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2026 UNITED CUP – STANDINGS

PERTH – RAC ARENA

Standings

Group A	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[1] United States	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Fritz, Gauff
[10] Spain	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Munar, Bouzas Maneiro
[14] Argentina	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Baez, Sierra

Group C	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[3] Italy	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Cobolli, Paolini
[8] France	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Rinderknech, Jeanjean
[16] Switzerland	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Wawrinka, Bencic

Group E	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[5] Great Britain	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Harris, Raducanu
[12] Greece	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	S. Tsitsipas, Sakkari
[13] Japan	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Mochizuki, Osaka

SYDNEY – KEN ROSEWALL ARENA

Group B	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[2] Canada	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Auger-Aliassime, Mboko
[7] Belgium	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Bergs, Mertens
[18] China	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Zhang, Zhu

Group D	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[4] Australia	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	de Minaur, Joint
[11] Czechia	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Mensik, Krejcikova
[17] Norway	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Ruud, Helgo

Group F	Ties	Matches	Sets	Games	No. 1 Players
[6] Germany	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Zverev, Lys
[9] Poland	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Hurkacz, Swiatek
[15] Netherlands	0-0	0-0	0-0	0-0	Griekspoor, Lamens

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



PERTH – RAC ARENA – FRIDAY’S PROJECTED SCHEDULE

[10] SPAIN vs [14] ARGENTINA – GROUP A

First Meeting at United Cup

SPAIN: 4th Appearance – 1-5 in ties at United Cup (0-2 in 2023, 1-1 in 2024, 0-2 in 2025)

2023 - 3rd in Group D (1st Great Britain, 2nd Australia)

2024 - 2nd in Group A (1st Poland, 3rd Brazil)

2025 - 3rd in Group C (1st Kazakhstan, 2nd Greece)

ARGENTINA: 3rd Appearance – 1-3 in ties at United Cup (0-2 in 2023, 1-1 in 2025)

2023 - 3rd in Group F (1st Croatia, 2nd France)

2025 - 3rd in Group F (1st Great Britain, 2nd Australia)

Jaume Munar (ESP) vs Sebastian Baez (ARG)

24 Santiago (Chile)

Clay QF

Sebastian Baez

Baez Leads 1-0

6-4 6-4

Other Meeting

21 Buenos Aires Q (Argentina)

Clay Q2

Jaume Munar

5-7 6-3 2-1 RET

Jaume Munar | Age: 28 | ATP World No. 33 (Career-High) | 2025: 31-27 (3 SFs) | Career: 121-161 (1 Final)

> Former World No. 3 junior advanced to 2018 Next Gen ATP Finals SF and reached No. 52 in May 2019, before breaking into Top 50 in July 2025 and achieving career-high No. 33 in December 2025.

> Defeated countryman Alcaraz before falling to countryman Carreno Busta in 1st ATP Tour final at 2021 Marbella.

> Captured 2 Top-5 wins over No. 3 Zverev at 2019 Marrakech 2R and No. 3 Ruud at 2022 Tokyo 1R.

> Earned personal-best 31 wins in 2025, highlighted by semi-finals in Hong Kong, Dallas and Basel, and reaching Wimbledon 3R and US Open 4R after 0-11 start to career in Grand Slam 2Rs.

> Owns 141-72 Challenger record (10-8 in finals), including most recent clay-court title at 2024 Bad Waltersdorf.

> Reached 2014 Roland Garros boys' singles final and won boys' doubles title in 2015 with countryman Lopez San Martin.

NOTE: Munar is making his United Cup debut, aiming to be third Spanish man to win a singles match at the event after Davidovich Fokina in 2023 (2-0) and Carreno Busta last year (1-1). 28-year-old went 22-16 on hard courts last year, including wins over No. 8 Medvedev at ATP Masters 1000 Miami and No. 6 Shelton in Basel 2R.

Sebastian Baez | Age: 25 | ATP World No. 45 | Career-High No. 18 | 2025: 17-24 (Rio Title) | Career: 108-111 (7 Titles)

> Broke inside Top 20 in March 2024 after winning back-to-back ATP Tour titles in Rio de Janeiro and Santiago, then earned career-high No. 18 in June 2025.

> During 2023 season, went on a career-best 12-match winning streak, lifting titles in Kitzbuhel and Winston-Salem and reached 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 tied 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 looks for first Top 50 win since defeating countryman No. 46 Navone en route to Rio title in February (1-9 vs. Top 50 in 2025). He is 6-1 vs. Spaniards in his last 7 matches vs. them, lone loss to No. 1 Alcaraz in Tokyo 1R last year and is playing in his 1st United Cup.

Jessica Bouzas Maneiro (ESP) vs Solana Sierra (ARG)

24 Madrid

Clay R16

J. Bouzas Maneiro

Bouzas Maneiro Leads 1-0

6-3 3-6 6-1

Jessica Bouzas Maneiro | Age: 23 | WTA World No. 41 | Career-High No. 40 (Aug 2025) | 2025: 25-23 (3 QFs) | Career: 36-36 (0 titles)

> 2025 highlights include first Grand Slam R16 of career at Wimbledon (l. Samsonova), first WTA 1000 QF of career at Montreal (l. eventual champion Mboko) and additional Tour QFs at Rabat and Rouen

> Hit career-high ranking of No.40 on August 18, 2025, and posted year-end singles ranking of No.42 in 2025 (first Top 50 finish of career)

> At 2023 United Cup, went 1-0 in singles (d. Gadecki) and 0-2 in doubles; returned for 2025 United Cup and went 1-1 in singles (d. Sakkari, l. Rybakina)



- > Biggest career title came at WTA 125 Antalya in 2024 (d. Begu in final)
- > On ITF Circuit, has won a total of 11 singles titles and four doubles titles

NOTE: Bouzas Maneiro has earned two Top 10 wins in her career, both achieved in the opening round at Grand Slams: defeated No. 6 Marketa Vondrousova in 1r at 2024 Wimbledon and No. 9 Emma Navarro at 2025 Roland Garros

Solana Sierra | Age: 21 | WTA World No. 66 | Career-High No. 64 (July 2025) | 2025: 6-6 (QF Sao Paulo) | Career: 6-7 (0 titles)

- > Broke through at Grand Slam level by reaching 2025 Wimbledon R16 as lucky loser (l. Siegemund); became the first LL to reach the R16 at Wimbledon in the Open Era, and the first Argentine woman to reach the R16 at Wimbledon since Paola Suarez in 2004
- > Also in 2025, won first two WTA 125 titles of her career at Antalya #3 and Mallorca, and additionally reached her first WTA Tour-level quarterfinal at Sao Paulo
- > Achieved Top 100 debut on June 16, 2025 (at No.100), peaking at No.64 on July 21
- > Made Tour-level and Grand Slam main draw debut at 2024 US Open as a qualifier (l. Maria in 1r)
- > Was the 2022 Junior Roland Garros singles runner-up (l. Havlickova in final)

NOTE: Sierra is facing a player from Spain at Tour level for only the second time in her career after defeating Cristina Busca as a lucky loser in R32 at Wimbledon last year

MIXED DOUBLES:

Jessica Bouzas Maneiro / Jaume Munar (ESP) vs Maria Lourdes Carle / Guido Andreozzi (ARG)

[12] GREECE vs [13] JAPAN – GROUP E

First Meeting at United Cup

GREECE: 4th Appearance (2023 SF, 2024 QF, 2025 RR) – 5-4 in ties (3-1 in 2023, 1-2 in 2024, 1-1 in 2025)

2023 - 1st in Group A (2nd Bulgaria, 3rd Belgium), d. Croatia 3-2 in Host City Finals (Perth), l. to Italy 1-4 in SF

2024 - 1st in Group B (2nd Chile, 3rd Canada), l. to Germany 1-2 in QF

2025 - 2nd in Group C (1st Kazakhstan, 3rd Spain)

JAPAN: Debut Appearance

Maria Sakkari (GRE) vs Naomi Osaka (JPN)

Osaka Leads 3-2

18 Indian Wells	Hard	R16	Naomi Osaka
18 Cincinnati	Hard	R64	Maria Sakkari
19 Birmingham	Grass	R32	Naomi Osaka
20 Brisbane	Hard	R32	Naomi Osaka
21 Miami	Hard	QF	Maria Sakkari

6-1	5-7	6-2
6-3	7-6(8)	
6-1	4-6	6-3
6-2	6-7(4)	6-3
6-0	6-4	

Maria Sakkari | Age: 30 | WTA World No. 52 | Career-High No. 3 (March 2022) | 2025: 20-27 (2 QFs) | Career: 247-194 (2 titles)

- > Two-time WTA Tour singles titlist, winning her first title at 2019 Rabat and adding the WTA 1000 Guadalajara crown in 2023
- > Has reached 8 additional Tour finals, including back-to-back Indian Wells R-Up finishes in 2022 and 2023
- > At inaugural United Cup in 2023, went 3-1 in singles and 3-0 in doubles during Greece's SF run
- > In 2024 United Cup, went 3-0 in singles and 0-2 in doubles (Greece reached QF); at 2025 edition went 0-2 in singles and 1-0 in doubles
- > Career best Grand Slam performances are semifinals at 2021 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Krejickova after holding MP) and 2021 US Open (l. eventual champion Raducanu)
- > First Greek to reach the Top 10 of the WTA Rankings, and the first Greek to qualify for the WTA Finals (2021) a Top 20 ranked opponent in career

NOTE: Sakkari is looking for her first Top 20 win since Washington DC last season where she defeated No. 11 Emma Navarro

Naomi Osaka | Age: 28 | WTA World No. 16 | Career-High No. 1 (Jan 2019) | 2025: 30-15 (2 R-Up) | Career: 216-117 (7 titles)

- > Owns 7 singles titles, including four Grand Slam titles (2018 and 2020 US Open; 2019 and 2021 Australian Open); she holds a perfect 4-0 record in Grand Slam finals
- > Her other singles titles are 2018 Indian Wells, 2019 Beijing and 2019 Tokyo Pan Pacific Open; all of her WTA Tour titles have come on hard court
- > Reached World No.1 ranking for the first time on January 28, 2019, following her 2019 Australian Open triumph; she spent a total of 25 weeks at the World No.1 spot
- > In 2025, reached her first WTA Tour final since returning from maternity leave at Auckland; went on to make her sixth career WTA 1000 final at Montreal and reach the semifinals at US Open
- > Following the 2025 US Open, returned to the Top 20 for the first time since January 2022, and posted a season-ending ranking of No.16 (best year-end ranking since No.13 in 2021)

NOTE: Osaka and Team Japan are making their United Cup debut

Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE) vs Shintaro Mochizuki (JPN)

First Meeting

Stefanos Tsitsipas | Age: 27 | ATP World No. 36 | Career-High No. 3 | 2025: 22-18 (Dubai Title) | Career: 367-183 (12 Titles)

- > Top-ranked Greek of all time achieved career-high No. 3 in August 2021 and boasts 11 wins vs. Top-3 opponents (2 vs. No. 1, 4 vs. No. 2, 5 vs. No. 3).
- > Six-time Grand Slam semi-finalist, highlighted by runs to 2021 Roland Garros and 2023 Australian Open finals, losing to Djokovic on both occasions.
- > Captured 2018 Next Gen ATP Finals title at age 20 and 2019 Nitto ATP Finals title at age 21, becoming youngest champion of latter since Hewitt, 20, in 2001.
- > Won 12 ATP Tour titles, including 2021, 2022 and 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Monte Carlo and captured 1st ATP 500 title in 12th final at 2025 Dubai.
- > Youngest of 30 players to defeat Djokovic (2018 Toronto 3R), Federer (2019 Australian Open 4R) and Nadal (2019 Madrid SF), sweeping Big 3 before turning 21.

NOTE: Tsitsipas is playing in his first match since Davis Cup vs. Brazil in September and owns 6-2 singles record at this event, including going 4-0 in 2023 to lead Greece to SFs. Last year at United Cup, went 1-1, defeating Carreno Busta before losing to Shevchenko.

Shintaro Mochizuki | Age: 22 | ATP World No. 99 | Career-High No. 92 | 2025: 4-6 (Almaty QF) | Career: 7-25 (1 SF)

- > Former World No. 1 junior broke into Top 100 after reaching Almaty QF in October 2025 and achieved career-high No. 92 in November.
- > At 2023 Tokyo, earned 1st ATP Tour win over Etcheverry in 1R after 0-11 start on tour-level and recorded biggest win of career over No. 10 Fritz en route to his 1st ATP Tour SF.
- > Made his ATP Tour debut at 2021 Singapore as WC and Grand Slam debut at 2023 Wimbledon as Q.
- > Also entered Grand Slam main draws at 2024 Australian Open as LL, 2024 Roland Garros as Q, 2025 Wimbledon as Q and 2025 US Open as Q.
- > Owns 74-73 Challenger record (2-2 in finals), winning titles at 2023 Barletta and 2025 Noumea.
- > Ended his junior career with a 119-45 record on ITF Junior Circuit, highlighted by 2019 Wimbledon boys' singles title, becoming the 1st Japanese player to win a Grand Slam boys' singles title.
- > Considered quitting tennis and pursuing baseball at age 9 before moving to USA as a 12-year-old to further develop in tennis at IMG Academy.

NOTE: Mochizuki is 4-11 vs. Top 50 in his career, earning 3 wins en route to 2023 Tokyo SF and defeating No. 26 Darderi to reach Almaty QF last year. In United Cup debut, he aims to become the lowest-ranked man to defeat Tsitsipas on hard courts since his countryman Nishikori defeated Tsitsipas as No. 576 at 2024 ATP Masters 1000 Montreal.

MIXED DOUBLES:

Maria Sakkari / Stefanos Tsitsipas (GRE) vs Naomi Osaka / Shintaro Mochizuki (JPN)