

# 2023-24 Santa Clara University

# **MEN'S TENNIS**

# 2023-24 Roster & Coaches

Name	Hometown	Year
Tiago Boschmans	Lisbon, Portugal	Fr.
Sebastian Buxman	Johannesburg, South Africa	Gr.
Guillaume Dalmasso	Aix en Provence, France	Sr.
Arjun Honnappa	Bengaluru, Karnataka, India	Gr.
Luca Lemaitre	Mérida, Mexico	Fr.
Christian Lerby	Estoril/Cascais, Portugal	Gr.
Lukas Maskow	Berlin, Germany	Fr.
Matthew Rodriguez	Mill Valley, Calif.	Gr.
Alexander Watanabe Eriksson	Stockholm, Sweden	So.

Head Coach: Niall Angus (8th season, Texas A&M '13) Assistant Coach: Edson Ortiz (2nd season, Alabama '20) Volunteer Assistant Coach: Jack Pulliam (1st season, Santa Clara (23)

### 2023-24 Team

- · Santa Clara roster is comprised of nine players this spring with three returnees and six newcomers after starting the fall season with just six players.
- Tiago Boschmans, Sebastian Buxman and Luca Lemaitre joined the team as mid-year enrollees for the spring 2024 season.
- The returnees are: senior Guillaume Dalmasso, graduate students Christian Lerby and Matthew Rodriguez.
- The newcomers are: graduate transfers Arjun Honnappa from Western Michigan and Sebastian Buxman from Weber State, sophomore transfer Alexander Watanabe Eriksson from UC Santa Barbara and freshmen Tiago Boschmans, Luca Lemaitre and
- The Broncos lost five players to graduation who helped the team finish with a 16-10 record last season including a 6-3 mark in the West Coast Conference and a berth in the semifinal rounds at the league tournament.
- Lerby entered the 2023-24 season ranked No. 84 in the ITA preseason national singles rankings.

# No. 64 Santa Clara (12-2, 0-0 WCC) vs. San Francisco (5-7, 0-1 WCC)

San Francisco · Goldman Tennis Center · Saturday, March 23 · 1 p.m. PT

## **Match/Season Notes**

- Santa Clara opens West Coast Conference play at San Francisco this Saturday. For the Dons, it is their second WCC match after having opened their conference slate against No. 18 San Diego at home on Feb. 16.
- The Broncos are ranked No. 64 in the latest Intercollegiate Tennis Association rankings that came out on Tuesday. The Broncos have been ranked for five-straight weeks and has climbed as high as No. 54, their highest since the 2014-15 season when they were ranked No. 52.
- Christian Lerby remains ranked No. 78 after reaching a high of No. 42 in the initial spring season rankings.
- Last time out, Santa Clara defeated Washington 4-2 on Tuesday to conclude a successful home stand with a perfect 5-0 record and extend their overall win streak to seven matches.
- SCU has five sweeps this season: against Florida Gulf Coast (Feb. 25), Grand Canyon (Feb. 16), UNLV (March 9), Seattle (March 16) and UC Santa Cruz (March 16).
- The Broncos have two wins over nationally ranked opponents this season a pair of 4-3 victories over No. 53 South Florida and No. 69 New Mexico.
- The Broncos are 5-0 in true road contests, 0-1 in neutral site matches and 7-1 at home.
- SCU has been involved in eight 4-3 matches this spring, winning six of them including four 3-all clinchers.
- Four different players have won the 3-all clinching matches: at Cal (Luca Lemaitre with the clincher), vs. UC Davis (Christian Lerby), at No. 53 South Florida (Alexander Watanabe Eriksson) and against No. 69 New Mexico (Lukas Maskow).
- For the Broncos efforts against Cal, the Broncos swept the weekly WCC honors Luca Lemaitre was named WCC Singles Player of the Week while Sebastian Buxman and Arjun Honnappa took home the WCC Doubles Team of the Week honors.
- Luca Lemaitre leads the team in singles wins with 10. He also leads in doubles wins with nine along with Lerby and Guillaume Dalmasso.
- In the initial ITA spring season rankings, Lerby was ranked No. 42 in singles. He entered the 2023-24 preseason ranked No. 84 and moved up 40 spots in the final fall rankings.
- SCU has defeated three University of California system schools this season Cal, Davis and Irvine. Their lone loss was against a UC school in UC Santa Barbara.
- Santa Clara played Saint Mary's in a nonconference match on Jan. 28 as a replacement match for the Idaho contest that was canceled due to rain. The Broncos and the Gaels will face each other again in a West Coast Conference match on April 14 in Santa Clara.

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### 2024 Preseason

- Christian Lerby and Guillaume Dalmasso were named preseason All-West Coast Con-
- Lerby finished the fall ranked No. 44 and Dalmasso was ranked No. 102 by the ITA in singles play.
- Santa Clara was picked to finish third in the conference as voted by the league's nine head coaches.