





Álvaro Robles Martínez

Nickname:	Alvarito
Nation:	Spanish 
Date of birth:	29 April 1991
Height:	188 cm
Place of birth:	Huelva, Spain
Playing hand:	 left
Style of play:	Shakehand grip
Coach:	Peter Engel
Current world ranking (week 51 - 2024):	29
Current European ranking (December 2024):	13
Clubs as active player(s):	Cajasur Priego TM

Senior Career Highlights

2024:

- August: Clinched the gold medal in Mixed Doubles at the European Championships in Linz, Austria, alongside partner María Xiao.

2022:

- July: Secured the Men's Singles title at the Mediterranean Games, showcasing his dominance in the regional tournament.

2019:

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- April: Achieved a historic silver medal in Men's Doubles at the World Championships in Budapest, Hungary, partnering with Romania's Ovidiu Ionescu. This accomplishment marked the first time a Spanish player reached a World Championship final in table tennis.

Breakthrough Moments and Achievements

2018:

- January: Attained his career-high ITTF world ranking of 37, reflecting his consistent performance on the international circuit.

2016:

- June: Triumphed in the Spanish National Championships, securing both the Men's Singles and Doubles titles, underscoring his dominance in national competitions.

Medals and Titles

- **World Championships:**
2019 Budapest, Silver medal – second place, Doubles

- **European Championships:**
2024 Linz, Gold medal – first place, Mixed doubles

Mediterranean Games:

- 2022 Oran, Gold medal – first place, Singles

Junior Career and Early Achievements

Medals and Titles

2009:





- April: Won the Spanish National Championship in the cadet category, signaling his potential as a future star in table tennis.

Breakthrough Moments and Achievements

2009:

- *May:* Excelled in the junior category with impressive performances, paving his way to the national team.

2024: Detailed Overview and Achievements

Medals and Titles

- August: Secured the gold medal in Mixed Doubles at the European Championships in Linz, Austria, with María Xiao, marking a historic achievement for Spain.
- July: Represented Spain at the 2024 Summer Olympics in Paris, competing in Men's Singles and Mixed Doubles events, reaching the quarterfinals in Mixed Doubles.

Breakthrough Moments and Achievements

August: The European Championship gold in Mixed Doubles with María Xiao stands as a testament to their synergy and excellence on the continental stage.

Biography and Career

Álvaro Robles began his table tennis journey in Huelva, Spain, displaying prodigious talent from a young age. His dedication and passion propelled him through the national ranks, leading to international acclaim. A left-handed player with a shakehand grip, Robles is known for his strategic play and adaptability. His partnership with Ovidiu Ionescu brought significant success, notably their silver at the 2019 World Championships. In 2024, alongside María Xiao, he achieved a historic European Championship gold in Mixed Doubles, further solidifying his legacy in Spanish table tennis.

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Early Life and Background

Born in Huelva, Robles was introduced to table tennis at a young age. His early successes in cadet and junior categories highlighted his potential, leading to a professional career that has inspired many in Spain. Balancing personal life and professional commitments, Robles is known for his dedication both on and off the table.

Playing Style and Personality

Robles employs a left-handed shakehand grip, characterized by strategic play and adaptability. His ability to perform under pressure and his sportsmanship have earned him respect globally. Off the table, he is known for his approachable nature and commitment to promoting table tennis.

Legacy and Future Goals

As of December 2024, Robles has etched his name in Spanish table tennis history with groundbreaking achievements, including the European Championship gold in Mixed Doubles. Looking ahead, he aims to continue competing at the highest levels, with aspirations for further Olympic success and contributing to the development of table tennis in Spain.

Conclusions

Álvaro Robles Martínez's journey from a young talent in Huelva to an international table tennis champion exemplifies dedication, skill, and perseverance. His achievements have not only elevated his career but have also significantly impacted the prominence of Spanish table tennis on the global stage. As he continues to strive for excellence, Robles remains a beacon of inspiration for aspiring athletes.

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