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# Australian Open 2022: Men's preview

The first Grand Slam of the season gets underway, as attention switches from legal court battles to more familiar action on the tennis court

## PLAYERS TO WATCH

### Daniil Medvedev

Runner-up here to **Djokovic** in 2021, then beat him to secure maiden major at U.S. Open

### Alexander Zverev

Stellar 2021 season with six titles including Olympic gold medal and ATP Finals crown

### Stefanos Tsitsipas

Pushing for Grand Slam glory after first Masters 1000 title at Monte-Carlo last year

### Rafael Nadal

Back after injury with victory at Melbourne warm-up event. Sole Australian Open title in 2009

PLAYER RECORD	Medvedev	Zverev	Tsitsipas	Nadal
2021 win-loss	63-13	59-15	55-19	24-5
2021 titles	4	6	2	2
Career titles (total)	13	19	7	89
Grand Slams	1	0	0	20

**PERENNIAL RIVALS:** With **Novak Djokovic** expelled due to visa cancellation and **Roger Federer** injured, Nadal can eclipse both with his 21st major title

