# UFC 102 Odds: Nate Marquardt vs Demian Maia UFC 102 Picks

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UFC 102 Odds: The UFC will be in Portland, Oregon this evening for UFC 102: Couture vs Nogueira. The event will take place at the Rose Garden Arena at 10:00pm ET; it can be seen live on Pay-Per-View. The 11 fight card features several intriguing battles, including a middleweight skirmish between Nate Marquardt and Demian Maia. UFC 102 Odds at BetUS.com has the more experienced Marquardt listed as a -180 moneyline favorite to take out Maia.

Nate Marquardt enter tonight's fight with a lot on the line. The 30 year old fighter is vying for another shot at middleweight champion Anderson Silva's belt. Silva beat the Denver resident back in July of 2007 with a first round TKO. Since that loss, Marquardt, who has a 31-8-2 professional MMA record, has compiled three wins and one defeat.

The lone post-Silva loss came in a controversial split decision against Brazilian Jiu-Jitu ace Thales Leites at UFC 85: Bedlam in June of last year. Marquardt has recorded TKO victories over Martion Kampmann and Wilson Gouveia since falling to Leites.

Marquardt, who is a well rounded fighter with wins via knockout and submission, knows what kind of fighter Maia is, but he indicated that the Brazilian will not stand in the way of another potential meeting with Silva.

"I think he is a great fighter, " Marquardt said. "He is the best at what he does. He is undefeated but I plan to change that."

Demian Maia is an unbeaten 11-0 as a professional fighter, and he is 5-0 inside the Octagon. Maia, who hails from Sao Paulo, Brazil, has won every one of his UFC fights with a submission, three of which have come in the first round.

The journanlism major last fought in February of this year, recording a choke submission of Chael Sonnen at 2:37 into the match.

Despite Maia's impressive resume, some doubt whether he can compete with the best of the best in the middleweight class. A win over Marquardt would certainly prove otherwise. Maia, however, suspects that that will not be an easy task.

"He is my hardest test [to date]," Maia said.

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Antonio Rodrigo Nogueira +160

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Demian Maia +150

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Thiago Silva +110

Ed Herman -115
Aaron Simpson -115

Chris Leben -150
Jake Rosholt +120

Gabriel Gonzalez -375
Chris Tuchscherer +275

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