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Roland Garros 2022: Men's preview

A Spanish sensation is dominating headlines on the eve of Roland Garros – and it is not clay court king **Rafael Nadal**. The meteoric rise of **Carlos Alcaraz** makes him one to watch

PLAYERS TO WATCH

Novak Djokovic

Two-time winner returns to Grand Slam action after missing Australian Open over visa row

Daniil Medvedev

Quarter-finalist in 2021 but lack of clay court practice could cause problems in early rounds

Rafael Nadal

Targeting 14th Paris crown but chronic foot pain could affect tilt at 22nd major

Carlos Alcaraz

Enjoying stellar breakthrough season, including Masters titles in Miami and Madrid

PLAYER RECORD	Djokovic	Medvedev	Nadal	Alcaraz
2022 win-loss	12-4	16-5	23-3	28-3
2022 titles	1	0	3	4
Career titles (total)	87	13	91	5
Career titles (clay)	18	0	62	4
Grand Slams	20	1	21	0

ELITE RIVALS: After surprise defeat to Alcaraz in Madrid semi-final, **Djokovic** became only fifth man to notch up 1,000 ATP Tour wins en route to victory in Rome – his first trophy of 2022

Most ATP Tour wins (Open Era)

Jimmy Connors	USA	1972-96	1,274
Roger Federer	SUI	1998-	1,251
Ivan Lendl	CZE	1978-94	1,068
Rafael Nadal	ESP	2001-	1,051
Novak Djokovic	SRB	2003-	1,001

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