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# Nadal seeks “La Decima”

Rafael Nadal has struggled to find his imperious best after an injury-plagued 2014, and as the clay court master returns to his beloved Roland Garros his recent rankings decline means he faces one of his toughest battles on the red dirt if he is to claim an astonishing 10th title

## DECADE OF DOMINANCE Final wins

2005	Mariano Puerta ARG	6-7, 6-3, 6-1, 7-5
2006	Roger Federer SUI	1-6, 6-1, 6-4, 7-6
2007	Roger Federer	6-3, 4-6, 6-3, 6-4
2008	Roger Federer	6-1, 6-3, 6-0
2009	Robin Soderling SWE	Lost in R4
2010	Robin Soderling	6-4, 6-2, 6-4
2011	Roger Federer	7-5, 7-6, 5-7, 6-1
2012	Novak Djokovic SRB	6-4, 6-3, 2-6, 7-5
2013	David Ferrer ESP	6-3, 6-2, 6-3
2014	Novak Djokovic	3-6, 7-5, 6-2, 6-4

**CLAY COMFORTS:** Majority of Nadal’s 65 titles won on clay, with superb win ratio of 92% and at least one clay title each year since 2004

### Roland Garros



**FRUSTRATING FORM:** Nadal has lost five matches on favourite surface so far this year – most in single season since 2003

Feb 21	Rio de Janeiro, Brazil
SF	lost to Fabio Fognini
Mar 1	Buenos Aires, Argentina
W	beat Juan Monaco
Apr 18	Monte-Carlo, Monaco
SF	lost to Novak Djokovic
Apr 23	Barcelona, Spain
R3	lost to Fabio Fognini
May 10	Madrid, Spain
F	lost to Andy Murray
May 15	Rome, Italy
QF	lost to Stan Wawrinka