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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES SEMI-FINALS

CENTRE COURT

[1] Tommy Paul (USA) vs [5] Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN) **Auger-Aliassime Leads 1-0**

23 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.) Hard R16 Felix Auger-Aliassime 3-6 6-3 7-6(6)

Other Meeting

15 US Open Juniors (U.S.A.) Hard R32 Tommy Paul 4-6 6-4 7-5

Tommy Paul | Age: 27 | World No. 12 (Career-High) | Career: 178-125 (4 Titles) | Adelaide: 11-5 (2020, 2025 SF)
> Former World No. 3 junior achieved career-high No. 12 in October 2023 after becoming 1st American man to reach Australian Open SF since Roddick in 2009 earlier in the season.
> Owns 7-13 record vs. Top 5, including biggest win of career over No. 1 Alcaraz to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 SF at 2023 Toronto.
> Defeated junior rivals Fritz and Tiafoe en route to 1st ATP Tour final and title at 2021 Stockholm.
> Captured 2nd ATP Tour title at 2024 Dallas and reached ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2024 Indian Wells and 2024 Rome, defeating defending champion No. 4 Medvedev in Rome 4R.
> Posted upsets at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 events of No. 2 Nadal in Paris 2R, No. 3 A. Zverev in Indian Wells 2R and No. 4 Alcaraz in Montreal.
> Won 2015 Roland Garros boys' singles title (d. Fritz), advanced to 2015 Roland Garros boys' doubles final w/Blumberg and reached 2015 US Open boys' singles final (l. to Fritz).

NOTE: Paul seeks 8th ATP Tour final (4-3), first since capturing Stockholm title in October last year. With a SF win, the 27-year-old would leapfrog Dimitrov to No. 10 on PIF ATP Live Rankings, guarantee his Top 10 debut on Monday, and become the 38th American to break inside Top 10 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).

Americans Debuting in Top 10 of PIF ATP Rankings since 2000:

Player	Top 10 Debut	Career-High
Andy Roddick	9 (5 August 2002)	1 (3 November 2003)
James Blake	9 (20 March 2006)	4 (20 November 2006)
Mardy Fish	10 (18 April 2011)	7 (15 August 2011)
John Isner	10 (19 March 2012)	8 (16 July 2018)
Jack Sock	9 (6 November 2017)	8 (20 November 2017)
Taylor Fritz	8 (10 October 2022)	4 (18 November 2024)
Frances Tiafoe	10 (19 June 2023)	10 (19 June 2023)

Active players in **BOLD**

Felix Auger-Aliassime | Age: 24 | World No. 29 | Career-High No. 6 | Career: 218-148 (5 Titles) | Adelaide: 4-2 ('20, '25 SF)
> 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.
> 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 attempts to advance to his 16th ATP Tour final (5-10), first since ATP Masters 1000 Madrid in May last year and his second final on outdoor hard courts after 2021 Melbourne-2 (l. to Evans; reached 9 finals on indoor hard). He seeks his fourth consecutive Top 20 win after wins over No. 8 Ruud at 2023 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati, No. 20 Draper in 2023 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage and No. 4 Fritz at 2024 United Cup.

Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) vs [2] Sebastian Korda (USA)
22 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.) Hard R32 Miomir Kecmanovic

Kecmanovic Leads 1-0
7-6(4) 6-3

Miomir Kecmanovic | Age: 25 | World No. 55 | Career-High No. 27 | Career: 149-149 (1 Title) | Adelaide: 9-4 (2025 SF)
> Broke into Top 40 after winning 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Kitzbuhel and achieved career-high No. 27 in January 2023.

> Earned personal-best 38 wins in 2022, reaching Australian Open 4R, Roland Garros 3R and Wimbledon 3R.

> Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 QFs at 2019 Indian Wells as LL, 2022 Indian Wells and 2022 Miami, equaling biggest win of career in 2022 Indian Wells 4R vs. No. 6 Berrettini.

> Beat Ruud and Davidovich Fokina to reach 2019 Next Gen ATP Finals SF (l. to eventual champion Sinner).

> Defeated Tsitsipas in 3rd-set TB to win 2015 Orange Bowl junior title, then ended 2016 as World No. 1 junior ahead of No. 2 Tsitsipas.

NOTE: Kecmanovic looks for 5th ATP Tour final (1-3), 1st since 2023 Estoril (l. to Ruud) and second on hard courts after 2023 Delray Beach (l. to Fritz). He aims to record his 150th tour-level win of career (149-149) and become the 6th Serbian man to reach that milestone (Djokovic 1126, Troicki 294, Tipsarevic 288, Lajovic 205, Zivojinovic 151).

Sebastian Korda | Age: 24 | World No. 22 | Career-High No. 15 | Career: 126-79 (2 Titles) | Adelaide: 7-2 (2023-1 Final)

> Achieved career-high No. 15 in August 2024, joining Petr Korda (career-high No. 2 in 1998) to become the only father-son duo to rank inside Top 20 in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).

> Earned biggest wins of career en route to ATP Masters 1000 SFs over No. 3 Medvedev at 2023 Shanghai and No. 4 Zverev at 2024 Montreal.

> Did not drop a set en route to 2021 Parma title, then captured 2024 Washington title, 32 years after his father, Petr, won in 1992, becoming the first father-son duo to win the same ATP Tour event.

> Advanced to 2020 Roland Garros 4R as Q and 2021 Wimbledon 4R, becoming 3rd men's player in Open Era to reach 4R in debut at both events (Borg in 1973, Pernfors in 1986).

> Became World No. 1 junior by winning 2018 Australian Open boys' singles title 20 years after his father won Australian Open men's singles title.

> Father, Petr, peaked at No. 2 on ATP Tour; mother, Regina, peaked at No. 26 in WTA; sister, Nelly, became World No. 1 women's golfer in 2021; sister, Jessica, peaked at No. 8 in women's golf.

NOTE: Korda is playing in Adelaide SF for the third consecutive year (2023-1 Final, l. to Djokovic; 2024 SF; l. to Lehecka) and seeks 9th ATP Tour final (2-6), 1st since his Washington title in August last year. If both Paul and Korda reach the final, it would be the 1st all-American ATP Tour final outside US soil since 2022 Tokyo (Fritz d. Tiafoe).

2024 All-American ATP Tour Finals

Dallas: **Tommy Paul** d. Marcos Giron

Delray Beach: Taylor Fritz d. **Tommy Paul**

Houston: Ben Shelton d. Frances Tiafoe

Newport: Marcos Giron d. Alex Michelsen

2024 No. 1 vs No. 2 Seed Men's Finals

Brisbane: No. 2 Grigor Dimitrov d. No. 1 Holger Rune

Paris Olympics: No. 1 Novak Djokovic d. No. 2 Carlos Alcaraz

Beijing: No. 2 Carlos Alcaraz d. No. 1 Jannik Sinner

LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: POTENTIAL SINGLES FINALS

[1] Tommy Paul (USA) vs Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB)

20 New York (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Miomir Kecmanovic
22 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R64	Miomir Kecmanovic
23 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Tommy Paul
24 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R32	Miomir Kecmanovic
24 Stockholm (Sweden)	Hard	QF	Tommy Paul

Kecmanovic Leads 3-2

6-4 6-2
7-6(7) 7-5 7-6(8)
7-5 7-6(2)
6-4 3-6 2-6 7-6(7) 6-0
7-6(9) 6-2

[1] Tommy Paul (USA) vs [2] Sebastian Korda (USA)

21 Delray Beach (U.S.A.)	Hard	R16	Sebastian Korda
21 Parma (Italy)	Clay	SF	Sebastian Korda
21 San Diego (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Sebastian Korda
22 US Open (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Tommy Paul
24 's-Hertogenbosch (Netherlands)	Grass	QF	Sebastian Korda
24 London / Queen's Club (Great Britain)	Grass	SF	Tommy Paul

Korda Leads 4-2

4-6 6-3 6-2
6-3 6-3
6-3 5-7 6-1
6-0 3-6 4-6 6-3 6-4
6-4 6-2
6-4 7-6(2)

[5] Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN) vs Miomir Kecmanovic (SRB) Series Tied 2-2

19 ATP Masters 1000 Cincinnati (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Miomir Kecmanovic	6-3 6-3
22 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Miomir Kecmanovic	6-4 6-2
22 Davis Cup Finals Group Stage (Spain)	Hard	RR	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-3 6-4
22 Basel (Switzerland)	Hard	R16	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-1 6-0

Other Meeting

16 US Open Juniors (U.S.A.)	Hard	F	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-3 6-0
18 Lyon CH (France)	Clay	SF	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-2 7-6(6)

[5] Felix Auger-Aliassime (CAN) vs [2] Sebastian Korda (USA) Auger-Aliassime Leads 2-1

21 Acapulco (Mexico)	Hard	R16	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-3 6-4
22 Estoril (Portugal)	Clay	QF	Sebastian Korda	6-2 6-2
22 Antwerp (Belgium)	Hard	F	Felix Auger-Aliassime	6-3 6-4