

# 2025 UNITED CUP - DAY 3 (29 DECEMBER 2024)

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# 2025 UNITED CUP – STANDINGS

# **PERTH – RAC ARENA**

## Standings

Group A [7] Canada	Ties 1-0	Matches 2-1	Sets 5-2	Games 38-26	No. 1 Players Auger-Aliassime, Fernandez
[18] Croatia	0-1	1-2	2-5	26-38	Coric, Vekic
[1] United States	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Fritz, Gauff
Group C	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[9] Kazakhstan	1-0	2-1	4-3	29-30	Shevchenko, Rybakina
[3] Greece	1-0	2-1	4-4	30-34	S. Tsitsipas, Sakkari
[14] Spain	0-2	2-4	7-8	64-59	Carreno Busta, Bouzas Maneiro
Group E	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[5] China	1-0	3-0	6-1	43-28	Zhang Z., Gao X.
[13] Brazil	0-1	0-3	1-6	28-43	Monteiro, Haddad Maia
[11] Germany	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Zverev, Siegemund

# SYDNEY - KEN ROSEWALL ARENA

Group B	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[2] Poland	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Hurkacz, Swiatek
[8] Czechia	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Machac, Muchova
[15] Norway	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Ruud, Helgø
Group D	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[16] Switzerland	1-0	2-1	4-2	33-24	Stricker, Bencic
[10] France	0-1	1-2	2-4	24-33	Humbert, Paquet
[4] Italy	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Cobolli, Paolini
Group F	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[17] Argentina	1-0	2-1	4-2	29-24	Etcheverry, Podoroska
[12] Australia	0-1	1-2	2-4	24-29	de Minaur, Gadecki
[6] Great Britain	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	B. Harris, Boulter

BOLD: Countries in bold are projected to play on today's schedule.



# SYDNEY - KEN ROSEWALL ARENA - SUNDAY'S PROJECTED SCHEDULE

[8] CZECHIA vs [15] NORWAY – GROUP B

# First Meeting at United Cup

#### CZECHIA: 3rd Appearance (2023-24 RR) – 1-3 in ties (1-1 in 2023, 0-2 in 2024) 2023 - 2nd in Group C (1st United States, 3rd Germany) 2024 - 3rd in Group E (1st Serbia, 2nd China)

NORWAY: 3rd Appearance (2023 RR, 2024 QF) – 1-4 in ties (0-2 in 2023, 1-2 in 2024)

**2023** - 3rd in Group E (1st Italy, 2nd Brazil)

2024 - 1st in Group F (2nd Croatia, 3rd Netherlands), I. to France 1-2 in QF

# Karolina Muchova (CZE) vs Malene Helgø (NOR)

Karolina Muchova | Age: 28 | WTA World No. 22 | Career-High No. 8 | 2024: 21-7 (R-Up, Beijing, Palermo) | Career: 143-70 (1 Title)

> Finished 2024 season ranked No. 22

> Started 2024 season by reaching QF (I. Keys) at Eastbourne, her first event since US Open 2023. Reached two finals at Beijing (I. Gauff in F) and Palermo (I. Zheng in F). Made consecutive SF at US Open (I. Pegula) and reached another SF at Ningbo (I. M. Andreeva, retired in 2nd set)

> Enjoyed break-out season in 2023, reaching debut Slam final at Roland-Garros (I. Swiatek), debut WTA 1000 final at Cincinnati (I. Gauff) and made Top 10 debut in August. Also secured debut qualification for WTA Finals but did not compete due to injury

> Defeated the World No.1 and No.2 during 2021, defeating No.1 Barty at Australian Open and No.2 Osaka at Madrid (only other player to manage this was Badosa)

> Won lone career singles title at 2019 Seoul

> Currently the second highest ranked Czech player (behind only No.10 Barbora Krejcikova)

NOTE: Muchova won 14 of her last 17 matches in 2024 across the US Open (SF), Beijing (R-Up), and Ningbo (SF)

**Malene Helgo** | Age: 25 | WTA World No. 404 | Career-High No. 317 | 2024: 0-3 (38-21 across all levels) | Career: 0-8 (seeking 1st Tour-level main draw win)

> Earned three ITF singles titles, bringing her ITF career total tally to nine by the close of 2024

> Reached career-high ranking of No. 317 on January 30, 2023

> Aside from United Cup, only other WTA event has competed in is WTA 125 Bastad (2022, 2023)

> Making 3rd appearance for United Cup (0-5 record); In 2024, competed for Norway at falling in matches against Garcia, Vekic and Rus

NOTE: In her 3rd United Cup appearance, Helgo is seeking her first career main draw win at the Tour-level

# Tomas Machac (CZE) vs Casper Ruud (NOR)Ruud Leads 2-023 Australian Open (Australia)HardR128Casper Ruud24 Geneva (Switzerland)ClayFCasper Ruud7-5 6-3

**Tomas Machac** | Age: 24 | World No. 25 (Career-High) | 2024: 33-23 (Geneva Final) | Career: 49-40 (1 Final) > Former Top-20 junior broke into Top 100 in time for 2022 year-end rankings and achieved career-high No. 25 in October 2024 after defeating No. 2 Alcaraz to reach ATP Masters 1000 Shanghai SF (I. to No. 1 Sinner).

> Upset No. 6 Rublev en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2024 Miami and earned biggest win of career over No.
 1 Djokovic to reach 1st ATP Tour final in 2024 Geneva.

> Representing Czech Republic, defeated Sousa to reach 2021 Tokyo Olympics 2R and earned wins over Zhang at 2024 Paris Olympics in men's singles 1R and mixed doubles final to win gold medal with Siniakova.

> Boasts 110-54 Challenger record (6-5 in finals), including back-to-back titles in Orleans and Mouilleron le Captif in October 2023.

> Says that his favourite sports team is Chicago Bulls and his hero is Michael Jordan, who played his last game as a Bull in 1998 – 2 years before Machac was born.

**NOTE:** Machac looks for 50th tour-level win of career (49-40) and fifth Top 10 win (4-12, 4-7 in 2024). He is making his second appearance at United Cup, going 0-1 in 2023, having to retire to Tiafoe (3-6 4-2 RET). Ended 2024 season as No. 25, becoming the highest-ranked Czech in Year-End PIF ATP Rankings since No. 19 Berdych in 2017.

**First Meeting** 



**Casper Ruud** | Age: 26 | World No. 6 | Career-High No. 2 | 2024: 51-25 (2 Titles) | Career: 258-140 (12 Titles) > Top-ranked Norwegian in history rose from No. 7 to career-high No. 2 after falling to Alcaraz in 2022 US Open final with No. 1 ranking at stake.

> First Norwegian to win an ATP Tour title (12), play at Nitto ATP Finals (2021-22, 2024), and reach a Grand Slam final (2022-23 Roland Garros, 2023 US Open) and an ATP Masters 1000 final (2022 Miami, 2024 Monte-Carlo).
 > Swept clay-court titles at Bastad, Gstaad and Kitzbuhel in July 2021 to become 1st player to win 3 titles in as many weeks since Murray at 2011 Bangkok, Tokyo and Shanghai.

> Former No. 1 junior leads ATP Tour since start of 2020 season in clay-court wins (116), finals (16) and titles (11), highlighted by the biggest title of career at 2024 Barcelona.

> Defeated World No. 1 Djokovic for biggest win of career en route to 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Monte-Carlo final.

**NOTE:** Ruud owns a 4-1 record at United Cup (3-0 in 2024 edition) and is one of 4 ATP Top 10 players in the field (also No. 2 Zverev, No. 4 Fritz, No. 9 de Minaur). He is 4-11 since reaching US Open 4R (including 2-2 at Nitto ATP Finals).

#### MIXED DOUBLES:

## Karolina Muchova / Tomas Machac (CZE) vs Ulrikke Eikeri / Casper Ruud (NOR)

## [4] ITALY vs [16] SWITZERLAND – GROUP D

First Meeting at United Cup

## **GROUP D SCENARIOS:**

Sunday at United Cup	Group D Scenarios
Switzerland d. Italy 3-0	Switzerland wins the group, qualifies for QF
Switzerland d. Italy 2-1	
Italy d. Switzerland 3-0	France or Italy wins the group depending on Tuesday's score
Italy d. Switzerland 2-1	All three teams still in contention to win the group

#### ITALY: 3rd Appearance (2023 Final, 2024 RR) - 3-4 in ties (3-2 in 2023, 0-2 in 2024)

**2023** - 1st in Group E (2nd Brazil, 3rd Norway); I. to Poland 2-3 in Host City Finals (Brisbane) and advanced to SF as best losing HCF team, d. Greece 4-1 in SF, I. to United States 0-4 in the final **2024** – 3rd in Group D (1st France, 2nd Germany)

SWITZERLAND: 2nd Appearance (2023 RR) – 2-1 in ties (1-1 in 2023, 1-0 in 2025)

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**2023** - 2nd in Group B (1st Poland, 3rd Kazakhstan) **2025** – d. France (2-1)

23 Next Gen ATP Finals (Saudi Arabia)

## Flavio Cobolli (ITA) vs Dominic Stricker (SUI)

**Cobolli Leads 1-0** 4-2 3-4(7) 4-1 4-2

Flavio Cobolli | Age: 22 | World No. 32 | Career-High No. 30 | 2024: 35-27 (Washington F) | Career: 41-38 (1 Final)
> Broke into Top 200 in January 2022 and Top 100 in October 2023, qualified for 2023 Next Gen ATP Finals and then achieved career-high No. 31 in September 2024 after reaching 1st ATP Tour final in Washington.
> Earned biggest wins of career over Americans Shelton as No. 15 en route to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2024 Geneva and as No. 14 to reach 1st final at 2024 Washington and No. 13 Paul in 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati 1R.
> Also in 2024, reached Australian Open 3R as Q (d. No. 18 Jarry in 1R) and US Open 3R as No. 31 seed.
> Saved 3 MPs vs. Giron to win ATP Tour main draw debut 3-6 7-6 7-6 at 2021 Parma as 429th-ranked WC.
> Won Challenger titles at 2022 Zadar and 2023 Lisbon and reached finals at 2021 Rome-2, 2021 Barletta and 2023 Olbia.
> Peaked at No. 8 in juniors and ended junior career by winning 2020 Roland Garros boys' doubles title w/Stricker.

Flavio Cobolli

**NOTE**: Cobolli is playing in his first singles match at United Cup after going 0-1 in mixed doubles last edition (w/Brancaccio; I. to Lechemia/Roger-Vasselin). Earned 35 of 41 career tour-level wins last season and led the ATP Tour in deciding set wins last season (18-9).



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**Dominic Stricker** | Age: 22 | World No. 300 | Career-High No. 88 | 2024: 4-6 (Stockholm QF) | Career: 24-27 (4 QFs) > After ending 2020 as World No. 3 junior, achieved career-high No. 88 in October 2023 soon after defeating No. 7 Tsitsipas for biggest win of career en route to 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2023 US Open.

> Qualified for Next Gen ATP Finals in 2022 and 2023, falling in SFs to Lehecka and Medjedovic.

> Advanced to QFs in ATP Tour debut at 2021 Geneva as WC and 2nd ATP Tour main draw at 2021 Stuttgart as WC.
 > Beat Cressy in 2022 Basel 1R as 20-year-old WC to become youngest Swiss to earn a win in Basel since Federer, 19, in 2000 and No. 8 Ruud in 2023 2R to be the youngest Swiss quarter-finalist in Basel since Federer, 20, in 2001.
 > Captured 1st Challenger title in 2nd Challenger appearance at 2021 Lugano as WC.

> Defeated Riedi in 1st All-Swiss Grand Slam boys' singles final at 2020 Roland Garros before teaming w/Cobolli to win boys' doubles title, becoming 1st player to sweep those titles since Gonzalez in 1998.

**NOTE:** Stricker began his 2025 season by losing to France's Humbert on Saturday, then teamed w/Bencic to win deciding mixed doubles match (2-1). He was part of 2023 United Cup Swiss team, but did not play a match, then missed first five months of 2024 season due to injury. He is 12-14 vs. Top 50 players, including wins during 2024 season over No. 42 Berrettini in Stockholm 2R and No. 35 Griekspoor in Basel 1R.

Jasmine Paolini (ITA) vs Belinda Bencic (SUI)					Bencic Leads 2-0
2018	LAS VEGAS	HARD	R32	BENCIC, BELINDA	6-3 6-3
2022	BJK CUP FINALS – GROUP A	HARD		BENCIC, BELINDA	7-5 6-3

Jasmine Paolini | Age: 28 | WTA World No. 4 | Career-High No. 4 | 2024: 41-20 (1 title) | Career: 185-160 (2 Titles) > Breakout 2024 season saw her win the biggest title of her career at WTA 1000 Dubai and also reach her first Grand Slam finals, finishing R-Up at Roland-Garros and Wimbledon. Broke into the Top 10 for the first time in her career and finished the season as the World No.4

> Became first woman since Serena Williams to make the final at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in the same season. She is just the fifth woman since 1999 to complete the feat, joining Steffi Graf (1999), Serena Williams (2002, 2015 and 2016), Venus Williams (2002) and Justine Henin (2006)

> In 2024, also won four doubles titles (all w/Errani) - including a gold medal at the Olympics

> Voted 2024 WTA Doubles Team of the Year with Sara Errani

> Qualified for 2024 WTA Finals in singles and doubles; was first Italian woman to make appearance since 2015 (Flavia Pennetta)

> Making 2nd appearance at United Cup; in 2024 went 1-1 with a win over Angelique Kerber and a loss to Caroline Garcia

**NOTE**: A fourth round finish at the Australian Open 2024, Paolini had not won a main draw match in Melbourne prior... Paolini ranks in Top 10 in singles (No.4) and doubles (No.10)

Belinda Bencic | Age: 27 | WTA World No. 487 | Career-High No. 4 | 2024: (maternity leave) | Career: 305-176 (8 Titles

> Returns to Tour following maternity leave that saw her out from September 2023 to October 2024; Bencic welcome her first child, Bella, in April 2024

> Reached the final at WTA 125 Angers (France); reached the final without dropping a set before falling to Alycia Parks in championship match in 6-7, 6-3, 0-6

> In 2023, won two titles at Adelaide 2 and Abu Dhabi; also finished R-Up at Charleston

> Was voted WTA Comeback Player of the Year in 2019 - lifted two titles at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and posted a career-best 49 Tour-level match wins in 2019 fourth most among all players and breaking back into Top 10 on September 9

> Making second United Cup appearance after splitting matches in 2023 – defeating Yulia Putintseva and losing to Iga Swiatek

**NOTE:** The former WTA World No. 4, Bencic is playing in the biggest event of her return after playing two ITF events and a WTA 125 event (R-Up in Angers) since late October... Won in singles (d. Paquet) and mixed doubles to open United Cup play – her first wins since 2023 US Open... Bencic's last Top 10 win came at 2023 Montreal (d. No.9 Petra Kvitova)

#### MIXED DOUBLES:

# Sara Errani / Andrea Vavassori (ITA) vs Belinda Bencic / Dominic Stricker (SUI)



# PERTH – RAC ARENA – SUNDAY'S PROJECTED SCHEDULE

## [11] GERMANY vs [13] BRAZIL – GROUP E

# First Meeting at United Cup

GERMANY: 3rd Appearance (2023 RR, 2024 Title) - 4-3 in ties (0-2 in 2023, 4-1 in 2024) 2023 – 3rd in Group C (1st United States, 2nd Czechia) 2024 - 2nd in Group D (1st France, 3rd Italy), d. Greece 2-1 in QF, Australia 2-1 in SF and Poland 2-1 in the final

## BRAZIL: 3rd Appearance (2023-2024 RR) - 1-4 in ties (1-1 in 2023, 0-2 in 2024, 0-1 in 2025)

2023 – 2nd in Group E (1st Italy, 3rd Norway) 2024 – 3rd in Group A (1st Poland, 2nd Spain)

**2025** – I. to China (0-3)

## **GROUP E SCENARIOS:**

Sunday at United Cup	Group E Scenarios
Germany d. Brazil 3-0	Winner of Germany vs China (Monday) wins group and advances
Germany d. Brazil 2-1	to QF
Brazil d. Germany 3-0	All three teams still in contention to win the group
Brazil d. Germany 2-1	Germany or China wins the group depending on Monday's score

## Laura Siegemund (GER) vs Beatriz Haddad Maia (BRA)

Laur	a Siegemund (GER) vs Bea	Siegemund Leads 3-1			
2013	LENZERHEIDE	CLAY	F	SIEGEMUND, LAURA	6-2 6-3
2013	STUTTGART-VAIHINGEN	CLAY	Q	SIEGEMUND, LAURA	7-5 6-4
2019	BOGOTA	CLAY	R32	HADDAD MAIA, BEATRIZ	6-2 7-5
2024	BJK CUP QUALIFIERS	CLAY	R1	SIEGEMUND, LAURA	6-4 6-2

Laura Siegemund | Age: 36 | WTA World No. 80 | Career-High No. 27 | 2024: 17-16 (R-Up, Hua Hin 2) | Career: 225-182 (2 Titles)

> Currently the top-ranked German woman ahead of No. 86 Tatjana Maria and No. 89 Jule Niemeier

> Best results of 2024 came in the second half of the season achieving runner-up at Hua Hin 2 and reaching semifinal at Jiujiang. Also made guarterfinals across the season at Adelaide, Bogota and Rabat

> Contested main draw at all four Slams in 2024 (first time since 2019)

> Finished the year at No. 21 in doubles, her third consecutive Top 30 finish in doubles; won 15th career doubles title at 2024 Osaka (w/Shibahara)

> In the 2023 season reached a doubles career-high of No.5 and lifted doubles title at the GNP Seguros WTA Finals Cancun title (w/ Zvonareva)

> Has won 2 singles titles in career - 2017 Stuttgart and 2016 Bastad

> Reached career-high of No. 27 in singles (August 29, 2016) and No. 15 in doubles (January 29, 2024)

**NOTE:** Siegemund owns a 3-1 advantage in the series, with all previous matches played on clay... Siegemund was 2-2-3 vs Top 20 opponents in 2024 with wins over No.20 Ekaterina Alexandrova (Australian Open) and No.13 Hadda Maia (BJK Cup)

Beatriz Haddad Maia | Age: 28 | WTA World No. 17 | Career-High No. 10 | 2024: 25-26 (Seoul title) | Career: 198-138 (4 titles)

> Won fourth career title at 2024 Seoul, her first WTA 500 title and finished runner-up in Cleveland. Also reached guarterfinals at the 2024 US Open for best career result in New York and ended the season at No.17, her third consecutive Top 20 finish

> In doubles in 2024, won seventh career title at Adelaide (with Taylor Townsend)

> Broke into Top 10 in June 2023 after a strong clay season with SF at Roland Garros and QF at Rome and Stuttgart; ended vear at No.11

> Has also reached Top 10 in doubles (May 8, 2023) having won seven doubles titles throughout career

NOTE: Haddad Maia is making her third United Cup appearance; after posting a 2-0 record in 2023, the Brazilian went 1-1 in 2024 with lone loss coming at the hands of WTA World No.1 Iga Swiatek... Lost in 3-sets to Xinyu Gao in opening match at United Cup this week



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**Zverev Leads 2-0** 

## Alexander Zverev (GER) vs Thiago Monteiro (BRA)

22 Davis Cup Qualifiers First Round (Brazil	) Clay	RR	Alexander Zverev	6-1 7-5	
23 Bastad (Sweden)	Clay	R16	Alexander Zverev	6-1 6-0	
Other Meeting	-				
14 Panama City CH Q (Panama)	Clay	Q2	Thiago Monteiro	6-4 6-3	

Alexander Zverev | Age: 27 | World No. 2 (Career-High) | 2024: 69-21 (2 Titles) | Career: 463-198 (23 Titles) > Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 2 after tearing 3 ligaments in right ankle during 2022 Roland Garros SF vs. Nadal.

> Led ATP Tour with 6 titles in 2021 and leads all players born since 1990 with 23 career titles, defeating No. 1
 Djokovic en route to 2018 Nitto ATP Finals, 2020 Tokyo Olympics and 2021 Nitto ATP Finals championships.
 > Reached 1st Grand Slam final at 2020 US Open, rallying from 2-set deficit for 1st time to defeat Carreno Busta in SF before squandering 2-set lead for 1st time against Thiem in final.

> Earned personal-best 69 wins during 2024 season, highlighted by Roland Garros final and ATP Masters 1000 titles in Rome and Paris.

> Defeated Djokovic at 2017 Rome and Federer at 2017 Montreal for 1st and 2nd of his 6 ATP Masters 1000 titles.
 > Joined Murray and Thiem as 3rd player to defeat Djokovic on hard (3 times), Federer on grass (2016 Halle SF) and Nadal on clay (2 times).

**NOTE**: Zverev went 4-1 in United Cup singles play last edition, winning the title with Team Germany, including saving 2 championship points against No. 9 Hurkacz. He is 26-0 vs. left-handers since the start of 2023 Roland Garros.

**Thiago Monteiro** | Age: 30 | World No. 109 | Career-High No. 61 | 2024: 13-13 (2 QFs) | Career: 92-131 (2 SFs) > Former World No. 2 junior achieved career-high No. 61 after going 18-6 at Challengers in 2022, highlighted by titles at Salzburg and Genoa.

> Reached 1st ATP Masters 1000 3R at 2024 Madrid (d. No. 7 Tsitsipas in 2R) and 1st 4R at 2024 Rome in his following event.

> Defeated No. 9 Tsonga in ATP Tour debut at 2016 Rio de Janeiro as 338th-ranked WC for 1st Top 10 win of career and also beat a Frenchman to advance to 1st ATP Tour SF of career at 2018 Quito (d. Monfils).

> Ended 7-match losing streak at Grand Slams and reached 1st Grand Slam 3R at 2020 Roland Garros.

> Posted 86-33 record on ITF Junior Circuit, including 6-2 6-1 win over Kyrgios en route to 2011 Offenbach Grade 1 title and 6-1 6-1 win over Pouille en route to 2011 Charleroi Grade 1 title.

**NOTE:** Monteiro lost 3-6 0-6 to Zhang in his first match of the season. He is 5-6 vs. Top 10 players, winning last 4 matches against them and going 3-0 in 2024: d. Alcaraz via RET in Rio de Janeiro 1R (1-1 RET), d. No. 7 Tsitsipas in ATP Masters 1000 Madrid 2R (6-4 6-4) and No. 9 Ruud in Bastad 2R (6-3 6-3).

## MIXED DOUBLES:

## Laura Siegemund / Alexander Zverev (GER) vs Beatriz Haddad Maia / Rafael Matos (BRA)

# [1] UNITED STATES vs [7] CANADA – GROUP A

First Meeting at United Cup

Sunday at United Cup	Group A Scenarios
Canada d. USA 3-0	Canada wins the group, qualifies for QF
Canada d. USA 2-1	
USA d. Canada 3-0	USA or Croatia wins the group depending on Tuesday's score
USA d. Canada 2-1	All three teams still in contention to win the group

## UNITED STATES: 3rd Appearance (2023 Title, 2024 RR) – 6-1 in ties (5-0 in 2023, 1-1 in 2024)

**2023** – 1st in Group C (2nd Czechia, 3rd Germany), d. Great Britain 4-1 in Host City Finals (Sydney), d. Poland 5-0 in SF and Italy 4-0 in the final.

2024 – 2nd in Group C (1st Australia, 3rd Great Britain)

#### CANADA: 2nd Appearance (2024 RR) – 2-1 in ties (1-1 in 2024, 1-0 in 2025)

**2024** – 3rd in Group B (1st Greece, 2nd Chile) **2025** – d. Croatia (2-1)

## Coco Gauff (USA) vs Leylah Fernandez (CAN)

**First Meeting** 



**Fritz Leads 2-0** 6-7(6) 6-4 6-4 7-6(4) 6-7(5) 6-2

**Coco Gauff** | Age: 20 | WTA World No. 3 | Career-High No. 2 | 2024: 54-17 (3 singles titles) | Career: 208-88 (9 titles) > Went 3-for-3 in finals in 2024, winning Auckland, Beijing and a historic first WTA Finals Riyadh title. Success in Saudi Arabia saw her win a record \$4.8m in prize money, the most ever awarded in women's professional sports, and defeated the World No.1 and No.2 at the same event.

> Finished 2024 season strong winning 16 of last 19 matches; in addition to titles at Beijing and WTA Finals, also reached R16 at US Open and SF at Wuhan in that stretch

> Posted a new career-high of No.2 in June 2024 after advancing to SF at Roland Garros

> Won debut Grand Slam singles crown in 2023 lifting title on home soil at US Open (d. Sabalenka in F). Picked up another three titles in 2023, marking first WTA 1000 title at Cincinnati and debut WTA 500 title at Washington DC, in addition to WTA 250 Auckland. In doubles was co-ranked No.1 with Pegula after US Open.

> At 18 years old, made Top-10 debut on September 12, 2022, following QF run at US Open (I. Garcia); has remained in the Top 10 every week since

**NOTE:** Gauff won 16 of her last 19 matches to close out the 2024 season, which included title runs at the WTA Finals and Beijing

Leylah Fernandez | Age: 22 | WTA World No. 31 | Career-High No. 13 | 2024: 31-24 (R-Up, Eastbourne) | Career: 130-94 (3 Titles)

> In 20 main draw appearances in 2024, highlights were reaching first final on grass finishing R-Up at Eastbourne (I. Kasatkina) and SF at Hong Kong. Also reached final of Cincinnati in doubles w/ Putintseva

> Finished 2024 season ranked No. 31, her best year-end ranking of her career, her fourth consecutive year finishing in the Top 50

> Most recent singles title came at 2023 Hong Kong (3rd title, d. Siniakova)

> Won first two career singles titles at Monterrey claiming back-to-back titles (2021, 2022)

> In 2023 defeated Paolini at Billie Jean King Cup Finals to lift title with Canada

> At 2024 United Cup went 1-1 with a win over Daniela Seguel (Chile) and losing to Maria Sakkari (Greece)

**NOTE**: A 2021 US Open finalist, Fernandez returns to United Cup for the second consecutive year... Fernandez defeated No. 19 Donna Vekic to open United Cup action, her seventh Top 20 win since the start of 2024... Fernandez has two career wins vs. Top 3 opponents, both coming at the 2021 US Open defeating No. 2 Aryna Sabalenka and No. 3 Naomi Osaka

## Taylor Fritz (USA) vs Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)

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22 ATP Cup (Australia)	Hard	RR	Taylor Fritz
22 Nitto ATP Finals (Italy)	Hard	RR	Taylor Fritz

**Taylor Fritz** | Age: 27 | World No. 4 (Career-High) | 2024: 53-23 (2 Titles) | Career: 284-190 (7 Titles) > Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 4 in November 2024, becoming the first American man since Blake in 2006 to play in Nitto ATP Finals championship match and finish inside Top 5 on year-end rankings. > At 2024 US Open, became the 1st American man in Grand Slam final since 2009 after earning wins over No. 8 Ruud in 4R, No. 4 Zverev in QF and No. 20 Tiafoe in all-American semi-final.

> Defeated No. 2 Nadal en route 2022 Nitto ATP Finals SF after beating him in 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells final to become that event's 1st American men's champion since Agassi in 2001.

> Advanced to 1st Grand Slam 4R at 2022 Australian Open and 1st Grand Slam QF at 2022 Wimbledon after entering season with 0-7 record in Grand Slam 3R matches.

> Reached 1st ATP Tour final at 2016 Memphis as 18-year-old WC, becoming youngest American finalist since start of ATP Tour in 1990.

> Clinched inaugural United Cup for Team USA in 2023, helped Team World capture Laver Cup in 2022 and 2023 and captured bronze medal at 2024 Paris Olympics in men's doubles w/Paul.

**NOTE:** Fritz owns a 5-2 singles record at United Cup, including 4-1 in 2023 en route to the title with Team USA in the inaugural edition. He is one of 5 players that passed the 50 win mark during 2024 season (Sinner 73, Zverev 69, Alcaraz 54, **Fritz 53**, Ruud 51).

**Felix Auger-Aliassime** | Age: 24 | World No. 29 | Career-High No. 6 | 2024: 32-25 (Madrid Final) | Career: 215-148 (5 Titles) > Achieved career-high No. 6 and earned personal-best 60 wins during breakout 2022 season, including career-long 16-match win streak with 3 titles in as many weeks at Florence, Antwerp and Basel.

> Also in 2022, won Rotterdam title to snap 0-8 start to career in singles finals, advanced to 3rd straight Grand Slam QF at Australian Open, and swept team titles at ATP Cup, Laver Cup and Davis Cup.

> Led ATP Tour with 45 hard-court and 31 indoor wins in 2022, highlighted by victories over No. 1 Alcaraz and former No. 1s Djokovic, Murray and Nadal.



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Reached 2024 Madrid final to become the 1st Canadian clay court ATP Masters 1000 finalist in series history.
 At 2021 US Open, became 1st Canadian men's singles semi-finalist in tournament history (since 1881).
 As an 18-year-old in 2019, became youngest Top-25 player since Hewitt, 18, in 1999, youngest ATP 500 finalist in series history at Rio de Janeiro (since 2009), and youngest semi-finalist in Miami tournament history (since 1985).

**NOTE**: Auger-Aliassime lost to Coric 6-0 4-6 4-6 in his opening singles match and teamed up w/Fernandez to defeat Team Croatia 2-1. He is 6-22 vs. Top 5 in career and went 1-6 vs. Top 5 in 2024, defeating No. 5 Medvedev in Paris Olympics 3R. He seeks 1st Top 5 win on hard courts since defeating No. 2 Nadal at 2022 Nitto ATP Finals (5-14.

## MIXED DOUBLES:

Coco Gauff / Taylor Fritz (USA) vs Leylah Fernandez / Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN)