WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN - SEMIFINAL MATCH-UPS

[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2) vs. [WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153)

First meeting
Barty will return to World No.1 should she advance to the final... Kuznetsova recovered from 6-3 5-3 down against Pliskova in QF... Barty bidding to reach fifth final of the season

[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. SOFIA KENIN (USA #22)

Kenin leads 1-0
Kenin won when the pair met earlier this year in Rome... Keys targeting first hard court final since 2017 US Open... Tournament guaranteed its first American finalist since S.Williams took home the trophy in 2015

A LOOK AT THE SEMIFINALISTS

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ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS

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QF: d. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #33) 5-7,6-2,6-0 (1h44)
R16: d. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20) 4-6,7-5,7-5 (2h10)
R32: d. MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97) 6-4,6-1 (1h27)
R64: BYE

Total games: 77
Won/lost: 47-30
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 5h21
Average time on court: 1h47
Average rank of opponent: 50

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[WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153)
QF: d. [3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) 3-6,7-6(2),6-3 (2h18)
R16: d. [8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10) 6-1,6-2 (0h52)
R32: d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #32) 4-6,7-6(7),6-2 (2h34)
R64: d. [11] ANASTASIIA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11) 7-6(3),6-7(4),6-4 (2h35)

Total games: 113
Won/lost: 64-49
Sets won/lost: 8-3
Total time on court: 8h19
Average time on court: 2h05
Average rank of opponent: 14

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## CINCINNATI Tournament History

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### CAREER MILESTONES

- **ASHLEIGH BARTY**
  - Making third consecutive appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she has reached SF for the first time
  - Lost in R16 on debut in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Woźniacki) and 2018 (l. No.1 Halep); win over No.9 V.Williams in 2r in 2017 was the first of her career over a Top 10 player
  - After 1r bye, won 11 of the last 13 games to see off 2011 champion Sharapova in 2r
  - Against Kontaveit in R16, was 5-3 down in the final set and came within two points of defeat
  - Conceded just 10 points in the third set to beat Sakkari in QF
  - Win-loss record this year now stands at 42-7 – the joint-most wins on tour with Ka.Pliskova (42-12)
  - Over half of these victories have come on hard courts (23-4 record) – Ka.Pliskova (25), Andreescu and Kenin (both 24) are the only players with more wins to their names on the surface
  - Faces No.153 Kuznetsova in SF today; since the start of 2017, only losses to players ranked outside Top 100 were against No.181 Barthel at 2017 Australian Open and No.451 S.Williams at 2018 Roland Garros
  - Has lost just three times to players outside Top 10 in 2019: No.63 Mladenovic at Rome, No.55 Riske at Wimbledon and No.29 Kenin at Toronto
  - Will return to World No.1 by reaching Cincinnati final
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- **SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA**
  - Making ninth appearance at Western & Southern Open
  - Prior to this year’s run, best results were QF showings in 2016 (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova in 3s – was the only player to take the Czech the distance) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Muguruza in 3s)
  - Broke serve nine times to upset No.11 Sevastova in 1r and register second Top 20 win of the season (also No.10 Sabalenka at Madrid)
  - Recovered from 6-4 5-3 down and saved 2mp to beat Yastremska in 2r
  - Dismissed No.10 Stephens in R16 in just 52 minutes - the shortest completed match of the tournament
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  - Faces No.2 Barty today in first SF at Premier-level or above since 2017 Madrid
  - Has won the highest percentage of return points (49%) and games (42.9%) among the semifinalists
  - Is the last remaining of five Russians in the draw (also Alexandrova, Kasatkina, Kudermetova and Sharapova). Four Russian women have won Cincinnati: Zvonareva (2006), Chakvetadze (2007), Petrova (2008) and Sharapova in 2011 (as WC)
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SEASON CONT.

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- Led Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, defeating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar Also won both singles rubbers in Fed Cup SF against Belarus in Brisbane (d. Sabalenka, Azarenka) as well as decisive doubles rubber (w/Stosur); Australia hosts France in November’s final
- Posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (l. Kvitova at both)
- Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, I. Kerber)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted career best season-finish in 2018, ending at No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai and reaching final on home soil at Sydney. Other 2018 highlights included SF runs at Montréal and Wuhan
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe)
- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- Best career win by ranking came over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney
- Winner of 10 doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs, one w/Azarenka)
- 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 for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- Won Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2018
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 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 4h 44min
- Has two major doubles titles, at Australian Open – in 2005 (w/Molik) and 2012 (w/Zvonareva)

CAREER MILESTONES

- After falling 2r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Strycova), dropped out of the Top 100 for the first time since August 12, 2002 (831-consecutive weeks)
- Missed opening two months of 2018 (w/wrist injury)
- Season highlight in 2017 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 in 2017, 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, Sharapova, Wozniacki and Kerber
- 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. Also 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)

Svetlana Kuznetsova

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GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Won first major singles title at 2019 Roland Garros (d. Vondrousova in F), becoming third Australian woman in the Open Era to win Roland Garros, joining Court (1969-70, 1973) and Goolagong Cawley (1971)
• Prior best result to date was QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
• Subsequently has also reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon (as No.1 seed, l. Riske)
• Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel) and 2018 (l. Osaka), US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina)
• Main draw Slam debut was at 2012 Australian Open, came from winning Tennis Australia’s WC Play-Off
• Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejcikova/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
• Advanced to three major doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and was also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

PERSONAL

• 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
• Currently coached by Andrey Stepanov. Previously worked with Guillermo Cañas and Carlos Martinez

• 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, was named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia. In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
• In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women’s Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
• Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce
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Head to Head: SOFIA KENIN leads 1-0

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- R32: d. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41) 6-4, 6-1 (1h13)
- R64: d. GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #27) 6-7(4), 7-6(5), 6-4 (2h20)

- Total games: 98
- Won/lost: 59-39
- Sets won/lost: 8-2
- Total time on court: 6h53
- Average time on court: 1h43
- Average rank of opponent: 34

**SOFIA KENIN (USA #22)**

- QF: d. [2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) 6-4, 1-6, 2-0 Ret'd (1h30)
- R16: d. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7) 6-3, 7-6(3) (1h52)
- R32: d. ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #80) 6-4, 6-1 (1h12)
- R64: d. JULIA GOERGES (GER #28) 6-7(4), 7-6(5), 6-4 (1h57)

- Total games: 81
- Won/lost: 47-34
- Sets won/lost: 8-1
- Total time on court: 6h31
- Average time on court: 1h38
- Average rank of opponent: 29

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"-Q" Qualifying match

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CINCINNATI

- Making sixth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she is through to SF for the first time
- Previous best result was QF run in 2018 (d. No.4 Kerber in R16, I. Sabalenka)
- In 1r on Tuesday, came within two points of defeat in second-set tie-break against Muguruza before eventually prevailing in 2h 21m
- In 2r, won 86% of first-serve points during straight-set win over Kasatkina - head-to-head record against the Russian now stands at 5-0
- Ended her own five-match losing streak against No.4 Halep in R16; now owns two Top 10 wins in 2019, having also upset No.8 Stephens en route to Charleston title
- Before this week, most recent Top 5 win was against No.4 Kerber here in Cincinnati 12 months ago
- Produced an impressive display to end V.Williams’s run in QF, striking 32 winners - including five aces - to just 17 unforced errors
- Has now hit 32 aces this week, the joint-most in the draw (with Osaka), taking season total to 189
- Faces fellow American Kenin in SF today; this is the first time two Americans have reached SF here since 2004 (Davenport and Frazier)
- Including win over V.Williams this week, owns 2-2 record against US opposition in 2019, having also beaten Stephens (Charleston) and lost to Kenin (Rome) and Baptiste (Washington DC)
- In addition to QF run here, only other appearance during last summer’s North American hard court season was SF showing at US Open
- Has reached three career finals on hard, winning 2017 Stanford and finishing R-Up at 2016 Montreal and 2017 US Open

SEASON

- Made premature exits at past three tournaments, falling 1r at Toronto (I. Vekic after holding 3mp in second set) and Washington DC (I. Baptiste) and in 2r at Wimbledon (I. Hercog)
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (I. Barty). Was one of three Americans to make last eight in Paris (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time this had happened since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
- Fell 2r at Rome (I. Kenin) and 1r at Madrid (I. Cirstea)
- Part of US team that retained its Fed Cup World Group I status thanks to 3-2 win over Switzerland in San Antonio (I. Golubic in sole singles rubber)
- Won fourth career title - and first on clay - at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F); now 4-4 in WTA finals
- Made 2r exits at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, I. No.97 Barthel, having led 3-1 in final set) and Miami (after 1r bye, I. Stosur, having led 4-2 in final set)

CINCINNATI

- Making main draw debut at Western & Southern Open, having fallen in qualifying the past three years
- Broke early in both sets to see off Goerges in straight sets in 1r
- In 2r, won 76% of service points to dismiss qualifier Diyas in 2r
- Beat No.7 Svitolina for a second week in a row in R16, having also upset her en route to Toronto SF
- In QF, opponent Osaka retired w/left knee injury. It is the first time since October 2001 a woman has defeated No.1-ranked opponents in consecutive weeks: Davenport d. Hingis (Filderstadt SF) and Capriati (Zurich SF)
- Now owns 35 tour-level wins this season; by contrast won 17 in total in 2018
- Faces US No.3 Keys in SF today; owns 3-1 record against fellow Americans in 2019, losing to Davis (Washington DC) and beating Keys (Rome), S.Williams (Roland Garros) and Brady (Washington DC)
- Since Cincinnati returned to the tour in 2004, the home nation has only been represented in the final four times, most recently when S.Williams won the title in 2015
- Contesting 2019 Cincinnati ranked at a career-high No.22. This time last year was No.67
- By reaching SF, is projected to break into Top 20
- During last year’s US Open Series, made 2r at San Jose, contested qualifying at Montréal, Cincinnati and New Haven, before reaching 3r at US Open
- Has reached two career finals on hard courts, winning Hobart and then finishing R-Up at Acapulco earlier this year

SEASON

- Coming off SF run at Toronto (I. eventual champion Andreeescu); upset No.1 Barty in 2r and No.7 Svitolina in QF
- By beating Barty, scored first Top 5 win and also became the youngest American to defeat a reigning No.1 in eight years (McHale d. Wozniacki at Cincinnati), and the second American aged 20 or younger to beat a World No.1 in the past 18 years
- Rose to career-high No.22 in the rankings following Toronto run (August 12, 2019)
- Produced 2r showing at Washington DC (I. Davis)
- Highlight of grass court season was lifting second career title, at Mallorca (d. Benic in F after saving 3MP; also beat No.11 Sevastova and No.20 Mertens en route). Also fell 1r at Eastbourne (I. Stosur) and 2r at Wimbledon (I. Yastremska)
- Produced best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Roland Garros (I. Barty); in 3r in Paris became first American to defeat S.Williams at the majors since Stephens at 2013 Australian Open QF
SEASON CONT.

- In February, was part of US Fed Cup team which lost 3-2 to Australia in Asheville (d. Birrell, I. Barty)
- Began season with R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Svitolina in 3s)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlights in 2018 were SFs at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Also made SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- 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 seven career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome, 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open), No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati) and No.4 Halep (2019 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); also youngest American to win a title since Vanina King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 10th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result is R16 showing at 2019 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 3r, I. Barty)

SEASON CONT.

- Made 1r exit at Strasbourg (l. Paquet) after R16 showing at Rome (d. No.14 Keys in 2r, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Fell 1r at Madrid (l. Kvitova)
- Scored career first Fed Cup win against Bacsinszky in April at Fed Cup playoff victory over Switzerland
- Made 2r at Charleston (l. Puig); win over Lisicki in 1r was first career tour-level victory on clay
- Posted 2r showings at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina) and Miami (after 1r bye, l. Andreeescu)
- Finished R-Up at Acapulco (l. Wang in F)
- Posted R16 showing at Dubai (l. Kuzmova)
- Part of US team that lost to Australia in Fed Cup World Group first round (l. singles rubber to Barty)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. Halep after leading 4-2 in final set)
- Lifted maiden career title at Hobart (d. Schmiedlova in F) without dropping a set
- Opened 2019 season with 2r exit at Auckland (l. Kuzmova); won maiden WTA doubles title w/Bouchard

CAREER MILESTONES

- Broke into the Top 100 on March 19, 2018 and Top 50 on October 8, 2018
- Advanced to first WTA level SF in 2018 at Mallorca as a qualifier, also reaching this stage later in the season at Québec City
- Represented the USA in the Fed Cup final vs. the Czech Republic in November 2018
- Opened 2018 with first tour-level QF at Auckland
- Holds 7-8 career record vs. Top 10 opponents, having defeated No.6 Garcia (2018 Mallorca), No.10 Goerges (2018 Wuhan), No.10 S.Williams (2019 Roland Garros), No.1 Barty (2019 Toronto), No.7 Svitolina (both at 2019 Toronto and 2019 Cincinnati) and No.1 Osaka (2019 Cincinnati)
- Compiled 47-28 record (all levels) in 2017, finishing at a career-high No.113. Campaign highlighted by 3r run at US Open, 2r at Québec City (l. Safarova) and one ITF Circuit title
- 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 Junior Rankings
- Represented the US at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China
PERSONAL

- Coached by Juan Todero; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Past coaches: Jim Madrigal, Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Ambassador for Evian and FearlesslyGIRL
- Was the architect behind Kinder Girl World Day recently on May 21, created in the “hope of replacing some of the toxicity we often see online with messages of kindness”

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- R-Up at 2017 US Open (l. Stephens). Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before 2015 Melbourne 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 Rubin (1996) and Stephens (2013)
- 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, having made that stage at Wimbledon in 2015

GRAND SLAM CONT.

- Made 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 (l. Sharapova), in what was only fourth tour-level main draw outing. Repeated feat in 2018 (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Australian Open in 2019 and Wimbledon in 2018-19

PERSONAL

- Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now 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
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WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN - QUARTERFINAL MATCH-UPS

[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2) vs. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #33)

Barty leads 2-1

Barty triumphed in their most recent encounter, at Australian Open in January... Sakkari rallied from a set and a break down to upset Sabalenka on Thursday... Barty in contention to return to No.1 next week

SOFIA KENIN (USA #22) vs. [2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

Osaka leads 1-0

Osaka won their sole career meeting in straight sets, at last year’s Roland Garros... Kenin’s prize money this season will pass $1 million if she reaches SF... Osaka struck 15 aces against Hsieh in previous round

[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) vs. [WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153)

Series tied 2-2

Pliskova won their most recent encounter, at 2017 Eastbourne... Kuznetsova is bidding to reach first semifinal at a Premier level tournament or above since 2017 Madrid... Pliskova is yet to drop a set

VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65) vs. [16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18)

Series tied 2-2

Pair are facing off on tour for the first time in three years... Williams bidding to reach first SF since 2018 Indian Wells... Keys has struck a tournament-leading 27 aces in her three matches this week

A LOOK AT THE QUARTERFINALISTS

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ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2)
R16: d. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20) 4-6,7-5,7-5 (2h10)
R32: d. MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97) 6-4,6-1 (1h27)
R64: BYE

Total games: 51
Won/lost: 30-21
Sets won/lost: 4-1
Total time on court: 3h37
Average time on court: 1h49
Average rank of opponent: 59

MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #33)
R16: d. [9] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #9) 6-7(4),6-4,6-4 (2h43)
R32: d. [6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #6) 6-4,2-6,6-3 (2h08)
R64: d. CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #52) 6-3,6-0 (1h03)

Total games: 75
Won/lost: 44-31
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 5h54
Average time on court: 1h58
Average rank of opponent: 22
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**CINCINNATI**

- Making third consecutive appearance at Western & Southern Open
- Reached R16 in both previous occasions, falling to Wozniacki in 2017 and Halep in 2018
- Returns to hard courts after posting 20-3 record on the surface earlier this season, including title run at Miami
- Coming off 2r exit at Toronto (after 1r bye, I. Kenin)
- Win-loss record this year stands at 41-7 – creating a three-way tying for best on tour between Bertens (41-16) and Ka.Pliskova (41-17)
- Defeated No.97 Sharapova in 2r; adding to her previous victory against the Russian at 2019 Australian Open to improve her record to 2-1
- With No.20 Kontaveit two points away from victory, Barty rallied from a set down to advance to QF
- Faces No.33 Sakkari today for their third career meeting, their first meeting since Barty’s championship run at the 2019 Australian Open
- Has lost just three times to players outside Top 10 in 2019: No.63 Mladenovic at Rome, No.55 Riske at Wimbledon and No.29 Kenin at Toronto
- Percentage of service games won stands at 79.3% - second best on tour behind Ka. Pliskova (80.7%) striking the third-most aces (250)
- Has the potential to reclaim the World No.1 ranking this week, with less than 300 points separating the top three (see Preview Notes)

**SEASON**

- Last week, after 1r bye suffered 2r exit at Toronto (l. Kenin)
- Made R16 at Wimbledon for the first time (l. Riske)
- Became the first Roland Garros champion to lift a grass court title in the same season since Henin in 2007 by winning Birmingham (d. Goerges in F)
- Won first Grand Slam title at Roland Garros
- Made QF at Madrid (l. Halep), R16 at Rome (l. Mladenovic; withdrew from Strasbourg (right arm injury))
- Won 10th career doubles title at Rome (w/Azarenka)
- Won biggest title of career at the time of 2019 Miami – run included three Top 10 wins, over No.8 Bertens (R16), No.2 Kvitova (QF) and No.7 Ka.Pliskova (F)
- Win over Kvitova at Miami was 200th of career (including ITF Circuit) and 100th at main draw level
- Made Top 10 rankings debut after Miami triumph (week of April 1) at No.9 (rise from No.11); became ninth Australian woman to crack the elite bracket
- Also became only player to currently rank in Top 10 in both singles and doubles – entered Roland Garros ranked No.8 in both disciplines
- Made R16 at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina in second longest match so far in 2019 – 3hr 12min)

**CINCINNATI**

- Making second main draw appearance (third overall) at Western & Southern Open
- Reached 2r last year (l. Kontaveit); defeated Osaka in 1r, the Japanese star’s final match before her breakthrough title run at US Open
- In 1r this year, won the final eight games of the match to ease past recent Washington DC finalist Giorgi
- Defeated No.6 Kvitova in 2r; now leads their head-to-head record at 2-1. Also winning their meeting at Rome this year when Kvitova retired w/left calf injury in final set
- Ousted No.9 Sabalenka in R16 to notch her fifth Top 10 win this season: No.6 Bertens (2019 Charleston), No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome), No.7 Svitolina (2019 San Jose), No.6 Kvitova (2019 Cincinnati) and No.9 Sabalenka (2019 Cincinnati)
- Faces No.2 Barty in maiden Cincinnati QF
- Currently the only Greek woman ranked inside Top 200 (week of August 12, 2019)
- In addition to 2r showing here, last summer in North America, was R-Up at San Jose, reached 2r at US Open and fell 1r at Montreal and New Haven

**SEASON**

- Coming off 3r exit at Wimbledon (l. Svitolina)
- Exited 1r of Birmingham, falling to then-World No.1 Osaka in three sets, before reaching 2r at Eastbourne (l. Konta)
- Reached QF of Nottingham (l. Brady)
- Fell 2r at Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
- Battled through qualifying and eventually advanced to SF of Rome – l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova
- Suffered 1r exit at Madrid (l. Suarez Navarro)
- Won maiden WTA title at Rabat, recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final
- Fell 1r at Istanbul (l. Kudermetova)
- Reached first QF of 2019 at Charleston (l. Wozniacki); ended defending champion Bertens’s reign in R16 – her third career victory over a Top 10 player, having previously beaten No.6 Wozniacki at 2017 Wuhan and No.5 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Rome
- Made 2r at Miami (l. Kvitova)
- Suffered 1r exits at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges), Acapulco (l. Puig) and at Indian Wells (l. McHale)
- Part of the Greek Fed Cup Team who failed to gain promotion from Europe/Africa Zone Group I event in February (posted 2-1 record in singles)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Barty). Fell 1r at Hobart (l. Linette)
- Began 2019 campaign pairing with Tsitsipas at Hopman Cup – went 2-1 in singles (d. Bencic, d. Boulter, l. S.Williams)
SEASON CONT.

- Led Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, defeating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar. Also won both singles rubbers in Fed Cup SF against Belarus in Brisbane (d. Sabalenka, Azarenka) as well as decisive doubles rubber (w/Stosur); Australia hosts France in November’s final.
- Posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (l. Kvitova at both).
- Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, l. Kerber)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted career best season-finish in 2018, ending at No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai and reaching final on home soil at Sydney. Other 2018 highlights included SF runs at Montréal and Wuhan.
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe).
- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at No.17).
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F).
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia’s No.1 on October 23, 2017.
- Best career win by ranking came over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney.
- Winner of 10 doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs, one w/Azarenka).
- 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 for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women’s Big Bash League.
- Won Australia’s Newcombe Medal prize in 2018.
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30.
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls’ singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva.
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC.
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Won first major singles title at 2019 Roland Garros, becoming third Australian woman in the Open Era to win Roland Garros, joining Court (1969-70, 1973) and Goolagong Cawley (1971)
- Prior best result to date was QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Subsequently has also reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon (as No.1 seed, l. Riske)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel) and 2018 (l. Osaka), US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina)
- Main draw Slam debut was at 2012 Australian Open, came from winning Tennis Australia’s WC Play-Off
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejcikova/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three major doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and was also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

PERSONAL

- 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
- Currently coached by Tom Hill

- 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, was named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia. In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women’s Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce
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SOFIA KENIN (USA #22) vs. [2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

Head to Head: NAOMI OSAKA leads 1-0

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ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

[2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

R16: d. SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #30) 7-6(3),5-7,6-2 (2h29)
R32: d. ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #47) 7-6(3),2-6,6-2 (2h07)
R64: BYE

Total games: 62
Won/lost: 33-29
Sets won/lost: 4-2
Total time on court: 4h36
Average time on court: 2h18
Average rank of opponent: 39

SOFIA KENIN (USA #22)

R16: d. [7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7) 6-3,7-6(3) (1h52)
R32: d. ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #80) 6-4,6-1 (1h12)
R64: d. JULIA GOERGES (GER #28) 6-4,7-6(6) (1h57)

Total games: 62
Won/lost: 38-24
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 5h01
Average time on court: 1h40
Average rank of opponent: 38

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**SEASON**

- Coming off SF run at Toronto (l. eventual champion Andreescu); upset No.1 Barty in 2r and No.7 Svitolina in QF
- By beating Barty, scored first Top 5 win and also became the youngest American to defeat a reigning No.1 in eight years (McHale d. Wozniacki at Cincinnati), and the second American aged 20 or younger to beat a World No.1 in the past 18 years
- Rose to career-high No.22 in the rankings following Toronto run (August 12, 2019)
- Produced 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Davis)
- Highlight of grass court season was lifting second career title, at Mallorca (d. Bencic in F after saving 3MP; also beat No.11 Sevastova and No.20 Mertens on route). Also fell 1r at Eastbourne (l. Stosur) and 2r at Wimbledon (l. Yastremska)
- Produced best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Roland Garros (l. Barty); in 3r in Paris became first American to defeat S.Williams at the majors since Stephens at 2013 Australian Open QF
- Made 1r exit at Strasbourg (l. Paquet) after R16 showing at Rome (d. No.14 Keys in 2r, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Fell 1r at Madrid (l. Kvitova)

**SEASON**

- Coming off QF run at Toronto (l. S.Williams); returned to No.1 following the tournament
- Lost to Putintseva on both grass court appearances, in 2r at Birmingham and 1r at Wimbledon
- Made 3r exit at Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
- Posted QF showing at Rome -- withdrew prior to match vs. Bertens w/right hand injury
- Was third consecutive clay court QF, after SF at Stuttgart (withdrew prior to match against Kontaveit w/abdominal injury) and QF in Madrid (l. Bencic, having led 5-3 in third set)
- At 2h 35m, 2r win over Sorribes Tormo at Madrid was the longest match of her career – previous longest was 2h 33m win over S.Zhang at 2018 Beijing
- Made 3r exit at Miami – falling to Hsieh in three sets
- Posted a R16 finish at Indian Wells (l. Bencic) as a defending champion for the first time in her career
- Made 2r exit at Dubai (l. Mladenovic) in what was her first match since defeating Kvitova in Australian Open final; withdrew from Doha w/back injury
- Won second Slam title at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament; was usurped by Barty after her title run at 2019 Birmingham
SEASON CONT.

• Scored career first Fed Cup win against Bacsinszky in April at Fed Cup playoff victory over Switzerland
• Made 2r at Charleston (I. Puig); win over Lisicki in 1r was first career tour-level victory on clay
• Posted 2r showings at Indian Wells (I. Svitolina) and Miami (after 1r bye, I. Andreeescu)
• Finished R-Up at Acapulco (I. Wang in F)
• Posted R16 showing at Dubai (I. Kuzmova)
• Part of US team that lost to Australia in Fed Cup World Group first round (I. singles rubber to Barty)
• Made 2r at Australian Open (I. Halep after leading 4-2 in final set)
• Lifted maiden career title at Hobart (d. Schmiedlova in F) without dropping a set
• Opened 2019 season with 2r exit at Auckland (I. Kuzmova); won maiden WTA doubles title w/Bouchard

CAREER MILESTONES

• Broke into the Top 100 on March 19, 2018 and Top 50 on October 8, 2018
• Advanced to first WTA level SF in 2018 at Mallorca as a qualifier, also reaching this stage later in the season at Québec City
• Represented the USA in the Fed Cup final vs. the Czech Republic in November 2018
• Opened 2018 with first tour-level QF at Auckland
• Holds 6-8 career record vs. Top 10 opponents, having defeated No.6 Garcia (2018 Mallorca), No.10 Goerges (2018 Wuhan), No.10 S.Williams (2019 Roland Garros), No.1 Barty (2019 Toronto) and No.7 Svitolina (both at 2019 Toronto and 2019 Cincinnati)
• Compiled 47-28 record (all levels) in 2017, finishing at a career-high No.113. Campaign highlighted by 3r run at US Open, 2r at Québec City (I. Safarova) and one ITF Circuit title
• 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 Junior Rankings
• Represented the US at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked 10th Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Best result is R16 showing at 2019 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 3r, I. Barty)
• Made 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
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open and 2019 Australian Open. Has made only 12 Grand Slam main draw appearances, owning 33-10 record
- Defeated six-time champion S.Williams to win 2018 US Open. Triumph made her first Japanese woman to reach Slam final and the youngest US Open champion since Sharapova in 2006 won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance
- Became the 10th woman to win US Open and Australian Open back-to-back
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (197, 122d)
- Made 3r at the other two majors: Roland Garros in 2016 (l. Halep), 2018 (l. Siniakova), and Wimbledon in 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. Kerber)

PERSONAL

- Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now 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

GRAND SLAM CONT.

- Reached 3r at 2017 US Open as a wildcard (l. Sharapova), in what was only fourth tour-level main draw outing. Repeated feat in 2018 (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Australian Open in 2019 and Wimbledon in 2018-19

PERSONAL

- In February hired Jermaine Jenkins, former hitting partner of Venus Williams, as her new head coach having parted company with Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Serena Williams
- Formerly coached by David Taylor
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent) and Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship
- Lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
- Sponsorship deals include Nike, Citizen, broadcaster WOWOW, Nissin, Nissan and ANA Airlines
- 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, and earlier this season contested the main draw at Miami
VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65) vs. [16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18)

Head to Head: Series tied 2-2

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VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65)

R16: d. DONNA VEKIC (CRO #26) 2-6,6-3,6-3 (2h04)
R32: d. [5] KIKI BERTENS (NED #5) 6-3,6-7(4),6-4 (2h17)
R64: d. LAUREN DAVIS (USA #67) 7-5,6-2 (1h39)

Total games: 77
Won/lost: 43-34
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 6h00
Average time on court: 2h00
Average rank of opponent: 33

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MADISON KEYS (USA #18)

R16: d. [4] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4) 6-1,3-6,7-5 (2h02)
R32: d. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41) 6-4,6-1 (1h13)
R64: d. GABRIELLE MUGURUZA (ESP #27) 6-7(4),7-6(5),6-4 (2h20)

Total games: 81
Won/lost: 47-34
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 5h35
Average time on court: 1h52
Average rank of opponent: 24

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VENUS WILLIAMS

CINCINNATI

• Making seventh appearance at Cincinnati, where best result came in 2012 when she was an unseeded semifinalist (d. No.10 Errani, No.6 Stosur, I. Li)
• Snapped four-match losing streak against Davis in 1r
• Ousted defending champion and No.5 Bertens in 2r to record second Top 5 win of the season (also No.3 Kvitova in Indian Wells 2r)
• Recovered from a break down in the final set to beat Vekic in R16 and register three straight match wins for first time since March’s R16 Miami run
• Faces US No.3 Keys in QF today; owns a 3-2 record against her compatriots in 2019, beating Davis (Auckland and Cincinnati) and McHale (Indian Wells), but losing to Gauff (Wimbledon) and Mattek-Sands (San Jose)
• At 39, is the oldest player to start singles draw, 22 years older than the youngest, McNally (17)
• Last summer on hard, made QF appearance at San Jose and 3r showings at Montreal and US Open
• After last week’s Toronto 1r exit, ranking slipped from No.56 to No.65 on (August 12, 2019) – her lowest ranking in seven years (No.65, August 6, 2012)
• Among active players, sits in second place for career hard court titles – 31, trailing only Serena (46) and ahead of Wozniacki (22)
• Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F)

MADISON KEYS

CINCINNATI

• Making sixth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she advanced to the QF for the first time in 2018 (d. No.4 Kerber in R16, I. Sabalenka)
• In 1r on Tuesday, came within two points of defeat in second-set tie-break against Muguruza before eventually prevailing in 2h 21m
• In 2r, won 86% of first-serve points during straight-set win over Kasatkina - head-to-head record against the Russian now stands at 5-0
• Ended her own five-match losing streak against No.4 Halep in R16; now owns two Top 10 wins in 2019, having also upset No.8 Stephens en route to Charleston title
• Before this week, most recent Top 5 win was against No.4 Kerber here in Cincinnati 12 months ago
• One of a tournament-leading 10 American women in starting field at 2019 Cincinnati; three have reached QF (also Kenin and V.Williams)
• In addition to QF run here, only other appearance during last summer’s North American hard court season was SF showing at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
• Has reached three career finals on hard, winning 2017 Stanford and finishing R-Up at 2016 Montreal and 2017 US Open

SEASON

• Summer hard court campaign began with 1r exits at San Jose (l. No.674 Mattek-Sands; by ranking, was worst since falling to a then-unranked Clijsters at 2009 US Open) and Toronto (l. Suarez Navarro)
• Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Gauff)
• Advanced to QF on tournament debut at Birmingham (as WC, l. eventual champion Barty) – was just fourth ever Wimbledon tune-up appearance and first outside of Eastbourne (1997, 1998 and 2011)
• Defeated No.15 Q.Wang in 2r at Birmingham for third Top 20 victory of the year (also No.20 Mertens in Rome 1r and No.3 Kvitova in Indian Wells 2r)
• Also played doubles at Birmingham w/Dort. Only the third time at tournament level (excluding Fed Cup and Olympics) she has played doubles with someone other than Serena (also played 2017 Rome w/ Keys and 2008 Doha w/Wozniacki)
• On clay, made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. No.9 seed Svitolina) and advanced to R16 at Rome (l. Konta)
• Reached R16 at Miami (l. Halep)
• Posted QF run at Indian Wells (l. Kerber), becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament’s history and at a tour-level event since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight at 43

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SEASON CONT.

- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells for first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)
- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in 3r at Australian Open
- Opened season by reaching QF at Auckland (l. qualifier Andreescu)
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CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down on No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF run at Miami (l. Collins)
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- 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)
- 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 in 2017 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). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era title-holders, 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
- At 2016 Rio Olympics won 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); won doubles gold three times with sister Serena, at Sydney, Beijing and London

CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlights in 2018 were SFs at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Also made SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- 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, 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); also youngest American to win a title since Vania King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok)
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- R-Up at 2017 US Open (l. Stephens). Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before 2015 Melbourne 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 Rubin (1996) and Stephens (2013)
VENUS WILLIAMS

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MADISON KEYS

CAREER CONT.

- 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

GRAND SLAM CONT.

- 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, having made that stage at Wimbledon in 2015

PERSONAL

- Coached by Juan Todero; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Past coaches: Jim Madrigal, Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Ambassador for Evian and FearlesslyGIRL
- Was the architect behind Kinder Girl World Day recently on May 21, created in the “hope of replacing some of the toxicity we often see online with messages of kindness”

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 83rd Grand Slam main draw appearance, the most in the Open Era
- 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 2017 Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history, followed by Navratilova 1975-94
- 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

PERSONAL

- Owns interior design company, VSStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- Chief Brand Officer of Asutra, a self-care line
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during off-season
- Celebrated 39th birthday on June 17, 2019
**[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) vs. [WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153)**

Head to Head: 2-2

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**[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)**

- **R16:** d. REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #74) 7-5,6-4 (1h42)
- **R32:** d. YAFAN WANG (CHN #52) 6-1,6-3 (1h11)
- **R64:** BYE

Total games: 38
Won/lost: 25-13
Sets won/lost: 4-0
Total time on court: 2h53
Average time on court: 1h27
Average rank of opponent: 63

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**[WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153)**

- **R16:** d. [8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10) 6-1,6-2 (0h52)
- **R32:** d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #32) 4-6,7-6(7),6-2 (2h34)
- **R64:** d. [11] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11) 7-6(3),6-7(4),6-4 (2h35)

Total games: 82
Won/lost: 48-34
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 6h01
Average time on court: 2h00
Average rank of opponent: 18

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**ROAD TO THE**

**[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)**

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• Making fifth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (eighth overall)
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• Can return to WTA World No.1 this week. Will need to at least reach SF to do so
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CINCINNATI

• Making ninth appearance at Western & Southern Open
• Best results are QF runs in 2016 (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova in 3s – was the only player to take the Czech player the distance) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Muguruza in 3s)
• Broke serve nine times to upset No.11 Sevastova in 1r and register second Top 20 win of the season (also No.10 Sabalenka at Madrid)
• Is through to last eight at Premier-level or above for the first time since 2017 run here
• Faces No.3 Pliskova in QF today; bidding to reach first SF of the 2019 season and first at Premier-level or above since 2017 Madrid
• Is the last remaining of five Russians in the draw (also Alexandrova, Kasatkina, Kudermetova and Sharapova). The last Russian to win Cincinnati was Sharapova in 2011
• Turned 34 in June; is one of three thirtysomethings to reach R16 (also Hsieh, 33, and V.Williams, 39)
• Cincinnati marks her ninth event since returning from seven-month injury layoff due to knee injury

SEASON

• Coming off R16 run at Toronto (l. Halep); 1r win over X.Wang ended a four-match losing streak
• Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Roland Garros (l. Kucova) and Wimbledon (l. Van Uytvanck)
• Fell 1r at Nurnberg (l. Larsson) after making 2r run at Madrid (d. No.10 Sabalenka, l. Bencic)
• Win over Sabalenka in the Spanish capital was her first over a Top 10 player since upsetting No.10 A.Radwanska at 2017 Wimbledon
• Made back-to-back 2r showings at Istanbul (l. Vondrousova) and Prague (l. eventual finalist Teichmann)
• In first tournament of season made QF at Lugano (as WC, l. Kr.Pliskova)
• Missed start of 2019 due to knee injury

CAREER MILESTONES

• Ended 2018 at No.107 - her first finish outside Top 100 since 2001 (No.259)
• Last summer, won first title since October 2016 at Washington DC (d. Vekic in F after saving 4mp). Is now 18-23 in WTA singles finals
• After falling 2r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Strycova), dropped out of the Top 100 for the first time since August 12, 2002 (831-consecutive weeks)
• Missed opening two months of 2018 (w/wrist injury

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• Was upset in R16 at Wimbledon (l. Muchova 4-6 7-5 13-11; led 5-3 in third set before eventually losing in 3h19m - the fourth-longest match on tour in 2019)
• Won third title of 2019 season (14th of career) at Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F); dropped serve just twice all week – and 19 games across five matches, the most economic WTA title run this season – en route to becoming the first player to win the title without dropping a set since Makarova in 2010
• Began grass swing with loss to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their career first main draw match

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- Made 3r exit at Roland Garros (l. Martic)
- Won 13th career title at Rome, becoming first Czech woman to lift the trophy since Marsikova in 1978; win over Azarenka in QF was her 500th (at all levels)
- Fell 2r at Madrid (l. Kozlova)
- Withdrew from Prague w/viral illness
- Lost opening match as defending champion at Stuttgart (after 1r bye, l. Azarenka)
- Reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets in the final
- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
- Withdrew from Prague w/viral illness
- Made 3r exit at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Ste Venclova in F)
- 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, Sharapova, Wozniacki and Kerber
- 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)
- 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)
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- Haul of 16 tour level doubles titles includes two Australian Open crowns, won in 2005 (w/Molik) and 2012 (w/Zvonareva).

CAREER MILESTONES

- Owns seven wins over reigning world No.1s (7-20 record), most recently defeating S.Williams at 2016 Miami. Also 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
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KAROLINA PLISKOVA VS SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA

CAREER CONT.
• Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles final. 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; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY
• 2019 Wimbledon marked 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
• At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
• Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
• Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

PERSONAL
• Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
• Has a twin sister – Kristyna. In 2013, became the first set of twins to capture a WTA doubles title
• Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
• Currently coached by Conchita Martinez, and previously coached by Rennae Stubbs, Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
• Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic

GRAND SLAM HISTORY
• 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
• Currently coached by Andrey Stepanov. Previously worked with Guillermo Cañas and Carolos Martinez

PERSONAL
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VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65) vs. DONNA VEKIC (CRO #26)

*Williams* leads 1-0

*Williams* won in two tight sets when the pair met in the first round at 2016 Wimbledon... *Vekic* bidding for 30th win of the season... *Williams* upset defending champion Bertens in previous round

[7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7) vs. SOFIA KENIN (USA #22)

*Series* tied 1-1

*Kenin* recovered from losing the first four games to beat Svitolina last week at Toronto... *Svitolina* advanced to SF here in 2015... *Kenin* sitting at career-high ranking

[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2) vs. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)

*Barty* leads 1-0

*Barty* beat *Kontaveit* in a rain-interrupted encounter in Miami this spring... The Estonian owns two career wins over Top5-ranked players... By reaching the final, *Barty* could reclaim No.1 ranking by reaching final

[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. [4] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4)

*Halep* leads 5-1

*Halep* has won past three hard court meetings between the two in straight sets... *Keys* looking to reach second QF here... *Halep* trailed by a set and a break in here opening match against Alexandrova

[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) vs. [Q] REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #74)

*First meeting*

*Pliskova* is the only former Cincinnati champion left in draw... *Peterson* has lost her two previous matches against Top-5 opponents... *Pliskova* could potentially return to No.1 if she reaches the final this week

[WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153) vs. [8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10)

*Kuznetsova* leads 3-1

*Kuznetsova* rallied from 5-2 down in the final set to win their last match, at 2016 Wimbledon... *Stephens* made Cincinnati SF as a wildcard two years ago... *Kuznetsova’s* last Premier QF also came here in 2017
VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65) vs. DONNA VEKIC (CRO #26)

Head to Head: VENUS WILLIAMS leads 1-0

2016 WIMBLEDON GRASS O R1 VENUS WILLIAMS 7-6(3) 6-4 112 mins

VENUS WILLIAMS

WTA PRIZE MONEY

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

* Updated entering 2019 Cincinnati R16

ROAD TO THE ROUND of 16

VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65)

R32: d. [5] KIKI BERTENS (NED #5) 6-3,6-7-6(4) (2h17)

R64: d. LAUREN DAVIS (USA #67) 7-5,6-2 (1h39)

Total games: 51
Won/lost: 29-22
Sets won/lost: 4-1
Total time on court: 3h56
Average time on court: 1h58
Average rank of opponent: 36

DONNA VEKIC (CRO #26)

R32: d. VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #40) 6-2,7-5 (1h23)

R64: d. KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #38) 6-4,6-3 (1h34)

Total games: 39
Won/lost: 25-14
Sets won/lost: 4-0
Total time on court: 2h57
Average time on court: 1h29
Average rank of opponent: 39

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VENUS WILLIAMS  VS  DONNA VEKIC

CINCINNATI

• Making seventh appearance at Cincinnati, where best result came in 2012 when she was an unseeded semifinalist (d. No.10 Errani, No.6 Stosur, I. Li)
• Snapped four-match losing streak against Davis in 1r
• Ousted defending champion and No.5 Bertens in 2r to record second Top 5 win of the season (also No.3 Kvitova in Indian Wells 2r)
• Faces Vekic in R16; bidding to win three straight matches for first time since March’s R16 Miami run
• At 39, is the oldest player to start singles draw, 22 years older than the youngest, McNally (17)
• Last summer on hard, made QF appearance at San Jose and 3r showings at Montreal and US Open
• After last week’s Toronto 1r exit, ranking slipped from No.56 to No.65 on (August 12, 2019) – her lowest ranking in seven years (No.65, August 6, 2012)
• Among active players, sits in second place for career hard court titles – 31, trailing only Serena (46) and ahead of Wozniacki (22)
• Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F)

CINCINNATI

• Making third main draw appearance at Cincinnati (sixth overall), where she is through to R16 for the first time
• Previous best result occurred in 2016 by making 2r run (as qualifier, d. Ivanovic, I. Konta)
• Defeated last week’s Rogers Cup doubles champion Siniakova in 1r
• In 2r, overcame 2013 Cincinnati winner Azarenka for the second time in the last two weeks, having also ousting the Belarusian in San Jose
• Faces former World No.1 V.Williams in 3r; looking to improve 3-1 record this year against American opposition, with sole defeat coming from Riske in Wimbledon 1r
• Bidding to notch 30th win of 2019; by contrast, last year registered a career-best 31 wins across entire season
• During last summer’s North American hard court season posted R-Up finish in Washington (l. Kuznetsova after holding 4mp) before falling as a qualifier here in Cincinnati and making a 1r exit at the US Open
• One of two Croatian players to contest the main draw; compatriot Martic fell during 1r

SEASON

• Summer hard court campaign began with 1r exits at San Jose (l. No.674 Mattek-Sands; by ranking, was worst since falling to a then-unranked Clijsters at 2009 US Open) and Toronto (l. Suarez Navarro)
• Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Gauff)
• Advanced to QF on tournament debut at Birmingham (as WC, l. eventual champion Barty) – was just fourth ever Wimbledon tune-up appearance and first outside of Eastbourne (1997, 1998 and 2011)
• Defeated No.15 Q.Wang in 2r at Birmingham for third Top 20 victory of the year (also No.20 Mertens in Rome 1r and No.3 Kvitova in Indian Wells 2r)
• Also played doubles at Birmingham w/Dart. Only the third time at tournament level (excluding Fed Cup and Olympics) she has played doubles with someone other than Serena (also played 2017 Rome w/ Keys and 2008 Doha w/Wozniacki)
• On clay, made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. No.9 seed Svitolina) and advanced to R16 at Rome (l. Konta)
• Reached R16 at Miami (l. Halep)
• Posted QF run at Indian Wells (l. Kerber), becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament’s history and at a tour-level event since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight at 43
• Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells for first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)
• Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career
• Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in 3r at Australian Open

SEASON

• Coming off 2r showing at Toronto (l. Kuznetsova)
• Made SF appearance at San Jose (l. Sabalenka)
• Grass season saw her reach final at Nottingham (l. Garcia in third set tie-break) before making 1r exits at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Barty) and Wimbledon (l. Riske)
• Made R16 run at Roland Garros (l. Konta), tying her previous best Grand Slam result at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Goerges)
• Withdrew from Rome with continued hip injury after retiring in R16 of Madrid (l. Martic)
• Posted QF showing at Stuttgart (l. Osaka, having led 5-1 in third set and being within two points of victory)
• Reached 3r at Miami (l. Kvitova) and 2r at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. qualifier Bonaventure)
• Advanced to SF at Acapulco (l. eventual champion Y.Wang)
• Fell 1r at Dubai (l. Jabeur)
• On Fed Cup duty, won both singles rubbers against Serbia (d. Krunic and Ozgen) as Croatia failed to advance in the Europe/Africa Zone Group I
• Reached biggest final of career at Premier-level St. Petersburg (l. Bertens)
• Posted best win of career by ranking – and third over a Top 5 opponent – with defeat of No.2 Kvitova en route to St. Petersburg QF, bettering victories over No.4 Stephens at 2018 Wimbledon and No.4 Garcia at 2018 Tokyo [PPO]
### CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down on No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF run at Miami (l. Collins)
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber I. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- 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 in 2017 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). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2019 St. Petersburg and 2019 Nottingham, owns a 2-6 record in singles finals appearance since winning 2017 Nottingham
- 2015 highlights included reaching final at Tashkent (vania King)
- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era title-holders, 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
- At 2016 Rio Olympics won 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); 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

### GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 24th main draw Grand Slam appearance
- Achieved deepest runs with R16 efforts at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Goerges) and 2019 Roland Garros (l. Konta)
PERSONAL

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- Chief Brand Officer of Asutra, a self-care line
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during off-season
- Celebrated 39th birthday on June 17, 2019

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 83rd Grand Slam main draw appearance, the most in the Open Era
- 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 2017 Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history, followed by Navratilova 1975-94
- 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

GRAND SLAM CONT.

- Next best result at the majors was 3r run at 2017 US Open (l. Sevastova)
- At Australian Open, reached 2r on four occasions, most recently in 2019

PERSONAL

- Both parents played professional sports: mother, Brankica (track hurdler) and father, Igor (soccer goalkeeper)
- Currently coached by Torben Beltz. Dario Novak is also part of coaching team
- Favorite surface is hard
- Speaks Croatian, English and Italian
- Self-described as strong-willed, determined and extremely competitive
[7] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #7) vs. SOFIA KENIN (USA #22)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

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**ELINA SVITOLINA**

- **R32:** d. ELISE MERTENS (BEL #23) 6-4, 6-1 (1h11)
- **R64:** BYE

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**SOFIA KENIN**

- **W32:** d. ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #80) 6-4, 6-1 (1h12)
- **W64:** d. JULIA GOERGES (GER #28) 6-4, 7-6(6) (1h57)

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CINCINNATI

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she is through to R16 for fifth time in six visits
- Best result here was SF run in 2015 (l. S.Williams)
- Has reached QF or better at past three events, Toronto (QF) and San Jose (QF) and Wimbledon (SF)
- Defeated Mertens in 2r after receiving a 1r bye; strengthening her record against the Belgian to 3-1, also triumphing against her at 2017 Istanbul and 2018 Montreal
- Faces Kenin in R16 today; owns 3-1 record against US opposition in 2019 (including 1-1 against Kenin)
- In addition to SF finish at Montréal during last year's North American hard court season, reached QF at Cincinnati and made a R16 run at US Open

SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Toronto (l. today’s opponent Kenin)
- Posted SF run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep) before making a QF run at San Jose (l. Sakkari)
- Fell at opening hurdle in both Birmingham (l. Gasparyan) and Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. Cornet)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)
- Suffered 2r exit as defending champion in Rome (after 1r bye, l. Azarenka) and fell 1r at Madrid (l. Parmentier)
- Made second career WTA Premier Mandatory SF of her career at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Andreescu) At Miami fell 2r (after 1r bye, l. Y.Wang)
- Reached SF at Doha (l. Halep after leading 4-1 in final set) and Dubai (l. eventual champion Bencic)
- Advanced to QF at Australian Open for second year in a row (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Opened 2019 season with 2r exit at Brisbane as defending champion (after 1r bye, l. Sasnovich)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Won 13th – and most prestigious – career title at 2018 WTA Finals (d. Stephens in F), after going 3-0 during round robin stage. Ended year ranked No.4
- Last year, also won titles at Rome (as defending champion, d. No.1 Halep in F), Dubai (as defending champion, d. Kasatkina in F) and Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F); career record in finals now stands at 13-2, including a current nine match win streak
- At the Slams in 2018, reached QF at Australian Open (l. Mertens), R16 at US Open (l. Sevastova), 3r appearance at Roland Garros (l. Buzarnescu) and suffered 1r upset at Wimbledon (l. Maria)

CINCINNATI

- Making main draw debut at Western & Southern Open, having fallen in qualifying the past three years
- Broke four times to see off Goerges in straight sets in 1r - now leads their head-to-head 2-1
- Dismissed qualifier Diyas in 2r to register her 33r tour-level win of the season; by contrast won 17 in total in 2018
- Faces No.7 Svitolina in R16 for a rematch of last week’s quarterfinal in Toronto; came back from a 4-0 first set deficit to defeat the Ukrainian in straight sets
- One of a tournament-leading 10 Americans in the singles draw this week; since Cincinnati returned to the tour in 2004, the home nation has only been represented in the final four times, most recently when S.Williams won the title in 2015
- Contesting 2019 Cincinnati ranked at a career-high No.22. This time last year was No.67
- During last year’s US Open Series, made 2r at San Jose, contested qualifying at Montréal, Cincinnati and New Haven, before reaching 3r at US Open
- Has reached two career finals on hard courts, winning Hobart and then finishing R-Up at Acapulco earlier this year

SEASON

- Coming off SF run at Toronto (l. eventual champion Andreescu); upset No.1 Barty in 2r and No.7 Svitolina in QF
- By beating Barty, scored first Top 5 win and also became the youngest American to defeat a reigning No.1 in eight years (McHale d. Wozniacki at Cincinnati), and the second American aged 20 or younger to beat a World No.1 in the past 18 years
- Rose to career-high No.22 in the rankings following Toronto run (August 12, 2019)
- Produced 2r showing at Washington DC (l. Davis)
- Highlight of grass court season was lifting second career title, at Mallorca (d. Bencic in F after saving 3MP; also beat No.11 Sevastova and No.20 Mertens in route). Also fell 1r at Eastbourne (l. Stosur) and 2r at Wimbledon (l. Yastremska)
- Produced best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Roland Garros (l. Barty); in 3r in Paris became first American to defeat S.Williams at the majors since Stephens at 2013 Australian Open QF
- Made 1r exit at Strasbourg (l. Paquet) after R16 showing at Rome (d. No.14 Keys in 2r, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Fell 1r at Madrid (l. Kvitova)
- Scored career first Fed Cup win against Bacsinszky in April at Fed Cup playoff victory over Switzerland
- Made 2r at Charleston (l. Puig); win over Lisicki in 1r was first career tour-level victory on clay
**CAREER CONT.**

- Posted SF run at Montréal (as defending champion, I. Stephens) and made five further QFs
- Enjoyed stand-out 2017, finishing year at No.6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins (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)
- In 2017, became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009
- 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)
- End to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (I. A.Radwanska) Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (I. Kvitova in F)
- Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (I. A.Radwanska) and Zhuhai (I. Kvitova)
- Other 2016 season highlights included SFs at Dubai, Tokyo [PPO] and Moscow, and QF at Rio Olympics 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 Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017

**SEASON CONT.**

- Posted 2r showings at Indian Wells (I. Svitolina) and Miami (after 1r bye, I. Andreeescu)
- Finished R-Up at Acapulco (I. Wang in F)
- Posted R16 showing at Dubai (I. Kuzmova)
- Part of US team that lost to Australia in Fed Cup World Group first round (I. singles rubber to Barty)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (I. Halep after leading 4-2 in final set)
- Lifted maiden career title at Hobart (d. Schmiedlova in F) without dropping a set
- Opened 2019 season with 2r exit at Auckland (I. Kuzmova); won maiden WTA doubles title w/Bouchard

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Broke into the Top 100 on March 19, 2018 and Top 50 on October 8, 2018
- Advanced to first WTA level SF in 2018 at Mallorca as a qualifier, also reaching this stage later in the season at Québec City
- Represented the USA in the Fed Cup final vs. the Czech Republic in November 2018
- Opened 2018 with first tour-level QF at Auckland
- Holds 5-8 career record vs. Top 10 opponents, having defeated No.6 Garcia (2018 Mallorca), No.10 Goerges (2018 Wuhan), No.10 S.Williams (2019 Roland Garros), No.1 Barty and No.7 Svitolina (both at 2019 Toronto)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 Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Advanced to first major SF at 2019 Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Halep)
- Best other Slam result to date have been QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (I. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (I. eventual R-Up Halep), 2018 Australian Open (I. eventual champion Osaka)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2017 (I. Ostapenko) and 2019, and US Open in 2017 (I. eventual R-Up Keys) and 2018 (I. Sevastova)
- Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 10th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result is R16 showing at 2019 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 3r, I. Barty)
- Made 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. Repeated feat in 2018 (I. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Australian Open in 2019 and Wimbledon in 2018-19
PERSONAL

- Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian
- Introduced to tennis at age 5 by family
- Coached by Andrew Bettles.
- Has previously worked with Iain Hughes and Thierry Ascione
- Won the Jerry Diamond ACES Award in the 2018 WTA Awards, in recognition of promotion of women’s tennis to fans, media, and local communities by performing off-court promotional and charitable activities
- Launched the Elina Svitolina Foundation on March 18, 2019 with a mission to encourage children, through the sport of tennis, to learn the values of hard work, self-discipline and the importance of giving 100 percent every day in life

PERSONAL

- Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now 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
[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2) vs. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)

Head to Head: ASHLEIGH BARTY leads 1-0

| 2019 | MIAMI | HARD O | SF | ASHLEIGH BARTY | 6-3 | 6-3 | 77 mins |
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**ASHLEIGH BARTY**

- **WTA RANKING**: 2
- **PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD**
- **DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)**: 24-04-1996 (23)
- **YTD PRIZE MONEY**: $5,396,442
- **CAREER PRIZE MONEY**: $10,604,522
- **SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)**: 3 / 6
- **DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)**: 1 / 10
- **CINCINNATI W-L (MD) ***: 24-07 / 124-56
- **YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) ***: 9-4 / 33-17
- **YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) ***: 5-4 / 18-14
- **YTD / CAREER LEFT HANDED W-L (MD) ***: 21-4 / 74-34
- **YTD / CAREER LEFT HANDED W-L (MD) ***: 2-2 / 11-6
- **YTD / CAREER LEFT HANDED W-L (MD) ***: 2-1 / 4-13
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) ***: 6-4 / 11-18
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) ***: 11-4 / 25-32

* Updated entering 2019 Cincinnati R16

**ANETT KONTAVEIT**

- **WTA RANKING**: 20
- **PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD**
- **DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)**: 24-12-1995 (23)
- **YTD PRIZE MONEY**: $1,007,168
- **CAREER PRIZE MONEY**: $3,785,457
- **SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)**: 0 / 1
- **DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)**: 0 / 0
- **CINCINNATI W-L (MD) ***: 23-15 / 101-87
- **YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) ***: 9-3 / 36-28
- **YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) ***: 7-5 / 28-28
- **YTD / CAREER LEFT HANDED W-L (MD) ***: 16-8 / 59-55
- **YTD / CAREER LEFT HANDED W-L (MD) ***: 2-2 / 10-10
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) ***: 0-3 / 2-9
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) ***: 0-3 / 2-9
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) ***: 3-7 / 16-26

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**ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16**

- **[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2)**
  - **R32**: d. MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97) 6-4,6-1 (1h27)
  - **R64**: BYE

- **ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)**
  - **R32**: d. IGA SWIATEK (POL #55) 6-4,7-6(2) (1h53)
  - **R64**: d. [13] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #13) 7-6(7),6-2 (1h24)

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- "Q" Qualifying match
• Making third consecutive appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she has advanced to R16 for a third straight year
• Lost at this stage on debut in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Wozniacki) and 2018 (l. No.1 Halep); win over No.9 V.Williams in 2r in 2017 was the first of her career over a Top 10 player
• After 1r bye, won 11 of the last 13 games to see off 2011 champion Sharapova in 2r
• Win-loss record this year now stands at 40-7 – the third best on tour behind Bertens (41-17) and Ka.Pliskova (41-11)
• Over half of these victories have come on hard courts (21-4 record) – only Andreescu (24), Ka.Pliskova (24) and Kenin (22) have more wins to their names on the surface
• Faces Kontaveit in 2r today; triumphed in their only previous meeting, a rain-interrupted SF en route to this year’s Miami title
• Has lost just three times to players outside Top 10 in 2019: No.63 Mladenovic at Rome, No.55 Riske at Wimbledon and No.29 Kenin at Toronto
• Ranks No.2 on tour for percentage of service games won (79.3%) behind Ka. Pliskova (80.7%) and No.3 aces struck (256)
• With less than 300 points separating the top three, could potentially reclaim the World No.1 ranking from Osaka by reaching the final this week

SEASON

• Last week, suffered 2r exit at Toronto (after 1r bye, l. Kenin)
• Made R16 at Wimbledon for the first time (l. Riske)
• Became the first Roland Garros champion to lift a grass court title in the same season since Henin in 2007 by winning Birmingham (d. Goerges in F)
• Won first Grand Slam title at Roland Garros
• Made QF at Madrid (l. Halep), R16 at Rome (l. Mladenovic); withdrew from Strasbourg (right arm injury)
• Won 10th career doubles title at Rome (w/Azarenka)
• Won biggest title of career at the time at 2019 Miami – run included three Top 10 wins, over No.8 Bertens (R16), No.2 Kvitova (QF) and No.7 Ka.Pliskova (F)
• Win over Kvitova at Miami was 200th of career (including ITF Circuit) and 100th at main draw level
• Made Top 10 rankings debut after Miami triumph (week of April 1) at No.9 (rose from No.11); became ninth Australian woman to crack the elite bracket
• Also became only player to currently rank in Top 10 in both singles and doubles – entered Roland Garros ranked No.8 in both disciplines
• Made R16 at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina in second longest match so far in 2019 – 3hr 12min)

Making third main draw appearance at Cincinnati (fourth overall), where she is through to R16 for a second time
• Also made it this far in 2018 (l. eventual champion Bertens). Fell 1r in 2017 (l. Kvitova, whom she led 6-1 4-2)
• In 1r this year, upset No.13 Kerber to score third Top 20 win of 2019 (also No.7 Kvitova at Brisbane and No.11 Sevastova at Indian Wells)
• Recovered from a break down in both sets to beat teenage qualifier Swiatek in 2r
• Faces No.2 Barty in R16. Owns two Top 5 wins, over No.1 Kerber (2017 Rome) and No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Rome)
• Bidding to reach fourth QF of the season and first since Stuttgart R-Up finish in April
• Played last year’s tournament on a ranking of No.30; currently ranked No.20, six spots off her career-high ranking of No.14 (first achieved on April 1, 2019)
• In addition to R16 run here, last summer’s hard court season brought 2r showings at Montreal and New Haven and 1r exit at US Open
• Best career results on hard courts are R-Up finishes at 2017 Biel and 2018 Wuhan, and SF showings at 2016 Monterrey, 2016 Guangzhou and 2019 Miami
ASHLEIGH BARTY VS ANETT KONTAVEIT

SEASON CONT.

• Led Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, defeating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar. Also won both singles rubbers in Fed Cup SF against Belarus in Brisbane (d. Sabalenka, Azarenka) as well as decisive doubles rubber (w/Stosur); Australia hosts France in November’s final.
• Posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (l. Kvitova at both).
• Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, l. Kerber).

CAREER MILESTONES

• Posted career best season-finish in 2018, ending at No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai and reaching final on home soil at Sydney. Other 2018 highlights included SF runs at Montréal and Wuhan.
• Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe).
• Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at No.17).
• Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F).
• Made Top 20 debut and became Australia’s No.1 on October 23, 2017.
• Best career win by ranking came over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney.
• Winner of 10 doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs, one w/Azarenka).
• 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 for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women’s Big Bash League.
• Won Australia’s Newcombe Medal prize in 2018.
• Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30.
• Won 2011 Wimbledon girls’ singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva.
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC.

CAREER MILESTONES

• In 2018, season highlighted by fourth WTA singles final at Wuhan (l. Sabalenka); posted 33 main draw wins – the first time she had registered 30 or more wins in a season – finishing No.21 in the rankings.
• Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including R16 run at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showings at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitoli-na) and Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova).
• Breakthrough season came in 2017, finishing on a ranking of No.34, up from No.110 in 2016 – first year-end finish inside Top 50 and second non-consecutive year in Top 100.
• Won first career singles title at 2017 ’s-Hertogenbosch (d. Vakhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benne (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens).
• Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017).
• Also advanced to QF at Premier-level tournaments at Stuttgart, where she beat No.6 Muguruza en route, and Rome, where she posted her first career win over a reigning No.1 with defeat of Kerber in 2r.
• In 2016, played main draw at all four Grand Slams for first time, but dropped out of Top 100.
• One of five teenagers in 2015 year-end Top 100.
• Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2015 at No.96, up from No.152.
• Scored first Top 20 win of career over No.17 Errani at 2016 Monterrey (2r).
• Has won 11 singles titles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit.
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami as WC (l. McHale, 1r).
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010.
• Junior highlights included winning 2011 Orange Bowl, defeating Bouchard and Putintseva en route.

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked 18th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam.
• Earned her first Grand Slam victories at 2015 US Open where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. V.Williams) – only seventh qualifier in Open Era to reach US Open R16.
• Also made R16 at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens).
• Best showings at Wimbledon are 3r runs in 2017 (l. Wozniacki), 2018 (l. Van Uytvanck) and 2019 (l. Muchova).
• R-Up in 2012 US Open girls’ singles (l. Crawford).
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Won first major singles title at 2019 Roland Garros, becoming third Australian woman in the Open Era to win Roland Garros, joining Court (1969-70, 1973) and Goolagong Cawley (1971)
- Prior best result to date was QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Subsequently has also reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon (as No.1 seed, l. Riske)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel) and 2018 (l. Osaka), US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina)
- Main draw Slam debut was at 2012 Australian Open, came from winning Tennis Australia’s WC Play-Off
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejckova/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three major doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and was also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

PERSONAL

- 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, was 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 Tzyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce

PERSONAL

- Currently coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- Mother, Ulle, is a tennis coach and started her in tennis (was her coach until the age of 11, then began working other Estonian coaches)
- Father, Andrus, is a manager at the Port of Tallinn
[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. [4] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 5-1

2018      ROME    CLAY O     R16       SIMONA HALEP     W/O
2016      WTA FINALS    HARD I     R1       SIMONA HALEP     6-2  6-4     69 mins
2016      WUHAN    HARD O     QF       SIMONA HALEP     6-4  6-2     70 mins
2016      MONTREAL    HARD O     F       SIMONA HALEP     7-6(2)  6-3     75 mins
2016      WIMBLEDON    GRASS O     R16     SIMONA HALEP     6-7(5)  6-4  6-3     116 mins
2014      ROME    CLAY O     R2       SIMONA HALEP     5-7  6-0  6-1     98 mins
2014      SYDNEY    HARD O     R1       MADISON KEYS     6-1  6-4     72 mins

MADISON KEYS

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CINCINNATI

- Making sixth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she advanced to the QF for the first time in 2018 (d. No.4 Kerber in R16, l. Sabalenka)
- In 1r on Tuesday, came within two points of defeat in second-set tie-break against Muguruza before eventually prevailing in 2h 21m
- In 2r, won 86% of first-serve points during straight-set win over Kasatkina - head-to-head record against the Russian now stands at 5-0
- Faces No.4 Halep in R16 today; owns one Top 10 win in 2019, over No.8 Stephens at Charleston, while most recent Top 5 win came against No.4 Kerber here in Cincinnati 12 months ago
- One of a tournament-leading 10 American women in starting field at 2019 Cincinnati; four have reached R16 (also Kenin, Stephens and V.Williams)
- In addition to QF run here, only other appearance during last summer’s North American hard court season was SF showing at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Has reached three career finals on hard, winning 2017 Stanford and finishing R-Up at 2016 Montreal and 2017 US Open

SEASON

- Made premature exits at past three tournaments, falling 1r at Toronto (l. Vekic after holding 3mp in second set) and Washington DC (l. Baptiste) and in 2r at Wimbledon (l. Hercog)
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (l. Barty). Was one of three Americans to make last eight in Paris (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time this had happened since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
- Fell 2r at Rome (l. Kenin) and 1r at Madrid (l. Cirstea)
- Part of US team that retained its Fed Cup World Group I status thanks to 3-2 win over Switzerland in San Antonio (l. Golubic in sole singles rubber)
- Won fourth career title - and first on clay - at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Coming off 2r exits at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. No.97 Barthel, having led 3-1 in final set) and Miami (after 1r bye, l. Stosur, having led 4-2 in final set)
- In February, was part of US Fed Cup team which lost 3-2 to Australia in Asheveille (d. Birrell, l. Barty)
- Began season with R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Svitolina in 3s)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlights in 2018 were SFs at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Making eighth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (ninth overall)
- Returning as a three-time R-Up, reaching the title match in 2015 (l. S.Williams), 2017 (l. Muguruza) and 2018 (l. Bertens); during last year’s final, held a championship point in the second set tie-break against Bertens
- After 1r bye this year, recovered from 6-3 2-0 down to beat Alexandrova in a match in which she withstood 12 aces
- Now owns 21-7 record in Cincinnati - the most wins among any player in the starting field
- Faces Keys in R16; owns 7-2 record against US opposition in 2019, with defeats coming to S.Williams at Australian Open and Anisimova at Roland Garros
- Is sole Romanian woman in the field this week
- In addition to R-Up finish here, during last summer’s North American hard court season, lifted title at Montreal and fell 1r at US Open

SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzova w/ Achilles pain)
- Lifted second major title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F) to become first Romanian to triumph at SW19
- In only pre-Wimbledon grass court event, reached QF at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Kerber)
- As the defending champion, posted QF run at Roland Garros (l. Anisimova)
- Suffered opening match loss at Rome (after 1r bye, l. Vondrousova)
- Had previously reached at least the QF stage in her last 10 clay court tournaments – 2019 Madrid (F), 2018 Roland Garros (Won), 2018 Rome (F), 2018 Madrid (QF), 2018 Stuttgart (QF), 2017 Roland Garros (F), 2017 Rome (F), 2017 Madrid (Won), 2017 Stuttgart (SF) and 2016 Bucharest (Won)
- Prior to Rome, posted R-Up showing at Madrid (l. Bertens); scored third Top 10 win of the season over No.9 Barty in QF, having previously seen off No.5 Ka.Pliskova (Fed Cup) and No.7 Svitolina (Doha)
- Beat Kuzmova without dropping a game in R16 at Madrid - the third 6-0 6-0 win on the WTA tour this season (also Sharapova d. Dart at Australian Open and Pavlyuchenkova d. Jorovic at Monterrey); at 45
- Defeated Siniakova and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)
**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- **R-Up at 2017 US Open (l. Stephens).** Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion S. Williams).
- **Before 2015 Melbourne 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 Rubin (1996) and Stephens (2013).
- **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, having made that stage at Wimbledon in 2015.

**CAREER CONT.**

- Also made SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- **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 WTA 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, 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); also youngest American to win a title since Vanina King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok).
- 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.

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F).
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**MADISON KEYS vs. SIMONA HALEP**

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PERSONAL

• Coached by Juan Todero; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
• Past coaches: Jim Madrigal, Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
• Ambassador for Evian and FearlesslyGIRL
• Was the architect behind Kinder Girl World Day recently on May 21, created in the “hope of replacing some of the toxicity we often see online with messages of kindness”

PERSONAL

• Born and resides in Togliatti, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
• Began playing at age six when brother and fitness trainer, Aleksandr Timkovskii, introduced her to tennis
• Currently attending Sport College in Samara, Russia; three years into a five-year degree
• Coached by Carlos Martinez. Has previously worked with Philippe Dehaes and Vladimir Platnik
[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) vs. [Q] REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #74)

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- **R64:** BYE

[Q] REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #74)
- **R2-Q:** d. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #31) 6-2,6-1 (1h09)
- **R1-Q:** d. MARGARITA GASPARYAN (RUS #59) 6-1,7-5 (1h39)
- **R32:** d. VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #57) 2-6,7-5,6-2 (2h29)
- **R64:** d. [14] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #14) 6-3,3-6,7-5 (2h33)

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CINCINNATI

• Making fifth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (eighth overall)
• One of six former champions in this year’s field, lifting the trophy in 2016 (d. Kerber in F); Kerber would have become World No.1 had she won the final
• During title run registered three Top 10 wins, over No.10 Kuznetsova in QF, No.3 Muguruza in SF and No.2 Kerber in F
• After 1r bye, this year, hit four aces to see off lucky loser Y.Wang in 2r; has now struck a WTA-leading 371 aces in 2019, ahead of Bertens (349)
• Also leads the tour in service points won (64%), ahead of S.Williams (63.8%)
• Now owns 41 wins this season, the joint-most on tour (level with Bertens); approaching career main draw victory No.300 (currently at 298)
• Can return to WTA World No.1 this week. Will need to at least reach SF to do so
• During last year’s North American hard court season, made QF at US Open and fell 2r at Montreal and Cincinnati, and 1r at New Haven
• Competing in doubles this week with her sister Kr.Pliskova. The pair upset No.7 seeds Melichar/ Peschke in 2r and will face No.3 seeds and compatriots Krejcikova/Siniakova

SEASON

• Coming off QF run at Toronto (l. eventual champion Andreeescu in 3s)
• Was upset in R16 at Wimbledon (l. Muchova 4-6 7-5 13-11; led 5-3 in third set before eventually losing in 3h19m - the fourth-longest match on tour in 2019)
• Won third title of 2019 season (14th of career) at Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F); dropped serve just twice all week – and 19 games across five matches, the most economic WTA title run this season – en route to becoming the first player to win the title without dropping a set since Makarova in 2010
• Began grass swing with loss to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their career first main draw match
• Made 3r exit at Roland Garros (l. Martic)
• Won 13th career title at Rome, becoming first Czech woman to lift the trophy since Martisova in 1978; win over Azarenka in QF was her 500th (at all levels)
• Fell 2r at Madrid (l. Kozlova)
• Withdrew from Prague w/viral illness
• Lost opening match as defending champion at Stuttgart (after 1r bye, l. Azarenka)

CINCINNATI

• Making second appearance at Western & Southern Open, having reached 2r as a qualifier in 2018 (l. Mertens)
• Came through qualifying again this year, upsetting the higher-ranked Gasparian and Strycova
• In 1r this year, upset No.15 Konta – her second over a Top 20 player, having previously upset No.8 Stephens last month at Washington DC
• Withstood 10 aces to beat Kudermetova in 2r in a match where the second set alone lasted 1h 20m
• Faces No.3 Ka.Pliskova in R16; lost previous two matches with Top 5 players in straight sets, against No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Wuhan and No.5 Kerber at 2019 Eastbourne
• Bidding to reach fifth career QF and first at a Premier-level tournament
• Only Swedish woman in the singles draw (next highest ranked is No.173 Larsson)
• During last summer’s North American hard court season, followed up 2r showing here by contesting qualifying at New Haven then producing best Grand Slam result of career by reaching US Open 3r

SEASON

• So far this summer on hard courts, has reached 2r at Washington DC (d. No.8 Stephens, l. Giorgi) and contested qualifying last week at Toronto
• Highlight of grass court season was R16 showing at Eastbourne (l. Kerber), sandwiched between 1r defeats at Mallorca (l. Bencic) and Wimbledon (l. Wickmayer)
• On clay, posted QF run at Rabat (l. Tomljanovic) and 2r showings at Lugano (l. Kudermetova), Istanbul (l. Arruabarrena), Strasbourg (l. Garcia) and Roland Garros (l. Vekic). Also made 1r exit at Rome (as qualifier, l. S.Williams)
• Reached 2r at Miami (l. S.Williams) and made 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Alexandrova) and Acapulco (l. Kenin via ret. w/upper respiratory illness)
• Posted 1-2 record in singles at the Fed Cup Europe/ Africa Zone Group I event, as Sweden narrowly missed out on place to the World Group II playoffs
• Made QF at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and then SF at $100k ITF/Midland-USA
• Made 2r on Australian Open debut (d. Cirstea, l. Sharapova). Has now contested the main draws of all the majors
• Did not play any events in lead-up to 2019 Australian Open

KAROLINA PLISKOVA VS REBECCA PETERSON
SEASON CONT.

• Reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets in the final
• Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
• Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
• Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
• Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, I. Halep)
• Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s; saved four match points to defeat S.Williams)
• Began season by triumphing at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons

CAREER MILESTONES

• Finished 2018 at No.55 for career-high year-end finish, and debut Top 100 season
• Posted most main draw wins last year, going 10-11, and peaked at No.52 in the rankings (October 22, 2018)
• Advanced to 3r at 2018 US Open, first time at that stage of a Grand Slam (I. Kanepi); defeated a Top 30 player for the first time when overcoming No.28 Pavlyuchenkova in 1r
• Fell 2r on debuts at Wimbledon (I. Vekic) and Roland Garros (I. Buzarnescu)
• As qualifier, made first WTA-level SF at 2018 Acapulco (l. Voegele); scored then-best career win-by-ranking over No.33 Zhang in QF
• After missing first half of 2017 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
• Advanced to first WTA-level QF at Bastad in 2015. Also won one WTA doubles title that year at Rio de Janeiro (w/Bonaventure)
• 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Made 3r at a Grand Slam for the first time when reaching that stage at 2018 US Open (I. Kanepi). 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
• Prior to 2018 US Open 3r run, best major runs were 2r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
• Made debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, I. Allertova)

PERSONAL

• 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

CAREER MILESTONES

• Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (I. Garcia in F)
• At Grand Slam level in 2018 season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s; had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, I. S.Williams)
• Also in 2018, made the SF at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
• Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was 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)
• Captured fifth WTA 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; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
• At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
• Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
• Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

PERSONAL

• Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
• Has a twin sister – Kristyna. In 2013, became the first set of twins to capture a WTA doubles title
• Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
• Currently coached by Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Rennae Stubbs, Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
• Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic
[WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153) vs. [8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10)

Head to Head: SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA leads 3-1

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SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA

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0 / 16
12-8
9-8 / 594-309
4-4 / 196-127
5-2 / 126-100
4-1 / 366-192
1-3 / 42-23
0-1 / 27-60
1-1 / 58-99
2-2 / 130-169

WTA RANKING

PORESCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD

DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)

YTD PRIZE MONEY

CAREER PRIZE MONEY

SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)

DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)

CINCINNATI W-L (MD) *

YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *

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YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *

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

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

* Updated entering 2019 Cincinnati R16

SLOANE STEPHENS

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$14,709,732
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14-7
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ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

[WC] SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #153)

R32: d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #32) 4-6,7-6(7),6-2 (2h34)
R64: d. [11] ANASTASIA SEVASTOVA (LAT #11) 7-6(3),6-7(4),6-4 (2h35)

[8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10)

R32: d. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #42) 2-6,6-4,6-3 (2h07)
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## CINCINNATI Tournament History

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SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA

CINCINNATI

• Making ninth appearance at Western & Southern Open
• Best results are QF runs in 2016 (l. eventual champion Karolina Pliskova in 3s – was the only player to take the Czech player the distance) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Muguruza in 3s)
• Broke serve nine times to upset No.11 Sevastova in 1r and register second Top 20 win of the season (also No.10 Sabalenka at Madrid)
• Faces No.10 Stephens today; recovered from 5-2 down in the final set to win their most recent meeting against the American, in 3r at 2016 Wimbledon
• Bidding to reach second QF of the season, having reached this stage at Lugano in April. Bidding to reach first last eight at Premier-level or above for the first time since 2017 run here
• Is the last remaining of five Russians in the draw (also Alexandrova, Kasatkina, Kudermetova and Sharapova). The last Russian to win Cincinnati was Sharapova in 2011
• Turned 34 in June; is one of three thirtysomethings to reach R16 (also Hsieh, 33, and V.V.Williams, 39)
• Cincinnati marks her ninth event since returning from seven-month injury layoff due to knee injury

SEASON

• Coming off R16 showing at Toronto (l. Halep); 1r win over X.Wang ended a four-match losing streak
• Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Roland Garros (l. Kucova) and Wimbledon (l. Van Uytvanck)
• Fell 1r at Nurnberg (l. Larsson) after making 2r run at Madrid (d. No.10 Sabalenka, l. Bencic)
• Win over Sabalenka in the Spanish capital was her first over a Top 10 player since upsetting No.10 Agnieszka Radwanska at 2017 Wimbledon
• Made back-to-back 2r showings at Istanbul (l. Vondrousova) and Prague (l. eventual finalist Teichmann)
• In first tournament of season made QF at Lugano (as WC, l. Kr.Pliskova)
• Missed start of 2019 due to knee injury

CAREER MILESTONES

• Ended 2018 at No.107 - her first finish outside Top 100 since 2001 (No.259)
• Last summer, won first title since October 2016 at Washington DC (d. Vekic in F after saving 4mp). Is now 18-23 in WTA singles finals
• After falling 2r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Strycova), dropped out of the Top 100 for the first time since August 12, 2002 (831-consecutive weeks)

SLOANE STEPHENS

CINCINNATI

• Making eighth appearance at Cincinnati, her best result here was SF run in 2017 (as WC, l. Halep)
• In 2017, was ranked No.151 and playing just fourth event since returning from 11 months out with a foot injury. In her next event, she would go on to lift the US Open title
• After 1r bye this year, recovered from a break down in the third set, winning five of the last six games to see off Putintseva in 2r
• Has now made R16 or better here every year since falling at the opening hurdle to Errani on debut as a WC in 2011
• Faces Kuznetsova in R16 today; has 1-1 record against Russian opposition in 2019, beating Alexandrova at Sydney, before falling to Pavlyuchenkova in the R16 at the Australian Open
• Bidding to make fourth QF of the season, having reached this juncture at Charleston (QF), Madrid (SF) and Roland Garros (QF)
• One of a tournament-leading 10 American women in starting field at 2019 Cincinnati, four have reached R16 (also Kenin, Keys and V.Williams)
• In addition to R16 showing here, during last year’s North American hard court season, finished R-Up at Montreal, reached QF in defense of US Open title and fell 2r at Washington DC

SEASON

• Lost opening two matches of North American hard court season, in 1r at Washington DC (l. Peterson) and 2r at Toronto (after 1r bye, l. Bouzkova)
• On grass, reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Konta) and suffered 2r defeat at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. Ostapenko)
• Made QF run at Roland Garros (as the 2018 runner-up, l. Konta)
• Fell in 2r at Rome to eventual finalist Konta after SF showing at Madrid (l. eventual champion Bertens)
• In April’s Fed Cup play-offs, won both singles rubbers against Switzerland (d. Golubic, Bacsinszky) to help USA maintain place in World Group for 2020
• Advanced to QF at Charleston (l. eventual champion Keys). Result marked first QF run since reaching final of 2018 WTA Finals in Singapore
• Miami title defense ended in 3r (l. Maria)
• After 1r bye at Indian Wells, fell in 2r to qualifier and World No.109 Voegele
• Reached 2r at Acapulco (l. No.172 Haddad Maia)
• Made R16 at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
• Opened 2019 season at Brisbane, where she fell in 1r (l. Konta) before making a 2r exit at Sydney (l. Putintseva after leading 6-3 5-3)
CAREER MILESTONES

• In 2018 posted best year-end finish of career to date, at No.6; reached career-high No.3 ranking on July 16, 2018
• Season highlights in 2018 included capturing first Premier Mandatory title at Miami – subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9. Also reached her second Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros and posted R-Up finishes at Montréal and WTA Finals
• 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. Returned to action at Wimbledon after 11 months on sidelines w/foot injury (had surgery in the January)
• After 1r loss at 2017 Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open title run, including back-to-back SF at Toronto and Cincinnati
• Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC
• 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked 30th Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked major champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
• Best result across other Slams was R-Up finish at 2018 Roland Garros (I. Halep)
• Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, I. eventual champion Azarenka)
• Also just the second American (after Davenport) to beat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
• Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mildeanovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Bartoli)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 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 4h 44min
• Has two major doubles titles, at Australian Open – in 2006 (w/Molik) and 2012 (w/Zvonareva)

CAREER CONT.

• Missed opening two months of 2018 (w/wrist injury
• 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, Sharapova, Wozniacki and Kerber
• 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. Also 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)
SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA

PERSONAL

• 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
• Currently coached by Andrey Stepanov. Previously worked with Guillermo Cañas and Carolos Martinez

SLOANE STEPHENS

PERSONAL

• 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
• Currently coached by Sven Groenefeld; formerly coached by Kamau Murray and Nick Saviano
• On April 29, announced engagement to Toronto FC soccer star Jozy Altidore
[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2) vs. [WC] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97)

Series tied 1-1
Barty defeated the Russian during their last encounter at this year's Australian Open... Sharapova won 2011 title here as WC... Barty has made R16 here on previous two showings

ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #47) vs. [2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

Osaka leads 3-0
Osaka beat the Belarusian 6-0 6-0 en route to last year's US Open title... Sasnovich bidding for first Top 5 win of career... Twelve months ago, Osaka fell at first hurdle in Cincinnati

[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) vs. [LL] YAFAN WANG (CHN #52)

First Meeting
Pliskova approaching career main draw victory No.100... Wang claimed sole Top 5 victory against No.5 Svitolina at 2019 Miami... Pliskova could return to No.1 this week by reaching the semifinal

EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA (RUS #43) vs. [4] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4)

First Meeting
Alexandrova bidding for first Top 5 win of her career... Halep returns as three time runner-up at Cincinnati... Alexandrova making main draw debut this week

YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #42) vs. [8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10)

Putintseva leads 2-1
Putintseva came from a set and a break down to win their last hard court encounter, at 2019 Sydney... Stephens was a semifinalist here in 2017... Putintseva bidding for 4th Top 10 win of the season

[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41)

Keys leads 4-0
Keys has dropped one set against the Russian during their 4 previous meetings... Kasatkina currently the top-ranked Russian Woman, of 10 in the Top 100... Keys was a quarterfinalist here last year
• Making third consecutive appearance at Western & Southern Open
• Reached R16 in both previous occasions, falling to Wozniacki in 2017 and Halep in 2018
• Returns to hard courts after posting 20-3 record on the surface earlier this season, including title run at Miami
• Coming off 2r exit at Toronto (after 1r bye, I. Kenin)
• Win-loss record this year stands at 39-7 – the third best on tour behind Bertens (41-16) and Pliskova (40-11)
• After 1r bye, faces No.97 Sharapova today; has 1-1 record vs the Russian, last tasting victory at 2019 Australian Open
• Has lost just three times to players outside Top 10 in 2019: No.63 Mladenovic at Rome, No.55 Riske at Wimbledon and No.29 Kenin at Toronto
• Percentage of service games won stands at 79.3% - second best on tour behind Ka. Pliskova (80.7%) striking the third-most aces (250)
• Has the potential to reclaim the World No.1 ranking this week, with less than 300 points sepearting the top three (see Preview Notes)

• Making fifth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she is one of six former champions in the draw (also Azarenka, S.Williams, Ka.Pliskova, Muguruza and Bertens)
• Won the title here as WC in 2011 (d. No.10 Stosur, No.2 Zvonareva and No.14 Jankovic in F); trailed Jankovic by a set and a break in the final
• Was also R-Up on debut in 2010 (l. Clijsters after holding 3mp)
• Also held 2mp during SF defeat to Ivanovic in most recent visit to Lindner Family Tennis Center, in 2014
• Withdrew from past two editions of tournament due to injury, in 2017 (left forearm) and 2018 (right shoulder)
• Rallied from a break down to see off Riske in 1r; now owns 2-0 record vs the American on hard
• Heading into today’s 2r match against No.1 seed Barty; has 1-1 record vs the Australian, last tasting defeat at 2019 Australian Open
• Bidding for first 3r appearance since R16 run at Australian Open in January (l.Barty in R16)
• Twelve months ago, was ranked No.21; currently No.97 after injury-challenged season
• The most recent of her 36 career titles was won on hard courts at 2017 Tianjin (October)
• Owns 362-192 career main draw win-loss record on hard courts – only S.Williams (500-83) owns a better winning percentage among active players
• During last year’s summer hard court season, made R16 at both Montreal and US Open

• Last week, after 1r bye suffered 2r exit at Toronto (l. Kenin)
• Made R16 at Wimbledon for the first time (l. Riske)
• Became the first Roland Garros champion to lift a grass court title in the same season since Henin in 2007 by winning Birmingham (d. Goerges in F)
• Won first Grand Slam title at Roland Garros
• Made QF at Madrid (l. Halep), R16 at Rome (l. Mladenovic); withdrew from Strasbourg (right arm injury)
• Made Top 10 rankings debut after Miami triumph (week of April 1) at No.9 (rose from No.11); became ninth Australian woman to crack the elite bracket
• Also became only player to currently rank in Top 10 in both singles and doubles – entered Roland Garros ranked No.8 in both disciplines
• Made R16 at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina in second longest match so far in 2019 – 3hr 12min)
• Led Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, defeating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar Also won
ASHLEIGH BARTY VS MARIA SHARAPOVA

SEASON CONT.
both singles rubbers in Fed Cup SF against Belarus in Brisbane (d. Sabalenka, Azarenka) as well as decisive doubles rubber (w/Stosur); Australia hosts France in November’s final
• Posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (l. Kvitova at both)
• Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, l. Kerber)

CAREER MILESTONES
• Posted career best season-finish in 2018, ending at No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai and reaching final on home soil at Sydney. Other 2018 highlights included SF runs at Montréal and Wuhan
• Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe)
• Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at No.17)
• Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
• Made Top 20 debut and became Australia’s No.1 on October 23, 2017
• Best career win by ranking came over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney
• Winner of 10 doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs, one w/Azarenka)
• 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 for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women’s Big Bash League
• Won Australia’s Newcombe Medal prize in 2018
• Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
• Won 2011 Wimbledon girls’ singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

GRAND SLAM HISTORY
• 2019 Wimbledon was 56th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam, the fifth-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
• Remains the last teenager to win a Slam, 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

CAREER MILESTONES
• Ended 2018 season ranked No.29, highlights being SF efforts at Rome (l. Halep) and Shenzhen (l. Siniakova) and QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)
• Loss to World No.1 Halep at 2018 Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17; most recently defeated Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
• 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)
• Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane and Rome – 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
• 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, Kvitova
• 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
ASHLEIGH BARTY  VS  MARIA SHARAPOVA

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Won first major singles title at 2019 Roland Garros, becoming third Australian woman in the Open Era to win Roland Garros, joining Court (1969-70, 1973) and Goolagong Cawley (1971)
- Prior best result to date was QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Subsequently has also reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon (as No.1 seed, l. Riske)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel) and 2018 (l. Osaka), US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens) and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina)
- Main draw Slam debut was at 2012 Australian Open, came from winning Tennis Australia’s WC Play-Off
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejčíková/Siniaková in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three major doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and was also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

**PERSONAL**

- Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was published 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)
- Working with Alex Kuznetsov this week in Cincinnati; trained with the Italian coach Riccardo Piatti prior to 2019 North American hard court season

**PERSONAL**

- 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, was 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
[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2) vs. [WC] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97)

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MARIA SHARAPOVA

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ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #2)

R64: BYE

[WC] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97)

R64: d. ALISON RISKE (USA #37) 6-3,7-6(4) (1h55)
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ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH

CINCINNATI

• Making third main draw appearance at Western & Southern Open (fifth overall)
• After opening round exits as a qualifier in 2017 (l. Kasatkina) and 2018 (l. Kuzmova), registered maiden win here over Sharma on Monday
• Result ended an eight-match losing streak, which began with R16 defeat to today’s opponent Osaka at Madrid in May
• That 6-2 6-3 loss to Osaka in Madrid was her only previous meeting with a reigning World No.1
• Sole Top 5 win of career came over No.4 Svitolina at 2019 Brisbane
• One of three Belarusians in the starting field this week (also Azarenka and Sabalenka)
• In addition to 1r exit here, during last year’s summer hard court season made 2r at New Haven (as qualifier, l. Garcia) and 3r at US Open (l. Osaka)

SEASON

• Coming off 1r exits at Toronto (l. Mertens) and Jermuk (l. Stojanovic)
• Suffered 1r defeats at Birmingham (l. V. Williams), Eastbourne (l. Peterson) and Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep)
• Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Hercog) and Rome (l. Cibulkova)
• Made R16 at Madrid (d. No.15 Kontaveit in 1r, l. Osaka)
• Made 2r exits at Miami (l. Wozniacki), Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Kozlova) and Dubai (l. Hsieh)
• Fell 1r at Doha (l. Hsieh)
• Defeated Maria during Belarus’s comfortable Fed Cup World Group win over Germany
• Began season in a rich vein of form, making QF at Brisbane (l. Vekic) and SF at Sydney (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Kvitova), before advancing to 3r at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
• Brisbane/Sydney was the first time in her career she had made QF (or better) at consecutive WTA events
• Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, l. Kerber)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Posted career-best season finish in 2018 at No.30 – the first Top 50 finish of her career
• In 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).
• Also made SF at Moscow [River Cup] and first Grand Slam R16 at Wimbledon

NAOMI OSAKA

CINCINNATI

• Making second main draw appearance (third overall) at Cincinnati, having fallen 1r last year (l. Sakkari)
• Defeat to Sakkari here in 2018 was last match before embarking upon run to maiden Grand Slam title at US Open
• After 1r bye, faces Sasnovich in 2r today; beat the Belarusian without dropping a game at last year’s US Open (the only 6-0 6-0 win of her career at tour level)
• Career record in matches immediately following 1r byes is 7-1, with sole defeat coming against Mladenovic at 2019 Dubai
• Seven of her nine defeats in 2019 have been to players ranked outside Top 20: No.27 Tsurenko (Brisbane), No.67 Mladenovic (Dubai), No.23 Bencic (Indian Wells), No.27 Hsieh (Miami), No.42 Siniakova (Roland Garros), No.43 Putintseva (Birmingham) and No.39 Putintseva (Wimbledon)
• Reclaimed the World No.1 ranking on Monday, but could lose it to either Barty or Ka.Pliskova this week; if she wins today, her rivals will need to reach the final to have a chance of taking top spot
• Has struck 227 aces this season, the fourth-most on tour, behind Ka.Pliskova (367), Bertens (338) and Barty (250)
• Last summer on hard, made 2r at Washington DC, fell 1r at Montreal and Cincinnati, before going on to win maiden major at US Open

SEASON

• Coming off QF run at Toronto (l. S.Williams); returned to No.1 following the tournament
• Lost to Putintseva on both grass court appearances, in 2r at Birmingham and 1r at Wimbledon
• Made 3r exit at Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
• Posted QF showing at Rome – withdrew prior to match vs. Bertens w/right hand injury
• Was third consecutive clay court QF, after SF at Stuttgart (withdrew prior to match against Kontaveit w/abdominal injury) and QF in Madrid (l. Bencic, having led 5-3 in third set)
• At 2h 35m, 2r win over Sorribes Tormo at Madrid was the longest match of her career – previous longest was 2h 33m win over S.Zhang at 2018 Beijing
• Made 3r exit at Miami – falling to Hsieh in three sets
• Posted a R16 finish at Indian Wells (l. Bencic) as a defending champion for the first time in her career
• Made 2r exit at Dubai (l. Mladenovic) in what was her first match since defeating Kvitova in Australian Open final; withdrew from Doha w/back injury
• Won second Slam title at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament; was usurped by Barty after her title run at 2019 Birmingham
**CAREER CONT.**

- Played all three ties during Belarus’ run to its first Fed Cup final in 2017 – posted 5-1 record, including win over No.13 Stephens in final
- Other standout performances in 2017 were SF run at Biel and QF appearance at Premier-level Moscow
- Reached maiden WTA final, at 2015 Seoul (as qualifier, I. Begu)
- 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

**SEASON CONT.**

- Is the first woman to win her second major straight after winning her first since Capriati did so in 2001 (Australian Open followed by Roland Garros)
- Opened 2019 season with SF run at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up Tsurenko). Withdrew from Sydney citing a change in schedule

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 18th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best Grand Slam result was R16 run at 2018 Wimbledon (d. No.8 Kvitova in 1r, I. Ostapenko)
- Also posted 3r runs at 2018 (l. Garcia) and 2019 Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and 2018 US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Made 2r at Roland Garros in 2017 and 2018

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Posted a 40-20 record in 2018, resulting in best year end finish of career at No.5, up from No.68 in 2017
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- Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

**PERSONAL**

- Working with Vlado Platenik. Previously 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
- Studying physical culture at university in Minsk
- Speaks Belarusian, Russian, English and some French

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GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open and 2019 Australian Open. Has made only 12 Grand Slam main draw appearances, owning 33-10 record
• Defeated six-time champion S.Williams to win 2018 US Open. Triumph made her first Japanese woman to reach Slam final and the youngest US Open champion since Sharapova in 2006 won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance
• Became the 10th woman to win US Open and Australian Open back-to-back
• In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (197, 122d)
• Made 3r at the other two majors: Roland Garros in 2016 (l. Halep), 2018 (l. Keys) and 2019 (l. Siniakova), and Wimbledon in 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. Kerber)

PERSONAL

• In February hired Jermaine Jenkins, former hitting partner of Venus Williams, as her new head coach having parted company with Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Serena Williams
• Formerly coached by David Taylor
• Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent) and Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer)
• Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship
• Lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
• Sponsorship deals include Nike, Citizen, broadcaster WOWOW, Nissin, Nissan and ANA Airlines
• 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, and earlier this season contested the main draw at Miami
ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #47) vs. [2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

Head to Head: NAOMI OSAKA leads 3-0

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ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #47)

R64: d. ASTRA SHARMA (AUS #100) 6-1,4-6,6-1 (1h41)

[2] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

R64: BYE

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### ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH

### 2016
- **R1** L - VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #56) 6-0 4-6 6-1
- **2017**
- **R1** L - DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #38) 6-4 6-2
- **2016**
- **R1-Q** L - JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #67) 6-7(7) 7-6(7) 6-1
- **2015**
- **R2-Q** L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #83) 7-6(2) 6-4

### NAOMI OSAKA

### 2018
- **R1** L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #31) 6-3 7-6(8)
- **2016**
- **R2-Q** L - DARIA GAVRILOVA (AUS #47) 6-4 6-2
CINCINNATI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (eighth overall)
- One of six former champions in this year’s field, lifting the trophy in 2016 (d. Kerber in F); Kerber would have ascended to World No.1 had she defeated the Czech
- Enters this week with a tour-leading 367 aces served in 2019, ahead of Bertens (349)
- Also leads the tour in service points won (63.9%)
- After 1r bye, faces lucky loser Y.Wang today in their career first meeting. A win today would tie Bertens’ tour-leading win count this season with 41
- Approaching career main draw victory No.300 (currently at 297)
- Can return to WTA World No.1 this week. Will need to at least reach SF to do so
- During last year’s North American hard court season, made QF at US Open and fell 2r at Montreal and Cincinnati, and 1r at New Haven
- Competing in doubles this week with her sister Kr.Pliskova. The pair defeated Spears/N.Kichenok in 1r; will face No.7 seeds Melichar/Peschke in R16

SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Toronto (l. eventual champion Andreescu in 3s)
- Was upset in R16 at Wimbledon (l. Muchova 4-6 7-5 13-11; led 5-3 in third set before eventually losing in 3h19m - the fourth-longest match on tour in 2019)
- Won third title of 2019 season (14th of career) at Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F); dropped serve just twice all week – and 19 games across five matches, the most economic WTA title run this season – en route to becoming the first player to win the title without dropping a set since Makarova in 2010
- Began grass swing with loss to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their career first main draw match
- Made 3r exit at Roland Garros (l. Martic)
- Won 13th career title at Rome, becoming first Czech woman to lift the trophy since Regina Marsikova im 1978; win over Azarenka in QF was her 500th (at all levels)
- Fell 2r at Madrid (l. Kozlova)
- Withdrew from Prague w/viral illness
- Lost opening match as defending champion at Stuttgart (after 1r bye, l. Azarenka)
- Reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets in the final
- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells

CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlight in 2018 was reaching third career WTA SF at Taipei City (l. eventual champion Babos), where she also won doubles title w/Duan
- Also in 2018, made QF at Bucharest (l. Buzarnescu) – rose to then-career-high No.71 in the rankings after Bucharest run (July 23, 2018) – and won through

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SEASON

- Coming off 1r exit at Washington, DC (l. Tsurenko); reached doubles SF (w/Z.Yang, I. Sanchez/Stollar)
- Fell to Stephens in 2r at Wimbledon after QF run at Mallorca (l. Sevastova)
- Fell 1r at ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. Van Utyvank) and Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Vodrousova)
- Suffered 1r exit to wildcard Hesse at Strasbourg and fell in qualifying at Rome (l. Hercog)
- Fell 1r in Rabat (l. eventual R-Up Konta) and was dismissed 1r in Madrid by compatriot S.Zheng
- Made it through to the final 16 at Miami (l. Q.Wang)
- Lost in 1r at Indian Wells in 3s to Kenin
- Broke into the Top 50 for the first time in her career on March 4, 2019 after title run at Acapulco
- Lifted maiden WTA title - in first final - at Acapulco, rallying from a set and a break down to defeat No.5 seed Kenin in final
- Made QF showing in singles at Hua Hin (l. Linette), reached doubles final with Blinkova (l. Begu/Niculescu)
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Opened 2019 season by reaching fourth career WTA SF, at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
SEASON CONT.

- Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
- Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, I. Halep)
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to defeat S.Williams in QF
- Began season by triumphing at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons

CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level in 2018 season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Also in 2018, made the SF stage at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitola), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was 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)
- Captured fifth WTA 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; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

CAREER CONT.

qualifying to reach R16 at Miami (l. Kerber on 3s); scored then-second-best win of career over No.23 Suarez Navarro in 2r
- Strong performances at WTA 125K Series events in 2018 highlighted by R-Up finish at Zhengzhou (l. S.Zheng)
- Season highlight in 2017 was reaching second WTA SF, at Nanchang. 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
- Made Fed Cup debut for China in 2016
- 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)
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2014 Guangzhou, advancing to SF (l. Niculescu). Defeated No.20 Stosur en route to register first Top 20 win
- Has lost all three matches against Top 5 players: No.5 Wozniacki at 2015 Kuala Lumpur, No.5 Kvitova at 2018 US Open and No.4 Garcia at 2018 Beijing
- Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at 2012 Beijing
- Played first event of career at ITF/Quanzhou-CHN in 2009

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked eighth Grand Slam main draw appearance (14th overall)
- 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 (l. Kvitova), Australian Open in 2019 (l. Barty) and Wimbledon in 2019 (l. Stephens)
- Also fell 1r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019
- Has contested doubles main draw at all four majors

PERSONAL

- Joined up with current coach Karim Miguel Perona Vidal at 2018 Tianjin; also travels with fitness coach Toni Martinez Formerly worked with Alejandro Dulko (brother of ex-WTA doubles No.1 Gisela Dulko)
- Began playing tennis when she was nine
- Born in Nanjing, China
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
• At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
• Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
• Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

PERSONAL

• Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
• Has a twin sister – Kristyna. In 2013, became the first set of twins to capture a WTA doubles title
• Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
• Currently coached by Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Rennae Stubbs, Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
• Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic
[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) vs. [LL] YAFAN WANG (CHN #52)

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ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[3] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)

R64: BYE

- Total games: 0
- Won/lost: 0-0
- Sets won/lost: 0-0
- Total time on court: 0h00
- Average time on court: 0h00
- Average rank of opponent: 0

[LL] YAFAN WANG (CHN #52)

R2-Q: L - IGA SWIATEK (POL #65) 6-4,3-6,6-4 (2h07)
R1-Q: d. COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #459) 6-2,6-2 (1h16)
R64: d. MONICA PUIG (PUR #44) 3-6,7-5,6-3 (2h40)

- Total games: 30
- Won/lost: 16-14
- Sets won/lost: 2-1
- Total time on court: 2h40
- Average time on court: 2h40
- Average rank of opponent: 44

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KAROLINA PLISKOVA

2018

R2 L - ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #34) 2-6 6-3 7-5

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EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA VS SIMONA HALEP

CINCINNATI

- Contesting as a main draw debutant this week at Cincinnati (second overall appearance)
- Reached 2r here in 2017 (as qualifier, d. Larsson in 1r before falling to Haddad Maia)
- Coming off R16 run at Toronto after advancing through two qualifying rounds (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- In 1r on Tuesday defeated No.29 Suarez Navarro in 56 mins, bringing her record against Top 30 players this season to 4-8
- Career best wins this season in terms of ranking occurred at Indian Wells against No.13 Wozniacki and at Eastbourne against No.13 Bencic
- Faces Halep today in their career first meeting; bidding for first Top 5 win of her career (0-4 record)
- One of four Russians in this year's starting field (also Sharapova, Kuznetsova and Kasatkina)
- Failed to win a match during last year's North American hard court season, falling 1r at US Open (l. Hsieh) and $100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN (l. Watson) and in qualifying at Montreal (l. Niculescu)

SEASON

- Advanced through qualifying to post R16 run at Toronto (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Suffered 1r exit at San Jose (l. Sakkari) and at Wimbledon (l. Siniakova)
- Reached grass court QF at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Riske) and Eastbourne (d. No.13 Bencic in 2r, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova); rose to career-high No.45 after Eastbourne (July 1)
- Also on grass, fell 1r at Birmingham (l. Martic)
- Produced best career run at a Grand Slam by reaching 3r at Roland Garros (l. Bencic), upsetting No.30 seed Buzarnescu and former finalist Stosur en route
- Made 2r at Nurnberg (l. Kudermetova)
- Contested qualifying at both Rome and Madrid
- Unable to advance past first hurdle at Prague (l. Teichmann) and qualifying in Stuttgart (l. Friedsam)
- Suffered 1r exits at both Lugano (l. Kuznetsova) and Miami (l. Yastremska)
- Produced a solid three-tournament run, with a 3r run in Indian Wells (l. Bencic), SF appearance in Budapest (l. Van Uytvanck) and QF visit in St. Petersburg (l. Sabalenka)
- Produced one of the most prolific serving performances on tour this year, firing 17 aces in a three-set victory over Boulter in St. Petersburg
- Fell 1r at Sydney (as qualifier, l. Stephens) and Australian Open (l. Tsurenko)
- Opened season by reaching 2r at Shenzhen (l. even-tual champion Sabalenka)

CINCINNATI

- Making eighth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (ninth overall)
- Returning as a three-time R-Up, having reached the final stage here in 2015 (l. S.Williams), 2017 (l. Muguruza) and 2018 (l. Bertens)
- Coming off QF appearance at Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzo-va w/ Achilles pain) after posting championship run at 2019 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F)
- After 1r bye, faces No.43 Alexandrova in 2r today; owns 6-2 record in matches following a bye this year, only losing to Barty (Sydney) and Vondrousova (Rome)
- Could face Venus Williams in QF
- Bidding to improve 20-7 record at Cincinnati
- Contesting as sole Romanian in the field
- Last summer during the North American hard court season, in addition to title run at Montreal, was R-Up at Cincinnati and fell 1r at US Open

SEASON

- Entering off a QF run at Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzova w/ Achilles pain)
- Became the 2019 Wimbledon champion, defeating S.Williams in to record second major title victory
- In only pre-Wimbledon grass court event, reached QF at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Kerber)
- As the defending champion, posted QF run at Roland Garros (l. Anisimova)
- Suffered opening match loss at Rome (after 1r bye, l. Vondrousova)
- Had previously reached at least the QF stage in her last 10 clay court tournaments – 2019 Madrid (F), 2018 Roland Garros (Won), 2018 Rome (F), 2018 Madrid (QF), 2018 Stuttgart (QF), 2017 Roland Garros (F), 2017 Rome (F), 2017 Madrid (Won), 2017 Stuttgart (SF) and 2016 Bucharest (Won)
- Prior to Rome, posted R-Up showing at Madrid (l. Bertens); scored third Top 10 win of the season over No.9 Barty in QF, having previously seen off No.5 Ka.Pliskova (Fed Cup) and No.7 Svitolina (Doha)
- Beat Kuzmova without dropping a game in R16 at Madrid - the third 6-0 6-0 win on the WTA tour this season (also Sharapova d. Dart at Australian Open and Pavlyuchenkova d. Jorovic at Monterrey); at 45
- Defeated Si hviska and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)
**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Enjoyed second Top 100 season in 2018 at No.93, highlighted by maiden WTA final at Linz (I. Giorgi)
- Other highlights in 2018 were QF run at Seoul (I. Hsieh) and WTA 125K Series title at Limoges
- At majors reached 2r at Australian Open and 1r at other three
- Posted career-best year-end finish in 2017 and first Top 100 finish, at No.73
- Played in main draw of all four Grand Slams in 2017 for first time in career and played a career-best twelve tour-level main draws
- Season highlights included winning sixth and seventh ITF singles titles, at $60k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN and $60k ITF/Croissy-Beaubourg-FRA
- Also reached QFs at WTA $125k event in Limoges (as defending champion)
- 2016 highlight was winning WTA 125K Series title at Limoges (d. No.24 Garcia in F). Made WTA main draw debut at Katowice (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Giorgi in 2r)
- Also reached 2r at Wimbledon (won her way through qualifying, on first attempt to qualify at any Slam, upsetting No.23 seed Ivanovic in 1r, l. Friedsam) and Québec City (I. Martinova)
- Rest of year was spent on ITF Circuit and attempting to qualify at WTA events (Prague, US Open, Tashkent, Linz and Moscow)
- First WTA-level appearance came at 2014 Bad Gastein – fell in qualifying
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in 2011
- Posted Top 300 season finishes in 2014 (No.256) and 2015 (No.269) on the WTA rankings

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F)
- Also won titles last year at Shenzhen (d. Siniakova in F) and Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and was R-Up at Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), Rome (l. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (l. Bertens). Is 18-16 in career finals
- Won first career WTA doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu). Now 1-1 in career doubles finals
- Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1
- Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F); reached four more finals in 2017: Rome, Roland Garros, Cincinnati and Beijing. 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid, Bucharest and Montréal
- Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles
- 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 was No.64 in May)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 12th main draw appearance at a major
- Produced best career run at a Grand Slam by reaching 3r at 2019 Roland Garros, upset No.30 seed Mihaela Buzarnescu and former finalist Sam Stosur (l. Bolsova)
- Made debut at 2016 Wimbledon – defeated No.23 seed Ivanovic before falling to Friedsam in 2r
- Competed in all four majors for the first time in career in 2017, falling in 1r at Australian Open (l. compatriot Makarova) and Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Muguruza) and advancing to 2r at Roland Garros (l. Ka.Pliskova) and US Open (l. Garcia)

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 37th career Grand Slam appearance - 36th consecutive appearance
- Winner of two Grand Slam titles, lifting first at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) followed by a historic 2019 Wimbledon run
- During 2019 Wimbledon final, became first Romanian to lift the singles title at the All England Club, defeating S.Williams in 56 minutes
- Posted three runner-up finishes in Paris in 2014 (l. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (l. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Was the first Romanian woman to advance to final at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki)
- Made SF at Wimbledon in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and US Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

**PERSONAL**

- Announced at Miami that she is working with Daniel Dobre. During off-season long-time coach Darren Cahill announced he was taking a 12-month break from tennis
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
PERSONAL

- Coached by her father, Evgeny Alexandrova and Petr Kralert, who both travel with her
- Born in Chelyabinsk, Russia, and began playing tennis at age six; remembers playing on holiday at Spain. Now trains in Prague, Czech Republic
- Prefers hardcourts; admires Serena Williams

PERSONAL CONT.

- Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer
- Sponsorship portfolio includes deals with Mercedes, Unilever and is an Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
- Loves chocolate ice cream, cheesecake and crepes
EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA (RUS #43) vs. [4] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4)

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ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

**EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA (RUS #43)**

*R64: d. CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #29) 6-4, 6-1 (0h56)*

- Total games: 17
- Won/lost: 12-5
- Sets won/lost: 2-0
- Total time on court: 0h56
- Average time on court: 0h56
- Average rank of opponent: 29

**[4] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4)**

*R64: BYE*

- Total games: 0
- Won/lost: 0-0
- Sets won/lost: 0-0
- Total time on court: 0h00
- Average time on court: 0h00
- Average rank of opponent: 0

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CINCINNATI

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Western & Southern Open (and seventh overall appearance)
- Has matched best appearance by reaching 2r in 2019, having also made this stage in 2017 (l. Kuznetsova)
- Suffered 1r exits here in Cincinnati in 2015 (as qualifier, l. Vandeweghe) and 2016 (l. Beck). Fell in qualifying 2012, 2014 and 2018 qualifying
- In opening match on Monday, defeated Ostapenko in three sets. Bidding today for back-to-back wins since the grass of Birmingham (d. Dart, Osaka, l. Goerges)
- Faces No.10 Stephens today (whom she beat earlier this year at Sydney) – owns three Top 10 wins this season, over No.5 Stephens (Sydney), and Osaka when ranked No.1 (Birmingham) and No.2 (Wimbledon)
- Victory over Ostapenko here was her 20th tour-level main draw win of 2019 – matching her haul from the whole of last year, going 20-27 across 2018
- During last year’s summer hard court season, reached QF at Washington DC, fell 1r at US Open and qualifying at Cincinnati and New Haven
- Along with Rybakina and Diyas, is the highest ranked of three women from Kazakhstan in the Top 100 (August 12)

SECRETARY 

CINCINNATI 

- Making eighth appearance at Cincinnati, her best result here was SF run in 2017
- Has made R16 here on six of her last seven appearances (l. Errani on debut in 2011)
- After 1r bye, faces No.42 Putintseva in 2r today for the third time; lost their most recent encounter on hard at 2019 Sydney
- Has 11-10 record in matches immediately following byes, including defeats in her past three this season, against Konta (Rome), Ostapenko (Eastbourne) and Bouzkova (Toronto)
- The American has a 18-14 win-loss record in 2019, 6-8 on hard
- One of a tournament-leading 10 American women in starting field at 2019 Cincinnati
- In addition to R-Up finish at Montreal, during last year’s North American hard court season, reached QF in defense of US Open title, reached R16 at Cincinnati and fell 2r at Washington DC

SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Toronto (after 1r bye, l. Bouzkova)
- Fell 1r exit at Washington DC (l. Peterson)
- On grass, reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Konta) and suffered 2r defeat at Eastbourne (after 1r bye, l. Ostapenko)
- Made QF run at Roland Garros (as the 2018 runner-up, l. Konta)
- Fell in 2r at Rome to eventual finalist Konta after SF showing at Madrid (l. eventual champion Bertens)
- In April’s Fed Cup play-offs, won both singles rubbers against Switzerland (d. Golubic, Bacsinszky) to help USA maintain place in World Group for 2020. Has now won 29 of her last 35 matches on US soil
- Advanced to QF at Charleston (l. eventual champion Keys). Result marked first QF run since reaching final of 2018 WTA Finals in Singapore
- Miami title defense ended in 3r (l. Maria)
- After 1r bye at Indian Wells, fell in 2r to qualifier and World No.109 Voegele
- Reached 2r at Acapulco (l. No.172 Haddad Maia)
- Made R16 at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane, where she fell in 1r (l. Konta) before making a 2r exit at Sydney (l. Putintseva after leading 6-3 5-3)

CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018 posted best year-end finish of career to date, at No.6; reached career-high No.3 ranking on July 16, 2018
- Season highlights in 2018 included capturing first Premier Mandatory title at Miami – subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9. Also reached her second
Season Cont.

- Enjoyed QF run at Sydney prior to Australian Open, as a qualifier (l. I. Bertens). Defeat of No.5 Stephens in 2r matched career best win of career (against No.5 Cibulkova at 2017 St Petersburg)
- Began season falling 1r at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Ka.Piskova - led by a set and a break)

Career Milestones

- Reached maiden WTA final in 2017 at St Petersburg (l. Mladenovic) after notching two Top 10 wins over No.8 Kuznetsova and No.5 Cibulkova (l. Mladenovic in F) – first woman from Kazakhstan to reach a WTA final since Shvedova at 2015 Bogotá (l. Pereira)
- Rose to new career-high ranking of No.27 on February 6, 2017 following her run to the final in St Petersburg
- Also in 2017 reached QF at Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. eventual champion Diyas) and Nürnberg (l. Cirstea), and reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. No.5 Muguruza)
- In 2016 became first Kazakh to reach the quarterfinals at Roland Garros – or at any major – since Shvedova in 2012
- Also reached SF at two International-level events in 2016: Kaohsiung (l. V.Williams) and Washington, DC (l. Wickmayer). Defeated No.14 V.Williams en route to first Premier-level quarterfinal of career at 2016 Charleston
- Later in season, posted second career win over a Top 10 opponent at 2016 Tokyo [PPO], defeating No.9 Keys in 1r. First Top 10 win came over No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Nürnberg (via ret.)
- Reached maiden WTA SF at 2015 Bastad (l. eventual champion Larsson)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Luxembourg and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Copenhagen
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and six doubles titles
- Kazakhstan Fed Cup Team, 2014-19

Grand Slam History

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 30th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked major champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Best result across other Slams was R-Up finish at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to beat 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)

Personal

- 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
- Currently coached by Sven Groenefeld; formerly coached by Kamau Murray and Nick Saviano
- On April 29, announced engagement to Toronto FC soccer star Jozy Altidore

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 23rd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result across the Slams were QF runs at Roland Garros in 2016 (l. S.Williams in 3 sets) and 2018 (l. Keys). Was the first Kazakh to reach QF at Roland Garros – or at any major – since Shvedova in 2012 (l. QF)
- Away from Paris, other key results include 3r at 2016 Australian Open (l. Gasparian), 2r at Wimbledon in 2015 (l. V.Williams) and 2016 (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and 2r at US Open in 2016 (l. Witthoefl) and 2017 (l. A.Radwanska)
- A two-time junior Grand Slam runner-up (2010 US Open, 2012 Australian Open)

Yulja Putintseva

Sloane Stephens
PERSONAL

- Coached by Roman Kislianskii
- Changed representation from Russia to Kazakhstan in May 2012
- Practiced at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior before moving to Paris to attend Mouratoglou Academy
- Tennis idols were Martina Hingis and Justine Henin – still watches videos of Henin on YouTube
- Enjoys dancing, singing, Sudoku, cards and chess
YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #42) vs. [8] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10)

Head to Head: YULIA PUTINTSEVA leads 2-1

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**YULIA PUTINTSEVA**

| R64: d. JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #82) 6-2, 6-7(3), 6-3 (2h24) |

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**CINCINNATI**

- Making sixth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she advanced to the QF for the first time in 2018 (l. Sabalenka)
- Defeated Muguruza in 1r on Tuesday, improving to 4-1 vs. the Spaniard. Sole loss came here in 2017
- Faces No.41 Kasatkina today in their fifth career meeting, and second at Cincinnati. Has dropped one set against the Russian in their four previous meetings (at 2016 Wuhan)
- Five of her nine losses this season came against players ranked outside the Top 40. Fell to No.97 Barthel (Indian Wells), No.83 Stosur (Miami), No.93 Cirstea (Madrid), No.60 Hercog (Roland Garros) and No.283 Baptiste (Washington, DC)
- One of a tournament-leading 10 American women in starting field at 2019 Cincinnati
- In addition to QF run here, only other appearance of last summer’s North American hard court season was SF showing at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Has reached three career finals on hard, winning 2017 Stanford and finishing R-Up at 2016 Montreal and 2017 US Open

**SEASON**

- Made premature exits at past two tournaments, falling 1r at Washington DC (l. Vekic after holding 3mp in second set) and in 2r at Wimbledon (l. Hercog)
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (l. Barty). Was one of three Americans to make last eight in Paris (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time this had happened since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
- Fell 2r at Rome (l. Kenin) and 1r at Madrid (l. Cirstea)
- Part of US team that retained its Fed Cup World Group I status thanks to 3-2 win over Switzerland in San Antonio (l. Golubic in sole singles rubber)
- Won fourth career title - and first on clay - at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Coming off 2r exits at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. No.97 Barthel, having led 3-1 in final set) and Miami (after 1r bye, l. Stosur, having led 4-2 in final set)
- In February, was part of US Fed Cup team which lost 3-2 to Australia in Asheville (d. Birrell, l. Barty)
- Began season with R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Svitolina in 3s)

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Season highlights in 2018 were SFs at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Also made SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual cham-

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**Cincinnati**

- Making fourth appearance at Cincinnati
- First win here came during 2r showing in 2017 (d. Sasnovich, l. Keys)
- Ousted Strycova in 1r on Tuesday, having lost their most recent encounter at 2018 Sydney after leading 3-0 in the final set
- Faces No.18 Keys today. Owns 2-1 record vs. Top 20 players this season, defeating No.18 Mertens (Stuttgart) and No.13 Kerber (Toronto). Fell to No.7 Svitolina (San Jose)
- Aiming to win back-to-back matches for the second time this season, and first since Rome (d. Begu and Siniakova, l. Vondrousova)
- Last summer’s hard court results were 2r showings at Montreal and US Open and 1r exit here
- Currently the top-ranked Russian woman, of 10 in the Top 100 (week of August 12, 2019)
- Dropped out of Top 20 after failing to defend Indian Wells R-Up points from 2018 - the first time in 21 years, there was not a Russian in the Top 20 on Monday March 18, breaking streak of 1,094 consecutive weeks with at least one Russian in the Top 20

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**SEASON**

- Coming off 2r showing at Toronto (d. No.13 Kerber, l. eventual champion Andreescu after leading 5-3 in deciding set)
- Kerber upset last week was second Top 20 win of the season (also No.18 Mertens at Stuttgart in April)
- Fell 2r at San Jose (l. Svitolina); defeated defending champion Buzarnescu in 1r to record first win since Roland Garros
- Withdraw from Jurmala w/shoulder injury
- Went winless on grass, falling 1r at Eastbourne (l. Petkovic) and Wimbledon (l. Tomljanovic)
- Clay season ended with 2r at Roland Garros (l. Puig). Also made R16 at Rome (l. Vondrousova), 2r at Stuttgart (l. Vekic) and 1r at Madrid (l. Azarenka)
- Reached 3r at Miami (after 1r bye, d. Gauff before falling to V.Williams)
- After 1r bye, fell to Vondrousova in 2r at Indian Wells
- Fell in 2r at Dubai (d. No.178 Frech, l. Kenin in 3s)
- Posted first singles win of the season over No.669 Barrizza of Denmark during Russia’s triumph in Europe/Africa Zone Group I
- Lost to Zvonareva in straight sets in QF at St Petersburg (after 1r bye, received walkover when Sharapova withdrew w/shoulder injury in 2r)
- Suffered 1 exit at Australian Open (l. Bacsinszky)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane. Fell to wildcard Birrell in 1r after leading 5-3 in the third set. Also fell in 1r at Sydney International (l. Sasnovich)
CAREER CONT.

- 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, 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); also youngest American to win a title since S.Williams in 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok)
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudravytseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 28th 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 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before 2015 Melbourne Park SF 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, having made that stage at Wimbledon in 2015

CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted season-best finish of No.10 in 2018, up from No.24 in 2017
- 2018 saw the Russian win a second WTA singles title at Moscow [Kremlin Cup]. Recovered from 6-2 4-1 down to defeat Jabeur in final; is now 2-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
- Reached biggest final of career at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Osaka). Finished R-Up at Dubai and made SF at St. Petersburg
- Was one of eight players to reach QF or better at two or more Grand Slams in 2018 (Wimbledon and Roland Garros)
- Earned her sixth win over a Top 2 player when she ousted No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Roland Garros R16
- 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)
- 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 five tournaments, including Indian Wells and Rio Olympics
- 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)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow; made main draw debut as WC also at Moscow in 2014

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 16th Grand Slam main draw of her career
- 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, won 2014 Roland Garros girls’ singles
PERSONAL

• Coached by Juan Todero; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
• Past coaches: Jim Madrigal, Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
• Ambassador for Evian and FearlesslyGIRL
• Was the architect behind Kinder Girl World Day recently on May 21, created in the “hope of replacing some of the toxicity we often see online with messages of kindness”

PERSONAL

• Born and resides in Togliatty, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
• Began playing at age six when brother and fitness trainer, Alexsandr Timkovskii, introduced her to tennis
• Currently attending Sport College in Samara, Russia; three years into a five-year degree
• Coached by Carlos Martinez. Has previously worked with Philippe Dehaes and Vladimir Platenik
[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 4-0

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**MADISON KEYS**

| 18   | 29   | 1/4  | 0/0  | 8-5  | 16-11 / 195-117 | 5-6 / 50-49 | 6-5 / 51-45 | 5-7 / 113-78 | 0-0 / 17-17 | 0-0 / 6-18 | 1-2 / 16-29 | 3-3 / 33-46 |

**DARIA KASATKINA**

| 41   | 79   | 0/2  | 0/1  | 2-3  | 9-15 / 123-88  | 3-5 / 45-31 | 3-2 / 23-20 | 5-9 / 78-57 | 2-2 / 9-9 | 0-0 / 8-9 | 0-1 / 12-21 | 2-1 / 23-33 |

* Updated through entering 2019 Cincinnati 2r

**ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND**

**[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18)**

R64: d. GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #27) 6-7(4),7-6(5),6-4 (2h20)

Total games: 36
Won/lost: 19-17
Sets won/lost: 2-1
Total time on court: 2h20
Average time on court: 2h20
Average rank of opponent: 27

**DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41)**

R64: d. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #31) 6-4,7-6(9) (2h08)

Total games: 23
Won/lost: 13-10
Sets won/lost: 2-0
Total time on court: 2h08
Average time on court: 2h08
Average rank of opponent: 31

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**WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN - DAY 2 MATCH-UPS**

**[5] KIKI BERTENS (NED #5) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65)**

Series tied 1-1  
*Bertens* is looking to defend a title for the second time in her career, having done so at Nurnberg in 2016-17...  
*V.Williams* is bidding for her second Top 5 win this season, previously defeating No.3 Kvitova at Indian Wells

**[Q] ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #80) vs. [10] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #8)**

*Diyas* is aiming for her first Top 10 victory since 2015 (d. No.10 Petkovic at Dubai)... Two-time Cincinnati champion  
*S.Williams* enters this week with 500 career main draw hard court victories to her name (500-83 record)

**VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #40) vs. [12] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)**

*Azarenka* is one of six former champions in the draw, having defeated S.Williams to lift the trophy in 2013...  
*Bencic* is eyeing her 20th main draw hard court victory with a win today (19-5 record)

**[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #27)**

*Keys* is one of a tournament-leading 10 American women in the starting field this week...  
*Muguruza* saved three match points against today’s opponent en route to the title here in 2017

**MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #33) vs. [6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #6)**

*Series tied 1-1*  
*Sakkari* holds a 4-1 record vs. left-handed opponents this season, most recently defeating Pera at Wimbledon...  
*Kvitova* is contesting her first US Summer Swing event this season following a left forearm injury

**[LL] BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #31) vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41)**

*Strycova* leads 2-1  
*Strycova* is playing her first event since her SF run at Wimbledon and claiming the WTA World No.1 doubles ranking...  
*Kasatkina* looking to gain momentum after scoring her second Top 20 win this season last week in Toronto over Kerber
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**KIKI BERTENS**

- WTA RANKING: 5
- PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD:
  - DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 10-12-1991 (27)
  - YTD PRIZE MONEY: $2,451,974
  - CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $8,974,098
  - SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 2 / 9
  - DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 10
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  - YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *

**VENUS WILLIAMS**

- WTA RANKING: 65
- PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD:
  - DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 17-06-1980 (39)
  - YTD PRIZE MONEY: $590,344
  - CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $41,521,392
  - SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 49
  - DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 22
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**ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND**

[5] KIKI BERTENS (NED #5)

- R64: BYE

- Total games: 0
- Won/lost: 0-0
- Sets won/lost: 0-0
- Total time on court: 0h00
- Average time on court: 0h00
- Average rank of opponent: 0

VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65)

- R64: d. LAUREN DAVIS (USA #67) 7-5,6-2 (1h39)

- Total games: 20
- Won/lost: 13-7
- Sets won/lost: 2-0
- Total time on court: 1h39
- Average time on court: 1h39
- Average rank of opponent: 67

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**SEASON**

- Summer hard court campaign began with 1r exits at San Jose (l. No.674 Mattek-Sands; by ranking, was worst since falling to a then-unranked Clijsters at 2009 US Open) and Toronto (l. Suarez Navarro)
- Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Gauff)
- Advanced to QF on tournament debut at Birmingham (as WC, l. eventual champion Barty) – was just fourth ever Wimbledon tune-up appearance and first outside of Eastbourne (1997, 1998 and 2011)
- Defeated No.15 Q.Wang in 2r at Birmingham for third Top 20 victory of the year (also No.20 Mertens in Rome 1r and No.3 Kvitova in Indian Wells 2r)
- Also played doubles at Birmingham w/Dart. Only the third time at tournament level (excluding Fed Cup and Olympics) she has played doubles with someone other than Serena (also played 2017 Rome w/ Keys and 2008 Doha w/Wozniacki)
- On clay, made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. No.9 seed Svitolina) and advanced to R16 at Rome (l. Konta)
- Reached R16 at Miami (l. Halep)
- Posted QF run at Indian Wells (l. Kerber), becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament's history and at a tour-level event since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight at 43
- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells for first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)

**CINCINNATI**

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (sixth overall) as the defending champion
- 2018 Cincinnati marked her first Premier 5 trophy - her biggest title at the time. Won biggest title of her career earlier this season at Madrid
- Is aiming to defend a title for the second time in her career, having done so at Nurnberg (2016-17)
- Following 1r bye, faces V.Williams today in their third career meeting. Won their most recent encounter at 2018 Wimbledon however, fell in their sole meeting on hardcourts earlier that year in Miami (both in 3s)
- Enters Cincinnati with a tour-leading 41 wins to her name this season, ahead of Ka.Pliskova (40)
- The title this week would put her at 200 career main draw victories (195-149)
- Seeking 80th career main draw hardcourt win today and 90th career victory over Top 50 opponent (20-13 so far in 2019)
- A leader in several serving categories this year: No.2 in Aces (338), No.5 in service points won (62.1%), No.6 in service games won (76.7%) and No.5 in first serve points won (71.8%)
- Competing with Vekic in doubles this week. The pair defeated Roland Garros finalists Y.Duan/S.Zheng in 1r on Monday

**CINCINNATI**

- Making seventh appearance at Cincinnati, where best result came in 2012 when she was an unseeded semifinalist (d. No.10 Errani, No.6 Stosur, l. Li)
- At 39 years of age, is the oldest woman in the starting field at this year’s tournament
- Defeated fellow American Davis in 1r on Monday; now owns a 3-2 record against her compatriots in 2019, beating Davis (Auckland) and McHale (Indian Wells), and losing to Gauff (Wimbledon) and Mattek-Sands (San Jose)
- Win over Davis marked first win since QF run at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Barty). Fell 1r at Wimbledon, San Jose and Toronto
- Faces No.5 Bertens today. Owns 1-3 record vs. Top 5 players in 2019, having defeated No.3 Kvitova at Indian Wells
- After last week's Toronto 1r exit, slipped from No.56 to No.65 on WTA Rankings (August 12, 2019) – her lowest ranking in seven years (No.65, week of August 6, 2012)
- Among active players, sits in second place for career hard court titles – 31, trailing only Serena (46) and ahead of Wozniacki (22)
- Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F)
SEASON CONT.

- Fell in R16 (Sakkari) during Charleston title defense
- Posted R16 showings at Indian Wells (I. Muguruza) and Miami (I. eventual champion Barty)
- In Middle East, reached QF at Doha (I. eventual champion Mertens) and fell 2r at Dubai (after 1r bye, I. Kuzmova - held 1mp in third set tie-break)
- Won eighth career title - and third at Premier level - at St. Petersburg (d. Vekic in F)
- Made 2r exit at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Enjoyed SF finish in Sydney (l. eventual R-Up Barty). Marked first SF on Australian soil; best previous results were QF runs at 2016-17 Hobart
- Fell in the 2r of Brisbane to start the year (l. Vekic, having held 2mp at 5-4 in final set)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Enjoyed a break-out year in 2018, reaching a career-best four singles finals across the season and breaking into the Top 10 (October 8, 2018) – first Dutch woman to be ranked in the Top 10 since Brenda Schultz-McCarthy in 1996
- Won the WTA's Most Improved Player Award in 2018
- Lifted three titles in 2018, at Charleston (d. Goerges in F), Cincinnati (d. World No.1 Halep in F – saved 1mp) and Seoul (d. Tomljanovic in F). Reached one further final, at Premier Mandatory Madrid (I. Kvitova)
- Scored WTA-leading 12 Top 10 wins last season. Prior to 2018, only had three Top 10 wins in her career
- Also reached SF on WTA Finals debut (l. Svitolina)
- Season highlights in 2017 were titles at Nürnberg and Gstaad. Also’ posted SF run at 2017 Rome (l. eventual R-Up Halep) and reached QF at Madrid (l. Sevastova) - first QF at Premier Mandatory level
- Career-high doubles ranking is No.16 (first reached on April 16, 2018)
- Finished 2016 ranked No.22 in singles – big jump from her season-ending ranking of No.101 in 2015
- 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 and doubles
- Won maiden career singles title at 2012 Fès as a qualifier in just her second main draw appearance; currently owns 9-2 career record in singles finals
- Owner of 10 WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2018 Brisbane (w/Schuurs)
- 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

SEASON

- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in 3r at Australian Open
- Opened season by reaching QF at Auckland (l. qualifier Andreescu)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down from No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights in 2018 were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF effort at Miami (l. Collins)
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up in Fed Cup for Serena's first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (played dead doubles rubber, l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki) – the 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 in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Shortly after her 37th birthday, returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching 2017 Wimbledon final, becoming (at the time) 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); was also surpassed by 37-year-old Serena in February 2019
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era title-holders, 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
- At 2016 Rio Olympics won 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); 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
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Best result across the Slams came with SF run at 2016 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- 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 reached 3r for first time at both Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and US Open (l. Vondrousova)
- 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)

PERSONAL

- Coached by former ATP player Raemon Sluiter; brought former WTA player Elise Tamaela into coaching team during off-season
- In November 2018, announced engagement to boyfriend Remko de Rijke, who has been involved as part of her team as a physio and fitness coach
- After her triumph in Madrid, Kiki reached a career-high singles ranking of World No.4 and became the highest-ranked Dutchwoman in history
- Fan-voted as May 2019 WTA Player of the Month
- Parents are Rob and Doré; sisters are Joyce and Daisy
- Started playing at age 6. Tennis idol growing up was Kim Clijsters

CAREER CONT.

- 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 83rd Grand Slam main draw appearance, the most in the Open Era
- 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 2017 Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history, followed by Navratilova 1975-94
- 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

PERSONAL

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- Chief Brand Officer of Asutra, a self-care line
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams and Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during 2018-19 off-season
[Q] ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #80) vs. [10] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #8)

Head to Head: SERENA WILLIAMS leads 3-0

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SERENA WILLIAMS

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4-3 / 304-97

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ROAD TO THE FIRST ROUND

[Q] ZARINA DIYAS (KAZ #80)
R2-Q: d. JESSICA PEGULA (USA #55) 6-7(4),7-6(3),6-4 (2h56)
R1-Q: d. ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #44) 6-1,7-6(5) (1h18)

[10] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #8)

Total games: 0
Won/lost: 0-0
Sets won/lost: 0-0
Total time on court: 0h00
Average time on court: 0h00
Average rank of opponent: 0

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### ZARINA DIYAS
- **2018**
  - R2-Q L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #46)
  - 6-3  6-3

### SERENA WILLIAMS
- **2018**
  - R2 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #6)
  - 6-3  2-6  6-3

- **2015**
  - F W - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)
  - 6-3  7-6(5)

- **2014**
  - F W - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #11)
  - 6-4  6-1

- **2013**
  - F L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #2)
  - 2-6  6-2  7-6(6)

- **2012**
  - QF L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #7)
  - 6-4  6-4

- **2011**
  - R2 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #10)
  - W/O

- **2009**
  - R16 L - SYBILLE BAMMER (AUT #29)
  - 7-5  6-4

- **2006**
  - SF L - VERA ZVONAREVA (RUS #50)
  - 6-2  6-3

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CINCINNATI

• Making third main draw appearance at Cincinnati (fifth overall) and first since 2015 (l. V.Williams in 1r)
• Best result here was on debut in 2014 (as qualifier, d. Begu in 1r, l. Safarova in 2r)
• Defeated Pavlyuchenkova and Washington, DC champion Pegula in qualifying this week
• Faces No.8 S.Williams today in their fourth career meeting, having never taken a set from the American
• Holds a 9-3 record vs. Americans this season (across all levels), most recently defeating Pegula in qualifying and Gauff in 1r at Washington, DC
• Today marks her first meeting against a Top 10 player in 2019 - holds two such wins (d. No.7 Jankovic at 2010 Moscow and No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Dubai)
• In 2018, posted one main draw win during the US summer swing from three events. As qualifier, reached 2r at New Haven (d. Sakkari, I. Kvitova)

SEASON

• Coming off QF run at Washington, DC (l. eventual R-Up Giorgi). Defeated Gauff in 1r
• Fell in 1r back-to-back at Eastbourne (as qualifier, Tsurenko) and Wimbledon (l. Collins)
• Reached final at $100K ITF/Manchester-GBR (l. Linette) after 1r exit at $100K ITF/Surbiton-GBR (l. Maria)
• Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Kudermetova)
• Picked up her eighth ITF title at $80K ITF/Gifu-JPN (d. Liang in F) before a R-Up finish at $60K ITF/Fukuoka-JPN (l. Watson in F)
• Fell to Boulter and Konta in 3s during Fed Cup World Group II playoffs against Great Britain
• Made 2r showing at Monterrey (l. eventual R-Up Azarenka) following qualifying exit at Miami
• Fell in 1r back-to-back at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Pegula) and WTA 125K event at Guadalajara (l. Maria via ret.)
• Made 2r run at WTA 125K event at Guadalajara (l. Brady)
• As qualifier, fell to Jakupovic in 1r at Dubai
• Defeated S.Zheng during Fed Cup Week 1 vs. China in February
• Fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Krunic)
• Opened 2019 season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Rodina) and qualifying exit at Sydney

CAREER MILESTONES

• Made fourth career Top 100 year-end finish in 2018, at No.91
• 2018 highlights include R16 showing at Miami (l. Ka.Pliskova) and three QF runs at Shenzhen (l.

SEASON

• Coming off a R-Up run at Toronto (l. Andreescu via ret. due to upper back injury). Marked her 96th career final (72-24 record)
• Defeated No.2 Osaka in QF at Toronto - her second Top 5 victory in 2019 following then-No.1 Halep at Australian Open
• Finalist at Wimbledon (l. Halep), were she reached her 32nd Slam final - the joint-second most in history, level with Navratilova and behind Evert (34)
• Fell 3r at Roland Garros (l. Kenin)
• Made 2019 clay debut in Rome, defeating Peterson in 1r before withdrawing against sister V.Williams due to a continuing left knee injury
• Fell 3r at both Indian Wells (ret. vs. Muguruza w/viral illness) and Miami (withdraw prior to match vs. Q.Wang w/left knee injury)
• Returned to Top 10 for the first time since coming back from pregnancy on February 18
• Reached QF at Australian Open (l. Ka.Pliskova after holding 4mp)
• Overcame World No.1 Halep in R16 – was first time facing the reigning World No.1 since 2013 Doha (l. Azarenka in F) and was first win since 2013 Brisbane (d. Azarenka in SF). Aged 37, is the oldest player to defeat the reigning World No.1, bettering sister Venus’s win vs. Kerber aged 36 at 2017 Miami
• Now owns a 17-12 win-loss record vs. World No.1s - only Navratilova has more wins with 18
• Began 2019 at Hopman Cup, posted wins over Bencic, Sakkari and Boulter as USA made RR exit
**CAREER CONT.**

Sharapova), Strasbourg (I. Pavlyuchenkova) and Hiroshima (I. S.Zhang)

- 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 maiden WTA title at 2017 Tokyo [Japan Open]
  (as qualifier, d. Kato in F – title run took in eight matches)
- Is 1-1 in WTA singles finals, after finishing R-Up at
  2014 Osaka (I. Stosur in F)
- Following 1r loss at 2016 Wimbledon, underwent
  wrist surgery, sideling 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 (I. 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 (I. eventual champ-
  ion Azarenka), Shenzhen (I. Siniakova), Kaohsiung
  (I. Kulichkova), Kuala Lumpur (I. Zhu), Strasbourg (I.
  Kudryavtseva) and Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Started 2015 season strongly with back-to-back QF
  appearances at Shenzhen (I. Zheng) and Hobart (I.
  Riske). Other highlights in first half of 2015 included
  reaching 3r at Indian Wells (I. S.Williams)
- Post 2015 Wimbledon R16 run, won just one match
  for remainder of season, at the WTA Internation-
  al-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/Bratisla-
  va-SVK in 2007
- On ITF Circuit has won eight singles titles

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 20th main draw appear-
  ance at a Grand Slam
- Best results across the majors are R16 runs at Wim-
  bledon in 2014 (on debut, d. No.15 Suárez Navarro
  en route, I. Halep) and 2015 (d. No.14 Petkovic, I.
  Sharapova)
- Has also reached 3r at Australian Open in 2014 (as
  qualifier, I. Halep) and 2015 (l. eventual R-Up Shara-
  pova) and US Open in 2014 (I. Makarova). At Roland
  Garros fell 2r in 2015 and 2016

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Returned to Top 20 in 2018 year-end rankings (at
  No.16) despite playing only seven tournaments
- Was R-Up at both Wimbledon (I. Kerber) and US
  Open (I. Osaka) last season, and advanced to R16
  at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against
  Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear)
- Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells
  in March 2017, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, hav-
  ing defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
- 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 – third-most behind Navratilova (20)
  and Evert (19) – including five as year-end No.1
- Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian
  Open (d. V.Williams in F)
- 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 22-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 17 career wins over (seven different)
  No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilo-
  va (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. Wil-
liliams); 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 Se-
  ries bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or
  women's

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**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Stefi Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
- Aged 35y 125d at the end of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a major in the Open Era
- 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, 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
- In 2015, came within two wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon; l. Vinci in SF at US Open. Two women in Open Era had previously achieved the feat: 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)

**PERSONAL**

- 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
- Launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’, in late 2018
MATCH NOTES
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VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #40) vs. [12] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

Head to Head: VICTORIA AZARENKA leads 1-0

2015 WIMBLEDON GRASS O R16 VICTORIA AZARENKA 6-2 6-3 68 mins

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Insights from SAP
• Making her sixth appearance at the Western & Southern Open as a former champion in 2013 (d. S.Williams in F)
• One of six former champions in the draw - also Bertens (2018), Muguruza (2017), Ka.Pliskova (2016), S.Williams (2014-15) and Sharapova (2011)
• Other notable results here include two R16 showings in 2009 (l. Jankovic) and 2015 (l. Pavlyuchenkova via ret.)
• Opens up her 2019 Cincinnati campaign against No.12 Bencic. Defeated the Swiss in their sole meeting at 2015 Wimbledon
• Has posted four Top 20 wins this season over No.5 Kerber (Montreux), No.4 Ka.Pliskova (Stuttgart), No.6 Svtolína (Rome) and No.19 Muguruza (Rome, via ret.)
• One of three players representing Belarus in the main draw here – also Sabalenka and Sasnovich
• Has enjoyed success on hard courts in 2019, having already reached one final (Montreux) and one QF (Acapulco)
• Posted 6-4 record during last year’s summer hard-court season, including QF showing at San Jose and 3r run at US Open (I. Stephens)
• Nineteen of 20 career titles have come on hard-courts, most recently picking up three in 2016 (Brisbane, Indian Wells and Miami)
• Currently ranked No.40; by contrast was No.87 entering last year’s Western & Southern Open

**Season**

• Coming off back-to-back 2r runs at San Jose (I. Vekic) and Toronto (I. Yastremskia)
• On grass, suffered 1r defeat at Mallorca (I. Garcia, having led 3-1 in third set) before making 3r run at Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Halep)
• Advanced to QF at Rome, posting wins over Svitolína and Muguruza en route (I. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova) and reached 2r at Roland Garros (I. Osaka)
• Also fell 2r at Madrid (I. Stephens)
• In doubles, won Rome title (w/Barty, d. Groenefeld/Schuurs in F); now 8-10 in WTA doubles finals
• Reached QF at Stuttgart (ret. vs. Kontaveit w/shoulder injury). Before that, her defeat of No.4 Ka.Pliskova in 2r was her second victory over a Top 5 player this season, having defeated No.5 Kerber at Monterrey
• Prior to QF run at Stuttgart was part of Belarus Fed Cup team that fell to Australia in World Group semi-final, in Brisbane. Azarenka went 1-1 in her singles rubbers (d. Stosur, l. Barty) and also lost the doubles with Sabalenka

**SEASON**

• Making fourth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (fifth overall). Best result here was R16 run in 2015 (l. Safarova via ret.)
• Fell in qualifying here last year when ranked No.45. This year, enters Cincinnati as World No.12
• Faces No.40 Azarenka today in their second career meeting. A win today would mark her 20th on hard courts this season (19-5 record). Only Andreescu (24), Ka.Pliskova (23), Barty (20), Kvitova (20) and Kenin (20) own more
• Has won her opening round match in 13 of the 15 main draws contested in 2019. Has only fallen in the opening round this year at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Putintseva) and Lugano (I. Lottner)
• Sole Swiss represented in this year’s main draw. The best result by one of her compatriots was a title run in 2005 by Patty Schnyder
• Posted 2-3 record during last year’s summer hard-court season, highlighted by QF run at Washington, DC (l. Petkovic, received walkover into QF via ret. by Hibino) and QF at New Haven (as LL, l. eventual champion Sabalenka)

• Coming off R16 run at Toronto (I. Svitolína)
• Made 3r showing at Wimbledon (I. Riske) after falling 2r at Eastbourne (I. Alexandrova)
• Defeated No.6 Kerber in SF en route to final on grass at Mallorca (I. Kenin)
• Clay season ended with 2r exit at Rome (I. Mladenovic) and 3r effort at Roland Garros (I. Vekic)
• Posted SF run at Madrid (I. Halep); victory over Osaka in QF improved record over reigning No.1s to 3-1 (also S.Williams at 2015 Toronto and Osaka at 2019 Indian Wells), only loss came against S.Williams at 2014 Madrid
• Posted 2r exit at Stuttgart (I. Bertens)
• Fell in 1r at Lugano (I. Lottner) but reached SF in doubles (w/Kuzmova, I. Kudermetova/Voskoboeva)
• Advanced to QF stage of Charleston (I. Martic)
• Made 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Putintseva)
• Reached SF at Indian Wells (d. No.1 Osaka, No.5 Ka.Pliskova, I. Kerber)
• Loss to Kerber ended 12-match winning streak – having won two Fed Cup singles rubbers (d. Errani, Giorgi), six wins en route to the Dubai title, four matches at Indian Wells
• Lifted third singles title of career at 2019 Dubai (d. Kvitova in F), her first since 2015 Toronto; defeated four Top 10 opponents en route to title, in succession No.8 Sabalenka R16), No.3 Halep (QF), No.6 Svitolína (SF) and No.4 Kvitova (F)
• Inspired Switzerland to 3-1 World Group II win over Italy in Biel (d. Giorgi and Errani)
SEASON CONT.

• R-Up at Monterrey with first Top 10 victory of the year (d. No.5 Kerber); ret. vs. Muguruza due to lower leg injury. Marked first final since 2016 Miami
• Exited 2r of Miami (I. Garcia) after winning first match ever played on the brand-new stadium court at Hard Rock Stadium (d. Cibulkova)
• Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (I. S.Williams). Faced S.Williams in their 22nd career meeting – the only player S.Williams has faced more in her career is sister Venus (30 meetings)
• Win over Lapko in 1r at Indian Wells marked 300th career main draw win on hard courts
• Reached QF at Acapulco (I. Kenin)
• Also won seventh career doubles title – and first since 2011 – in Acapulco (w/S.Zheng d. Krawczyk/ Olmos in F)
• Lost to Kvitova in 2r at St Petersburg
• Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Auckland (I. V.Williams) and Australian Open (I. Siegemund) and Auckland (I. V.Williams)

CAREER MILESTONES

• On February 2, 2019 returned to Top 50 for first time following the birth of her child, Leo
• Highlights of 2018 season included SF at Miami (I. Stephens) and QF at San Jose and Tokyo
• Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child in December 2016
• Comeback tournament was Mallorca, reaching 2r (d. Ozaki, I. Konjuh). Prior to 2017 Mallorca, last tournament contested was 2016 Roland Garros (1r)
• Followed this up with R16 showing at 2017 Wimbledon (I. 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
• 2016 Miami marked 20th tour-level singles title of career (20-17 record in finals)
• Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, I. Kerber), Rome (2r, I. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/rupt 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 (I. Kvitova in 2011 final in Istanbul)
• Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks

SEASON CONT.

• Fell in qualifying at St Petersburg
• Reached SF at Hobart (I. Schmiedlova) and advanced to 3r at Australian Open (I. Kvitova)
• Opened 2019 season at Hopman Cup, partnering Roger Federer to help Switzerland retain the trophy

CAREER MILESTONES

• Posted fourth Top 100 season finish in 2018, at No.37
• 2018 highlight was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, I. Goerges)
• Underwent left wrist surgery in the Spring 2017, missing five months – ranking fell outside Top 300
• Closed out 2017 season by winning 28 of 31 matches and four titles, two on the ITF Circuit and two WTA 125K Series events at Hua Hin, Thailand and Taipei. By the end of the year she was back in the Top 75
• Best wins of career came over No.1 S.Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto and No.1 Osaka in R16 at 2019 Indian Wells and QF at 2019 Madrid
• At 18 years of age in Toronto became youngest player to defeat S.Williams in a completed match since 2004 WTA Finals, when 17-year-old Sharapova d. Serena in F (Serena also lost at 2007 Charleston to then 17-year-old Chan Yung-Jan via first set retirement at 5-3)
• Struggled with injury in 2016 – advanced to sixth career singles final at St Petersburg in February (as top seed for first time in career, I. Vinci) but after Charleston (April) was sidelined for more than two months – missed most of clay season, including Roland Garros
• Run to St Petersburg final saw her break into Top 10 (at No.9) for the first time in her career; became 116th player to break into the Top 10 since computerized rankings were introduced in 1975. In the last 20 years, 11 players have made their Top 10 debut before their 19th birthday
• Reached a career-high ranking of No.7 (February 22, 2016)
• Appeared in four finals in 2015, winning first two career titles at Premier-level Eastbourne (d. A.Radwanska in F) and Toronto (d. Halep in F via ret.)
• Biggest title of career to date came at 2019 Dubai (d. Kvitova in F)
• Owns 3-6 record in finals R-Up at 2014 Tianjin, 2015 ’s-Hertogenbosch, 2015 Tokyo [PPO], 2016 St Petersburg, 2018 Luxembourg and 2019 Mallorca
• At 2016 Eastbourne, aged 18 years, 109 days, became second-youngest player to win a WTA Premier-level final. Caroline Wozniacki won 2008 New Haven aged 18 years, 43 days
• With 2015 Toronto triumph, became first teenager to win an event at Premier 5 level or higher since Azarenka at 2009 Miami
CAREER CONT.

- 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 48th 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/Kirenko)
- 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

PERSONAL

- Hired Wim Fissette as her full-time coach during the 2018 off-season, restarting a successful partnership prior to Azarenka’s pregnancy in 2016
- Formerly coached by 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

CAREER CONT.

- Won second WTA doubles title of career in 2015 at Washington, DC (w/Mladenovic), the first coming earlier in the year at Prague (w/Siniakova)
- Voted 2014 WTA Newcomer of the Year after rising 179 spots in the rankings to finish season at No.33
- Played first WTA qualifying event at Luxembourg in October 2011, and first WTA main draw 12 months later at same event as WC (l. V.Williams, 1r); only 15 years, 7 months at the time

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 19th main draw Grand Slam appearance
- Achieved best Grand Slam singles result when she advanced to QF at 2014 US Open; defeated two Top 10 players en route (No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16). At 17 years of age, was youngest player through to last eight at Flushing Meadows since 1997 when Hingis won the title
- Best result at Australian Open came in 2016, when she advanced to R16 (l. Sharapova)
- At Wimbledon, also advanced to R16 in 2015 (l. Azarenka) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Best result at Roland Garros is 3r in 2019 (l. Vekic)

PERSONAL

- Split from coach Vlado Platenik at the end of 2018; has worked extensively with Melanie Molitor and Martina Hingis, as well as her father, Ivan, in the past
- Fitness trainer is Martin Hromkovic, a former football player from Slovakia
- Also holds Slovak citizenship through her parents
- Includes Nike, Yonex and Rolex among her sponsors
[16] MADISON KEYS (USA #18) vs. GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #27)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 2-1

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CINCINNATI

• Making sixth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she advanced to the QF for the first time in 2018 (l. Sabalenka)
• Faces Muguruza in 1r today; lost to the Spaniard in R16 here in 2017 after holding 3mp
• One of a tournament-leading 10 American women in starting field at 2019 Cincinnati
• In addition to run here, only other appearance of last summer’s North American hard court season was SF showing at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
• Has reached three career finals on hard, winning 2017 Stanford and finishing R-Up at 2016 Montreal and 2017 US Open

SEASON

• Made premature exits at past two tournaments, falling 1r at Washington DC (l. Vekic after holding 3mp in second set) and in 2r at Wimbledon (l. Hercog)
• Reached QF at Roland Garros (l. Barty). Was one of three Americans to make last eight in Paris (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time this had happened since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
• Fell 2r at Rome (l. Kenin) and 1r at Madrid (l. Cirstea)
• Part of US team that retained its Fed Cup World Group I status thanks to 3-2 win over Switzerland in San Antonio (l. Golubic in sole singles rubber)
• Won fourth career title - and first on clay - at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F)
• Coming off 2r exits at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. No.97 Barthel, having led 3-1 in final set) and Miami (after 1r bye, l. Stosur, having led 4-2 in final set)
• In February, was part of US Fed Cup team which lost 3-2 to Australia in Asheville (d. Birrell, l. Barty)
• Began season with R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Svitolina in 3s)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Season highlights in 2018 were SFs at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
• Also made SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
• 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

SEASON

• Withdrew from San Jose and Toronto w/right leg injury
• Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Haddad Maia)
• Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (l. Stephens). Defeated No.9 Svitolina in 3r for third Top 20 win of the season (also d. No.10 S.Williams and No.7 Bertens at Indian Wells)
• Prior to Roland Garros, fell 1r at Madrid (l. Martic) and made R16 at Rome (l. Azarenka via ret. due to left thigh injury)
• Teamed up w/Suárez Navarro to win decisive doubles rubber in Spain’s 3-2 triumph over Belgium in Fed Cup World Group play-offs; also lost singles rubbers to Flipkens and Bonaventure
• Defended Monterrey title in April (d. Azarenka in F via ret. w/leg injury); now owns 7-4 career record in singles finals
• Made QF at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and fell 2r at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Niculescu)
• Win over No.7 Bertens in R16 at Indian Wells was first against a Top 10 player in a completed match since beating No.7 Garcia at 2018 Dubai
• Made QF at Hua Hin (l. Yastremska) and R16 at Dubai (l. Svitolina)
• Reached R16 at Australian Open (l. Ka.Pliskova). Win over Konta in 2r holds the record for the latest-ever start time at the Australian Open, beginning at 12.30am
• Played Hopman Cup in lead up to Australian Open, posting 1-2 singles record (d. Cornet, l. Kerber, l. Barty) as Spain made group stage exit, before withdrawing w/GI illness prior to 2r match at Sydney 2r (d. Suárez Navarro in 1r)
**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Finished 2018 season at No.18 for first non-Top 10 finish since 2014
- Season highlight in 2018 was sixth career singles title at Monterrey (d. Babos in F)
- Also was R-Up at Doha (l. Kvitova) and made SF at Roland Garros, Zhuhai, Dubai and Hong Kong
- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.2 for career-best year-end finish. Rose to World No.1 on September 11, 2017. Became the 24th woman in history of the WTA to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995)
- Named ITF World Champion for 2017
- Won two titles in 2017, lifting her second Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F), as well as winning Premier 5-level Cincinnati (d. Halep in F)
- Registered 300th match win (at all levels) with final victory over V.Williams at 2017 Wimbledon
- At Cincinnati, defeated World No.1 K.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 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)
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**CAREER CONT.**

- 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
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**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 28th 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 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before 2015 Melbourne Park SF 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, having made that stage at Wimbledon in 2015

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 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 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles. Owns a 2-1 record in final matches (also R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams)
PERSONAL

- Coached by Juan Todero; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Past coaches: Jim Madrigal, Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Ambassador for Evian and FearlesslyGIRL
- Was the architect behind Kinder Girl World Day recently on May 21, created in the “hope of replacing some of the toxicity we often see online with messages of kindness”

GRAND SLAM CONT.

- 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)

PERSONAL

- Split from long-time coach Sam Sumyk after Wimbledon
- 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
MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #33) vs. [6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #6)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

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* Updated entering 2019 Cincinnati 2r

ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #33)

R64: d. CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #52) 6-3,6-0 (1h03)

[6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #6)

R64: BYE
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CINCINNATI

• Making second main draw appearance (third overall) at Western & Southern Open
• Reached 2r last year (l. Kontaveit); defeated Osaka in 1r, the Japanese star’s final match before her breakthrough title run at US Open
• In 1r this year, won the final eight games of the match to ease past recent Washington DC finalist Giorgi
• Faces No.6 Kvitova in 2r; won their meeting at Rome this year when Kvitova retired w/left calf injury in final set
• In addition to this result, owns four other Top 10 wins in her career: No.6 Wozniacki (2017 Wuhan), No.5 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Rome), No.6 Bertens (2019 Charleston) and No.7 Svitolina (2019 San Jose)
• Currently the only Greek woman ranked inside Top 200 (week of August 12, 2019)
• In addition to 2r showing here, last summer in North America, was R-Up at San Jose, reached 2r at US Open and fell 1r at Montreal and New Haven

SEASON

• Suffered 1r defeat last week at Toronto (l. Riske - led 4-2 in the final set before spurning 3mp in tie-break)
• Made SF at San Jose (l. eventual champion S.Zheng); in 1r, scored her 300th career win (all levels) against Alexandrova
• Made 3r at Wimbledon (l. Svitolina)
• Exitd 1r of Birmingham, falling to then-World No.1 Osaka, before reaching 2r at Eastbourne (l. Konta)
• Reached QF of Nottingham (l. Brady)
• Fell 2r at Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
• Battled through qualifying and eventually advanced to SF of Rome – l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova
• Suffered 1r exit at Madrid (l. Suarez Navarro)
• Won maiden WTA title at Rabat, recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final
• Fell 1r at Istanbul (l. Kudermetova)
• Reached first QF of 2019 at Charleston (l. Wozniacki); ended defending champion Bertens’s reign in R16 – her third career victory over a Top 10 player, having previously beaten No.6 Wozniacki at 2017 Wuhan and No.5 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Rome
• Made 2r at Miami (l. Kvitova)
• Suffered 1r exits at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges), Acapulco (l. Puig) and at Indian Wells (l. McHale)
• Part of the Greek Fed Cup Team who failed to gain promotion from Europe/Africa Zone Group I event in February (posted 2-1 record in singles)
• Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Barty). Fell 1r at Hobart (l. Linette)
• Began 2019 campaign pairing with Tsitsipas at Hopman Cup – went 2-1 in singles (d. Bencic, d. Boulter, l. S.Williams)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Won a WTA-leading five titles in 2018, at St Petersbug (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybakova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7 – sixth career Top 10 finish, and first since 2015 (up from No.29 in 2017)
• Titles in 2018 came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015

CINCINNATI

• Making eighth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (ninth overall), with best result SF showings in 2012 (l. Kerber) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Bertens)
• During last year’s run also scored second career win over S.Williams in 1r
• After 1r bye, faces Sakkari in 1r; owns 5-1 record in matches following byes this year, including over Sakkari at Miami
• One of 14 Grand Slam champions in the starting field
• Withdrew from Toronto last week w/left forearm injury
• Contested four tournaments during 2018 North American hard court season, reaching SF here, QF at New Haven, R16 at Montreal and 3r at US Open
• Sits No.4 on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen Leadboard, behind Barty, Halep, and Ka.Pliskova (as of August 12, 2019)
• Ranks second on tour this year for services games won (79.3%) and fourth for service points won (63.3%)

SEASON

• Reached R16 at Wimbledon (l. Konta)
• Withdrew from Roland Garros and then Birmingham w/left forearm injury
• Retired in final set of R16 match at Rome against Sakkari w/left calf injury
• Advanced to QF at Madrid, where she was the defending champion (l. eventual champion Bertens)
• Won 27th career singles title from 36th final at Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit in F)
• Made QF run at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty) after 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. V.Williams)
• Reached final at Dubai (l. Bencic)
• Fell QF in defense of St Petersburg title (l. Vekic)
• Reached third career Grand Slam final at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking
• Captured 26th career title at Sydney (d. Barty in F)
• Went on 11-match winning streak across Sydney (5 wins) and Melbourne (6 wins)
• Fell 2r in season opener at Brisbane (l. Kontaveit)
CAREER MILESTONES

- Registered third-consecutive Top 100 year-end finish in 2018 ranked No.42, up from No.52 in 2017 – the highest year-end finish by a Greek player since Daniilidou in 2006 (No.36)
- 2018 season highlights included reaching her first tour-level final at San Jose (l. Buzarnescu), scoring first career Top 5 win after defeat of No.5 Ka.Pliskova in Rome as well as reaching SF at Istanbul (l. Hercog) and Seoul (l. Bertens)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.29 after Seoul run (September 24, 2018)
- Notched first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan Open
- 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 her then best win-by-ranking defeating No.34 Schmiedlova in 1r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2012 Palermo
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2010; owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles and five in doubles

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 15th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Has reached 3r at all four of the majors, most recently at 2019 Wimbledon (l. Svitolina)
- By reaching 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, by 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
- 2019 Wimbledon marked 43rd 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)
- Was first player born in 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (since joined by Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens, Wozniacki, Halep, Osaka and Barty)
- Runner-up at 2019 Australian Open. The last Czech woman to reach the final at Melbourne Park was Novotna in 1991 (l. Seles); last Czech to win the Australian Open title was Mandlikova in 1987 (d. Navratilova)
- Other best Grand Slam results are SF at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. evential champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
PERSONAL

- 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
- Currently coached by Tom Hill

PERSONAL

- Has won the Karen Krantzcke Sportmanship Award, as voted by her WTA peers for the past six years running (through 2018) and seven times overall
- 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
- Parents are Jiri and Pavla
**[LL] BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #31) vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #41)**

Head to Head: BARBORA STRYCOVA leads 2-1

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  - 2-5 / 26-32
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  - 1-2 / 7-31
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q)***
  - 1-4 / 10-57
- **YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q)***
  - 2-4 / 29-91

### DARIA KASATKINA
- **WTA RANKING**
  - #41
- **DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)**
  - 07-05-1997 (22)
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- Making sixth main draw appearance at Western & Southern Open (eighth overall) in first tournament since SF run at Wimbledon
- Best result is reaching R16 in 2016 (d. Bouchard and No.16 Stosur, l. Kerber)
- Fell to Peterson in final round of qualifying before receiving lucky loser spot following Anisimova’s withdrawal (back injury)
- Faces Russian No.1 Kasatkina in 1r today; has won past five matches against Russian opposition, a run which started with victory over Kasatkina at 2018 Sydney
- Current doubles World No.1 and top seed this week w/Hsieh (after 1r bye, face Kontaveit/Sakkari in 2r later today)
- During last year’s summer hard court season, posted 3-4 record, reaching 3r at US Open and falling 1r at Montreal, Cincinnati and New Haven

SEASON

- Produced Grand Slam breakthrough at Wimbledon, reaching SF (l. S.Williams) on her 53rd major appearance
- During SW19 run, upset three seeds to become the oldest first-time Grand Slam semifinalist in the Open Era
- Also won first Grand Slam doubles title at Wimbledon w/Hsieh (d. Dabrowski/Xu in F) and rose to World No.1 ranking following the tournament (July 15, 2019)
- Prior to Wimbledon, made a 1r exit at Eastbourne (l. qualifier Hercog)
- Advanced to SF at Birmingham (l. eventual champion Barty); won 26th career doubles title w/Hsieh
- Clay season ended with successive 1r exits at Madrid (l. Mladenovic), Rome (l. Vandrousova) and Roland Garros (l. Stosur)
- Captured doubles title in Madrid (w/ Hsieh, d. Dabrowski/Xu in F)
- Began clay court swing with back-to-back SF runs at Istanbul (l. Vandrousova) and Prague (l. Teichmann)
- Reached 2r at Indian Wells (l. Halep) and made 1r exit at Miami (l. Vandrousova)
- Reached first Premier QF of 2019 at Doha (l. Kerber in 3s), then made 1r exit at Dubai (l. Suarez Navarro)
- Lifted doubles title in Dubai (w/Hsieh, d. Hradecka/Makarova in F)
- Began season by reaching 2r at Auckland (l. Anisimova) before making 1r exits at Sydney (l. Diyas) and Australian Open (l. Putintseva)
- At Australian Open, also made fifth career major doubles SF (w/Vandrousova, l. eventual champions Stosur/Zhang)

CINCINNATI

- Making fourth appearance at Cincinnati
- Sole win here came during 2r showing in 2017 (d. Sasnovich, l. Keys)
- Last week at Toronto, lost to eventual champion Andreescu in 2r, having led 5-3 in the final set
- Faces Strycova in 1r today; led 3-0 in the final set before going on to lose their most recent encounter on tour, at 2018 Sydney
- Last summer’s hard court results were 2r showings at Montreal and US Open and 1r exit here
- Currently the top-ranked Russian woman, of 10 in the Top 100 (week of August 12, 2019)
- Dropped out of Top 20 after failing to defend Indian Wells R-Up points from 2018 - the first time in 21 years, there was not a Russian in the Top 20 on Monday March 18, breaking streak of 1,094 consecutive weeks with at least one Russian in the Top 20

SEASON

- Coming off 2r showing at Toronto (d. No.13 Kerber, l. eventual champion Andreescu after leading 5-3 in deciding set)
- Kerber upset last week was second Top 20 win of the season (also No.18 Mertens at Stuttgart in April)
- Fell 2r at San Jose (l. Svitolina); defeated defending champion Buzarnescu in 1r to record first win since Roland Garros
- Withdrew from Jurmala w/shoulder injury
- Went winless on grass, falling 1r at Eastbourne (l. Petkovic) and Wimbledon (l. Tomljanovic)
- Clay season ended with 2r at Roland Garros (l. Puig). Also made R16 at Rome (l. Vondrousova), 2r at Stuttgart (l. Vekic) and 1r at Madrid (l. Azarenka)
-Reached 3r at Miami (after 1r bye, d. Gauff before falling to V.Williams)
- After 1r bye, fell to Vondrousova in 2r at Indian Wells
- Fell in 2r at Dubai (d. No.178 Frech, l. Kenin in 3s)
- Posted first singles win of the season over No.669 Barritza of Denmark during Russia’s triumph in Europe/Africa Zone Group I
- Lost to Zvonareva in straight sets in QF at St Peters burg (after 1r bye, received walkover when Sharapova withdrew w/shoulder injury in 2r)
- Suffered 1 exit at Australian Open (l. Bacsinszky)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane. Fell to wildcard Birrell in 1r after leading 5-3 in the third set. Also fell in 1r at Sydney International (l. Sasnovich)
**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ended 2018 season at No.33 – her fifth consecutive Top 50 finish – after posting a 26-23 win-loss record
- 2018 season highlights included reaching QF at Auckland (I. Hsieh) and Sydney (I. Barty) as well as a SF run at Birmingham (I. event viral R-Up Rybarikova)
- In 2018, reached R16 at both Australian Open (I. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros – her best result in Paris to date (I. Putintseva)
- Enjoyed successful 2018 season in doubles, winning titles at Indian Wells (w/Hsieh, d. Makarova/Vesnina), Rome (I. Barty/Schurs, New Haven (d. Hsieh/Siegemund), Tokyo (I.Kato/Ninomiya), Wuhan (d.Mertens/Schuur) and Beijing (d. Dabrowski/Xu)
- Also part of Czech Republic team that beat USA 3-0 in Fed Cup final (d. Kenin in day 1 singles rubber)
- 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)
- Posted career-high singles ranking of No.16 on January 16, 2017
- Winner of 27 career doubles titles. Reached doubles No.1 ranking following 2019 Wimbledon title run w/ Hsieh (July 15, 2019)
- Owns seven career Top 5 wins, having defeated 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), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Birmingham) and No.4 Bertens (2019 Wimbledon)
- Won doubles bronze medal at 2016 Rio Olympics (w/ Safarova)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2000. Won nine singles and 10 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Crowned ITF Junior World Champion in 2002

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Marked 53rd main draw appearance at a Slam with SF run at 2019 Wimbledon (I. S.Williams). One of seven active players who’ve contested more than 50 Slams, behind V.Williams, S.Williams, Kuznetsova, Stosur, Sharapova and Cornet
- Before this, best result at Slam was QF run at 2014 Wimbledon (d. Li Na in the last match of the Chinese star’s career, as well as Wozniacki en route, I. eventual champion Kvitova). Occasion marked first time in Open Era that three Czech women advanced to QF at a Slam (also Safarova, Kvitova)
- Advanced to R16 at Australian Open in 2016 (I. Azarenka), 2017 (I. S.Williams) and 2018 (I. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros in 2018 (I. Putintseva)

**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Posted season-best finish of No.10 in 2018, up from No.24 in 2017
- 2018 saw the Russian win a second WTA singles title at Moscow [Kremlin Cup]. Recovered from 6-2 4-1 down to defeat Jabeur in final; is now 2-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
- Reached biggest final of career at 2018 Indian Wells (I. Osaka). Finished R-Up at Dubai and made SF at St. Petersburg
- Was one of eight players to reach QF or better at two or more Grand Slams in 2018 (Wimbledon and Roland Garros)
- Earned her sixth win over a Top 2 player when she ousted No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Roland Garros R16
- 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)
- 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 (I. 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 (I. eventual R-Up Bencic) and QF stage at five tournaments, including Indian Wells and Rio Olympics
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (I. 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)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow; made main draw debut as WC also at Moscow in 2014

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 16th Grand Slam main draw of her career
- Earned best result at the majors with QF runs at 2018 Roland Garros (I. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Kerber) surpassing her previous-best R16 effort at 2017 US Open (I. Kanepi)
- Reached 3r on her main draw debuts at all of the majors – 2015 US Open (I. Mladenovic), 2016 Australian Open (I. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 Roland Garros (I. Bertens) and 2016 Wimbledon (I. V.Williams)
- In juniors, won 2014 Roland Garros girls’ singles
GRAND SLAM CONT.

- Reached 3r at US Open in 2014 (l. Bouchard), 2015 (l. Lisicki) and 2018 (l. Mertens)
- 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, won 2019 Wimbledon w/Hsieh (d. Dabrowski/Xu in F). Is also a five-time semifinalist, at 2014 US Open (w/Date), 2015 Australian Open (w/Krajicek), 2017 US Open (w/Safarova), 2018 Roland Garros (w/Sestini Hlavackova) and 2019 Australian Open (w/Vondrousova)
- In successful junior career, won back-to-back Australian Open girls’ singles titles in 2002 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2003 (d. Kutuzova in F) and was R-Up at the 2002 US Open (l. Kirilenko). Also won three junior Slams in doubles: 2001 Australian Open (w/Cetkovska), 2002 Roland Garros (w/Groenefeld) and 2002 Wimbledon (w/E.Clijsters)

PERSONAL

- Coached by David Kotyza and also works with Lukas Dlouhy
- Parents are Jindrich and Ilona; sister, Ivona, studied law and lives in US
- Started playing tennis at age 5
- Born in Plzen, Czech Republic – same hometown as frequent doubles partner Andrea Sestini Hlavackova

- Born and resides in Togliatty, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
- Began playing at age six when brother and fitness trainer, Aleksandr Timkovskii, introduced her to tennis
- Currently attending Sport College in Samara, Russia; three years into a five-year degree
- Coached by Carlos Martinez. Has previously worked with Philippe Dehaes and Vladimir Platenik
WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN - DAY 1 MATCH-UPS

ELISE MERTENS (BEL #23) vs. [WC] CATY MCNALLY (USA #121)

First meeting

McNally facing Top 50 opposition for just the second time in her career... Mertens coming off second-round exits at both San Jose and Toronto... The winner will face No.7 seed Svitolina next

VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65) vs. [Q] LAUREN DAVIS (USA #69)

Williams leads 3-0

Williams beat Davis earlier this year at Auckland... Davis has performed well at past two tournaments, Wimbledon and Washington DC... Williams was an unseeded semifinalist here in 2012

[WC] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97) vs. [WC] ALISON RISKE (USA #37)

Sharapova leads 3-0

Sharapova recovered from a set and a break down to win their only hard court encounter, at 2018 Shenzhen... Riske’s past 10 matches have all gone to three sets... Sharapova won 2011 title here as WC

[9] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #9) vs. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #21)

First meeting

Sabalenka beat two Top 10 players en route to SF here on main draw debut in 2018... Martic suffered surprise first-round defeat last week at Toronto... Sabalenka looking for 19th win of the year on hard courts

CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #19) vs. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #32)

First meeting

Wozniacki lost to teenager Swiatek in second round at Toronto last week... Yastremska sitting at career-high ranking... Wozniacki unseeded at a tournament for the first time since February 2017

[Q] REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #74) vs. [14] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #15)

First meeting

Konta facing a Swedish opponent for the first time in over three years... Peterson upset top seed Strycova in final round of qualifying... Konta was a quarterfinalist here in 2017
ELISE MERTENS (BEL #23) vs. CATHERINE MCNALLY (USA #121)

Head to Head: First meeting

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Insight

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CINCINNATI

• Making second main draw appearance (third overall) at Cincinnati, having reached QF here 12 months ago (d. No.3 Stephens in R16, l. Kvitova in 3s)
• Last year, was also R-Up in doubles w/Schuurs (l. Hradecka/Makarova); is defending her title as No.2 seed w/Sabalenka (after 1r bye, face Kudernetova/Voskoboeva or Cornet/Mladenovic)
• Faces American wildcard McNally in 1r today; has 1-5 record against US opposition in 2019, including straight set defeats at her two summer hard court appearances so far against Ahn (San Jose) and S.Williams (Toronto)
• Win-loss record against teenagers in 2019 stands at 3-1, losing to Vondrousova (Miami) and scoring wins over Anisimova (Indian Wells), Parry (Roland Garros) and Vondrousova (Eastbourne)
• Last summer on hard, she reached SF at San Jose, QF at Montreal and Cincinnati and R16 at US Open

SEASON

• Coming off 2r showing at Toronto (l. S.Williams)
• Fell 2r in San Jose after 1r bye (l. No.178 Ahn - in terms of ranking, her worst loss in over two years)
• Notched R16 run at Wimbledon (l. Strycova, having led 6-4 5-2)
• Also posted R16 showing at Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova); win over Vondrousova in 2r was 100th at main draw level
• Posted QF at Mallorca (l. eventual champion Kenin) and fell 1r at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Alexandrova)
• Made 3r run at Roland Garros (l. No.12 Sevastova)
• Exitied 1r at Madrid (l. Schmiedlova) and Rome (l. V.Williams 7-6 in third set)
• Reached QF during defense of Rabat title (l. eventual champion Sakkari)
• Fell 2r in first clay court event of 2019 at Charleston, (after 1r bye, l. Kanepi in a topsy-turvy battle having bageled each other in the first two sets)
• Made 1r exit at Dubai (l. Zhu) followed by 3r runs at Indian Wells (l. Q.Wang) and Miami (l. Vondrousova)
• Completed ‘Sunshine Double’ in doubles (w/Sabalenka), lifting the back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejikova/Siniakova) and Miami (d. Stosur/Zhang)
• Won biggest title of career at Doha (d. No.3 Halep in final). Now owns 5-1 record in finals
• Also beat No.8 Bertens and No.6 Kerber in Doha, doubling career total Top 10 wins to six
• Lost both singles rubbers during Belgium’s 3-1 home defeat to France in Liege (l. Cornet and Garcia)
• Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Keys)
• Began season by falling 1r at Brisbane (l. Bertens) and reaching QF at Sydney (l. Barty)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Finished 2018 season ranked No.682 (up from No.724 in 2017)
• Highlight of 2018 season was winning maiden ITF Circuit title at $25K Lawrence, KS-USA. Also reached QF on four occasions at this level
Elise Mertens vs Caty McNally

**Career Milestones**

- Won three titles in 2018 (Hobart, Rabat and Lugano), one of six players on tour with three or more titles to their name last year - also Kvitova (5), Svitolina (4), Bertens (3), Halep (3) and Wozniacki (3)
- Posted 46 main draw match wins in 2018 – only Ka.Pliskova (49) and Kvitova (47) registered more. By contrast, prior to last season owned only 36 wins at this level across entire career
- In doubles in 2018, won four titles and reached QF at WTA Finals (w/Schuurs)
- Finished 2017 season at No.35, up from No.120 in 2016 – first Top 50 and Top 100 year-end finish
- 2017 season highlighted by first career singles title at Hobart (as a qualifier, d. Niculescu in F)
- 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)
- 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 – made QF (as qualifier, l. Mladenovic)
- Won first WTA title of any kind in doubles at 2016 Auckland (w/Mestach). Now has eight doubles titles – also 2017 Guangzhou (w/Schuurs), 2018 Hobart (w/Schuurs), 2018 Lugano (w/Flipkens), 2018’s-Hertogenbosch (w/Schuurs), 2018 Wuhan (w/Schuurs) and 2019 Indian Wells-Miami double (w/Sabalenka)
- Played first tour-level event of career at 2015 Antwerp (fell in qualifying)
- Has 11 singles and 14 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Belgium in 2010

**Grand Slam History**

- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF of career at 2018 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- Became first Belgian to reach a Slam SF since Flipkens at 2013 Wimbledon; also the first to do so 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) and US Open where she also reached R16 (l. Stephens)
- Deepest run at Wimbledon was to R16 in 2019 (l. Strycova despite leading 6-4 5-2)

**Personal**

- Recently parted ways with coach David Taylor; now back with former coach Robbe Ceyssens
- Earlier coaching history includes Belgian federation until early teens, as well as a year at the Mouratoglou Academy
- Is an animal lover, and has four dogs and a variety of birds as pets (pheasants, peacocks)

**Career Cont.**

- Owns seven career Top 100 wins, all registered in 2019 over No.80 Brengle and No.57 Peterson (both at $100K ITF/Midland, MI-USA), No.63 Lapko (WTA 125K Series at Indian Wells), No.90 Kr.Pliskova (Indian Wells qualifying), No.80 Brady and No.54 Van Uytvanck (both at $100K ITF/Surbiton-GBR), and No.31 Hsieh (Washington DC)
- Awarded wildcard w/Glatch into doubles draw at 2017 Cincinnati (l. Barty/Dellacqua in 1r)
- Owns two singles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut at ITF/$100K Midland, MI-USA in 2016 (fell in qualifying)
- Making Grand Slam main draw debut with 1r exit at 2019 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Watson)
- Contested qualifying at US Open in 2017 and 2018
- As a junior, was R-Up in singles at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Gauff) and champion in doubles at 2018 Roland Garros (w/Swiatek) and US Open (w/Gauff)

**Personal**

- Born in Cincinnati
- Coached by mother Lynn McNally, a former player, and Kevin O’Neill
- Father is John, brother John Jr. was a high-ranked junior player
- Began playing at age of three
- Friends call her Caty
- Hobbies include listening to music, watching Netflix, reading, hanging out with friends
VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #65) vs. [Q] LAUREN DAVIS (USA #69)

Head to Head: VENUS WILLIAMS leads 3-0

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VENUS WILLIAMS

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LAUREN DAVIS

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CINCINNATI

- Making seventh appearance at Western & Southern Open, where best result came in 2012 when she was an unseeded semifinalist (d. No.10 Errani, No.6 Stosur, l. Li).
- At 39 years of age, is the oldest woman in the starting field at this year’s tournament.
- Faces fellow American Davis in 1r today; owns a 2-2 record against her compatriots in 2019, beating Davis (Auckland) and McHale (Indian Wells), but losing to Gauff (Wimbledon) and Mattek-Sands (San Jose).
- Winner meets No.5 seed Bertens in 2r.
- After last week’s Toronto 1r exit, slipped from No.56 to No.65 on WTA Rankings (August 12, 2019) – her lowest ranking in seven years (No.65, week of August 6, 2012).
- Among active players, sits in second place for career hard court titles – 31, trailing only Serena (46) and ahead of Wozniacki (22).
- Bidding for 50th career title this week. Lifted last trophy at 2016 Kaohsiung (d. Doi in F).

SEASON

- Summer hard court campaign began with 1r exits at San Jose (l. No.674 Mattk-Sands; by ranking, was worst since falling to a then-unranked Clijsters at 2009 US Open) and Toronto (l. Suarez Navarro).
- Fell 1r at Wimbledon (l. Gauff).
- Advanced to QF on tournament debut at Birmingham (as WC, l. eventual champion Barty) – was just fourth ever Wimbledon tune-up appearance and first outside of Eastbourne (1997, 1998 and 2011).
- Defeated No.15 Q.Wang in 2r at Birmingham for third Top 20 victory of the year (also No.29 Mertens in Rome 1r and No.3 Kvitova in Indian Wells 2r).
- Also played doubles at Birmingham w/Dart. Only the third time at tournament level (excluding Fed Cup and Olympics) she has played doubles with someone other than Serena (also played 2017 Rome w/ Keys and 2008 Doha w/Wozniacki).
- On clay, made 1r exit at Roland Garros (l. No.9 seed Svitolina) and advanced to R16 at Rome (l. Konta).
- Reached R16 at Miami (l. Halep).
- Posted QF run at Indian Wells (l. Kerber), becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament’s history and at a tour-level event since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight at 43.
- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells for first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR).
- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career.
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in 3r at Australian Open.
- Opened season by reaching QF at Auckland (l. qualifier Andreeescu).

CINCINNATI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Cincinnati (eighth overall), having come through qualifying over the weekend.
- Only main draw win here came during 2r showing in 2013 (d. Zakopalova, l. Li).
- In first round of qualifying on Saturday, saved 3mp in second set tie-break against Ahn. Followed this with straight-set win over Kr.Pliskova.
- Cincinnati is the fourth main draw she has reached via qualifying in 2019 (also Charleston, Birmingham and Wimbledon - as LL).
- Faces V.Williams in 1r today; including qualifying win here over Ahn, owns 10-6 record against fellow Americans in 2019.
- Including qualifiers, is one of 11 Americans in starting field. By contrast, there were nine in last year’s draw.
- Has few points to defend from last year’s North American hard court season, during which she made qualifying exits at Washington DC, Cincinnati and US Open; also fell 1r at WTA 125K Series event at Chicago, $60K ITF/Landisville-PA, USA and in qualifying at Quebec City.

SEASON

- Opened North American hard court season with QF showing at Washington DC (l. eventual champion Pegula); prior to results at Wimbledon and Washington, last posted back-to-back tour-level victories during 3r run at 2018 Australian Open.
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (as LL, l. Suarez Navarro); in 2r upset Kerber to become the first lucky loser to beat the defending women’s champion at Wimbledon, and also the first LL to win two matches at the tournament.
- Win over No.5 Kerber was first Top 10 win since 2017 Eastbourne (d. No.10 A.Radwanska).
- Fell 1r at Birmingham (as qualifier, l. Q.Wang).
- Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Kr.Pliskova).
- Won USTA Pro Circuit ITF World Tennis Tour W100 event in Bonita Springs, FL-USA. which helped her win 2019 USTA Roland Garros Wild Card Challenge.
- Reached 2r in Charleston after qualifying (l. Buzarnescu).
- Played her only Premier Mandatory tournament of the year in Indian Wells reaching 2r (d. Schmiedlova in 1r, l. Muguruza).
- Lost in 1r of Indian Wells 125K to Vikhlyantseva.
- In other WTA 125K Series outing this year, made SF at Newport Beach (l. Pegula).
- On ITF Circuit, exited 2r in Charleston (l. Osuigwe), but losing final in Dothan (l. Kucova) and fell 1r at $100K/Midland-MI, USA.
- Opened season by reaching 2r at Auckland (l. V.Williams) and contesting qualifying at Australian Open.
CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down from No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights in 2018 were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S. Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF effort at Miami (l. Collins)
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S. Williams ($84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up in Fed Cup for Serena’s first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (played dead doubles rubber, l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki) – the 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 in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Shortly after her 37th birthday, returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching 2017 Wimbledon final, becoming (at the time) 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); was also surpassed by 37-year-old Serena in February 2019
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era title-holders, 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
- At 2016 Rio Olympics won 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); 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Made major debut at 2011 Australian Open, as a wildcard
- Has reached 3r at Australian Open three times (2014, 2016 and 2018) and twice at Wimbledon (2014 and 2019)
- Yet to progress past 2r at either Roland Garros (reached 2r in 2012 and 2019) or the US Open (2r in 2015 and 2016)

PERSONAL

- Coached by Edward Elliott
- Father is Bill (cardiologist), who wrote the introduction to a book on tennis nutrition by Novak Djokovic; mother is Traci (nurse); older brother is Billy
- Started playing tennis aged nine upon suggestion of family friend and former pro Oksana Beilens
- Born in Gates Mills, Ohio, but after turning 16 left to train at the Evert Tennis Academy in Florida
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked 83rd Grand Slam main draw appearance, the most in the Open Era
- 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 2017 Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history, followed by Navratilova 1975-94
- 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

PERSONAL

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- Chief Brand Officer of Asutra, a self-care line
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams and Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during 2018-19 off-season
[WC] MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #97) vs. [WC] ALISON RISKE (USA #37)

Head to Head: MARIA SHARAPOVA leads 3-0

2018 SHENZHEN HARD O R16 MARIA SHARAPOVA 4-6 6-3 6-2 142 mins
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YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *

* Updated entering 2019 Cincinnati 1r

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Making fifth appearance at Western & Southern Open, where she is one of six former champions in the draw (also Azarenka, S. Williams, Ka. Pliskova, Muguruza and Bertens)

Won the title here as WC in 2011 (d. No.10 Stosur, No.2 Zvonareva and No.14 Jankovic in F); trailed Jankovic by a set and a break in the final

Was also R-Up on debut in 2010 (l. Clijsters)

Also held 2mp during SF defeat to Ivanovic in most recent visit to Lindner Family Tennis Center, in 2014

Withdrawn from past two editions of tournament due to injury, in 2017 (left forearm) and 2018 (right shoulder)

Heading into today’s 1r match against Riske; recovered from a set and break down to win their only previous match on hard, at 2018 Shenzhen

Winner faces No.1 seed Barty in 2r

Twelve months ago, was ranked No.21; currently No.97 after injury-challenged season

The most recent of her 36 career titles was won on hard courts at 2017 Tianjin (October)

Owns 362-192 career main draw win-loss record on hard courts – only S. Williams (500-83) owns a better winning percentage among active players

During last year’s summer hard court season, made R16 at both Montreal and US Open

Making fourth main draw appearance (eighth overall) at Cincinnati

Only main draw match win came during 2r showing in 2016 (as qualifier, d. Flink)

In 1r, faces Sharapova; is 5-0 against Russian opposition in 2019, beating Rodina and Zvonareva (both during R-Up finish at Shenzhen), Kalinskaya (Doha qualifying) and Alexandrova and Kudermetova (both en route to ‘s-Hertogenbosch title)

Since start of grass court season, has amassed a 17-3 win-loss record; past 10 matches have all gone to three sets

Has played 15 tie-breaks in 2019 (6-9 win-loss record - the most on tour

Including qualifiers, is one of 11 Americans in starting field. By contrast, there were nine in last year’s draw

During last year’s North American hard court season, fell 1r at US Open and San Jose, and contested qualifying at Montreal and Cincinnati

Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough with QF run at Wimbledon (d. No.1 Barty in R16, l. S. Williams); was the first woman in Wimbledon history to go to three sets from 1r to QF

In last event before Wimbledon, fell 1r on grass at Mallorca (l. Badosa)

Won second WTA singles title of career at ‘s-Hertogenbosch – d. top seed Bertens in F, having lost first set 6-0 and saved 5MP in second set

Defeat of No.4 Bertens in ‘s-Hertogenbosch final marked second Top 5 win of career – also d. No.3 A. Radwanska at 2017 Shenzhen

Won ninth ITF singles title on grass at $100k ITF/Surbiton-GBR (d. Rybakova)

Did not win a match during the clay swing, falling 1r at Madrid, Rome, Nurnberg and Roland Garros

Fell 1r at Monterrey

Sunshine Double saw 1r exit at Premier Mandatory Indian Wells (l. Van Uytvanck) and 2r effort at Miami (l. Hsieh)

Reached R16 at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells

In the Middle East, made 2r at Doha and R16 at Dubai (l. Ka. Pliskova)

Fell 1r at Australian Open

Open the season with R-Up finish at Shenzhen (l. Sabalenka); now owns 2-6 career record in singles finals, including title at ‘s-Hertogenbosch in June
CAREER MILESTONES

• Ended 2018 season ranked No.29, highlights being SF efforts at Rome (l. Halep) and Shenzhen (l. Siniakova) and QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)
• Loss to World No.1 Halep at 2018 Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17; most recently defeated Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
• 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)
• Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane and Rome – 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
• 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, Kvitova
• 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon was 56th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam, the fifth-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
• Remains the last teenager to win a Slam, 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

PERSONAL

• Coached by Billy Heiser
• Earned tennis scholarship to Vanderbilt University in summer 2009, but after good results and finding financial backing decided to pursue tennis full time and turned pro two weeks before classes were due to begin
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GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Best Grand Slam result was QF run at 2019 Wimbledon (d. No.1 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
• Also produced R16 showing at 2013 US Open (d. No.10 Kvitova en route, l. Hantuchova)
• Has reached 3r at Australian Open in 2014 (l. Kerber) and at Wimbledon on three previous occasions (2013-14, 2017, 2019)
• Reached 2r on debut at Roland Garros in 2014 but is yet to go further in Paris

CAREER MILESTONES

• Posted sixth consecutive Top 100 season in 2018, finishing at No.63 – up from No.70 in 2017; career-best year-end finish was No.41 in 2016
• Reached career-high ranking No.36 on May 15, 2017
• 2018 highlights included R-Up finish at Nürnberg (l. Larsson in F), reaching QF at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu), ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe), Mallorca (l. Stosur) and Tokyo (l. Ka.Pliskova). Also won eighth ITF Circuit singles title at Surbiton (d. Perrin in F)
• Reached 3r at 2018 Miami (l. Y.Wang) for her best result at a Premier Mandatory tournament; defeated No.7 Garcia along the way for what was fifth career Top 10 win; current Top 10 win-loss record 7-26
• 2017 highlights include R-Up at 2017 Shenzhen (l. Siniakova, having defeated No.3 A.Radwanska en route – at the time was best win by ranking of career)
• Member of Fed Cup winning USA team in 2017
• Won maiden WTA singles title at 2014 Tianjin without dropping a set (d. Bencic in F)
• Made Top 100 debut on July 22, 2013 (No.96)
• Reached first WTA semifinal at 2010 Birmingham (as qualifier, l. Sharapova)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Charleston
• Winner of nine singles and one doubles title on ITF Circuit

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PERSONAL

- Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was published 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)
- Working with Alex Kuznetsov this week in Cincinnati; trained with the Italian coach Riccardo Piatti prior to 2019 North American hard court season
[9] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #9) vs. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #21)

Head to Head: First meeting

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CINCINNATI

- Making second main draw appearance (third overall) at Western & Southern Open, having reached SF on debut in 2018 (I. Halep)
- During last year’s SF run here, trailed by a set and a break before defeating Konta in 1r, saved 2mp to upset No.8 Ka.Pliskova in 2r, No.5 Garcia in R16 and No.13 Keys in QF
- Led by a set and a break before losing to Vekic in final round of qualifying in 2017
- Looking to improve 18-9 record on hard courts in 2019 when she takes on Martic in 1r today; highlights on the surface this year are a title run at Shenzhen and R-Up finish at San Jose
- Is No.2 seed in doubles w/Mertens here (face Kudermetova/Voskoboeva or Cornet/Mladenovic in 2r)
- Last summer, recovered from qualifying exit at San Jose, with R16 run at Montreal, SF at Cincinnati, winning maiden career title at New Haven (subsequently broke into Top 20) and reaching R16 at US Open

SEASON

- Opened summer hard court season with R-Up finish at San Jose (I. S.Zheng) and 1r exit last week at Toronto (I. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Posted QF showing at Eastbourne (I. Bertens) before falling 1r at Wimbledon (I. Rybarikova)
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at ‘s-Hertogenbosch (I. Aiava) and Birmingham (I. Hsieh)
- Fell 2r at Roland Garros (I. Anisimova)
- SF at Strasbourg (I. eventual champion Yastremksa)
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Madrid (I. Kuznetsova) and Rome (I. Cornet)
- Was part of Belarus Fed Cup team that fell 3-2 to Australia in World Group semifinal, in Brisbane. Went 1-1 in her singles rubbers (d. Stosur, l. Barty) and also lost the decisive doubles with Azarenka
- Made R16 in first clay court event of the season at Charleston (l. Puig)
- Suffered 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye) l. Tomljanovic) after R16 run at Indian Wells (I. Kerber)
- Completed the ‘Sunshine Double’ by sweeping back-to-back doubles titles at Indian Wells and Miami (both w/Mertens); now 2-1 in doubles finals
- Fell in R16 at Dubai (l. eventual champion Bencic)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Petkovic and Siegemund) during Belarus’ Fed Cup win over Germany
- Made SF at St. Petersburg (l. eventual champion Bertens); rose to career-high No.9 in the rankings following run in Russia (February 4, 2019)
- Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Anisimova); made Top 10 debut after tournament (January 28)
- Opened 2019 season by lifting third title of career at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F) followed with opening match loss at Sydney (l. Kvitova)

CINCINNATI

- Making fourth main draw appearance (fifth overall) at Cincinnati
- Best result remains R16 run on debut in 2011 (as qualifier, l. Zvonareva)
- Also came through qualifying to reach 2r in 2018 (l. Anisimova)
- Faces No.9 Sabalenka in 1r today; owns four career wins over Top 10 opponents, defeating No.8 Bartoli (2012 Roland Garros), No.5 Kvitova (2012 Tokyo [PPO]), No.6 Ostapenko (2018 Indian Wells) and No.2 Ka.Pliskova (2019 Roland Garros)
- Has won 21 of past 27 matches this year, reaching R16 or better at six of past seven tournaments (Wimbledon - R16, Birmingham - SF, Roland Garros - QF, Madrid - QF, Istanbul - WON, and Charleston - SF)
- Owns 12 three-set victories this season (only Bencic, Konta and Ka.Pliskova have more)
- Currently Croatia’s No.1-ranked woman, ahead of Vekic (No.26); by contrast, 12 months ago was ranked No.51
- Playing doubles at 2019 Cincinnati w/Zhang (face No.7 seeds Melichar/Peschke in 1r)
- Last summer, returned to clay following Wimbledon to finish R-Up at Bucharest before making 2r at Cincinnati and falling in qualifying at New Haven. Bounced back from 1r exit at US Open to win WTA 125K Series event at Chicago in early September

SEASON

- Coming off 1r exit at Toronto (l. No.128 Di Lorenzo)
- At Wimbledon, reached R16 for the second time in her career (l. Svitolina); rose to career-high ranking of No.20 following the tournament (July 15, 2019)
- Prior to Wimbledon, advanced to second Premier-level SF of career at Birmingham (l. Goerges). Along the way, saved five match points against Ostapenko in QF, recovering from 7-6 5-2 to win in three sets
- Reached first Slam QF of career at Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova; upset No.2 seed and No.2-ranked Ka.Pliskova in 3r to register fourth Top 10 win of career (and best by ranking)
- Ended clay court season with 15-3 record – joint-best on tour with Vondrousova
- Withdrew from Strasbourg w/back injury
- Advanced to QF at Madrid, defeating Muguruza and Kerber en route (l. Stephens)
- Lifted maiden career WTA title at Istanbul (d. Vondrousova in F); record in WTA singles finals improved to 1-2, having finished R-Up at 2012 Kuala Lumpur and 2018 Bucharest
- In April, reached first Premier-level SF of career at Charleston (l. Wozniacki)
**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2018, lifting two titles, at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F) and Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings
- Also in 2018, was R-Up at Lugano (I. Mertens) and Eastbourne (I. Wozniacki), made SF at Cincinnati, reached five QFs and produced a career-best Grand Slam run to R16 at US Open
- Posted first Top 100 season finish in 2017, ending year at No.78. Season highlight was reaching first tour-level final at Tianjin (I. Sharapova) and making SF run at Tashkent (I. Babos)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, I. Witthoef), and WTA main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, I. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Fed Cup Team that advanced to competition final in 2017 – went 1-1 in singles and 0-1 in doubles as side lost to USA
- Scored first Top 20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during 2017 Fed Cup final in Minsk
- Rounded out season by lifting WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupovic)
- In 2016 rose nearly 400 places in the rankings, ending year at No.155
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2016 Rabat
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in Minsk in 2012

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Wimbledon marked eighth career main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Advanced to R16 for first time at 2018 US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
- Best run at Australian Open was 3r run in 2019 (I. Anisimova)
- First Grand Slam win came during 2r showing on Grand Slam debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, I.Witthoef)
- Made 1r exit on next three major appearances, at 2018 Australian Open (I. Barty), 2018 Roland Garros (I. Bertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. Buzarnescu)
- Also fell in qualifying at 2016 and 2017 US Opens, 2017 Australian Open and 2017 Roland Garros

**PERSONAL**

- Coached by former ATP player Dmitry Tursunov since last summer
- Started playing aged six as an accident when father drove by local tennis courts
- Voted 2018 WTA Newcomer of the Year by international media
- Her favorite book is *The Count of Monte Cristo*
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• 2019 Wimbledon marked 30th Grand Slam main draw appearance
• Advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Vondrousova)
• Reached R16 on five occasions across the Slams, at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Mertens), Wimbledon in 2017 (l. Rybarikova) and 2019 (l. Svitolina) and Roland Garros in 2012 (l. Kerber) and 2017 (as qualifier, l. Svitolina after leading 5-2 in final set)
• Was ranked No.290 during 2017 Roland Garros run – the lowest-ranked player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since the unranked Henin finished R-Up at 2010 Australian Open (l. S.Williams). Since 1983, the only other player outside the Top 200 to reach R16 in Paris was No.279 Martinez in 1988
• Roland Garros exploits in 2017 ended run of seven 1r losses at the majors (did not contest main draw at any of the Slams in 2016)
• At US Open, fell 2r twice, in 2009 and 2011
• Made 2r on Grand Slam debut at 2009 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Wozniak)

PERSONAL

• Coached by former player Sandra Zaniewska
• Mother’s name is Sandra Martic; she was a handball player
• Favorite city is Paris and favorite food is pancakes
CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #19) vs. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #32)

Head to Head: First meeting

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CAROLINE WOZNIACKI vs DAYANA YASTREMSKA

CINCINNATI

• Making 11th appearance at the Western & Southern Open, where she is a former semifinalist in 2014 (l. eventual champion S.Williams in 3s)
• Last year, fell 2r (after 1r bye, ret. vs. eventual champion Bertens w/left knee injury)
• Faces 19-year-old Yastremska in 1r today; has lost two previous matches to teenagers in 2019, against Andreescu at Auckland and Swiatek last week at Toronto
• Unseeded this week; the last time she was outside the seeds was at 2017 Doha (finished R-Up)
• During last year’s North American hard court season, fell 2r at Montreal, Cincinnati and US Open
• Owner of 24 career hard court titles, with five of these coming on US soil

SEASON

• Coming off 2r showing last week at Toronto (l. Swiatek)
• Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. S.Zhang)
• Produced R16 showing in defense of Eastbourne title (l. Sabalenka having led 5-2 in final set; held 1mp)
• On red clay, made 1r exits at Madrid (ret. vs. Cornet w/back injury), Rome (ret. vs. Collins w/leg injury) and Roland Garros (l. Kudermetova, having won first set 6-0)
• Advanced to final at Charleston (l. Keys)
• Posted R16 showing at Miami (l. Hsieh)
• Made 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Alexandrova)
• Withdrawn from Doha and Dubai due to viral illness
• As the defending champion, reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
• Opened 2019 season by reaching 2r at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Andreescu)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Posted a 41-17 record across 2018, finishing at No.3 for 11th consecutive Top 20 season and eighth Top 10 finish of career, including six in a row (2009-14) and back-to-back year-end No.1 finishes in 2010-11
• Won three titles in 2018 season from four finals, including debut Slam at the Australian Open, as well as Eastbourne and Beijing. Also finished R-Up at Auckland
• Following 2018 WTA Finals, revealed she had been diagnosed with rheumatoid arthritis
• Owns 30 tour-level singles titles (30-25 record in finals); sits fourth among active players, trailing S.Williams (72), V.Williams (49) and Sharapova (36)
• Won 2017 WTA Finals Singapore, passing $25 million in career prize money

CINCINNATI

• Making debut at Cincinnati; one of 12 debutantes in this year’s draw (including qualifiers)
• Faces No.19 Wozniacki in 1r today; owns four career Top 20 wins, over No.13 Muguruza (2018 Luxembourg), No.15 Muguruza (2019 Hua Hin), No.11 Sabalenka (2019 Strasbourg) and No.14 Konta (2019 Toronto)
• Is one of four teenagers in the draw here (also Anisimova - 17, McNally - 17 and Swiatek - 18)
• Enters tournament ranked No.32, up from No.103 in the corresponding week in 2018
• Last summer, played a mixture of WTA and ITF Circuit events, making 2r at New Haven and suffering 1r exit on Grand Slam debut at US Open (l. qualifier Muchova in straight sets). Also won title on clay at $60K ITF/Rome-ITA

SEASON

• Coming off R16 showing at Toronto (l. Kenin)
• Made Grand Slam breakthrough with R16 run at Wimbledon (l. Zhang)
• Suffered 1r exits at Birmingham (l. Goerges) and Eastbourne (as qualifier, l. Konta)
• Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Suarez Navarro - came within two points of victory in second set)
• Highlight of clay court season was winning third career title at Strasbourg (d. Garcia after saving 1mp)
• Suffered 1r exits at Istanbul (l. Mladenovic), Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Suarez Navarro)
• Made 2r at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty)
• Fell 1r at Dubai (l. Muguruza) and Indian Wells (l. Gavrilova)
• Posted 2-0 singles record (d. Swiatek and Larsson in straight sets) as Ukraine failed to progress from Europe/Africa Zone Group I
• Won second career title at Hua Hin (d. Tomljanovic in final after trailing 5-2 in third set)
• Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. S.Williams); wins over Stosur in 1r and Suarez Navarro in 2r were first at Grand Slam level
• Began season by contesting qualifying at Brisbane, followed by QF showing at Hobart (l. Bencic)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Posted first Top 100 season in 2018, at No.60, winning first career title at Hong Kong (d. Q.Wang in F)
• Also in 2018, reached SF at Luxembourg (l. Bencic), 2r at New Haven (as qualifier, l. Goerges) and Charleston (as LL, l. Pera) and fell 1r at US Open (l. Muchova), Acapulco (as qualifier, l. Puig) Québec City (l. McHale) and Beijing (as qualifier, l. S.Zheng)
**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Lifetime record stands at 4-6 vs. World No.1 players
- 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
- Made professional debut aged 15 as a wildcard at 2005 Cincinnati
- Won maiden Grand Slam title at 2018 Australian Open (d. Halep in F)
- Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, 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 major 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

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Became first woman born in the 2000s to crack the Top 100 on the WTA rankings, debuting at No.100 (week of July 16, 2018)
- Won third ITF singles title in at $60k ITF/Rome-ITA and reached two more finals in 2018
- Posted first Top 200 season in 2017, at No.189 – rose more than 200 places during the year
- Won first WTA main draw match and reached first tour-level QF at 2017 Istanbul, defeating former World No.9 Petkovic en route (l. Cepelova)
- Owns three career Top 20 wins, over No.13 Muguruza (2018 Luxembourg), No.15 Muguruza (2019 Hua Hin) and No.11 Sabalenka (2019 Strasbourg)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2016 Istanbul (l. Hibino in 1r)
- Played first matches of career on ITF Circuit in 2015
- In juniors, rose as high as No.6 in the world
- On ITF Circuit, winner of three singles titles and three doubles titles

**PERSONAL**

- Coached by father, Piotr Wozniacki
- Married former NBA player David Lee in Tuscany on June 15, 2019; the two announced their engagement in November 2017
- Ran 2014 New York City Marathon with charity Team for Kids, funds going to New York Road Runners youth programs
- Advanced to second week of a major for the first time at 2019 Wimbledon, falling to S.Zhang in R16
- Reached 3r at 2019 Australian Open (l. S.Williams)
- Made 1r exit on Grand Slam debut at 2018 US Open (l. qualifier Muchova in straight sets) and also 2019 Roland Garros
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Wimbledon
- Runner-up in 2016 Wimbledon junior girls’ event (l. Potapova)

- Born and resides in Odessa, Ukraine
- Trained as a junior in Istanbul, at Koza WOS
- Began playing tennis at age 5
- Prefers hard courts
- Currently coached by Oliver Jeunehomme
[Q] REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #74) vs. [14] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #15)

Head to Head: First meeting

REBECCA PETERSON

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CINCINNATI Tournament History

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CINCINNATI

• Making second appearance at Western & Southern Open, having reached 2r as a qualifier in 2018 (I. Mertens)
• Came through qualifying against this year, upsetting the higher-ranked Gasparyan and Strycova
• Faces No.15 Konta in 1r today – a win would be second over a Top 20 player, having previously upset No.8 Stephens last month at Washington DC
• Only Swedish woman in the singles draw (next highest ranked is No.173 Larsson)
• During last summer’s North American hard court season, followed up 2r showing here by contesting qualifying at New Haven then producing best Grand Slam result of career by reaching US Open 3r

SEASON

• So far this summer on hard courts, has reached 2r at Washington DC (d. No.8 Stephens, I. Giorgi) and contested qualifying last week at Toronto
• Highlight of grass court season was R16 showing at Eastbourne (l. Kerber), sandwiched between 1r defeats at Mallorca (l. Bencic) and Wimbledon (l. Wickmayer)
• On clay, posted QF run at Rabat (l. Tomljanovic) and 2r showings at Lugano (l. Kudermetova), Istanbul (l. Arruabarrena), Strasbourg (l. Garcia) and Roland Garros (l. Vekic). Also made 1r exit at Rome (as qualifier, I. S.Williams)
• Reached 2r at Miami (l. S.Williams) and made 1r exits at Indian Wells (l. Alexandrova) and Acapulco (l. Kenin via ret. w/upper respiratory illness)
• Posted 1-2 record in singles at the Fed Cup Europe/Africa Zone Group I event, as Sweden narrowly missed out on a place in the World Group II playoffs
• Made QF at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and then SF at $100k ITF/Midland-USA
• Made 2r on Australian Open debut (d. Cirstea, l. Sharapova). Has now contested the main draws of all the majors
• Did not play any events in lead-up to 2019 Australian Open

CAREER MILESTONES

• Finished 2018 at No.55 for career-high year-end finish, and debut Top 100 season
• Posted most main draw wins last year, going 10-11, and peaked at No.52 in the rankings (October 22, 2018)
• Advanced to 3r at 2018 US Open, first time at that stage of a Grand Slam (l. Kanepi); defeated a Top 30 player for the first time when overcoming No.28 Pavlyuchenkova in 1r

CINCINNATI

• Making fourth appearance at Cincinnati; best result was 2017’s QF run (d. No.11 Cibulkova, I. Halep)
• Has been seeded on two of her three previous visits to the tournament: No.10 in 2016 and No.7 in 2017
• Faces Peterson in 1r today; owns 2-2 career record with Swedish opposition, winning the most recent, against Larsson at 2016 Rome
• Only British player in either the main draw or qualifying
• During last year’s summer hard court season, reached QF at San Jose and R16 at Montreal, as well as a 2r showing at New Haven and 1r exits at Cincinnati and US Open

SEASON

• Made 1r exit last week at Toronto (I. Yastremska)
• Produced QF run at Wimbledon (d. No.9 Stephens and No.6 Kvitova, I. Strycova)
• On grass prior to Wimbledon, reached 2r at Birmingham (d. Kontaveit, I. Ostapenko) and advanced to R16 at Eastbourne (l. Jabeur)
• Made historic run at Roland Garros, recording maiden 1r win in Paris before moving on to become the first British woman to reach the SF since Jo Durie’s run to the same stage in 1983
• Re-entered Top 20 on June 10, 2019 for the first time since March 2018 (dropped as low as No.50)
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• Posted R-Up finish in Rome (l. Ka.Pliskova) in second clay final of the season; now 3-5 in WTA finals
• Made 2r exit at Madrid (l. Halep)
• Was R-Up at Rabat (l. Sakkari, after leading by a set and a break) – marked first final in 10 months (2018 Nottingham) and first ever final on red clay (had never previously reached tour-level QF on the surface)
• Until Rabat, had never won more than two consecutive main draw matches on red clay and had not won three matches in a row on it since qualifying for Roland Garros in 2015. Not since winning her first ITF Circuit title in Mostar in 2008 had she won four consecutive matches on red clay (all levels)
• In Fed Cup action in London in April, posted three-set wins over Diyas and Putintseva to help Britain secure a place in the competition’s World Group II in 2020 (Great Britain d. Kazakhstan, 3-1)
• During ‘Sunshine Double’, reached 3r at Indian Wells (l. Bertens) and 2r at Miami (l. Q.Wang)
• Reached first QF of year at Acapulco (d. Bertens, l. Ostapenko) and advanced to R16 at Eastbourne (l. Jabeur)
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CAREER MILESTONES

- Fell 2r on debuts at Wimbledon (I. Vekic) and Roland Garros (I. Buzarnescu)
- As qualifier, made first WTA-level SF at 2018 Acapulco (I. Voegele); scored then-best career win-by-ranking over No.33 Zhang in QF
- After missing first half of 2017 season with shoulder injury, reached second WTA QF at Guangzhou in 2017 (I. 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
- Advanced to first WTA-level QF at Bastad in 2015. Also won one WTA doubles title that year at Rio de Janeiro (w/Bonaventure)
- 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

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Wimbledon marked seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made 3r at a Grand Slam for the first time when reaching that stage at 2018 US Open (I. Kanepi). 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
- Prior to 2018 US Open 3r run, best major runs were 2r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
- Made debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, I. Allertova)

SEASON CONT.

- Retired in final round of qualifying at Sydney vs. Alexandra w/neck injury. Received Lucky Loser spot, but withdrew prior to 1r match vs. Bertens w/shoulder injury. Was first time in qualifying since 2015 Linz
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane, making 2r (d. No.6 Stephens, I. Tomljanovic). Defeat of Stephens was first over a Top 10 player since upsetting No.2 Halep at 2017 Wimbledon

CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted fourth consecutive Top 50 finish in 2018, at No.39
- Owns a 3-5 record in WTA singles finals, most recently finishing R-Up at 2019 Rome (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Season highlights in 2018 including a second successive R-Up finish at Nottingham (l. Barty) and SF showing at Moscow [Kremlin Cup] (l. eventual champion Kasatkina)
- Also in 2018, reached QF at Brisbane and San Jose, while best results at the Slams were 2r efforts at the Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Posted five Top 20 wins in 2018, over No.19 Keys (Brisbane), No.19 Rybarikova (Madrid and Rome), No.11 Ostapenko (Montréal) and No.16 Mertens (Moscow [Kremlin Cup])
- In 2017, posted 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 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. eventual R-Up V.Williams)
- Reached third final of 2017 season at Nottingham (I. 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)
- Win over Kerber was first by a British woman over a reigning No.1 since Barker d. Evert at 1979 Boston
- Has six Top 5 wins: 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, No.2 Halep at 2017 Wimbledon, No.4 Bertens at 2019 Rome
- Reached first Premier Mandatory final of career at 2016 Beijing (l. A.Radwanska)
- Non-playing alternate for WTA Finals in Singapore in 2016, narrowly missing qualification in the Top 8

PERSONAL

- 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

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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)

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

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

2019 Wimbledon marked 23rd main draw appearance at a Grand Slam

Is a three-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 Wade in 1978 (l. Evert), and at 2019 Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)

Became the eighth active player to reach a major SF on hard, grass and clay: also Azarenka, Bouchard, Halep, Kvitova, Sharapova, S.Williams and V.Williams

Also made QF at Australian Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and Wimbledon in 2019 (l. Strycova), while at US Open made R16, in 2015 (l. Kvitova) and 2016 (l. Sevastova)

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

Switched clothing sponsor from Asics to Ellesse at end of 2018

Currently working with Dimitri Zavialoff, having parted ways with Michael Joyce at the end of 2018 season