



MATCH NOTES

WTA FINALS RIYADH PRESENTED BY PIF RIYADH, SAUDI ARABIA

NOVEMBER 2- NOVEMBER 9, 2024 | \$15,250,000



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WTA FINALS – TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 5 – ROUND ROBIN

SINGLES ADVANCEMENT SCENARIOS – ORANGE GROUP

- Gauff advances if she wins in straight sets (position in group to be determined)
- If Gauff and Pegula win, Gauff advances as group winner and Krejckikova is eliminated. (Swiatek and Pegula would play for second spot Thursday)
- If Swiatek and Krejckikova win, Swiatek advances as group winner and Pegula is eliminated. (Gauff and Krejckikova would play for second spot Thursday)
- Pegula is eliminated with a straight-sets loss
- Any other combination of results will mean qualification comes down to the final matches

[6] Jessica Pegula (0-1) vs. [8] Barbora Krejckikova (0-1)

Series tied 1-1

Krejckikova won most recent meeting at 2023 Dubai (SF) while Pegula on meeting at 2023 Australian Open (R16)

Pegula is looking to register her 40th win in WTA level matches during 2024, she could register 40+ wins for the third consecutive season during her career. After losing her opening round robin match, Pegula has not lost consecutive matches in WTA level tournaments since losing in the semi-finals of San Diego and the opening round of Indian Wells earlier this year.

Krejckikova could become lowest ranked player (World No. 13) to win a WTA Finals' match since Magdalena Maleeva in 2002 against Daniela Hantuchova (World No. 17). She is looking to become the first player this Century to secure a spot in semi-finals at the WTA Finals with less than 30 wins over the season before the event.

[2] Iga Swiatek (1-0) vs. [3] Coco Gauff (1-0)

Swiatek leads series 11-1

Met twice in 2024 with Swiatek winning both meetings in straight sets – Roland Garros (SF) and Rome (SF)

Swiatek has won six consecutive matches at the WTA Finals going back to last year's title – only Serena Williams (16) and Elina Svitolina (10) have amassed more consecutive wins since the round robin format was re-introduced in 2003.

Gauff's only win in the previous 12 meetings came in the semifinal round of Cincinnati, a 3-set win and only time Gauff managed to take a set off Swiatek. Gauff is looking to register her 52nd win in WTA events this year, her best total in a single season. She could also become the first player to win both her first two round-robin matches before turning 21 since Ana Ivanovic and Maria Sharapova in 2007. Gauff ended a three-match losing streak to Pegula on Sunday.



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DOUBLES ADVANCEMENT SCENARIOS – WHITE GROUP

- If Dabrowski & Routliffe and Chan & Kudermetova win, Dabrowski & Routliffe advance, Dolehide & Krawczyk are eliminated
- If Errani & Paolini and Dolehide & Krawczyk win, Errani & Paolini advance, Chan & Kudermetova are eliminated
- Any other combination of results will mean advancement comes down to final matches

[2] G. Dabrowski (CAN) / E. Routliffe (NZL) vs. [4] S. Errani (ITA) / J. Paolini (ITA)

This is the first career meeting between Dabrowski/Routliffe and Errani/Paolini

Dabrowski / Routliffe (1-0):

- The team previously defeated Chan/Kudermetova in the previous stage, with a 76(6) 64 win
- The duo have teamed up for 25 events as part of their partnership reaching the final 8 times, including 3 titles; in 2024 played 16 tournaments reaching five finals (1-4 in finals); won only title at Nottingham
- This is the second consecutive year they have qualified for the WTA Finals as a team; last year at the WTA Finals in Cancun they reached the semifinals after going 3-0 in round robin stage
- Together they reached the QF at each of the Slams they contested this year – Australian Open (SF), Wimbledon (R-Up) and US Open (QF); Dabrowski was sidelined during clay court season; Routliffe reached R16 at Roland Garros (w/Leylah Fernandez)
- Routliffe won 51 matches across all levels in 2024 – including an ITF W60 title at Burnie, Australia the week after the Australian Open
- Routliffe played 22 tournaments with six different partners this year
- Routliffe climbed to top of the WTA Rankings in July and held the WTA World No.1 doubles ranking for 8 weeks
- Dabrowski is making her sixth WTA Finals appearance, tied for most among this year's doubles field

Errani / Paolini (1-0):

- The duo kicked off the group stages with a 16 61 10-4 win over Krawczyk/Dolehide
- The Italian duo played 14 tournaments together this year, winning three titles – Linz, Rome and Beijing; also finished as runner-up at Roland Garros
- Errani/Paolini also won the Gold Medal at this year's Olympics in Tokyo as Errani completed career Golden Slam in doubles
- The former WTA Doubles World No.1, Errani is competing at the WTA Finals for the first time since 2014. She is competing in doubles at the WTA Finals for the fourth time (also 2012, 2013, 2014) and also competed in singles in 2012, 2013
- Paolini is also competing in the singles competition at this year's WTA Finals and won her opening match of the WTA Finals defeating Rybakina and will face Zheng Qinwen on Monday
- Today will be Paolini's 105th match of the 2024 season – 47 doubles and 58 singles (includes Olympics)



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[5] C. Dolehide (USA) / D. Krawczyk (USA) vs. **[7] H. Chan (TPE) / V. Kudermetova**

Dolehide/Krawczyk are 1-0 over Chan/Kudermetova, with a 62 75 R16 win at 2024 Roland Garros

Dolehide / Krawczyk (0-1):

- The duo is looking for their first win this tournament, following a defeat in the previous stage to Errrani/Paolini
- Teamed up to play 17 tournaments this year. The American duo reached back-to-back Grand Slam semifinals at Roland Garros and Wimbledon, then lifted their first trophy as a team in Toronto
- Throughout her career Krawczyk has won 11 career doubles titles, while Dolehide has won two doubles titles
- Both players reached a career-high doubles ranking this year as Dolehide climbed to a career-high doubles ranking of No.9 this year and Krawczyk climbed to No.7 in August

Chan / Kudermetova (0-1):

- The duo is looking for their first win this tournament, following a defeat in the previous stage to Dabrowski/Routliffe
- Formed their partnership in April; won their second tournament as a team taking the title at Stuttgart; in 12 tournaments reached four finals
- The duo made back-to-back WTA 500 finals during the grass court swing at Berlin and Bad Homburg and also had strong results reaching semifinals at US Open and first WTA 1000 final at Beijing
- Chan is returning to the WTA Finals for the first time since 2019. All three of her previous appearances came alongside older sister Latisha
- Kudermetova is unbeaten at the WTA Finals to date: she won the title with a perfect 5-0 record alongside Elise Mertens in her only previous appearance in 2022