



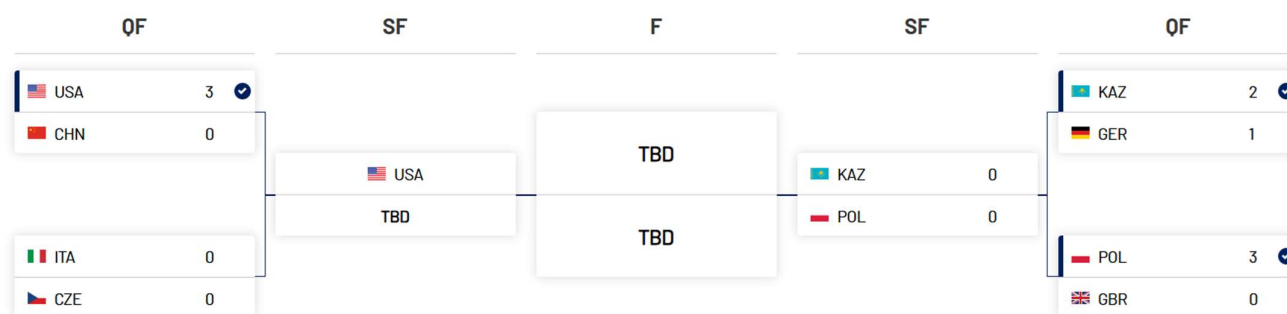
2025 UNITED CUP – DAY 8 (3 JANUARY 2025)

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2025 UNITED CUP – DRAW



SYDNEY – KEN ROSEWALL ARENA – FRIDAY’S QUARTER-FINAL

[4] ITALY vs [8] CZECHIA – QUARTER-FINALS

First Meeting at United Cup

ITALY: 3rd Appearance (2023 Final, 2024 RR) – 5-4 in ties (3-2 in 2023, 0-2 in 2024, 2-0 in 2025)

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

2024 - 3rd in Group D (1st France, 2nd Germany)

2025 - d. Switzerland (3-0) and France (3-0)

Team Italy’s Road To Quarter-Finals*:

d. Switzerland 3-0

Flavio Cobolli d. Dominic Stricker 6-3 7-6(2)

Jasmine Paolini d. Belinda Bencic 6-1 6-1

Errani/Vavassori d. Bencic/Stricker 6-4 6-4

* Italy is the only team to pass the group stage without losing a single match at 2025 United Cup.

d. France 3-0

Flavio Cobolli d. Ugo Humbert 3-6 7-6(8) 6-2

Jasmine Paolini d. Chloe Paquet 6-0 6-2

Errani/Vavassori d. Lechemia/Roger-Vasselin 6-3 7-6(3)

CZECHIA: 3rd Appearance (2023-24 RR) – 2-4 in ties (1-1 in 2023, 0-2 in 2024, 1-1 in 2025)

2023 - 2nd in Group C (1st United States, 3rd Germany)

2024 - 3rd in Group E (1st Serbia, 2nd China)

2025 - d. Norway (2-1) and l. to Poland (1-2) and advanced to QF as best 2nd-placed team in Sydney

Team Czechia’s Road To Quarter-Finals:

d. Norway 2-1

Karolina Muchova d. Malene Helgo 6-2 6-2

Casper Ruud d. **Tomas Machac** 7-6(6) 5-7 6-4

Muchova/Machac d. Eikeri/Durasovic 6-4 6-4

l. to Poland 2-1

Tomas Machac d. Hubert Hurkacz 7-5 3-6 6-4

Iga Swiatek d. **Karolina Muchova** 6-3 6-4

Swiatek/Hurkacz d. **Muchova/Machac** 7-6(3) 6-3



Jasmine Paolini (ITA) vs Karolina Muchova (CZE)

Muchova Leads 4-0

2018 MANCHESTER	GRASS	R32	MUCHOVA, KAROLINA	7-6(6) 6-0
2018 US OPEN	HARD	Q-R64	MUCHOVA, KAROLINA	7-5 6-2
2021 MELBOURNE 500 GIPPSLAND	HARD	R16	MUCHOVA, KAROLINA	6-2 4-6 6-4
2024 US OPEN	HARD	R16	MUCHOVA, KAROLINA	6-3 6-3

Jasmine Paolini | Age: 28 | WTA World No. 4 | Career-High No. 4 | 2024: 41-20 (1 title) | Career: 187-160 (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: Paolini has dropped only four games in first two United Cup matches... Paolini has 11 career wins vs Top 25 ranked opponents on hardcourts with five coming in 2024... Paolini is seeking her first win over Muchova in their 5th meeting; of opponents she has faced five or more times, Paolini is only winless against Jessica Pegula (0-5)... Paolini ranks in Top 10 in singles (No.4) and doubles (No.10)

Karolina Muchova | Age: 28 | WTA World No. 22 | Career-High No. 8 | 2024: 21-7 (R-Up, Beijing, Palermo) | Career: 144-71 (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. Andrejeva, 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 Krejckikova)

NOTE: Muchova won 14 of her last 17 matches in 2024 across the US Open (SF), Beijing (R-Up), and Ningbo (SF)... Muchova has 14 career Top 10 wins with nine coming on hardcourts

Flavio Cobolli (ITA) vs Tomas Machac (CZE)

First Tour-Level Meeting

Other Meetings

22 US Open Q (U.S.A.)	Hard	Q3	Tomas Machac	7-6(7) 5-7 6-1
22 Andria CH (Italy)	Hard	R32	Tomas Machac	7-6(3) 6-2

Flavio Cobolli | Age: 22 | World No. 32 | Career-High No. 30 | 2024: 35-27 (Washington F) | Career: 43-38 (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. 30 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.

NOTE: Cobolli opened his 2025 season by defeating Stricker 6-3 7-6(2), then saved 1 MP to defeat No. 14 Humbert 3-6 7-6(8) 6-2 to keep Italy's unbeaten record at United Cup this year. He aims to record multiple Top 30 wins in one tournament for the 1st time in career and is 9-1 vs. players ranked outside Top 20 in his last 10 matches against them.



Tomas Machac | Age: 24 | World No. 25 (Career-High) | 2024: 33-23 (Geneva Final) | Career: 50-41 (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 (l. 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 is making his second appearance at United Cup and went 1-1 in singles this week, losing to Ruud (6-7(6) 7-5 4-6) on Sunday and defeating Hurkacz 7-5 3-6 6-4 on Wednesday. The 24-year-old ended 2024 season as World No. 25, becoming the highest-ranked Czech in Year-End PIF ATP Rankings since No. 19 Berdych in 2017.

MIXED DOUBLES:

Sara Errani / Andrea Vavassori (ITA) vs Karolina Muchova / Tomas Machac (CZE)

2025 UNITED CUP – GROUP STANDINGS

PERTH – RAC ARENA

Standings

Group A	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[1] United States	2-0	5-1	11-2	76-49	Fritz, Gauff
[7] Canada	1-1	3-3	7-7	71-66	Auger-Aliassime, Fernandez
[18] Croatia	0-2	1-5	2-11	42-74	Coric, Vekic
Group C	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[9] Kazakhstan	2-0	5-1	10-4	63-56	Shevchenko, Rybakina
[3] Greece	1-1	2-4	5-10	56-68	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
[11] Germany	2-0	5-1	11-4	75-62	Zverev, Siegemund
*[5] China	1-1	4-2	9-6	74-65	Zhang Z., Gao X.
[13] Brazil	0-2	0-6	2-12	59-81	Monteiro, Haddad Maia

SYDNEY – KEN ROSEWALL ARENA

Group B	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[2] Poland	2-0	4-2	9-5	67-55	Hurkacz, Swiatek
*[8] Czechia	1-1	3-3	7-7	73-70	Machac, Muchova
[15] Norway	0-2	2-4	5-9	53-68	Ruud, Helgø
Group D	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[4] Italy	2-0	6-0	12-1	78-44	Cobolli, Paolini
[16] Switzerland	1-1	2-4	4-8	52-61	Stricker, Bencic
[10] France	0-2	1-5	3-10	49-74	Humbert, Paquet
Group F	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[6] Great Britain	1-1	3-3	7-6	61-59	B. Harris, Boulter
[12] Australia	1-1	3-3	6-6	52-53	de Minaur, Gadecki
[17] Argentina	1-1	3-3	6-7	60-61	Etcheverry, Podoroska

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

* Team advances to QF as the best second-placed team in host city

Qualified for the quarter-finals

Eliminated from the competition