



# LAST 16

## DOHA, QATAR

DAY-2 MATCH-6 GLASS COURT

SEED	PLAYERS	RANK	NAT		G1	G2	G3	
[1]	MOSTAFA ASAL	1	EGY	3	11	11	11	
	GREGOIRE MARCHE	20	FRA	0	5	8	3	

MATCH TIME: (36m)

#### [1] MOSTAFA ASAL -O1- (EGY)

#### 2025 Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC

BACK IN DOHA AS THE SPORT'S TOP-RANKED TALENT - AND UNDEFEATED ON THE NEW SEASON - HE IS THE REIGNING WORLD CHAMPION - AND JUST 10 DAYS BACK, DEFENDED HIS DIAMOND TITLE AT THE EGYPTIAN OPEN. THE YOUNGEST WORLD #1 SINCE THE KHAN DYNASTY OF THE 80'S AND 90'S - LAST SEASON, HE WAS TRULY "A RAGING BULL" - CAPTURING 8 TITLES IN 12 FINALS ... AND LIFTING THE WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP TROPHY FOR THE FIRST TIME. REMARKABLY, AT JUST 24-YEARS-OLD, HE IS NOW A 13-TIME MAJOR CHAMPION IN 20 CAREER MAJOR FINALS. FROM EGYPT - GIVE IT UP FOR THE #1 PLAYER IN THE WORLD ... MOSTAFA ASAL.

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
FINAL					
SEMIFINALS					
QUARTERFINALS	[7]	YOUSSEF SOLIMAN	8	EGY	NEXT
LAST 16		GREGOIRE MARCHE	20	FRA	11-5 11-8 11-5   (36m)
ROUND I		RAMIT TANDON	36	IND	11-4 11-7 11-4   (35m)

#### GREGOIRE MARCHE -20- (FRA)

#### 2025 Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC

COMPETING IN HIS 10TH Q-TERMINALS QATAR CLASSIC ... IN 2016, HE REACHED HIS FIRST PLATINUM QUARTERFINAL ON THIS COURT ... WHERE HE PUSHED LEGEND NICK MATTHEW TO 5-GAMES IN AN 85-MINUTE, HIGHLIGHT-PACKED THRILLER. THIS AFTERNOON - 9-YEARS-LATER - HE RETURNS TO CENTER STAGE IN DOHA - IN PURSUIT OF HIS FOURTH PLATINUM QUARTERFINAL. RANKED AS HIGH AS WORLD #11 - HE'S A 2-TIME WORLD GAMES SILVER MEDALIST - A 4-TIME FRENCH NATIONALS CHAMPION - OWNS 9 PSA SQUASH TOUR TITLES - AND IS THROUGH TO THE LAST 16 FOLLOWING YESTERDAY'S 3-GAME TRIUMPH OVER BAPTISTE MASOTTI. DOHA, WELCOME BACK ... THE FRENCH ACROBAT, GREGOIRE MARCHE.

ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
FINAL					
SEMIFINALS					
QUARTERFINALS					
LAST 16	[1]	MOSTAFA ASAL	1	EGY	5-11 8-11 5-11   (36m)
ROUND I		BAPTISTE MASOTTI	17	FRA	11-5 11-8 11-7   (35m)

### **HEAD TO HEAD**

THIS IS THE FOURTH MEETING BETWEEN THESE TWO TALENTS. MOSTAFA ASAL REMAINS UNDEFEATED. TWO SEASONS BACK - THEY FOUGHT A NAIL-BITER IN THE LAST-16 OF EL GOUNA ... WHERE DOWN 2-1 ... MOSTAFA ASAL BATTLED BACK TO WIN IN JUST UNDER AN HOUR.