



QUARTERFINALS

DOHA, QATAR

DAY-4 MATCH-3 GLASS COURT

SEED	PLAYERS	RANK	NAT		G1	G2	G3		
[1]	ALI FARAG	1	EGY	3	14	11	11	-	-
	NICOLAS MUELLER	24	SUI	0	12	5	6	-	-

MATCH TIME 0:34

[1] ALI FARAG -01- (EGY)

2024 Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC

BACK IN DOHA AS THE DEFENDING CHAMPION - LAST YEAR, WITH HIS TRIUMPH OVER THE PERUVIAN PUMA - HE BECAME ONE OF ONLY TWO MEN IN TOURNAMENT HISTORY TO CAPTURE THE Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC TITLE 3-TIMES. REMARKABLY, HE HAS NOW SPENT OVER 4-YEARS COMBINED AS THE SPORT'S TOP-RANKED TALENT - AND IN JUST 7-YEARS, HAS AMASSED 17 PLATINUM TITLES IN 31 FINALS. FROM EGYPT - DOHA, WELCOME BACK 4-TIME WORLD CHAMPION, THE REIGNING SQUASH-TOUR-FINALS CHAMPION, AND #1 PLAYER IN THE WORLD, ALI FARAG.

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
FINAL					
SEMIFINALS	[4]	DIEGO ELIAS	4	PER	NEXT
QUARTERFINALS		NICOLAS MUELLER	24	SUI	14-12 11-5 11-6 0:34
LAST 16		YOUSSEF SOLIMAN	11	EGY	6-11 11-4 11-8 11-4 0:55
ROUND I		YOUSSEF IBRAHIM	15	EGY	11-7 11-5 11-7 0:40

NICOLAS MUELLER -24- (SUI)

2024 Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC

BACK IN DOHA FOR HIS 13TH Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC - IN 2011, AT JUST 22-YEARS-OLD - HE UPSET 4-TIME WORLD CHAMPION AND WORLD #5 AMR SHABANA ON THIS COURT, THEN PLAYED-ON TO REACH HIS FIRST CAREER PLATINUM QUARTERFINAL. ON TUESDAY - HE ROLLED BACK THE CLOCK - EARNING ANOTHER TOP-5 DOHA TRIUMPH, UPSETTING WORLD #5 MEZAN HESHAM TO REACH HIS 5TH CAREER PLATINUM QUARTERFINAL. RANKED AS HIGH AS WORLD #13, HE OWNS 12 PSA CHALLENGER TITLES - AND TO THIS DAY, REMAINS THE HIGHEST-RANKED SWISS TALENT IN SQUASH HISTORY. FROM SWITZERLAND, WELCOME BACK - THE SWISS ROCKET - NICOLAS MUELLER.

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
QUARTERFINALS	[1]	ALI FARAG	1	EGY	12-14 5-11 6-11 0:34
LAST 16	[5]	MAZEN HESHAM	5	EGY	12-10 7-11 11-7 11-6 0:47
ROUND I		IKER PAJARES	26	ESP	15-17 11-4 11-4 6-11 11-7 1:21

HEAD TO HEAD

THIS IS THE 11TH MEETING BETWEEN THESE TWO TALENTS. ALI FARAG HAS WON 9 OF THEIR PREVIOUS BATTLES - INCLUDING THEIR MOST RECENT, LAST MONTH, AT THE PSA'S "DIAMOND DEBUT" EGYPTIAN OPEN.