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2018 US OPEN – SEMIFINALS

[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. [20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)

*Keys leads 3-0*

Today’s match marks the youngest US Open semifinal meeting since 2009 (Wickmayer v. Wozniacki – both 19 yrs old)...Keys has now made the semifinals or better at three of her last five Slam appearances – the best active strike-rate on tour over that span...Osaka has become the youngest Japanese woman and third overall in the Open Era to reach the semifinals of a major Slam.

[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. [19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTSOVA (LAT #18)

*First career meeting*

Today’s match marks Serena’s ninth-consecutive US Open semifinal; she is aiming to advance to her 31st career Grand Slam final...Sevastova has never advanced to the finals of a hardcourt tournament in her career...She owns a 3-7 record vs. Grand Slam champions at the majors.

THE FINAL FOUR

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THE LAST FOUR


Both Sevastova and Osaka will be making their Grand Slam semifinal debut.

The final four lineup at five of the past six US Opens has featured at least one woman making her Grand Slam semifinal debut (exception was 2017).

Sevastova is one of just two women (Karolina Pliskova) to have reached the quarterfinals – or better – at Flushing Meadows in each of the past three years.

Madison Keys is making her second-consecutive showing in the last four in New York, while Serena is into her 36th semifinal appearance here.

Should there be an All-American final for the second-consecutive year, Serena owns the head-to-head edge 3-0, having defeated Keys twice in Grand Slam play in 2015 (Australian Open and US Open). Osaka defeated the 23-time major champion earlier in the season at Miami, on the heels of her first career title at Indian Wells. Sevastova tied the career series 1-1 vs. Osaka following a routine straight sets victory in Doha this season. Should Keys face off against Sevastova in the final, this would be their first career meeting.

WELCOME TO THE SHOW

23-time Grand Slam champion, [17] Serena Williams brings her best tennis to the world’s biggest stages. Since 2008, Serena has proven to produce some of her best tennis at the Grand Slams:

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UNCHARTED TERRITORY

Following her quarterfinal victory over Lesia Tsurenko, [20] Naomi Osaka became the youngest Japanese woman and just the third overall in the Open Era to reach the semifinals at a Grand Slam.

She has also become the youngest US Open semifinalist since 2010 (Wozniacki, SF, at 20 yrs, 63 days)

Alongside Kei Nishikori’s quarterfinal victory over Marin Cilic, this marks the first time ever that both a Japanese male AND female have reached the last four at a Grand Slam.


STREAKING AT THE OPEN

[17] Serena Williams advanced to her ninth consecutive US Open semifinal, and 12th at Flushing Meadows overall. These nine semifinals are her best streak at the Slams – her next best streak of reaching consecutive semifinals or better is Wimbledon (2002-04, 2008-2010 and 2015-18 – withdrew from 2017 Wimbledon) and Australian Open (2015-17)

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SPREADING THE LOVE

Through the first three Slams of 2018, there have been three different champions: Caroline Wozniacki (Australian Open), Simona Halep (Roland Garros) and Angelique Kerber (Wimbledon). With all three now eliminated from this year's championship, this means there will be four different Grand Slam champions in the same season for the second year in a row.

This marks the first time in 80 years, since the 1937-38 seasons, that there will be four different major champions in back-to-back seasons.
WINNING AT A HIGH RATE

Based on results across her career, [17] Serena Williams owns the highest rate among active players for tournaments per title won:

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<th>PLAYER</th>
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<td>Serena Williams</td>
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<td>Maria Sharapova</td>
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<td>Venus Williams</td>
<td>5.80</td>
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<td>Petra Kvitova</td>
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<td>Simona Halep</td>
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<td>Caroline Wozniacki</td>
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AGE IS JUST A NUMBER

At 36 years and 349 days, [17] Serena Williams would be the third oldest Grand Slam finalist in the Open Era. Should she win the title, Williams would be the oldest Grand Slam singles champion in the Open Era, overtaking her own record set at the 2017 Australian Open:

OPEN ERA: OLDEST GRAND SLAM FINALISTS

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<td>36 yrs, 226 d</td>
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ON THIS DAY IN TENNIS

SEPTEMBER 6, 1975 – Four years after her debut at the US Open as a 16-year-old, Chris Evert wins her first Open title, defeating Evonne Goolagong 5-7, 6-4, 6-2 in the women’s singles final. The final marked the first year the tournament was played on clay – Evert went on to dominate the Open on the surface, not losing a singles match during the event’s three-year-run on clay from 1975-77.

1986 – Martina Navratilova and Steffi Graf complete one of the greatest US Open women’s semifinal matches ever as Navratilova comes back from three match points down to claim a 1-6, 7-6(3), 7-6(8) semifinal victory over the 17-year-old West German.

RANKINGS WATCH

[14] Madison Keys will drop to No.18 should she end her 2018 US Open campaign in the semifinals. She would be able to maintain her current ranking status (Nos.14-15) by making the finals for the second-consecutive year.

[17] Serena Williams will return to the Top 20 by reaching the semifinal stage.

- Serena will now overtake Venus Williams in the rankings
- She can move as high as No.16 by reaching the final and No.11 by winning the title

[19] Anastasija Sevastova will move to Nos.18-19 with her semifinal appearance, and No.15 with a runner-up finish.

[20] Naomi Osaka is projected to reach No.17 by advancing to the semifinals, and No.12 as a finalist.

Osaka (No.7), Keys (No.9) and Sevastova (No.9) each have a chance to reach the Top 10 after the US Open but will need to win the title in order to do so.

PROJECTED TOP 10 – FOLLOWING US OPEN

1. Simona Halep
2. Caroline Wozniacki
3. Angelique Kerber
4. **Caroline Garcia**
5. Petra Kvitova
6. Elina Svitolina
7. Karolina Pliskova*
8. Sloane Stephens*
9. Jelena Ostapenko*
10. Julia Goerges*

*Subject to change based on US Open results*

For Caroline Garcia, rising to No.4 marks the highest ranking held by a Frenchwoman since the week of June 25, 2007 (Mauresmo, No.4).
FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING...
-A recap of what’s happened so far-

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After her upset of defending champion Sloane Stephens in the quarterfinals, Anastasija Sevastova became the first Latvian woman to reach the semifinals of the US Open

Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam since the 2004 US Open (Asagoe, QF)

Alongside Kei Nishikori, this marks the first time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era

Lesia Tsurenko became the first Ukrainian woman to advance to the quarterfinals of the US Open since Kateryna Bondarenko did so in 2009

Following her 50-minute double bagel third round victory, Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the fourth round of the US Open since 2004 (Sugiyama, R16 & Asagoe, QF)

Marketa Vondrousova became the first teenager to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since 2016 (Konjuh, QF - 18) and the youngest Czech player to advance to this stage in New York since 2005 (Vaidisova, R16 – 16)

Dominika Cibulkova is the first Slovakian woman to advance to the Round of 16 in five years, since Hantuchova reached the quarterfinals in 2013 (l. Azarenka)

With Elina Svitolina and Lesia Tsurenko both reaching the Round of 16, this marked the first time two Ukrainians advanced to the second week of a major in the Open Era

For the first time in the Open Era, Belarus had three players advance to the third round of a Grand Slam (Azarenka, Sabalenka and Sasnovich)

Elise Mertens became the first Belgian to advance to the Round of 16 at the US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer & Clijsters)

The 2018 US Open marks the first time since 2013 Roland Garros that no British player, male or female, has advanced to the third round of a major

For the first time in the Open Era at the US Open, the No.1 (Halep) and No.2 (Wozniacki) seeds have been eliminated before the third round

Kaia Kanepi’s first round upset over World No.1 Simona Halep was the first time the No.1 seed fell in the first round of the US Open in the Open Era

With Angelique Kerber (No.4 seed) and Julia Goerges (No.9 seed) both seeded in the Top 10, this was the first time in over 20 years that two Germans were seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam since 1997 Roland Garros (Graf, A.Huber)

Caroline Garcia became the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed at the US Open since 2011 (Bartoli) and the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed across all four slams in the same season since 2006 (Mauresmo)

Maria Sakkari became the first Greek woman to be seeded at a Grand Slam since 2007 Australian Open (Daniilidou)
**MATCH NOTES**

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**[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. [20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)**

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 3-0

**2018**
- ROLAND GARROS, CLAY O, R3, MADISON KEYS vs. ROLAND GARROS, CLAY O, R3, MADISON KEYS
  - Score: 6-1 7-6(7) in 83 mins

**2017**
- INDIAN WELLS, HARD O, R32, MADISON KEYS vs. INDIAN WELLS, HARD O, R32, MADISON KEYS
  - Score: 6-1 6-4 in 58 mins

**2016**
- US OPEN, HARD O, R3, MADISON KEYS vs. US OPEN, HARD O, R3, MADISON KEYS
  - Score: 7-5 4-6 7-6(3) in 127 mins

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**ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS**

**MADISON KEYS**
- R128: d. PAULINE PARMENTIER (FRA #71) 6-4, 6-4 (1h35)
- R64: d. BERNARDA PERA (USA #92) 6-4, 6-1 (1h12)
- R32: d. ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #49) 4-6, 6-1, 6-2 (1h43)
- R16: d. DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #35) 6-1, 6-2, 6-2 (2h16)
- QF: d. CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24) 6-4, 6-3 (1h24)

**NAOMI OSAKA**
- R128: d. LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #146) 6-3, 6-2 (1h18)
- R64: d. JULIA GLUSHKO (ISR #162) 6-2, 6-0 (0h50)
- R32: d. ALIAXANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33) 6-0, 6-0 (0h50)
- R16: d. ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20) 6-3, 6-4, 6-2 (2h01)
- QF: d. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36) 6-1, 6-1 (0h59)

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

**MADISON KEYS**
- 2017
  - F: L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-3, 6-0
- 2016
  - R16: L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #74) 6-3, 6-4

**NAOMI OSAKA**
- 2017
  - R3: L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #418) 6-3, 2-6, 7-5
- 2016
  - R3: L - MADISON KEYS (USA #9) 7-5, 4-6, 7-6(3)

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* Updated entering 2018 US Open SF

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**KEYS:**

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth appearance overall), and is through to her second-consecutive SF in New York, having finished R-Up here last year
- Was defeated by fellow American Stephens 12 months ago in the first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Other key results here are posting back-to-back R16 finishes in 2015 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Wozniacki)
- Made 2r in 2011 (Grand Slam main draw debut, l. Safarova) and 2014 (l. Krunic), and lost 1r in 2013 (l. Jankovic).
- Fell in 2010 and 2012
- No.14 seed this fortnight – her 14th consecutive major as a seeded player
- One of just two players to reach the SFs or better at two of the four Slams in 2018 (also Kerber – SF Australian Open, Won Wimbledon)
- 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) – the best active strike-rate on tour over that span
- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women in starting field at 2018 US Open, and one of two to reach SF (also S.Williams)
- Progression to US Open SF makes this Keys' happiest major hunting ground, owning a 19-6 record here (overtaking her 15-6 record at the Australian Open)
- Began 2018 US Open campaign by extending winning streak against French players to nine in a row, including three wins at the Slam level, after dispatching Parmentier in straight sets
- Improved career record vs. fellow Americans at Grand Slams to 10-4 after 2r win over No.92 Pera
- Defeated No.49 Krunic in 3r to earn her sixth R16 birth of the 2018 season – also, Australian Open, Charleston, Rome, Roland Garros and Cincinnati. Dropped only set of tournament so far to Krunic
- Defeated No.29 seed Cibulkova in R16 and No.30 Suárez Navarro in QF, and is now 8-2 against seeded players

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<td>MARIA ELENA CAMERIN (ITA #130)</td>
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at Slams since the start of 2017, only losses came against No.21 seed Kerber (2018 Australian Open QF) and No.10 seed Stephens (2018 Roland Garros SF)

- Her QF meeting against Suárez Navarro marked the first meeting between a Spanish and American woman in a Grand Slam QF since 2017 Australian Open (Vandeweghe d. Muguruza), and first at US Open since 2013 (S.Williams d. Suárez Navarro)
- Takes on No.19 Osaka in today’s SF matchup – owns 3-0 head-to-head edge, including two wins at the Slam level (2018 Roland Garros and 2016 US Open)
- Seeking to be first player to reach back-to-back US Open finals since S.Williams in 2013-14
- A win today would mark 20th US Open victory and 30th career win over Top 20 opponent
- Is the first finalist from the previous year’s tournament to make it back to the SF the following year since Serena did so in 2015 (l. Vinci)
- Including last year’s All-American final four lineup, this is just the third time having at least two Americans in the US Open SFs since 2004 – the last time there were at least two Americans in SFs in back-to-back years was 2003-04 (Davenport and Capriati both times)
- Finishing her 2018 US Open campaign at SF stage would see her ranking drop to No. 18. Reaching the final again would help her maintain her current ranking (Nos.14-15), while capturing her first career Grand Slam title would bring her back into the Top 10 (No.9)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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)
Season

- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only 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

**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

**OSAKA:**

**US Open**

• Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows. Advanced to 3r on both previous visits in 2016 (l. today's opponent Keys in 3s, having led 5-1 in decider) and 2017 (l. Kanepi)
• Upset defending US Open champion and No.6 Kerber in 1r last year, marking first career Top 10 win (previously 0-9)
• Seeded No.20 – her third consecutive major among the seeds (also No.21 at 2018 Roland Garros and No.18 at 2018 Wimbledon). By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.45
• Swept aside Siegemund and Glushko in opening two rounds to register back-to-back wins for first time since Wimbledon
• Win over Glushko saw her reach 3r at a sixth consecutive major – currently the longest active streak on tour
• In 3r against Sasnovich, scored the third 6-0 6-0 win in women's draw this year (also Gavrilova d. Sorribes Tormo and Puig d. Voegele). This is first time there have been three 6-0 6-0 victories at a Slam since 2015 Wimbledon and the first time at the US Open since 2013 when there were four
• Recovered from a break down in the third set to defeat fellow 20-year-old Sabalenka in R16 – her first Top 20 win since Indian Wells title run in March
• Has won 60% (24/40) of her return games this fortnight; by contrast, season average heading into US Open was 36.1%
• Has served impressively thus far, hitting 25 aces and dropping serve only four times. Also hit the joint-fourth fastest serve of the tournament, 119mph
• Following her Round of 16 win, became the first Japanese woman to advance to the QFs of a major since Asagoe, QF at 2004 US Open (l. Davenport). Fellow countryman Kei Nishikori also advanced to the QF stage, marking the first
time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era

- Dropped just two games in her swift QF victory over No.36 Tsurenko
- Has won five matches en route to semifinal showing, with three of those five matches lasting less than an hour
- Became the youngest Japanese woman and just the third overall in the Open era to reach the last four at a Grand Slam – the last time a Japanese woman advanced to a Slam semifinal was 1996 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date)
- She has also become the youngest US Open semifinalist since 2010 (Wozniacki, SF, at 20 yrs, 63 days)
- Alongside Kei Nishikori's quarterfinal victory over Marin Cilic, this marks the first time ever that both a Japanese male AND female have reached the semifinals at the same major
- Squares off against No.14 Keys in her first-ever Slam semifinal today – seeking first career win over the American
- A win today would make her the youngest US Open finalist since Wozniacki in 2009 – 19 years old
- Today's match marks youngest US Open semifinal meeting since 2009 – battle between 19-year-olds Wickmayer and Wozniacki
- From a rankings point perspective, Osaka has earned a combined 1,780 points from Indian Wells and this year's US Open, while earning 1,017 points from other 14 tournaments played
- Having advanced to SF stage, is projected to rise to No.17, No.12 as a runner-up and would breach the Top 10 for the first time in her career with the title (at No.7)
- From her efforts this week, will pass USD $2 million in prize money for the season – stood at No.10 on 2018 prize money list heading into US Open

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 11th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19 yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)
- Has also made QF at 2018 US Open (plays Tsurenko today) and 3r at the other two majors: 2016 Roland Garros (I. Halep) and 2018 Roland Garros (I. Keys), 2017 Wimbledon (I. V.Williams) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. Kerber)

**Season**

- Started North American hardcourt season with 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Linette), followed by 1r exits at Montréal (l. Suárez Navarro) and Cincinnati (l. Sakkari)
- For fifth consecutive major made 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Opened grass season with SF run at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) before making 2r at Birmingham (ret. vs. Jakupovic w/abdominal injury). Withdrew from Eastbourne with same injury
- Advanced to 3r at Roland Garros (I. Keys)
- Also on clay, reached 2r at Rome (l. Halep) and made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Zhang) following R16 showing at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)
- Made 2r exit at Miami Open (l. No.4 seed Svitolina). Defeated eight-time Miami Open champion, S.Williams in 1r, becoming just the seventh woman to defeat Williams in Key Biscayne and first to do so before the R16
- Prior to Miami 2r loss to Svitolina, was on eight-match winning streak after claiming first WTA title at Indian Wells
- En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and Grand Slam finalists A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep without dropping a set. Only set dropped all week was against Sakkari in R16
- That eight-match win streak included victories over four players who have held the No.1 ranking (S. Williams, Ka. Pliskova, Sharapova and current No.1, Halep) as well as a former No.2 (A.Radwanska), along with emerging talents Sakkari and Kasatkina
- Owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (defeated Halep at 2018 Indian Wells and lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)
- Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Sevastova) and QF in Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Reached R16 at a Slam for the first time at Australian Open – d. Kucova and seeds No.16 Vesnina and No.18 Barty en route before falling to eventual runner-up and World No.1 Halep
- Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Hobart (l. Putintseva); also played at Hopman Cup (went 1-1 in singles)

**Career**

- Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1
- Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win
- Overall owns three wins over Top 5 players: No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (both at 2018 Indian Wells) and No.5 V.Williams (at 2017 Hong Kong)
- Finished 2016 at then career-high ranking of No.40, which was her first Top 200 finish; voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year
- Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open. Received direct entry into 2016 Wimbledon but withdrew w/right knee injury
- Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)
- Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins in the process), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)
**Other Information**

- Currently coached by Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki and Serena Williams. Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
- Since taking over the reins, Bajin has used his experience to help Naomi climb from No.68 to start the season to No.19 – having reached a career-high ranking of No.17 in July. Under his tutelage, she became the first Japanese woman to win a Premier Mandatory-level title at Indian Wells and now owns a 33-15 record on the season (across all levels)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship. Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
- Prior to this year's US Open, signed on as brand ambassador for Citizen. At end of 2016, signed sponsorship deals with broadcaster WOWOW and food brand Nissin
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour
SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)

Head to Head: First meeting

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WON/LOST: 67-38
SETS WON/LOST: 10
TOTAL TIME ON COURT: 7h44
AVERAGE TIME ON COURT: 1h33
AVERAGE RANK OF OPPONENT: 47

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA
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ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS

[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26)
R128: d. MAGDA LINETTE (POL #68) 6-4,6-0 (1h10)
R64: d. CARINA WITTHOEFT (GER #101) 6-2,6-2 (1h07)
R32: d. [16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16) 6-1,6-2 (1h11)
R16: d. KAIA KANEPI (EST #44) 6-0,4-6,6-3 (1h37)
QF: d. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8) 6-4,6-3 (1h26)

VS.

[19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)
R128: d. DONNA VEKIC (CRO #41) 6-2,6-3,6-3 (1h52)
R64: d. [WC] CLAIRE LIU (USA #158) 6-3,6-1 (1h03)
R32: d. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7) 6-3,1-6,6-0 (1h21)
QF: d. [3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) 6-2,6-3 (1h25)

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US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

SERENA WILLIAMS
2016 SF L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #11) 6-2 7-6(5)
2015 SF L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #43) 2-6 6-4 6-4
2014 F W - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #11) 6-3 6-3

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA
2017 QF L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-3 3-6 7-6(4)
2016 QF L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #74) 6-0 6-2
2015 R1* L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #207) 6-2 7-6(2)
S.WILLIAMS:

**US Open**

- Making 18th appearance at US Open and is through to her 12th SF here at Flushing Meadows. Bidding today to reach her 31st Grand Slam singles final
- Today's SF match is her ninth US Open SF in a row, a run that began in 2008 (withdrew from 2010 US Open w/right foot injury)
- The only six occasions out of 18 that she's failed to reach this stage in New York were on debut in 1998 (l. Spirlea in 3r), R16 exits in 2005 (l. V.Williams) and 2006 (l. Mauresmo), and QF exits in 2000 (l. Davenport), 2004 (l. Capriati) and 2007 (l. Henin)
- Overall is a six-time champion at US Open: 1999 (d. Hingis in F), 2002 (d. V.Williams in F), 2008 (d. Jankovic in F), 2012 (d. Azarenka in F), 2013 (d. Azarenka in F) and 2014 (d. Wozniacki in F). Tied with Chris Evert for most US Open titles in the Open Era
- Is also a two-time runner-up, in 2001 (l. V.Williams) and 2011 (l. Stosur)
• Her record in Grand Slam SFs stands at 30-5 – her most recent three losses have come here at US Open, in 2009 (l. eventual champion Clijsters), 2015 (l. eventual R-Up Vinci) and 2016 (l. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova). In addition, lost in SF at 2000 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion V.Williams) and 2003 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Henin)

• Having lost her previous two SFs here at US Open (2015-16), should she lose today, would be first woman since Davenport to lose three US Open SFs in a row – 2002 (l. S.Williams), 2003 (l. Clijsters) and 2004 (l. Kuznetsova)

• At 36 years and 349 days*, Williams would be the third oldest Grand Slam final list in the Open Era. Should she win the title, Williams would be the oldest Grand Slam singles champion in the Open Era, overtaking her own record set at 2017 Australian Open:

OPEN ERA: OLDEST GRAND SLAM FINALISTS

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*based on age at end of tournament

• One of eight players in the Open Era to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same year (2002, 2012)
• Her 18 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in starting field, two behind her sister, Venus, who made her 20th appearance
• Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
• Missed entire summer US swing in 2017 due to pregnancy
• US Open marks seventh event – and third major – following birth of daughter Alexis Olympia in September 2017
• 2018 US Open represents her 69th Grand Slam main draw appearance – among active players trails only her sister Venus (80, including 2018 US Open) and Schiavone (70)
• Seeded No. 17 this fortnight, nine spots higher than her current ranking of No.26
• Progress to US Open SF has seen her defeat Linette, Witthoeft, V.Williams, Kanepi and Ka.Pliskova, dropping only one set
• Her five wins this fortnight take her record at US Open to 94-11 - most wins among active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12) and ahead of Martina Navratilova (89-17)
• US Open is now her most successful Slam in terms of match wins, now ahead of Wimbledon (92-11), Australian Open (81-10) and Roland Garros (63-12)
• Record across the Grand Slams stands at 330-44, the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306)
• Defeat of sister Venus in 3r was their 30th career meeting, Serena leading the head to head 18-12

• Today’s match vs. Sevastova is her ninth US Open SF in a row, and 12th SF at Flushing Meadows overall. These nine SFs are her best streak at the Slams – the next best streak of her reaching consecutive SF or better stands at three – Wimbledon (2002-04, 2008-10 and 2015-18 – withdrew from 2017 Wimbledon) and Australian Open (2015-17)

• Overall Serena has reached the SF stage of a Grand Slam 36 times, out of the 69 she has contested

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• Defeated No.8 Ka.Pliskova in QF for first Top 10 win of season, and is now 1-3 vs. the elite bracket – losses have come to No.8 V.Williams (Indian Wells), No.10 Kerber (Wimbledon) and No.6 Kvitova (Cincinnati). Prior to defeat of Pliskova, last win vs. Top 10 player came over No.9 Konta at 2017 Australian Open

• Pliskova win was also her 173rd career Top 10 win – the first of which came over No.7 Pierce at 1997 Chicago

• Record at US Open vs. Top 10 players now stands at 21-8, most recent loss coming against No.10 Stosur in the 2011 Final

• Faces Sevastova today – first time facing a Latvian in Grand Slam singles play. In doubles, w/V.Williams defeated Ostapenko and partner Putintseva at 2016 Roland Garros

• A loss to No.18 Sevastova would be worst at Slam level since losing to No.43 Vinci here in 2015 US Open SF

• 13 of her Slams have been won on hard courts – most of any player in Open Era; overall has won 46 hard court titles, also most among active players

• At 36, is the oldest remaining player in the draw (Schnyder – 39, l. in 1r, Venus – 38, l. in 3r), among 22 thirtysomethings to begin the draw

• By reaching the SF, Serena (currently No.26) has a chance to return to the Top 20:

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*Depending on other results
Based on results across her career, Serena wins one out of every three tournaments played – the highest rate among active players:

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<td>Caroline Wozniacki         9.00</td>
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**Grand Slam History**

- A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
- Aged 35y 125d at the conclusion of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era. Has now won 10 Grand Slam titles as a 30-something
- Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, some 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span
- The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon
- In the Open Era, Williams’ 11-year gap between Roland Garros titles in 2002 and 2013 (without winning another Roland Garros title during that time) is the longest gap for a woman at any Grand Slam
- In 2015, came within two match wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open (d. Sharapova in F), Roland Garros (d. Safarova in F) and Wimbledon (d. Muguruza in F); I. Vinci in SF at US Open. Was bidding to become third woman in Open Era to achieve the feat, after Court (1970) and Graf (1988)
- Has twice been in possession of all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)
- Has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles, all with sister Venus – most recently at 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F). Also won mixed doubles titles at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
• The sisters held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London

**Season**

• Entered US Open off the back of 2r exit at Cincinnati (d. Gavrilova, l. No.6 Kvitova in 3s)

• Withdrew from Rogers Cup in Montréal

• Lost 6-1 6-0 to Konta in 1r at San Jose – the heaviest defeat of her career (only occasion she has failed to win more than one game in a match) and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep)

• Earlier this summer reached Wimbledon final (l. Kerber) – her 30th Grand Slam singles final, and was bidding for eighth Wimbledon crown

• Was making 18th main draw appearance at All England Club - among active players, only Venus has played Wimbledon more often (21)

• Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear). In Paris, posted first Top 20 wins since her return to tour, over No.17 Barty and No.11 Goerges

• With sister Venus, won two doubles matches in Paris to advance to R16 (l. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez)

• Roland Garros was first event contested since Miami (l. Osaka in 1r)

• Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets

• Prior to Indian Wells, played Tie Break Tens event in Madison Square Garden in New York – defeated Marion Bartoli in opening match before falling to Zhang Shuai in SF

• In December 2017 appeared at Mubadala World Tennis Championships in Abu Dhabi (l. Ostapenko 6-2, 3-6, 10-5)

• In February partnered w/V.Williams in doubles rubber during Team USA’s Fed Cup win over the Netherlands (l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)

**Career**

• Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1

• Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)

• Qualified first for the 2016 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global but withdrew due to right shoulder injury – did not play after US Open

• Was the only player to reach SF or better at all four Grand Slams in 2016 (R-Up at Australian Open (l. Kerber), R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza), champion at Wimbledon (d. Kerber in F), SF at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)

• With 72 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92). Also a 21-time singles runner-up
• Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf's 377 and Navratilova's 332

• Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)

• Five-time champion at WTA Finals (2001, 2009, 2012-14)

• Has registered 16 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)

• Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)

• Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V.Williams)

• Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)

• Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013

• At 2014 US Open, received $4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women's

Other Information

• Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins

• Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017

• Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans

• Recently launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’

SEVASTOVA:

US Open

• Making sixth main draw appearance at US Open (and eighth overall)

• Is one of two Grand Slam SF debutantes this fortnight (also Osaka); the final four line-up at five of the past six US Opens has featured at least one woman making her Grand Slam SF debut (exception was 2017)

• Previous best showings here – and across all majors – were QF runs in 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens)

• Is one of two women to have reached QF – or better – at Flushing Meadows in each of the past three years (also Ka.Pliskova)

• Enters today's SF match with a 15-5 career record in New York, her best record among the four Grand Slam tournaments

• Currently ranked No.18, after making her Top 20 debut last year on May 15, 2017. Has been ranked inside the Top 20 every week, but four, since then
• Is projected to rise to Nos.18-19 by reaching the SF, No.15 as a finalist and can break into Top 10 by winning title (at No.9)
• Began 2018 US Open campaign with defeat of Vekic in 1r before dispatching WC Liu in 2r – her first back-to-back Grand Slam wins this season
• Won 12 of the last 14 games to see off Makarova in 3r – had lost previous three meetings against the Russian
• Upset No.7 Svitolina in R16, dropping only six points in 22-minute final set (6-0)
• Broke serve five times to see off No.3 Stephens on Tuesday in rematch of last year’s QF. Result equaled career best win-by-ranking (previously beat then-No.3s Muguruza at 2016 US Open and Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Madrid)
• Has now broken serve a tournament-leading 28 times en route to SF
• Wins over Svitolina and Stephens were second and third Top 10 wins of 2018 (also No.7 Goerges at Montréal)
• Including wins over Stephens and Liu this fortnight, now owns 4-1 record against US players at Grand Slam level
• Has become the first Latvian woman to reach a US Open SF. Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros – WON; 2018 Wimbledon – SF)
• Appearing in fifth hard court SF of career, having advanced to that stage – but never further – at 2010 Monterrey, 2017 Dubai, 2017 Zhuhai and 2018 Brisbane
• In doubles w/Pavlyuchenkova this fortnight, fell in QF (l. Stosur/Zhang on Wednesday)

Grand Slam History

• 2018 US Open marks 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
• 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
**Season**

- Enters the US Open after being upset in the 1r of Cincinnati (l. Giorgi)
- 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)
- 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 earning career highs in wins (37) and winning percentage (.607) besting 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 (August 27, 2018)

**Other Information**

• 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
• Trains and resides in Liepaja, Latvia and coached by Ronald Schmidt
• Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing
2018 US OPEN – QUARTERFINALS (BOTTOM HALF)

[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. [30] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24)

*Keys leads 3-0

Suárez Navarro is bidding to become the first Spanish player to advance to the semifinals of the US Open since 1996…Keys is 7-2 against seeded players at Grand Slams since the start of 2017; this also marks her first meeting with a Spanish woman at a major

[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) vs. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)

*Osaka leads 1-0

Osaka is aiming to become the first Japanese woman to advance to the semifinal stage of a Grand Slam since 1996 Wimbledon…Tsurenko looks to make history for her country by becoming the first female Grand Slam semifinalist from Ukraine

THE ELITE EIGHT (BOTTOM HALF)

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CAREER QUARTERFINAL RECORDS – GRAND SLAMS

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SLAMMIN’ 90s

There are nine players born in the 1990s who have reached a Grand Slam final. Three of those nine have advanced to this year's 2018 US Open quarterfinal stage:

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<td>Caroline Wozniacki</td>
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WELCOME TO THE SHOW

23-time Grand Slam champion, [17] Serena Williams brings her best tennis to the world's biggest stages. Since 2008, Serena has proven to produce some of her best tennis at the Grand Slams:

SERENA BY THE NUMBERS – SINCE 2008

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STREAKING AT THE OPEN

[17] Serena Williams advanced to her tenth consecutive US Open quarterfinal, and 15th at Flushing Meadows overall. These ten quarterfinals are her best streak at the Slams – the next best streak of reaching consecutive quarterfinals or better is Wimbledon (2000-04)

QUARTERFINAL SUCCESS RATE

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<td>64.7% (11/17)</td>
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<td>Roland Garros</td>
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UNCHARTED TERRITORY

Lesia Tsurenko became just the second Ukrainian to reach the quarterfinals at Flushing Meadows (also, Kateryna Bondarenko in 2009 – l. Wickmayer).

She is the only unseeded player left in the draw and is looking to become the 27th unseeded player to advance to a major semifinal since 2001 Wimbledon, and the ninth at Flushing Meadows.

A win today would make history for her country by becoming the first Ukrainian female to reach a Slam semifinal.

WINNING AT A HIGH RATE

Based on results across her career, [17] Serena Williams owns the highest rate among active players for tournaments per title won:

TOURNAMENTS PER TITLE WON

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REWITING HISTORY


Alongside Kei Nishikori, this marks the first time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era.

The last time a Japanese woman advanced to the semifinals of a Slam was 1996 Wimbledon (Date, SF).
SPREADING THE LOVE
Through the first three Slams of 2018, there have been three different champions: Caroline Wozniacki (Australian Open), Simona Halep (Roland Garros) and Angelique Kerber (Wimbledon). With all three now eliminated from this year’s championship, this means there will be four different Grand Slam champions in the same season for the second year in a row.

This marks the first time in 80 years, since the 1937-38 seasons, that there will be four different major champions in back-to-back seasons.

IN GOOD COMPANY

The American became one of just two players to advance to at least the quarterfinal stage or better at three of the four majors this year (also Angelique Kerber).

She is also a part of an elite group of active players to reach the final eight at all four Grand Slams: Serena Williams, Venus Williams, Maria Sharapova, Victoria Azarenka, Simona Halep, Angelique Kerber, Petra Kvitova, Dominika Cibulkova, Francesca Schiavone and Vera Zvonareva.

ON THIS DAY IN TENNIS
SEPTEMBER 5, 1989 – The storied US Open career of Chris Evert came to an end as the six-time champion was defeated by Zina Garrison 7-6(1), 6-2 in Evert's final US Open match in the women's quarterfinals.

The American made her debut in Flushing Meadows by reaching the semifinals as a 16-year-old amateur. She would then go on to win 101 of 133 total tournament matches in New York.

RANKINGS WATCH
[8] Karolina Pliskova is projected to move as high as No.7 by reaching the quarterfinals (depending on other results). If Pliskova reaches the semifinals, she will be ranked No.7. Pliskova would move into the Top 4 by reaching the final – either No.4 as R-Up or No.3 with title.

[3] Sloane Stephens is projected to drop to No.8 by exiting in the quarterfinals.

[20] Naomi Osaka, [14] Madison Keys and [19] Anastasija Sevastova each have a chance to reach the Top 10 after the US Open but will need to win the title in order to do so.

[30] Carla Suarez Navarro is projected to climb as high as No.22 by reaching the quarterfinals (or No.23 if Tsurenko reaches the semifinals).

[17] Serena Williams is projected to move as high as No.21 by reaching the quarterfinals (could be lower depending on Tsurenko and Suarez Navarro results).

- With one more win, Serena will overtake Venus Williams in the rankings. Serena would be as high as No.14 with a semifinal showing (depending on results)
- S.Williams can move as high as No.15 by reaching the final and No.11 by winning the title

Lesia Tsurenko is set to reach a career-high ranking after the US Open (previously No.29). She is projected to climb to No.26 by reaching the quarterfinals and could climb as high as No.21 if she advances to the semifinals (although could move to No.23 if both Suarez Navarro and S.Williams advance)

- She could climb as high as No.12 if she wins the title
FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING...
-A recap of what's happened so far-

After her upset of defending champion Sloane Stephens in the quarterfinals, Anastasija Sevastova became the first Latvian woman to reach the semifinals of the US Open.

Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam since the 2004 US Open (Asagoe, QF).

Alongside Kei Nishikori, this marks the first time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era.

Lesia Tsurenko became the first Ukrainian woman to advance to the quarterfinals of the US Open since Kateryna Bondarenko did so in 2009.

Following her 50-minute double bagel third round victory, Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the fourth round of the US Open since 2004 (Sugiyama, R16 & Asagoe, QF).

Marketa Vondrousova became the first teenager to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since 2016 (Konjuh, QF) and the youngest Czech player to advance to this stage in New York since 2005 (Vaidisova, R16 – 16).

Dominika Cibulkova is the first Slovakian woman to advance to the fourth round in five years, since Hantuchova reached the quarterfinals in 2013 (l. Azarenka).

With Elina Svitolina and Lesia Tsurenko both reaching the Round of 16, this marked the first time two Ukrainians advanced to the second week of a major in the Open Era.

For the first time in the Open Era, Belarus had three players advance to the third round of a Grand Slam (Azarenka, Sabalenka and Sasnovich).

Elise Mertens became the first Belgian to advance to the Round of 16 at the US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer & Clijsters).

The 2018 US Open marks the first time since 2013 Roland Garros that no British player, male or female, has advanced to the third round of a major.

For the first time in the Open Era at the US Open, the No.1 (Halep) and No.2 (Wozniacki) seeds have been eliminated before the third round.

Kaia Kanepi's first round upset over World No.1 Simona Halep was the first time the No.1 seed fell in the first round of the US Open in the Open Era.

With Angelique Kerber (No.4 seed) and Julia Goerges (No.9 seed) both seeded in the Top 10, this was the first time in over 20 years that two Germans were seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam since 1997 Roland Garros (Graf, A.Huber).

Caroline Garcia became the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed at the US Open since 2011 (Bartoli) and the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed across all four slams in the same season since 2006 (Mauresmo).

Maria Sakkari became the first Greek woman to be seeded at a Grand Slam since 2007 Australian Open (Danilidou).
[30] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24) vs. [14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 3-0

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- 21-10
- 25-17 / 331-230
- 10-4 / 105-69
- 6-3 / 61-44
- 18-9 / 176-141
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MADISON KEYS

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**ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS**

**[30] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24)**

**R128:** d. [Q] NICOLE GIBBS (USA #115) 5-7-6,6-3,6-4 (2h0)

**R64:** d. KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #53) 6-1,4-6,6-1 (1h47)

**R32:** d. [6] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #6) 6-1,6-4,6-1 (2h24)

**R16:** d. [22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) 6-4,6-3 (1h32)

Total games: 112
Won/lost: 63-49
Sets won/lost: 8-3
Total time on court: 7h43
Average time on court: 1h56
Average rank of opponent: 49

**[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14)**

**R128:** d. PAULINE PARMENTIER (FRA #71) 6-4,6-4,6-1 (1h35)

**R64:** d. BERNARDA PERA (USA #92) 6-4,6-1 (1h12)

**R32:** d. ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #49) 6-4,6-1,6-2 (1h43)

**R16:** d. [29] DOMINika CIBULKOVA (SVK #35) 6-1,6-3 (1h16)

Total games: 78
Won/lost: 52/26
Sets won/lost: 8-1
Total time on court: 5h46
Average time on court: 1h27
Average rank of opponent: 62

**US OPEN Tournament History**

- * Qualifying match

**CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO**

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SUÁREZ NAVARRO:

US Open

- Making 11th main draw appearance at US Open (and 12th appearance overall), and is through to the QF for the second time, having also made this stage in 2013 (l. eventual champion S. Williams)
- Other key results here in New York are reaching R16 in 2011 (l. Petkovic), 2016 (l. Halep) and 2017 (l. V. Williams)
- Is first Spanish woman through to US Open QF since she herself made this stage at Flushing Meadows five years ago in 2013. Bidding to be first Spanish player through to US Open SF since Conchita Martinez in 1996 (who is coaching fellow quarterfinalist Karolina Pliskova this fortnight)
- Celebrated 30th birthday on Monday, and is seeded No. 30 this fortnight
- Is lowest seed (No. 30) to reach 2018 US Open QF. Tsurenko is the only unseeded quarterfinalist
- Highest seeding at a Slam came at 2015 Roland Garros (No. 8 seed)
- A win today would see her register her best result across the Grand Slams – is currently 0-6 in major QFs, falling at this stage at 2008 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Jankovic), 2009 Australian Open (l. Dementieva), 2013 US Open (l. S. Williams), 2014 Roland Garros (l. Bouchard), 2016 Australian Open (l. A. Radwanska) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki)
- In six previous Grand Slam QFs, has only ever won a set on two occasions – 2014 Roland Garros (vs. Bouchard) and 2018 Australian Open (vs. Wozniacki)
- Has reached two QFs at the Slams in the same calendar year for first time in career (in addition, 2018 Australian Open)

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Progression to US Open QF saw her overcome American qualifier Gibbs in 1r before defeating No.53 Mladenovic in 2r
Upset No.6 Garcia in 3r to score fourth win vs. Top 10 player in 2018 (4-6 record this season), with additional wins over No.4 Svitolina (Indian Wells), No.4 Svitolina (Madrid) and No.5 Kvitova (via ret. at New Haven)
Caused another upset by knocking out 2006 US Open champion Sharapova in R16 – it was the Russian's first defeat of her career in a night match on Arthur Ashe (was 22-0 entering the match)
Victory over Sharapova was also 25th match win of the season, and now has a 2-4 record vs. the five-time Grand Slam champion (other defeat came at 2014 Montréal)
Faces Keys today in QF match – is 0-3 vs. the American, however all previous encounters have gone three sets
Spain's sole representative in the women's 2018 US Open quarterfinals, of four that begin the draw - Muguruza (l. Muchova in 2r), Sorribes Tormo (l. Gavrilova in 1r) and Arruabarrena (l. Strycova in 2r)
Smallest player to reach 2018 US Open QF, standing at 5' 4" (1.62 M). Stephens is next smallest, at 5' 7" (1.70 M)
Having turned 30 on Tuesday, is one of two 30-somethings to reach QF (also S.Williams, 36)
Entering 2018 US Open QF, record across the Slams stands at 79-39
Is projected to climb as high as No.22 by reaching the QF (or No.23 if Tsurenko reaches SF). A SF finish would bring her as high as No.17, while a run to the finals would elevate her as high as No.15 as a finalist and No.11 as a champion

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 40th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best Grand Slam results have been reaching the QF stage at three of the four majors – at Roland Garros in 2008 (as qualifier, l. Jankovic) and 2014 (l. Bouchard), at Australian Open in 2009 (l. Dementieva), 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2018 (l. Wozniacki), and 2013 US Open (l. S.Williams) and now again in 2018
- By virtue of 2018 Wimbledon results, passed $10 million in career prize money
- QF run at 2008 Roland Garros made her the first qualifier to reach Roland Garros last eight since 2001; and ranked No.132, became joint-lowest-ranked quarterfinalist at Roland Garros (also Pierce)
- Best result at Wimbledon is reaching R16 in 2013 and 2016
- 2016 saw her reach R16 or better at each of the four Grand Slams – one of just four players to do so (also Keys, A.Radwanska and S.Williams)
**Season**

- Enters 2018 US Open following first final of 2018 at New Haven (l. Sabalenka in F). Career record in singles finals now stands at 2-9
- Fell 1r at Cincinnati (l. Azarenka) after R16 showing at Montreal (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Stephens)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Bencic)
- Other grass season results include early exits in Mallorca (1r, l. Arruabarrena) and Eastbourne (following 1r bye, l. Collins)
- Ended clay season with 1r exit in Rome (l. Vekic) and 2r finish at Roland Garros (l. Sakkari)
- Advanced to QF stage in Madrid, defeating No.4 Svitolina en route (l. No.7 Garcia)
- Fell in 1r at Stuttgart (l. Kudermetova) in first clay court event of 2018
- Made 2r showing at Miami (Y. Wang) after QF run at Indian Wells (l. V. Williams), defeating No.4 Svitolina in 3r
- Reached 2r at Doha (l. Konta) and Dubai (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Split singles rubbers during Spain's Fed Cup World Group II defeat to Italy (d. Paolini, l. Errani)
- Reached her third career QF appearance at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki), equaling her best result at the Grand Slams
- Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and fell in qualifying at Sydney

**Career**

- Finished 2017 ranked at No.40, down from No.12 in 2016 – best season finished of career to date
- Reached R16 at both US Open (l. V. Williams) and Roland Garros in 2017 (l. R-Up Halep)
- Also in 2017, reached SF at Monterrey (l. then No.1 Kerber) and Bucharest (l. eventual champion Begu)
- 2016 season highlight was winning biggest title of career at Premier 5 Doha (d. Ostapenko in F). Triumph was second WTA singles title, after winning first at 2014 Oeiras (d. Kuznetsova in F)
- Returned to Top 10 after 2016 Doha title at No.6, a new career-high singles ranking
- Represented Spain at the 2016 Rio Olympics. Reached 3r in singles (l. Keys), QF in doubles (w/Muguruza, l. eventual gold medalists Makarova/Vesnina), and fell 1r in mixed doubles (w/Ferrer, l. Watson/A.Murray)
- Ended 2015 season third on list for Top 5 wins (4-6 record), defeating No.3 Kvitova (3r Dubai), No.3 Kvitova (QF Doha), No.4 Kvitova (QF Rome) and No.2 Halep (SF Rome)
- One of six players to make Top 10 rankings debut in 2015 (April 6, 2015 at No.10), rising as high as No.8 during the season. Third Spanish women to achieve a Top 10 ranking, after Sánchez-Vicario and Martínez; Muguruza has since become the fourth
- 2015 singles highlights included finishing runner-up in three singles finals. Reached title match at Antwerp in February 2015, but was forced to withdraw vs. Petkovic w/neck injury; a month later, reached biggest final of career at Miami (l. S.Williams). Capped off strong first half of season with run to final in Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s)
- In doubles, qualified for 2015 WTA Finals (w/Muguruza) after winning two titles at Birmingham and Tokyo [PPO], and posting R-Up finishes at Dubai and Madrid. Pair advanced to final in Singapore, falling to top seeds Hingis/Mirza
Won first WTA doubles title in 2014, at Stanford (w/Muguruza); team qualified for 2014 WTA Finals (l. QF)
Spanish No.2, having been overtaken by Muguruza after she reached 2015 Wimbledon final
Currently the highest ranked woman with a single-handed backhand

**Other Information**

- Currently coached by Marc Casabó and Óscar Serrano
- Split with longtime coach Xavier Budo in July of 2017, having spent 10 years together
- Father is José Luís (plays handball) and mother is Lali (was gymnast, now teacher)
- Began playing tennis at age 9
- Moved from Canary Islands to Barcelona in 2007 to train at Pro-Ab Team Tennis Academy
- Favorites surface is clay, favorite shot is crosscourt backhand

**KEYS:**

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth appearance overall), and is through to her second QF in New York, having finished R-Up here last year
- Was defeated by fellow American Stephens 12 months ago in the first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Other key results here are posting back-to-back R16 finishes in 2015 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Wozniacki)
- Made 2r in 2011 (Grand Slam main draw debut, l. Safarova) and 2014 (l. Krunic), and lost 1r in 2013 (l. Jankovic).
  Fell in 2010 and 2012
- No.14 seed this fortnight – her 14th consecutive major as a seeded player
- One of just two players to reach the QFs or better at three of the four Slams in 2018 (also Kerber – SF Australian Open, QF Roland Garros, Won Wimbledon)
- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women in starting field at 2018 US Open, and one of three to reach QF (also Stephens and S.Williams)
- Should neither Keys, Stephens or S.Williams progress to the SF, would be the first time since 2006 no women from the USA reached the last four at the US Open. That year, Davenport fell in QF
- 2018 marks the first time since 2013 both the previous year’s champion and R-Up have made the quarterfinal stage at US Open (2012 Serena d. Azarenka, 2013 Serena d. Azarenka)
- Progression to US Open QF makes this Keys’ happiest major hunting ground, owning an 18-6 record here (overtaking her 15-6 record at the Australian Open)
- Began 2018 US Open campaign by extending winning streak against French players to nine in a row, including three wins at the Slam level, after dispatching Parmentier in straight sets
- Improved career record vs. fellow Americans at Grand Slams to 10-4 after 2r win over No.92 Pera
Defeated No.49 Krunic in 3r to earn her sixth R16 birth of the 2018 season – also, Australian Open, Charleston, Rome, Roland Garros and Cincinnati. Dropped only set of tournament so far to Krunic.

Defeated No.29 seed Cibulkova in R16, and is now 7-2 against seeded players at Slams since the start of 2017, only losses came against No.21 seed Kerber (2018 Australian Open QF) and No.10 seed Stephens (2018 Roland Garros SF).

Faces Suarez Navarro today – first meeting between a Spanish and American woman in a Grand Slam QF since 2017 Australian Open (Vandeweghe d. Muguruza), and first at US Open since 2013 (S.Williams d. Suarez Navarro).

This is Keys’ first time facing a Spanish woman in Grand Slam play.

Would have a chance to reach the Top 10 following the US Open, but would need to win the title in order to do so.

**Grand Slam History**

- 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).

**Season**

- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only 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
**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
[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) vs. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)

Head to Head: NAOMI OSAKA leads 1-0

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[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)

R128: d. LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #146) 6-3, 6-2 (1h18)
R64: d. [Q] JULIA GLUSHKO (ISR #162) 6-2, 6-0 (0h50)
R32: d. ALIASKANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33) 6-0, 6-0 (0h50)
R16: d. [26] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20) 6-3, 2-6, 6-4 (2h01)

Total games: 70
Won/lost: 50-20
Sets won/lost: 8-1
Total time on court: 4h59
Average time on court: 1h15
Average rank of opponent: 90

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

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**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows. Advanced to 3r on both previous visits in 2016 (l. Keys in 3s, having led 5-1 in decider) and 2017 (l. Kanepi)

- Upset defending US Open champion and No.6 Kerber in 1r last year, marking first career Top 10 win (previously 0-9)

- Seeded No.20 – her third consecutive major among the seeds (also No.21 at 2018 Roland Garros and No.18 at 2018 Wimbledon). By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.45

- Swept aside Siegemund and Glushko in opening two rounds to register back-to-back wins for first time since Wimbledon

- Win over Glushko saw her reach 3r at a sixth consecutive major – currently the longest active streak on tour

- In 3r against Sasnovich, scored the third 6-0 6-0 win in women's draw this year (also Gavrilova d. Sorribes Tormo and Puig d. Voegele). This is first time there have been three 6-0 6-0 victories at a Slam since 2015 Wimbledon and the first time at the US Open since 2013 when there were four

- Recovered from a break down in the third set to defeat fellow 20-year-old Sabalenka in R16 – her first Top 20 win since Indian Wells title run in March

- Has won 54% (19/35) of her return games this fortnight; by contrast, season average heading into US Open was 36.1%

- Has served impressively thus far, hitting 20 aces and dropping serve only four times. Also hit the joint-fourth fastest serve of the tournament, 119mph

- Is the first Japanese woman to advance to the QFs of a major since Asagoe, QF at 2004 US Open (l. Davenport). The last time a Japanese woman advanced to a Grand Slam SF was 1996 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date)

- Alongside Kei Nishikori, this marks the first time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era

- Faces fellow Grand Slam QF debutante Tsurenko today; the last occasion two women playing their first Grand
Slam QF faced off at this stage at one of the four majors was at 2016 US Open (Ka.Pliskova d. Konjuh)

• Only previous meeting with a Ukrainian player at a major was 2r win over Svitolina at 2016 Australian Open. Record against Ukrainians at all levels stands at 7-3
• From her efforts this week, will pass USD $2 million in prize money for the season – stood at No.10 on 2018 prize money list heading into US Open

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 11th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
• In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19 yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)
• Has also made QF at 2018 US Open (plays Tsurenko today) and 3r at the other two majors: 2016 Roland Garros (l. Halep) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Keys), 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Kerber)

**Season**

• Started North American hard court season with 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Linette), followed by 1r exits at Montréal (l. Suárez Navarro) and Cincinnati (l. Sakkari)
• For fifth consecutive major made 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
• Opened grass season with SF run at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) before making 2r at Birmingham (ret. vs. Jakupovic w/abdominal injury). Withdrew from Eastbourne with same injury
• Advanced to 3r at Roland Garros (l. Keys)
• Also on clay, reached 2r at Rome (l. Halep) and made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Zhang) following R16 showing at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)
• Made 2r exit at Miami Open (l. No.4 seed Svitolina). Defeated eight-time Miami Open champion, S.Williams in 1r, becoming just the seventh woman to defeat Williams in Key Biscayne and first to do so before the R16
• Prior to Miami 2r loss to Svitolina, was on eight-match winning streak after claiming first WTA title at Indian Wells
• En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and Grand Slam finalists A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep without dropping a set. Only set dropped all week was against Sakkari in R16
• That eight-match win streak included victories over four players who have held the No.1 ranking (S. Williams, Ka. Pliskova, Sharapova and current No.1, Halep) as well as a former No.2 (A.Radwanska), along with emerging talents Sakkari and Kasatkina
• Owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (defeated Halep at 2018 Indian Wells and lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)
• Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Sevastova) and QF in Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
• Reached R16 at a Slam for the first time at Australian Open – d. Kucova and seeds No.16 Vesnina and No.18 Barty en route before falling to eventual runner-up and World No.1 Halep
• Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Hobart (I. Putintseva); also played at Hopman Cup (went 1-1 in singles)

**Career**

• Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1
• Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
• Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win
• Overall owns three wins over Top 5 players: No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (both at 2018 Indian Wells) and No.5 V.Williams (at 2017 Hong Kong)
• Finished 2016 at then career-high ranking of No.40, which was her first Top 200 finish; voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year
• Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (I. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open. Received direct entry into 2016 Wimbledon but withdrew w/right knee injury
• Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)
• Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins in the process), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
• Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (I. Dabrowski)

**Other Information**

• Currently coached by Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki and Serena Williams. Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
• Since taking over the reins, Bajin has used his experience to help Naomi climb from No.68 to start the season to No.19 – having reached a career-high ranking of No.17 in July. Under his tutelage, she became the first Japanese woman to win a Premier Mandatory-level title at Indian Wells and now owns a 32-15 record on the season (across all levels)
• Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship. Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
• At end of 2016, signed sponsorship deals with broadcaster WOWOW and food brand Nissin
• Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
• Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour
**TSURENKO:**

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth overall)
- Has achieved best result at Flushing Meadows – and at all Grand Slams – by reaching QF this year
- Previous deepest run here was to R16 in 2016 (l. Vinci)
- Broke serve five times to defeat Van Uytvanck in 1r – result means that she has advanced beyond 1r at all four majors in a calendar year for the first time (also reached R16 at Roland Garros and 2r at both Australian Open and Wimbledon)
- Upset No.2 Wozniacki in 2r to score her seventh career Top 10 win (all on hard courts). Previous wins came over No.7 Bouchard and No.10 Petkovic (2015 Indian Wells), No.9 Muguruza (2015 Toronto), No.8 Ka.Pliskova (2015 New Haven), No.6 Safarova (2015 US Open) and No.9 Muguruza (2018 Cincinnati)
- Reeled off the final 11 games to beat Siniakova in 3r, then overcame a 7-6(3) 2-0 deficit to see off another unseeded opponent, Vondrousova, in R16
- Faces No.19 Osaka today in QF. Including 2r win over Wozniacki in New York, has notched seven Top 20 wins in 2018 – the previous highest she achieved in a single season was five Top 20 victories in 2015
- Has an 8-2 career record against Japanese players, with only encounter at Grand Slam level a straight-set win over Morita at 2014 Wimbledon qualifying
- Is now 24-28 across the four majors – this year’s only other Grand Slam quarterfinalist with a losing record was Bertens at Wimbledon (23-24)
- Only unseeded player left in the draw; the last Grand Slam QF line-up not to feature an unseeded woman was 2014 Australian Open
- Has become the second Ukrainian to reach QF at Flushing Meadows (also Ka.Bondarenko in 2009 – l. Wickmayer). Bidding to be Ukraine's first female Grand Slam semifinalist
- By reaching QF, is projected to reach a new career-high ranking of No.26. Could climb as high as No.21 if she advances to the semifinals (although could be No.22 or No.23 depending on the progress of Suárez Navarro and S.Williams)
- Is appearing in fifth QF of the season, also reaching this stage – or better – at Hobart (SF), Acapulco (Won), Birmingham (QF) and Cincinnati (QF)
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Prior to QF run this year at US Open, best Grand Slam results to date were R16 showings at 2018 Roland Garros (ret. vs Muguruza w/leg injury) and 2016 US Open (l. Vinci)
- During 2016 Flushing Meadows run, was joined in 3r by compatriots Svitolina and K.Bondarenko – first time three Ukrainians made 3r at the same Grand Slam – however she was the only one to advance to R16
- Has been to 3r – but no further – at Australian Open (2013) and Wimbledon (2017)

Season

- Reached fourth QF of the season at Cincinnati (d. No.9 Muguruza in 2r, l. No.1 Halep); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s – also l. Kerber (2017 Australian Open and 2017 Fed Cup) and Muguruza (2017 Wuhan)
- Made 2r exit at Montréal (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/low back injury)
- On grass, fell to Strycova at both events, in QF at Birmingham (ret. w/hip injury) and 2r at Wimbledon
- Reached R16 for first time at Roland Garros (ret. vs. Muguruza w/leg injury)
- Did not win a match on clay entering Roland Garros, falling 1r at both Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Rome (l. Martic)
- Posted 1-1 record (d. Andreescu, l. Bouchard) during 3-2 defeat by Canada in World Group II play-offs in April
- Reached 2r at Monterrey (w/o to Collins w/toe injury)
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Arruabarrena) and Miami (l. Tomljanovic)
- Successfully defended her title at Acapulco (d. Voegele in F), improving her record in finals to a perfect 4-0
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at Doha (l. Buzarnescu) and Dubai (as qualifier, l. Errani)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (d. Vikhlyantseva, l. A.Radwanska in 3s)
- Opened season with 2r run at Brisbane (d. 17 Barty in 1r, l. Kanepi) before reaching SF stage at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu)

Career

- Posted second Top 50 season in 2017, at No.42; also fifth straight Top 100 year-end finish
- 2017 season highlighted by third career singles title at Acapulco (d. Mladenovic in F). Also reached SF at Hobart and ‘s-Hertogenbosch and QF at Stanford and Moscow. Has won titles in four consecutive seasons after 2015 Istanbul (d. U.Radwanska in F), 2016 Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F) and Acapulco in 2017 and 2018
- Achieved career-high singles ranking of No.29 on July 17, 2017
- 2016 season highlighted by winning second WTA singles title at Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F); also suffered 11 1r losses in 2016, including at three of the majors – Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
• During the summer of 2016, a left thigh injury forced her withdrawal from Stanford, Montréal, Florianopolis and Rio Olympics

• Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2015, finishing year at a career-high ranking of No.33, having started at No.88. Won title at Istanbul and finished season with SF run at Moscow (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova); marked third Premier-level SF appearance of career (after 2013 Brisbane and 2015 New Haven)

• Member of Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2011-13 and 2015-18

• Winner of six singles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit

• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2007; made WTA main draw debut at 2009 Tashkent

**Other Information**

• Coached this fortnight by Adriano Albanesi

• Only played tennis occasionally and for fun between ages 14-17; moved to Kiev at 17 to play more seriously

• Studied at Physical Education & Sports Institute for one and a half years (no longer studying; hopes to return one day)
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Stephens leads 2-1
Stephens is the first woman to reach the second week while defending a Grand Slam title since Muguruza made the Round of 16 at 2017 Roland Garros...Sevastova is bidding to become the first Latvian woman to reach the semifinals of the US Open

Series tied 1-1
In addition to Kvitova's win over Serena in Cincinnati, a win today by Pliskova would mark the first time since 2007 that Serena has exited consecutive tournaments to players from the same nation...Pliskova is contesting her third consecutive quarterfinal in New York and remains the only Czech to defeat Serena in Grand Slam play

THE ELITE EIGHT (TOP HALF)

CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORDS – BY ROUND REACHED

CAREER QUARTERFINAL RECORDS – GRAND SLAMS

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SLAMMIN’ 90s

There are nine players born in the 1990s who have reached a Grand Slam final. Three of those nine have advanced to this year's 2018 US Open quarterfinal stage:

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STREAKING AT THE OPEN

Today's match vs. [8] Karolina Pliskova will be [17] Serena Williams' tenth consecutive US Open quarterfinal, and 15th at Flushing Meadows overall. These ten quarterfinals are her best streak at the Slams – the next best streak of reaching consecutive quarterfinals or better is Wimbledon (2000-04)

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WELCOME TO THE SHOW

23-time Grand Slam champion, [17] Serena Williams brings her best tennis to the world's biggest stages. Since 2008, Serena has proven to produce some of her best tennis at the Grand Slams:

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“FROM THE PRESSROOM”


“Defending a title isn’t defending. If you were able to play the same people in a row again and beat all of them again, that would be defending your title. When you’re playing a whole new draw, different seedings, different ranking, there’s so much that goes into it. When you go to a tournament, it starts all over again. I try not to put too much emphasis on defending the title, just try to come in and win as many matches as possible — keep playing, keep going.”

– Sloane Stephens

REWRITING HISTORY


Alongside Kei Nishikori, this marks the first time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era.

The last time a Japanese woman advanced to the semifinals of a Slam was 1996 Wimbledon (Date, SF).

ACT II

Serena Williams and Lindsay Davenport (2000-01) were the last players to meet in consecutive quarterfinals at Flushing Meadows. Davenport triumphed in 2000 before Serena got her revenge in a three-set thriller 12 months later.

Today, [3] Sloane Stephens and [19] Anastasija Sevastova will face off in the US Open quarterfinals for the second consecutive year. Stephens trailed 3-1 in the final set last year, before coming back and sealing the match in a tiebreaker. She would then go on to capture her first career Grand Slam title.

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WINNING AT A HIGH RATE
Based on results across their careers, [17] Serena Williams and [22] Maria Sharapova own the two highest rates among active players for tournaments per title won:

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NO PLACE LIKE HOME
Since returning from her foot injury in the summer of 2017, Sloane Stephens has produced some of her best tennis on North American soil.

However, following her runner-up finish at Roland Garros this year, the American proved to everyone that her game is just as impactful overseas.

Even still, it is hard to dispute that she doesn't have a homecourt advantage on this continent after compiling a 28-7 record, US Open and Miami Open title and Montréal runner-up finish since returning to the tour.

CZECH ME OUT

The last time these two met, Pliskova defeated World No.1 Williams in the 2016 US Open semifinals, ending the Americans 186-week reign at the top of the rankings.

She also became just the eighth player ever to defeat both Williams sisters (Venus, R16) at the same tournament. To this day, Pliskova remains the only Czech woman to defeat Serena in Grand Slam play.

SPREADING THE LOVE
Through the first three Slams of 2018, there have been three different champions: Caroline Wozniacki (Australian Open), Simona Halep (Roland Garros) and Angelique Kerber (Wimbledon). With all three now eliminated from this year’s championship, this means there will be four different Grand Slam champions in the same season for the second year in a row.

This marks the first time in 80 years, since the 1937-38 seasons, that there will be four different major champions in back-to-back seasons.

ON THIS DAY IN TENNIS
SEPTEMBER 4, 1999 – In a battle of teenagers, 17-year-old Serena Williams, the eventual champion, defeats 16-year-old Kim Clijsters 4-6, 6-2, 7-5 in a dramatic third-round US Open match on Louis Armstrong Stadium. Williams came back from a 3-5 deficit and won 16 of the last 17 points of the match.

SEPTEMBER 4, 2003 – The US Open’s first “four-day” match was completed as Francesca Schiavone of Italy completes a 6-7(5), 7-5, 6-2 victory over Ai Sugiyama of Japan in the Round of 16. The match began four days earlier on Monday, September 1st on Louis Armstrong Stadium and finally concluded on Court No.10 after the two players went on and off the courts seven times during four days of rain at the USTA National Tennis Center.
FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING…
-A recap of what's happened so far-

Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the quarterfinals of a Grand Slam since the 2004 US Open (Asagoe, QF)

Alongside Kei Nishikori, this marks the first time that both a Japanese male AND female player have reached the quarterfinals of the same major since 1995 Wimbledon (Kimiko Date & Shuzo Matsuoka) – just the second time in the Open Era

Lesia Tsurenko became the first Ukrainian woman to advance to the quarterfinals of the US Open since Kateryna Bondarenko did so in 2009.

Following her 50-minute double bagel third round victory, Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the fourth round of the US Open since 2004 (Sugiyama, R16 & Asagoe, QF)

Marketa Vondrousova became the first teenager to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since 2016 (Konjuh, QF - 18) and the youngest Czech player to advance to this stage in New York since 2005 (Vaidisova, R16 – 16)

Dominika Cibulkova is the first Slovakian woman to advance to the fourth round in five years, since Hantuchova reached the quarterfinals in 2013 (l. Azarenka)

With Elina Svitolina and Lesia Tsurenko both reaching the Round of 16, this marked the first time two Ukrainians advanced to the second week of a major in the Open Era

For the first time in the Open Era, Belarus had three players advance to the third round of a Grand Slam (Azarenka, Sabalenka and Sasnovich)

Elise Mertens became the first Belgian to advance to the Round of 16 at the US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer & Clijsters)

The 2018 US Open marks the first time since 2013 Roland Garros that no British player, male or female, has advanced to the third round of a major

For the first time in the Open Era at the US Open, the No.1 (Halep) and No.2 (Wozniacki) seeds have been eliminated before the third round

Kaia Kanepi’s first round upset over World No.1 Simona Halep was the first time the No.1 seed fell in the first round of the US Open in the Open Era

With Angelique Kerber (No.4 seed) and Julia Goerges (No.9 seed) both seeded in the Top 10, this was the first time in over 20 years that two Germans were seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam since 1997 Roland Garros (Graf, A.Huber)

Caroline Garcia became the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed at the US Open since 2011 (Bartoli) and the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed across all four slams in the same season since 2006 (Mauresmo)

Maria Sakkari became the first Greek woman to be seeded at a Grand Slam since 2007 Australian Open (Daniilidou)
[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)

Head to Head: SLOANE STEPHENS leads 2-1

SLOANE STEPHENS
2017 MONTREAL HARD O QF SLOANE STEPHENS 6-2 6-2 70 mins
2017 ZHUHAI HARD O R1 ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA 7-5 6-3 89 mins
2017 US OPEN HARD O QF SLOANE STEPHENS 6-3 3-6 7-6(4) 148 mins

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA

ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

SLOANE STEPHENS
R128: d. EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #80) 6-1,7-5 (1h17)
R64: d. [Q] ANHELINA KALININA (UKR #134) 6-3,7-5,6-2 (2h46)
R32: d. [WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79) 6-3,6-0 (1h47)
R16: d. [15] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #15) 6-3,6-3 (1h27)
Total games: 86
Won/lost: 54-32
Sets won/lost: 8-1
Total time on court: 7h17
Average time on court: 1h49
Average rank of opponent: 77

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA
R128: d. DONNA VEKIC (CRO #41) 6-2,2-6,6-3 (1h52)
R64: d. [WC] CLAIRE LIU (USA #158) 6-3,6-1 (1h03)
R32: d. EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #45) 4-6,6-1,6-2 (2h02)
R16: d. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7) 6-3,1-6,6-0 (1h21)
Total games: 88
Won/lost: 55-33
Sets won/lost: 8-3
Total time on court: 6h19
Average time on court: 1h35
Average rank of opponent: 52

US OPEN Tournament History

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STEPHENS:

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall, having fallen in qualifying on three occasions), where she is defending champion
- At 2017 tournament, capped historic summer comeback by upsetting Cibulkova, V.Williams and Keys to become the fifth unseeded woman (ranked No.83) in the Open Era to win a major, doing so just 69 days after returning from an 11-month injury lay-off, and six weeks since her ranking dropped to No.957
- Previous best showing at Flushing Meadows was 2013's R16 run (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Missed 2016 US Open due to right foot injury
- This fortnight is ranked at a career-high No.3, first set on July 16, 2018
- Has produced one of the biggest ranking jumps on tour from this time last year – climbing 80 spots from No.83 to No.3
- Also seeded No.3 – her highest seeding at a major (previously No.4 at 2018 Wimbledon). The US Open has been won by the No.3 seed six times in the Open Era, most recently by Sharapova in 2006
- At the start of 2018 US Open, ranked second on tour (behind Halep) for winning percentage in both return points (48.1%) and return games (46.3%)
- Continued her impressive returning performance in the first match of her title defense against Rodina, winning four of eight return games during a straight-sets win on the newly renovated Louis Armstrong Stadium
- Survived 2r scare against qualifier Kalinina. Now owns 9-1 record against qualifiers in Grand Slams, with sole defeat coming against Q.Wang at 2016 Australian Open
- Beat two-time US Open finalist Azarenka for third time in 2018 in 3r to reach Grand Slam R16 for 11th time in career
- Broke No.15 Mertens five times in R16 to register her ninth Top 20 win of 2018
- Faces another member of the Top 20 Sevastova today in a rematch of last year's QF, in which she trailed 3-1 in the
final set before ultimately triumphing in a tie-break

- Serena Williams and Lindsay Davenport (2000-01) were the last players to meet in consecutive quarterfinals at Flushing Meadows; Davenport triumphed in 2000 before Serena gained revenge in a three-set thriller 12 months later
- Owns 3-1 record in Grand Slam QF matches (1-0 at US Open)
- Is the first woman to reach the second week whilst defending a Grand Slam title since Muguruza made R16 at 2017 Roland Garros
- Since returning from her foot injury in summer 2017, has posted 28-7 win-loss record on North American soil
- One of three Americans to reach QFs (also Keys and S.Williams). A tournament-leading 23 American women began the tournament

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked Grand Slam champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Grand Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Was one of four American women to reach SF at 2017 Flushing Meadows (also Keys, Vandeweghe and V.Williams) – the sixth time in the Open Era that four Americans have contested the final four at a major
- Also R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result to date across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Along with Makarova, is one of only two players who've never held the No.1 ranking, but have managed to beat both V.Williams (2015 Roland Garros and 2017 US Open) and S.Williams (whom she defeated at 2013 Australian Open) at Grand Slam level
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to defeat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
- Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)
- Won junior doubles titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open in 2010 (all w/Babos)

**Season**

- In final pre-US Open tournament, posted R16 showing at Cincinnati (l. Mertens)
- Began North American hard court season with R-Up finish at Montréal (l. Halep) and 2r exit at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). Career record in singles finals now stands at 6-2
- Fell in 1r at Wimbledon (l. Vekic) in her only appearance on grass this season
- Finished clay court season by reaching second Grand Slam final at Roland Garros (l. Halep in 3s). Rose to then career-high
No.4 after run in Paris

- Other clay results were R16 runs at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Garcia), and 1r exits at Nürnberg (as WC, l. Putintseva) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Mladenovic and Parmentier) during defending champion USA's 3-2 Fed Cup semifinal win over France. Will face Czech Republic in November's final
- Lifted first Premier-mandatory title at Miami (d. Ostapenko in F). Subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 following her title run at Key Biscayne
- Helped make history in Miami as the USA provided the winners in all four events (Stephens, Vandeweghe, Isner and Bryan brothers)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells. Defeated former No.1 Azarenka in 2r before falling to eventual R-Up Kasatkina
- Enjoyed a QF run at Acapulco (d. Parmentier and Rus, l. eventual R-Up Voegele)
- Dropped her 1r match at Australian Open (l. Zhang) and Sydney (l. Giorgi) to start the 2018 season
- Withdrew from Brisbane w/left knee injury

**Career**

- Posted second-best year-end finish at No.13 in 2017, one off career-high of No.12 in 2013
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines with foot injury, having had surgery in January
- After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Prior to 2017 Wimbledon, last match came at 2016 Rio Olympics
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F)
- Owns a seven wins vs. Top 5 players: No.5 Svitolina (2018 Montréal), No.5 Ostapenko (2018 Miami), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Miami), No.3 Kerber (2017 Toronto), No.2 Kerber (2016 Charleston via ret. w/viral illness), No.3 Sharapova (2013 Cincinnati) and No.3 S. Williams (2013 Australian Open)
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches across the season
- Played first WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami and first WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier ranked No.747, fell 2r, l. Zvonareva)
- Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
Other Information

- Mother is Sybil Smith, a former collegiate swimmer at Boston University and late father, John Stephens, was an NFL player in 1980s and 1990s; brother is Shawn Farrell.
- Started playing tennis at the age of nine, at the Sierra Sport and Racquet Club, in Fresno, California. Two years later relocated from Fresno to Boca Raton, Florida, where she began training at the Evert Tennis Academy before moving to Nick Saviano High Performance Tennis Academy.

SEVASTOVA:

US Open

- Making sixth main draw appearance at US Open (and eighth overall).
- Is appearing in QF for the third straight year, having also made the last eight in 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens).
- These QF runs are her best results across all the Grand Slams.
- Is one of two players (also Ka. Pliskova) to have reached QF at Flushing Meadows in 2016, 2017 and 2018.
- Enters today’s R16 match with a 14-5 career record in New York, her best record among the four Grand Slam tournaments.
- Currently ranked No.18, after making her Top 20 debut last year on May 15, 2017. Has been ranked inside the Top 20 every week, but four, since then.
- Began 2018 US Open campaign with defeat of Vekic in 1r before dispatching Liu in 2r – her first back-to-back Grand Slam wins this season.
- Won 12 of the last 14 games to see off Makarova in 3r – had lost previous three meetings against the Russian.
- Upset No.7 Svitolina in R16 to score second Top 10 win of 2018 (also No.7 Goerges at Montréal); dropped only six points in 22-minute final set against the Ukrainian.
- Has broken serve a tournament-leading* 23 times en route to QF; second on the leaderboard is today’s opponent Stephens (21) *tied for first with fellow quarterfinalist Tsurenko*.
- Takes on No.3 Stephens today, aiming to equal career best win-by-ranking, having previously upset then-No.3s Muguruza at 2016 US Open and Ka. Pliskova at 2017 Madrid.
- Bidding to become the first Latvian to reach a US Open SF. In addition to her own runs in 2016 and 2017, Larisa Savchenko made the last eight in 1988 (representing USSR).
- Has reached the QF stage or better at three of last four events contested, at Montréal (QF), Moscow [River Cup] (QF) and Bucharest (WON). Exception was 1r exit at Cincinnati.
- Is 0-2 in Grand Slam QF matches.
- Bidding to reach fifth hard court SF of career, having advanced to that stage – but never further – at 2010 Monterrey, 2017 Dubai, 2017 Zhuhai and 2018 Brisbane.
- Also, still in the doubles draw w/Pavlyuchenkova (play Stosur/Zhang in QFs).
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Has reached Grand Slam QF on three occasions, at US Open in 2016 (l. Wozniacki), 2017 (l. Stephens) and 2018
- 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

**Season**

- Enters the US Open after being upset in the 1r of Cincinnati (l. Giorgi)
- 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 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
- Produced a finals run at Mallorca (l. Maria) in first grass event of the season
- Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Duque-Mariño)
- Advanced to R16 (l. No.2 Wozniacki) in Rome 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 earning career highs in wins (37) and winning percentage (.607) besting 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 and Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010
- 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 (August 27, 2018)

**Other Information**

- 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
- Trains and resides in Vienna and coached by Ronald Schmidt
- Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing
MATCH NOTES
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[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Head to Head: 1-1

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**SERENA WILLIAMS**
- WTA RANKING
  - PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD
  - DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 26-09-1981 (36)
  - YTD PRIZE MONEY: $1,920,170
  - CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $86,383,301
  - SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 26 / 21
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  - US OPEN W-L (MD) *: 16-5

**KAROLINA PLISKOVA**
- WTA RANKING
  - PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD
  - DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 21-03-1992 (26)
  - YTD PRIZE MONEY: $1,784,514
  - CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $12,619,905
  - SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 8 / 10
  - DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 10 / 5
  - US OPEN W-L (MD) *: 16-5

**ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS**

SERENA WILLIAMS
- Total games: 72
- Won/lost: 52-20
- Sets won/lost: 8-1
- Total time on court: 5h5
- Average time on court: 1h16
- Average rank of opponent: 57

KAROLINA PLISKOVA
- Total games: 83
- Won/lost: 50-33
- Sets won/lost: 8-0
- Total time on court: 6h0
- Average time on court: 1h30
- Average rank of opponent: 56

* Qualifying match

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S.WILLIAMS:

US Open

- Making 18th appearance at US Open and is through to her 15th QF here at Flushing Meadows
- The only occasions she failed to reach this stage in New York were on debut in 1998 (l. Spirlea in 3r), 2005 (l. V.Williams in R16) and 2006 (l. Mauresmo in R16)
- Overall is a six-time champion at US Open: 1999 (d. Hingis in F), 2002 (d. V.Williams in F), 2008 (d. Jankovic in F), 2012 (d. Azarenka in F), 2013 (d. Azarenka in F) and 2014 (d. Wozniacki in F). Tied with Chris Evert for most US Open titles in the Open Era
- Has fallen at the QF stage three times at US Open, in 2000 (l. Davenport), 2004 (l. Capriati) and 2007 (l. Henin). Her record across major QFs stands at 35-13, last loss at this stage coming at 2013 Australian Open (l. Stephens)
- One of eight players in the Open Era to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same year (2002, 2012)
• Her 18 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in starting field, two behind her sister, Venus, who made her 20th appearance
• Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
• Missed entire summer US swing in 2017 due to pregnancy
• US Open marks seventh event – and third major – following birth of daughter Alexis Olympia in September 2017
• 2018 US Open represents her 69th Grand Slam main draw appearance – among active players trails only her sister Venus (80, including 2018 US Open) and Schiavone (70)
• Seeded No. 17 this fortnight, nine spots higher than her current ranking of No.26.
• Progress to US Open R16 has seen her defeat Linette, Witthoeft, V.Williams and Kanepi, dropping only one set
• Her four wins this fortnight take her record at US Open to 93-11 - most wins among active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12) and ahead of Martina Navratilova (89-17)
• US Open is now her most successful Slam in terms of match wins, now ahead of Wimbledon (92-11), Australian Open (81-10) and Roland Garros (63-12)
• Record across the Grand Slams stands at 329-44, the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306)
• Defeat of sister Venus in 3r was their 30th career meeting, Serena leading the head to head 18-12
• Today's match vs. Ka.Pliskova is her tenth consecutive US Open QF, and 15th QF at Flushing Meadows overall. These ten QFs are her best streak at the Slams – the next best streak of reaching consecutive QFs or better is at Wimbledon (2000-04)

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• Bidding for first Top 10 win of season today, currently 0-3 vs. the elite bracket – losses have come to No.8 V.Williams (Indian Wells), No.10 Kerber (Wimbledon) and No.6 Kvitova (Cincinnati). Last win vs. Top 10 player came over No.9 Konta at 2017 Australian Open
• A win today would be her 172nd career Top 10 win – the first of which came over No.7 Pierce at 1997 Chicago
• Record at US Open vs. Top 10 players stands at 20-8, most recent loss coming against No.10 Stosur in the 2011 Final
• Having exited Cincinnati at the hands of Kvitova, should Serena lose today to Ka.Pliskova, it would be the first time since 2007 she has exited consecutive tournaments to players from the same nation, when she was beaten by two Russians – Stuttgart (I. Kuznetsova in QF) then Moscow (I. Dementieva in F)
• 13 of her Slams have been won on hard courts – most of any player in Open Era; overall has won 46 hard court titles, also most among active players
• At 36, is the oldest remaining player in the draw (Schnyder – 39, l. in 1r, Venus – 38, l. in 3r), among 22 thirtysomethings to begin the draw
• By reaching the QF, Serena (currently No.26) has a chance to return to the Top 20:

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*Depending on other results

• Based on results across her career, Serena wins one out of every three tournaments played – the highest rate among active players:

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**Grand Slam History**

• A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
• Aged 35y 125d at the conclusion of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era. Has now won 10 Grand Slam titles as a 30-something
• Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, some 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span
• The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four
decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon

- In the Open Era, Williams’ 11-year gap between Roland Garros titles in 2002 and 2013 (without winning another Roland Garros title during that time) is the longest gap for a woman at any Grand Slam
- In 2015, came within two match wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open (d. Sharapova in F), Roland Garros (d. Safarova in F) and Wimbledon (d. Muguruza in F); l. Vinci in SF at US Open. Was bidding to become third woman in Open Era to achieve the feat, after Court (1970) and Graf (1988)
- Has twice been in possession of all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)
- Has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles, all with sister Venus – most recently at 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F). Also won mixed doubles titles at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- The sisters held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London

**Season**

- Entered US Open off the back of 2r exit at Cincinnati (d. Gavrilova, l. No.6 Kvitova in 3s)
- Withdrawed from Rogers Cup in Montréal
- Lost 6-1 6-0 to Konta in 1r at San Jose – the heaviest defeat of her career (only occasion she has failed to win more than one game in a match) and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep)
- Earlier this summer reached Wimbledon final (l. Kerber) – her 30th Grand Slam singles final, and was bidding for eighth Wimbledon crown
- Was making 18th main draw appearance at All England Club - among active players, only Venus has played Wimbledon more often (21)
- Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear). In Paris, posted first Top 20 wins since her return to tour, over No.17 Barty and No.11 Goerges
- With sister Venus, won two doubles matches in Paris to advance to R16 (l. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez)
- Roland Garros was first event contested since Miami (l. Osaka in 1r)
- Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
- Prior to Indian Wells, played Tie Break Tens event in Madison Square Garden in New York – defeated Marion Bartoli in opening match before falling to Zhang Shuai in SF
- In December 2017 appeared at Mubadala World Tennis Championships in Abu Dhabi (l. Ostapenko 6-2, 3-6, 10-5)
- In February partnered w/V.Williams in doubles rubber during Team USA’s Fed Cup win over the Netherlands (l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
Career

- Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1

- Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)

- Qualified first for the 2016 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global but withdrew due to right shoulder injury – did not play after US Open

- Was the only player to reach SF or better at all four Grand Slams in 2016 (R-Up at Australian Open (l. Kerber), R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza), champion at Wimbledon (d. Kerber in F), SF at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)

- With 72 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92). Also a 21-time singles runner-up

- Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf's 377 and Navratilova's 332

- Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)


- Has registered 16 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)

- Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)

- Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V. Williams)

- Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)

- Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013

- At 2014 US Open, received $4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women's

Other Information

- Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins

- Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017

- Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans

  Recently launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’
KA.PLISKOVA:

**US Open**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth appearance overall), and is through to her third consecutive QF at Flushing Meadows
- Finished as R-Up here in 2016 (l. Kerber in SF), her best career result at a Grand Slam, and fell in QF in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe)
- On other outings here, made 3r in 2014 (l. Dellacqua) and suffered 1r exits in 2013 (l. Bouchard) and 2015 (l. Tatishvili). Fell in 2010-12 qualifying
- Her run to the F in 2016 saw her simultaneously make debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors
- Seeded No.8 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive major appearance as a seeded player
- Across opening four rounds has struck 26 aces, taking season total to 298 – the second most on tour behind Goerges (394)
- Is yet to drop a set in progression to QF
- Is through to her ninth QF of 2018, US Open being her 17th event this season
- Has tallied four wins in a row for the first time since Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova in SF)
- In 1r this year, struck 33 winners – including six aces – to edge past Diyas; has now won her past 10 Grand Slam 1r matches
- Defeated Bogdan in 2r, winning 88% of her first service points
- Progress to QF was completed with defeats of Kenin (3r) and No.18 Barty in R16 – win over Barty was 20th hardcourt victory of season
- Faces S.Williams today – Ka.Pliskova's defeat of her at 2016 US Open was maiden victory over a reigning World No.1 (has since also defeated No.1 Halep at 2018 Madrid). In only other meeting, fell to the American at 2014 Stanford
- Remains the only Czech woman to defeat Serena in Grand Slam play
- Bidding to reach first Grand Slam SF since 2017 Rolland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- Currently sits at No.10 on Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard – the Top 8 qualify for the WTA Finals in Singapore

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)
- Defeat of No.1 S.Williams in 2016 US Open SF was career-best victory, and ended the American's 186-week reign at the top of the rankings. Became first Czech to defeat a World No.1 since Kvitova at 2015 Madrid (d. S.Williams). Furthermore, defeat of V.Williams (R16) made her the eighth player to defeat the sisters at the same tournament
Is one of nine players born in 1990s to reach major final (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens and Wozniacki)

At Australian Open, best results came with QF run in 2017 (l. Lucic-Baroni) and 2018 (l. Halep), while she also posted deepest run at Roland Garros that year, advancing to SF (l. Halep)

Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens), after 2r exits in each of previous five years

Australian Open girls singles champion in 2010 – d. Robson in F

**Season**

Coming off a 1r upset at New Haven (l. Makarova) after back-to-back 2r exits at Montréal (l. Bertens) and Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)

Reached R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and made QF run at Eastbourne (as defending champion, l. Sabalenka – led 4-1 in final set)

In only other grass court outing, made 1r exit at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova)

Reached 3r at Roland Garros, defeating compatriots Krejcikova and Safarova before falling to Sharapova

Made SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and fell 2r at Rome (l. Sakkari)

Won 10th career title at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in final). Now 10-10 record in WTA singles finals

Went 1-1 in singles (d. Kerber, l. Goerges) to help Czech Republic reach its sixth Fed Cup final in the past eight years with a 4-1 win over Germany. The Czechs will host the USA in November’s final

Posted QF showings at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Miami (l. Azarenka)

Reached QF at Dubai (l. Kerber) and made 3r exit at Doha (l. Bellis)

Nominated for Czech Republic’s Fed Cup World Group I QF tie vs. Switzerland – but did not play a singles or doubles match due to illness

Advanced to QF in first Grand Slam of the year at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep)

Began 2018 season in Brisbane; as defending champion, advanced to SF (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

**Career**

Enjoyed another stellar campaign in 2017, posting career-best year-end finish at No.4 for second Top 10 finish. Year-end ranking has improved continuously for 12-straight seasons

Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Is the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)

Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)

Qualified for WTA Finals for second year-in-a-row, reaching SF stage (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)

In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe), and posted 2r result at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova)
• Advanced to SF stage at Indian Wells (l. Kuznetsova), Miami (l. Wozniacki) and Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
• Led the WTA in 2017 for aces served – 452 from 68 matches. Also posted joint-second most match wins – 53 (level with Svitolina, behind Wozniacki – 60)
• Career wins over Top 10 opponents stands at 23-33, most recent wins coming over No.9 Stephens and No.1 Halep at 2018 Madrid
• Enjoyed a break-out year in 2016, ending the year at No.6 (up from No.11 in 2015)
• Qualified for season-ending 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore, going 1-2 in the group stage and failing to progress. Also contested the doubles competition (w/Goerges), losing opening match to top seeds Garcia/Mladenovic
• Helped Czech Republic defend Fed Cup title in November 2016, going 1-1 in singles (d. Mladenovic, l. Garcia) before teaming w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match. Czech Republic have won the Cup in five out of the last seven
• Captured fifth career doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
• Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish, meaning that for the first time in WTA history, three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (along with Kvitova and Safarova)
• Became eighth Czech woman to crack singles Top 10 since computer rankings were introduced in November 1975, after Navratilova, Mandlikova, Sukova, Novotna, Vaidisova, Kvitova and Safarova

Other Information
• Nominated for 2017 WTA Player of the Year; also nominated for the same award in 2016, in addition to WTA Most Improved Player in 2014
• Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
• Coached here at US Open by former Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez; also worked with Rennae Stubbs at Cincinnati and will reunite with the Australian for the Asian swing
• Previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza, former longtime coach of Petra Kvitova
• Married Michal Hrdlicka in Monaco after 2018 Wimbledon
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2018 US OPEN – ROUND OF 16 (BOTTOM HALF)

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Keys leads 4-0
A win today would make Keys just one of two players on tour this year to reach the quarterfinals or better at three of the four Grand Slams…Cibulkova is the first Slovakian woman to reach the Round of 16 at Flushing Meadows since 2013

[26] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20) vs. [20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)
First career meeting
Today’s encounter features a pair of 20-year-olds making their Round of 16 debut at the US Open, with the winner advancing to their first career Grand Slam quarterfinal…Sabalenka is the third first-time seed this year to reach the fourth round of a Slam…Osaka has won 22-consecutive games entering today’s match and is the first Japanese woman to reach the Round of 16 at the US Open since 2004

[30] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24) vs. [22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22)
Sharapova leads 4-1
Suárez Navarro enters today’s match having won three-consecutive three-set matches…Sharapova will once again put her flawless 22-0 night match record on Arthur Ashe to the test…Should she capture the title this fortnight, she would also notch her 600th career victory (currently at No.596)

MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #103) vs. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)
First career meeting
Vondrousova is the youngest and only teenager remaining in this year’s draw, and is making her Round of 16 debut at a Grand Slam today…Tsurenko is into her third career fourth round at a major, and seeking to reach the quarterfinal stage for the first time
THE SWEET 16 (BOTTOM HALF)

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HISTORY MADE

Through the first three Slams of 2018, there have been three different champions: Caroline Wozniacki (Australian Open), Simona Halep (Roland Garros) and Angelique Kerber (Wimbledon). With all three now eliminated from this year’s championship, this means there will be four different Grand Slam champions in the same season for the second year in a row.

This marks the first time in 80 years, since the 1937-38 seasons, that there will be four different major champions in back-to-back seasons.

ON THIS DAY: SEPTEMBER 3, 1989

Thirty-year-old Chris Evert defeats 15-year-old Monica Seles 6-0, 6-2 for her 101st and last US Open singles victory. Evert commits only 17 unforced errors – compared to 34 from Seles – to advance into the US Open quarterfinals for a 19th time in 19 US Opens.
KEYS TO SUCCESS

Entering the US Open, **Madison Keys** has been one of the strongest serving performers on tour this year:

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The American has continued her strong serving performance through the first three rounds of this year’s US Open as she ranks among the best in several key serving categories:

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*Among Round of 16 players

SERENA’S SWEET 16

**Serena Williams** has advanced to the Round of 16 at the **US Open** for her 17th consecutive time out of 18 attempts – this marks her best success rate among the Slams for reaching the fourth round – **94.4%**

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WINNING AT A HIGH RATE

Based on results across their careers, **Serena Williams** and **Maria Sharapova** own the two highest rates among active players for tournaments per title won:

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UNDER THE LIGHTS

Over the course of their careers, **Serena Williams** and **Maria Sharapova** have compiled impressive records while competing under the lights on Arthur Ashe Stadium. Including this year’s results, Williams owns a **27-5** mark (since 2004), while Sharapova has maintained her flawless **22-0** record.
FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING...

-A recap of what's happened so far-

Following her 50-minute double bagel third round victory, Naomi Osaka became the first Japanese woman to advance to the fourth round of the US Open since 2004 (Sugiyama, R16 & Asagoe, QF)

Marketa Vondrousova became the first teenager to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since 2016 (Konjuh, QF - 18) and the youngest Czech player to advance to this stage in New York since 2005 (Vaidisova, R16 – 16)

Dominika Cibulkova is the first Slovakian woman to advance to the fourth round in five years, since Hantuchova reached the quarterfinals in 2013 (l. Azarenka)

With Elina Svitolina and Lesia Tsurenko both reaching the Round of 16, this marked the first time two Ukrainians advanced to the second week of a major in the Open Era

For the first time in the Open Era, Belarus had three players advance to the third round of a Grand Slam (Azarenka, Sabalenka and Sasnovich)

Elise Mertens became the first Belgian to advance to the Round of 16 at the US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer & Clijsters)

The 2018 US Open marks the first time since 2013 Roland Garros that no British player, male or female, has advanced to the third round of a major

For the first time in the Open Era at the US Open, the No.1 (Halep) and No.2 (Wozniacki) seeds have been eliminated before the third round

Kaia Kanepi's first round upset over World No.1 Simona Halep was the first time the No.1 seed fell in the first round of the US Open in the Open Era

With Angelique Kerber (No.4 seed) and Julia Goerges (No.9 seed) both seeded in the Top 10, this was the first time in over 20 years that two Germans were seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam since 1997 Roland Garros (Graf, A.Huber)

Caroline Garcia became the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed at the US Open since 2011 (Bartoli) and the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed across all four slams in the same season since 2006 (Mauresmo)

Maria Sakkari became the first Greek woman to be seeded at a Grand Slam since 2007 Australian Open (Daniilidou)
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Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 4-0

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- 24-11 / 174-103
- 5-5 / 45-42
- 8-5 / 45-40
- 11-6 / 103-68
- 2-2 / 14-26
- 3-3 / 29-41
- 2-1 / 14-16

**DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA**

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- 5-7 / 117-103
- 6-4 / 86-65
- 11-7 / 252-180
- 1-4 / 35-61
- 4-7 / 67-104
- 4-2 / 30-29

**WTA RANKING**

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

**MADISON KEYS**

- 2017
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- 2016
  - R16 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #74) 6-3 6-4

**DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA**

- 2017
  - R2  L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-2 5-7 6-3
- 2016
  - R3  L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #99) 3-6 6-3 6-4

* Qualifying match

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KEYS:

US Open

- Making seventh main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall), where she was R-Up last year
- Lost out to Stephens 12 months ago in the first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Also posted back-to-back R16 finishes here in 2015 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Wozniacki)
- Reached 2r on event debut in 2011 (as WC, l. Safarova) and in 2014 (l. Krunic); other main draw outing saw 1r loss in 2013 (l. Jankovic). Fell in qualifying twice (2010, 2012)
- No.14 seed this fortnight – her 14th consecutive major as a seeded player
- Entering the US Open, Keys has been one of the strongest serving performers on tour this year, leading in several key categories: No.3 in service points won – 61.6%, No.5 in service games won – 75.1% and No.6 in first serve points won – 69.5%
- Began 2018 US Open campaign by extending winning streak against French players to nine in a row, including three wins at the Slam level, after dispatching Parmentier in straight sets
- Improved career record vs. fellow Americans at Grand Slams to 10-4 after 2r win over No.92 Pera
- Defeated No.49 Krunic in 3r to earn her sixth R16 birth of the 2018 season – also, Australian Open, Charleston, Rome, Roland Garros and Cincinnati
- Faces No.29 seed Cibulkova today in their fifth career meeting. Has not dropped a set against the Slovak, most recently winning 12 of the 17 games at 2016 WTA Finals Singapore – has not faced a Slovak opponent since
- Is 6-2 against seeded players at Slams since the start of 2017 – only losses came against No.21 seed Kerber (2018 Australian Open QF) and No.10 seed Stephens (2018 Roland Garros SF)
- Has accumulated a 5-5 record in R16 Grand Slam matches, including a 1-2 mark in New York
- A win today would make her one of just two players this year to reach the QFs or better at three of the four
Grand Slams (also Kerber)

- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women in starting field at 2018 US Open, and one of three to reach R16 (also Stephens and S. Williams)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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)

**Season**

- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only 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)
Career

• Started 2018 campaign in Brisbane where she made 1r exit (l. Konta)

• 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

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
CIBULKOVA:

US Open

- Making eleventh main draw appearance at US Open. Is through to the R16 here for second time following 2010’s QF run (l. Wozniacki)
- Has reached 3r here on four additional occasions - 2008 (l. A.Radwanska), 2012 (l. Vinci), 2015 (l. Bouchard) and 2016 (l. Tsurenko)
- Having made QF at Wimbledon this year, has reached R16 or better at two consecutive Slams for first time since 2009 (Australian Open R16 and Roland Garros SF)
- This week, defeated qualifier Rus in 1r before mammoth three set tussle with Hsieh Su-Wei in 2r, lasting 3 hours 20 mins – longest women's match of the US Open and third longest match on WTA tour this season
- Scored first Top 10 win of season over No.4 Kerber in 3r on Saturday, improving her record against such players to 35-61 (1-4 in 2018)
- Fired 40 winners and held a 75% first serve percentage in 3r victory over Kerber
- Is the first Slovak to reach R16 at Flushing Meadows in five years when Hantuchova reached QF in 2013 (l. Azarenka)
- Leads the way among R16 players in key stat categories: No.1 in first serve return points won (72 points), and tied for No.1 in break points won (18, also Sevastova, Sharapova)
- Faces No.14 Keys today. Fell to the American in their most recent encounter at 2016 WTA Finals Singapore in the group stage however, went on to lift the Billie Jean King Trophy after defeating then-No.1 Kerber in the final
- Has posted four Top 20 wins so far in 2018 – No.17 Vesnina and No.15 Sevastova at Sydney, No.15 Mertens at Wimbledon, and No.4 Kerber at US Open

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 44th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Win-loss record at this level now stands at 80-43
- Best result across the majors came with runner-up finish at 2014 Australian Open (l. Li). Defeated four seeds en route to final at Melbourne Park, including No.3 Sharapova and No.5 A.Radwanska to become first player representing Slovakia (male or female) to reach a Grand Slam singles final
- At Roland Garros, advanced to SF in 2009 (l. eventual R-Up Safina) and QF in 2012 (l. Stosur)
- Also, a quarterfinalist at Wimbledon in 2011 (l. Sharapova), 2016 (l. Vesnina) and 2018 (l. Ostapenko), and at US Open in 2010 (l. Wozniacki)
**Season**

- Coming off 1r loss at New Haven (l. Goerges, having finished R-Up there in 2017)
- Withdrew from Montréal and Cincinnati w/illness
- Quarterfinalist at Wimbledon (l. Ostapenko), having reached 2r at Eastbourne (l. Kerber) following 1r exit at Birmingham (l. Gavrilova)
- Was unseeded at Wimbledon, but QF effort brought a return to Top 30 and reinstatement as Slovak No.1, ahead of Rybarikova
- Clay swing ended with 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Goerges)
- Highlight on clay was reaching second WTA singles final of 2018 at Strasbourg (l. Pavlyuchenkova in F). Held 2mp in Strasbourg final against Pavlyuchenkova; match lasted 3h 35m – the longest non-Slam match of the 2018 season. Record in WTA finals now stands at 8-13 (most recent title came at 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore)
- Reached 2r at Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s) and suffered 1r exits at Madrid (l. Garcia) and Rabat (l. Hercog)
- Rabat marked first tournament since 2r upset at Indian Wells in March (l. No.165-ranked WC Dolehide in three sets)
- After Indian Wells, withdrew from Miami and Lugano w/GI illness
- Before heading to US was runner-up at Budapest (as top seed, l. Van Uytvanck in F)
- Reached 2r at Doha (l. Garcia)
- Made 2r exit at St. Petersburg (l. No.4 seed and eventual R-Up Mladenovic)
- Suffered 1r loss at opening Slam of 2017 at Australian Open (l. Kanepi in straight sets)
- Reached QF in first tournament of the season at Sydney. Defeated No.15 Sevastova and No.17 Vesnina to score first Top 20 wins since defeating No.20 Pavlyuchenkova at 2017 New Haven

**Career**

- Posted eighth career Top 30 finish in 2017 (at No.26) following her debut Top 10 finish in 2016 (at No.5)
- 2017 was highlighted by R-Up finish at New Haven (l. Gavrilova in F)
- Won first WTA doubles title of career at 2017 ’s-Hertogenbosch (w/Flipkens)
- Posted career-high ranking week of March 20, 2017 at No.4 following run to R16 at Indian Wells (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Capped 2016 by winning biggest title of career to date at WTA Finals in Singapore – went 1-2 in group stage before defeating No.9 Kuznetsova in SF and World No.1 Kerber in final
- At No.7, became lowest seeded player to triumph at WTA Finals since No.7 seed V.Williams in 2008; first player to win WTA Finals on debut since Kvitova in 2011
- Won 2016 WTA Comeback Player of the Year award – ended 2015 ranked No.38 having been sidelined for four months with a left Achilles problem, with ranking dipping as low as No.66 in February 2016
- Won career-high 53 matches in 2016 (previous best was 42 matches in 2011)
- Won a WTA-leading four singles titles in 2016 – qualified for Singapore by virtue of lifting trophy at Linz (d. Golubic in F) after earlier wins at Katowice (d. Giorgi in F) and Eastbourne (d. Ka.Pliskova in F). In 2016 also reached finals
• Earlier titles came at 2011 Moscow, 2012 Carlsbad, 2013 Stanford and 2014 Acapulco
• Withdrew from Rio Olympics in singles and doubles (w/left calf injury)
• Owns 35 victories over Top 10 opponents (eight coming in 2016) including three over reigning World No.1s: Wozniacki at 2011 Wimbledon, Azarenka at 2012 Roland Garros and Kerber at 2016 WTA Finals
• Made Top 10 debut at No.10 on March 31, 2014 (after Miami)
• Broke into Top 20 on August 4, 2008
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2005 Rabat and main draw debut at 2006 Istanbul

**Other Information**
• In February 2014 launched her own sportswear and accessories line, ‘Domi’, which incorporates her on-court Slovak catch-cry ‘Pome!'; proceeds go to her foundation which assists athletes and other notables in her native Slovakia who have fallen on tough times
• Married husband Michal ‘Miso’ Navara in Bratislava in July 2016, after Wimbledon
• Coached by Matej Liptak; fitness trainer and physio is Jozef Ivanko
[26] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20) vs. [20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)

Head to Head: 0-0

ARYNA SABALENKA

R128: d. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #37) 6-0, 4-6, 6-4 (1h53)
R64: d. [Q] VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS #133) 6-3, 7-6(7) (1h42)
R32: d. [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) 7-5, 6-1 (1h26)

Total games: 67
Won/lost: 42-25
Sets won/lost: 6-1
Total time on court: 5h1
Average time on court: 1h40
Average rank of opponent: 58

NAOMI OSAKA

R128: d. LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #146) 6-3, 6-2 (1h18)
R64: d. [Q] JULIA GLUSHKO (ISR #162) 6-2, 6-0 (0h50)
R32: d. ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33) 6-0, 6-0 (0h50)

Total games: 43
Won/lost: 36-7
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 2h58
Average time on court: 0h59
Average rank of opponent: 114

ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

[26] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20) vs. [20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)

US OPEN Tournament History

ARYNA SABALENKA

2017
R1* L - CAMILLA ROSATELLO (ITA #251) 5-7, 6-4, 6-3

2016
R2* L - MANDY MINELLA (LUX #110) 7-6(2), 6-3

NAOMI OSAKA

2017
R3 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #418) 6-3, 2-6, 7-5

2016
R3 L - MADISON KEYS (USA #9) 7-5, 4-6, 7-6(3)

2015
R2* L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #97) 6-4, 6-4

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* Qualifying match
SABALENKA:

**US Open**

- Making main draw debut at Flushing Meadows, having fallen in qualifying in 2016 and 2017
- In 1r, recovered from a break down in final set to defeat Collins; has now played a WTA-leading 24 three-set matches this season (17-7 win-loss record)
- Hit 26 winners against Collins and then 39 during 2r win over Zvonareva to reach 3r at a Grand Slam for the first time
- Notched sixth Top 10 victory of the season (6-4) with 3r upset over No.5 Kvitova, other Top 10 wins came against No.7 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Eastbourne, No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Montréal, No.9 Ka.Pliskova and No.5 Garcia both at 2018 Cincinnati, and No.9 Goerges last week at 2018 New Haven
- Now has 35 WTA main draw wins to her name in 2018, including going 14-2 in main draw matches in North America this summer. Prior to 2018, owned just 12 main draw victories
- Ranked No.20 entering this year’s US Open – a new career-high. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.111 in the rankings
- Is seeded No.26 this fortnight – first Grand Slam seeding of her career
- After Vondrousova (19), is the second-youngest player to reach Round of 16
- Playing doubles this fortnight w/Hsieh (face No.7 Mertens/Schuurs in 3r)
- Ranks in the Top 5 among R16 players in several stat categories: No.1 in second serve return points won (61 points), No.4 in first serve points won (77%, 88/115) and No.5 in break points won (16)
- Making R16 debut at a major today against fellow 20-year-old, No.19 Osaka – first career meeting
- Owns a 5-2 career mark vs. Japanese opponents

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Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks fifth career main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- 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

Season

- Last week, lifted maiden WTA title at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F); career record in WTA finals improves to 1-3
- Coming off 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
- 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. Witthoef), 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 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

**Other Information**

- Coached by former ATP player Dmitry Tursunov
- Since their partnership formed earlier 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 Montreal. Then in Cincinnati, the Belarusian dropped three consecutive seeds (No.9 Ka.Pliskova, No.6 Garcia and No.13 Keys) before falling to World No.1 Halep in the SFs. Under Tursunov's tutelage, she was able to capture her first career title last week in New Haven and continue their momentum into the R16 in New York.
- Started playing aged 6
- Prefers playing on hard

**OSAKA:**

**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows. Advanced to 3r on both previous visits in 2016 (l. Keys in 3s, having led 5-1 in decider) and 2017 (l. Kanepi)
- Upset defending US Open champion and No.6 Kerber in 1r last year, marking first career Top 10 win (previously 0-9)
- Seeded No.20 – her third consecutive major among the seeds (also No.21 at 2018 Roland Garros and No.18 at 2018 Wimbledon). By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.45
- Third youngest title winner this season at 20 years, 4 months and 23 days young at Indian Wells (behind Danilovic and Sabalenka)
- Entering 2018 US Open, has struck the eighth most aces on tour this year – 179, and ranks No.8 on tour in break point conversion rate – 49.3%
Dropped just five games en route to straight sets 1r victory over No.146 Siegemund

Swept aside qualifier Glushko in 2r for second fastest complete match of the year – 50 minutes (behind Puig's 45-min effort at this year's US Open)

Second round win put her into the third round of a Grand Slam for the sixth consecutive major – currently the longest active streak on tour

Delivered yet another 50-minute performance in her 3r 6-0, 6-0 sweep of No.33 Sasnovich – marking 50th career hardcourt victory and eight R16 appearance of the season

Double-bagel performance was third of the tournament (alongside Gavrilova and Puig's), marking first time there have been three 6-0, 6-0 victories at a Slam since 2015 Wimbledon and the first time at the US Open since 2013 when there were four

Osaka is the first Japanese woman to reach the R16 at the US Open since 2004 (Sugiyama, R16 and Asagoe, QF)

With a win today, she would become the first Japanese woman to advance to the QFs of a major since the 2004 US Open (Asagoe, QF) – The last time a Japanese woman advanced to the SFs of a Slam was 1996 Wimbledon (Date, SF)

Ranks in the Top 5 among R16 players in key stat categories: No.1 in second serve points won (61% - 38/62), No.1 in break points converted (68% - 15/22) and No.5 in first serve points won (76% - 53/70)

Entering today's match, has won 22-consecutive games

Owns a 2-3 record against Belarusian players and is 0-1 in R16 Grand Slam matches

Lone remaining Japanese woman in the draw, of two to begin the fortnight (also Nara, who lost to Mertens in 1r)

From her efforts this week, will pass USD $2 million in prize money for the season – currently ranked No.10 on 2018 prize money list

**Grand Slam History**

2018 US Open marks 11th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam

In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19 yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)


**Season**

Started North American hard court season with 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Linette), followed by 1r exits at Montréal (l. Suárez Navarro) and Cincinnati (l. Sakkari)

For fifth consecutive major made 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)

Opened grass season with SF run at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) before making 2r at Birmingham (ret. vs. Jakupovic w/abdominal injury). Withdrew from Eastbourne with same injury

Advanced to 3r at Roland Garros (l. Keys)
• Also on clay, reached 2r at Rome (l. Halep) and made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Zhang) following R16 showing at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)

• Holds a 6-9 record vs. Top 20 players this season, with wins over No.19 Vesnina and No.17 Barty (Australian Open), No.14 Mladenovic (Dubai), and No.5 Ka.Pliskova, No.1 Halep and No.19 Kasatkina (en route to Indian Wells title)

• Made 2r exit at Miami Open (l. No.4 seed Svitolina). Defeated eight-time Miami Open champion, S.Williams in 1r, becoming just the seventh woman to defeat Williams in Key Biscayne and first to do so before the R16

• Prior to Miami 2r loss to Svitolina, was on eight-match winning streak after claiming first WTA title at Indian Wells

• En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and Grand Slam finalists A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep without dropping a set. Only set dropped all week was against Sakkari in R16

• That eight-match win streak included victories over four players who have held the No.1 ranking (S. Williams, Ka. Pliskova, Sharapova and current No.1, Halep) as well as a former No.2 (A.Radwanska), along with emerging talents Sakkari and Kasatkina

• Owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (defeated Halep at 2018 Indian Wells and lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)

• Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Sevastova) and QF in Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

• Reached R16 at a Slam for the first time at Australian Open – d. Kucova and seeds No.16 Vesnina and No.18 Barty en route before falling to eventual runner-up and World No.1 Halep

• Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Hobart (l. Putintseva); also played at Hopman Cup (went 1-1 in singles)

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**Career**

• Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1

• Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open

• Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win

• Overall owns three wins over Top 5 players: No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (both at 2018 Indian Wells) and No.5 V.Williams (at 2017 Hong Kong)

• Finished 2016 at then career-high ranking of No.40, which was her first Top 200 finish; voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year

• Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open. Received direct entry into 2016 Wimbledon but withdrew w/right knee injury

• Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)

• Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins in the process), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r

• Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)
**Other Information**

- Currently coached by Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki and Serena Williams. Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
- Since taking over the reins, Bajin has used his experience to help Naomi climb from No.68 to start the season to No.19 – having reached a career-high ranking of No.17 in July. Under his tutelage, she became the first Japanese woman to win a Premier Mandatory-level title at Indian Wells and now owns a 31-15 record on the season (across all levels)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship. Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
- At end of 2016, signed sponsorship deals with broadcaster WOWOW and food brand Nissin
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour
[30] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24) vs. [22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22)

Head to Head: MARIA SHARAPOVA leads 4-1

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ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

[30] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #24)

R128: d. [Q] NICOLE GIBBS (USA #115) 5-7,6-3,6-4 (2h0)
R64: d. KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #53) 6-1,4-6,6-4 (1h47)
R32: d. [6] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #6) 5-7,6-4,7-6(4) (2h24)

Total games: 93
Won/lost: 51-42
Sets won/lost: 6-3
Total time on court: 6h11
Average time on court: 2h4
Average rank of opponent: 58

[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22)

R128: d. [Q] PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI #186) 6-2,7-6(6) (1h51)
R64: d. SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #51) 6-2,7-5 (1h51)
R32: d. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10) 6-3,6-2 (1h23)

Total games: 58
Won/lost: 38-20
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 5h5
Average time on court: 1h42
Average rank of opponent: 82

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SUÁREZ NAVARRO:

**US Open**

- Making 11th main draw appearance at US Open (12th overall)
- Best result was QF run in 2013 (l. eventual champion S.Williams). Also reached R16 in 2011 (l. Petkovic), 2016 (l. Halep) and 2017 (l. V.Williams)
- Completed comeback win over American qualifier Gibbs in 1r before defeating No.53 Mladenovic in 2r
- Upset No.6 Garcia in 3r to advance to her third consecutive R16 at Flushing Meadows – improving career record to 15-9 in 3r of Grand Slams, including 5-1 in New York
- Win over Garcia marked third consecutive three set victory this fortnight – improving her record in 3s matches to 10-4 on the year
- Including last round's win, now owns 4-6 record vs. Top 10 players this season, additional wins were over No.4 Svitolina (Indian Wells), No.4 Svitolina (Madrid) and No.5 Kvitova via retirement (New Haven)
- Faces off against No.22 Sharapova in their sixth career meeting – has a 1-4 head-to-head record
- Seeking 25th victory of the season and first win over Sharapova since 2014 Montréal
- Has a 7-4 record vs. Russian opponents at Grand Slams – last loss came against Kuznetsova at 2013 Australian Open
- Holds a 6-8 mark in R16 Grand Slam play, including 1-3 at US Open
- Lone Spanish woman remaining in this year’s draw
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 40th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best Grand Slam results have been reaching the QF stage at three of the four majors – at Roland Garros in 2008 (as qualifier, I. Jankovic) and 2014 (l. Bouchard), at Australian Open in 2009 (l. Dementieva), 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2018 (l. Wozniacki), and 2013 US Open (l. S.Williams)
- By virtue of 2018 Wimbledon results, passed $10 million in career prize money
- QF run at 2008 Roland Garros made her the first qualifier to reach Roland Garros last eight since 2001; and ranked No.132, became joint-lowest-ranked quarterfinalist at Roland Garros (also Pierce)
- Best result at Wimbledon is reaching R16 in 2013 and 2016
- 2016 saw her reach R16 or better at each of the four Grand Slams – one of just four players to do so (also Keys, A.Radwanska and S.Williams)

Season

- Enters 2018 US Open following first final of 2018 at New Haven (l. Sabalenka in F). Career record in singles finals now stands at 2-9
- Fell 1r at Cincinnati (l. Azarenka) after R16 showing at Montreal (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Stephens)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Bencic)
- Other grass season results include early exits in Mallorca (1r, l. Arruabarrena) and Eastbourne (following 1r bye, l. Collins)
- Ended clay season with 1r exit in Rome (l. Vekic) and 2r finish at Roland Garros (l. Sakkari)
- Advanced to QF stage in Madrid, defeating No.4 Svitolina en route (l. No.7 Garcia)
- Fell in 1r at Stuttgart (l. Kudermetova) in first clay court event of 2018
- Made 2r showing at Miami (Y. Wang) after QF run at Indian Wells (l. V. Williams), defeating No.4 Svitolina in 3r
- Reached 2r at Doha (l. Konta) and Dubai (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Split singles rubbers during Spain's Fed Cup World Group II defeat to Italy (d. Paolini, l. Errani)
- Reached her third career QF appearance at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki), equaling her best result at the Grand Slams
- Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and fell in qualifying at Sydney

Career

- Finished 2017 ranked at No.40, down from No.12 in 2016 – best season finished of career to date
- Reached R16 at both US Open (l. V. Williams) and Roland Garros in 2017 (l. R-Up Halep)
- Also in 2017, reached SF at Monterrey (l. then No.1 Kerber) and Bucharest (l. eventual champion Begu)
- 2016 season highlight was winning biggest title of career at Premier 5 Doha (d. Ostapenko in F). Triumph was second WTA singles title, after winning first at 2014 Oeiras (d. Kuznetsova in F)
- Returned to Top 10 after 2016 Doha title at No.6, a new career-high singles ranking
Represented Spain at the 2016 Rio Olympics. Reached 3r in singles (l. Keys), QF in doubles (w/Muguruza, l. eventual gold medalists Makarova/Vesnina), and fell 1r in mixed doubles (w/Ferrer, l. Watson/A.Murray)

Ended 2015 season third on list for Top 5 wins (4-6 record), defeating No.3 Kvitova (3r Dubai), No.3 Kvitova (QF Doha), No.4 Kvitova (QF Rome) and No.2 Halep (SF Rome)

One of six players to make Top 10 rankings debut in 2015 (April 6, 2015 at No.10), rising as high as No.8 during the season. Third Spanish women to achieve a Top 10 ranking, after Sánchez-Vicario and Martínez; Muguruza has since become the fourth

2015 singles highlights included finishing runner-up in three singles finals. Reached title match at Antwerp in February 2015, but was forced to withdraw vs. Petkovic w/neck injury; a month later, reached biggest final of career at Miami (l. S.Williams). Capped off strong first half of season with run to final in Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s)

In doubles, qualified for 2015 WTA Finals (w/Muguruza) after winning two titles at Birmingham and Tokyo [PPO], and posting R-Up finishes at Dubai and Madrid. Pair advanced to final in Singapore, falling to top seeds Hingis/Mirza

Won first WTA doubles title in 2014, at Stanford (w/Muguruza); team qualified for 2014 WTA Finals (l. QF)

Spanish No.2, having been overtaken by Muguruza after she reached 2015 Wimbledon final

Currently the highest ranked woman with a single-handed backhand

Other Information

Currently coached by Marc Casabó and Óscar Serrano

Split with longtime coach Xavier Budo in July of 2017, having spent 10 years together

Father is José Luís (plays handball) and mother is Lali (was gymnast, now teacher)

Began playing tennis at age 9

Moved from Canary Islands to Barcelona in 2007 to train at Pro-Ab Team Tennis Academy

Favorites surface is clay, favorite shot is crosscourt backhand

SHARAPOVA:

US Open

Making 12th main draw appearance at US Open, having made tournament debut here in 2003

Champion here in New York in 2006 (d. Henin in F) and a two-time semifinalist, in 2005 (l. eventual champion Clijsters) and 2012 (l. eventual runner-up Azarenka)


Ranked No.22 this fortnight at US Open. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.146 in the rankings

Overcame Schnyder in 1r on Tuesday – improves to 18-3 versus qualifiers at Grand Slam level, with only defeats coming against Koukalova (2003 Australian Open), Larcher de Brito (Wimbledon 2013) and Diatchenko (2018 Wimbledon)
• Moves to a perfect 12-0 record in US Open 1r matches. Across all majors 1r record is 50-4 – now the second best winning percentage among active players (behind S.Williams 68-1, and ahead of A.Radwanska 45-4, who fell 1r at this year’s US Open)

• Fired 26 winners in 2r victory over Cirstea on Thursday night to reach 3r. Has now reached 3r or better on 11 out of her 12 appearances at Flushing Meadows, only falling before this stage on her debut in 2003 (l. Loit in 2r)

• Posted a routine 3r defeat of No.10 Ostapenko for her 38th career victory in New York - joint-third for most US Open wins among active players:

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*Walkover to Lisicki in 2r at 2011 US Open does not count on W-L record

• Has now advanced to fourth straight R16 in New York – dating back to 2012 (l. Azarenka in SF)

• Currently sitting at win No.596, a title run here would see her notch the 600th main draw win of her career

• Ranks among the Top 5 out of all R16 players in several stat categories: Tied for 1st in break points won (18) with Cibulkova and Sevastova, No.2 in first serve return points won (65 points) and No.2 in second serve return points won (57 points)

• Having advanced to the Sweet 16 here in Flushing Meadows, has now reached this stage seven out of 12 attempts at this event – 58.3%, her lowest success rate for reaching the 4r out of all four Grand Slams:

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• Takes on No.24 Suárez Navarro in today's R16 showdown – leads head-to-head 4-1 – first Slam meeting

• Owns an impressive 20-3 career record vs. Spanish opponents, including 12-1 on hardcourts and 6-2 at Grand Slams

• Is 24-13 in R16 Grand Slam matches, including 3-3 at US Open

• Sole Russian woman to reach R16 this fortnight

• Owns a 356-99 (.782) career win-loss record on hard courts – only S.Williams (487-79 – .860) owns a better winning percentage among active players

• Has a perfect 22-0 record in night matches on Arthur Ashe (Tuesday match vs. Schnyder was played on Louis Armstrong)
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 54th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – the ninth-most among active players
- Remains the last teenager to win a Grand Slam title, aged 19 years, 132 days at the 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F)
- One of six women to achieve career Grand Slam in the Open Era (also Court, Evert, Navratilova, Graf and S.Williams)
- Owns a 5-5 record in Grand Slam finals, finishing as runner-up three times at the Australian Open (2007, 2012, 2015) as well as 2011 Wimbledon and 2013 Roland Garros

Season

- Made R16 at Montréal (l. Garcia) and withdrew from Cincinnati w/right shoulder injury
- In Montreal, notched fifth Top 20 win of 2018 after sweeping aside No.12 Kasatkina in 2r; other wins coming against No.15 Sevastova (Australian Open), No.18 Barty and No.6 Ostapenko (both Rome) and No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Roland Garros)
- Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Diatchenko) – only the fourth time she has fallen at the opening hurdle in 53 major appearances
- Ended strong clay court season by reaching QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza). In Paris, victory over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 3r marked 22nd win on clay over a Top 10 ranked player – the most among active players
- Made SF run at Rome (l. World No.1 Halep) and reached QF at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens in 3s)
- Loss to World No.1 Halep at Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17, most recently defeating Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
- Victory in 1r over Buzarnescu at Madrid was first since Australian Open, ending a four-match losing streak – began with 3r loss to Kerber in Melbourne, followed by 1r exits at Doha (l. Niculescu), Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Stuttgart (l. Garcia in 3s)
- Withdrew from Dubai and Miami, both due to right forearm injury
- Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (d. No.14 seed Sevastova in 2r, l. Kerber)
- Began season by reaching SF at Shenzhen (l. eventual R-Up Siniakova)

Career

- Finished 2017 season at No.60, having played at Stuttgart in April unranked; advanced to SF (l. Mladenovic) and played next event, Madrid, back on WTA Rankings at No.258
- Won 36th career WTA singles title at 2017 Tianjin in October (d. Sabalenka in F)
- In sole Grand Slam appearance of 2017, reached R16 at US Open as a wildcard, falling to Sevastova (upset No.2 Halep in 1r for first win over a Top 10 opponent since d. No.6 Kvitova in 2015 Fed Cup final)
• In 2016, only competed in Australian Open, falling to S.Williams in QF following her withdrawal from Brisbane (as defending champion) in opening week of that season w/left forearm injury
• Ended 2015 at No.4 on WTA Rankings for her fifth consecutive Top 5 finish, and ninth overall
• Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane (d. Ivanovic in F) and Rome (d. Suárez Navarro in F) – won at least one title each year between 2003 and 2015 (13 straight years). Owns 36 WTA titles overall (36-23 record in finals), third most among active players, behind S.Williams and V.Williams
• Owns 11 tour-level titles on clay, at one point going 7-0 in clay court finals
• As defending champion, fell in R16 at 2015 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Safarova); advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
• In 2015, appeared at season-ending WTA Finals for eighth time – posted perfect 3-0 record in RR stage (l. Kvitova in SF). Was champion on debut appearance at the season finale in Los Angeles in 2004 (d. S.Williams in F)
• Part of Russian Fed Cup team that finished runners-up to Czech Republic in November 2015, despite winning both rubbers vs. Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova
• Absent from singles (played one doubles match, at 2009 Indian Wells w/Vesnina) from August 2008 to May 2009 (Warsaw) following right shoulder surgery (October 15, 2008)
• On August 22, 2005, became 16th woman (first Russian) to reach No.1; held No.1 ranking for a total of 21 non-consecutive weeks (including four weeks in 2012)

Other Information

• Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was released in September 2017
• Started playing at age 4; at age 6 took part in Moscow exhibition that featured Martina Navratilova
• Began training at Bollettieri Academy aged 9 (required two years away from mother due to visa and finances)
• Among her business interests is a Brand Ambassador for Porsche and Evian; has a premium candy line, Sugarpova; has a skincare range called Supergoop!
• Has a strong following on social media (in 2014 became first tennis player to pass 15 million fans on Facebook)
• Currently coached by Thomas Hogstedt since March 2018. The pair last worked together from 2010 to 2013, during which Sharapova completed her Career Grand slam by winning 2012 Roland Garros
MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #103) vs. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)

Head to Head: First meeting

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**MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #103)**
- **R128:** d. MONA BARTHEL (GER #111) 6-1,6-4 (1h2)
- **R64:** d. [Q] EUGENIE BOUCHARD (CAN #137) 6-4,6-3 (1h26)
- **R32:** d. [13] KIKI BERTENS (NED #13) 7-6(4),2-6,7-6(1) (2h21)

Total games: 70
Won/lost: 40-30
Sets won/lost: 6-1
Total time on court: 4h49
Average time on court: 1h36
Average rank of opponent: 87

**LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)**
- **R128:** d. ALISON VAN UYT VANCK (BEL #39) 6-3,6-2 (1h15)
- **R64:** d. [2] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2) 6-4,6-2 (1h42)
- **R32:** d. KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #54) 6-4,6-0 (1h6)

Total games: 51
Won/lost: 36-15
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 4h3
Average time on court: 1h21
Average rank of opponent: 32

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VONDROUSOVA:

US Open

- Making second appearance at US Open, and has achieved best Grand Slam result this week by advancing to R16
- On main draw debut here in 2017, fell 1r (l. Kuznetsova)
- 2018 US Open marks just seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance, and run this week betters 2r efforts at 2017 Roland Garros and 2018 Australian Open
- This week, dispatched Barthel in 1r and in-form qualifier Bouchard in 2r – the Canadian hadn’t dropped a set in four matches and only lost 11 games, however Vondrousova won in straight sets
- Notched fourth career Top 20 win over No.12 Bertens in 3r, having previously defeated No.18 Strycova (2017 Biel), No.11 Konta (2018 Indian Wells) and No.11 Goerges (2018 Stuttgart)
- Won 16 games compared to Bertens’ 18 in 3r, having won two tiebreaks in the first and third sets. Now holds 5-3 record in tiebreaks in 2018
- Was one of six Czechs to reach 3r (also Kvitova, Muchova, Ka.Pliskova, Siniakova and Strycova) – the highest number to reach this stage in New York in the Open Era. Is one of two Czech women to reach R16 (also Ka.Pliskova)
- Faces No.36 Tsurenko today in their first career meeting. Bidding for first win against a Ukrainian opponent this season (0-3), having fallen to Svitolina (Doha and Stuttgart) and Yastremska (Budapest)
- A win today would mark the 25th main draw victory of her career, and 15th of the season
- The youngest and only teenager remaining in the draw (19-years-old). The last teenager to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows was 18-year-old Konjuh in 2016, when she reached the QF (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- The youngest Czech player to reach R16 at Flushing Meadows since 2005 (Nicole Vaidisova, R16 at 16yrs, 140 days)

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**Grand Slam History**

- Made Grand Slam debut at 2017 Roland Garros, where she advanced to 2r. Has also reached 2r at 2018 Australian Open
- Fell 1r on debut at Wimbledon and US Open in 2017
- Reached doubles QF at 2017 Wimbledon (w/Bellis, l. eventual finalists H.Chan/Niculescu)
- In juniors won doubles at Australian Open and Roland Garros in 2015 (both w/Kolodziejova). In singles, was semifinalist at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon

**Season**

- Coming off qualifying exit in New Haven 1r exit at Cincinnati (l. Barty)
- During mid-season clay swing, made SFs at Gstaad (l. Minella) and 2r at $100k ITF/Budapest-HUN
- Went winless on grass this season, suffering 1r exits at ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. Sabalenka), Mallorca (l. Stosur) and Wimbledon (l. Vickery)
- Clay swing culminated in 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Bogdan)
- Made 2r at Stuttgart (as qualifier, l. Svitolina). In opening match, defeated No.11 and 2011 Stuttgart champion Goerges for the loss of only four games (6-2 6-2)
- Made 2r exit at Lugano (l. eventual champion Mertens after serving for match in third set)
- Reached R16 on Premier Mandatory debut at Indian Wells (l. Martic) and fell 1r at Miami (l. Y.Wang). Moved to career-high ranking of No.50 after Indian Wells run
- Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Svitolina). Contested qualifying at Dubai
- At 18 years of age was second youngest player to reach 2r at Australian Open (l. Garcia), after 15-year-old Kostyuk who won through to 3r
- Opened season with 1r exit at Auckland (l. Martic) followed by 2r effort at Hobart (l. Vekic)

**Career**

- Posted first Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.67, having finished 2016 at No.376 – biggest ranking mover into the Top 100 (309 places)
- Made WTA breakthrough by winning International-level title at Biel/Bienne (as qualifier, d. Kontaveit in F). At No.233, was the lowest-ranked title winner in 2017 and aged 17 years, 293 days was the youngest since Konjuh (17 years, 169 days) at 2015 Nottingham
- Also won four singles titles at ITF level in 2017 – most recently at $80k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Muchova in F) – one of four titles at this level in 2017
- In April 2017, made Fed Cup debut during Czech Republic’s 3-2 defeat to USA in Florida. Lost opening singles rubber to Vandeweghe before levelling the tie with victory over Davis (USA won the deciding doubles to end Czech Republic’s three-year reign as Fed Cup champions)
- Missed second half of 2016 to recover from elbow injury
• Advanced to 2r on tour-level debut at 2016 Prague – as wildcard, l. eventual champion Stosur
• On ITF Circuit, winner of seven singles and four doubles titles
• Made professional debut at 2014 $100k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Suk, l. Brengle in 2r)

Other Information
• Here this week with fitness trainer Michal Vagner. Full-time coach (not present this fortnight) is Jiri Hrebec
• Began playing tennis aged four
• Born in Skolov but moved to Prague alone at age 15 to train full-time
• Chose tennis over soccer as she prefers the individual nature of the sport
• Describes herself as quiet and calm
• Tennis idol is Roger Federer

TSURENKO:

US Open
• Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth overall)
• Achieved best result at Flushing Meadows – and at all Grand Slams – by reaching R16 in 2016 (l. Vinci). Has since matched this performance at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Muguruza) and now 2018 US Open
• Broke serve five times to defeat Van Uytvanck in 1r – result means that she has advanced beyond 1r at all four majors in a calendar year for the first time (also reached R16 at Roland Garros and 2r at both Australian Open and Wimbledon)
• Upset No.2 Wozniacki in 2r to score her seventh career Top 10 win (all on hard courts). Previous wins came over No.7 Bouchard and No.10 Petkovic (2015 Indian Wells), No.9 Muguruza (2015 Toronto), No.8 Ka.Pliskova (2015 New Haven), No.6 Safarova (2015 US Open) and No.9 Muguruza (2018 Cincinnati)
• Dropped just four games in 3r victory over Siniakova, improving her record vs. Czech opponents at the Grand Slam level to 2-4 (both wins coming here at Flushing Meadows, having also defeated Safarova in 2015)
• Faces No.103 Vondrousova today for a chance at her career first Grand Slam QF. Has fallen to a player ranked outside the Top 100 once in 2018 (l. No.143 Errani in Dubai 1r)
• Grand Slam win-loss record now stands at 23-28
• One of two Ukrainians to reach R16 (also Svitolina) – marks the first time two Ukrainians have advanced to the second week of a Slam in the Open Era
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Equaled best Grand Slam result to date by advancing to R16 at 2018 Roland Garros (ret. vs Muguruza w/leg injury), having also reached this stage at 2016 US Open (l. Vinci)
- During 2016 Flushing Meadows run, was joined in 3r by compatriots Svitolina and K.Bondarenko – first time three Ukrainians made 3r at the same Grand Slam – however she was the only one to advance to R16
- Has been to 3r – but no further – at Australian Open (2013) and Wimbledon (2017)

**Season**

- Reached fourth QF of the season at Cincinnati (d. No.9 Muguruza in 2r, l. No.1 Halep); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s – also l. Kerber (2017 Australian Open and 2017 Fed Cup) and Muguruza (2017 Wuhan)
- Made 2r exit at Montréal (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/low back injury)
- On grass, fell to Strycova at both events, in QF at Birmingham (ret. w/hip injury) and 2r at Wimbledon
- Reached R16 for first time at Roland Garros (ret. vs. Muguruza w/leg injury)
- Did not win a match on clay entering Roland Garros, falling 1r at both Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Rome (l. Martic)
- Posted 1-1 record (d. Andreeescu, l. Bouchard) during 3-2 defeat by Canada in World Group II play-offs in April
- Reached 2r at Monterrey (w/o to Collins w/toe injury)
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Arruabarrena) and Miami (l. Tomljanovic)
- Successfully defended her title at Acapulco (d. Voegele in F), improving her record in finals to a perfect 4-0
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at Doha (l. Buzarnescu) and Dubai (as qualifier, l. Errani)
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (d. Vikhlyantseva, l. A.Radwanska in 3s)
- Opened season with 2r run at Brisbane (d. 17 Barty in 1r, l. Kanepi) before reaching SF stage at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu)

**Career**

- Posted second Top 50 season in 2017, at No.42; also fifth straight Top 100 year-end finish
- 2017 season highlighted by third career singles title at Acapulco (d. Mladenovic in F). Also reached SF at Hobart and ‘s-Hertogenbosch and QF at Stanford and Moscow. Has won titles in four consecutive seasons after 2015 Istanbul (d. U.Radwanska in F), 2016 Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F) and Acapulco in 2017 and 2018
- Achieved career-high singles ranking of No.29 on July 17, 2017
- 2016 season highlighted by winning second WTA singles title at Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F); also suffered 11 1r losses in 2016, including at three of the majors – Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
• During the summer of 2016, a left thigh injury forced her withdrawal from Stanford, Montréal, Florianopolis and Rio Olympics

• Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2015, finishing year at a career-high ranking of No.33, having started at No.88. Won title at Istanbul and finished season with SF run at Moscow (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova); marked third Premier-level SF appearance of career (after 2013 Brisbane and 2015 New Haven)

• Member of Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2011-13 and 2015-18

• Winner of six singles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit

• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2007; made WTA main draw debut at 2009 Tashkent

**Other Information**

• Coached this fortnight by Adriano Albanesi

• Only played tennis occasionally and for fun between ages 14-17; moved to Kiev at 17 to play more seriously

• Studied at Physical Education & Sports Institute for one and a half years (no longer studying; hopes to return one day)
2018 US OPEN – ROUND OF 16 (TOP HALF)

[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [15] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #15)

Mertens leads 1-0

Stephens is looking to continue her title defense and become the first player to defend their US Open title since 2014 and 23rd overall to do so in Flushing Meadows...Mertens is the first Belgian to reach the Round of 16 in New York since 2010...A title run here would see her break into the Top 10 for the first time

[19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

Svitolina leads 1-0

Sevastova is bidding to reach the quarterfinals for the third straight year at the US Open...She's advanced to this stage or better at three of her last four events contested...Svitolina is aiming to become the first Ukrainian woman to reach the US Open quarterfinals since 2009

[18] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #17) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Barty leads 2-1

Of their three encounters, five of eight sets have gone to tiebreakers, with Barty leading 3-2...This marks their first meeting at the Slam level and first matchup before the quarterfinal stage of a tournament

KAIA KANEPI (EST #44) vs. [17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26)

Williams leads 4-0

With Kanepi – 33 and Serena – 36, today's meeting is the oldest matchup among Round of 16 players...The Estonian is seeking her first career victory over Serena...While the American is competing in her 17th consecutive Round of 16 at the US Open
THE SWEET 16 (TOP HALF)

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*Includes 2018 US Open

HISTORY MADE

Through the first three Slams of 2018, there have been three different champions: Caroline Wozniacki (Australian Open), Simona Halep (Roland Garros) and Angelique Kerber (Wimbledon). With all three now eliminated from this year’s championship, this means there will be four different Grand Slam champions in the same year.

This marks the second-straight year with four different major champions, and the first time there have been eight different Grand Slam champions spanning two seasons since 1937-38, 80 years ago.

ON THIS DAY: SEPTEMBER 2, 1971

Chris Evert and Jimmy Connors win their first US Open singles matches. Playing in her first US Open, the 16-year-old Evert wins the first of her record 101 US Open match victories, defeating Edda Buding 6-1, 6-0 in 42 minutes.
SERENA’S SWEET 16

Serena Williams has advanced to the Round of 16 at the US Open for her 17th consecutive time out of 18 attempts – this marks her best success rate among the Slams for reaching the fourth round – 94.4%

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FIRST TIME FOR EVERYTHING...

-A recap of what’s happened so far-

For the first time in the Open Era, Belarus had three players advance to the third round of a Grand Slam (Azarenka, Sabalenka and Sasnovich)

Elise Mertens became the first Belgian to advance to the Round of 16 at the US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer & Clijsters)

The 2018 US Open marks the first time since 2013 Roland Garros that no British player, male or female, has advanced to the third round of a major

For the first time in the Open Era at the US Open, the No.1 (Halep) and No.2 (Wozniacki) seeds have been eliminated before the third round

Kaia Kanepi’s first round upset over World No.1 Simona Halep was the first time the No.1 seed fell in the first round of the US Open in the Open Era

With Angelique Kerber (No.4 seed) and Julia Goerges (No.9 seed) both seeded in the Top 10, this was the first time in over 20 years that two Germans were seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam since 1997 Roland Garros (Graf, A.Huber)

Caroline Garcia became the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed at the US Open since 2011 (Bartoli) and the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed across all four slams in the same season since 2006 (Mauresmo)

Maria Sakkari became the first Greek woman to be seeded at a Grand Slam since 2007 Australian Open (Daniilidou)
MATCH NOTES
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[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [15] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #15)

Head to Head: ELISE MERTENS leads 1-0

2018 CINCINNATI HARD O R16 ELISE MERTENS 7-6(8) 6-2 102 mins

SLOANE STEPHENS

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ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3)

R128: d. EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #80) 6-1,7-5 (1h17)
R64: d. [Q] ANHELINA KALININA (UKR #134) 4-6,7-5,6-2 (2h46)
R32: d. [WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79) 6-3,6-2 (1h47)

Total games: 68
Won/lost: 42-26
Sets won/lost: 6-1
Total time on court: 5h50
Average time on court: 1h57
Average rank of opponent: 98

[15] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #15)

R128: d. KURUMI NARA (JPN #99) 6-2,6-7(5),7-5 (2h44)
R64: d. VERA LAPKO (BLR #72) 6-2,6-0 (1h01)
R32: d. [23] BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #23) 6-3,7-6(4) (2h04)

Total games: 69
Won/lost: 44-25
Sets won/lost: 6-1
Total time on court: 5h49
Average time on court: 1h56
Average rank of opponent: 65

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match
**STEPHENS:**

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall, having fallen in qualifying on three occasions), where she is defending champion

- At 2017 tournament, capped historic summer comeback by upsetting Cibulkova, V.Williams and Keys to become the fifth unseeded woman (ranked No.83) in the Open Era to win a major, doing so just 69 days after returning from an 11-month injury lay-off, and six weeks since her ranking dropped to No.957

- Previous best showing at Flushing Meadows was 2013’s R16 run (l. eventual champion S.Williams)

- Missed 2016 US Open due to right foot injury

- This fortnight is ranked at a career-high No.3, first set on July 16, 2018

- Also seeded No.3 – her highest seeding at a major (previously No.4 at 2018 Wimbledon). The US Open has been won by the No.3 seed six times in the Open Era, most recently by Sharapova in 2006

- Has produced one of the biggest ranking jumps on tour from this time last year – climbing 80 spots from No.83 to No.3

- At the start of 2018 US Open, ranked second on tour (behind Halep) for winning percentage in both return points (48.1%) and return games (46.3%)

- Continued her impressive returning performance in the first match of her title defense against Rodina, winning four of eight return games during a straight-sets win on the newly renovated Louis Armstrong Stadium

- Survived 2r scare against qualifier Kalinina. Now owns 9-1 record against qualifiers in Grand Slams, with sole defeat coming against Q.Wang at 2016 Australian Open

- Beat two-time US Open finalist Azarenka for third time in 2018 in 3r to reach Grand Slam R16 for 11th time in career

- Faces No.15 Mertens in R16; has scored eight Top 20 wins in 2018, most recently No.19 Sevastova and No.5 Svitolina earlier this summer en route to Montréal final

- Lost to Mertens last month at Cincinnati – now has a 2-1 career record against Belgians (also d. Wickmayer at 2015

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**MATCH NOTES**

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| 2013 | R16 | L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) | 6-4 6-1 |
| 2012 | R3  | L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #13)   | 6-7(4) 6-4 6-2 |
| 2011 | R3  | L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #19)   | 6-3 6-4 |
| 2010 | R2* | L - ZUZANA ONDRASKOVA (CZE #120) | 6-3 7-5 |
| 2009 | R1* | L - NEUZA SILVA (POR #154)   | 6-3 6-2 |
| 2008 | R2* | L - STEFANIE VOEGELE (SUI #162) | 6-1 6-3 |
- Owns 4-6 record in Grand Slam R16 matches (1-1 at US Open)
- Since 1r exit at Australian Open this January, has posted 30-11 win-loss record
- One of three Americans to reach R16 (also Keys and S.Williams). A tournament-leading 23 American women began the tournament

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked Grand Slam champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Grand Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Was one of four American women to reach SF at 2017 Flushing Meadows (also Keys, Vandeweghe and V.Williams) – the sixth time in the Open Era that four Americans have contested the final four at a major
- Also R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result to date across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Along with Makarova, is one of only two players who’ve never held the No.1 ranking, but have managed to beat both V.Williams (2015 Roland Garros and 2017 US Open) and S.Williams (whom she defeated at 2013 Australian Open) at Grand Slam level
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to defeat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
- Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)
- Won junior doubles titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open in 2010 (all w/Babos)

**Season**

- In final pre-US Open tournament, posted R16 showing at Cincinnati (l. Mertens)
- Began North American hard court season with R-Up finish at Montréal (l. Halep) and 2r exit at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). Career record in singles finals now stands at 6-2
- Fell in 1r at Wimbledon (l.Vekic) in her only appearance on grass this season
- Finished clay court season by reaching second Grand Slam final at Roland Garros (l. Halep in 3s). Rose to then career-high No.4 after run in Paris
- Other clay results were R16 runs at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Garcia), and 1r exits at Nürnberg (as WC, l. Putintseva) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Mladenovic and Parmentier) during defending champion USA's 3-2 Fed Cup semifinal win
over France. Will face Czech Republic in November’s final.

- Lifted first Premier-mandatory title at Miami (d. Ostapenko in F). Subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 following her title run at Key Biscayne.
- Helped make history in Miami as the USA provided the winners in all four events (Stephens, Vandeweghe, Isner and Bryan brothers).
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells. Defeated former No.1 Azarenka in 2r before falling to eventual R-Up Kasatkina.
- Enjoyed a QF run at Acapulco (d. Parmentier and Rus, l. eventual R-Up Voegele).
- Dropped her 1r match at Australian Open (l. Zhang) and Sydney (l. Giorgi) to start the 2018 season.
- Withdrew from Brisbane w/left knee injury.

**Career**

- Posted second-best year-end finish at No.13 in 2017, one off career-high of No.12 in 2013.
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era.
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines with foot injury, having had surgery in January.
- After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati.
- Prior to 2017 Wimbledon, last match came at 2016 Rio Olympics.
- Owns a seven wins vs. Top 5 players: No.5 Svitolina (2018 Montréal), No.5 Ostapenko (2018 Miami), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Miami), No.3 Kerber (2017 Toronto), No.2 Kerber (2016 Charleston via ret. w/viral illness), No.3 Sharapova (2013 Cincinnati) and No.3 S. Williams (2013 Australian Open).
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012.
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches across the season.
- Played first WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami and first WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier ranked No.747, fell 2r, l. Zvonareva).
- Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit.

**Other Information**

- Mother is Sybil Smith a former collegiate swimmer at Boston University and late father, John Stephens, was an NFL player in 1980s and 1990s; brother is Shawn Farrell.
- Started playing tennis at the age of nine, at the Sierra Sport and Racquet Club, in Fresno, California. Two years later relocated from Fresno to Boca Raton, Florida, where she began training at the Evert Tennis Academy before moving to Nick Saviano High Performance Tennis Academy.
MERTENS:

**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at US Open (and fourth appearance overall)
- Fell 1r in 2016 (as qualifier, l. Muguruza) and 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys). Lost in 2015 qualifying
- Contesting doubles this fortnight w/Schuurs (play Diatchenko/Gasparyan in 2r) – pair sit seventh on Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard, with the Top 8 qualifying for the WTA Finals
- Is first woman from Belgium to reach R16 at US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer – R16, Clijsters – Won)
- 2018 US Open marks eighth Grand Slam main draw – including results this week, owns a 15-7 record across the majors. Holds a 1-1 record in R16 Slam matches
- This week, came from 4-2 down in the final set to beat Nara in 1r, then won 71% of return points during 2r defeat of Lapko
- Broke serve three times against No.23 seed Strycova in 3r – has broken 17 times across first three rounds
- Results this week have improved 2018 win-loss record to 43-15 – one of four players to pass the 40-win mark (also Kvitova – 46*, Halep – 46 and Kerber – 43*, *not including Saturday's results)
- Faces No.3 Stephens today. Holds a 6-1 record against US opponents this season, with sole loss coming against Bellis at Dubai
- Defeated Stephens last month at Cincinnati to score her second career Top 5 win (also No.4 Svitolina at 2018 Australian Open)
- Contesting 2018 US Open ranked No.15, one spot off career-high of No.14 achieved on August 13, 2018
- A finals berth at this year's US Open would give her a chance of making her Top 10 debut
- Seeded No.15 – joint-highest seeding at a Slam (also No.15 seed at 2018 Wimbledon)
- Has three titles to her name this season (Hobart, Rabat and Lugano), one of four players on tour with three or more titles this season - also Kvitova (5), Halep (3) and Svitolina (3)

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 now US Open this year (currently R16)
- Fell 1r at 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys) and 2016 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muguruza in 3s)
**Season**

- 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)
-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). One of six players to win multiple titles on tour so far this year (3), along with Kvitova (5), Svitolina (3), Halep (3), Bertens (2), Kerber (2) and Wozniacki (2)
- 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. Lako/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 five doubles titles – also 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs), 2018 Hobart (w/Schuurs), 2018 Lugano (w/Flipkens) and 2018 ‘s-Hertogenbosch (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

**Other Information**

- Currently coached by Dieter Kindlmann – since their partnership formed this summer, the duo have posted a 11-3 record which includes a semifinal showing in San Jose and back-to-back quarterfinal finishes in Montreal and Cincinnati, and run to R16 in New York
- Earlier coaching history includes Belgian federation until early teens, as well as a year at the Mouratoglou Academy in Paris
- 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
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[19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

Head to Head: ELINA SVITOLINA leads 1-0

2013 WTA 125K CALI CLAY O R1 ELINA SVITOLINA 6-3 7-6(7) 97 mins

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA

WTA RANKING

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DATE OF BIRTH (AGE) 12-09-1994 (23)

YTD PRIZE MONEY $2,546,049

CAREER PRIZE MONEY $9,917,427

SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER) 3 / 12

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YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) * 10-3 / 66-38

YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) * 3-5 / 44-32

YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) * 26-6 / 156-79

YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) * 4-3 / 24-32

YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) * 9-4 / 42-59

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* Updated entering 2018 US Open R16

ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

[19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)

R128: d. DONNA VEKIC (CRO #41) 6-2, 2-6, 6-3 (1h52)

R64: d. [WC] CLAIRE LIU (USA #158) 6-2, 6-3 (1h02)

R32: d. EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #45) 6-2, 6-3, 6-2 (2h03)

Total games: 66
Won/lost: 42-24
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 4h58
Average time on court: 1h30
Average rank of opponent: 66

[7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

R128: d. SACHIA VICKERY (USA #78) 6-2, 1-6, 7-6(2) (1h33)

R64: d. TATJANA MARIA (GER #70) 6-2, 4-6, 6-3 (1h08)

R32: d. QIANG WANG (CHN #52) 6-2, 6-2, 6-3 (1h10)

Total games: 60
Won/lost: 37-23
Sets won/lost: 6-1
Total time on court: 3h51
Average time on court: 1h17
Average rank of opponent: 67

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA

2017

QF L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-3, 3-6, 7-6(4)

2016

QF L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #74) 6-0, 6-2

2015

R1* L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #207) 6-2, 7-6(2)

ELINA SVITOLINA

2017

R16 L - MADISON KEYS (USA #16) 7-6(2), 1-6, 6-4

2016

R3 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #16) 6-3, 6-4

2015

R3 L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #13) 6-3, 7-5

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SEVASTOVA:

US Open

- Making sixth main draw appearance at US Open (and eighth overall)
- Today is bidding to reach the QF for the third straight year, having also made the last eight in 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- These QF runs are her best results across all the Grand Slams
- On other outings at Flushing Meadows, made 2r in 2009 (l. Kuznetsova) and 2010 (l. Kuznetsova), fell 1r in 2011 (l. Dushevina), and lost in 2012 and 2015 qualifying
- Enters today's R16 match with a 13-5 career record in New York, her best record among the four Grand Slam tournaments
- Currently ranked No.18, after making her Top 20 debut last year on May 15, 2017. Has been ranked inside the Top 20 every week, but four, since then
- Began 2018 US Open campaign with defeat of Vekic in 1r before dispatching Liu in 2r
- Rallied from a set down to eventually prevail against Makarova – had lost previous three meetings against the Russian. Win also marked 70th tour-level hardcourt victory
- Faces No.7 Svitolina today – is 1-4 vs. Top 10 opponents in 2018, sole win this season coming over No.7 Goerges at Montréal
- Should Ostapenko win through to the R16 also, would be the first time in the Open Era two Latvians have made the R16 at the same Grand Slam
- The furthest a Latvian has progressed at US Open is the QF – in addition to Sevastova in 2016-17, Larisa Savchenko made the last eight in 1988 (representing USSR)
- Has reached the QF stage or better at three of last four events contested, at Montréal (QF), Moscow [River Cup] (QF) and Bucharest (F). Exception was 1r exit at Cincinnati
- Is 2-1 in Grand Slam R16 matches – wins came here at 2016-17 US Open, and loss at 2011 Australian Open
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Has reached Grand Slam QF on two occasions, at US Open in 2016 (I. Wozniacki) and 2017 (I. 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 (I. 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

Season

- Enters the US Open after being upset in the 1r of Cincinnati (I. Giorgi)
- 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 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
- Produced a finals run at Mallorca (l. Maria) in first grass event of the season
- Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Duque-Mariño)
- Advanced to R16 (l. No.2 Wozniacki) in Rome 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 earning career highs in wins (37) and winning percentage (.607) besting 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 and Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010
• 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 (August 27, 2018)

Other Information

• 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
• Trains and resides in Vienna and coached by Ronald Schmidt
• Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing

SVITOLINA:

US Open

• Making seventh consecutive appearance at US Open, and has matched best result here in 2018 with run to R16 also making this stage in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
• On other appearances in New York reached 3r in 2015 (l. Makarova) and 2016 (l. Kvitova), made 2r in 2013 (l. McHale), and fell 1r in 2012 (as qualifier, l. Ivanovic) and 2014 (l. Hercog)
• 2012 appearance in New York was Grand Slam main draw debut
• At 2017 US Open, was one of eight players in contention for the World No.1 spot – needed to reach SF and have other results go her way
• Seeded No.7 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive seeding at a Slam, and seventh as a Top 10 seed
• Dispatched Vickery in 1r on Monday and Maria in 2r on Wednesday - had fallen to Maria in last Slam outing, losing 1r at 2018 Wimbledon
• Overcame Wang Qiang on Friday, which marked 26th hard court win this season, only Halep has more (28)
• Faces No.18 Sevastova today – is 9-4 vs. Top 20 players in 2018, though only one of those losses was to a player outside the Top 10 - fell to No.5 Ostapenko (Miami), No.7 Garcia (Stuttgart), No.3 Stephens (Montreal) and No.17 Bertens (Cincinnati)

• Owns a 3-3 record in Slam R16 matches (0-1 here in New York)

• Bidding to become first Ukrainian woman to reach US Open QF since Ka.Bondarenko in 2009 (l. Wickmayer)

• One of two Ukrainian women to reach R16 (also Tsurenko) from six who began the main draw

• Currently sits at No.5 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard, and looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the second year in a row

• A title run here could see her overtake Wozniacki to become World No.2

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance

• Best results to date have been QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens)

• At Wimbledon, advanced to R16 for the first time in 2017 (l. Ostapenko)

• Reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys)

• Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

**Season**

• Contested two North American events in lead-up to US Open, reaching SFs in Montréal (as defending champion, l. Stephens) and making QFs at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens)

• Suffered 1r upset at Wimbledon (l. Maria) – one of 10 seeds to fall at first hurdle

• Made a QF run at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Buzarnescu), having also fallen to Buzarnescu at Roland Garros 3r

• Defended her title in Rome (d. Halep in F). This was third time in career she has defended a title (also Baku 2013-14 and Dubai 2017-18)

• Now owns four victories over No.1 ranked players: d. Halep (2018 Rome), S.Williams (2016 Rio Olympics) and Kerber (2017 Brisbane and 2016 Beijing)

• Boasts 12-2 record in tour-level finals. Has won her past eight matches at this stage, with last defeat coming against Kvitova at 2016 Zhuhai

• Owns four Top 10 wins in 2018 (No.9 Konta and No.4 Ka.Pliskova at Brisbane; No.9 Kerber at Dubai and No.1 Halep in Rome)

• Had a 2r exit in Madrid (l. Suárez Navarro) after reaching the QF in Stuttgart (l. Garcia) in her first clay tournament of the year

• Enjoyed a 4-2 record through the “Sunshine Double” posting a 3r result at Indian Wells (l. Suárez Navarro) and a QF run at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko). Ended Osaka's eight-match winning streak in 2r of Miami

• Made successful title defense at Dubai (d. Kasatkina in F)

• Made 3r exit at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
• Advanced to QF at Australian Open for first time (I. Mertens); was on nine-match win streak entering QF
• Became first Ukrainian woman to reach QF at Australian Open, surpassing A. Bondarenko who fell in R16 in 2010; K. Bondarenko reached QF at 2009 US Open. Was bidding to become first Ukrainian woman to reach a Grand Slam semifinal
• Opened 2018 season by capturing her 10th career WTA title at Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F); defeated two Top 10 players en route to title (d. No. 9 Konta and No. 5 Ka. Pliskova)

Career

• Won 12th career WTA singles title at 2018 Rome (d. Halep in F); career record in finals now stands at 12-2, including a current eight match win streak over the 2017 and 2018 seasons
• Enjoyed stand-out 2017, finishing the year at No. 6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins of season (53, behind Wozniacki with 60)
• Season culminated by qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore, becoming first Ukrainian woman to qualify for the season-ending tournament in singles (fell at round robin stage with 1-2 record)
• Her five titles in 2017 included Taipei City (d. Peng in F), Dubai (d. Wozniacki in F), Istanbul (d. Mertens in F), Rome (d. Halep in F) and Toronto (d. Wozniacki in F)
• Became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009
• Owned longest unbeaten streak in 2017, at 15 matches. Won Taipei City (five wins), went 2-0 for Ukraine in Fed Cup action against Australia, triumphant in Dubai (after 1r bye, five wins), won one match at Kuala Lumpur before withdrawing prior to her 2r match, then reached R16 at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, two wins) falling to Muguruza in three sets
• One of five players to make Top 10 debut in 2017, after winning Dubai in February (also Ostapenko, Garcia, Mladenovic and Vandeweghe). Peaked in rankings at No. 3 on September 11, 2017
• On four occasions could have reached World No. 1 spot – at 2017 US Open, then needed to win 2017 Beijing (fell in QF), then needed to triumph at 2017 WTA Finals (failed to progress from group stage), or reach final at 2018 Australian Open (fell in QF)
• Enjoyed best win ratio vs. Top 5 players in 2017 across WTA, going 8-1 (Wozniacki was 8-4)
• Strong finish to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (l. A. Radwanska); in addition, post-US Open reached SF at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Osaka) and Moscow (l. Kuznetsova)
• Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)
• Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (l. A. Radwanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)
• Other 2016 season highlights included SF at Dubai (l. Errani) and QF at Rio Olympics (l. Kvitova)
• Owns two career doubles titles: 2014 Istanbul (w/ Doi) and 2015 Istanbul (w/ Gavrilova)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Baku (lost in 1r but won title the next two years)
• Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008. Winner of seven singles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit

**Other Information**

• Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian

• Introduced to tennis at age 5 by family

• Currently working with coach Thierry Ascione and hitting partner Andrew Bettles. Has previously worked with Iain Hughes
MATCH NOTES  
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[18] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #17) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Head to Head: ASHLEIGH BARTY leads 2-1

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WTA RANKING

- PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD
- DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)
- YTD PRIZE MONEY
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* Updated entering 2018 US Open R16

ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

[18] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #17)

R128: d. [Q] ONS JABEUR (TUN #114) 6-1,6-3 (1h06)
R64: d. LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #69) 7-5,6-3 (1h20)
R32: d. [Q] KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #202) 6-3,6-4 (1h25)

- Total games: 56
- Won/lost: 37-19
- Sets won/lost: 6-0
- Total time on court: 3h51
- Average time on court: 1h17
- Average rank of opponent: 128

[8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

R128: d. ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #60) 6-4,7-6(4) (1h35)
R64: d. ANA BOGDAN (ROU #83) 6-2,6-3 (1h05)
R32: d. SOFIA KENIN (USA #65) 6-4,7-6(2) (1h55)

- Total games: 63
- Won/lost: 38-25
- Sets won/lost: 6-0
- Total time on court: 4h35
- Average time on court: 1h32
- Average rank of opponent: 69

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match
BARTY:

US Open

- Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open (and fifth overall), where she is contesting her first Grand Slam R16 today
- In 2017, lost to eventual champion Stephens in 3r
- Previously reached 2r on main draw debut in 2013 (l. Pavlyuchenkova), fell 1r in 2014 (as qualifier, l. Strycova) and in qualifying in 2011
- Also finished R-Up in doubles here in 2013 (w/Dellacqua, l. Hlavackova/Hradecka)
- Fired 16 aces through the first three rounds, taking her 2018 total to 236 – only Goerges (394), Ka.Pliskova (294), Kr.Pliskova (244) and Bertens (241) have hit more this season
- Dropped just four games in 1r victory over qualifier Jabeur before dispatching Safarova in 2r
- Extended winning streak over qualifiers to 13 in a row after 3r win over Muchova – streak stretches back to 3r defeat to Barthel at 2017 Australian Open
- Only player in top half of draw making R16 debut at Grand Slam
- At 5'5'', is the shortest player in the top half of the draw, and facing off against 6'1'' Ka.Pliskova, this match-up offers the biggest difference in height among the top half R16 encounters
- At 22 years old, is the second youngest remaining player in top half of draw (Mertens is also 22, but 7 months younger)
- Squares off against No.8 Ka.Pliskova in today's R16 showdown – leads head-to-head 2-1. Of their three encounters, five of eight sets have gone to tie-breakers – Barty leading 3-2
- This marks their first meeting at the Slam level and the first matchup before the QF stage of a tournament
- Seeking first Top 10 win of 2018 (0-5) – No.4 Svitolina (Miami), No.2 Wozniacki (Madrid), No.2 Wozniacki (Eastbourne), No.1 Halep (Montréal and Cincinnati)
- A win today would mark her 20th hardcourt victory and ninth Slam win this season. By contrast, prior to this...
season had amassed six victories at this level across entire career

- Has won 13 of her last 16 matches on cement (Miami (2), Fed Cup (2), Montréal (4), Cincinnati (2), US Open (3)), with 12 of those victories coming in straight sets
- Owns a 9-4 edge vs. Czech opponents, including 3-1 on hardcourts (last loss – 2017 Birmingham to Kvitova)
- Enters 2018 US Open on a singles ranking of No.17 – just one spot lower than her career-high ranking of No.16 (achieved on January 29, 2018). This time last year, was No.43
- To make Top 10 debut, Barty would have to reach at least the final and have other results go her way
- Ranks second on tour this year for percentage of service games won with 78.2% (behind Goerges – 79.4%)
- Seed No.13 in doubles draw w/Vandeweghe (play Sestini Hlavackova/Strycova in 2r)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- 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
- 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)

**Season**

- Withdrew from New Haven last week w/viral illness
- Reached her fourth SF of the season at Montréal and 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 8-7 in WTA doubles finals
- Matched her best career result in a Grand Slam by reaching 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 run 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 on green clay of 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. Krejcikova/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.4 Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Wuhan

Winner of eight WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, one 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
**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.

**KA.PLISKOVA:**

**US Open**

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall); was a finalist in 2016 (l. Kerber in F) and a quarterfinalist when she last played here in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe).
- R-Up finish here in 2016 remains her best career result at a Slam.
- Seeded No.8 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive major appearance as a seeded player.
- In 1r this year, struck 33 winners – including six aces – to edge past Diyas; has now won her past 10 Grand Slam 1r matches.
- Defeated Bogdan in 2r, winning 88% of her first service points, to reach her fifth straight Grand Slam 3r.
- Delivered a straight sets win over Kenin in 3r to advance to her 11th R16 of 2018 – she now has a 65% success rate in 2018 for reaching at least the R16 (11/17 events) and has a 70% success rate (7/10 events) for reaching the R16 at hardcourt events (including US Open results).
- Across opening three rounds has struck 22 aces, taking season total to 294 – the second most on tour behind Goerges (394).
- Has tallied three wins in a row for the first time since Wimbledon (l. R16 to Bertens).
- A win today would also mark 20th hardcourt victory of the season.
- Owns a 5-8 record vs. Top 20 opponents in 2018, defeating No.5 Ostapenko and No.16 Vandeweghe (both Stuttgart), No.9 Stephens and No.1 Halep (both Madrid) and No.12 Kerber (Fed Cup).
- Holds a 15-9 advantage over Aussie opposition, including 8-4 on hardcourts.
- Is 5-1 in R16 Grand Slam matches, including being undefeated (2-0) at US Open.
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)
- Defeat of No.1 S.Williams in 2016 US Open SF was career-best victory, and ended the American's 186-week reign at the top of the rankings. Became first Czech to defeat a World No.1 since Kvitova at 2015 Madrid (d. S.Williams). Furthermore, defeat of V.Williams (R16) made her the eighth player to defeat the sisters at the same tournament
- Is one of nine players born in 1990s to reach major final (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens and Wozniacki)
- At Australian Open, best results came with QF run in 2017 (l. Lucic-Baroni) and 2018 (l. Halep), while she also posted deepest run at Roland Garros that year, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens), after 2r exits in each of previous five years
- Australian Open girls singles champion in 2010 – d. Robson in F

**Season**

- Coming off a 1r upset at New Haven (l. Makarova) after back-to-back 2r exits at Montréal (l. Bertens) and Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and made QF run at Eastbourne (as defending champion, l. Sabalenka – led 4-1 in final set)
- In only other grass court outing, made 1r exit at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros, defeating compatriots Krejcikova and Safarova before falling to Sharapova
- Made SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and fell 2r at Rome (l. Sakkari)
- Won 10th career title at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in final). Now 10-10 record in WTA singles finals
- Went 1-1 in singles (d. Kerber, l. Goerges) to help Czech Republic reach its sixth Fed Cup final in the past eight years with a 4-1 win over Germany. The Czechs will host the USA in November’s final
- Posted QF showings at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Miami (l. Azarenka)
- Reached QF at Dubai (l. Kerber) and made 3r exit at Doha (l. Bellis)
- Nominated for Czech Republic’s Fed Cup World Group I QF tie vs. Switzerland – but did not play a singles or doubles match due to illness
- Advanced to QF in first Grand Slam of the year at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- Began 2018 season in Brisbane; as defending champion, advanced to SF (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
Career

- Enjoyed another stellar campaign in 2017, posting career-best year-end finish at No.4 for second Top 10 finish. Year-end ranking has improved continuously for 12-straight seasons
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Is the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals for second year-in-a-row, reaching SF stage (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe), and posted 2r result at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova)
- Advanced to SF stage at Indian Wells (l. Kuznetsova), Miami (l. Wozniacki) and Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
- Led the WTA in 2017 for aces served – 452 from 68 matches. Also posted joint-second most match wins – 53 (level with Svitolina, behind Wozniacki – 60)
- Career wins over Top 10 opponents stands at 23-33, most recent wins coming over No.9 Stephens and No.1 Halep at 2018 Madrid
- Enjoyed a break-out year in 2016, ending the year at No.6 (up from No.11 in 2015)
- Qualified for season-ending 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore, going 1-2 in the group stage and failing to progress. Also contested the doubles competition (w/Goerges), losing opening match to top seeds Garcia/Mladenovic
- Helped Czech Republic defend Fed Cup title in November 2016, going 1-1 in singles (d. Mladenovic, l. Garcia) before teaming w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match. Czech Republic have won the Cup in five out of the last seven
- Captured fifth career doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish, meaning that for the first time in WTA history, three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (along with Kvitova and Safarova)
- Became eighth Czech woman to crack singles Top 10 since computer rankings were introduced in November 1975, after Navratilova, Mandlikova, Sukova, Novotna, Vaidisova, Kvitova and Safarova
**Other Information**

- Nominated for 2017 WTA Player of the Year; also nominated for the same award in 2016, in addition to WTA Most Improved Player in 2014
- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Coached here at US Open by former Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez; also worked with Rennae Stubbs at Cincinnati and will reunite with the Australian for the Asian swing
- Previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza, former longtime coach of Petra Kvitova
- Married Michal Hrdlicka in Monaco after 2018 Wimbledon
KAIA KANEPI (EST #44) vs. [17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26)

Head to Head: SERENA WILLIAMS leads 4-0

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**WTA RANKING**

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**ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16**

**KAIA KANEPI (EST #44)**

**R128**: d. [1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #1) 6-2,6-4 (1h16)

**R64**: d. [Q] JIL BELEN TEICHMANN (SUI #168) 6-4,6-3 (1h37)

**R32**: d. REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #61) 6-3,7-6(3) (2h07)

Total games: 59
Won/lost: 37-22
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 5h0
Average time on court: 1h40
Average rank of opponent: 77

**SERENA WILLIAMS**

**R128**: d. MAGDA LINETTE (POL #68) 6-4,6-0 (1h10)

**R64**: d. CARINA WITTHOEFT (GER #101) 6-2,6-2 (1h07)

**R32**: d. [16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16) 6-1,6-2 (1h11)

Total games: 47
Won/lost: 36-11
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 3h28
Average time on court: 1h9
Average rank of opponent: 62

**US OPEN Tournament History**

**KAIA KANEPI**

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* Qualifying match
KANEPI:

### US Open

- Making 11th main draw appearance at US Open (and 14th appearance overall)
- Best result has been two QF finishes in 2010 and 2017. Fell in in qualifying in 2002-03 and 2005
- Advanced to QFs last year as a qualifier – best result by a qualifier at US Open since Barbara Gerken did so in 1981
- Upset World No.1 Simona Halep in opening round this year – her second career win over reigning World No.1 (also Wozniacki at 2011 Tokyo [PPO]). This was also the sixth time in the Open Era the top seed has fallen in the 1r at a major, and the first time at the US Open
- Followed this by ending the run of qualifier Teichmann in 2r on Wednesday – first back-to-back tour-level wins since 3r run at Australian Open in January
- Has yet to drop a set this tournament following 3r victory over No.61 Peterson – improving record against Swedish players to 11-2
- Marks first time winning three consecutive tour-level matches since last year’s QF run here at US Open

### Match Notes

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Compiled a 21-10 career mark at US Open – her best Grand Slam win-loss record across the majors

Seeking first career victory vs. No.26 S.Williams in today's R16 encounter (previously 0-4)

Kanepi (33) vs. S.Williams (36) is the oldest match-up among R16 players

Holds a 29-18 advantage vs. American opponents, including 14-12 on hardcourts and 3-4 at Slam level (incl. qualifying)

Owns a near flawless 6-1 record at this stage of Grand Slams, with lone R16 loss coming against today's opponent, S.Williams at 2014 US Open

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 U.S. Open marks 41st main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- At 2010 Wimbledon, became only sixth qualifier to reach Wimbledon QF
- Appeared in 3r twice at Australian Open (2009, 2018)

**Season**

- Coming off 2r finish in Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Barty)
- Advanced to 2r at Moscow [River Cup], losing to eventual champion Danilovic in three sets
- On grass made 2r at Eastbourne (l. Ostapenko) and fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Sorribes Tormo). Also reached QF at $100k ITF/Ilkley-GBR
- Highlights of clay court season were lifting 14th ITF Circuit title at $60k ITF/Brescia-ITA and 2r showing at Rome (as qualifier, l. Stephens). Also fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina) and Strasbourg (as qualifier, l. Hsieh), and contested qualifying at Stuttgart
- Made 1r exits in Miami (ret. vs. McHale) and posted 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. No.16 Vandeweghe)
- Withdrew from St. Petersburg and Acapulco w/illness
- Equaled best career result at Australian Open by reaching 3r (l. Suárez Navarro). Melbourne run took total career prize money past USD$5million mark
- Began season with QF showing at Brisbane (as qualifier, l. Ka.Pliskova)

**Career**

- Battled through yet another injury-plagued season, finishing 2017 at No.100
- Season highlight was advancing to QF stage of 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys), also won three ITF titles at $25k ITF/Essen-GER, $15k ITF/Parnu-EST and $25k ITF/Nantes-FRA
- Holds many firsts for Estonia – first Estonian to reach a WTA final (2006 Hasselt), first to reach a Grand Slam QF (2008 French Open), to crack Top 20 (February 2009), to win a WTA title (2010 Palermo) and to beat a reigning No.1 (Wozniacki at 2011 Tokyo [PPO])
- Owns 10 career wins over Top 10 opponents, most recently over No.8 Jankovic at 2014 Wimbledon
• Winner of four WTA singles titles: 2010 Palermo, 2012 Brisbane, 2012 Oeiras and 2013 Brussels; also a four-time runner-up

• Endured a career-low year-end 2016 ranking of No.302 due to being hampered by the Epstein-Barr virus and plantar fasciitis in both feet

• Lone main draw appearance of 2016 season was at Rabat (as qualifier, l. Kozlova in 1r)

• Also in 2016, fell in qualifying at Brisbane (l. Bondarenko), Stuttgart (l. Giorgi) and Roland Garros (l. Cepede Royg)

• Played limited events on ITF Circuit, achieving QF finish at Padova (l. Soylu) and R16 effort at Brescia (l. Zanevska)

• Finished 2015 season on high note by winning ITF title at Bangkok (d. Schnyder); also produced QF finish at ITF in St Malo (l. Kasatkina)

• Fell at first hurdle at all Grand Slams in 2015 with exception of 2r finish at US Open (l. Svitolina)

• Started off 2015 campaign with QF appearance in Brisbane (l. Ivanovic)

• Advanced to QF stage four times in 2014 (Brisbane, Acapulco, Bastad and Seoul) and posted R16 finish at 2014 US Open (l. S.Williams)

• Battled injuries in 2013 missing first three months due to right Achilles injury and sidelined after Wimbledon until US Open due to a low back injury

Other Information

• Coached by Dusan Vemic this fortnight

• Over past two seasons, a combination of being diagnosed with the Epstein-Barr virus, otherwise known as precursor to mononucleosis, and developing plantar fasciitis in both feet, nearly led to the end of her career

• Started playing tennis at age 8 with parents and sisters

• One of her sponsors is a leading provider of high quality mini-cruise and passenger services in Baltic Sea region; in 2008, became godmother of a vessel named Superstar and was flown to Italy to bless it

S.WILLIAMS:

US Open

• Making 18th appearance at US Open since debut in 1998 (3r). Six-time champion: in 1999 (d. Hingis in F), 2002 (d. V.Williams in F), 2008 (d. Jankovic in F), 2012 (d. Azarenka in F), 2013 (d. Azarenka in F) and 2014 (d. Wozniacki in F)

• Is also a two-time runner-up, in 2001 (l. V.Williams) and 2011 (l. Stosur), a three-time semifinalist (2009, l. Clijsters; 2015, l. Vinci; 2016 l. Ka.Pliskova) and a quarterfinalist on three occasions

• With six US Open singles titles, is tied with Chris Evert for most in the Open Era

• One of eight players in the Open Era to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same year (2002, 2012)

• Her 18 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in starting field, two behind her sister, Venus, who is made her 20th appearance

• Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
• Missed entire summer US swing in 2017 due to pregnancy
• US Open marks seventh event – and third major – following birth of daughter Alexis Olympia in September 2017
• 2018 US Open represents her 69th Grand Slam main draw appearance – among active players trails only her sister Venus (80, including 2018 US Open) and Schiavone (70)
• Earned 90th and 91st respective wins at US Open with 1r defeat of No.68 Linette and 2r win over No.101 Witthoeft
• Secured a comfortable 3r victory over sister, Venus, in what was their 30th career meeting (Serena now leads 18-12)
• Win marked 92nd US Open victory – her 92-11 overall record in New York is the most among all active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12) and ahead of Martina Navratilova (89-17)
• Including her 3r win here, her 328-44 record at Grand Slams is the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306)
• Squares off against No.44 Kanepi in today's fourth round encounter – owns 4-0 head-to-head edge
• Has compiled a 48-8 record in R16 Grand Slam matches – last loss coming at 2014 Australian Open (l. Ivanovic)
• Today marks her 17th consecutive R16 appearance at US Open – holds a 14-2 record at this stage in New York, with last loss coming in 2006 (Mauresmo)
• Her 17 consecutive R16 appearances here is her best streak among the Slams, second-best is 10 consecutive R16 visits at Australian Open
• Serena has advanced to the fourth round of the US Open 17 out of 18 attempts, her best success rate among the Slams for reaching the R16 – 94.4%

Serena's Slam Success Rate for Reaching R16

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• 13 of her Slams have been won on hard courts – most of any player in Open Era; overall has won 46 hard court titles, also most among active players
• At 36, is the oldest remaining player in the draw (Schnyder – 39, l. in 1r, Venus – 38, l. in 3r), among 22 thirtysomethings to begin the draw
• By reaching the R16, Serena (currently No.26) has a chance to return to the Top 25 and would have the chance of returning to the Top 20 if she reaches the QFs:

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*Depending on other results
• Based on results across her career, Serena wins one out of every three tournaments played – the highest rate among active players:

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**Grand Slam History**

• A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time


• Aged 35y 125d at the conclusion of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era. Has now won 10 Grand Slam titles as a 30-something

• Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, some 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span

• The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon

• In the Open Era, Williams’ 11-year gap between Roland Garros titles in 2002 and 2013 (without winning another Roland Garros title during that time) is the longest gap for a woman at any Grand Slam

• In 2015, came within two match wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open (d. Sharapova in F), Roland Garros (d. Safarova in F) and Wimbledon (d. Muguruza in F); l. Vinci in SF at US Open. Was bidding to become third woman in Open Era to achieve the feat, after Court (1970) and Graf (1988)

• Has twice been in possession all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)

The sisters held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London.

**Season**

- Coming off 2r showing at Cincinnati (d. Gavrilova, l. No.6 Kvitova in 3s)
- Withdrew from Rogers Cup in Montréal
- Lost 6-1 6-0 to Konta in 1r at San Jose – the heaviest defeat of her career (only occasion she has failed to win more than one game in a match) and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep)
- Earlier this summer reached Wimbledon final (l. Kerber) – her 30th Grand Slam singles final, and was bidding for eighth Wimbledon crown
- Was making 18th main draw appearance at All England Club - among active players, only Venus has played Wimbledon more often (21)
- Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear). In Paris, posted first Top 20 wins since her return to tour, over No.17 Barty and No.11 Goerges
- With sister Venus, won two doubles matches in Paris to advance to R16 (l. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez)
- Roland Garros was first event contested since Miami (l. Osaka in 1r)
- Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
- Prior to Indian Wells, played Tie Break Tens event in Madison Square Garden in New York – defeated Marion Bartoli in opening match before falling to Zhang Shuai in SF
- In December 2017 appeared at Mubadala World Tennis Championships in Abu Dhabi (l. Ostapenko 6-2, 3-6, 10-5)
- In February partnered w/V.Williams in doubles rubber during Team USA's Fed Cup win over the Netherlands (l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)

**Career**

- Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1
- Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)
- Qualified first for the 2016 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global but withdrew due to right shoulder injury – did not play after US Open
- Was the only player to reach SF or better at all four Grand Slams in 2016 (R-Up at Australian Open (l. Kerber), R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza), champion at Wimbledon (d. Kerber in F), SF at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova))
With 72 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92). Also a 21-time singles runner-up

Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf's 377 and Navratilova's 332

Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)


Has registered 16 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)

Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)

Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V. Williams)

Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)

Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013

At 2014 US Open, received $4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women's

**Other Information**

Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins

Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017

Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans

Recently launched her own clothing line, 'Serena'
2018 US OPEN – DAY SIX FEATURED MATCHES

[29] DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #35) vs. [4] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)
Kerber leads 7-5
Cibulkova is bidding for her first Top 10 win of the season today...Kerber is attempting to become the third woman in the last 20 years to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same season

[5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) vs. [26] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20)
Kvitova leads 1-0
The Czech has registered 15 Top 20 victories so far this season; by contrast, posted 16 such wins across the previous two seasons combined...In her first Grand Slam as a seed, Sabalenka is bidding to advance to the third round of a major for the first time

Garcia leads 2-0
Garcia is aiming to become the first Frenchwoman to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since Mladenovic did so in 2015...The Spaniard is seeking her fourth victory over a Top 10 opponent this season and 20th career win in New York today

[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) vs. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10)
Sharapova leads 1-0
The Russian has compiled a flawless 21-0 advantage under the lights of Arthur Ashe over her career...Ostapenko is looking to advance to the Round of 16 at the US Open for the first time

[13] KIKI BERTENS (NED #13) vs. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #103)
First career meeting
Bertens is the first woman from the Netherlands to reach the third round of the US Open since 2000 and is aiming to become the first Dutch woman to advance to the Round of 16 in New York since 1995...Vondrousova is the youngest of two teenagers remaining in the draw (Kenin) and also one of a tournament-leading six Czechs to reach the third round

[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #49)
Series tied 1-1
Keys has yet to fall in the third round of the US Open in her career (3-0) and is seeking her sixth Round of 16 berth of the 2018 season...The lone Serbian in this year's draw, Krunic is looking to notch her first Top 15 victory since defeating No.2 Muguruza earlier this year at Brisbane
[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) vs. ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33)

Osaka leads 1-0

Osaka has now advanced to the third round of a Grand Slam for the sixth consecutive major – currently the longest active streak on tour…She is also seeking her first berth into the Round of 16 at the US Open…Sasnovich has knocked out a seeded opponent at three of the four Slams this year (including last round)

KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #54) vs. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)

First career meeting

Siniakova is looking to reach the Round of 16 at a Grand Slam for the first time in her career…Along with Svitolina, this marks the third time at a Slam this year that two Ukrainians have advanced to the third round
**MATCH NOTES**

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**[29] DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #35) vs. [4] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)**

**Head to Head: ANGELIQUE KERBER leads 7-5**

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### ANGELIQUE KERBER

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* Updated entering 2018 US Open 3r

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**US Open**

- Making eleventh main draw appearance at US Open. Best result came with QF run in 2010 (l. Wozniacki)
- Is through to the 3r here for sixth time, and owns 1-4 record at this stage in New York, losing in 2008 (l. A.Radwanska), 2012 (l. Vinci), 2015 (l. Bouchard) and 2016 (l. Tsurenko)
- Bidding to reach R16 at US Open for first time since 2010’s QF run
- Having made QF at Wimbledon, bidding to reach R16 or better at two consecutive Slams for first time since 2009
- This week, defeated qualifier Rus in 1r before mammoth three set tussle with Hsieh Su-Wei in 2r, lasting 3 hours 20 mins
- Faces Kerber today in their 13th meeting, trailing the head-to-head 7-5. Did win arguably the pair’s biggest encounter in the final at 2016 WTA Finals
- Bidding for first Top 10 win of season today over No.4 Kerber. Last win over a player with Kerber’s rank-or-higher came against the German – then ranked No.1 – at the 2016 WTA Finals
- Has posted three Top 20 wins so far in 2018 – No.17 Vesnina and No.15 Sevastova at Sydney, and No.15 Mertens at Wimbledon
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 44th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Win-loss record at this level now stands at 79-43
- Best result across the majors came with runner-up finish at 2014 Australian Open (l. Li). Defeated four seeds en route to final at Melbourne Park, including No.3 Sharapova and No.5 A.Radwanska to become first player representing Slovakia (male or female) to reach a Grand Slam singles final
- At Roland Garros, advanced to SF in 2009 (l. eventual R-Up Safina) and QF in 2012 (l. Stosur)
- Also, a quarterfinalist at Wimbledon in 2011 (l. Sharapova), 2016 (l. Vesnina) and 2018 (l. Ostapenko), and at US Open in 2010 (l. Wozniacki)

**Season**

- Coming off 1r loss at New Haven (l. Goerges, having finished R-Up there last year)
- Withdrew from Montréal and Cincinnati w/illness
- Quarterfinalist at Wimbledon (l. Ostapenko), having reached 2r at Eastbourne (l. Kerber) following 1r exit at Birmingham (l. Gavrilova)
- Was unseeded at Wimbledon, but QF effort brought a return to Top 30 and reinstatement as Slovak No.1, ahead of Rybarikova
- Clay swing ended with 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Goerges)
- Highlight on clay was reaching second WTA singles final of 2018 at Strasbourg (l. Pavlyuchenkova in F). Held 2mp in Strasbourg final against Pavlyuchenkova; match lasted 3h 35m – the longest non-Slam match of the 2018 season. Record in WTA finals now stands at 8-13 (most recent title came at 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore)
- Reached 2r at Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s) and suffered 1r exits at Madrid (l. Garcia) and Rabat (l. Hercog)
- Rabat marked first tournament since 2r upset at Indian Wells in March (l. No.165-ranked WC Dolehide in three sets)
- After Indian Wells, withdrew from Miami and Lugano w/GI illness
- Before heading to US was runner-up at Budapest (as top seed, l. Van Uytvanck in F)
- Reached 2r at Doha (l. Garcia)
- Made 2r exit at St. Petersburg (l. No.4 seed and eventual R-Up Mladenovic)
- Suffered 1r loss at opening Slam of 2017 at Australian Open (l. Kanepi in straight sets)
- Reached QF in first tournament of the season at Sydney. Defeated No.15 Sevastova and No.17 Vesnina to score first Top 20 wins since defeating No.20 Pavlyuchenkova at 2017 New Haven

**Career**

- Posted eighth career Top 30 finish in 2017 (at No.26) following her debut Top 10 finish in 2016 (at No.5)
- 2017 was highlighted by R-Up finish at New Haven (l. Gavrilova in F)
- Won first WTA doubles title of career at 2017 ’s-Hertogenbosch (w/Flipkens)
- Posted career-high ranking week of March 20, 2017 at No.4 following run to R16 at Indian Wells (l.
Pavlyuchenkova

- Capped 2016 by winning biggest title of career to date at WTA Finals in Singapore – went 1-2 in group stage before defeating No.9 Kuznetsova in SF and World No.1 Kerber in final
- At No.7, became lowest seeded player to triumph at WTA Finals since No.7 seed V.Williams in 2008; first player to win WTA Finals on debut since Kvitova in 2011
- Won 2016 WTA Comeback Player of the Year award – ended 2015 ranked No.38 having been sidelined for four months with a left Achilles problem, with ranking dipping as low as No.66 in February 2016
- Won career-high 53 matches in 2016 (previous best was 42 matches in 2011)
- Won a WTA-leading four singles titles in 2016 – qualified for Singapore by virtue of lifting trophy at Linz (d. Golubic in F) after earlier wins at Katowice (d. Giorgi in F) and Eastbourne (d. Ka.Pliskova in F). In 2016 also reached finals at Acapulco (l. Stephens), Madrid (l. Halep) and Wuhan (l. Kvitova)
- Withdrew from Rio Olympics in singles and doubles (w/left calf injury)
- Owns 34 victories over Top 10 opponents (eight coming in 2016) including three over reigning World No.1s: Wozniacki at 2011 Wimbledon, Azarenka at 2012 Roland Garros and Kerber at 2016 WTA Finals
- Made Top 10 debut at No.10 on March 31, 2014 (after Miami)
- Broke into Top 20 on August 4, 2008
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2005 Rabat and main draw debut at 2006 Istanbul

Other Information

- In February 2014 launched her own sportswear and accessories line, ‘Domi’, which incorporates her on-court Slovak catch-cry ‘Pome!'; proceeds go to her foundation which assists athletes and other notables in her native Slovakia who have fallen on tough times
- Married husband Michal ‘Miso’ Navara in Bratislava in July 2016, after Wimbledon
- Coached by Matej Liptak; fitness trainer and physio is Jozef Ivanko

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US Open

- Making 11th main draw appearance at U.S. Open (and 12th overall appearance)
- Champion here in 2016 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), which marked second Grand Slam title of career, after debut title at 2016 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F). Also won 2018 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F)
- 2016 triumph here also saw her rise to World No.1; was 22nd player to hold WTA World No.1 ranking, and second German woman to achieve milestone since computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (after Graf, who spent the last of her record 377 weeks at No.1 in March 1997)
- Other key results in Flushing Meadows were SF run in 2011 (had not been past 3r at a major until that point) and has reached R16 on two further occasions (2012-13)
• Her 1r loss in 2017 (l. Osaka) marked second time in Open Era a defending US Open champion lost in opening round (also Kuznetsova in 2005)
• One of 13 former Grand Slam champions to begin 2018 main draw, and one of seven former US Open champions
• One of six Germans to begin the week, but only one to make 3r
• Sits fourth for match wins this season with 42, one behind Mertens (43) (including 2018 US Open results)
• One of 22 thirtysomethings to begin this year's draw – became 10th woman in Open Era history to lift a Grand Slam title at the age of 30 at 2018 Wimbledon
• Aside from World No.1 Halep (83% - 10/12 events), Kerber holds the second-highest rate on tour for advancing to at least the QF stage of a tournament in 2018 – 71% (10/14 events). In comparison, at this time last year the German's rate was 31% (5/16), down 25% from her breakout 2016 season
• Currently second on Porsche Race to Singapore, bidding to join Halep in securing qualification with a deep run this fortnight at U.S. Open
• With Kerber seeded fourth and Goerges seeded ninth (lost in 2r), 2018 US Open marks the first time in over 20 years that two Germans have been seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam – last time was No.1 Stefanie Graf and No.6 Anke Huber at 1997 Roland Garros
• Across 22 tournaments in 2017 Kerber tallied just one Top 20 win. Through 14 events in 2018, she has 12 Top 20 wins. The German is the only player to reach the QF or better at the first three Slams this year
• Kerber ranks fourth on the tour in return games won (45%), a significant improvement from her return games won percentage last year (+13.2%)
• Attempting to become the third woman in the last 20 years to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same season – also V.Williams (2000, 2001) and S.Williams (2002, 2012)
• Enters 2018 US Open ranked No.4, having returned to Top 5 after 2018 Wimbledon success (July 16, 2017) – this is her highest ranking for almost a year (highest since No.3 on August 14, 2017)
• Overcame Gasparyan in 1r on Tuesday and defeated Larsson in 2r clash on Thursday – is now a perfect 4-0 vs. the Swede
• Faces Cibulkova today in their 13th meeting – bidding to reach R16 or better at all four Grand Slams in the same season for first time in career
• Since losing to the Slovakian at 2016 WTA Finals, has won last two meetings, at Sydney and Eastbourne earlier this year

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**Grand Slam History**


- At 2016 Australian Open, became first German to win a Grand Slam singles title since Graf at 1999 Roland Garros (d. Hingis in F). At the time was the fourth player to defeat S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (after V.Williams, Sharapova and Stosur; since joined by Muguruza at 2016 Roland Garros)

- Also became first Grand Slam champion to save match point en route to the title since Li at 2014 Australian Open (Kerber saved a match point in 1r win over Doi) and was the first left-handed player to win a Grand Slam singles title since Kvitova at 2014 Wimbledon

- Won second Grand Slam singles title at US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and rose to World No.1; was 22nd player to hold WTA World No.1 ranking, and second German woman to achieve milestone since computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (after Graf, who spent the last of her record 377 weeks at No.1 in March 1997)

- Became the first German since 1996 to win Wimbledon in 2018, her third career Grand Slam singles title (d. S.Williams in F). Kerber hit only five unforced errors in the match to oust Williams in just 67 minutes. The win moved Kerber to No.4 in the WTA Rankings, moving her back into the Top 5 after a near-11 month absence

- In 2016, also finished R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams). Is fourth player in Open Era to reach three Grand Slam finals in the same year they reached their first, after Goolagong Cawley (1971), Graf (1987) and Hingis (1997)

- Roland Garros remains the only major where she has yet to reach the final. Best results are a pair of QF runs in 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Halep)

**Season**

- Has played two lead-up events in preparation for New York, posting 2r exit at Montréal (after 1r bye, l. Cornet) and reaching R16 at Cincinnati (l. Keys)

- Has reached at least the QF stage in six of her eight hard court tournament appearances this season, including a title run in Sydney and SF showings at Australian Open and Dubai

- Won her third career Grand Slam singles title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), becoming the first German to win at the All England Club since Graf in 1996

- Hit only five unforced errors and broke her opponent four times in seven return games (57.1 percent) in a clinical performance during the Wimbledon final, needing only 67 minutes to defeat S.Williams for the second time in her career during a Grand Slam final (also 2016 US Open)

- Posted SF run at Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki having held match point). Returned to Top 10 following Eastbourne result – at No.10

- Made 1r exit at Mallorca in a darkness delayed match (l. Riske)

- Finished clay season with an 8-5 record, improving from her three clay wins in 2017

- Matched her career-best result at Roland Garros by reaching QF (l. eventual champion Halep)

- Enjoyed a QF run at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) – her first QF on clay since winning 2016 Stuttgart
• Withdrew from Madrid due to a right thigh injury
• Made R16 at Stuttgart (d. No.10 Kvitova, l. Kontaveit via ret. w/right thigh injury)
• Lost to Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova during Germany’s Fed Cup semifinal defeat to Czech Republic
• Enjoyed a pair of QF runs in the ‘Sunshine Double’, at Miami (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina)
• Made SF run at Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) – her 50th career tour-level SF. Defeated No.5 Ka.Pliskova for second Top 5 win in 2018 (also No.5 V.Williams en route to Sydney title)
• Reached QF at Doha (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
• Advanced to SF at Australian Open (l. Halep in 3s, having held two match points); was first Grand Slam SF since title run at 2016 US Open. No.21 seeding at Australian Open was lowest seed at a Slam since 2012 Australian Open (No.30)
• Ended 27-tournament title drought (dating back to 2016 US Open) by winning at Sydney (d. Barty in F). Posted wins over No.31 Safarova (saved 2mp), No.5 V.Williams and No.25 Cibulkova en route
• Represented Germany at Hopman Cup w/Zverev (R-up to Switzerland, d. Bencic in singles rubber)

Career
• Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.21 – sixth consecutive Top 25 season. Best results of season were R-up finish at Monterrey and SFs at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Dubai (l. Svitolina)
• Enjoyed an outstanding 2016 season, winning first Grand Slam titles of career at Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F) and US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), finishing R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F) and rising to World No.1 in the WTA rankings
• Courtesy of her results in 2016, doubled her career prize money during season, passing $19 million mark; passed $20 million at 2017 Roland Garros, becoming 15th player to do so
• After 2016 US Open, aged 28, became oldest player to make her debut at World No.1, a record previously held by Jennifer Capriati, who was 25 years, 200 days when she reached No.1 in October 2001
• Secured the 2016 year-end World No.1 ranking – only the 12th WTA player to achieve the feat and second German woman to do so after Graf (eight times)
• Was voted WTA Player of the Year in 2016 by international media and fans; also, ITF World Champion
• 2016 marked fifth successive Top 10 season finish. Was the WTA match win leader in 2016, going 63-18
• Posted the most wins against Top 10 opponents in 2016, going 12-3, including defeats of No.8 Cibulkova, No.4 Halep, No.7 Keys and No.3 A.Radwanska in Singapore, as well as No.1 S.Williams (Australian Open), No.6 Halep (Fed Cup), No.7 Kvitova (Stuttgart), No.5 Halep and No.8 V.Williams (Wimbledon), No.10 Keys (Rio Olympics), No.4 Halep (Cincinnati) and No.8 Vinci (US Open)
• Reached a career-best total of eight finals across the 2016 season (most finals of any player); as well as winning first two majors, successfully defended title on home soil at Stuttgart (d. Siegemund in F)
• 2016 Stuttgart marked first time she had successfully defended a title in her career; the first German (and seventh player overall) to do so in Stuttgart
• Made fourth appearance at WTA Finals in 2016, progressing past round-robin for first time (l. Cibulkova in F); first German to reach final at the season-ending championships since Graf won title in 1996

• Other runner-up finishes in 2016 came at Brisbane (l. Azarenka in F), Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F), Rio Olympics (l. Puig, won silver medal)

• Reached first WTA final of career at 2010 Bogotá and won first title at 2012 Paris [Indoors]. Has won titles on all surfaces: hardcourt, grass and clay (red and green) Career record in tour-level finals stands at 12 -16

• Made first WTA appearance in qualifying at 2003 Berlin

**Other Information**

• Coached by Wim Fissette. Ended successful partnership with Torben Beltz during 2018 pre-season

• Fissette owns a 20-3 career coaching record at the US Open, including title runs from 2009-2010 (Clijsters)

• In January 2017 was named in Forbes 30 Under 30 in Europe (in the entertainment category), alongside the likes of Gareth Bale and Luis Suárez

• Speaks three languages: German, Polish, and English
[5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) vs. [26] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #20)

Head to Head: PETRA KVITOVA leads 1-0

PETRA KVITOVA | WTA RANKING | ARYNA SABALENKA
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5 | PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD | 20 |
3 | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE) | 17 |
08-03-1990 (28) | YTD PRIZE MONEY | 05-05-1998 (20) |
$2,942,540 | CAREER PRIZE MONEY | $751,234 |
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46-11 / 397-183 | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) * | 34-17 / 46-25 |
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US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

R2 | W - YAFAN WANG (CHN #90) | 7-5,6-3 | 107 mins | R2 | W - [Q] VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS #133) | 6-3,7-6(7) | 102 mins |
R1 | W - YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #94) | 6-1,6-4 | 72 mins | R1 | W - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #37) | 6-0,4-6,6-4 | 113 mins |

US OPEN Tournament History

PETRA KVITOVA

2017 | QF | L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #9) | 6-3 | 3-6 | 7-6(2) |
2016 | R16 | L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #2) | 6-3 | 7-5 |
2015 | QF | L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #26) | 4-6 | 6-4 | 6-2 |
2014 | R3 | L - ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #145) | 6-4 | 6-4 |
2013 | R3 | L - ALISON RISKE (USA #81) | 6-3 | 6-0 |
2012 | R16 | L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #11) | 1-6 | 6-2 | 6-0 |
2011 | R1 | L - ALEXANDRA DULGHERU (ROU #48) | 7-6(3) | 6-3 |

ARYNA SABALENKA

2017 | R1* | L - CAMILLA ROSATELLO (ITA #251) | 5-7 | 6-4 | 6-3 |
2016 | R2* | L - MANDY MINELLA (LUX #110) | 7-6(2) | 6-3 |

* Qualifying match

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KVITOVA:

US Open

- Making 11th consecutive appearance in New York this week (12th overall)
- Best results were two QF finishes in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta) and 2017 (l. V.Williams)
- Also advanced to R16 on three occasions: 2009 (l. Wickmayer), 2012 (l. Bartoli) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Re-entered Top 5 of the WTA Rankings on August 20, 2018 for first time since the week of October 26, 2015
- After a 1r loss at this year's Australian Open, the Czech has rebounded to lead the WTA tour in singles titles (5), while posting an impressive 7-1 mark vs. Top 10 opponents and holding a WTA-leading 17 wins in three-set matches (level with Sabalenka – also 17 three-set wins)
- Kvitova’s tour-leading five titles this season have come on all surfaces: St. Petersburg and Doha (hard), Prague and Madrid (clay) and Birmingham (grass) – the first player to win a title on all three surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- Currently sits at No.3 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard. Looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the first time since 2015; has qualified for WTA Finals five times
- Wins over Wickmayer in 1r and Y.Wang in 2r were 45th and 46th wins of the season – with a 46-11 record on the year, is level with Halep (46-9) for match wins so far in 2018
- Faces No.20 Sabalenka in 3r. Has already registered 15 Top 20 victories so far this season; by contrast, posted 16 such wins across previous two seasons combined
- Owns 16-9 record in Grand Slam 3r matches (5-3 at US Open)
- Record against Belarusian players at Grand Slam level stands at 2-2: d. Azarenka (2010 Wimbledon and 2011 Wimbledon); l. Azarenka (2009 Australian Open) and Sasnovich (2018 Wimbledon)
- After the second round, the Czech Republic lead the charge with six players advancing, followed by the United States with five and Belarus with three – this marks the highest number of Czechs to reach this stage in New York in the Open Era
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 41st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results include two SF showings, at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta) and 2011 Australian Open (l. Zvonareva)

Season

- Advanced to the QF stage last week in New Haven before being forced to retire against Suárez Navarro due to a left shoulder injury – first loss at that stage of a tournament all season (previously 5-0)
- Posted a SF run at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens) after a R16 showing at Montréal (also l. Bertens)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Sasnovich)
- Won 25th career WTA singles title at Birmingham as the defending champion (d. Rybarikova in F) and gave walkover to A.Radwanska in R16 at Eastbourne (right hamstring injury)
- Hit 50 career WTA main draw wins on grass with title run at Birmingham, including four titles on the surface at 2011 and 2014 Wimbledon, and 2017 and 2018 Birmingham
- Has now successfully defended a title twice in her career – also at New Haven in 2014-15
- Is fifth among active players for titles won:

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- Made 3r showing at Roland Garros (l. Kontaveit in two tie-breaks)
- Captured back-to-back titles at Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F) and Madrid (d. Bertens in F)
Enjoyed a 13-match winning streak between Madrid (6), Prague (5) and Roland Garros (2), marking her second-best win streak of her career:

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Highlighted indicates streak from this season

• Is first player to win the Madrid title three times. Defeat of No.6 Ka.Pliskova in Madrid SF was seventh Top 10 win in 2018 (7-1 record), having also defeated No.6 Ostapenko and No.10 Mladenovic (both at St. Petersburg), No.3 Svitolina, No.10 Goerges, No.1 Wozniacki and No.3 Muguruza (all at Doha)

• Withdrew from Rome after Madrid w/right thigh injury

• Lost to Kerber in 1r at Stuttgart after going 2-0 in singles play against Germany (d. No.11 Goerges and No.12 Kerber) to lead the Czech Republic into November's Fed Cup Final against the USA

• Fell in 2r of Charleston (after 1r bye, l. Kr.Pliskova) following R16 run at Miami (as No.9 seed, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko) and 3r at Indian Wells (l. Anisimova)

• Lifted the title at Doha (d. Muguruza in F). Holds joint-seventh best record (also A.Radwanska) among active players for hard court titles won with 17

• Defeated No.1 Wozniacki in SF at Doha – record vs. reigning No.1s now stands at 5-4. Other wins came over Safina (2009 US Open), Wozniacki (2011 WTA Finals), S.Williams (2015 Madrid – ending the American's 27-match winning streak) and Kerber (2016 Wuhan)

• Won back-to-back titles at St Petersburg and Doha for the first time since winning Linz and WTA Finals in 2011

• Returned to Top 10 after Doha at No.9 (last appeared in Top 10 week of June 27, 2016)

• Steered Czech Republic to Fed Cup semifinals for 10th year in a row, posting wins against Switzerland's Bencic and Golubic in Prague

• Won title at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F); with 64-27 record, leads active players for indoor hard court wins

• Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Petkovic in 2hrs 52mins)

• Opened 2018 season with 2r showing at Sydney (l. Giorgi) after withdrawing from Brisbane w/viral illness

Career

• Finished 2017 ranked No.29, down from No.11 in 2016

• Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, l. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand

• Won title at 2017 Birmingham (d. Barty in F). Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (l. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (l. V. Williams)

• Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
• Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan (d. Cibulkova in F) and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai (d. Svitolina in F). Also finished R-Up at 2016 Luxembourg (l. Niculescu in F)
• Member of Czech Republic team that successfully defended Fed Cup title in November 2016 vs. France (l. Garcia, d. Mladenovic, then teamed w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match). Czech Republic have won the Cup in five times since 2011
• Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (l. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
• 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), Madrid (d. Kuznetsova in F) and New Haven (d. Safarova in F). New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
• Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (l. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
• At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
• Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

Other Information
• A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
• Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
• Fitness trainer is David Vydra

SABALENKA:

US Open
• Making main draw debut at Flushing Meadows, having fallen in qualifying in 2016 and 2017
• In 1r, recovered from a break down in final set to defeat Collins; has now played a WTA-leading 24 three-set matches this season (17-7 win-loss record)
• Hit 26 winners against Collins and then 39 during 2r win over Zvonareva to reach 3r at a Grand Slam for the first time
• Now has 34 WTA main draw wins to her name in 2018. Prior to 2018, owned just 12 main draw victories
• Faces No.5 Kvitova today in 3r; is 5-5 vs. Top 10 opponents in her career, with wins over No.7 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Eastbourne, No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Montréal, No.9 Ka.Pliskova and No.5 Garcia both at 2018 Cincinnati, and No.9 Goerges last week at 2018 New Haven
• Ranked No.20 entering this year’s US Open – a new career-high. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.111 in the rankings
• Is seeded No.26 this fortnight – first Grand Slam seeding of her career
• Has gone 13-2 in main draw matches in North America this summer
After Vondrousova and Kenin (both 19), is the third-youngest player to reach 3r

Playing doubles this fortnight w/Hsieh (face Stojanovic/Stollar in 2r)

Alongside Azarenka and Sasnovich, 2018 US Open marks the first time in the Open Era that Belarus has three players in the third round of a Grand Slam

**Grand Slam History**

- Has reached 3r for first time at 2018 US Open
- 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

**Season**

- Last week, lifted maiden WTA title at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F); career record in WTA finals improves to 1-3
- Coming off 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
- 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 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

**Other Information**

- Coached by former ATP player Dmitry Tursunov
- Started playing aged 6
- Prefers playing on hard

Head to Head: CAROLINE GARCIA leads 2-0

2018 MADRID CLAY O QF CAROLINE GARCIA 6-2 6-3 77 mins
2016 DUBAI HARD O R16 CAROLINE GARCIA 4-6 6-4 6-3 137 mins

CAROLINE GARCIA
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4-2 / 16-13

WTA RANKING

PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD

DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)

YTD PRIZE MONEY

CAREER PRIZE MONEY

SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)

DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)

US OPEN W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *

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* Updated entering 2018 US Open 3r

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US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

R2 W - MONICA PUIG (PUR #55) 6-2,1-6,6-4 117 mins
R1 W - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #46) 6-2,6-2 76 mins
R2 W - KRISTINA Mladenovic (FRA #53) 6-1,4-6,6-4 107 mins
R1 W - [Q] NICOLE GIBBS (USA #115) 5-7,6-3-6-4 120 mins

US OPEN Tournament History

R2* L - REGINA KULIKOVA (RUS #191) 2-6 6-4 6-2

* Qualifying match

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GARCIA:

US Open

- Making sixth consecutive main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week (eighth overall)
- Has reached 3r for third straight year – her best result here (l. A.Radwanska in 2016, l. Kvitova in 2017)
- 2016 R-Up in doubles w/Mladenovic (l. Mattek-Sands/Safarova)
- Former junior girls’ singles R-Up in 2011 (l. Min)
- Seeded No.6 this week – has been seeded at 19 consecutive tournaments, a run which started at 2017 WTA Finals
- Including US Open, has now been a Top 10 seed across all Slams this season – first time in career
- This marks the first time France has had a Top 10 seed in the women's draw at the US Open since No.8 Marion Bartoli in 2011; last time France had a Top 10 women's seed across all Slams in the same year was 2006 – Amélie Mauresmo
- In 1r on Tuesday, struck 21 winners during a straight-sets win over Konta
- Notched first win over Puig in 2r on Thursday, improving to 1-3 against the Puerto Rican, including a loss last week at New Haven
- Has now reached 3r in seven of last eight Grand Slams contested. Only loss before this stage came at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Bencic in 1r). Record in Grand Slam 3r matches is 4-5, most recently falling at this stage at 2017 US Open (l. Kvitova)
- Faces No.24 Suarez Navarro today in their third career meeting, and second of the season. Holds 5-10 record vs. Top 25 ranked players this season, with wins over No.4 Svitolina (Stuttgart), No.12 Goerges and No.25 Suarez Navarro (both at Madrid), No.10 Stephens (Rome) and No.22 Sharapova (Montreal)
- Aiming to become first Frenchwoman to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since Mladenovic in 2015 (l. Vinci in QF)
- Is among the most consistent players on tour this season, reaching the QF or better in 12 of 17 events played (70.6% success rate) – in the Top 10 only Halep, (10 of 12 – 83%) and Kerber (10 of 14 – 71.4%) have better records
- In the past year, the Frenchwoman has produced some of her best tennis across back-to-back or two-week events:
Currently sits at No.13 on the Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (I. 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) and 2017 (l. Kvitova)
- 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)

**Season**

- Enters New York having reached QF stage last week at New Haven (l. Puig)
- Registered R16 effort 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); rose to career-high 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. Saved 1 match point in QF win vs. Svitlolina en route to Beijing title

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

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

SUÁREZ NAVARRO:

US Open

• Making 11th main draw appearance at US Open (12th overall)

• Best result was QF run in 2013 (l. eventual champion S.Williams). Also reached R16 in 2011 (l. Petkovic), 2016 (l. Halep) and 2017 (l. V.Williams)

• Completed comeback win over American qualifier Gibbs in 1r on Tuesday in exactly 2hrs

• Defeated No.53 Mladenovic in 2r on Thursday, improving her record in 3s matches to 9-4

• Faces No.6 Garcia today for a spot in her third consecutive R16 at Flushing Meadows. Holds a 14-9 career record in 3r of Grand Slams, including 4-1 at US Open

• Owns 3-6 record vs. Top 10 players this season, including wins over No.4 Svitolina (Indian Wells), No.4 Svitolina (Madrid) and No.5 Kvitova via retirement (New Haven)

• Seeking 20th career win at Flushing Meadows with a win today (19-10 record)

• Lone Spaniard remaining in this year's draw

Grand Slam History

• 2018 US Open marks 40th Grand Slam main draw appearance

• Best Grand Slam results have been reaching the QF stage at three of the four majors – at Roland Garros in 2008 (as qualifier, l. Jankovic) and 2014 (l. Bouchard), at Australian Open in 2009 (l. Dementieva), 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2018 (l. Wozniacki), and 2013 US Open (l. S.Williams)
By virtue of 2018 Wimbledon results, passed $10 million in career prize money

QF run at 2008 Roland Garros made her the first qualifier to reach Roland Garros last eight since 2001; and ranked No.132, became joint-lowest-ranked quarterfinalist at Roland Garros (also Pierce)

Best result at Wimbledon is reaching R16 in 2013 and 2016

2016 saw her reach R16 or better at each of the four Grand Slams – one of just four players to do so (also Keys, A.Radwanska and S.Williams)

Season

Enters 2018 US Open following first final of 2018 at New Haven (l. Sabalenka in F). Career record in singles finals now stands at 2-9

Fell 1r at Cincinnati (l. Azarenka) after R16 showing at Montreal (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Stephens)

Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Bencic)

Other grass season results include early exits in Mallorca (1r, l. Arruabarrena) and Eastbourne (following 1r bye, l. Collins)

Ended clay season with 1r exit in Rome (l. Vekic) and 2r finish at Roland Garros (l. Sakkari)

Advanced to QF stage in Madrid, defeating No.4 Svitolina en route (l. No.7 Garcia)

Fell in 1r at Stuttgart (l. Kudermetova) in first clay court event of 2018

Made 2r showing at Miami (Y. Wang) after QF run at Indian Wells (l. V. Williams), defeating No.4 Svitolina in 3r

Reached 2r at Doha (l. Konta) and Dubai (l. Ka.Pliskova)

Split singles rubbers during Spain's Fed Cup World Group II defeat to Italy (d. Paolini, l. Errani)

Reached her third career QF appearance at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki), equaling her best result at the Grand Slams

Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and fell in qualifying at Sydney

Career

Finished 2017 ranked at No.40, down from No.12 in 2016 – best season finished of career to date

Reached R16 at both US Open (l. V. Williams) and Roland Garros in 2017 (l. R-Up Halep)

Also in 2017, reached SF at Monterrey (l. then No.1 Kerber) and Bucharest (l. eventual champion Begu)

2016 season highlight was winning biggest title of career at Premier 5 Doha (d. Ostapenko in F). Triumph was second WTA singles title, after winning first at 2014 Oeiras (d. Kuznetsova in F)

Returned to Top 10 after 2016 Doha title at No.6, a new career-high singles ranking

Represented Spain at the 2016 Rio Olympics. Reached 3r in singles (l. Keys), QF in doubles (w/Muguruza, l. eventual gold medalists Makarova/Vesnina), and fell 1r in mixed doubles (w/Ferrer, l. Watson/A.Murray)

Ended 2015 season third on list for Top 5 wins (4-6 record), defeating No.3 Kvitova (3r Dubai), No.3 Kvitova (QF Doha), No.4 Kvitova (QF Rome) and No.2 Halep (SF Rome)
One of six players to make Top 10 rankings debut in 2015 (April 6, 2015 at No.10), rising as high as No.8 during the season. Third Spanish women to achieve a Top 10 ranking, after Sánchez-Vicario and Martínez; Muguruza has since become the fourth.

2015 singles highlights included finishing runner-up in three singles finals. Reached title match at Antwerp in February 2015, but was forced to withdraw vs. Petkovic w/neck injury; a month later, reached biggest final of career at Miami (l. S.Williams). Capped off strong first half of season with run to final in Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s).

In doubles, qualified for 2015 WTA Finals (w/Muguruza) after winning two titles at Birmingham and Tokyo [PPO], and posting R-Up finishes at Dubai and Madrid. Pair advanced to final in Singapore, falling to top seeds Hingis/Mirza.

Won first WTA doubles title in 2014, at Stanford (w/Muguruza); team qualified for 2014 WTA Finals (l. QF).

Spanish No.2, having been overtaken by Muguruza after she reached 2015 Wimbledon final.

Currently the highest ranked woman with a single-handed backhand.

**Other Information**

- Currently coached by Marc Casabó and Óscar Serrano.
- Split with longtime coach Xavier Budo in July of 2017, having spent 10 years together.
- Father is José Luís (plays handball) and mother is Lali (was gymnast, now teacher).
- Began playing tennis at age 9.
- Moved from Canary Islands to Barcelona in 2007 to train at Pro-Ab Team Tennis Academy.
- Favorites surface is clay, favorite shot is crosscourt backhand.
MATCH NOTES
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[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) vs. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10)

Head to Head: MARIA SHARAPOVA leads 1-0

2018  ROME  CLAY O  QF  MARIA SHARAPOVA  6-7(6) 6-4 7-5  191 mins

MARIA SHARAPOVA

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2-4 / 96-66
5-6 / 170-99
3-1 / 54-15

WTA RANKING

PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD

DATE OF BIRTH (AGE) 08-06-1997 (21)
YTD PRIZE MONEY $2,026,205
CAREER PRIZE MONEY $6,958,525
SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER) 0 / 2
DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER) 1 / 3
US OPEN W-L (MD) * 5-3
YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) * 21-16 / 90-66
YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) * 5-5 / 32-24
YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) * 10-3 / 26-13
YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) * 11-10 / 48-44
YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) * 2-2 / 8-11
YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) * 2-3 / 12-20
YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) * 4-5 / 8-10

* Updated entering 2018 US Open 3r

US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

* Qualifying match

R2  W - SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #51)  6-2,7-5  111 mins  R2  W - TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #73)  4-6,6-3,6-4  139 mins
R1  W - [Q] PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI #186)  6-2,7-6(6)  111 mins  R1  W - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #89)  6-4,6-7,5  138 mins

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US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

MARIA SHARAPOVA

2017
R16  L - ANASTASIIA SEVASTOVA (LAT #17)  5-7  6-4  6-2
R16  L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #11)  6-4  2-6  6-2
2012
SF  L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #1)  3-6  6-2  6-4
2011
R3  L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #25)  6-3  3-6  6-4
2010
R16  L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2)  6-3  6-4
2009
R3  L - MELANIE OUDIN (USA #70)  3-6  6-4  7-5
2007
R3  L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32)  6-4  1-6  6-2

JELENA OSTAPENKO

2017
R3  L - DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #38)  6-3  6-2
2016
R1  L - PETRA KVIITOVA (CZE #16)  7-5  6-3
2015
R2  L - SARA E RRANI (ITA #16)  0-6  6-4  6-3
2014
R16  L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #11)  6-4  2-6  6-2
2012
SF  L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #1)  3-6  6-2  6-4
2011
R3  L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #25)  6-3  3-6  6-4
2010
R16  L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2)  6-3  6-4
2009
R3  L - MELANIE OUDIN (USA #70)  3-6  6-4  7-5
2007
R3  L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32)  6-4  1-6  6-2
SHARAPOVA:

US Open

• Making 12th main draw appearance at US Open, having made tournament debut here in 2003
• Champion here in New York in 2006 (d. Henin in F) and a two-time semifinalist, in 2005 (l. eventual champion Clijsters) and 2012 (l. eventual runner-up Azarenka)
• In 2017, became just the sixth wildcard to reach R16 at the US Open in the Open Era, after Hingis (2002—R16), S.Williams (2006—R16), Bremond-Beltrame (2008—R16), Clijsters (2009—Won) and Riske (2013—R16)
• Ranked No.22 this fortnight at US Open. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.146 in the rankings
• Overcame Schnyder in 1r on Tuesday – improves to 18-3 versus qualifiers at Grand Slam level, with only defeats coming against Koukalova (2003 Australian Open), Larcher de Brito (Wimbledon 2013) and Diatchenko (2018 Wimbledon)
• Moves to a perfect 12-0 record in US Open 1r matches. Across all majors 1r record is 50-4 – now the second best winning percentage among active players (behind S.Williams 68-1, and ahead of A.Radwanska 45-4, who fell 1r at this year’s US Open)
• Fired 26 winners in 2r victory over Cirstea on Thursday night to reach 3r. Has now reached 3r or better on 11 out of her 12 appearances at Flushing Meadows, only falling before this stage on her debut in 2003 (l. Loit in 2r)
• Including 2r win, overall US Open record is 37-10 – joint-third for most US Open wins among active players:

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Walkover to Lisicki in 2r at 2011 US Open does not count on W-L record

- Sole Russian woman to reach 3r this fortnight
- Faces No.10 Ostapenko today for a spot in R16. Defeated the Latvian in their first meeting earlier this season at Rome – the sixth-longest match of 2018 (3hrs, 11min)
- Is 2-4 vs. Top 10 players this season, having defeated No.6 Ostapenko (Rome) and No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Roland Garros). Losses came against No.7 Garcia (Stuttgart), No.1 Halep (Rome), No.3 Muguruza (Roland Garros) and No.6 Garcia (Montreal)
- Owns 38-7 mark in Grand Slam 3r matches, including 6-4 in New York
- Owns a 355-99 (.782) career win-loss record on hard courts – only S.Williams (486-79 – .860) owns a better winning percentage among active players
- Has a perfect 21-0 record in night matches on Arthur Ashe (Tuesday match vs. Schnyder was played on Louis Armstrong)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 54th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – the ninth-most among active players
- Remains the last teenager to win a Grand Slam title, aged 19 years, 132 days at the 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F)
- One of six women to achieve career Grand Slam in the Open Era (also Court, Evert, Navratilova, Graf and S.Williams)
- Owns a 5-5 record in Grand Slam finals, finishing as runner-up three times at the Australian Open (2007, 2012, 2015) as well as 2011 Wimbledon and 2013 Roland Garros

Season

- Made R16 at Montréal (l. Garcia) and withdrew from Cincinnati w/right shoulder injury
- In Montreal, notched fifth Top 20 win of 2018 after sweeping aside No.12 Kasatkina in 2r; other wins coming against No.15 Sevastova (Australian Open), No.18 Barty and No.6 Ostapenko (both Rome) and No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Roland Garros)
- Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Diatchenko) – only the fourth time she has fallen at the opening hurdle in 53 major appearances
- Ended strong clay court season by reaching QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza). In Paris, victory over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 3r marked 22nd win on clay over a Top 10 ranked player – the most among active players
- Made SF run at Rome (l. World No.1 Halep) and reached QF at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens in 3s)
- Loss to World No.1 Halep at Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17, most recently defeating Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
• Victory in 1r over Buzarnescu at Madrid was first since Australian Open, ending a four-match losing streak – began with 3r loss to Kerber in Melbourne, followed by 1r exits at Doha (l. Niculescu), Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Stuttgart (l. Garcia in 3s)
• Withdrew from Dubai and Miami, both due to right forearm injury
• Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (d. No.14 seed Sevastova in 2r, l. Kerber)
• Began season by reaching SF at Shenzhen (l. eventual R-Up Siniakova)

**Career**

• Finished 2017 season at No.60, having played at Stuttgart in April unranked; advanced to SF (l. Mladenovic) and played next event, Madrid, back on WTA Rankings at No.258
• Won 36th career WTA singles title at 2017 Tianjin in October (d. Sabalenka in F)
• In sole Grand Slam appearance of 2017, reached R16 at US Open as a wildcard, falling to Sevastova (upset No.2 Halep in 1r for first win over a Top 10 opponent since d. No.6 Kvitova in 2015 Fed Cup final)
• In 2016, only competed in Australian Open, falling to S Williams in QF following her withdrawal from Brisbane (as defending champion) in opening week of that season w/left forearm injury
• Ended 2015 at No.4 on WTA Rankings for her fifth consecutive Top 5 finish, and ninth overall
• Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane (d. Ivanovic in F) and Rome (d. Suárez Navarro in F) – won at least one title each year between 2003 and 2015 (13 straight years). Owns 36 WTA titles overall (36-23 record in finals), third most among active players, behind S.Williams and V.Williams
• Owns 11 tour-level titles on clay, at one point going 7-0 in clay court finals
• As defending champion, fell in R16 at 2015 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Safarova); advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
• In 2015, appeared at season-ending WTA Finals for eighth time – posted perfect 3-0 record in RR stage (l. Kvitova in SF). Was champion on debut appearance at the season finale in Los Angeles in 2004 (d. S.Williams in F)
• Part of Russian Fed Cup team that finished runners-up to Czech Republic in November 2015, despite winning both rubbers vs. Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova
• Absent from singles (played one doubles match, at 2009 Indian Wells w/Vesnina) from August 2008 to May 2009 (Warsaw) following right shoulder surgery (October 15, 2008)
• On August 22, 2005, became 16th woman (first Russian) to reach No.1; held No.1 ranking for a total of 21 non-consecutive weeks (including four weeks in 2012)

**Other Information**

• Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was released in September 2017
• Started playing at age 4; at age 6 took part in Moscow exhibition that featured Martina Navratilova
• Began training at Bollettieri Academy aged 9 (required two years away from mother due to visa and finances)
Among her business interests is a Brand Ambassador for Porsche and Evian; has a premium candy line, Sugarpova; has a skincare range called Supergoop!

Has a strong following on social media (in 2014 became first tennis player to pass 15 million fans on Facebook)

Currently coached by Thomas Hogstedt since March 2018. The pair last worked together from 2010 to 2013, during which Sharapova completed her Career Grand slam by winning 2012 Roland Garros

OSTAPENKO:

**US Open**

- Making fourth appearance at Flushing Meadows – has equaled her best result here by reaching 3r, having also reached this stage last year (l. Kasatkina)
- Also made 2r in 2015 (l. Errani) and fell 1r in 2016 (l. Kvitova)
- One of two Latvians in play this fortnight, with both winning through to 3r (also Sevastova, advanced to R16 on Friday)
- In 1r on Tuesday, overcame Petkovic in three sets – has now won seven of last eight opening matches at the Slams
- Defeated Townsend in 2r, improving record to 2-1 against US players at Grand Slams: d. Chirico at 2017 Roland Garros, l. V.Williams at 2017 Wimbledon
- Has now won back-to-back matches for the first time since SF run at Wimbledon
- Faces No.22 Sharapova today. Holds 2-3 record vs. Russians this season, having defeated Zvonareva (St. Petersburg) and Diatchenko (Wimbledon), and falling to Makarova (Sydney), Vesnina (Dubai) and Sharapova (Rome)
- Record in Grand Slam 3r matches stands at 3-3 (0-1 at US Open). Advanced to first 3r at a major at 2017 Australian Open before winning the 2017 Roland Garros title
- Entering 2018 US Open, holds a tour-leading 52.9% break point converted rate (as of August 27, 2018)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 14th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), becoming first woman to win her first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open (d. Walsh in F)
- First Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam; previously Ernests Gulbis reached SF at 2014 Roland Garros
- Followed Paris victory by posting her then-second best major result, reaching QF at 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams). Along with S.Williams in 2015, is the only woman in the last 10 years to have followed up victory at Roland Garros with a run to the QF or better at Wimbledon. Before that, Henin also achieved the feat in 2007
- Also the first woman to back up her maiden Slam title with QF or better at next Slam since Kim Clijsters (US Open-Australian Open 2006)
• Improved upon her 2017 result by reaching the SF of Wimbledon in 2018 (l. eventual champion Kerber) becoming the first woman representing Latvia to reach SF at Wimbledon

• Best result to date at Australian Open is reaching 3r in 2017 and 2018; best result at US Open is reaching 3r in 2017

• Fell in 1r at all four majors in 2016, however, reached mixed doubles SF at 2016 Wimbledon (w/Marach, l. eventual champions Kontinen/Watson)

• Won girls’ singles title at 2014 Wimbledon

**Season**

• Made 1r exits at Montréal (l. Konta in 3s) and Cincinnati (l. Cornet in 3s)

• Finished grass court season with 7-2 record, highlighted by SF run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) becoming the first woman representing Latvia to reach last four at Wimbledon

• Enjoyed a QF showing at Eastbourne (l. A.Radwanska) in her lone tune up for Wimbledon

• Suffered 1r upset at Roland Garros as the defending champion (l. Kozlova) – was only sixth player in Open Era to lose in 1r of Grand Slam title defense

• Reached QF at Rome (l. Sharapova 6-7(6) 6-4 7-5 in 3h 11m – sixth longest match of the season)

• Made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Begu) following QF run at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova in 3s)

• Won both singles rubbers (d. Makarova and Pavlyuchenkova in straight sets) to help Latvia beat Russia 3-2 and reach the Fed Cup World Group II for the first time

• Reached her first final of 2018 in Miami (l. Stephens). The result was her best showing at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament. Record in singles finals now stands at 2-4

• At 20 years, 297 days old, became the youngest player to reach Miami final since Azarenka (19 years, 237 days) won the title in 2009

• Saw off No.9 Kvitova in R16 and No.4 Svitolina in Miami QF to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time in her career

• Made 3r exit at Indian Wells (l. Martic); rose to career-high No.5 ranking after the tournament (March 19, 2018)

• Suffered opening match defeat Doha (after 1r bye, l. Buzarnescu in straight sets) and Dubai (l. Vesnina). Bounced back by winning third career WTA doubles title w/Dabrowski (d. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez in F) that week

• Represented Latvia in Fed Cup Europe/Africa Group competition, helping team reach World Group II play-offs for the first time, going 3-1 in singles

• Reached QF at St. Petersburg (l. eventual champion Kvitova)

• Began 2018 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Kr.Pliskova) and Sydney (l. Makarova), before reaching 3r at Australian Open (l. Kontaveit)
**Career**

- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time in her career (at No.7); was No.44 at end of 2016 (first Top 50 finish) and No.79 at end of 2015 (first Top 100 finish)
- Won first tour-level title and maiden Grand Slam trophy at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), where she became the lowest-ranked player (No.47), and first unseeded player, to lift the trophy in the Open Era
- Clinched second tour-level title at Seoul in September (d. Haddad Maia in F) as top seed
- Seoul title helped earn her first-ever qualification at WTA Finals, where she went 1-2 in the group stage – d. Ka.Pliskova; I. V.Williams and Muguruza
- Advanced to third career singles final at 2017 Charleston in April, falling to then fellow 19-year-old Kasatkina; was the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
- Made four additional semifinals in 2017: Auckland (l. eventual champion Davis), Prague (l. Kr.Pliskova), Wuhan (l. Barty) and Beijing (l. Halep)
- Upset Muguruza in QF at 2017 Beijing to register first win over a reigning World No.1
- Reached QF stage at Acapulco (l. eventual champion Tsurenko) and Wimbledon (l. eventual R-Up V.Williams)
- Following run to 3r at 2017 US Open (l. Kasatkina), made her Top 10 debut at No.10 on September 11, 2017
- In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo)
- 2016 season highlight and breakthrough result was reaching final at Premier 5 Doha (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Made Top 40 debut by virtue of reaching final at 2016 Doha
- Represented Latvia at 2016 Rio Olympics, losing 1r in singles (l. Stosur)
- Reached first WTA final of career at 2015 Québec City (l. Beck)
- Ended 2015 at No.79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No.308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second-highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No.370 to No.72 (298 spots)
- Began playing ITF Circuit events in 2012. Has won seven singles and eight doubles titles. Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Tashkent (2r, l. Pervak)
- Latvian Fed Cup Team, 2013-18; Latvian Olympic Team, 2016

**Other Information**

- Works with Glen Schaap (as of June 2018) and her mother, Jelena Jakovleva
- Father is Jevgenijs, half-brother is Maksim Ostapenko (graduated from art academy in Los Angeles and lives there now).
- Previously worked with David Taylor from December 2017 until 2018 Roland Garros
- Introduced to tennis at age five by mother; favorite shots are serve and backhand; favorite surfaces are grass and hard
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams and Ernests Gulbis – watched Gulbis’ QF match at Roland Garros from his box in 2014
- Took ballroom dancing classes for seven years
[13] KIKI BERTENS (NED #13) vs. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #103)

Head to Head: First meeting

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US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

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R1 W - KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #95) 6-0,7-5 70 mins

R2 W - [Q] EUGENIE BOUCHARD (CAN #137) 6-4,6-3 86 mins
R1 W - MONA BARTHEL (GER #111) 6-1,6-4 62 mins

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

KIKI BERTENS

2017
R1 L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #95) 6-3 6-4

2016
R1 L - ANA KONJUH (CRO #92) 6-3 2-6 6-4

2015
R2 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 7-6(5) 6-3

2014
R1 L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #78) 6-7(7) 4-3

2013
R1 L - JIE ZHENG (CHN #56) 6-1 6-3

2012
R2 L - OLGA PUCHKOVA (RUS #143) 6-7 6-2 7-5

2011
R1* L - JESSICA PEGULA (USA #334) 6-3 7-6(1)

MARKETA VONDROUSOVA

2017
R1 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #8) 4-6 6-4 7-6(2)
BERTENS:

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (eighth appearance overall), and has posted best result in New York this year by reaching 3r
- Prior to 2018, best efforts here were 2r in 2012 (I. Puchova) and 2015 (as qualifier, I. S. Williams). Made 1r exits in 2013 (I. Zheng), 2014 (I. Bacsinszky), 2016 (I. Konjuh) and 2017 (I. Sakkari). Fell in 2011 qualifying
- Contesting 2018 US Open on a career-high ranking of No.13 (achieved week of August 20, 2018), while her No.13 seeding this fortnight is her highest at a Slam (up from No.18 at both 2017 and 2018 Roland Garros)
- Has now posted career-best results at three of the Grand Slams this season – in addition to US Open, made QF at 2018 Wimbledon and 3r at 2018 Australian Open
- Enters US Open at No.7 on Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard, and looking to qualify for the season-ending WTA Finals for the first time in singles
- This week, overcame Kr. Pliskova in 1r and qualifier Di Lorenzo in 2r. Having landed Cincinnati title prior to arriving in New York, is currently on an eight-match winning streak. Best win streak of career came with 10 consecutive victories, landing title at 2016 Nürnberg (five wins) then reaching the SF at Roland Garros (five wins)
- Is the first woman from the Netherlands to reach the US Open 3r since Kristie Boogert in 2000 (fell 3r). Last Dutch woman to reach the R16 at US Open was Brenda Schultz-McCarthy, who made the QFs in 1995
- Contesting doubles this fortnight w/Schuurs. Team of Bertens/Schuurs sit eighth on Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard, occupying the last qualifying berth for the WTA Finals
- Owns the most Top 10 wins on WTA tour in 2018, going 10-5 – wins came over No.2 Wozniacki and No.7 Garcia (both Madrid), No.9 V. Williams and No.8 Ka. Pliskova (both Wimbledon), No.9 Ka. Pliskova and No.8 Kvitova (both at Montréal), No.2 Wozniacki, No.7 Svitolina, No.6 Kvitova and No.1 Halep (all at Cincinnati). Prior to 2018, only had three Top 10 wins in her career
- Holds a 17-3 record in North America this season, including wins in 16 of her last 17 matches on the continent

**Grand Slam History**

- Best result across the Slams came with SF run at 2016 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up S. Williams)
- With that result in Paris, became the first Dutch woman to reach SF at Roland Garros since Marijke Schaar in 1971 (l. SF), and at any Slam since Betty Stove at 1977 US Open (l. SF)
- Enjoyed her best result at Wimbledon in 2018 by reaching her second career Grand Slam QF (l. Goerges).
- Became first Dutch woman to reach QF at Wimbledon since Krajicek in 2007
- In 2018 has reached 3r for first time at both Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and US Open (plays Vondrousova today)
- In 2018, garnered multiple wins at four Grand Slams in the same season for the first time in her career (3r at Australian Open, 3r at Roland Garros, QF at Wimbledon and now 3r at US Open)
- Is a two-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist in doubles, at 2015 Australian Open (w/Larsson, l. Goerges/Groenefeld) and 2016 Roland Garros (w/Larsson, l. eventual champions Garcia/Mladenovic)
**Season**

- Coming off landing biggest title of career at Premier-5 Cincinnati (d. World No.1 Halep in F, for first win over reigning No.1)
- Having also defeated No.2 Wozniacki en route, is first player to defeat the World No.1 and World No.2 at tournament since Muguruza at 2017 Cincinnati (d. No.1 Ka.Pliskova and No.2 Halep)
- Was third singles final of the season after Charleston (Won) and Madrid (R-Up)
- Now owns career 6-2 record in WTA finals with pre-2018 titles coming at 2012 Fès, 2016 Nürnberg, 2017 Nürnberg and 2017 Gstaad
- First unseeded player to win the Cincinnati title since Zvonareva in 2006; also first Dutch player – man or woman – to reach the singles final in Cincinnati
- Post-Cincinnati, withdrew from New Haven w/illness
- Enjoyed a QF run in Montréal (l. Barty) for yet another career-best result at a tournament this summer. Defeated No.9 Ka.pliskova and No.8 Kvitova along the way, giving her four Top 10 victories across two consecutive tournaments (Wimbledon and Montréal)
- Achieved her best result at Wimbledon by reaching QF (l. Goerges) becoming the first Dutch woman to reach QF at Wimbledon since Krajicek in 2007
- Entered Wimbledon after 2r exits at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. Buzarnescu in 3s) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Flipkens). Also R-Up in doubles at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (w/Flipkens, l. Mertens/Schuurs)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Kerber), improving her record in Paris to 11-7, her best Grand Slam win-loss record
- Made QF run at Nürnberg (as defending champion, l. Flipkens) after suffering 1r exit at Rome (l. Sakkari)
- Advanced to first Premier Mandatory Final at Madrid (l. Kvitova in F)
- Previous best Premier Mandatory showing was QF run at Madrid in 2017 (l. Sevastova)
- Defeated No.17 Sevastova, No.2 Wozniacki and No.7 Garcia en route to Madrid final
- Made 1r exit at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Landed her first at Premier level title on the green clay of Charleston (d. Goerges in F)
- Posted 3r showing at Miami (l. V.Williams after holding 3mp). After 1r bye, beat Lepchenko in 2r to end four-match losing streak
- Fell 2r at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. S.Williams in the American’s first competitive comeback following pregnancy)
- Made 1r exit at Dubai (l. Wang). Forced to withdraw from Doha the week prior w/illness
- Suffered 1r exit at St Peters burg (l. Zvonareva via ret. w/illness)
- Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki), for best result of career so far in Melbourne
- Entered Australian Open following a 2r exit at Sydney (l. No.3 Muguruza)
In opening tournament of season fell 1r at Brisbane (l. Konjuh in straight sets); however, teamed up with compatriot Schuurs to win 10th career doubles title (d. Klepac/ Martínez Sánchez in F)

**Career**

- Ended 2017 at No.31, down from career-best year-end finish of No.22 in 2016
- Season highlights in 2017 were winning titles at Nürnberg (as defending champion, d. Krejcikova in F) and Gstaad (d. Kontaveit in F, having finished R-Up there in 2016)
- Was one of nine players to win at least two titles in 2017, along with Konta (Sydney, Miami), Muguruza (Wimbledon, Cincinnati), Ostapenko (Roland Garros, Seoul), Pavlyuchenkova (Monterrey, Rabat), Ka.Pliskova (Brisbane, Doha, Eastbourne), Siniakova (Shenzhen, Bastad), Svitolina (Taipei City, Dubai, Istanbul, Rome, Toronto) and Wozniacki (Tokyo [PPO], WTA Finals)
- Posted strong SF run at 2017 Rome (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and reached QF at Madrid (l. Sevastova), which marked first QF at Premier Mandatory level. As a result, posted a then-career-high singles ranking of No.18 (May 29, 2017)
- Added four WTA doubles titles to her haul in 2017: Auckland, Gstaad, Seoul and Linz (all w/Larsson)
- Career-high doubles ranking is No.16 (first reached on April 16, 2018)
- Qualified for her first WTA Finals in Singapore in 2017 (w/Larsson), advancing to the final (l. Babos/Sestini Hlavackova), defeating defending champions Makarova/Vesnina en route
- Finished 2016 ranked No.22 in singles – big jump in the rankings from her season-ending ranking of No.101 in 2015
- Reached third WTA singles final at 2016 Gstaad (as qualifier, l. Golubic, d. No.17 Bacsinszky en route)
- In 2016, qualified for the WTA Elite Trophy and went 0-2 in singles – falling to Svitolina and Vesnina
- Played on Netherlands Olympic team at 2016 Rio Olympics – fell in 1r (l. Errani)
- Made a clean sweep of titles at 2016 Nürnberg, claiming the singles (as qualifier, d. Duque-Mariño) and doubles (w/Larsson, d. Aoyama/Voracova). The last qualifier to win a singles title prior to this was Vandeweghe at 2014 ’s-Hertogenbosch
- Won maiden career singles title at 2012 Fès as a qualifier (d. Pous-Tio in F) in just her second main draw appearance
- Owns 10 doubles titles: Hobart and Bastad in 2015, Nürnberg, Linz and Luxembourg in 2016, Auckland, Gstaad, Seoul, Linz (all w/Larsson) in 2017 and Brisbane (w/Schuurs) in 2018
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2011 ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. 1r)
- Played first event of career on ITF Circuit in the Netherlands in 2006; has won seven singles titles and 11 doubles titles at this level
Other Information

- Coached by former ATP player Raemon Sluiter, although during title run at 2018 Charleston worked with former WTA player Elise Tamaela
- Parents are Rob and Doré; sisters are Joyce and Daisy
- Started playing at age 6. Tennis idol growing up was Kim Clijsters

VONDROUSOVA:

US Open

- Making second appearance at US Open, and has achieved best Grand Slam result this week by advancing to 3r
- On main draw debut here in 2017, fell 1r (l. Kuznetsova)
- 2018 US Open marks just seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance, and run this week betters 2r efforts at 2017 Roland Garros and 2018 Australian Open
- This week, dispatched Barthel in 1r and in-form qualifier Bouchard in 2r – the Canadian hadn't dropped a set in four matches and only lost 11 games, however Vondrousova won in straight sets
- One of six Czechs through to 3r (also Kvitova, Muchova, Ka.Pliskova, Siniakova and Strycova) – the highest number to reach this stage in New York in the Open Era
- Faces No.13 Bertens today – owns three Top 20 wins in career, over No.18 Strycova (2017 Biel), No.11 Konta (2018 Indian Wells) and No.11 Goerges (2018 Stuttgart)
- The youngest of two teenagers remaining in draw (also Kenin)

Grand Slam History

- Made Grand Slam debut at 2017 Roland Garros, where she advanced to 2r. Has also reached 2r at 2018 Australian Open
- Fell 1r on debut at Wimbledon and US Open in 2017
- Reached doubles QF at 2017 Wimbledon (w/Bellis, l. eventual finalists H.Chan/Niculescu)
- In juniors won doubles at Australian Open and Roland Garros in 2015 (both w/Kolodziejova). In singles, was semifinalist at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon

Season

- Coming off falling in New Haven qualifying and 1r exit at Cincinnati (l. Barty)
- During mid-season clay swing, made SFs at Gstaad (l. Minella) and 2r at $100k ITF/Budapest-HUN
- Went winless on grass this season, suffering 1r exits at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Sabalenka), Mallorca (l. Stosur) and Wimbledon (l. Vickery)
- Clay swing culminated in 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Bogdan)
- Made 2r at Stuttgart (as qualifier, l. Svitolinaa). In opening match, defeated No.11 and 2011 Stuttgart champion Goerges for the loss of only four games (6-2 6-2)
- Made 2r exit at Lugano (l. eventual champion Mertens after serving for match in third set)
• Reached R16 on Premier Mandatory debut at Indian Wells (l. Martic) and fell 1r at Miami (l. Y.Wang). Moved to career-high ranking of No.50 after Indian Wells run
• Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Svitolina). Contested qualifying at Dubai
• At 18 years of age was second youngest player to reach 2r at Australian Open (l. Garcia), after 15-year-old Kostyuk who won through to 3r
• Opened season with 1r exit at Auckland (l. Martic) followed by 2r effort at Hobart (l. Vekic)

Career
• Posted first Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.67, having finished 2016 at No.376 – biggest ranking mover into the Top 100 (309 places)
• Made WTA breakthrough by winning International-level title at Biel/Bienne (as qualifier, d. Kontaveit in F). At No.233, was the lowest-ranked title winner in 2017 and aged 17 years, 293 days was the youngest since Konjuh (17 years, 169 days) at 2015 Nottingham
• Also won four singles titles at ITF level in 2017 – most recently at $80k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Muchova in F) – one of four titles at this level in 2017
• In April 2017, made Fed Cup debut during Czech Republic's 3-2 defeat to USA in Florida. Lost opening singles rubber to Vandeweghe before levelling the tie with victory over Davis (USA won the deciding doubles to end Czech Republic's three-year reign as Fed Cup champions)
• Missed second half of 2016 to recover from elbow injury
• Advanced to 2r on tour-level debut at 2016 Prague – as wildcard, l. eventual champion Stosur
• On ITF Circuit, winner of seven singles and four doubles titles
• Made professional debut at 2014 $100k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Suk, l. Brengle in 2r)

Other Information
• Coached by Libor Salaba, Jiri Hrebec and Zdenek Kubik
• Began playing tennis aged four
• Born in Skolov but moved to Prague alone at age 15 to train full-time
• Chose tennis over soccer as she prefers the individual nature of the sport
• Describes herself as quiet and calm
• Tennis idol is Roger Federer
[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #49)

Head to Head: 1-1

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KEYS:

US Open

- Making seventh main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall), where she was R-Up last year
- Lost out to Stephens 12 months ago in the first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Also posted back-to-back R16 finishes here in 2015 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Wozniacki)
- Reached 2r on event debut in 2011 (as WC, l. Safarova) and in 2014 (l. Krunic); other main draw outing saw 1r loss in 2013 (l. Jankovic). Fell in qualifying twice (2010, 2012)
- No.14 seed this fortnight – her 14th consecutive major as a seeded player
- Began 2018 US Open campaign by extending winning streak against French players to nine in a row, including three wins at the Slam level, after dispatching Parmentier in straight sets
- Improved career record vs. fellow Americans at Grand Slams to 10-4 after 2r win over No.92 Pera
- Leading into the US Open, Keys has been one of the strongest serving performers on tour this year, leading in several key categories: No.3 in service points won – 61.6%, No.5 in service games won – 75.1% and No.6 in first serve points won – 69.5%
- A win today would mark her sixth R16 birth of the 2018 season – also, Australian Open, Charleston, Rome, Roland Garros and Cincinnati
- Faces No.49 Krunic in today's 3r matchup – series tied 1-1
- Holds a 3-6 career mark vs. Serbian opponents – last loss was 2015 Cincinnati (Jankovic) and last win was 2016 Australian Open (Ivanovic)
- Has accumulated a solid 10-5 record in 3r Grand Slam matches, including an undefeated 3-0 mark in New York
- One of just four players this year to reach the QFs or better at two of the first three Grand Slams (also, Halep, Kerber and Kasatkina)
- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women in starting field at 2018 US Open

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 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)

**Season**

- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only 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

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

KRunic:

US Open

Making sixth consecutive appearance in Flushing Meadows this week (eighth overall)

Best result here came from a R16 finish in 2014 (l. Azarenka)

Entering US Open, had won a total of four games in last three tournaments (Washington, Montreal and Cincinnati)

Dispatched No.745 Bacsinszky in a three-set 1r thriller before dropping just four games in her 2r victory over No.57 Flipkens

A win today advances the Serbian to her sixth R16 appearance of the season – also, ‘s-Hertogenbosch, Rabat, Istanbul, Budapest and Brisbane

Lone Serbian representative in this year’s US Open draw
• Faces off against No.14 Keys in today’s 3r encounter – series tied 1-1; captured first meeting in three sets at 2014 US Open
• Looking to improve upon 14-16 career record vs. American opponents – is 4-0 vs. USA since 2016 US Open (l. Gibbs)
• Seeking first Top 15 win since defeating No.2 Muguruza at Brisbane this year (ret. in 3s) – also beat defending champion No.16 Vandeweghe en route to title at ‘s-Hertogenbosch
• Is 1-2 in 3r Grand Slam matches, and 1-1 in New York

Grand Slam History

• 2018 US Open marks 14th time contesting the main draw of a Grand Slam – has only progressed beyond 1r three times, at 2017 and 2014 US Open and making 3r at 2015 Wimbledon (d. No.35 Vinci and No.19 Errani, l. V.Williams)
• Best result across the Slams was breakthrough R16 run at 2014 US Open. As qualifier, defeated No.27 Keys and No.4 Kvitova before succumbing to Azarenka in three sets
• Is one of only 10 qualifiers to make R16 or better in US Open history
• At Australian Open, has suffered 1r exits in 2015-16 and 2018, lost opening match in 2015 and 2018 at Roland Garros and at 2018 Wimbledon

Season

• Enters US Open having failed to advance beyond 1r at three hardcourt summer events (Washington, Montreal and Cincinnati)
• Reached 2r of Eastbourne (l. Konta) before making a 1r exit to Brengle at Wimbledon
• Captured first career WTA singles title at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (d. Flipkens in F) to become first Serbian to win a WTA singles title since Jankovic in 2015
• Scored second Top 20 win of the season over No.16 Vandeweghe at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (7-9 career record)
• Reached career-high ranking of No.39 after ‘s-Hertogenbosch run (as at June 18, 2018)
• Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Peng) after 2r showing at Rome (as lucky loser, l. Sevastova)
• Defeated Roberta Vinci in 1r at Rome in what was the Italian’s last professional match of her career
• Advanced to the semifinals in Rabat (l. Tomljanovic) before 1r exit at Madrid (l. Azarenka)
• Posted back-to-back 2r finishes at Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens) and Istanbul (l. Sakkari)
• Suffered 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Begu) and Miami (l. Sakkari)
• Reached 2r at Budapest (l. Larsson) and fell 1r at Doha (l. Strycova)
• Began season with QF run at Brisbane (l. Sevastova) and 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Kontaveit)
• At Brisbane registered third career Top 10 win when No.2 Muguruza retired w/cramping; the Spaniard had led 7-5 5-3 and came within two points of victory
• Previous Top 10 wins came over No.4 Kvitova (2014 US Open) and No.7 Konta (2017 US Open)
**Career**

- Regained Top 100 form for the second time in her career in 2017, finishing as Serbia's No.1 at No.55. Made one of the biggest rankings jumps on tour from the end of 2016, moving up 91 spots from No.146
- Reached first tour-level final at 2017 Guangzhou (l. Zhang) and advanced to two quarterfinals during the season, at Tokyo and Tashkent
- Also added a title at WTA 125K Series event at Bol, Croatia (d. Cadantu in F) and was a finalist at $100k ITF/Manchester-GBR
- Scored second Top 10 victory of career over No.7 Konta in 1r of 2017 US Open (l. Goerges in 3r) – also upset 2017 Roland Garros champion No.12 Ostapenko in 1r at Cincinnati (l. Suárez Navarro in 2r). Previous Top 10 win over No.4 Kvitova at 2014 US Open
- Passed $1 million career prize money milestone in 2016, playing a mix of WTA and ITF Circuit events – best result was a quarterfinal appearance at Rabat
- Made first career Top 100 finish in 2015 at No.96
- Owns two WTA doubles titles – 2014 Tashkent (w/Siniakova) and 2016 Rabat (w/Knoll)
- Made WTA debut at 2011 Budapest and turned pro in 2009
- Made WTA debut at 2011 Budapest
- Made ITF debut at $10k ITF/Prokuplje-SRB in 2008 (won tournament)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of nine singles titles and six doubles titles

**Other Information**

- Coached by Elise Tamaela
- Parents are Bratislav and Ivana (both work for an electrical appliances company); younger sister is Anastasia
- Started playing at age 3. Still considers Moscow her hometown but lives with her grandparents in Serbia
- Tennis idols growing up were Kim Clijsters and Mary Pierce
- Other interests include psychology and criminology; other hobbies include bowling, shopping and driving her car
- Favorite tournament is Baku; favorite Grand Slam is Australian Open
[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) vs. ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33)

Head to Head: NAOMI OSAKA leads 1-0

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OSAKA:

US Open

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows. Advanced to 3r on both previous visits in 2016 (l. Keys in 3s, having led 5-1 in decider) and 2017 (l. Kanepi)
- Upset defending US Open champion and No.6 Kerber in 1r last year, marking first career Top 10 win (previously 0-9)
- Seeded No.20 – her third consecutive major among the seeds (also No.21 at 2018 Roland Garros and No.18 at 2018 Wimbledon). By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.45
- Third youngest title winner this season at 20 years, 4 months and 23 days young at Indian Wells (behind Danilovic and Sabalenka)
- Entering 2018 US Open, has struck the eighth most aces on tour this year – 179, and ranks No.8 on tour in break point conversion rate – 49.3%
- Dropped just five games en route to straight sets 1r victory over No.146 Siegemund
- Swept aside qualifier Glushko in 2r for second fastest complete match of the year – 50 minutes (behind Puig’s 45-min effort at this year’s US Open)
- Has now advanced to the third round of a Grand Slam for the sixth consecutive major – currently the longest active streak on tour
- Faces No.33 Sasnovich in today’s 3r – owns 1-0 edge vs. Belarusian
- Seeking 50th career hardcourt victory today and eighth R16 appearance of the season
- Bidding for first R16 birth at US Open (previously 0-2); is 1-7 in 3r across all Slams
- Lone remaining Japanese woman in the draw, of two to begin the fortnight (also Nara, who lost to Mertens in 1r)
- From her efforts this week, will pass USD $2 million in prize money for the season – currently ranked No.10 on 2018 prize money list

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 11th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19 yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)

Season

- Started North American hard court season with 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Linette), followed by 1r exits at Montréal (l. Suárez Navarro) and Cincinnati (l. Sakkari)
- For fifth consecutive major made 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
Opened grass season with SF run at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) before making 2r at Birmingham (ret. vs. Jakupovic w/abdominal injury). Withdrew from Eastbourne with same injury

Advanced to 3r at Roland Garros (l. Keys)

Also on clay, reached 2r at Rome (l. Halep) and made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Zhang) following R16 showing at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)

Holds a 6-9 record vs. Top 20 players this season, with wins over No.19 Vesnina and No.17 Barty (Australian Open), No.14 Mladenovic (Dubai), and No.5 Ka.Pliskova, No.1 Halep and No.19 Kasatkina (en route to Indian Wells title)

Made 2r exit at Miami Open (l. No.4 seed Svitolina). Defeated eight-time Miami Open champion, S.Williams in 1r, becoming just the seventh woman to defeat Williams in Key Biscayne and first to do so before the R16

Prior to Miami 2r loss to Svitolina, was on eight-match winning streak after claiming first WTA title at Indian Wells

En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and Grand Slam finalists A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep without dropping a set. Only set dropped all week was against Sakkari in R16

That eight-match win streak included victories over four players who have held the No.1 ranking (S. Williams, Ka. Pliskova, Sharapova and current No.1, Halep) as well as a former No.2 (A.Radwanska), along with emerging talents Sakkari and Kasatkina

Owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (defeated Halep at 2018 Indian Wells and lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)

Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Sevastova) and QF in Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

Reached R16 at a Slam for the first time at Australian Open – d. Kucova and seeds No.16 Vesnina and No.18 Barty en route before falling to eventual runner-up and World No.1 Halep

Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Hobart (l. Putintseva); also played at Hopman Cup (went 1-1 in singles)

**Career**

Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1

Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open

Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win

Overall owns three wins over Top 5 players: No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (both at 2018 Indian Wells) and No.5 V.Williams (at 2017 Hong Kong)

Finished 2016 at then career-high ranking of No.40, which was her first Top 200 finish; voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year

Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open. Received direct entry into 2016 Wimbledon but withdrew w/right knee injury

Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)
• Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins in the process), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
• Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

**Other Information**

• Currently coached by Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki and Serena Williams. Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
• Since taking over the reins, Bajin has used his experience to help Naomi climb from No.68 to start the season to No.19 – having reached a career-high ranking of No.17 in July. Under his tutelage, she became the first Japanese woman to win a Premier Mandatory-level title and now owns a 30-15 record on the season (across all levels)
• Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship. Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
• At end of 2016, signed sponsorship deals with broadcaster WOWOW and food brand Nissin
• Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
• Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour

**SASNOVICH:**

**US Open**

• Making fifth career main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week
• Today’s 3r birth marks best result here, after advancing to 2r in 2014 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Barty)
• Entered this fortnight with a career-high singles ranking of No.33 in the world (as of August, 27, 2018)
• Began 2018 US Open campaign with three-set 1r victory over Bencic – marking the 40th main draw hardcourt win and 25th three-set win of her career
• She is currently tied for second on tour in tiebreak sets won this season with 10 (also, Ostapenko)
• From this week’s results, this is the first time she has reached at least the 2r of all majors in the same year, having also made 3r at Australian Open, 2r at Roland Garros and R16 at Wimbledon
• Scored her 35th career win over Russian opposition in 2r upset over No.11 Kasatkina
• Having yet to be seeded at a Grand Slam, she has knocked out a seed at three of the four Slams this year: Australian Open – ranked No.56, d. No.28 Lucic-Baroni, Wimbledon – ranked No.50, d. No.8 Kvitova and No.26 Gavrilova and US Open – ranked No.37, d. No.11 Kasatkina
• Alongside Azarenka and Sabalenka, this is the first time in the Open Era that Belarus has had three players in the third round of a Grand Slam
• Squares off against No.19 Osaka in today’s 3r matchup – 0-1 in head-to-head meetings
• Bidding for seventh R16 appearance of 2018 and first in New York
• Is 1-1 in 3r Grand Slam matches

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 15th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
• Best Grand Slam result is R16 run at 2018 Wimbledon (d. No.8 Kvitova in 1r, l. Ostapenko)
• Also posted 3r run at 2018 Australian Open (l. Garcia) and reached 2r at US Open in 2014 (as qualifier on Grand Slam debut, l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki), 2017 and 2018, and at Roland Garros in 2017 and 2018

**Season**

• In US Open lead-up events, posted R16 finish as a qualifier in New Haven (l. Garcia) after a 1r exit at Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Kuzmova)
• Made SF at Moscow [River Cup] (l. eventual champion Danilovic)
• Reached first Grand Slam R16 at Wimbledon (l. Ostapenko). In 1r, upset No.8 Kvitova to score second career Top 10 win (also No.6 Ka.Pliskova at 2016 Tokyo [PPO])
• Other results on grass were 1r exits at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe) and Mallorca (l. Lottner)
• Clay season culminated with 2r showing at Roland Garros (l. Bertens)
• Reached 2r at Madrid (l. Kontaveit) and fell in qualifying at Rome (l. Barthel)
• Opened clay swing by reaching 2r at Lugano (l. Flipkens) before 1r exit at Prague (l. Kr.Pliskova)
• Went 1-1 in singles in April's Fed Cup play-offs vs. Slovakia (d. Cepelova, l. Kuzmova)
• Won back-to-back matches at Premier Mandatory level for first time to reach 3r at Indian Wells (l. Wozniacki) before reaching 2r at Miami (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
• Fell 2r at Budapest (l. Martic)
• Lost opening day singles rubber to Lottner during Belarus's Fed Cup World Group I defeat to Germany in February
• At Australian Open, advanced to 3r of a major for first time (l. Garcia). Afterwards, broke into Top 50 for first time at No.46 (week of January 29, 2018)
• Reached second career WTA final and first at a Premier tournament at Brisbane, as a qualifier – defeated No.11 Mladenovic and No.16 Sevastova en route to final (l. No.6 Svitolina)

**Career**

• Posted career-best season finish in 2017 at No.87 – the first Top 100 finish of her career. Highlights for the year included SF run at International-level Biel and QF appearance at Premier-level Moscow
• Also in 2017, played all three ties during Belarus' run to its first Fed Cup final – posted 5-1 record, including win over No.13 Stephens in final
• 2016 season was highlighted by QF run at Tokyo [PPO] – won three rounds of qualifying before defeating Wickmayer in 1r and No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 2r; lost to eventual finalist Osaka
• 2015 highlight was reaching first WTA final, at Seoul (as qualifier, l. Begu) – one of four qualifiers to reach a WTA final in 2015 (all finished R-Up)
• Made Top 100 debut on September 8, 2015 (after US Open; rose from No.120 to No.97)
• In 2014 season won 11th and most recent singles title on ITF Circuit. Also owns seven ITF doubles titles
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Brussels; made WTA main draw debut at 2014 US Open
• Played first event of career at 2009 ITF/Minsk 2-BLR

**Other Information**

• Coached by Aliaksandr Leniuchau
• Started playing at age 9; introduced to sport by father
• Practiced Taekwondo for a couple of years when she was younger
KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #54) vs. LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36)

Head to Head: First meeting

**US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018**

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

### KATERINA SINIAKOVA

- **2017**
  - R1: L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #4) 6-0 6-7(5) 6-3
  - R2: L - CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #33) 4-6 6-4 6-4

- **2015**
  - R1: L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #15) 6-2 6-3

- **2014**
  - R3*: L - ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #145) 7-6 0-6 6-0

### LESIA TSURENKO

- **2017**
  - R1: L - YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #129) 6-3 6-1

- **2016**
  - R16: L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #8) 7-6(5) 6-2

- **2015**
  - R2: L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #46) 7-6(7) 6-2

- **2014**
  - R1: L - ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #48) 6-1 6-2

- **2013**
  - R1: L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #41) 6-3 2-6 6-4

- **2012**
  - R1: L - CASEY DELLACQUA (AUS #92) 6-2 6-3

- **2011**
  - R1*: L - MICHELLE LARCHER DE BRITO (POR #181) 7-6(4) 4-6 7-6(3)

* Qualifying match

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SINIAKOVA:

**US Open**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open (fifth overall), where she is through to 3r for the first time
- Reached 2r in 2016 (d. Bouchard, l. Garcia); fell in 1r on event debut in 2015 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2017 (l. Svitolina), and in final round of qualifying in 2014
- Upset No.28 seed Kontaveit in 1r, after coming within two points of defeat at 5-4 down in the final set – her first win on hard courts this summer, snapping a four-match losing streak
- Came back from the brink again in 2r against Tomljanovic, saving 1mp before triumphing in a third-set tie-break
- Has now played 21 three-set matches in 2018 – only Sabalenka (24) has taken part in more this season (Kvitova also has 21)
- Win over Tomljanovic was her seventh at the majors in 2018 (also reached 3r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon, and 2r at Australian Open). By contrast, entering the season, had won four matches at this level across entire career
- Faces Tsurenko today in one of two 3r match-ups between unseeded players (also Kanepi vs. Peterson in top half)
- Owns 0-3 record in Grand Slam 3r matches. Previously fell at this hurdle at 2016 Wimbledon (l. A.Radwanska), 2018 Roland Garros (l. Strycova) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Giorgi)
- One of a tournament-leading six Czech women to reach 3r (also Kvitova, Muchova, Ka.Pliskova, Strycova and Vondrousova)
- Playing doubles as No.1 seeds this fortnight w/Krejcikova (face 2016 champions Mattek-Sands/Safarova in 2r) – will claim doubles No.1 ranking for first time by winning the title

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 17th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best results to date are 3r runs at Wimbledon in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2018 (l. Giorgi), Roland Garros in 2018 (l. Strycova) and US Open in 2018 (plays Tsurenko today)
- Only other wins came during 2r showings at 2015 and 2018 Australian Open and 2016 US Open
- In doubles, lifted first two Grand Slam trophies at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Hozumi/Ninomiya in F) and 2018 Wimbledon (d. Melichar/Peschke in F) both w/Krejcikova – the first pairing to complete the Roland Garros-Wimbledon double since Kim Clijsters and Ai Sugiyama in 2003. Became the first team ever to win the girls’ (2013) and ladies’ (2018) doubles title at Wimbledon
- Also reached championship match at 2017 US Open (w/Hradecka, l. Chan/Hingis)
Junior highlights included R-Up in singles at 2013 Australian Open (l. Konjuh) and three Grand Slam doubles titles at 2013 Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open (all w/Krejcikova)

**Season**
- Fell 1r at both North American hard court tournaments, at Montréal (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Cincinnati (l. Peterson)
- Made 1r exit at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Kr.Pliskova) and produced 2r showing at $80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE (l. Mrdeza)
- Matched her best result at Wimbledon – and across all Slams – by reaching 3r (l. Giorgi - held match point in second set)
- Tasted success in doubles at Wimbledon, lifting the title w/Krejcikova - team are the first pairing to complete the Roland Garros-Wimbledon double since Kim Clijsters and Ai Sugiyama won both titles in 2003
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.2 on July 16, 2018 following Wimbledon
- Made 1r exit at Birmingham (l. Mladenovic in 3s)
- Enjoyed a successful fortnight at Roland Garros, matching best Grand Slam singles run by reaching 3r (l. Strycova) and lifting doubles title (w/Krejcikova, d. Hozumi/Ninomiya in F)
- Defeated two-time Australian Open winner Azarenka in 1r at Paris – her first victory over a major champion at a Grand Slam tournament
- Made SF run at Nürnberg (l. eventual champion Larsson). Fell in Rome qualifying
- Opened clay court swing with 1r exit at Charleston (l. Kr.Pliskova), then posted 1r exit in Madrid (l. Cirstea) and reached QF in Prague (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- During “Sunshine Double“, reached 2r at Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and fell 1r at Miami (l. Larsson). Did reach Miami final in doubles (w/Krejcikova, l. Barty/Vandeweghe)
- Fell 1r at Doha (l. Osaka) and made QF at St. Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Mladenovic)
- Suffered 2r exit at Australian Open (d. Sakkari in 1r, l. Svitolina)
- Fell 1r at Hobart (l. Riske) after a R-Up finish at Shenzhen (as defending champion, l. Halep in F). Also reached doubles final at Shenzhen (w/Krejcikova, l. Begu/Halep)

**Career**
- Achieved second straight Top 50 finish in 2017 (at No.49) – also finished at No.49 in 2016
- Won first tour-level titles in 2017, at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F) and Bastad (d. Wozniacki in F). Earned first Top 5 win of career over No.4 Halep en route to Shenzhen title
- Career record in singles finals stands at 2-3
- Was one of nine players to win at least two titles in 2017, along with Bertens (Nürnberg, Gstaad), Konta (Sydney, Miami), Muguruza (Wimbledon, Cincinnati), Ostapenko (Roland Garros, Seoul), Pavlyuchenkova (Monterrey, Rabat, Hong Kong), Ka.Pliskova (Brisbane, Doha, Eastbourne), Svitolina (Taipei City, Dubai, Istanbul, Rome, Toronto) and Wozniacki (Tokyo [PPO], WTA Finals)
- Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.36 on April 3, 2017
• Scored all three career Top 10 wins during 2017 season, over No.4 Halep and No.10 Konta (both Shenzhen) and No.6 Wozniacki (Bastad)
• Enjoyed successful 2017 season in doubles, reaching five finals at Taipei City, Indian Wells, Charleston, Prague and US Open, and SF at Roland Garros (all w/Hradecka); owns 4-9 career record in doubles finals
• Earned first-ever qualification in doubles at WTA Finals in Singapore in 2017 (w/Hradecka), but forced to withdraw due to injury from Hradecka
• Outside of two singles titles won in 2017, won back-to-back matches on two occasions: Indian Wells (l. Wozniacki in 3r) and Prague (l. Strycova in QF)
• 2016 season highlights included reaching first two WTA finals of career, at Bastad (as qualifier, l. Siegemund) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. McHale)
• At Premier level, best result of career to date is reaching SF at 2014 Moscow (as qualifier, d. Giorgi in QF, l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova in SF)
• Broke into Top 100 after that Moscow run and ended 2014 at No.74 for first Top 100 finish
• On ITF Circuit has won seven singles titles and five doubles titles
• Won WTA 125K Series doubles title at 2014 Limoges (w/Voracova)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami (l. Muguruza)
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2012

Other Information
• Currently coached by Iain Hughes and father, Dmitri Siniakov (a businessman); has also worked with WTA legend Helena Sukova
• Mother's name is Hana Siniakova (accountant); younger brother is Daniel
• Started playing tennis at age five; all-court player; favorite surface is hardcourt; favorite tournament is Australian Open
• Goal is to be World No.1

TSURENKO:

US Open
• Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth overall)
• Broke serve five times to defeat Van Uytvanck in 1r – result means that she has advanced beyond 1r at all four majors in a calendar year for the first time (also reached R16 at Roland Garros and 2r at both Australian Open and Wimbledon)
• Upset No.2 Wozniacki in 2r to score her seventh career Top 10 win (all on hard courts). Previous wins came over No.7 Bouchard and No.10 Petkovic (2015 Indian Wells), No.9 Muguruza (2015 Toronto), No.8 Ka.Pliskova (2015 New Haven), No.6 Safarova (2015 US Open) and No.9 Muguruza (2018 Cincinnati)

• Grand Slam win-loss record now stands at 22-28

• Faces Siniakova in 2r today. Owns 1-4 win-loss record against Czechs at Grand Slam level, although solitary win did come in New York, against Safarova in 2015

• Record in 3r matches at the majors stands at 2-3 (1-0 at US Open)

• One of two Ukrainians to reach 3r (also Svitolina) – marks the third time this year that two Ukrainians have advanced to the third round

   **Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Equaled best Grand Slam result to date by advancing to R16 at 2018 Roland Garros (ret. vs Muguruza w/leg injury), having also reached this stage at 2016 US Open (l. Vinci)

• During 2016 Flushing Meadows run, was joined in 3r by compatriots Svitolina and K.Bondarenko – first time three Ukrainians made 3r at the same Grand Slam – however she was the only one to advance to R16

• Has been to 3r – but no further – at Australian Open (2013) and Wimbledon (2017)

   **Season**

• Reached fourth QF of the season at Cincinnati (d. No.9 Muguruza in 2r, l. No.1 Halep); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s – also l. Kerber (2017 Australian Open and 2017 Fed Cup) and Muguruza (2017 Wuhan)

• Made 2r exit at Montréal (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/low back injury)

• On grass, fell to Strycova at both events, in QF at Birmingham (ret. w/hip injury) and 2r at Wimbledon

• Reached R16 for first time at Roland Garros (ret. vs. Muguruza w/leg injury)

• Did not win a match on clay entering Roland Garros, falling 1r at both Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Rome (l. Martic)

• Posted 1-1 record (d. Andreescu, l. Bouchard) during 3-2 defeat by Canada in World Group II play-offs in April

• Reached 2r at Monterrey (w/o to Collins w/toe injury)

• Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Arruabarrena) and Miami (l. Tomljanovic)

• Successfully defended her title at Acapulco (d. Voegele in F), improving her record in finals to a perfect 4-0

• Made back-to-back 1r exits at Doha (l. Buzarnescu) and Dubai (as qualifier, l. Errani)

• Reached 2r at Australian Open (d. Vikhlyantseva, l. A.Radwanska in 3s)

• Opened season with 2r run at Brisbane (d. 17 Barty in 1r, l. Kanepi) before reaching SF stage at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu)
Career

- Posted second Top 50 season in 2017, at No.42; also fifth straight Top 100 year-end finish
- 2017 season highlighted by third career singles title at Acapulco (d. Mladenovic in F). Also reached SF at Hobart and 's-Hertogenbosch and QF at Stanford and Moscow. Has won titles in four consecutive seasons after 2015 Istanbul (d. U.Radwanska in F), 2016 Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F) and Acapulco in 2017 and 2018
- Achieved career-high singles ranking of No.29 on July 17, 2017
- 2016 season highlighted by winning second WTA singles title at Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F); also suffered 11 1r losses in 2016, including at three of the majors – Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- During the summer of 2016, a left thigh injury forced her withdrawal from Stanford, Montréal, Florianopolis and Rio Olympics
- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2015, finishing year at a career-high ranking of No.33, having started at No.88. Won title at Istanbul and finished season with SF run at Moscow (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova); marked third Premier-level SF appearance of career (after 2013 Brisbane and 2015 New Haven)
- Member of Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2011-13 and 2015-18
- Winner of six singles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2007; made WTA main draw debut at 2009 Tashkent

Other Information

- Coached this fortnight by Adriano Albanesi
- Only played tennis occasionally and for fun between ages 14-17; moved to Kiev at 17 to play more seriously
- Studied at Physical Education & Sports Institute for one and a half years (no longer studying; hopes to return one day)
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2018 US OPEN – DAY FIVE FEATURED MATCHES

[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79)

Azarenka leads 3-2
Stephens aims for her third win of the season over the Belarusian after back-to-back victories at Indian Wells and Miami…Along with Sabalenka and Sasnovich, this marks the first time in the Open Era that Belarus has three players in the third round of a Grand Slam

QIANG WANG (CHN #52) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

Svitolina leads 2-0
Last remaining Chinese woman in this year's draw; her progress this week has ensured a Chinese woman through to the third round at the US Open for the third consecutive year…A win today would match Svitolina's best result here in New York, after last year’s Round of 16 finish

SOFIA KENIN (USA #65) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Pliskova leads 1-0
Kenin is one of two 19-year-olds (also Vondrousova) into the third round of this year's US Open…Pliskova is into her fifth-straight Grand Slam third round

[23] BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #23) vs. [15] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #15)

First career meeting
With her results this week, Strycova has now reached at least the third round at all the Slams in a season for the first time in her career…Mertens is the first woman from Belgium to advance to the third round of the US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer and Clijsters)

[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. [16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)

Serena leads 17-12
This marks the 30th career meeting between the Williams sisters…Serena’s earliest exit at the US Open came against Spirlea in the third round in 1998…Venus’ second round win marked her 775th career main draw victory…She now stands just two matches away from playing in her 600th career hardcourt match

[Q] KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #202) vs. [18] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #17)

First career meeting
By reaching the third round, Muchova is guaranteed to earn USD $156,000 in prize money, more than doubling her career total…Barty has now won 12 of her last 15 matches on hardcourts and ranks second on tour this year for percentage of service games won (78.2%)
EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #45) vs. [19] ANASTASIIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)

Makarova leads 3-0

With her second round win over No.9 seeded Goerges, Makarova now ranks in the Top 4 among active players for most Top 10 wins at Grand Slams (13)...Sevastova is bidding to win three-consecutive matches at the same tournament for the sixth time this season

KAIA KANEPI (EST #44) vs. REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #61)

First career meeting

With her second round win, Kanepi registered back-to-back victories for the first time since her third round run in January at the Australian Open...Peterson is bidding to become the first Swedish woman to reach the Round of 16 at the US Open since Carlsson in 1996
SERENA vs VENUS

EPISODE XXX
- BY THE NUMBERS –

THE RIVALRY

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- The Williams sisters first met at the 1998 Australian Open when Venus, then 17 years old, defeated her younger sister Serena (16 years old) in the second round
- Serena has won eight of the last 10 meetings and leads 7-4 in three-set matches
- She also leads 9-5 in tiebreaks, with three of those coming in a deciding third set. Serena won two of them
- The winner of the first set has won all but four encounters
- They have met three times with one of them ranked No.1 in the world and the other No.2, with Serena winning all three of those match-ups

OPEN ERA – MOST GRAND SLAM MEETINGS

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- Serena’s six titles are tied with Chris Evert for most in the Open Era at the US Open
- Venus is making her 80th career Grand Slam main draw appearance this week, the most among all women in the Open Era
- Venus’ 20 appearances at the US Open are the most among active players, and joint second (w/Amy Frazier) in the Open Era, after Martina Navratilova (21)
- Serena’s US Open win total (91) is the most among all active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12)
- The Williams sisters are in the top three among active players in winning percentage on hard courts – No.1 Serena (486-79 - .860) and No.3 Venus (464-134 - .776)

BATTLING THE RED, WHITE & BLUE
- VS FELLOW AMERICANS -

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- Serena’s last loss to an American at the Grand Slam level was to Sloane Stephens in the QFs of the 2013 Australian Open
- Her last loss to a fellow compatriot at Flushing Meadows was to her sister, Venus, in the R16 of the 2005 US Open
- Both sisters have only lost once in the third round of the US Open – Serena falling to Spirlea in 1998 and Venus losing to Errani in 2014
- Serena is 57-8 in Grand Slam third round matches (16-1 in New York), while Venus is 49-11 across all the Slams (14-1 at US Open)

CAREER COMPARISON

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^ Both Serena and Venus own 4 gold medals, 3 in doubles and one each in singles (Venus in 2000 Sydney; Serena in 2012 London)
[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79)

Head to Head: VICTORIA AZARENKA leads 3-2

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STEPHENS:

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall, having fallen in qualifying on three occasions), where she is defending champion
- At 2017 tournament, capped historic summer comeback by upsetting Cibulkova, V.Williams and Keys to become the fifth unseeded woman (ranked No.83) in the Open Era to win a major, doing so just 69 days after returning from an 11-month injury lay-off, and six weeks since her ranking dropped to No.957
- Previous best showing at Flushing Meadows was 2013’s R16 run (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Missed 2016 US Open due to right foot injury
- Enters play at a career-high No.3 ranking, first set on July 16, 2018
- Also seeded No.3 – her highest seeding at a major (previously No.4 at 2018 Wimbledon). The US Open has been won by the No.3 seed six times in the Open Era, most recently by Sharapova in 2006
- Has produced one of the biggest ranking jumps on tour from last year at this time – climbing 80 spots from No.83 to No.3
- Entering 2018 US Open, holds a tour-leading 68.9 first serve percentage (as of August 27, 2018)
- Began title defense by breaking serve four times in straight-sets win over Rodina on the newly renovated Louis Armstrong Stadium; heading into 2018 US Open, ranked second on tour (behind Halep) for percentage won in both return points (48.1%) and return games (46.3%)
- Survived 2r scare against qualifier Kalinina. Now owns 9-1 record against qualifiers in Grand Slams, with sole defeat coming against Q.Wang at 2016 Australian Open
- Faces wildcard Azarenka today in their third meeting of the season (sixth career meeting), triumphing on both occasions in 2018 at Indian Wells and Miami
- Owns 10-6 record in Grand Slam 3r matches (2-2 at US Open). Aiming to reach 11th career Grand Slam R16
- Since 1r exit at Australian Open this January, has posted 29-11 win-loss record
- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women to begin the tournament
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked Grand Slam champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Grand Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Was one of four American women to reach SF at 2017 Flushing Meadows (also Keys, Vandeweghe and V.Williams) – the sixth time in the Open Era that four Americans have contested the final four at a major
- Also R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result to date across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Along with Makarova, is one of only two players who've never held the No.1 ranking, but have managed to beat both V.Williams (2015 Roland Garros and 2017 US Open) and S.Williams (whom she defeated at 2013 Australian Open) at Grand Slam level
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to defeat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
- Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)
- Won junior doubles titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open in 2010 (all w/Babos)

**Season**

- In final pre-US Open tournament, posted R16 showing at Cincinnati (l. Mertens)
- Began North American hard court season with R-Up finish at Montréal (l. Halep) and 2r exit at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). Career record in singles finals now stands at 6-2
- Fell in 1r at Wimbledon (l.Vekic) in her only appearance on grass this season
- Finished clay court season by reaching second Grand Slam final at Roland Garros (l. Halep in 3s). Rose to then career-high No.4 after run in Paris
- Other clay results were R16 runs at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Garcia), and 1r exits at Nürnberg (as WC, l. Putintseva) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Mladenovic and Parmentier) during defending champion USA's 3-2 Fed Cup semifinal win over France. Will face Czech Republic in November’s final
- Lifted first Premier-mandatory title at Miami (d. Ostapenko in F). Subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 following her title run at Key Biscayne
- Helped make history in Miami as the USA provided the winners in all four events (Stephens, Vandeweghe, Isner and Bryan brothers)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells. Defeated former No.1 Azarenka in 2r before falling to eventual R-Up Kasatkina
• Enjoyed a QF run at Acapulco (d. Parmentier and Rus, l. eventual R-Up Voegele)
• Dropped her 1r match at Australian Open (l. Zhang) and Sydney (l. Giorgi) to start the 2018 season
• Withdrawn from Brisbane w/left knee injury

Career

• Posted second-best year-end finish at No.13 in 2017, one off career-high of No.12 in 2013
• Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
• Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines with foot injury, having had surgery in January
• After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati
• Prior to 2017 Wimbledon, last match came at 2016 Rio Olympics
• Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F)
• Owns a six wins vs. Top 5 players: No.5 Ostapenko (2018 Miami), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Miami), No.3 Kerber (2017 Toronto), No.2 Kerber (2016 Charleston via ret. w/viral illness), No.3 Sharapova (2013 Cincinnati) and No.3 S. Williams (2013 Australian Open)
• At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
• Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches across the season
• Played first WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami and first WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier ranked No.747, fell 2r, l. Zvonareva)
• Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit

Other Information

• Mother is Sybil Smith a former collegiate swimmer at Boston University and late father, John Stephens, was an NFL player in 1980s and 1990s; brother is Shawn Farrell
• Started playing tennis at the age of nine, at the Sierra Sport and Racquet Club, in Fresno, California. Two years later relocated from Fresno to Boca Raton, Florida, where she began training at the Evert Tennis Academy before moving to Nick Saviano High Performance Tennis Academy
• Coached by Kamau Murray (started working together in January 2016). Worked with Nick Saviano in 2015
AZARENKA:

**US Open**

- Making 11th appearance at the US Open and first since giving birth to her son Leo in 2016
- Two-time runner-up, in 2012 (l. S.Williams in 3s) and 2013 (l. S.Williams in 3s)
- Fell in QF in 2014 (l. Makarova) and 2015 (l. Halep)
- US Open junior champion in 2005; bidding to become only the second player after Lindsay Davenport to win both the girls’ singles and women’s singles titles at the US Open (1992/1998)
- Won mixed doubles title here w/Mirnyi in 2007 (d. Shaughnessy/Paes in F)
- Received WC into main draw – is unseeded at Flushing Meadows for the first time since 2007’s R16 run
- Has made one of the biggest ranking jumps on tour from this point last year – soaring up 123 spots from No.202 to No.79
- One of 10 active players to achieve more than 10 Grand Slam main draw wins (124-41, including 1r and 2r wins here)
- Enters US Open having played only 10 tournaments for the season, half of these coming on hard courts (11-5 record, including 1r win)
- 1r win over Kuzmova preserves perfect 1r record at US Open, and is now 11-0 in opening matches here
- Dropped just three games in 2r match vs Gavrilova to reach 3r of a Slam for first time since 2017 Wimbledon (R16)
- Faces No.3 Stephens today in their sixth career meeting. Defeated the American in their first three meetings however, fell to her on both occasions in 2018 (Indian Wells and Miami)
- Holds 1-3 record vs. Top 10 opponents this season, defeating No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Miami) and falling to No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Madrid), No.8 Ka.Pliskova (Wimbledon) and No.5 Garcia (Cincinnati)
- Owns 23-10 record in Grand Slam 3r matches (5-4 at US Open)
- One of seven mothers in the singles starting field at 2018 US Open, along with Ka.Bondarenko, Maria, Rodina, Schnyder, S.Williams and Zvonareva
- Owns joint-fourth most hardcourt titles among active players (level with Sharapova, 19)
- Along with Sabalenka and Sasnovich, this marks the first time in the Open Era that Belarus has three players in 3r of a Grand Slam

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 45th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and again in 2013 (d. Li in F). Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2012 and 2013 US Open (losing to S.Williams both times in 3s)
- Reached Wimbledon SF in 2011 and 2012, while best result at Roland Garros has been SF appearance in 2013
- Three Grand Slam doubles R-Up, at 2008 Australian Open (w/Peer), 2009 Roland Garros (w/Vesnina) and 2011 Australian Open (w/Kirilenko). Two-time Grand Slam mixed doubles champion, at 2007 US Open (w/Mirnyi) and 2008 Roland Garros (w/B.Bryan). Most recently finished as mixed doubles R-Up at 2018 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
• Won girls’ singles titles at the Australian Open and US Open in 2005

**Season**

• Coming off 2r losses at Montréal (l. Konta) and Cincinnati (l. Garcia)

• Reached QFs in San Jose before retiring against Collins in the second set due to a back injury

• San Jose marked first event since 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Ka.Pliskova) in what was her 12th appearance at the All England Club. In only other grass court event, made 2r exit at Mallorca (l. Safarova)

• In mixed doubles at SW19, reached the final w/J. Murray, losing to Peya/Melichar

• Posted back-to-back 1r exits at Rome (l. Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)

• Made 2r at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova). Saw off Krunic in 1r to register her first win on clay in two years (d. Cornet in 2r at 2016 Madrid)

• Posted SF run at Miami (as WC, l. eventual champion Stephens). Upset No.15 Keys, No.17 Sevastova and No.6 Ka.Pliskova to register multiple Top 20 wins at same tournament for first time since 2016 Miami title run

• Returned to Top 100 (at No.92) after SF run at Miami

• Fell 2r at Indian Wells, defeating Watson in 1r before falling to Stephens

**Career**

• Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child Leo in December 2016

• Comeback tournament was on the grass of 2017 Mallorca, reaching 2r (d. Ozaki, l. Konjuh). Prior to 2017 Mallorca, last tournament contested was 2016 Roland Garros (1r)

• Followed this up with R16 showing at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Halep). Did not play any tournaments after Wimbledon due to personal reasons

• Ended 2016 ranked No.13, despite missing second half of season after going on maternity leave (announced pregnancy mid-July). Lifted three titles, at Brisbane (first title since 2013 Cincinnati) and ‘Sunshine Double’ of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005

• Miami marked 20th tour-level singles title of career (20-16 record in finals)

• Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, l. Kerber), Rome (2r, l. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/right knee injury)

• Limited to total of 23 events over 2014-15 seasons due to variety of injuries

• Posted five consecutive Top 10 finishes between 2009 and 2013, qualifying for the WTA Finals on each occasion, reaching final at Istanbul in 2011 (l. Kvitova)

• Two-time Grand Slam champion, capturing back-to-back titles at the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2013 (d. Li in F)

• Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks

• Began 2012 with 26-match win streak – best start since Hingis went 37-0 in 1997. Went on to win tour-leading 69 matches in 2012, season highlighted by six titles, finishing as WTA’s year-end No.1
- Won two medals for Belarus at 2012 London Olympics – bronze in singles and mixed doubles gold (w/Mirnyi)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Kolkata
- ITF Junior World Champion for 2005 – reached first tour-level semifinal at Guangzhou the same year

**Other Information**

- Coached by Benjamin Ebrahim Zadeh. Formerly coached by Wim Fissette, Sam Sumyk and Michael Joyce
- Gave birth to son Leo in December 2016
- Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother Alla; father's name is Fedor and older brother is Max
- At 15, moved from hometown Minsk to train in Scottsdale, Arizona
QIANG WANG (CHN #52) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

Head to Head: ELINA SVITOLINA leads 2-0

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US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match
Q.WANG:

**US Open**

- Making fifth main draw appearance at US Open (and sixth appearance overall)
- Has posted best result in New York this week with run to 3r, bettering three consecutive 2r finishes, in 2014 (as qualifier, l. Dellacqua), 2015 (l. Strycova) and 2016 (l. Shvedova). Fell in 2013 qualifying
- Made major debut at 2014 US Open
- Reaching 3r this week also matches best result across the Slams, having also made this stage at 2018 Roland Garros (d. No.9 V.Williams in 1r, l. Putintseva)
- Lone remaining representative of China in this year's draw, of three to begin the fortnight (also, Y.Wang and S.Zhang)
- Her progress ensures a Chinese woman through to 3r in New York for third straight year (also S.Zhang in 2016 and 2017)
- This week dispatched No.31 seed Rybarikova in 1r and Begu in 2r
- Faces No.7 Svitolina today – a win would be best-by-ranking of career, bettering defeat of No.9 V.Williams at 2018 Roland Garros
- Owns two Top 10 wins in career (2-11 record), also defeating No.10 Wozniacki at 2013 Kuala Lumpur

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 17th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – win-loss record stands at 10-16 across the majors (includes US Open results this week)
- Reached 3r for the first time at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Putintseva) – matched this week in New York
- Made major debut at 2014 US Open

**Season**

- 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
- Had previously won WTA 125k event in Zhengzhou, China, in 2017
- 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) which is best win rankings-wise of career (bettering defeat of No.10 Wozniacki at 2013 Kuala Lumpur)
- 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)
• Matched her career-best performance at a Premier Mandatory event by reaching R16 at Indian Wells (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 new 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)
• 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
• 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

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
SVITOLINA:

**US Open**
- Making seventh consecutive appearance at US Open. Best result here in New York came with R16 run in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
- Also posted 3r runs in 2015 (l. Makarova), 2016 (l. Kvitova) and now again in 2018. Made 2r in 2013 (l. McHale), and fell 1r in 2012 (as qualifier, l. Ivanovic) and 2014 (l. Hercog)
- 2012 appearance in New York was Grand Slam main draw debut
- At 2017 US Open, was one of eight players in contention for the World No.1 spot – needed to reach SF and have other results go her way
- Seeded No.7 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive seeding at a Slam, and seventh as a Top 10 seed
- Dispatched Vickery in 1r on Monday and Maria in 2r on Wednesday – now owns 25 hard court wins this season, only Halep has more (28)
- Had fallen to Maria in last Slam outing, losing 1r at 2018 Wimbledon
- Faces No.52 Wang Qiang today; bidding to avoid second consecutive Grand Slam loss to a player outside the Top 50, after falling to No.57 Maria at Wimbledon
- Owns a 6-6 record in Slam 3r matches (1-2 here in New York)
- One of six players from Ukraine to begin 2018 US Open singles main draw
- Currently sits at No.5 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard, and looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the second year in a row

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best results to date have been QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens)
- At Wimbledon, advanced to R16 for the first time in 2017 (l. Ostapenko)
- Reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
- Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

**Season**
- Contested two North American events in lead-up to US Open, reaching SFs in Montréal (as defending champion, l. Stephens) and making QFs at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens)
- Suffered 1r upset at Wimbledon (l. Maria) – one of 10 seeds to fall at first hurdle
- Made a QF run at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Buzarnescu), having also fallen to Buzarnescu at Roland Garros 3r
- Defended her title in Rome (d. Halep in F). This was third time in career she has defended a title (also Baku 2013-14 and Dubai 2017-18)
• Now owns four victories over No.1 ranked players: d. Halep (2018 Rome), S.Williams (2016 Rio Olympics) and Kerber (2017 Brisbane and 2016 Beijing)
• Boasts 12-2 record in tour-level finals. Has won her past eight matches at this stage, with last defeat coming against Kvitova at 2016 Zhuhai
• Owns four Top 10 wins in 2018 (No.9 Konta and No.4 Ka.Pliskova at Brisbane; No.9 Kerber at Dubai and No.1 Halep in Rome)
• Had a 2r exit in Madrid (l. Suárez Navarro) after reaching the QF in Stuttgart (l. Garcia) in her first clay tournament of the year
• Enjoyed a 4-2 record through the “Sunshine Double” posting a 3r result at Indian Wells (l. Suárez Navarro) and a QF run at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko). Ended Osaka’s eight-match winning streak in 2r of Miami
• Made successful title defense at Dubai (d. Kasatkina in F)
• Made 3r exit at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
• Advanced to QF at Australian Open for first time (l. Mertens); was on nine-match win streak entering QF
• Became first Ukrainian woman to reach QF at Australian Open, surpassing A.Bondarenko who fell in R16 in 2010; K.Bondarenko reached QF at 2009 US Open. Was bidding to become first Ukrainian woman to reach a Grand Slam semifinal
• Opened 2018 season by capturing her 10th career WTA title at Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F); defeated two Top 10 players en route to title (d. No.9 Konta and No.5 Ka.Pliskova)

Career
• Won 12th career WTA singles title at 2018 Rome (d. Halep in F); career record in finals now stands at 12-2, including a current eight match win streak over the 2017 and 2018 seasons
• Enjoyed stand-out 2017, finishing the year at No.6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins of season (53, behind Wozniacki with 60)
• Season culminated by qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore, becoming first Ukrainian woman to qualify for the season-ending tournament in singles (fell at round robin stage with 1-2 record)
• Her five titles in 2017 included Taipei City (d. Peng in F), Dubai (d. Wozniacki in F), Istanbul (d. Mertens in F), Rome (d. Halep in F) and Toronto (d. Wozniacki in F)
• Became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009
• Owned longest unbeaten streak in 2017, at 15 matches. Won Taipei City (five wins), went 2-0 for Ukraine in Fed Cup action against Australia, triumphant in Dubai (after 1r bye, five wins), won one match at Kuala Lumpur before withdrawing prior to her 2r match, then reached R16 at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, two wins) falling to Muguruza in three sets
• One of five players to make Top 10 debut in 2017, after winning Dubai in February (also Ostapenko, Garcia, Mladenovic and Vandeweghe). Peaked in rankings at No.3 on September 11, 2017
• On four occasions could have reached World No.1 spot – at 2017 US Open, then needed to win 2017 Beijing (fell in QF), then needed to triumph at 2017 WTA Finals (failed to progress from group stage), or reach final at 2018 Australian Open (fell in QF)

• Enjoyed best win ratio vs. Top 5 players in 2017 across WTA, going 8-1 (Wozniacki was 8-4)

• Strong finish to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (l. A.Radowanska); in addition, post-US Open reached SF at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Osaka) and Moscow (l. Kuznetsova)

• Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)

• Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (l. A.Radowanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)

• Other 2016 season highlights included SF at Dubai (l. Errani) and QF at Rio Olympics (l. Kvitova)

• Owns two career doubles titles: 2014 Istanbul (w/Doi) and 2015 Istanbul (w/Gavrilova)

• Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Baku (lost in 1r but won title the next two years)

• Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008. Winner of seven singles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit


**Other Information**

• Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian

• Introduced to tennis at age 5 by family

• Currently working with coach Thierry Ascione and hitting partner Andrew Bettles. Has previously worked with Iain Hughes
SOFIA KENIN (USA #65) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 1-0

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KENIN:

**US Open**

- Making fourth consecutive main draw appearance at this year's US Open
- Has matched best result at Flushing Meadows – and across all majors – by reaching 3r, having also reached this stage here last year as a wildcard (I. Sharapova)
- One of 23 Americans and one of nine teenagers (19 years old) to begin this year's draw
- Has earned half of her career prize money from this year alone
- Began 2018 US Open with thrilling 3s victory over LL No.105 Brengle in 1r
- Completed comeback win over No.30 Sakkari in 2r on Wednesday – her third Top 30 win of the season (also d. No.11 Kasatkina at Miami and No.6 Garcia at Mallorca)
- Faces No.8 Ka.Pliskova today in their second career meeting, having previously met here in New York in 2016
- Aiming for second career win over a Top 10 opponent in her fourth attempt. All previous Top 10 meetings came this year, defeating No.6 Garcia (Mallorca) and falling to No.3 Wozniacki (Auckland) and No.9 Kvitova (Miami)
- Competing this fortnight as the World No.65 – just one spot shy of her career-best No.64 (achieved on July 16, 2018)
- Also competing in doubles field this fortnight (w/Vickery). The pair will face Russia’s Gasparyan/Diatchenko in 1r

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open as a wildcard – received for being crowned USTA Girls’ 18s national champion. Fell 1r to Duque Mariño
- Reached 3r at 2017 US Open as a wildcard (I. Sharapova), in what was only fourth tour-level main draw outing
- Made 2r at 2018 Wimbledon on main draw debut (I. Diatchenko)
- Other major appearances were 1r losses to eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova at 2016 US Open and Goerges at 2018 Australian Open
- As a junior, reached the singles final at the 2015 US Open (I. Galfi), the semifinals at the 2016 US Open and the quarterfinals at 2016 Wimbledon

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Season

- In US Open lead-up events, fell in 2r of qualifying at Montreal (I. Bogdan), Cincinnati (Cornet) and New Haven (I. Peterson)
- Advanced to R16 at San Jose, d. Cepede Royg before falling to Konta
- Hoisted fourth ITF title of her career at $60k ITF/Berkley, CA-USA (d. Gibbs in F)
- Enjoyed successful grass swing, reaching first WTA SF of career at Mallorca (as qualifier I. eventual R-Up Maria) and making Wimbledon main draw debut (d. Sakkari, l. Ditachenko in 2r).
- Recorded best win-by-ranking of her career with QF win over No.6 Garcia in Mallorca
- Went 0-5 during clay swing suffering opening match losses at Charleston (l. Barty), Madrid qualifying (l. Linette), Rome qualifying (l. Kanepi), Strasbourg (l. Stosur) and Roland Garros (l. Osaka)
- Made a 3r exit in Miami (l. Kvitova) after posting a three-set win over No.11 Kasatkina in 2r. Preceded by a 2r showing at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Zhang)
- Made 2r at WTA 125K Series event held at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden (l. Wickmayer)
- Also contested WTA 125K Series tournament at Newport Beach (l. Jang in 1r). Lost 2r at $100k ITF/Midland, MI-USA in February
- Fell 1r on Australian Open debut – first direct acceptance at a major – losing to No.12 Goerges in straight sets
- Started season by reaching maiden WTA QF at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)

Career

- Compiled 47-28 record (all levels) in 2017, finishing at a career-high No.113
- Reached 3r at 2017 US Open as wildcard (l. Sharapova), after winning the US Open Wild Card Challenge. Posted the first Top 50 win of her career during Flushing Meadows run against No.34 Davis
- Also in 2017, won $60k ITF/Stockton, CA-USA, finished R-Up at $60k ITF/Lexington, KY-USA and reached SF at $60k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA
- In other tour-level appearances in 2017, made 2r at Québec City (l. Safarova) and fell 1r at Charleston (as qualifier, l. Mattek-Sands)
- Closed year strongly by reaching SF at three consecutive ITF Circuit events: $80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA, $80k ITF/Waco, TX-USA and $25k ITF/Norman, OK-USA
- Fell in qualifying at Indian Wells, Roland Garros, Mallorca, Wimbledon, New Haven and Cincinnati
- Ended 2016 season ranked No.212 (up from No.620 in 2015)
- Played 2016 US Open as a wildcard, granted for winning USTA Pro Circuit US Open wildcard challenge
- In 2016, also lifted titles at $25k ITF/Wesley Chapel, FL-USA and $50k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA
- Broke into Top 100 for first time on March 19, 2018 (at No.94)
- On ITF Circuit owns four singles and two doubles titles
- Played first matches on ITF Circuit in March 2013
• Climbed as high as No.2 in the ITF World Junior Rankings
• Represented the US at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China

Other Information
• Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settle in Florida
• Resides in Pembroke Pines, Florida, where she was home-schooled
• Known as ‘Sonya’
• Coached by father Alexander Kenin with support Lorenzo Cava; trains at at ProWorld Academy in Delray Beach, Florida
• Best tennis memory is playing idol Maria Sharapova on Arthur Ashe (US Open 2017)
• If not a tennis player would be a fashion designer
• Dream doubles partners would be Serena Williams and Grigor Dimitrov
• Good friends with CiCi Bellis and Katie Swan
• Likes rap music, especially Drake
• Treat food is Froyo - cookies and cream with Hershey's on top

KA.PLISKOVA:

US Open
• Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall); was a finalist in 2016 (l. Kerber in F) and a quarterfinalist when she last played here in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe)
• R-Up finish here in 2016 remains her best career result at a Slam
• Seeded No.8 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive major appearance as a seeded player
• In 1r this year, struck 33 winners – including six aces – to edge past Diyas; has now won her past 10 Grand Slam 1r matches
• Defeated Bogdan in 2r, winning 88% of her first service points, to reach her fifth straight Grand Slam 3r
• Has now struck 283 aces this season – the second most on tour behind Goerges (394)
• Has notched back-to-back wins for the first time since Wimbledon
• Faces Kenin today in 3r, having met the American in their previous sole meeting here at Flushing Meadows in 2016. Owns 4-1 record against American players this season: d. Bellis (Brisbane), Anisimova (Indian Wells), Vandeweghe (Stuttgart F) and Stephens (Madrid); l. Bellis (Doha)
• Has only fallen to a player ranked outside the Top 50 once in 2018 (l. No.186 Azarenka at Miami QF)
• Record in Grand Slam 3r matches stands at 6-4 (2-1 at US Open)
• One of nine Czech players to enter the main draw at 2018 US Open
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)
- Defeat of No.1 S. Williams in 2016 US Open SF was career-best victory, and ended the American's 186-week reign at the top of the rankings. Became first Czech to defeat a World No.1 since Kvitova at 2015 Madrid (d. S. Williams). Furthermore, defeat of V. Williams (R16) made her the eighth player to defeat the sisters at the same tournament
- Is one of nine players born in 1990s to reach major final (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens and Wozniacki)
- At Australian Open, best results came with QF run in 2017 (l. Lucic-Baroni) and 2018 (l. Halep), while she also posted deepest run at Roland Garros that year, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens), after 2r exits in each of previous five years
- Australian Open girls singles champion in 2010 – d. Robson in F

**Season**

- Coming off a 1r upset at New Haven (l. Makarova) after back-to-back 2r exits at Montréal (l. Bertens) and Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and made QF run at Eastbourne (as defending champion, l. Sabalenka – led 4-1 in final set)
- In only other grass court outing, made 1r exit at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros, defeating compatriots Krejciakova and Safarova before falling to Sharapova
- Made SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and fell 2r at Rome (l. Sakkari)
- Won 10th career title at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in final). Now 10-10 record in WTA singles finals
- Went 1-1 in singles (d. Kerber, l. Goerges) to help Czech Republic reach its sixth Fed Cup final in the past eight years with a 4-1 win over Germany. The Czechs will host the USA in November's final
- Posted QF showings at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Miami (l. Azarenka)
- Reached QF at Dubai (l. Kerber) and made 3r exit at Doha (l. Bellis)
- Nominated for Czech Republic's Fed Cup World Group I QF tie vs. Switzerland – but did not play a singles or doubles match due to illness
- Advanced to QF in first Grand Slam of the year at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- Began 2018 season in Brisbane; as defending champion, advanced to SF (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
Career

- Enjoyed another stellar campaign in 2017, posting career-best year-end finish at No.4 for second Top 10 finish. Year-end ranking has improved continuously for 12-straight seasons
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Is the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals for second year-in-a-row, reaching SF stage (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe), and posted 2r result at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova)
- Advanced to SF stage at Indian Wells (l. Kuznetsova), Miami (l. Wozniacki) and Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
- Led the WTA in 2017 for aces served – 452 from 68 matches. Also posted joint-second most match wins – 53 (level with Svitolina, behind Wozniacki – 60)
- Career wins over Top 10 opponents stands at 23-33, most recent wins coming over No.9 Stephens and No.1 Halep at 2018 Madrid
- Enjoyed a break-out year in 2016, ending the year at No.6 (up from No.11 in 2015)
- Qualified for season-ending 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore, going 1-2 in the group stage and failing to progress. Also contested the doubles competition (w/Goerges), losing opening match to top seeds Garcia/Mladenovic
- Helped Czech Republic defend Fed Cup title in November 2016, going 1-1 in singles (d. Mladenovic, l. Garcia) before teaming w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match. Czech Republic have won the Cup in five out of the last seven
- Captured fifth career doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish, meaning that for the first time in WTA history, three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (along with Kvitova and Safarova)
- Became eighth Czech woman to crack singles Top 10 since computer rankings were introduced in November 1975, after Navratilova, Mandlikova, Sukova, Novotna, Vaidisova, Kvitova and Safarova
**Other Information**

- Nominated for 2017 WTA Player of the Year; also nominated for the same award in 2016, in addition to WTA Most Improved Player in 2014
- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Coached here at US Open by former Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez; also worked with Rennae Stubbs at Cincinnati and will reunite with the Australian for the Asian swing
- Previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza, former longtime coach of Petra Kvitova
- Married Michal Hrdlicka in Monaco after 2018 Wimbledon
[23] BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #23) vs. [15] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #15)

Head to Head: First meeting

Barbora Strycova

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Elise Mertens

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STRYCOVA:

**US Open**

- Making 12th main draw appearance at US Open (and 16th overall appearance), having made qualifying debut in 2003 and main draw debut in 2004
- Has matched best result in New York this week with run to 3r, having also made this stage 2014 (l. Bouchard) and 2015 (l. Lisicki)
- Fell 2r in 2009 (l. Azarenka) and 2017 (l. Brady), and posted opening match losses on seven occasions. Fell in 2003, 2006-07 and 2013 qualifying
- 2018 US Open marks milestone 50th Grand Slam main draw appearance – 12th most among active players
- Contesting doubles this fortnight w/Sestini Hlavackova – pair sit eighth on Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard, occupying the last qualification spot for the WTA Finals
- One of five Czechs to progress to 3r already (also Muchova Ka, Pliskova, Kvitova and Vondrousva; Siniakova still to play)
- Seeded No.23 this fortnight – her eleventh consecutive Grand Slam as a seed
- This week, dispatched qualifier Lao in 1r then Arruabarrena in 2r – has now reached at least the 3r at all the Slams in a season for the first time in career (Australian Open, Roland Garros – R16, Wimbledon – 3r, US Open – 3r)
- 1r defeat of Lao ended four-match losing streak, which began with 3r exit at Wimbledon (l. Goerges) and continued to Montréal (l. Rybarikova), Cincinnati (l. Kontaveit) and New Haven (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Faces No.15 Mertens today – is 1-8 vs. Top 20 players this season (27-85 career record), sole win in 2018 coming over No.3 Muguruza at Birmingham
**Grand Slam History**

- Best result at a Grand Slam came with QF run at 2014 Wimbledon (posted wins over Li – in the last match of the Chinese star’s career – and Wozniacki en route, l. eventual champion Kvitova). Occasion marked first time in Open Era that three Czech women advanced to QF at a Slam (also Safarova, Kvitova).
- Other ventures to R16 at a major came at Australian Open in 2016 (l. Azarenka), 2017 (l. eventual champions S. Williams) and 2018 (l. Ka. Pliskova) and at Roland Garros in 2018 (l. Putintseva).
- Reached 3r at US Open in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and 2015 (l. Lisicki) and now 2018.
- At 2010 Australian Open played what was then the longest Grand Slam match (d. Kulikova in four hours and 19 minutes – since surpassed by Kuznetsova-Schiavone at 2011 Australian Open).
- In doubles is a four-time semifinalist, at 2014 US Open (w/Date), 2015 Australian Open (w/Krajicek), 2017 US Open (w/Safarova) and 2018 Roland Garros (w/Sestini Hlavackova).
- Two-time junior singles Grand Slam winner: won back-to-back Australian Open girls’ singles titles, in 2002 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2003; also won three junior doubles titles. Ranked No.1 in both disciplines during junior career.

**Season**

- Went winless during North American hardcourt swing in lead up to US Open, falling 1r at Montréal (l. Rybarikova), Cincinnati (l. Kontaveit) and New Haven (l. Suárez Navarro); singles form tempered by doubles title at New Haven (w/Sestini Hlavackova, d. Hsieh/Siegemund in F).
- Made 3r at Wimbledon (l. Goerges) and posted R16 showing at Eastbourne (l. Ka. Pliskova).
- Made SF run at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova) in what was her first SF since lifting the title at 2017 Linz in October (d. Rybarikova in F). Beat No.3 Muguruza in R16 to register sixth Top 5 win of career – previous wins came against No.2 Li (2014 Wimbledon), No.3 Sharapova (2015 Wuhan), No.3 Muguruza (2016 Australian Open), No.3 Kerber (2016 Madrid) and No.1 Muguruza (2017 Beijing).
- Made R16 at Roland Garros – her best result in Paris to date (l. Putintseva).
- Paris run ended eight-match losing streak stemming back to 2r at Doha (l. Goerges). Also fell 1r at Dubai (l. Kerber), dropped 2r openers at defeats at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Martic) and Miami (after 1r bye, l. McHale), and fell 1r at Stuttgart (l. Siegemund), Prague (l. Giorgi), Madrid (l. Suárez Navarro) and Rome (l. Stephens).
- In April, was part of Czech Republic team that beat Germany 4-1 in Fed Cup World Group SF at Porsche Arena (won dead doubles rubber w/Siniakova).
- Won 21st career doubles title at Indian Wells (w/Hsieh, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F).
- Posted 1-0 record (d. Bencic) during Czech Republic’s Fed Cup win over Switzerland in February.
- At Australian Open advanced to R16 for third straight year (l. Ka. Pliskova).
- Advanced to QF in opening two tournaments of 2018, at Auckland (l. Hsieh) and Sydney (l. Barty).
**Career**

- Won a career-best 43 matches in 2017, posting 10th successive Top 100 season in 2017 (at No.23) following first Top 20 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.20)
- Clinched second tour-level singles title at 2017 Linz (d. No.1 seed Rybarikova in F). Holds a 2-6 record in singles finals, with other title coming at 2011 Québec City (d. Erakovic in F)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2016 and 2017, going 1-1 in round robin stage on both occasions
- Posted career-high singles ranking of No.16 on January 16, 2017
- Registered 500th career win (all levels) when she defeated Gavrilova at 2017 Toronto
- Win over Muguruza at 2017 Beijing (ret. w/viral illness) was first over a reigning WTA World No.1 – now owns 1-4 mark vs. World No.1s, losing to Henin (2004 Indian Wells, 2004 Olympics), Wozniacki (2011 Charleston) and Kerber (2016 Beijing)
- Has nine career wins over Top 10 opponents: No.2 Li (2014 Wimbledon), No.8 Wozniacki (2015 Sydney), No.6 Bouchard (2015 Madrid), No.3 Sharapova (2015 Wuhan), No.3 Muguruza (2016 Australian Open), No.3 Kerber (2016 Madrid), No.7 Konta (2017 Tokyo PPO), No.1 Muguruza (2017 Beijing) and No.3 Muguruza (2018 Birmingham)
- Owner of 22 career doubles titles from 36 finals. Reached a career-high doubles ranking (No.7) on May 21, 2018
- 2016 season highlighted by reaching second and third Premier-level singles finals of career, at Dubai (l. Errani) and Birmingham (l. Keys)
- Won doubles bronze medal at 2016 Rio Olympics (w/Safarova)
- Also in 2016, helped Czech Republic to fifth Fed Cup title in six years with defeat of France's Cornet in singles and decisive doubles rubber win (w/Ka.Pliskova)
- Made Top 20 singles debut (at No.19) on August 22, 2016
- Broke into Top 100 on March 22, 2004 and Top 50 six years later, on July 19, 2010
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2000. Won nine singles and 10 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- ITF Junior World Champion in 2002

**Other Information**

- Coached by David Kotyza and also works with Lukas Dlouhy
- Previously worked with Tomas Krupa
- Parents are Jindrich and Ilona; sister, Ivona, studied law and lives in US
- Started playing tennis at age 5
MERTENS:

**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at US Open (and fourth appearance overall)
- Fell 1r in 2016 (as qualifier, l. Muguruza) and 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys). Lost in 2015 qualifying
- Contesting doubles this fortnight w/Schuurs – pair sit seventh on Porsche Race to Singapore Leaderboard, with the Top 8 qualifying for the WTA Finals
- Is first woman from Belgium to reach 3r at US Open since 2010 (Wickmayer – R16, Clijsters – Won)
- 2018 US Open marks eighth Grand Slam main draw – including results this week, owns a 14-7 record across the majors. Holds a 2-2 record in 3r Slam matches
- This week, came from 4-2 down in the final set to beat Nara in 1r, then dropped only two games in defeat of Lapko in 2r
- Match today vs. No.23 Strycova is one of two seeded match-ups in top half of the draw (also No.17 seed S.Williams vs. No.16 seed V.Williams)
- This is will be her first time facing Czech opposition at a Slam
- Seeded No.15 – joint-highest seeding at a Slam (also No.15 seed at 2018 Wimbledon)
- Contesting 2018 US Open ranked No.15, one spot off career-high of No.14 achieved two weeks ago (August 13, 2018)
- Has three titles to her name this season (Hobart, Rabat and Lugano), one of four players on tour with more than two titles this season - also Kvitova (5), Halep (3) and Svitolina (3)

**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 now US Open this year (currently 3r)
- Fell 1r at 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys) and 2016 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muguruza in 3s)

**Season**

- 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)
- 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). One of six players to win multiple titles on tour so far this year (3), along with Kvitova (5), Svitolina (3), Halep (3), Kerber (2) and Wozniacki (2)
- 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 five doubles titles – also 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs), 2018 Hobart (w/Schuurs), 2018 Lugano (w/Flipkens) and 2018 ‘s-Hertogenbosch (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

Other Information

• Currently coached by Dieter Kindlmann – since their partnership formed this summer, the duo have posted a 10-3 record which includes a semifinal showing in San Jose and back-to-back quarterfinal finishes in Montreal and Cincinnati
• Earlier coaching history includes Belgian federation until early teens, as well as a year at the Mouratoglou Academy in Paris
• 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
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S.WILLIAMS:

US Open

- Is also a two-time runner-up, in 2001 (l. V.Williams) and 2011 (l. Stosur), a three-time semifinalist (2009, l. Clijsters; 2015, l. Vinci; 2016 l. Ka.Pliskova) and a quarterfinalist on three occasions
- With six US Open singles titles, is tied with Chris Evert for most in the Open Era
- One of eight players in the Open Era to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same year (2002, 2012)
- Her 18 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in the draw, two behind her sister, Venus, who is making her 20th appearance (who defeated Kuznetsova in 1r)
- Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
- Missed entire summer US swing in 2017 due to pregnancy
- US Open marks seventh event – and third major – following birth of daughter Alexis Olympia in September 2017
- 2018 US Open represents her 69th Grand Slam main draw appearance – among active players trails only her sister Venus (80, including 2018 US Open) and Schiavone (70)
- Defeated No.68 Linette in 1r on Monday, which marked 90th main draw match win at US Open
- Scored 91st US Open victory over No.101 Witthoeft in 2r action – her 91-11 overall record in New York is the most among all active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12), and ahead of Martina Navratilova (89-17)
• Including her 2r win here, her 327-44 record at Grand Slams is the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306)
• Squares off against her sister, No.16 Venus Williams in what will be their 30th career meeting – Serena leads 17-12
  (please see rivalry section of today’s match notes for more information)
• Earliest exit at the US Open came in 3r on debut in 1998 (l. Spirlea)
• 13 of her Slams have been won on hard courts – most of any player in Open Era; overall has won 46 hard court titles, also most among active players
• One of a tournament-leading 23 American women to begin the main draw – one of four fellow American's in Serena's top half of the draw progressed to the 3r
• At 36, is the second oldest remaining player in the draw, after her sister Venus (38) (Schnyder – 39, lost in 1r), among 22 thirtysomethings to begin the draw
• Based on results across her career, Serena wins one out of every three tournaments played – the highest rate among active players:

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**Grand Slam History**

• A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
• Aged 35y 125d at the conclusion of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era. Has now won 10 Grand Slam titles as a 30-something
• Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, some 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span
• The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four
decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon

- In the Open Era, Williams’ 11-year gap between Roland Garros titles in 2002 and 2013 (without winning another Roland Garros title during that time) is the longest gap for a woman at any Grand Slam
- In 2015, came within two match wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open (d. Sharapova in F), Roland Garros (d. Safarova in F) and Wimbledon (d. Muguruza in F); l. Vinci in SF at US Open. Was bidding to become third woman in Open Era to achieve the feat, after Court (1970) and Graf (1988)
- Has twice been in possession all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)
- Has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles, all with sister Venus – most recently at 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F). Also won mixed doubles titles at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
- The sisters held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London

**Season**

- Coming off 2r showing at Cincinnati (d. Gavrilova, l. No.6 Kvitova in 3s)
- Withdrew from Rogers Cup in Montréal
- Lost 6-1 6-0 to Konta in 1r at San Jose – the heaviest defeat of her career (only occasion she has failed to win more than one game in a match) and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep)
- Earlier this summer reached Wimbledon final (l. Kerber) – her 30th Grand Slam singles final, and was bidding for eighth Wimbledon crown
- Was making 18th main draw appearance at All England Club - among active players, only Venus has played Wimbledon more often (21)
- Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdraw prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear). In Paris, posted first Top 20 wins since her return to tour, over No.17 Barty and No.11 Goerges
- With sister Venus, won two doubles matches in Paris to advance to R16 (l. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez)
- Roland Garros was first event contested since Miami (l. Osaka in 1r)
- Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
- Prior to Indian Wells, played Tie Break Tens event in Madison Square Garden in New York – defeated Marion Bartoli in opening match before falling to Zhang Shuai in SF
- In December 2017 appeared at Mubadala World Tennis Championships in Abu Dhabi (l. Ostapenko 6-2, 3-6, 10-5)
- In February partnered w/V Williams in doubles rubber during Team USA's Fed Cup win over the Netherlands (l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
Career

- Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1

- Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)

- Qualified first for the 2016 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global but withdrew due to right shoulder injury – did not play after US Open

- Was the only player to reach SF or better at all four Grand Slams in 2016 (R-Up at Australian Open (l. Kerber), R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza), champion at Wimbledon (d. Kerber in F), SF at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)

- With 72 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92). Also a 21-time singles runner-up

- Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf's 377 and Navratilova's 332

- Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)


- Has registered 16 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)

- Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)

- Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V.Williams)

- Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)

- Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013

- At 2014 US Open, received $4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women’s

Other Information

- Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins

- Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017

- Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans

- Recently launched her own clothing line, 'Serena'
V. WILLIAMS:

**US Open**

- Her 20 appearances at the tournament – and 80 at all majors – is the most among active players, and joint second (with Amy Frazier) in the Open Era, after Martina Navratilova (21)
- Also reached SF on five occasions, including 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) when she was one of four American women to reach this stage (also Keys, Stephens and Vandeweghe) – the first time since 1981 four women from the USA had made the last four at the US Open (Austin, Navratilova, Evert, Potter), and across all Slams since 1985 Wimbledon (Evert, Navratilova, Rinaldi, Garrison)
- Last year at Flushing Meadows, aged 37 years 3 months, became oldest player to reach a Grand Slam SF since 1994 Wimbledon (when Martina Navratilova finished runner-up, aged 37 years 8 months)
- Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/S.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/S.Williams d. Black/Huber)
- Her 266-71 Grand Slam win-loss record is second only to Serena's (327-44) among active players, and places her fifth on the Open Era list, also behind Navratilova, Evert and Graf
- Began 2018 US Open campaign with 3s victory over former US Open champion Kuznetsova – marked the first time in the Open Era that two former US Open champions have been drawn together in the 1r in New York – remains undefeated vs. the Russian in Grand Slam play (3-0)
- Improved record vs. Italian opponents to 37-6 with 2r win over No. 40 Giorgi – marked 78th match win at US Open; her 78-16 record here is second among active players (after S.Williams 91-11), and fourth most in Open Era, after Evert (101), S.Williams (91) and Navratilova (89) – Graf is fifth (73)
- Win over Giorgi was 775th career main draw victory and brings her just two matches away from 600th career match on hardcourt (at 598)
- Takes on her sister, No. 26 Serena Williams in their 30th career meeting – Serena leads head-to-head 17-12 (please see rivalry section of today's match notes for more information)
- Oldest remaining thirtysomething in the draw at 2018 US Open, after 39-year-old Schnyder lost in 1r
- Owns 464-134 career win-loss record on hard courts (.776) – only S.Williams (486-79 – .860) and Sharapova (353-99 – .781) own a better winning percentage among active players
- Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 80th Grand Slam main draw appearance – the Open Era record, ahead of Frazier (71), Schiavone (70), S.Williams (69) and Navratilova (67)
- Is a seven-time Grand Slam singles champion, winning Wimbledon five times: 2000-01 2005 and 2007-08. Also won US Open in 2000 (d. Davenport in F) and 2001 (d. S.Williams in F)
The span between her maiden Grand Slam final at the US Open in 1997 and last year’s Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history:

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2017 Australian Open final vs. Serena marked first Slam title bout in seven and half years (2009 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams). In the Open Era, no player has waited so long to reach another Grand Slam final – Mauresmo waited seven years between finishing R-Up at 1999 Australian Open and winning 2006 Australian Open. Also, at 36 years of age, became oldest finalist at the Australian Open in the Open Era

Title match at 2016 Australian Open between Venus and Serena was the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, and 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open

Owns 14 Grand Slam doubles titles (all w/S.Williams), most recently winning 2016 Wimbledon. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)

In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998

**Season**

In pre-US Open hardcourt tournaments, made QF at San Jose (l. eventual R-Up Sakkari) and posted R16 showing at Montréal (l. eventual champion Halep)

Withdrew from Cincinnati with a right knee injury

Reached 3r of Wimbledon in only appearance on grass this year (l. Bertens)

Ended clay court season with 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Q.Wang). In other outings on clay, reached R16 at Rome and fell 1r at Madrid (l. Kontaveit at both tournaments)

Advanced to QF at Miami (l. qualifier Collins); had saved 3mp vs. Bertens in 3r

Miami run followed SF effort at Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina). Defeated S.Williams in 3r – now trails head-to-head record with sister 17-12

Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone

Opened the year with back-to-back opening match losses at Sydney (after 1r bye, l. eventual champion Kerber) and the Australian Open (l. Bencic)

In February, went 2-0 in singles representing USA in Fed Cup action vs. Netherlands (d. Rus, Hogenkamp)

Also teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
Career

- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) – only player last season to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is the third oldest player to rank in Top 10 in WTA history behind Billie Jean King (September 26, 1983 – 39 years, 322 days) and Martina Navratilova (December 26, 1994 - 38 years, 75 days)
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi), and reaching 80th career singles final at Stanford (l. Konta). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, behind Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoors] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era titleholders, chasing Monica Seles (53 titles)
- At Grand Slam level in 2016, advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) which was first time reaching that stage at a major since 2010 US Open. Also reached R16 at 2016 Roland Garros (l. Bacsinszky) and 2016 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova)
- Represented USA at Rio Olympics, falling 1r in singles (l. Flipkens), 1r in doubles (w/S.Williams, l. eventual bronze medalists Safarova/Strycova) and winning a silver medal in the mixed doubles (w/Ram, l. Mattek-Sands/Sock)
- Returned to Top 10 for first time since March 2011 following victory in final of the 2015 WTA Elite Trophy
- Was diagnosed with Sjögrens Syndrome in 2011, missing the end of that season and start of 2012
- Won singles gold medal at 2000 Sydney Olympics (d. Dementieva in F); has won doubles gold three times with sister Serena, at Sydney, Beijing and London
- Spent 11 weeks at world No.1 in singles (first ascended to top spot week of February 25, 2002) and topped the doubles rankings for eight weeks in 2010
- Made WTA main draw debut at Oakland in 1994; as unranked WC, defeated Stafford in 1r before falling to then-world No.2 Sánchez Vicario in three sets

Other Information

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price and David Witt
[Q] KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #202) vs. [18] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #17)

Head to Head: First meeting

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| **US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018** |
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| R2 W - [12] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #12) | 3-6,6-4,6-4    | 148 mins       |
| R1 W - DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #98)     | 6-4,6-2        | 74 mins        |
| *R3 W - FRANCOISE ABANDA (CAN #211)    | 6-4,6-2        | 66 mins        |
| *R2 W - JASMINE PAOLINI (ITA #229)     | 7-5,6-2        | 84 mins        |
| *R1 W - VITALIA DIATCHENKO (RUS #109)  | 6-1,6-7(2),6-1 | 125 mins       |

* Updated entering 2018 US Open 3r

| **US OPEN Tournament History** |
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| KAROLINA MUCHOVA               |                |                |
| 2016                           |                |                |
| R1* L - AMANDINE HESSE (FRA #169) | 6-7(5) | 6-3 | 7-5 |

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MUCHOVA:

**US Open**
- Making Grand Slam main draw debut at Flushing Meadows this fortnight
- Fell in first round of qualifying here in New York in 2016
- Dropped one set as she came through qualifying last week – had previously won only one match across three unsuccessful Grand Slam qualifying campaigns
- Broke four times to defeat teenager Yastremska in 1r to register her first tour-level win
- Hit 41 winners – including eight aces – to upset No.12 Muguruza on Louis Armstrong on Wednesday night; this was her first Top 50 win and Muguruza's first defeat to a player outside the Top 200 since 2012 (No.312 Gibbs at New Haven)
- By reaching 3r, is guaranteed to earn USD$156,000 in prize money, more than doubling her career total
- Is the only player ranked outside Top 200 left in the draw; by reaching 3r is projected to move from her current ranking of No.202 into the Top 150
- Faces Australian No.1 Barty in 3r; has 2-1 career record over Australian opponents
- Celebrated 22nd birthday last week

**Grand Slam History**
- Contesting maiden Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open
- Previously fell in qualifying at US Open in 2016, and Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018

**Season**
- Reached third ITF Circuit final of the season at home town event in $80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE (l. Ferro); posted career-high ranking of No.179 after the tournament (July 23, 2018)
- Since Wimbledon, also made QF at $80k ITF/Prague-CZE and fell 2r at $60k ITF/Versmold-GER
- Fell in qualifying at Wimbledon and Roland Garros – her second and third unsuccessful Grand Slam qualifying campaigns
- Played almost exclusively on ITF Circuit during first half of season, appearing in two finals
- At tour level, made qualifying exit on clay in Stuttgart
- Began the season in February by contesting qualifying at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach

**Career**
- Ended 2017 ranked No.272, her second Top 300 season (down from No.210 in 2016)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Seoul (as qualifier, l. Hon). Also contested qualifying at 's-Hertogenbosch and Tokyo [Japan Open] and finished R-Up at one ITF Circuit event
- Won second career ITF Circuit title in 2016 and posted 39-18 win-loss record; at tour-level fell in qualifying at US Open
On ITF Circuit has won two titles in singles and one in doubles
Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2013

**Other Information**

- Born in city of Olomouc in eastern Czech Republic, but moved to train in Prague this year
- Started playing tennis at aged seven with dad, a former professional footballer in Czech Republic
- Roger Federer was tennis idol growing up
- Coached by Emil Miske

**BARTY:**

**US Open**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open (and fifth overall), where she is through to 3r for a second straight year
- In 2017, lost to eventual champion Stephens in 3r
- Previously reached 2r on main draw debut in 2013 (l. Pavlyuchenkova), fell 1r in 2014 (as qualifier, l. Strycova) and in qualifying in 2011
- Also finished R-Up in doubles here in 2013 (w/Dellacqua, l. Hlavackova/Hradecka)
- Fired 14 aces across wins over Jabeur and Safarova in first two rounds, taking her 2018 total to 234 – only Goerges (394), Ka.Pliskova (283), Kr.Pliskova (244) and Bertens (241) have hit more this season
- Faces qualifier Muchova in 3r; including 1r win over Jabeur, has won past 12 matches with qualifiers, stretching back to 3r defeat to Barthel at 2017 Australian Open
- Owns 0-4 record in Grand Slam 3r matches, falling at this stage at the Australian Open in 2017 and 2018, Wimbledon in 2018 and US Open in 2017
- Bidding for eighth Grand Slam win of the season. By contrast, prior to this season had amassed six victories at this level across entire career
- Has won 12 of her last 15 matches on cement (Miami (2), Fed Cup (2), Montréal (4), Cincinnati (2), US Open (2)), with 11 of those victories coming in straight sets
- Enters 2018 US Open on a singles ranking of No.17 – just one spot lower than her career-high ranking of No.16 (achieved on January 29, 2018). This time last year, was No.43
- Ranks second on tour this year for percentage of service games won with 78.2% (behind Goerges – 79.4%)
- Seeded No.13 in doubles draw w/Vandeweghe (play Q.Wang/Y.Wang in 1r)
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- 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) and 2018
- 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
- 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)

Season

- Withdrew from New Haven last week w/viral illness
- Reached her fourth SF of the season at Montréal and 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 8-7 in WTA doubles finals
- Matched her best career result in a Grand Slam by reaching 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 run 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 on green clay of 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. Krejci kova/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.4 Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Wuhan
- Winner of eight WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, one 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

**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
**MATCH NOTES**  
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**EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #45) vs. [19] ANASTASIA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)**

Head to Head: EKATERINA MAKAROVA leads 3-0

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**EKATERINA MAKAROVA**

- **2017**
  - Dubai: Hard O, R3, L - CARLA SUAREZ NAVARRO (ESP #35), 6-1 3-6 6-3

**WTA RANKING**

- PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD
- DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)
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- YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *
- YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *

**ANASTASIA SEVASTOVA**

- **2018**
  - Dubai: Hard O, R1, L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1), 6-3 6-3
  - WUHAN: Hard O, R16, L - KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #40), 7-6(2) 4-6 6-1
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MAKAROVA:

**US Open**

- Making 12th consecutive appearance at US Open (and 13th appearance overall). Her SF run here in 2014 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) is her joint-best result at a Slam, also making this stage at 2015 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Sharapova)
- Other key results here are making QFs in 2013 (l. Na Li) and R16 in 2015 (l. Mladenovic)
- 2018 US Open marks 45th consecutive main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – has not missed a major since making debut at 2007 US Open (as qualifier, l. Henin in 2r). The current active streak is held by Cornet, 2018 US Open marking her 48th consecutive Slam
- Doubles champion here w/Vesnina in 2014 (d. Hingis/Pennetta in F)
- Delivered a straight sets victory over Watson on Monday to begin 2018 US Open campaign
- Upset No.9 Goerges in 2r action – improving her 2018 record to 4-6 vs. Top 10 players, also defeating No.7 Ostapenko (Sydney), No.2 Wozniacki (Wimbledon) and No.8 Ka.Pliskova (New Haven)
- With her win over Goerges, has now upset a Top 10 seed for the second consecutive year at the US Open – last year was No.5 Wozniacki, both upsets came in the 2r

### Active Players: Most Top 10 Wins at Grand Slams

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- Nine of her 13 Top 10 upsets have come at hardcourt Slams, with five taking place here at the US Open
- Eight of her 13 wins came within the first three rounds of Grand Slam play
- Has reached at least the R16 of one Slam every year dating back to 2011
A win today, in addition to her R16 finish at this year’s Wimbledon, would mark the sixth time in her career of reaching the R16 at two Slams in the same year (also, 2011, 2013-16)

Faces off against No.18 Sevastova in today’s 3r matchup – leads 3-0 in head-to-head meetings

Looking to improve upon undefeated (4-0) record vs. Latvian opponents

Holds a 15-7 mark in third round Grand Slam matches, including 3-4 in New York

**Grand Slam History**

2018 US Open marks 45th consecutive main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – has not missed a major since making debut at 2007 US Open (as qualifier, l. Henin in 2r)

Best results have been back-to-back SF runs at 2014 US Open (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and 2015 Australian Open (l. Sharapova)

At Wimbledon, reached QF in 2014 (d. No.4 A.Radwanska in R16, l. Safarova); other notable result at SW19 is making R16 in 2016 (l. Vesnina) and 2018 (l. Giorgi)

At Roland Garros, best result is R16 in 2011 (l. Azarenka) and 2015 (l. Ivanovic)

The first player not to have held No.1 ranking and defeated both Williams sisters in Grand Slam play (S.Williams at 2012 Australian Open and V.Williams at 2014 Australian Open). Since joined by Sloane Stephens, who defeated Serena at 2013 Australian Open and Venus at 2015 Roland Garros

A three-time Grand Slam doubles champion alongside long-term partner Vesnina; won 2013 Roland Garros (d. Errani/Vinci in F), 2014 US Open (d. Hingis/Pennetta in F) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. H.Chan/Niculescu in F)

Won 2012 US Open mixed doubles title (w/Soares)

**Season**

Earlier summer hardcourt results have included 1r exits at Washington, DC (as defending champion, l. Bogdan), Montréal (l. Kontaveit), R16 at Cincinnati (l. Tsurenko) and QF last week at New Haven (l. Goerges)

Won second doubles title of season and 14th of career at Cincinnati (w/Hradecka)

Advanced to R16 at Wimbledon, defeating No.2 Wozniacki in 2r

Went 0-2 on grass in lead-up to Wimbledon, posting 1r exits at Birmingham (l. Cornet) and Eastbourne (l. Cibulkova)

After Roland Garros, rose to co-World No.1 in doubles w/Vesnina – spent four weeks in top spot

Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Strycova). Win over S.Zheng in 1r was first on tour since Miami in March

Also on clay fell 1r at Madrid (l. Halep) and Istanbul (l. Krunic). Won doubles title at Madrid (w/Vesnina)

Was part of Russian team that lost 3-2 to Latvia to drop into Europe/Africa Zone Group I for the first time since 1997. Lost singles rubbers to Sevastova and Ostapenko (both in straight sets)

Reached 2r at Miami (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Indian Wells (l. Kerber), Doha (l. Halep), Dubai (l. Garcia) and St Petersburg (l. Siniakova)

Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Begu in a match lasting over three hours)

Started 2018 with a 2r exit in Sydney (d. No.7 Ostapenko, l. Strycova)
• Finished doubles R-Up at Australian Open with partner Vesnina (l. Mladenovic/Babos) and Indian Wells (l. Hsieh/Strycova)

**Career**

• Posted sixth consecutive Top 40 singles season in 2017 (at No.33) and fifth straight Top 10 doubles season (No.3)
• Won third WTA singles title at 2017 Washington, DC (d. Goerges in F); other 2017 season highlights included R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Konta) and QF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Garcia)
• Also reached 3r at 2017 US Open (l. Suárez Navarro), defeating No.5 seed Wozniacki en route
• Lifted third major doubles title at All England Club in 2017 (w/Vesnina d. H.Chan/Niculescu in F, 6-0 6-0)
• Defeated No.1 A.Kerber in 1r at Roland Garros. Win over the German was first in five attempts against a reigning World No.1 – losses came at 2007 US Open (l. Henin), 2014 Dubai (l. S.Williams), 2014 US Open (l. S.Williams) and 2016 US Open (l. S.Williams)
• Previous career-best singles wins-by-ranking were over No.3 Azarenka (2013 Madrid) and No.3 Halep (2015 Australian Open)
• Singles highlights in 2016 included four QFs, at Sydney (l. Bencic), Miami (l. Kuznetsova), Eastbourne (l. Konta) and New Haven (l. Kvitova)
• Also in 2016 reached R16 at Australian Open (l. Konta), Wimbledon (l. Vesnina) and Rio Olympics (l. Kvitova)
• Stellar doubles season in 2016 included winning gold medal for Russia at Rio Olympics (w/Vesnina; d. Bacsinszky/Hingis in F) and titles at Montréal (d. Halep/Niculescu in F) and WTA Finals in Singapore (d. Mattek-Sands/Safarova in F). Also were runners-up at Rome (l. Hingis/Mirza) and Roland Garros (l. Garcia/Mladenovic)
• Made Top 10 debut in January 2015; the 110th player to move into the Top 10 in WTA history and 12th Russian to do so; reached career-best ranking of No.8 on April 6, 2015
• Owns 3-2 career record in singles finals, winning at 2017 Washington DC, 2014 Pattaya City and 2010 Eastbourne; was R-Up at Fès and Oeiras in 2009
• Member of Russian Fed Cup side that won competition in 2008
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2004 Moscow and main draw debut at 2007 Los Angeles

**Other Information**

• Mother's name is Olga Makarova; father's name is Valery; brother's name is Andrey
• Introduced to tennis at age 6; began playing at Club Luzhniki
• Coached by Evgenia Manyukova. Physio is Husan Usmanov
SEVASTOVA:

**US Open**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (eighth overall), having reached the QF in each of her last two appearances, her best-career result at a major
- Also made 2r in 2009 and 2010
- Enters today with a 12-5 career record in New York, her best record among the four Grand Slam tournaments
- Currently ranked No.18, after making her Top 20 debut last year on May 15, 2017. Has been ranked inside the Top 20 every week, but four, since then
- Improved career record vs. Croatians to 6-1 following a three-set 1r victory over No.41 Vekic
- Swept aside American wildcard Liu in a straight sets 2r win
- Takes on No.45 Makarova in today's 3r matchup – seeking first career win vs. the Russian (0-3)
- A win today would mark the 70th hardcourt victory of her career
- Bidding to win three-consecutive matches at the same tournament for the sixth time this season (also, Brisbane, Charleston, Mallorca, Bucharest and Montreal)
- Is 7-23 vs. Russian opposition on hardcourts and 3-1 vs. Lefties in 2018
- Holds a 3-2 record in 3r Grand Slam matches, including 2-0 at US Open
- One of two Latvians to receive a main draw berth (also Ostapenko)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Has reached Grand Slam QF 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

**Season**
- Enters the US Open after being upset in the 1r of Cincinnati (l. Giorgi)
- 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 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
• Produced a finals run at Mallorca (l. Maria) in first grass event of the season
• Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Duque-Mariño)
• Advanced to R16 (l. No.2 Wozniacki) in Rome 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 earning career highs in wins (37) and winning percentage
  (.607) besting 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 and Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010
• 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 (August 27, 2018)
Other Information

- 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
- Trains and resides in Vienna and coached by Ronald Schmidt
- Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing
KAIA KANEPI (EST #44) vs. REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #61)

Head to Head: First meeting

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US Open

- Making 11th main draw appearance at US Open (and 14th appearance overall)
- Best result has been two QF finishes in 2010 and 2017. Fell in in qualifying in 2002-03 and 2005
- Advanced to QFs last year as a qualifier – best result by a qualifier at US Open since Barbara Gerken did so in 1981
- One of 22 thirtysomethings in this year’s draw
- Upset World No.1 Simona Halep in opening round this year – her second career win over reigning World No.1 (also Wozniacki at 2011 Tokyo [PPO]). This was also the sixth time in the Open Era the top seed has fallen in the 1r at a major, and the first time at the US Open
- Followed this by ending the run of qualifier Teichmann in 2r on Wednesday – first back-to-back tour-level wins since 3r run at Australian Open in January
- Faces Swedish No.1 Peterson in 1r today; owns 11-2 career record against Swedish players
- Record in Grand Slam 3r matches stands at 7-5, most recently falling at this stage at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 U.S. Open marks 41st main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- At 2010 Wimbledon, became only sixth qualifier to reach Wimbledon QF
- Appeared in 3r twice at Australian Open (2009, 2018)
**Season**

- Coming off 2r finish in Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Barty)
- Advanced to 2r at Moscow [River Cup], losing to eventual champion Danilovic in three sets
- On grass made 2r at Eastbourne (l. Ostapenko) and fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Sorribes Tormo). Also reached QF at $100k ITF/Ikley-GBR
- Highlights of clay court season were lifting 14th ITF Circuit title at $60k ITF/Brescia-ITA and 2r showing at Rome (as qualifier, l. Stephens). Also fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina) and Strasbourg (as qualifier, l. Hsieh), and contested qualifying at Stuttgart
- Made 1r exits in Miami (ret. vs. McHale) and posted 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. No.16 Vandeweghe)
- Withdrew from St. Petersburg and Acapulco w/illness
- Equaled best career result at Australian Open by reaching 3r (l. Suárez Navarro). Melbourne run took total career prize money past USD$5million mark
- Began season with QF showing at Brisbane (as qualifier, l. Ka.Pliskova)

**Career**

- Battled through yet another injury-plagued season, finishing 2017 at No.100
- Season highlight was advancing to QF stage of 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys), also won three ITF titles at $25k ITF/Essen-GER, $15k ITF/Parnu-EST and $25k ITF/Nantes-FRA
- Holds many firsts for Estonia – first Estonian to reach a WTA final (2006 Hasselt), first to reach a Grand Slam QF (2008 French Open), to crack Top 20 (February 2009), to win a WTA title (2010 Palermo) and to beat a reigning No.1 (Wozniacki at 2011 Tokyo [PPO])
- Owns 10 career wins over Top 10 opponents, most recently over No.8 Jankovic at 2014 Wimbledon
- Winner of four WTA singles titles: 2010 Palermo, 2012 Brisbane, 2012 Oeiras and 2013 Brussels; also a four-time runner-up
- Endured a career-low year-end 2016 ranking of No.302 due to being hampered by the Epstein-Barr virus and plantar fasciitis in both feet
- Lone main draw appearance of 2016 season was at Rabat (as qualifier, l. Kozlova in 1r)
- Also in 2016, fell in qualifying at Brisbane (l. Bondarenko), Stuttgart (l. Giorgi) and Roland Garros (l. Cepede Royg)
- Played limited events on ITF Circuit, achieving QF finish at Padova (l. Soylu) and R16 effort at Brescia (l. Zanevska)
- Finished 2015 season on high note by winning ITF title at Bangkok (d. Schnyder); also produced QF finish at ITF in St Malo (l. Kasatkina)
- Fell at first hurdle at all Grand Slams in 2015 with exception of 2r finish at US Open (l. Svitolina)
- Started off 2015 campaign with QF appearance in Brisbane (l. Ivanovic)
- Advanced to QF stage four times in 2014 (Brisbane, Acapulco, Bastad and Seoul) and posted R16 finish at 2014 US Open (l. S.Williams)
• Battled injuries in 2013 missing first three months due to right Achilles injury and sidelined after Wimbledon until US Open due to a low back injury

**Other Information**

• Coached by Dusan Vemic this fortnight
• Over past two seasons, a combination of being diagnosed with the Epstein-Barr virus, otherwise known as precursor to mononucleosis, and developing plantar fasciitis in both feet, nearly led to the end of her career
• Started playing tennis at age 8 with parents and sisters
• One of her sponsors is a leading provider of high quality mini-cruise and passenger services in Baltic Sea region; in 2008, became godmother of a vessel named Superstar and was flown to Italy to bless it

**PETERSON:**

**US Open**

• Making second main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (fourth overall), where she is through to 3r for the first time
• Suffered 1r defeat on Grand Slam main draw debut here in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Allertova)
• Recovered from 3-1 down in the final set to upset No.28 Pavlyuchenkova in 1r and score the first Top 30 win of her career
• Achieved another milestone on Wednesday, winning 2r match with King to reach 3r at a major for the first time
• Takes on Kanepi in 3r today, bidding to become the first Swedish woman to reach R16 at US Open since Carlsson in 1996
• Ranked No.61 entering the tournament. By contrast, was ranked No.196 this time last year

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks fourth Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Prior to 2018 US Open 3r run, best major showings were 2r runs at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
• Made debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, l. Allertova)
• Has fallen in qualifying at Australian Open in 2016 and 2018

**Season**

• In pre-US Open hard court events, came through qualifying to make 2r at Cincinnati (l. Mertens in third set tie-break) and contested qualifying at New Haven
• Rose to career-high ranking of No.59 on August 20, 2018
• Made brief return to clay following Wimbledon, losing to Zidansek in 1r at Bucharest
• Fell 2r on Wimbledon main draw debut (l. Vekic). Reached 2r on only other grass court outing, at Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Tomljanovic)
- Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Buzarnescu). Only other clay court tournaments were 1r exit at Rabat (l. Larsson) and 11th ITF Circuit title at $100k ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer-FRA
- Made Top 100 debut at No.95 following title run in France (May 14, 2018), also overtaking Larsson to become Swedish No.1 for the first time
- Suffered 1r defeat at Monterrey (l. Blinkova)
- During ‘Sunshine Double’ made 1r exit at Miami (as qualifier, l. Vikhlyantseva) and fell in qualifying at Indian Wells
- As qualifier, made first WTA-level SF at Acapulco (l. Voegele); scored then-best career win-by-ranking over No.33 Zhang in QF
- Posted 3-1 record in singles during Sweden's Europe/Africa Zone Group I campaign in Tallinn, where they overcame Portugal 2-0 in final tie to maintain their Group I status for another year
- Made 2r at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and QF at $100k ITF/Midland, MI-USA
- Fell at first hurdle in qualifying for Australian Open

**Career**

- 2017 marked fourth consecutive Top 200 season, finishing at No.196 (down from No.142 in 2016)
- After missing first half of season with shoulder injury, reached second WTA QF at Guangzhou in 2017 (l. Krunic) and lost 1r on Grand Slam debut at US Open. Also fell 1r at Bastad, and in qualifying twice, and won one singles title on ITF Circuit
- In 2017, posted 2r showings at Guangzhou, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Bogotá
- Advanced to first WTA-level QF at Bastad in 2015. Also won one WTA doubles title that year at Rio de Janeiro (w/Bonaventure)
- Owns eight Top 50 wins, over No.49 Riske (2017 Guangzhou), No.39 Cornet and No.33 Zhang (both 2018 Acapulco), No.45 Hsieh (2018 Roland Garros), No.42 Collins (2018 Mallorca), No.50 Putintseva (2018 Cincinnati qualifying), No.38 Van Uytvanck (2018 New Haven qualifying) and No.28 Pavlyuchenkova (2018 US Open)
- Played first WTA main draw at Bastad in 2012, falling 1r (as WC).
- Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at Bastad in 2010
- Winner of 11 singles titles and six doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first senior tournament in 2009, in doubles at ITF/Stockholm 2-SWE

**Other Information**

- Trains in Stockholm and coached by father Mart Peterson
- Mother’s name is Annelie; has one sister, Berit
- Tennis idol growing up was Justine Henin and Kim Clijsters
2018 US OPEN – DAY FOUR FEATURED MATCHES

LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36) vs. [2] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2)

Wozniacki leads 1-0

Tsurenko has now advanced beyond the first round at all four majors in one calendar year for the first time in her career...Wozniacki is seeded No.2 this fortnight – in the Open Era, the US Open has been won by the No.2 seed 12 times, most recently Angelique Kerber in 2016

JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #82) vs. [4] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

Kerber leads 3-0

Larsson is aiming for the first Top 5 victory of her career today...Kerber holds the second-highest rate on tour for advancing to at least the quarterfinal stage of a tournament in 2018 – 71% (10/14 events)

[5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) vs. YAFAN WANG (CHN #90)

Kvitova leads 1-0

Kvitova recorded her 45th win of the season on Tuesday – owns a 45-11 mark on the year, trails only Halep (46-9) for most match wins on tour in 2018...Wang is seeking the best win-by-ranking for her career today, with her previous best being against No.20 Stosur

[6] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #6) vs. MONICA PUIG (PUR #55)

Puig leads 3-0

Garcia is among the most consistent players on tour this season, reaching the quarterfinals or better in 12-of-17 events played (70.6% success rate) – in the Top 10, only Halep (83%) and Kerber (71.4%) have better records...Puig is bidding to reach the third round of a major for the first time since 2016 Roland Garros

TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #73) vs. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10)

First career meeting

Townsend is making her first second round appearance at the US Open; bidding to match best Grand Slam result today by reaching the third round...Ostapenko has won the last six second round encounters at the Grand Slam level dating back to the 2015 US Open

ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33) vs. [11] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #11)

Kasatkina leads 3-1

Sasnovich joined Azarenka, Lapko and Sabalenka in advancing to the second round of the US Open, marking the first time in the history of Belarus that four players reached this stage of a major...Kasatkina has earned half her career’s prize money from this season alone (USD $2.3 million)
[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. BERNARDA PERA (USA #92)

Keys leads 1-0

Keys is one of just four players this year to reach the quarterfinals or better at two of the first three Grand Slams...Pera has now competed in the main draw of all four Grand Slams for the first time in her career (all this year)

[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) vs. SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #51)

Sharapova leads 1-0

Sharapova will put her flawless 20-0 Arthur Ashe night match record on the line as she takes on Cirstea under the lights...As the last Romanian standing in this year's draw, Cirstea will look to advance to the third round at the US Open for just the second time in her career (also 2009)
LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #36) vs. [2] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2)

Head to Head: CAROLINE WOZNIACKI leads 1-0

2013 AUSTRALIAN OPEN HARD O R3 CAROLINE WOZNIACKI 6-4 6-3 79 mins

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US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

R1 W - ALISON VAN UYTVANCK (BEL #39) 6-3,6-2 75 mins R1 W - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #64) 6-3,6-2 84 mins

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

LESIA TSURENKO

2017
R1 L - YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #129) 6-3 6-1

2016
R16 L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #8) 7-6(5) 6-2

2015
R2 L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #46) 7-6(7) 6-2

2014
R1 L - ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #48) 6-1 6-2

2013
R1 L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #41) 6-3 2-6 6-4

2012
R1 L - CASEY DELLACQUA (AUS #92) 6-2 6-3

2011
R1* L - MICHELLE LARCHER DE BRITO (POR #181) 7-6(4) 4-6 7-6(3)

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI

2017
R2 L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #40) 6-2 6-7(5) 6-1

2016
SF L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #2) 6-4 6-3

2015
R2 L - PETRA CETKOVSKA (CZE #149) 6-4 5-7 7-6(1)

2014
F L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-3 6-3

2013
R3 L - CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #136) 4-6 6-4 6-3

2012
R1 L - IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU (ROU #96) 6-2 6-2

2011
SF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #27) 6-2 6-4

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TSURENKO:

US Open

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (and ninth overall)
- Broke serve five times to defeat Van Uytvanck in 1r on Tuesday – Grand Slam win-loss record improves to 21-28
- Has now advanced beyond 1r at all four majors in a calendar year for the first time, having also reached R16 at Roland Garros and 2r at both Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Record in 2r matches at the majors stands at 5-8 (1-1 at US Open)
- One of three Ukrainians to reach 2r (also Kalinina and Svitolina)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Equaled best Grand Slam result to date by advancing to R16 at 2018 Roland Garros (ret. vs Muguruza w/leg injury), having also reached this stage at 2016 US Open (l. Vinci)
- During 2016 Flushing Meadows run, was joined in 3r by compatriots Svitolina and K.Bondarenko – first time three Ukrainians made 3r at the same Grand Slam – however she was the only one to advance to R16
- Has been to 3r – but no further – at Australian Open (2013) and Wimbledon (2017)

Season

- Reached fourth QF of the season at Cincinnati (d. No.9 Muguruza in 2r, l. No.1 Halep); now owns 0-4 record against reigning World No.1s – also l. Kerber (2017 Australian Open and 2017 Fed Cup) and Muguruza (2017 Wuhan)
• Made 2r exit at Montréal (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/low back injury)
• On grass, fell to Strycova at both events, in QF at Birmingham (ret. w/hip injury) and 2r at Wimbledon
• Reached R16 for first time at Roland Garros (ret. vs. Muguruza w/leg injury)
• Did not win a match on clay entering Roland Garros, falling 1r at both Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Rome (l. Martic)
• Posted 1-1 record (d. Andreescu, l. Bouchard) during 3-2 defeat by Canada in World Group II play-offs in April
• Reached 2r at Monterrey (w/o to Collins w/toe injury)
• Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Arruabarrena) and Miami (l. Tomljanovic)
• Successfully defended her title at Acapulco (d. Voegele in F), improving her record in finals to a perfect 4-0
• Made back-to-back 1r exits at Doha (l. Buzarnescu) and Dubai (as qualifier, l. Errani)
• Reached 2r at Australian Open (d. Vikhlyantseva, l. A.Radwanska in 3s)
• Opened season with 2r run at Brisbane (d. 17 Barty in 1r, l. Kanepi) before reaching SF stage at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu)

**Career**

• Posted second Top 50 season in 2017, at No.42; also fifth straight Top 100 year-end finish
• 2017 season highlighted by third career singles title at Acapulco (d. Mladenovic in F). Also reached SF at Hobart and ‘s-Hertogenbosch and QF at Stanford and Moscow. Has won titles in four consecutive seasons after 2015 Istanbul (d. U.Radwanska in F), 2016 Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F) and Acapulco in 2017 and 2018
• Achieved career-high singles ranking of No.29 on July 17, 2017
• 2016 season highlighted by winning second WTA singles title at Guangzhou (d. Jankovic in F); also suffered 11 1r losses in 2016, including at three of the majors – Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
• During the summer of 2016, a left thigh injury forced her withdrawal from Stanford, Montréal, Florianopolis and Rio Olympics
• Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2015, finishing year at a career-high ranking of No.33, having started at No.88. Won title at Istanbul and finished season with SF run at Moscow (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova); marked third Premier-level SF appearance of career (after 2013 Brisbane and 2015 New Haven)
• Member of Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2011-13 and 2015-18
• Winner of six singles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2007; made WTA main draw debut at 2009 Tashkent

**Other Information**

• Coached this fortnight by Adriano Albanesi
• Only played tennis occasionally and for fun between ages 14-17; moved to Kiev at 17 to play more seriously
• Studied at Physical Education & Sports Institute for one and a half years (no longer studying; hopes to return one day)
WOZNIACKI:

**US Open**

- Making 12th consecutive main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this fortnight
- Former two-time finalist in 2009 (l. Clijsters) and 2014 (l. S.Williams)
- Other notable results here were three SF visits in 2010-11 and 2016, and a R16 showing in 2008
- Currently No.2 in the rankings and No.4 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard – defending WTA Finals champion
- Also seeded No.2 this fortnight – in the Open Era the US Open has been won by the No.2 seed 12 times, most recently Kerber in 2016
- Entering 2018 US Open, the Dane ranked No.6 on tour in both return points won (46.7%) and return games won (43.1%), as well as No.2 in break points converted (52.1%)
- Broke serve five times and won 33 of 61 return points to ease past 2011 US Open champion Stosur in 1r
- Record in Grand Slam play improves to 112-44 – only seven active players have more wins to their name
- Faces Tsurenko in 2r today; has won two previous meetings with Ukrainians at Grand Slam level, against K.Bondarenko (2008 Australian Open) and Tsurenko (2013 Australian Open)
- Win-loss record in 2r matches across the majors is 30-9 (7-3 at US Open)
- Ranks third among active players for hard court titles with 21 (S.Williams has 46 and V.Williams has 31)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 46th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Captured her first Grand Slam title and the World No.1 ranking at 2018 Australian Open (d. Halep in three sets) – becoming just the fourth player all-time (also, Navratilova, Ivanovic and Azarenka) to simultaneously win her maiden major title and ascend to No.1
- Saved 2mp (in 2r vs. Fett) en route to the 2018 Australian Open title – one of five women to do so in Melbourne
- Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, losing the title match at the US Open in 2009 (l. Clijsters) and 2014 (l. S.Williams). Became first Danish player to reach a Grand Slam final since Kurt Nielsen at 1955 Wimbledon
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2007 Roland Garros (l. Dechy in 1r). Would go on to play 36 consecutive majors until streak was snapped by withdrawal from 2016 Roland Garros (w/right ankle injury)
- At Roland Garros she is a two-time quarterfinalist, in 2010 (l. eventual champion Schiavone) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Ostapenko) and has reached R16 at Wimbledon on six occasions, most recently in 2017
- In juniors, won girls’ singles title at 2006 Wimbledon and was a finalist at 2006 Australian Open
**Season**

- Enters New York after 2r exits at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens) and Montréal (l. Sabalenka – held 3mp in third set)
- Fell 2r at Wimbledon (l. Makarova)
- Also on grass, won her second title of the season, and 29th of her career in Eastbourne (d. Sabalenka in F). Win over Konta in Eastbourne 3r was 50th grass court win, becoming just the seventh active player with as many wins on the surface (also S.Williams, V.Williams, Sharapova, A.Radwanska, Kerber and Jankovic)
- Fell in R16 at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina) after QF showing at Rome (l. Kontaveit) and R16 at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens)
- Made QF at Istanbul (ret. vs. eventual champion Parmentier w/left abdominal injury)
- Reached R16 at Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and made 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Puig)
- Posted SF run at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Fell in QF at St Petersburg (after 1r bye, d. Potapova; l. No.8 seed Kasatkina)
- Won first Grand Slam title of career at Australian Open (d. No.1 Halep in F) – became first Danish woman to win a major singles title
- Win over Halep marked her fourth win over a reigning World No.1 (4-6 career record), having won her first three all in 2017 over Ka.Pliskova (Toronto), Muguruza (Tokyo [PPO]) and Halep (WTA Finals Singapore)
- With her triumph in Melbourne reclaimed the World No.1 ranking for the first time in six years, marking the longest gap between stints at the top spot since the computer rankings were introduced in November 1975 (6 years, 0 days)
- Opened 2018 season with R-Up finish at Auckland (l. Goerges)

**Career**

- Posted 60-21 record in 2017, finishing at No.3 for 10th consecutive Top 20 season and seventh Top 10 finish of career, including six in a row (2009-14) and back-to-back year-end No.1 finishes in 2010-11
- Season highlight in 2017 was winning biggest title of career to that point at 2017 WTA Finals Singapore (d. V.Williams in F). By winning in Singapore, passed $25 million in career prize money
- Also defended title at Tokyo PPO (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and reached a further six finals in 2017, finishing as R-Up at Doha (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Dubai (l. Svitolina) in back-to-back weeks, and then Miami (l. Konta), Eastbourne (l. Ka.Pliskova), Bastad (l. Siniakova) and Toronto (l. Svitolina)
- Scored three wins over No.1-ranked players in 2017, against Ka.Pliskova (Toronto), Muguruza (Tokyo [PPO]) and Halep (Singapore). Had never previously secured victory over the top-ranked player in her career; lifetime record now stands at 4-6 vs. No.1 players (also beat Halep at 2018 Australian Open)
- Scored more wins over Top 10 players in 2017 (14-6 record) than any other player
- Owns 29 career singles titles – fourth most titles among active players (behind S.Williams, V.Williams and Sharapova) and has won at least one title in 11 straight seasons (since 2008), including career-best six titles in 2010 and 2011
- Won first WTA title at 2008 Stockholm, the first ever title won by a Danish woman
- Denmark's flag bearer at 2016 Rio Olympics
• Broke into Top 100 on July 9, 2007 and entered Top 50 on January 28, 2008
• Debuted in Top 10 on May 18, 2009
• Rose to No.1 on October 11, 2010 and held No.1 ranking for total of 67 weeks; returned to No.1 on January 29, 2018 after Australian Open title for a further four weeks, taking career to 71 weeks
• Winner of two WTA doubles titles – 2008 Beijing (w/Medina Garrigues) and 2009 Memphis (w/Azarenka)
• Made professional debut aged 15 as a wildcard at 2005 Cincinnati

**Other Information**

• Ran 2014 New York City Marathon with charity Team for Kids, funds going to New York Road Runners youth programs
• Signed as a USANA Health Sciences brand ambassador in March 2015. As part of the announcement she launched the program’s annual ‘Aces for Humanity’ campaign to aid the USANA True Health Foundation, whose mission is to provide critical nutrition to those who are suffering or in need; money is donated for each ace served by the eight USANA Ambassadors on the WTA
• Announced engagement to former NBA player David Lee in November 2017, the ex-New York Knicks forward proposing on holiday in Bora Bora
• Coached by father, Piotr Wozniacki
JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #82) vs. [4] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

Head to Head: ANGELIQUE KERBER leads 3-0

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JOHANNA LARSSON

82
67
17-08-1988 (30)
$3,368,825
1 / 2
0 / 12
5-8
16-13 / 150-165
7-4 / 50-39
8-1 / 43-40
6-5 / 77-93
0-3 / 2-17
0-3 / 8-34
1-1 / 9-16

WTA RANKING

PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD

DATE OF BIRTH (AGE) | 18-01-1988 (30)
YTD PRIZE MONEY | $5,111,537
CAREER PRIZE MONEY | $26,582,016
SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER) | 2 / 12
DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER) | 0 / 0
US OPEN W-L (MD) * | 24-9

* Updated entering 2018 US Open 2r

US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

R1 | W - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #31) | 4-6,6-3,6-2 | 145 mins | R1 | W - MARGARITA GASPARYAN (RUS #370) | 7-6(5),6-3 | 105 mins

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

JOHANNA LARSSON

2017
R1 | L - AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #232) | 7-5 6-4
2016
R3 | L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) | 6-2 6-1
2015
R1 | L - CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #36) | 6-3 6-3
2014
R3 | L - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #10) | 6-1 6-0
2013
R1 | L - MONA BARTH (GER #34) | 6-1 6-4
2012
R1 | L - DOMINNIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #14) | 6-7(5) 6-2 6-0
2011
R1 | L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #5) | 6-1 6-3

ANGELIQUE KERBER

2017
R1 | L - NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #45) | 6-3 6-1
2016
F | W - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #11) | 6-3 4-6 6-4
2015
R3 | L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #20) | 7-5 2-6 6-4
2014
R3 | L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #58) | 6-1 7-5
2013
R16 | L - CARLA SUAREZ NAVARRO (ESP #20) | 4-6 6-3 7-6(3)
2012
R16 | L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #10) | 7-6(5) 6-3
2011
SF | L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #10) | 6-3 2-6 6-2

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LARSSON:

US Open

- Making ninth consecutive main draw appearance at US Open (and tenth overall)
- Best result here in New York – and joint-best across the majors – is reaching 3r twice, in 2014 (L. Jankovic) and 2016 (L. S. Williams). Also made 3r at 2014 Roland Garros (L. Bouchard)
- Is joined in 2r by fellow Swede Peterson
- Overcame Cornet in 1r on Tuesday in three sets – was first Grand Slam win since 2017 Roland Garros (d. Vikhlyantseva, l. Putintseva)
- Faces No. 4 Kerber today, and aiming for first Top 5 win of career. Owns two Top 10 wins, over No. 6 Li at 2011 Miami and No. 8 Vinci at 2016 New Haven
- Record against left-handers in 2018 is 1-1: d. Kr. Pliskova at Nürnberg and l. Kerber at Miami
- Owns a 3-7 record in Slam 2r matches
- Turned 30 earlier this month – one of 22 thirtysomethings in starting field
- Seeded No. 9 in doubles w/ Bertens (play Kanepi/Petkovic in 1r)

Grand Slam History

- Making 33rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam, having made debut at 2010 Roland Garros (L. Amanmuradova in 2r)
- Reached 3r on three occasions, at 2014 Roland Garros (L. Bouchard), 2014 US Open (L. Jankovic) and 2016 US Open (L. S. Williams)
- Made 2r at 2015-16 Australian Open
- Has fallen 1r on every main draw outing at Wimbledon, losing opener every consecutive year from 2011-18
- In doubles, best results are QF showings at 2015 Australian Open and 2016 Roland Garros (both w/ Bertens)
Season

- Contested qualifying at Cincinnati and New Haven
- During mid-season clay court swing, fell 1r at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Sasnovich) and made 2r at Gstaad (l. Minella)
- In grass court tournaments this year, posted 2r showing at Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Garcia); win over Deichmann in qualifying ended an eight-match losing streak on grass stretching back to qualifying at 2014 Eastbourne. Also fell 1r at $100k ITF/Southsea-GBR and 1r at Wimbledon (l. V.Williams)
- Highlight of clay court season was winning second career title at Nürnberg (d. Riske in F). Career record in singles finals now stands at 2-3
- Elsewhere on clay, made QF at Bogotá (l. Arruabarrena), 2r at Rabat (l. Errani) and fell 1r at Charleston (l. Dolehide) and Roland Garros (l. Mattek-Sands)
- Contested qualifying at Indian Wells, then fell 2r at Miami (l. Kerber)
- Posted QF showing at Budapest (l. Cibulkova)
- Reached 2r at Taipei City (l. Linette after holding four mp)
- Began season with qualifying defeat at Sydney and 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Kumkhum)
- Two-time doubles R-Up in 2018 at Budapest and Nürnberg (both w/Flipkens)

Career

- Posted eighth consecutive Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.80 (down from career-high No.50 in 2016)
- Singles season highlighted by SF run at Bogotá and QF efforts at Gstaad, Linz and Luxembourg; also won 13th ITF singles title of career at $100k ITF/Contrexeville-FRA
- A 12-time WTA doubles title winner, enjoyed continued success here in 2017, collecting titles at Auckland, Gstaad, Seoul and Linz (all w/Bertens); team of Bertens/Larsson also qualified for WTA Finals for the first time, advancing to final (entered title match on 10-match streak, l. Babos/Hlavackova)
- Ended 2016 season at No.50 – highest year-end finish. Season highlights included reaching first SF at WTA Premier-level at New Haven (qualified and defeated two Top 20 players en route, l. Svitolina)
- Also made semifinal runs at 2016 Hobart (l. eventual champion Cornet) and at Bastad (as defending champion, l. Siniakova)
- In addition, reached QFs at Acapulco (l. eventual finalist Cibulkova), Rabat (l. eventual champion Bacsinszky), Gstaad (l. Bacsinszky), Seoul (l. eventual champion Arruabarrena) and Luxembourg (l. eventual finalist Kvitova)
- Rose to career-high ranking following US Open 3r run – No.45 (September 19, 2016)
- Winner of two WTA singles titles, at International-level Bastad in 2015 (d. Barthel in F) and 2018 Nürnberg (d. Riske in F)
- Also a three-time singles runner-up, at 2010 Portoroz (l. Chakvetadze), 2011 Bastad (l. Hercog) and 2013 Bastad (l. S.Williams)
- Made Top 100 debut on June 14, 2010 and cracked Top 50 on July 11, 2011 at No.46
• Owns eight Top 20 wins: No.6 Li Na (2011 Miami), No.11 Bartoli (2012 Cincinnati), No.18 Goerges (2012 Auckland), No.13 Pennetta (2014 Roland Garros), No.11 Safarova (2015 Miami), No.20 Petkovic (2015 Linz) and most recently No.16 Bacsinszky and No.8 Vinci (2016 New Haven)

• On ITF Circuit, winner of 13 singles titles and 16 doubles titles

• Played first WTA qualifying at 2004 Stockholm, and main draw debut at same tournament in 2006 (both as wildcard)


**Other Information**

• Coached by Erik Ullsten

• Started playing tennis at age 5

• Loves watching all sports (live or on TV); skiing is favorite

**KERBER**

**US Open**

• Making 11th main draw appearance at U.S. Open (and 12th overall appearance)

• Champion here in 2016 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), which marked second Grand Slam title of career, after debut title at 2016 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F). Also won 2018 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F)

• 2016 triumph here also saw her rise to World No.1; was 22nd player to hold WTA World No.1 ranking, and second German woman to achieve milestone since computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (after Graf, who spent the last of her record 377 weeks at No.1 in March 1997)

• Other key results in Flushing Meadows were SF run in 2011 (had not been past 3r at a major until that point) and has reached R16 on two further occasions (2012-13)

• Her 1r loss in 2017 (l. Osaka) marked second time in Open Era a defending US Open champion lost in opening round (also Kuznetsova in 2005)

• One of 13 former Grand Slam champions to begin 2018 main draw, and one of seven former U.S. Open champions

• One of six Germans to begin the week, and one of four to make 2r (also Goerges, Maria, Witthoeft)

• Sits joint-third for match wins this season, level with Mertens (41, including 2018 US Open results)

• One of 22 thirtysomethings competing in this year's draw – became 10th woman in Open Era history to lift a Grand Slam title at the age of 30 at 2018 Wimbledon

• Aside from World No.1 Halep (83% - 10/12 events), Kerber holds the second-highest rate on tour for advancing to at least the QF stage of a tournament in 2018 – 71% (10/14 events). In comparison, at this time last year the German's rate was 31% (5/16), down 25% from her breakout 2016 season
Currently second on Porsche Race to Singapore, bidding to join Halep in securing qualification with a deep run this fortnight at U.S. Open.

With Kerber seeded fourth and Goerges seeded ninth, 2018 US Open marks the first time in over 20 years that two Germans have been seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam – last time was No.1 Stefanie Graf and No.6 Anke Huber at 1997 Roland Garros.

Across 22 tournaments in 2017 Kerber tallied just one Top 20 win. Through 14 events in 2018, she has 12 Top 20 wins. The German is the only player to reach the QF or better at the first three Slams this year.

Kerber ranks fourth on the tour in return games won (45%), a significant improvement from her return games won percentage last year (+13.2%).

Attempting to become the third woman in the last 20 years to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same season – also V.Williams (2000, 2001) and S.Williams (2002, 2012).

Enters 2018 US Open ranked No.4, having returned to Top 5 after 2018 Wimbledon success (July 16, 2017) – this is her highest ranking for almost a year (highest since No.3 on August 14, 2017).

Overcame Gasparyan in 1r on Tuesday in straight sets to set up 2r clash with Larsson today – is a perfect 3-0 vs. the Swede and has never lost a set.

A loss today to No.82 Larsson would be worst-by-ranking of season, and worst outright since 2017 Toronto (No.934 Stephens). It would also be worst at Slam level since 2011 Wimbledon (l. No.254 Robson).

Record in Grand Slam 2r matches is 25-4.

**Grand Slam History**


At 2016 Australian Open, became first German to win a Grand Slam singles title since Graf at 1999 Roland Garros (d. Hingis in F). At the time was the fourth player to defeat S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (after V.Williams, Sharapova and Stosur; since joined by Muguruza at 2016 Roland Garros).

Also became first Grand Slam champion to save match point en route to the title since Li at 2014 Australian Open (Kerber saved a match point in 1r win over Doi) and was the first left-handed player to win a Grand Slam singles title since Kvitova at 2014 Wimbledon.

Won second Grand Slam singles title at US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and rose to World No.1; was 22nd player to hold WTA World No.1 ranking, and second German woman to achieve milestone since computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (after Graf, who spent the last of her record 377 weeks at No.1 in March 1997).

Became the first German since 1996 to win Wimbledon in 2018, her third career Grand Slam singles title (d. S.Williams in F). Kerber hit only five unforced errors in the match to oust Williams in just 67 minutes. The win moved Kerber to No.4 in the WTA Rankings, moving her back into the Top 5 after a near-11 month absence.

In 2016, also finished R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams). Is fourth player in Open Era to reach three Grand Slam finals in the same year they reached their first, after Goolagong Cawley (1971), Graf (1987) and Hingis (1997).
Roland Garros remains the only major where she has yet to reach the final. Best results are a pair of QF runs in 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Halep)

Season

- Has played two lead-up events in preparation for New York, posting 2r exit at Montréal (after 1r bye, l. Cornet) and reaching R16 at Cincinnati (l. Keys)
- Has reached at least the QF stage in six of her eight hard court tournament appearances this season, including a title run in Sydney and SF showings at Australian Open and Dubai
- Won her third career Grand Slam singles title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), becoming the first German to win at the All England Club since Graf in 1996
- Hit only five unforced errors and broke her opponent four times in seven return games (57.1 percent) in a clinical performance during the Wimbledon final, needing only 67 minutes to defeat S.Williams for the second time in her career during a Grand Slam final (also 2016 US Open)
- Posted SF run at Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki having held match point). Returned to Top 10 following Eastbourne result – at No.10
- Made 1r exit at Mallorca in a darkness delayed match (l. Riske)
- Finished clay season with an 8-5 record, improving from her three clay wins in 2017
- Matched her career-best result at Roland Garros by reaching QF (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Enjoyed a QF run at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) – her first QF on clay since winning 2016 Stuttgart
- Withdrew from Madrid due to a right thigh injury
- Made R16 at Stuttgart (d. No.10 Kvitova, l. Kontaveit via ret. w/right thigh injury)
- Lost to Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova during Germany's Fed Cup semifinal defeat to Czech Republic
- Enjoyed a pair of QF runs in the ‘Sunshine Double’, at Miami (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina)
- Made SF run at Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) – her 50th career tour-level SF. Defeated No.5 Ka.Pliskova for second Top 5 win in 2018 (also No.5 V.Williams en route to Sydney title)
- Reached QF at Doha (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Advanced to SF at Australian Open (l. Halep in 3s, having held two match points); was first Grand Slam SF since title run at 2016 US Open. No.21 seeding at Australian Open was lowest seed at a Slam since 2012 Australian Open (No.30)
- Ended 27-tournament title drought (dating back to 2016 US Open) by winning at Sydney (d. Barty in F). Posted wins over No.31 Safarova (saved 2mp), No.5 V.Williams and No.25 Cibulkova en route
- Represented Germany at Hopman Cup w/Zverev (R-up to Switzerland, d. Bencic in singles rubber)
Career

- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.21 – sixth consecutive Top 25 season. Best results of season were R-up finish at Monterrey and SFs at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Dubai (l. Svitolina)

- Enjoyed an outstanding 2016 season, winning first Grand Slam titles of career at Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F) and US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), finishing R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F) and rising to World No.1 in the WTA rankings

- Courtesy of her results in 2016, doubled her career prize money during season, passing $19 million mark; passed $20 million at 2017 Roland Garros, becoming 15th player to do so

- After 2016 US Open, aged 28, became oldest player to make her debut at World No.1, a record previously held by Jennifer Capriati, who was 25 years, 200 days when she reached No.1 in October 2001

- Secured the 2016 year-end World No.1 ranking – only the 12th WTA player to achieve the feat and second German woman to do so after Graf (eight times)

- Was voted WTA Player of the Year in 2016 by international media and fans; also, ITF World Champion

- 2016 marked fifth successive Top 10 season finish. Was the WTA match win leader in 2016, going 63-18

- Posted the most wins against Top 10 opponents in 2016, going 12-3, including defeats of No.8 Cibulkova, No.4 Halep, No.7 Keys and No.3 A.Radwanska in Singapore, as well as No.1 S.Williams (Australian Open), No.6 Halep (Fed Cup), No.7 Kvitova (Stuttgart), No.5 Halep and No.8 V.Williams (Wimbledon), No.10 Keys (Rio Olympics), No.4 Halep (Cincinnati) and No.8 Vinci (US Open)

- Reached a career-best total of eight finals across the 2016 season (most finals of any player); as well as winning first two majors, successfully defended title on home soil at Stuttgart (d. Siegemund in F)

- 2016 Stuttgart marked first time she had successfully defended a title in her career; the first German (and seventh player overall) to do so in Stuttgart

- Made fourth appearance at WTA Finals in 2016, progressing past round-robin for first time (l. Cibulkova in F); first German to reach final at the season-ending championships since Graf won title in 1996

- Other runner-up finishes in 2016 came at Brisbane (l. Azarenka in F), Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F), Rio Olympics (l. Puig, won silver medal)

- Reached first WTA final of career at 2010 Bogotá and won first title at 2012 Paris [Indoors]. Has won titles on all surfaces: hardcourt, grass and clay (red and green) Career record in tour-level finals stands at 12 -16

- Made first WTA appearance in qualifying at 2003 Berlin

Other Information

- Coached by Wim Fissette. Ended successful partnership with Torben Beltz during 2018 pre-season

- Fissette owns a 19-3 career coaching record at the US Open, including title runs from 2009-2010 (Clijsters)

- In January 2017 was named in Forbes 30 Under 30 in Europe (in the entertainment category), alongside the likes of Gareth Bale and Luis Suárez

- Speaks three languages: German, Polish, and English
[5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) vs. YAFAN WANG (CHN #90)

Head to Head: PETRA KVITOVA leads 1-0

2016  BEIJING  HARD O  R2  PETRA KVITOVA  6-4 6-1  69 mins

PETRA KVITOVA

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3
08-03-1990 (28)
$2,942,540
$26,983,358
5 / 25
0 / 0
24-10
45-11 / 396-183
17-4 / 120-75
7-7 / 78-57
24-7 / 261-125
7-1 / 52-47
15-4 / 99-80
3-2 / 44-14

WTA RANKING

PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD
DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)
$296,273
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1 / 3
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YAFAN WANG

90
30-04-1994 (24)

SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)
Doubles TITLES (YTD / CAREER)
US OPEN W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *
YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *

* Updated entering 2018 US Open 2r

US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018

R1  W - YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #94)  6-1,6-4  72 mins  R1  W - ANNA KAROLINA SCHMIEDLOVA (SVK #84)  6-1,3-6,6-4  127 mins

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

PETRA KVITOVA

2017
QF  L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #9)  6-3 3-6  7-6(2)
R16  L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #2)  6-3 7-5
2016
QF  L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #26)  4-6 6-4  6-2
R3  L - ALEKSANDRA KRunic (SRB #145)  6-4 6-4
2014
R3  L - ALISON Riske (USA #81)  6-3 6-0
2013
R16  L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #11)  1-6 6-2  6-0
2012
R1  L - ALEXANDRA DULGHERU (ROU #48)  7-6(3) 6-3

YAFAN WANG

2017
R2*  L - VICTORIA DUVAL (USA #402)  2-6 6-4  6-4
2016
R2  L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #99)  7-5 6-3
2015
R2*  L - MELANIE OUDIN (USA #312)  6-7(2) 6-3  7-6(5)

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KVITOVA:

**US Open**

- Making 11th consecutive appearance in New York this week (12th overall)
- Best results were two QF finishes in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta) and 2017 (l. V.Williams)
- Also advanced to R16 on three occasions: 2009 (l. Wickmayer), 2012 (l. Bartoli) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Re-entered Top 5 of the WTA Rankings on August 20, 2018 for first time since the week of October 26, 2015
- After a 1r loss at this year's Australian Open, the Czech has rebounded to lead the WTA tour in singles titles (5), while posting an impressive 7-1 mark vs. Top 10 opponents and holding a WTA-leading 17 wins in three-set matches
- Kvitova's tour-leading five titles this season have come on all surfaces: St. Petersburg and Doha (hardcourt), Prague and Madrid (clay) and Birmingham (grass) – the first player to win a title on all three surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- Currently sits at No.3 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard. Looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the first time since 2015; has qualified for WTA Finals five times
- Has already posted 15 Top 20 wins so far this season; by contrast, posted 16 such wins across previous two seasons combined
- Scored 45th win of the season against Wickmayer in 1r on Tuesday – with a 45-11 record on the year, trails only Halep (46-9) for match wins so far in 2018
- Faces No.90 Wang in 2r; owns 4-1 record against Chinese players at Grand Slam level, with sole defeat coming against Li at 2011 Roland Garros
- Owns 25-6 record in Grand Slam 2r matches, including an 8-0 tally at the US Open
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 41st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results include two SF showings, at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta) and 2011 Australian Open (l. Zvonareva)

**Season**

- Advanced to the QF stage last week in New Haven before being forced to retire against Suárez Navarro due to a left shoulder injury – first loss at that stage of a tournament all season (previously 5-0)
- Posted a SF run at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens) after a R16 showing at Montréal (also l. Bertens)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Sasnovich)
- Won 25th career WTA singles title at Birmingham as the defending champion (d. Rybarikova in F) and gave walkover to A.Radwanska in R16 at Eastbourne (right hamstring injury)
- Hit 50 career WTA main draw wins on grass with title run at Birmingham, including four titles on the surface at 2011 and 2014 Wimbledon, and 2017 and 2018 Birmingham
- Has now successfully defended a title twice in her career – also at New Haven in 2014-15
- Is fifth among active players for titles won:

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- Made 3r showing at Roland Garros (l. Kontaveit in two tie-breaks)
- Captured back-to-back titles at Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F) and Madrid (d. Bertens in F)
Enjoyed a 13-match winning streak between Madrid (6), Prague (5) and Roland Garros (2), marking her second-best win streak of her career:

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Highlighted indicates streak from this season

Is first player to win the Madrid title three times. Defeat of No.6 Ka.Pliskova in Madrid SF was seventh Top 10 win in 2018 (7-1 record), having also defeated No.6 Ostapenko and No.10 Mladenovic (both at St. Petersburg), No.3 Svitolina, No.10 Goerges, No.1 Wozniacki and No.3 Muguruza (all at Doha)

Withdrew from Rome after Madrid w/right thigh injury

Lost to Kerber in 1r at Stuttgart after going 2-0 in singles play against Germany (d. No.11 Goerges and No.12 Kerber) to lead the Czech Republic into November’s Fed Cup Final against the USA

Fell in 2r of Charleston (after 1r bye, l. Kr.Pliskova) following R16 run at Miami (as No.9 seed, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko) and 3r at Indian Wells (l. Anisimova)

Lifted the title at Doha (d. Muguruza in F). Holds seventh best record among active players for hard court titles won with 17

Defeated No.1 Wozniacki in SF at Doha – record vs. reigning No.1s now stands at 5-4. Other wins came over Safina (2009 US Open), Wozniacki (2011 WTA Finals), S.Williams (2015 Madrid – ending the American's 27-match winning streak) and Kerber (2016 Wuhan)

Won back-to-back titles at St Petersburg and Doha for the first time since winning Linz and WTA Finals in 2011

Returned to Top 10 after Doha at No.9 (last appeared in Top 10 week of June 27, 2016)

Steered Czech Republic to Fed Cup semifinals for 10th year in a row, posting wins against Switzerland's Bencic and Golubic in Prague

Won title at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F); with 64-27 record, leads active players for indoor hard court wins

Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Petkovic in 2hrs 52mins)

Opened 2018 season with 2r showing at Sydney (l. Giorgi) after withdrawing from Brisbane w/viral illness

Career

Finished 2017 ranked No.29, down from No.11 in 2016

Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, l. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand

Won title at 2017 Birmingham (d. Barty in F). Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (l. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (l. V. Williams)

Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
- Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan (d. Cibulkova in F) and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai (d. Svitolina in F). Also finished R-Up at 2016 Luxembourg (l. Niculescu in F)
- Member of Czech Republic team that successfully defended Fed Cup title in November 2016 vs. France (l. Garcia, d. Mladenovic, then teamed w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match). Czech Republic have won the Cup in five times since 2011
- Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (l. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
- 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), Madrid (d. Kuznetsova in F) and New Haven (d. Safarova in F). New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
- Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (l. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
- At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

**Other Information**

- A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
- Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
- Fitness trainer is David Vydra

**Y.WANG:**

**US Open**

- Making second main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (fourth overall), where she is through to the 2r for the second time
- After coming through qualifying, also made it this far on debut in 2016 (d. Van Uytvanck, l. Tsurenko)
- In 1r this year, won 12 of the last 16 points to edge out Schmiedlova
- Faces No.5 Kvitova today. Only previous meetings with Top 10 players were defeats to No.5 Wozniacki at 2015 Kuala Lumpur and No.10 Kerber at 2018 Miami
- In terms of ranking, her best career win was against No.20 Stosur at 2014 Guangzhou
- One of two Chinese players to reach 2r this year (also Q.Wang)

**Grand Slam History**

- Having fallen in qualifying at all four Grand Slam events in 2015, made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Australian Open (l. Sakkari in 1r)
- Best results are 2r showings at US Open in 2016 (as qualifier, l. Tsurenko) and 2018 (plays Kvitova today)
- Also fell 1r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
• Has contested doubles main draw at all four majors

**Season**

• Earlier this month, marked return to hard courts with finals appearance at $60k ITF/Jinan-CHN
• After Wimbledon, made QFs at Bucharest (l. Buzarnescu) and fell 2r at $100k ITF/Budapest-HUN; rose to career-high No.71 in the rankings after Bucharest run (July 23, 2018)
• Fell 1r at both Wimbledon (l. Blinkova) and Roland Garros (l. Martic) – her second and third Slam main draw appearances
• In other clay court outings fell 1r at Strasbourg (l. Parmentier) and in qualifying at Rome
• Strong performances at WTA 125K Series events this year highlighted by R-Up finish at Zhengzhou (l. S.Zheng). Also made QF at Anning and fell 1r at both Bol and Indian Wells
• Won through qualifying to reach R16 at Miami (l. Kerber on 3s); scored second-best win of career over No.23 Suárez Navarro in 2r
• Reached SF at Taipei City (l. eventual champion Babos) – her third WTA SF. Also won doubles title w/Duan – career record in doubles finals now stands at 3-2
• Went 2-1 in singles as China finished in third place in the Asia/Oceania Zone Group I event in New Delhi, India
• Contested qualifying at Dubai and Australian Open
• Began season with 2r showing at Shenzhen (l. eventual R-Up Siniakova)

**Career**

• Ended 2017 ranked No.168 (down from career-best finish of No.115 in 2016)
• Season highlight was reaching second WTA SF, at Nanchang (l. Hibino)
• Missed first half of 2017 due to illness. Marked comeback with a series of opening round defeats on ITF Circuit before lifting eighth career title at this level at $25k ITF/Tianjin-CHN
• Reached 2r at Guangzhou (l. Rodina) and Tianjin (l. Sorribes Tormo) and made 1r exits at Wuhan (l. Cirstea) and Beijing (l. Cornet)
• Ended 2017 by winning ninth career title at $60k ITF/Liuzhou-CHN
• Highlight of 2016 season was reaching 2r at US Open, on her main draw debut at the tournament (as qualifier, l. Tsurenko). Also made 2r appearances at Beijing (l. Kvitova) and Tianjin (l. Han)
• Fell 1r at Kaohsiung (l. Linette), Kuala Lumpur (l. Krejickova), Nanchang (l. Zhang Y.) and Guangzhou (l. Wang)
• Best result on ITF Circuit in 2016 was runner-up finish at ITF/Kashiwa-JPN in April
• Winner of three WTA doubles titles, at 2015 Kuala Lumpur, 2015 Zhuhai and 2018 Taipei City, as well as a WTA 125K Series events at Hua Hin in 2015 and 2017, and Zhengzhou and Bol in 2018
• Made Fed Cup debut for China in 2016
• Cracked Top 50 in doubles in 2016, reaching No.49 (February 15, 2016)
• Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2014 Guangzhou, advancing to SF (l. Niculescu). Defeated No.20 Stosur en route to register first – and to date only – Top 20 win
• Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at 2012 Beijing
• Played first event of career at ITF/Quanzhou-CHN in 2009

**Other Information**

• Coached in New York by Alejandro Dulko

• Began playing tennis when she was nine

• Born in Nanjing, China
[6] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #6) vs. MONICA PUIG (PUR #55)

Head to Head: MONICA PUIG leads 3-0

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GARCIA:

**US Open**

- Making sixth consecutive main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week (eighth overall)
- Best result were 3r showings in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2017 (l. Kvitova)
- 2016 R-Up in doubles w/Mladenovic (l. Mattek-Sands/Safarova)
- Former junior girls’ singles R-Up in 2011 (l. Min)
- Seeded No.6 this week – has been seeded at 19 consecutive tournaments, a run which started at 2017 WTA Finals
- Including US Open, has now been a Top 10 seed across all Slams this season – first time in career
- This marks the first time France has had a Top 10 seed in the women’s draw at the US Open since No.8 Marion Bartoli in 2011; last time France had a Top 10 women’s seed across all Slams in the same year was 2006 – Amélie Mauresmo
- In 1r on Tuesday, struck 21 winners during a straight-sets win over Konta
- Faces Puig in 2r – has lost three previous meetings with the Puerto Rican, including last week at New Haven
- Record in Grand Slam 2r matches is 9-7, most recently falling at this stage at 2016 Wimbledon (l. Siniakova)
- Garcia is among the most consistent players on tour this season, reaching the QF or better in 12 of 17 events played (70.6% success rate) – in the Top 10 only Halep, (10 of 12 – 83%) and Kerber (10 of 14 – 71.4%) have better records
- In the past year, the Frenchwoman has produced some of her best tennis across back-to-back or two-week events:

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- Currently sits at No.13 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th 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) and 2017 (l. Kvitova)
- 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)

**Season**

- Enters New York having reached QF stage last week at New Haven (l. today's opponent Puig)
- Registered R16 effort 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); rose to career-high 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. Saved 1 match point in QF win vs. Svitolina en route to Beijing title
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

**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
PUIG:

US Open

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (seventh overall), where she is through to 2r for only the second time
- Also made it this far in 2014 (d. Smitkova, l. Petkovic)
- On Tuesday, scored second main draw win here, beating Voegele without dropping a game – the first 6-0 6-0 win of her career
- In addition to Daria Gavrilova's 1r double bagel performance on Monday, this was the first time there has been two (or more) 6-0, 6-0 victories in the opening round at the US Open since 2013 when Sara Errani, Johanna Larsson and Carla Suarez Navarro each logged double-bagel victories
- Against Garcia in 2r, is looking for her third Top 10 win of 2018 – also beat Garcia last week at New Haven and No.2 Wozniacki at Miami
- Owns 4-6 record in Grand Slam 2r matches; bidding to reach 3r at a major for first time since 2016 Roland Garros

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 22nd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at the majors came with R16 run at 2013 Wimbledon (l. Stephens)
- Made 3r at Australian Open in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2016 (l. Keys)
- On Grand Slam debut at 2013 Roland Garros, became first woman representing Puerto Rico to reach 3r at a Grand Slam in the Open Era (Kristina Brandi's best results at Grand Slams were representing USA)
- At US Open, best results are 2r runs in 2014 (l. Petkovic) and 2018 (plays Garcia today)
- Advanced to the final of two junior Grand Slams: 2011 Australian Open (l. Mestach) and 2011 Roland Garros (l. Jabeur)

Season

- Coming off SF showing at New Haven (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/left abdominal injury) – her first SF of 2018
- In other outings since Wimbledon, fell 1r at Montréal (as LL, l. Sevastova – held 2mp in second set) and in qualifying at Cincinnati
- On return from hip injury, made 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Goerges)
- Fell in qualifying at Rome (ret. vs. Vekic w/left leg injury), then missed Roland Garros w/hip injury
- Posted 2r showing at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- In Monterrey in April, advanced to QF (l. eventual R-Up Babos)
- Advanced to R16 at Miami (l. Collins). Scored fourth Top 5 win of career over No.2 Wozniacki in 2r; other wins came against No.5 Errani (2013 Wimbledon), and No.4 Muguruza and No.2 Kerber (both at 2016 Rio Olympics)
- Reached 2r at Indian Wells (l. Sevastova) and Acapulco (l. Peterson)
- Made 2r Australian Open 2r (saved mp in 1r win over Stosur, l. Kanepi)
- Began season by falling in 1r at Auckland (l. eventual champion Goerges) and contesting qualifying at Sydney

**Career**
- Ended 2017 ranked No.58, down from a career-high No.32 in 2016 - fifth consecutive Top 100 finish
- Season highlight was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (l. Witthoeft); was first final since winning the 2016 Rio Olympics. Also posted SF run at Doha (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki) and made QF at Acapulco (l. McHale)
- Posted first Top 40 season finish in 2016, at No.32; achieved career high ranking of No.27 on September 29, 2016
- Finished 2016 season with QF run at International-level Tianjin (l. Kovinic); reached at least QF on eight occasions during the year – also Sydney (R-Up; l. Kuznetsova in first final at Premier level), Prague (QF, l. Kuznetsova), Nottingham (SF, l. Ka.Pliskova), Eastbourne (SF, as qualifier, l. Cibulkova), Florianopolis (SF, l. Begu), Rio Olympics (Won, d. Kerber in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (QF, l. A.Radowanska)
- Made Top 30 debut the week of September 26, 2016 after QF run at Tokyo [PPO], posting career-high ranking of No.27
- Made history at Rio Olympics in August, winning Puerto Rico's first ever Gold medal. Posted two Top 5 wins en route, over No.4 Muguruza (R16) and No.2 Kerber (F). Subsequently withdrew from Cincinnati (low back injury)
- Prior to Olympics, made SF at Florianopolis (l. eventual champion Begu)
- Best results in Grand Slam play in 2016 were 3r efforts at Australian Open (saved five match points during 2r win vs. Kr.Pliskova, in addition to the Czech serving a WTA-record 31 aces in the match – beating Lisicki's 27 vs. Bencic at 2015 Birmingham) and Roland Garros (l. Keys)
- Scored best result at WTA Premier Mandatory tournament with 3r run at 2016 Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina); this was followed by 2r exit at Miami (l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Owns 2-2 record in singles finals, having won 2014 Strasbourg (d. Soler-Espinosa in F) and 2016 Olympics (d. Kerber in F), and finished as R-Up at 2016 Sydney (as qualifier, l. Kuznetsova) and 2017 Luxembourg (l. Wittheoft)
- First player representing Puerto Rico to win a WTA singles title; Kristina Brandi and Gigi Fernández, both born in Puerto Rico, won titles while playing under USA flag
- In her fourth career tour-level main draw appearance (2013 Brisbane), defeated Rogowska in opening match, becoming the first player from Puerto Rico to win a main draw match since 2006 Charleston (Kristina Brandi)
- Won inaugural Rising Stars Invitational as part of WTA Finals in Singapore in 2014 (d. Zheng Saisai in F)

**Other Information**
- Coached by Juan Todero
- Was Named Best Female Athlete of the 2016 Rio Olympics by Association of National Olympics Committees (ANOC); award was presented in Doha last November
- During 2016 off-season, hosted a charity exhibition match against Sharapova in Puerto Rico in December
TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #73) vs. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10)

Head to Head: First meeting

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TOWNSEND:

**US Open**
- Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open, and seventh appearance overall
- 2018 marks first occasion reaching 2r, having lost opening matches in 2014 (l. eventual champion S. Williams), 2016 (as qualifier, l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Bogdan)
- Fell in 2011, 2013 and 2015 qualifying
- 2018 US Open marks first tour-level event contested since Wimbledon. Did represent Philadelphia Freedoms in World Team tennis earlier in August
- Overcame Anisimova in 1r on Tuesday to register first main draw win in New York at the fourth attempt
- Now owns main draw wins at three of the four majors, with Australian Open the only Slam where she has yet to secure a main draw victory (in two previous appearances)
- Faces No.10 Ostapenko today – is 0-6 in career vs. Top 10 opponents, losing to No.1 S. Williams (2014 US Open), No.8 Wozniacki (2015 Auckland), No.8 Wozniacki (2015 Australian Open), No.7 Kuznetsova (2017 Miami), No.2 Halep (2017 Cincinnati) and No.1 Halep (2018 Roland Garros)
- Best win of career came over No.21 Cornet at 2014 Roland Garros in 2r
- Bidding to match best Slam result today by reaching 3r, having also made this stage at 2014 Roland Garros (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Ranked No.73 heading into 2018 US Open, two spots off her career-high of No.71 (May 21, 2018)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 13th time contesting a Grand Slam main draw
- Has enjoyed a career-best year at the Slams in 2018, scoring debut main draw wins at Wimbledon and US Open
- At Roland Garros, has reached 3r in 2014 (l. Suárez Navarro), and 2r in 2016 (l. Svitolina), 2017 (l. Hsieh) and 2018 (l. Halep)
- 3r run in Paris at 18 years, one month made her the youngest woman to reach 3r there since 2009 (Pavlyuchenkova)
- On US Open debut in 2014, lost to World No.1 Serena Williams 6-3 6-1
- Won both the girls’ singles and doubles titles at 2012 Australian Open, becoming first American to sweep both events at a junior Slam since Davenport in 1992
- Also won junior doubles title at 2012 Wimbledon (w/Bouchard) and 2012 US Open (w/Andrews)

**Season**
- 2018 US Open marks first event since Wimbledon 2r showing (l. Sasnovich). Prior to appearing at All England Club, fell in Eastbourne qualifying
- Following 2r exit at Roland Garros (l. Halep), landed ninth ITF singles title at $25k ITF/Sumter, SC-USA (d. Lim in F)
- Enjoyed more ITF success pre-Roland Garros, highlighted by seventh and eighth career titles at this level at $80K ITF/Dothan, AL-USA (d. Duque-Mariño in F) and $80K ITF/Charleston, SC-USA (d. Brengle in F)
• Other clay court results included 2r at Charleston (l. Vesnina) and SF showings twice on ITF Circuit
• During “Sunshine Double” fell 1r at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Collins) and contested qualifying at Miami. Also made 1r exits at WTA 125K Series events at Indian Wells and Newport Beach
• Won doubles title at WTA 125K Series Indian Wells w/Wickmayer (d. Brady/King in F)
• Opened season at Auckland, reaching 2r (l. A.Radwanska). Followed this with opening match loss at Australian Open (l. Rybarikova)

Career
• Ended 2017 ranked No.105, three spots off career-best year-end finish of No.102 in 2014
• Season highlight was 3r run at Miami after coming through qualifying. Upset No.30 Vinci in 2r before losing to No.7 Kuznetsova
• Also won three singles title on ITF Circuit in 2017, at $25K ITF/Sumter, SC-USA, $25K ITF/Florence, SC-USA and $80K ITF/Waco, TX-USA
• Cracked Top 100 the week of January 19, 2015 at No.99
• Made WTA main draw debut as wildcard at 2013 Indian Wells; in first match posted career first Top 100 win over No.57 Hradecka
• Has reached one WTA doubles final in career, finishing R-Up at 2013 Washington D.C. (w/Bouchard, l. Aoyama/Dushevina)
• Won the junior singles and doubles titles at 2012 Australian Open; became first American to hold year-end No.1 junior world ranking since Gretchen Rush in 1982
• Turned professional at end of 2012 season

Other Information
• Started playing right-handed for two years then switched to lefty
• Played violin for two years
• Coached by Donald Young Sr.

OSTAPENKO:

US Open
• Making fourth appearance at Flushing Meadows – achieved her best result here last season by reaching 3r (l. Kasatkina)
• Also made 2r in 2015 (l. Errani) and fell 1r in 2016 (l. Kvitova)
• One of two Latvians in play this fortnight, with both winning through to 2r (also Sevastova)
• In 1r on Tuesday, overcame Petkovic in three sets – has now won seven of last eight opening matches at the Slams
• Faces Townsend today for the first time. Owns 1-1 record against US players at Grand Slams: d. Chirico at 2017 Roland Garros, l. V.Williams at 2017 Wimbledon
• Record in Grand Slam 2r matches stands at 6-2 – lost first two 2r matches of career at 2015 Wimbledon and 2015 US Open, however has won the last six in a row
• Entering 2018 US Open 2r, record in Grand Slam main draw matches is 25-12

Grand Slam History
• 2018 US Open marks 14th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
• Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), becoming first woman to win her first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open (d. Walsh in F)
• First Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam; previously Ernests Gulbis reached SF at 2014 Roland Garros
• Is one of six players born in the 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (also Kvitova at 2011 and 2014 Wimbledon, Muguruza at 2016 Roland Garros and 2017 Wimbledon, Stephens at 2017 US Open, Wozniacki at 2018 Australian Open and Halep at 2018 Roland Garros)
• Followed Paris victory by posting her then-second best major result, reaching QF at 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams). Along with S.Williams in 2015, is the only woman in the last 10 years to have followed up victory at Roland Garros with a run to the QF or better at Wimbledon. Before that, Henin also achieved the feat in 2007
• Also the first woman to back up her maiden Slam title with QF or better at next Slam since Kim Clijsters (US Open-Australian Open 2006)
• Improved upon her 2017 result by reaching the SF of Wimbledon in 2018 (l. event. champion Kerber) becoming the first woman representing Latvia to reach SF at Wimbledon
• Best result to date at Australian Open is reaching 3r in 2017 and 2018; best result at US Open is reaching 3r in 2017
• Fell in 1r at all four majors in 2016, however, reached mixed doubles SF at 2016 Wimbledon (w/Marach, l. event. champions Kontinen/Watson)
• Won girls’ singles title at 2014 Wimbledon

Season
• Made 1r exits at Montréal (l. Konta in 3s) and Cincinnati (l. Cornet in 3s)
• Finished grass court season with 7-2 record, highlighted by SF run at Wimbledon (l. event. champion Kerber) becoming the first woman representing Latvia to reach last four at Wimbledon
• Enjoyed a QF showing at Eastbourne (l. A.Radwanska) in her lone tune up for Wimbledon
• Suffered 1r upset at Roland Garros as the defending champion (l. Kozlova) – was only sixth player in Open Era to lose in 1r of Grand Slam title defense
• Reached QF at Rome (l. Sharapova 6-7(6) 6-4 7-5 in 3h 11m – sixth longest match of the season)
• Made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Begu) following QF run at Stuttgart (l. event. champion Ka.Pliskova in 3s)
• Won both singles rubbers (d. Makarova and Pavlyuchenkova in straight sets) to help Latvia beat Russia 3-2 and reach the Fed Cup World Group II for the first time
• Reached her first final of 2018 in Miami (l. Stephens). The result was her best showing at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament. Record in singles finals now stands at 2-4
• At 20 years, 297 days old, became the youngest player to reach Miami final since Azarenka (19 years, 237 days) won the title in 2009
• Saw off No.9 Kvitova in R16 and No.4 Svitolina in Miami QF to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time in her career
• Made 3r exit at Indian Wells (l. Martic); rose to career-high No.5 ranking after the tournament (March 19, 2018)
• Suffered opening match defeat Doha (after 1r bye, l. Buzarnescu in straight sets) and Dubai (l. Vesnina). Bounced back by winning third career WTA doubles title w/Dabrowski (d. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez in F) that week
• Represented Latvia in Fed Cup Europe/Africa Group competition, helping team reach World Group II play-offs for the first time, going 3-1 in singles
• Reached QF at St. Petersburg (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
• Began 2018 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Kr.Pliskova) and Sydney (l. Makarova), before reaching 3r at Australian Open (l. Kontaveit)

**Career**

• Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time in her career (at No.7); was No.44 at end of 2016 (first Top 50 finish) and No.79 at end of 2015 (first Top 100 finish)
• Won first tour-level title and maiden Grand Slam trophy at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), where she became the lowest-ranked player (No.47), and first unseeded player, to lift the trophy in the Open Era
• Clinched second tour-level title at Seoul in September (d. Haddad Maia in F) as top seed
• Seoul title helped earn her first-ever qualification at WTA Finals, where she went 1-2 in the group stage – d. Ka.Pliskova; l. V.Williams and Muguruza
• Advanced to third career singles final at 2017 Charleston in April, falling to then fellow 19-year-old Kasatkina; was the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
• Made four additional semifinals in 2017: Auckland (l. eventual champion Davis), Prague (l. Kr.Pliskova), Wuhan (l. Barty) and Beijing (l. Halep)
• Upset Muguruza in QF at 2017 Beijing to register first win over a reigning World No.1
• Reached QF stage at Acapulco (l. eventual champion Tsurenko) and Wimbledon (l. eventual R-Up V.Williams)
• Following run to 3r at 2017 US Open (l. Kasatkina), made her Top 10 debut at No.10 on September 11, 2017
• In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo)
• 2016 season highlight and breakthrough result was reaching final at Premier 5 Doha (l. Suárez Navarro)
• Made Top 40 debut by virtue of reaching final at 2016 Doha
• Represented Latvia at 2016 Rio Olympics, losing 1r in singles (l. Stosur)
• Reached first WTA final of career at 2015 Québec City (l. Beck)
• Ended 2015 at No. 79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No. 308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second-highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No. 370 to No. 72 (298 spots)
• Began playing ITF Circuit events in 2012. Has won seven singles and eight doubles titles. Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Tashkent (2r, l. Pervak)
• Latvian Fed Cup Team, 2013-18; Latvian Olympic Team, 2016

Other Information

• Works with Glen Schaap (as of June 2018) and her mother, Jelena Jakovleva
• Father is Jevgenijs, half-brother is Maksim Ostapenko (graduated from art academy in Los Angeles and lives there now).
• Previously worked with David Taylor from December 2017 until 2018 Roland Garros
• Introduced to tennis at age five by mother; favorite shots are serve and backhand; favorite surfaces are grass and hard
• Tennis idols are Serena Williams and Ernests Gulbis – watched Gulbis’ QF match at Roland Garros from his box in 2014
• Took ballroom dancing classes for seven years
ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #33) vs. [11] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #11)

Head to Head: DARIA KASATKINA leads 3-1

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  - YTD PRIZE MONEY: $754,985
  - CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $1,792,155
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DARIA KASATKINA

- WTA RANKING
  - PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD
  - DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 07-05-1997 (21)
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SASNOVICH:

**US Open**
- Making fifth career main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week
- Has already matched best result here, after advancing to 2r in 2014 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Barty)
- Entered this fortnight with a career-high singles ranking of No.33 in the world (as of August, 27, 2018)
- Began 2018 US Open campaign with three-set 1r victory over Bencic – marking the 40th main draw hardcourt win and 25th three-set win of her career
- For the first time in the nation's history, Belarus had four players advance to the 2r of a Grand Slam at this year's US Open – Azarenka, Lapko, Sabalenka and Sasnovich
- This is the first time in her career that she has reached the 2r of all majors in the same year, having also made 3r at Australian Open, 2r at Roland Garros and R16 at Wimbledon
- Squares off against No.11 Kasatkina in today's 2r showdown – 1-3 record against the Russian; holds a 34-15 career record vs. Russians
- In 2018 season is 5-6 in 2r matches across all tournaments. Meanwhile, career record in Grand Slam 2r matches is 2-7
- In 2018, has compiled a 3-6 record vs. Top 20 opponents, having defeated No.11 Mladenovic (Brisbane), No.16 Sevastova (Brisbane), No.7 Kvitova (Wimbledon)
- Ranks No.4 on tour for tie-breaks played (14) and No.3 in tie-breaks won (9-5)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 15th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best Grand Slam result is R16 run at 2018 Wimbledon (d. No.8 Kvitova in 1r, l. Ostapenko)
- Also posted 3r run at 2018 Australian Open (l. Garcia) and reached 2r at US Open in 2014 (as qualifier on Grand Slam debut, l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki), 2017 and 2018, and at Roland Garros in 2017 and 2018

**Season**
- In US Open lead-up events, posted R16 finish as a qualifier in New Haven (l. Garcia) after a 1r exit at Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Kuzmova)
- Made SF at Moscow [River Cup] (l. eventual champion Danilovic)
- Reached first Grand Slam R16 at Wimbledon (l. Ostapenko). In 1r, upset No.8 Kvitova to score second career Top 10 win (also No,6 Ka.Pliskova at 2016 Tokyo [PPO])
- Other results on grass were 1r exits at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe) and Mallorca (l. Lottner)
- Clay season culminated with 2r showing at Roland Garros (l. Bertens)
- Reached 2r at Madrid (l. Kontaveit) and fell in qualifying at Rome (l. Barthel)
- Opened clay swing by reaching 2r at Lugano (l. Flipkens) before 1r exit at Prague (l. Kr.Pliskova)
- Went 1-1 in singles in April's Fed Cup play-offs vs. Slovakia (d. Cepelova, l. Kuzmova)
• Won back-to-back matches at Premier Mandatory level for first time to reach 3r at Indian Wells (l. Wozniacki) before reaching 2r at Miami (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
• Fell 2r at Budapest (l. Martic)
• Lost opening day singles rubber to Lottner during Belarus's Fed Cup World Group I defeat to Germany in February
• At Australian Open, advanced to 3r of a major for first time (l. Garcia). Afterwards, broke into Top 50 for first time at No.46 (week of January 29, 2018)
• Reached second career WTA final and first at a Premier tournament at Brisbane, as a qualifier – defeated No.11 Mladenovic and No.16 Sevastova en route to final (l. No.6 Svitolina)

**Career**

• Posted career-best season finish in 2017 at No.87 – the first Top 100 finish of her career. Highlights for the year included SF run at International-level Biel and QF appearance at Premier-level Moscow
• Also in 2017, played all three ties during Belarus' run to its first Fed Cup final – posted 5-1 record, including win over No.13 Stephens in final
• 2016 season was highlighted by QF run at Tokyo [PPO] – won three rounds of qualifying before defeating Wickmayer in 1r and No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 2r; lost to eventual finalist Osaka
• 2015 highlight was reaching first WTA final, at Seoul (as qualifier, l. Begu) – one of four qualifiers to reach a WTA final in 2015 (all finished R-Up)
• Made Top 100 debut on September 8, 2015 (after US Open; rose from No.120 to No.97)
• In 2014 season won 11th and most recent singles title on ITF Circuit. Also owns seven ITF doubles titles
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Brussels; made WTA main draw debut at 2014 US Open
• Played first event of career at 2009 ITF/Minsk 2-BLR

**Other Information**

• Coached by Aliaksandr Leniuchau
• Started playing at age 9; introduced to sport by father
• Practiced Taekwondo for a couple of years when she was younger

**KASATKINA:**

**US Open**

• Making fourth consecutive main draw appearance in New York this week
• Best result came last year with R16 run (l. qualifier Kanepi); also reached 3r on 2015 tournament debut (l. Mladenovic)
• Owns the most wins against Top 5 players in 2018 – 5-2 (Wozniacki three times, Muguruza twice)
• One of just four players on tour to reach the quarterfinals or better at two of the first three Slams this year (also, Halep, Kerber and Keys). Is the first Russian to accomplish this feat since Sharapova did so back in 2015 (Australian Open and Wimbledon)
Enters Flushing Meadows on career-high ranking of No.11 – over the past 12 months has jumped 27 spots up the rankings from No.38 to No.11

Also sits at No.9 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard

Has earned half her career’s prize money from this season alone (USD$2.3 million)

Resides in the Top 5 on tour in several statistical categories: No.3 in first serve percentage (68%), No.3 in return games won (45.3%), No.4 in return points won (47.8%) and tied No.4 in three-set wins (12-8)

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)

Won the final four games of the match to edge past Babos in 3s on Tuesday

Faces Sasnovich in 2r; owns a 7-2 mark vs. Belarusian players – last loss was to Azarenka in Fed Cup in 2016

Is 8-2 in 2r Grand Slam play, including 2-0 in New York

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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

**Season**

- Coming off 1r upset exit to qualifier Martic 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)
- Has reached QF or better on eight occasions this year; by contrast, advanced to this stage or further five times across 2017 season
- 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). Is now 1-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
• 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)

**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
### [14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. BERNARDA PERA (USA #92)

**Head to Head:** MADISON KEYS leads 1-0

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**US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018**

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

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KEYS:

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall), where she was R-Up last year
- Lost out to Stephens 12 months ago in the first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Also posted back-to-back R16 finishes here in 2015 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Wozniacki)
- Reached 2r on event debut in 2011 (as WC, l. Safarova) and in 2014 (l. Krunic); other main draw outing saw 1r loss in 2013 (l. Jankovic). Fell in qualifying twice (2010, 2012)
- No.14 seed this fortnight – her 14th consecutive major as a seeded player
- Began 2018 US Open campaign by extending winning streak against French players to nine in a row, including three wins at the Slam level, after dispatching Parmentier in straight sets
- Takes on fellow American Pera in today's 2r contest – came within a game of defeat in lone meeting earlier this season at Charleston in 3s
- Owns a 63-29 edge vs. fellow Americans, including 9-4 at the Grand Slam level (losing twice to S.Williams and Stephens)
- Holds a 15-6 mark in 2r Grand Slam play, including 3-2 in New York
- Is 14-16 for her career vs. left-handed opponents, most recently beating Kerber earlier this month at Cincinnati
- One of just four players this year to reach the QFs or better at two of the first three Grand Slams this year (also, Halep, Kerber and Kasatkina)
- Has won 75.1% of service games in 2018 – the fifth-best record on tour, behind Goerges, Barty, Konta and Kvitova
- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women in starting field at 2018 US Open

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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)

**Season**

• Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only 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.

**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.
**US Open**

- Making first career main draw appearance at this year's US Open
- Fell in final round of qualifying last year (I. Blinkova) and lost at the first hurdle in 2014 (Lucic-Baroni) and 2015 (Voracova)
- Has now competed in the main draw of all four Grand Slams (all coming this year)
- One of a tournament-leading 23 Americans to begin this year's event – the second consecutive year there have been this many home country players in the US Open draw. Prior to 2017, the last time there were 23 or more Americans in the 128-player field was 2005
- Has earned nearly all of her career prize money this season; in addition, from her second round effort here, she has earned a seventh of her career earnings from this week alone
- Scored first career victory in New York with 1r win over No.50 Putintseva – overall Grand Slam record is now 4-3
- Faces off against No.14 Keys in today's 2r match-up; holds an 18-15 career mark vs. fellow Americans
- Has scored four of her five career Top 50 wins this season, including her career-best win-by-ranking and first Top 10 victory over No.10 Konta at Australian Open
- Is 1-1 in 2r Grand Slam play, having won at the 2018 Australian Open and lost at this stage at 2018 Roland Garros
- One of nine lefties to advance to the 2r of this year's event

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks fourth main draw Grand Slam appearance
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2018 Australian Open, reaching 3r as a lucky loser (I. Strycova) – notched best win-by-ranking of her career with 2r upset of No.10 Konta
- Reached 2r at 2018 Roland Garros and made 1r exit at 2018 Wimbledon
- Lost in final round of qualifying at 2017 US Open. Also fell in qualifying at 2015 US Open
- Received wildcard in 2014 US Open doubles w/Black (I. Cirstea/Parmentier in 1r)

**Season**

- In US Open lead-up events, fell 1r at Washington DC (I. Osaka) and failed to qualify at Montréal (I. Zhuk), Cincinnati (I. Martic) and New Haven (I. Yastremska)
- Made 1r exits at Wimbledon (I. Kumkhum)
- Was unable to make it through the qualifying stages of Birmingham (3r, I. Jakupovic) and Eastbourne (2r, I. Sestini Hlavackova)
- Fell at first qualifying hurdle at Rome, prior to making the 2r at Roland Garros (I. Gavrilova)
- Progressed to R16 stage at Madrid, defeating two Top 50 players en route, No.23 Konta and No.46 Sabalenka (I. No.25 Suárez Navarro)
- Made 1r exit at Prague (I. Ruse) after a qualifying loss at Stuttgart
• Reached first tour-level QF of career at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up and No.14 Keys in 3s)
• Nominated for WTA’s Breakthrough Player of the Month for April following Charleston run, which was eventually won by Bogdan (fan vote)
• Made 2r showing at Miami (as wildcard, d. Arruabarrena before falling to Mertens)
• Fell in 2r qualifying at Indian Wells to 2009 champion Zvonareva in 3s
• As qualifier, fell 1r at Doha (l. Konta) before qualifying exit at Dubai (l. Errani)
• As lucky loser, scored career first main draw win at the Australian Open (d. Blinkova 1r), first Top 100 win and Top 10 win (over No.10 Konta 2r) at the Australian Open (l. No.24 Strycova in 3r); was first lucky loser to reach 3r of Australian Open since 1997 (Kleinova)
• Began her 2018 season qualifying loss in Brisbane (l. Monova)

Career
• Rose nearly 200 ranking places in 2017, ending season at No.127 after posting 54-20 record (all levels)
• Made WTA main draw debut at Guangzhou (l. Cornet) and contested qualifying at US Open, Wuhan, Linz and Moscow. Also made 1r exit at WTA 125K Series event at Limoges (l. Alexandrova)
• On ITF Circuit, reached six finals, including three in a row at $25k ITF/Stuttgart-Vaihingen-GER (WON), $25k ITF/Darmstadt-GER (R-Up) and $80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE (WON)
• In 2015 won first titles on ITF Circuit at $10k ITF/Alkmaar-NED, $10k ITF/Breda-NED and $10k ITF/Rotterdam-NED. Also fell in qualifying at Québec City. Improved ranking from No.646 to No.361
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Québec City
• On ITF Circuit has won eight titles in singles and eight in doubles
• Made career debut on ITF Circuit in 2011 at $10k ITF/Landisville, PA-USA

Other Information
• Born in Croatia. Started playing tennis aged five
• Favourite surface is hard
• Coached by Lovro Roncevic
[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) vs. SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #51)

Head to Head: MARIA SHARAPOVA leads 1-0

**US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018**

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

* Qualifying match
SHARAPOVA:

**US Open**

- Making 12th main draw appearance at US Open, having made tournament debut here in 2003
- Champion here in New York in 2006 (d. Henin in F) and a two-time semifinalist, in 2005 (l. eventual champion Clijsters) and 2012 (l. eventual runner-up Azarenka)
- Ranked No.22 this fortnight at US Open. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.146 in the rankings
- Overcame Schnyder in 1r on Tuesday – improves to 18-3 versus qualifiers at Grand Slam level, with only defeats coming against Koukalova (2003 Australian Open), Larcher de Brito (Wimbledon 2013) and Diatchenko (2018 Wimbledon)
- Moves to a perfect 12-0 record in US Open 1r matches. Across all majors 1r record is 50-4 – now the second best winning percentage among active players (behind S.Williams 68-1, and ahead of A.Radwanska 45-4, who fell 1r at this year's US Open)
- Including 1r win, overall US Open record is 36-10 – joint-third for most US Open wins among active players:

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*Walkover to Lisicki in 2r at 2011 US Open does not count on W-L record*
• One of four Russian women to reach 2r (also Zvonareva, Kasatkina and Makarova)
• Faces Cirstea today for first time in almost six years (only previous meeting was at 2012 Beijing)
• Owns a 354-99 (.781) career win-loss record on hard courts – only S.Williams (484-78 – .861) owns a better winning percentage among active players
• Has a perfect 20-0 record in night matches on Arthur Ashe (Tuesday match vs. Schnyder was played on Louis Armstrong)

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 54th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – the ninth-most among active players
• Five-time Grand Slam champion, winning titles at 2004 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F), 2008 Australian Open (d. Ivanovic in F), 2012 Roland Garros (d. Errani in F to complete career Grand Slam) and 2014 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F)
• Remains the last teenager to win a Grand Slam title, aged 19 years, 132 days at the 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F)
• One of six women to achieve career Grand Slam in the Open Era (also Court, Evert, Navratilova, Graf and S.Williams)
• Owns a 5-5 record in Grand Slam finals, finishing as runner-up three times at the Australian Open (2007, 2012, 2015) as well as 2011 Wimbledon and 2013 Roland Garros

**Season**

• Made R16 at Montréal (l. Garcia) and withdrew from Cincinnati w/right shoulder injury
• In Montreal, notched fifth Top 20 win of 2018 after sweeping aside No.12 Kasatkina in 2r; other wins coming against No.15 Sevastova (Australian Open), No.18 Barty and No.6 Ostapenko (both Rome) and No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Roland Garros)
• Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Diatchenko) – only the fourth time she has fallen at the opening hurdle in 53 major appearances
• Ended strong clay court season by reaching QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza). In Paris, victory over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 3r marked 22nd win on clay over a Top 10 ranked player – the most among active players
• Made SF run at Rome (l. World No.1 Halep) and reached QF at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens in 3s)
• Loss to World No.1 Halep at Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17, most recently defeating Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
• Victory in 1r over Buzarnescu at Madrid was first since Australian Open, ending a four-match losing streak – began with 3r loss to Kerber in Melbourne, followed by 1r exits at Doha (l. Niculescu), Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Stuttgart (l. Garcia in 3s)
• Withdrew from Dubai and Miami, both due to right forearm injury
• Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (d. No.14 seed Sevastova in 2r, l. Kerber)
• Began season by reaching SF at Shenzhen (l. eventual R-Up Siniakova)
**Career**

- Finished 2017 season at No.60, having played at Stuttgart in April unranked; advanced to SF (l. Mladenovic) and played next event, Madrid, back on WTA Rankings at No.258
- Won 36th career WTA singles title at 2017 Tianjin in October (d. Sabalenka in F)
- In sole Grand Slam appearance of 2017, reached R16 at US Open as a wildcard, falling to Sevastova (upset No.2 Halep in 1r for first win over a Top 10 opponent since d. No.6 Kvitova in 2015 Fed Cup final)
- In 2016, only competed in Australian Open, falling to S.Williams in QF following her withdrawal from Brisbane (as defending champion) in opening week of that season w/left forearm injury
- Ended 2015 at No.4 on WTA Rankings for her fifth consecutive Top 5 finish, and ninth overall
- Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane (d. Ivanovic in F) and Rome (d. Suárez Navarro in F) – won at least one title each year between 2003 and 2015 (13 straight years). Owns 36 WTA titles overall (36-23 record in finals), third most among active players, behind S.Williams and V.Williams
- Owns 11 tour-level titles on clay, at one point going 7-0 in clay court finals
- As defending champion, fell in R16 at 2015 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Safarova); advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- In 2015, appeared at season-ending WTA Finals for eighth time – posted perfect 3-0 record in RR stage (l. Kvitova in SF). Was champion on debut appearance at the season finale in Los Angeles in 2004 (d. S.Williams in F)
- Part of Russian Fed Cup team that finished runners-up to Czech Republic in November 2015, despite winning both rubbers vs. Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova
- Absent from singles (played one doubles match, at 2009 Indian Wells w/Vesnina) from August 2008 to May 2009 (Warsaw) following right shoulder surgery (October 15, 2008)
- On August 22, 2005, became 16th woman (first Russian) to reach No.1; held No.1 ranking for a total of 21 non-consecutive weeks (including four weeks in 2012)

**Other Information**

- Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was released in September 2017
- Started playing at age 4; at age 6 took part in Moscow exhibition that featured Martina Navratilova
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy aged 9 (required two years away from mother due to visa and finances)
- Among her business interests is a Brand Ambassador for Porsche and Evian; has a premium candy line, Sugarpova; has a skincare range called Supergoop!
- Has a strong following on social media (in 2014 became first tennis player to pass 15 million fans on Facebook)
- Currently coached by Thomas Hogstedt since March 2018. The pair last worked together from 2010 to 2013, during which Sharapova completed her Career Grand slam by winning 2012 Roland Garros
CIRSTEA:

**US Open**
- Making 10th main draw appearance at US Open (and 12th appearance overall). Best result here is reaching 3r in 2009 (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)
- 2018 marks the sixth time she has made the 2r here, and fell in 1r in New York on three occasions, most recently in 2016 (l. Bogdan). Fell in 2007 and 2015 qualifying
- One of three Romanians to reach 2r (also Bogdan and Begu)
- In 1r on Tuesday, overcame Riske in three sets – the American was serving for the match, however Cirstea won the last four games to secure victory
- Faces No.22 Sharapova today – win would be third best-by-ranking of season, after defeating No.19 Rybarikova (Wimbledon) and No.20 Bertens (Doha)
- Owns an 11-13 record in Slam 2r matches, most recently falling at this stage at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Rodina)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 40th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – best showing at a major came at 2009 Roland Garros (QF, l. Stosur)
- At 2017 Australian Open, achieved second-best Slam result by reaching R16 (upset No.10 seed Suárez Navarro in 2r, l. Muguruza); her previous best result in Melbourne was reaching 3r in 2012 (l. Errani) and 2013 (l. Li); 1r win over Khromacheva in Melbourne was first Grand Slam main draw victory since 2014 US Open (d. Watson in 1r)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon in 2009, 2012 and 2017; at US Open, also reached 3r in 2009

**Season**
- In lead-up to US Open, made 2r at Montréal (l. V.Williams) and fell in Cincinnati qualifying
- In July, returned to clay to reach second QF of 2018 at Bucharest (l. eventual champion Sevastova)
- On grass, made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Rodina) and suffered 1r exits at Mallorca (l. Larsson) and Eastbourne (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Highlight of clay court season was QF run at Nürnberg (l. Riske). Also made 2r at Madrid (l. Kasatkina) and fell 1r at Istanbul (l. Putintseva), Rome (l. Collins) and Roland Garros (l. Gavrilova)
- Fell in 2r at both Indian Wells (l. V.Williams) and Miami (after 1r bye, l. Hsieh)
- Reached R16 at Doha (l. Muguruza), upsetting No.20 Mertens en route
- Helped Romania to 3-1 victory over Canada in Fed Cup World Group II play – d. Zhao in first singles rubber. Also, part of team that beat Switzerland in April to earn promotion back into the World Group I
- Reached 2r at Australian Open (l. Safarova)
- Opened season by reaching 2r at Brisbane (l. Sevastova) before falling 1r at Hobart (l. Watson)
• Posted fifth non-consecutive Top 50 finish in 2017, at No.37 (up from No.81 in 2016). Has now finished in Top 100 nine times in past 10 years, including Top 30 finishes in 2012 and 2013
• 2017 season highlighted by SF showing at Nürnberg (l. Krejcikova) and QF runs at Istanbul, Madrid, Seoul, Beijing and Linz
• Also reached R16 at 2017 Australian Open – first time advancing to that stage at a Slam since 2009 Roland Garros (QF, l. Stosur), her best Grand Slam result to date
• In 2016 played a mix of WTA and ITF events, improving ranking by 163 ranking places to No.81 in 2016 on comeback from shoulder injury, with highlights being a SF run at Rio de Janeiro (l. Rogers) and making QF at Premier Mandatory Madrid (as wildcard, l. eventual R-Up Cibulkova) and Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Jankovic)
• Reached biggest singles final of career at 2013 Toronto – posted three Top 10 wins en route to final (No.10 Wozniacki, No.7 Kvitova and No.5 Li) before falling to No.1 S.Williams; took record in WTA singles finals to 1-2
• Won maiden WTA singles title at 2008 Tashkent (d. Lisicki in F) having been R-Up at 2007 Budapest (l. Dulko)
• Heading into 2018 season, owns four Top 5 victories: No.5 Jankovic (2009 Roland Garros), No.5 Stosur (2012 Australian Open), No.5 Li Na (2013 Toronto) and No.4 Ka.Pliskova (2017 Beijing)
• Posted career-high ranking of No.21 on August 21, 2013
• Owns four WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2011 Dallas (w/Brianti) from nine finals
• Member of Romania’s Fed Cup team 2006, 2008-09, 2013-14 and 2017-18; also part of Romanian Olympic Team 2008 and 2012
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Stockholm (l. Kanepi in 1r)
• On ITF Circuit owns eight singles and nine doubles titles
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004

Other Information
• Introduced to tennis at age four by mother
• Coached this fortnight by Carl Maes
2018 US OPEN – DAY THREE FEATURED MATCHES

[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [Q] ANHELINA KALININA (UKR #134)
First career meeting
Stephens owns an 8-1 career mark vs. qualifiers at Grand Slams…By reaching the second round, Kalinina has earned nearly half of her current career prize money total

TATJANA MARIA (GER #70) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)
Maria leads 3-2
Maria upset Svitolina in the first round of this year’s Wimbledon…The German can match her best-ever Grand Slam result by reaching the third round today…Svitolina is aiming to secure her 25th hardcourt victory of the season – ranks second on tour in that category behind Halep (28)

ANA BOGDAN (ROU #83) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)
Pliskova leads 1-0
Bogdan is looking to notch her first-career Top 10 win today…A win today for Pliskova would be the first time she wins back-to-back matches since Wimbledon

[9] JULIA GOERGES (GER #9) vs. EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #45)
Makarova leads 2-1
With Kerber seeded fourth, 2018 US Open marks the first time in 20 years that two Germans have been seeded inside the Top 10 at a Grand Slam (1997 Roland Garros)...Makarova is the last Russian to defeat Goerges, in last year's final at Washington, DC – the German is 8-0 vs. Russians since

[12] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #12) vs. [Q] KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #202)
First career meeting
Muguruza posted her 60th career Grand Slam victory after her first round win over Zhang…Muchova is making her Grand Slam main draw debut this fortnight and has already earned over half of her career prize money with her second round effort this week

CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #40) vs. [16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)
Williams leads 1-0
Gioi is aiming to capture her 25th career victory over a Top 20 opponent today…A win today for Venus would mark the 775th main draw win of her career
[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. CARINA WITTHOEFT (GER #101)

First career meeting

Based on results across her career, Serena wins one out of every three tournaments played – the highest rate among active players...A win today for Witthoeft would be joint second-best win-by-ranking at the Grand Slam level in her career.

[WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79) vs. [25] DARIA GAVRилоVA (AUS #32)

First career meeting

Azarenka has been one of the biggest ranking movers on tour over the last year, soaring up 123 spots from No.202 to No.79 from last year's US Open...Gavrilova delivered a double bagel effort over Sorribes Tormo last round, the first time an Australian has served up a double bagel at a Slam since 1994 Wimbledon, and the first time an Aussie did so at the US Open since 1975.

[32] MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #30) vs. SOFIA KENIN (USA #65)

Kenin leads 1-0

Sakkari is the first Greek woman to be seeded at a Grand Slam since the 2007 Australian Open...Kenin is one of a tournament-leading 23 Americans and one of nine teenagers to contest this year's US Open draw.
[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. [Q] ANHELINA KALININA (UKR #134)

Head to Head: First meeting

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| R1   | W - EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #80) | 6-1,7-5 | 77 mins |
| R1   | W - [Q] KATHINKA VON DEICHMANN (LIE #165) | 1-6,7-6,5-2 Ret'd |
| *R3  | W - JAIMEE FOURLIS (AUS #198)   | 3-6,6-2,6-1 | 128 mins |
| *R2  | W - TEREZA MARTINCOVA (CZE #228) | 6-3,6-1 | 69 mins |
| *R1  | W - ELENA RUSE (ROU #256)      | 6-1,7-6(2) | 90 mins |

US OPEN Tournament History

| SLOANE STEPHENS | 2017 | F | W - MADISON KEYS (USA #16) | 6-3 | 6-0 |
| R1  | L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #45) | 6-4 | 6-3 |
| R2  | L - JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #96) | 5-7 | 6-4 | 6-2 |
| R16 | L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) | 6-4 | 6-1 |
| R3  | L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #13) | 6-7(4) | 6-4 | 6-2 |
| 2011 | R3 | L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #19) | 6-3 | 6-4 |

| ANHELINA KALININA | 2017 | R2* | L - ANNA BLINKOVA (RUS #130) | 6-3 | 1-6 | 6-0 |
| 2016 | R1* | L - REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #132) | 5-7 | 6-0 | 6-2 |
| 2015 | R1* | L - SILVIA SOLER-ESPINOSA (ESP #131) | 3-6 | 6-3 | 6-1 |

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STEPHENS:

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall, having fallen in qualifying on three occasions), where she is defending champion
- At 2017 tournament, capped historic summer comeback by upsetting Cibulkova, V.Williams and Keys to become the fifth unseeded woman (ranked No.83) in the Open Era to win a major, doing so just 69 days after returning from an 11-month injury lay-off, and six weeks since her ranking dropped to No.957
- Previous best showing at Flushing Meadows was 2013's R16 run (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Missed 2016 US Open due to right foot injury
- Enters play at a career-high No.3 ranking, first set on July 16, 2018
- Also seeded No.3 – her highest seeding at a major (previously No.4 at 2018 Wimbledon). The US Open has been won by the No.3 seed six times in the Open Era, most recently by Sharapova in 2006
- Has produced one of the biggest ranking jumps on tour from last year at this time – climbing 80 spots from No.83 to No.3
- Began title defense by breaking serve four times in straight-sets win over Rodina on the newly renovated Louis Armstrong Stadium; heading into 2018 US Open, ranked second on tour (behind Halep) for percentage won in both return points (48.1%) and return games (46.3%)
- Faces qualifier Kalinina in 2r; owns 8-1 record against qualifiers in Grand Slams, with sole defeat coming against Q.Wang at 2016 Australian Open
- Owns 16-2 record in Grand Slam 2r matches (4-1 at US Open)
- Since 1r exit at Australian Open this January, has posted 28-11 win-loss record
- One of 23 Americans in main draw

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked Grand Slam champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Grand Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
• Was one of four American women to reach SF at 2017 Flushing Meadows (also Keys, Vandeweghe and V.Williams) – the sixth time in the Open Era that four Americans have contested the final four at a major
• Also R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
• Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result to date across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
• Along with Makarova, is one of only two players who've never held the No.1 ranking, but have managed to beat both V.Williams (2015 Roland Garros and 2017 US Open) and S.Williams (whom she defeated at 2013 Australian Open) at Grand Slam level
• Also just the second American (after Davenport) to defeat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
• Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)
• Won junior doubles titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open in 2010 (all w/Babos)

**Season**

• In final pre-US Open tournament, posted R16 showing at Cincinnati (l. Mertens)
• Began North American hard court season with R-Up finish at Montréal (l. Halep) and 2r exit at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). Career record in singles finals now stands at 6-2
• After loss to Halep slips to 0-8 record against reigning No.1s, losing to Wozniacki (2011 Indian Wells), Azarenka (2013 Australian Open), S.Williams (2013 US Open, 2015 Indian Wells, 2015 Madrid, 2015 Roland Garros) and Halep (2018 Roland Garros)
• Fell in 1r at Wimbledon (l.Vekic) in her only appearance on grass this season
• Finished clay court season by reaching second Grand Slam final at Roland Garros (l. Halep in 3s). Rose to then career-high No.4 after run in Paris
• Other clay results were R16 runs at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Garcia), and 1r exits at Nürnberg (as WC, l. Putintseva) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
• Won both singles rubbers (d. Mladenovic and Parmentier) during defending champion USA's 3-2 Fed Cup semifinal win over France. Will face Czech Republic in November's final
• Lifted first Premier-mandatory title at Miami (d. Ostapenko in F). Subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 following her title run at Key Biscayne
• Helped make history in Miami as the USA provided the winners in all four events (Stephens, Vandeweghe, Isner and Bryan brothers)
• Reached 3r at Indian Wells. Defeated former No.1 Azarenka in 2r before falling to eventual R-Up Kasatkina
• Enjoyed a QF run at Acapulco (d. Parmentier and Rus, l. eventual R-Up Voegele)
• Dropped her 1r match at Australian Open (l. Zhang) and Sydney (l. Giorgi) to start the 2018 season
• Withdrew from Brisbane w/left knee injury
**Career**

- Posted second-best year-end finish at No.13 in 2017, one off career-high of No.12 in 2013
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines with foot injury, having had surgery in January
- After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Prior to 2017 Wimbledon, last match came at 2016 Rio Olympics
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F)
- Owns a six wins vs. Top 5 players: No.5 Ostapenko (2018 Miami), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Miami), No.3 Kerber (2017 Toronto), No.2 Kerber (2016 Charleston via ret. w/viral illness), No.3 Sharapova (2013 Cincinnati) and No.3 S. Williams (2013 Australian Open)
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches across the season
- Played first WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami and first WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier ranked No.747, fell 2r, l. Zvonareva)
- Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit

**Other Information**

- Mother is Sybil Smith a former collegiate swimmer at Boston University and late father, John Stephens, was an NFL player in 1980s and 1990s; brother is Shawn Farrell
- Started playing tennis at the age of nine, at the Sierra Sport and Racquet Club, in Fresno, California. Two years later relocated from Fresno to Boca Raton, Florida, where she began training at the Evert Tennis Academy before moving to Nick Saviano High Performance Tennis Academy
- Coached by Kamau Murray (started working together in January 2016). Worked with Nick Saviano in 2015

**KALININA:**

**US Open**

- Making Grand Slam main draw debut at Flushing Meadows this fortnight
- Fell in qualifying here in New York in 2015, 2016 and 2017
- Dropped one set as she came through qualifying last week – had previously won a total of two matches across seven unsuccessful Grand Slam qualifying campaigns
• In 1r, advanced when fellow qualifier Von Deichmann retired due to cramping; was only two points from defeat at 6-5 in the second set
• Prior to this fortnight, two previous tour-level main draw appearances ended in 1r defeats at 2015 Tashkent and 2018 Washington DC
• Faces No.3 Stephens in 2r; highest-ranked opponent faced in career is No.49 Svitolina at $75k ITF/Donetsk-UKR (l. 6-4 6-1)
• By reaching 2r, is guaranteed to earn USD$93,000 in prize money – nearly half her career total heading into the tournament
• Is one of six Ukrainians in 2018 US Open starting field (also Ka.Bondarenko, Kozlova, Svitolina, Tsurenko and Yastremska)

**Grand Slam History**

• Contesting maiden Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open
• As a junior was runner-up in girls’ singles at 2014 US Open (l. Bouzkova) and doubles champion at 2014 Australian Open (w/Kulichkova)

**Season**

• In second tour-level appearance of her career, fell 1r at Washington DC (as qualifier, l. Bonaventure)
• Since Wimbledon, has also appeared twice on ITF Circuit, posting QF showings on hard at $60k ITF/Landisville-PA, USA and on clay at $80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE
• Fell in qualifying at Wimbledon and Roland Garros – her sixth and seventh unsuccessful Grand Slam qualifying campaigns
• Posted career-high ranking of No.124 on June 18, 2018
• Played almost exclusively on ITF Circuit during first half of season, winning three titles and reaching another final
• Also fell 1r at WTA 125K Series event at Bol
• Scored first Top 100 victory of career over No.91 Townsend during R-Up finish at $80k ITF/Charlottesville-SC,USA
• Began the season by winning seventh and eighth ITF Circuit titles at first $25k ITF/Daytona Beach-FL, USA and then $25k ITF/Orlando-FL, USA

**Career**

• Ended 2017 ranked No.157, her second Top 200 season (also No.148 in 2015)
• Won three ITF Circuit titles in 2017 and posted 47-19 win-loss record; at tour-level fell in qualifying at Roland Garros, US Open, Bucharest, Tashkent and Moscow
• Sidelined for 10 months at the end of 2015 w/shoulder injury, playing only 12 matches in 2016 season
• Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2015 Tashkent (I. Hibino)
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Moscow
• On ITF Circuit has won nine titles in singles and three in doubles
• Played first event of career on ITF Circuit in Turkey in 2012

**Other Information**

• Started playing tennis at aged six
• Trains in Trnava at the Empire Academy, has formerly been under the tutelage of Dinara Safina and now shares Vladimir Platenik’s coaching services with Belinda Bencic
TATJANA MARIA (GER #70) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

Head to Head: TATJANA MARIA leads 3-2

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**US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018**

R1 W - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #48) 6-3,6-3 87 mins R1 W - SACHIA VICKERY (USA #78) 6-3,1-6,6-1 93 mins

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

* Qualifying match

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MARIA:

**US Open**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at US Open (10th appearance overall)
- Has matched best result by reaching 2r this year, also making this stage in 2012 (as qualifier, l. Stephens) and
  2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
- Scored only third main draw win at US Open with 1r defeat of Grand Slam R-Up A.Radwanska on Monday
- Bidding today to win back-to-back main draw matches for first time since title run at Mallorca in June, a run
  spanning four events (Wimbledon, Washington DC, Montréal and Cincinnati)
- Faces No.7 Svitolina today – owns three Top 10 wins in career, one of which came over the then-ranked No.5
  Ukrainian at 2018 Wimbledon (also over No.10 Li at 2010 Kuala Lumpur and No.7 Bouchard at 2015 Miami)
- Can match best-ever Grand Slam result by reaching 3r today (also made this stage at 2015 Wimbledon)
- Owns 1-9 record in Grand Slam 2r matches

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks her 26th Grand Slam main draw, having made her major debut at 2007 Wimbledon (l. Kanepi in
  1r)
- Best result across the majors came at 2015 Wimbledon, where she reached 3r (d. Jovanovski and Duan, l. Keys)
- Has reached 2r at the other three majors on multiple occasions – in 2017, reached 2r at three of four majors for first
  time in career

**Season**
- Coming off 2r exit at Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Stephens). Posted 1r exits at Washington DC (l. Putintseva) and
  Montréal (l. Cornet)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (d. No.5 Svitolina, l. Mladenovic). After upset of Svitolina now owns a 3-7 career record against
  Top 10 players; also defeated No.10 Li at 2010 Kuala Lumpur and No.7 Bouchard at 2015 Miami
- Won first WTA singles title at Mallorca (d. No.20 Sevastova in F). Opened grass court swing with 1r exit at
  's-Hertogenbosch (l. Riske)
• Went 2-4 on clay, reaching 2r at Charleston (l. Barty) and Bogotá (l. Seguel), and 1r exits at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova) and Roland Garros (l. Flipkens)
• Did not win a match at a WTA tournament in 2018 prior to Charleston, falling in 1r at Brisbane (l. Lucic-Baroni), Hobart (l. Vekic), Australian Open (l. Sharapova), St. Petersburg (l. Potapova), Doha (l. Witthoeft), Budapest (l. Babos), Acapulco (l. Voegele), Indian Wells (l. Martic) and Miami (l. Witthoeft)
• Won third career WTA doubles title at Acapulco (w/Watson, d. Christian/Santamaria in F)
• In February, helped Germany defeat Belarus in Fed Cup play; went 1-1 in singles (d. Lapko, l. Sabalenka) and won doubles (w/Groenefeld, d. Marozava/Sabalenka)

**Career**

• Clinched maiden WTA singles title at 2018 Mallorca (d. No.20 Sevastova in F)
• Finished 2017 by cracking into the Top 50 for the first time in her career; jumped 69 spots from No.115 in 2016 to a career-high No.46 in 2017
• Played 33 tournaments in 2017, more than any other player, a feat all the more notable for the fact she was joined at all but a few tournaments by her young daughter, Charlotte
• Reached first career WTA SF of career at 2017 Québec City (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck); also made three QF appearances across the season, at Rabat (l. Schiavone), Bucharest (l. Suárez Navarro) and Linz (l. Strycova), taking number of career QF to seven (first was at 2009 Barcelona)
• Posted just four tour-level wins in 2016; three coming on clay, during 2r appearances at Bogotá (l. Goncalves), Rabat (l. Putintseva) and Roland Garros (l. Cornet)
• In 2016, advanced to back-to-back doubles finals at Bogotá and Rabat – lifted the title at Bogotá (w/Arruabarrena) but lost the Rabat final (w/Olaru). Bogotá doubles triumph was second WTA doubles title (also 2012 Québec City w/Mladenovic); owns 3-4 record in doubles finals
• Winner of 15 singles – including two in 2017 – and 15 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2001 and made WTA main draw debut in 2006

**Other Information**

• Husband and coach is Charles Edouard Maria (married April 8, 2013 – formerly Tatjana Malek)
• Gave birth to daughter, Charlotte, on December 20, 2013 and was back on the tennis circuit by the following April
• During pregnancy break, decided to switch from two-hander to one-handed backhand
• Began playing at age 4 when introduced to tennis by parents
SVITOLINA:

**US Open**
- Making seventh consecutive appearance at US Open. Best result here in New York came with R16 run in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
- Also posted 3r runs in 2015 (l. Makarova) and 2016 (l. Kvitova), made 2r in 2013 (l. McHale) and now again in 2018, and fell 1r in 2012 (as qualifier, l. Ivanovic) and 2014 (l. Hercog)
- 2012 appearance in New York was Grand Slam main draw debut
- At 2017 US Open, was one of eight players in contention for the World No.1 spot – needed to reach SF and have other results go her way
- Seeded No.7 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive seeding at a Slam, and seventh as a Top 10 seed
- In 1r on Monday, overcame Vickery to secure 24th hard court win this season – only Halep has more (28)
- Faces Maria today in 2r – fell to the German on last Grand Slam outing, in 1r at 2018 Wimbledon
- Grand Slam 2r win-loss record stands at 12-6 (3-1 in New York)
- One of six players from Ukraine in 2018 US Open singles main draw – also Ka.Bondarenko (l. Lapko), Kalinina (d. Von Deichmann), Kozlova (l. Arruabarrena), Tsurenko (d. Van Uytvanck) and Yastremska (l. Muchova)
- Currently sits No.5 on Porsche Race to Singapore, and looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the second year in a row

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best results to date have been QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens)
- At Wimbledon, advanced to R16 for the first time in 2017 (l. Ostapenko)
- Reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
- Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

**Season**
- Has contested two North American events in lead-up to US Open, reaching SFs in Montréal (as defending champion, l. Stephens) and making QFs at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens)
- Suffered 1r upset at Wimbledon (l. Maria) – one of 10 seeds to fall at first hurdle
- Made a QF run at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Buzarnescu), having also fallen to Buzarnescu at Roland Garros 3r
- Defended her title in Rome (d. Halep in F). This was third time in career she has defended a title (also Baku 2013-14 and Dubai 2017-18)
Boasts 12-2 record in tour-level finals. Has won her past eight matches at this stage, with last defeat coming against Kvitova at 2016 Zhuhai

Owns four Top 10 wins in 2018 (No.9 Konta and No.4 Ka.Pliskova at Brisbane; No.9 Kerber at Dubai and No.1 Halep in Rome)

Had a 2r exit in Madrid (l. Suárez Navarro) after reaching the QF in Stuttgart (l. Garcia) in her first clay tournament of the year

Enjoyed a 4-2 record through the “Sunshine Double” posting a 3r result at Indian Wells (l. Suárez Navarro) and a QF run at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko). Ended Osaka's eight-match winning streak in 2r of Miami

Made successful title defense at Dubai (d. Kasatkina in F)

Made 3r exit at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova)

Advanced to QF at Australian Open for first time (l. Mertens); was on nine-match win streak entering QF

Became first Ukrainian woman to reach QF at Australian Open, surpassing A.Bondarenko who fell in R16 in 2010; K.Bondarenko reached QF at 2009 US Open. Was bidding to become first Ukrainian woman to reach a Grand Slam semifinal

Opened 2018 season by capturing her 10th career WTA title at Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F); defeated two Top 10 players en route to title (d. No.9 Konta and No.5 Ka.Pliskova)

Career

Won 12th career WTA singles title at 2018 Rome (d. Halep in F); career record in finals now stands at 12-2, including a current eight match win streak over the 2017 and 2018 seasons

Enjoyed stand-out 2017, finishing the year at No.6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins of season (53, behind Wozniacki with 60)

Season culminated by qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore, becoming first Ukrainian woman to qualify for the season-ending tournament in singles (fell at round robin stage with 1-2 record)

Her five titles in 2017 included Taipei City (d. Peng in F), Dubai (d. Wozniacki in F), Istanbul (d. Mertens in F), Rome (d. Halep in F) and Toronto (d. Wozniacki in F)

Became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009

Owned longest unbeaten streak in 2017, at 15 matches. Won Taipei City (five wins), went 2-0 for Ukraine in Fed Cup action against Australia, triumphant in Dubai (after 1r bye, five wins), won one match at Kuala Lumpur before withdrawing prior to her 2r match, then reached R16 at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, two wins) falling to Muguruza in three sets

One of five players to make Top 10 debut in 2017, after winning Dubai in February (also Ostapenko, Garcia, Mladenovic and Vandeweghe). Peaked in rankings at No.3 on September 11, 2017

On four occasions could have reached World No.1 spot – at 2017 US Open, then needed to win 2017 Beijing (fell in QF), then needed to triumph at 2017 WTA Finals(failed to progress from group stage), or reach final at 2018 Australian Open (fell in QF)
• Enjoyed best win ratio vs. Top 5 players in 2017 across WTA, going 8-1 (Wozniacki was 8-4)
• Strong finish to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (l. A.Radwanska); in addition, post-US Open reached SF at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Osaka) and Moscow (l. Kuznetsova)
• Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)
• Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (l. A.Radwanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)
• Other 2016 season highlights included SF at Dubai (l. Errani) and QF at Rio Olympics (l. Kvitova)
• Owns two career doubles titles: 2014 Istanbul (w/Doi) and 2015 Istanbul (w/Gavrilova)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Baku (lost in 1r but won title the next two years)
• Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008. Winner of seven singles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit

**Other Information**

• Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian
• Introduced to tennis at age 5 by family
• Currently working with coach Thierry Ascione and hitting partner Andrew Bettles. Has previously worked with Iain Hughes
ANA BOGDAN (ROU #83) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 1-0

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BOGDAN:

**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows, where she is through to 2r for third time
- Fell at this stage in 2016 and 2017, losing to compatriot Niculescu on both occasions
- In 1r on Monday, won nine of the final 12 games to defeat qualifier Bouzkova in straight sets
- Faces No.8 Ka.Pliskova in 2r; has never beaten a Top 10 player, with best win-by-ranking of career over No.11 Mladenovic at 2018 Australian Open
- Record in Grand Slam 2r matches stands at 1-4
- A win today would mark her joint-best result at a Slam – also reached 3r at 2018 Australian Open (l. Keys)
- Playing w/Putintseva in doubles this fortnight – face Azarenka/L.Chan in 1r

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks ninth Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Achieved best Grand Slam result by reaching 3r at 2018 Australian Open (d. No.11 Mlaenovic in 1r, l. Keys)
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2016 US Open, winning through qualifying and then upsetting Cirstea in 1r. Run ended by fellow Romanian Niculescu in 2r
- In 2017, appeared at three other majors, reaching 2r at Wimbledon and falling 1r at Australian Open and Roland Garros
- 2017 Wimbledon was first direct entry in a major

**Season**

- Suffered 1r exits at Montréal (l. Sabalenka), Cincinnati (l. Makarova) and New Haven (l. Giorgi), having won through qualifying at all three tournaments
- In opening appearance of North American hard court season, made 2r at Washington DC (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova)
- After falling in 1r at Wimbledon (l. Arruabarrena), suffered another opening match defeat on home soil at Bucharest (l. Schmiedlova)
- Clay court season culminated in 2r showing at Roland Garros (l. Kerber); rose to career-high ranking of No.59 after Paris showing (June 11, 2018)
• In other appearances, made SF at Bogotá (l. Schmiedlova) and fell 1r at Rabat (l. Siegemund) and in qualifying at Madrid
• Prior to making last four in Bogotá, also made SF at Monterrey (l. eventual R-Up Muguruza) – was first time reaching back-to-back tour-level SFs in career
• Fell 2r in Taipei City (l. Bouchard)
• Started year with 2r at Shenzhen (l. Kr.Pliskova), qualifying exit at Hobart and 3r run at Australian Open (l. Keys)

**Career**

• 2017 marked third Top 200 season, finishing at a career-best No.115 (ended 2016 at No.118)
• Reached SF at Bucharest (l. Goerges) and made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Garcia), US Open (l. Niculescu) and New Haven (as qualifier, l. Flipkens)
• Made first WTA SF at 2016 Florianopolis (upset former No.1 Jankovic in 2r, l. Babos)
• Also made Grand Slam debut in 2016 at US Open, reaching 2r (as qualifier, l. Niculescu)
• In other main draw appearances in 2016 reached 2r at Rio de Janeiro (l. Arruabarrena) and Stanford (as qualifier, l. Riske), and 1r at Mallorca and Tashkent
• Owns three Top 20 wins in career, defeating No.17 Sevastova (2017 Bucharest), No.18 Vesnina (2017 New Haven) and No.11 Mladenovic (2018 Australian Open)
• Transition from juniors to pro circuit was initially hampered by a series of injuries, notably quadriceps muscle rupture and a ski accident; more recently, problems with left Achilles tendon began in December 2015
• Winner of 11 singles titles and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
• Played first senior tournament at $25k/ITF Bucharest and first WTA main draw at 2014 Bad Gasten (l. Ka.Pliskova in 2r)

**Other Information**

• Trains in Sinaia and Bucharest; has been coached by her father, Nicolae Ioan, for past 10 years. He was previously a ski instructor
• Mother is Monica; parents also own a restaurant in her hometown of Sinaia
• Favorite surface is hard; favorite shot is crosscourt backhand
• Enjoys skiing and snowboarding, horse riding, swimming and travelling
• Would like to get into interior design after tennis
• Favorite tournaments are Rio Open, Bad Gastein, all the Grand Slams and Stanford
KA.PLISKOVA:

**US Open**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall); was a finalist in 2016 (l. Kerber in F) and a quarterfinalist when she last played here in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe)
- R-Up finish here in 2016 remains her best career result at a Slam
- Seeded No.8 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive major appearance as a seeded player
- In 1r this year, struck 33 winners – including six aces – to edge past Diyas; has now won her past 10 Grand Slam 1r matches
- Has now struck 278 aces this season – the second most on tour behind Goerges (389)
- Record in Grand Slam 2r matches stands at 10-8 (3-0 at US Open)
- Bidding to win back-to-back matches for first time since Wimbledon

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)
- Defeat of No.1 S.Williams in 2016 US Open SF was career-best victory, and ended the American’s 186-week reign at the top of the rankings. Became first Czech to defeat a World No.1 since Kvitova at 2015 Madrid (d. S.Williams). Furthermore, defeat of V.Williams (R16) made her the eighth player to defeat the sisters at the same tournament
- Is one of nine players born in 1990s to reach major final (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens and Wozniacki)
- At Australian Open, best results came with QF run in 2017 (l. Lucic-Baroni) and 2018 (l. Halep), while she also posted deepest run at Roland Garros that year, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens), after 2r exits in each of previous five years
- Australian Open girls singles champion in 2010 – d. Robson in F

**Season**
- Coming off a 1r upset at New Haven (l. Makarova) after back-to-back 2r exits at Montréal (l. Bertens) and Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and made QF run at Eastbourne (as defending champion, l. Sabalenka – led 4-1 in final set)
• In only other grass court outing, made 1r exit at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova)
• Reached 3r at Roland Garros, defeating compatriots Krejcikova and Safarova before falling to Sharapova
• Made SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and fell 2r at Rome (l. Sakkari)
• Won 10th career title at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in final). Now 10-10 record in WTA singles finals
• Went 1-1 in singles (d. Kerber, l. Goerges) to help Czech Republic reach its sixth Fed Cup final in the past eight years with a 4-1 win over Germany. The Czechs will host the USA in November’s final
• Posted QF showings at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Miami (l. Azarenka)
• Reached QF at Dubai (l. Kerber) and made 3r exit at Doha (l. Bellis)
• Nominated for Czech Republic’s Fed Cup World Group I QF tie vs. Switzerland – but did not play a singles or doubles match due to illness
• Advanced to QF in first Grand Slam of the year at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
• Began 2018 season in Brisbane; as defending champion, advanced to SF (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

Career
• Enjoyed another stellar campaign in 2017, posting career-best year-end finish at No.4 for second Top 10 finish. Year-end ranking has improved continuously for 12-straight seasons
• Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Is the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
• Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
• Qualified for WTA Finals for second year-in-a-row, reaching SF stage (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
• In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe), and posted 2r result at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova)
• Advanced to SF stage at Indian Wells (l. Kuznetsova), Miami (l. Wozniacki) and Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
• Led the WTA in 2017 for aces served – 452 from 68 matches. Also posted joint-second most match wins – 53 (level with Svitolina, behind Wozniacki – 60)
• Career wins over Top 10 opponents stands at 23-33, most recent wins coming over No.9 Stephens and No.1 Halep at 2018 Madrid
• Enjoyed a break-out year in 2016, ending the year at No.6 (up from No.11 in 2015)
• Qualified for season-ending 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore, going 1-2 in the group stage and failing to progress. Also contested the doubles competition (w/Goerges), losing opening match to top seeds Garcia/Mladenovic
• Helped Czech Republic defend Fed Cup title in November 2016, going 1-1 in singles (d. Mladenovic, l. Garcia) before teaming w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match. Czech Republic have won the Cup in five out of the last seven
• Captured fifth career doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
• Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish, meaning that for the first time in WTA history, three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (along with Kvitova and Safarova)
• Became eighth Czech woman to crack singles Top 10 since computer rankings were introduced in November 1975, after Navratilova, Mandlikova, Sukova, Novotna, Vaidisova, Kvitova and Safarova

**Other Information**

• Nominated for 2017 WTA Player of the Year; also nominated for the same award in 2016, in addition to WTA Most Improved Player in 2014
• Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
• Coached here at US Open by former Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez; also worked with Rennae Stubbs at Cincinnati and will reunite with the Australian for the Asian swing
• Previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza, former longtime coach of Petra Kvitova
• Married Michal Hrdlicka in Monaco after 2018 Wimbledon
[9] JULIA GOERGES (GER #9) vs. EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #45)

Head to Head: EKATERINA MAKAROVA leads 2-1

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**JULIA GOERGES**

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$8,174,829

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37-18 / 274-226

12-4 / 81-79

12-5 / 61-70

19-8 / 158-135

2-3 / 16-35

6-5 / 33-72

4-6 / 15-25

**EKATERINA MAKAROVA**

16-07-2001 (17)

$1,269,779

$12,789,662

0 / 3

2 / 14

21-11

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7-5 / 74-71

3-3 / 48-43

11-11 / 166-148

3-6 / 31-62

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**US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018**

R1 W - [Q] ANNA KALINSKAYA (RUS #143) 6-2,6-7(5),6-2 132 mins R1 W - [Q] HEATHER WATSON (GBR #116) 6-1,3-6,6-3 131 mins

**US OPEN Tournament History**

* Qualifying match

**JULIA GOERGES**

2017

R16 L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-3 3-6 6-1

2016

R2 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #6) 6-2 6-3

2015

R1 L - ANNA KAROLINA SCHMIEDLOVA (SVK #32) 6-3 6-4

2014

R1 L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #12) 6-3 4-6 6-1

2013

R1 L - CHRISTINA MCHALE (USA #114) 6-4 6-3

2012

R1 L - KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #125) 7-6(4) 6-1

2011

R3 L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #14) 6-4 7-6(1)

**EKATERINA MAKAROVA**

2017

R3 L - CARLA SUAREZ NAVARRO (ESP #35) 6-1 3-6 6-3

2016

R1 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-3 6-3

2015

R16 L - KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #40) 7-6(2) 4-6 6-1

2014

SF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-1 6-3

2013

QF L - NA LI (CHN #6) 6-4 6-7(5) 6-2

2012

R3 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #4) 6-4 6-0

2011

R1 L - MARIA KIRILENKO (RUS #29) 4-6 6-1 7-6(3)
GOERGES:

**US Open**

- Making 12th consecutive career main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows
- Best result came from last year’s R16 run – fell to eventual champion Stephens in 3s
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2007 US Open, negotiating qualifying before losing to eventual champion Henin in 1r
- Contesting US Open on a career-high singles ranking of No.9; this week has also climbed to No.11 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard
- Has climbed 24 spots up the rankings from this stage last year – from No.33 to No.9
- Currently the German No.2 behind Kerber, of four women in Top 100 (week of August 27, 2018)
- With Kerber seeded fourth and Goerges seeded ninth, 2018 US Open marks the first time in over 20 years that two Germans have been seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam – last time was No.1 Steffi Graf and No.6 Anke Huber at 1997 Roland Garros
- Including 1r defeat of Kalinskaya, has compiled a 19-8 record on hardcourts so far this season, highlighted by a title run at Auckland
- Leads the WTA for aces struck in 2018 with 389 (hit 17 against Kalinskaya)
- Has won more tie-breaks than any other player on the WTA tour this year – 12-5 record (including losing second set breaker vs. Kalinskaya)
- Defeat of Kalinskaya in 1r on Monday was eighth win in a row against a Russian woman – faces Makarova today, who incidentally was the last Russian to beat her (2017 Washington F)
- Faces Makarova for the second time in under a week – the pair met last Thursday in the QFs of New Haven, Goerges coming away with the win in straight sets
- Having made 3r at Roland Garros and SF at Wimbledon earlier this season, Goerges is bidding to reach the 3r or better at three consecutive Slams for the first time since 2012 – that year, made R16 at Australian Open, and 3r at
Roland Garros and Wimbledon. This was preceded by making 3r at every Slam in 2011

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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)
- 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)

**Season**

- Advanced to the SF stage last week at New Haven (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Opened summer hardcourt 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). Career record in WTA singles finals now stands at 5-8
- 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 Peters burg (l. eventual champion Kvitova in 3s)
- 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 5-8 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

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
MAKAROVA:

US Open

- Making 12th consecutive appearance at US Open (and 13th appearance overall). Her SF run here in 2014 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) is her joint-best result at a Slam, also making this stage at 2015 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Sharapova)
- Other key results here are making QFs in 2013 (l. Na Li) and R16 in 2015 (l. Mladenovic)
- 2018 US Open marks 45th consecutive main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – has not missed a major since making debut at 2007 US Open (as qualifier, l. Henin in 2r). The current active streak is held by Cornet, 2018 US Open marking her 48th consecutive Slam
- Doubles champion here w/Vesnina in 2014 (d. Hingis/Pennetta in F)
- In 1r on Monday, overcame Watson in straight sets, and bidding today to win back-to-back matches for just the fourth time in 2018, following her run to R16 at Wimbledon, 3r effort at Cincinnati and QF at New Haven
- Faces No.9 Goerges today – owns a 3-6 record vs. Top 10 players in 2018, defeating No.7 Ostapenko (Sydney), No.2 Wozniacki (Wimbledon) and No.8 Ka.Pliskova (New Haven)
- Record in Grand Slam 2r matches stands at 22-11 (7-0 at US Open)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 45th consecutive main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – has not missed a major since making debut at 2007 US Open (as qualifier, l. Henin in 2r)
- Best results have been back-to-back SF runs at 2014 US Open (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and 2015 Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
- At Wimbledon, reached QF in 2014 (d. No.4 A.Radwanska in R16, l. Safarova); other notable result at SW19 is making R16 in 2016 (l. Vesnina) and 2018 (l. Giorgi)
- At Roland Garros, best result is R16 in 2011 (l. Azarenka) and 2015 (l. Ivanovic)
- The first player not to have held No.1 ranking and defeated both Williams sisters in Grand Slam play (S.Williams at 2012 Australian Open and V.Williams at 2014 Australian Open). Since joined by Sloane Stephens, who defeated Serena at 2013 Australian Open and Venus at 2015 Roland Garros
- A three-time Grand Slam doubles champion alongside long-term partner Vesnina; won 2013 Roland Garros (d. Errani/Vinci in F), 2014 US Open (d. Hingis/Pennetta in F) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. H.Chan/Niculescu in F)
- Won 2012 US Open mixed doubles title (w/Soares)
**Season**

- Earlier summer hardcourt results have included 1r exits at Washington, DC (as defending champion, I. Bogdan), Montréal (l. Kontaveit), R16 at Cincinnati (l. Tsurenko) and QF last week at New Haven (l. Goerges)
- Won second doubles title of season and 14th of career at Cincinnati (w/Hradecka)
- Advanced to R16 at Wimbledon, defeating No.2 Wozniacki in 2r
- Went 0-2 on grass in lead-up to Wimbledon, posting 1r exits at Birmingham (l. Cornet) and Eastbourne (l. Cibulkova)
- After Roland Garros, rose to co-World No.1 in doubles w/Vesnina – spent four weeks in top spot
- Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Strycova). Win over S.Zheng in 1r was first on tour since Miami in March
- Also on clay fell 1r at Madrid (l. Halep) and Istanbul (l. Krunic). Won doubles title at Madrid (w/Vesnina)
- Was part of Russian team that lost 3-2 to Latvia to drop into Europe/Africa Zone Group I for the first time since 1997. Lost singles rubbers to Sevastova and Ostapenko (both in straight sets)
- Reached 2r at Miami (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Indian Wells (l. Kerber), Doha (l. Halep), Dubai (l. Garcia) and St Petersburg (l. Siniakova)
- Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Begu in a match lasting over three hours)
- Started 2018 with a 2r exit in Sydney (d. No.7 Ostapenko, l. Strycova)
- Finished doubles R-Up at Australian Open with partner Vesnina (l. Mladenovic/Babos) and Indian Wells (l. Hsieh/Strycova)

**Career**

- Posted sixth consecutive Top 40 singles season in 2017 (at No.33) and fifth straight Top 10 doubles season (No.3)
- Won third WTA singles title at 2017 Washington, DC (d. Goerges in F); other 2017 season highlights included R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Konta) and QF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Garcia)
- Also reached 3r at 2017 US Open (l. Suárez Navarro), defeating No.5 seed Wozniacki en route
- Lifted third major doubles title at All England Club in 2017 (w/Vesnina d. H.Chan/Niculescu in F, 6-0 6-0)
- Defeated No.1 A.Kerber in 1r at Roland Garros. Win over the German was first in five attempts against a reigning World No.1 – losses came at 2007 US Open (l. Henin), 2014 Dubai (l. S.Williams), 2014 US Open (l. S.Williams) and 2016 US Open (l. S.Williams)
- Previous career-best singles wins-by-ranking were over No.3 Azarenka (2013 Madrid) and No.3 Halep (2015 Australian Open)
- Singles highlights in 2016 included four QFs, at Sydney (l. Bencic), Miami (l. Kuznetsova), Eastbourne (l. Konta) and New Haven (l. Kvitova)
- Also in 2016 reached R16 at Australian Open (l. Konta), Wimbledon (l. Vesnina) and Rio Olympics (l. Kvitova)
- Stellar doubles season in 2016 included winning gold medal for Russia at Rio Olympics (w/Vesnina; d. Bacsinszky/Hingis in F) and titles at Montréal (d. Halep/Niculescu in F) and WTA Finals in Singapore (d.
Mattek-Sands/Safarova in F). Also were runners-up at Rome (l. Hingis/Mirza) and Roland Garros (l. Garcia/Mladenovic)

- Made Top 10 debut in January 2015; the 110th player to move into the Top 10 in WTA history and 12th Russian to do so; reached career-best ranking of No.8 on April 6, 2015
- Owns 3-2 career record in singles finals, winning at 2017 Washington DC, 2014 Pattaya City and 2010 Eastbourne; was R-Up at Fès and Oeiras in 2009
- Member of Russian Fed Cup side that won competition in 2008
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2004 Moscow and main draw debut at 2007 Los Angeles

Other Information

- Mother's name is Olga Makarova; father's name is Valery; brother's name is Andrey
- Introduced to tennis at age 6; began playing at Club Luzhniki
- Coached by Evgenia Manyukova. Physio is Husan Usmanov
**Match Notes**

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[12] **GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #12) vs. [Q] KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #202)**

Head to Head: First meeting

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MUGURUZA:

US Open
- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows
- Last year, reached R16 at US Open, which remains the only Slam where she is yet to reach the quarterfinals
- On Monday, swept aside Zhang to register 60th Grand Slam win
- In 2r faces No.202 Muchova; last loss to a player outside Top 200 was via ret. (left thigh injury) against No.312 Gibbs in qualifying at 2012 New Haven
- In terms of ranking, worst Grand Slam defeat was against No.124 Cepelova at 2016 Wimbledon
- Has fallen to qualifiers twice on five previous visits to Flushing Meadows, in 2014 (l. Lucic-Baroni) and 2015 (l. Konta)
- Owns a 12-8 record in Grand Slam 2r matches (1-2 at US Open); has fallen at this hurdle at both Australian Open (l. Hsieh) and Wimbledon (l. Van Uytvanck) in 2018
- One of four Spaniards in the main draw (also Suárez Navarro, Arruabarrena and Sorribes Tormo)

Grand Slam History
- 2018 US Open marks 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 nine women (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, 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)

Season
- After opening round bye, fell in 2r of Cincinnati (as defending champion, l. Tsurenko) in her lone match on hardcourt prior to US Open
- 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

• 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/low 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)
• Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

**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

MUCHOVA:

**US Open**
• Making Grand Slam main draw debut at Flushing Meadows this fortnight
• Fell in first round of qualifying here in New York in 2016
• Dropped one set as she came through qualifying last week – had previously won only one match across three unsuccessful Grand Slam qualifying campaigns
• Broke four times to defeat teenager Yastremska in 1r on Monday
• Prior to this fortnight, only previous tour-level main draw appearance ended in 1r defeat at 2017 Seoul (l. Hon)
• Faces No.12 Muguruza in 2r; highest-ranked opponent faced in career is No.41 Kr.Pliskova at $80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE (l. 6-4 5-7 7-5)
• By reaching 2r, is guaranteed to earn USD$93,000 in prize money – before the tournament, her total career winnings stood at USD$103,137
• Celebrated 22nd birthday last week

**Grand Slam History**
• Contesting maiden Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open
• Previously fell in qualifying at US Open in 2016, and Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018

**Season**
• Reached third ITF Circuit final of the season at home town event in $80k ITF/Olomouc (l. Ferro); posted career-high ranking of No.179 after the tournament (July 23, 2018)
• Also, since Wimbledon, made QF at $80k ITF/Prague-CZE and fell 2r at $60k ITF/Versmold-GER
• Fell in qualifying at Wimbledon and Roland Garros – her second and third unsuccessful Grand Slam qualifying campaigns
• Played almost exclusively on ITF Circuit during first half of season, appearing in two finals
At tour level, made qualifying exit on clay in Stuttgart
Began the season in February by contesting qualifying at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach

**Career**
- Ended 2017 ranked No.272, her second Top 300 season (down from No.210 in 2016)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Seoul (as qualifier, l. Hon). Also contested qualifying at ‘s-Hertogenbosch and Tokyo [Japan Open] and finished R-Up at one ITF Circuit event
- Won second career ITF Circuit title in 2016 and posted 39-18 win-loss record; at tour-level fell in qualifying at US Open
- On ITF Circuit has won two titles in singles and one in doubles
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2013

**Other Information**
- Born in Olomouc, but moved to train in Prague this year
- Started playing tennis at aged seven with dad, a former professional footballer in Czech Republic
- Roger Federer was tennis idol growing up
- Coached by Emil Miske
**MATCH NOTES**
US OPEN - USA, NY | Aug 27 - Sep 09, 2018 | $25,282,400 | GRAND SLAM

**CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #40) vs. [16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)**

Head to Head: VENUS WILLIAMS leads 1-0

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**2015**  
**AUSTRALIAN OPEN**  
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**R3**  
**VENUS WILLIAMS**  
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146 mins

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**CAMILA GIORGI**

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**US OPEN Tournament Performance - 2018**

| **R1** | W - [WC] WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #364) | 6-4, 6-1 | 73 mins |
| **R1** | W - [WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #102) | 6-4, 7-6(3), 7-6-3 | 175 mins |

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

**CAMILA GIORGI**

| **2017** |
| **R1** | **L - MAGDALENA RYBARIKOVA (SVK #32)** | 6-3 6-4 |
| **2016** |
| **R1** | **L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #17)** | 7-5 6-7(4) 6-1 |
| **2015** |
| **R2** | **L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #24)** | 6-4 6-0 |
| **2014** |
| **R1** | **L - ANASTASIA RODIONOVA (AUS #221)** | 1-6 7-5 6-3 |
| **2013** |
| **R16** | **L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #13)** | 6-4 6-2 |
| **2012** |
| **R1** | **L - TSVETANA PIRONKOVA (BUL #55)** | 6-3 6-4 |
| **2011** |
| **R2** | **L - REKA-LUCA JANI (HUN #222)** | 7-5 6-1 |

**VENUS WILLIAMS**

| **2017** |
| **SF** | L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) | 6-1 0-6 7-5 |
| **2016** |
| **R16** | L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #11) | 4-6 6-4 7-6(3) |
| **2015** |
| **QF** | L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) | 6-2 1-6 6-3 |
| **2014** |
| **R3** | L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #14) | 6-0 0-6 7-6(5) |
| **2013** |
| **R2** | L - JIE ZHENG (CHN #56) | 6-3 2-6 7-6(5) |
| **2012** |
| **R2** | L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #6) | 6-2 5-7 7-5 |
| **2011** |
| **R2** | L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #18) | W/O |

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GIORGI:

US Open

- Making seventh consecutive appearance in New York (ninth overall)
- Best result came with a R16 showing in 2013 – lost to fellow Italian Vinci
- Italian No.1 (at No.40) and only representative from her country in the Top 50; one of just two Italians in the Top 100 (also No.81 Errani), as at August 27, 2018
- Lone Italian woman contesting this year’s US Open
- Began 2018 US Open campaign with 1r straight sets victory over American wildcard Osuigwe
- Faces off against No.16 V.Williams in today’s 2r showdown – lost only previous meeting in three sets at 2015 Australian Open
- Owns a 51-41 career edge over American opponents, including 33-21 on hardcourts
- Seeking 25th career victory over a Top 20 opponent today (24-38) – 2-5 vs. such opponents in 2018
- Holds an 8-7 record in 2r Grand Slam play, including 1-1 at this stage of the US Open
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 27th career Grand Slam main draw
- Best result across the majors was reaching QF at 2018 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Also reached R16 at 2012 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up A.Radwanska) and at 2013 US Open (l. Vinci)
- Made 3r at Wimbledon in 2013 (l. eventual champion Bartoli) and 2015 (l. Wozniacki), 2015 Australian Open (l. V.Williams) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens)
- Made tour-level debut at Wimbledon in 2011 (as qualifier, l. Pironkova in 1r)
- Enjoyed the only Grand Slam seeding of her career at All England Club in 2015 (as No.31)

Season

- Advanced through qualifying last week in New Haven, reaching the R16 prior to losing to Bencic
- Began North American hardcourt season with 2r showing at Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Keys)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam QF at Wimbledon (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams) on her 26th appearance at this level; became the first Italian woman to reach the QF of Wimbledon since 2009 (Schiavone, l. Dementieva)
- Fell in qualifying at Birmingham after 1r exit at Nottingham (l. Jakupovic)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros for best result at Paris (l. eventual R-Up Stephens, having twice served for match)
- Made qualifying exit at Rome after SF run at Prague (l. Buzarnescu after serving for match in third set)
- Other clay court outings were runs to QF at Lugano (l. Sabalenka) and 3r at Charleston (l. Keys)
- Fell 1r at Miami (l. Vekic)
- Contested qualifying at Dubai (ret. against Zhuk w/left thigh injury). Subsequently withdrew from Indian Wells because of same injury
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Won through qualifying to reach SF at Sydney (l. eventual champion Kerber). Defeated No.13 Stephens and former champions Kvitova and A.Radwanska en route
- Lost season opener to Bogdan in 1r at Shenzhen – her first match since 2017 US Open (due to elbow injury)

Career

- Posted sixth consecutive Top 100 season, finishing 2017 ranked No.79 (up from No.83 in 2017)
- Made SF at Shenzhen (l. Riske) and QF at Biel (l. Sasnovich), Prague (l. Barthel) and Birmingham (l. Barty)
- Posted 4-3 record against Top 20 players in 2017, beating No.3 Ka.Pliskova (Prague), No.15 Vesnina (Strasbourg), No.5 Svitolina (Birmingham) and No.18 Keys (Wimbledon)
• Finished 2015 season with best year-end ranking to date (No.34), up one place from No.35 in 2014. Season highlighted by winning her first WTA singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Bencic in F)
• Reached career-high ranking of No.30 on July 27, 2015
• Had never reached WTA QF prior to 2014; reached QF or better at seven events during that season
• Made Top 100 debut on July 9, 2012 and broke into Top 50 on May 26, 2014
• Made tour-level main draw debut as a qualifier at 2011 Wimbledon
• On ITF Circuit, winner of five singles titles
• Played first career professional tournament at 2006 ITF/Baku-AZE
• Member of Italian Fed Cup Team, 2014-16

Other Information
• Coached by father, Sergio Giorgi
• Favorite book is *The Diary of Anne Frank*
• Mother Claudia is a fashion designer

V.WILLIAMS:

US Open
• Making 20th appearance at US Open. Won back-to-back US Open titles in 2000 (d. Davenport in F) and 2001 (d. S.Williams in F). Runner-up in 1997 on debut appearance (unseeded and ranked No.66, l. Hingis in F)
• Her 20 appearances at the tournament – and 80 at all majors – is the most among active players, and joint second (with Amy Frazier) in the Open Era, after Martina Navratilova (21)
• Also reached SF on five occasions, including 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) when she was one of four American women to reach this stage (also Keys, Stephens and Vandeweghe) – the first time since 1981 four women from the USA had made the last four at the US Open (Austin, Navratilova, Evert, Potter), and across all Slams since 1985 Wimbledon (Evert, Navratilova, Rinaldi, Garrison)
• Last year at Flushing Meadows, aged 37 years 3 months, became oldest player to reach a Grand Slam SF since 1994 Wimbledon (when Martina Navratilova finished runner-up, aged 37 years 8 months)
• Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/S.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/S.Williams d. Black/Huber)
• Her 265-71 Grand Slam win-loss record is second only to Serena's (326-44) among active players, and places her fifth on the Open Era list, also behind Navratilova, Evert and Graf
• Began 2018 US Open campaign with 3s victory over former US Open champion Kuznetsova – marked 77th match win here at US Open; her 77-16 record here is second among active players (after S.Williams 90-11), and fourth most in Open Era, after Evert (101), S.Williams (90) and Navratilova (89) – Graf is fifth (73)
• First round matchup vs. Kuznetsova marked the first time in the Open Era that two former US Open champions have been drawn together in the 1r in New York – remains undefeated vs. the Russian in Grand Slam play (3-0)
• Squares off against No.40 Giorgi in today's 2r matchup – won lone previous meeting in 3s at 2015 Australian Open
• Seeking 775th career main draw victory today and is quickly approaching 600th career match on hardcourts (sitting at No.597)
• Has compiled an impressive 36-6 mark vs. Italian opponents – last loss was 2014 US Open (Errani); 23-5 vs. such opponents on hardcourts, including 7-2 in Grand Slam play
• Owns a staggering 61-7 record in 2r Grand Slam matches – last loss was 2014 Roland Garros (Schmiedlova)
• Is 16-2 in 2r of US Open – last loss was 2013 (Zheng); is also undefeated (6-0) in 2r matches so far in 2018
• Second oldest of 22 thirtysomethings in the draw at 2018 US Open, after 39-year-old Schnyder
• Owns 463-134 career win-loss record on hard courts (.775) – only S.Williams (485-79 – .860) and Sharapova (353-99 – .781) own a better winning percentage among active players
• Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F)

Grand Slam History

• 2018 US Open marks 80th Grand Slam main draw appearance – the Open Era record, ahead of Frazier (71), Schiavone (70), S.Williams (69) and Navratilova (67)
• Is a seven-time Grand Slam singles champion, winning Wimbledon five times: 2000-01 2005 and 2007-08. Also won US Open in 2000 (d. Davenport in F) and 2001 (d. S.Williams in F)
• The span between her maiden Grand Slam final at the US Open in 1997 and last year’s Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history:

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• 2017 Australian Open final vs. Serena marked first Slam title bout in seven and half years (2009 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams). In the Open Era, no player has waited so long to reach another Grand Slam final – Mauresmo waited seven years between finishing R-Up at 1999 Australian Open and winning 2006 Australian Open. Also, at 36 years of age, became oldest finalist at the Australian Open in the Open Era
• Title match at 2016 Australian Open between Venus and Serena was the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, and 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open
• Owns 14 Grand Slam doubles titles (all w/S.Williams), most recently winning 2016 Wimbledon. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)
• In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998
**Season**

- In pre-US Open hardcourt tournaments, made QF at San Jose (l. eventual R-Up Sakkari) and posted R16 showing at Montréal (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Withdrew from Cincinnati with a right knee injury
- Reached 3r of Wimbledon in only appearance on grass this year (l. Bertens)
- Ended clay court season with 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Q.Wang). In other outings on clay, reached R16 at Rome and fell 1r at Madrid (l. Kontaveit at both tournaments)
- Advanced to QF at Miami (l. qualifier Collins); had saved 3mp vs. Bertens in 3r
- Miami run followed SF effort at Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina). Defeated S.Williams in 3r – now trails head-to-head record with sister 17-12
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Opened the year with back-to-back opening match losses at Sydney (after 1r bye, l. eventual champion Kerber) and the Australian Open (l. Bencic)
- In February, went 2-0 in singles representing USA in Fed Cup action vs. Netherlands (d. Rus, Hogenkamp)
- Also teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)

**Career**

- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) – only player last season to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is the third oldest player to rank in Top 10 in WTA history behind Billie Jean King (September 26, 1983 – 39 years, 322 days) and Martina Navratilova (December 26, 1994 - 38 years, 75 days)
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi), and reaching 80th career singles final at Stanford (l. Konta). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, behind Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoors] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era titleholders, chasing Monica Seles (53 titles)
- At Grand Slam level in 2016, advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) which was first time reaching that stage at a major since 2010 US Open. Also reached R16 at 2016 Roland Garros (l. Bacsinszky) and 2016 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova)
- Represented USA at Rio Olympics, falling 1r in singles (l. Flipkens), 1r in doubles (w/S.Williams), l. eventual bronze medalists Safarova/Strycova) and winning a silver medal in the mixed doubles (w/Ram, l. Mattek-Sands/Sock)
- Returned to Top 10 for first time since March 2011 following victory in final of the 2015 WTA Elite Trophy
• Was diagnosed with Sjögrens Syndrome in 2011, missing the end of that season and start of 2012
• Won singles gold medal at 2000 Sydney Olympics (d. Dementieva in F); has won doubles gold three times with sister Serena, at Sydney, Beijing and London
• Spent 11 weeks at world No.1 in singles (first ascended to top spot week of February 25, 2002) and topped the doubles rankings for eight weeks in 2010
• Made WTA main draw debut at Oakland in 1994; as unranked WC, defeated Stafford in 1r before falling to then-world No.2 Sánchez Vicario in three sets

**Other Information**

• Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
• In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
• Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price and David Witt
[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. CARINA WITTHOEFT (GER #101)

Head to Head: First meeting

SERENA WILLIAMS

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26-09-1981 (36)
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WTA RANKING

PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD

DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)
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YTD PRIZE MONEY
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CAREER PRIZE MONEY
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R1 L - ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #17) 7-5 6-1

2016
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R1* L - ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #158) 6-3 6-1

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R1 W - MAGDA LINETTE (POL #68) 6-4,6-0 70 mins R1 W - CAROLINE DOLEHIDE (USA #119) 6-3,7-6(6) 89 mins

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* Qualifying match

SERENA WILLIAMS

2016
SF L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #11) 6-2 7-6(5)

2015
SF L - ROBERTA VINCIT (ITA #43) 2-6 6-4 6-4

2014
F W - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #11) 6-3 6-3

2013
F W - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #2) 7-5 6-7(6) 6-1

2012
F W - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #1) 6-2 2-6 7-5

2011
F L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #10) 6-2 6-3

2009
SF L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #9,999) 6-4 7-5

CARINA WITTHOEFT

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S.WILLIAMS:

**US Open**

- Is also a two-time runner-up, in 2001 (l. V.Williams) and 2011 (l. Stosur), a three-time semifinalist (2009, l. Clijsters; 2015, l. Vinci; 2016 l. Ka.Pliskova) and a quarterfinalist on three occasions
- With six US Open singles titles, is tied with Chris Evert for most in the Open Era
- One of eight players in the Open Era to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same year (2002, 2012)
- Her 18 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in the draw, two behind her sister, Venus, who is making her 20th appearance (who defeated Kuznetsova in 1r)
- Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
- Missed entire summer US swing in 2017 due to pregnancy
- US Open marks seventh event – and third major – following birth of daughter Alexis Olympia in September 2017
- 2018 US Open represents her 69th Grand Slam main draw appearance – among active players trails only her sister Venus (80, including 2018 US Open) and Schiavone (70)
- Defeated No.68 Linette in 1r on Monday, which marked 90th main draw match win at US Open (90-11 overall record), the most among all active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12), and now ahead of Martina Navratilova (89-17)
• Including her 1st win here, her 326-44 record at Grand Slams is the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306)

• Faces No.101 Witthoeft today in their first meeting – her last loss to a player outside the Top 100 came at 2012 Roland Garros, falling to No.111 Razzano in 1r. Fell to German opposition on last outing at a Grand Slam, losing to Kerber in Wimbledon F

• This loss to Razzano is sole opening match loss at a Slam, and following 1r defeat of Linette, holds an almost-perfect 68-1 record in Slam 1r matches (18-0 at US Open)

• Overall, holds a 10-3 record against German players at Grand Slams; other defeats came against Lisicki at 2013 Wimbledon and Kerber at 2016 Australian Open

• Earliest exit at the US Open came in 3r on debut in 1998 (l. Spirlea)

• Only loss to a player outside Top 50 at Flushing Meadows was at hands of then-unranked Clijsters in 2009 SF

• 13 of her Slams have been won on hard courts – most of any player in Open Era; overall has won 46 hard court titles, also most among active players

• One of a tournament-leading 23 American women to begin the main draw – one of six fellow American's in Serena's top half of the draw progressed to the 2r

• At 36, is the third oldest, after Venus (38) and Schnyder (39), among 22 thirtysomethings to begin the draw

• Based on results across her career, Serena wins one out of every three tournaments played – the highest rate among active players:

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**Grand Slam History**

• A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time


• Aged 35y 125d at the conclusion of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era. Has now won 10 Grand Slam titles as a 30-something
Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, some 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span

The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon

In the Open Era, Williams’ 11-year gap between Roland Garros titles in 2002 and 2013 (without winning another Roland Garros title during that time) is the longest gap for a woman at any Grand Slam

In 2015, came within two match wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open (d. Sharapova in F), Roland Garros (d. Safarova in F) and Wimbledon (d. Muguruza in F); l. Vinci in SF at US Open. Was bidding to become third woman in Open Era to achieve the feat, after Court (1970) and Graf (1988)

Has twice been in possession all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)

Has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles, all with sister Venus – most recently at 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F). Also won mixed doubles titles at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)

The sisters held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London

**Season**

Coming off 2r showing at Cincinnati (d. Gavrilova, l. No.6 Kvitova in 3s)

Withdraw from Rogers Cup in Montréal

Lost 6-1 6-0 to Konta in 1r at San Jose – the heaviest defeat of her career (only occasion she has failed to win more than one game in a match) and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep)

Earlier this summer reached Wimbledon final (l. Kerber) – her 30th Grand Slam singles final, and was bidding for eighth Wimbledon crown

Was making 18th main draw appearance at All England Club - among active players, only Venus has played Wimbledon more often (21)

Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear). In Paris, posted first Top 20 wins since her return to tour, over No.17 Barty and No.11 Goerges

With sister Venus, won two doubles matches in Paris to advance to R16 (l. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez)

Roland Garros was first event contested since Miami (l. Osaka in 1r)

Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
• Prior to Indian Wells, played Tie Break Tens event in Madison Square Garden in New York – defeated Marion Bartoli in opening match before falling to Zhang Shuai in SF

• In December 2017 appeared at Mubadala World Tennis Championships in Abu Dhabi (l. Ostapenko 6-2, 3-6, 10-5)

• In February partnered w/V.Williams in doubles rubber during Team USA's Fed Cup win over the Netherlands (l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)

Career

• Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1

• Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)

• Qualified first for the 2016 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global but withdrew due to right shoulder injury – did not play after US Open

• Was the only player to reach SF or better at all four Grand Slams in 2016 (R-Up at Australian Open (l. Kerber), R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza), champion at Wimbledon (d. Kerber in F), SF at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)

• With 72 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92). Also a 21-time singles runner-up

• Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf's 377 and Navratilova's 332

• Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)

• Five-time champion at WTA Finals (2001, 2009, 2012-14)

• Has registered 16 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)

• Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)

• Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V.Williams)

• Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)

• Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013

• At 2014 US Open, received $4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women's
**Other Information**

- Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins
- Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017
- Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans
- Recently launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’

**WITTHOEFT:**

**US Open**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open (and sixth appearance overall). Best result here in New York – and joint-best across the Slams - is reaching 3r in 2016 (l. Vinci)
- Fell 1r on other two main draw outings, in 2015 (l. Muguruza) and 2017 (l. Sevastova). Exited in 2013-14 qualifying
- In opening match on Monday, defeated Dolehide in straight sets for first Grand Slam win since 2017, having lost 1r at 2017 US Open (l. Sevastova), 2018 Australian Open (l. Garcia), 2018 Roland Garros (l. Ferro) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Victory over Dolehide was just fifth tour-level main draw match win of 2018, and first since June (d. Schiavone in 1r at Mallorca)
- Faces No.26 S.Williams today in 2r in first career meeting – a win would be joint second-best by ranking at Slam level (also d. No.26 Davis at 2017 Roland Garros). Best win is defeating No.17 Suárez Navarro at 2015 Australian Open
- Owns a 5-2 record in Grand Slam 2r matches
- Including 1r win, is now 13-17 across the majors

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 18th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut by qualifying for 2013 Wimbledon (1r, l. Date)

**Season**

- Enters 2018 US Open having fallen in New Haven qualifying, which marked only North American lead-up event contested
- Dropped down to ITF level at beginning of August, contesting $60k ITF/Hechingen-GER, falling 1r (l. Hobgarski)
- After Wimbledon, made 1r exit at Gstaad in July (l. Rodina) and reached QF at $60k ITF/Versmold-GER (l. Siegemund)
• Posted 1-4 record on grass in 2018, losing 1r at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Schoofs), making 2r at Mallorca (l. Maria), 1r at $100k ITF/Southsea-GBR (l. Parmentier) and 1r at Wimbledon (l. Suárez Navarro)
• Went winless during clay swing, suffering opening match losses at Lugano (l. Flipkens), Stuttgart (as LL, l. Diyas), Prague (l. Vikhlyantseva), $100k ITF/Cagnes-Sur-Mer,-FRA (l. Schoofs), Nurnberg (l. Barthel) and Roland Garros (l. Ferro)
• Posted best result of season with 3r run at Miami (l. Diyas). Defeated No.13 Goerges in 2r for best win rankings-wise of career. Prior to Miami, fell 1r at Indian Wells (l. Hsieh)
• Fell 1r at Budapest (l. Cepelova)
• During Middle Eastern swing, reached 2r at Doha (l. World No.1 Wozniacki)
• Lost at Australian Open in the opening round (l. Garcia)
• Began 2018 season at Brisbane – suffered 1r loss to Krunic
• Also made Sydney main draw as a lucky loser before falling to Stosur in opening round

Career
• Posted third straight Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.51 for career-best finish
• Won maiden WTA title in final tournament of 2017 at Luxembourg (d. Puig in F)
• Other 2017 highlights included a semifinal appearance at Budapest (l. Safarova) and a further three quarterfinals (all at international level) at Nürnberg (l. Krejcikova), ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Kontaveit) and Gstaad (l. Kontaveit)
• Played mix of WTA and ITF events in 2016, posting R-up efforts at $100k ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer-FRA and $75k ITF/Prague-CZE. Other highlights included reaching third WTA singles QF on the clay of Gstaad (l. eventual champion Golubic) and 3r run at Wimbledon (l. eventual runner-up Kerber)
• Recorded first tour-level main draw win over No.17 Suárez Navarro at 2015 Australian Open
• Reached first WTA quarterfinal at 2015 Kuala Lumpur (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and was also a quarterfinalist at 2015 Nürnberg
• Cracked Top 50 for the first time in her career on July 13, 2015 and reached No.48 on January 8, 2018
• Made Top 100 debut on October 20, 2014
• Played first WTA qualifying event at 2010 Stuttgart and made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Bastad
• Winner of 11 singles titles on ITF Circuit

Other Information
• When not on tour, trains in Hamburg where her parents own two tennis clubs; both mother and father are tennis coaches
• Favorite tournament is Australian Open
• Currently coached by Mark Schuerbesmann
[WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79) vs. [25] DARIA GAVRILOVA (AUS #32)

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AZARENKA:

**US Open**

- Making 11th appearance at the US Open and first since giving birth to her son Leo in 2016
- Two-time runner-up, in 2012 (l. S.Williams in 3s) and 2013 (l. S.Williams in 3s)
- Fell in QF in 2014 (l. Makarova) and 2015 (l. Halep)
- US Open junior champion in 2005; bidding to become only the second player after Lindsay Davenport to win both the girls’ singles and women's singles titles at the US Open (1992/1998)
- Won mixed doubles title here w/Mirnyi in 2007 (d. Shaughnessy/Paes in F)
- Received WC into main draw – is unseeded at Flushing Meadows for the first time since 2007’s R16 run
- Has made one of the biggest ranking jumps on tour from this point last year – soaring up 123 spots from No.202 to No.79
- One of 10 active players to achieve more than 100 Grand Slam main draw wins (123-41, including 1r win here)
- Enters US Open having played only 10 tournaments for the season, half of these coming on hard courts (11-5 record, including 1r win)
- 1r win over Kuzmova preserves perfect 1r record at US Open, and is now 11-0 in opening matches here
- Faces Gavrilova today in 2r match, in what is their first meeting – bidding to reach 3r of a Slam for first time since 2017 Wimbledon (R16); owns 33-4 record in Grand Slam 2r matches (9-1 at US Open)
- One of seven mothers in the singles starting field at 2018 US Open, along with Ka.Bondarenko, Maria, Rodina, Schnyder, S.Williams and Zvonareva
- Owns joint-fourth most hardcourt titles among active players (level with Sharapova, 19)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 45th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and again in 2013 (d. Li in F). Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2012 and 2013 US Open (losing to S.Williams both times in 3s)
- Reached Wimbledon SF in 2011 and 2012, while best result at Roland Garros has been SF appearance in 2013
- Three Grand Slam doubles R-Up, at 2008 Australian Open (w/Peer), 2009 Roland Garros (w/Vesnina) and 2011 Australian Open (w/Kirilenko). Two-time Grand Slam mixed doubles champion, at 2007 US Open (w/Mirnyi) and 2008
Roland Garros (w/B.Bryan). Most recently finished as mixed doubles R-Up at 2018 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)

- Won girls’ singles titles at the Australian Open and US Open in 2005

**Season**

- Coming off 2r losses at Montréal (l. Konta) and Cincinnati (l. Garcia)
- Reached QFs in San Jose before retiring against Collins in the second set due to a back injury
- San Jose marked first event since 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Ka.Pliskova) in what was her 12th appearance at the All England Club. In only other grass court event, made 2r exit at Mallorca (l. Safarova)
- In mixed doubles at SW19, reached the final w/J.Murray, losing to Peya/Melichar
- Posted back-to-back 1r exits at Rome (l. Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
- Made 2r at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova). Saw off Krunic in 1r to register her first win on clay in two years (d. Cornet in 2r at 2016 Madrid)
- Posted SF run at Miami (as WC, l. eventual champion Stephens). Upset No.15 Keys, No.17 Sevastova and No.6 Ka.Pliskova to register multiple Top 20 wins at same tournament for first time since 2016 Miami title run
- Returned to Top 100 (at No.92) after SF run at Miami
- Fell 2r at Indian Wells, defeating Watson in 1r before falling to Stephens

**Career**

- Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child Leo in December 2016
- Comeback tournament was on the grass of 2017 Mallorca, reaching 2r (d. Ozaki, l. Konjuh). Prior to 2017 Mallorca, last tournament contested was 2016 Roland Garros (1r)
- Followed this up with R16 showing at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Halep). Did not play any tournaments after Wimbledon due to personal reasons
- Ended 2016 ranked No.13, despite missing second half of season after going on maternity leave (announced pregnancy mid-July). Lifted three titles, at Brisbane (first title since 2013 Cincinnati) and ‘Sunshine Double’ of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
- Miami marked 20th tour-level singles title of career (20-16 record in finals)
- Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, l. Kerber), Rome (2r, l. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/right knee injury)
- Limited to total of 23 events over 2014-15 seasons due to variety of injuries
- Posted five consecutive Top 10 finishes between 2009 and 2013, qualifying for the WTA Finals on each occasion, reaching final at Istanbul in 2011 (l. Kvitova)
- Two-time Grand Slam champion, capturing back-to-back titles at the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2013 (d. Li in F)
- Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks
- Began 2012 with 26-match win streak – best start since Hingis went 37-0 in 1997. Went on to win tour-leading 69 matches in 2012, season highlighted by six titles, finishing as WTA’s year-end No.1

• Won two medals for Belarus at 2012 London Olympics – bronze in singles and mixed doubles gold (w/Mirnyi)

• Made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Kolkata

• ITF Junior World Champion for 2005 – reached first tour-level semifinal at Guangzhou the same year

**Other Information**

• Coached by Benjamin Ebrahim Zadeh. Formerly coached by Wim Fissette, Sam Sumyk and Michael Joyce

• Gave birth to son Leo in December 2016

• Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother Alla; father’s name is Fedor and older brother is Max

• At 15, moved from hometown Minsk to train in Scottsdale, Arizona

**GAVRiloVA:**

**US Open**

• Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open, and has matched best result here by reaching 2r, also making this stage in 2017 (l. Rogers)

• Lost opening matches in 2015 (l. Kasatkina) and 2016 (l. Safarova), and fell in qualifying in 2011, 2013-14

• Seeded No.25 this fortnight – her eighth Grand Slam in a row where she has been seeded (highest seeding is No.20 at 2017 Wimbledon)

• Dropped only 16 points in emphatic 60 60 win over Sorribes Tormo in 1r to set up 2r clash vs. No. 79 Azarenka

• The last time an Australian served up a double bagel at a Slam was 1994 Wimbledon (Kristine Kunce (nee: Radford) d. Gavaldon, R128). The last time an Australian did so at the US Open was 1975 when Evonne Cawley d. Peggy Michel, R64)

• This is the second time facing Belarussian opposition at Slam level (l. Sasnovich at 2018 Wimbledon)

• Today bidding to reach 3r for the third consecutive Slam for first time in career, after making this stage at Roland Garros (l. Mertens) and Wimbledon (l. Sasnovich)

• Record in Grand Slam 2r matches stands at 4-5, most recently falling at this stage of 2018 Australian Open

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance

• Achieved best Grand Slam result of career to date by reaching R16 at Australian Open in 2016 and 2017 – in 2016, defeated seeds Kvitova and Mladenovic before falling to Suárez Navarro

• Reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Mertens) and Wimbledon (l. Sasnovich) in 2018

• Was seeded for the first time at the majors at 2017 Australian Open (at No.22)
Other Grand Slam highlights include 2r showings at 2017-18 US Open

**Season**

- Coming off 2r exit at New Haven (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Posted 1r exit at Cincinnati (l. S.Williams); had previously won her past nine matches against players from the United States, a run that stretched back to 2017 US Open (l. Rogers)
- Suffered 1r exit at Montréal (l. Safarova)
- Advanced to 3r at Wimbledon for first time (l. Sabalenka)
- Fell 2r at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. A.Radwanska) and Birmingham (d. Cibulkova, l. eventual champion Kvitova). Also on grass, played doubles in Nottingham, reaching QFs (w/Vekic) – team withdrew before start of QF (Vekic: low back pain)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Mertens) after 2r exit at Strasbourg (l. Stosur)
- Produced R16 showing in Rome (l. Sharapova) – having saved 2mp to upset No.3 Muguruza in 2r. Win over Muguruza marked fourth career Top 5 wins: No.2 Sharapova (2015 Miami), No.5 Halep (2016 Rome), No.1 Kerber (2016 Hong Kong) and No.3 Muguruza (2018 Rome)
- Did not progress past 1r of Madrid (l. No.2 Wozniacki) or Prague (ret. against Stosur w/right Achilles injury) – match was 400th (all levels) of career
- Helped Australia to 4-1 win over Netherlands to return to the World Group for the first time in four years. Won both rubbers (d. Lemoine in singles and d. Kerkhove/Schuurs in doubles w/Aiava)
- Reached 2r at Charleston (l. Giorgi)
- Posted 3r showings at Indian Wells (l. Garcia) and Miami (l. Svitolina)
- Reached SF at Acapulco (l. eventual champion Tsurenko)
- Lost both singles rubbers (l. N.Kichenok and Kostyuk) during Australia’s 3-2 World Group II first round clash with Ukraine on grass in Canberra
- Made SF run at Sydney (l. Barty) before falling 2r at Australian Open (l. Mertens)
- Opened up 2018 season at Hopman Cup exhibition in Perth, going 1-2 in singles (d. Bouchard, l. Kerber and Mertens)

**Career**

- Second straight Top 30 season in 2017, finishing at No.25 for the second consecutive year, winning a career-best 33 main draw matches
- Captured maiden tour-level singles title at 2017 New Haven in her second career Premier-level final (d. No.1 seed A.Radwanska in SF, d. No.2 seed Cibulkova in F)
- Also finished R-Up at Strasbourg (l. Stosur) and Hong Kong (l. Pavlyuchenkova) in 2017. Owns a 1-3 career record in singles finals
• Achieved career-high singles ranking of No.20 on August 28, 2017 and became Australia's No.1 on June 12, 2017 for a total of 19 weeks
• Advanced to first WTA singles final at 2016 Moscow (l. Kuznetsova), which followed SF run at Hong Kong where she recorded first win over a reigning World No.1 Kerber, in QF
• Reached first tour-level semifinal of career at 2015 Rome, as a qualifier (d. No.7 Ivanovic in 2r, l. eventual champion Sharapova)
• Made Top 100 singles debut at No.96 on March 23, 2015 and later that week defeated No.2 Sharapova in 2r at Miami
• Won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Istanbul (w/Svitolina) in first doubles final (now holds 1-2 record in doubles finals)
• On ITF Circuit, winner of four singles titles, including two in consecutive weeks early 2015, as well as two doubles titles
• Nominated for 2017 Newcombe Medal
• Catapulted from No.233 at end of 2014 season to No.36 at end of 2015 - named WTA's Most Impressive Newcomer for 2015 (media vote)
• Secured permanent residence in Australia in 2013 and has represented the country in Grand Slam play since 2014 US Open. Australian passport came through in December 2015 and now represents Australia at WTA events as well
• Watched 2014 Australian Open on crutches; she tore ACL in right knee at WTA 125k Series event in Taipei in November 2013; following surgery, did not play a tournament until July 2014, at ITF level
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 ‘s-Hertogenbosch, scoring first career Top 40 win over No.35 Wickmayer in 1r before losing to Flipkens in 2r
• Played first WTA qualifying event at 2009 Moscow and first professional event of career on ITF Circuit in Russia in 2008
• On ITF Circuit, winner of four singles titles, including two $50k events in Tasmania after the 2015 Australian Open (Burnie and Launceston); also owns two ITF doubles titles
• 2010 US Open junior singles champion and Youth Olympics champion in Singapore

**Other Information**

• Coached by Jarryd Maher
• Born in Moscow, Russia but switched nationality (and representation) from Russia to Australia in December 2015
• Father's name is Alexey; mother's name is Natalia; younger brother is Stepan. Introduced to tennis at age 6 by parents
MATCH NOTES
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MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #30) vs. SOFIA KENIN (USA #65)

Head to Head: SOFIA KENIN leads 1-0

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SAKKARI:

**US Open**
- Making fourth consecutive main draw appearance in New York this fortnight
- Best result here came last year with 3r showing (l. V.Williams)
- Ranked No.95 entering the 2017 US Open, Sakkari is the first Greek woman seeded at a Slam since 2007 Australian Open (Daniilidou)
- From last year at this time until now, has made the fifth biggest jump in the rankings among the Top 32 seeds at this year’s US Open; from No.95 (8/28/17) to No.30 (8/27/18) +65 (behind only Sharapova +124, Buzarnescu +112, Sabalenka +91 and Stephens +80)
- Sits at No.9 on tour in break points converted percentage (48.5% from 36 matches)
- Began 2018 US Open with 1r defeat of WC American No.216 Muhammad
- Takes on another American today, No.65 Kenin – lost lone previous encounter at 2018 Wimbledon
- Owns a 17-10 record vs. opponents from USA
- Enters this week at a career-high ranking of No.30
- Is the lone representative of Greece in this year’s draw

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 12th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Has reached 3r at all four of the majors – at 2017 Australian Open (l. Lucic-Baroni), 2017 Wimbledon (l. Konta), 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina)
- When she made 3r at 2017 Australian Open, became first Greek woman to reach this stage at a Slam since Daniilidou at 2005 Wimbledon (l. Pennetta)
- At 2016 Australian Open, reaching 2r, (d. Y.Wang, l. Suárez Navarro) became the first woman from Greece to win a main draw match at a Slam since Daniilidou d. Ka.Pliskova at 2013 Australian Open
- At all Grand Slams, Daniilidou reached R16 at 2002 Wimbledon, 2003 Australian Open and 2004 US Open

**Season**
- Comes into New York having fallen in 1r last week at New Haven (l. Diyas)
- Made 1r exit at Montréal (l. Kasatkina) and 2r appearance in Cincinnati (l. Kontaveit)
- Was R-Up at San Jose (l. Buzarnescu) in her first tour-level final
- Entered 2018 San Jose on a four-match losing streak, which began with 3r loss at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina) and stretched to Birmingham (Goerges), Eastbourne (Kuznetsova) and Wimbledon (l. Kenin)
- Run to 3r at Roland Garros marked joint-best result at a Slam, and best result in Paris. Has now reached 3r at all four Majors – also 2017 Australian Open (l. Lucic-Baroni), 2017 Wimbledon (l. Konta) and 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams)
• Entered Paris after 3r run at Rome – d. No.15 Bertens and No.5 Ka.Pliskova before falling to No.12 Kerber
• Defeat of No.5 Ka.Pliskova in Rome 2r was first career Top 5 win
• Had 1r exit in Madrid (l. eventual runner-up Bertens)
• Reached SF in Istanbul (l. Hercog), her first semifinal appearance of 2018 and first since 2017 Wuhan
• Made 3r at Miami. Upset a pair of opponents ranked above her, No.49 Krunic in 1r and No.28 Kontaveit in 2r; run helped her return to Top 50
• Enjoyed a R16 run at Indian Wells (l. Osaka in 3s – was the only player to take a set off eventual champion)
• Made 2r exit at Acapulco (l. eventual R-Up Voegele). 1r defeat of Arruabarrena was first main draw win of 2018
• During Middle Eastern swing, made 1r exit at Doha (l. Cirstea) and fell in Dubai qualifying
• Began 2018 season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Kovinic) followed by 1r qualifying defeat at Sydney (l. Cepede Royg). Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. Siniakova) and St. Petersburg (l. Goerges)

Career

• Registered second-consecutive Top 100 year-end finish in 2017, finishing at No.52 – the highest year-end finish by a Greek player since Daniillidou in 2007 (No.43) and the only Greek player to record a Top 100 finish in the last seven years (since No.90 Daniilidou in 2011)
• Notched a then-career best win and first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan Open – became just second qualifier to reach Premier-level SF in 2017 (Mertens at New Haven)
• Enjoyed a career-best year at the majors, progressing to 3r for first time on three different occasions: Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni), Wimbledon (l. Konta) and US Open (l. V.Williams)
• Broke into Top 50 for first time at No.49 on October 9, 2017
• Reached first career WTA QF at 2016 Istanbul after qualifying to enter main draw (l. Kovinic) – at the time, achieved best win-by-ranking defeating No.34 Schmiedlova in 1r
• Elsewhere, played mainly ITF for first half of 2016 season, falling in qualifying at Brisbane, Hobart, Rio de Janeiro, Monterrey, Indian Wells, Madrid and Roland Garros before making 2r at Wimbledon main draw (d. S.Zheng, l. V.Williams in 3s). After Wimbledon, only other main draw win in 2016 came in 2r showing at Tashkent (d. Schmiedlova, l. Flipkens)
• Also played main draw again at 2016 Gstaad (l. Kontaveit in 1r), New Haven (as qualifier. l. Rodina 1r), Tokyo Japan Open (l. Putintseva), Seoul (l. S.Zhang) and Hong Kong (l. World No.1 Kerber)
• Opened 2016 by falling in qualifying at Brisbane and Hobart and 2r 2016 Australian Open (posted first Grand Slam main draw win vs. Y.Wang, l. Suarez Navarro)
• Owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles and five in doubles
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2012 Palermo
• Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2010 at $10k ITF/Mytilino-GRE. Owns seven singles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
**Other Information**

- Born and grew up in Athens, Greece, before moving to Barcelona aged 18 – has trained there for two years
- Mother, Angeliki Kanellopoulou, was tennis player too, however didn't start because of her – just liked the sport. Tried karate and gymnastics but was thrown out of class for laughing too much
- Favorite surface is hard court

**KENIN:**

**US Open**

- Making fourth consecutive main draw appearance at this year’s US Open
- Best result came last year after reaching the 3r as a wildcard (I. Sharapova)
- One of 23 Americans and one of nine teenagers (19 years old) to begin this year’s draw
- Has earned half of her career prize money from this year alone
- Began 2018 US Open with thrilling 3s victory over LL No.105 Brengle in 1r
- Faces off against No.30 Sakkari in today's 2r showdown – captured first career meeting at this year’s Wimbledon

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open as a wildcard – received for being crowned USTA Girls’ 18s national champion. Fell 1r to Duque Mariño
- Reached 3r at 2017 US Open as a wildcard (I. Sharapova), in what was only fourth tour-level main draw outing
- Made 2r at 2018 Wimbledon on main draw debut (I. Diatchenko)
- Other major appearances were 1r losses to eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova at 2016 US Open and Goerges at 2018 Australian Open
- As a junior, reached the singles final at the 2015 US Open (I. Galfi), the semifinals at the 2016 US Open and the quarterfinals at 2016 Wimbledon

**Season**

- In US Open lead-up events, fell in 2r of qualifying at Montreal (I. Bogdan), Cincinnati (Cornet) and New Haven (I. Peterson)
- Advanced to R16 at San Jose, d. Cepede Royg before falling to Konta
- Hoisted fourth ITF title of her career at $60k ITF/Berkley,CA-USA (d. Gibbs in F)
- Enjoyed successful grass swing, reaching first WTA SF of career at Mallorca (as qualifier I. eventual R-Up Maria) and making Wimbledon main draw debut (d. Sakkari, I. Ditachenko in 2r).
- Recorded best win-by-ranking of her career with QF win over No.6 Garcia in QF of Mallorca
• Went 0-5 during clay swing suffering opening match losses at Charleston (l. Barty), Madrid qualifying (l. Linette), Rome qualifying (l. Kanepi), Strasbourg (l. Stosur) and Roland Garros (l. Osaka)

• Made a 3r exit in Miami (l. Kvitova) after posting a three-set win over No.11 Kasatkina in 2r. Preceded by a 2r showing at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Zhang)

• Made 2r at WTA 125K Series event held at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden (l. Wickmayer)

• Also contested WTA 125K Series tournament at Newport Beach (l. Jang in 1r). Lost 2r at $100k ITF/Midland, MI-USA in February

• Fell 1r on Australian Open debut – first direct acceptance at a major – losing to No.12 Goerges in straight sets

• Started season by reaching maiden WTA QF at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)

**Career**

• Compiled 47-28 record (all levels) in 2017, finishing at a career-high No.113

• Reached 3r at 2017 US Open as wildcard (l. Sharapova), after winning the US Open Wild Card Challenge. Posted the first Top 50 win of her career during Flushing Meadows run against No.34 Davis

• Also in 2017, won $60k ITF/Stockton, CA-USA, finished R-Up at $60k ITF/Lexington, KY-USA and reached SF at $60k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA

• In other tour-level appearances in 2017, made 2r at Québec City (l. Safarova) and fell 1r at Charleston (as qualifier, l. Mattek-Sands)

• Closed year strongly by reaching SF at three consecutive ITF Circuit events: $80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA, $80k ITF/Waco, TX-USA and $25k ITF/Norman, OK-USA

• Fell in qualifying at Indian Wells, Roland Garros, Mallorca, Wimbledon, New Haven and Cincinnati

• Ended 2016 season ranked No.212 (up from No.620 in 2015)

• Played 2016 US Open as a wildcard, granted for winning USTA Pro Circuit US Open wildcard challenge

• In 2016, also lifted titles at $25k ITF/Wesley Chapel, FL-USA and $50k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA

• Broke into Top 100 for first time on March 19, 2018 (at No.94)

• On ITF Circuit owns four singles and two doubles titles

• Played first matches on ITF Circuit in March 2013

• Climbed as high as No.2 in the ITF World Junior Rankings

• Represented the US at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China
**Other Information**

- Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settle in Florida
- Resides in Pembroke Pines, Florida, where she was home-schooled
- Known as ‘Sonya’
- Coached by father Alexander Kenin with support Lorenzo Cava; trains at ProWorld Academy in Delray Beach, Florida
- Best tennis memory is playing idol Maria Sharapova on Arthur Ashe (US Open 2017)
- If not a tennis player would be a fashion designer
- Dream doubles partners would be Serena Williams and Grigor Dimitrov
- Good friends with CiCi Bellis and Katie Swan
- Likes rap music, especially Drake
- Treat food is Froyo - cookies and cream with Hershey’s on top
2018 US OPEN – DAY TWO FEATURED MATCHES

SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #64) vs. [2] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2)

Wozniacki leads 7-5
Stosur is making her 60th career Grand Slam main draw appearance at this year's US Open...Wozniacki is currently riding an eight-match win streak vs. Australian opponents dating back to 2016

MARGARITA GASPARYAN (RUS #370) vs. [4] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

First career meeting
Gasparyan is seeking first career victory over a Top 10 opponent...Kerber is the only player on tour to reach the QFs or better at the first three Slams this year

[5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) vs. YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #94)

Kvitova leads 5-4
Six of their career meetings have gone the distance, with every three-set winner coming back from losing the first set...Kvitova seeking 45th victory of the season; closing in on career win No.400 (currently No.395)...Wickmayer is bidding for first Top 5 win of career and first over a Top 10 player since 2013

[6] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #6) vs. JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #46)

Konta leads 3-2
Garcia is the first Frenchwoman to be a Top 10 seed at the US Open since 2011 (Bartoli), and is the first Frenchwoman to be seeded in the Top 10 across all four slams in the same year since 2006 (Mauresmo)...A win today for Konta would mark the 125th main draw victory of her career and 30th Top 20 win of her career

ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #89) vs. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10)

Ostapenko leads 1-0
A win today by Petkovic would have her register at least one win at all four majors in a single season for the second time in her career (also 2011)...Ostapenko is 7-1 at majors when matched up against opponents ranked at, or below No.91

TIMEA BABOS (HUN #42) vs. [11] DARIO KASATKINA (RUS #11)

Kasatkina leads 1-0
Babos, currently the No.1 doubles player in the world, is seeking second Top 20 victory of the season...Kasatkina is one of just four players to reach the QF or better at two Grand Slams this year
[14] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. PAULINE PARMENTIER (FRA #71)
Keys leads 1-0
Keys owns an eight-match winning streak against French players on tour...Parmentier is seeking the sixth Top 20 win over her career and second for the season (No.2 Wozniacki)

[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) vs. LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #146)
Siegemund leads 2-1
Osaka has reached the third round or better at the past five majors, a run stretching back to 2017 Roland Garros...Siegemund missed last year's US Open due to a right knee injury...She is aiming to notch her first Top 20 victory since 2017 Madrid (No.6 Konta)

[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) vs. [Q] PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI #186)
Sharapova leads 7-1
Sharapova owns a perfect 20-0 mark in night matches on Arthur Ashe Stadium...At 39 years, 269 days old, Schnyder is the oldest player to reach the main draw at a Grand Slam via qualifying in the Open Era

KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #57) vs. [24] COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #25)
Vandeweghe leads 2-0
Former 2003 US Open girls' champion, Flipkens, is eyeing her 25th career victory in the first round of Slams...A semifinalist here last year, Vandeweghe ranks fourth on tour for percentage of points won on first serve – 69.7%
MATCH NOTES
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SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #64) vs. [2] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #2)

Head to Head: CAROLINE WOZNIACKI leads 7-5

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- $17,598,598
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- 22-12
- 17-21 / 450-322
- 3-4 / 122-117
- 2-8 / 92-107
- 3-10 / 264-203
- 0-3 / 31-79
- 0-6 / 72-143
- 2-1 / 42-38

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI
- WTA RANKING 2
- 11-07-1990 (28)
- $4,045,479
- $30,880,173
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- 0 / 2
- 35-11
- 32-12 / 564-234
- 11-4 / 147-77
- 6-6 / 89-78
- 17-7 / 403-157
- 2-0 / 60-65
- 6-5 / 130-104
- 4-2 / 57-28

US OPEN Tournament History

SAMANTHA STOSUR
- 2016
  - R2 - Shuai Zhang (CHN #51) 6-3 6-3

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI
- 2017
  - R2 - Ekaterina Makarova (RUS #40) 6-2 6-7(5) 6-1
- 2016
  - SF - Angelique Kerber (GER #2) 6-4 6-3

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STOSUR:

**US Open**

- Making 14th main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week (15th overall)
- Missed 2017 US Open due to hand injury – snapped 13-consecutive main draw appearance streak at slam
- Hoisted the title here in 2011 after defeating S.Williams in the final - one of just five women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber and Muguruza)
- Other notable results here were two QF finishes in 2010 (l. Clijsters) and 2012 (l. Azarenka) and a R16 appearance in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Also, captured the 2005 US Open doubles title and was runner-up in 2008 (both w/Raymond)
- Holds a 22-12 record at the US Open – her second-best strike rate at a Slam (best is Roland Garros – 39-15)
- This year's event marks the Australian's 60th career Grand Slam main draw appearance – one of six active players to reach the milestone, along with V.Williams (80), Schiavone (70), S.Williams (69), Kuznetsova (63) and Schnyder (60)
- R16 victory over Schnyder in Gstaad a few weeks back marked 450th main draw win of career
- One of 22 thirtysomethings contesting this year's event
- Takes on No.2 Wozniacki in today's opening round – is 5-7 vs. the Dane, but 4-3 on hardcourts
- One of two US Open first round meetings between Grand Slam champions (also V.Williams vs. Kuznetsova)

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Owns a 40-19 career record in 1r Grand Slam matches, including 8-5 at the US Open
Seeking first Top 10 victory since upsetting then-No.6 Halep at 2016 Roland Garros
Competing in doubles field here with partner Zhang Shuai. The duo faces Hozumi/Kudermetova in 1r

Grand Slam History

2018 US Open marks 60th Grand Slam main draw appearance
Owns one Grand Slam singles title, having won 2011 US Open (d. S.Williams in F). One of just five women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber and Muguruza)
Reached the final at Roland Garros in 2010 (l. Schiavone). Also a three-time Paris semifinalist, in 2009 (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova), 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
Best result at Wimbledon is reaching 3r three times (2009, 2013, 2015) and at home Slam of Australian Open made R16 in 2006 (l. Hingis) and 2010 (l. S.Williams)
In doubles, won 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)

Season

As lucky loser, fell to eventual champion Sabalenka in 1r at New Haven
Fell in 1r of qualifying at both Montréal and Cincinnati
Advanced to QFs in Gstaad (l. eventual champion Cornet) – R16 victory over Schnyder marked 450th main draw win of career
Made 1r exit at Eastbourne (l. Van Uytvanck) prior to 2r loss to Gavrilova at Wimbledon
Enjoyed first SF run of 2018 in Mallorca (l. eventual R-Up Sevastova)
Suffered a 2r defeat in Nottingham (l. Boulter) after a 3r showing at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)
Earned a QF run at Strasbourg (as defending champion, l. eventual R-Up Cibulkova); defeated compatriot Gavrilova in 2r at Strasbourg in a re-match of the 2017 final
Fell 1r at Rome (l. Van Uytvanck) after 2r exit at Madrid (l. Stephens)
Reached QF at Prague (l. Giorgi)
Upset by No.210 Kerkhove in Australia's 4-1 Fed Cup play-off win vs. the Netherlands in April
Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Miami (l. Puig) and Charleston (l. Ahn)
Reached 2r at Indian Wells (l. Mladenovic)
Made 2r at Doha (l. Kerber) and fell 1r at Dubai (as qualifier, l. Kontaveit). In Dubai contested qualifying at a WTA event for first time since Zurich in October 2008
In only other post-Australian Open appearance, fell 1r at Taipei City (l. Hibino)
Lost to Puig in 1r at Australian Open after holding match point in second set tie-break
In lead up to Australian Open, fell 1r at Brisbane (l. Sevastova) and made 2r at Sydney (l. Gavrilova)
**Career**

- Suffered through an injury-plagued 2017 season, but, still managed to post her ninth consecutive Top 50 finish, ending at No.41
- Highlight of reduced season came with ninth career title at Strasbourg (d. Gavrilova in F), along with QF runs at Taipei City (l. Peng), Doha (l. Cibulkova) and Hong Kong (l. Wang) – also reached R16 of Roland Garros for sixth time (l. eventual champion Ostapenko)
- Career record in finals is 9-15, and has advanced to at least one singles final in 11 of past 12 seasons
- 2016 season highlights included R-Up finish at Prague (l. Safarova in three sets) and advancing to fifth Grand Slam SF of career at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Muguruza). Following Roland Garros result, rose to No.14 – first time ranked inside Top 15 since week of August 26, 2013
- Represented Australia at Rio Olympics, progressing to 3r in singles (l. eventual silver medalist Kerber), and fell 1r in doubles (w/Gavrilova, l. eventual silver medalists Bacsinszky/Hingis) and 1r in mixed doubles (w/Peers, l. Mirza/Bopanna)
- Won two WTA singles titles in 2015 season, both at International level, at Strasbourg (d. Mladenovic in F) and Bad Gastein (d. Knapp in F). Was second season where had won multiple titles (also 2013 – Carlsbad, Osaka)
- Achieved 500th career match win (all levels) at 2015 Washington DC.
- Owns two wins over a reigning World No.1: S.Williams (2010 Roland Garros) and Wozniacki (2010 WTA Finals)
- Former doubles World No.1 (spent 61 weeks in top spot) with 24 titles to her name, including 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)
- Owns three Grand Slam mixed doubles titles: 2005 Australian Open (w/Draper), 2008 Wimbledon (w/B.Bryan) and 2014 Wimbledon (w/Zimonjic)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 1998, and first WTA main draws in 2002, as a wildcard at Gold Coast and Australian Open

**Other Information**

- Currently coached by former ATP player and Australian Davis Cup coach Joshua Eagle; first worked together during 2016 US Open. Stopped working with long-time coach, David Taylor, after 2016 Roland Garros
- Friend introduced her to tennis at age eight
- Off the court, enjoys going to the beach, swimming in the sea, hanging out with friends, surfing and listening to music
WOZNIACKI:

**US Open**

- Making 12th consecutive main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week
- Former two-time finalist in 2009 (l. Clijsters) and 2014 (l. S.Williams)
- Other notable results here were three SF visits in 2010-11 and 2016, and a R16 showing in 2008
- The Dane ranks No.6 on tour in both return points won (46.7%) and return games won (43.1%), as well as No.2 in break points converted (52.1%)
- Currently No.2 in the rankings and No.4 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard – defending WTA Finals champion
- Wozniacki has proven to be one of the most consistent players on tour this season, reaching the R16 or better at 79% of her tournaments (11/14) – ranks fourth among Top 10 players in this category (Kerber – 86%, Halep 83% and Garcia – 81%)
- One of 13 former Grand Slam champions and one of nine former or current World No.1s to begin the 2018 US Open draw
- Owns an impressive 39-6 record in 1r Grand Slam play – her 1r loss at 2012 Wimbledon (l. Paszek) broke her streak of 20 successive first-round wins at the Slams
- Is 10-1 in 1r play at US Open – lone loss came against Begu in 2012
- Faces off against No.64 Stosur in today's opening match. Holds a 29-7 mark vs. Australian opponents, including 15-6 on hardcourts
- Currently riding an eight-match win streak vs. Aussies dating back to 2016 loss against Stosur at Washington DC

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 46th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Captured her first Grand Slam title and the World No.1 ranking at 2018 Australian Open (d. Halep in three sets) – becoming just the fourth player all-time (also, Navratilova, Ivanovic and Azarenka) to simultaneously win her maiden major title and ascend to No.1
- Saved 2mp (in 2r vs. Fett) en route to the 2018 Australian Open title – one of five women to do so in Melbourne
- Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, losing the title match at the US Open in 2009 (l. Clijsters) and 2014 (l. S.Williams). Became first Danish player to reach a Grand Slam final since Kurt Nielsen at 1955 Wimbledon
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2007 Roland Garros (l. Dechy in 1r). Would go on to play 36 consecutive majors until streak was snapped by withdrawal from 2016 Roland Garros (w/right ankle injury)
- At Roland Garros she is a two-time quarterfinalist, in 2010 (l. eventual champion Schiavone) and 2017 and has reached R16 at Wimbledon on six occasions, most recently in 2017
- In juniors, won girls’ singles title at 2006 Wimbledon and was a finalist at 2006 Australian Open
**Season**

- Enters New York after 2r exit in Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens) and Montréal (l. Sabalenka – held 3mp in third set)
- Made 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Makarova)
- Also on grass, won her second title of the season, and 29th of her career in Eastbourne (d. Sabalenka in F). Win over Konta in Eastbourne 3r was 50th grass court win, becoming just the seventh active player with as many wins on the surface (also S.Williams, V.Williams, Sharapova, A.Radwanska, Kerber and Jankovic)
- Fell in R16 at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina) after QF showing at Rome (l. Kontaveit) and R16 at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens)
- Made QF at Istanbul (ret. vs. eventual champion Parmentier w/left abdominal injury)
- Reached R16 at Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and made 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Puig)
- Posted SF run at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Fell in QF at St Petersburg (after 1r bye, d. Potapova; l. No.8 seed Kasatkina)
- Won first Grand Slam title of career at Australian Open (d. No.1 Halep in F) – became first Danish woman to win a major singles title
- Win over Halep marked her fourth win over a reigning World No.1 (4-6 career record), having won her first three all in 2017 over Ka.Pliskova (Toronto), Muguruza (Tokyo [PPO]) and Halep (WTA Finals Singapore)
- With her triumph in Melbourne reclaimed the World No.1 ranking for the first time in six years, marking the longest gap between stints at the top spot since the computer rankings were introduced in November 1975 (6 years, 0 days)
- Opened 2018 season with R-Up finish at Auckland (l. Goerges)

**Career**

- Posted 60-21 record in 2017, finishing at No.3 for 10th consecutive Top 20 season and seventh Top 10 finish of career, including six in a row (2009-14) and back-to-back year-end No.1 finishes in 2010-11
- Season highlight in 2017 was winning biggest title of career to that point at 2017 WTA Finals Singapore (d. V.Williams in F). By winning in Singapore, passed $25 million in career prize money
- Also defended title at Tokyo PPO (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and reached a further six finals in 2017, finishing as R-Up at Doha (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Dubai (l. Svitolina) in back-to-back weeks, and then Miami (l. Konta), Eastbourne (l. Ka.Pliskova), Bastad (l. Siniakova) and Toronto (l. Svitolina)
- Scored three wins over No.1-ranked players in 2017, against Ka.Pliskova (Toronto), Muguruza (Tokyo [PPO]) and Halep (Singapore). Had never previously secured victory over the top-ranked player in her career; lifetime record now stands at 4-6 vs. No.1 players (also beat Halep at 2018 Australian Open)
- Scored more wins over Top 10 players in 2017 (14-6 record) than any other player
- Owns 29 career singles titles – fourth most titles among active players (behind S.Williams, V.Williams and Sharapova) and has won at least one title in 11 straight seasons (since 2008), including career-best six titles in 2010 and 2011
- Won first WTA title at 2008 Stockholm, the first ever title won by a Danish woman
• Denmark's flag bearer at 2016 Rio Olympics
• Broke into Top 100 on July 9, 2007 and entered Top 50 on January 28, 2008
• Debuted in Top 10 on May 18, 2009
• Rose to No.1 on October 11, 2010 and held No.1 ranking for total of 67 weeks; returned to No.1 on January 29, 2018 after Australian Open title for a further four weeks, taking career to 71 weeks
• Winner of two WTA doubles titles – 2008 Beijing (w/Medina Garrigues) and 2009 Memphis (w/Azarenka)
• Made professional debut aged 15 as a wildcard at 2005 Cincinnati

Other Information

• Ran 2014 New York City Marathon with charity Team for Kids, funds going to New York Road Runners youth programs
• Signed as a USANA Health Sciences brand ambassador in March 2015. As part of the announcement she launched the program's annual ‘Aces for Humanity' campaign to aid the USANA True Health Foundation, whose mission is to provide critical nutrition to those who are suffering or in need; money is donated for each ace served by the eight USANA Ambassadors on the WTA
• Announced engagement to former NBA player David Lee in November 2017, the ex-New York Knicks forward proposing on holiday in Bora Bora
• Coached by father, Piotr Wozniacki
MARGARITA GASPARNYAN (RUS #370) vs. [4] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

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* Qualifying match
GASPARYAN:

**US Open**

- Making main draw debut in Flushing Meadows; fell in qualifying rounds in 2014-15
- Today marks first appearance at a major in over two years (2016 Wimbledon)
- Sustained career-threatening knee injury in 2016 which took her off tour for more than 15 months
- Prior to injury, defeated then No.19 Ka.Pliskova for second career Top 20 win (2-7 overall) at 2016 Doha; also reached a career-high ranking of No.41 on February 15, 2016
- Contesting this fortnight under special ranking of No.62
- One of 12 Russians in this year’s starting field
- Faces off against 2018 Wimbledon champion and World No.4 Kerber in today’s opening round; seeking first career victory over a Top 10 opponent – previously 0-4
- Owns a 1-4 career mark in 1r of majors – lone win led to R16 finish at 2016 Australian Open (l. S.Williams)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 U.S. Open marks fifth career Grand Slam main draw appearance and first in Flushing Meadows
- Achieved best result at a Grand Slam by reaching R16 at 2016 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams). Was her debut appearance at the tournament
- Has fallen in 1r on other Grand Slam appearances, at 2015-16 Roland Garros and 2015-16 Wimbledon
**Season**
- Contested qualifying at New Haven
- Made first WTA tour level main draw appearance in over two years at Nanchang, advancing to R16 (l. Zhang)
- Produced a runner-up finish as qualifier at $25k ITF/Les Franqueses del Valles-ESP
- Posted a QF appearance at $25k ITF/Monzon-ESP
- Made 1r exit at $100k ITF/Khimki-RUS (l. Potapova)
- Started 2018 campaign with SF finish as qualifier at $25k ITF/Karshi-UZB

**Career**
- After being away for 15 months due to injury, made comeback at 2017 Kremlin Cup (fell in qualifying)
- Finished 2016 ranked No.115 mostly due to injury preventing her from finishing the second half of the season
- Won third career doubles title at Prague (w/Hlavackova, d. Irigoyen/Kania in F)
- In Doha, defeated No.19 Ka.Pliskova in opening round for second career top 20 win; owns 2-7 record overall
- Reached career-high ranking of No.41 (February 15, 2016)
- Defeated No.19 Errani in 1r at 2016 Australian Open for best win of career and first Top 20 victory, en route to R16 finish
- Ended 2015 season at No.62 for first Top 100 finish
- Won first WTA singles title at 2015 Baku (unseeded, d. Tig in F). Third-lowest ranked player (No.112) to win a title in 2015. Entering tournament, had only one win vs. Top 100 player to her name (d. No.96 Allertova at $100k ITF/Trnava-SVK in 2015)
- Also won first WTA doubles title at 2015 Baku (w/Panova); won second title at 2015 Tashkent (w/Panova)
- First played WTA qualifying at 2010 Moscow and made main draw debut at same event (Kremlin Cup) in 2012
- Owns nine ITF singles titles
- Nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2015 (Daria Gavrilova won award)
- Member of victorious Junior Fed Cup in 2010 for Russia, alongside Gavrilova

**Other Information**
- Born, lives and trains in Moscow
- Mother, Liudmila, is a hairdresser; father, Melik, is Armenian and a businessman; younger sister, Ekaterina, is still in school – she plays volleyball
- Tennis idols growing up were Maria Sharapova and Roger Federer
- Plays with a one-handed backhand; grew up playing with a two-handed backhand, and switched at age 12 when she was big enough to do so (always wanted to play with a one-handed backhand)
US Open

• Making 11th main draw appearance at U.S. Open (and 12th overall appearance)
• Champion here in 2016 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), which marked second Grand Slam title of career, after debut title at 2016 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F). Also won 2018 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F)
• 2016 triumph here also saw her rise to World No.1; was 22nd player to hold WTA World No.1 ranking, and second German woman to achieve milestone since computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (after Graf, who spent the last of her record 377 weeks at No.1 in March 1997)
• Other key results in Flushing Meadows were SF run in 2011 (had not been past 3r at a major until that point) and has reached R16 on two further occasions (2012-13)
• One of 13 former Grand Slam champions to begin 2018 main draw, and one of seven former U.S. Open champions
• One of six Germans to begin the week (also, Goerges, Maria, Petkovic, Siegemund and Witthoef)
• Meets No.410 Gasparyan in today's opening round action – first career meeting
• Owns a 29-14 record in 1r Grand Slam matches, including 7-3 at U.S. Open
• Her 1r loss in 2017 (l. Osaka) marked second time in Open Era a defending U.S. Open champion lost in opening round (also Kuznetsova in 2005)
• Sits joint-third for match wins this season, level with Mertens (40)
• One of 22 thirtysomethings competing in this year's draw – became 10th woman in Open Era history to lift a Grand Slam title at the age of 30 at 2018 Wimbledon
• Aside from World No.1 Halep (83% - 10/12 events), Kerber holds the second-highest rate on tour for advancing to at least the QF stage of a tournament in 2018 – 71% (10/14 events)
• In comparison, at this time last year the German's rate was 31% (5/16), down 25% from her breakout 2016 season
• Currently second on Porsche Race to Singapore, bidding to join Halep in securing qualification with a deep run this fortnight at U.S. Open
• With Kerber seeded fourth and Goerges seeded ninth, 2018 US Open marks the first time in over 20 years that two Germans have been seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam – last time was No.1 Stefanie Graf and No.6 Anke Huber at 1997 Australian Open
• Across 22 tournaments in 2017 Kerber tallied just one Top 20 win. Through 14 events in 2018, she has 12 Top 20 wins. The German is the only player to reach the QF or better at the first three Slams this year
• Kerber ranks fourth on the tour in return games won (45%), a significant improvement from her return games won percentage last year (+13.2%)
• Looking to do something that has not been done since 2012..In fact, in the last 20 years, only two players have won Wimbledon and the US Open in the same season – Venus Williams (2000, 2001) and Serena Williams (2002, 2012)
• Enters 2018 U.S. Open ranked No.4, having returned to Top 5 after 2018 Wimbledon success (July 16, 2017) – this is her highest ranking for almost a year (highest since No.3 on August 14, 2017


**Grand Slam History**

- At 2016 Australian Open, became first German to win a Grand Slam singles title since Graf at 1999 Roland Garros (d. Hingis in F). At the time was the fourth player to defeat S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (after V.Williams, Sharapova and Stosur; since joined by Muguruza at 2016 Roland Garros).
- Also became first Grand Slam champion to save match point en route to the title since Li at 2014 Australian Open (Kerber saved a match point in 1r win over Doi) and was the first left-handed player to win a Grand Slam singles title since Kvitova at 2014 Wimbledon.
- Won second Grand Slam singles title at US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and rose to World No.1; was 22nd player to hold WTA World No.1 ranking, and second German woman to achieve milestone since computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (after Graf, who spent the last of her record 377 weeks at No.1 in March 1997).
- Became the first German since 1996 to win Wimbledon in 2018, her third career Grand Slam singles title (d. S.Williams in F). Kerber hit only five unforced errors in the match to oust Williams in just 67 minutes. The win moved Kerber to No.4 in the WTA Rankings, moving her back into the Top 5 after a near-11 month absence.
- In 2016, also finished R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams). Is fourth player in Open Era to reach three Grand Slam finals in the same year they reached their first, after Goolagong Cawley (1971), Graf (1987) and Hingis (1997).
- Roland Garros remains the only major where she has yet to reach the final. Best results are a pair of QF runs in 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Halep).

**Season**

- Has played two lead-up events in preparation for New York, posting 2r exit at Montréal (after 1r bye, l. Cornet) and reaching R16 at Cincinnati (l. Keys).
- Has reached at least the QF stage in six of her eight hard court tournament appearances this season, including a title run in Sydney and SF showings at Australian Open and Dubai.
- Won her third career Grand Slam singles title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), becoming the first German to win at the All England Club since Graf in 1996.
- Hit only five unforced errors and broke her opponent four times in seven return games (57.1 percent) in a clinical performance during the Wimbledon final, needing only 67 minutes to defeat S.Williams for the second time in her career during a Grand Slam final (also 2016 US Open).
- Posted SF run at Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki having held match point). Returned to Top 10 following Eastbourne result – at No.10.
- Made 1r exit at Mallorca in a darkness delayed match (l. Riske).
- Finished clay season with an 8-5 record, improving from her three clay wins in 2017.
- Matched her career-best result at Roland Garros by reaching QF (l. eventual champion Halep).
Enjoyed a QF run at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) – her first QF on clay since winning 2016 Stuttgart

Withdrew from Madrid due to a right thigh injury

Made R16 at Stuttgart (d. No.10 Kvitova, l. Kontaveit via ret. w/right thigh injury)

Lost to Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova during Germany's Fed Cup semifinal defeat to Czech Republic

Enjoyed a pair of QF runs in the 'Sunshine Double', at Miami (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina)

Made SF run at Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) – her 50th career tour-level SF. Defeated No.5 Ka.Pliskova for second Top 5 win in 2018 (also No.5 V.Williams en route to Sydney title)

Reached QF at Doha (l. Wozniacki in 3s)

Advanced to SF at Australian Open (l. Halep in 3s, having held two match points); was first Grand Slam SF since title run at 2016 US Open. No.21 seeding at Australian Open was lowest seed at a Slam since 2012 Australian Open (No.30)

Ended 27-tournament title drought (dating back to 2016 US Open) by winning at Sydney (d. Barty in F). Posted wins over No.31 Safarova (saved 2mp), No.5 V.Williams and No.25 Cibulkova en route

Represented Germany at Hopman Cup w/Zverev (R-up to Switzerland, d. Bencic in singles rubber)

**Career**

Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.21 – sixth consecutive Top 25 season. Best results of season were R-up finish at Monterrey and SFs at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Dubai (l. Svitolina)

Enjoyed an outstanding 2016 season, winning first Grand Slam titles of career at Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F) and US Open (d. Ka Pliskova in F), finishing R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F) and rising to World No.1 in the WTA rankings

Courtesy of her results in 2016, doubled her career prize money during season, passing $19 million mark; passed $20 million at 2017 Roland Garros, becoming 15th player to do so

After 2016 US Open, aged 28, became oldest player to make her debut at World No.1, a record previously held by Jennifer Capriati, who was 25 years, 200 days when she reached No.1 in October 2001

Secured the 2016 year-end World No.1 ranking – only the 12th WTA player to achieve the feat and second German woman to do so after Graf (eight times)

Was voted WTA Player of the Year in 2016 by international media and fans; also, ITF World Champion

2016 marked fifth successive Top 10 season finish. Was the WTA match win leader in 2016, going 63-18

Posted the most wins against Top 10 opponents in 2016, going 12-3, including defeats of No.8 Cibulkova, No.4 Halep, No.7 Keys and No.3 A.Radwanska in Singapore, as well as No.1 S.Williams (Australian Open), No.6 Halep (Fed Cup), No.7 Kvitova (Stuttgart), No.5 Halep and No.8 V.Williams (Wimbledon), No.10 Keys (Rio Olympics), No.4 Halep (Cincinnati) and No.8 Vinci (US Open)

Reached a career-best total of eight finals across the 2016 season (most finals of any player); as well as winning first two majors, successfully defended title on home soil at Stuttgart (d. Siegemund in F)
• 2016 Stuttgart marked first time she had successfully defended a title in her career; the first German (and seventh player overall) to do so in Stuttgart
• Made fourth appearance at WTA Finals in 2016, progressing past round-robin for first time (l. Cibulkova in F); first German to reach final at the season-ending championships since Graf won title in 1996
• Other runner-up finishes in 2016 came at Brisbane (l. Azarenka in F), Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F), Rio Olympics (l. Puig, won silver medal)
• Reached first WTA final of career at 2010 Bogotà and won first title at 2012 Paris [Indoors]. Has won titles on all surfaces: hardcourt, grass and clay (red and green) Career record in tour-level finals stands at 12 -16
• Made first WTA appearance in qualifying at 2003 Berlin

Other Information

• Coached by Wim Fissette. Ended successful partnership with Torben Beltz during 2018 pre-season
• In January 2017 was named in Forbes 30 Under 30 in Europe (in the entertainment category), alongside the likes of Gareth Bale and Luis Suárez
• Speaks three languages: German, Polish, and English
[5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #5) vs. YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #94)

Head to Head: PETRA KVITOVA leads 5-4

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US OPEN Tournament History

PETRA KVITOVA

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R16 L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #2) 6-3 7-5
2015
QF L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #26) 4-6 6-4 6-2
2014
R3 L - ALEKSANDRA KRunic (SRB #145) 6-4 6-4

YANINA WICKMAYER

2017
R2 L - KAIA KANEPA (EST #418) 6-4 6-2
2016
R1 L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #64) 6-3 6-2
2015
R2 L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #20) 7-5 6-4
2014
R1 L - BELINDA BENCIc (SUI #58) 6-3 6-2

* Qualifying match

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KVITOVA:

**US Open**

- Making 11th consecutive appearance in New York this week (12th overall)
- Best results were two QF finishes in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta) and 2017 (l. V.Williams)
- Also advanced to R16 on three occasions: 2009 (l. Wickmayer), 2012 (l. Bartoli) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Re-entered Top 5 of the WTA Rankings on August 20, 2018 for first time since the week of October 26, 2015
- After a 1r loss at this year's Australian Open, the Czech has rebounded to lead the WTA tour in singles titles (5), while posting an impressive 7-1 mark vs. Top 10 opponents and holding a WTA-leading 17 wins in three-set matches
- Currently sits at No.3 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard. Looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the first time since 2015; has qualified for WTA Finals five times
- Czech mix – Kvitova's tour-leading five titles this season have come on all surfaces: St. Petersburg and Doha (hardcourt), Prague and Madrid (clay) and Birmingham (grass) – the first player to win a title on all three surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- Has already posted 15 Top 20 wins so far this season; by contrast, posted 16 such wins across previous two seasons combined
- Seeking 45th win of the season today – with a 44-11 record on the year, trails only Halep (46-9) for match wins so far in 2018
- Quickly approaching career (main draw) win No.400 – currently sitting at No.395
- Faces off against No.94 Wickmayer for the 10th time in her career and first since 2013 Eastbourne; Kvitova is 2-1 vs. the Belgian at Slams
- Six of their meetings have gone the distance, with every three-set winner coming back from losing the first set
Owns an impressive 31-9 record in 1r Grand Slam play, including an 8-2 tally at the US Open

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 41st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results include two SF showings, at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta) and 2011 Australian Open (l. Zvonareva)

Season

- Advanced to the QF stage last week in New Haven before being forced to retire against Suárez Navarro due to a left shoulder injury – first loss at that stage of a tournament all season (previously 5-0)
- Posted a SF run at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Bertens) after a R16 showing at Montréal (also l. Bertens)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Sasnovich)
- Won 25th career WTA singles title at Birmingham as the defending champion (d. Rybarikova in F) and gave walkover to A.Radwanska in R16 at Eastbourne (right hamstring injury)
- Hit 50 career WTA main draw wins on grass with title run at Birmingham, including four titles on the surface at 2011 and 2014 Wimbledon, and 2017 and 2018 Birmingham
- Has now successfully defended a title twice in her career – also at New Haven in 2014-15
- Is fifth among active players for titles won:

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- Made 3r showing at Roland Garros (l. Kontaveit in two tie-breaks)
- Captured back-to-back titles at Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F) and Madrid (d. Bertens in F)
• Enjoyed a 13-match winning streak between Madrid (6), Prague (5) and Roland Garros (2), marking her second-best win streak of her career:

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Highlighted indicates streak from this season

• Is first player to win the Madrid title three times. Defeat of No.6 Ka.Pliskova in Madrid SF was seventh Top 10 win in 2018 (7-1 record), having also defeated No.6 Ostapenko and No.10 Mladenovic (both at St. Petersburg), No.3 Svitolina, No.10 Goerges, No.1 Wozniacki and No.3 Muguruza (all at Doha)

• Withdrew from Rome after Madrid w/right thigh injury

• Lost to Kerber in 1r at Stuttgart after going 2-0 in singles play against Germany (d. No.11 Goerges and No.12 Kerber) to lead the Czech Republic into November's Fed Cup Final against the USA

• Fell in 2r of Charleston (after 1r bye, l. Kr.Pliskova) following R16 run at Miami (as No.9 seed, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko) and 3r at Indian Wells (l. Anisimova)

• Lifted the title at Doha (d. Muguruza in F). Holds seventh best record among active players for hard court titles won with 17

• Defeated No.1 Wozniacki in SF at Doha – record vs. reigning No.1s now stands at 5-4. Other wins came over Safina (2009 US Open), Wozniacki (2011 WTA Finals), S.Williams (2015 Madrid – ending the American's 27-match winning streak) and Kerber (2016 Wuhan)

• Won back-to-back titles at St Petersburg and Doha for the first time since winning Linz and WTA Finals in 2011

• Returned to Top 10 after Doha at No.9 (last appeared in Top 10 week of June 27, 2016)

• Steered Czech Republic to Fed Cup semifinals for 10th year in a row, posting wins against Switzerland's Bencic and Golubic in Prague

• Won title at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F); with 64-27 record, leads active players for indoor hard court wins

• Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Petkovic in 2hrs 52mins)

• Opened 2018 season with 2r showing at Sydney (l. Giorgi) after withdrawing from Brisbane w/viral illness

**Career**

• Finished 2017 ranked No.29, down from No.11 in 2016

• Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, l. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand

• Won title at 2017 Birmingham (d. Barty in F). Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (l. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (l. V. Williams)

• Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
• Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan (d. Cibulkova in F) and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai (d. Svitolina in F). Also finished R-Up at 2016 Luxembourg (l. Niculescu in F)
• Member of Czech Republic team that successfully defended Fed Cup title in November 2016 vs. France (l. Garcia, d. Mladenovic, then teamed w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match). Czech Republic have won the Cup in five times since 2011
• Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (l. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
• 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), Madrid (d. Kuznetsova in F) and New Haven (d. Safarova in F). New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
• Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (l. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
• At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
• Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

Other Information
• A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
• Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
• Fitness trainer is David Vydra

WICKMAYER:

US Open
• Making 11th consecutive main draw appearance at the US Open this year
• Best result here was a SF run in just her second career appearance in New York in 2009 (d. today's opponent Kvitova in R16, l. Wozniacki)
• Also advanced to the R16 the following year (l. Kanepi)
• Takes on No.5 Kvitova in today's opening round action; bidding for first Top 5 win of career and first over a Top 10 player since upsetting No.8 Kvitova and No.10 Kirilenko at 2013 Eastbourne
• Looks to even her career record vs. Czech opponents today (18-19)
• Owns a 22-19 mark in 1r Grand Slam matches, including 6-4 at the US Open
Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 42nd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best Grand Slam result to date is reaching the SF at the US Open in 2009 (l. Wozniacki)
- Has reached R16 twice at the Australian Open (2010 and 2015), once at Wimbledon (2011) and once at the US Open (2010)
- Also made 3r three times at Roland Garros (2010-11 and 2016)
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Australian Open, ending run of 39 straight main draw appearances at the Slams

Season

- Coming off R16 appearance at $100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN (l. Marino)
- Fell in 1r of qualifying in Montréal (l. Dolehide)
- Reached the 3r of Wimbledon (l. Vekic)
- On grass, fell 1r at Nottingham (l. Boulter) and reached QF at $100k ITF/Surbiton-GBR
- Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Stosur)
- In the spring played a mix of ITF Circuit and WTA events. Made 2r at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Gavrilova) and contested qualifying at Miami; won $25k ITF/Surprise-USA, AZ – her 11th title at this level
- Compiled 7-4 record at WTA 125K Series events at Zhengzhou (SF), Anning (QF), Indian Wells 125K (QF) and Newport Beach 125K (1r)
- Opened season with qualifying exit at Australian Open

Career

- Finished 2017 at No.112, her first finish outside Top 100 since 2007
- Best result in 2017 was reaching SF at Guangzhou (l. Krunic). Also made QF at Budapest (l. Goerges) and 2r six times (including Wimbledon and US Open)
- 2016 highlighted by winning her fifth career title at Washington D.C. (d. Davis in F). Other singles titles include 2015 Tokyo [Japan Open] (d. Linette in F), 2010 Auckland (d. Pennetta in F), 2009 Oeiras (d. Makarova in F) and 2009 Linz (d. Kvitova in F); owns 5-6 record in singles finals
- Enjoyed breakthrough year in 2009, winning first two WTA titles (Oeiras and Linz) and reaching first Grand Slam SF at 2009 US Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Winner of two WTA doubles titles: 2013 Luxembourg (w/Vogt), 2016 Washington DC (w/Niculescu)
- Suffered with Lyme Disease in the off-season at end of 2014
- Belgian Fed Cup Team, 2007-17
- Played first events of career in 2004 on ITF Circuit and in WTA qualifying at Hasselt
**Other Information**

- Speaks Dutch, English and French
- With father, Marc, moved to Florida for two-and-a-half years aged nine (after death of mother)
- Became engaged to Jerome van der Zijl in November 2014, and opened a riverside restaurant/function center by the river in hometown of Hasselt
[6] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #6) vs. JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #46)

Head to Head: JOHANNA KONTA leads 3-2

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US OPEN Tournament History

**CAROLINE GARCIA**

- 2017 R3 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #14) 6-0 6-4
- 2016 R3 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4) 6-2 6-3
- 2015 R1 L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #18) 3-6 6-4 7-5
- 2014 R1 L - NICOLE GIBBS (USA #135) 6-2 2-6 6-3
- 2013 R2 L - LAURA ROBSON (GBR #32) 6-4 7-6(5)
- 2012 R2* L - ANASTASIA RODIONOVA (AUS #163) 6-2 6-4

**JOHANNA KONTA**

- 2017 R1 L - ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #78) 4-6 6-3 6-4
- 2016 R16 L - ANASTASIIA SEVASTOVA (LAT #48) 6-4 7-5
- 2015 R16 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #4) 7-5 6-3
- 2014 R1 L - SHAHAR PEER (ISR #155) 6-2 6-3
- 2013 R1* L - OLIVIA ROGOWSKA (AUS #151) 7-5 6-4
- 2012 R2 L - OLGA GOVORISOVA (BLR #67) 2-6 6-2 7-5

* Qualifying match
GARCIA:

**US Open**

- Making sixth consecutive main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this week (eighth overall)
- Best result were two trips to the 3r in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2017 (l. Kvitova)
- 2016 R-Up in doubles event w/Mladenovic (l. Mattek-Sands/Safarova)
- Former junior girls' singles R-Up in 2011 (l. Min)
- Seeded No.6 this week – has been seeded at 19 consecutive tournaments, a run which started at 2017 WTA Finals
- Including US Open, has now been a Top 10 seed across all Slams this season – first time in career
- The last time France had a Top 10 women's seed across all slams in the same year was 2006 – Amélie Mauresmo
- This marks the first time France has had a Top 10 seed in the women's draw at the US Open since No.8 Marion Bartoli in 2011
- Garcia has been one of the most consistent players on tour this season, reaching at least the R16 in tournaments played 81% of the time (13/16 events) – one of just three Top 10 players to register at least an 80% success rate at reaching at least the R16 at tournaments played (also Halep, 83% and Kerber, 86%)
- Dating back to 2017 Toronto, the Frenchwoman has produced some of her best tennis across consecutive Premier-level tournaments and Grand Slams (back-to-back or two-week events)

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Currently sits at No.13 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard

Faces off against No.46 Konta in today’s opening round. Looking to improve upon 5-10 career mark vs. British opponents

Owns a 16-10 record in 1r Grand Slam matches, including 3-2 in New York

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Ka.Pliskova) for best Grand Slam singles result to date
- At Wimbledon, best result was R16 in 2017 (l. Konta) and also reached same stage at 2018 Australian Open (l. Keys) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Kerber)
- Made US Open 3r in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2017 (l. Kvitova)
- 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)

**Season**

- Enters New York having reached QF stage of last week at New Haven (l. Puig)
- Registered R16 effort 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); rose to career-high 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. Saved 1 match point in QF win vs. Svitolina en route to Beijing title

• 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 (I. V.Williams). Was first French woman through to contest the season-ending event in singles since Mauresmo in 2006 (I. 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 (I. 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
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

KONTA:

US Open

- Making sixth main draw appearance this week at Flushing Meadows (seventh overall)
- Best results came in back-to-back R16 appearances in 2015 (l. Kvitova) and 2016 (l. Sevastova)
- Currently ranked No.46, unseeded at the US Open for the first time since 2015 – was No.7 seed at Flushing Meadows last year (l. Krunic in 1r)
- Last British woman to advance to QF stage at the US Open was Jo Durie in 1983 (l. Evert in SF)
- Begins 2018 US Open campaign against No.6 Garcia in today’s opening round – most recent Top 10 win came against No.2 Halep at 2017 Wimbledon
- A win today would mark the 125th main draw victory of her career and 30th Top 20 win of her career (29-26)
- Owns a 9-10 record in 1r of Grand Slams, including 3-2 at US Open
- Holds a 17-14 career lead over French opponents

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 20th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam semifinalist. Made Slam breakthrough with historic run to SF at 2016 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Kerber); first British woman to reach the last four at Melbourne Park since Sue Barker in December 1977, and at any Grand Slam since Jo Durie at 1983 US Open
- Has since reached SF at 2017 Wimbledon (l. R-Up V.Williams), becoming the first British woman to reach the last four since Virginia Wade in 1978 (l. Evert)
- Also made QF at Australian Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion S.Williams), while at US Open has twice reached R16, in 2015 (l. Kvitova) and 2016 (l. Sevastova)
- At Roland Garros has never been beyond 1r, falling at the first hurdle in 2015-18

Season

- Reached R16 last week in New Haven before having to withdraw against Suárez Navarro w/viral illness
- Fell at first hurdle at Cincinnati (l. eventual semifinalist Sabalenka in three sets)
- Reached R16 at Montréal (l. Svitolina). Upset No.11 Ostapenko in 1r in Canada to register her fourth Top 20 win of the season (also No.19 Keys at Sydney, and No.19 Rybarikova at Madrid and Rome)
Made QF at San Jose (l. Mertens); in 1r match at San Jose, defeated S.Williams 6-1 6-0 – the heaviest defeat of the American's career and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep). Became first British woman to defeat Serena – Konta fell to her at 2017 Australian Open (QF), Watson at 2015 Wimbledon (3r) and Robson at 2013 Rome (2r)

Made 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Cibulkova), having reached SF at All England Club in 2017

Reached sixth WTA singles final of career at Nottingham (l. Barty) before making 1r exit at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and reaching 3r at home event of Eastbourne (l. Wozniacki)

After Nottingham defeat, overall record in WTA finals now stands at 3-3

Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Putintseva)

Reached R16 at Rome (l. Ostapenko in 3s) after 1r exit at Madrid (l. Pera)

Won all three singles rubbers to help Great Britain advance from Europe/Africa Zone Group I. However, despite winning two more singles rubbers, Britain lost 3-2 in World Group II play-off against Japan in April

Fell in 2r at Charleston (after 1r bye, l. Stollar)

As defending champion at Miami, reached R16 (l. V.Williams in 3s)

Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Vondrousova)

During Middle East swing, reached R16 at Doha (l. Kerber) before a 2r exit at Dubai (l. Kasatkina)

Made 2r exit at Australian Open, falling to No.123-ranked lucky loser Pera – worst loss by ranking since falling to No.164 Torró-Flor at 2015 $50k ITF/Saint-Gaudens-FRA

Made 2r exit at Sydney (as defending champion, l. A.Radwanska)

Opened 2017 season by reaching QF at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Svitolina). Was two points from victory in second set against Svitolina before retiring with a right hip injury midway through third set

Win over Keys in 1r at Brisbane broke five-match losing streak carried over from 2017

**Career**

Enjoyed best season of career in 2017, posting career-high season finish of No.9 (second Top 10 season in a row). Peaked in rankings at No.4 on July 17, 2017

Began 2017 season in great form by lifting title at Sydney (d. A.Radwanska in F), before landing biggest title of career at Premier-Mandatory Miami (d. Wozniacki in F)

At 2017 Wimbledon became first British player since Virginia Wade in 1978 to reach Wimbledon SF (l. R-Up V.Williams). Had previously won just one match from five previous visits to All England Club, in 2016 (d. Puig, l. Bouchard in 2r)

Reached third final of 2017 season at Nottingham (l. Vekic)

Also in 2017, reached SF for second year in a row at home event of Eastbourne – conceded walkover to eventual champion Ka.Pliskova, having sustained a thoracic spine injury during her QF defeat of World No.1 Kerber (fell heavily on match point, but won match after treatment). Match against Kerber was second of day, after she defeated Roland Garros champion Ostapenko in R16
• With win over Kerber, became first British woman to defeat a reigning World No.1 since Barker d. Chris Evert at 1979 Boston
• Was in contention for WTA Finals qualification in 2017, however withdrawal from Moscow opened spot for Garcia
• Owns five Top 5 wins over No.2 Halep at 2015 Wuhan, No.3 A.Radwanska at 2017 Sydney, No.5 Halep at 2017 Miami, No.1 Kerber at 2017 Eastbourne and No.2 Halep at Wimbledon
• Posted first Top 10 season in 2016, at No.10
• Ended 2016 season at WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in November (went 2-0 in round-robin play), fell in SF (l. Svitolina)
• Reached first Premier Mandatory final of career at 2016 Beijing (l. A.Radwanska)
• Alternate for WTA Finals in Singapore, narrowly missing qualification in the Top 8; was not called upon to play a match
• By virtue of reaching 2016 Beijing final, made WTA Top 10 debut – first British woman to feature in the elite group since Durie in 1984, and the fourth British woman overall to do so (also Wade and Barker). Became 119th woman to break into the Top 10, and the fourth to do so in 2016 after Vinci, Bencic and Keys
• Won career-first singles title at 2016 Stanford in maiden final (d. V.Williams in F). First British woman to reach final of a Premier event since WTA Roadmap was introduced in 2009, and first British woman to win the tournament since Barker in 1977 (when it was held in San Francisco)
• Broke into Top 20 on June 6, 2016 (at No.18) – first British woman in Top 20 for nearly 30 years (the week of October 13, 1986, with Durie at No.20)
• Was voted WTA Most Improved Player in 2016 by international media and fans
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2006, making WTA main draw debut at 2011 Copenhagen (as qualifier, l. 1r)

**Other Information**

• Was introduced to the sport at age eight by parents; started to play at an after-school care program
• Born in Sydney, Australia; became a British citizen in May 2012. Parents are Gabor (hotelier) and Gabriella (dentist); older sister is Eva (works in fashion)
• Grandfather Tamas Kertesz played football for the Hungarian ‘Golden Team’ with Ferenc Puskas in 1955
• Currently coached by Michael Joyce, having parted ways with Wim Fissette at end of 2017 season
MATCH NOTES
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ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #89) vs. [10] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #10)

Head to Head: JELENA OSTAPENKO leads 1-0

2016 DOHA HARD O SF JELENA OSTAPENKO 7-5 1-0 ret. 74 mins

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WTA RANKING

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* Updated entering 2018 US Open 1r

US OPEN Tournament History

* Qualifying match

ANDREA PETKOVIC
2017
R1 L - JENNIFER BRADY (USA #91) 6-4 3-6 6-1
2016
R2 L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #26) 6-3 6-2

JELENA OSTAPENKO
2017
R3 L - DARIJA KASATKINA (RUS #38) 6-3 6-2
2016
R1 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #16) 7-5 6-3

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PETKOVIC:

**US Open**

- Making 11th appearance at Flushing Meadows
- Produced her best performance here by reaching QF in 2011 (l. Wozniacki). Has also reached R16 in 2010 (l. Zvonareva) and 3r in 2014 (l. Wozniacki) and 2015 (l. Konta)
- Boasts a career 24-11 record in 1r matches of majors
- Faces No.10 Ostapenko for the second time in her career. Retired w/left thigh injury during only previous meeting at Doha in 2016
- Victory today will see her register at least one win at all four majors in a single season for the second time in her career (also 2011)
- Looking for her second Top 10 victory of the season (also No.3 Stephens at Washington DC)
- One of six Germans to receive a main draw berth this fortnight (also Goerges, Kerber, Maria, Siegemund and Witthoeft)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 36th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best result at a Slam came at 2014 Roland Garros, where she advanced to SF (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- In 2011, her most consistent year at the majors, reached QF at Australian Open (l. Li), Roland Garros (l. Sharapova) and US Open (l. Wozniacki)
- At Wimbledon, has advanced to 3r on three occasions, in 2011 (l. Pervak), 2014 (l. Bouchard) and 2015 (l. Diyas)

**Season**

- Fell in qualifying at Cincinnati before being forced to retire in qualifying last week at New Haven due to a thigh injury
- For second year in succession, reached SF in Washington D.C. (d. No.3 Stephens, l. eventual champion Kuznetsova)
- Fell in qualifying at Mallorca before reaching 2r of Wimbledon (l. Wickmayer)
- Achieved best Grand Slam result since 2015 by reaching 3r of Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Made 1r exit at Nürnberg (l. Cirstea in 3s after twice coming within two points of victory)
• On ITF Circuit, made 2r at $100K ITF/Trnava-SVK (l. Nara) and QF at $100K ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer-FRA (l. Yastremska)
• Began clay court season with 1r exits at Charleston (l. Lepchenko) and Prague (l. Siniakova)
• Produced 2r showing at Miami (as qualifier, l. No.26 seed Gavrilova)
• Contested qualifying at Indian Wells following a 1r exit at the WTA $125K Series event in Indian Wells (l. Tomljanovic)
• Made 1r exit at St. Petersburg (as qualifier, l. Begu) before falling in qualifying at Doha
• At the Australian Open, reached 2r (d. No.28 Kvitova in 1r, l. Davis)
• Opened 2018 season with qualifying exit at Brisbane (l. Monova)

**Career**

• Ended 2017 ranked No.97 – eighth Top 100 finish of career and just the second outside the Top 50 since 2012
• Season highlighted by SF run at 2017 Washington D.C. (l. Goerges)
• Posted three wins vs. Top 50 players in 2017: No.28 Begu and Bertens twice – once No.27 and No.30
• Scored best result of 2016 with SF run at Doha (ret. vs. Ostapenko); advanced to SF by defeating No.5 Muguruza; first win over a Top 5 opponent since d. No.2 Azarenka at 2013 Beijing. Also in 2016, posted three QF runs (Luxembourg, Dubai and Brisbane)
• Bowed out of 2016 Rio Olympics in 1r of singles (l. Svitolina) and 1r of doubles (w/Kerber, l. Errani/Vinci)
• Is a former Top 10 player, cracking the elite bracket at No.9 in September of 2011 and again in May 2015
• Won sixth WTA singles title at 2015 Antwerp (d. Suárez Navarro in F via w/o – neck injury); owns a 6-11 record in finals, with four of six titles coming on clay – the biggest being at Charleston (d. Cepelova in F). Notably also won the Tournament of Champions-Sofia in 2014 (d. Muguruza in SF and Pennetta in F)
• Is a two-time doubles runner-up, at 2009 Bad Gastein (w/Maria) and 2016 Brisbane (w/Kerber)
• Suffered right knee injury at Hopman Cup at end of December 2012, which forced her to miss 2013 Australian and Middle East swings; returned to tour at Indian Wells. Ranking dropped as low as No.177 in March 2013
• Member of German Fed Cup Team, 2007, 2010-12, 2014-18
• Made first WTA appearances as a WC in qualifying at 2002 Hamburg and Leipzig

**Other Information**

• Coached by Dusan Vemic
• Began playing at age 6 when father introduced her to the sport
• Speaks French, German, English, Serbian
Favorite authors are Goethe, Wilde, Flaubert; people most admired are Goethe (genius in writing) and Che Guevara (genius in fighting)

OSTAPENKO:

**US Open**
- Making fourth appearance at Flushing Meadows – achieved her best result here last season by reaching 3r (l. Kasatkina)
- Entering 2018 U.S. Open, record in Grand Slam main draw matches is 24-12
- Is 8-5 in 1r matches at Slams; has won six of her last seven 1r matches in major tournaments dating back to 2017 Australian Open
- Faces No.89 Petkovic today for the second time in her career – overcame the German en route to first Premier final at 2016 Doha
- Is 7-1 in Grand Slam matches against players ranked at, or below No.91 – only loss coming to No.101 Osaka at 2016 Roland Garros
- One of two Latvians in play this fortnight – also Sevastova

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 14th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), becoming first woman to win her first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open (d. Walsh in F)
- First Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam; previously Ernests Gulbis reached SF at 2014 Roland Garros
- Followed Paris victory by posting her then-second best major result, reaching QF at 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams). Along with S.Williams in 2015, is the only woman in the last 10 years to have followed up victory at Roland Garros with a run to the QF or better at Wimbledon. Before that, Henin also achieved the feat in 2007
- Also the first woman to back up her maiden Slam title with QF or better at next Slam since Kim Clijsters (US Open-Australian Open 2006)
- Improved upon her 2017 result by reaching the SF of Wimbledon in 2018 (l. eventual champion Kerber) becoming the first woman representing Latvia to reach SF at Wimbledon
- Best result to date at Australian Open is reaching 3r in 2017 and 2018; best result at US Open is reaching 3r in 2017
- Fell in 1r at all four majors in 2016, however, reached mixed doubles SF at 2016 Wimbledon (w/Marach, l. eventual champions Kontinen/Watson)
- Won girls' singles title at 2014 Wimbledon
**Season**

- Made 1r exits at Montréal (l. Konta in 3s) and Cincinnati (l. Cornet in 3s)
- Finished grass court season with 7-2 record, highlighted by SF run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) becoming the first woman representing Latvia to reach last four at Wimbledon
- Enjoyed a QF showing at Eastbourne (l. A.Radwanska) in her lone tune up for Wimbledon
- Suffered 1r upset at Roland Garros as the defending champion (l. Kozlova) – was only sixth player in Open Era to lose in 1r of Grand Slam title defense
- Reached QF at Rome (l. Sharapova 6-7(6) 6-4 7-5 in 3h 11m – sixth longest match of the season)
- Made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Begu) following QF run at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova in 3s)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Makarova and Pavlyuchenkova in straight sets) to help Latvia beat Russia 3-2 and reach the Fed Cup World Group II for the first time
- Reached her first final of 2018 in Miami (l. Stephens). The result was her best showing at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament. Record in singles finals now stands at 2-4
- At 20 years, 297 days old, became the youngest player to reach Miami final since Azarenka (19 years, 237 days) won the title in 2009
- Saw off No.9 Kvitova in R16 and No.4 Svitolina in Miami QF to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time in her career
- Made 3r exit at Indian Wells (l. Martic); rose to career-high No.5 ranking after the tournament (March 19, 2018)
- Suffered opening match defeat Doha (after 1r bye, l. Buzarnescu in straight sets) and Dubai (l. Vesnina). Bounced back by winning third career WTA doubles title w/Dabrowski (d. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez in F) that week
- Represented Latvia in Fed Cup Europe/Africa Group competition, helping team reach World Group II play-offs for the first time, going 3-1 in singles
- Reached QF at St. Petersburb (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Began 2018 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Kr.Pliskova) and Sydney (l. Makarova), before reaching 3r at Australian Open (l. Kontaveit)

**Career**

- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time in her career (at No.7); was No.44 at end of 2016 (first Top 50 finish) and No.79 at end of 2015 (first Top 100 finish)
- Won first tour-level title and maiden Grand Slam trophy at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), where she became the lowest-ranked player (No.47), and first unseeded player, to lift the trophy in the Open Era
- Clinched second tour-level title at Seoul in September (d. Haddad Maia in F) as top seed
- Seoul title helped earn her first-ever qualification at WTA Finals, where she went 1-2 in the group stage – d. Ka.Pliskova; l. V.Williams and Muguruza
• Advanced to third career singles final at 2017 Charleston in April, falling to then fellow 19-year-old Kasatkina; was the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
• Made four additional semifinals in 2017: Auckland (l. eventual champion Davis), Prague (l. Kr.Pliskova), Wuhan (l. Barty) and Beijing (l. Halep)
• Upset Muguruza in QF at 2017 Beijing to register first win over a reigning World No.1
• Reached QF stage at Acapulco (l. eventual champion Tsurenko) and Wimbledon (l. eventual R-Up V.Williams)
• Following run to 3r at 2017 US Open (l. Kasatkina), made her Top 10 debut at No.10 on September 11, 2017
• In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo)
• 2016 season highlight and breakthrough result was reaching final at Premier 5 Doha (l. Suárez Navarro)
• Made Top 40 debut by virtue of reaching final at 2016 Doha
• Represented Latvia at 2016 Rio Olympics, losing 1r in singles (l. Stosur)
• Reached first WTA final of career at 2015 Québec City (l. Beck)
• Ended 2015 at No.79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No.308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second-highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No.370 to No.72 (298 spots)
• Began playing ITF Circuit events in 2012. Has won seven singles and eight doubles titles. Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Tashkent (2r, l. Pervak)
• Latvian Fed Cup Team, 2013-18; Latvian Olympic Team, 2016

Other Information

• Works with Glen Schaap (as of June 2018) and her mother, Jelena Jakovleva
• Father is Jevgenijs, half-brother is Maksim Ostapenko (graduated from art academy in Los Angeles and lives there now).
• Previously worked with David Taylor from December 2017 until 2018 Roland Garros
• Introduced to tennis at age five by mother; favorite shots are serve and backhand; favorite surfaces are grass and hard
• Tennis idols are Serena Williams and Ernests Gulbis – watched Gulbis’ QF match at Roland Garros from his box in 2014
• Took ballroom dancing classes for seven years
**TIMEA BABOS (HUN #42) vs. [11] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #11)**

Head to Head: DARIA KASATKINA leads 1-0

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**TIMEA BABOS**

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- 10-05-1993 (25)
- $1,009,429
- $5,132,544
- 1 / 3
- 2 / 18
- 3-6
- 17-19 / 112-138
- 3-9 / 37-55
- 3-7 / 33-46
- 15-11 / 75-81
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**DARIA KASATKINA**

- 11
- 07-05-1997 (21)
- $2,327,582
- $4,623,235
- 0 / 1
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- 33-20 / 105-69
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**US OPEN Tournament History**

**TIMEA BABOS**

- 2017 R2 L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #146) 6-7(4) 6-4 6-1
- 2016 R3 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 6-1 2-6 6-4
- 2015 R1 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #22) 6-3 6-4
- 2014 R1 L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #15) 6-4 7-5
- 2013 R1 L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #13) 6-4 6-2
- 2012 R1 L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #203) 6-2 7-5
- 2011 R1* L - STÉPHANIE FORETZ (FRA #116) 7-5 7-5

**DARIA KASATKINA**

- 2017 R16 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #418) 6-4 6-4
- 2016 R1 L - QIANG WANG (CHN #62) 6-4 2-6 6-2
- 2015 R3 L - KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #40) 6-2 6-3

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BABOS:

**US Open**
- Making seventh consecutive main draw appearance in New York (eighth overall)
- Best result was 3r finish in 2016 (l. Halep) – best result at a Grand Slam to date
- Currently No.1 doubles player in the world, competing in doubles event w/Mladenovic (play Flipkens/Van Uytvanck in 1r)
- The duo were the second team to qualify for the year-end championships in Singapore last week
- Begins 2018 U.S. Open campaign against No.11 Kasatkina – seeking second Top 20 victory of the season (also No.9 Vandeweghe at Australian Open)
- Lone Hungarian contesting this year’s draw

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 U.S. Open marks 24th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Reached 3r at a major for the first time in at 2016 U.S. Open (l. Halep)
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 Australian Open (w/Mladenovic, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F)
- Two-time Grand Slam doubles runner-up, at 2014 Wimbledon (w/Mladenovic, l. Errani/Vinci) and 2016 Wimbledon (w/Shvedova, l. S.Williams/V.Williams)
- Mixed doubles runner-up at 2015 Wimbledon (w/Peya l. Hingis/Paes) and 2018 Australian Open (w/Bopanna, l. Dabrowski/Pavic)

**Season**
- Enters New York after two 1r exits at Montréal (l. Goerges) and Cincinnati (l. Anisimova)
- Posted 2r showing at San Jose (l. eventual R-Up Sakkari)
- Made 1r exits at Birmingham (l. Buzarnescu), Eastbourne (l. A.Radwanska) and Wimbledon (l. Tsurenko)
- Enjoyed more success in doubles on grass, won title at Birmingham and reached QF at Wimbledon (both w/Mladenovic); crowned new WTA World No.1 in doubles after Wimbledon run (July 16, 2018)
- Recorded 2r results in Rome (l. Garcia) and Strasbourg (l. Diyas) before a 1r loss at Roland Garros (l. Arruabarrena)
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Rabat (l. Dulgheru) and Madrid (l. Goerges)
- Advanced to doubles final at Madrid (w/Mladenovic, l. Makarova/Vesnina in F)
- Reached eighth career final at Monterrey (l. Muguruza in F in 3s); is now 3-5 in WTA finals
- Made 2r showing at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko) after 1r exit at Indian Wells (l. Bencic)
- Reached 2r at home event in Budapest (as defending champion, l. Barthel)
- Fell 1r at Doha (l. Mertens) after lifting third WTA singles title at Taipei City (d. Kozlova in F)
- At Australian Open, claimed career first Top 10 win over No.9 Vandeweghe in 1r (l. Suarez Navarro in 2r)
• Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at Melbourne Park (w/Mladenovic, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F); also R-Up in mixed doubles (w/Bopanna, l. Dabrowski/Pavic)
• Started off 2018 campaign with QF showing at Shenzhen (l. Begu) prior to 1r exit at Hobart (l. Tsurenko)

**Career**

• Sixth straight Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.57 in singles
•Reached a career-high three singles finals (R-Up at Québec City and Tashkent), capturing the second WTA singles title of her career on home soil in Budapest (d. Safarova in F)
•Produced an impressive season on the doubles court, claiming a career-high six titles, including hoisting the trophy at the WTA Finals in Singapore (w/Hlavackova)
•Finished 2016 ranked No.26 – just one spot shy of her career-high ranking of No.25 (September 19, 2016)
•Qualified for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai; fell in round robin stage (0-2) to No.18 Bacsinszky and No.28 S.Zhang
•Reached third singles final of career at 2016 Florianopolis (l. Begu in F). Other 2016 highlights included SF appearances at Shenzhen (l. Riske) and Rabat, and QF runs at St Petersburg (l. eventual champion Vinci), Katowice (l. Ostapenko), Cincinnati (l. Muguruza) and Moscow (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova)
•Qualified for the 2016 WTA Finals in doubles w/Shvedova – fell in 1r (l. Mattek-Sands/Safarova); also qualified for 2015 WTA Finals w/Mladenovic – pair exited at RR stage
•2015 season was highlighted by a runner-up finish at Marrakech (l. Svitolina in F), winning the WTA 125K Series event in Taipei (d. Doi in F), and three doubles titles, at Dubai, Marrackech and Rome (all w/Mladenovic)
•Highest-ranked opponent beaten in career to date is No.9 Vandeweghe at 2018 Australian Open 1r
•Received WC into first WTA event of career at 2010 Budapest (l. Bacsinszky in 1r)
•On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and 10 doubles titles
•In juniors, was three-time doubles Grand Slam champion (2010 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open – all w/Sloane Stephens) and two-time runner-up (2009 Roland Garros, 2010 Australian Open)

**Other Information**

•Father's name is Csaba; mother's name is Zsuzsanna; sister is Susie; started playing at age 8
•Tennis idol is Elena Dementieva
•Coached by Thomas Drouet
KASATKINA:

**US Open**
- Making fourth consecutive main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows
- Best result came last year with R16 finish (l. Kanepi)
- One of 12 Russians contesting this year’s draw
- Contesting this fortnight on career-high ranking of No.11 (first posted March 19, 2018) – also highest seeding at a Slam in career
- Has earned half career’s prize money (USD$2.3 million) in this season alone
- Currently sits at No.9 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard – less than 100 points off eighth spot
- Faces off against No.42 Babos in today’s opening round – won first meeting in 3s at 2017 Sydney
- Owns an impressive 10-2 career mark in 1r Grand Slam matches – last loss was 2017 Australian Open
- Holds a 2-1 record in 1r at U.S. Open
- One of just four players to reach the QF or better at two or more Grand Slams this year (also Kerber – 3 and Halep, Keys – 2)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 U.S. Open marks 13th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Earned best result at the majors with QF runs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) surpassing her previous-best R16 effort at 2017 U.S. Open (l. Kanepi)
- Reached 3r on her main draw debuts at all of the majors – 2015 U.S. 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

**Season**
- Coming off 1r exit in Cincinnati (l. Martic) and 2r finish in Montréal (l. Sharapova)
- Made 2r on home soil at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Zidansek)
- Matched best Grand Slam showing with QF run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Has reached QF or better on eight occasions this year; by contrast, advanced to this stage or further five times across 2017 season
- 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). Is now 1-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
• 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 (all former Grand Slam champions)
• 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)
• Since start of 2017 record vs. Top 5 stands at 8-9, with wins over No.1 Kerber (2017 Sydney), No.2 Kerber (2017 Doha), No.2 Halep (2017 Wuhan), No.1 Wozniacki (2018 St Petersburg), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Dubai), No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Indian Wells), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Madrid) and No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Roland Garros)

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), Montréal (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)
**Other Information**

- Born and resides in Togliatti, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
- Began playing tennis at age six when older brother, Aleksandr Timkovskii, introduced her to the game; he is now her fitness trainer and travels with her
- 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
# Match Notes

**Match:** MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. PAULINE PARMENTIER (FRA #71)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 1-0

## 2018 FED CUP WEEK 2 CLAY I R1 MADISON KEYS 7-6(4) 6-4

### MADISON KEYS
- 14
- 18
- 17-02-1995 (23)
- $1,373,428
- $8,907,253
- 4 / 0
- 14-6
- 21-11 / 171-103
- 4-5 / 44-42
- 8-5 / 45-40
- 8-6 / 100-68
- 2-2 / 14-26
- 3-3 / 29-41
- 2-1 / 14-16

### PAULINE PARMENTIER
- 71
- 70
- 31-01-1986 (32)
- $368,474
- $3,078,743
- 7 / 9
- 10-16 / 106-171
- 6-3 / 33-48
- 2-4 / 23-31
- 1-9 / 54-90
- 1-2 / 1-16
- 1-7 / 5-37
- 0-1 / 9-13

### WTA RANKING

**PORSCHE RACE TO SINGAPORE LEADERBOARD**

**DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)**
- 31-01-1986 (32)

**YTD PRIZE MONEY**
- $368,474

**CAREER PRIZE MONEY**
- $3,078,743

**SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)**
- 7 / 9

**DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)**
- 1 / 6

**US OPEN W-L (MD) * **
- 7-9

**YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) * **
- 10-16 / 106-171

**YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) * **
- 6-3 / 33-48

**YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) * **
- 2-4 / 23-31

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### US OPEN Tournament History

#### MADISON KEYS
- **2017**
  - R1 L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-3 6-0
  - R16 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #74) 6-3 6-4
  - R16 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-3 6-3
  - **2014**
    - R2 L - ALEKSANDRA KRUNIC (SRB #145) 7-6(4) 2-6 7-5
    - R1 L - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #12) 6-3 6-4
    - **2012**
      - R2* L - PAULA ORMAECEHA (ARG #120) 6-4 6-2
      - **2011**
    - R2 L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #26) 3-6 7-5 6-4

#### PAULINE PARMENTIER
- **2017**
  - R1 L - OCEANE DODIN (FRA #48) 3-6 6-0 7-6(6)
  - **2016**
  - R1 L - CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #33) 4-6 6-3 6-4
  - **2015**
  - R1* L - TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #274) 6-2 7-5
  - **2014**
  - R1 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #50) 7-6(3) 3-6 6-1
  - **2013**
  - R2* L - ALEXANDRA PANOVA (RUS #168) 6-3 6-4
  - **2012**
  - R3 L - PETRA KVIITOVA (CZE #5) 6-4 6-4
  - **2011**
  - R2 L - AKGUL AMANMURADOVA (UZB #118) 6-3 7-5

* Qualifying match
**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall), where she was R-Up last year
- Lost out to Stephens 12 months ago in the first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Also posted back-to-back R16 finishes here in 2015 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Wozniacki)
- Reached 2r on event debut in 2011 (as WC, l. Safarova) and in 2014 (l. Krunic); other main draw outing saw 1r loss in 2013 (l. Jankovic). Fell in qualifying twice (2010, 2012)
- No.14 seed this fortnight – her 14th consecutive major as a seeded player
- Faces Parmentier in 1r today; beat the Frenchwoman to give the USA an unassailable 3-1 lead in April's Fed Cup World Group semifinal in Aix-en-Provence
- Owns an eight-match winning streak against French players on tour, including two wins at Grand Slam level over Cornet at 2016 Wimbledon and Garcia at 2018 Australian Open
- Has won 75.1% of service games in 2018 – the fifth-best record on tour, behind Goerges, Barty, Konta and Kvitova
- One of a tournament-leading 23 American women in starting field at 2018 Cincinnati

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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)

**Season**

• Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) in only 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

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

PARMENTIER:

US Open
• Making 10th main draw appearance at US Open (14th overall)
• Best result was 2012’s 3r showing (l. Kvitova) – all other runs past 2r at this level came on home soil at Roland Garros
• Faces No.14 Keys in 1r; owns five Top 20 wins, defeating No.14 Szavay (2008 Bad Gastein), No.12 Lisicki (2012 Strasbourg), No.20 Vinci (2014 Roland Garros), No.16 Petkovic (2014 Luxembourg), No.19 Svitolina (2015 WTA 125k Limoges) and No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Istanbul via ret.)
• Has 18-24 win-loss record in Grand Slam 1r matches (6-3 at US Open); has fallen at this hurdle on four of her past five major outings
• One of five French players in starting field (also Cornet, Garcia, Mladenovic and Tan)
Grand Slam History

• 2018 US Open marks 43rd Grand Slam appearance; owns 23-42 record at this level
• Best showing across all majors was R16 run at 2014 Roland Garros (upset No.17 seed Vinci in 1r, l. Muguruza), also reached 3r on home soil in 2016 (l. Bacsinszky) and 2018 (l. Wozniacki), and at 2012 US Open (l. Kvitova)
• At Australian Open reached 2r in 2008, 2012 and 2016, and at Wimbledon reached 2r in 2008-09 and 2011

Season

• Last week, made 1r exit at New Haven (as LL, l. Kontaveit)
• Returned to clay after Wimbledon to reach 2r at Bucharest (ret. vs. Y.Wang w/neck injury). Also fell 1r at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Sevastova) and at $100k ITF/Contrexéville-FRA
• On grass, defeated in 1r at Wimbledon (l. Townsend) and made QF at $100k ITF/Southsea-GBR
• Campaign highlighted by excellent clay court results, which included third career title at Istanbul (d. Hercog in F), and 3r run at Roland Garros (as WC, l. Wozniacki). Win over Wozniacki (via ret.) in Istanbul QF was her first over Top 10 player
• Now owns 3-0 record in WTA singles finals, having previously won 2007 Tashkent and 2008 Bad Gastein
• Made 2r at Strasbourg (l. Barty)
• Lost both singles rubbers, against Stephens and Keys, during France's 3-2 Fed Cup semifinal defeat to defending champions USA. Also played in February's World Group win over Belgium
• On ITF Circuit, best early season result was 2r showing at $60K ITF/Croissy-Beaubourg-FRA
• Followed 2r at Taipei City (l. Y.Wang) with 1r exits at Budapest (l. Lisicki), Acapulco (Stephens) and Indian Wells (l. Anisimova). Contested qualifying at Miami
• Began season with 1r defeat at Shenzhen (l. Diyas). Then fell in qualifying at Hobart and in 1r at Australian Open (l. Allertova)

Career

• Posted third Top 100 finish in four years in 2017, at No.91, for seventh Top 100 season of career
• 2017 season highlighted by SF run at Luxembourg (as qualifier, l. Wiffhoeft) and QF at Acapulco (l. Lucic-Baroni) and Bucharest (l. eventual champion Begu)
• Posted three Top 50 wins in 2017 (No.27 Babos at Miami, No.31 Putintseva at Indian Wells, and No.41 Doi at Australian Open)
• Named to French Fed Cup team that faced Czech Republic in 2016 competition final, but did not play
• Won first WTA singles title at 2007 Tashkent (d. Azarenka in F). Record in singles finals now stands at 3-0
• Achieved career high ranking of No.40 on July 21, 2008 after winning second WTA singles title at Bad Gastein (d. Hradecka in F)
• Made Top 100 debut in September 2007 (after US Open); Top 50 debut in February 2008 (after Viña del Mar)
• Has contested one WTA doubles final, at 2011 Dallas (w/Cornet, l. Brianti/Cirstea)
• On ITF Circuit, winner of 10 singles titles, most recently winning at $100k ITF/Contrexeville-FRA in 2016, and three doubles titles
• Made tour-level main draw debut at 2005 Roland Garros (l. Benesova in 1r)

**Other Information**

• Coached by Olivier Patience
• Mother is Dominique, father is Jean-Philippe (both work in cigar business); older brothers are Olivier and Julien
• Born in Cucq (in northern France) and started playing tennis at age 6 with family
• Previously trained at Mouratoglou Academy for five years
[20] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) vs. LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #146)

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OSAKA:

**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows. Advanced to 3r on both previous visits in 2016 (l. Keys in 3s, having led 5-1 in decider) and 2017 (l. Kanepi)
- Upset defending US Open champion and No.6 Kerber in 1r last year, marking first career Top 10 win (previously 0-9)
- Seeded No.20 – her third consecutive major among the seeds (also No.21 at 2018 Roland Garros and No.18 at 2018 Wimbledon). By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.45
- Takes on No.146 Siegemund in 1r; a loss would be worst since falling to No.418 Kanepi at 2017 US Open
- Has reached 3r or better at past five majors, a run stretching back to 2017 Roland Garros (l. Van Uytvanck in 1r)
- That loss to Van Uytvanck in Paris is sole occasion she has fallen at first hurdle in Grand Slam play; owns 9-1 record in 1r matches (2-0 US Open)
- One of two Japanese women in US Open starting field (also Nara, who lost to Mertens in 1r)
- Entering 2018 US Open, has struck the eighth most aces on tour this year – 179
- By lining up for 1r, will pass USD$2 million in prize money for the season – currently ranked No.10 on 2018 prize money list

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 11th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19 yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)

**Season**

- Started North American hard court season with 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Linette), followed by 1r exits at Montréal (l. Suárez Navarro) and Cincinnati (l. Sakkari)
- For fifth consecutive major made 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Opened grass season with SF run at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) before making 2r at Birmingham (ret. vs. Jakupovic w/abdominal injury). Withdrew from Eastbourne with same injury
- Advanced to 3r at Roland Garros (l. Keys)
- Also on clay, reached 2r at Rome (l. Halep) and made 1r exit at Madrid (l. Zhang) following R16 showing at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Goerges)
- Holds a 6-9 record vs. Top 20 players this season, with wins over No.19 Vesnina and No.17 Barty (Australian Open), No.14 Mladenovic (Dubai), and No.5 Ka.Pliskova, No.1 Halep and No.19 Kasatkina (en route to Indian Wells title)
• Made 2r exit at Miami Open (l. No.4 seed Svitolina). Defeated eight-time Miami Open champion, S.Williams in 1r, becoming just the seventh woman to defeat Williams in Key Biscayne and first to do so before the R16

• Prior to Miami 2r loss to Svitolina, was on eight-match winning streak after claiming first WTA title at Indian Wells

• En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and Grand Slam finalists A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep without dropping a set. Only set dropped all week was against Sakkari in R16

• That eight-match win streak included victories over four players who have held the No.1 ranking (S. Williams, Ka. Pliskova, Sharapova and current No.1, Halep) as well as a former No.2 (A.Radwanska), along with emerging talents Sakkari and Kasatkina

• Owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (defeated Halep at 2018 Indian Wells and lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)

• Made 2r in Doha (as qualifier, l. Sevastova) and QF in Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

• Reached R16 at a Slam for the first time at Australian Open – d. Kucova and seeds No.16 Vesnina and No.18 Barty en route before falling to eventual runner-up and World No.1 Halep

• Opened 2018 season with 1r exit at Hobart (l. Putintseva); also played at Hopman Cup (went 1-1 in singles)

**Career**

• Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1

• Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open

• Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win

• Overall owns three wins over Top 5 players: No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (both at 2018 Indian Wells) and No.5 V.Williams (at 2017 Hong Kong)

• Finished 2016 at then career-high ranking of No.40, which was her first Top 200 finish; voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year

• Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open. Received direct entry into 2016 Wimbledon but withdrew w/right knee injury

• Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)

• Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins in the process), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r

• Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)
Other Information

- Currently coached by Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki and Serena Williams. Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship. Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
- At end of 2016, signed sponsorship deals with broadcaster WOWOW and food brand Nissin
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour

SIEGEMUND:

US Open

- Making third main draw appearance at US Open (and seventh overall)
- As No.26 seed – her first ever seeding at a Slam – reached 3r in 2016 (l. V.Williams) to equal her best performance at a major (also 2016 Australian Open – l. Beck)
- Also qualified to reach main draw in 2015 (l. Kvitova in 1r). Before that, contested qualifying in 2009, 2011, 2013-14
- Missed last year's US Open after tearing ACL in right knee at Nürnberg in May 2017
- Faces No.19 Osaka in 1r. Lost to Osaka this year at Charleston – her second match back after knee injury
- Has lost all three matches with Top 20 players this year: No.16 Vandeweghe (Stuttgart), No.19 Mertens (Rabat) and No.15 Vandeweghe (Roland Garros)
- Solitary Top 20 win on hard courts was via ret. against No.10 Bacsinszky at 2015 Luxembourg. Posted her most recent Top 20 win across all surfaces over then-No.6 Konta on clay at 2017 Madrid
- One of six German women to start in the US Open main draw (also Goerges, Kerber, Maria, Petkovic and Witthoeft)
- Competing at US Open using her Special Ranking of No.32 (tore ACL in knee at Nürnberg in May 2017)
- US Open marks second hard court event since return from injury (also 1r exit last week at New Haven)

Grand Slam History

- Grand Slam main draw debut came at 2015 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Kuznetsova in 1r)
- Has twice appeared in Grand Slam 3r, at 2016 Australian Open (l. Beck) and 2016 US Open (l. V.Williams)
- Fallen 1r at Roland Garros in 2016 and 2018, and Wimbledon in 2015 and 2016
- Won 2016 US Open mixed doubles title w/Pavic
**Season**

- Coming off 1r exit at New Haven (I. Konta) in her first hard court appearance since 2017 Biel
- On home soil, reached back-to-back ITF finals in Germany, winning at $25k ITF/Bad Saulgau-GER and finishing runner-up at $60k ITF/Hechingen-GER
- After Roland Garros, returned to ITF Circuit in June to reach back-to-back QF on clay at WTA International-level events at Bucharest (I. Martic) and Moscow [River Cup] (I. Zidansek)
- Did not play on grass swing at all this year
- Fell 1r at Roland Garros (I. Vandeweghe)
- In last tournament before Roland Garros, fell 1r at Rome (I. Vesnina)
- Reached 2r at Stuttgart (I. Vandeweghe) and Rabat (ret. vs. Mertens w/lower left leg injury)
- Made 1r exit at Lugano (ret. vs. Von Deichmann w/lower left leg injury)
- Reached 2r at Charleston (I. Osaka)
- Advanced to QF at $25K ITF/Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA in first tournament since tearing ACL at Nürnberg last May

**Career**

- Promising 2017 season derailed by long-term right knee injury, sustained at Nürnberg in May (ret. vs. Krejcikova). Despite missing second half of season, still posted third Top 100 year-end finish in 2017 (at No.69)
- Won first Premier-level title of career on home soil at Stuttgart (d. Mladenovic in F). Scored three wins over Top 10 opponents en route to Stuttgart final, defeating No.9 Kuznetsova, No.3 Ka.Pliskova and No.5 Halep
- All three career WTA finals have come on clay, at Stuttgart in 2016 (R-Up) and 2017 (won) and at Bastad in 2016 (won)
- Other 2017 standout result was SF run at Charleston
- In 2016, enjoyed tour-level breakthrough. Posted a 14-3 win-loss record between 2016 Wimbledon and US Open, winning maiden singles title at Bastad (d. Siniakova in F) and reaching SF at Bucharest (I. Sevastova) on clay, before advancing to QF at Rio Olympics (I. eventual gold medalist Puig) and 3r at the US Open (I. V.Williams)
- Also reached first career final as qualifier at 2016 Stuttgart, where she advanced to final as a qualifier (I. Kerber)
- Achieved career-high singles ranking on August 29, 2016 at No.27
- Entering 2016, had posted just six tour-level main draw wins in career. Two of those wins were over players ranked outside Top 150 (No.170 Melnikova and No.217 Kostova, both at 2015 Florianopolis). By comparison, had 30 main draw wins in 2016
- 2015 season highlights included reaching first WTA QF on clay at Florianopolis (I. eventual champion Pereira) and second QF at Luxembourg (as qualifier, I. Voegele)
- Owns three WTA doubles titles: 2015 ‘s-Hertogenbosch (w/Muhammad), 2015 Florianopolis (w/Beck) and 2015 Luxembourg (w/Barthel); runner-up at 2015 Marrakech (w/Zanevska) and 2016 Mallorca (w/Friedsam)
- Played first pro events of career on ITF Circuit in 2002
Made WTA qualifying debut at 2003 Leipzig and finally main draw debut seven years later at 2010 Bastad
On ITF Circuit, winner of 12 singles titles and 20 doubles titles

Other Information

Began playing tennis at age three
Born in Stuttgart area, but spent parts of childhood in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia (ages 4-7) and Jakarta, Indonesia (ages 9-10)
Father, Harro is an engineer; mother is Brigitta, sister is Satu and brother is Arlen
Studied at the Fern Uni Hagen in Germany for a BA Science Psychology and hopes to become a psychologist later in life
Tennis idol growing up was Stefanie Graf
Coached by Antonio Zucca
[22] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #22) vs. [Q] PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI #186)

Head to Head: MARIA SHARAPOVA leads 7-1

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SHARAPOVA:

**US Open**

- Making 12th appearance at US Open, having made tournament debut here in 2003
- Champion in 2006 (d. Henin in F) and a two-time semifinalist, in 2005 (l. eventual champion Clijsters) and 2012 (l. eventual runner-up Azarenka)
- Ranked No.22 this year. By contrast, 12 months ago sat at No.146 in the rankings
- Faces qualifier Schnyder in 1r; is 17-3 versus qualifiers at Grand Slam level, with only defeats coming against Koukalova (2003 Australian Open), Larcher de Brito (Wimbledon 2013) and Diatchenko (2018 Wimbledon)
- Owns perfect 11-0 record in US Open 1r matches. Across all majors 1r record is 49-4 – the third best winning percentage among active players (behind S.Williams, 67-1, and A.Radwanska, 45-4)
Overall US Open record is 35-10 – level in third with Wozniacki and Kuznetsova for most US Open wins among active players:

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- Owns 353-99 (.781) career win-loss record on hard courts – only S.Williams (483-78 – .861) owns a better winning percentage among active players
- Has a perfect 20-0 record in night matches on Arthur Ashe

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 54th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – the ninth-most among active players
- Remains the last teenager to win a Grand Slam title, aged 19 years, 132 days at the 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F)
- One of six women to achieve career Grand Slam in the Open Era (also Court, Evert, Navratilova, Graf and S.Williams)
- Owns a 5-5 record in Grand Slam finals, finishing as runner-up three times at the Australian Open (2007, 2012, 2015) as well as 2011 Wimbledon and 2013 Roland Garros

**Season**

- Made R16 at Montréal (l. Garcia) and withdrew from Cincinnati w/right shoulder injury
- In Montreal, notched fifth Top 20 win of 2018 after sweeping aside No.12 Kasatkina in 2r; other wins coming against No.15 Sevastova (Australian Open), No.18 Barty and No.6 Ostapenko (both Rome) and No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Roland Garros)
- Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Diatchenko) – only the fourth time she has fallen at the opening hurdle in 53 major appearances
- Ended strong clay court season by reaching QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza). In Paris, victory over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 3r marked 22nd win on clay over a Top 10 ranked player – the most among active players
- Made SF run at Rome (l. World No.1 Halep) and reached QF at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Bertens in 3s)
• Loss to World No.1 Halep at Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17, most recently defeating Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)

• Victory in 1r over Buzarnescu at Madrid was first since Australian Open, ending a four-match losing streak – began with 3r loss to Kerber in Melbourne, followed by 1r exits at Doha (l. Niculescu), Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Stuttgart (l. Garcia in 3s)

• Withdrew from Dubai and Miami, both due to right forearm injury

• Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (d. No.14 seed Sevastova in 2r, l. Kerber)

• Began season by reaching SF at Shenzhen (l. eventual R-Up Siniakova)

**Career**

• Finished 2017 season at No.60, having played at Stuttgart in April unranked; advanced to SF (l. Mladenovic) and played next event, Madrid, back on WTA Rankings at No.258

• Won 36th career WTA singles title at 2017 Tianjin in October (d. Sabalenka in F)

• In sole Grand Slam appearance of 2017, reached R16 at US Open as a wildcard, falling to Sevastova (upset No.2 Halep in 1r for first win over a Top 10 opponent since d. No.6 Kvitova in 2015 Fed Cup final)

• In 2016, only competed in Australian Open, falling to S.Williams in QF following her withdrawal from Brisbane (as defending champion) in opening week of that season w/left forearm injury

• Ended 2015 at No.4 on WTA Rankings for her fifth consecutive Top 5 finish, and ninth overall

• Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane (d. Ivanovic in F) and Rome (d. Suárez Navarro in F) – won at least one title each year between 2003 and 2015 (13 straight years). Owns 36 WTA titles overall (36-23 record in finals), third most among active players, behind S.Williams and V.Williams

• Owns 11 tour-level titles on clay, at one point going 7-0 in clay court finals

• As defending champion, fell in R16 at 2015 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Safarova); advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)

• In 2015, appeared at season-ending WTA Finals for eighth time – posted perfect 3-0 record in RR stage (l. Kvitova in SF). Was champion on debut appearance at the season finale in Los Angeles in 2004 (d. S.Williams in F)

• Part of Russian Fed Cup team that finished runners-up to Czech Republic in November 2015, despite winning both rubbers vs. Ka.Pliskova and Kvitova

• Absent from singles (played one doubles match, at 2009 Indian Wells w/Vesnina) from August 2008 to May 2009 (Warsaw) following right shoulder surgery (October 15, 2008)

• On August 22, 2005, became 16th woman (first Russian) to reach No.1; held No.1 ranking for a total of 21 non-consecutive weeks (including four weeks in 2012)
**Other Information**

- Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was released in September 2017
- Started playing at age 4; at age 6 took part in Moscow exhibition that featured Martina Navratilova
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy aged 9 (required two years away from mother due to visa and finances)
- Among her business interests is a Brand Ambassador for Porsche and Evian; has a premium candy line, Sugarpova; has a skincare range called Supergoop!
- Has a strong following on social media (in 2014 became first tennis player to pass 15 million fans on Facebook)
- Currently coached by Thomas Hogstedt since March 2018. The pair last worked together from 2010 to 2013, during which Sharapova completed her Career Grand Slam by winning 2012 Roland Garros

**SCHNYDER:**

**US Open**

- Making 15th Flushing Meadows main draw appearance (16th overall) and first since 2010
- Best results are QF runs in 1998 (d. Graf in R16, I. Novotna) and 2008 (I. Dementieva). Also made R16 in 2004-06
- Last year fell in second round of qualifying – her first Grand Slam matches since 2011 Roland Garros
- During last week's qualifying competition, trailed by a break in the third set against both Zanevska and Kudermetova
- At 39 years, 269 days old (at the end of the tournament), is the oldest player to reach the main draw at a Grand Slam via qualifying in the Open Era
- Will also be the third oldest woman to compete at the US Open after Renee Richards and Kimiko Date
- Contesting 60th Grand Slam main draw; is one of six active players to reach this milestone – also V.Williams (80), Schiavone (70), S.Williams (69), Kuznetsova (63) and Stosur (60)
- Owns 31-14 record at Flushing Meadows; one of seven players in the draw to register more than 30 wins here – also Azarenka (32), Kuznetsova (35), Sharapova (35), S.Williams (89), V.Williams (76) and Wozniacki (35)
- Faces Sharapova in 1r today; held two match points in their only previous Grand Slam meeting, a R16 defeat at 2007 Roland Garros
- Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 43-16 (14-0 at US Open)
- One of five Swiss players in starting field (also Bacsinszky, Bencic, Teichmann and Voegele)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 60th Grand Slam singles main draw appearance; played 52 consecutively (uninterrupted from 1997 Australian Open) but did not play 2010 Australian Open due to left foot tendonitis therefore breaking run of consecutive Grand Slam appearances
- Best result has been SF finish at 2004 Australian Open; also reached QF in Melbourne in 2005 and 2006, 1998 Roland Garros, 1998 and 2008 US Open and 2008 Roland Garros
- Has reached R16 another 14 times, including 2007 Wimbledon
Since comeback, has lost in qualifying at 2017 US Open, 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Wimbledon. Prior to this, only previous Grand Slam qualifying appearance was at 1996 Australian Open

**Season**

Since Wimbledon, returned to clay to reach 2r at Gstaad (as WC, l. Stosur), post QF run at $100k ITF/Contrexeville-FRA and 2r showing at $25k ITF/Bad Saulgau-GER

Contested qualifying at Wimbledon

Fell 1r at Prague (as qualifier, l. Allertova) and in qualifying at Charleston. Other clay court outings were on ITF Circuit, with highlight a SF showing at $25k ITF/Santa Margherita Di Pula

Lost 6-2 6-1 to World No.1 Halep during Switzerland’s Fed Cup defeat to Romania – her first Fed Cup tie and also first encounter with a Top 10 player since 2011

Contested qualifying at Budapest

Began the year with qualifying defeat at Australian Open, before entering $60k ITF/Burnie-AUS (1r) and $25k ITF/Launceston-AUS (2r)

**Career**

Ended 2017 ranked No.144 (up from No.303 in 2016), after lifting two ITF Circuit titles and posting 42-19 record. Also made 2r as WC at WTA event in Gstaad (l. Lottner)

In 2016 played a full season, posting 33-19 record (mainly at ITF Circuit). At WTA level, fell 1r at Gstaad and contested qualifying at Charleston and Linz

Made return to tour at $25k ITF/Darmstadt-GER, losing in 1r. Played eight other tournaments, highlighted by title at $10k ITF/Prague-CZE

Announced initial retirement in May 2011, playing her final tournament at 2011 Roland Garros (l. Cirstea in 1r). In final two seasons, ranked outside the Top 40 for the first time since 2001, ending 2009 at No.43 and 2010 at No.44

Owns 11 WTA singles titles, including 1998 Hannover (d. Novotna in F) and 2002 Zürich (d. Davenport in F). Also singles R-Up on 16 occasions, and a five-time WTA doubles title winner

Posted career-high ranking of No.7 on November 14, 2005

Has 13 career wins against Top 5 ranked players (including one via retirement), most recently against No.4 Jankovic at 2009 Madrid; includes seven wins against Top 3 players: No. 3 Novotna (1998 Hannover), No.3 Novotna (1998 Grand Slam Cup), No.1 Hingis – via retirement (1998 Grand Slam Cup), No.1 Capriati (2002 Charleston), No.2 Sharapova (2005 Rome), No.3 Henin (2006 Charleston) and No.2 S.Williams (2009 Rome)

Has qualified for the WTA Championships three times (in 1998 l. Hingis in 3s, in 2002 l. V.Williams, and in 2005 l. Sharapova in 3s and Davenport, but d. Petrova in 3s)

Breakthrough season in 1998: Top 10 debut, five titles (only world No. 1 Davenport won more with six) and QF at Roland Garros and US Open (d. Graf en route); seven years later notched first two year-end Top 10 finishes, in 2005 (ending at No.7) and 2006 (ending at No.9)


On professional debut, reached QF at $10k ITF/Burgdorf-SUI
Other Information

- Currently without a coach
- Trains and lives in Hanover
- Daughter, Kim, is three years old
- Admires the work of Jean Ziegler (Swiss UN human rights ambassador) and Michael Moore
KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #57) vs. [24] COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #25)

Head to Head: COCO VANDEWEGHE leads 2-0

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FLIPKENS:

US Open

- Making 10th main draw appearance at US Open (and 13th overall)
- Best result at Flushing Meadows is reaching 3r in 2009 (l. eventual champion Clijsters)
- Faces last year's semifinalist Vandeweghe in 1r; owns 3-4 record against US players at Grand Slam level, most recently beating Riske at 2018 Australian Open
- Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 24-15 (4-5 at US Open); last opening hurdle defeat came at 2017 Australian Open (l. Konta)
- One of four Belgian women to begin main draw here; also Mertens, Van Uytvanck and Wickmayer
- Won 2003 US Open girls' title (d. Krajicek in F). Along with today's opponent Vandeweghe (2008), among eight former junior champions in the draw (also Azarenka, Pavlyuchenkova, Watson, Gavrilova, Bouzkova and Anisimova)

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 40th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best Grand Slam result to date came at 2013 Wimbledon after defeating No.8 Kvitova in three sets to advance to the SF (l. eventual champion, No.15 Bartoli)
- Enjoyed best Grand Slam year in 2013, when she reached R16 at Australian Open (l. No.2 Sharapova), 2r at Roland Garros (l. Schiavone), and SF at Wimbledon (l. Bartoli)
- Achieved best US Open result in 2009 when she advanced to 3r (l. fellow Belgian Clijsters)
- Has reached 2r – but never further – on seven occasions at Roland Garros
- Junior champion at 2003 Wimbledon (d. Chakvetadze in F) and 2003 US Open (d. Krajicek in F)
Season

- North American hard court season featured 1r showing at Montréal (as qualifier, l. Abanda) and qualifying exits at Cincinnati and New Haven
- Finished impressive grass court campaign by reaching 2r at Wimbledon (l. Ostapenko)
- At 's-Hertogenbosch was R-Up in singles (l. Krunic) and doubles (w/Bertens, l. Mertens/Schuurs). Also won both singles and doubles titles at $100k ITF/Southsea-GBR – d. British No.3 Boulter in F
- Clay court season culminated with 2r exit at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina) and SF run at Nürnberg – defeated defending champion Bertens in QF before falling to eventual R-Up Riske; also doubles finalist at Nürnberg (w/Larsson). Lost to Schuurs/Srebotnik in F
- After beating No.18 Bertens now has 11 career wins over Top 20 opponents – is 1-4 in 2018
- Achieved career-high doubles ranking of No.35 this season (achieved April 16, 2018); career doubles final record currently stands at 3-5
- Fell in qualifying at Madrid
- Made 1r exit at Istanbul (l. Errani) and 2r run at Rabat (l. Tomljanovic)
- Reached QF at Lugano (l. qualifier Lapko); also won third career doubles title there with countrywoman Mertens (d. Lapko/Sabalenka in F)
- Was member of Belgium Fed Cup team that lost 3-2 to France in February before retaining World Group place with 4-0 win over Italy in April
- Scored one match win across the Sunshine Double in March; fell 1r at Indian Wells (l. Makarova) but reached 2r at Miami (l. Konta)
- Reached 2r at Budapest before falling to eventual runner-up Cibulkova. Also R-Up in doubles (w/Larsson, l. Garcia Perez/Stollar)
- Contested qualifying at St Petersburg
- Came within two points of defeat before defeating Riske in 1r of Australian Open, losing in 2r to Rybarikova in 3s
- Began season with a three-set victory over No.54 Vekic in Auckland, before falling in 2r to Hercog. Battled through qualifying to reach R16 in Hobart before withdrawing due to shoulder pain before her match against Riske

Career

- Including runner-up finish at 2018 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Krunic) owns 1-3 record in WTA singles finals; also finished runner-up at 2016 Monterrey (l. Watson) and 2013 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Halep); title came at 2012 Québec City (d. Hradecka in F)
- 2017 marked eighth Top 100 season in past eight years, including a Top 20 finish in 2013 (at No.20)
- Highlights of 2017 season in singles included QF runs at Acapulco (l. Mladenovic) and New Haven (l. Gavrilova)
- Won second WTA doubles title of career at 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Cibulkova, d. Bertens/Schuurs in F). Also reached doubles final twice in 2017, at Nürnberg (w/ Larsson, l. Melichar/Smith in F) and Luxembourg (w/ Bouchard, l. Kerkhove/Marozava in F)
- Posted 24 main draw match wins in 2016, the most since 2013 when she won 32 matches
• Reached QF at 2016 New Haven (as LL, l. eventual champion A.Radwanska) – marked first QF at Premier level in two years, since her run to same stage at 2014 New Haven. Also a quarterfinalist at International-level Auckland, Katowice and Tashkent in 2016
• Represented Belgium at Rio Olympics, advancing to R16 in singles (l. Siegemund) – upset No.6 V.Williams in 1r – and reaching 2r in doubles (w/Wickmayer, l. Muguruza/Suárez Navarro)
• Won first WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Seoul (w/Larsson)
• Underwent surgery on right wrist on October 25, 2010. Battled injuries in first half of 2012, including blood clots in calf discovered in April; off tour for two months causing ranking to drop as low as No.262 in June that year
• Set career-high singles ranking of No.13 on August 5, 2013
• Owns two Top 5 career wins, against No.2 Muguruza at 2016 Mallorca and No.5 Stosur at 2012 's-Hertogenbosch
• Member of the Belgian Fed Cup team that reached the competition's final in 2006. Also played 2003-13, 2015-18
• On ITF Circuit won 13 singles and one doubles title; played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2001
• Named 2003 ITF Junior World Champion

Other Information
• Began playing tennis at age four
• Speaks four languages: English, Dutch, French, and German
• Coached by Maxime Braeckman

VANDEWEGHE:

US Open
• Making 10th main draw appearance at US Open (12th overall)
• In 2017, advanced to SF for the first time in New York. Was one quarter of an all-American SF line-up (also Keys, Stephens and V.Williams), the first time this had happened at US Open since 1981 (Austin, Evert, Navratilova, Potter)
• Defeated No.1 Ka.Pliskova in QF last year – her second career win over a reigning No.1
• Previous best showings at Flushing Meadows were reaching 2r in 2011 (l. Stosur), 2013 (as qualifier, l. Suárez Navarro), 2014 (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2015 (l. Mattek-Sands)
• As a wildcard, won 2008 US Open girls' singles title without dropping a set. Only two former US Open girls' champions have gone on to reach the women's final: Lindsay Davenport (d. Hingis in 1998 and l. V.Williams in 2000) and Victoria Azarenka (l. S.Williams in 2012 and 2013)
• Faces fellow former junior US Open champion Flipkens in 1r; owns a perfect 7-0 career record against Belgian players, including two wins over Flipkens
• Record in Grand Slam 1r matches is 13-17 (5-4 at US Open)
• Heading into 2018 US Open, ranks fourth on tour for percentage of points won on first serve – 69.7%, across 21 matches – behind Goerges, Kr.Pliskova and Barty
• Currently the US No.4 behind Stephens, Keys and V.Williams
**Grand Slam History**

- Made Grand Slam debut as wildcard at 2008 US Open, losing to eventual runner-up Jankovic in 1r
- Has contested 30 further main draws since then, compiling 31-31 win-loss record
- Best results to date are SF runs at 2017 US Open (l. Keys) and 2017 Australian Open (l. V.Williams).
- Became 21st unseeded player (and Lucic-Baroni the 22nd at the same tournament) to advance to a Grand Slam semifinal since 2001 Wimbledon (first Grand Slam with 32 seeds)
- At Wimbledon, made QF in 2015 (l. Sharapova) and 2017 (l. Rybarikova). Yet to progress past 2r at Roland Garros
- In 2016, finished R-Up in mixed doubles at both Australian Open (w/Tecau, l. Vesnina/Soares) and US Open (w/Ram, l. Siegemund/Pavic). Also a doubles semifinalist at US Open in 2015 (w/Groenefeld) and 2016 (w/Hingis)
- Won 2008 US Open girls' singles title as a wildcard without dropping a set (d. Paz in F)

**Season**

- Coming off 1r exits at Cincinnati (l. Bertens 6-2 6-0) and New Haven (ret. vs. Rybarikova w/right ankle injury)
- Match in Cincinnati was first since injuring right ankle in 1r loss to Siniakova at Wimbledon. Withdrew from San Jose and Montréal with same injury
- Made 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Siniakova), one of 10 seeded players to fall in the tournament's opening round. Injured right ankle against Siniakova forcing her to withdraw from doubles w/Barty
- In other two grass court events, made SF at ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Krunic after holding 1mp) and fell 1r at Birmingham (l. Martic)
- Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Tsurenko)
- Entered Paris on the back of 1r exits at Madrid (l. Mladenovic) and Rome (l. Kontaveit)
- Produced R-Up finish in Stuttgart. Defeated World No.1 Halep en route to final - now owns an impressive 3-1 record vs. World No.1s, also defeating Kerber (2017 Australian Open) and Ka.Pliskova (2017 US Open), and losing to S.Williams (2014 Miami)
- Stuttgart was her first final since R-Up finish at 2017 Zhuhai and best result on clay. Now owns 2-4 record in singles finals, with two wins coming at on grass at ’s-Hertogenbosch in 2014 and 2016
- Part of USA team that reached its second straight Fed Cup final with 3-2 win over France on clay in Aix-en-Provence; singles rubber loss to Mladenovic ended 12-match winning streak in Fed Cup play
- Won Miami doubles title w/Barty (d. Krejcikova/Siniakova), fell to fellow American Collins in 2r of singles. Helped make history in Miami as it was the first time since 1985 that USA had a winner in all four events (Stephens, Vandeweghe, Isner and Bryan Brothers)
- Equaled her career-best performance at Indian Wells, reaching R16 (l. Sakkari)
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral infection
- In February, helped defending champions United States defeat Netherlands 3-1 in World Group first-round tie (d. Hogenkamp in three sets)
• Lost to Babos in 1r at Australian Open
• Started season off at Hopman Cup, partnering with fellow American Jack Sock

**Career**

• Posted best year-end finish in 2017 at No.10, making her debut in the elite bracket on November 6, 2017
• Season highlighted by finishing as R-Up at both Stanford (l. Keys) and WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (l. Goerges), and SF runs at Australian Open (l. V.Williams) and US Open (l. Keys), in addition to QF showing at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova)
• Played inspirational role in Team USA's Fed Cup title triumph, going a perfect 8-0 in singles and doubles across 2017, including winning decisive doubles rubber w/Rogers vs. Belarus in final in Minsk – USA's first Fed Cup title win in 17 years
• 2016 season highlights centered on grass court swing: won second career singles title at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (d. Mladenovic in F), SF at Birmingham (l. Strycova) and R16 at Wimbledon (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
• Also reached QF at 2016 Dubai (l. Svitolina) and Stanford (ret. vs. Riske)
• In doubles action, won first career title from first final at Indian Wells (w/Mattek-Sands, d. Goerges/Pliskova in F) and was runner-up at Cincinnati (w/Hingis, l. Mirza/Strycova)
• Advanced to mixed doubles final at 2016 US Open (w/Ram, l. Pavic/Siegemund)
• Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2016 Australian Open – in mixed doubles (w/Tecau, l. Vesnina/Soares)
• Competed in doubles at the Rio Olympics (w/Mattek-Sands); fell in 2r to eventual silver medalists Hingis/Bacsinszky
• Won first career singles title at ‘s-Hertogenbosch in June 2014; with Keys also victorious at Eastbourne, marked first time two Americans won titles in the same week since February 2002 (V.Williams at Antwerp, Seles at Doha). Is 2-4 in career singles finals, having also won at ‘s-Hertogenbosch in 2016. Runner-up at 2012 Stanford (as lucky loser, l. S.Williams), 2017 Stanford (l. Keys), 2017 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (l. Goerges) and 2018 Stuttgart (l. Ka.Pliskova)
• Member of US Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2015-18
• Made WTA debut as wildcard at 2006 San Diego; recorded first WTA win (main draw or qualifying) at 2009 Los Angeles (d. Garbin in 1r, l. Pennetta)
• Winner of two singles and six doubles titles on ITF Circuit

**Other Information**

• Coached by former Wimbledon champion Pat Cash
• Father is Robert, mother’s name is Tauna (represented USA at Olympics for swimming in 1976 and volleyball in 1984); grandfather's name is Ernie (played for New York Knicks in 1950s); uncle's name is Kiki (general manager of NBA team the Denver Nuggets and a former UCLA basketball player)
• After trying out several other sports, started playing tennis with her elder brother, Beau, at the age of 11
2018 US OPEN – DAY ONE FEATURED MATCHES

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #1) vs. KAIA KANEPI (EST #44)

Halep leads 1-0

Halep is the current match wins leader on tour (46-8) and also leads the way for hardcourt wins (28-4)...A quarterfinalist last year as a qualifier, Kanepi is looking for her first win over a Top 20 opponent since 2015 Madrid

[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #80)

Stephens leads 1-0

As defending champion, Stephens is aiming to be the 23rd woman in US Open history to reclaim her title from the previous year...Rodina's lone Top 20 win of her career came against last year's US Open finalist Keys at 2018 Wimbledon

SACHIA VICKERY (USA #78) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

First career meeting

Vickery is seeking second career Top 10 victory after defeating No.3 Muguruza at Indian Wells earlier this year...Svitolina sits at No.2 (behind Halep) in hardcourt wins this season with 23

ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #60) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)

Pliskova leads 2-0

A win today would be best win-by-rank in a Grand Slam for Diyas’ career...Pliskova is riding a nine-match win-streak in first round Grand Slam matches dating back to 2016 Roland Garros

[9] JULIA GOERGES (GER #9) vs. [Q] ANNA KALINSKAYA (RUS #143)

First career meeting

Goerges leads the WTA tour in aces struck (372) and tiebreakers won (12)...Kalinskaya is looking to notch her first career Grand Slam main draw victory

[12] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #12) vs. SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #34)

Series tied 1-1

Muguruza enters play with a 15-match win streak in first round Grand Slam encounters...A win today for Zhang would mark best win-by-ranking of 2018 and best since ousting No.7 Muguruza at 2017 Doha

[16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16) vs. [WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #102)

Series tied 5-5

Venus has defeated the Russian twice at the Grand Slam level, and both times went on to reach the final...Kuznetsova enters New York in fine form having captured the Citi Open title in Washington, D.C. a few weeks back
[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. MAGDA LINETTE (POL #68)
First career meeting
Serena's only loss to a player outside the Top 50 at Flushing Meadows was against then-unranked Clijsters in 2009 SF...Linette owns a 4-5 record against US players so far this season

[Q] ONS JABEUR (TUN #114) vs. [18] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #17)
First career meeting
Jabeur is seeking first WTA-level hardcourt win since the 2017 US Open...Barty has defeated 11 consecutive qualifying opponents dating back to 2017 Australian Open

DONNA VEKIC (CRO #41) vs. [19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)
Sevastova leads 3-0
A win today by Vekic would result in her earning at least one match victory at all four Slams in the same season for the first time in her career...Sevastova owns a 10-5 career mark in New York, her best record among the four Grand Slam events

[WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79) vs. VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #56)
First career meeting
Two-time runner-up, Azarenka, is making her 11th career appearance at the US Open and first since giving birth to her son Leo in 2016...Kuzmova is aiming to channel her 2016 US Open success when she reached the final of the girls' singles event
MATCH NOTES
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[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #1) vs. KAIA KANEPI (EST #44)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 1-0

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

* Qualifying match
Halep:

**US Open**

- Making ninth consecutive appearance at U.S. Open. Best result here in New York came with run to SF in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Backed that up by reaching QF the following year in 2016 (l. S.Williams)
- Begins 2018 campaign vs. No.44 Kanepi – recovered from 5-3 down in final set to win lone meeting at 2014 Doha
- Has suffered two 1r exits at Flushing Meadows, on debut here in 2010 (l. Jankovic) and in 2017 (l. Sharapova)
- Overall across the majors, owns a 22-11 record in 1r matches (6-2 at U.S. Open)
- Owns 73-32 win-loss record at Grand Slam level
- Enters U.S. Open as World No.1, and cannot be usurped across the fortnight – is the first time since 2016 Wimbledon the World No.1 ranking is not on the line during a Grand Slam event
- In contrast, at 2017 U.S. Open, eight players were in contention for the World No.1 spot
- Including these two weeks in New York, will have held the No.1 ranking for 44 weeks (28 consecutive)
- The No.1 seed has lost their opening match on five occasions in the Open Era, but never at the U.S. Open:

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- Is the current match wins leader on the WTA Tour entering 2018 U.S. Open, going 46-8 this season. Also leads the way for hardcourt wins (28-4)
• Leads the tour in consistently reaching at least the R16 at tournaments entered, registering an 83% success rate (10/12)

• One of 13 Grand Slam champions to begin main draw: Azarenka, Kerber, Kuznetsova, Kvitova, Muguruza, Ostapenko, Sharapova, Stephens, Stosur, S.Williams, V.Williams and Wozniacki

• Last World No.1 to win U.S. Open was S.Williams in 2014 (d. Wozniacki in F)

• Was forced to withdraw from New Haven last week w/right Achilles injury

![Grand Slam History](image)

• Won first Grand Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) after three runner-up finishes, at Roland Garros in 2014 (l. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (l. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki in 3s)

• Became 49th different woman to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era, and the second Romanian woman to win a Slam after Ruzici at 1978 Roland Garros

• First Romanian woman to advance to final at Australian Open

• Also, semifinalist at Wimbledon in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and U.S. Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

• Won Roland Garros girls' singles title in 2008 – now the sixth woman to go on to win the women's singles title – after Durr, Jausovec, Mandlikova, Capriati and Henin

![Season](image)

• Coming off reaching back-to-back finals at Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and Cincinnati (l. Bertens in F – held 1mp in second set tie-break). Was bidding to be first woman to win the Premier 5 level Rogers Cup and Western & Southern Open titles back-to-back

• SF victory over Sabalenka in Cincinnati was career 450th match win (all levels)

• Has won 17 of last 19 matches dating back to the start of Roland Garros (sole defeats came in 3r at Wimbledon and Cincinnati final), which included a nine-match win streak (Montreal – 5, Cincinnati – 4)

• Following Montreal triumph, is one of four players to win three or more titles this season (also Kvitova – 5, Mertens – 3, Svitolina – 3). Is 18-15 in career finals

• Qualified for the 2018 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore after reaching the F in Montréal – the first singles player to qualify this season. This will be her fifth consecutive appearance at the WTA Finals, and is the only player to have qualified for all five editions held in Singapore

• Fell 3r at Wimbledon (l. Hsieh in 3s). Did not play a grass tournament before heading to Wimbledon (withdrew from Eastbourne w/foot injury)

• Captured first Grand Slam title in fourth final with defeat of Stephens at Roland Garros

• For second year in a row, runner-up at Rome (l. Svitolina in both 2017 and 2018 finals)

• In other clay court tournaments this season, produced QF showings at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
• Played first matches of 2018 clay season representing Romania in Fed Cup, going 2-0 in singles (d. Golubic, Schnyder) in 3-1 win over Switzerland in World Group play-off

• During Sunshine Double, advanced to SF at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and made 3r in Miami (l. A. Radwanska)

• Forced to withdraw prior to Doha SF vs. Muguruza w/right foot injury and also withdrew from Dubai

• Reached third career Grand Slam final at Australian Open in Melbourne in January; succumbed to Wozniacki in the final in three sets. Withdrew from St Petersburg w/left ankle injury after Australian Open

• In 3r at Australian Open, saved triple match points and battled back to defeat Davis in 3h44, 4-6 6-4 15-13 – ranks as the third longest women's singles match ever at Australian Open, after Schiavone d. Kuznetsova (2011, R16, 4h44) and Strycova d. Kulikova (2010, 1r, 4h19). Also, equals longest in terms of number of games (48)

• Saved another two match points in defeat of Kerber in SF at Melbourne – believed to be first player to save match points in multiple matches and reach a Grand Slam final

• Opened 2018 season by winning singles and doubles (w/Begu) titles at Shenzhen. Defeated defending champion Siniakova in singles final for her 16th career title and first since Madrid May 2017; doubles title was first of career


Career

• Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot for first time in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot since computer rankings began in November 1975, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1

• Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F) – the third Premier Mandatory title of career (after 2015 Indian Wells and 2016 Madrid); reached a further four finals in 2017: Rome (l. Svitolina), Roland Garros (l. Ostapenko), Cincinnati (l. Muguruza) and Beijing (l. Garcia)

• 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid (d. Cibulkova in F), Bucharest (d. Sevastova in F) and Montréal (d. Keys in F)

• Bucharest and Montréal results started 13-match winning streak that ended in SF at Cincinnati. Was second-longest streak of 2016, after Azarenka (16)

• Won first career doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu, d. Krejcikova/Siniakova in F). Now 1-1 in career doubles finals, having also finished R-Up at 2016 Montréal (w/Niculescu, l. Makarova/Vesnina)


• Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles in this period

• Made Top 100 debut on July 12, 2010 and became third Romanian to break into the WTA Top 10 (after Ruzici, Spirlea) making debut there in week of January 27, 2014

• Has qualified five times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-18), reaching final in 2014 (l. S. Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player after winning her first six WTA titles and rising to year-end No.11 (dipped as low as No.64 in May)

Reached first career final at 2010 Fès in just her third main draw appearance

Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals

Former junior World No.1

Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2012, 2014-18

**Other Information**

Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer

Coached by Australian Darren Cahill, who owns an impressive 37-8 US Open coaching record – 2001 Champion (Hewitt) and 2005 Runner-Up (Agassi)

Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita

Endorsement portfolio currently includes Mercedes-Benz and Hublot; earlier this year signed clothing endorsement deal with Nike and began wearing their kit at 2018 Doha

**KANEPI:**

**US Open**

Making 11th main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows this year, also participated in qualifying in 2002-03 and 2005

Best result has been two QF finishes in 2010 and 2017

Advanced to QFs last year as a qualifier – best result by a qualifier at U.S. Open since Barbara Gerken did so in 1981

One of 22 thirtysomethings in this year's draw

Squares off against World No.1 Simona Halep in today's opening round action – came within two points of victory before losing lone encounter at 2014 Doha

Seeking first Top 20 win since 2015 Madrid (No.17 Keys) and second career win over reigning World No.1 – became first Estonian to defeat World No.1 at 2011 Tokyo [PPO] (Wozniacki)

Owns an 24-16 mark in 1r of majors, including an 8-2 record at U.S. Open – hasn't lost a 1r match in Flushing Meadows since 2009 (K.Chang)

**Grand Slam History**

2018 U.S. Open marks 41st main draw appearance at a Grand Slam


At 2010 Wimbledon, became only sixth qualifier to reach Wimbledon QF

Appeared in 3r twice at Australian Open (2009, 2018)
Season

- Coming off 2r finish in Cincinnati (as qualifier, I. Barty)
- Advanced to 2r at Moscow [River Cup], losing to eventual champion Danilovic in three sets
- On grass made 2r at Eastbourne (I. Ostapenko) and fell 1r at Wimbledon (I. Sorribes Tormo). Also reached QF at $100k ITF/Ikley-GBR
- Highlights of clay court season were lifting 14th ITF Circuit title at $60k ITF/Brescia-ITA and 2r showing at Rome (as qualifier, I. Stephens). Also fell 1r at Roland Garros (I. Kasatkina) and Strasbourg (as qualifier, I. Hsieh), and contested qualifying at Stuttgart
- Made 1r exits in Miami (ret. vs. McHale) and posted 2r exit at Indian Wells (I. No.16 Vandeweghe)
- Withdrew from St. Petersburg and Acapulco w/illness
- Equaled best career result at Australian Open by reaching 3r (I. Suárez Navarro). Melbourne run took total career prize money past USD$5million mark
- Began season with QF showing at Brisbane (as qualifier, I. Ka.Pliskova)

Career

- Battled through yet another injury-plagued season, finishing 2017 at No.100
- Season highlight was advancing to QF stage of 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys), also won three ITF titles at $25k ITF/Essen-GER, $15k ITF/Parnu-EST and $25k ITF/Nantes-FRA
- Holds many firsts for Estonia – first Estonian to reach a WTA final (2006 Hasselt), first to reach a Grand Slam QF (2008 French Open), to crack Top 20 (February 2009), to win a WTA title (2010 Palermo) and to beat a reigning No.1 (Wozniacki at 2011 Tokyo [PPO])
- Owns 10 career wins over Top 10 opponents, most recently over No.8 Jankovic at 2014 Wimbledon
- Winner of four WTA singles titles: 2010 Palermo, 2012 Brisbane, 2012 Oeiras and 2013 Brussels; also a four-time runner-up
- Endured a career-low year-end 2016 ranking of No.302 due to being hampered by the Epstein-Barr virus and plantar fasciitis in both feet
- Lone main draw appearance of 2016 season was at Rabat (as qualifier, I. Kozlova in 1r)
- Also in 2016, fell in qualifying at Brisbane (I. Bondarenko), Stuttgart (I. Giorgi) and Roland Garros (I. Cepede Royg)
- Played limited events on ITF Circuit, achieving QF finish at Padova (I. Soylu) and R16 effort at Brescia (I. Zanevska)
- Finished 2015 season on high note by winning ITF title at Bangkok (d. Schnyder); also produced QF finish at ITF in St Malo (I. Kasatkina)
- Fell at first hurdle at all Grand Slams in 2015 with exception of 2r finish at US Open (I. Svitolina)
- Started off 2015 campaign with QF appearance in Brisbane (I. Ivanovic)
- Advanced to QF stage four times in 2014 (Brisbane, Acapulco, Bastad and Seoul) and posted R16 finish at 2014 US Open (I. S.Williams)
Battled injuries in 2013 missing first three months due to right Achilles injury and sidelined after Wimbledon until US Open due to a low back injury

**Other Information**

- Coached by Dusan Vemic this week
- Over past two seasons, a combination of being diagnosed with the Epstein-Barr virus, otherwise known as precursor to mononucleosis, and developing plantar fasciitis in both feet, nearly led to the end of her career
- Started playing tennis at age 8 with parents and sisters
- One of her sponsors is a leading provider of high quality mini-cruise and passenger services in Baltic Sea region; in 2008, became godmother of a vessel named Superstar and was flown to Italy to bless it
[3] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) vs. EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #80)

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**STEPHENS:**

**US Open**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall, having fallen in qualifying on three occasions), where she is defending champion
- At 2017 tournament, capped historic summer comeback by upsetting Cibulkova, V. Williams and Keys to become the fifth unseeded woman (ranked No.83) in the Open Era to win a major, doing so just 69 days after returning from an 11-month injury lay-off, and six weeks since her ranking dropped to No.957
- Previous best showing at Flushing Meadows was 2013's R16 run (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Missed 2016 US Open due to right foot injury
- Enters play at a career-high No.3 ranking, first set on July 16, 2018
- Also seeded No.3 – her highest seeding at a major (previously No.4 at 2018 Wimbledon). The US Open has been won by the No.3 seed six times in the Open Era, most recently by Sharapova in 2006
- Faces No.80 Rodina in 1r. Has lost five times to players outside the Top 50 in 2018: No.100 Giorgi (Sydney), No.183 Voegele (Acapulco), No.93 Putintseva (Nürnberg), No.55 Vekic (Wimbledon) and No.91 Petkovic (Washington DC)
- Playing a Russian opponent for the first time at the US Open; has 4-4 record against Russians at Grand Slam level
- Owns 18-8 record in Grand Slam 1r matches (5-1 at US Open), with three of these defeats coming in her past five major appearances
- Since 1r exit at Australian Open this January, has posted 27-11 win-loss record
- One of 23 Americans in main draw, down from 23 who started the 2017 tournament
- Heading into 2018 US Open, ranks second on tour (behind Halep) for percentage won in both return points (48.1%) and return games (46.3%)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked Grand Slam champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Grand Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Was one of four American women to reach SF at 2017 Flushing Meadows (also Keys, Vandeweghe and V.Williams) – the
sixth time in the Open Era that four Americans have contested the final four at a major

- Also R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result to date across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Along with Makarova, is one of only two players who've never held the No.1 ranking, but have managed to beat both V.Williams (2015 Roland Garros and 2017 US Open) and S.Williams (whom she defeated at 2013 Australian Open) at Grand Slam level
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to defeat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
- Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)
- Won junior doubles titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open in 2010 (all w/Babos)

**Season**

- In final pre-US Open tournament, posted R16 showing at Cincinnati (l. Mertens)
- Began North American hard court season with R-Up finish at Montréal (l. Halep) and 2r exit at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). Career record in singles finals now stands at 6-2
- Fell in 1r at Wimbledon (l.Vekic) in her only appearance on grass this season
- Finished clay court season by reaching second Grand Slam final at Roland Garros (l. Halep in 3s). Rose to then career-high No.4 after run in Paris
- Other clay results were R16 runs at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Garcia), and 1r exits at Nürnberg (as WC, l. Putintseva) and Stuttgart (l. Vandeweghe)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Mladenovic and Parmentier) during defending champion USA's 3-2 Fed Cup semifinal win over France. Will face Czech Republic in November's final
- Lifted first Premier-mandatory title at Miami (d. Ostapenko in F). Subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 following her title run at Key Biscayne
- Helped make history in Miami as the USA provided the winners in all four events (Stephens, Vandeweghe, Isner and Bryan brothers)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells. Defeated former No.1 Azarenka in 2r before falling to eventual R-Up Kasatkina
- Enjoyed a QF run at Acapulco (d. Parmentier and Rus, l. eventual R-Up Voegele)
- Dropped her 1r match at Australian Open (l. Zhang) and Sydney (l. Giorgi) to start the 2018 season
- Withdrew from Brisbane w/left knee injury
Career

- Posted second-best year-end finish at No.13 in 2017, one off career-high of No.12 in 2013
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines with foot injury, having had surgery in January
- After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Prior to 2017 Wimbledon, last match came at 2016 Rio Olympics
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F)
- Owns a six wins vs. Top 5 players: No.5 Ostapenko (2018 Miami), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Miami), No.3 Kerber (2017 Toronto), No.2 Kerber (2016 Charleston via ret. w/viral illness), No.3 Sharapova (2013 Cincinnati) and No.3 S. Williams (2013 Australian Open)
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches across the season
- Played first WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami and first WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier ranked No.747, fell 2r, l. Zvonareva)
- Won one singles title and one doubles title on ITF Circuit

Other Information

- Mother is Sybil Smith a former collegiate swimmer at Boston University and late father, John Stephens, was an NFL player in 1980s and 1990s; brother is Shawn Farrell
- Started playing tennis at the age of nine, at the Sierra Sport and Racquet Club, in Fresno, California. Two years later relocated from Fresno to Boca Raton, Florida, where she began training at the Evert Tennis Academy before moving to Nick Saviano High Performance Tennis Academy
- Coached by Kamau Murray (started working together in January 2016). Worked with Nick Saviano in 2015

RODINA:

US Open

- Making sixth main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall)
- Has reached 2r – but never further – on past three visits, 2015 (l. Stosur), 2016 (l. Cibulkova) and 2017 (l. Svitolina)
- Faces No.3 Stephens in 1r; owns one career win over a Top 20 player, against No.11 Keys at 2018 Wimbledon
- Highest-ranked opponent faced in career was No.1 Sharapova in 1r at 2008 Roland Garros (l. 6-1 3-6 8-6 on Grand Slam main draw debut)
• Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 9-12 (3-2 at US Open)
• One of seven mothers in the singles starting field at 2018 US Open, along with Azarenka, Bondarenko, Maria, Schnyder, S.Williams and Zvonareva

**Grand Slam History**
• Contesting 22nd Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open
• Best result came in previous major, 2018 Wimbledon, where she came through qualifying to reach R16 (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
• Prior to 2018 Wimbledon, run to 3r at 2008 Wimbledon was best Grand Slam showing
• Has reached 2r at both Australian Open (2011) and US Open (2015-17), but yet to pass 1r at Roland Garros on four main draw outings
• Made major debut at 2008 Roland Garros, losing 1r to Sharapova 1r 6-1 3-6 8-6. Has fallen in 1r on three other main draw outings in Paris

**Season**
• In only North American hard court tournaments, fell in qualifying at Cincinnati and last week at New Haven
• Returned to clay after Wimbledon exploits to reach QF at Gstaad (l. Vondrousova) and 2r at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Sasnovich)
• Posted best Grand Slam result of career at Wimbledon, where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
• In 3r at All England Club, upset No.11 Keys to register first Top 20 win of career (now owns 1-15 record). Previous best victory was over No.21 Goerges at 2011 Linz
• Played three grass court events in lead-up to 2018 Wimbledon. Reached SF at $100k ITF/Manchester-GBR (l. Jabeur), QF at $100k ITF/Ikley-GBR (l. Tere-Apisah) and fell 1r at $100k ITF/Surbiton-GBR (l. Perrin)
• On clay, played a mix of ITF Circuit and WTA events. Fell 1r at Bogotá (l. Linette) and in qualifying at Roland Garros and Istanbul
• Suffered 1r exit at Monterrey (l. Riske) and contested qualifying at Indian Wells and Miami
• Fell 1r at WTA 125K Series events at Newport Beach and made QF three times on ITF Circuit
• Began season with 1r showing at Shenzhen (l. Duan) and qualifying exit at Australian Open

**Career**
• Finished 2017 at No.83 – the best year-end ranking of career
• Highlight was reaching SF at Guangzhou (l. eventual champion S.Zhang) and QF at ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. Konjuh). Also made 2r at Indian Wells (as LL, l. Garcia), Biel (l. Kontaveit), US Open (l. Svitolina) and Luxembourg (l. Witthoef)
• Ended 2016 on a ranking of No.104, down from No.84 in 2015 (at the time the best season finish of career to date)
• 2016 season highlight was QF run at ’s-Hertogenbosch in June (l. eventual champion Vandeweghe), which also marked first main draw wins of 2016. Closed out 2016 with strong showings at WTA 125k events, winning title in Taipei (d. Chang in F) and reaching SF in Honolulu (l. Zhang). In doubles, reached first tour-level final at Bastad (w/Beck, l. Arruabarrena/ Knoll in F)
• Highlights on 2015 season included SF run at Tashkent (l. Vekic) and QF at Pattaya City (l. Tomljanovic) and Baku (l. Gasparyan)

• Ended 2015 season with SF showing at WTA 125K event in Taipei

• Career-best ranking is No.74 (February 28, 2011)

• Has won 13 ITF singles titles and six ITF doubles titles

• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004 and made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Tashkent, advancing to QF

Other Information

• Coach and husband is Denis Shteyngart

• They have a daughter, Anna, born in November 2012 (Evgeniya returned to tour in August 2013)

• Mother's name is Oxana (national U16 girls' tennis coach); brother's name is Sascha. Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother
SACHIA VICKERY (USA #78) vs. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7)

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VICKERY:

**US Open**
- Making fourth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (sixth overall). Playing tournament for the first time as a direct entry
- Enters play ranked No.78, just five spots behind her career-high set on July 30 of this year. In contrast, was ranked No.154 at this time last year
- Has recorded two of her three career Grand Slam wins in New York, coming in 2013 (d. Lucic-Baroni) and her most recent appearance in 2017 (d. Vykhyantseva). Owns 3-5 1r record across all majors
- Looking to secure multiple Grand Slam victories in the same season for the first time in her career (d. Vondrousova in Wimbledon 1r)
- Faces No.7 Svitolina today for the first time in her career. Looking for her second career Top 10 victory after defeating No.3 Muguruza at Indian Wells earlier this year
- One of a tournament high 22 Americans to earn a main draw position this fortnight

**Grand Slam History**
- Made major debut as a wildcard in 2013 US Open, reaching 2r where she fell to Glushko. Made 2r again in New York in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Kenin) and at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Mertens)
- Completed set of Grand Slam main draw appearances by qualifying for 2016 Roland Garros (l. Sevastova in 1r)
- Has also fallen 1r at 2014 Australian Open (as WC, l. Davis), 2015 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Makarova), 2015 US Open (as WC, l. Rogers) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Keys)

**Season**
- Fell in 1r of San Jose (l. eventual champion Buzarnescu in 3s) prior to qualifying losses at Montréal, Cincinnati and New Haven
- Made a 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Mertens), matching best performance at a Slam (also 2013 and 2017 US Open)
- In other results on grass, fell 1r at Eastbourne (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka) and Nottingham (l. Osaka), and contested qualifying at Birmingham
- On clay, posted on one win (during Madrid qualifying, though didn't win through to main draw), as she suffered opening match losses at Rabat (l. Fett), Strasbourg (l. Jani) and Roland Garros (l. Keys)
- Enjoyed strong SF run at Monterrey (l. eventual R-Up Babos) – the second WTA singles SF of her career
- Began Sunshine Double with a good showing at Indian Wells, reaching 3r as qualifier and posting best win rankings-wise of career over No.3 Muguruza (l. eventual champion Osaka). Fell in qualifying at Miami
- Opened season by reaching first WTA SF of career at Auckland (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki). Posted at the time her best win rankings-wise of her career with defeat of No.28 A.Radwanska in QF (bettering win over No.39 Ostapenko at 2016 Miami qualifying)
- Followed this up by falling in qualifying at Australian Open
Has contested two WTA 125k Series events this year, reaching QF at Newport Beach (l. Hibi) and most recently the WTA 125k Series here in Indian Wells (l. Kenin in 1r)

**Career**

- Finished 2017 at No.116 for career-best year-end finish. Season highlights were reaching QF at Québec City (l. Maria) and 2r at US Open (as qualifier, l. Kenin), her joint best result at a Slam
- Has reached two WTA SFs in career, at 2018 Auckland (l. Wozniacki) and 2018 Monterrey (l. Babos)
- In addition to 2017 Québec City, has reached the QF stage at 2016 Bogotá, 2015 Nottingham and 2014 Stanford
- Finished 2016 ranked No.139 (down from No.130 in 2015)
- Run to QFs at 2014 Stanford marked WTA breakthrough (d. Puig in 2r, l. Lepchenko)
- Won most recent title on ITF Circuit in 2017 at $60k ITF/Templeton, CA-USA
- Won two ITF singles titles in 2015, both on home soil – at $25k ITF/Plantation, FL-USA (d. Crawford in F) and $25k ITF/Sunrise, FL-USA (d. Tormo in F); also owns one ITF doubles title
- Made professional debut at $10k ITF/Eansville, IN-USA (l. Lumpkin in SF)

**Other Information**

- Coached by Matt Evans
- Started playing tennis aged six
- Hobbies include reading and playing with her dogs. Also interested in marine biology
- Also speaks French
- Father was pro soccer player; mother ran track in high school; brother plays football at South Carolina State (defensive back)
- Best friends with Vicky Duval

SVITOLINA:

**US Open**

- Making seventh consecutive appearance at US Open. Best result here in New York came with R16 run in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Keys)
- Also posted 3r runs in 2015 (l. Makarova) and 2016 (l. Kvitova), made 2r in 2013 (l. McHale) and fell 1r in 2012 (as qualifier, l. Ivanovic) and 2014 (l. Hercog)
- 2012 appearance in New York was Grand Slam main draw debut
- At 2017 US Open, was one of eight players in contention for the World No.1 spot – needed to reach SF and have other results go her way
- Faces No.79 Vickery - owns 18-6 record in Slam 1r matches, most recently falling at this stage at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Maria). Prior to this, previous 1r loss at a Slam was here at 2014 US Open (l. Hercog)
2018 US Open marks 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance - best results to date have been QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens)

Seeded No.7 this fortnight – her 16th consecutive seeding at a Slam, and seventh as a Top 10 seed

Owns 23 hard court wins this season, trailing only Halep (28)

One of six players from Ukraine in 2018 US Open singles main draw – also Bondarenko, Kalinina, Kozlova, Tsurenko and Yastremska

Currently sits No.5 on Porsche Race to Singapore, and looking to qualify for the WTA Finals for the second year in a row

Grand Slam History

2018 US Open marks 25th Grand Slam main draw appearance

Best results to date have been QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens)

At Wimbledon, advanced to R16 for the first time in 2017 (l. Ostapenko)

Reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Keys)

Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

Season

Has contested two North American events in lead-up to US Open, reaching SF Montréal (as defending champion, l. Stephens) and making QF at Cincinnati (l. eventual R-Up Bertens)

Suffered 1r upset at Wimbledon (l. Maria) – one of 10 seeds to fall at first hurdle

Made a QF run at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Buzarnescu), having also fallen to Buzarnescu at Roland Garros 3r

Defended her title in Rome (d. Halep in F). This was third time in career she has defended a title (also Baku 2013-14 and Dubai 2017-18)

Now owns four victories over No.1 ranked players: d. Halep (2018 Rome), S.Williams (2016 Rio Olympics) and Kerber (2017 Brisbane and 2016 Beijing)

Boasts 12-2 record in tour-level finals. Has won her past eight matches at this stage, with last defeat coming against Kvitova at 2016 Zhuhai

Owns four Top 10 wins in 2018 (No.9 Konta and No.4 Ka.Pliskova at Brisbane; No.9 Kerber at Dubai and No.1 Halep in Rome)

Had a 2r exit in Madrid (l. Suárez Navarro) after reaching the QF in Stuttgart (l. Garcia) in her first clay tournament of the year

Enjoyed a 4-2 record through the “Sunshine Double” posting a 3r result at Indian Wells (l. Suárez Navarro) and a QF run at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko). Ended Osaka's eight-match winning streak in 2r of Miami

Made successful title defense at Dubai (d. Kasatkina in F)

Made 3r exit at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova)

Advanced to QF at Australian Open for first time (l. Mertens); was on nine-match win streak entering QF
Became first Ukrainian woman to reach QF at Australian Open, surpassing A. Bondarenko who fell in R16 in 2010; K. Bondarenko reached QF at 2009 US Open. Was bidding to become first Ukrainian woman to reach a Grand Slam semifinal

Opened 2018 season by capturing her 10th career WTA title at Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F); defeated two Top 10 players en route to title (d. No.9 Konta and No.5 Ka. Pliskova)

**Career**

- Won 12th career WTA singles title at 2018 Rome (d. Halep in F); career record in finals now stands at 12-2, including a current eight match win streak over the 2017 and 2018 seasons
- Enjoyed stand-out 2017, finishing the year at No.6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins of season (53, behind Wozniacki with 60)
- Season culminated by qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore, becoming first Ukrainian woman to qualify for the season-ending tournament in singles (fell at round robin stage with 1-2 record)
- Her five titles in 2017 included Taipei City (d. Peng in F), Dubai (d. Wozniacki in F), Istanbul (d. Mertens in F), Rome (d. Halep in F) and Toronto (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009
- Owned longest unbeaten streak in 2017, at 15 matches. Won Taipei City (five wins), went 2-0 for Ukraine in Fed Cup action against Australia, triumphant in Dubai (after 1r bye, five wins), won one match at Kuala Lumpur before withdrawing prior to her 2r match, then reached R16 at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, two wins) falling to Muguruza in three sets
- One of five players to make Top 10 debut in 2017, after winning Dubai in February (also Ostapenko, Garcia, Mladenovic and Vandeweghe). Peaked in rankings at No.3 on September 11, 2017
- On four occasions could have reached World No.1 spot – at 2017 US Open, then needed to win 2017 Beijing (fell in QF), then needed to triumph at 2017 WTA Finals (failed to progress from group stage), or reach final at 2018 Australian Open (fell in QF)
- Enjoyed best win ratio vs. Top 5 players in 2017 across WTA, going 8-1 (Wozniacki was 8-4)
- Strong finish to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (l. A. Radwanska); in addition, post-US Open reached SF at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Osaka) and Moscow (l. Kuznetsova)
- Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)
- Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (l. A. Radwanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)
- Other 2016 season highlights included SF at Dubai (l. Errani) and QF at Rio Olympics (l. Kvitova)
- Owns two career doubles titles: 2014 Istanbul (w/ Doi) and 2015 Istanbul (w/ Gavrilova)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Baku (lost in 1r but won title the next two years)
- Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008. Winner of seven singles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
Other Information

- Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian
- Introduced to tennis at age 5 by family
- Currently working with coach Thierry Ascione and hitting partner Andrew Bettles. Has previously worked with Iain Hughes
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**ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #60) vs. [8] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)**

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DIYAS:

**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (seventh overall); Has recorded two career wins here, both coming from her 3r run in 2014 (l. Dellacqua)
- Is 1-2 in Grand Slam matches this season, did not participate in Wimbledon due to a left knee injury
- Faces No.8 Ka.Pliskova today for the third time in her career. Trails all-time series 0-2
- Looking for her third career win over a Top 10 opponent today, with most recent of these being three years ago, against No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Dubai - other win came over No.7 Jankovic (2010 Moscow)
- This would be her best win-by-rank in a Grand Slam – current best came over No.14 Petkovic at 2015 Wimbledon
- Working her way back from wrist surgery in 2016, has improved ranking by almost 50 places since this time last year, when she was ranked No.109 in corresponding week
- One of two players representing Kazakhstan this fortnight – also Putintseva

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 17th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best results across the majors are R16 runs at Wimbledon in 2014 (on debut, d. No.15 Suárez Navarro en route, l. Halep) and 2015 (d. No.14 Petkovic, l. Sharapova)
- Has also reached 3r at Australian Open in 2014 (as qualifier, l. Halep) and 2015 (l. eventual R-Up Sharapova) and US Open in 2014 (l. Makarova). At Roland Garros fell 2r in 2015 and 2016

**Season**

- Fell in qualifying at Cincinnati before advancing through qualifying on her way to a 2r result in New Haven (l. Kvitova in 3s)
- Suffered a left knee injury at Nottingham, forcing her to retire in her 1r match w/ Stosur. The injury held her out for the remainder of the grass court season
- Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Osaka)
- Advanced to QF at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova)
- Lost opening match at Rome, having entered main draw as LL (l. Kerber)
- Also fell 1r at Madrid (l.Puig) and Rabat (l. Errani)
• Reached 2r of Stuttgart as a qualifier, fell to Ostapenko in 2r
• Fell in 1r at Charleston
• Achieved a career-best result at Miami, reaching R16 (l. Ka. Pliskova)
• Fell in 1r of Indian Wells (l. S.Williams – playing first match since returning from maternity leave)
• Made 2r at Taipei City (l. Niculescu). Fell in Dubai qualifying
• Represented Kazakhstan in Fed Cup Asia/Oceania Zone Group I in February, compiling 3-1 singles record. Only singles defeat came against Nara as Kazakhstan narrowly missed out on a place in the World Group II play-offs after losing 2-1 to Japan in the promotion play-off
• Opened 2018 season at Shenzhen, reaching QF (l. Sharapova). Followed this with 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Cirstea)

Career
• Finished 2017 at No.66, up from No.148 in 2016. Scored best year-end finish in 2014, at No.34
• Career-high rank is No.31, set week of January 12, 2015
• Won first WTA title of career at 2017 Tokyo [Japan Open] (as qualifier, d. Kato in F – title run took in eight matches)
• Is now 1-1 in WTA singles finals, after finishing R-Up at 2014 Osaka (l. Stosur in F)
• Following 1r loss at 2016 Wimbledon, underwent wrist surgery, sidelining her until February 2017, and spent much of last season playing ITF events
• Before being sidelined by wrist injury, 2016 highlight was reaching 3r at Miami (l. S.Williams). This was the first time she won back-to-back matches in 2016, and the first time since 2015 Wimbledon
• Made 2r exits at 2016 Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Azarenka), Shenzhen (l. Siniakova), Kaohsiung (l. Kulichkova), Kuala Lumpur (l. Zhu), Strasbourg (l. Kudryavtseva) and Roland Garros (l. Halep)
• Started 2015 season strongly with back-to-back QF appearances at Shenzhen (l. Zheng) and Hobart (l. Riske). Other highlights in first half of 2015 included reaching 3r at Indian Wells (l. S.Williams)
• Post 2015 Wimbledon R16 run, won just one match for remainder of season, at the WTA International-level tournament in Tokyo in September – went 1-9 during this period, including 1r exit at US Open
• Participated in 2014 Rising Stars Invitational at WTA Finals in Singapore
• Made professional debut at $100k ITF/Bratislava-SVK in 2007
• On ITF Circuit has won seven singles titles

Other Information
• Currently working with Roberto Antonini
• Previously coached by Alan Ma, with training base in Guangzhou, China
• Started playing tennis at age six
• Lived in Czech Republic from ages five to 12; now mainly based in Guangzhou, China
KA.PLISKOVA:

**US Open**

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (ninth overall); was a finalist in 2016 (l. Kerber in F) and a quarterfinalist when she last played here in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe)
- Her 2016 finals run here remains her best result at a Slam to-date
- Has matched or set a new career-best result in two of the three previous Grand Slams this year – matched her 2017 QF run in Melbourne and set a new personal best at Wimbledon by reaching R16
- Riding a nine-match win-streak in the 1r of Slams dating back to 2016 Roland Garros – boasts a career record of 18-7 in such matches
- Faces No.62 Diyas today for the third time in her career. Leads all-time series 2-0 losing an average of just 1.75 games per set against the Kazakhstan No.2 – Needed just 56 minutes to dispatch of her in their most recent meeting, at 2018 Miami
- Trails only Goerges for most aces served so far in 2018 season
- One of seven Czech players to receive a main draw position this fortnight, excluding qualifiers – also Kvitova, Kr.Pliskova, Safarova, Siniakova, Strycova and Vondrousova

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)
- Defeat of No.1 S.Williams in 2016 US Open SF was career-best victory, and ended the American's 186-week reign at the top of the rankings. Became first Czech to defeat a World No.1 since Kvitova at 2015 Madrid (d. S.Williams). Furthermore, defeat of V.Williams (R16) made her the eighth player to defeat the sisters at the same tournament
- Is one of nine players born in 1990s to reach major final (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens and Wozniacki)
- At Australian Open, best results came with QF run in 2017 (l. Lucic-Baroni) and 2018 (l. Halep), while she also posted deepest run at Roland Garros that year, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens), after 2r exits in each of previous five years
- Australian Open girls singles champion in 2010 – d. Robson in F


**Season**

- Coming off a 1r upset at New Haven (l. Makarova) after back-to-back 2r exits at Montreal (l. Bertens) and Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and made QF run at Eastbourne (as defending champion, l. Sabalenka – led 4-1 in final set)
- In only other grass court outing, made 1r exit at Birmingham (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova) – her second opening round exit of 2018 following Rome (after 1r bye, l. Sakkari)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros, defeating compatriots Krejcikova and Safarova before falling to Sharapova
- Made SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and fell 2r at Rome (l. Sakkari)
- Won 10th career title at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in final). Now 10-10 record in WTA singles finals
- Went 1-1 in singles (d. Kerber, l. Goerges) to help Czech Republic reach its sixth Fed Cup final in the past eight years with a 4-1 win over Germany. The Czechs will host the USA in November’s final
- Posted QF showings at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Miami (l. Azarenka)
- Reached QF at Dubai (l. Kerber) and made 3r exit at Doha (l. Bellis)
- Nominated for Czech Republic’s Fed Cup World Group I QF tie vs. Switzerland – but did not play a singles or doubles match due to illness
- Advanced to QF in first Grand Slam of the year at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- Began 2018 season in Brisbane; as defending champion, advanced to SF (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

**Career**

- Enjoyed another stellar campaign in 2017, posting career-best year-end finish at No.4 for second Top 10 finish. Year-end ranking has improved continuously for 12-straight seasons
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Is the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals for second year-in-a-row, reaching SF stage (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe), and posted 2r result at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova)
- Advanced to SF stage at Indian Wells (l. Kuznetsova) and Miami (l. Wozniacki). Results matched her best result at a WTA Premier-Mandatory tournament (also reached SF at Indian Wells in 2016). Also reached SF at 2017 Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
- Led the WTA in 2017 for aces served – 452 from 68 matches. Also posted joint-second most match wins – 53 (level with Svitolina, behind Wozniacki – 60)

• Career wins over Top 10 opponents stands at 23-33, most recent wins coming over No.9 Stephens and No.1 Halep at 2018 Madrid

• Enjoyed a break-out year in 2016, ending the year at No.6 (up from No.11 in 2015)

• Qualified for season-ending 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore, going 1-2 in the group stage and failing to progress. Also contested the doubles competition (w/Goerges), losing opening match to top seeds Garcia/Mladenovic

• Helped Czech Republic defend Fed Cup title in November 2016, going 1-1 in singles (d. Mladenovic, l. Garcia) before teaming w/Strycova to defeat Garcia/Mladenovic in decisive doubles match. Czech Republic have won the Cup in five out of the last seven

• Captured fifth career doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title

• Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish, meaning that for the first time in WTA history, three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (along with Kvitova and Safarova)

• Became eighth Czech woman to crack singles Top 10 since computer rankings were introduced in November 1975, after Navratilova, Mandlikova, Sukova, Novotna, Vaidisova, Kvitova and Safarova

**Other Information**

• Nominated for 2017 WTA Player of the Year; also nominated for the same award in 2016, in addition to WTA Most Improved Player in 2014

• Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club

• Coached here at US Open by former Wimbledon champion Conchita Martinez; also worked with Rennae Stubbs at Cincinnati and will reunite with the Australian for the Asian swing

• Previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza, former longtime coach of Petra Kvitova

• Married Michal Hrdlicka in Monaco after 2018 Wimbledon
[9] JULIA GOERGES (GER #9) vs. [Q] ANNA KALINSKAYA (RUS #143)

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GOERGES:

US Open

- Making 12th consecutive career main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows
- Best result came from last year’s R16 run – fell to eventual champion Stephens in 3s
- Contesting US Open on a career-high singles ranking of No.9; this week has also climbed to No.11 on the Porsche Race to Singapore leaderboard
- Currently the German No.2 behind Kerber, of four women in Top 100 (week of August 27, 2018)
- With Kerber seeded fourth and Goerges seeded ninth, 2018 US Open marks the first time in over 20 years that two Germans have been seeded in the Top 10 at a Grand Slam – last time was No.1 Steffi Graf and No.6 Anke Huber at 1997 Australian Open
- Has compiled an 18-8 record on hardcourts so far this season, including a title run at Auckland
- Owns the title of WTA’s ace leader in 2018 (372 from 52 matches)
- Has won more tie-breaks than any other player on the WTA tour this year – 12-4 record
- Faces off against qualifier and No.143 Kalinskaya in today’s opening round action; holds a 50-26 edge vs. qualifiers for her career, including a 25-14 record on hard
- Is 7-0 vs. Russian opponents since 2017 Washington (fell to Makarova in F)
- Owns a 24-18 mark in 1r Grand Slam play, including a 13-8 combined record at hardcourt slams (4-7 at US Open)
- Is 13-5 in opening round matches so far this season, including 7-2 on hardcourts

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 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)
• 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)

**Season**

• Enters US Open in great form, having advanced to the SF stage last week at New Haven (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
• Opened summer hardcourt 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). Career record in WTA singles finals now stands at 5-8
• 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 in 3s)
• 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 5-8 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

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

KALINSKAYA

US Open
• Making first career main draw appearance in New York this week – second career main draw appearance at a Slam (also 2018 Australian Open)
• Fell at first hurdle in qualifying in 2017 (l. Namigata)
• Advanced through three rounds of qualifying, defeating Min, Minella and Brengle in straight sets
• Faces off against No.9 Goerges in today's opening round – previous highest-ranked opponent faces was No.13 Kasatkina, whom she lost 6-1 6-1 against at 2018 Moscow [River Cup]
• In terms of ranking, best career win came over No.23 Garcia at 2017 Kuala Lumpur
• Seeking first career main draw Grand Slam victory, having lost only other match at this level to Giorgi at 2018 Australian Open
• Including qualifying, owns an 18-6 hardcourt record across all circuits this season – best record of all surfaces
• Along with fellow qualifier Zvonareva, is among 12 Russians to contest this year's main draw
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks second career main draw appearance at Grand Slam level
- Qualified and made major main draw debut at 2018 Australian Open (l. Giorgi)
- Fell in final round of qualifying at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon this year
- Made first slam appearances in qualifying at all four majors in 2017, falling in 1r at each
- Won the girls' doubles at 2016 Australian Open (w/Mihalíkova)

**Season**

- Last tournament prior to US open qualifying was R16 showing at $100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN (l. Boulter)
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at Gstaad (l. Kostova) and Moscow [River Cup] (l. Kasatkina)
- Reached the SF stage of $100K ITF/Contrexeville-FRA (l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Fell in final round of qualifying at both Roland Garros (l. Golubic) and Wimbledon (l. Tomova). Also on grass made 1r exit at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual R-Up Flipkens)
- Advanced through qualifying but made 1r exit (l. Kovicic) at Istanbul and contested qualifying at Prague
- Produced two semifinal showings at $60K ITF events at Zhuhai-FRA and Croissy-Beauborg-FRA and one R-Up finish at $60K ITF/Shenzhen-CHN (l. Kuzmova)
- In February, lost singles rubber to No.18 Rybarikova during Russia's Fed Cup World Group II defeat to Slovakia
- Fell in qualifying at St. Petersbourg (l. Petkovic) and Budapest (l. Vinici)
- Began 2018 campaign by successfully qualifying for first Grand Slam main draw at Australian Open (l. Giorgi)

**Career**

- Reached a career-high ranking of No.127 in June 12, 2017
- Advanced through qualifying to reach the R16 for the first time at a WTA-tour level event at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (l. Han)
- Backed that performance up with two more R16 finishes that year at Istanbul (l. Yastremska) and Gstaad (l. Kontaveit) – both as a qualifier
- Hoisted her fifth career ITF title in 2017 at $25k ITF/Obidos 4-POR (d. Frech)
- Additionally, advanced to the finals of $25K ITF/Batumi-GEO and semifinals of $60k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN, $25K ITF/Altenkirchen-GER and $25K ITF/Obidos 5-POR
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2016 Moscow (as WC, l. Mladenovic in 1r). Also won a career-high four ITF titles in 2016 and made four runner-up finishes
- Produced a successful 2015 campaign on the ITF circuit, reaching the finals at $10K ITF/Alanya-TUR and $10k ITF/El Kantaoui 29-TUN. Also made a SF run at $10K ITF/El Kantou 28-TUN.
- Made professional debut as a qualifier at Premier event at 2014 Moscow (l. Monova)
Other Information

- Born in Moscow, Russia
- Began playing tennis at age 5 and favorite surface is hardcourt
- Parents were professional badminton players and brother is a fútbol player
- Used to train for a short period of time at the Mouratoglou Academy
- Tennis idols growing up were Nadal and Myskina
- Coached by Evgeniya Maniukova and Artem Derepasko
[12] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #12) vs. SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #34)

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**GARBIÑE MUGURUZA**

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MUGURUZA:

**US Open**

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows, after posting her career-best result here last season (R16) – has reached at least the QF stage at each of the other three majors
- Enters play with a 15-match win streak in the 1r at Grand Slams – last 1r loss at a slam came at 2014 US Open. Is 20-3 throughout her career in 1r matches at majors
- Faces No.34 Zhang today for the third time in her career. All-time series split 1-1 with Muguruza winning the most recent meeting at 2017 Miami
- Both previous matches between these two players has gone to 3s – Muguruza is 3-8 in such matches this season, with her last such win coming over Vekic at Madrid
- Is 9-9 against players in the Top 40 this season
- One of four Spaniards in the main draw (also Suárez Navarro, Arruabarrena and Sorribes Tormo)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 24th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam. Owns 59-21 win-loss record across all majors
- 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 nine women (also Bouchard, Halep, Keys, Kvitova, 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. eventaul champion Halep)
• At Australian Open, best result is QF in 2017 (l. Vandeweghe) and at US Open reached R16 in 2017 (l. Kvitova)

Season
• Fell in 2r of Cincinnati (as defending champion, l. Tsurenko) in her lone hardcourt match prior to US Open
• 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
• 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)
• Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

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:

US Open
• Making sixth main draw appearance in Flushing Meadows (12th overall). Has reached the 3r in each of her last two appearances here
• Sits one win away from 15 career Grand Slam match victories – overall record is 14-25, including a 14-11 mark since 2016
• Enters play with an 8-3 record in Grand Slam 1r matches since the start of the 2016 season – had not won a match at a major prior
• Faces No.12 Muguruza today for the third time in her career. All-time series split 1-1
• Both previous matches between these two players has gone to 3s – Zhang is 2-6 in such matches this season, last win coming over Čepelová
• This will be her highest ranked 1r opponent in New York since 2008 (l. No.4 Kuznetsova)
• Is 1-4 against Top 20 opponents this season, defeating No.13 Stephens at Australian Open
• A win today would be her best win-by-ranking of 2018 and best since ousting No.7 Muguruza in Doha in 2017
• Chinese No.1 of five women in the current Top 100 (week of August 20, 2018)
• One of three players representing China to have earned a main draw, excluding qualifiers
**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 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

**Season**

- Coming off a 2r result in Montréal (l. Mertens) after a 1r exit in San Jose (l. Lapko)
- Enjoyed a QF run on hardcourts 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 fifth career doubles title at Istanbul (w/Liang, d. Knoll/Smith in F)
- Seeded No.31, received 1r bye at Miami (l. Haddad Maia in 2r)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells (as No.32 seed, l. Ka.Pliskova in 3s)
- 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 four WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2014 Pattaya City (w/Peng) and is a four-time runner-up
• Winner of 19 singles titles and nine doubles titles on ITF Circuit
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou

**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 last year as a Global Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
• Coached by Liu Shuo
• Started playing tennis at age 6 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
[16] VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16) vs. [WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #102)

Head to Head: 5-5

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- $874,559
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- 76-16
- 15-10 / 773-231
- 6-4 / 175-109
- 3-3 / 129-92
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SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA

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US Open

- Her 20 appearances at the tournament – and 80 at all majors – is the most among active players, and joint second (with Amy Frazier) in the Open Era, after Martina Navratilova (21)
- Also reached SF on five occasions, including 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) when she was one of four American women to reach this stage (also Keys, Stephens and Vandeweghe) – the first time since 1981 four women from the USA had made the last four at the US Open (Austin, Navratilova, Evert, Potter), and across all Slams since 1985 Wimbledon (Evert, Navratilova, Rinaldi, Garrison)
- Last year at Flushing Meadows, aged 37 years 3 months, became oldest player to reach a Grand Slam SF since 1994
• Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/S.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/S.Williams d. Black/Huber)
• Her 264-71 Grand Slam win-loss record (entering 2018 US Open) is second only to Serena's (325-44) among active players, and places her fifth on the Open Era list, also behind Navratilova, Evert and Graf
• Faces fellow former US Open champion Kuznetsova in 1r, bidding for 77th match win here at US Open; her 76 wins here (76-16 record) is second among active players (after S.Williams, 89-11), and fourth most in Open Era, after Evert (101), Navratilova (89) and S.Williams (89) – Graf is fifth (73)
• One of two 1r match-ups between Grand Slam champions (also Wozniacki vs. Stosur). This is also the first time in the Open Era two former US Open champions have been drawn together in the 1r in New York
• Her head-to-head record with Kuznetsova is tied 5-5. However, she does lead 2-0 at Grand Slam level, and both occasions (2003 Australian Open and 2007 Wimbledon) she went on to reach the final
• Owns 69-10 record in Grand Slam 1r matches (19-0 at US Open), with two of these defeats coming in 2018, at Australian Open (l. Bencic) and Roland Garros (l. Q.Wang)
• Record against WC at Grand Slam level is 6-1, with sole defeat coming to then-unranked Clijsters at 2009 US Open
• Second oldest of 22 thirtysomethings in the draw at 2018 US Open, after 39-year-old Schnyder
• Owns 462-134 career win-loss record on hard courts (.775) – only S.Williams (484-79 – .860) and Sharapova (353-99 – .781) own a better winning percentage among active players
• Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F)

Grand Slam History
• 2018 US Open marks 80th Grand Slam main draw appearance – the Open Era record, ahead of Frazier (71), Schiavone (70), S.Williams (69) and Navratilova (67)
• Is a seven-time Grand Slam singles champion, winning Wimbledon five times: 2000-01 2005 and 2007-08. Also won US Open in 2000 (d. Davenport in F) and 2001 (d. S.Williams in F)
• The span between her maiden Grand Slam final at the US Open in 1997 and last year’s Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history:

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• 2017 Australian Open final vs. Serena marked first Slam title bout in seven and half years (2009 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams). In the Open Era, no player has waited so long to reach another Grand Slam final – Mauresmo waited seven years between finishing R-Up at 1999 Australian Open and winning 2006 Australian Open. Also, at 36 years of age, became oldest finalist at the Australian Open in the Open Era
• Title match at 2016 Australian Open between Venus and Serena was the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, and 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open

• Owns 14 Grand Slam doubles titles (all w/S.Williams), most recently winning 2016 Wimbledon. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)

• In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998

**Season**

• In pre-US Open hard court tournaments made QF at San Jose (l. eventual R-Up Sakkari) and posted R16 showing at Montréal (l. eventual champion Halep)

• Withdrew from Cincinnati with a right knee injury

• Reached 3r of Wimbledon in only appearance on grass this year (l. Bertens)

• Ended clay court season with 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Q.Wang). In other outings on clay, reached R16 at Rome and fell 1r at Madrid (l. Kontaveit at both tournaments)

• Advanced to QF at Miami (l. qualifier Collins); had saved 3mp vs. Bertens in 3r

• Miami run followed SF effort at Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina). Defeated S.Williams in 3r – now trails head-to-head record with sister 17-12

• Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone

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• In February, went 2-0 in singles representing USA in Fed Cup action vs. Netherlands (d. Rus, Hogenkamp)

• Also teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)

**Career**

• Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale

• Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) – only player last season to reach two Grand Slam finals

• Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is the third oldest player to rank in Top 10 in WTA history behind Billie Jean King (September 26, 1983 – 39 years, 322 days) and Martina Navratilova (December 26, 1994 - 38 years, 75 days)

• 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi), and reaching 80th career singles final at Stanford (l. Konta). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, behind Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoors] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era titleholders, chasing Monica Seles (53 titles)

At Grand Slam level in 2016, advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) which was first time reaching that stage at a major since 2010 US Open. Also reached R16 at 2016 Roland Garros (l. Bacsinszky) and 2016 US Open (l. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova)

Represented USA at Rio Olympics, falling 1r in singles (l. Flipkens), 1r in doubles (w/S.Williams, l. eventual bronze medalists Safarova/Strycova) and winning a silver medal in the mixed doubles (w/Ram, l. Mattek-Sands/Sock)

Returned to Top 10 for first time since March 2011 following victory in final of the 2015 WTA Elite Trophy

Was diagnosed with Sjögrens Syndrome in 2011, missing the end of that season and start of 2012

Won singles gold medal at 2000 Sydney Olympics (d. Dementieva in F); has won doubles gold three times with sister Serena, at Sydney, Beijing and London

Spent 11 weeks at world No.1 in singles (first ascended to top spot week of February 25, 2002) and topped the doubles rankings for eight weeks in 2010

Made WTA main draw debut at Oakland in 1994; as unranked WC, defeated Stafford in 1r before falling to then-world No.2 Sánchez Vicario in three sets

**Other Information**

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price and David Witt

**KUZNETSOVA:**

**US Open**

- Making 16th appearance at US Open. Champion in 2004 (d. Dementieva in F) and runner-up in 2007 (l. Henin in F). Reached R16 on four further occasions, most recently in 2011 (l. Wozniacki)
- Is a two-time doubles R-Up at Flushing Meadows, in 2003 (w/Navratilova, l. Ruano Pascual/Suárez in F) and 2004 (w/Likhovtseva, l. Ruano Pascual/Suárez in F)
- One of only ten active players to have won more than 100 Grand Slam singles matches (152-60 entering 2018 US Open). Only S.Williams, V.Williams and Sharapova have won more matches at the majors
- Of her 18 singles titles, 14 have come on hardcourts – most recently earlier this summer at Washington DC
• Granted wildcard into this year’s draw. The best result by a wildcard at a Grand Slam was achieved by Clijsters who won the 2009 US Open title. Six wildcards have reached R16 or better at the US Open:

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• Meets fellow multiple Grand Slam champion V. Williams in 1r; she also faced a major winner in 1r at 2016 US Open (d. Schiavone) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)

• Owns 50-12 record in Grand Slam 1r matches (12-3 at US Open). Has fallen at this stage on both of her Grand Slam appearances in 2018, against Muguruza at Roland Garros and Strycova at Wimbledon (missed Australian Open w/wrist injury)

• Is 0-4 against the Top 20 in 2018; most recent win against such a player came at 2017 Wimbledon (No.10 A. Radwanska)

• Has 17-8 win-loss record against US players at Grand Slam level; two of these wins came over Frazier and Davenport en route to 2004 US Open triumph

• One of 12 Russians to start the main draw at 2018 US Open – only the United States (22) is better represented

• Entering this week, career prize money stands at just under US$25 million – should she reach R16 this fortnight, would move ahead of Hingis in 10th place on the all-time list

• Turned 33 in June and is one of 22 thirtysomethings in the singles draw

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks her 63rd Grand Slam main draw appearance


• One of three Russian women to lift a Grand Slam singles title (also Myskina, Sharapova)

• Has made QF stage at Australian Open on three occasions and Wimbledon on four occasions

• At 2011 Australian Open, played her part in setting the record for the longest women's match at a Slam, eventually succumbing to Schiavone in 4 hours and 44 minutes

• Has two Grand Slam doubles titles to her name, both at the Australian Open – in 2005 (w/Molik) and 2012 (w/Zvonareva). Finished runner-up at other three majors
**Season**

- Returned to form at start of North American hard court season, winning first title since October 2016 at Washington DC (d. Vekic in F after saving 4mp). Is now 18-23 in WTA singles finals
- Also this summer reached 2r a few weeks ago at Cincinnati (l. Svitilina)
- On grass, made 2r at Eastbourne (l. Mertens) and fell 1r at Mallorca (l. Sevastova) and Wimbledon (l. Strycova)
- After Wimbledon, dropped out of the Top 100 for the first time since August 12, 2002 (831-consecutive weeks)
- Fell 2r at Rome (l. Kontaveit) and 1r at Madrid (l. Martic) and Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)
- Won first matches since return from injury during QF run at Istanbul (d. Q.Wang and Tomova, l. Hercog)
- Lost opening match in first three comeback tournaments at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Sabalenka), Miami (after 1r bye, l. Diyas) and Lugano (l. Barthel)
- Missed opening two months of season w/wrist injury

**Career**

- Posted seventh Top 15 season finish in 2017, ending the year at No.12
- Season highlight was reaching final of Indian Wells (l. Vesnina); has reached a Premier Mandatory final in each of the last three years – also at 2015 Madrid (l. Kvitova) and 2016 Miami (l. Azarenka)
- Posted consistent results at Slams across the year, reaching QF at Wimbledon for first time since 2007 (l. eventual champion Muguruza), and R16 at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Roland Garros (l. Wozniacki)
- Secured 600th match win (all levels) at 2017 Brisbane – is one of seven active players to reach the milestone, along with V.Williams, S.Williams, Jankovic, Schnyder, Schiavone and Sharapova
- Won two titles in 2016, at Sydney and Moscow, and qualified for WTA Finals for sixth time in career (reached SF)
- One of five Russians to rank in Top 2; had a chance to become No.1 by winning 2008 Roland Garros (fell two matches short with semifinal loss to Safina)
- Ranked continuously in Top 20 from March 1, 2004 to July 11, 2010 (including over four years ranked continuously in Top 10 – April 2006 to June 2010)
- Owns seven wins over reigning world No.1s (7-20 record), most recently defeating S.Williams at 2016 Miami. Defeated Mauresmo, Safina and Henin twice each when they were No.1; one of only two players (also S.Williams) to beat Henin twice when she was No.1
- Haul of 16 tour level doubles titles includes two Australian Open crowns, won in 2005 (w/Molik) and 2012 (w/Zvonareva). Rose as high as No.3 in doubles (week of June 7, 2004)
Other Information

- Father is Alexandr Kuznetsov, cycling coach of six Olympic champions and world champions, including Svetlana's mother, Galina Tsareva (six-time world champion and holder of 20 world records) and Svetlana's brother, Nikolai Kuznetsov (silver medalist at 1996 Atlanta Olympics)
- Moved at the age of seven to Spain to attend the Sanchez-Casal Academy
- Coached by Guillermo Cañas
**[17] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26) vs. MAGDA LINETTE (POL #68)**

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**US Open**

- With six US Open singles titles, is tied with Chris Evert for most in the Open Era
- One of eight players in the Open Era to win Wimbledon and the US Open in the same year (2002, 2012)
- Her 18 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in the draw, two behind her sister, Venus, who is making her 20th appearance
- Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
- Missed entire summer US swing in 2017 due to pregnancy
- US Open marks seventh event – and third major – following birth of daughter Alexis Olympia in September 2017
- 2018 US Open represents her 69th Grand Slam main draw appearance – among active players trails only her sister Venus (80) and Schiavone (70)
- Entering 1r against No.68 Linette, owns a 89-11 win-loss record at the US Open, the most among all active players, and second-most in the Open Era behind Chris Evert (101-12), and equal to Martina Navratilova (89-17)
- Her 325-44 record at Grand Slams is the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306)
• Only loss to a player outside Top 50 at Flushing Meadows was at hands of then-unranked Clijsters in 2009 SF
• Holds a 67-1 (.985) record in Slam 1r matches (17-0 in 1r at US Open) – lone opening round loss at a Grand Slam came at 2012 Roland Garros (l. No.111 Razzano)
• 13 of her Slams have been won on hard courts – most of any player in Open Era; overall has won 46 hard court titles, also most among active players
• One of a tournament-leading 22 American women in the main draw
• At 36, is the second oldest, after Venus (38), among 22 thirtysomethings in the draw

Grand Slam History

• A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
• Aged 35y 125d at the conclusion of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a Grand Slam title in the Open Era. Has now won 10 Grand Slam titles as a 30-something
• Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, some 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span
• The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Pennetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon
• In the Open Era, Williams’ 11-year gap between Roland Garros titles in 2002 and 2013 (without winning another Roland Garros title during that time) is the longest gap for a woman at any Grand Slam
• In 2015, came within two match wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open (d. Sharapova in F), Roland Garros (d. Safarova in F) and Wimbledon (d. Muguruza in F); l. Vinci in SF at US Open. Was bidding to become third woman in Open Era to achieve the feat, after Court (1970) and Graf (1988)
• Has twice been in possession all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)
• Has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles, all with sister Venus – most recently at 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F). Also won mixed doubles titles at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)
• The sisters held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London
**Season**

- Coming off 2r showing at Cincinnati (d. Gavrilova, l. No.6 Kvitova in 3s)
- Withdrew from Rogers Cup in Montréal
- Lost 6-1 6-0 to Konta in 1r at San Jose – the heaviest defeat of her career (only occasion she has failed to win more than one game in a match) and first time losing a set-to-love since 2014 WTA Finals (l. 6-0 6-2 to Halep)
- Earlier this summer reached Wimbledon final (l. Kerber) – her 30th Grand Slam singles final, and was bidding for eighth Wimbledon crown
- Was making 18th main draw appearance at All England Club - among active players, only Venus has played Wimbledon more often (21)
- Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear). In Paris, posted first Top 20 wins since her return to tour, over No.17 Barty and No.11 Goerges
- With sister Venus, won two doubles matches in Paris to advance to R16 (l. Klepac/Martínez Sánchez)
- Roland Garros was first event contested since Miami (l. Osaka in 1r)
- Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
- Prior to Indian Wells, played Tie Break Tens event in Madison Square Garden in New York – defeated Marion Bartoli in opening match before falling to Zhang Shuai in SF
- In December 2017 appeared at Mubadala World Tennis Championships in Abu Dhabi (l. Ostapenko 6-2, 3-6, 10-5)
- In February partnered w/V.Williams in doubles rubber during Team USA's Fed Cup win over the Netherlands (l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)

**Career**

- Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1
- Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)
- Qualified first for the 2016 BNP Paribas WTA Finals Singapore presented by SC Global but withdrew due to right shoulder injury – did not play after US Open
- Was the only player to reach SF or better at all four Grand Slams in 2016 (R-Up at Australian Open (l. Kerber), R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza), champion at Wimbledon (d. Kerber in F), SF at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova))
- With 72 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92). Also a 21-time singles runner-up
- Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf's 377 and Navratilova's 332
- Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)
• Has registered 16 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)
• Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)
• Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V Williams)
• Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)
• Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013
• At 2014 US Open, received $4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women's

**Other Information**

• Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins
• Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017
• Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans
• Recently launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’

**LINETTE:**

**US Open**

• Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open (seventh overall)
• Recorded first Grand Slam win against U.Radwanska during 2r showing at 2015 US Open
• Fell 1r on other two visits to Flushing Meadows, in 2016 (l. Cibulkova) and 2017 (l. Ka.Pliskova)
• Faces No.26 S.Williams in 1r; owns three Top 50 wins in 2018, against No.25 Kasatkina (Australian Open), No.41 Martic ($100k ITF/Southsea-GBR) and No.17 Osaka (Washington DC)
• Has 4-5 record against US players this season, most recently defeating Vickery in qualifying at New Haven last week
• Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 3-11 (1-2 at US Open)
• One of two Polish representatives left in draw (also A.Radwanska)
• During 2017 North American hard court season, made 2r at New Haven (as qualifier) and fell 1r at US Open, Cincinnati, Stanford and in qualifying at Toronto

**Grand Slam History**

• 2018 US Open marks 15th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
• Best results to date were 3r runs at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Svitolina) and 2018 Australian Open (l. Allertova)
• Recorded first Grand Slam win against U.Radwanska during 2r showing at 2015 US Open
• Is yet to pass 1r at Wimbledon, falling there in 2015, 2016, 2017 and 2018
**Season**

- Reached QF at Washington DC (l. Vekic); win over No.17 Osaka in 2r was first Top 20 victory – previous career-best win came over No.21 Gavrilova at 2017 Tokyo [PPO]
- Also contested qualifying at Cincinnati and last week at New Haven
- Followed Wimbledon by advancing to fourth WTA SF of career at Nanchang (l. eventual champion Q.Wang)
- On grass, fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Putintseva) and Mallorca (l. Tomljanovic), and reached QF at ($100k ITF/Southsea-GBR)
- Highlights of clay court season were QF at Bogotá (l. Jakupovic) and R-Up finish at WTA 125K event at Bol (l. Zidansek)
- Suffered 1r exits at Roland Garros (l. Diyas), Charleston (l. Liu), Rabat (l. Zidansek) and Strasbourg (l. Buzarnescu), and fell in qualifying at Madrid and Rome
- Reached QF at Taipei City (l. eventual champion Babos), before 1r exits at both Indian Wells (l. Sasnovich) and Miami (l. Riske). Also posted 2r showing at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells
- Rose to career-high ranking of No.55 on February 12, 2018
- Posted first career victories at Australian Open during 3r run (d. Brady in 1r and No.22 seed Kasatkina in 2r, l. Allertova)
- Began 2018 season with 2r showing at Shenzhen (l. Babos) and 1r exit at Hobart (l. S.Zhang)

**Career**

- Posted best year-end finish at No.71 in 2017, her third consecutive Top 100 season
- Year highlighted by SF at Kuala Lumpur (l. Hibino). Also made QF at Bogotá and reached 3r at major for first time at Roland Garros
- Appeared in third career WTA doubles final at 2017 Bogotá (w/Cepede Royg), having also been runner-up at 2014 Guangzhou (w/Cornet) and 2016 Hong Kong (w/Xu)
- In 2016 enjoyed run to first Premier-level quarterfinal of career at Tokyo [PPO] (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Wozniacki); also advanced to QF at Katowice (l. Parmentier)
- Overall has reached QF or better on 10 occasions – 2018 Nanchang (SF), 2018 Bogotá (QF), 2018 Taipei City (QF), 2017 Bogotá (QF), 2017 Kuala Lumpur (SF), 2016 Tokyo [PPO] (QF), 2016 Katowice (QF), 2015 Tokyo [Japan Open] (R-Up), 2014 Kuala Lumpur (QF) and 2013 Baku (SF)
- Broke into Top 100 on June 15, 2015 and posted career-high singles ranking of No.55 on February 12, 2018
- Has reached one WTA singles final – at 2015 Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. Wickmayer)
- Won WTA 125K Series title at Ningbo in 2014 and was R-Up at 2018 Bol
- At 2013 Baku, made SF in second WTA main draw appearance (l. Peer)
- Played first two WTA main draws in 2013: 2r at Strasbourg (l. Cornet) and SF at Baku (l. Peer)
- Owns 10 singles titles and eight doubles titles at that level
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Poland in 2007
Other Information

- Began playing tennis when she was six; favorite shot is backhand
- Tennis idol growing up was Monica Seles
- Parents are Tomasz and Beata, sister is Dagmara
- Coached by Izo Zunic and Mark Gellard
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**US Open**

- Making third main draw appearance at US Open (sixth overall)
- Best result was 2r showing in 2017 (d. Minor, l. Vandeweghe)
- Last week, came through qualifying draw here for the second time (also 2014), beating Dunn, Ahn and Dulgheru without dropping a set
- Faces No.17 Barty in 1r; only career Top 20 win came over No.7 Cibulkova during 2017's 3r run at Roland Garros
- Only three Top 100 wins of 2018 – all came over No.99 Golubic in successive weeks, at $100k ITF/Manchester-GBR, $100k ITF/Ilkley-GBR and Wimbledon
- Owns 4-4 career record against Australian players (at all levels), most recently losing 1-6 6-4 6-3 to Gavrilova at 2018 Charleston
-Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 3-4
- Most recent WTA-level win on hard court came over Minor in 1r at 2017 US Open
- Is only African player in women's draw at 2018 US Open
- Celebrates 24th birthday on Tuesday

**Grand Slam History**

- Contesting eighth Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open
- Best Grand Slam showing was 3r run at 2017 Roland Garros; in Paris became first Arab woman to reach 3r of a Grand Slam and first lucky loser to contest 3r of a Slam since Kasatkina at 2015 US Open, and first at Roland Garros since Pizzichini in 1996. Gaidano, at 1993 US Open, was the most recent lucky loser to reach R16 at a major
- Has also made 2r at 2017 US Open (l. Vandeweghe) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Siniakova)
- Twice lost in 1r at Australian Open, in 2015 (as qualifier, l. Zvonareva) and 2018 (l. Vesnina)
- In girls' singles at Roland Garros was champion in 2011 (d. Puig) and R-Up in 2010 (l. Svitolina)

**Season**

- Enters 2018 US Open after 1r loss at $100k ITF/Vancouver-CAN (ret. vs. Khromacheva)
- Returned to clay following Wimbledon to reach third WTA QF of her career at Bucharest (l. Hercog); previously reached this stage – but no further – at 2013 Baku and 2017 Taipei City
- Enjoyed productive grass court season, reaching 2r for the first time at Wimbledon (l. Siniakova) and winning 11th career ITF Circuit title at $100k ITF/Manchester-GBR
• Played a mix of WTA and ITF Circuit tournaments on clay: fell 1r at Charleston (l. Gavrilova) and in qualifying at Roland Garros and Rabat, and reached SF at $100k ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer-FRA
• In April, won all five singles rubbers as Tunisia advanced to promotional play-off from Europe/Africa Zone Group III
• After Australian Open, suffered 1r exits at Taipei City (l. Niculescu) and Doha (l. Duan), then fell in qualifying at three consecutive events: Dubai, Indian Wells and Miami
• Began the season by falling in qualifying at Sydney and in 1r at Australian Open (l. Vesnina)

Career

• Ended 2017 at No.88, her first Top 100 season, a year highlighted by becoming first Arab woman to reach 3r at a Grand Slam
• Also in 2017, reached QF at Taipei City and 3r at Charleston, and achieved career-high ranking of No.83 on October 2
• Finished 2016 at No.193 for third non-consecutive Top 200 finish (up from No.210 in 2015); season highlighted by scoring eighth, ninth and 10th ITF Circuit titles at $25K ITF/Daytona Beach-USA, $25k ITF/Sunrise-USA and $50k ITF/Tunis-TUN, respectively
• In main draw play in 2016, made two 1r exits at Rabat (l. Sorribes Tormo) and Gstaad (as qualifier, l. Minella) and fell in WTA qualifying on five occasions in 2016: Katowice (l. Golubic), Wimbledon (l. Alexandrova), Bastad (l. Soler-Espínosa), US Open (l. Duan) and Tokyo (Japan Open) (l. Jang)
• Reached 2r at 2015 Indian Wells, which remains best finish at Premier Mandatory tournament. In 2015, also participated in the second staging of the WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore in 2015 alongside the WTA Finals – went 1-2 in round-robin stage
• During 2014 season reached 2r twice; fell 1r five times (incl. US Open) and in qualifying three times (incl. Roland Garros and Wimbledon); won one singles title on ITF Circuit
• 2013 season highlighted by a QF run at Baku; reached 2r once; fell 1r once and in qualifying three times (incl. Wimbledon, US Open)
• On ITF Circuit has won 11 titles in singles and one in doubles
• Played first two WTA main draws in 2012, falling 1r at Doha (as WC) and Olympics
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Tunisia in 2008

Other Information

• Started playing tennis at age 3
• Regular coach is Bertrand Perret but is not in New York due to suspension
• Coached at this year’s US Open by her husband, Karim Kamoun
BARTY:

**US Open**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at US Open (and fifth overall)
- Achieved best result at Flushing Meadows by advancing to 3r in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- Previously reached 2r on main draw debut in 2013 (l. Pavlyuchenkova), fell 1r in 2014 (as qualifier, l. Strycova) and in qualifying in 2011
- Also finished R-Up in doubles here in 2013 (w/Dellacqua, l. Hlavackova/Hradecka)
- Faces qualifier Jabeur in 1r; has won past 11 matches with qualifiers, stretching back to 3r defeat to Barthel at 2017 Australian Open
- Owns 7-9 record in Grand Slam 1r matches, last falling at this hurdle at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Svitolina)
- Bidding for sixth Grand Slam win of the season. By contrast, prior to this season had amassed six victories at this level across entire career
- Has won 10 of her last 13 matches on cement (Miami (2), Fed Cup (2), Montréal (4) and Cincinnati (2)), with nine of those victories coming in straight sets
- Enters 2018 US Open on a singles ranking of No.17 – just one spot lower than her career-high ranking of No.16 (achieved on January 29, 2018). This time last year, was No.43
- Entering 2018 US Open, ranks second on tour this year for percentage of service games won with 78.2% (behind Goerges – 79.4%). Has also struck 220 aces – one of six players to hit more than 200 aces, along with Goerges (372), Ka.Pliskova (272), Kr.Pliskova (241), Bertens (231) and Kvitova (220)
- Is one of five Australian women in singles draw (also Cabrera, Gavrilova, Stosur and Tomljanovic)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 17th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Matched best result at the majors by advancing to 3r at Wimbledon in 2018, having also reached this stage at 2017 Australian Open (l. Barthel), 2018 Australian Open (l. Osaka) and 2017 US Open (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- First Grand Slam main draw appearance (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia’s 2012 WC Play-Off in Dec. 2011
- 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)
**Season**
- Withdrew from New Haven last week w/viral illness
- Reached her fourth SF of the season at Montréal and 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 8-7 in WTA doubles finals
- Matched her best career result in a Grand Slam by reaching 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 run 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 on green clay of 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. Krejckova/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.4 Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Wuhan
- Winner of eight WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, one 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

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**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
DONNA VEKIC (CRO #41) vs. [19] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #18)

Head to Head: ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA leads 3-0

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VEKIC:

**US Open**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (seventh overall). Best result here came from a 3r result last season (l. today's opponent Sevastova)
- Only other main draw victory in New York came in 2013 (d. Duque Mariño, l. Halep)
- Enters play having won five consecutive Grand Slam 1r matches, dating back to 2017 Roland Garros. A win today would result in her earning at least one match victory at all four Slams in the same season for the first time in her career
- At No.41, sits four spots behind her career-high ranking, set August 6 after her R-Up finish at Washington DC
- Has already set a new career-high for Grand Slam match victories in a single season (five), surpassing her previous career high of four from last season
- Is 10-10 in Grand Slam 1r matches (2-1 at Flushing Meadows)
- Faces No.18 Sevastova today for the fourth time. Has lost all three meetings (including at 2017 US Open), coming closest to winning when she led 4-0 in the final set at 2016 Kaohsiung
- Looking for her second Top 20 win of the season, and fourth such win of her career (also No.4 Stephens at 2018 Wimbledon, No.8 Konta at 2017 Nottingham and No.10 Cibulkova at 2014 Kuala Lumpur)
- Holds 1-3 record against Latvians, with lone win coming over Ostapenko at 2017 St. Petersburg
- One of two Croatian women to begin main draw this tournament (also Martic)

**Grand Slam History**

- 2018 US Open marks 21st main draw Grand Slam appearance
- Achieved deepest run at a Slam by reaching 2018 Wimbledon R16
- Other best results at the majors came with 3r runs at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic) and 2017 US Open (l. Sevastova)
- At Australian Open reached 2r in 2013, 2017 and 2018

**Season**

- Fell in qualifying at Cincinnati
- Reached the final at Washington D.C. (l. Kuznetsova after holding 4mp) – her first finals appearance since winning 2017 Nottingham; career record in finals now stands at 2-4; rose to career-high No.37 the following week (August 6, 2018)
- Achieved a career-best result at a Slam by reaching 2018 Wimbledon R16 (l. Goerges)
- Recorded her greatest win-by-rank to date at Wimbledon, ousting No.4 Stephens in 1r
- Other highlights of grass court season included SF at Nottingham (as defending champion, l. Konta). Followed with a 1r exit at Birmingham (l. Svitolina) and 2r showing at Eastbourne (l. Strycova)
Finished the clay season with 2r result at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova). Rose to then-career-high ranking of No.42 after tournament (June 11, 2018)

Made QF run at Istanbul (l. Begu, after serving for the match twice and holding 1mp) and fell 2r at Rome (as qualifier, l. Keys) and Madrid (l. Muguruza)

Fell 2r in clay court season opener at Lugano (l. Barthel in 3s)

Reached 3r at Miami (l. Collins) and made 1r exit at Indian Wells (l. Sakkari)

Suffered 1r losses at St. Petersburg (l. Siniakova) and Doha (l. Sevastova). Also in February, reached 2r at Budapest (l. Bonaventure)

Began season with QF appearance in Hobart (l. Watson), before 2r showing at Australian Open (l. Kerber)

**Career**

Enjoyed a breakout year in 2017, cracking the Top-50 in the week of July 24, 2017

Finished the 2017 season ranked No.54, her highest career end-of-year ranking (up from No.101 in 2016)

Grass court season highlighted by winning second WTA singles title of career, at Nottingham – d. No.8 Konta. Until this title run, had not posted back-to-back main draw wins since September 2015 (run to final at Tashkent)

Reached two ITF finals at the end of 2016 season, winning the title at $100k ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY. Also reached QF at WTA 125K event at Limoges

Posted just four main draw wins across 2016, defeating Al Nabhani at Doha, Riske at Kaohsiung, Ivanovic at Cincinnati and Zhang at Tianjin

2015 highlights included reaching final at Tashkent (l. Hibino) and QF at Baku

When she won first career singles title at 2014 Kuala Lumpur, aged 17 yrs 10 mos, became youngest player to win a WTA singles title since 2006 Bangkok (Vania King)

Reached first WTA career final at 2012 Tashkent. In what was her first WTA main draw appearance, became youngest WTA finalist since 15-year-old Paszek won Portoroz in 2005. Also finished runner-up on grass at 2013 Birmingham (l. Hantuchova) and 2015 Tashkent (l. Hibino). Including 2018 Washington DC, owns a 2-4 record in singles finals

Broke into Top 100 (at No.93) on January 28, 2013

On ITF Circuit has won five singles and one doubles title

Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017

**Other Information**

Both parents played professional sports: mother, Brankica (track hurdler) and father, Igor (soccer goalkeeper)

Currently coached by Torben Beltz

Favorite surface is hard

Speaks Croatian, English and Italian

Self-described as strong-willed, determined and extremely competitive
SEVASTOVA:

**US Open**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (eighth overall), having reached the QF in each of her last two appearances, her best-career result at a major
- Also made 2r in 2009 and 2010
- Enters play with a 10-5 career record in New York, her best record among the four Grand Slam tournaments
- Currently ranked No.18, after making her Top 20 debut last year on May 15, 2017. Has been ranked inside the Top 20 every week, but four, since then
- Has managed just one Grand Slam win this season (d. Lepchenko in 1r at Australian Open), her lowest total for a season entering the US Open since 2010, when she fell in 1r of all three prior slams
- Faces No.41 Vekic today for the fourth time. Leads all-time series 3-0, including a 3r victory en route to 2017 US Open QF
- Holds a 5-1 career record against Croatians, lone loss coming to Martic at 2017 Roland Garros
- Enters play with an 11-11 career record in 1r matches at majors, including an 8-3 record in such matches since returning from retirement in 2015
- One of two Latvians to receive a main draw berth (also Ostapenko)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2018 US Open marks 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Has reached Grand Slam QF 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

**Season**
- Entering the US Open after being upset in the 1r of Cincinnati (l. Giorgi)
- 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 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
• Produced a finals run at Mallorca (l. Maria) in first grass event of the season
• Made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. Duque-Mariño)
• Advanced to R16 (l. No.2 Wozniacki) in Rome 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 earning career highs in wins (37) and winning percentage (.607) besting 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 and Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010
• 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 (August 27, 2018)

**Other Information**

• 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
• Trains and resides in Vienna and coached by Ronald Schmidt
• Other sports interests are soccer and jet skiing
[WC] VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #79) vs. VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #56)

Head to Head: 0-0

VICTORIA AZARENKA

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AZARENKA:

US Open

- Making 11th appearance at the US Open and first since giving birth to her son Leo in 2016
- Two-time runner-up, in 2012 (I. S.Williams in 3s in F) and 2013 (I. S.Williams in 3s in F)
- Fell in QF in 2014 (I. Makarova) and 2015 (I. Halep)
- US Open junior champion in 2005; bidding to become only the second player after Lindsay Davenport to win both the girls' singles and women's singles titles at the US Open (1992/1998)
- Won mixed doubles title here w/Mirnyi in 2007 (d. Shaughnessy/Paes in F)
- Received WC into main draw – is unseeded at Flushing Meadows for the first time since 2007's R16 run
- One of 10 active players to achieve more than 100 Grand Slam main draw wins (122-41)
- Enters US Open having played only 10 tournaments for the season, half of these coming on hard courts (10-5 record)
- Faces No.56 Kuzmova today. Has lost twice to players ranked outside Top 50 in 2018: No.54 Siniakova (Roland Garros) and No.53 Safarova (Mallorca)
- Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 37-7 (10-0 at US Open)
- One of seven mothers in the singles starting field at 2018 US Open, along with Bondarenko, Maria, Rodina, Schnyder, S.Williams and Zvonareva

Grand Slam History

- 2018 US Open marks 45th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and again in 2013 (d. Li in F). Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2012 and 2013 US Open (losing to S.Williams both times in 3s)
- Reached Wimbledon SF in 2011 and 2012, while best result at Roland Garros has been SF appearance in 2013
- Three Grand Slam doubles R-Up, at 2008 Australian Open (w/Peer), 2009 Roland Garros (w/Vesnina) and 2011 Australian Open (w/Kirilenko). Two-time Grand Slam mixed doubles champion, at 2007 US Open (w/Mirnyi) and 2008 Roland Garros (w/B.Bryan). Most recently finished as mixed doubles R-Up at 2018 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Won girls' singles titles at the Australian Open and US Open in 2005
Season

- Coming off 2r losses at Montréal (l. Konta) and Cincinnati (l. Garcia)
- Reached QFs in San Jose before retiring against Collins in the second set due to a back injury
- San Jose marked first event since 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Ka.Pliskova) in what was her 12th appearance at the All England Club. In only other grass court event, made 2r exit at Mallorca (l. Safarova)
- In mixed doubles at SW19, reached the final w/J.Murray, losing to Peya/Melichar
- Posted back-to-back 1r exits at Rome (l. Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
- Made 2r at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova). Saw off Krunic in 1r to register her first win on clay in two years (d. Cornet in 2r at 2016 Madrid)
- Posted SF run at Miami (as WC, l. eventual champion Stephens). Upset No.15 Keys, No.17 Sevastova and No.6 Ka.Pliskova to register multiple Top 20 wins at same tournament for first time since 2016 Miami title run
- Returned to Top 100 (at No.92) after SF run at Miami
- Fell 2r at Indian Wells, defeating Watson in 1r before falling to Stephens

Career

- Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child Leo in December 2016
- Comeback tournament was on the grass of 2017 Mallorca, reaching 2r (d. Ozaki, l. Konjuh). Prior to 2017 Mallorca, last tournament contested was 2016 Roland Garros (1r)
- Followed this up with R16 showing at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Halep). Did not play any tournaments after Wimbledon due to personal reasons
- Ended 2016 ranked No.13, despite missing second half of season after going on maternity leave (announced pregnancy mid-July). Lifted three titles, at Brisbane (first title since 2013 Cincinnati) and ‘Sunshine Double’ of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
- Miami marked 20th tour-level singles title of career (20-16 record in finals)
- Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, l. Kerber), Rome (2r, l. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/right knee injury)
- Limited to total of 23 events over 2014-15 seasons due to variety of injuries
- Posted five consecutive Top 10 finishes between 2009 and 2013, qualifying for the WTA Finals on each occasion, reaching final at Istanbul in 2011 (l. Kvitova)
- Two-time Grand Slam champion, capturing back-to-back titles at the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2013 (d. Li in F)
- Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks
- Began 2012 with 26-match win streak – best start since Hingis went 37-0 in 1997. Went on to win tour-leading 69 matches in 2012, season highlighted by six titles, finishing as WTA's year-end No.1
• Won two medals for Belarus at 2012 London Olympics – bronze in singles and mixed doubles gold (w/Mirnyi)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Kolkata
• ITF Junior World Champion for 2005 – reached first tour-level semifinal at Guangzhou the same year

Other Information

• Coached by Benjamin Ebrahimzadeh. Formerly coached by Wim Fissette, Sam Sumyk and Michael Joyce
• Gave birth to son Leo in December 2016
• Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother Alla; father’s name is Fedor and older brother is Max
• At 15, moved from hometown Minsk to train in Scottsdale, Arizona

KUZMOVA:

US Open

• Making second appearance at US Open, having fallen 1r in 2017 on tour-level main draw debut (as qualifier, l. V.Williams)
• Is enjoying direct entry into a Grand Slam for the third time in career (also this year’s Roland Garros and Wimbledon)
• Currently ranked No.56 – was No.135 entering 2017 US Open
• Faces two-time US Open finalist Azarenka in 1r; Grand Slam 1r record stands at 1-3
• Sole win across all majors came at 2018 Roland Garros, where she scored 1r win over former champion Schiavone in two tie-break sets
• Was R-Up in girls' singles at 2016 US Open, and won the girls' doubles title (w/Pospelova) at 2015 US Open
• Has played a mix of WTA and ITF Circuit events in 2018, posting a win-loss record of 48-21

Grand Slam History

• 2018 US Open marks fifth Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Best result was 2r showing at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Svitolina in 2r)
• Her three other outings were 1r exits at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, l. V.Williams), 2018 Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Peterson)
• Fell in qualifying at 2017 Roland Garros and Wimbledon

Season

• In pre-US Open hard court events, reached 2r at Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Mladenovic) and contested qualifying last week at New Haven
• In 1r at Cincinnati, matched best career win-by-ranking by upsetting No.36 Sasnovich (also d. No.36 Cirstea at 2018 Budapest)
• Returned to clay after Wimbledon to win title at $100K ITF/Budapest-HUN, reach 2r at Gstaad (l. Kudermetova) and fell in 1r at Moscow [River Cup] (l. Goerges); posted career-high ranking of No.54 on July 16, 2018
• Highlight of grass court season was reaching SF at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Flipkens). Followed this with 1r exits at Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Hercog) and Wimbledon (l. Peterson)
• On clay, reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Svitolina) and fell 1r at Prague (l. Q.Wang). Also posted title run at ITF $100k/Trnava 2-SVK (d. Cepde Royg in F) to break into Top 100 for first time
• Delivered another impressive Fed Cup performance vs. Belarus in April (d. Sasnovich, Sabalenka) but was unable to stop Slovakia losing tie 3-2
• Posted best career result at Budapest, simultaneously making tour-level QF and SF debut. As qualifier, defeated No.36 Cirstea, Grand Slam R-Up Lisicki and Martic to reach SF without dropping a set (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck). Followed this with title run at $60k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN (d. Kalinskya in F)
• Was instrumental for Slovakia on Fed Cup debut vs. Russia in February, going 2-0 in singles (d. Potapova, Vikhlyantseva) as they ran out 3-1 winners
• Came through qualifying at St. Petersburg, but fell 1r to Kasatkina
• Made main draw debut at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens in 1r)
• Opened 2018 season with 2r run at Auckland (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Goerges)

**Career**

• Ended 2017 season ranked No.132 – her first Top 200 year-end finish
• Advanced to the QF stage or better at 12 ITF events last year, including two titles at $25k ITF/Mildura-AUS and $25k ITF/Imola-ITA
• Highlight of 2017 season was earning first tour-level win at Linz over Friedsam (l. Maria in 2r)
• Fell in WTA qualifying on four occasions in 2017
• Made tour-level main draw debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, l. V.Williams)
• Made WTA qualifying debut at 2016 Prague
• Highest-ranked opponent she has faced in career is No.4 Svitolina at 2018 Roland Garros, losing 6-3 6-4
• Holds 14 singles and six doubles titles on the ITF Circuit

**Other Information**

• Coached by Michal Mertinak and trains at Slovakian National Tennis Centre
• Introduced to tennis aged four by father, Radovan, who used to run a tennis club; mother is Ingrid and sister is Katarina
• Tennis idols are Rafael Nadal and Ana Ivanovic