plays here one place lower at No. 5.

- Medvedev reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 13 in January 2014. He reached the 3rd round in his only appearance in the main draw of the boys' singles here in 2014 (l. Orlando Luz).
- Medvedev is coached by Gilles Cervara.
- **FUCSOVICS** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 2nd time and equal his best Roland Garros result. This is his 3rd appearance at Roland Garros and his 14th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, Fucsovics fell to Diego Schwartzman in 5 sets in the 1st round. It was the only 5-set match he has contested at Roland Garros. He has a 5-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Fucsovics' **best Roland Garros result** is reaching the 2nd round on his main draw debut here in 2018. He defeated Vasek Pospisil in the 1st round before falling to Kyle Edmund in 4 sets in the 2nd round.
- Fucsovics' **best Grand Slam results** are reaching the round of 16 at the Australian Open on 2 occasions - on his Australian Open debut in 2018, when he became the first Hungarian man to reach the round of 16 at a Grand Slam since Balazs Taroczy at 1984, and again this year. He fell to Roger Federer on both occasions.
- **Also in Grand Slam play this year**, Fucsovics reached the 3rd round at the US Open, defeating Hugo Dellien and Grigor Dimitrov before falling to Frances Tiafoe.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his 3rd round finish at the US Open, Fucsovics also reached the 3rd round as a qualifier at Cincinnati-1000, defeating Norbert Gombos and Dimitrov before falling to Filip Krajinovic. He has not contested a clay court event since the Tour resumed.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Fucsovics' best result was reaching the quarterfinals as a qualifier at Doha (l. Miomir Kecmanovic). He also won both singles matches he contested in Hungary's victory over Belgium in the Davis Cup Qualifiers, defeating Kimmer Coppejans and Ruben Bemelmans. He fell in the 1st round as a qualifier at Rotterdam (l. Roberto Bautista Agut), and as a direct acceptance at both Marseille (l. Alexander Bublik) and Dubai (l. Gael Monfils).
- Fucsovics is bidding to **defeat a Top 10 player for the first time on his 15th attempt**. The highest-ranked players he has defeated are No. 13 Sam Querrey in the 2nd round at the 2018 Australian Open, and No. 13 Denis Shapovalov in the 1st round at the Australian Open this year.
- Fucsovics reached a **career-high ranking of No. 31** in March 2019 but plays here at No. 63.
- Fucsovics was a **successful junior**. He won the boys' singles title at 2010 Wimbledon (d. Benjamin Mitchell) and also reached the semifinals at the Junior Australian Open (l. Sean Berman) and the Junior US Open (l. Jack Sock) in the same year. He did not contest the junior event at Roland Garros.
- Fucsovics has played **Davis Cup** for Hungary since 2010 and has a 29-16 win-loss record in the competition. He won both singles matches he contested as Hungary defeated Belgium in the Qualifiers in March, securing Hungary's place at the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Fucsovics is coached by Zoltan Nagy and Miklos Jancso.

## NO. 8 GAEL MONFILS (FRA) v ALEXANDER BUBLIK (KAZ)

### Head-to-head: first meeting

Monfils has lost Roland Garros matches to players ranked as low as No. 49 Bublik on just 2 occasions – in 2006, when he fell to No. 63 Novak Djokovic in the round of 16, and in 2010, when he fell to No. 92 Fabio Fognini in the 2nd round.

Bublik has lost on both occasions that he has faced players at their home Grand Slam – falling to Andy Murray in the 1st round at 2017 Wimbledon and to Jordan Thompson in the 1st round at the Australian Open this year.

MONFILS	v	BUBLIK
34	Age	23
9	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	49
10	Titles	0
110-52	Career Grand Slam Record	4-7
36-13	Roland Garros Record	1-1
493-279	Career Record	33-35
129-84	Career Record - Clay	4-4
16-5	2020 Record	12-11
0-2	2020 Record - Clay	2-2
17-16	Career Five-Set Record	2-0
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
196-145	Career Tiebreak Record	20-17
5-1	2020 Tiebreak Record	7-4

- **MONFILS** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 13th time. This is his 14th appearance at Roland Garros and his 53rd Grand Slam overall.
- **Last year here**, Monfils reached the round of 16, where he fell to Dominic Thiem in straight sets.
- Monfils has **lost in the 1st round here on one previous occasion**, falling to Guillermo Canas on his Roland Garros debut as a wild card in 2005.
- Monfils' **best performance here – and at a Grand Slam** – is a semifinal finish in 2008, where ranked No. 59 he lost to Roger Federer. He also reached the last 4 at the 2016 US Open (l. Novak Djokovic).
- **In Grand Slam play this year**, Monfils reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open (l. Thiem). He did not compete at the US Open.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Monfils has lost both matches he has contested – falling to Dominik Koepfer in the 2nd round at Rome-1000 (after receiving a bye in the 1st round) and to Yannick Hanfmann in the 1st round at Hamburg.
- Monfils' **best results in 2020** are winning back-to-back titles at Montpellier (d. Vasek Pospisil) and Rotterdam (d. Felix Auger-Aliassime). It is the first time in his career that he has won multiple titles in the same season. He also reached the semifinals at Dubai (l. Djokovic) and won one of the 2 matches he contested while representing France at the ATP Cup.
- Monfils has won **10 Tour-level titles**. His first title, at 2005 Sopot, where he defeated Florian Mayer in the final, is the only Tour-level title he has won on clay.
- Monfils reached a **career-high ranking of No. 6** in November 2016. He re-entered the Top 10 for the first time since February 2017 in November last year and has remained in the Top 10 since then. He plays here at No. 9.
- Monfils has played 14 of the 33 **five-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros. He has a 10-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and a 17-16 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Monfils is one of **18 Frenchmen** to begin the main draw at this year's Roland Garros. He is the highest-ranked home player here this year. Yannick Noah is the only Frenchman to have won a Grand Slam title Open Era, winning the title here in 1983. The last French finalist at Roland Garros was Henri Leconte in 1988.
- Monfils narrowly **missed out on achieving the Junior Grand Slam** in 2004 after winning the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon. His preparation for the junior US Open that year was hampered by a knee injury

and he lost in the 3rd round to Viktor Troicki. He was named 2004 ITF Junior Boys' World Champion. Monfils is one of 5 former Roland Garros junior singles champions to start in the men's main draw.

- Monfils is coached by Liam Smith.
- **BUBLIK** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 2nd straight year. This is his 2nd appearance at Roland Garros and his 8th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, on his Roland Garros debut, Bublik reached the 2nd round (d. Rudolf Molleker, l. Dominic Thiem).
- Bublik's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the 3rd round at the US Open last year, where he defeated both Santiago Giraldo and Thomas Fabbiano in 5 sets, before falling to Pablo Andujar. They are the only 2 five-set matches he has contested at Tour-level.
- Bublik has **lost in the 1st round on 4 of his 7 previous Grand Slam appearances**. Apart from his 3rd round finish at last year's US Open and his 2nd round finish here last year, he has progressed beyond the 1st round on one other occasion – on his Grand Slam debut as a qualifier at the 2017 Australian Open (d. Lucas Pouille, l. Malek Jaziri).
- **In Grand Slam play in 2020**, Bublik fell in the 1st round at both the Australian Open (l. Jordan Thompson) and the US Open (l. Kyle Edmund).
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Bublik's only Tour-level match-wins came in a quarterfinal finish as a lucky loser at Hamburg, where he defeated Albert Ramos-Vinolas and Felix Auger-Aliassime before falling to Cristian Garin. He lost in the 1st round on hard courts at both Cincinnati-1000 (l. Karen Khachanov) and the US Open, and on clay at both Kitzbuhel (l. Yannick Hanfmann) and Rome-1000 (l. Marin Cilic).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Bublik's best result was reaching the semifinals at Marseille (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas). He reached the 2nd round at 5 events – at Doha, Adelaide, Montpellier, Rotterdam and Dubai – and won both singles matches he contested as Kazakhstan defeated Netherlands in the Davis Cup Qualifiers.
- Bublik is bidding to record his **5th Tour-level clay court match-win**. His only Tour-level match-wins on clay came in his quarterfinal finish at Hamburg this year, his 2nd round finish here last year, and in a 2nd round finish as a wild card at 2018 Budapest (d. Denis Istomin, l. Jan-Lennard Struff).
- Bublik is bidding to **defeat a Top 10 player for the first time** on his 6th attempt, having lost all 5 of his previous matches against Top 10 opposition. The highest-ranked player he has defeated is No. 13 Roberto Bautista Agut in the 2nd round at 2016 Moscow.
- Bublik broke the Top 50 for the first time in October last year. He reached a **career-high ranking of No. 47** in February this year. He here 2 places lower at No. 49.
- Bublik made his **Davis Cup** debut in 2019 and has a 5-2 win-loss record in the competition. He defeated both Tallon Griekspoor and Robin Haase as Kazakhstan defeated Netherlands in this year's Qualifiers to secure a place at the Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Bublik is coached by his father, Stanislav, and Artem Suprunov.

## NO. 14 FABIO FOGNINI (ITA) v MIKHAIL KUKUSHKIN (KAZ)

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

2009	Roland Garros Qualifying Draw	Clay (O)	R64	Fognini	63 76(4)
2009	Moscow	Hard (I)	R32	Kukushkin	64 57 64
2014	Moscow	Hard (I)	R16	Kukushkin	64 62
2016	Munich	Clay (O)	R16	Fognini	63 75
2019	Beijing	Hard (O)	R32	Fognini	64 46 76(6)

A 5th Tour-level meeting for Fognini and Kukushkin, their 2nd on clay and their first in the main draw at a Grand Slam. In addition to their 4 meetings at Tour-level, they also met in the 2nd round of qualifying here in 2009, with Fognini winning in straight sets.

Fognini has never lost a Roland Garros match to a player ranked as low as No. 88 Kukushkin. The lowest-ranked player he has lost to here is No. 56 Marcel Granollers in the 1st round in 2016.

FOGNINI	v	KUKUSHKIN
33	Age	32
15	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	88
9	Titles	1
57-47	Career Grand Slam Record	27-36
21-11	Roland Garros Record	4-8
364-314	Career Record	163-205
210-146	Career Record - Clay	35-58
6-9	2020 Record	3-7
2-3	2020 Record - Clay	0-0
22-13	Career Five-Set Record	10-9
8	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
133-108	Career Tiebreak Record	75-84
6-3	2020 Tiebreak Record	2-3

- **FOGNINI** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 10th time. This is his 13th appearance at Roland Garros and his 49th Grand Slam overall.
- Fognini has **lost in the 1st round here on 3 occasions** – on his Grand Slam debut as a qualifier in 2007 (l. Juan Monaco), and as a qualifier in 2009 (l. Igor Andreev) and as No. 32 seed in 2016 (l. Marcel Granollers).
- **Last year here**, Fognini reached the round of 16, defeating Andreas Seppi, Federico Delbonis and Roberto Bautista Agut before falling to Alexander Zverev in 4 sets.
- Fognini recorded his **best Grand Slam result** here in 2011 when he became the first Italian man to reach the quarterfinals at a Grand Slam since Davide Sanguinetti reached the last 8 at 1998 Wimbledon. He gave a walkover to Novak Djokovic in his quarterfinal match with a thigh strain – the first time a player had given a walkover in the quarterfinals of the men's singles at a Grand Slam since Stefan Edberg pulled out of his quarterfinal match with Thomas Muster at the 1989 Australian Open.
- **In Grand Slam play in 2020**, Fognini reached the round of 16 at the Australian Open, where he defeated Reilly Opelka, Jordan Thompson and Guido Pella before falling to Tennys Sandgren. He did not compete at the US Open.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Fognini has competed at 2 events. He reached the 2nd round at Hamburg (d. Philipp Kohlschreiber, l. Casper Ruud), but fell to Ugo Humbert in his opening match at Rome-1000.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Fognini had recorded just 5 match-wins this season. In addition to his 3 victories at the Australian Open, he also won one of his 3 singles matches representing Italy at the ATP Cup – defeating John Isner, but falling to Daniil Medvedev and Casper Ruud – and won the only singles match he contested in Italy's victory over Korea, Republic in the Davis Cup Qualifiers, defeating Duckhee Lee.
- Clay is Fognini's **best surface**. He has a 210-145 win-loss record on clay, compared to 135-148 on hard courts and 19-18 on grass.
- Fognini's **best clay court result** is winning the title at 2019 Monte Carlo-1000, where he became the first Italian player to win a Masters-1000 title, defeating Dusan Lajovic in the final. He defeated defending champion Rafael

Nadal in the semifinals, ending Nadal's 18-match winning streak at Monte Carlo. He is one of just 4 players – alongside Djokovic, Gaston Gaudio and Dominic Thiem – to record 3 clay court match-wins against Nadal.

- Fognini has won **9 Tour-level singles titles**, 8 of which have on clay. In addition to his victory at Monte Carlo-1000 last year, he also won the titles at 2013 Stuttgart, 2013 Hamburg, 2014 Vina Del Mar, 2016 Umag, 2017 Gstaad, 2018 Sao Paulo and 2018 Bastad. His one hard court title came at 2018 Los Cabos.
- Fognini has won 10 of the last 11 **five-set matches** he has contested. His only defeat in a 5-set match in that time came against Marin Cilic in the round of 16 here in 2018. He has a 6-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Roland Garros and a 22-13 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Fognini broke the Top 10 for the first time in June last year and reached a **career-high ranking of No. 9** the following month. He plays here at No. 15.
- Fognini reached the quarterfinals of the **boys' singles** here in 2004, falling to eventual champion Gael Monfils. He also reached the last 8 at the 2004 Junior Australian Open.
- Fognini has played **Davis Cup** for Italy since 2008 and has a 32-15 win-loss record in the competition. He won the only match he contested in Italy's victory over Korea, Republic in the Qualifiers this year, securing Italy's place in the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Fognini is coached by Corrado Barazzutti and Alberto Giraud.
- **KUKUSHKIN** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 5th time and equal his best Roland Garros result. This is his 9th appearance at Roland Garros and his 38th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, Kukushkin fell to Martin Klizan in the 1st round. He has lost in the 1st round here 3 other occasions – in 2015 (l. Dudi Sela), 2016 (l. Adrian Mannarino) and 2018 (l. Albert Ramos-Vinolas).
- Kukushkin's **best Roland Garros result** is reaching the 2nd round on 4 occasions - in 2011 (d. Daniel Brands, l. Mikhail Youzhny), 2012 (d. Ernests Gulbis, l. Andreas Seppi), 2014 (d. Nicolas Mahut, l. John Isner) and 2017 (d. Tennys Sandgren, l. Roberto Bautista Agut).
- Kukushkin's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the round of 16 on 2 occasions. He became the first man from Kazakhstan to reach the last 16 at a major at the 2012 Australian Open, when he defeated both Viktor Troicki and Gael Monfils in 5 sets before retiring due to a left hip flexor injury in the round of 16 against Andy Murray. He also reached the round of 16 at Wimbledon last year (l. Kei Nishikori).
- **At the Grand Slams in 2020**, Kukushkin reached the 3rd round at the US Open (l. Jordan Thompson) but fell in the 1st round at the Australian Open (l. Marc Polmans).
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his 3rd round finish at the US Open, Kukushkin competed in qualifying at both Cincinnati-1000, losing in the 1st round of qualifying to Cameron Norrie, and at Rome-1000, losing in the 3rd round of qualifying to Dominik Koepfer.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Kukushkin reached the 2nd round at Doha (d. Malek Jaziri, l. Andrey Rublev) but fell in the 1st round as a qualifier at Rotterdam (l. Gilles Simon), and as a direct acceptance at Marseille (l. Pierre-Hugues Herbert), Dubai (l. Karen Khachanov) and the Australian Open. He fell to Robin Haase the only singles match he contested in Kazakhstan's 3-1 victory over Netherlands in the Davis Cup Qualifiers.
- Kukushkin has **won 3 of the last 4 matches he has played against against Top 20 opponents at the Grand Slams** – his only defeat to a Top 20 player at the Grand Slams in that time came against No. 7 Nishikori in the round of 16 at Wimbledon last year. He has a 5-13 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at the Grand Slams and a 14-57 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at Tour-level overall.
- Kukushkin reached a **career-high ranking of No. 39** in February last year and plays here at No. 88.
- Kukushkin has entered the **men's doubles** here with Alexander Bublik – the pair reached the semifinals at the Australian Open this year (l. Rajeev Ram/Joe Salisbury). They will face defending champions and No. 8 seeds Kevin Krawietz/Andreas Mies in the 1st round.

- Kukushkin has played **Davis Cup** for Kazakhstan since 2008. He has a 27-17 win-loss record in the competition. He lost the only singles match he contested in Kazakhstan's 3-1 victory over Netherlands in the Davis Cup Qualifiers, with Kazakhstan securing a place in the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Kukushkin is currently without a coach.

# NO. 15 KAREN KHACHANOV (RUS) v KAMIL MAJCHRZAK (POL)

## Head-to-head: first meeting

Khachanov has lost a Grand Slam match to a player ranked as low as No. 100 Majchrzak on one previous occasion – when he fell to No. 216 Vasek Pospisil in the 1st round at the US Open last year. He has only lost to Top 5 opponents at Roland Garros – to No. 1 Andy Murray in 2017, No. 3 Alexander Zverev in 2018 and No. 4 Dominic Thiem last year.

KHACHANOV	v	MAJCHRZAK
24	Age	24
16	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	100
4	Titles	0
28-15	Career Grand Slam Record	2-4
10-3	Roland Garros Record	0-0
132-106	Career Record	12-16
33-26	Career Record - Clay	6-4
14-10	2020 Record	0-2
1-2	2020 Record - Clay	0-0
5-5	Career Five-Set Record	2-2
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
70-75	Career Tiebreak Record	5-6
9-4	2020 Tiebreak Record	0-1

- **KHACHANOV** is bidding to maintain his record of always reaching the 2nd round here. This is his 4th appearance at Roland Garros and his 16th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- Last year here, Khachanov recorded his **best Grand Slam result** by the quarterfinals. He defeated Cedrik-Marcel Stebe, Gregoire Barrere, Martin Klizan and Juan Martin del Potro, before falling to Dominic Thiem in straight sets in the last 8.
- **In Grand Slam play in 2020**, Khachanov reached the 3rd round at both the Australian Open, where he fell to Nick Kyrgios in 5 sets, and the US Open, where he fell to Alex de Minaur in 5 sets. He has a 5-5 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall but lost the only 5-set match he has contested at Roland Garros – to Alexander Zverev in the round of 16 in 2018.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his 3rd round finish at the US Open, Khachanov reached the 3rd round on hard courts at Cincinnati-1000 (l. Roberto Bautista Agut) and the 2nd round on clay at Hamburg (d. d. Jan-Lennard Struff, l. Dusan Lajovic), but fell in the 1st round on clay at Rome-1000 (l. Casper Ruud).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Khachanov's best result in 2020 was reaching the quarterfinals at Dubai (l. Novak Djokovic). He also won 4 of the 5 singles matches he contested as Russia reached the semifinals at the ATP Cup, before falling to Serbia.
- Khachanov has **won 4 Tour-level titles** – all of which have come on hard courts. He won his first title at 2016 Chengdu (d. Albert Ramos-Vinolas) and won 3 titles during the 2018 season – at Marseille (d. Lucas Pouille), Moscow (d. Adrian Mannarino) and Paris-1000 (d. Djokovic).
- 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. 16.
- Khachanov won the **boys' doubles silver medal** alongside Andrey 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 reached the 3rd round on both of his appearances in the boys' singles here – in 2013 (l. Guillermo Nunez) and 2014 (l. Marcelo Zormann).
- Khachanov has played **Davis Cup** for Russia since 2013 and has a 9-12 win-loss record in the competition. He won one of the 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 next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Khachanov is coached by Frederik Rosengren.

- **MAJCHRZAK** is making his Roland Garros debut today. This is his 5th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, Majchrzak fell to Simone Bolelli in the 1st round of qualifying. He also fell in the 1st round of qualifying on his only other
- Majchrzak recorded his **best Grand Slam result** by reaching the 3rd round as a lucky loser at the US Open last year. He defeated both Nicolas Jarry and Pablo Cuevas in 5-sets before falling to Grigor Dimitrov. He has fallen in the 1st round his 3 other Grand Slam appearances.
- **At the Grand Slams in 2020**, Majchrzak fell in the 1st round at the US Open (l. Ernesto Escobedo). He withdrew from the Australian Open due to a groin injury.
- Majchrzak is contesting his **3rd Tour-level match this year**. Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August he represented Poland in the ATP Cup, losing the only singles match he contested against Argentina's Guido Pella. Since the resumption of play in August, he reached the 2nd round of qualifying at Cincinnati-1000 (d. Joao Sousa, l. Cameron Norrie) prior to his 1st round defeat at the US Open.
- **Prior to coming here**, Majchrzak won the title at the Prostejov Challenger (CZE) (d. Pablo Andujar). It was his 3rd title at Challenger-level, and his 2nd on clay. He also won titles on hard courts at the Saint Brieuc Challenger (FRA) (d. Maxime Janvier) and on clay at the Ostrava Challenger (CZE) (d. Jannik Sinner) last year.
- Majchrzak is bidding to **defeat a Top 20 opponent for the first time** on this 3rd attempt. He has lost both of his previous meetings against Top 20 opposition, retiring due to muscle cramping against No. 9 Kei Nishikori in the 1st round at the 2019 Australian Open and falling to No. 15 John Isner in the 3rd round at 2019 Newport.
- Majchrzak reached a **career-high ranking of No. 83** in September last year. He plays here at No. 100.
- As a junior, Majchrzak won the **boys' singles gold medal at the 2014 Youth Olympic Tennis Event** in Nanjing, defeating Orlando Luz in the final. He reached a career-high junior ranking of No. 7 and reached the 2nd round on his only appearance in the boys' singles at Roland Garros (d. Rafael Matos, l. Lucas Miedler).
- Majchrzak has played **Davis Cup** for Poland since 2015. He has a 9-7 win-loss record in the competition.
- Majchrzak is coached by Tomasz Iwanski.

## NO. 17 PABLO CARRENO BUSTA (ESP) v JOHN MILLMAN (AUS)

### Head-to-head: Carreno Busta leads 2-1

2016	Miami-1000	Hard (O)	R128	Millman	63 62
2016	Winston-Salem	Hard (O)	SF	Carreno Busta	64 76(5)
2019	Stockholm	Hard (I)	R32	Carreno Busta	64 63

A 4th meeting for Carreno Busta and Millman, but their first at a Grand Slam or on clay. All 3 of their previous matches have been completed in straight sets.

CARRENO BUSTA	v	MILLMAN
29	Age	31
18	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	43
4	Titles	0
38-26	Career Grand Slam Record	19-21
10-7	Roland Garros Record	0-4
184-162	Career Record	80-98
81-73	Career Record - Clay	11-18
12-8	2020 Record	11-8
0-1	2020 Record - Clay	1-2
6-10	Career Five-Set Record	2-7
2	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
84-82	Career Tiebreak Record	39-52
5-4	2020 Tiebreak Record	7-8

- **CARRENO BUSTA** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 6th straight year. This is his 8th consecutive Roland Garros appearance and 27th Grand Slam overall.
- **Last year here**, Carreno Busta reached the 3rd round before retiring due to a right thigh injury while trailing Benoit Paire.
- Carreno Busta has **lost in the 1st round here on 2 previous occasions** – on his Grand Slam debut as a qualifier in 2013 (l. Roger Federer), and as a direct acceptance in 2014 (l. Mikhail Youzhny).
- Carreno Busta's **best Roland Garros result** is reaching the quarterfinals in 2017 when he retired due to a left abdominal injury while trailing Rafael Nadal 62 2-0.
- Carreno Busta equalled **his best Grand Slam performance** by reaching the semifinals at the US Open this year (l. Alexander Zverev). He previously reached the semifinals at the 2017 US Open (l. Kevin Anderson).
- **Elsewhere in Grand Slam play this year**, Carreno Busta reached the 3rd round at the Australian Open, where he defeated Jozef Kovalik and Peter Gojowczyk before falling to Nadal in straight sets.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his semifinal finish at the US Open, Carreno Busta reached the 2nd round at Cincinnati-1000 (d. Dusan Lajovic, l. Karen Khachanov), but lost his opening match at Rome-1000 to Nadal.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Carreno Busta reached the semifinals at Rotterdam (l. Felix Auger-Aliassime), the quarterfinals at Adelaide (l. Lloyd Harris) and the 3rd round at the Australian Open, but fell in the 1st round at both Marseille (l. Norbert Gombos) and Dubai (l. Stefanos Tsitsipas).
- Carreno Busta has won **4 Tour-level titles**, including one on clay – at 2017 Estoril (d. Gilles Muller). His other 3 titles came on hard courts at 2016 Winston-Salem (d. Roberto Bautista Agut), 2016 Moscow (d. Fabio Fognini) and Chegdu last year (d. Alexander Bublik).
- Carreno Busta **broke the Top 10, at No. 10, for the first time** in his career after reaching the semifinals at the US Open in September 2017. He plays here at No. 18, his highest ranking since he was ranked No. 12 in August 2018.
- 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 next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.

- Carreno Busta is coached by Samuel Lopez and Cesar Fagueras.
- **MILLMAN** is bidding to record his first Roland Garros match-win. This is his 5th Roland Garros appearance and his 22nd Grand Slam appearance overall.
- Millman has **lost in the 1st round on his 4 previous appearances here** – in 2016 (l. John Isner), 2017 (l. Roberto Bautista Agut), 2018 (l. Denis Shapovalov) and last year, when he fell to Alexander Zverev in the first 5-set match he has contested at Roland Garros. He has a 2-7 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Millman's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals at the 2018 US Open. He recorded a career-best victory by defeating No. 2 Roger Federer in the round of 16 before falling to Novak Djokovic in straight sets in the last 8.
- **At the Grand Slams in 2020**, Millman reached the 3rd round at the Australian Open, where he defeated Ugo Humbert and Hubert Hurkacz before falling to Federer in 5 sets, and the 2nd round at the US Open (d. Nikoloz Basilashvili, l. Frances Tiafoe).
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Millman reached the 2nd round on hard courts at Cincinnati-1000 (d. Adrian Mannarino, l. John Isner) and the US Open, reached the 2nd round on clay at Rome-1000 (d. Joao Sousa, l. Diego Schwartzman), but fell in the 1st round at Kitzbuhel (l. Jordan Thompson).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Millman's best result was reaching the quarterfinals at Auckland (l. Benoit Paire). but fell in the 1st round at both Delray Beach (l. Yoshihito Nishioka) and Acapulco (l. Taylor Fritz). He won both singles matches he contested as Australia reached the semifinals at the ATP Cup, and won both his singles matches in Australia's 3-1 victory over Brazil in the Davis Cup Qualifiers.
- Millman has **won one of his last 13 matches against Top 20 opponents**. His only victory against a Top 20 player in that time came against No. 16 Karen Khachanov in the 2nd round at Auckland this year. He has a 4-10 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition at the Grand Slams and a 7-30 win-loss record against Top 20 opposition overall.
- Millman reached a **career-high ranking of No. 33** in October 2018. He plays here at No. 43.
- Millman has entered the **men's doubles** here with compatriot James Duckworth. The pair play French No. 14 seeds Jeremy Chardy/Fabrice Martin in the 1st round.
- Millman has played **Davis Cup** for Australia and has a 3-2 win-loss record in the competition. He won both his singles matches in Australia's 3-1 victory over Brazil in the Davis Cup Qualifiers this year, as Australia secured a place in the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Millman is coached by Jonas Luetjen.

## NO. 19 FELIX AUGER-ALIASSIME (CAN) v YOSHIHITO NISHIOKA (JPN)

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

2015	Granby Challenger (CAN)	Hard (O)	QF	Nishioka	46 62 61
2019	Indian Wells-1000	Hard (O)	R32	Nishioka	67(2) 64 76(5)

A 2nd Tour-level meeting for Auger-Aliassime and Nishioka, but their first either at a Grand Slam or on clay. Nishioka won the pair's only previous Tour-level match in a final-set tiebreak, and also won when they met below Tour-level at the Granby Challenger in 2015.

AUGER-ALIASSIME	v	NISHIOKA
20	Age	25
22	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	52
0	Titles	1
5-5	Career Grand Slam Record	8-17
0-0	Roland Garros Record	1-3
57-46	Career Record	61-67
16-14	Career Record - Clay	3-11
18-13	2020 Record	10-9
1-2	2020 Record - Clay	1-3
0-0	Career Five-Set Record	3-4
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
37-21	Career Tiebreak Record	19-17
12-9	2020 Tiebreak Record	3-4

- **AUGER-ALIASSIME** is bidding to reach the 2nd round at a Grand Slam for the 3rd time on his Roland Garros debut. This is his 6th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- Auger-Aliassime **withdrew from Roland Garros last year** due to a left adductor injury. He is making his main draw debut here this year, but he did compete in qualifying here in 2018, reaching the 2nd round (d. Lloyd Harris, I. Jaume Munar).
- Auger-Aliassime recorded his **best Grand Slam result** at the US Open this year, where he reached the round of 16. As No. 15 seed, he defeated Thiago Monteiro, Andy Murray and Corentin Moutet before falling to eventual champion Dominic Thiem in straight sets.
- Auger-Aliassime has **lost in the 1st round on 3 of his 5 previous Grand Slam main draw appearances** – including at the Australian Open this year (I. Ernests Gulbis). Other than his round of 16 finish at this year's US Open, the only other occasion he has progressed beyond the 1st round at a Grand Slam came in a 3rd round finish at 2019 Wimbledon, where he defeated Vasek Pospisil and Moutet before falling to Ugo Humbert.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, in addition to his round of 16 finish at the US Open, Auger-Aliassime reached the 2nd round at both Cincinnati-1000 (d. Nikoloz Basilashvili, I. Tennys Sandgren) and Hamburg (d. Lorenzo Sonego, I. Alexander Bublik), but fell to Filip Krajinovic in the 1st round at Rome-1000.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Auger-Aliassime's best results were reaching back-to-back finals at Rotterdam (I. Gael Monfils) and Marseille (I. Stefanos Tsitsipas). He also reached the semifinals at Adelaide (I. Andrey Rublev) and the 2nd round at Montpellier (d. Damir Dzumhur, I. Pierre-Hugues Herbert) and Acapulco (d. Alex Bolt, I. Kyle Edmund).
- Auger-Aliassime's **best clay court results** are reaching the finals at 2019 Rio de Janeiro (I. Laslo Djere) and 2019 Lyon (I. Benoit Paire). He has lost all 5 Tour-level finals he has contested in straight sets.
- Auger-Aliassime broke the Top 20 for the first time in August 2019 and reached a **career-high ranking of No. 17** in October that year. He plays here at No. 22.
- Auger-Aliassime was a **successful junior**. He won the boys' singles title at the 2016 US Open (d. Miomir Kecmanovic) and finished runner-up in the boys' singles at 2016 Roland Garros (I. Geoffrey Blancaneaux). He was also part of Canadian teams that reached back-to-back Junior Davis Cup Finals in 2015-16, defeating Germany to win the title in 2015 but finishing runner-up to Russia in 2016.
- Auger-Aliassime made his **Davis Cup** debut in 2019, as the Canadian team reached the final for the first time. He fell to Roberto Bautista Agut in the first match of the final and has a 1-3 win-loss record in the competition overall.

As runners-up in 2019, Canada have qualified automatically for the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.

- Auger-Aliassime is coached by Guillaume Marx and Frederic Fontang.
- **NISHIOKA** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 2nd time and equal his best Roland Garros result. This is his 4th appearance at Roland Garros and his 18th Grand Slam overall.
- Last year here, Nishioka recorded his **best Roland Garros result** by reaching the 2nd round. He defeated Mackenzie McDonald in 5 sets before falling to Juan Martin del Potro, also in 5 sets. He has a 1-2 win-loss record in 5-set matches here and a 3-4 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Nishioka's **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the 3rd round at the Australian Open this year, where he defeated Laslo Djere and Daniel Evans before falling to eventual champion Novak Djokovic in straight sets.
- **Elsewhere in Grand Slam play this year**, Nishioka fell to Andy Murray in 5 sets in the 1st round at the US Open, despite holding a 2-0 lead.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Nishioka's only match-win came in a 2nd round finish at Rome-1000 (d. Miomir Kecmanovic, l. Grigor Dimitrov). He fell in the 1st round at the US Open, Kitzbuhel (l. Guido Pella) and Hamburg (l. Dominik Koepfer).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Nishioka's best result was reaching the final at Delray Beach (l. Reilly Opelka). He also reached the 3rd round at the Australian Open, the 2nd round at New York (d. Henri Laaksonen, l. Opelka) and won 2 of the 3 singles matches he contested while representing Japan at the ATP Cup.
- Nishioka is bidding to record his **4th Tour-level clay court match-win**. His only previous Tour-level victories on clay came in 2nd round finishes at 2019 Estoril (d. McDonald, l. Frances Tiafoe), 2019 Roland Garros and at Rome-1000 this year.
- Nishioka won his **only Tour-level title to date** as a qualifier on hard courts at 2018 Shenzhen, defeating Pierre-Hugues Herbert in the final.
- Nishioka **broke the Top 50 for the first time** in February this year and reached a career-high ranking of No. 48. He plays here 4 places lower at No. 52.
- Nishioka was a **good junior player**, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 12 in January 2012. He reached the semifinals of the boys' singles at the 2012 US Open (l. Filip Peliwo). He reached the 2nd round on both his appearances in the boy's singles here – in 2012 (l. Peliwo) and 2013 (l. Noah Rubin).
- Nishioka has played **Davis Cup** for Japan since 2015 and has a 5-6 win-loss record in the competition. Japan will next play a World Group I tie away to Pakistan, to be played in either March or September 2021.
- Nishioka is coached by Mitsuru Takada.

# ADRIAN MANNARINO (FRA) v ALBERT RAMOS-VINOLAS (ESP)

## Tour-level head-to-head: tied 3-3

2006	Spain F20 Futures	Hard (O)	FR	Mannarino	60 62
2011	Hamburg	Clay (O)	R64	Ramos-Vinolas	62 64
2015	Miami-1000	Hard (O)	R64	Mannarino	64 36 62
2016	Istanbul	Clay (O)	R32	Ramos-Vinolas	75 61
2016	Beijing	Hard (O)	R32	Mannarino	63 46 63
2019	Geneva	Clay (O)	R32	Ramos-Vinolas	67(2) 63 62
2019	Zhuhai	Hard (O)	SF	Mannarino	60 46 61

A 7th Tour-level meeting for Mannarino and Ramos-Vinolas, who first met in a Futures-level final 14 years ago. Since then, they have contested 6 Tour-level matches, with Ramos-Vinolas winning the 3 matches played on clay and Mannarino winning the 3 matches played on hard courts.

Ramos-Vinolas is facing a French player at Roland Garros for the 4th time. He has a 2-1 win-loss record against French players here, having defeated both Benjamin Bonzi and Lucas Pouille here in 2017, but fallen to Benoit Paire here in 2011. He has a 24-30 win-loss record against French opposition at Tour-level overall.

Mannarino and Ramos-Vinolas are 2 of the 17 lefthanders to start the men's singles here. Mannarino has a 4-6 win-loss record against fellow lefthanders at the Grand Slams and a 24-23 win-loss record against fellow lefthanders at Tour-level overall. Ramos-Vinolas has a 1-2 win-loss record against fellow lefthanders at the Grand Slams and a 40-25 win-loss record against fellow lefthanders at Tour-level overall.

MANNARINO	v	RAMOS-VINOLAS
32	Age	32
39	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	44
1	Titles	2
31-41	Career Grand Slam Record	21-35
3-11	Roland Garros Record	10-9
193-230	Career Record	215-240
14-41	Career Record - Clay	146-124
4-11	2020 Record	7-10
0-2	2020 Record - Clay	5-7
8-3	Career Five-Set Record	7-6
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	0
80-102	Career Tiebreak Record	82-116
4-3	2020 Tiebreak Record	4-10

- **MANNARINO** is looking to reach the 2nd round here for the 4th time and equal his best Roland Garros performance. This is his 12th Roland Garros appearance and his 42nd Grand Slam overall.
- Last year here, Mannarino equalled his best **best Roland Garros performance** by reaching the 2nd round (d. Stefano Travaglia, l. Gael Monfils). He has reached the 2nd round here on 2 other occasions – in 2014 (d. Yen-Hsun Lu, l. Guillermo Garcia-Lopez) and 2016 (d. Mikhail Kukushkin, l. Milos Raonic). He has lost in the 1st round on 8 of his previous 11 appearances here.
- Mannarino's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the round of 16 at Wimbledon in 2013 (l. Lukasz Kubot), 2017 (l. Novak Djokovic) and 2018 (l. Roger Federer).
- **In Grand Slam play in 2020**, Mannarino reached the 3rd round at the US Open, where he ended a 4-match Grand Slam losing streak by defeating Lorenzo Sonego and Jack Sock before falling to Alexander Zverev. He fell to Dominic Thiem in the 1st round at the Australian Open.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Mannarino's 3rd round finish at the US Open is the only occasion he has recorded match-wins. He fell in the 1st round at Cincinnati-1000 (l. John Millman), Rome-1000 (l. Milos Raonic) and Hamburg (l. Dusan Lajovic).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Mannarino's best Tour-level results were reaching the 2nd round at Montpellier (d. Alexei Popyrin, l. Monfils) and Acapulco (d. Cameron Norrie, l. Grigor Dimitrov). He lost in the 1st round at the 5 other Tour-level events he contested prior to the hiatus. He won the title at the Monterrey Challenger (MEX) (d. Aleksandar Vukic).

- Clay is Mannarino's **weakest surface**. He has a 14-41 win-loss record on clay – compared to 130-155 on hard courts and 49-34 on grass.
- Mannarino is on a 5-match winning streak in **5-set matches**. He has not lost a 5-set match since falling to Andy Murray in the 2nd round at the 2015 US Open despite holding a 2-0 lead. He has won one of the 2 five-set matches he has contested here – defeating Travaglia in the 1st round last year but falling to Pablo Cuevas in the 1st round in 2013 – and has an 8-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Mannarino won his **first Tour-level title** at 2019 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Jordan Thompson), having lost his first 6 Tour-level finals. His best Tour-level result on clay is reaching the semifinals at 2016 Nice (l. Thiem).
- Mannarino reached a **career-high ranking** of No. 22 in March 2018. He plays here at No. 39.
- Mannarino is one of **18 Frenchmen** to begin the main draw at this year's Roland Garros. Yannick Noah is the only Frenchman to have won a Grand Slam title Open Era, winning the title here in 1983. The last French finalist at Roland Garros was Henri Leconte in 1988.
- Mannarino is coached by Erwann Tortuyaux.
- **RAMOS-VINOLAS** is bidding to end a 9-match Grand Slam losing streak and record his first match-wins at a major since reaching the 3rd round here in 2018. This is his 10th appearance at Roland Garros and his 36th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- **Last year here**, Ramos-Vinolas fell to Laslo Djere in the 1st round. Since reaching the 3rd round here in 2018 – when he defeated Mikhail Kukushkin and Casper Ruud before falling to Juan Martin del Potro – he has lost in the 1st round at every Grand Slam event.
- Ramos-Vinolas' **best Grand Slam result** is reaching the quarterfinals here in 2016 (l. Stan Wawrinka).
- **In Grand Slam play in 2020**, Ramos-Vinolas fell to Alex Bolt in 5 sets in the 1st round at the Australian Open and to Stefanos Tsitsipas in straight sets in the 1st round at the US Open.
- Ramos-Vinolas is bidding to record his **first match-win since the resumption of play in August**. He has lost in the 1st round at all 4 events he has contested – at the US Open, Kitzbuhel (l. Laslo Djere), Rome-1000 (l. Kei Nishikori) and Hamburg (l. Alexander Bublik).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Ramos-Vinolas' best results were reaching the semifinals at Santiago (l. Casper Ruud) and the quarterfinals at Adelaide (l. Tommy Paul) and Cordoba (l. Diego Schwartzman).
- Clay is Ramos-Vinolas' **best surface** and the only surface on which he has a positive win-loss record. He has a 146-124 win-loss record on clay, compared to 63-104 on hard courts and 6-12 on grass.
- Ramos-Vinolas has won all 3 of the **5-set matches** he has contested at Roland Garros – defeating Javier Marti in the 1st round in 2011, Jack Sock in the 3rd round in 2016 and Lucas Pouille in the 3rd round last year. He has a 7-6 win-loss record in 5-set matches overall.
- Ramos-Vinolas reached a **career-high ranking of No. 17** in May 2018. He plays here at No. 44.
- Ramos-Vinolas has **won 2 Tour-level titles**, both of which have come on clay – at 2016 Bastad (d. Fernando Verdasco) and 2019 Gstaad (d. Cedrik Marcel-Stebe).
- Ramos-Vinolas is coached by Jose Maria Diaz and Noe Losmozos.

## (Q) MICHAEL MMOH (USA) v PIERRE-HUGUES HERBERT (FRA)

### Head-to-head: first meeting

Herbert lost his only previous match against a qualifier at the Grand Slams – falling to Mischa Zverev in the 1st round at the 2016 US Open. He has a 10-9 win-loss record against qualifiers at Tour-level overall.

MMOH	v	HERBERT
22	Age	29
178	ATP Ranking (28 Sep)	78
0	Titles	0
2-7	Career Grand Slam Record	15-21
0-0	Roland Garros Record	4-5
9-18	Career Record	83-102
0-0	Career Record - Clay	14-17
2-3	2020 Record	7-6
0-0	2020 Record - Clay	0-1
0-1	Career Five-Set Record	4-3
0	Comebacks from 0-2 Down	1
3-7	Career Tiebreak Record	51-59
0-1	2020 Tiebreak Record	3-3

- Qualifier **MMOH** is bidding to reach the 2nd round at a Grand Slam for the 3rd time on his Roland Garros debut. This is his 8th Grand Slam appearance overall.
- Mmoh defeated Alex Bolt (AUS) 64 63, Lukas Rosol (CZE), who retired with Mmoh leading 64 3-1, and Renzo Olivo (ARG) 46 62 63 in the 3 rounds of qualifying to **successfully qualify for a Grand Slam for the first time**.
- **Last year here**, Mmoh fell to Corentin Denolly in the 1st round of qualifying. He also fell in the 1st round on his other previous appearance in qualifying here, retiring in the 3rd set of his match against Marc Polmans.
- Mmoh recorded his **first Grand Slam match-wins** by reaching the 2nd round as a wild card at both the Australian Open (d. Pablo Andujar, l. Roberto Bautista Agut) and the US Open (d. Joao Sousa, l. Jan-Lennard Struff) this year. Of his 7 previous Grand Slam main draw appearances, 5 have come as a wild card, one as a lucky loser and one as a direct acceptance.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Mmoh has contested just one match other than his 2nd round finish at the US Open and his appearance in qualifying here. As a wild card in qualifying at Cincinnati-1000, he lost his opening match to Jordan Thompson.
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Mmoh competed mainly at Challenger-level, with his only Tour-level appearances coming at the Australian Open and at Auckland, where he qualified for the main draw but fell to John Millman in the 1st round. At Challenger-level, his best results were reaching the 3rd round at Dallas (USA) (l. Jurij Rodionov), Cleveland (USA) (l. Mikael Torpegaard) and Drummondville (CAN) (l. Arthur Rinderknech).
- Mmoh is contesting his **first Tour-level clay court match**. His best result on clay at any level is reaching the semifinals at the 2018 Savannah Challenger (USA) (l. Hugo Dellien).
- Mmoh is **facing a Top 100 player on clay at any level for the first time**. The highest-ranked player he has previously faced on clay is No. 110 Henri Laaksonen, whom he fell to in the 2nd round at the 2017 Savannah Challenger (USA). The highest-ranked player he has defeated on clay is No. 150 Bolt in the 1st round of qualifying here this year.
- Mmoh lost the only **5-set match** he has contested – falling to Gilles Muller in the 1st round at 2018 Wimbledon.
- Mmoh reached a **career-high ranking of No. 96** in October 2018. He remained in the Top 100 for just one week and fell as low as No. 294 in November 2019. He plays here at No. 178.
- Mmoh reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 2 in 2015. His best Grand Slam results as a junior were reaching the semifinals of the boys' singles at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Tommy Paul) and the quarterfinals of the boys' singles at the 2015 US Open (l. Alex de Minaur).

- Mmoh's father, Tony, is a former world No. 105 from Nigeria who competed on the Tour between 1978 and 1988. He never competed at Roland Garros, either in the main draw or qualifying.
- Mmoh is coached by Patrick Frandji.
- **HERBERT** is bidding to reach the 2nd round here for the 4th straight year. This is his 6th Roland Garros appearance and 22nd Grand Slam overall.
- **Last year here**, Herbert reached the 2nd round. He defeated No. 12 seed Daniil Medvedev in 5 sets before falling to Benoit Paire, also in 5 sets. Of the 7 Tour-level 5-set matches he has contested, 4 of them have come at Roland Garros. He has a 2-2 win-loss record in 5-set matches here and a 4-3 win-loss record in 5-set matches at Tour-level overall.
- Herbert's **best Grand Slam performance** is reaching the 3rd round on 4 occasions – including once at Roland Garros, in 2018, when he defeated Peter Polansky and Jeremy Chardy before falling to John Isner. He also reached the 3rd round at the Australian Open as a qualifier in 2016 (l. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga) and as a direct acceptance in 2019 (l. Milos Raonic), and as a direct acceptance at 2016 Wimbledon (l. Nicolas Mahut).
- **In Grand Slam play in 2020**, Herbert reached the 2nd round at the Australian Open, defeating Cameron Norrie in 5 sets before falling to David Goffin, also in 5 sets. He did not compete at the US Open.
- **Since the resumption of play in August**, Herbert competed at Kitzbuhel, where he qualified for the main draw but fell to Feliciano Lopez in the 1st round. He also contested 2 Challenger events in Prague (CZE), reaching the semifinals at the first Prague Challenger (l. Aslan Karatsev) but falling in the 3rd round at the second Prague Challenger (l. Lukas Rosol).
- **Prior to the Tour's hiatus between March and August**, Herbert's best results were reaching the quarterfinals at Doha (l. Andrey Rublev) and Montpellier (l. Goffin). He also reached the 2nd round at the Australian Open, Marseille (d. Mikhail Kukushkin, l. Felix Auger-Aliassime) and Dubai (d. Yoshihito Nishioka, l. Daniel Evans).
- Herbert has reached **3 Tour-level finals**, all of which have come on hard courts – at 2015 Winston-Salem (l. Kevin Anderson), 2018 Shenzhen (l. Nishioka) and 2019 Montpellier (l. Jo-Wilfried Tsonga). His best Tour-level result on clay is reaching the semifinals at 2019 Budapest (l. Filip Krajinovic).
- Herbert is one of **18 Frenchmen** to begin the main draw at this year's Roland Garros. Yannick Noah is the only Frenchman to have won a Grand Slam title Open Era, winning the title here in 1983. The last French finalist at Roland Garros was Henri Leconte in 1988.
- Herbert reached a **career-high ranking of No. 36** in February 2019. He plays here at No. 78.
- Herbert and Mahut became the **8th men's doubles team to win all 4 major titles** by winning the men's doubles title at the Australian Open in 2018. The pair defeated Henri Kontinen/John Peers to win their 4th Grand Slam doubles title and also become the 2nd all-French team to win the Australian Open men's doubles title after Michael Llodra/Fabrice Santoro in 2003-04.
- In the men's doubles here in 2018, Herbert and Mahut became the **3rd all-French pair in the Open Era to win the men's doubles at Roland Garros** – after Henri Leconte/Yannick Noah (1984) and Julien Benneteau/Edouard Roger-Vasselin (2014). The pair defeated Oliver Marach/Mate Pavic in the final. Herbert and Mahut have entered the men's doubles here as No. 6 seeds – they face Australian Open runners-up Max Purcell/Luke Saville in the 1st round.
- Herbert has played **Davis Cup** for France since 2016 and has a 9-2 win-loss record in the competition overall. He was part of the French team that won its first Davis Cup title in 16 years during the 2017 season, winning the doubles rubber alongside Richard Gasquet as France defeated Belgium 3-2. France have received a wild card for the next Davis Cup Finals, which have been rearranged for 2021.
- Herbert was a good **junior player**, reaching a career-high ranking of No. 9 in 2009. He won the boys' doubles title at 2009 Wimbledon with Kevin Krawietz and reached the semifinals of the boys' singles at the 2009 US Open (l. Bernard Tomic).
- Herbert is coached by Benjamin Balleret and his father Jean-Roch Herbert.