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WTA ELITE TROPHY ZHUHAI – SEMIFINALS (SATURDAY)

Stadium

[5] JULIA GOERGES (GER #14) vs. [9] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #19)

Goerges leads 1-0

Goerges won when the two met on grass at Birmingham this year... Both through to SF here for second straight year... Goerges closing in on 500 aces for the season

[7] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) vs. [6] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)

Keys leads 3-1 (2-1 at main draw, tour level)

Muguruza won pair's last meeting at 2017 Cincinnati... Keys bidding to become third American to reach final here... Muguruza has won back-to-back three-set matches for first time in 2018

A LOOK AT THE SEMI-FINALISTS

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	NAT	ZHUHAI (MD) W/L*	YTD W/L*	CAREER W/L*	YTD PRIZE MONEY\$^	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER TITLES
[5] Julia Goerges	14	30	GER	5-1	46-23	445-309	1,778,694	8,413,769	6
[6] Madison Keys	16	23	USA	2-2	29-14	249-136	2,354,853	9,888,678	3
[7] Garbiñe Muguruza	17	25	ESP	2-0	33-19	350-176	1,860,762	17,377,384	6
[9] Ashleigh Barty	19	22	AUS	3-2	44-19	182-78	2,123,371	4,508,080	2

*Includes current tournament / ^Does not include current tournament

POTENTIAL FINAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

	MUGURUZA	KEYS
GOERGES	Series tied 1-1	Keys leads 1-0
BARTY	Series tied 1-1	Keys leads 1-0

SEMI-FINAL RECORDS

PLAYER	BEST 2018 RESULT	BEST ZHUHAI RESULT	LAST FINAL REACHED (final result)	CAREER SF W/L*	CAREER FINAL W/L
[5] Julia Goerges	WON (2): Auckland, Luxembourg	WON (1): 2017	2018 Luxembourg (WON)	14-17	6-8
[6] Madison Keys	SF (4): Charleston, Roland Garros, US Open, Zhuhai	SF (1): 2018	2017 US Open (R-Up)	7-9	3-4
[7] Garbiñe Muguruza	WON (1): Monterrey	SF (1): 2018	2018 Monterrey (WON)	10-15	6-5
[9] Ashleigh Barty	WON (1): Nottingham	SF (2): 2018, 2017	2018 Nottingham (WON)	5-4	2-3

*Not including walkover wins and losses



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Head to Head: JULIA GOERGES leads 1-0

2018 BIRMINGHAM GRASS O R16 JULIA GOERGES 7-6(6) 6-3 95 mins

JULIA GOERGES	WTA RANKING	ASHLEIGH BARTY
14		19
14	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	19
02-11-1988 (30)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-04-1996 (22)
\$1,778,694	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$2,123,371
\$8,413,769	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$4,508,080
2 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 2
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	4 / 9
5-1	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	3-2
46-23 / 283-231	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	44-19 / 82-49
17-7 / 86-82	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	10-3 / 23-13
14-7 / 63-72	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 13-10
28-13 / 167-140	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	25-11 / 51-30
5-7 / 16-26	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 9-4
1-0 / 8-17	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-5 / 2-12
2-4 / 16-36	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-6 / 5-14
7-7 / 34-74	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-11 / 13-28

* Updated entering Zhuhai SF

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	A. KONTAVEIT d. J. GOERGES 6-2,4-6,6-4	124 mins	RR	A. BARTY d. C. GARCIA 6-3,6-4	75 mins
RR	J. GOERGES d. E. MERTENS 6-2,7-6(5)	108 mins	RR	A. SABALENKA d. A. BARTY 6-4,6-4	84 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

JULIA GOERGES

2017
F W - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #12) 7-5 6-1

ASHLEIGH BARTY

2017
SF L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #12) 6-3 6-3

GOERGES:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, where she is defending champion
- Last year, upset No.10 Mladenovic, No.15 Sevastova in SF and No.12 Vandeweghe in final
- Led 2-0 in the final set before losing to Kontaveit in her opening match Rose Group match on Wednesday
- Bounced back to claim the straight-set win she needed over No.13 Mertens in second match to qualify for SF

- Mertens was her first Top 20 win since getting the better of No.20 Bertens during Wimbledon SF run this July
- Struck 11 aces so far this week to take her season total to 485. Also hit 412 aces in 2017 season – only two other players have reached the 400 ace mark in a season: S.Williams (2012 15) and Ka.Pliskova (2014 17)
- Takes on No.19 Barty today, bidding for her sixth match win at Zhuhai. The only other player to record five victories at the tournament was Svitolina (5-2 record)
- Record in SF matches this season stands at 3-3
- Has posted 46 main draw wins this season – only Ka.Pliskova (49) and Kvitova (47) have more to their names
- Celebrated her 30th birthday on Friday – is the oldest player in the draw

Season

- Returned to Europe in October to win sixth career title, at Luxembourg (d. Bencic in F). Also fell 1r at Linz (l. Petkovic after holding 1MP)
- Following Luxembourg run, career record in WTA singles finals now stands at 6-8
- Reached R16 at Beijing (l. Osaka) and 2r at Wuhan (l. qualifier Kenin)
- Fell 2r at US Open (l. Makarova)
- Advanced to the SF stage at New Haven (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Opened summer hard court season with R16 showing at Montréal (l. Sevastova), her career-best result at the Rogers Cup; fell in 1r of Cincinnati the following week (l. Mladenovic via ret. left leg injury)
- After Wimbledon, reached QF on clay at Moscow [River Cup] (l. eventual champion Danilovic)
- Reached maiden Grand Slam SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Went 2-2 on grass in lead-up to Wimbledon, reaching QF at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and dropping 2r opener at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. eventual runner-up Sabalenka)
- On clay, made 3r at Roland Garros (l. S.Williams) and Madrid (l. Garcia), and withdrew from Rome due to illness. Also suffered 1r exits on home soil at Nürnberg (l. Kr.Pliskova in 3s) and Stuttgart (l. Vondrousova)
- Began clay court swing at Charleston – finished as R-Up (l. Bertens)
- Part of Germany team that lost 3-2 to Czech Republic in Stuttgart; went 1-1 in singles (d. Ka.Pliskova, l. Kvitova)
- Suffered 2r loss to countrywoman Wittthoeft in Miami. Made 3r exit in Indian Wells (l. Sevastova)
- Reached QF at Doha before retiring in her match against Kvitova due to a hip injury
- Made her Top 10 debut on February 5, 2018 after SF run at St Petersburg (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Cornet) – result ended 15-match winning streak
- Began 2018 campaign with fifth title of career at Auckland (d. Wozniacki in F) – extended title streak to three, having previously won Moscow and Zhuhai to close out 2017 season

Career

- Registered then-career-high ranking and best year-end finish in 2017, at No.14. Second Top 20 finish of career (also No.18 in 2012)

- Reached a career-high five finals in 2017 season, winning Moscow (d. Kasatkina in F) and biggest title of career at WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (d. Vandeweghe in F). Finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Sevastova), Bucharest (l. Begu) and Washington, DC (l. Makarova)
- Moscow title was first since 2011 Stuttgart, having also won 2010 Bad Gastein
- By winning 2017 Moscow, overtook Kerber to become German No.1 and also returned to Top 20 for first time since February 2013
- Hit 412 aces across 2017 season. Only two other players have reached the 400 ace mark in a season: S.Williams (2012 15) and Ka.Pliskova (2014 17)
- Owns a 6-8 record in WTA singles finals; is 5-11 in WTA doubles finals, most recently winning at 2015 New Haven (w/Hradecka)
- Opened 2016 by reaching first WTA singles final in nearly four years, finishing runner-up at Auckland (l. Stephens). Was first final since 2012 Dubai
- Enjoyed best doubles season to date in 2016, reaching final at Indian Wells (w/Ka.Pliskova) and qualifying for the WTA Finals for the first time. Set new career-high doubles rank of No.12 on August 22, 2016
- In 2011, posted wins over World No.1 Wozniacki in consecutive weeks (Stuttgart final and Madrid)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a qualifier at 2007 Doha
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Germany in 2005
- Member of German Fed Cup team 2008, 2010-18

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 43rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Posted best Grand Slam result at 2018 Wimbledon, where she reached SF (l. S.Williams). With Kerber winning title at All England Club this year, it marked the first time that two Germans reached the last four at the same Slam since 1993 Roland Garros – Huber (SF) and Graf (Champion)
- Previously had reached R16 – but never further – on five occasions, at Australian Open (2012-13 and 2015), Roland Garros (2015) and US Open (2017)
- Made main draw debut at 2007 US Open, negotiating qualifying before losing to eventual champion Henin in 1r
- In doubles, is a three-time semifinalist, at Australian Open (2015 w/Groenefeld and 2016 w/Ka.Pliskova) and Wimbledon (2016 w/Ka.Pliskova)
- Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2014 Roland Garros, finishing runner-up in mixed doubles (w/Zimonjic; l. Groenefeld/Rojer)

Other Information

- Born in Bad Oldesloe. Father is Klaus, mother is Inge; older sister is Maike
- Began playing tennis aged 6. Tennis idol growing up was Martina Hingis
- Fan of winter sports, especially biathlon (cross country skiing combined with shooting)
- Coached by Michael Geserer and Matthias Mischka. Physio and fitness coach is Florian Zitzelsberger

BARTY:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Zhuhai, where she is through to SF for second time, having lost to doubles partner Vandeweghe in straight sets in 2017
- Lost five of the last six games to slip to a straight-sets defeat at hands of Sabalenka in first round robin match
- Bounced back to produce an impressive service display – hit five aces and faced no break points – to upset No.18 Garcia on Thursday
- Faces No.14 Goerges today. Owns four Top 20 wins in 2018, having beaten No.18 Osaka (Nottingham), No.18 Bertens (Montréal), No.3 Kerber (Wuhan) and No.18 Garcia (Zhuhai)
- Served for the match twice before losing to Garcia in their only previous meeting in the final at 2017 Wuhan. Defeated four Top 20 players (No.7 Konta, No.13 A.Radwanska, No.4 Ka.Pliskova, No.10 Ostapenko) en route to a runner-up finish
- After two matches in Zhuhai has now hit 287 aces this season – only Goerges (478), Ka.Pliskova (393) and Bertens (325) have struck more
- Owns 25 hard court victories this season. Has won 19 of her last 27 matches on hard (Miami (2), Fed Cup (2), Montréal (4), Cincinnati (2), US Open (3), Tokyo (1), Wuhan (4), Zhuhai (1)), with 15 of those victories coming in straight sets
- Entering Zhuhai, topped the tour this year for percentage of service points won (level with Goerges on 63.3%), and is second behind Goerges for service games won (78.3%)

Season

- Last week partnered Vandeweghe to reach SF in doubles at WTA Finals Singapore (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)
- Withdrew from Beijing w/right arm injury
- Reached SF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Sabalenka); defeat of No.3 Kerber in R16 at Wuhan marked best win-by-ranking of career, bettering that of No.4 Ka.Pliskova posted at Wuhan in 2017
- Posted R16 showing at Tokyo (l. Azarenka)
- Advanced to R16 at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) – her deepest run to date at a major. Also won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at Flushing Meadows (w/Vandeweghe)
- Withdrew from New Haven w/viral illness
- Reached her fourth SF of the season at Montréal and made R16 at Cincinnati (l. World No.1 Halep at both tournaments); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s, also falling to S.Williams at 2014 Australian Open and Kerber at 2017 Brisbane
- At Montréal won eighth WTA doubles title (w/Schuurs, d. L.Chan/Makarova in F); is now 9-7 in WTA doubles finals

- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Kasatkina)
- Began grass swing by capturing second career title in Nottingham (d. Konta in F); record in WTA singles finals now stands at 2-3
- Also reached QF in Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and R16 at Birmingham (l. Goerges) to finish grass court season with WTA-leading 12 wins
- Suffered 2r defeat to S.Williams at Roland Garros
- Enjoyed a SF run at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova via ret. w/back injury)
- Made 1r exit at Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s) before 2r showing at Madrid (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Lifted the doubles trophy at Rome (w/Schuurs, d. Sestini Hlavackova/Strycova in F)
- After R16 run at Charleston (l. Sevastova), returned to Australia where she spearheaded the country's return to Fed Cup World Group in 2019, posting singles wins over Kerkhove and Lemoine of the Netherlands
- Also made R16 run at Miami (l. Svitolina) where she won the doubles event (w/Vandeweghe, d. Krejciakova/Siniakova in F)
- Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Sakkari)
- After reaching 3r at Australian Open (l. Osaka) and representing Australia in Fed Cup (vs. Ukraine), took a short break from the tour due to injury (left toe)
- Posted career-high No.16 ranking following run in Melbourne (January 29, 2018)
- Started the year with a 1r exit in Brisbane (l. Tsurenko), before finishing R-Up to Kerber in Sydney

Career

- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at a then-career-high No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Reached two additional finals in 2017, at Birmingham (l. Kvitova) and Wuhan (l. Garcia)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- In terms of ranking, best career win was over No.3 Kerber at 2018 Wuhan
- Winner of nine WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs)
- Qualified for first WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.5 on May 21, 2018
- Took a break from tennis after 2014 US Open that lasted almost two years
- Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint as an all rounder for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015 16 Women's Big Bash League
- Nominated for tennis Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2017
- Return to tennis was initially hindered by right arm injury sustained in August 2016, following promising start: returned at \$50k ITF/Eastbourne GBR in May, advancing to SF as a qualifier (l. Riske) and the following week, QF at WTA International level Nottingham (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30

- On ITF Circuit, has won four singles titles and nine doubles titles (including three in 2016)
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as world No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- In juniors, won national singles titles in 18&U, 16&U, 14&U and 12&U age categories. Member of Junior Fed Cup winning team in 2011 (Australia d. Canada in F)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance, making her best result with R16 showing (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Has advanced to 3r at on four occasions, at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina), Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel), and 2018 (l. Osaka), and US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- Has reached 2r at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Kirilenko) and 2018 (l. S.Williams)
- First Grand Slam main draw appearance (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia's 2012 WC Play Off in Dec. 2011
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejčíková/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

Other Information

- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara. Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- In April 2018, named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia, In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women's Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce



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[7] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) vs. [6] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 2-1 (at tour level)

2017	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R16	GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	6-4 3-6 7-6(3)	138 mins
2017	STANFORD	HARD O	SF	MADISON KEYS	6-3 6-2	57 mins
2016	ROME	CLAY O	SF	MADISON KEYS	7-6(5) 6-4	103 mins

GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	WTA RANKING	MADISON KEYS
17		16
17	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	16
08-10-1993 (25)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	17-02-1995 (23)
\$1,860,762	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$2,354,853
\$17,377,384	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$9,888,678
1 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
2-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	2-2
33-19 / 214-120	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	29-14 / 179-106
5-10 / 67-52	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-6 / 45-43
4-7 / 31-43	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 45-40
24-13 / 140-80	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	16-9 / 108-71
1-1 / 17-12	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 14-17
0-1 / 9-16	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 6-18
2-1 / 29-29	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-3 / 15-27
3-4 / 55-52	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-5 / 30-43

* Updated entering Zhuhai SF

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	G. MUGURUZA d. S. ZHANG 3-6,6-3,6-2	126 mins	RR	Q. WANG d. M. KEYS 1-6,6-3,6-1	93 mins
RR	G. MUGURUZA d. A. SEVASTOVA 6-7(4),6-2,7-6(1)	164 mins	RR	M. KEYS d. D. KASATKINA 6-2,6-4	68 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

MADISON KEYS

Year	Result	Opponent	Score
2015	R1	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #11)	3-6 7-6(5) 6-1

MUGURUZA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut this week in Zhuhai
- Battled past wildcard Zhang in three sets in first round-robin match on Wednesday
- On Friday, saved three match points to defeat No.11 Sevastova – her first victory over a Top 20 player since February. Only other wins over Top 20 opposition this year came against No.7 Garcia at Doha and Dubai. Is 3-4 vs Top 20 opponents in 2018

- Faces Keys in SF today. Saved three match points to defeat the American in their last meeting, en route to 2017 Cincinnati title
- Sole Spanish player in starting field this week. Suárez Navarro is the only other Spanish player to have contested the event, falling in the round robin in 2015 (also qualified and withdrew in 2016)
- During the Asian swing reached SF at Hong Kong (l. Q.Wang), 3r at Wuhan (l. Siniakova) and 2r at Tokyo (l. Riske), Beijing (l. Sabalenka)

Season

- Exited to Yastremska in 2r at Luxembourg
- Reached SF in Hong Kong (l. Q.Wang), her first SF showing since Roland Garros
- Fell in 2r at Beijing to Sabalenka
- Made R16 at Wuhan (l. Siniakova) – wins over Van Uytvanck and Golubic in opening two rounds were first back-to-back wins since Roland Garros SF run in June
- Began Asian swing with 2r defeat at Tokyo (l. Riske)
- On hard courts this summer, fell 2r at both Cincinnati (as defending champion, l. Tsurenko) and US Open (l. No.202 Muchova)
- Withdrew from San Jose and Montréal w/right arm injury
- On grass, suffered 2r losses at Wimbledon (as defending champion, l. Van Uytvanck) and Birmingham (l. Strycova)
- Advanced to SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion and No.1 Halep)
- Was one win away from returning to WTA World No.1 in Paris, but needed to reach final
- Record against No.1-ranked players stands at 4-3: d. S.Williams (2014 Roland Garros, 2016 Roland Garros), d. Kerber (2017 Wimbledon), d. Ka.Pliskova (2017 Cincinnati); l. S.Williams (2015 Australian Open, 2015 Wimbledon) and Halep (2018 Roland Garros)
- Arrived in Paris after opening match defeat at Rome (after 1r bye, l. Gavrilova in 3s – held 2mp)
- Advanced to 3r at Madrid (l. Kasatkina) after suffering opening match loss at Stuttgart (ret. vs. Pavlyuchenkova w/lower back injury)
- Went 2-0 in singles (d. González and Cepede Royg) during Spain's 3-1 Fed Cup World Group II play-off win over Paraguay
- Won sixth career singles title at Monterrey (d. Babos in F). Now owns 6-4 career record in singles finals
- Reached R16 at Miami (l. eventual champion Stephens in straight sets) after falling to No.100 Vickery in Indian Wells 2r (after a 1r bye)
- Made SF in Dubai (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina, having held three match points)
- Reached ninth career singles final in Doha (l. Kvitova in 3s)
- Made 2r exit at Australian Open – as No.3 seed, l. No.88-ranked Hsieh. Was in contention to reclaim No.1 ranking in Melbourne, but needed to reach final and see other results go her way
- Opened 2018 season with 2r exit at Brisbane (after 1r bye, l. No.53 Krunic – led 7-5 5-2 before retiring w/cramp midway through third set)
- Withdrew before QF match against Gavrilova at Sydney (w/right thigh injury)

Career

- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.2 for career-best year-end finish. Rose to World No.1 on September 11, 2017. Became the 24th woman in history of the WTA to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995)
- Named ITF World Champion for 2017
- Won two titles in 2017, lifting her second Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F), as well as winning Premier 5-level Cincinnati (d. Halep in F)
- Dropped just one set en route to title at All England Club, during 2h20 R16 encounter against No.1 Kerber. Registered 300th match win (at all levels) with final victory over V.Williams
- At Cincinnati, defeated World No.1 Ka.Pliskova and World No.2 Halep en route to title
- Qualified for WTA Finals for third year in a row in 2017, however failed to progress from group stage
- 2016 season highlight was winning maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros. Rose to then career high ranking of No.2 as a result. Was first Spanish woman to be ranked in Top 2 since Sánchez Vicario in December 1996 (as No.2)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2015, ending the year ranked No.3 and reaching first major final at Wimbledon
- Made Top 10 rankings debut after 2015 Wimbledon; one of six players to enter the elite bracket in 2015 – also Makarova, Suárez Navarro, Safarova, Ka.Pliskova and Bacsinszky
- In 2015, became first Spanish player to compete at the WTA Finals in singles since 2001 (Sánchez Vicario) and reached doubles final (w/Suárez Navarro, I. Hingis/Mirza)
- Owns 6 4 career record in singles finals, winning titles at 2018 Monterrey, 2017 Wimbledon, 2017 Cincinnati, 2016 Roland Garros, 2015 Beijing and 2014 Hobart
- Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 24th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F, and dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
- Is one of 27 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles. Owns a 2-1 record in Grand Slam final matches to date (also finishing R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – I. S.Williams)
- Is the second player to face both Williams sisters in the final of the same major (also Hingis, at US Open in 1997 – d. V.Williams, and 1999 – I. S.Williams). By winning 2017 Wimbledon, became only player to defeat both sisters in Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 2016) and Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in 2017)
- The 45th woman in the Open Era to win a Grand Slam title and one of 10 women (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Osaka, Ostapenko, Ka.Pliskova, Stephens and Wozniacki) born in the 1990s to make a Grand Slam final
- At 2015 Wimbledon, became first Spaniard to reach Wimbledon final since Sánchez Vicario (1996) and first Spanish woman to reach any Grand Slam singles final since Conchita Martínez at 2000 Roland Garros (I. Pierce)
- Reached SF stage at 2018 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Halep)
- At Australian Open, best result is QF in 2017 (I. Vandeweghe) and at US Open reached R16 in 2017 (I. Kvitova)

Other Information

- Coached by Sam Sumyk
- Began playing tennis at age three; first memory of the sport was playing with her brothers
- Mother, Scarlet is from Venezuela and father, José Antonio, is from Spain

KEYS:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Zhuhai. Defeated wildcard S.Zheng but lost to eventual champion V.Williams in the round robin stage in 2015
- Upset No.10 Kasatkina on Wednesday to score third Top 10 win of 2018, having also defeated No.8 Garcia at the Australian Open and No.4 Kerber at Cincinnati
- Lost to Q.Wang on Friday, however, by winning one set ensured she topped the group by virtue of having the highest percentage of sets won
- Faces Muguruza today, bidding to reach first final since 2017 US Open. Is 0-3 in SF matches in 2018
- One of four Americans to have contested the event, also V.Williams (2015 winner), Stephens (2017) and Vandeweghe (2017 R-Up)
- Struggled with a left knee injury in her last two tournaments – retiring in the 2r at Wuhan and giving a walkover in 2r at Beijing

Season

- Retired with a left knee injury in 2r at Wuhan (l. Kerber) and was forced to give a walkover in 2r at Beijing with the same injury (l. eventual R-Up Sevastova)
- Advanced to SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka). Has now made the SFs or better at three of her last five Slam appearances (2017 US Open final, 2018 Roland Garros SF, 2018 US Open SF)
- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only other summer hard court tournament; withdrew from San Jose and Montréal w/right wrist injury
- During Cincinnati run, upset No.4 Kerber to score sixth Top 5 victory of her career, having earlier beaten No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome and 2017 Stanford) and No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open)
- Fell in 3r of Wimbledon to qualifier Rodina in 3s
- Wimbledon marked her only grass court event of 2018 after withdrawing from Birmingham w/abdominal injury
- Clay season highlighted by run to SF at Roland Garros (l. Stephens), which followed Rome withdrawal before R16 meeting with No.1 Halep due to a rib injury
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at Stuttgart (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Madrid (l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Secured Fed Cup final return for reigning champions USA with victory over France's Parmentier in fourth rubber
- Advanced to SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens after holding 1mp)

- Suffered early 2r exits Doha (l. Bellis), Indian Wells (l. Collins) and Miami (l. Azarenka via ret. w/left thigh injury)
- Reached fourth Grand Slam QF of career at Australian Open (d. No.8 Garcia in R16, l. Kerber)
- At Australian Open, was one of just two players to reach last eight who also reached quarters at the previous major, 2017 US Open (also Ka.Pliskova)
- Started 2018 campaign in Brisbane where she made 1r exit (l. Konta)

Career

- Posted third successive Top 20 season in 2017, finishing at No.19 despite delayed start having undergone left wrist surgery in November 2016 (first event played was Indian Wells, where she reached R16)
- 2017 season highlighted by reaching maiden Grand Slam final in New York, losing out to Stephens in 10th all-American US Open final in the Open Era. At 22, became the youngest Flushing Meadows finalist since 19-year-old Wozniacki lost to Clijsters in 2009
- Also in 2017, won third career tour-level singles title, and first on hard courts, at Stanford (d. Vandeweghe in F). Previous two titles were won on grass, at 2014 Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F; second youngest title winner of season) and 2016 Birmingham (d. Strycova in F); also a runner-up on four occasions
- Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), as youngest player in the year-end Top 25
- Broke into Top 10 on June 20, 2016, becoming 118th player to reach the elite bracket since computer rankings were introduced. Became first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
- Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.7 on October 10, 2016
- Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round robin play
- Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (lost Bronze medal match against Kvitova)
- Owns six career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome and 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open) and No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage)
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- Was second-youngest player to win a WTA title in 2014, at Eastbourne (after Vekic at Kuala Lumpur) and became youngest American to win a singles title since Vania King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok)
- Nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2013
- On ITF Circuit won three singles titles and one doubles title
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)

- Before Melbourne Park run, had never previously passed 3r at a major. Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros to date with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – means she has now reached at least QF at all four majors
- At Wimbledon, best result so far is QF in 2015 (l. A.Radwanska)
- In 2016 was one of only four players to reach at least R16 across the Slams (also A.Radwanska, Suárez Navarro and S.Williams)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 US Open, advancing to 2r (was first 16-year-old to compete at Flushing Meadows since Kristie Ahn in 2008)

Other Information

- Currently without a full-time coach; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Previously coached by Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Unveiled as Evian's first American ambassador in 2017
- Prior to 2016 US Open was unveiled as ambassador for FearlesslyGIRL, an organization dedicated to empowering young women and their communities



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WTA ELITE TROPHY ZHUHAI – ROUND ROBIN (FRIDAY)

Stadium

[1] MIHAELA BUZARNESCU (ROU #24)/ALICJA ROSOLSKA (POL #29) vs. [6/WC]
TANG QIANHUI (CHN #127)/XUN FANG YING (CHN #207)

First meeting

[3] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12) vs. [8] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #18)

Sabalenka leads 2-0

Sabalenka came back from the brink to win their previous encounters in 2018, at Cincinnati and Beijing... Both players served 200+ aces in 2018... Sabalenka will reach SF by winning a set today

[7] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) vs. [2] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11)

Muguruza leads 2-1

Muguruza won pair's most recent encounter in straight sets at 2017 Australian Open... Winner of today's match will reach SF... Sevastova looking for 44th win of the season

[6] MADISON KEYS (USA #16) vs. [11] QIANG WANG (CHN #22)

Keys leads 2-0

Keys has beaten Wang at the Australian Open and Doha already in 2018... Wang owns 17-4 win-loss record in China this year... Keys can reach fourth SF of 2018 by winning at least one set today

ZHUHAI QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Tuesday, October 30 – Sunday, November 4
Singles Final: Sunday, November 4, NB 4:00pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, November 4, 1:30pm
Venue: Zhuhai Hengqin International Tennis Center
Staging: Tournament's fourth year
Draw sizes: 12 singles / 6 doubles teams
Surface: Hard / Outdoors
Total prize money: USD \$2,349,363
Tennis Ball: Yonex
2017 Singles Final: [7] Julia Goerges (GER) d. [2] CoCo Vandeweghe (USA) 7-5 6-1
2017 Doubles Final: [6] Duan Yingying/Han Xinyun (CHN/CHN) d. [4] Lu Jingjing/Zhang Shuai (CHN/CHN) 6-2 6-1



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[3] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12) vs. [8] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #18)

Head to Head: ARYNA SABALENKA leads 2-0

2018	BEIJING	HARD O	R16	ARYNA SABALENKA	5-7	7-6(3)	6-0	139 mins
2018	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R16	ARYNA SABALENKA	6-4	3-6	7-5	154 mins

ARYNA SABALENKA	WTA RANKING	CAROLINE GARCIA
12		18
12	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	18
05-05-1998 (20)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	16-10-1993 (25)
\$1,742,872	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,769,824
\$2,023,939	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$9,151,045
2 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 6
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
1-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	1-2
46-21 / 58-29	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	38-22 / 186-143
21-8 / 24-12	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	13-8 / 61-53
13-7 / 15-11	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	7-12 / 50-46
35-12 / 46-19	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	23-15 / 116-93
4-4 / 6-4	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	4-2 / 16-13
3-3 / 3-3	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-4 / 5-23
8-4 / 8-5	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-5 / 16-34
15-8 / 16-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-11 / 30-60

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	A. SABALENKA d. A. BARTY 6-4,6-4	84 mins	RR	A. BARTY d. C. GARCIA 6-3,6-4	75 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

CAROLINE GARCIA

2016

R1	W - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #20)	6-4 6-3
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SABALENKA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut appearance at Zhuhai. Amassed 3145 points across the season – among Zhuhai qualifiers, only Kasatkina (3315) and Sevastova (3185) earned more
- Defeated Barty in straight sets in her opening match in the Orchid Group on Tuesday – her 46th win of the season, only Ka.Pliskova (49) and Kvitova (47) have won more. Prior to 2018, owned just 12 main draw victories
- Bidding for her 16th victory over a Top 20 player this season when meets No.18 Garcia today. Has won both of their previous meetings in three sets, including coming from 7-5 5-2 down to end Garcia's title defense in Beijing last month
- Will advance to SF by winning at least one set today
- At 20 years six months, is the youngest competitor in the tournament's history
- Since losing to No.258 Sanchez in qualifying at San Jose in July, has posted 25-6 win-loss record
- Has 21 three-set main draw match wins this season (most recent was vs. Kenin in Tianjin 1r). Players with 20-plus three-set wins since 2000:

PLAYER	YEAR	NO. OF WINS
Kvitova	2013	25
Myskina	2002	22
Sugiyama	2003	22
Kuznetsova	2016	22
Vinci	2013	21
Dementieva	2005	21
Safarova	2011	21
Sabalenka	2018	21
Kerber	2012	20
Sharapova	2014	20

- Ranked No.12 entering Zhuhai – one place off her career-high ranking – and could potentially break into the Top 10 by reaching the Zhuhai final. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.78 in the rankings
- Has served the eighth-most aces on tour this year: 257
- Owns eight career wins over Top 10 players (all coming in 2018), most recently beating No.8 Garcia at Beijing. Only Bertens (12) and Svitolina (nine) own more Top 10 wins this year

Season

- Reached QFs at Beijing (l. Q.Wang) and Tianjin (l. Bacsinszky). Has now reached QF or better on 10 occasions in 2018, including at five of her past seven tournaments
- Posted career-high ranking of No.11 after Beijing run (October 8, 2018)
- Defeat of No.8 Garcia in R16 at Beijing was eighth Top 10 win of the season and of career (8-5 overall record) – has also defeated No.7 Ka.Pliskova (Eastbourne), No.2 Wozniacki (Montréal), No.9 Ka.Pliskova and No.5 Garcia (Cincinnati), No.9 Goerges (New Haven) and No.5 Kvitova (US Open) and No.6 Svitolina (Wuhan)
- Won biggest title of career at Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F); now owns 2-3 record in career singles finals

- After US Open fell 1r at Québec City (l. Lepchenko)
- Posted best Grand Slam result as US Open, advancing to R16 (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
- Lifted maiden WTA title at New Haven during North American hard court swing (d. Suárez Navarro in F)
- Posted SF run at Cincinnati (l. eventual R-Up Halep); during that run, saved match points to upset No.9 Ka.Pliskova in 2r and No.5 Garcia in R16 before defeating No.13 Keys in QF
- Advanced to R16 at Montréal (l. Mertens, after holding 1mp); in 2r in Canada, saved 3mp to upset No.2 Wozniacki
- Fell in 1r of qualifying at San Jose
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu)
- Reached first Premier-level final at Eastbourne (l. Wozniacki). Recorded wins over No.13 Goerges, No.15 Mertens and No.7 Pliskova en route to final – the third, fourth and fifth Top 20 wins of her career (previously defeated No.18 Kuznetsova (2018 Indian Wells) and No.13 Stephens (2017 Fed Cup Final)
- Started grass court swing with QF appearance at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual R-Up Flipkens) prior to falling 1r at Mallorca (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Fell at the first hurdle of Roland Garros (l. Bertens)
- Advanced through qualifying at both Madrid and Rome but lost in 1r to Pera and Hsieh, respectively
- Reached second career WTA final at Lugano (l. Mertens)
- Produced 3r run on Premier Mandatory debut at Indian Wells (d. 2017 R-Up Kuznetsova in 2r, l. Vondrousova) prior to advancing to 2r in Miami the following week (l. Kvitova)
- Contested qualifying at Dubai (l. Errani in final round after holding 1mp)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Lottner and Maria), but could not prevent Belarus slipping to 3-2 defeat against Germany in Fed Cup World Group I; went 1-1 during subsequent play-off victory over Slovakia in April
- Fell 1r on Australian Open debut (l. Barty)
- Opened 2018 season with back-to-back QFs at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Halep) and Hobart (l. Tsurenko)

Career

- Posted first Top 100 season finish in 2017, ending year at No.78
- Season highlight was reaching first tour-level final at Tianjin (l. Sharapova). Also made SF run at Tashkent (l. Babos)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, l. Witthoeft), and WTA main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Fed Cup Team that advanced to competition final in 2017 – went 1-1 in singles and 0-1 in doubles as side lost to USA
- Scored first Top 20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during 2017 Fed Cup final in Minsk
- Rounded out season by lifting WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupovic)
- In 2016 rose nearly 400 places in the rankings, ending year at No.155. Won on ITF Circuit at \$50k ITF/Tianjin-CHN and \$50k ITF/Toyota-JPN

- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2016 Rabat
- On ITF Circuit has won five singles titles and one doubles title
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2012 at \$25k ITF/Minsk-BLR

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked fifth career main draw appearance at a Grand Slam, where she advanced to R16 for first time (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
- Only previous Grand Slam win came during 2r showing on Grand Slam debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoeft)
- Made 1r exit on next three major appearances, at 2018 Australian Open (l. Barty), 2018 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu)
- Also fell in qualifying at 2016 and 2017 US Opens, 2017 Australian Open and 2017 Roland Garros
- Was No.26 seed at 2018 US Open– first Grand Slam seeding of her career

Other Information

- Coached by former ATP player Dmitry Tursunov
- Since their partnership formed this summer, the pairing has scored the best win-by-ranking of her career over No.2 Wozniacki en route to a R16 finish in Montréal. Then in Cincinnati, the Belarusian dropped three consecutive seeds (No.9 Ka.Pliskova, No.6 Garcia and No.13 Keys) en route to SF, before capturing her first career titles at New Haven and Wuhan
- Started playing aged six
- Prefers playing on hard

GARCIA:

Zhuhai

- Making her second appearance at Zhuhai. Defeated Stosur but lost to Konta during group stage exit in 2016
- Lost to Barty in straight sets in her first Orchid Group match on Thursday
- Faces No.12 Sabalenka in second group match today. Has lost both their previous meetings in tight encounters, having led 7-5 5-2 at 2018 Beijing and held 1MP in third set at 2018 Cincinnati
- In order to reach SF, needs to win in straight sets and not concede more than seven games
- Is 4-11 v Top 20 players in 2018, with victories against No.4 Svitolina (Stuttgart), No.12 Goerges (Madrid), No.10 Stephens (Rome) and No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Tianjin)
- One of two French players to have contested the event (also Mladenovic in 2017 – fell in round robin)
- Is ninth on the list for most aces served in 2018 with 245

Season

- Won her first title of the year at Tianjin (d. Ka.Pliskova in F); career record in finals now stands at 6-2
- Lost to Sabalenka in 3r as defending champion at Beijing, subsequently falling out of Top 10 (had been ranked inside the elite bracket every week since October 9, 2017)
- Began Asian swing with QF showing at Tokyo (l. Vekic) and 2r exit at Wuhan (as defending champion, l. Siniakova – held 1mp)
- Made QF at New Haven (l. Puig) and then 3r for third straight year at US Open (l. Suárez Navarro); rose to career-high ranking of No.4 following US Open (September 10, 2018)
- Reached R16 at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka – held 1mp in third set)
- Posted QF showing at Montréal (l. eventual champion Halep - is now 0-7 vs. reigning World No.1s); broke into Top for first time at No.5 following the tournament (August 13, 2018)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Bencic) – her earliest exit at a major since 2016 Australian Open. On grass also reached QF at Mallorca (l. Kenin)
- Enjoyed a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. Kerber) improving her career win total in Paris to 10 – her most wins of any Slam
- Made QF at Rome losing to World No.1 Halep
- Reached SF at both Madrid (l. Bertens) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
- At Stuttgart, defeated No.41 Sharapova in 1r, 15-year-old Ukrainian Marta Kostyuk in 2r, and No.4 Svitolina in QF for first Top 5 win of season
- Reached R16 on green clay of Charleston (l. Cornet)
- Suffered an opening match exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Riske) after a R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Kerber)
- Made back-to-back QF appearances in Doha and Dubai (l. Muguruza on both occasions)
- Upset by No.450 qualifier Rybakina in 2r at St. Petersburg
- Advanced to R16 at Australian Open for the first time (l. Keys)
- Opened season at Brisbane, falling 1r (ret. vs. Cornet w/low back injury)

Career

- Enjoyed break-out year in 2017, ending season at then-career high No.8, winning her first titles at Premier 5 and Premier-Mandatory level, and qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore
- Lifted two titles in 2017, winning Wuhan and Beijing back-to-back to improve record in WTA singles finals to 5-2. Title runs saw her win 11 matches in a row. This was her joint-best win streak of career – also won 11 straight matches in 2014, winning title at Bogotá (5 wins), going 2-0 in Fed Cup action vs. USA, then reaching the QF at Madrid (4 wins)
- Won 48 main draw matches last season, an increase of 14 on her 2016 total
- Wuhan marked first Premier 5 title of career, subsequently bettered by Beijing being first Premier Mandatory title of career

- Became third player to reach back to back finals in Wuhan and Beijing. The previous two were Kvitova in 2014 (Wuhan Won, Beijing R Up) and Muguruza in 2015 (Wuhan R Up, Beijing Won)
- Qualified for 2017 WTA Finals in Singapore, reaching SF (l. V.Williams). Was first French woman through to contest the season-ending event in singles since Mauresmo in 2006 (l. Henin in F)
- Has qualified for WTA Finals in doubles twice, in 2015 (w/Srebotnik – lost in RR stage) and 2016 (w/Mladenovic - SF)
- Played 2015 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational (l. Osaka in F)
- Winner of two WTA singles titles in 2016 – at Strasbourg (d. Lucic Baroni in F) and Mallorca (d. Sevastova in F)
- Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, going 1 1 in singles round robin play – d. Stosur, l. Konta
- Represented France at Rio Olympics in singles (2r), doubles (w/Mladenovic, 1r) and mixed doubles (w/Mahut, 1r)
- Member of French Fed Cup Team that advanced to 2016 final vs. Czech Republic – went 2 0 in singles, posting wins over Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova, although the Czechs won the tie, 3 2
- Ended 2016 season with runner up finish at WTA 125K Series event at Limoges, France (l. Alexandrova in F), where she was the defending champion
- In addition to winning 2016 Roland Garros, team of Garcia/Mladenovic also reached title match at 2016 US Open (l. Mattek Sands/Safarova) among eight finals reached in 2016 – won at Charleston, Stuttgart and Madrid as well as Roland Garros. Garcia is now 6 10 in tour level doubles finals. Garcia/Mladenovic qualified for 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore – advanced to semifinals (l. Mattek Sands/Safarova); duly finished season co ranked No.2, a new career high for both players
- Owns 15 wins over Top 10 players in career: No.9 Jankovic (2014 Bogotá), No.8 Kerber (2014 Madrid), No.6 A.Radwanska (2014 Wuhan), No.6 Ivanovic (2015 Monterrey), No.6 Ivanovic (2015 Indian Wells), No.6 Ivanovic (2015 Stuttgart), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Cincinnati), No.6 Ka.Pliskova (2016 Fed Cup final), No.9 Cibulkova (2017 Wuhan), No.3 Svitolina and No.2 Halep (both 2017 Beijing), No.4 Svitolina and No.6 Wozniacki (both 2017 WTA Finals), No.4 Svitolina (2018 Stuttgart) and No.10 Stephens (2018 Rome)
- Won maiden singles title at 2014 Bogotá (d. Jankovic in F) and won the doubles (w/Arruabarrena), becoming first player to win singles and doubles at same event since S.Williams at 2012 Olympics
- Reached finals in consecutive weeks at 2015 Acapulco and Monterrey (l. Bacsinszky in both)
- Made WTA and Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 Australian Open, advancing to 2r
- Played first professional match aged 13 at an ITF event in France in 2007

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 28th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Ka.Pliskova) for best Grand Slam singles result to date
- Has also reached R16 at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Konta), 2018 Australian Open (l. Keys) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Kerber)
- Made US Open 3r in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska), 2017 (l. Kvitova) and 2018 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- In juniors, singles runner up at 2011 US Open (l. Min) and was a semifinalist at the other three Grand Slam events
- In 2016 was doubles champion at Roland Garros and R-Up at US Open (both w/Mladenovic)

Other Information

- Coached by father, Louis Paul Garcia
- Played many sports when she was younger and chose tennis because it was the one she enjoyed the most
- Enjoys reading and spending time with family



MATCH NOTES

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[7] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) vs. [2] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11)

Head to Head: GARBIÑE MUGURUZA leads 2-1

2017	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R3	GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	6-4 6-2	64 mins
2016	TOKYO	HARD O	R16	GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	6-3 6-3	74 mins
2016	US OPEN	HARD O	R2	ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA	7-5 6-4	99 mins

GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	WTA RANKING	ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA
17		11
17	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	11
08-10-1993 (25)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	13-04-1990 (28)
\$1,860,762	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$2,572,414
\$17,377,384	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$5,863,943
1 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 3
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
1-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	3-1
32-19 / 213-120	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	43-20 / 147-113
4-10 / 66-52	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	17-6 / 47-34
3-6 / 30-42	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	7-7 / 31-30
23-13 / 139-80	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	25-13 / 80-67
1-1 / 17-12	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	4-1 / 8-8
0-1 / 9-16	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-4 / 3-9
2-1 / 29-29	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-5 / 9-18
2-4 / 54-52	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	6-8 / 17-36

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	G. MUGURUZA d. S. ZHANG 3-6,6-3,6-2	126 mins	RR	A. SEVASTOVA d. S. ZHANG 6-0,7-6(10)	85 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA

2017

SF L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #18) 6-3 6-3

MUGURUZA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut this week in Zhuhai
- Battled past wildcard Zhang in three sets in first round-robin match on Wednesday
- Bidding for first victory over a Top 20 player since February when faces No.11 Sevastova in second group match today. Only wins over Top 20 opposition this year came against No.7 Garcia at Doha and Dubai. Is 2-4 vs Top 20 opponents in 2018

- Leads head-to-head vs Sevastova 2-1 having defeated the Latvian in straight sets at 2016 Beijing and the 2017 Australian Open. Winner of this match will qualify for SF
- Only Spanish player in starting field this week. Suárez Navarro is the only other Spanish player to have contested the event, falling in the round robin in 2015 (also qualified and withdrew in 2016)
- During the Asian swing reached SF at Hong Kong (l. Q.Wang), 3r at Wuhan (l. Siniakova) and 2r at Tokyo (l. Riske), Beijing (l. Sabalenka)

Season

- Exited to Yastremska in 2r at Luxembourg
- Reached SF in Hong Kong (l. Q.Wang), her first SF showing since Roland Garros
- Fell in 2r at Beijing to Sabalenka
- Made R16 at Wuhan (l. Siniakova) – wins over Van Uytvanck and Golubic in opening two rounds were first back-to-back wins since Roland Garros SF run in June
- Began Asian swing with 2r defeat at Tokyo (l. Riske)
- On hard courts this summer, fell 2r at both Cincinnati (as defending champion, l. Tsurenko) and US Open (l. No.202 Muchova)
- Withdrew from San Jose and Montréal w/right arm injury
- On grass, suffered 2r losses at Wimbledon (as defending champion, l. Van Uytvanck) and Birmingham (l. Strycova)
- Advanced to SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion and No.1 Halep)
- Was one win away from returning to WTA World No.1 in Paris, but needed to reach final
- Record against No.1-ranked players stands at 4-3: d. S.Williams (2014 Roland Garros, 2016 Roland Garros), d. Kerber (2017 Wimbledon), d. Ka.Pliskova (2017 Cincinnati); l. S.Williams (2015 Australian Open, 2015 Wimbledon) and Halep (2018 Roland Garros)
- Arrived in Paris after opening match defeat at Rome (after 1r bye, l. Gavrilova in 3s – held 2mp)
- Advanced to 3r at Madrid (l. Kasatkina) after suffering opening match loss at Stuttgart (ret. vs. Pavlyuchenkova w/lower back injury)
- Went 2-0 in singles (d. González and Cepede Royg) during Spain's 3-1 Fed Cup World Group II play-off win over Paraguay
- Won sixth career singles title at Monterrey (d. Babos in F). Now owns 6-4 career record in singles finals
- Reached R16 at Miami (l. eventual champion Stephens in straight sets) after falling to No.100 Vickery in Indian Wells 2r (after a 1r bye)
- Made SF in Dubai (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina, having held three match points)
- Reached ninth career singles final in Doha (l. Kvitova in 3s)
- Made 2r exit at Australian Open – as No.3 seed, l. No.88-ranked Hsieh. Was in contention to reclaim No.1 ranking in Melbourne, but needed to reach final and see other results go her way
- Opened 2018 season with 2r exit at Brisbane (after 1r bye, l. No.53 Krunić – led 7-5 5-2 before retiring w/cramp midway through third set)
- Withdrew before QF match against Gavrilova at Sydney (w/right thigh injury)

Career

- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.2 for career-best year-end finish. Rose to World No.1 on September 11, 2017. Became the 24th woman in history of the WTA to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995)
- Named ITF World Champion for 2017
- Won two titles in 2017, lifting her second Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F), as well as winning Premier 5-level Cincinnati (d. Halep in F)
- Dropped just one set en route to title at All England Club, during 2h20 R16 encounter against No.1 Kerber. Registered 300th match win (at all levels) with final victory over V.Williams
- At Cincinnati, defeated World No.1 Ka.Pliskova and World No.2 Halep en route to title
- Qualified for WTA Finals for third year in a row in 2017, however failed to progress from group stage
- 2016 season highlight was winning maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros. Rose to then career high ranking of No.2 as a result. Was first Spanish woman to be ranked in Top 2 since Sánchez Vicario in December 1996 (as No.2)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2015, ending the year ranked No.3 and reaching first major final at Wimbledon
- Made Top 10 rankings debut after 2015 Wimbledon; one of six players to enter the elite bracket in 2015 – also Makarova, Suárez Navarro, Safarova, Ka.Pliskova and Bacsinszky
- In 2015, became first Spanish player to compete at the WTA Finals in singles since 2001 (Sánchez Vicario) and reached doubles final (w/Suárez Navarro, l. Hingis/Mirza)
- Owns 6 4 career record in singles finals, winning titles at 2018 Monterrey, 2017 Wimbledon, 2017 Cincinnati, 2016 Roland Garros, 2015 Beijing and 2014 Hobart
- Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 24th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F, and dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
- Is one of 27 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles. Owns a 2-1 record in Grand Slam final matches to date (also finishing R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams)
- Is the second player to face both Williams sisters in the final of the same major (also Hingis, at US Open in 1997 – d. V.Williams, and 1999 – l. S.Williams). By winning 2017 Wimbledon, became only player to defeat both sisters in Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 2016) and Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in 2017)
- The 45th woman in the Open Era to win a Grand Slam title and one of 10 women (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Osaka, Ostapenko, Ka.Pliskova, Stephens and Wozniacki) born in the 1990s to make a Grand Slam final
- At 2015 Wimbledon, became first Spaniard to reach Wimbledon final since Sánchez Vicario (1996) and first Spanish woman to reach any Grand Slam singles final since Conchita Martínez at 2000 Roland Garros (l. Pierce)
- Reached SF stage at 2018 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Halep)
- At Australian Open, best result is QF in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe) and at US Open reached R16 in 2017 (l. Kvitova)

Other Information

- Coached by Sam Sumyk
- Began playing tennis at age three; first memory of the sport was playing with her brothers
- Mother, Scarlet is from Venezuela and father, José Antonio, is from Spain

SEVASTOVA:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, where she reached SF last year (l. eventual champion Goerges)
- Won a 66-minute second set to close out victory over Chinese No.2 S.Zhang in her first match in the Camellia Group on Thursday
- Faces No.17 Muguruza in second group match today, winner will advance to SF
- Has 6-8 record against Top 20 players in 2018. Two of those victories (No.18 Keys and No.6 Osaka) came on the way to a runner-up finish at Beijing last month
- Bidding for 44th tour-level win of 2018, her highest previous number of wins in a single season was 37 in 2017
- Has won 17 three-set matches in 2018, only Sabalenka (21) has posted more
- Playing Zhuhai on a career-high ranking of No.11. Could break into Top 10 by reaching the final

Season

- Was the second of two singles alternates at last week's WTA Finals in Singapore (did not play a match)
- Made SF at Moscow (l. qualifier Jabeur) – has reached QF or better at six of her past eight tournaments
- Reached first Premier Mandatory final at Beijing (l. Wozniacki in F). Defeated No. 6 Osaka in SF for her fourth Top 10 win of the season
- Last week, suffered 1r exit at Wuhan (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF at US Open (l. S.Williams) after 1r upset at Cincinnati (l. Giorgi)
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach SF at Flushing Meadows, upsetting No.7 Svitolina and No.3 Stephens en route. Defeat of No.3 Stephens was joint-best win rankings-wise (also d. No.3 Muguruza at 2016 US Open and No.3 Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Madrid)
- Enjoyed a QF run in Montréal (l. eventual R-Up Stephens), eclipsing the \$4 million career prize money mark in the process
- Withdrew w/left thigh injury prior to QF vs. Sasnovich at Moscow [River Cup]
- Captured first title of the season and third of her career on clay in Bucharest (d. Martic in F); now 3-3 in singles finals
- Fell in R16 in Eastbourne (l. Kasatkina) prior to being ousted in 1r at Wimbledon by eventual quarterfinalist Giorgi
- Finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Maria) in first grass event of the season
- Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Duque-Mariño)

- Advanced to R16 in Rome (l. No.2 Wozniacki) and fell in 2r in Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens)
- Enjoyed a SF result in Charleston in her first clay event of 2018
- Fell in 3r in Miami (l. Azarenka); 2r defeat of Cornet was first main draw match win at Miami
- Had R16 run at Indian Wells (d. No.12 Goerges in 3r, l. V.Williams) – her best result at the tournament
- During Middle Eastern swing, made R16 at Doha (l. Halep) and fell 1r at Dubai (l. Makarova)
- In first Fed Cup appearances since 2010, represented Latvia in February in Europe/Africa Group Competition, before going 1-1 in April's World Group II play-off victory over Russia
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
- Opened 2018 season by reaching SF at Brisbane (l. Sasnovich) followed by 1r exit at Sydney (l. Cibulkova)

Career

- Posted first Top 20 season in 2017, finishing at No.16 and recording a then-career-high number of wins (37) and winning percentage (.607), improving on her previous records set back in 2010
- Captured second career singles title and first in seven years at 2017 Mallorca (d. Goerges in F)
- Earned nearly half of career prize money in 2017 after reaching US Open QF for second consecutive year and advancing to SF of WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (l. eventual champion Goerges)
- In 2016, played first full season since 2012, reaching two singles finals at Mallorca (l. Garcia) and Bucharest (l. Halep), as well as first Grand Slam QF of career at US Open
- Retired from professional tennis in May 2013 due to various injuries – mostly muscular and back-related – but returned to competition at ITF level in January 2015 after body had fully healed
- During break from tennis studied leisure management
- Prior to break from tennis, won first singles title at 2010 Oeiras – becoming first Latvian to win a WTA title in 17 years (since Savchenko at Schenectady in 1993)
- Made Top 100 debut on July 13, 2009, Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010 and Top 20 debut on May 15, 2017
- Played first WTA event at 2007 Istanbul; made Grand Slam main draw debut as a qualifier at 2009 Roland Garros
- On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and four doubles titles
- Member of Latvian Fed Cup Team 2005-06, 2008-10, 2018
- Currently the Latvian No.2, behind Ostapenko; no other Latvians feature in Top 300 (September 24, 2018)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach a US Open SF in 2018. Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros – WON; 2018 Wimbledon – SF)
- Fell at QF stage on two occasions, at US Open in 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Stephens)
- In 2016, became first Latvian woman to reach a Grand Slam QF since Savchenko at 1994 Wimbledon (since joined by Ostapenko)

- Best result elsewhere is reaching R16 at 2011 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), before her two-year absence from the game
- Made 3r at 2017 Roland Garros; this was the first time a Latvian woman reached 3r in the Open Era (also eventual champion Ostapenko). Latvian-born Larisa Savchenko advanced to 3r in 1984 and 1989 whilst representing the USSR
- Has won just one match in five visits to Wimbledon, reaching 2r in 2017

Other Information

- Trains and resides in Liepaja, Latvia and coached by Ronald Schmidt
- Mother is Diana Golovanova (English teacher)
- Started playing at age six, introduced to the sport by her grandmother, played for fun until she was 15
- Speaks Latvian, English, Russian, German
- Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing



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[6] MADISON KEYS (USA #16) vs. [11] QIANG WANG (CHN #22)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 2-0

2018	DOHA	HARD O	R1	MADISON KEYS	6-1	6-4	56 mins
2018	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R1	MADISON KEYS	6-1	7-5	68 mins

MADISON KEYS	WTA RANKING	QIANG WANG
16	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	22
16	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	22
17-02-1995 (23)	YTD PRIZE MONEY	14-01-1992 (26)
\$2,354,853	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,321,204
\$9,888,678	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	\$2,758,692
0 / 3	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	2 / 2
0 / 0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	0 / 0
2-1	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	0-1
29-13 / 179-105	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	35-20 / 73-71
5-5 / 45-42	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 18-27
8-5 / 45-40	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	1-3 / 9-8
16-8 / 108-70	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	30-14 / 61-52
2-2 / 14-17	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-2 / 1-5
1-1 / 6-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-3 / 1-6
3-3 / 15-27	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-5 / 5-14
4-5 / 30-43		8-10 / 12-24

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

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Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	M. KEYS d. D. KASATKINA 6-2,6-4	68 mins	RR	D. KASATKINA d. Q. WANG 6-1,2-6,7-5	115 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

MADISON KEYS

2015
RR L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #11) 3-6 7-6(5) 6-1

KEYS:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Zhuhai. Defeated wildcard S.Zheng but lost to eventual champion V.Williams in the round robin stage in 2015
- Upset No.10 Kasatkina on Wednesday to score third Top 10 win of 2018,, having also defeated No.8 Garcia at the Australian Open and No.4 Kerber at Cincinnati

- Faces Q.Wang today, whom she has beaten twice already this year, including during her QF run at the Australian Open. By winning a set today, will guarantee she progresses to SF
- Including these two wins over Q.Wang, is on a four match winning run against Chinese opposition (career record stands at 11-9)
- Bidding to record multiple wins at a tournament for the first time US Open SF run
- One of four Americans to have contested the event, also V.Williams (2015 winner), Stephens (2017) and Vandeweghe (2017 R-Up)
- Struggled with a left knee injury in her last two tournaments – retiring in the 2r at Wuhan and giving a walkover in 2r at Beijing

Season

- Retired with a left knee injury in 2r at Wuhan (l. Kerber) and was forced to give a walkover in 2r at Beijing with the same injury (l. eventual R-Up Sevastova)
- Advanced to SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka). Has now made the SFs or better at three of her last five Slam appearances (2017 US Open final, 2018 Roland Garros SF, 2018 US Open SF)
- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only other summer hard court tournament; withdrew from San Jose and Montréal w/right wrist injury
- During Cincinnati run, upset No.4 Kerber to score sixth Top 5 victory of her career, having earlier beaten No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome and 2017 Stanford) and No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open)
- Fell in 3r of Wimbledon to qualifier Rodina in 3s
- Wimbledon marked her only grass court event of 2018 after withdrawing from Birmingham w/abdominal injury
- Clay season highlighted by run to SF at Roland Garros (l. Stephens), which followed Rome withdrawal before R16 meeting with No.1 Halep due to a rib injury
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at Stuttgart (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Madrid (l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Secured Fed Cup final return for reigning champions USA with victory over France's Parmentier in fourth rubber
- Advanced to SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens after holding 1mp)
- Suffered early 2r exits Doha (l. Bellis), Indian Wells (l. Collins) and Miami (l. Azarenka via ret. w/left thigh injury)
- Reached fourth Grand Slam QF of career at Australian Open (d. No.8 Garcia in R16, l. Kerber)
- At Australian Open, was one of just two players to reach last eight who also reached quarters at the previous major, 2017 US Open (also Ka.Pliskova)
- Started 2018 campaign in Brisbane where she made 1r exit (l. Konta)

Career

- Posted third successive Top 20 season in 2017, finishing at No.19 despite delayed start having undergone left wrist surgery in November 2016 (first event played was Indian Wells, where she reached R16)

- 2017 season highlighted by reaching maiden Grand Slam final in New York, losing out to Stephens in 10th all-American US Open final in the Open Era. At 22, became the youngest Flushing Meadows finalist since 19-year-old Wozniacki lost to Clijsters in 2009
- Also in 2017, won third career tour-level singles title, and first on hard courts, at Stanford (d. Vandeweghe in F). Previous two titles were won on grass, at 2014 Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F; second youngest title winner of season) and 2016 Birmingham (d. Strycova in F); also a runner-up on four occasions
- Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), as youngest player in the year-end Top 25
- Broke into Top 10 on June 20, 2016, becoming 118th player to reach the elite bracket since computer rankings were introduced. Became first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
- Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.7 on October 10, 2016
- Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round robin play
- Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (lost Bronze medal match against Kvitova)
- Owns six career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome and 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open) and No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage)
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- Was second-youngest player to win a WTA title in 2014, at Eastbourne (after Vekic at Kuala Lumpur) and became youngest American to win a singles title since Vania King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok)
- Nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2013
- On ITF Circuit won three singles titles and one doubles title
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before Melbourne Park run, had never previously passed 3r at a major. Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros to date with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – means she has now reached at least QF at all four majors
- At Wimbledon, best result so far is QF in 2015 (l. A.Radwanska)
- In 2016 was one of only four players to reach at least R16 across the Slams (also A.Radwanska, Suárez Navarro and S.Williams)

- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 US Open, advancing to 2r (was first 16-year-old to compete at Flushing Meadows since Kristie Ahn in 2008)

Other Information

- Currently without a full-time coach; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Previously coached by Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Unveiled as Evian's first American ambassador in 2017
- Prior to 2016 US Open was unveiled as ambassador for FearlesslyGIRL, an organization dedicated to empowering young women and their communities

Q.WANG:

Zhuhai

- Making debut appearance at Zhuhai, after claiming the last direct qualifying spot with an annual points total of 2155
- Lost opening Azalea Group match on Tuesday in a tight third set to No.10 Kasatkina. Her record against Top 10 players in 2018 now stands at 4-5, with wins over No.9 V.Williams (2018 Roland Garros), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Wuhan), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Beijing) and No.5 Svitolina (2018 Hong Kong)
- Faces Keys today, bidding for 36th tour-level win of the season – this is the first season she has registered 30 or more main draw victories in a single season
- Needs a straight-set win to top the group and qualify for SF
- Contesting 2018 Zhuhai at a career-high ranking of No.22 (first posted October 22, 2018), having broken Top 30 after Wuhan run
- This week, playing sixth event on home soil in 2018. Also Shenzhen (1r) Nanchang (WON), Guangzhou (WON), Wuhan (SF), Beijing (SF) and Zhuhai (RR) – 17-4 win-loss record
- One of two Chinese players in the draw, along with wildcard Zhang Shuai. The best result by a Chinese player at Zhuhai was Zhang's SF showing in 2016

Season

- Finished R-Up at Hong Kong (l. Yastremska); now owns 2-1 record in WTA singles finals
- Produced SF showings at Wuhan (ret. vs. Kontaveit w/left thigh injury) – first SF at WTA Premier-level or above – and then Beijing (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- In 2r at Wuhan, upset recent Tokyo champion and her conqueror at 2017 Wuhan No.7 Ka.Pliskova
- Strong start to Asian swing reaching SF at Hiroshima (l. eventual champion Hsieh) and lifting second career title at Guangzhou (d. Putintseva in F)
- Dropped just 18 games total en route to the title at Guangzhou – the fewest games lost in winning a WTA singles title in 2018

- Did not drop more than four games in a single match in Guangzhou title, becoming the fourth Chinese woman to win the title in the tournament's 15-year history – also Li (2004), Yan (2005) and Zhang (2013 and 2017)
- Achieved best result at US Open with run to 3r (l. Svitolina)
- In lead-up to US Open, posted 1r exits at San Jose (l. Anisimova) and Montréal (as qualifier, l. Buzarnescu)
- Lifted first tour-level title in July at Nanchang (d. Zheng Saisai in F following ret. w/fatigue). Dropped only one set en route to title
- On grass, only contested Wimbledon, falling in 1r (l. Zheng Saisai)
- Enjoyed best result at Roland Garros by reaching 3r (l. Putintseva). Defeated No.9 V.Williams in 1r (had lost to her in their two previous meetings) for then-best win rankings-wise of career (since bettered by win over No.7 Ka.Pliskova at Wuhan and Beijing)
- Prior to Roland Garros, made her first QF of the season at Strasbourg (l. Barty)
- Made 1r exit in Madrid (l. Kasatkina) and fell in qualifying at Rome
- Reached 2r in Prague before falling to Kr.Pliskova
- Suffered 1r exits in Miami (l. Anisimova) and Istanbul (l. Kuznetsova)
- At Indian Wells, reached R16 at a Premier Mandatory tournament for the second time in her career (l. Halep); previously accomplished this at 2017 Madrid (l. Kuznetsova)
- Fell in 2r at Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and 1r at Doha (l. Keys)
- Opened 2018 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Riske) and Australian Open (l. Keys). Rose to then-career-high rank of No.44 following Shenzhen (January 8)

Career

- Achieved first Top 50 year-end finish in 2017, finishing as China's No.3. Ascended 25 spots from No.70 in 2016 to No.45 in 2017, marking third Top 100 season in four years
- Advanced to first WTA SF at 2017 Hong Kong (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and captured WTA 125K Series title in Zhengzhou
- Posted three victories vs. Top 20 opponents in 2017, defeating No.15 Vesnina (Rome), No.15 Mladenovic (Tokyo [PPO]) and No.17 Sloane Stephens (Wuhan)
- 2016 highlights included QF runs at Shenzhen (l. A.Radwanska), Kuala Lumpur (l. Zhu), Hong Kong (l. Wozniacki) and WTA 125K Series event at Dalian (l. Min). Also reached 2r at 2016 US Open, upsetting No.23 seed Kasatkina in 1r (l. Shvedova)
- Represented China at Rio Olympics – l. Kuznetsova in 1r in three sets
- In 2016, posted a 14-1 record between March–May on the ITF Circuit, winning \$50k ITF/Quanzhou-CHN and \$100k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN, and finishing runner-up at \$75k ITF/Gifu-JPN
- Owns three Top 10 wins in career (3-12 record), defeating No.10 Wozniacki at 2013 Kuala Lumpur, No.9 V.Williams at 2018 Roland Garros and No.7 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Wuhan
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup Team, 2012-2016
- On ITF Circuit, owns 13 singles and one doubles title
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2007 Beijing and main draw debut at 2012 Baku

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 17th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – record stands at 10-17 across the majors
- Reached 3r for the first time at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Putintseva), since matched at 2018 US Open (l. Svitolina)
- Previously had reached 2r on six occasions: at 2014 US Open (l. Dellacqua), 2015 US Open (l. Strycova), 2016 Australian Open (l. Friedsam), 2016 Roland Garros (l. Suárez Navarro), 2016 US Open (l. Shvedova) and 2017 Wimbledon (l. V. Williams)
- Made major debut at 2014 US Open

Other Information

- Began playing tennis aged nine as a way to keep fit
- Would have become a teacher if not a tennis player
- Admires Zheng Jie
- Coached by Peter McNamara



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[2] MIYU KATO (JPN #45)/MAKOTO NINOMIYA (JPN #20) vs. [3] LYUDMYLA
KICHENOK (UKR #35)/NADIYA KICHENOK (UKR #37)

First meeting

[9] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #19) vs. [8] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #18)

Garcia leads 1-0

Goerges came from a set down to win pair's only previous meeting in last year's Wuhan final... Barty lost opening match in straight sets to Sabalenka... Garcia fell in group stage at 2016 Zhuhai

[4] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #13) vs. [5] JULIA GOERGES (GER #14)

First meeting

Mertens can secure SF spot with victory over Goerges... Goerges was 2-0 up in third set of opening match loss to Kontaveit... Belgian can finish year in Top 10 with a deep run this week

[2] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11) vs. [12] ZHANG SHUAI (CHN #36)

Sevastova leads 2-1 (1-0 at main draw, tour level)

Sevastova has won past five matches against Chinese opposition... Zhang led by a set in opening match loss to Muguruza... Sevastova made SF here 12 months ago

ZHUHAI QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Tuesday, October 30 – Sunday, November 4
Singles Final: Sunday, November 4, NB 4:00pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, November 4, 1:30pm
Venue: Zhuhai Hengqin International Tennis Center
Staging: Tournament's fourth year
Draw sizes: 12 singles / 6 doubles teams
Surface: Hard / Outdoors
Total prize money: USD \$2,349,363
Tennis Ball: Yonex
2017 Singles Final: [7] Julia Goerges (GER) d. [2] CoCo Vandeweghe (USA) 7-5 6-1
2017 Doubles Final: [6] Duan Yingying/Han Xinyun (CHN/CHN) d. [4] Lu Jingjing/Zhang Shuai (CHN/CHN) 6-2 6-1



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[9] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #19) vs. [8] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #18)

Head to Head: CAROLINE GARCIA leads 1-0

2017 WUHAN HARD O F CAROLINE GARCIA 6-7(3) 7-6(4) 6-2 163 mins

ASHLEIGH BARTY	WTA RANKING	CAROLINE GARCIA
19		18
19	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	18
24-04-1996 (22)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	16-10-1993 (25)
\$2,123,371	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,769,824
\$4,508,080	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$9,151,045
1 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 6
4 / 9	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
2-2	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	1-1
43-19 / 81-49	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	38-21 / 186-142
10-3 / 23-13	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	13-8 / 61-53
4-3 / 13-10	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	7-12 / 50-46
24-11 / 50-30	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	23-14 / 116-92
5-1 / 9-4	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	4-2 / 16-13
1-5 / 2-12	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-4 / 5-23
1-6 / 5-14	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-5 / 16-34
3-11 / 12-28	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-10 / 30-59

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	A.SABALENKA d. A.BARTY 6-4 6-4	86 mins			

ZHUHAI Tournament History

ASHLEIGH BARTY

2017
SF L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #12) 6-3 6-3

CAROLINE GARCIA

2016
R1 W - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #20) 6-4 6-3

BARTY:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Zhuhai, where she reached the SF last year, losing to doubles partner Vandeweghe in straight sets
- Lost five of the last six games to slip to a straight-sets defeat at hands of Sabalenka in first round robin match on Tuesday
- Faces Garcia in second Orchid Group match today; owns three Top 20 wins in 2018, against No.18 Osaka (Nottingham), No.18 Bertens (Montréal) and No.3 Kerber (Wuhan)

- Served for the match twice before losing to Garcia in their only previous meeting in the final at 2017 Wuhan. Defeated four Top 20 players (No.7 Konta, No.13 A.Radwanska, No.4 Ka.Pliskova, No.10 Ostapenko) en route to a runner-up finish
- Has hit 282 aces this season – only Goerges (478), Ka.Pliskova (393), Bertens (325), Kr.Pliskova (285) and Osaka (283) have struck more
- Owns 24 hard court victories this season. Has won 18 of her last 26 matches on hard (Miami (2), Fed Cup (2), Montréal (4), Cincinnati (2), US Open (3), Tokyo (1), Wuhan (4)), with 14 of those victories coming in straight sets
- Entering Zhuhai, topped the tour this year for percentage of service points won (level with Goerges on 63.3%), and is second behind Goerges for service games won (78.3%)

Season

- Last week partnered Vandeweghe to reach SF in doubles at WTA Finals Singapore (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)
- Withdrew from Beijing w/right arm injury
- Reached SF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Sabalenka); defeat of No.3 Kerber in R16 at Wuhan marked best win-by-ranking of career, bettering that of No.4 Ka.Pliskova posted at Wuhan in 2017
- Posted R16 showing at Tokyo (l. Azarenka)
- Advanced to R16 at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) – her deepest run to date at a major. Also won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at Flushing Meadows (w/Vandeweghe)
- Withdrew from New Haven w/viral illness
- Reached her fourth SF of the season at Montréal and made R16 at Cincinnati (l. World No.1 Halep at both tournaments); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s, also falling to S.Williams at 2014 Australian Open and Kerber at 2017 Brisbane
- At Montréal won eighth WTA doubles title (w/Schuurs, d. L.Chan/Makarova in F); is now 9-7 in WTA doubles finals
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Kasatkina)
- Began grass swing by capturing second career title in Nottingham (d. Konta in F); record in WTA singles finals now stands at 2-3
- Also reached QF in Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and R16 at Birmingham (l. Goerges) to finish grass court season with WTA-leading 12 wins
- Suffered 2r defeat to S.Williams at Roland Garros
- Enjoyed a SF run at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova via ret. w/back injury)
- Made 1r exit at Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s) before 2r showing at Madrid (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Lifted the doubles trophy at Rome (w/Schuurs, d. Sestini Hlavackova/Strycova in F)
- After R16 run at Charleston (l. Sevastova), returned to Australia where she spearheaded the country's return to Fed Cup World Group in 2019, posting singles wins over Kerkhove and Lemoine of the Netherlands

- Also made R16 run at Miami (l. Svitolina) where she won the doubles event (w/Vandeweghe, d. Krejčíková/Siniakova in F)
- Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Sakkari)
- After reaching 3r at Australian Open (l. Osaka) and representing Australia in Fed Cup (vs. Ukraine), took a short break from the tour due to injury (left toe)
- Posted career-high No.16 ranking following run in Melbourne (January 29, 2018)
- Started the year with a 1r exit in Brisbane (l. Tsurenko), before finishing R-Up to Kerber in Sydney

Career

- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at a then-career-high No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Reached two additional finals in 2017, at Birmingham (l. Kvitová) and Wuhan (l. Garcia)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- In terms of ranking, best career win was over No.3 Kerber at 2018 Wuhan
- Winner of nine WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs)
- Qualified for first WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.5 on May 21, 2018
- Took a break from tennis after 2014 US Open that lasted almost two years
- Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint as an all rounder for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015 16 Women's Big Bash League
- Nominated for tennis Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2017
- Return to tennis was initially hindered by right arm injury sustained in August 2016, following promising start: returned at \$50k ITF/Eastbourne GBR in May, advancing to SF as a qualifier (l. Riske) and the following week, QF at WTA International level Nottingham (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
- On ITF Circuit, has won four singles titles and nine doubles titles (including three in 2016)
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as world No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- In juniors, won national singles titles in 18&U, 16&U, 14&U and 12&U age categories. Member of Junior Fed Cup winning team in 2011 (Australia d. Canada in F)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance, making her best result with R16 showing (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Has advanced to 3r at on four occasions, at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina), Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel), and 2018 (l. Osaka), and US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens)

- Has reached 2r at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Kirilenko) and 2018 (l. S.Williams)
- First Grand Slam main draw appearance (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia's 2012 WC Play Off in Dec. 2011
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejčíková/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

Other Information

- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara. Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- In April 2018, named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia, In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women's Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce

GARCIA:

Zhuhai

- Making her second appearance at Zhuhai. Defeated Stosur but lost to Konta during group stage exit in 2016
- Faces No.19 Barty in her first group match today. Battled past the Australian in their only previous meeting in three sets in the final at 2017 Wuhan on her way to a fourth career title
- Win over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in Tianjin final marked her first victory over a Top 20 player since Rome in May where she defeated No.10 Stephens in the R16. Is 4-10 v Top 20 players in 2018
- One of two French players to have contested the event (also Mladenovic in 2017)
- Is ninth on the list for most aces served in 2018 with 242

Season

- Won her first title of the year at Tianjin (d. Ka.Pliskova in F); career record in finals now stands at 6-2
- Lost to Sabalenka in 3r as defending champion at Beijing, subsequently falling out of Top 10 (had been ranked inside the elite bracket every week since October 9, 2017)
- Began Asian swing with QF showing at Tokyo (l. Vekic) and 2r exit at Wuhan (as defending champion, l. Siniakova – held 1mp)
- Made QF at New Haven (l. Puig) and then 3r for third straight year at US Open (l. Suárez Navarro); rose to career-high ranking of No.4 following US Open (September 10, 2018)

- Reached R16 at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka – held 1mp in third set)
- Posted QF showing at Montréal (l. eventual champion Halep - is now 0-7 vs. reigning World No.1s); broke into Top for first time at No.5 following the tournament (August 13, 2018)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Bencic) – her earliest exit at a major since 2016 Australian Open. On grass also reached QF at Mallorca (l. Kenin)
- Enjoyed a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. Kerber) improving her career win total in Paris to 10 – her most wins of any Slam
- Made QF at Rome losing to World No.1 Halep
- Reached SF at both Madrid (l. Bertens) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
- At Stuttgart, defeated No.41 Sharapova in 1r, 15-year-old Ukrainian Marta Kostyuk in 2r, and No.4 Svitolina in QF for first Top 5 win of season
- Reached R16 on green clay of Charleston (l. Cornet)
- Suffered an opening match exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Riske) after a R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Kerber)
- Made back-to-back QF appearances in Doha and Dubai (l. Muguruza on both occasions)
- Upset by No.450 qualifier Rybakina in 2r at St. Petersburg
- Advanced to R16 at Australian Open for the first time (l. Keys)
- Opened season at Brisbane, falling 1r (ret. vs. Cornet w/low back injury)

Career

- Enjoyed break-out year in 2017, ending season at then-career high No.8, winning her first titles at Premier 5 and Premier-Mandatory level, and qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore
- Lifted two titles in 2017, winning Wuhan and Beijing back-to-back to improve record in WTA singles finals to 5-2. Title runs saw her win 11 matches in a row. This was her joint-best win streak of career – also won 11 straight matches in 2014, winning title at Bogotá (5 wins), going 2-0 in Fed Cup action vs. USA, then reaching the QF at Madrid (4 wins)
- Won 48 main draw matches last season, an increase of 14 on her 2016 total
- Wuhan marked first Premier 5 title of career, subsequently bettered by Beijing being first Premier Mandatory title of career
- Became third player to reach back to back finals in Wuhan and Beijing. The previous two were Kvitova in 2014 (Wuhan Won, Beijing R Up) and Muguruza in 2015 (Wuhan R Up, Beijing Won)
- Qualified for 2017 WTA Finals in Singapore, reaching SF (l. V.Williams). Was first French woman through to contest the season-ending event in singles since Mauresmo in 2006 (l. Henin in F)
- Has qualified for WTA Finals in doubles twice, in 2015 (w/Srebotnik – lost in RR stage) and 2016 (w/Mladeneovic - SF)
- Played 2015 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational (l. Osaka in F)
- Winner of two WTA singles titles in 2016 – at Strasbourg (d. Lucic Baroni in F) and Mallorca (d. Sevastova in F)
- Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, going 1 1 in singles round robin play – d. Stosur, l. Konta
- Represented France at Rio Olympics in singles (2r), doubles (w/Mladenovic, 1r) and mixed doubles (w/Mahut, 1r)

- Member of French Fed Cup Team that advanced to 2016 final vs. Czech Republic – went 2 0 in singles, posting wins over Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova, although the Czechs won the tie, 3 2
- Ended 2016 season with runner up finish at WTA 125K Series event at Limoges, France (l. Alexandrova in F), where she was the defending champion
- In addition to winning 2016 Roland Garros, team of Garcia/Mladenovic also reached title match at 2016 US Open (l. Mattek Sands/Safarova) among eight finals reached in 2016 – won at Charleston, Stuttgart and Madrid as well as Roland Garros. Garcia is now 6 10 in tour level doubles finals. Garcia/Mladenovic qualified for 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore – advanced to semifinals (l. Mattek Sands/Safarova); duly finished season co ranked No.2, a new career high for both players
- Owns 15 wins over Top 10 players in career: No.9 Jankovic (2014 Bogotá), No.8 Kerber (2014 Madrid), No.6 A.Radwanska (2014 Wuhan), No.6 Ivanovic (2015 Monterrey), No.6 Ivanovic (2015 Indian Wells), No.6 Ivanovic (2015 Stuttgart), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Cincinnati), No.6 Ka.Pliskova (2016 Fed Cup final), No.9 Cibulkova (2017 Wuhan), No.3 Svitolina and No.2 Halep (both 2017 Beijing), No.4 Svitolina and No.6 Wozniacki (both 2017 WTA Finals), No.4 Svitolina (2018 Stuttgart) and No.10 Stephens (2018 Rome)
- Won maiden singles title at 2014 Bogotá (d. Jankovic in F) and won the doubles (w/Arruabarrena), becoming first player to win singles and doubles at same event since S.Williams at 2012 Olympics
- Reached finals in consecutive weeks at 2015 Acapulco and Monterrey (l. Bacsinszky in both)
- Made WTA and Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 Australian Open, advancing to 2r
- Played first professional match aged 13 at an ITF event in France in 2007

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 28th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Ka.Pliskova) for best Grand Slam singles result to date
- Has also reached R16 at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Konta), 2018 Australian Open (l. Keys) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Kerber)
- Made US Open 3r in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska), 2017 (l. Kvitova) and 2018 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- In juniors, singles runner up at 2011 US Open (l. Min) and was a semifinalist at the other three Grand Slam events
- In 2016 was doubles champion at Roland Garros and R-Up at US Open (both w/Mladenovic)

Other Information

- Coached by father, Louis Paul Garcia
- Played many sports when she was younger and chose tennis because it was the one she enjoyed the most
- Enjoys reading and spending time with family



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[4] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #13) vs. [5] JULIA GOERGES (GER #14)

Head to Head: First meeting

ELISE MERTENS	WTA RANKING	JULIA GOERGES
13		14
13	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	14
17-11-1995 (22)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	02-11-1988 (29)
\$2,239,006	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,778,694
\$3,035,246	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$8,413,769
3 / 4	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	2 / 6
4 / 6	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 5
1-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	4-1
46-20 / 81-44	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	45-23 / 282-231
12-6 / 26-14	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	17-7 / 86-82
10-9 / 17-17	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	13-7 / 62-72
26-14 / 44-26	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	27-13 / 166-140
5-2 / 6-2	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	5-7 / 16-26
2-5 / 2-6	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 8-17
2-6 / 3-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-4 / 16-36
3-8 / 6-19	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	6-7 / 33-74

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
RR	E.MERTENS d. A.KONTAVEIT 6-3 6-1	67 mins	RR	A.KONTAVEIT d. J.GOERGES 6-2 4-6 6-4	128 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

JULIA GOERGES

2017
F W - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #12) 7-5 6-1

MERTENS:

Zhuhai

- Making debut at Zhuhai
- Broke serve six times to see off No.20 Kontaveit in first Rose Group match on Tuesday. Now owns six career Top 20 wins, having previously beaten No.16 Pavlyuchenkova and No.15 Vesnina (both 2017 Fed Cup), No.10 Cibulkova (2017 Beijing), No.4 Svitolina (2018 Australian Open) and No.3 Stephens (2018 Cincinnati)
- Has posted 46 main draw match wins in 2018 – only Ka.Pliskova (49) and Kvitova (47) have more. By contrast, prior to this season owned only 36 wins at this level across entire career

- Faces German No.2 Goerges today; owns 9-4 career record against German players, although lost the most recent of these against Lottner at 2018 's-Hertogenbosch
- Seeded No.4 – has been a seed at 19 of 22 events contested in 2018 (exceptions were Australian Open, Dubai and Madrid)
- Currently ranked at career-high No.13 (first posted October 22, 2018). Can break into Top 10 by reaching the final undefeated or with the title
- Has three titles to her name this season (Hobart, Rabat and Lugano), one of six players on tour with three or more titles this season - also Kvitova (5), Svitolina (4), Bertens (3), Halep (3) and Wozniacki (3)
- Entering Zhuhai had won 43% of her return games in 2018 – the sixth-highest percentage on tour

Season

- Playing w/Schuurs, fell in QF at last week's WTA Finals Singapore (l. Barty/Vandeweghe)
- Posted QF showing at Tianjin (ret. vs. Hsieh w/right arm injury) and fell 1r at Moscow (l. Konta)
- Fell 1r at Wuhan (l. Sasnovich) and Beijing (l. S.Zhang). Tempered this by lifting doubles title w/Schuurs (d. Hlavackova Sestini/Strycova in F) – is now 6-4 in doubles finals
- Became first woman from Belgium to reach R16 at US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer – R16, Clijsters – Won), eventually losing to defending champion Stephens
- Began North American hard court season with runs to SF at San Jose (l. eventual champion Buzarnescu), QF at Montréal (l. defending champion Svitolina) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Kvitova). Reached doubles final at Cincinnati (w/Schuurs, l. Hradecka/Makarova)
- Defeated No.3 Stephens at Cincinnati to score her second career Top 5 win (also No.4 Svitolina at 2018 Australian Open)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Cibulkova) for her career-best result at the All England Club
- Also reached 3r at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka) and fell in 2r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Lottner) and 1r at Birmingham (l. Jakupovic)
- In doubles, won fifth career title at 's-Hertogenbosch and finished R-Up at Birmingham (both w/Schuurs)
- Started clay court season with back-to-back titles at Lugano (d. Sabalenka in F) and Rabat (d. Tomljanovic in F)
- Fell to World No.1 Halep at other two clay court events, in R16 at Roland Garros and 2r at Madrid. Finished clay swing with tour's best record on the surface – 16-2 win-loss, edging Halep's 16-3 record
- Also won doubles title at Lugano (w/Flipkens, d. Lapko/Sabalenka in F)
- Won both rubbers (d. Errani and Paolini) to help Belgium to 4-0 victory in its World Group I play-off against Italy
- Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Q.Wang) and reached 3r at Miami (l. Konta)
- Fell 2r in Doha (l. Cirstea), followed by a 1r exit in Dubai (l. Bellis)
- Went 1-1 in Fed Cup World Group play for Belgium vs. France (d. Parmentier, l. Mladenovic). France won tie 3-2
- Achieved Grand Slam breakthrough at Australian Open; making debut at event, advanced to first SF at a major – d. No.23 Gavrilova in 2r and No.4 Svitolina in QF – first win over a Top 5 opponent – before falling to No.2 seed and eventual champion Wozniacki (ending 10-match win streak)

- With Australian Open results, made Top 20 debut at No.20 (week of January 29, 2018)
- Passed \$1 million in career prize money with 3r victory over Cornet at Australian Open
- Enjoyed successful title defense at 2018 Hobart (d. Buzarnescu in F), having won her maiden title there in 2017. Completed sweep of titles by teaming up with Schuurs to defeat L.Kichenok/Ninomiya in doubles final
- Began 2018 season at Hopman Cup exhibition in Perth, going 2-1 in singles play (d. Bouchard and Gavrilova, l. Kerber) and 2-1 in doubles (w/Goffin)

Career

- Finished 2017 season at No.35, up from No.120 in 2016 – first Top 50 and Top 100 year-end finish in career
- 2017 season highlighted by first career singles title at Hobart (as a qualifier, d. Niculescu in F) – one of five qualifiers to win a singles title in 2017
- Also in 2017, advanced to final at Istanbul (l. Svitolina) and made SF runs at Bastad (l. Wozniacki), New Haven (l. Cibulkova) and Luxembourg (l. Puig)
- Won second career doubles title at 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs) and reached finals at 2017 Bucharest (w/Schuurs) and Istanbul (w/Melichar)
- Registered first Top 10 win of career over No.10 Cibulkova in 1r at 2017 Beijing
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2016 's-Hertogenbosch – as qualifier, advanced to QF (l. Mladenovic)
- In 2016 also reached 2r on grass at Mallorca (as qualifier, d. Schiavone in 1r, l. Jankovic) and fell in qualifying on nine occasions: Auckland, Australian Open, St Petersburg, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, Gstaad, Bastad, Linz and Luxembourg
- Won first WTA title of any kind in doubles at 2016 Auckland (w/Mestach). Now has six doubles titles – also 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs), 2018 Hobart (w/Schuurs), 2018 Lugano (w/Flipkens), 2018 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Schuurs) and 2018 Wuhan (w/Schuurs)
- Played first tour-level event of career at 2015 Antwerp (fell in qualifying)
- Winner of 11 singles titles and 14 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Belgium in 2010

Grand Slam History

- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF of career at 2018 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- Became first Belgian to reach a Grand Slam SF since Flipkens at 2013 Wimbledon; also the first Belgian to reach QF at Australian Open since 2012 (Kim Clijsters, SF)
- In 2018, also achieved best result at Roland Garros, with run to R16 (l eventual champion Halep), Wimbledon, where she reached 3r (l. Cibulkova), and US Open where she also reached R16 (l. Stephens)
- Prior to making Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 US Open, fell in qualifying at five majors: 2015 Wimbledon, 2015 US Open, 2016 Australian Open, 2016 Roland Garros and 2016 Wimbledon

Other Information

- Currently without full-time coach. Recently has been joined by David Taylor and mother Liliane Barbé
- Earlier coaching history includes Belgian federation until early teens, as well as a year at the Mouratoglou Academy
- Mother Liliane, teaches languages and history and father, Guido, makes furniture for churches. Was introduced to tennis by her sister Lauren, who is six years older (now airline pilot with KLM)
- Speaks Dutch/Flemish, French and English
- Was home schooled

GOERGES:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, where she is defending champion
- Last year, upset No.10 Mladenovic, No.15 Sevastova in SF and No.12 Vandeweghe in final
- Led 2-0 in the final set before losing to Kontaveit in her opening match Rose Group match on Wednesday
- Struck four aces against Kontaveit to take her season total to 478. Also hit 412 aces in 2017 season – only two other players have reached the 400 ace mark in a season: S.Williams (2012 15) and Ka.Pliskova (2014 17)
- Takes on No.13 Mertens today, bidding for her fifth match win at Zhuhai. The only player to record this many victories at the tournament was Svitolina (5-2 record)
- Looking to record first Top 20 win since getting the better of No.20 Bertens during Wimbledon SF run this July
- Has posted 45 main draw wins this season – only Ka.Pliskova (49), Kvitova (47), Halep (46), Kerber (46), Bertens (46), Mertens (46) and Sabalenka (46) have more
- Will celebrate her 30th birthday on Friday – is the oldest player in the draw

Season

- Returned to Europe in October to win sixth career title, at Luxembourg (d. Bencic in F). Also fell 1r at Linz (l. Petkovic after holding 1MP)
- Following Luxembourg run, career record in WTA singles finals now stands at 6-8
- Reached R16 at Beijing (l. Osaka) and 2r at Wuhan (l. qualifier Kenin)
- Fell 2r at US Open (l. Makarova)
- Advanced to the SF stage at New Haven (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Opened summer hard court season with R16 showing at Montréal (l. Sevastova), her career-best result at the Rogers Cup; fell in 1r of Cincinnati the following week (l. Mladenovic via ret. left leg injury)

- After Wimbledon, reached QF on clay at Moscow [River Cup] (l. eventual champion Danilovic)
- Reached maiden Grand Slam SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Went 2-2 on grass in lead-up to Wimbledon, reaching QF at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and dropping 2r opener at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. eventual runner-up Sabalenka)
- On clay, made 3r at Roland Garros (l. S.Williams) and Madrid (l. Garcia), and withdrew from Rome due to illness. Also suffered 1r exits on home soil at Nürnberg (l. Kr.Pliskova in 3s) and Stuttgart (l. Vondrousova)
- Began clay court swing at Charleston – finished as R-Up (l. Bertens)
- Part of Germany team that lost 3-2 to Czech Republic in Stuttgart; went 1-1 in singles (d. Ka.Pliskova, l. Kvitova)
- Suffered 2r loss to countrywoman Wittthoeft in Miami. Made 3r exit in Indian Wells (l. Sevastova)
- Reached QF at Doha before retiring in her match against Kvitova due to a hip injury
- Made her Top 10 debut on February 5, 2018 after SF run at St Petersburg (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Cornet) – result ended 15-match winning streak
- Began 2018 campaign with fifth title of career at Auckland (d. Wozniacki in F) – extended title streak to three, having previously won Moscow and Zhuhai to close out 2017 season

Career

- Registered then-career-high ranking and best year-end finish in 2017, at No.14. Second Top 20 finish of career (also No.18 in 2012)
- Reached a career-high five finals in 2017 season, winning Moscow (d. Kasatkina in F) and biggest title of career at WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (d. Vandeweghe in F). Finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Sevastova), Bucharest (l. Begu) and Washington, DC (l. Makarova)
- Moscow title was first since 2011 Stuttgart, having also won 2010 Bad Gastein
- By winning 2017 Moscow, overtook Kerber to become German No.1 and also returned to Top 20 for first time since February 2013
- Hit 412 aces across 2017 season. Only two other players have reached the 400 ace mark in a season: S.Williams (2012 15) and Ka.Pliskova (2014 17)
- Owns a 6-8 record in WTA singles finals; is 5-11 in WTA doubles finals, most recently winning at 2015 New Haven (w/Hradecka)
- Opened 2016 by reaching first WTA singles final in nearly four years, finishing runner-up at Auckland (l. Stephens). Was first final since 2012 Dubai
- Enjoyed best doubles season to date in 2016, reaching final at Indian Wells (w/Ka.Pliskova) and qualifying for the WTA Finals for the first time. Set new career-high doubles rank of No.12 on August 22, 2016
- In 2011, posted wins over World No.1 Wozniacki in consecutive weeks (Stuttgart final and Madrid)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a qualifier at 2007 Doha
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Germany in 2005
- Member of German Fed Cup team 2008, 2010-18

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 43rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Posted best Grand Slam result at 2018 Wimbledon, where she reached SF (l. S.Williams). With Kerber winning title at All England Club this year, it marked the first time that two Germans reached the last four at the same Slam since 1993 Roland Garros – Huber (SF) and Graf (Champion)
- Previously had reached R16 – but never further – on five occasions, at Australian Open (2012-13 and 2015), Roland Garros (2015) and US Open (2017)
- Made main draw debut at 2007 US Open, negotiating qualifying before losing to eventual champion Henin in 1r
- In doubles, is a three-time semifinalist, at Australian Open (2015 w/Groenefeld and 2016 w/Ka.Pliskova) and Wimbledon (2016 w/Ka.Pliskova)
- Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2014 Roland Garros, finishing runner-up in mixed doubles (w/Zimonjic; l. Groenefeld/Rojer)

Other Information

- Born in Bad Oldesloe. Father is Klaus, mother is Inge; older sister is Maike
- Began playing tennis aged 6. Tennis idol growing up was Martina Hingis
- Fan of winter sports, especially biathlon (cross country skiing combined with shooting)
- Coached by Michael Geserer and Matthias Mischka. Physio and fitness coach is Florian Zitzelsberger



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[2] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11) vs. [12] ZHANG SHUAI (CHN #36)

Head to Head: ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA leads 2-0 (at tour level)

2017	MADRID	CLAY O	R1	ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA	6-2	6-4	59 mins
2015	ITF/BURSA	CLAY O	QF	ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA	6-1	6-1	65 mins

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA	WTA RANKING	ZHANG SHUAI
11		36
11	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	35
13-04-1990 (28)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	21-01-1989 (29)
\$2,572,414	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$937,583
\$5,863,943	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$4,540,898
1 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	3 / 7
2-1	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	2-1
42-20 / 146-113	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	28-25 / 123-154
17-6 / 47-34	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-8 / 37-38
6-7 / 30-30	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	9-7 / 31-38
24-13 / 79-67	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	22-17 / 97-105
4-1 / 8-8	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	2-4 / 11-14
1-4 / 3-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 4-12
4-5 / 9-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-4 / 6-19
6-8 / 17-36	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-6 / 16-47

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
			RR	G.MUGURUZA d. S.ZHANG 3-6 6-3 6-2	0 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA

2017
SF L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #18) 6-3 6-3

SHUAI ZHANG

2016
SF L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #13) 6-2 6-2

SEVASTOVA:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, where she reached SF last year (l. eventual champion Goerges)
- Faces Chinese No.2 Zhang in her first match in the Camellia Group. Owns 11-3 career record against Chinese players, winning the last five – most recent defeat coming against Zhang in qualifying at Estoril in 2012
- Bidding for 44th tour-level win of 2018, her highest previous number of wins in a single season

was 37 in 2017

- Has won 17 three-set matches in 2018, only Sabalenka (21) has posted more
- Playing Zhuhai on a career-high ranking of No.11. Could break into Top 10 by reaching the final this week

Season

- Was the second of two singles alternates at last week's WTA Finals in Singapore (did not play a match)
- Made SF at Moscow (l. qualifier Jabeur) – has reached QF or better at six of her past eight tournaments
- Reached first Premier Mandatory final at Beijing (l. Wozniacki in F). Defeated No. 6 Osaka in SF for her fourth Top 10 win of the season
- Last week, suffered 1r exit at Wuhan (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF at US Open (l. S.Williams) after 1r upset at Cincinnati (l. Giorgi)
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach SF at Flushing Meadows, upsetting No.7 Svitolina and No.3 Stephens en route. Defeat of No.3 Stephens was joint-best win rankings-wise (also d. No.3 Muguruza at 2016 US Open and No.3 Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Madrid)
- Enjoyed a QF run in Montréal (l. eventual R-Up Stephens), eclipsing the \$4 million career prize money mark in the process
- Withdrew w/left thigh injury prior to QF vs. Sasnovich at Moscow [River Cup]
- Captured first title of the season and third of her career on clay in Bucharest (d. Martic in F); now 3-3 in singles finals
- Fell in R16 in Eastbourne (l. Kasatkina) prior to being ousted in 1r at Wimbledon by eventual quarterfinalist Giorgi
- Finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Maria) in first grass event of the season
- Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Duque-Mariño)
- Advanced to R16 in Rome (l. No.2 Wozniacki) and fell in 2r in Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens)
- Enjoyed a SF result in Charleston in her first clay event of 2018
- Fell in 3r in Miami (l. Azarenka); 2r defeat of Cornet was first main draw match win at Miami
- Had R16 run at Indian Wells (d. No.12 Goerges in 3r, l. V.Williams) – her best result at the tournament
- During Middle Eastern swing, made R16 at Doha (l. Halep) and fell 1r at Dubai (l. Makarova)
- In first Fed Cup appearances since 2010, represented Latvia in February in Europe/Africa Group Competition, before going 1-1 in April's World Group II play-off victory over Russia
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
- Opened 2018 season by reaching SF at Brisbane (l. Sasnovich) followed by 1r exit at Sydney (l. Cibulkova)

Career

- Posted first Top 20 season in 2017, finishing at No.16 and recording a then-career-high number of wins (37) and winning percentage (.607), improving on her previous records set back in 2010
- Captured second career singles title and first in seven years at 2017 Mallorca (d. Goerges in F)

- Earned nearly half of career prize money in 2017 after reaching US Open QF for second consecutive year and advancing to SF of WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (l. eventual champion Goerges)
- In 2016, played first full season since 2012, reaching two singles finals at Mallorca (l. Garcia) and Bucharest (l. Halep), as well as first Grand Slam QF of career at US Open
- Retired from professional tennis in May 2013 due to various injuries – mostly muscular and back-related – but returned to competition at ITF level in January 2015 after body had fully healed
- During break from tennis studied leisure management
- Prior to break from tennis, won first singles title at 2010 Oeiras – becoming first Latvian to win a WTA title in 17 years (since Savchenko at Schenectady in 1993)
- Made Top 100 debut on July 13, 2009, Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010 and Top 20 debut on May 15, 2017
- Played first WTA event at 2007 Istanbul; made Grand Slam main draw debut as a qualifier at 2009 Roland Garros
- On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and four doubles titles
- Member of Latvian Fed Cup Team 2005-06, 2008-10, 2018
- Currently the Latvian No.2, behind Ostapenko; no other Latvians feature in Top 300 (September 24, 2018)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach a US Open SF in 2018. Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros – WON; 2018 Wimbledon – SF)
- Fell at QF stage on two occasions, at US Open in 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Stephens)
- In 2016, became first Latvian woman to reach a Grand Slam QF since Savchenko at 1994 Wimbledon (since joined by Ostapenko)
- Best result elsewhere is reaching R16 at 2011 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), before her two-year absence from the game
- Made 3r at 2017 Roland Garros; this was the first time a Latvian woman reached 3r in the Open Era (also eventual champion Ostapenko). Latvian-born Larisa Savchenko advanced to 3r in 1984 and 1989 whilst representing the USSR
- Has won just one match in five visits to Wimbledon, reaching 2r in 2017

Other Information

- Trains and resides in Liepaja, Latvia and coached by Ronald Schmidt
- Mother is Diana Golovanova (English teacher)
- Started playing at age six, introduced to the sport by her grandmother, played for fun until she was 15
- Speaks Latvian, English, Russian, German
- Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing

ZHANG:

Zhuhai

- As a wildcard making second singles appearance at Zhuhai. Also played here in 2016, losing to Kvitova in SF
- Finished as runner-up in the doubles event last year with J.Lu (l. Y.Duan/X.Han)
- Lost to Muguruza in opening Camellia Group match on Wednesday
- Faces No.11 Sevastova today, bidding for her fourth victory over a Top 20 opponent this year. Two of those wins came last month on her way to a QF finish at Beijing (d. No.14 Mertens in 1r and No.3 Kerber in 3r)
- At No.36 is lowest-ranked player in the field
- One of two Chinese players in the main draw (also Q.Wang)
- Enjoyed a successful Asian swing, reaching SF at Hiroshima (l. Anisimova) and Hong Kong (l. Yastremska), QF in Beijing (l. Osaka) and R16 at Wuhan (l. Q.Wang)

Season

- Reached QF in Beijing (l. Osaka) and SF in Hong Kong (l. eventual champion Yastremska). Also won seventh career doubles title in Hong Kong (w/Stosur, d. Aoyama/Marozava in F)
- Coming off R16 showing at Wuhan (l. Kontaveit) – for the first time in tournament’s history, two Chinese players reached R16 (also Q.Wang, who made SF)
- Produced SF run at Hiroshima (l. eventual R-Up Anisimova). Captured doubles title in Japan (w/Hozumi), defeating top seeds Kato/Ninomiya in F
- Fell 1r at US Open (l. Muguruza) however, reached SF in doubles (w/Stosur, l. eventual R-Ups Mladenovic/Babos) and SF in mixed doubles (w/Peers, l. eventual R-Ups Rosolska/Mektic)
- Made 2r in Montréal (l. Mertens) after a 1r exit in San Jose (l. Lapko)
- Enjoyed a QF run on hard courts at the WTA’s International-level event at Nanchang, China, where she was the top seed (l. Zhu)
- Grass swing ended with 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Petkovic), following a 1r exit at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Stollar)
- Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Begu)
- Made 2r showings at Madrid (d. Osaka, l. Mladenovic) and Rome (l. Ostapenko)
- Advanced to SF at Prague (l. eventual champion Kvitova) following 1r exit at Istanbul (l. Rus)
- Captured doubles title at Istanbul (w/Liang, d. Knoll/Smith in F)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells (as No.32 seed, l. Ka.Pliskova in 3s) and fell 2r at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Haddad Maia)
- Advanced to back-to-back QF at Budapest (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck) and Acapulco (l. Peterson)
- Fell 1r at Taipei City (l. Kozlova) and Doha (l. Makarova)
- Started season with 2r showings at Shenzhen (l. Diyas), Hobart (l. Sabalenka) and Australian Open (l. Allertova)
- Best win by ranking so far this year was 1r win over No.13 Stephens at the Australian Open

Career

- Posted fifth Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.36 – four Chinese players in year-end Top 100
- Season highlighted by winning Guangzhou title (d. Krunic in F); now owns 2-0 record in WTA singles finals, having also won 2013 Guangzhou
- Also in 2017, reached QF at New Haven and Doha, and won WTA 125K Series event in Honolulu
- Posted career-high ranking of No.23 on November 14, 2016
- Strong end to 2016 (went 21-6 post US Open) brought back-to-back semifinals on Asian swing – Tokyo [Japan Open] and Seoul – and saw her win 19th ITF Circuit singles title of career at \$100k ITF/Tokyo 2-JPN
- At last event of season, runner-up at WTA 125K Series event in Honolulu (l. Bellis in F)
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF (d. No.2 Halep and No.17 Keys en route, l. Konta). Run also marked first time winning back-to-back main draw matches since semifinal run at 2014 Birmingham
- Other season highlights in 2016 included reaching 3r at US Open (best result at tournament), where she claimed back-to-back match wins at tour level for first time since 3r effort at Indian Wells in March, a run spanning 10 tournaments
- Represented China at Rio Olympics (d. No.15 Bacsinszky in opening match, l. Siegemund in 2r). In doubles, also made 2r (w/Peng, l. Hradecka/Hlavackova)
- Contemplated retirement after ending 2015 ranked No.186, her lowest year-end finish since 2008 (No.212) and down from No.62 in 2014
- Reached 2r at tour-level on only four occasions in 2015: Pattaya City, Charleston, Prague and Nürnberg
- Winner of two WTA singles titles, at 2013 and 2017 Guangzhou, and also won WTA 125K Series event at Nanjing in 2013 (d. Morita in F)
- Has won seven WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2018 Hong Kong (w/Stosur) and is a six-time runner-up
- Winner of 19 singles titles and nine doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup team in 2007, 2009-10, 2012, 2014-15; Chinese Olympic Team, 2012, 2016
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 31st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF – first time she had progressed beyond 1r at a major in what was her 15th main draw appearance. As a qualifier, defeated No.2 Halep and No.17 Keys en route (l. Konta). Ranked No.133, became lowest-ranked player to advance to last eight in Melbourne since unranked Henin reached final in 2010, and first qualifier to do so since Gavaldon in 1990
- By reaching 3r last year at US Open, matched her best result in New York, also making this stage in 2016 (l. Shvedova).
- This was preceded by three 1r exits – in 2008 (as qualifier, l. Kuznetsova), 2011 (l. Cibulkova) and 2014 (l. Barthel)
- At Roland Garros, reached 3r for the first time in 2017, and has never progressed beyond 1r at Wimbledon in five main draw appearances

Other Information

- Hails from a sporting family. Father, Zhang Zhi Qiang, was a professional soccer player, and mother, Wang Feng Quin, was a basketball player
- Announced in 2017 as a Global Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
- Coached by Liu Shuo
- Started playing tennis aged six, when parents took her to local club
- Best tennis memory was playing mixed doubles with Pete Sampras in 2011, winning Guangzhou in 2013, and reaching the 2016 Australian Open QF
- Relaxes by listening to music, taking photos and exploring the places she travels to



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WTA ELITE TROPHY ZHUHAI – ROUND ROBIN (WEDNESDAY)

Stadium

[1] MIHAELA BUZARNESCU (ROU #24)/ALICJA ROSOLSKA (POL #29) vs. [4] SHUKO AOYAMA (JPN #42)/LIDZIYA MAROZAVA (BLR #41)

First meeting

[5] JULIA GOERGES (GER #14) vs. [10] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)

Goerges leads 1-0

Goerges came from a set down to win pair's only previous meeting at 2017 Budapest... Kontaveit needs a straight-set win to avoid elimination... Goerges bidding for 46th win of the season

[1] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #10) vs. [6] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)

Keys leads 3-0

Keys dropped only one set in three career meetings against the Russian... Kasatkina edged out Wang in three close sets on Tuesday... Knee injury curtailed Keys's past two tournaments prematurely

[7] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) vs. [12] SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #36)

Muguruza leads 2-1

Muguruza won comfortably when the players clashed at this year's US Open... Zhang reached SF here at Zhuhai in 2016... Muguruza is sole Grand Slam champion in the field this week

ZHUHAI QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Tuesday, October 30 – Sunday, November 4
Singles Final: Sunday, November 4, NB 4:00pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, November 4, 1:30pm
Venue: Zhuhai Hengqin International Tennis Center
Staging: Tournament's fourth year
Draw sizes: 12 singles / 6 doubles teams
Surface: Hard / Outdoors
Total prize money: USD \$2,349,363
Tennis Ball: Yonex
2017 Singles Final: [7] Julia Goerges (GER) d. [2] CoCo Vandeweghe (USA) 7-5 6-1
2017 Doubles Final: [6] Duan Yingying/Han Xinyun (CHN/CHN) d. [4] Lu Jingjing/Zhang Shuai (CHN/CHN) 6-2 6-1



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[5] JULIA GOERGES (GER #14) vs. [10] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)

Head to Head: JULIA GOERGES leads 1-0

2017 BUDAPEST HARD I R1 JULIA GOERGES 6-7(3) 6-3 6-4 138 mins

JULIA GOERGES	WTA RANKING	ANETT KONTAVEIT
14		20
14	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	20
02-11-1988 (29)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-12-1995 (22)
\$1,778,694	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,468,329
\$8,413,769	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,733,289
2 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
4-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	0-1
45-22 / 282-230	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	32-23 / 77-72
17-6 / 86-81	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	14-8 / 26-25
13-7 / 62-72	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	10-5 / 21-23
27-12 / 166-139	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	18-15 / 42-47
5-7 / 16-26	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	3-2 / 8-8
1-0 / 8-17	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 2-6
2-4 / 16-36	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	6-6 / 8-11
6-6 / 33-73	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	9-9 / 12-19

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament Performance - 2018

"-Q" Qualifying match

Rnd	Result	Duration	Rnd	Result	Duration
			RR	MERTENS D. KONTAVEIT 6-3 6-1	66 mins

ZHUHAI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

JULIA GOERGES

2017
F W - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #12) 7-5 6-1

GOERGES:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai, where she is defending champion
- Last year, upset No.10 Mladenovic, No.15 Sevastova in SF and No.12 Vandeweghe in final
- Faces Kontaveit in her opening match in the Rose Group today; struck 10 aces to come from a set down to defeat the Estonian in their only previous meeting at 2017 Budapest
- Bidding for her fifth match win at Zhuhai today. The only player to record this many wins at the tournament was Svitolina (5-2 record)
- Has posted 45 main draw wins this season – only Ka.Pliskova (49), Kvitova (47), Halep (46), Kerber (46), Bertens (46), Mertens (46) and Sabalenka (46) have more
- Leads the WTA for aces struck in 2018 with 474. Also hit 412 aces in 2017 season – only two other players have reached the 400 ace mark in a season: S.Williams (2012 15) and Ka.Pliskova (2014 17)
- Will celebrate her 30th birthday on Friday – is the oldest player in the draw

Season

- Returned to Europe in October to win sixth career title, at Luxembourg (d. Bencic in F). Also fell 1r at Linz (l. Petkovic after holding 1MP)
- Following Luxembourg run, career record in WTA singles finals now stands at 6-8
- Reached R16 at Beijing (l. Osaka) and 2r at Wuhan (l. qualifier Kenin)
- Fell 2r at US Open (l. Makarova)
- Advanced to the SF stage at New Haven (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Opened summer hard court season with R16 showing at Montréal (l. Sevastova), her career-best result at the Rogers Cup; fell in 1r of Cincinnati the following week (l. Mladenovic via ret. left leg injury)
- After Wimbledon, reached QF on clay at Moscow [River Cup] (l. eventual champion Danilovic)
- Reached maiden Grand Slam SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Went 2-2 on grass in lead-up to Wimbledon, reaching QF at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and dropping 2r opener at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. eventual runner-up Sabalenka)
- On clay, made 3r at Roland Garros (l. S.Williams) and Madrid (l. Garcia), and withdrew from Rome due to illness. Also suffered 1r exits on home soil at Nürnberg (l. Kr.Pliskova in 3s) and Stuttgart (l. Vondrousova)
- Began clay court swing at Charleston – finished as R-Up (l. Bertens)
- Part of Germany team that lost 3-2 to Czech Republic in Stuttgart; went 1-1 in singles (d. Ka.Pliskova, l. Kvitova)
- Suffered 2r loss to countrywoman Witthoeft in Miami. Made 3r exit in Indian Wells (l. Sevastova)
- Reached QF at Doha before retiring in her match against Kvitova due to a hip injury
- Made her Top 10 debut on February 5, 2018 after SF run at St Petersburg (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Cornet) – result ended 15-match winning streak

- Began 2018 campaign with fifth title of career at Auckland (d. Wozniacki in F) – extended title streak to three, having previously won Moscow and Zhuhai to close out 2017 season

Career

- Registered then-career-high ranking and best year-end finish in 2017, at No.14. Second Top 20 finish of career (also No.18 in 2012)
- Reached a career-high five finals in 2017 season, winning Moscow (d. Kasatkina in F) and biggest title of career at WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (d. Vandeweghe in F). Finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Sevastova), Bucharest (l. Begu) and Washington, DC (l. Makarova)
- Moscow title was first since 2011 Stuttgart, having also won 2010 Bad Gastein
- By winning 2017 Moscow, overtook Kerber to become German No.1 and also returned to Top 20 for first time since February 2013
- Hit 412 aces across 2017 season. Only two other players have reached the 400 ace mark in a season: S.Williams (2012 15) and Ka.Pliskova (2014 17)
- Owns a 6-8 record in WTA singles finals; is 5-11 in WTA doubles finals, most recently winning at 2015 New Haven (w/Hradecka)
- Opened 2016 by reaching first WTA singles final in nearly four years, finishing runner-up at Auckland (l. Stephens). Was first final since 2012 Dubai
- Enjoyed best doubles season to date in 2016, reaching final at Indian Wells (w/Ka.Pliskova) and qualifying for the WTA Finals for the first time. Set new career-high doubles rank of No.12 on August 22, 2016
- In 2011, posted wins over World No.1 Wozniacki in consecutive weeks (Stuttgart final and Madrid)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a qualifier at 2007 Doha
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Germany in 2005
- Member of German Fed Cup team 2008, 2010-18

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 43rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Posted best Grand Slam result at 2018 Wimbledon, where she reached SF (l. S.Williams). With Kerber winning title at All England Club this year, it marked the first time that two Germans reached the last four at the same Slam since 1993 Roland Garros – Huber (SF) and Graf (Champion)
- Previously had reached R16 – but never further – on five occasions, at Australian Open (2012-13 and 2015), Roland Garros (2015) and US Open (2017)
- Made main draw debut at 2007 US Open, negotiating qualifying before losing to eventual champion Henin in 1r
- In doubles, is a three-time semifinalist, at Australian Open (2015 w/Groenefeld and 2016 w/Ka.Pliskova) and Wimbledon (2016 w/Ka.Pliskova)
- Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2014 Roland Garros, finishing runner-up in mixed doubles (w/Zimonjic; l. Groenefeld/Rojer)

Other Information

- Born in Bad Oldesloe. Father is Klaus, mother is Inge; older sister is Maike
- Began playing tennis aged 6. Tennis idol growing up was Martina Hingis
- Fan of winter sports, especially biathlon (cross country skiing combined with shooting)
- Coached by Michael Geserer and Matthias Mischka. Physio and fitness coach is Florian Zitzelsberger

KONTAVEIT:

Zhuhai

- Making debut at Zhuhai
- Contesting week of Zhuhai at a career-high ranking of No.20 (first posted week October 22, 2018)
- In first Rose Group match lost to fellow 22-year-old Mertens in straight sets
- Faces No.14 Goerges today, needing to win in straight sets to have any chance of progressing to SF
- Bidding for 33rd main draw win of 2018 – this is the first time she has registered 30 or more wins in a single season
- Owns nine Top 20 wins in 2018, two of these coming on hard courts, against No.7 Ostapenko (Australian Open) and No.9 Stephens (Wuhan)
- Coming off impressive Asian swing, winning seven matches (one at Tokyo, five at Wuhan and one at Beijing). In contrast, picked up only one match win 2017 Asian swing, at Guangzhou (d. Paolini, l. qualifier Cabrera). Lost 1r at Wuhan (l. Linette) and Beijing (l. Gavrilova)

Season

- Made R16 at Beijing (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and reached QF at Moscow (l. Jabeur)
- Posted R-Up finish at Wuhan (l. Sabalenka). Was fourth career tour-level final, and first of 2018. Reached three finals in 2017, lifting the trophy at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F), and finishing as runner-up at Biel/Bienne (l. Vondrousova in F) and Gstaad (l. Bertens in F)
- Scored sixth Top 10 win of 2018 over No.9 Stephens at Wuhan
- Previous best result at a Premier 5 event was SF run at 2018 Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Fell in 2r at Tokyo (d. Mladenovic, l. Strycova in 3s)
- Lost in 1r at US Open (l. Siniakova in 3s)
- Advanced to R16 in Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens); result in the Midwest elevated 2018 prize money beyond USD \$1 million – the first time she has passed this milestone in a single season
- Began summer hard court season with 2r showing at Montréal (l. Kvitova); 1r win over Makarova was first in North America since 2017 Miami
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon for the second time (also 2017) where she fell to Van Uytvanck

- In build up to Wimbledon, suffered 1r defeats at Mallorca (l. Maria) and 's-Hertogenbosch (as defending champion, l. Kudermetova)
- Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showing at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Also reached R16 at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and made SF stage at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- At Stuttgart, 1r win over Mladenovic lasted over three hours (3:09), the eighth longest match of 2018; also spent 2:57 on court in her Stuttgart QF win over Pavlyuchenkova
- Prior to Stuttgart had lost four consecutive matches, stretching back to Dubai: after 1r byes, made 2r exits at both Indian Wells (l. Sasnovich) and Miami (l. Sakkari), and fell 1r in clay court opener at Lugano (l. Lapko)
- Scored 50th career main draw victory in Dubai (d. Stosur) before falling in 2r (l. Osaka). Made 1r exit at Doha (l. Cornet)
- At Australian Open, upset No.7 Ostapenko en route to R16 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Opened 2018 season by reaching 2r at Brisbane (l. eventual runner-up Sasnovich) and contested qualifying at Sydney (ret. w/dizziness vs. Aoyama)

Career

- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2017, finishing on a ranking of No.34, up from No.110 in 2016 – first year-end finish inside Top 50 and second non-consecutive year in Top 100
- 2017 season highlighted by winning first career singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benne (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017)
- Also advanced to quarterfinals at Premier-level tournaments at Stuttgart, where she beat No.6 Muguruza en route, and Rome, where she posted her first career win over a reigning No.1 with defeat of Kerber in 2r
- In 2016, played main draw at all four Grand Slams for first time, but dropped out of Top 100
- One of five teenagers in 2015 year-end Top 100
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2015 at No.96, up from No.152
- Scored first Top 20 win of career over No.17 Errani at 2016 Monterrey (2r)
- Has won 11 singles titles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami as WC (l. McHale, 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010
- Junior highlights included winning 2011 Orange Bowl, defeating Bouchard and Putintseva along the way

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 15th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Earned her first Grand Slam victories at 2015 US Open where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. V.Williams) – only seventh qualifier in Open Era to reach US Open R16
- Also made R16 at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens)

- Best showings at Wimbledon are 3r runs in 2017 (I. Wozniacki) and 2018 (I. Van Uytvanck)
- Runner-up in 2012 US Open girls' singles (I. Crawford)

Other Information

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- Mother, Ulle, is a tennis coach and started her in tennis (was her coach until the age of 11, then began working other Estonian coaches). Father, Andrus, is a manager at the Port of Tallinn



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[1] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #10) vs. [6] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 3-0

2017	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R2	MADISON KEYS	6-2	6-1	50 mins
2016	WUHAN	HARD O	R16	MADISON KEYS	6-1	4-6 6-4	111 mins
2016	OLYMPICS	HARD O	QF	MADISON KEYS	6-3	6-1	n/a

DARIA KASATKINA	WTA RANKING	MADISON KEYS
10		16
10	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	16
07-05-1997 (21)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	17-02-1995 (23)
\$2,634,441	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$2,354,853
\$4,930,094	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$9,888,678
1 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
0 / 1	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
1-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	1-1
42-23 / 114-72	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	28-13 / 178-105
16-8 / 42-26	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-5 / 45-42
10-6 / 20-18	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 45-40
23-13 / 73-47	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	15-8 / 107-70
2-3 / 7-7	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 14-17
5-2 / 8-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 6-18
7-6 / 12-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-3 / 14-27
10-9 / 21-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-5 / 29-43

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MADISON KEYS

2015

R1 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #11) 3-6 7-6(5) 6-1

KASATKINA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai – among Zhuhai qualifiers earned the most ranking points in 2018, with 3315 (followed by Sevastova on 3185)
- Broke nine times in tight win over Chinese No.1 Q.Wang in first Azalea Group match on Tuesday
- Has now contested 24 three-set matches this season – only Sabalenka (29) and Bertens (26) have played more
- Faces Keys in second round robin match today. Bidding for first victory over the American on her fourth attempt
- Bidding for 43rd win of the season; is one of six players in the draw to pass the 40-win mark in 2018 – also Mertens (46), Sabalenka (46), Goerges (45), Barty (43) and Sevastova (42)
- Playing Zhuhai ranked at a career-high No.10 (first posted October 22, 2018). Is highest-ranked player this week
- Is the third Russian to compete at Zhuhai, following in the footsteps of Kuznetsova (2015), Vesnina (2016 and 2017) and Pavlyuchenkova (2017). Is bidding to become the first to progress beyond the round robin stage
- Ranks No.2 on tour for both percentage of points (48.2%) and games (46%) won on return, behind Halep in both categories
- Has earned half her career's prize money from this season alone (USD\$2.6 million)

Season

- Was a singles alternate at last week's WTA Finals in Singapore
- Lifted the second WTA title of her career, at Moscow. Recovered from a set and 6-2 4-1 down to defeat Jabeur in final; is now 2-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
- After Moscow has now reached QF or better on nine occasions this year; by contrast, advanced to this stage or further five times across 2017 season
- During Asian swing reached 3r at Wuhan (l. Cibulkova) and retired due to gastrointestinal illness when trailing Siegemund in 1r at Beijing
- Fell in 2r at US Open (l. Sasnovich)
- Exited to qualifier Martic in 1r upset in Cincinnati
- Posted back-to-back 2r exits at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Zidansek) and Montréal (l. Sharapova)
- Matched best Grand Slam showing with QF run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Prior to Wimbledon, played at Birmingham for first time (l. Tsurenko in 2r) before reaching QF at Eastbourne (l. Kerber in third set tie-break)
- Clay season culminated with career-best performance at a major, when she advanced to QF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens)
- Earned her sixth win over a Top 2 player this season when she ousted Wozniacki at Roland Garros R16
- Along with Sharapova, became the first Russian to reach the QF at Roland Garros since 2014 (Sharapova and Kuznetsova)
- Made 3r run at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina), which followed QF at Madrid (d. No.3 Muguruza, l. eventual champion Kvitova)

- Also made 1r exits in Prague (l. Paolini) and Stuttgart (l. Rybarikova)
- Fell in QF as defending champion at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)
- Made 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Kenin in 3s)
- Reached back-to-back finals at Dubai (l. Svitolina) and Premier Mandatory Indian Wells (l. Osaka)
- Notched her fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh Top 20 wins of the season at Indian Wells – d. No.13 Stephens, No.2 Wozniacki, No.10 Kerber and No.8 V.Williams
- Reached career-high ranking of No.11 following Indian Wells run (March 19, 2018)
- Made Top 20 debut on February 26, 2018, at No.20
- Retired in Doha 1r vs. Bellis (w/neck injury)
- Made SF at St. Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Mladenovic); defeated No.1 Wozniacki in QF in straight sets to score second career win over a reigning World No.1, the other coming over Kerber at 2017 Sydney
- One of five players in WTA history to have multiple wins over World No.1s before their 21st birthday, others being: V.Williams (9), S. Williams (8), Sharapova (4) and Kuznetsova (2)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Linette)
- Began 2018 season with back-to-back 1r exits at Brisbane (l. Kanepi) and Sydney (l. Strycova)

Career

- Posted season-best finish of No.24 in 2017, up from No.27 in 2016
- 2017 season was highlighted by capturing first WTA singles title in debut final at Charleston, defeating fellow teenager Ostapenko in F – the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
- Reached second tour-level final at Moscow in 2017 (l. Goerges in F). Also finished R-Up in two WTA doubles finals at 2017 – at Tokyo [PPO] and Moscow (both w/Gavrilova)
- 2016 highlights included reaching second WTA SF at St Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Bencic) and QF stage at Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova), Charleston (l. eventual champion Stephens having held mps), Montreal (l. Kerber), Rio Olympics (l. Keys) and Moscow (l. Goerges)
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (l. Pavlyuchenkova, having recorded first Top 20 win over No.14 Suárez Navarro in QF)
- QF run at 2015 Bad Gastein (as qualifier) was first time reaching last eight at a WTA-level tournament
- Won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Moscow (w/Vesnina)
- Won five singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2015, taking total to seven
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow; made main draw debut as WC also at Moscow in 2014 (l. Riske 1r)

Grand Slam History

- Lost to Sasnovich in 2r at 2018 US Open in what was her 13th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Earned best result at the majors with QF runs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) surpassing her previous-best R16 effort at 2017 US Open (l. Kanepi)

- Reached 3r on her main draw debuts at all of the majors – 2015 US Open (l. Mladenovic), 2016 Australian Open (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2016 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams)
- In juniors, lifted the 2014 Roland Garros singles trophy

Other Information

- Born and resides in Togliatty, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
- Began playing at age six when older brother and fitness trainer, Aleksandr Timkovskii, introduced her to tennis
- Currently attending Sport College in Samara, Russia; three years into a five-year degree
- Loves football; favorite team is Barcelona FC
- Coached by Philippe Dehaes; formerly coached by Vladimir Platenik

KEYS:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Zhuhai. Defeated wildcard S.Zheng but lost to eventual champion V.Williams in the round robin stage in her only previous appearance here in 2015
- Faces No.10 Kasatkina in her first round robin match today. Bidding for third victory over Top 10 player this season, having also defeated No.8 Garcia at the Australian Open and No.4 Kerber at Cincinnati
- One of four Americans to have contested the event, also V.Williams (2015 winner), Stephens (2017) and Vandeweghe (2017 R-Up)
- Struggled with a left knee injury in her last two tournaments – retiring in the 2r at Wuhan and giving a walkover in 2r at Beijing

Season

- Retired with a left knee injury in 2r at Wuhan (l. Kerber) and was forced to give a walkover in 2r at Beijing with the same injury (l. eventual R-Up Sevastova)
- Advanced to SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka). Has now made the SFs or better at three of her last five Slam appearances (2017 US Open final, 2018 Roland Garros SF, 2018 US Open SF)
- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only other summer hard court tournament; withdrew from San Jose and Montréal w/right wrist injury
- During Cincinnati run, upset No.4 Kerber to score sixth Top 5 victory of her career, having earlier beaten No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome and 2017 Stanford) and No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open)
- Fell in 3r of Wimbledon to qualifier Rodina in 3s

- Wimbledon marked her only grass court event of 2018 after withdrawing from Birmingham w/abdominal injury
- Clay season highlighted by run to SF at Roland Garros (l. Stephens), which followed Rome withdrawal before R16 meeting with No.1 Halep due to a rib injury
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at Stuttgart (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Madrid (l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Secured Fed Cup final return for reigning champions USA with victory over France's Parmentier in fourth rubber
- Advanced to SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens after holding 1mp)
- Suffered early 2r exits Doha (l. Bellis), Indian Wells (l. Collins) and Miami (l. Azarenka via ret. w/left thigh injury)
- Reached fourth Grand Slam QF of career at Australian Open (d. No.8 Garcia in R16, l. Kerber)
- At Australian Open, was one of just two players to reach last eight who also reached quarters at the previous major, 2017 US Open (also Ka.Pliskova)
- Started 2018 campaign in Brisbane where she made 1r exit (l. Konta)

Career

- Posted third successive Top 20 season in 2017, finishing at No.19 despite delayed start having undergone left wrist surgery in November 2016 (first event played was Indian Wells, where she reached R16)
- 2017 season highlighted by reaching maiden Grand Slam final in New York, losing out to Stephens in 10th all-American US Open final in the Open Era. At 22, became the youngest Flushing Meadows finalist since 19-year-old Wozniacki lost to Clijsters in 2009
- Also in 2017, won third career tour-level singles title, and first on hard courts, at Stanford (d. Vandeweghe in F). Previous two titles were won on grass, at 2014 Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F; second youngest title winner of season) and 2016 Birmingham (d. Strycova in F); also a runner-up on four occasions
- Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), as youngest player in the year-end Top 25
- Broke into Top 10 on June 20, 2016, becoming 118th player to reach the elite bracket since computer rankings were introduced. Became first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
- Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.7 on October 10, 2016
- Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round robin play
- Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (lost Bronze medal match against Kvitova)
- Owns six career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome and 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open) and No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage)
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- Was second-youngest player to win a WTA title in 2014, at Eastbourne (after Vekic at Kuala Lumpur) and became youngest American to win a singles title since Vania King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok)
- Nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2013
- On ITF Circuit won three singles titles and one doubles title
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before Melbourne Park run, had never previously passed 3r at a major. Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros to date with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – means she has now reached at least QF at all four majors
- At Wimbledon, best result so far is QF in 2015 (l. A.Radwanska)
- In 2016 was one of only four players to reach at least R16 across the Slams (also A.Radwanska, Suárez Navarro and S.Williams)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 US Open, advancing to 2r (was first 16-year-old to compete at Flushing Meadows since Kristie Ahn in 2008)

Other Information

- Currently without a full-time coach; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Previously coached by Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Unveiled as Evian's first American ambassador in 2017
- Prior to 2016 US Open was unveiled as ambassador for FearlesslyGIRL, an organization dedicated to empowering young women and their communities



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[7] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) vs. [12] SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #36)

Head to Head: GARBIÑE MUGURUZA leads 2-1

2018	US OPEN	HARD O	R1	GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	6-3 6-0	77 mins
2017	MIAMI	HARD O	R32	GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	4-6 6-2 6-2	125 mins
2017	DOHA	HARD O	R16	SHUAI ZHANG	7-6(3) 3-6 7-5	151 mins

GARBIÑE MUGURUZA	WTA RANKING	SHUAI ZHANG
17		36
17	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	35
08-10-1993 (25)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	21-01-1989 (29)
\$1,860,762	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$937,583
\$17,377,384	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$4,540,898
1 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	3 / 7
0-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	2-1
31-19 / 212-120	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	28-25 / 123-154
3-10 / 65-52	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-8 / 37-38
3-6 / 30-42	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	9-7 / 31-38
22-13 / 138-80	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	22-17 / 97-105
1-1 / 17-12	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	2-4 / 11-14
0-1 / 9-16	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 4-12
2-1 / 29-29	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-4 / 6-19
2-4 / 54-52	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-6 / 15-47

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SHUAI ZHANG

2016

SF L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #13) 6-2 6-2

MUGURUZA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut this week in Zhuhai
- Faces wildcard Zhang in first round-robin match today; leads their head-to-head 2-1 and has won their last two meetings
- On a 10-match winning streak against wildcards. Last loss to a wildcard came against Konta at 2015 Eastbourne
- During the Asian swing reached SF at Hong Kong (l. Q.Wang), 3r at Wuhan (l. Siniakova) and 2r at Tokyo (l. Riske), Beijing (l. Sabalenka)
- Only Spanish player in starting field this week. Suárez Navarro is the only other Spanish player to have contested the event in 2015 and 2016

Season

- Exited to Yastremska in 2r at Luxembourg
- Reached SF in Hong Kong (l. Q.Wang), her first SF showing since Roland Garros
- Fell in 2r at Beijing to Sabalenka
- Made R16 at Wuhan (l. Siniakova) – wins over Van Uytvanck and Golubic in opening two rounds were first back-to-back wins since Roland Garros SF run in June
- Began Asian swing with 2r defeat at Tokyo (l. Riske)
- On hard courts this summer, fell 2r at both Cincinnati (as defending champion, l. Tsurenko) and US Open (l. No.202 Muchova)
- Withdrew from San Jose and Montréal w/right arm injury
- On grass, suffered 2r losses at Wimbledon (as defending champion, l. Van Uytvanck) and Birmingham (l. Strycova)
- Advanced to SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion and No.1 Halep)
- Was one win away from returning to WTA World No.1 in Paris, but needed to reach final
- Record against No.1-ranked players stands at 4-3: d. S.Williams (2014 Roland Garros, 2016 Roland Garros), d. Kerber (2017 Wimbledon), d. Ka.Pliskova (2017 Cincinnati); l. S.Williams (2015 Australian Open, 2015 Wimbledon) and Halep (2018 Roland Garros)
- Arrived in Paris after opening match defeat at Rome (after 1r bye, l. Gavrilova in 3s – held 2mp)
- Advanced to 3r at Madrid (l. Kasatkina) after suffering opening match loss at Stuttgart (ret. vs. Pavlyuchenkova w/lower back injury)
- Went 2-0 in singles (d. González and Cepede Royg) during Spain's 3-1 Fed Cup World Group II play-off win over Paraguay
- Won sixth career singles title at Monterrey (d. Babos in F). Now owns 6-4 career record in singles finals
- Reached R16 at Miami (l. eventual champion Stephens in straight sets) after falling to No.100 Vickery in Indian Wells 2r (after a 1r bye)
- Made SF in Dubai (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina, having held three match points)
- Reached ninth career singles final in Doha (l. Kvitova in 3s)

- Made 2r exit at Australian Open – as No.3 seed, l. No.88-ranked Hsieh. Was in contention to reclaim No.1 ranking in Melbourne, but needed to reach final and see other results go her way
- Opened 2018 season with 2r exit at Brisbane (after 1r bye, l. No.53 Krunic – led 7-5 5-2 before retiring w/cramp midway through third set)
- Withdrew before QF match against Gavrilova at Sydney (w/right thigh injury)

Career

- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.2 for career-best year-end finish. Ascended to become the World No.1 on September 11, 2017. Became the 24th woman in history of the WTA to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995)
- Named ITF World Champion for 2017
- Won two titles in 2017, lifting her second Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F), as well as winning Premier 5-level Cincinnati (d. Halep in F)
- Dropped just one set en route to title at All England Club, during 2h20 R16 encounter against No.1 Kerber. Registered 300th match win (at all levels) with final victory over V.Williams
- At Cincinnati, defeated World No.1 Ka.Pliskova and World No.2 Halep en route to title
- Qualified for WTA Finals for third year in a row in 2017, however failed to progress from group stage
- 2016 season highlight was winning maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros. Rose to then career high ranking of No.2 as a result. Was first Spanish woman to be ranked in Top 2 since Sánchez Vicario in December 1996 (as No.2)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2015, ending the year ranked No.3 and reaching first major final at Wimbledon
- Made Top 10 rankings debut after 2015 Wimbledon; one of six players to enter the elite bracket in 2015 – also Makarova, Suárez Navarro, Safarova, Ka.Pliskova and Bacsinszky
- In 2015, became first Spanish player to compete at the WTA Finals in singles since 2001 (Sánchez Vicario) and reached doubles final (w/Suárez Navarro, l. Hingis/Mirza)
- Owns 6 4 career record in singles finals, winning titles at 2018 Monterrey, 2017 Wimbledon, 2017 Cincinnati, 2016 Roland Garros, 2015 Beijing and 2014 Hobart
- Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 24th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F, and dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
- Is one of 27 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles. Owns a 2-1 record in Grand Slam final matches to date (also finishing R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams)
- Is the second player to face both Williams sisters in the final of the same major (also Hingis, at US Open in 1997 – d. V.Williams, and 1999 – l. S.Williams). By winning 2017 Wimbledon, became only player to defeat both sisters in Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 2016) and Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in 2017)

- The 45th woman in the Open Era to win a Grand Slam title and one of 10 women (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Osaka, Ostapenko, Ka.Pliskova, Stephens and Wozniacki) born in the 1990s to make a Grand Slam final
- At 2015 Wimbledon, became first Spaniard to reach Wimbledon final since Sánchez Vicario (1996) and first Spanish woman to reach any Grand Slam singles final since Conchita Martínez at 2000 Roland Garros (l. Pierce)
- Reached SF stage at 2018 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Halep)
- At Australian Open, best result is QF in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe) and at US Open reached R16 in 2017 (l. Kvitova)

Other Information

- Coached by Sam Sumyk
- Began playing tennis at age three; first memory of the sport was playing with her brothers
- Mother, Scarlet is from Venezuela and father, José Antonio, is from Spain

ZHANG:

Zhuhai

- As a wildcard making second singles appearance at Zhuhai. Also played here in 2016, losing to Kvitova in SF
- Finished as runner-up in the doubles event last year with J.Lu (l. Y.Duan/X.Han)
- Faces Muguruza in first round-robin match today. Won their first meeting at 2017 Doha but trails their head-to-head 1-2
- Bidding for her fourth victory over a Top 20 opponent this year. Two of those wins came earlier this month on her way to a QF finish at Beijing (d. No.14 Mertens in 1r and No.3 Kerber in 3r)
- At No.36 is lowest-ranked player in the field
- One of two Chinese players in the main draw (also Q.Wang)
- Enjoyed a successful Asian swing, reaching SF at Hiroshima (l. Anisimova) and Hong Kong (l. Yastremska), QF in Beijing (l. Osaka) and R16 at Wuhan (l. Q.Wang)

Season

- Reached QF in Beijing (l. Osaka) and SF in Hong Kong (l. eventual champion Yastremska). Also won seventh career doubles title in Hong Kong (w/Stosur, d. Aoyama/Marozava in F)
- Coming off R16 showing at Wuhan (l. Kontaveit) – for the first time in tournament’s history, two Chinese players reached R16 (also Q.Wang, who made SF)
- Produced SF run at Hiroshima (l. eventual R-Up Anisimova). Captured doubles title in Japan (w/Hozumi), defeating top seeds Kato/Ninomiya in F
- Fell 1r at US Open (l. Muguruza) however, reached SF in doubles (w/Stosur, l. eventual R-Ups Mladenovic/Babos) and SF in mixed doubles (w/Peers, l. eventual R-Ups Rosolska/Mektic)
- Made 2r in Montréal (l. Mertens) after a 1r exit in San Jose (l. Lapko)
- Enjoyed a QF run on hard courts at the WTA’s International-level event at Nanchang, China, where she was the top seed (l. Zhu)

- Grass swing ended with 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Petkovic), following a 1r exit at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Stollar)
- Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Begu)
- Made 2r showings at Madrid (d. Osaka, l. Mladenovic) and Rome (l. Ostapenko)
- Advanced to SF at Prague (l. eventual champion Kvitova) following 1r exit at Istanbul (l. Rus)
- Captured doubles title at Istanbul (w/Liang, d. Knoll/Smith in F)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells (as No.32 seed, l. Ka.Pliskova in 3s) and fell 2r at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Haddad Maia)
- Advanced to back-to-back QF at Budapest (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck) and Acapulco (l. Peterson)
- Fell 1r at Taipei City (l. Kozlova) and Doha (l. Makarova)
- Started season with 2r showings at Shenzhen (l. Diyas), Hobart (l. Sabalenka) and Australian Open (l. Allertova)
- Best win by ranking so far this year was 1r win over No.13 Stephens at the Australian Open

Career

- Posted fifth Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.36 – four Chinese players in year-end Top 100
- Season highlighted by winning Guangzhou title (d. Krunic in F); now owns 2-0 record in WTA singles finals, having also won 2013 Guangzhou
- Also in 2017, reached QF at New Haven and Doha, and won WTA 125K Series event in Honolulu
- Posted career-high ranking of No.23 on November 14, 2016
- Strong end to 2016 (went 21-6 post US Open) brought back-to-back semifinals on Asian swing – Tokyo [Japan Open] and Seoul – and saw her win 19th ITF Circuit singles title of career at \$100k ITF/Tokyo 2-JPN
- At last event of season, runner-up at WTA 125K Series event in Honolulu (l. Bellis in F)
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF (d. No.2 Halep and No.17 Key en route, l. Konta). Run also marked first time winning back-to-back main draw matches since semifinal run at 2014 Birmingham
- Other season highlights in 2016 included reaching 3r at US Open (best result at tournament), where she claimed back-to-back match wins at tour level for first time since 3r effort at Indian Wells in March, a run spanning 10 tournaments
- Represented China at Rio Olympics (d. No.15 Bacsinszky in opening match, l. Siegemund in 2r). In doubles, also made 2r (w/Peng, l. Hradecka/Hlavackova)
- Contemplated retirement after ending 2015 ranked No.186, her lowest year-end finish since 2008 (No.212) and down from No.62 in 2014
- Reached 2r at tour-level on only four occasions in 2015: Pattaya City, Charleston, Prague and Nürnberg
- Winner of two WTA singles titles, at 2013 and 2017 Guangzhou, and also won WTA 125K Series event at Nanjing in 2013 (d. Morita in F)
- Has won seven WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2018 Hong Kong (w/Stosur) and is a six-time runner-up
- Winner of 19 singles titles and nine doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup team in 2007, 2009-10, 2012, 2014-15; Chinese Olympic Team, 2012, 2016
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 31st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF – first time she had progressed beyond 1r at a major in what was her 15th main draw appearance. As a qualifier, defeated No.2 Halep and No.17 Keys en route (l. Konta). Ranked No.133, became lowest-ranked player to advance to last eight in Melbourne since unranked Henin reached final in 2010, and first qualifier to do so since Gavaldon in 1990
- By reaching 3r last year at US Open, matched her best result in New York, also making this stage in 2016 (l. Shvedova).
- This was preceded by three 1r exits – in 2008 (as qualifier, l. Kuznetsova), 2011 (l. Cibulkova) and 2014 (l. Barthel)
- At Roland Garros, reached 3r for the first time in 2017, and has never progressed beyond 1r at Wimbledon in five main draw appearances

Other Information

- Hails from a sporting family. Father, Zhang Zhi Qiang, was a professional soccer player, and mother, Wang Feng Quin, was a basketball player
- Announced in 2017 as a Global Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
- Coached by Liu Shuo
- Started playing tennis aged six, when parents took her to local club
- Best tennis memory was playing mixed doubles with Pete Sampras in 2011, winning Guangzhou in 2013, and reaching the 2016 Australian Open QF
- Relaxes by listening to music, taking photos and exploring the places she travels to



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HENGQIN LIFE WTA ELITE TROPHY ZHUHAI – ROUND ROBIN (TUESDAY)

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[3] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12) vs. [9] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #19)

Series tied 1-1

Sabalenka beat Barty en route to Wuhan title this September... Barty reached Zhuhai SF last year... At 20 years and six months, Sabalenka is the youngest player in the tournament's four-year history

[4] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #13) vs. [10] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)

Kontaveit leads 1-0

Kontaveit triumphed in pair's only previous meeting at 2017 Biel... Mertens bidding for 46th win of the season... Kontaveit owns two Top 20 wins on hard courts in 2018

[1] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #10) vs. [11] QIANG WANG (CHN #22)

Kasatkina leads 3-1

Kasatkina has won past four matches against Chinese opposition, including two over Wang... Best run by a Chinese player here was Zhang's SF showing in 2016...Kasatkina broke into Top 10 last Monday

ZHUHAI QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Tuesday, October 30 – Sunday, November 4
Singles Final: Sunday, November 4, NB 4:00pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, November 4, 1:30pm
Venue: Zhuhai Hengqin International Tennis Center
Staging: Tournament's fourth year
Draw sizes: 12 singles / 6 doubles teams
Surface: Hard / Outdoors
Total prize money: USD \$2,349,363
Tennis Ball: Yonex
2017 Singles Final: [7] Julia Goerges (GER) d. [2] CoCo Vandeweghe (USA) 7-5 6-1
2017 Doubles Final: [6] Duan Yingying/Han Xinyun (CHN/CHN) d. [4] Lu Jingjing/Zhang Shuai (CHN/CHN) 6-2 6-1



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[3] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12) vs. [9] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #19)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

2018	WUHAN	HARD O	SF	ARYNA SABALENKA	7-6(2) 6-4	85 mins
2018	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R1	ASHLEIGH BARTY	6-7(2) 6-4 6-4	125 mins

ARYNA SABALENKA	WTA RANKING	ASHLEIGH BARTY
12		19
12	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	19
05-05-1998 (20)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-04-1996 (22)
\$1,742,872	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$2,123,371
\$2,023,939	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$4,508,080
2 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 2
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	4 / 9
0-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	2-1
45-21 / 57-29	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	43-18 / 81-48
21-8 / 24-12	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	10-3 / 23-13
13-7 / 15-11	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 13-10
34-12 / 45-19	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	24-10 / 50-29
4-4 / 6-4	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 9-4
3-3 / 3-3	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-5 / 2-12
8-4 / 8-5	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-6 / 5-14
14-8 / 15-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-10 / 12-27

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

ZHUHAI Tournament History

ASHLEIGH BARTY

2017

SF L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #12) 6-3 6-3

SABALENKA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut appearance at Zhuhai. Amassed 3145 points across the season – among Zhuhai qualifiers, only Kasatkina (3315) and Sevastova (3185) earned more
- Plays Barty in her opening match in the Orchid Group. Defeated the Australian last month en route to Wuhan title
- At 20 years six months, is the youngest competitor in the tournament's history
- Has posted 45 main draw wins this season – only Ka.Pliskova (49), Kvitova (47), Halep (46), Kerber (46) and Bertens (46) have more. Prior to 2018, owned just 12 main draw victories
- Since losing to No.258 Sanchez in qualifying at San Jose in July, has posted 24-6 win-loss record
- Has 21 three-set main draw match wins this season (most recent was vs. Kenin in Tianjin 1r). Players with 20-plus three-set wins since 2000:

PLAYER	YEAR	NO. OF WINS
Kvitova	2013	25
Myskina	2002	22
Sugiyama	2003	22
Kuznetsova	2016	22
Vinci	2013	21
Dementieva	2005	21
Safarova	2011	21
Sabalenka	2018	21
Kerber	2012	20
Sharapova	2014	20

- Ranked No.12 entering Zhuhai – one place off her career-high ranking. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.78 in the rankings
- Has served the eighth-most aces on tour this year: 252
- Owns eight career wins over Top 10 players (all coming in 2018), most recently beating No.8 Garcia at Beijing. Only Bertens (12) and Svitolina (nine) own more Top 10 wins this year

Season

- Reached QFs at Beijing (l. Q.Wang) and Tianjin (l. Bacsinszky). Has now reached QF or better on 10 occasions in 2018, including at five of her past seven tournaments
- Posted career-high ranking of No.11 after Beijing run (October 8, 2018)
- Defeat of No.8 Garcia in R16 at Beijing was eighth Top 10 win of the season and of career (8-5 overall record) – has also defeated No.7 Ka.Pliskova (Eastbourne), No.2 Wozniacki (Montréal), No.9 Ka.Pliskova and No.5 Garcia (Cincinnati), No.9 Goerges (New Haven) and No.5 Kvitova (US Open) and No.6 Svitolina (Wuhan)
- Won biggest title of career at Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F); now owns 2-3 record in career singles finals
- After US Open fell 1r at Québec City (l. Lepchenko)

- Posted best Grand Slam result as US Open, advancing to R16 (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
- Lifted maiden WTA title at New Haven during North American hard court swing (d. Suárez Navarro in F)
- Posted SF run at Cincinnati (l. eventual R-Up Halep); during that run, saved match points to upset No.9 Ka.Pliskova in 2r and No.5 Garcia in R16 before defeating No.13 Keys in QF
- Advanced to R16 at Montréal (l. Mertens, after holding 1mp); in 2r in Canada, saved 3mp to upset No.2 Wozniacki
- Fell in 1r of qualifying at San Jose
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu)
- Reached first Premier-level final at Eastbourne (l. Wozniacki). Recorded wins over No.13 Goerges, No.15 Mertens and No.7 Pliskova en route to final – the third, fourth and fifth Top 20 wins of her career (previously defeated No.18 Kuznetsova (2018 Indian Wells) and No.13 Stephens (2017 Fed Cup Final)
- Started grass court swing with QF appearance at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual R-Up Flipkens) prior to falling 1r at Mallorca (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Fell at the first hurdle of Roland Garros (l. Bertens)
- Advanced through qualifying at both Madrid and Rome but lost in 1r to Pera and Hsieh, respectively
- Reached second career WTA final at Lugano (l. Mertens)
- Produced 3r run on Premier Mandatory debut at Indian Wells (d. 2017 R-Up Kuznetsova in 2r, l. Vondrousova) prior to advancing to 2r in Miami the following week (l. Kvitova)
- Contested qualifying at Dubai (l. Errani in final round after holding 1mp)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Lottner and Maria), but could not prevent Belarus slipping to 3-2 defeat against Germany in Fed Cup World Group I; went 1-1 during subsequent play-off victory over Slovakia in April
- Fell 1r on Australian Open debut (l. Barty)
- Opened 2018 season with back-to-back QFs at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Halep) and Hobart (l. Tsurenko)

Career

- Posted first Top 100 season finish in 2017, ending year at No.78
- Season highlight was reaching first tour-level final at Tianjin (l. Sharapova). Also made SF run at Tashkent (l. Babos)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, l. Witthoeft), and WTA main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Fed Cup Team that advanced to competition final in 2017 – went 1-1 in singles and 0-1 in doubles as side lost to USA
- Scored first Top 20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during 2017 Fed Cup final in Minsk
- Rounded out season by lifting WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupovic)
- In 2016 rose nearly 400 places in the rankings, ending year at No.155. Won on ITF Circuit at \$50k ITF/Tianjin-CHN and \$50k ITF/Toyota-JPN
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2016 Rabat

- On ITF Circuit has won five singles titles and one doubles title
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2012 at \$25k ITF/Minsk-BLR

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked fifth career main draw appearance at a Grand Slam, where she advanced to R16 for first time (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
- Only previous Grand Slam win came during 2r showing on Grand Slam debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoef)
- Made 1r exit on next three major appearances, at 2018 Australian Open (l. Barty), 2018 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu)
- Also fell in qualifying at 2016 and 2017 US Opens, 2017 Australian Open and 2017 Roland Garros
- Was No.26 seed at 2018 US Open- first Grand Slam seeding of her career

Other Information

- Coached by former ATP player Dmitry Tursunov
- Since their partnership formed this summer, the pairing has scored the best win-by-ranking of her career over No.2 Wozniacki en route to a R16 finish in Montréal. Then in Cincinnati, the Belarusian dropped three consecutive seeds (No.9 Ka.Pliskova, No.6 Garcia and No.13 Keys) en route to SF, before capturing her first career titles at New Haven and Wuhan
- Started playing aged six
- Prefers playing on hard

BARTY:

Zhuhai

- Making second appearance at Zhuhai, where she reached the SF last year, losing to doubles partner Vandeweghe in straight sets
- Faces No.12 Sabalenka today in Orchid Group; owns three Top 20 wins in 2018, against No.18 Osaka (Nottingham), No.18 Bertens (Montréal) and No.3 Kerber (Wuhan)
- Has hit 276 aces this season – only Goerges (474), Ka.Pliskova (393), Bertens (325) and Osaka (283) have struck more
- Owns 24 hard court victories this season. Has won 18 of her last 25 matches on hard (Miami (2), Fed Cup (2), Montréal (4), Cincinnati (2), US Open (3), Tokyo (1), Wuhan (4)), with 14 of those victories coming in straight sets
- Leads the tour this year for percentage of service points won (level with Goerges on 63.3%), and is second behind Goerges for service games won (78.3%)

Season

- Last week partnered Vandeweghe to reach SF in doubles at WTA Finals Singapore (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)
- Withdrew from Beijing w/right arm injury
- Reached SF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Sabalenka); defeat of No.3 Kerber in R16 at Wuhan marked best win-by-ranking of career, bettering that of No.4 Ka.Pliskova posted at Wuhan in 2017
- Posted R16 showing at Tokyo (l. Azarenka)
- Advanced to R16 at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) – her deepest run to date at a major. Also won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at Flushing Meadows (w/Vandeweghe)
- Withdrew from New Haven w/viral illness
- Reached her fourth SF of the season at Montréal and made R16 at Cincinnati (l. World No.1 Halep at both tournaments); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s, also falling to S.Williams at 2014 Australian Open and Kerber at 2017 Brisbane
- At Montréal won eighth WTA doubles title (w/Schuurs, d. L.Chan/Makarova in F); is now 9-7 in WTA doubles finals
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Kasatkina)
- Began grass swing by capturing second career title in Nottingham (d. Konta in F); record in WTA singles finals now stands at 2-3
- Also reached QF in Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and R16 at Birmingham (l. Goerges) to finish grass court season with WTA-leading 12 wins
- Suffered 2r defeat to S.Williams at Roland Garros

- Enjoyed a SF run at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova via ret. w/back injury)
- Made 1r exit at Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s) before 2r showing at Madrid (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Lifted the doubles trophy at Rome (w/Schuurs, d. Sestini Hlavackova/Strycova in F)
- After R16 run at Charleston (l. Sevastova), returned to Australia where she spearheaded the country's return to Fed Cup World Group in 2019, posting singles wins over Kerkhove and Lemoine of the Netherlands
- Also made R16 run at Miami (l. Svitolina) where she won the doubles event (w/Vandeweghe, d. Krejčíková/Siniakova in F)
- Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Sakkari)
- After reaching 3r at Australian Open (l. Osaka) and representing Australia in Fed Cup (vs. Ukraine), took a short break from the tour due to injury (left toe)
- Posted career-high No.16 ranking following run in Melbourne (January 29, 2018)
- Started the year with a 1r exit in Brisbane (l. Tsurenko), before finishing R-Up to Kerber in Sydney

Career

- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at a then-career-high No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Reached two additional finals in 2017, at Birmingham (l. Kvitová) and Wuhan (l. Garcia)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- In terms of ranking, best career win was over No.3 Kerber at 2018 Wuhan
- Winner of nine WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs)
- Qualified for first WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.5 on May 21, 2018
- Took a break from tennis after 2014 US Open that lasted almost two years
- Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint as an all rounder for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- Nominated for tennis Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2017
- Return to tennis was initially hindered by right arm injury sustained in August 2016, following promising start: returned at \$50k ITF/Eastbourne GBR in May, advancing to SF as a qualifier (l. Riske) and the following week, QF at WTA International level Nottingham (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
- On ITF Circuit, has won four singles titles and nine doubles titles (including three in 2016)
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as world No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- In juniors, won national singles titles in 18&U, 16&U, 14&U and 12&U age categories. Member of Junior Fed Cup winning team in 2011 (Australia d. Canada in F)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance, making her best result with R16 showing (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Has advanced to 3r at on four occasions, at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina), Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel), and 2018 (l. Osaka), and US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- Has reached 2r at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Kirilenko) and 2018 (l. S.Williams)
- First Grand Slam main draw appearance (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia's 2012 WC Play Off in Dec. 2011
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejчикova/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

Other Information

- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara. Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- In April 2018, named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia, In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women's Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce



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[4] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #13) vs. [10] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)

Head to Head: ANETT KONTAVEIT leads 1-0

2017 BIEL HARD I QF ANETT KONTAVEIT 7-5 6-7(2) 6-1 116 mins

ELISE MERTENS		ANETT KONTAVEIT
13	WTA RANKING	20
13	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	20
17-11-1995 (22)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-12-1995 (22)
\$2,239,006	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,468,329
\$3,035,246	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,733,289
3 / 4	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
4 / 6	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	0-0
45-20 / 80-44	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	32-22 / 77-71
12-6 / 26-14	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	14-8 / 26-25
10-9 / 17-17	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	10-5 / 21-23
25-14 / 43-26	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	18-14 / 42-46
5-2 / 6-2	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	3-2 / 8-8
2-5 / 2-6	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 2-6
2-6 / 3-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	6-6 / 8-11
2-8 / 5-19	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	9-8 / 12-18

* Updated entering 2018 Zhuhai RR

MERTENS:

Zhuhai

- Making debut at Zhuhai
- Faces No.20 Kontaveit in first Rose Group match today. Owns five career Top 20 wins, over No.16 Pavlyuchenkova and No.15 Vesnina (both 2017 Fed Cup), No.10 Cibulkova (2017 Beijing), No.4 Svitolina (2018 Australian Open) and No.3 Stephens (2018 Cincinnati)
- Has posted 45 main draw match wins in 2018 – only Ka.Pliskova (49), Kvitova (47), Halep (46), Kerber (46) and Bertens (46) have more. By contrast, prior to this season owned only 36 wins at this level across entire career
- Seeded No.4 – has been a seed at 19 of 22 events contested in 2018 (exceptions were Australian Open, Dubai and Madrid)
- Has three titles to her name this season (Hobart, Rabat and Lugano), one of six players on tour with three or more titles this season - also Kvitova (5), Svitolina (4), Bertens (3), Halep (3) and Wozniacki (3)
- Has won 43% of her return games in 2018 – the sixth-highest percentage on tour

Season

- Playing w/Schuurs, fell in QF at last week's WTA Finals Singapore (l. Barty/Vandeweghe)
- Posted QF showing at Tianjin (ret. vs. Hsieh w/right arm injury) and fell 1r at Moscow (l. Konta)
- Fell 1r at Wuhan (l. Sasnovich) and Beijing (l. S.Zhang). Tempered this by lifting doubles title w/Schuurs (d. Hlavackova Sestini/Strycova in F) – is now 6-4 in doubles finals
- Became first woman from Belgium to reach R16 at US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer – R16, Clijsters – Won), eventually losing to defending champion Stephens
- Began North American hard court season with runs to SF at San Jose (l. eventual champion Buzarnescu), QF at Montréal (l. defending champion Svitolina) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Kvitova). Reached doubles final at Cincinnati (w/Schuurs, l. Hradecka/Makarova)
- Defeated No.3 Stephens at Cincinnati to score her second career Top 5 win (also No.4 Svitolina at 2018 Australian Open)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Cibulkova) for her career-best result at the All England Club
- Also reached 3r at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka) and fell in 2r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Lottner) and 1r at Birmingham (l. Jakupovic)
- In doubles, won fifth career title at 's-Hertogenbosch and finished R-Up at Birmingham (both w/Schuurs)
- Started clay court season with back-to-back titles at Lugano (d. Sabalenka in F) and Rabat (d. Tomljanovic in F)
- Fell to World No.1 Halep at other two clay court events, in R16 at Roland Garros and 2r at Madrid. Finished clay swing with tour's best record on the surface – 16-2 win-loss, edging Halep's 16-3 record
- Also won doubles title at Lugano (w/Flipkens, d. Lapko/Sabalenka in F)
- Won both rubbers (d. Errani and Paolini) to help Belgium to 4-0 victory in its World Group I play-off against Italy
- Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Q.Wang) and reached 3r at Miami (l. Konta)
- Fell 2r in Doha (l. Cirstea), followed by a 1r exit in Dubai (l. Bellis)
- Went 1-1 in Fed Cup World Group play for Belgium vs. France (d. Parmentier, l. Mladenovic). France won tie 3-2
- Achieved Grand Slam breakthrough at Australian Open; making debut at event, advanced to first SF at a major – d. No.23 Gavrilova in 2r and No.4 Svitolina in QF – first win over a Top 5 opponent – before falling to No.2 seed and eventual champion Wozniacki (ending 10-match win streak)
- With Australian Open results, made Top 20 debut at No.20 (week of January 29, 2018)
- Passed \$1 million in career prize money with 3r victory over Cornet at Australian Open
- Enjoyed successful title defense at 2018 Hobart (d. Buzarnescu in F), having won her maiden title there in 2017. Completed sweep of titles by teaming up with Schuurs to defeat L.Kichenok/Ninomiya in doubles final
- Began 2018 season at Hopman Cup exhibition in Perth, going 2-1 in singles play (d. Bouchard and Gavrilova, l. Kerber) and 2-1 in doubles (w/Goffin)

Career

- Finished 2017 season at No.35, up from No.120 in 2016 – first Top 50 and Top 100 year-end finish in career
- 2017 season highlighted by first career singles title at Hobart (as a qualifier, d. Niculescu in F) – one of five qualifiers to win a singles title in 2017
- Also in 2017, advanced to final at Istanbul (l. Svitolina) and made SF runs at Bastad (l. Wozniacki), New Haven (l. Cibulkova) and Luxembourg (l. Puig)
- Won second career doubles title at 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs) and reached finals at 2017 Bucharest (w/Schuurs) and Istanbul (w/Melichar)
- Registered first Top 10 win of career over No.10 Cibulkova in 1r at 2017 Beijing
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2016 's-Hertogenbosch – as qualifier, advanced to QF (l. Mladenovic)
- In 2016 also reached 2r on grass at Mallorca (as qualifier, d. Schiavone in 1r, l. Jankovic) and fell in qualifying on nine occasions: Auckland, Australian Open, St Petersburg, Roland Garros, Wimbledon, Gstaad, Bastad, Linz and Luxembourg
- Won first WTA title of any kind in doubles at 2016 Auckland (w/Mestach). Now has six doubles titles – also 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs), 2018 Hobart (w/Schuurs), 2018 Lugano (w/Flipkens), 2018 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Schuurs) and 2018 Wuhan (w/Schuurs)
- Played first tour-level event of career at 2015 Antwerp (fell in qualifying)
- Winner of 11 singles titles and 14 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Belgium in 2010

Grand Slam History

- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF of career at 2018 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- Became first Belgian to reach a Grand Slam SF since Flipkens at 2013 Wimbledon; also the first Belgian to reach QF at Australian Open since 2012 (Kim Clijsters, SF)
- In 2018, also achieved best result at Roland Garros, with run to R16 (l eventual champion Halep), Wimbledon, where she reached 3r (l. Cibulkova), and US Open where she also reached R16 (l. Stephens)
- Prior to making Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 US Open, fell in qualifying at five majors: 2015 Wimbledon, 2015 US Open, 2016 Australian Open, 2016 Roland Garros and 2016 Wimbledon

Other Information

- Currently without full-time coach. Recently has been joined by David Taylor and mother Liliane Barbé
- Earlier coaching history includes Belgian federation until early teens, as well as a year at the Mouratoglou Academy
- Mother Liliane, teaches languages and history and father, Guido, makes furniture for churches. Was introduced to tennis by her sister Lauren, who is six years older (now airline pilot with KLM)
- Speaks Dutch/Flemish, French and English
- Was home schooled

KONTAVEIT:

Moscow

- Making debut at Zhuhai
- Contesting week of Zhuhai at a career-high ranking of No.20 (first posted week October 22, 2018)
- Faces Mertens in round robin stage today. Won their previous meeting en route to 2017 Biel final
- Bidding for 33rd main draw win of 2018 – this is the first time she has registered 30 or more wins in a single season
- Owns nine Top 20 wins in 2018, two of these coming on hard courts, against No.7 Ostapenko (Australian Open) and No.9 Stephens (Wuhan)
- Coming off great Asian swing, winning seven matches (one at Tokyo, five at Wuhan and one at Beijing). In contrast, picked up only one match win 2017 Asian swing, at Guangzhou (d. Paolini, l. qualifier Cabrera). Lost 1r at Wuhan (l. Linette) and Beijing (l. Gavrilova)

Season

- Made R16 at Beijing (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and reached QF at Moscow (l. Jabeur)
- Posted R-Up finish at Wuhan (l. Sabalenka). Was fourth career tour-level final, and first of 2018. Reached three finals in 2017, lifting the trophy at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F), and finishing as runner-up at Biel/Bienne (l. Vondrousova in F) and Gstaad (l. Bertens in F)
- Scored sixth Top 10 win of 2018 over No.9 Stephens at Wuhan
- Previous best result at a Premier 5 event was SF run at 2018 Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Fell in 2r at Tokyo (d. Mladenovic, l. Strycova in 3s)
- Lost in 1r at US Open (l. Siniakova in 3s)
- Advanced to R16 in Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens); result in the Midwest elevated 2018 prize money beyond USD \$1 million – the first time she has passed this milestone in a single season
- Began summer hard court season with 2r showing at Montréal (l. Kvitova); 1r win over Makarova was first in North America since 2017 Miami
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon for the second time (also 2017) where she fell to Van Uytvanck
- In build up to Wimbledon, suffered 1r defeats at Mallorca (l. Maria) and 's-Hertogenbosch (as defending champion, l. Kudermetova)
- Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showing at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Also reached R16 at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and made SF stage at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- At Stuttgart, 1r win over Mladenovic lasted over three hours (3:09), the eighth longest match of 2018; also spent 2:57 on court in her Stuttgart QF win over Pavlyuchenkova

- Prior to Stuttgart had lost four consecutive matches, stretching back to Dubai: after 1r byes, made 2r exits at both Indian Wells (l. Sasnovich) and Miami (l. Sakkari), and fell 1r in clay court opener at Lugano (l. Lapko)
- Scored 50th career main draw victory in Dubai (d. Stosur) before falling in 2r (l. Osaka). Made 1r exit at Doha (l. Cornet)
- At Australian Open, upset No.7 Ostapenko en route to R16 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Opened 2018 season by reaching 2r at Brisbane (l. eventual runner-up Sasnovich) and contested qualifying at Sydney (ret. w/dizziness vs. Aoyama)

Career

- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2017, finishing on a ranking of No.34, up from No.110 in 2016 – first year-end finish inside Top 50 and second non-consecutive year in Top 100
- 2017 season highlighted by winning first career singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benne (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017)
- Also advanced to quarterfinals at Premier-level tournaments at Stuttgart, where she beat No.6 Muguruza en route, and Rome, where she posted her first career win over a reigning No.1 with defeat of Kerber in 2r
- In 2016, played main draw at all four Grand Slams for first time, but dropped out of Top 100
- One of five teenagers in 2015 year-end Top 100
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2015 at No.96, up from No.152
- Scored first Top 20 win of career over No.17 Errani at 2016 Monterrey (2r)
- Has won 11 singles titles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami as WC (l. McHale, 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010
- Junior highlights included winning 2011 Orange Bowl, defeating Bouchard and Putintseva along the way

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 15th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Earned her first Grand Slam victories at 2015 US Open where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. V.Williams) – only seventh qualifier in Open Era to reach US Open R16
- Also made R16 at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
- Best showings at Wimbledon are 3r runs in 2017 (l. Wozniacki) and 2018 (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Runner-up in 2012 US Open girls' singles (l. Crawford)

Other Information

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- Mother, Ulle, is a tennis coach and started her in tennis (was her coach until the age of 11, then began working other Estonian coaches). Father, Andrus, is a manager at the Port of Tallinn



MATCH NOTES

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[1] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #10) vs. [11] QIANG WANG (CHN #22)

Head to Head: DARIA KASATKINA leads 3-1

2018	MADRID	CLAY O	R1	DARIA KASATKINA	7-5 7-6(6)	117 mins
2017	US OPEN	HARD O	R1	DARIA KASATKINA	6-7(7) 6-2 6-3	130 mins
2016	US OPEN	HARD O	R1	QIANG WANG	6-4 2-6 6-2	120 mins
2016	DOHA	HARD O	R1	DARIA KASATKINA	6-1 2-6 6-3	98 mins

DARIA KASATKINA	WTA RANKING	QIANG WANG
10		22
10	PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD	22
07-05-1997 (21)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	14-01-1992 (26)
\$2,634,441	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,321,204
\$4,930,094	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,758,692
1 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	2 / 2
0 / 1	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0-0	ZHUHAI W-L (MD) *	0-0
41-23 / 113-72	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	35-19 / 73-70
15-8 / 41-26	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	8-4 / 18-26
10-6 / 20-18	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-3 / 9-8
22-13 / 72-47	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	30-13 / 61-51
2-3 / 7-7	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-2 / 1-5
5-2 / 8-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-3 / 1-6
7-6 / 12-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-4 / 5-13
10-9 / 21-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	8-9 / 12-23

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KASATKINA:

Zhuhai

- Making debut at Hengqin Life WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai – among Zhuhai qualifiers, earned the most ranking points in 2018, with 3315 (followed by Sevastova on 3185)
- Faces Chinese No.1 Q.Wang in first Azalea Group match. Has won last four matches against Chinese players, last tasting defeat against Peng at 2017 Australian Open
- Bidding for 42nd win of the season; is one of six players in the draw to pass the 40-win mark in 2018 – also Goerges (45), Mertens (45), Sabalenka (45), Barty (43) and Sevastova (42)
- Playing Zhuhai ranked at a career-high No.10 (first posted October 22, 2018)
- Is the third Russian to compete at Zhuhai, following in the footsteps of Kuznetsova (2015), Vesnina (2016 and 2017) and Pavlyuchenkova (2017). Is bidding to become the first to progress beyond the round robin stage

- Has contested 23 three-set matches this season – only Sabalenka (29) and Bertens (26) have played more
- Ranks No.2 on tour for both percentage of points (48.2%) and games (46%) won on return, behind Halep in both categories
- Has earned half her career's prize money from this season alone (USD\$2.6 million)

Season

- Was a singles alternate at last week's WTA Finals in Singapore
- Lifted the second WTA title of her career, at Moscow. Recovered from a set and 6-2 4-1 down to defeat Jabeur in final; is now 2-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
- After Moscow has now reached QF or better on nine occasions this year; by contrast, advanced to this stage or further five times across 2017 season
- During Asian swing reached 3r at Wuhan (l. Cibulkova) and retired due to gastrointestinal illness when trailing Siegemund in 1r at Beijing
- Fell in 2r at US Open (l. Sasnovich)
- Exited to qualifier Martić in 1r upset in Cincinnati
- Posted back-to-back 2r exits at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Zidansek) and Montréal (l. Sharapova)
- Matched best Grand Slam showing with QF run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Prior to Wimbledon, played at Birmingham for first time (l. Tsurenko in 2r) before reaching QF at Eastbourne (l. Kerber in third set tie-break)
- Clay season culminated with career-best performance at a major, when she advanced to QF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens)
- Earned her sixth win over a Top 2 player this season when she ousted Wozniacki at Roland Garros R16
- Along with Sharapova, became the first Russian to reach the QF at Roland Garros since 2014 (Sharapova and Kuznetsova)
- Made 3r run at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina), which followed QF at Madrid (d. No.3 Muguruza, l. eventual champion Kvitová)
- Also made 1r exits in Prague (l. Paolini) and Stuttgart (l. Rybarikova)
- Fell in QF as defending champion at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)
- Made 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Kenin in 3s)
- Reached back-to-back finals at Dubai (l. Svitolina) and Premier Mandatory Indian Wells (l. Osaka)
- Notched her fourth, fifth, sixth and seventh Top 20 wins of the season at Indian Wells – d. No.13 Stephens, No.2 Wozniacki, No.10 Kerber and No.8 V. Williams
- Reached career-high ranking of No.11 following Indian Wells run (March 19, 2018)
- Made Top 20 debut on February 26, 2018, at No.20
- Retired in Doha 1r vs. Bellis (w/neck injury)
- Made SF at St. Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Mladenovic); defeated No.1 Wozniacki in QF in straight sets to score second career win over a reigning World No.1, the other coming over Kerber at 2017 Sydney

- One of five players in WTA history to have multiple wins over World No.1s before their 21st birthday, others being: V.Williams (9), S. Williams (8), Sharapova (4) and Kuznetsova (2)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Linette)
- Began 2018 season with back-to-back 1r exits at Brisbane (l. Kanepi) and Sydney (l. Strycova)

Career

- Posted season-best finish of No.24 in 2017, up from No.27 in 2016
- 2017 season was highlighted by capturing first WTA singles title in debut final at Charleston, defeating fellow teenager Ostapenko in F – the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
- Reached second tour-level final at Moscow in 2017 (l. Goerges in F). Also finished R-Up in two WTA doubles finals at 2017 – at Tokyo [PPO] and Moscow (both w/Gavrilova)
- 2016 highlights included reaching second WTA SF at St Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Bencic) and QF stage at Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova), Charleston (l. eventual champion Stephens having held mps), Montreal (l. Kerber), Rio Olympics (l. Keys) and Moscow (l. Goerges)
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (l. Pavlyuchenkova, having recorded first Top 20 win over No.14 Suárez Navarro in QF)
- QF run at 2015 Bad Gastein (as qualifier) was first time reaching last eight at a WTA-level tournament
- Won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Moscow (w/Vesnina)
- Won five singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2015, taking total to seven
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow; made main draw debut as WC also at Moscow in 2014 (l. Riske 1r)

Grand Slam History

- Lost to Sasnovich in 2r at 2018 US Open in what was her 13th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Earned best result at the majors with QF runs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) surpassing her previous-best R16 effort at 2017 US Open (l. Kanepi)
- Reached 3r on her main draw debuts at all of the majors – 2015 US Open (l. Mladenovic), 2016 Australian Open (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2016 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams)
- In juniors, lifted the 2014 Roland Garros singles trophy

Other Information

- Born and resides in Togliatti, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
- Began playing at age six when older brother and fitness trainer, Aleksandr Timkovskii, introduced her to tennis
- Currently attending Sport College in Samara, Russia; three years into a five-year degree
- Loves football; favorite team is Barcelona FC
- Coached by Philippe Dehaes; formerly coached by Vladimir Platenik

Q.WANG:

Zhuhai

- Making debut appearance at Zhuhai, after claiming the last direct qualifying spot with an annual points total of 2155
- Faces No.10 Kasatkina in first round robin match today; owns five career Top 10 wins, over No.10 Wozniacki (2013 Kuala Lumpur) No.9 V.Williams (2018 Roland Garros), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Wuhan) and No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Beijing)
- Bidding for 36th tour-level win of the season – this is the first season she has registered 30 or more main draw victories in a single season
- Contesting 2018 Zhuhai at a career-high ranking of No.22 (first posted October 22, 2018), having broken Top 30 after Wuhan run
- This week, playing sixth event on home soil in 2018. Also Shenzhen (1r) Nanchang (WON), Guangzhou (WON), Wuhan (SF) and Beijing (SF) – 17-3 win-loss record
- One of two Chinese players in the draw, along with wildcard Zhang Shuai. The best result by a Chinese player at Zhuhai was Zhang's SF showing in 2016

Season

- Finished R-Up at Hong Kong (l. Yastremska); now owns 2-1 record in WTA singles finals
- Produced SF showings at Wuhan (ret. vs. Kontaveit w/left thigh injury) – first SF at WTA Premier-level or above – and then Beijing (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- In 2r at Wuhan, upset recent Tokyo champion and her conqueror at 2017 Wuhan No.7 Ka.Pliskova
- Strong start to Asian swing reaching SF at Hiroshima (l. eventual champion Hsieh) and lifting second career title at Guangzhou (d. Putintseva in F)
- Dropped just 18 games total en route to the title at Guangzhou – the fewest games lost in winning a WTA singles title in 2018
- Did not drop more than four games in a single match in Guangzhou title, becoming the fourth Chinese woman to win the title in the tournament's 15-year history – also Li (2004), Yan (2005) and Zhang (2013 and 2017)
- Achieved best result at US Open with run to 3r (l. Svitolina)
- In lead-up to US Open, posted 1r exits at San Jose (l. Anisimova) and Montréal (as qualifier, l. Buzarnescu)
- Lifted first tour-level title in July at Nanchang (d. Zheng Saisai in F following ret. w/fatigue). Dropped only one set en route to title
- On grass, only contested Wimbledon, falling in 1r (l. Zheng Saisai)
- Enjoyed best result at Roland Garros by reaching 3r (l. Putintseva). Defeated No.9 V.Williams in 1r (had lost to her in their two previous meetings) for then-best win rankings-wise of career (since bettered by win over No.7 Ka.Pliskova at Wuhan and Beijing)
- Prior to Roland Garros, made her first QF of the season at Strasbourg (l. Barty)

- Made 1r exit in Madrid (l. Kasatkina) and fell in qualifying at Rome
- Reached 2r in Prague before falling to Kr.Pliskova
- Suffered 1r exits in Miami (l. Anisimova) and Istanbul (l. Kuznetsova)
- At Indian Wells, reached R16 at a Premier Mandatory tournament for the second time in her career (l. Halep); previously accomplished this at 2017 Madrid (l. Kuznetsova)
- Fell in 2r at Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and 1r at Doha (l. Keys)
- Opened 2018 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Riske) and Australian Open (l. Keys). Rose to then-career-high rank of No.44 following Shenzhen (January 8)

Career

- Achieved first Top 50 year-end finish in 2017, finishing as China's No.3. Ascended 25 spots from No.70 in 2016 to No.45 in 2017, marking third Top 100 season in four years
- Advanced to first WTA SF at 2017 Hong Kong (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and captured WTA 125K Series title in Zhengzhou
- Posted three victories vs. Top 20 opponents in 2017, defeating No.15 Vesnina (Rome), No.15 Mladenovic (Tokyo [PPO]) and No.17 Sloane Stephens (Wuhan)
- 2016 highlights included QF runs at Shenzhen (l. A.Radwanska), Kuala Lumpur (l. Zhu), Hong Kong (l. Wozniacki) and WTA 125K Series event at Dalian (l. Min). Also reached 2r at 2016 US Open, upsetting No.23 seed Kasatkina in 1r (l. Shvedova)
- Represented China at Rio Olympics – l. Kuznetsova in 1r in three sets
- In 2016, posted a 14-1 record between March–May on the ITF Circuit, winning \$50k ITF/Quanzhou-CHN and \$100k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN, and finishing runner-up at \$75k ITF/Gifu-JPN
- Owns three Top 10 wins in career (3-12 record), defeating No.10 Wozniacki at 2013 Kuala Lumpur, No.9 V.Williams at 2018 Roland Garros and No.7 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Wuhan
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup Team, 2012-2016
- On ITF Circuit, owns 13 singles and one doubles title
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2007 Beijing and main draw debut at 2012 Baku
- Won Chinese U/16 Championships in 2006 and U/18 Championships in 2007

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marked 17th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – record stands at 10-17 across the majors
- Reached 3r for the first time at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Putintseva), since matched at 2018 US Open (l. Svitolina)
- Previously had reached 2r on six occasions: at 2014 US Open (l. Dellacqua), 2015 US Open (l. Strycova), 2016 Australian Open (l. Friedsam), 2016 Roland Garros (l. Suárez Navarro), 2016 US Open (l. Shvedova) and 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams)
- Made major debut at 2014 US Open

Other Information

- Began playing tennis aged nine as a way to keep fit
- Would have become a teacher if not a tennis player
- Admires Zheng Jie
- Coached by Peter McNamara