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LEXUS ATP HEAD2HEAD: SINGLES QUARTER-FINALS

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2R To Finish: 6-3 6-7(5) *0-0 – Fritz on serve [1] Taylor Fritz (USA) vs Joao Fonseca (BRA)

First Meeting

Taylor Fritz | Age: 27 | World No. 5 | Career-High No. 4 | 2025: 21-11 (Stuttgart Title) | Eastbourne: 14-4 ('19, '22, '24 Titles)
> Former World No. 1 junior achieved career-high No. 4 in November 2024 after becoming 1st American man since Blake in 2006 to play in Nitto ATP Finals championship match and finish inside Top 5 of year-end rankings.
> At 2024 US Open, became 1st American man to play in a 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.
> 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 earned bronze medal at 2024 Paris Olympics in men's doubles w/Paul.

NOTE: Defending champion Fritz owns most titles in event history (3), going 13-1 in last 4 appearances with lone loss to McDonald in 2023 2R. He won latest of 4 ATP Tour grass-court titles in Stuttgart 2 weeks ago (d. Zverev) and could later face Giron in QF, where he would be seeking 5th ATP Tour SF on grass, 4th at this venue (2019, 2022, 2024).

Players to Defeat No. 1 Seed in Opening Match (since tournament returned to Eastbourne in 2017)

Player	No. 1 Seed	Tournament/Round	Result
No. 94 Lukas Lacko	No. 11 Diego Schwartzman	2018 2R	4-6 6-4 7-5
No. 42 Taylor Fritz	No. 26 Guido Pella	2019 2R	6-4 3-6 6-4
No. 283 Max Purcell	No. 16 Gael Monfils	2021 2R	6-4 5-7 6-4
No. 64 Mackenzie McDonald	No. 9 Taylor Fritz	2023 2R	7-6(3) 7-6(8)

Joao Fonseca | Age: 18 | World No. 57 (Career-High) | 2025: 13-9 (Buenos Aires Title) | Eastbourne: 1-0 (2025 2R)

> Reigning Next Gen ATP Finals champion became junior No. 1 in September 2023, broke into Top 100 of PIF ATP Rankings 16 months later and achieved career-high No. 57 in June 2025 after run to Roland Garros 3R.
> Captured 1st title at 2025 Buenos Aires at age 18, becoming youngest South American tour-level champion since Perez-Roldan in 1987 and youngest Brazilian champion in Open Era.
> Earned biggest win of career over No. 9 Rublev in 2025 Australian Open 1R as Q, becoming youngest man to defeat a Top 10 player at Australian Open in PIF ATP Rankings history (since 1973).
> Went 5-0 at 2024 Next Gen ATP Finals to join Alcaraz and Sinner as only 18-year-old champions in event history as well as becoming 1st South American champion at the event.
> In his hometown of Rio de Janeiro, made ATP Tour debut in 2023 and earned 1st ATP Tour wins over No. 36 Fils and former champion Garin to reach 1st ATP Tour QF in 2024, 10 years after watching Nadal win 2014 title as a fan.
> Won 2023 US Open boys' singles event to become World No. 1 in junior rankings after reaching quarter-finals of Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon earlier in the season.

NOTE: Fonseca seeks biggest win of career after defeating No. 9 Rublev in Australian Open 1R, bidding to be 2nd Brazilian to post Top 10 win on grass after Kirmayr defeated No. 8 Tanner at 1981 Wimbledon. Could later face Giron in QF and would be looking for 2nd ATP Tour SF after Buenos Aires title in February on clay (d. F. Cerundolo in final).

Youngest Semi-Finalists in Tournament History (tournament held in Nottingham in 1995-2008, 2015-16) –

Fonseca would be 2nd-youngest at 18 years and 10 months.

Player	Age	Result
Andy Roddick	18 years 9 months	2001 SF (l. to Levy)
Richard Gasquet	18 years 11 months*	2005 Title (d. Mirnyi)
Marin Cilic	19 years 8 months	2008 SF (l. to Verdasco)

*age at start of tournament

[3] Jakub Mensik (CZE) vs [6] Alejandro Davidovich Fokina (ESP) Davidovich Fokina Leads 2-1

24 Doha (Qatar)	Hard	R32	Jakub Mensik	7-6(3) 6-4
24 Dubai (U.A.E.)	Hard	R16	A. Davidovich Fokina	7-6(7) 1-0 RET
25 Australian Open (Australia)	Hard	R32	A. Davidovich Fokina	3-6 4-6 7-6(7) 6-4 6-2 (2 MPs)

Jakub Mensik | Age: 19 | World No. 17 (Career-High) | 2025: 22-11 (Miami Title) | Eastbourne: 1-0 (2025 QF)

> Former World No. 2 junior broke into Top 100 in February 2025 and earned career-high No. 17 in June 2025 soon after becoming fourth man in series history to win 1st title at ATP Masters 1000 event in Miami.

> Also in Miami, defeated No. 4 Fritz and 6-time champion No. 5 Djokovic to join Alcaraz as only teenagers to earn multiple Top 5 wins in one event this century and became 1st Czech ATP Masters 1000 champion since 2005.

> Reached 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final at 2024 Doha by defeating former champions Murray, No. 5 Rublev and Monfils, becoming 1st man born in 2005 or later to play in an ATP Tour final.

> In tour-level debut, reached 3R at 2023 US Open as Q, becoming youngest man to reach Grand Slam 3R since Nadal at 2004 Aus. Open and youngest at US Open since Santoro in 1990, losing to Fritz on 18th birthday.

> Also advanced to Grand Slam 3R at 2024 US Open, losing to Borges after holding 3 MPs and 2025 Australian Open, losing to Davidovich Fokina after squandering 2 MPs.

> Posted 85-28 record on ITF Juniors circuit, highlighted by reaching 2022 Australian Open boys' singles final.

NOTE: Mensik posted his 50th tour-level win in 2R (50-32) and now seeks 4th ATP Tour SF (2-1), 1st on grass. He would be first Czech semi-finalist in tournament history and looks to regain lead on 2025 ATP Tour aces leaderboard.

Most Aces Hit on Tour-Level in 2025

Player	Aces	Matches Played	Player	Aces	Matches Played
Reilly Opelka	464	30	Alexander Bublik	339	30
Jakub Mensik	462	33	Alexander Zverev	332	48
Felix Auger-Aliassime	380	38	Taylor Fritz	326*	32

*includes 14 aces hit in first two sets vs. Fonseca

A. Davidovich Fokina | Age: 26 | World No. 28 | Career-High No. 21 | 2025: 25-14 (2 Finals) | Eastbourne: 3-2 ('25 QF)

> Achieved career-high No. 21 in August 2023, later improving year-end ranking for 8th consecutive year in 2023, finishing at No. 26.

> Broke Djokovic 9 times in Monte Carlo 2R win, setting record for most breaks of Djokovic in a best-of-3-set match to defeat then-World No. 1 en route to 1st ATP Tour final of career at 2022 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo.

> Advanced to 1st Grand Slam QF at 2021 Roland Garros and 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2021 Monte Carlo, highlighted by 5-set win over Ruud in Roland Garros 3R.

> Ended junior career as World No. 2 after winning Wimbledon boys' singles title and posting 20-1 record in 2017.

> Reached back-to-back finals at 2025 Delray Beach, where he held 2 championship points and Acapulco.

> Owns 2 cats and launched Adoptas.org in 2021, a pet adoption platform that aims to connect anyone looking to adopt or foster a pet with shelters and rescues across Spain.

NOTE: Davidovich Fokina looks to reach 9th ATP Tour SF (3-5), 1st on grass and 4th this year. Spanish No. 2 is 5-4 vs. Top 20 this season (22-50 overall) and seeks 2nd Top 20 win on grass after defeating No. 10 Hurkacz at 2022 Wimbledon. He would be first Spanish semifinalist in Eastbourne since F. Lopez won 2014 title (d. Gasquet).

[1] Taylor Fritz (USA) vs Marcos Giron (USA)

21 ATP Masters 1000 Miami (U.S.A.)	Hard	R64	Taylor Fritz	6-2 6-2
22 Dallas (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Marcos Giron	6-4 3-6 7-6(3)
23 Dallas (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Taylor Fritz	7-6(7) 3-6 6-3
23 Geneva (Switzerland)	Clay	R16	Taylor Fritz	4-6 6-2 6-3
24 Delray Beach (U.S.A.)	Hard	SF	Taylor Fritz	7-6(8) 6-2
25 ATP Masters 1000 Rome (Italy)	Clay	R64	Marcos Giron	7-6(4) 7-6(3)

Other Meetings

15 Sacramento CH (U.S.A.)	Hard	QF	Taylor Fritz	6-3 6-4
17 Dallas CH (U.S.A.)	Hard	R16	Taylor Fritz	7-5 4-6 6-3
19 Newport Beach CH (U.S.A.)	Hard	R32	Taylor Fritz	2-6 7-6(6) 7-6(7)

OR

Joao Fonseca (BRA) vs Marcos Giron (USA)

First Meeting

Marcos Giron | Age: 31 | World No. 46 | Career-High No. 37 | 2025: 16-13 (3 QFs) | Eastbourne: 3-1 (2025 QF)
 > One of 3 former UCLA Bruins to break into Top 50 during 2022 season (also Cressy, McDonald) and achieved career-high No. 37 in August 2024 after saving 1 MP in Newport final to win 1st ATP Tour title.
 > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour final at age 29 and in his home state of California at 2022 San Diego.
 > Qualified at 11 ATP Masters 1000 events and posted Top-5 upsets over No. 5 Ruud at 2025 Indian Wells and No. 4 Fritz at 2025 Rome.
 > Reached 2021 Roland Garros 3R after rallying from 6-2 6-4 5-1 down and saving 3 MPs vs. Dimitrov in 1R, as well as 3R of 2023 Roland Garros and 2025 Australian Open.
 > Won 2014 NCAA singles title for UCLA and broke into Top 100 in 2020 following right hip surgery in 2015 and left hip surgery in 2016.

NOTE: Giron seeks 9th ATP Tour SF (3-5), 1st since Antwerp in October (l. to Lehecka) and 2nd on grass after earning lone title in Newport last July (d. Michelsen in final). If he faces Fritz, he would be looking for 3rd Top 10 win of 2025 (2-3), defeating No. 5 Ruud at ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells and then-No. 4 Fritz at ATP Masters 1000 Rome.

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[LL] Billy Harris (GBR) vs [4] Ugo Humbert (FRA)

First Meeting

Billy Harris | Age: 30 | World No. 142 | Career-High No. 101 | 2025: 2-8 (Eastbourne QF) | Eastbourne: 5-1 (2024 SF)
 > Broke into Top 500 in December 2021 and Top 200 in December 2023, earning a career-high No. 101 in September 2024.
 > Qualified to make ATP Tour debut at 2023 Sofia, defeating Huesler in 1R for first tour-level win of career.
 > Earned biggest win of career over No. 32 Etcheverry in 2024 London/Queen's Club 1R as WC en route to QF and advanced to 1st ATP Tour SF at 2024 Eastbourne in back-to-back weeks.
 > Owns 64-66 Challenger record (0-2 in finals), reaching 1st SF and final at 2023 Les Franqueses Del Valles as Q and 172-131 record on ITF World Tennis Tour (5-6 in finals), winning most recent title at 2022 M25 Nottingham.
 > Spent first few years of professional career travelling around Europe in a transit van to save money while competing on the ITF World Tennis Tour.

NOTE: Harris seeks 2nd ATP Tour SF after reaching his first at this venue last year (l. to Purcell) and has posted 8 of 10 tour-level wins on home soil. He looks for biggest win of career and is 2-6 vs. Top 50 on ATP Tour after defeating No. 32 Etcheverry at London / Queen's Club last June and No. 49 Cobolli in last year's Eastbourne QF.

British Semi-Finalists in Tournament History (held in Nottingham in 1995-2008 and 2015-16)

Player	Semi-Finals Reached	Player	Semi-Finals Reached
Greg Rusedski	1996-97, 1999, 2001-03	Jack Draper	2022
Tim Henman	1997	Billy Harris	2024
Kyle Edmund	2019		

Ugo Humbert | Age: 26 | World No. 20 | Career-High No. 13 | 2025: 16-12 (Marseille Title) | Eastbourne: 1-1 ('25 QF)
 > Broke into Top 20 in November 2023 and achieved career-high No. 13 in April 2024 soon after winning Dubai, joining Gulbis and Klizan as third player in Open Era to win 6th ATP Tour title in 6th final (now 7-2 in finals).
 > Went on a 13-match winning streak on French indoor hard courts, capturing titles at 2023 Metz and 2024 Marseille and equaled biggest win of career over No. 2 Alcaraz en route to 1st ATP Masters 1000 final at 2024 Paris.
 > Upset No. 6 A. Zverev and No. 7 Rublev en route to 3rd of 7 career titles at 2021 Halle.
 > Won 1st ATP Tour title at 2020 Auckland as 21-year-old to become youngest French champion since Gasquet, 21, at 2007 Mumbai and saved 4 MPs vs. Evans en route to 2nd ATP Tour title at 2020 Antwerp.
 > Defeated former No. 3 Thiem 6-3 6-0 to win 7th Challenger title of career at 2022 Rennes and in May 2023 earned 8th and 9th Challenger titles at Cagliari and Bordeaux in a 3-week span.

NOTE: Humbert aims to advance to his 20th ATP Tour SF (9-10), 6th on grass (1-4), including 's-Hertogenbosch two weeks ago (l. to Diallo). He would be 4th and youngest active Frenchman to appear in 20+ ATP Tour SFs.

Most Tour-Level Semi-Finals Among Active Frenchmen

Player	Age	SFs	Player	Age	SFs
Gael Monfils	38	73	Ugo Humbert	26	19
Adrian Mannarino	36	25	Lucas Pouille	31	17
Benoit Paire	36	24	Arthur Fils	21	10

[LL] Jenson Brooksby (USA) vs [WC] Daniel Evans (GBR)

First Meeting

Jenson Brooksby | Age: 24 | World No. 149 | Career-High No. 33 | 2025: 10-6 (Houston Title) | Eastbourne: 2-1 ('25 QF)
> Achieved career-high No. 33 in June 2022, then defeated 6-time champion Isner at 2022 Atlanta en route to 3rd ATP 250 final on home soil.
> Captured 1st ATP Tour title in Houston as Q, after saving 1 MP vs. Gomez in qualifying, 3 MPs vs. Tabilo in 2R and 1 MP vs. Paul in SF and as No. 507 became 3rd-lowest-ranked champion in ATP Tour history (since 1990).
> Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF, SF and final in his grass-court debut at 2021 Newport, becoming 2nd-youngest finalist at age 20 in 46-year tournament history (Rusedski, 19, in 1993).
> Reached 2021 US Open 4R as 20-year-old WC, becoming youngest American in US Open 4R since Roddick, 20, in 2002.
> Defeated No. 3 Ruud for biggest win of career and to reach 2023 Australian Open 3R.
> Qualified at 2019 US Open and ended former World No. 4 Berdych's career for 1st tour-level win, then missed entire 2020 season due to toe injury.

NOTE: Brooksby seeks 9th ATP Tour SF (4-4), 2nd on grass after 2021 Newport (l. to Anderson in final). He bids to be 4th LL to reach SF in event history (also Harris) and would climb to No. 114 on [PIF ATP Live Rankings](#) with a win.

Lucky Losers to Reach SF in Tournament History

Player	Year/Result
Soonwoo Kwon	2021 SF (l. to de Minaur)
Max Purcell	2021 SF (l. to Sonogo)
Aleksandar Vukic	2024 SF (l. to Fritz)

Daniel Evans | Age: 35 | World No. 170 | Career-High No. 21 | 2025: 4-3 (Eastbourne QF) | Eastbourne: 6-5 ('19, '25 QF)
> Former Top-10 junior was unranked in April 2018 before becoming No. 1 Brit for 1st time in October 2019 and achieving career-high No. 21 in August 2023 after winning 2nd ATP Tour title at Washington.
> Did not drop a set en route to 1st ATP Tour title as a 30-year-old at 2021 Melbourne-2.
> Rallied from 2 sets down and won 5th-set TB vs. Popyrin to reach 2nd Grand Slam 4R of career at 2021 US Open, then beat Khachanov in 2024 US Open 1R in longest match in tournament history (5H 35M).
> Reached ATP Masters 1000 SFs at 2021 Monte Carlo (d. No. 1 Djokovic in 3R) and 2022 Montreal.
> Advanced to ATP Masters 1000 doubles finals at 2021 Miami w/N. Skupski, 2021 Monte Carlo w/N. Skupski and 2022 Montreal w/Peers.
> Fell outside Top 100 after opting not to defend Washington title to play Paris Olympics doubles w/A. Murray in former World No. 1's final event, saving 5 MPs in 1R and 2 MPs in 2R to reach quarter-finals.

NOTE: Evans is playing in first ATP Tour QF since winning latest of his 2 ATP Tour titles at 2023 Washington (d. Griekspoor in final). He seeks 15th ATP Tour SF (4-10), 1st on grass and 1st on home soil. 35-year-old would be 3rd-oldest semi-finalist in tournament history and posted all 4 ATP Tour wins this year on grass over last 3 weeks.

Oldest Semi-Finalists in Tournament History – Evans would be 3rd-oldest at 35 years and 1 month.

Player	Age	Result
Fabrice Santoro	36 years 6 months	2009 SF (l. to Dancevic)
Jonas Bjorkman	35 years 3 months	2007 SF* (l. to Clement)
Jonas Bjorkman	34 years 3 months	2006 Final* (l. to Gasquet)

* held in Nottingham