

## French Open - Overview

Very good start to this event by the top seeds. In fact, of the top eight players only Gilles Simon (No.7) dropped a set in R1 - the Frenchman just squeezing past Wayne Odesnik 6-3 in the fifth set - and in the opening round as a whole, of the top 16 players, only James Blake (No.15) perished as the American was found wanting by the young Argentine, Leonardo Mayer.

Good wins came for Lleyton Hewitt as the Aussie staged a great fightback to defeat Ivo Karlovic from two sets down, Juan Carlos Ferrero also edged a five-setter against Ivan Ljubicic and Simone Bolelli defeated the Czech player, Tomas Berdych, in another match which went the distance.

By and large there weren't too many surprises but wins for Maximo Gonzalez over Mardy Fish, Arnaud Clement against Dmitry Tursunov and the loss of Rainer Schuettler to Marc Gicquel could all be classed as upsets of a sort.

The matches started to become more competitive in R2. There were decent workouts for Roger Federer (No.2) against Jose Acasuso as well as Andy Murray (No.3) against Potito Starace with both seeds taken to four sets by their respective opponents. Nikolay Davydenko and Jo-Wilfried Tsonga also dropped sets whilst David Ferrer, Tommy Haas and Marat Safin all went the distance - Safin eventually losing out to the French wild-card entrant, Josselin Ouanna, 10-8 in the deciding set.

However, Rafael Nadal (No.1) had little trouble with Teimuraz Gabashvili, losing only seven games, and Novak Djokovic (No.4) was also an easy winner over Sergiy Stakhovsky - Nadal's win was the Spaniard's 30th straight victory at Roland Garros, a new record. There were also back-to-back straight sets wins for Del Potro (No.5), Roddick (No.6) and Verdasco (No.8).

Moving into R3 and we had our first major shock as Philipp Kohlschreiber took out Novak Djokovic in straight sets - *'I think I played one of the best matches ever in a big tournament'* said the German afterwards.

Slightly less surprising, but still minor shocks in their own right, were the wins of Robin Soderling over David Ferrer, Marin Cilic over Radek Stepanek and Victor Hanescu who knocked out a lacklustre Gilles Simon.

Meanwhile Nadal demolished Hewitt in a 1'51" masterclass, Federer took time to warm up but eventually defeated Paul-Henri Mathieu with something to spare and Andy Murray was gifted passage into the next round when his opponent, Janko Tipsarevic, was forced to retire with a hip injury. All three looked in good shape for the second week.

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Notable other players through to the last 16 included Andy Roddick, Fernando Verdasco and Juan Martin Del Potro.

Of course the biggest shock of the tournament, the biggest shock in years at the French Open, came in R4 as Robin Soderling defeated the four-time defending champion and No.1 seed, Rafael Nadal, in four sets. More bizarre still as Nadal had defeated Soderling 6-1 6-0 just a couple of weeks previously in Rome. It was a shock of seismic proportions, no fluke on the day, but Nadal was generous after the match - *'You need a defeat to give value to your victories'* he said - but it ended a record run of 31 straight wins in Paris.

By comparison, Roger Federer's comeback win against Tommy Haas, from two sets down, was barely noticed! Along with the Nadal-Soderling game it was the match of the tournament so far.

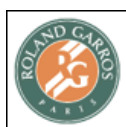
Other surprises came as Gael Monfils downed Roddick, Davydenko took out Verdasco and Tommy Robredo defeated Philipp Kohlschreiber but there were also good wins for Andy Murray and Juan Martin Del Potro.

Soderling showed no let-up in his form in the QF's as he trounced the Russian, Davydenko, for the loss of just five games, Juan Martin Del Potro and Roger Federer were equally impressive as well in booking their Sf places. The one surprise of the round was the defeat of Andy Murray by Fernando Gonzalez. The Chilean, a good clay-courter, proved too strong on the day winning, ultimately, with a little bit in hand.

A good SF and a great one. First up, Federer's 3'29" battle with Del Potro saw the Argentine begin well before the No.2 gradually asserted as the match wore on. Never easy for the swiss player but his class told in the end.

The other match was a classic. One minute shorter at 3'28", Soderling led by two sets to love, saw Gonzalez level the match at 2-2 and then move into a 4-1 in the decider ... only for Soderling to find the energy and mental resolve to win the last five games and clinch a spot in the final. Amazing!

Federer led Soderling 9:0 on past meetings and the Swiss player was expected to breeze the final and equal the Pete Sampras record of 14 Grand Slam titles. And he did. Federer started strongly and never looked like losing from there on. His win saw him become only the sixth player to win all of the Slams (the last being Andre Agassi) as he moved to 59:22 in career finals. Soderling played some of his best tennis over the fortnight but had no answer to the Swiss player on the day. He drops to 3:7 in championship matches.



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### First Quarter

### Second Quarter

<b>R128 Rafael Nadal [1]</b>	7 6 6	<b>R128 Andy Murray [3]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128</b> Q-Marcos Daniel	5 4 3	<b>R128</b> Juan Ignacio Chela	2 2 1
<b>R128</b> Igor Kunitsyn	7 6 3 1	<b>R128</b> Mischa Zverev	retd. 7 5 0
<b>R128</b> Teimuraz Gabashvili	6 7 6 6	<b>R128</b> Potito Starace	6 7 1
<b>R128</b> Denis Gremelmayr	3 3 2	<b>R128</b> Janko Tipsarevic	3 7 7 6
<b>R128</b> Andrey Golubev	6 6 6	<b>R128</b> Albert Montanes	6 6 6 4
<b>R128</b> Lleyton Hewitt	6 6 7 6 6	<b>R128</b> Q-Franco Ferreiro	7 6 6 5 2
<b>R128 Ivo Karlovic [26]</b>	7 7 6 4 3	<b>R128 Feliciano Lopez [28]</b>	6 4 7 7 6
<b>R128 Robin Soderling [23]</b>	7 7 6	<b>R128 Radek Stepanek [18]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128</b> Kevin Kim	6 6 2	<b>R128</b> wc-Gaston Gaudio	3 4 1
<b>R128</b> Denis Istomin	6 6 6 7	<b>R128</b> Yen-Hsun Lu	retd. 2
<b>R128</b> Q-Santiago Giraldo	3 7 3 6	<b>R128</b> LL-Mathieu Montcourt	6
<b>R128</b> Q-Ilia Bozoljac	6 6 5 4	<b>R128</b> Dudi Sela	6 6 4 6
<b>R128</b> Nicolas Kiefer	7 3 7 6	<b>R128</b> Q-Jena-Rene Lisnard	4 3 6 3
<b>R128</b> Frederico Gil	2 4 4	<b>R128</b> Jan Hernych	0 4 3
<b>R128 David Ferrer [14]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Marin Cilic [13]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Nikolay Davydenko [10]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Fernando Gonzalez [12]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128</b> Stefan Koubek	2 1 4	<b>R128</b> Q-Jiri Vanek	3 2 3
<b>R128</b> Diego Junqueira	3 7 6 6	<b>R128</b> Q-Rui Machado	6 6 4 2 6
<b>R128</b> Paul Capdeville	6 5 1 3	<b>R128</b> Kristof Vliegen	2 4 6 6 3
<b>R128</b> Nicolas Massu	6 6 1 2 6	<b>R128</b> Marcel Granollers	5 6 6 6 1
<b>R128</b> Daniel Koellerer	3 4 6 6 3	<b>R128</b> wc-Josselin Ouanna	7 2 3 7 6
<b>R128</b> Nicolas Devilder	3 7 6 4 4	<b>R128</b> wc-Alexandre Sidorenko	4 4 4
<b>R128 Stanislas Wawrinka [17]</b>	6 5 2 6 6	<b>R128 Marat Safin [20]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Nicolas Almagro [31]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Victor Hanescu [30]</b>	7 7 7
<b>R128</b> Agustin Calleri	4 1 3	<b>R128</b> Steve Darcis	6 6 6
<b>R128</b> Ernests Gulbis	7 6 3 6	<b>R128</b> Mikhail Youzhny	7 6 6
<b>R128</b> Sam Querrey	6 1 6 1	<b>R128</b> Gilles Muller	6 1 4
<b>R128</b> Q-Peter Polansky	7 2 6 6 3	<b>R128</b> Q-Daniel Barnds	7 5 6 6 3
<b>R128</b> Philipp Petzschner	5 6 7 4 6	<b>R128</b> Robert Kendrick	6 7 7 4 6
<b>R128</b> Florent Serra	2 1 4	<b>R128</b> Wayne Odesnik	6 5 2 6 3
<b>R128 Fernando Verdasco [8]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Gilles Simon [7]</b>	3 7 6 4 6

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<b>R128 Juan Martin Del Potro [5]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Andy Roddick [6]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Michael Llodra</b>	3 3 1	<b>R128 wc-Romain Jouan</b>	2 4 2
<b>R128 Viktor Troicki</b>	3 6 6 6 6	<b>R128 Oscar Hernandez</b>	3 6 3
<b>R128 q-Lukasz Kubot</b>	6 3 4 7 3	<b>R128 Ivo Minar</b>	6 7 6
<b>R128 Thomaz Bellucci</b> retd.	4 7 5	<b>R128 Ivan Navarro</b>	6 4 1
<b>R128 Martin Vassallo Arguello</b>	6 6 5	<b>R128 Andreas Beck</b>	7 6 6
<b>R128 q-Fabio Fognini</b>	6 3 1 6 5	<b>R128 Marc Gicquel</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Igor Andrejev [25]</b>	1 6 6 3 7	<b>R128 Rainer Schuettler [27]</b>	0 0 4
<b>R128 Dmitry Tursunov [21]</b>	3 6 4 1	<b>R128 Jurgen Melzer [24]</b>	6 7 6
<b>R128 Arnaud Clement</b>	6 6 3 6	<b>R128 Sergio Roitman</b>	4 6 0
<b>R128 Fabrice Santoro</b>	3 1 6 4	<b>R128 wc-Guillaume Rufin</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Christophe Rochus</b>	6 6 3 6	<b>R128 Eduardo Schwank</b>	1 3 3
<b>R128 Marcos Baghdatis</b>	3 2 4	<b>R128 q-Victor Crivoi</b>	6 7 6
<b>R128 Juan Monaco</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 q-Simon Greul</b>	1 6 2
<b>R128 Julien Benneteau</b>	4 6 3 4	<b>R128 Bobby Reynolds</b>	2 3 1
<b>R128 Jo-Wilfried Tsonga [9]</b>	6 3 6 6	<b>R128 Gael Monfils [11]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Tommy Robredo [16]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 James Blake [15]</b>	6 5 2
<b>R128 wc-Adrian Mannarino</b>	2 1 2	<b>R128 q-Leonardo Mayer</b>	7 7 6
<b>R128 Evgeny Korolev</b> retd.	4	<b>R128 Andrei Pavel</b>	1 4 4
<b>R128 Daniel Gimeno-Traver</b>	6	<b>R128 Tommy Haas</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 Guillermo Garcia-Lopez</b>	3 3 1	<b>R128 LL-Thiago Alves</b>	2 6 3
<b>R128 Andreas Seppi</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Jeremy Chardy</b>	6 7 6
<b>R128 Maximo Gonzalez</b>	6 1 6 7	<b>R128 Simone Bolelli</b>	6 6 5 4 6
<b>R128 Mardy Fish [22]</b>	3 6 4 6	<b>R128 Tomas Berdych [19]</b>	4 4 7 6 3
<b>R128 Philip Kohlschreiber [29]</b>	6 6 6	<b>R128 Paul-Henri Mathieu [32]</b>	6 6 6
<b>R128 wc-Bernard Tomic</b>	1 2 2	<b>R128 wc-Laurent Recouderc</b>	4 4 1
<b>R128 Juan Carlos Ferrero</b>	2 6 6 3 6	<b>R128 Robby Ginepri</b>	4 6 6
<b>R128 Ivan Ljubicic</b>	6 4 4 6 3	<b>R128 Pablo Andujar</b>	6 7 7
<b>R128 Brian Dabul</b>	6 5 6 3	<b>R128 Jose Acasuso</b>	3 7 6 6
<b>R128 q-Sergiy Stakhovsky</b>	4 7 7 6	<b>R128 q-Santiago Ventura</b>	6 6 0 3
<b>R128 Nicolas Lapentti</b> retd.	3 1	<b>R128 Alberto Martin</b>	4 3 2
<b>R128 Novak Djokovic [4]</b>	6 3	<b>R128 Roger Federer [2]</b>	6 6 6



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<b>R64</b>	Rafael Nadal	666	<b>R64</b>	Juan Martin Del Potro	676
<b>R64</b>	Teimuraz Gabashvili	142	<b>R64</b>	Viktor Troicki	350
<b>R64</b>	Andrey Golubev	431	<b>R64</b>	Martin Vassallo Arguello	65734
<b>R64</b>	Lleyton Hewitt	666	<b>R64</b>	Igor Andreev	17566
<b>R64</b>	Robin Soderling	676	<b>R64</b>	Arnaud Clement	1563
<b>R64</b>	Denis Istomin	464	<b>R64</b>	Christophe Rochus	6746
<b>R64</b>	Nicolas Kiefer	37462	<b>R64</b>	Juan Monaco	5616
<b>R64</b>	David Ferrer	65636	<b>R64</b>	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	7267
<b>R64</b>	Nikolay Davydenko	4666	<b>R64</b>	Tommy Robredo	666
<b>R64</b>	Diego Junqueira	6302	<b>R64</b>	Daniel Gimeno-Traver	443
<b>R64</b>	Nicolas Massu	112	<b>R64</b>	Andreas Seppi	633
<b>R64</b>	Stanislas Wawrinka	666	<b>R64</b>	Maximo Gonzalez	766
<b>R64</b>	Nicolas Almagro	6766	<b>R64</b>	Philipp Kohlschreiber	62666
<b>R64</b>	Ernesto Gulbis	7632	<b>R64</b>	Juan Carlos Ferrero	46473
<b>R64</b>	Philipp Petzschner	123	<b>R64</b>	Sergiy Stakhovsky	341
<b>R64</b>	Fernando Verdasco	666	<b>R64</b>	Novak Djokovic	666
<b>R64</b>	Andy Murray	6276	<b>R64</b>	Andy Roddick	667
<b>R64</b>	Potito Starace	3654	<b>R64</b>	Ivo Minar	226
<b>R64</b>	Janko Tipsarevic	6676	<b>R64</b>	Andreas Beck	4765
<b>R64</b>	Feliciano Lopez	7463	<b>R64</b>	Marc Gicquel	6677
<b>R64</b>	Radek Stepanek	6466	<b>R64</b>	Jurgen Melzer	676
<b>R64</b>	Mathieu Montcourt	4644	<b>R64</b>	Guillaume Rufin	254
<b>R64</b>	Dudi Sela	031	<b>R64</b>	Victor Crivoi	433
<b>R64</b>	Marin Cilic	666	<b>R64</b>	Gael Monfils	666
<b>R64</b>	Fernando Gonzalez	666	<b>R64</b>	Leonardo Mayer	36663
<b>R64</b>	Rui Machado	323	<b>R64</b>	Tommy Haas	67346
<b>R64</b>	Josselin Ouanna	7743 10	<b>R64</b>	Jeremy Chardy	66446
<b>R64</b>	Marat Safin	6666 8	<b>R64</b>	Simone Bolelli	23661
<b>R64</b>	Victor Hanescu	777	<b>R64</b>	Paul-Henri Mathieu	666
<b>R64</b>	Mikhail Youzhny	555	<b>R64</b>	Pablo Andujar	234
<b>R64</b>	Robert Kendrick	501	<b>R64</b>	Jose Acasuso	6762
<b>R64</b>	Gilles Simon	766	<b>R64</b>	Roger Federer	7576

	No. Matches	3/4/5 sets	Ave. Sets/Match	Ave. Games/Match
<b>R128</b>	64 matches	38-13-13	3.60	33.81
<b>R64</b>	32 matches	17-9-6	3.65	35.71
<b>R32</b>	16 matches	10-6-0	3.37	31.87
<b>R16</b>	8 matches	4-3-1	3.62	35.62

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<b>R32</b>	Rafael Nadal	6 6 6	<b>R16</b>	Rafael Nadal	2 7 4 6
<b>R32</b>	Lleyton Hewitt	1 3 1	<b>R16</b>	Robin Soderling	6 6 6 7
<b>R32</b>	Robin Soderling	6 7 6 7	<b>R16</b>	Nikolay Davydenko	6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	David Ferrer	7 5 2 6	<b>R16</b>	Fernando Verdasco	2 2 4
<b>R32</b>	Nikolay Davydenko	6 4 6 6	<b>R16</b>	Andy Murray	7 7 6
<b>R32</b>	Stanislas Wawrinka	3 6 3 2	<b>R16</b>	Marin Cilic	5 6 1
<b>R32</b>	Nicolas Pietrangeli	2 6 6	<b>R16</b>	Fernando Gonzalez	6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Fernando Verdasco	6 7 7	<b>R16</b>	Victor Hanescu	2 4 2
<b>R32</b>	Andy Murray	7 6	<b>R16</b>	Juan Martin Del Potro	6 6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Janko Tipsarevic <small>ret.</small>	6 3	<b>R16</b>	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	1 7 1 4
<b>R32</b>	Radek Stepanek	1 6 3	<b>R16</b>	Tommy Robredo	6 5 7 6
<b>R32</b>	Marin Cilic	6 7 6	<b>R16</b>	Philipp Kohlschreiber	4 7 6 2
<b>R32</b>	Fernando Gonzalez	7 6 7	<b>R16</b>	Andy Roddick	4 2 3
<b>R32</b>	Josselin Ouanna	5 3 5	<b>R16</b>	Gael Monfils	6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Victor Hanescu	6 6 6	<b>R16</b>	Tommy Haas	7 7 4 0 2
<b>R32</b>	Gilles Simon	4 4 2	<b>R16</b>	Roger Federer	6 5 6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Juan Martin Del Potro	6 7 6	<b>QF</b>	Robin Soderling	6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Igor Andrejev	4 5 4	<b>QF</b>	Nikolay Davydenko	1 3 1
<b>R32</b>	Christophe Rochus	2 2 2	<b>QF</b>	Andy Murray	3 6 0 4
<b>R32</b>	Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	6 6 6	<b>QF</b>	Fernando Gonzalez	6 3 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Tommy Robredo	4 7 6 6	<b>QF</b>	Juan Martin Del Potro	6 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Maximo Gonzalez	6 5 1 0	<b>QF</b>	Tommy Robredo	3 4 2
<b>R32</b>	Philipp Kohlschreiber	6 6 6	<b>QF</b>	Gael Monfils	6 2 4
<b>R32</b>	Novak Djokovic	4 4 4	<b>QF</b>	Roger Federer	7 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Andy Roddick	6 6 6			
<b>R32</b>	Marc Gicquel	1 4 4	<b>SF</b>	Robin Soderling	6 7 5 4 6
<b>R32</b>	Jurgen Melzer	2 6 3 1	<b>SF</b>	Fernando Gonzalez	3 5 7 6 4
<b>R32</b>	Gael Monfils	6 4 6 6	<b>SF</b>	Juan Martin Del Potro	6 6 6 1 4
<b>R32</b>	Tommy Haas	7 6 4 6	<b>SF</b>	Roger Federer	3 7 2 6 6
<b>R32</b>	Jeremy Chardy	5 3 6 4			
<b>R32</b>	Paul-Henri Mathieu	6 1 4 4	<b>RU</b>	Robin Soderling	1 6 4
<b>R32</b>	Roger Federer	4 6 6 6	<b>W</b>	Roger Federer	6 7 6

	No. Matches	3/4/5 sets	Ave. Sets/Match	Ave. Games/Match
<b>QF</b>	4 matches	3-1-0	3.25	28.75
<b>SF</b>	2 matches	0-0-2	5.00	50.00
<b>F</b>	1 match	1-0-0	3.00	30.00

## French Open - Bookmaker's Odds

Market Leaders	Odds
Rafael Nadal <b>[1]</b>	4/11
Roger Federer <b>[2]</b>	6/1
Novak Djokovic <b>[3]</b>	8/1
Andy Murray <b>[4]</b>	22/1
Fernando Verdasco <b>[8]</b>	40/1
Juan Martin Del Potro <b>[5]</b>	50/1
Fernando Gonzalez	100/1
Nikolay Davydenko	150/1
David Ferrer	150/1
Gilles Simon <b>[7]</b>	200/1
Stanislas Wawrinka	200/1
Gael Monfils	200/1
Andy Roddick <b>[6]</b>	200/1
Juan Monaco	250/1
Jo-Wilfried Tsonga	300/1

## Performance Of The Seeded Players

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
<b>2009</b>	R4	<b>W</b>	QF	R3	SF	R4	R3	R4
<b>2008</b>	RU	<b>W</b>	SF	R3	QF	R2	R2	-
<b>2007</b>	RU	<b>W</b>	R1	SF	R1	SF	R3	R1
<b>2006</b>	RU	<b>W</b>	SF	SF	R1	QF	R4	R3
<b>2005</b>	SF	R2	R4	<b>W</b>	R4	R1	R2	R4
<b>2004</b>	R3	R2	RU	R2	QF	R1	R1	SF

## Recent Winners/Leading Performers

	Winner	Runner-Up	Losing SF's
<b>2009</b>	Roger Federer (6/1)	Robin Soderling (500/1)	Del Potro-Gonzalez
<b>2008</b>	Rafael Nadal (8/11)	Roger Federer (10/3)	Djokovic-Monfils
<b>2007</b>	Rafael Nadal (8/13)	Roger Federer (2/1)	Djokovic-Davydenko
<b>2006</b>	Rafael Nadal (8/11)	Roger Federer (2/1)	Ljubicic-Nalbandian
<b>2005</b>	Rafael Nadal (11/4)	Mariano Puerta (150/1)	Federer-Davydenko
<b>2004</b>	Gaston Gaudio (66/1)	Guillermo Coria (7/2)	Nalbandian-Henman

## Betting - French Open

### Pre-Tournament Briefing :-

Each of the previous four years Nadal had come to Paris in good form, this year was no different. The Spaniard was as good, if not better, in the run-up to this event as he had been in each of 2005, 2006, 2007 and 2008.

So, was he the only player to consider in the outright market? On current and past form, most certainly. On price? That's highly debatable although given his recent match with Djokovic in Madrid, his cause was helped by the Serb being in the other half of the draw. Andy Murray (22/1) was the next best option in the top half but his record on clay versus Nadal (0:2) was poor.

Verdasco (40/1) is not a proven winner but, it must be said, Gonzalez (100/1) had clay-court ability, experience and decent form to recommend him at a huge price. Soderling (500/1) wasn't even on the radar.

Best bet looked an each-way interest in the bottom half. Recent form made Djokovic (8/1) look better than Federer (6/1) although the Swiss player had a much better Grand Slam pedigree. Del Potro (50/1) was next best but the Argentine was still some way below the 'Big Four' in terms of appeal.

### Post-Tournament Review :-

Nadal's health wasn't mentioned much in the wake of his defeat but his stellar run on clay in recent years is taking its toll. Soderling played well but were these the first cracks in the formidable Spaniard's clay-court domination?

Take little away from Federer. Knocking on the door in Paris for years he finally took his chance but only after big wins against Haas and Del Potro. A deserved victory and the final piece in his winning of all four Grand Slams.

Murray may yet mature on clay but Djokovic again displayed an unreliable quality in the really big events. Eye-catchers were del Potro and Gonzalez with Monfils once again flattering to deceive.

### Pointers for 2010 :-

Fit and healthy Nadal still remains the clay-courter of his generation. Foolish to write him off and, like Federer, he may well re-jig his schedule to focus more on the Slams - watch him closely in the weeks prior to Roland Garros. Andy Murray has a chance, like Federer, if the cards fall right for him but better to look for more natural clay-courtiers like Juan Martin Del Potro. This event remains the property of proven, top ten winners who have previous winning form on the surface. You don't win for the first time on clay here.