



SEED	SINGLES	RANK	NAT	SET-1	SET-2	SET-3
	CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	94	AUS	6	3	6
[WC]	FERNANDO VERDASCO	154	ESP	1	6	0

MATCH TIME 1:42

SET 1		
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	1-0
FERNANDO VERDASCO	HOLD	1-1
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	2-1
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	BREAK	3-1
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	4-1
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	BREAK	5-1
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	6-1

SET 2		
FERNANDO VERDASCO	HOLD	0-1
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	1-1
FERNANDO VERDASCO	HOLD	1-2
FERNANDO VERDASCO	BREAK	1-3
FERNANDO VERDASCO	HOLD	1-4
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	2-4
FERNANDO VERDASCO	HOLD	2-5
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	3-5
FERNANDO VERDASCO	HOLD	3-6

SET 3		
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	1-0
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	BREAK	2-0
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	3-0
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	BREAK	4-0
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	HOLD	5-0
CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	BREAK	6-0

#### HEAD TO HEAD

YEAR	RNK	WINNING PLAYER	RNK	LOSING PLAYER	ROUND	EVENT	CATEGORY	RESULT
2023	94	CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	154	FERNANDO VERDASCO	R1	DOHA	ATP-250	6-1 3-6 6-0

THIS IS THE FIRST MEETING BETWEEN THESE TWO PLAYERS.

#### CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL -94- (AUS)

2023 QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
ROUND 2		TBD			TBD
ROUND 1	[WC]	FERNANDO VERDASCO	154	ESP	6-1 3-6 6-0   1:42
DIRECT ENTRY					

#### [WC] FERNANDO VERDASCO -154- (ESP)

2023 QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
ROUND 1		CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL	94	AUS	1-6 6-3 0-6   1:42
DIRECT ENTRY					

## PLAYER BIOGRAPHY

FIVE YEARS AGO - FRUSTRATED WITH INJURIES - HE STEPPED AWAY FROM THE SPORT, AND SPENT A YEAR CLEANING BOATS IN A SMALL BAY IN SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA. WHEN HE RETURNED (UNRANKED) - A YEAR LATER - HE IMMEDIATELY LAUNCHED UP THE RANKINGS, CAPTURING 2 TITLES IN 10 WORLD TENNIS TOUR FINALS - BEFORE STEPPING UP TO THE CHALLENGER TOUR, WHERE HE EARNED 2-MORE TITLES IN 4 CHALLENGER FINALS. THEN, AT THE 2022 AUSTRALIAN OPEN, HE EARNED THE BIGGEST WIN OF HIS CAREER - UPSETTING WORLD #13 DIEGO SCHWARTZMAN TO REACH THE 3RD-ROUND OF A MAJOR FOR THE FIRST TIME. BACK IN DOHA, COMPETING IN HIS 3RD QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN - FROM AUSTRALIA, PLEASE WELCOME CHRISTOPHER O'CONNELL.

CURRENT RANK	CAREER-HIGH	DETAIL
94	78	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Nov-2022   After capturing 4th ATP Challenger Tour Singles title (Yokohama)</li> <li></li> <li></li> </ul>

## QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN

## BEST RESULTS

## SINGLES RESULTS: 1-2

YEAR	RANK	RESULT	DETAIL
2023	94	R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
2022	148	R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qualified   Fell to Alex Molcan (73) 76(4) 67(6) 46</li> </ul>
2021	122	R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qualified   Fell to Vasek Pospisil 36 46</li> </ul>

## 2023 SEASON

## SINGLES RESULTS: 1-3

EVENT	RESULT	DETAIL
DOHA	R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
MANAMA (CH)	R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fell to Jan-Lennard Struff (156) 16 67(1)</li> </ul>
AUSTRALIAN OPEN	R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fell to Jensen Brooksby (39) 63 26 36 26</li> </ul>
ADELAIDE2-250	R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Qualified (Wins over Rinky Hijikata and John Millman)   Fell to Tommy Paul (35) 46 57</li> </ul>
ADELAIDE1-250	R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Fell to Miomir Kecmanovic (29) 46 46</li> </ul>

## GRAND SLAM

## \* BEST RESULTS

## SINGLES RESULTS: 4-10

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	DETAILS
2023	R1				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
2022	R3	R1		R1	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AO: [WC] Upset World #13 Diego Schwartzman R2</li> </ul>
2021	R2	R1	R1	Q2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
2020	R1	Q1	Not Held	R2	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>US: First main draw GS win: Laslo Djere (4-sets)</li> </ul>
2019					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
2018					<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li></li> </ul>
2017	R1				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>AO: Wild Card, World #231 (Fell to Dimitrov)</li> </ul>

## ATP TOUR

## \* BREAKTHROUGH SEASON IN 2019, AFTER STEPPING AWAY FROM SPORT IN 2018

## SINGLES RECORD: 12-28

TITLES: 0      FINALS: 0      4 ATP CHALLENGER TOUR TITLES, 9 FUTURES TITLES

## TEAM EVENTS

EVENT	DETAIL
OLYMPICS	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>
DAVIS CUP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>
UNITED CUP	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>N/A</li> </ul>

## NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS / ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR	DETAIL
2018	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>In 2018, stopped playing tennis to clean boats with his brother</li> </ul>
2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Comeback, breakthrough season - 2-titles, 10 Finals on World Tennis Tour, then captured first 2 Challenger titles in 4 Challenger Finals</li> </ul>
🏆	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wins over Top-10 opponents: (0) -- Big win over Schwartzman at the 2022 Australian Open to reach R3 at a Major for the first time</li> </ul>

## PLAYER BIOGRAPHY

AT 39-YEARS-OLD, OVER THE PAST 21-YEARS THIS 3-TIME DAVIS CUP CHAMPION HAS AMASSED 7 ATP SINGLES TITLES, 8 DOUBLES TITLES, WON THE YEAR-END ATP FINALS DOUBLES CHAMPIONSHIP, AND HAS BEEN RANKED AS HIGH AS WORLD #7. A SEMIFINALIST AT THE 2009 AUSTRALIAN OPEN, HE'S A 23-TIME FINALIST ON TOUR - AND OWNS 17 CAREER VICTORIES OVER TOP-5 OPPONENTS - INCLUDING NOVAK DJOKOVIC, ANDY MURRAY AND RAFAEL NADAL. A FAN FAVORITE HERE IN DOHA - WITH A HOME AT THE PEARL - HE REACHED THE SEMIFINALS ON THIS COURT 6-YEARS-AGO, AND IS A 2-TIME DOHA DOUBLES SEMIFINALIST. EXCITED TO SEE HIM BACK ON CENTER COURT IN DOHA -FROM SPAIN – PLEASE WELCOME, FERNANDO VERDASCO.

CURRENT RANK	CAREER-HIGH	DETAIL
154	7	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Apr-2009   Reached his first Grand Slam Semifinal earlier that year at the Australian Open</li> <li></li> <li></li> </ul>

**QATAR EXXONMOBIL OPEN**    **2017 SEMIFINALIST** | **MADE DEBUT 18-YEARS-AGO** | **HOME AT THE PEARL**    **SINGLES RESULTS: 11-9**

YEAR	RANK	RESULT	DETAIL
2023	154	R1	
2020	49	QF	Fell to Corentin Moutet - rain-soaked week - Moutet went-on to beat Wawrinka on same day to reach the Final
2019	28	R2	
2018	35	R2	
2017	42	SF	Squandered 5 MP's vs Djokovic in set-2 TB   ** Doubles Semifinalist
2016	49	R2	
2015	33	R2	
2013	30	R2	
2005	36	R2	

## 2023 SEASON

SINGLES RESULTS: 0-3

EVENT	RESULT	DETAIL
DOHA	R1	Fernando hasn't won a main draw match on Tour since Sofia back in September
DELRAY BEACH-250	R1	Fell to Radu Albot (113) 67(3) 67(1)
DALLAS-250	R1	Qualified - Fell to MacKenzie McDonald (59) 36 06
AUSTRALIAN OPEN	QR2	Fell in 2nd-Round of Qualifying   Junchen Shang (194) 36 62 46

**GRAND SLAM**    \* **2009 AUSTRALIAN OPEN SEMIFINALIST** | **2017 ROLAND GARROS DOUBLES SEMIFINALIST**    **SINGLES RESULTS: 113-71**

YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	DETAILS
• Since reaching R3 of 2020 Australian Open, has not won a main draw match at a Major					
2013			QF		
2012					
2011					
2010				QF	
2009	SF			QF	AO: Upset Murray, Tsonga - fell to Nadal

**ATP TOUR**    \* **7 ATP SINGLES TITLES** | **8 DOUBLES TITLES** | **2013 ATP FINALS DOUBLES CHAMPION**    **SINGLES RECORD: 559-445**

**TITLES: 7**    **FINALS: 23**    **OWNS 7 ATP SINGLES TITLES** | **MASTERS-1000 FINALIST IN MONTE CARLO (2010)**

## TEAM EVENTS

EVENT	DETAIL
OLYMPICS	2012-London   Fell in Round-1
DAVIS CUP	3-time Davis Cup Champion (2008, 2009, 2011)
UNITED CUP	N/A

## NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS / ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS

YEAR	DETAIL
2022	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Banned 2-months: Tested positive for prohibited drug methylphenidate (forgot to renew his Therapeutic Use Exemption)</li> <li>Wins over Top-10 opponents: (28)   Most recent: Upset World #4 Dominic Thiem in Rome-1000 (2019)</li> </ul>