



## Atlanta Open Announces 2023 Player Field

*Defending champion Alex de Minaur, Taylor Fritz, John Isner, Gael Monfils, Alexander Bublik, Yoshihito Nishioka, Daniel Evans, Ben Shelton, and Kei Nishikori Scheduled to Play in ATP Tournament*

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**ATLANTA (June 27, 2023)** – The Atlanta Open today announced the player field for this year’s tournament which will be held July 22-30, 2023 at Atlantic Station.

Top-ranked American Taylor Fritz (currently ranked No. 9 in the world), Atlanta Open defending champion Alex de Minaur (No. 16), Atlanta native Ben Shelton (No. 35), Japan’s Kei Nishikori (No. 48), and six-time Atlanta Open champion John Isner (former USA No. 1), among others, highlight the recent commitments.

Fritz has five ATP titles while de Minaur has seven. Twenty-year-old phenom Shelton broke into the top-100 in November and has risen to a career-high ranking of 35. The former Florida Gator advanced to the 2023 Australian Open Quarterfinals, becoming the youngest American man to reach a Grand Slam quarterfinal since Andy Roddick (20) at the 2002 US Open.

Former No. 1 American Isner has 16 career titles, including victories at the Atlanta Open in 2013, 2014, 2015, 2017, 2018, and 2021 (his six Atlanta titles are a tournament record). Invited to play as a wild card, he recently ended a run of 14-straight seasons in the top-50 from 2009-22.

France’s Gael Monfils, who has 11 ATP titles in his career, has received a wild card invitation. Reaching a career-high world ranking of No. 6 in 2016, Monfils has 525 career victories, highlighted by biggest wins over No. 1 Rafael Nadal at 2009 Doha and No. 1 Daniil Medvedev at 2022 Indian Wells, as well as career-long win streaks of 12 matches and 25 sets in 2020.

Georgia Tech’s Andres Martin has also been extended an Atlanta Open wild card invitation. The Yellowjacket also appeared in last year’s Atlanta Open as a wild card, defeating Thanasi Kokkinakis on College Night to earn his first career ATP win.

Other top-50 players in the Atlanta Open field include No. 26 Alexander Bublik, No. 27 Yoshihito Nishioka, No. 30 Daniel Evans, No. 38 Ugo Humbert, No. 43 Adrian Mannarino, and No. 46 J.J. Wolf.

“We’re thrilled to bring another strong field of players to the Atlanta Open,” said Peter Lebedevs, Atlanta Open tournament director. “American tennis continues its resurgence, and having seven Americans from the top-100 rankings scheduled to play in the Atlanta Open field is so exciting. Atlanta is a great tennis city and we can’t wait for the tournament next month.”

### **Atlanta Open Direct Acceptances (with current world ranking)**

- Borges, Nuno POR 68
- Bublik, Alexander KAZ 26

- Cressy, Maxime USA 55
- de Minaur, Alex AUS 16
- Evans, Daniel GBR 30
- Fritz, Taylor USA 9
- Giron, Marcos USA 63
- Humbert, Ugo FRA 38
- Lestienne, Constant FRA 73
- Mannarino, Adrian FRA 43
- McDonald, Mackenzie USA 64
- Nakashima, Brandon USA 51
- Nishioka, Yoshihito JPN 27
- Nishikori, Kei JPN 48
- Mannarino, Adrian FRA 43
- Purcell, Max AUS 62
- Shelton, Ben USA 35
- Thompson, Jordan AUS 71
- Wolf, J.J. USA 46
- Wu, Yibing CHN 59

### **Tickets**

Premium seating, individual session, and weeklong tickets that include the women's Sunday Showdown delivered by UPS featuring Coco Gauff and Laylah Fernandez are on sale now and available at [atlantaopentennis.com](https://atlantaopentennis.com). Children 12-and-younger get in free to qualifying matches on Saturday, July 22, and Sunday morning, July 23 (this does not include the Sunday Showdown on the evening of July 23).

### **Media Credentials**

The credential application to cover the 2023 Atlanta Open is now open. All working media covering the ATP tournament are required to have a credential with a photo. Please submit application with headshot in advance of the tournament.

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The Atlanta Open is held each year in July at Atlantic Station and is one of the summer tournaments in the US Open Series. The tournament features men's top world tennis players in singles and doubles competition. Approximately 40,000 fans attend the tournament and bring an estimated economic impact of \$10.3 million to Atlanta. Alex de Minaur is the defending champion from 2022. John Isner has won the Atlanta Open six times (2021, 2018, 2017, 2015, 2014 and 2013). Andy Roddick won his last ATP World Tour title when he defeated Gilles Muller at the 2012 BB&T Atlanta Open. Mardy Fish holds the title for 2011 and 2010. More information at [www.atlantaopentennis.com](https://www.atlantaopentennis.com).

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