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## **CENTER COURT**

## Yannick Hanfmann (GER) vs [LL] Gustavo Heide (BRA)

First Meeting

Yannick Hanfmann | Age: 32 | World No. 116 | Career-High No. 45 | 2024: 13-19 (Cordoba QF) | Kitzbuhel: 8-5 (2020 Final)

- > Hearing-impaired player broke into Top 100 in 2018 and achieved career-high No. 45 in July 2023.
- > Earned biggest win of career over No. 5 Tsitsipas at 2023 Mallorca en route to 6th ATP Tour SF.
- > Defeated No. 9 Fritz in 2R and No. 6 Rublev in 4R to reach 1st ATP Masters 1000 QF at 2023 Rome.
- > Qualified en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2017 Gstaad and 2nd final at 2020 Kitzbuhel.
- > Captured 1st Top 10 win of career over No. 9 Monfils at 2020 Hamburg, where he accepted main draw WC instead of playing qualifying at Roland Garros.
- > Posted 1st Grand Slam main draw win in 7th try at 2022 Australian Open as Q (d. Kokkinakis).
- > Captured 6 Challenger titles after playing for University of Southern California (2012-15), where he helped Trojans win 2 NCAA national titles.

**NOTE**: Hanfmann is seeking his 16th ATP Tour QF (6-9), 14th on clay and 1st since February (I. to Darderi in Cordoba). He made 2nd of his 2 ATP Tour finals in Kitzbuhel in 2020 (I. to Kecmanovic).

Gustavo Heide | Age: 22 | World No. 155 (Career-High) | 2024: 2-4 (Gstaad QF) | Kitzbuhel: 0-0 (Debut)

- > Earned 1st ranking point at age 16, broke into Top 500 in 2021 and Top 200 in April 2024 and achieved career-high No. 155 in July after reaching 1st ATP Tour QF in Gstaad.
- > Made his tour-level debut at 2023 Davis Cup vs China, winning his first match, played his second tour-level match at 2024 Davis Cup vs. Sweden (I. to E. Ymer) and made his ATP Tour debut at 2024 Rio de Janeiro as WC.
- > Owns a 39-32 Challenger record (12-7 in 2024), highlighted by his 1st final in Bogota and 1st title in Asuncion and 58-19 on ITF Tour (6-2 in finals).
- > Former Top 20 junior, highlighted by run to 3R of boys' singles at 2020 Roland Garros and winning 6 titles.

**NOTE:** Heide is seeking his 2nd ATP Tour QF after Gstaad last week (d. No. 15 Humbert for biggest win of career in 2R, I. to Halys in QF). He lost to Kopriva in Q2 and made it into the main draw after Etcheverry withdrew (low back).

## [WC] Lukas Neumayer (AUT) vs [WC] Nicolas Moreno de Alboran (USA) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meeting

22 M25 Madrid (Spain)

Clay

Lukas Neumayer

6-4 6-1

Lukas Neumayer | Age: 21 | World No. 289 | Career-High No. 206 | 2024: 1-0 (Kitzbuhel 2R) | Kitzbuhel: 1-1 (2024 2R)

- > Achieved career-high No. 206 in April 2024 before making Roland Garros and Wimbledon qualifying debuts.
- > Qualified to make ATP Tour debut at 2021 Kitzbuhel as 980th-ranked QWC, losing to Vilella Martinez in 1R.

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- > Owns 31-46 Challenger record, advancing to clay court finals at 2023 Salzburg and 2023 Cordenons.
- > Has earned 5 ITF World Tennis Tour titles, winning latest title at 2023 M25 Jablonec and Nisou.
- > Peaked at No. 27 in the juniors, making 2020 Roland Garros boys' singles QF (I. to eventual champion Stricker).

**NOTE**: Neumayer earned the biggest win of his career by beating No. 56 Ofner in 1R to post his 1st ATP Tour win. He aims to be lowest-ranked quarter-finalist in Kitzbuhel since No. 421 J. Melzer in 2016 (I. to G. Melzer).

- N. Moreno de Alboran | Age: 27 | World No. 143 | Career-High No. 121 | 2024: 5-8 (Marrakech QF) | Kitzbuhel: 1-0 (2024 2R)
- > Earned first ranking point at age 18 in 2015, broke into Top 200 in February 2023 and achieved career-high No. 121 in September 2023.
- > Advanced to 1st ATP Tour QF at 2024 Marrakech after defeating 2022 champion Goffin in 2R.
- > Saved 2 MPs vs. de Loore in the final set tie-break to qualify for his tour-level debut at 2023 US Open, then defeated Kovacevic for 1st ATP Tour win at 2024 Delray Beach.
- > Owns a 65-51 Challenger record (2-3 in finals), winning titles at 2022 Braga and 2023 Tyler.
- > Competed for four years at UC Santa Barbara (2015-19), earning All-American honours and graduating with a degree in international relations.



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> Started playing tennis at age 6 with family, while living in the Dominican Republic, where he also competed in sailing as a child, before moving to London and devoting himself to tennis at age 10.

**NOTE**: Moreno de Alboran is seeking his 2nd ATP Tour QF after Marrakech in April (I. to Carballes Baena). He has earned all five career ATP Tour wins in 2024, four on clay (2 - Marrakech, 1 - Geneva, Kitzbuhel).

## Matteo Berrettini (ITA) vs [2] Alejandro Tabilo (CHI)

**Berrettini Leads 1-0** 

21 ATP Masters 1000 Indian Wells (U.S.A.) Hard R64 Matteo Berrettini 6-4 7-5

**Matteo Berrettini** | Age: 28 | World No. 50 | Career-High No. 6 | 2024: 17-5 (2 Titles) | Kitzbuhel: 3-1 (2018 QF) > Achieved career-high No. 6 after reaching 2022 Australian Open SF, becoming 3rd-highest-ranked Italian since start of PIF ATP Rankings in 1973 (No. 1 Sinner in 2024, No. 4 Panatta in 1976).

- > At 2021 Wimbledon, became 1st Italian men's singles finalist in tournament history and 1st Italian Grand Slam men's singles finalist since Panatta at 1976 Roland Garros.
- > First Italian man to reach QFs of all 4 Grand Slam events and 1st to earn a win at Nitto ATP Finals (d. Thiem in 2019 RR).
- > Owns 42-11 record on grass with 4 of his 9 ATP Tour titles, including 2021 and 2022 London/Queen's Club to become 1st player in Open Era to win titles in each of his 1st 2 appearances at that event.
- > Defeated No. 3 Thiem en route to 2021 ATP Cup team final and No. 3 Ruud en route to 2023 United Cup team final for biggest wins of career.

**NOTE**: Berrettini is on a 6-match winning streak after claiming the Gstaad title. He is 3-1 against Top 30 this year with clay wins over No. 18 Auger-Aliassime and No. 12 Tsitsipas last week (11-1 on clay in 2024 overall).

Alejandro Tabilo | Age: 27 | World No. 21 | Career-High No. 19 | 2024: 26-13 (2 Titles) | Kitzbuhel: 0-0 (Debut) > Toronto-born Chilean broke into Top 100 in February 2022, achieving career-high No. 19 after picking up his 2nd ATP Tour title in Mallorca in July 2024.

- > Beat No. 1 Djokovic for biggest win of career at 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Rome, losing to Zverev in SF.
- > Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2024 Auckland as Q, becoming the 1st Chilean to win a title on hard courts since Gonzalez in 2007.
- > Earned 6 straight-set wins including 5 over Argentines en route to 1st ATP Tour final at 2022 Cordoba as Q.
- > Defeated countryman Garin en route to 2nd ATP Tour SF at 2022 Santiago as WC, then reached 2024 Santiago final.
- > Represented Canada throughout junior career, peaking at No. 29 in junior rankings during 2015 season.

**NOTE**: Tabilo is a Top-2 seed at an ATP Tour event for the 1st time in career and aims to be the 3rd Chilean to make Kitzbuhel QF (2002-05 Massu, 2018 Jarry). He is 11-4 in opening rounds on tour-level in 2024 (5-3 on clay).

# [1] Sebastian Baez (ARG) vs [SE] Thiago Agustin Tirante (ARG) First Tour-Level Meeting Other Meetings

19 M15 Buenos Aires (Argentina)	Clay	SF	Sebastian Baez	6-3 2-6 7-6(4)
19 M15 Buenos Aires (Argentina)	Clay	R16	Sebastian Baez	3-6 6-3 6-4
19 M15 Santiago (Chile)	Clay	QF	Sebastian Baez	6-4 3-6 6-1

Sebastian Baez | Age: 23 | World No. 18 (Career-High) | 2024: 26-17 (2 Titles) | Kitzbuhel: 5-0 (2023 Title)

- > Broke inside Top 20 in March 2024 after winning back-to-back ATP Tour titles in Rio de Janeiro and Santiago before achieving career-high No. 18 in June later that year.
- > Earned personal-best 31 wins in 2023, highlighted by 12-match winning streak, winning titles in Kitzbuhel and Winston-Salem and reaching 1st Grand Slam 3R at US Open.
- > Captured 1st ATP Tour title at 2022 Estoril, then earned 2nd title on home soil at 2023 Cordoba after entering tournament with 6 straight losses and 17 losses in previous 18 matches.
- > Broke into Top 300, 200 and 100 in 2021, posting 6-3 record in Challenger finals to tie 4 other players for 2nd-most titles in a season behind Griekspoor's 8 in 2021.
- > Became World No. 1 junior in March 2018 and went on to reach Roland Garros boys' singles final and win boys' doubles gold medal at Youth Olympics w/Diaz Acosta in his hometown of Buenos Aires.

**NOTE**: Baez is No. 1 seed at an ATP Tour event for the 1st time in his career. He is 20-2 against players ranked outside the Top 50 on clay this year with losses to No. 136 Darderi in Cordoba and No. 106 Coria in Buenos Aires in February (15-0 since).

Thiago Agustin Tirante | Age: 23 | World No. 101 | Career-High No. 90 | 2024: 6-4 (Bastad SF) | Kitzbuhel: 1-0 (2024 2R)



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- > Earned 1st PIF ATP Rankings point at age 16 in 2017, broke into Top 200 in March 2022 and Top 100 in February 2024, earning career-high No. 90 in April 2024.
- > Made ATP Tour debut at 2021 Buenos Aires as WC, then earned first tour-level win at 2023 Roland Garros as Q.
- > Defeated No. 8 Rublev at 2024 Bastad for biggest win of career en route to 1st ATP Tour SF.
- > Captured Challenger titles at 2021 Ambato, 2023 Cuernavaca, 2023 Bogota and 2024 Mexico City.
- > Ended 2019 as No. 1 junior in world, sweeping last 18 matches and 26 sets of his career en route to 3 titles in as many weeks at Yucatan Cup, Eddie Herr and Orange Bowl.
- > Did not drop a set en route to 2019 Roland Garros boys' doubles title w/Pucinelli de Almeida.

**NOTE**: Tirante looks for his 2nd ATP Tour QF after Bastad last week (l. to Borges in SF). He gained 4 spots to No. 97 on <u>PIF ATP Live Rankings</u>. The 23-year-old is 1-1 vs. Top 20 after beating top seed and No. 8 Rublev in Bastad 2R.

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[8] Laslo Djere (SRB) vs Thiago	Djere Leads 3-0			
21 Hamburg (Germany)	Clay	R16	Laslo Djere	7-6(1) 6-1
21 Gstaad (Switzerland)	Clay	R32	Laslo Djere	6-4 6-3
23 Kitzbuhel (Austria)	Clay	R16	Laslo Djere	7-6(5) 6-3

[4] Pedro Martinez (ESP) vs Sumit Nagal (IND)

**First Tour-Level Meeting** 

Other Meeting

23 Como CH (Italy) Clay QF Pedro Martinez 6-4 6-4

Facundo Diaz Acosta (ARG) vs [Q] Daniel Elahi Galan (COL) First Meeting

Hugo Gaston (FRA) vs [7] Roberto Carballes Baena (ESP) Gaston Leads 1-0

24 Australian Open (Australia) Hard R128 Hugo Gaston 6-3 6-2 3-6 6-4

**Other Meeting** 

23 Seville CH (Spain) Clay SF Roberto Carballes Baena 6-7(2) 7-6(7) 6-1