



SEMIFINALS

DOHA, QATAR

DAY-5 MATCH-2 GLASS COURT

SEED	PLAYERS	RANK	NAT		G1	G2	G3		
[4]	DIEGO ELIAS	4	PER	3	11	11	11	-	-
[1]	ALI FARAG	1	EGY	0	7	3	6	-	-

MATCH TIME 0:40

[4] DIEGO ELIAS -04- (PER)

2024 Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC

IN 2021 - HE CAPTURED HIS VERY FIRST PSA PLATINUM TITLE RIGHT HERE IN DOHA, DEFEATING SUPERMAN PAUL COLL IN AN 83-MINUTE, BREATHTAKING FINAL - BECOMING THE FIRST PERUVIAN TALENT IN HISTORY TO LIFT ONE OF THE SPORT'S MAJOR TROPHIES. TODAY, JUST 3 YEARS LATER, HE'S NOW A 3-TIME PLATINUM CHAMPION, HAS BEEN RANKED AS HIGH AS WORLD #1 - AND THIS AFTERNOON, RETURNS TO DOHA'S GLASS COURT AS THE REIGNING WORLD CHAMPION. BATTLING FOR A SPOT IN HIS 9TH CAREER PLATINUM FINAL - PLEASE WELCOME 2-TIME DOHA FINALIST, AND 2021 CHAMPION - "THE PERUVIAN PUMA," DIEGO ELIAS.

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
FINAL	[3]	MOSTAFA ASAL	2	EGY	NEXT
SEMIFINALS	[1]	ALI FARAG	1	EGY	11-7 11-3 11-6 0:40
QUARTERFINALS	[7]	TAREK MOMEN	7	EGY	11-6 9-11 11-4 11-4 0:54
LAST 16		RAPHAEL KANDRA	29	GER	11-3 11-5 11-2 0:25
ROUND I		LEONEL CARDENAS	21	MEX	11-3 11-8 11-7 0:42

[1] ALI FARAG -01- (EGY)

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THE DEFENDING DOHA CHAMPION - LAST YEAR, 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, HAS AMASSED 17 PLATINUM TITLES - AND AS THE REIGNING PSA SQUASH TOUR FINALS CHAMPION, HAS CAPTURED NEARLY EVERY MAJOR TITLE THE SPORT HAS TO OFFER. FROM EGYPT - PLEASE WELCOME 4-TIME WORLD CHAMPION, DEFENDING DOHA CHAMPION, AND THE #1 PLAYER IN THE WORLD - "THE RAPTOR," ALI FARAG.

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
SEMIFINALS	[4]	DIEGO ELIAS	4	PER	7-11 3-11 6-11 0:40
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

HEAD TO HEAD

THE SEASON'S ONLY A MONTH OLD - AND FOR THE 3RD TIME, THESE TWO TOP-SHELF TALENTS ARE FACING-OFF IN THE SEMIFINALS OF A MAJOR. TONIGHT, MARKS THEIR 29TH MEETING OVERALL. ALI FARAG HAS WON 24 OF THOSE MATCHES - INCLUDING TRIUMPHS HERE IN THE 2020 QUARTERFINALS, AND LAST YEAR'S CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH. BOTH BATTLES LASTED 69-MINUTES - SO GRAB A SNACK AND STRAP-IN - ANOTHER NAIL-BITING THRILLER AWAITS.