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NÜRNBERGER VERSICHERUNGSCUP 2019 – QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates:	Sunday - Saturday, May 19 - 25, 2019
Singles Final:	Saturday, May 25, NB 1:30 pm
Doubles Final:	Saturday, May 25, 11am TBC
Venue:	Tennis-Club 1.FCN
Status:	WTA International event
Staging:	Tournament's seventh year
Draw sizes:	32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface:	Red Clay / Outdoors
Tennis Ball:	Babolat French Open Roland Garros
2018 Singles Final:	Johanna Larsson (SWE) d. [7] Alison Riske (USA) 7-6(4) 6-4
2018 Doubles Final:	[3] D.Schuurs/K.Srebotnik (NED/SLO) d. [2] K.Flipkens/ J.Larsson (BEL/SWE) 3-6 6-3 10-7

SINGLES	USD \$	RANK POINTS
Winner	43,000	280
Runner-Up	21,400	180
Semifinalist	11,500	110
Quarterfinalist	6,175	60
Round of 16	3,400	30
Round of 32	2,100	1

DOUBLES	USD \$	RANK POINTS
Winner	12,300	280
Runner-Up	6,400	180
Semifinalist	3,435	110
Quarterfinalist	1,820	60
Round of 16	960	1

MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS

Singles wildcards: Anna-Lena Friedsam (GER), Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS), Sabine Lisicki (GER)
Youngest singles player: Vera Lapko, 20 years old (September 29, 1998)
Oldest singles player: Svetlana Kuznetsova, 33 years old (June 27, 1985)
Singles withdrawals: Katie Boulter (back), Margarita Gasparyan (right wrist), Julia Goerges (right thigh), Polona Hercog (ankle), Taylor Townsend (personal), Stefanie Voegele (Roland Garros qualifying)
Main draw debutantes: Ekaterina Alexandrova (RUS), Dalila Jakupovic (SLO), Veronika Kudermetova (RUS), Svetlana Kuznetsova (RUS), Vera Lapko (BLR), Paula Ormaechea (ARG), Sara Sorribes Tormo (ESP), Tamara Zidansek (SLO)

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

- Reigning champion **Johanna Larsson** aims to win her first tournament of the season and third of her career this week in Nürnberg. In the first round she will face wildcard and former Roland Garros champion **Svetlana Kuznetsova**
- Four German players will be competing on home soil, including 2013 runner up, **Andrea Petkovic**, wildcards **Sabine Lisicki** and **Anna-Lena Friedsam**, and **Mona Barthel**
- No.4 seed and last year's runner up, **Alison Riske**, returns in search of her second career title, last triumphing at the 2014 Tianjin Open. First up this week for the American will be one of the six qualifiers
- For No.5 seed **Ekaterina Alexandrova** her first-round clash against a qualifier will be the 400th singles match of her career, while **Madison Brengle** will play her 800th when she steps on court to play Evgeniya Rodina on Sunday
- *One To Watch* – **Veronika Kudermetova**. The 22-year-old Russian has quietly worked her way up the rankings this year, making her Top 100 debut after coming through qualifying at three straight WTA-level tournaments, beginning with a quarter-final run at Shenzhen. A title at the WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara, followed by further quarter-finals on clay at Lugano and Istanbul, added further momentum, and she arrives in Germany perched at a career-high No.75 in the rankings

TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY*

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	W/L	WIN %
[1] Yulia Putintseva (KAZ)	QF (2): 2015 (l. Knapp), 2017 (l. Cirstea) 2r (2): 2016 (l. Goerges), 2018 (l. Riske)	6-4	.600
[2] Katerina Siniakova (CZE)	SF (1): 2018 (l. Larsson)	3-1	.750
[3] Ajla Tomljanovic (AUS)	1r (1): 2017 (l. Flipkens)	0-1	.000
[4] Alison Riske (USA)	F (1): 2018 (l. Larsson) QF (1): 2017 (l. Bertens)	6-2	.750

**Main draw matches only*

PREVIOUS CHAMPIONS & RUNNERS-UP

YEAR	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	SCORE
2013	[7] Simona Halep (ROU)	Andrea Petkovic (GER)	6-3 6-3
2014	[2] Eugenie Bouchard (CAN)	Karolina Pliskova (CZE)	6-2 4-6 6-3
2015	[6] Karin Knapp (ITA)	[4] Roberta Vinci (ITA)	7-6(5) 4-6 6-1
2016	Kiki Bertens (NED)	Mariana Duque-Mariño (COL)	6-2 6-2
2017	[1] Kiki Bertens (NED)	Barbora Krejčíková (CZE)	6-2 6-1
2018	Johanna Larsson (SWE)	Alison Riske (USA)	7-6(4) 6-4

If highlighted denotes competing in 2019 Nürnberg main draw

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

A total of 15 countries are represented in the main draw, led by the Russia with five players:

Argentina (1)	Paula Ormaechea
Australia (1)	Ajla Tomljanovic
Belarus (1)	Vera Lapko
Belgium (1)	Kirsten Flipkens
Czech Republic (2)	Kristyna Pliskova, Katerina Siniakova
Germany (4)	Mona Barthel, Anna-Lena Friedsam, Sabine Lisicki, Andrea Petkovic
Japan (1)	Misaki Doi
Kazakhstan (1)	Yulia Putintseva
Luxembourg (1)	Mandy Minella
Romania (2)	Irina-Camelia Begu, Sorana Cirstea
Russia (5)	Ekaterina Alexandrova, Vitalia Diatchenko, Veronika Kudermetova, Svetlana Kuznetsova, Evgeniya Rodina
Slovenia (2)	Dalila Jakupovic, Tamara Zidansek
Spain (1)	Sara Sorribes Tormo
Sweden (1)	Johanna Larsson
United States (2)	Madison Brengle, Alison Riske