DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – FINAL

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

Halep retired from their only previous meeting at 2019 Wuhan with a lower back injury...

Rybakina has reached the final of four of her five tournaments this year and owns a tour-leading 19 match wins... Halep won her seventh career title here in 2015, today she is bidding to take this tally to 20... Twelve months ago, Rybakina was ranked barely inside the Top 200... Halep has been ranked inside the Top 10 for 317 consecutive weeks – the 10th longest streak in WTA history

A LOOK AT THE FINALISTS

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RANKING MOVERS

Regardless of the result in the final, Simona Halep will remain at No.2 in the new rankings.

Elena Rybakina is guaranteed a new career-high ranking: No.17 as runner-up and No.16 with the title.

TITLE MILESTONE

Simona Halep is bidding to win the 20th title of her career today. Should she triumph, the Romanian would draw level with Victoria Azarenka in sixth place on the list of active title winners (behind Serena and Venus Williams, Kim Clijsters, Maria Sharapova and Petra Kvitova).

FAST START

Elena Rybakina has made a flying start to 2020, reaching the final of four of her five tournaments so far. She came from a break down in both sets of her semifinal against Petra Martic to improve her record this season to 19-3:

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**Head to Head:** ELENA RYBAKINA leads 1-0

**2019 WUHAN HARD O R16 ELENA RYBAKINA 5-4 ret. 47 mins**

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* Updated entering 2020 Dubai final

**ROAD TO THE FINAL**

**[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2)**

SF: d. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52) 6-2,6-0 (1h03)

QF: d. [7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13) 3-6,2-6,2-6,2-6 (1h36)

R16: d. ONS JABEUR (TUN #45) 1-6,6-2,7-6(7) (2h00)

R32: BYE

Total games: 67
Won/lost: 41-26
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 4h39
Average time on court: 1h10
Average rank of opponent: 37

**[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)**

SF: d. [8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15) 7-6(5),7-6(2) (2h15)

QF: d. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) 7-6(1),6-3 (1h41)

R16: d. KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #58) 6-3,6-3 (1h21)

R32: d. [5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7) 6-7(2),6-3,6-3 (2h00)

Total games: 97
Won/lost: 57-40
Sets won/lost: 8-1
Total time on court: 7h17
Average time on court: 1h49
Average rank of opponent: 21

**DUBAI Tournament History**

**SIMONA HALEP**

| 2019 | QF | L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #45) | 4-6 | 6-4 | 6-2 |

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HALEP:

_Dubai_

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Dubai (seventh overall)
- Won title here in 2015, defeating this year’s No.2 seed Ka.Pliskova in final
- Last remaining of three former champions to start the main draw – also Bencic (l. Pavlyuchenkova in 1r) and Svitolina (l. Brady in 1r)
- Third time contesting Dubai as No.1 seed: 2015 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and 2016 (l. Ivanovic in 2r after 1r bye)
- The No.1 seed has won the tournament on eight occasions including her title run in 2015 – also Hingis (2001), Henin (2003, 2004, 2007), Davenport (2005), Wozniacki (2011) and Svitolina (2018)
- Saved one match point to defeat wildcard Jabeur in 2r on Wednesday. Retired in their only previous meeting in 2018 Beijing due to an ongoing back injury
- Win over Tunisian marked her 500th career win (across all levels)
- Came from a set down to beat Sabalenka in QF, avenging loss to the Belarusian at the same stage of her opening tournament of the season at Adelaide
- In SF, produced a near-flawless display to ease past American qualifier Brady, committing just eight unforced errors, winning all seven service games and also 58% of her return points
- The Romanian is now 47-22 against American opponents, including 2-9 vs Serena and 45-13 vs all other Americans
- Also boasts a 53-17 record vs. qualifiers, including an 9-2 mark since the beginning of last year
- Faces off against No.19 Rybakina in her first final of the season. Retired against the Kazakh in their only previous meeting at 2019 Wuhan with a low back injury
- Seeking 20th career title, which would draw her level with Azarenka in sixth place on the list of active title winners (behind S.Williams, V.Williams, Clijsters, Sharapova and Kvitova)
- Since 2013, when Halep won her first title, only Serena Williams (27) has won more titles than the Romanian
- Including this week, has been ranked inside the Top 10 for 317 consecutive weeks – the 10th longest streak in WTA history
- Currently in fifth position on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen

**Season**

- Reached eighth career Grand Slam SF at Australian Open (l. Muguruza) bringing record in major SF matches to 5-3
- Opened 2020 season with QF appearance in Adelaide (l. Sabalenka)
Career Milestones

- Ended 2019 ranked No.4 for sixth consecutive year in the Top 5
- 2019 highlighted by winning second career Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams)
- Also finished R-Up at Madrid (I. Bertens) and QF at Roland Garros (as defending champion, I. Anisimova) and Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzova w/Achilles pain)
- 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 (I. Wozniacki), Rome (I. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (I. 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 for first time 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 six times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-19, although withdrew injured in 2018), reaching final in 2014 (I. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player, winning her first six WTA titles and ending year ranked No.11
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals

Grand Slam History

- Contested 39th Grand Slam main draw of her career at 2020 Australian Open
- Winner of two Grand Slam titles, lifting first at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) followed by an historic 2019 Wimbledon run (d. S.Williams in F)
- 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)
- Best result at US Open is SF run in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

Personal

- Reunited with long-time coach, Darren Cahill during offseason after taking a 12-month break
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Sponsorship portfolio includes deals with Mercedes, Unilever and is an Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
- Sponsors a children's hockey team back in Romania through the Simona Halep Foundation

RYBAKINA:

Dubai

- Making tournament debut here in Dubai
- Sealed then-third career win over a Top 10 player by upsetting No.7 Kenin in 1r on Tuesday – also defeated No.7 Garcia in 2018 St. Petersburg and No.6 Halep in 2019 Wuhan
- In repeat of last week's St. Petersburg 1r, overpowered Siniakova to enter her fourth QF of the season
- Hit 11 aces to record her maiden Top 5 win over No.3 Ka.Pliskova in QF
- Recovered from 5-3 down in the first set and 4-1 in the second – fending off set points in both – to see off No.15 Martic in SF
- Now owns 19 wins this season, the most on tour followed by Muguruza on 13
- Faces No.2 Halep in fourth final of the season. Owns 2-3 record in WTA finals, with her only previous appearance at this stage of a Premier event a 6-1 6-3 defeat to Bertens in St. Petersburg six days ago
Prior to this week's run, had reached the final in three of the four tournaments played this year: Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F), Hobart (d. Zhang in F) and St. Petersburg (l. Bertens in F) – only tournament she did not reach final was Australian Open (l. Barty in 3r)

Playing on a career high ranking of No.19 – made Top 20 debut on Monday

Is projected to move to a career-high No.17 by reaching the final and No.16 should she lift the title; by contrast, this time last year was sat at No.192 and fell in the first round of qualifying at Budapest

Leads Tour in aces - now owns 132 through 22 matches including 28 this week

Also leads Tour in most three-set matches won with 7-0 record

At 20y, 29d is youngest champion of the year after winning title in Hobart (d. Zhang)

Sits in fourth place on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen leaderboard

Season

• Coming off R-Up appearance at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens) for first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament
• Made Top 20 debut at No.19 on Feb. 17
• Recorded career-best run at a Grand Slam by advancing to 3r at the Australian Open (l. Barty) - won back-to-back matches at a major for the first time after two straight sets victories over Pera in 1r and Minnen in 2r
• Opened 2020 season with back-to-back final runs, first reaching the championship match at Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F) before claiming a second career title at Hobart (d. S.Zhang in F)

Career Milestones

• Finished 2019 season at No.37 to record first Top 50 finish of her career, up from 2018's final ranking of No.191
• During a breakout 2019 season, lifted maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest (d. Tig in F). Also advanced to second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson) and made SF appearances at Luxembourg (l. Goerges) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Bertens)
• Additionally, made QF runs at Istanbul (l. Strycova), Wuhan (l. Sabalenka) and Linz (l. Osatapenko)
• Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova). Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
• On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions; back-to-back at $25K Moscow-RUS and $25K Kazan-RUS and at $60K ITF/Launceston-AUS. Now holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
• Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching the title at $15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
• First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg. Has since added the defeat of No.6 Halep (2019 Wuhan) to list of Top 10 triumphs
• Ended 2017 ranked No.425, improving 191 spots from 2016 (finished at No.616)
• Holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
• Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)

Grand Slam History

• 2020 Australian Open marked her third career Grand Slam main draw where she recorded her career best appearance at a Major by advancing to 3r (l. Barty)
• Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
• Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
• Has also fallen in qualifying at other two majors, both in 2019
• In Juniors, reached two Grand Slam SFs at 2017 Australian Open and Roland Garros

Personal

• Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior
• Coached by Stefano Vukov; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina's former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
• Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
• Started playing tennis aged five
Former junior World No.3 Elena Rybakina is steadily climbing her way up the WTA rankings. From the end of 2018 to the end of 2019, she soared 154 ranking spots to end her career best season at World No.37.

Debuting on the WTA Tour in 2017, the young Moscow-born Kazakh proved herself as one to watch after a 2018 St. Petersburg quarterfinal run, where as a qualifier and ranked World No.450, she stunned Caroline Garcia to score her maiden Top 10 scalp at the first attempt.

In 2019, she lifted three ITF titles in Launceston, Moscow and Kazan to set the stage for her maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest.

In what’s become an outstanding start to her 2020 campaign, Rybakina has powered her way into the final round of three tournaments, lifted her second career singles title at Hobart and achieved a career-high ranking of World No.19. Currently leading the Tour in matches won, Rybakina’s inspired performances continue to impress.

ELENA

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STORYLINES

Won maiden WTA singles title at 2019 Bucharest and second at 2020 Hobart

Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award

Owner of four ITF singles titles and four ITF doubles titles

Achieved career-high ranking of No.19 on February 17, 2020

As of February 20, 2020
Simona Halep owns 19 WTA singles titles, including two Grand Slam titles at Roland Garros in 2018 and at 2019 Wimbledon, where she hit just four unforced errors in the championship match against Serena Williams. Her impressive title haul also includes three at the Premier Mandatory level in Madrid (2016 and 2017) and Indian Wells (2015).

The Romanian became the 25th player in WTA history to achieve the World No.1 ranking on October 9, 2017. In addition to her 2018 Roland Garros title, she is a three-time Grand Slam finalist (2014 and 2017 Roland Garros, 2018 Australian Open) and also advanced to the final stage at the 2014 WTA Finals in Singapore, where she defeated Serena Williams in round-robin play.

She isn’t the tallest player on tour, but uses deep groundstrokes, speed, amazing court sense and directional control to seamlessly convert defense to offense.

Off the court, Simona has an analytical mind - speaking about her game openly and with unique technical detail. She loves shopping and finds great malls wherever she goes around the world. Not preferring the limelight, she lets her tennis do the talking, winning fans all over the globe, and is a phenomenon in her native Romania.
BARBORA STRYCOVA

DOB: 4 Jan 1986 (34)
Residence: Czech Republic
Plays: RH (two-handed backhand)
Height: 5' 7" (1.69 m)
Prize Career: $8,348,564
Prize YTD: $258,694
Career High Singles Rank: 23 (Feb 2013)
Career High Doubles Rank: 1 (May 2014)
WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 3
WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career: 1 / 25

SU-WEI HSIEH

DOB: 4 Jan 1986 (34)
Residence: Chinese Taipei
Plays: RH (two-handed both sides)
Height: 5' 7" (1.69 m)
Prize Career: $8,348,564
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TOURNAMENT - WON (6)
- 2020 Brisbane (Hard) d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6 7-6(7) 10-8
- 2019 Wimbledon (Grass) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-2 6-4
- 2019 Birmingham (Grass) d. A.Groenefeld/D.Schuurs 6-4 6-7(4) 10-8
- 2019 Madrid (Clay) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-3 6-1
- 2019 Dubai (Hard) d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4 6-4
- 2018 Indian Wells (Hard) d. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-4 6-4

TOURNAMENT - RUNNER UP (2)
- 2019 WTA Finals (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic
- 2020 Australian Open (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2 6-4

OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)
- QF at 2019 Cincinnati (Hard) l. L.Hradecka/A.Klepac
- QF at 2019 Indian Wells (Hard) l. H.Chan/L.Chan 4-6 6-2 11-9
- R16 at 2019 Beijing (Hard) l. J.Ostapenko/D.Yastremska 6-4 6-4
- R16 at 2019 Wuhan (Hard) l. N.Kichenok/A.Spears 6-4 2-6 13-11
- R16 at 2019 US Open (Hard) l. L.Kichenok/J.Ostapenko 6-4 6-3

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OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED):
- R16 at 2019 Roland Garros (Clay) l. L.Kichenok/J.Ostapenko 7-5 6-1
- R16 at 2019 Rome (Clay) l. V.Azarenka/A.Barty 6-4 6-3
- R16 at 2019 Miami (Hard) l. E.Mertens/A.Sabalenka 7-6(3) 2-6 10-3
- R16 at 2019 Doha (Hard) l. V.Kudermetova/J.Ostapenko 4-6 6-3 10-4

TOURNEY HISTORIC - DOUBLES

2020 Season Summary

B.STRYCOVA
2 tournaments in 2020:
- W in Brisbane
  Partner: S.Hsieh (d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6 7-6(7) 10-8)
- F Main Draw in Australian Open
  Partner: B.Strycova (l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2 6-1)

S.HSIEH
2 tournaments in 2020:
- F Main Draw in Australian Open
  Partner: B.Strycova (l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2 6-1)
- W in Brisbane
  Partner: B.Strycova (d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6 7-6(7) 10-8)

Best Previous Results (DUBAI)

B.STRYCOVA
6 appearances at DUBAI:
- W in 2019 Partner: S.Hsieh (d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4 6-4)
- SF Main Draw in 2017 Partner: S.Mirza (l. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-4 6-3)
- QF Main Draw in 2018 Partner: L.Safarova vs. H.Chan/Z.Yang, match not played due to walkover
- QF Main Draw in 2012 Partner: I.Melzer (l. S.Hsieh/S.Peng 6-3 2-6 10-5)
- R16 Main Draw in 2016 Partner: R.Vinci (l. T.Babos/J.Goerges 6-3 3-6 11-9)
- R1 Main Draw in 2015 Partner: M.Krajicek (l. M.Niculescu/A.Panova 6-3 6-3 10-7)

S.HSIEH
6 appearances at DUBAI:
- W in 2019 Partner: B.Strycova (d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4 6-4)
- F Main Draw in 2018 Partner: S.Peng (d. H.Chan/Z.Yang 4-6 6-2 10-6)
- SF Main Draw in 2012 Partner: S.Peng (d. S.Mirza/E.Vesnina 6-7(5) 13-11)
- SF Main Draw in 2002 Partner: A.Widjaja (d. B.Rittner/M.Vento-Kabchi 5-7 6-3 6-2)
- R16 Main Draw in 2015 Partner: S.Mirza (d. A.Kudryavtseva/A.A.Pavluchenkova 6-4 6-6 10-7)
- R16 Main Draw in 2013 Partner: L.Huber (d. B.Mattek-Sands/S.Mirza 6-4 6-4)

GRAND SLAM

B.STRYCOVA

| Tournament      | W / L | '20 | '19 | '18 | '17 | '16 | '15 | '14 | '13 | '12 | '11 | '10 | '09 | '08 | '07 | '06 | '05 |
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| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 28-14 | F   | SF  | SF  | 3R  | 3R  | SF  | 3R  | 2R  | 2R  | 3R  | 3R  | QF  | 3R  | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  |
| ROLAND GARROS   | 17-14 | -   | 3R  | SF  | 2R  | 2R  | QF  | F   | 2R  | 2R  | 1R  | 3R  | SF  | 1R  | 2R  | 3R  | 2R  |
| WIMBLEDON       | 29-13 | -   | W   | 3R  | 3R  | QF  | 3R  | F   | 2R  | 3R  | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 2R  | 3R  | 2R  | 2R  |
| US OPEN         | 25-15 | -   | 3R  | 3R  | SF  | QF  | 3R  | SF  | QF  | 3R  | 2R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  |

TOTAL 99-56
Doubles Team Profile & Performance - DUBAI
DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES | FEBRUARY 17 - 22, 2020 | USD $2,908,770 PREMIER

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OTHER INFORMATION

B.STRYCOVA
Coachied by David Kotyza ... Parents are Jindrich and Ilona; sister, Ivona, studied law and lives in US ... Started playing tennis at age 5 ...
Baseliner who prefers grass, clay ... Favorites include movie Into the Wild, book Love Is Just a Word, actor Leonardo DiCaprio, steak, sushi ...
Also enjoys swimming, skiing, snowboarding ... Admires Steffi Graf.

S.HSIEH
Currently coached by Frederic Aniere...Father is Hsieh Tze-Lung; mother is Ho Fom-Ju; has six siblings ... Born and grew up in Kaohsiung; introduced to tennis by father at age 5 in Hsin-Chu; now lives and trains in Taipei ...
Enjoys playing singles, doubles and mixed doubles ...
Interests include listening to music, reading, writing, shopping, taking pictures and cooking ...
Favorite tournament is Roland Garros ...
Idolized Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi growing up.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

B.STRYCOVA
SINGLES

DOUBLES
Winner (28): 2020 - Brisbane (w/Hsieh); 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Hsieh); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Hsieh), New Haven, Beijing (both w/Sestini Hlavackova); 2016 - Birmingham (w/Ka.Pliskova), Cincinnati, Tokyo (both w/Mirza); 2012 - Stuttgart (w/Benesova), Palermo (w/Voracova); 2011 - Sydney, Monterrey, Barcelona, Luxembourg (all w/Benesova), ’s-Hertogenbosch (w/Koukalova); 2010 - Paris [Indoors], Monterrey, Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (all w/Benesova), Acapulco (w/Hercog), Linz (w/Voracova); 2009 - Québec City (w/King), Luxembourg (w/Benesova); 2008 - Stockholm (w/Benesova); 2005 - Warsaw (w/Perebiynis), Rabat (w/Loi).
Finalist (19): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Hsieh); 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Hsieh); 2018 - Rome, Tokyo, Wuhan (all w/Sestini Hlavackova); 2017 - Sydney, Miami (both w/Mirza); 2016 - Auckland (w/Kovinic), Wuhan (w/Mirza); 2012 - Linz (w/Goerges); 2010 - Bastad (w/Voracova), Québec City (w/Mattek-Sands), Luxembourg (w/Benesova); 2009 - Monterrey, Prague (both w/Benesova); 2008 - Auckland (w/Müller); 2006 - Auckland (w/Loi); 2005 - Bogotá (w/Kurhajcova), Prague (w/Kostanic Tosis).

ADDITIONAL

S.HSIEH
SINGLES

DOUBLES
Winner (25): 2020 - Brisbane (w/Strýcová); 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Strýcová); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Strýcová); 2017 - Biel/Bienne (w/Niculescu), Budapest (w/Kalashnikova); 2014 - Doha, Indian Wells, Roland Garros (all w/Peng); 2013 - Rome, Wimbledon, Cincinnati, Guangzhou, WTA Finals (all w/Peng); 2012 - Birmingham (w/Babos); 2011 - Guangzhou (w/S.Zheng); 2009 - Sydney, Rome, Beijing (all w/Peng); 2008 - Beijing (w/Peng), Seoul (w/Chuang); 2007 - Beijing, Seoul (both w/Chuang), Finalist (14): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Strýcová); 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Strýcová); 2019 - Osaka (w/Y.Hsieh); 2018 - Dubai (w/Peng); 2017 - Cincinnati (w/Niculescu), New Haven (w/Siegemund), Seoul (w/Sh.Hsieh); 2015 - Doha (w/Mirza); 2014 - WTA Finals (w/Peng); 2008 - Pattaya City (w/King), Cincinnati (w/Shvedova); 2007 - Auckland (w/S.Uberoi), Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva); 2004 - Seoul (w/Chuang).

ADDITIONAL
Doubles Team Profile & Performance - DUBAI
DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES | FEBRUARY 17 - 22, 2020 | USD $2,908,770 PREMIER

All data as at Monday, Feb 17 2020

BARBORA KREJCIKOVA

DOB: 5 Feb 1994 (26)
Residence: Guangzhou, China
RH (two-handed backhand)
Height: 5' 7" (1.70 m)
Prize Career: $3,685,558
Prize YTD: $124,184
Career High Singles Rank: 36 (Oct 14 2019)
Career High Doubles Rank: 15 (Jul 11 2016)
WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 1
WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 4

SAISAI ZHENG

DOB: 5 Feb 1994 (26)
Residence: Guangzhou, China
RH (two-handed backhand)
Height: 5' 7" (1.70 m)
Prize Career: $3,685,558
Prize YTD: $124,184
Career High Singles Rank: 36 (Oct 14 2019)
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WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 1
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Performance - Doubles

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Previous Appearances as Team

Tournament - Won (None)

Tournament - Runner Up (None)

Other Results (Best Round Reached)
- QF at 2017 Rome (Clay) l. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-3 6-2

Tournament History - Doubles

2020 Season Summary

B.KREJCIKOVA
2 tournaments in 2020:
- W in Shenzhen
  Partner: K.Siniakova (d. Y.Duan/S.Zheng 6-2 6-2)
  SF Main Draw in Australian Open
- SF Main Draw in Australian Open

S.ZHENG
4 tournaments in 2020:
- F Main Draw in Shenzhen
  Partner: Y.Duan (l. B.Krejciikova/K.Siniakova 6-2 3-6 10-4)
  R1 Main Draw in Australian Open
**B.KREJCIKOVA**

Partner: K.Siniakova (l. S.Hsieh/B.Strycova 6-2 6-3)

**S.ZHENG**

Partner: Y.Duan (l. H.Carter/L.Stefani 6-3 6-2)
- Q Main Draw in Nonthaburi 2
- Partner: K.Ng (l. N.Dascalu/S.Waltert 4-6 7-6(5) 10-8)

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### Best Previous Results (DUBAI)

Player has never previously played at this tournament.

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### OTHER INFORMATION

**B.KREJCIKOVA**

Coached by Petr Kovacka... Started playing tennis aged 6... Highly ranked junior, won the Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open girls' doubles with Katerina Siniakova.

**S.ZHENG**

Coached by Alan Ma ... Favorite shot is drop shot ... Started playing tennis at age 8 at tennis academy where mother worked ... Tennis idol growing up was Justine Henin ... Favorite tournaments are Australian Open and Wimbledon ... Currently in university (studying International Relations) ... Goals are to reach Top 30 and win a Grand Slam title in doubles.

### CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

**B.KREJCIKOVA**

**SINGLES**
- Finalist (1): 2017 -Nümburg

**DOUBLES**
- Winner (5): 2020 - Shenzhen (w/Siniakova); 2019 - Toronto (w/Siniakova); 2018 - Roland Garros, Wimbledon (both w/Siniakova); 2015 - Quebec City (w/Mestach), 125/Limoges (w/Minella).
- Finalist (7): 2019 - Indian Wells (w/Siniakova); 2018 - Shenzhen, Miami, WTA Finals (all w/Siniakova); 2017 - Bastad (w/Ingoyen); 2016 - St. Petersburg (w/Dushevina); 2014 - Luxembourg (w/Hradecka).

**MIXED DOUBLES**
- Winner (2): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Mektic); 2019 - Australian Open (w/Ram).

**ADDITIONAL**
- Czech Fed Cup Team, 2018.
S.ZHENG

SINGLES

DOUBLES
Winner (4): 2019 - Acapulco (w/Azarenka); 2015 - Stanford, Tianjin (both w/Xu), 125/Nanchang (w/Chang), 125/Dalian (w/L.Zhang); 2011 - Guangzhou (w/Hsieh).
Finalist (5): 2020 - Shenzhen (w/Duan); 2019 - Roland Garros (w/Duan); 2016 - Shenzhen (w/Xu); 2015 - Strasbourg (w/N.Kichenok); 2014 - Kuala Lumpur (w/Y.Chan).

ADDITIONAL
WTA MATCH NOTES: DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS
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DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – SEMIFINALS

[8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15) vs. [SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

First meeting

Martic is the only semifinalist to not drop a set this week and is attempting to reach first career final at WTA Premier-level tournament ... Rybakina is 3-0 in semifinal matches this year and leads the WTA Tour in match wins and Aces for 2020

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

Halep leads 2-0

Halep has been ranked inside the Top 10 for 317 consecutive weeks – the 10th longest streak in WTA history ... Brady has spent 9+ hours on court this week compared to Halep's 3.5hrs...The American is just the second qualifier to reach SF in Dubai (2001 Rachel McQuillan, SF), and is aiming to become the first American to reach the finals here since Venus won the title in 2014

A LOOK AT THE SEMIFINALISTS

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[8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15) vs. [SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

Head to Head: 0-0

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* Updated entering 2020 Dubai SF

ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS

[8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15)

QF: d. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24) 7-6(4),6-1 (1h41)
R16: d. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #35) 6-3,6-3 (1h46)
R32: d. SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #40) 6-4,6-3 (1h32)

Total games: 57
Won/lost: 37-20
Sets won/lost: 6-0
Total time on court: 4h59
Average time on court: 1h40
Average rank of opponent: 33

[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

QF: d. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3) 7-6(1),6-3 (1h41)
R16: d. KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #58) 6-3,6-3 (1h21)
R32: d. [5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7) 6-7(2),6-3,6-3 (2h00)

Total games: 71
Won/lost: 43-28
Sets won/lost: 6-1
Total time on court: 5h02
Average time on court: 1h41
Average rank of opponent: 23

DUBAI Tournament History

2019

R1 L - KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #44) 6-4 6-3
MARTIC

Dubai:
- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai (fourth overall)
- Prior to this year, had never won a main draw match in Dubai, falling in 1r in 2012 (l. Safarova) and 2019 (l. Siniakova). Fell in qualifying in 2014
- Opened her 2020 Dubai campaign with a straight set victory over Hsieh before defeating her first opponent’s doubles partner Strycova in R16, also in straight sets
- Wins in first two rounds were first consecutive victories in 2020
- Defeated No.24 Kontaveit today for best win-by-ranking since defeating No.13 Sabalenka en route to the Zhengzhou final last September - also into first SF since final run in Zhengzhou
- Is the only semifinalist to not drop a set through first three rounds – saved set point against Kontaveit in QF
- Owns 4-6 record in WTA SF matches
- Faces No.19 Rybakina today attempting to reach her first career final at WTA Premier-level tournament
- Today marks first meeting against a Top 20 ranked player this season; went 4-11 vs. such players in 2019
- Enters this week ranked No.15 – one spot shy from her career high of No.14 (achieved on January 13, 2020)
- Projected to stay in the Top 15 after this week, can move as high as No.11 by winning title

Season:
- Coming off 1r exit at Hua Hin (l. X.Wang)
- Reached her career high singles ranking of World No.14 on January 13
- Started 2020 with back-to-back 2r showings at Auckland (l. Cornet) and Australian Open (l. Goerges)

Career Milestones:
- Posted best season finish of career in 2019, at her then-career-high ranking of No.15 (achieved October 21, 2019)
- Lifted maiden career WTA title at Istanbul (d. Vondrousova in F)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up 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)
- Also in 2019, enjoyed R16 runs at both Wimbledon (l. Svitolina) and US Open (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Finished R-Up at Zhengzhou before qualifying for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the first time
- In 2018, finished R-Up at Bucharest, posted QF showing at Indian Wells and made R16 at Australian Open
- In 2017, notched first Top 20 win in nearly five years over No.13 Keys at Roland Garros
- In April 2017 played her first event after 10 months out with a back injury, coming through qualifying to win $25k ITF/Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2009 (after US Open; rose from No.137 to No.89) and enjoyed a Top 50 season in 2011, finishing at No.49
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team 2008-2010, 2012, 2014
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2007 Miami
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2005

Grand Slam History:
- Contested 32nd Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open, reaching 2r (l. Goerges)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Vondrousova)
- Reached R16 on six other occasions across the Slams, at Wimbledon in 2017 (l. Rybarikova) and 2019 (l. Svitolina),
• Australian Open in 2018 (l. Mer-tens), Roland Garros in 2012 (l. Kerber) and 2017 (as qualifier, l. Svitolina after leading 5-2 in final set) and 2019 US Open (l. S.Williams)

• Was ranked No.290 during 2017 Roland Garros run– the lowest-ranked player to reach R16 at a GrandSlam 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)

• Made 2r on Grand Slam debut at 2009 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Wozniak)

Personal:

• Coached by Martijn Bok

• Mother’s name is Sandra Martic; she was a handball player

• Favorite city is Paris and favorite food is pancakes

• Speaks Croatian and English

RYBAKINA

Dubai:

• Making tournament debut here in Dubai

• Sealed third career win over a Top 10 player after dispatching No.7 Kenin in 1r – also defeated No.7 Garcia in 2018 St. Petersburg and No.6 Halep in 2019 Wuhan

• In repeat of last week’s St. Petersburg first round, overpowered Siniakova to enter her fourth QF of the season

• Hit 11 aces to record her maiden Top 5 win over No.3 Ka.Pliskova in QF

• Faces No.15 Martic today – owns 5-5 record against players in the Top 20 with three wins already this season

• Has reached the final in three of the four tournaments played this year: Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F), Hobart (d. Zhang in F) and St. Petersburg (l. Bertens in F) – only tournament she didn’t reach final was Australian Open (l. Barty in 3r)

• Owns 3-0 record this year in WTA SF matches; 5-2 career record at this stage

• Enters tournament as Tour leader in match wins with 18-3 record

• Playing on a career high ranking of No.19 – made Top 20 debut on Monday

• Projected to move into Top 16 by winning title

• Leads Tour in aces - now owns 126 through 21 matches including 22 this week

• Also leads Tour in most 3 set matches won with 7-0 record

• At 20y, 29d is youngest champion of the year after winning title in Hobart (d. Zhang)

• Sits in fourth place on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen leaderboard

Season:

• Coming off R-Up appearance at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens) for first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament

• Made Top 20 debut at No.19 on Feb. 17

• Recorded career-best run at a Grand Slam by advancing to 3r at the Australian Open (l. Barty) - won back-to-back matches at a major for the first time after two straight sets victories over Pera in 1r and Minnen in 2r

• Opened 2020 season with back-to-back final runs, first reaching the championship match at Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F) before claiming a second career title at Hobart (d. S.Zhang in F)

Career Milestones:

• Finished 2019 season at No.37 to record first Top 50 finish of her career, up from 2018’s final ranking of No.191

• During a breakout 2019 season, lifted maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest (d. Tig in F). Also advanced to second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson) and made SF appearances at Luxembourg (l. Goerges) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Bertens)

• Additionally, made QF runs at Istanbul (l. Strycova), Wuhan (l. Sabalenka) and Linz (l. Osatapenko)

• Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova). Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)

• On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions; back-to-back at $25K Moscow-RUS and $25K Kazan-RUS and at $60K ITF/Launceston-AUS. Now holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit

• Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching the title at $15k ITF/Kazan-RUS

• First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg. Has since added the defeat of No.6 Halep (2019 Wuhan) to list of Top 10 triumphs
• Ended 2017 ranked No.425, improving 191 spots from 2016 (finished at No.616)
• Holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
• Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)

**Grand Slam History:**

• 2020 Australian Open marked her third career Grand Slam main draw where she recorded her career best appearance at a Major by advancing to 3r (l. Barty)
• Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
• Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
• Has also fallen in qualifying at other two majors, both in 2019
• In Juniors, reached two Grand Slam SFs at 2017 Australian Open and Roland Garros

**Personal:**

• Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior
• Coached by Stefano Vukov; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina’s former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
• Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
• Started playing tennis aged five
[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 2-0

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SIMONA HALEP

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* Updated entering 2020 Dubai SF

ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2)

QF: d. [7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13) 3-6,6-2,6-2 (1h36)
R16: d. ONS JABEUR (TUN #45) 1-6,6-2,7-6(7) (2h00)
R32: BYE

Total games: 53
Won/lost: 29-24
Sets won/lost: 4-2
Total time on court: 3h36
Average time on court: 1h48
Average rank of opponent: 29

[Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

R3-Q: d. SU-WEI Hsieh (TPE #39) 6-2,6-2 (1h08)
R2-Q: d. GABRIELA DABROWSKI (CAN #447) 6-4,6-3 (1h09)
QF: d. [9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16) 6-7(5),6-3,6-4 (2h09)
R1-Q: d. KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #67) 6-3,7-6(3) (1h37)
R16: d. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #17) 4-6,6-4,6-1 (2h04)
R32: d. [3] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) 6-2,6-1 (1h00)

Total games: 74
Won/lost: 46-28
Sets won/lost: 6-2
Total time on court: 5h13
Average time on court: 1h44
Average rank of opponent: 13

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DUBAI Tournament History

SIMONA HALEP

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HALEP

**Dubai:**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at Dubai (seventh overall)
- Won title here in 2015, defeating this year’s No.2 seed Ka.Pliskova in final match
- Only former champion remaining in tournament of three to start the main draw – also Bencic (l. Pavlyuchenkova in 1r) and Svitolina (l. Brady in 1r)
- Third time contesting Dubai as No.1 seed: 2015 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and 2016 (l. Ivanovic in 2r after 1r bye)
- The No.1 seed has won the tournament on eight occasions including her title run in 2015 – also Hingis (2001), Henin (2003, 2004, 2007), Davenport (2005), Wozniacki (2011) and Svitolina (2018)
- Saved one match point to defeat wildcard Jabeur in R16 on Wednesday. Retired in their only previous meeting in 2018 Beijing due to an ongoing back injury
- Avenged early season loss by taking out No.13 Sabalenka in 3s in QFs last round to set up today’s matchup vs. No.52 qualifier Brady – leads head-to-head 2-0
- Win over Belarusian marked career victory No.500 (across all levels)
- The Romanian is 46-22 against American opponents, including 2-9 vs Serena and 44-13 vs all other Americans
- Boasts a 52-17 advantage vs qualifiers, including an 8-2 mark since the beginning of last year
- Seeking 20th career title, landing her at No.7 on the active players titles list (behind Serena, Venus, Clijsters, Sharapova, Kvitova and Azarenka)
- Since 2013, when Halep won her first title, only Serena Williams (27) has won more titles than the Romanian
- Including this week, has been ranked inside the Top 10 for 317 consecutive weeks – the 10th longest streak in WTA history
- Currently in fifth position on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen

**Season:**
- Reached eighth career Grand Slam SF at Australian Open (l. Muguruza) bringing record in major SF matches to 5-3
- Opened 2020 season with QF appearance in Adelaide (l. Sabalenka)

**Career Milestones:**
- Ended 2019 ranked No.4 for sixth consecutive year in the Top 5
- 2019 highlighted by winning second career Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams)
- Also finished R-Up at Madrid (l. Bertens) and QF at Roland Garros (as defending champion, l. Anisimova) and Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzova w/Achilles pain)
• 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 for first time 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 six times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-19, although withdrew injured in 2018), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
• Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player, winning her first six WTA titles and ending year ranked No.11
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals

Grand Slam History:
• Contested 39th Grand Slam main draw of her career at 2020 Australian Open
• Winner of two Grand Slam titles, lifting first at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) followed by an historic 2019 Wimbledon run (d. S.Williams in F)
• 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)
• Best result at US Open is SF run in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

Personal:
• Reunited with long-time coach, Darren Cahill during offseason after taking a 12-month break
• Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
• Sponsorship portfolio includes deals with Mercedes, Unilever and is an Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
• Sponsors a children’s hockey team back in Romania through the Simona Halep Foundation

BRADY:

Dubai
• Making second appearance in Dubai – last year made debut after coming through qualifying and reaching R16 by upsetting No.20 Garcia in 2r (l. R-Up Kvitova)
• Did not drop a set through qualifying this year dispatching Kr.Pliskova, Dabrowski and Hsieh
• In 1r of main draw, won eight games in a row to upset two-time champion and World No.6 Svitolina; now owns two Top 10 wins, having also upset No.1 Barty in Brisbane this January
• Dropped No.16 Muguruza in QF action to advance to first career Premier level SF
• Has spent over 9+ hours on court this week, compared to Halep’s 3.5 hours
• Marks first tournament in career she’s defeated two Top 10 seeds (No.3 Svitolina and No.9 Muguruza)
• Including qualifying, also marks first time winning six consecutive matches at one WTA tour level event
• Recent qualifiers to reach SF at Premier level events and higher: 2019 Toronto – Bouzkova (SF), 2019 Rome – Sakkari (SF), 2019 Sydney – Sasnovich (SF), 2018 Moscow – Jabeur (R-UP), 2018 New Haven – Puig (SF), 2018 Miami – Collins (SF), 2018 Sydney – Giorgi (SF), and 2018 Brisbane – Sasnovich (R-UP)
• Projected to reach No.45 by reaching SF, No.40 with Final, and No.35 with the title
• The American is the second qualifier to reach SF at Dubai (2001 Rachel McQuillan, AUS, SF)
• Aiming to become the first American to reach the finals here since Venus won the title in 2014
• Could become fourth American all-time to reach finals here, alongside Venus, Davenport and Seles
• Would become first collegiate female (played college tennis at UCLA) to capture title here in Dubai

Season
• Coming off 1r exit at St. Petersburg (l. Kuznetsova)
• Also fell in the 1r at Australian Open (l. Halep); made QF in doubles w/Dolehide (l. Hsieh/Strycova)
In opening event of the season, came through qualifying before going on to reach QF at Brisbane (l. Kvitova) – scored first career Top 10 win over World No.1 Barty in 2r; rose to career-high ranking of No.49 following the tournament (January 13, 2020)

Career Milestones

- Ended 2019 season back in Top 60 after dipping as low as No.125
- Season highlights include 3r showings at Dubai (l. R-Up Kvitova) and Indian Wells (l. Barty)
- Finished 2018 ranked No.116 following her first Top 100 finish in 2017 (No. 64)
- 2018 season highlight was reaching two SFs at $100k ITF/Midland-USA (l. Loeb) and $80k ITF/Charlottesville-USA (l. Duque-Mariño). Also made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Garcia), Roland Garros (l. Putintseva) and Wimbledon (l. Kontaveit)
- Posted best win of career to date at 2019 Beijing, defeating No.15 Keys
- Reached first WTA career SF at 2017 Hong Kong (l. eventual R-Up Gavrilova)
- Posted first WTA main draw wins at 2016 Guangzhou (d. Pivovarova and Kovinic)
- Made first four main draw appearances at tour level in 2016 – at Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Hercog in 1r), Stanford (l. Cornet in 1r), Montréal (as qualifier l. Svitolina in 1r) 
- Ended 2017 inside Top 100 for first time – at No.64; career-high ranking is No.60 (October 16, 2017)
- Made WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Cincinnati (l. 1r to Falconi)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four ITF singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at $10k ITF/Evansville, IN-USA (l. 1r)

Grand Slam History

- Contested 13th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- Made debut at all four Slams in 2017; prior to 2017 Australian Open, had fallen in qualifying at US Open (2014-16), Roland Garros (2016) and Wimbledon (2016)
- Came through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zanevska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era
- Also became just sixth player to make R16 on Australian Open debut in last 21 years: V.Williams (1998), Suárez Navarro (2009), Bouchard (2014), Gasparyan and Konta (2016)
- Also reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and has made 2r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019 and Wimbledon in 2017 and 2018

Personal

- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015
- Recently hired Michael Geserer (previously with Goerges) at end of 2019 season, spent offseason training in Germany for first time
- Has twin sister, Jessica
Capped off a resurgent campaign in 2019, marking her sixth non-consecutive finish inside the Top 100 with a career-best year-end ranking of No.15 and qualifying for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the first time.

The Croatian has proven that her game translates well to the big stages, having advanced to the Round of 16 at the Grand Slams on seven occasions, including at 2018 Australian Open and most recently having advanced to her maiden Grand Slam quarterfinal at 2019 Roland Garros.

In 2012, Petra reached her first tour-level singles final at Kuala Lumpur and has advanced to four WTA doubles finals, most recently at Monterrey in 2016. In 2019, Martic would claim her maiden WTA title at the TEB BNP Paribas Istanbul Cup and go on to reach a then career high ranking of No.24.

Coached by Martijn Bok, Martic’s favorite shot is her serve, while her favorite surface is hardcourts. She speaks Croatian and English. Off the court, Petra enjoys reading, watching movies, spending time with family and friends, and exploring different cities around the world.
Former junior World No.3 Elena Rybakina is steadily climbing her way up the WTA rankings. From the end of 2018 to the end of 2019, she soared 154 ranking spots to end her career best season at World No.37.

Debuting on the WTA Tour in 2017, the young Moscow-born Kazakh proved herself as one to watch after a 2018 St. Petersburg quarterfinal run, where as a qualifier and ranked World No.450, she stunned Caroline Garcia to score her maiden Top 10 scalp at the first attempt.

In 2019, she lifted three ITF titles in Launceston, Moscow and Kazan to set the stage for her maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest.

In what’s become an outstanding start to her 2020 campaign, Rybakina has powered her way into the final round of three tournaments, lifted her second career singles title at Hobart and achieved a career-high ranking of World No.19. Currently leading the Tour in matches won, Rybakina’s inspired performances continue to impress.

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**STORYLINES**

Won maiden WTA singles title at 2019 Bucharest and second at 2020 Hobart
Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
Owner of four ITF singles titles and four ITF doubles titles
Achieved career-high ranking of No.19 on February 17, 2020

As of February 20, 2020
Simona Halep owns 19 WTA singles titles, including two Grand Slam titles at Roland Garros in 2018 and at 2019 Wimbledon, where she hit just four unforced errors in the championship match against Serena Williams. Her impressive title haul also includes three at the Premier Mandatory level in Madrid (2016 and 2017) and Indian Wells (2015).

The Romanian became the 25th player in WTA history to achieve the World No.1 ranking on October 9, 2017. In addition to her 2018 Roland Garros title, she is a three-time Grand Slam finalist (2014 and 2017 Roland Garros, 2018 Australian Open) and also advanced to the final stage at the 2014 WTA Finals in Singapore, where she defeated Serena Williams in round-robin play.

She isn’t the tallest player on tour, but uses deep groundstrokes, speed, amazing court sense and directional control to seamlessly convert defense to offense.

Off the court, Simona has an analytical mind - speaking about her game openly and with unique technical detail. She loves shopping and finds great malls wherever she goes around the world. Not preferring the limelight, she lets her tennis do the talking, winning fans all over the globe, and is a phenomenon in her native Romania.
Not many collegiate athletes, let alone tennis players, are able to make the transition to the pro tour, and those that do very rarely tend to pan out, but Jennifer Brady has proven to be an exception to those trends.

The 2014 NCAA National Champion from UCLA turned pro in the summer of 2015 and made a name for herself in 2017 after producing a breakout campaign which led to the first Top 100 finish of her career, ending the year at No.64.

The American turned in strong performances at the Grand Slams in 2017, reaching the last 16 at the Australian Open and US Open. She won through three rounds of qualifying at the Australian Open and went on to become the first American female qualifier to reach the fourth round at Melbourne Park in the Open Era.

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**STORYLINES**

- 2014 NCAA National Champion at UCLA
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.49 on January 13, 2020
- First American female qualifier to reach R16 at Australian Open in Open Era
- Reached QF stage in doubles at 2018 Australian Open (with compatriot Vania King)

As of February 20, 2020
Doubles Team Profile & Performance - DUBAI
DUBAI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES | FEBRUARY 17 - 22, 2020 | USD $2,908,770 PREMIER

Barbora Krejcikova

DOB: Feb 5, 1994 (26)
Residence: Guangzhou, China
Plays: RH (two-handed backhand)
Height: 5' 10" (1.78 m)
Prize Career: $3,685,558
Prize YTD: $124,184
Career High Singles Rank: 36 (Oct 14 2019)
Career High Doubles Rank: 15 (Jul 11 2016)
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Preceding tournaments in 2020:
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- R1 Main Draw in Australian Open

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Previous Appearances as Team

TOURNAMENT - WON (None)

TOURNAMENT - RUNNER UP (None)

Other Results (Best Round Reached)
- QF at 2017 Rome (Clay) l. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-3 6-2

TOURNAMENT HISTORY - DOUBLES

2020 Season Summary

Barbora Krejcikova
- 2 tournaments in 2020:
  - W in Shenzhen
    Partner: K.Siniakova (d. Y.Duan/S.Zheng 6-2 3-6 10-4)
  - SF Main Draw in Australian Open

S.Zheng
- 4 tournaments in 2020:
  - F Main Draw in Shenzhen
    Partner: Y.Duan (l. B.Krejcikova/K.Siniakova 6-2 3-6 10-4)
  - R1 Main Draw in Australian Open

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B. KREJCIKOVA
Partner: K. Siniakova (l. S. Hsieh/B. Strycova 6-2 6-3)

S. ZHENG
Partner: Y. Duan (l. H. Carter/L. Stefani 6-3 6-2)
- Q Main Draw in Nonthaburi 2
Partner: K. Ng (l. N. Dascalu/S. Waltert 7-6(5) 10-8)

Best Previous Results (DUBAI)
Player has never previously played at this tournament.

S. ZHENG
3 appearances at DUBAI:

GRAND SLAM

B. KREJCIKOVA

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CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

B. KREJCIKOVA

SINGLES
Winner (5): 2020 - Shenzhen (w/Siniakova); 2019 - Toronto (w/Siniakova); 2018 - Roland Garros, Wimbledon (both w/Siniakova); 2015 - Quebec City (w/Mestach), 125/Limoges (w/Minella).
Finalist (7): 2019 - Indian Wells (w/Siniakova); 2018 - Shenzhen, Miami, WTA Finals (all w/Siniakova); 2017 - Bastad (w/Irigoyen); 2016 - St. Petersburg (w/Dushevina); 2014 - Luxembour (w/Hradecka).
MIXED DOUBLES
Winner (2): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Mektic); 2019 - Australian Open (w/Ram).

ADDITIONAL
Czech Fed Cup Team, 2018.

S. ZHENG

SINGLES

DOUBLES
Winner (4): 2019 - Acapulco (w/Azarenka); 2015 - Stanford, Tianjin (both w/Xu), 125/Nanchang (w/Chang), 125/Dalian (w/L. Zhang); 2011 - Guangzhou (w/Hsieh).
Finalist (5): 2020 - Shenzhen (w/Duan); 2019 - Roland Garros (w/Duan); 2016 - Shenzhen (w/Xu); 2015 - Strasbourg (w/N. Kichenok); 2014 - Kuala Lumpur (w/Y. Chan).

ADDITIONAL
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**Presley Hrubec**

**Desirae Krawczyk**

DOB: Jan 11, 1994 (28)
Residence: Nashville, TN, USA
Height: 5' 9" (1.75 m)
Prize Career: $335,667
Prize YTD: $19,925
Career High Singles Rank: 18 (Nov 04 2019)
Career High Doubles Rank: 40 (Jan 13 2020)
WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 2
WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 0

**Alison Riske**

DOB: Jul 3, 1990 (29)
Residence: Nashville, TN, USA
Height: 5' 9" (1.75 m)
Prize Career: $195,672
Prize YTD: $19,925
Career High Singles Rank: 18 (Nov 04 2019)
Career High Doubles Rank: 40 (Jan 13 2020)
WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 2
WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career: 0 / 0

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**Previous Appearances As Team**

**Tournament - Won** (None)

**Tournament - Runner Up** (None)

**Other Results (Best Round Reached)**

**Tournament History - Doubles**

**Desirae Krawczyk**

5 tournaments in 2020:
- F Main Draw in Burnie Partner: A.Muhammad (l. E.Perez/S.Sanders 6-3  6-2)
- R16 Main Draw in Adelaide

**Alison Riske**

2 tournaments in 2020:
- R16 Main Draw in Australian Open Partner: V.Kudermetova (l. E.Mertens/A.Sabalenka 5-7  6-3  6-2)
- R16 Main Draw in Brisbane

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D.KRAWCZYK

Partner: Y.Duan (l. S.Aoyama/E.Shibahara 7-6(2)  6-4)
- R16 Main Draw in Hua Hin
Partner: X.You (l. A.Raina/R.Van Der Hoek 6-4  6-4)
- R2 Main Draw in Australian Open
Partner: J.Pegula (l. S.Kenin/B.Mattek-Sands 6-0  7-6(7))
- Q Main Draw in Auckland
Partner: L.Siegemund (l. K.Flipkens/A.Van Uytvanck 6-3  1-0)

Player has never previously played at this tournament.

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D.KRAWCZYK

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A.RISKE

Partner: V.Kudermetova (l. K.Mladenovic/A.Tomljanovic 6-0  6-1)

- R16 Main Draw in Hua Hin
Partner: Y.Duan (l. S.Aoyama/E.Shibahara 7-6(2)  6-4)
- R2 Main Draw in Australian Open
Partner: J.Pegula (l. S.Kenin/B.Mattek-Sands 6-0  7-6(7))
- Q Main Draw in Auckland
Partner: L.Siegemund (l. K.Flipkens/A.Van Uytvanck 6-3  1-0)

Player has never previously played at this tournament.

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

D.KRAWCZYK

DOUBLES

WINNERS: 2019 - Nottingham (w/Olmos).
FINALISTS: 2019 - Acapulco (w/Olmos); 2018 - Monterrey (w/Olmos).

A.RISKE

SINGLES


ADDITIONAL

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**TOURNAMENT - WON (6)**
- 2020 Brisbane (Hard) d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6  7-6(7)  10-8
- 2019 Wimbledon (Grass) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-2  6-4
- 2019 Birmingham (Grass) d. A.Groenefeld/D.Schuurs 6-4  6-7(4)  10-8
- 2019 Madrid (Clay) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-3  6-1
- 2019 Dubai (Hard) d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4  6-4
- 2018 Indian Wells (Hard) d. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-4  6-4

**TOURNAMENT - RUNNER UP (2)**
- 2019 WTA Finals (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic
- 2020 Australian Open (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2  6-4

**OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)**
- QF at 2019 Cincinnati (Hard) l. L.Hradecka/A.Klepac
- QF at 2019 Indian Wells (Hard) l. H.Chan/L.Chan 4-6  6-2  11-9
- R16 at 2019 Beijing (Hard) l. J.Ostapenko/D.Yastremska 6-4  6-4
- R16 at 2019 Wuhan (Hard) l. N.Kichenok/A.Spears 6-4  2-6  13-11
- R16 at 2019 US Open (Hard) l. L.Kichenok/J.Ostapenko 6-4  6-3

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**SU-WEI HSIEH**

DOB: Mar 28, 1986 (33)
Residence: Dubai, UAE
RH (two-handed both sides)
Height: 5' 7" (1.69 m)
Prize Career: $11,600,198
Prize YTD: $266,752
23 (Feb 25 2013) Career High Singles Rank: 16 (Jan 16 2017)
1 (May 12 2014) Career High Doubles Rank: 1 (Jul 15 2019)
0 / 3 WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career
1 / 25 WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career

**BARBORA STRYCOVA**

DOB: Jan 4, 1986 (34)
Residence: Chinese Taipei
RH (two-handed both sides)
Height: 5' 7" (1.69 m)
Prize Career: $8,348,564
Prize YTD: $258,694
23 (Feb 25 2013) Career High Singles Rank: 23 (Feb 25 2013)
1 (May 12 2014) Career High Doubles Rank: 1 (May 12 2014)
0 / 3 WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career
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**PERFORMANCE - DOUBLES**

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**PREVIOUS APPEARANCES AS TEAM**

**TOURNAMENT - WON (6)**
- 2020 Brisbane (Hard) d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6  7-6(7)  10-8
- 2019 Wimbledon (Grass) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-2  6-4
- 2019 Birmingham (Grass) d. A.Groenefeld/D.Schuurs 6-4  6-7(4)  10-8
- 2019 Madrid (Clay) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-3  6-1
- 2019 Dubai (Hard) d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4  6-4
- 2018 Indian Wells (Hard) d. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-4  6-4

**TOURNAMENT - RUNNER UP (2)**
- 2019 WTA Finals (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic
- 2020 Australian Open (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2  6-1

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OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)
- R16 at 2019 Roland Garros (Clay) l. L.Kichenok/J.Ostapenko 7-5 6-1
- R16 at 2019 Rome (Clay) l. V.Azarenka/A.Barty 6-4 6-3
- R16 at 2019 Miami (Hard) l. E.Mertens/A.Sabalenka 7-6(3) 2-6 10-3
- R16 at 2019 Doha (Hard) l. V.Kudermetova/J.Ostapenko 4-6 6-3 10-4

TOURNAMENT HISTORY - DOUBLES

2020 Season Summary

S.HSIEH
2 tournaments in 2020:
- W in Brisbane
  Partner: B.Strycova (d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6 7-6(7) 10-8)
- F Main Draw in Australian Open
  Partner: S.Hsieh (l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2 6-1)

B.STRYCOVA
2 tournaments in 2020:
- F Main Draw in Australian Open
  Partner: S.Hsieh (l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic 6-2 6-1)
- W in Brisbane
  Partner: S.Hsieh (d. A.Barty/K.Bertens 3-6 7-6(7) 10-8)

Best Previous Results (DUBAI)

S.HSIEH
6 appearances at DUBAI:
- W in 2019  Partner: B.Strycova (d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4 6-4)
- F Main Draw in 2018  Partner: S.Peng (l. H.Chan/Z.Yang 4-6 6-2 10-6)
- SF Main Draw in 2012  Partner: S.Peng (l. S.Mirza/E.Vesnina 6-2 6-7(5) 13-11)
- SF Main Draw in 2002  Partner: A.Widjaja (l. B.Rittner/M.Vento-Kabchi 5-7 6-3 6-2)
- R16 Main Draw in 2015  Partner: S.Mirza (l. A.Kudryavtseva/ A.Pavlyuchenkova 6-4 4-6 10-7)
- R16 Main Draw in 2013  Partner: L.Huber (l. B.Mattek-Sands/ S.Mirza 6-4 6-4)

B.STRYCOVA
6 appearances at DUBAI:
- W in 2019  Partner: S.Hsieh (d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4 6-4)
- SF Main Draw in 2017  Partner: S.Mirza (d. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-4 6-3)
- QF Main Draw in 2018  Partner: L.Safarova vs. H.Chan/Z.Yang, match not played due to walkover)
- QF Main Draw in 2012  Partner: I.Melzer (d. S.Hsieh/S.Peng 6-3 2-6 10-5)
- R16 Main Draw in 2016  Partner: R.Vinci (d. T.Babos/J.Goerges 6-3 3-6 11-9)
- R1 Main Draw in 2015  Partner: M.Krajicek (d. M.Niculescu/ A.Panova 4-6 6-3 10-7)

GRAND SLAM

S.HSIEH

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| ROLAND GARROS | 19-12 | - | 3R | SF | 2R | 2R | QF | F | 2R | 2R | 1R | 3R | SF | 1R | 2R | 3R | 2R |
| WIMBLEDON | 23-11 | - | W | 3R | 3R | QF | 3R | QF | 3R | F | 2R | 3R | 3R | 1R | 2R | 2R | 3R |
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**B. STRYCOVA**

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**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**

**S. HSIEH**

**SINGLES**


**DOUBLES**

Winner (25): 2020 - Brisbane (w/Strycova); 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Strycova); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Strycova); 2017 - Biele/Bienne (w/Niculescu), Budapest (w/Kalashnikova); 2014 - Doha, Indian Wells, Roland Garros (all w/Peng); 2013 - Rome, Wimbledon, Cincinnati, Guangzhou, WTA Finals (all w/Peng); 2012 - Birmingham (w/Babos); 2011 - Guangzhou (w/S.Zheng); 2009 - Sydney, Rome, Beijing (all w/Peng); 2008 - Bali (w/Peng), Seoul (w/Chuang); 2007 - Beijing, Seoul (both w/Chuang).

Finalist (14): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Strycova); 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Strycova); 2019 - Osaka (w/Y.Hsieh); 2018 - Dubai (w/Peng); 2017 - Cincinnati (w/Niculescu), New Haven (w/Siegemund), Seoul (w/Sh.Hsieh); 2015 - Doha (w/Mirza); 2014 - WTA Finals (w/Peng); 2008 - Pattaya City (w/King), Cincinnati (w/Shvedova); 2007 - Auckland (w/S.Uberoi), Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva); 2004 - Seoul (w/Chuang).

**ADDITIONAL**


**B. STRYCOVA**

**SINGLES**


**DOUBLES**

Winner (28): 2020 - Brisbane (w/Hsieh); 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Hsieh); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Hsieh), New Haven, Beijing (both w/Sestini Hlavackova); 2016 - Birmingham (w/Ka.Pliskova), Cincinnati, Tokyo (both w/Mirza); 2012 - Stuttgart (w/Benesova), Palermo (w/Voracova); 2011 - Sydney, Monterrey, Barcelona, Luxembourg (all w/Benesova), 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Koukalova); 2010 - Paris [Indoors], Monterrey, Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (all w/Benesova), Acapulco (w/Hercog), Linz (w/Voracova); 2009 - Québec City (w/King), Luxembourg (w/Benesova); 2008 - Stockholm (w/Benesova); 2005 - Warsaw (w/Periebynis), Rabat (w/Loit).

Finalist (19): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Hsieh); 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Hsieh); 2018 - Rome, Tokyo, Wuhan (all w/Sestini Hlavackova); 2017 - Sydney, Miami (both w/Mirza); 2016 - Auckland (w/Kovinic), Wuhan (w/Mirza); 2012 - Linz (w/Goerges); 2010 - Bastad (w/Voracova), Québec City (w/Mattek-Sands), Luxembourg (w/Benesova); 2009 - Monterrey, Prague (both w/Benesova); 2008 - Auckland (w/Müller); 2006 - Auckland (w/Loit); 2005 - Bogotá (w/Kurhajcova), Prague (w/Kostanic Totic).

**ADDITIONAL**

**GABRIELA DABROWSKI**

- **DOB**: Jan 21, 1989 (31)
- **Residence**: Tianjin, China
- **Plays**: RH (two-handed backhand)
- **Height**: 5' 10" (1.77 m)
- **Prize Career**: $6,413,374
- **Prize YTD**: $166,051
- **Career High Singles Rank**: 23 (Nov 14 2016)
- **Career High Doubles Rank**: 9 (May 20 2019)
- **WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career**: 0 / 2
- **WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career**: 0 / 8

**SHUAI ZHANG**

- **DOB**: Jan 21, 1989 (31)
- **Residence**: Tianjin, China
- **Plays**: RH (two-handed backhand)
- **Height**: 5' 10" (1.77 m)
- **Prize Career**: $6,413,374
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**PERFORMANCE - DOUBLES**

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**PREVIOUS APPEARANCES AS TEAM**

**TOURNAMENT - WON (None)**

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**OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)**

**TOURNAMENT HISTORY - DOUBLES**

**2020 Season Summary**

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All data as at Monday, Feb 17 2020

G. DABROWSKI
Partner: J. Ostapenko (l. B. Krejcikova/K. Siniakova 3-6 6-2 6-3)

S. ZHANG
Partner: S. Peng (l. X. Jiang/Q. Tang 6-2 6-4)
- R1 Main Draw in Australian Open

Best Previous Results (DUBAI)

G. DABROWSKI
4 appearances at DUBAI:
- QF Main Draw in 2019 Partner: Y. Xu (l. L. Hradecka/E. Makarova 6-7(5) 6-3 10-3)
- QF Main Draw in 2017 Partner: J. Ostapenko (l. E. Makarova/E. Vesnina 6-1 3-6 10-5)
- QF Main Draw in 2016 Partner: M. Martinez Sanchez (l. T. Babos/J. Goerges 6-4 6-1)
- R1 Main Draw in 2015 Partner: A. Rosolska (l. A. Kudryavtseva/A. Pavlyuchenko 6-4 7-5)

S. ZHANG
3 appearances at DUBAI:
- QF Main Draw in 2014 Partner: L. Raymond (l. A. Sestini Hlavackova/L. Safarova 6-3 7-5)
- R16 Main Draw in 2013 Partner: J. Husarova (l. J. Goerges/A. Kerber 7-6(9) 7-5)
- R1 Main Draw in 2011 Partner: A. Brianti (l. A. Kleybanova/Z. Yan 7-6(5) 3-6 10-8)

GRAND SLAM

G. DABROWSKI
W / L | ’20 | ’19 | ’18 | ’17 | ’16 | ’15 | ’14 | ’13 | ’12 | ’11 | ’10
AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 9-6 | QF | F | QF | 2R | 1R | 3R | 1R | - | 1R | 2R | -
ROLAND GARROS | 9-6 | - | QF | 3R | 1R | 2R | 1R | 2R | 3R | 2R | -
WIMBLEDON | 10-6 | - | F | SF | 1R | 1R | 2R | 1R | 2R | 3R | 2R |
US OPEN | 9-6 | - | QF | SF | QF | 2R | 1R | 3R | 1R | QF | 2R |
TOTAL | 37-24

S. ZHANG
W / L | ’20 | ’19 | ’18 | ’17 | ’16 | ’15 | ’14 | ’13 | ’12 | ’11 | ’10
AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 8-6 | 1R | W | - | 2R | - | 1R | 1R | - | 1R | 2R | -
ROLAND GARROS | 7-8 | - | QF | 1R | 1R | 1R | - | 1R | 3R | 3R | 2R | -
WIMBLEDON | 6-9 | - | 2R | 1R | 1R | 2R | - | 1R | 2R | 1R | 3R | 2R |
US OPEN | 12-7 | - | 1R | SF | QF | 2R | - | - | 1R | QF | 2R | -
TOTAL | 33-30

CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

G. DABROWSKI
DOUBLES
Winner (9): 2019 - Nürnberg (w/Xu); 2018 - Sydney, Eastbourne (both w/Xu), Doha (w/Ostapenko); 2017 - Miami, New Haven (both w/Xu); 2016 - Doha (w/Ostapenko); 2015 - Monterrey (w/Rosolska); 2014 - Washington (w/Aoyama).
Finalist (8): 2020 - Adelaide (w/Xu); 2019 - Madrid, Wimbledon (w/Xu); 2018 - Beijing (w/Xu); 2017 - Hobart (w/Z. Yang); 2016 - Nottingham (w/Yang); 2013 - Brussels (w/Peer), Linz (w/Rosolska).
MIXED DOUBLES
Winner (2): 2018 - Australian Open (w/Pavic); 2017 - Roland Garros (w/Bopanna)
Finalist (2): 2019 - Roland Garros (w/Pavic); 2018 - Roland Garros (w/Pavic).

ADDITIONAL
Canadian Fed Cup Team, 2013-19.
S.ZHANG

SINGLES
Winner (2): 2017 - Guangzhou, 125/Honolulu; 2013 - Guangzhou, 125/Nanjing.

DOUBLES
Winner (8): 2019 - Australian Open (w/Stosur); 2018 - Istanbul (w/Liang), Hiroshima (w/Hozumi), Hong Kong (w/Stosur); 2014 - Pattaya City (w/Peng); 2013 - 125/Ningbo (w/Y.Chan); 2012 - Estoril (w/Chuang), Guangzhou (w/Tanasugarn); 2011 - Osaka (w/Date-Krumm).
Finalist (7): 2019 - Nanchang (w/Peng); 2017 - Birmingham (w/H. Chan), Zhuhai (w/Lu); 2014 - Hobart (w/Raymond); 2013 - Kuala Lumpur (w/Husarova), Osaka (w/Stosur); 2012 - Monterrey (w/Date-Krumm).

ADDITIONAL
DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – QUARTERFINALS

ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)

First meeting
Rybakina owns a Tour-leading 17 wins this season… Pliskova was a losing finalist here in 2015… Rybakina has hit 115 aces in her 20 matches this campaign

[Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52) vs. [9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

First meeting
Brady recovered from 6-4 4-1 down in previous round… Muguruza has reached QF or better in every event she has played this year… Brady playing second career Premier-level QF

[8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15) vs. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24)

First meeting
Martic is contesting her first QF of the season… Kontaveit bidding for third Top 20 win of 2020… Both players yet to drop a set this week

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. [7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13)

Halep leads 2-1
Sabalenka triumphed when the pair met at Adelaide in January… Halep is the only former champion left in the draw… Sabalenka beat doubles partner Mertens in previous round

A LOOK AT THE QUARTERFINALISTS

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[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)

Head to Head: 0-0

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* Updated entering 2020 Dubai QF

ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)
R16: d. KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #58) 6-3,6-3 (1h21)
R32: d. [5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7) 6-7(2),6-3,6-3 (2h00)

Total games: 49
Won/lost: 30-19
Sets won/lost: 4-1
Total time on court: 3h21
Average time on court: 1h41
Average rank of opponent: 33

[2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)
R16: d. KRISTINA MLADENOVIĆ (FRA #38) 6-1,6-2 (1h07)
R32: BYE

Total games: 15
Won/lost: 12-3
Sets won/lost: 2-0
Total time on court: 1h07
Average time on court: 1h07
Average rank of opponent: 38

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RYBAKINA:

**Dubai**

- Making tournament debut here in Dubai
- Sealed third career win over a Top 10 player after dispatching No.7 Kenin in 1r – also defeated No.7 Garcia in 2018 St. Petersburg and No.6 Halep in 2019 Wuhan
- In repeat of last week’s St. Petersburg first round, overpowered Siniakova to enter her fourth QF of the season
- Squares off against No.3 Pliskova for the first time in her career where she will look to record her maiden Top 5 win
- Enters tournament as Tour leader in match wins with 17-3 record
- Has reached the final in three of the four tournaments played this year: Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F), Hobart (d. Zhang in F) and St. Petersburg (l. Bertens in F)
- Playing on a career high ranking of No.19 – made Top 20 debut on Monday
- Entering tournament, led Tour in Aces – now owns 115 through 20 matches
- Also entering tournament leads Tour in most 3 set matches played and won with 7-0 record
- Sits in fourth place on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen leaderboard

**Season**

- Coming off R-Up appearance at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens) for first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament
- Made Top 20 debut at No.19 on Feb. 17
- Recorded career-best run at a Grand Slam by advancing to 3r at the Australian Open (l. Barty) - won back-to-back Major matches for the first time after two straight sets victories over Pera in 1r and Minnen in 2r
- Opened 2020 season with back-to-back final runs, first reaching the championship match at Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F) before claiming a second career title at Hobart (d. S. Zhang in F)

**Career**

- Finished 2019 season at No.37 to record first Top 50 finish of her career, up from 2018’s final ranking of No.191
- During a breakout 2019 season, lifted maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest (d. Tig in F). Also advanced to second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson) and made SF appearances at Luxembourg (l. Goerges) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Bertens)
- Additionally, made QF runs at Istanbul (l. Strycova), Wuhan (l. Sabalenka) and Linz (l. Osatapenko)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova). Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
- On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions; back-to-back at $25K Moscow-RUS

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and $25K Kazan-RUS and at $60K ITF/Launceston-AUS. Now holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit

- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching the title at $15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
- First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg. Has since added the defeat of No.6 Halep (2019 Wuhan) to list of Top 10 triumphs
- Ended 2017 ranked No.425, improving 191 spots from 2016 (finished at No.616)
- Holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)

Grand Slam History

- 2020 Australian Open marked her third career Grand Slam main draw where she recorded her career best appearance at a Major by advancing to 3r (l. Barty)
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
- Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
- Has also fallen in qualifying at other two majors, both in 2019
- In Juniors, reached two Grand Slam SFs at 2017 Australian Open and Roland Garros

Personal

- Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior
- Coached by Stefano Vukov; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina’s former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
- Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
- Started playing tennis aged five

KA.PLISKOVA:

Dubai

- Making seventh main draw appearance at the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships (eighth overall)
- Deepest run to date was R-Up showing in 2015 (l. Halep in F)
- Also made QF stage in 2018 (l. Kerber) and 2019 (l. Hsieh)
- Following 1r bye, dropped just three games to defeat No.38 Mladenovic
- Faces No.19 Rybakina in today’s QF – this season, is undefeated against Top 20 opponents with all victories taking place en route to title run at Brisbane (No.19 Riske, No.4 Osaka and No.13 Keys)
- Owns seventh most aces on tour this season with 65 (Rybakina leads the pack at 115)
- Contested doubles this week with twin sister Kristyna, fell 2r (l. Stefani/Carter)

Season

- Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Began 2020 by winning 16th career title at Brisbane International (d. Keys in F), defending her title from 2019 – has now won at least one WTA title for eight consecutive seasons. Was also first time successfully defending one of her previous 15 titles
- Brisbane marked first event working with new coach Daniel Vallverdu

Career Highlights

- Finished 2019 ranked No.2 for career-best year-end finish
- Lifted a Tour-leading four title across the season (tied with Barty), taking tally to 15 – triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou
- Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F) – most economic title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their first career main draw encounter
- Made fourth straight appearance at the WTA Finals in 2019, reaching SF for the third year in a row
- 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 R-Up Halep), 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 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)
- Owns 15-12 record in singles finals, having won having titles on all three surfaces
- 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)
- Won first career WTA title at 2013 Kuala Lumpur (d. Mattek-Sands) and followed it up with two more in 2014 Seoul (d. Lepchenko) and 2014 Linz (d. Giorgi)
- Made professional debut on ITF circuit in 2006

**Grand Slam History**

- Contested 31st career Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), also reached last four at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (as qualifier, 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 Daniel Vallverdu, and previously coached by Conchita Martinez, 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
[Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52) vs. [9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

Head to Head: First meeting

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[Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

R3-Q: d. SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #39) 6-2,6-2 (1h08)
R2-Q: d. GABRIELA DABROWSKI (CAN #447) 6-4,6-3 (1h09)
R1-Q: d. KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #67) 6-3,7-6(3) (1h37)
R16: d. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #17) 4-6,6-4,6-1 (2h04)
R32: d. [3] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) 6-2,6-1 (1h00)

Total games: 42
Won/lost: 28-14
Sets won/lost: 4-1
Total time on court: 3h04
Average time on court: 1h32
Average rank of opponent: 12

[9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

R16: d. VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #39) 7-5,4-6,6-4 (2h25)
R32: d. KIM CLUSTRERS (BEL #0) 6-2,7-6(6) (1h37)

Total games: 53
Won/lost: 30-23
Sets won/lost: 4-1
Total time on court: 4h02
Average time on court: 2h01
Average rank of opponent: 20
**BRADY:**

*Dubai*
- Making second appearance in Dubai – last year made debut after coming through qualifying and reaching R16 by upsetting No.20 Garcia in 2r (l. R-Up Kvitova)
- Did not drop a set through qualifying this year dispatching Kr.Pliskova, Dabrowski and Hsieh
- In 1r of main draw, won eight games in a row to upset two-time champion and World No.6 Svitolina; now owns two Top 10 wins, having also upset No.1 Barty in Brisbane this January
- Ousted 2019 Roland Garros finalist Vondrousova in R16 on Wednesday – her third Top 20 win of the season
- Faces Muguruza in QF today; only previous QF appearance at Premier level or above came at 2020 Brisbane (l. Kvitova)

*Season*
- Coming off 1r exit at St. Petersburg (l. Kuznetsova)
- Also fell in the 1r at Australian Open (l. Halep); made QF in doubles w/Dolehide (l. Hsieh/Strycova)
- In opening event of the season, came through qualifying before going on to reach QF at Brisbane (l. Kvitova) – scored first career Top 10 win over World No.1 Barty in 2r; rose to career-high ranking of No.49 following the tournament (January 13, 2020)

*Career Milestones*
- Ended 2019 season back in Top 60 after dipping as low as No.125
- Season highlights include 3r showings at Dubai (l. R-Up Kvitova) and Indian Wells (l. Barty)
- Finished 2018 ranked No.116 following her first Top 100 finish in 2017 (No. 64)
- 2018 season highlight was reaching two SFs at $100k ITF/Midland-USA (l. Loeb) and $80k ITF/Charlottesville-USA (l. Duque-Mariño). Also made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Garcia), Roland Garros (l. Putintseva) and Wimbledon (l. Kontaveit)
- Posted best win of career to date at 2019 Beijing, defeating No.15 Keys
- Reached first WTA career SF at 2017 Hong Kong (l. eventual R-Up Gavrilova)
- Posted first WTA main draw wins at 2016 Guangzhou (d. Pivovarova and Kovinic)
- Made first four main draw appearances at tour level in 2016 – at Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Hercog in 1r), Stanford (l. Cornet in 1r), Montréal (as qualifier l. Svitolina in 1r)
- Ended 2017 inside Top 100 for first time – at No.64; career-high ranking is No.60 (October 16, 2017)
- Made WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Cincinnati (l. 1r to Falconi)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four ITF singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at $10k ITF/Evansville, IN-USA (l. 1r)
Grand Slam History

- Contested 13th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- Made debut at all four Slams in 2017; prior to 2017 Australian Open, had fallen in qualifying at US Open (2014-16), Roland Garros (2016) and Wimbledon (2016)
- Came through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zaneska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era
- Also became just sixth player to make R16 on Australian Open debut in last 21 years: V.Williams (1998), Suárez Navarro (2009), Bouchard (2014), Gasparian and Konta (2016)
- Also reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and has made 2r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019 and Wimbledon in 2017 and 2018

Personal

- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015
- Recently hired Michael Geserer (previously with Goerges) at end of 2019 season, spent offseason training in Germany for first time
- Has twin sister, Jessica

MUGURUZA:

Dubai

- Making sixth consecutive main draw appearance at Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships
- Two-time semifinalist in 2018 (l. Kasatkina, having held 3MP) and on tournament debut in 2015 (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- On Monday’s marquee matchup, defeated former No.1 and four-time Grand Slam singles champion Clijsters in what was the Belgian’s first professional match since 2012
- Fired eight aces and won 73% of her first service points in victory over Clijsters
- The Spaniard has now amassed a 21-10 advantage vs Grand Slam champions since the beginning of her first major title run at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F)
- Recovered from 2-0 down in the deciding set to see off Kudermetova in 2r
- Faces Brady today in QF, bidding to record her 250th career main draw victory (249-139 record)
- Has now reached QF or better at all four events contested this season; by contrast, reached just three QF in entire 2019 – Hua Hin (QF), Indian Wells (QF) and Monterrey (WON)
- Now owns 13 wins this season, the second-most on tour behind Rybakina (17)
- Has struck 18 aces in her two matches this week, taking her season total to 104 – No.2 on tour behind Rybakina (115)

Season

- Coming in off runner-up finish at Australian Open (l. Kenin in 3s) – her fourth career major final
- Defeated four seeds en route to final, including three Top 10 scalps (No.4 Halep, No.5 Svitolina, No.9 Bertens)
- Forced to withdraw with viral illness prior to QF match against Kudermetova at Hobart International
- Began 2020 campaign posting SF appearance (l. Alexandrova) at Shenzhen Open

Career Milestones

- Finished 2019 season at No.36 for first non-Top 20 finish since 2014
- Successfully defended her title in Monterrey for seventh career WTA trophy (d. Azarenka in F)
- Also in 2019, reached QF at Indian Wells defeating No.10 S.Williams and No.7 Bertens en route (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and R16 at Australian Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
- Is a two-time Grand-Slam champion winning titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F). Dropped only one set in Roland Garros title run
- Is only player to ever beat both Williams sisters in a Grand Slam final and one of 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles
- Also finished R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams) to make Top 10 debut. Is one of two players to meet both Williams
• Sisters in the final of the same Grand Slam – also Hingis at US Open (1997, d. V.Williams; 1999, I. S.Williams)
• First Spaniard to reach Wimbledon final since Sánchez Vicario in 1996 and first to reach any Grand Slam final since Conchita Martínez at 2000 Roland Garros
• Rose to World No.1 on September 11, 2017 to become the 24th woman in history to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995). Also named ITF World Champion for 2017
• In 2015, became first Spanish player to compete at the WTA Finals in singles since 2001 (Sánchez Vicario) and reached doubles final (w/Suárez Navarro, I. Hingis/Mirza)
• Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

**Grand Slam History**

• Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open where she produced best result at event with runner-up finish (l. Kenin in 3s) – Grand Slam final record now stands at 2-2 (also R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams)
• Won titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
• One of just seven players all-time to defeat Serena in a Grand Slam final
• Is one of 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles
• Is the second player to face both Williams sisters in the final of the same major (also Hingis, at US Open in 1997 – d. V.Williams, and 1999 – I. S.Williams)
• By winning 2017 Wimbledon, became only player to defeat both sisters in Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 2016) and Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in 2017)
• Best result at US Open came in 2017 with R16 showing
• In doubles, best result was SF run at 2014 Roland Garros w/Suárez Navarro

**Personal**

• 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
• Coached by Conchita Martinez
[8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15) vs. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24)

Head to Head: 0-0

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[8] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #15)

R16: d. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #35) 6-3,6-3 (1h46)
R32: d. SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #40) 6-4,6-3 (1h32)

Total games: 37
Won/lost: 24-13
Sets won/lost: 4-0
Total time on court: 3h18
Average time on court: 1h39
Average rank of opponent: 38

ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24)

R16: d. ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #31) 7-6(5),7-5 (1h39)
R32: d. SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #70) 6-1,6-3 (1h09)

Total games: 41
Won/lost: 26-15
Sets won/lost: 4-0
Total time on court: 2h48
Average time on court: 1h24
Average rank of opponent: 51
MARTIC

Dubai

- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai (fourth overall)
- Prior to this year, has never won a main draw match here, falling in 1r in 2012 (l. Safarova) and 2019 (l. Siniakova). Fell in qualifying in 2014
- Opened her 2020 Dubai campaign with a straight sets victory over Hsieh before defeating the Chinese Taipei’s doubles partner Strycova in the R16, also in straight sets
- Has now won back-to-back matches for the first time in 2020, and the first time since reaching the QF stage at 2019 Wuhan in September (l. World No.1 Barty)
- Faces No.24 Kontaveit today in their career first meeting. A victory today would mark her best win-by-ranking since defeating No.13 Sabalenka en route to the Zhengzhou final last September
- Today marks her first meeting against a Top 30 ranked player this season; went 5-12 vs. such players in 2019
- Enters this week ranked No.15 – one spot shy from her career high of No.14 (achieved on January 13, 2020)

Season

- Coming off 1r exit at Hua Hin (l. X.Wang)
- Started 2020 with back-to-back 2r showings at Auckland (l. Cornet) and Australian Open (l. Goerges)
- Reached her career high singles ranking of World No.15 following Melbourne

Career Milestones

- Posted best season finish of career in 2019, at her then-career-high ranking of No.15 (achieved October 21, 2019)
- Lifted maiden career WTA title at Istanbul (d. Vondrousova in F)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up 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)
- Also in 2019, enjoyed R16 runs at both Wimbledon (l. Svitolina) and US Open (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Finished R-Up at Zhengzhou before qualifying for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the first time
- In 2018, finished R-Up at Bucharest, posted QF showing at Indian Wells and made R16 at Australian Open
- In 2017, notched first Top 20 win in nearly five years over No.13 Keys at Roland Garros
- In April 2017 played her first event after 10 months out with a back injury, coming through qualifying to win $25k ITF/Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2009 (after US Open; rose from No.137 to No.89) and enjoyed a Top 50 season in 2011, finishing at No.49
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team 2008-2010, 2012, 2014
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2007 Miami
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2005
**Grand Slam History**

- Contested 32nd Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open, reaching 2r (l. Goerges)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (l. eventual runner-up Vondrousova)
- Reached R16 on six other occasions across the Slams, at Wimbledon in 2017 (l. Rybarikova) and 2019 (l. Svitolina), Australian Open in 2018 (l. Mer-tens), Roland Garros in 2012 (l. Kerber) and 2017 (as qualifier, l. Svitolina after leading 5-2 in final set) and 2019 US Open (l. S.Williams)
- 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 Martínez 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)
- Made 2r on Grand Slam debut at 2009 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Wozniak)

**Personal**

- Coached by Martijn Bok
- Mother’s name is Sandra Martic; she was a handballplayer
- Favorite city is Paris and favorite food is pancakes
- Speaks Croatian and English

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**KONTAVEIT**

**Dubai**

- Making third consecutive main draw appearance at Dubai – has made her best result here this year by reaching the QF stage
- Previous best result was reaching 2r in 2018 (l. Osaka). Fell 1r in 2019 (l. S.Zhang)
- Faced only one break point in 1r win over qualifier Cirstea on Tuesday
- Defeated No.31 Pavlyuchenkova on Wednesday in two close sets to reach her first Dubai QF
- Faces No.15 Martic today in her second QF of the season, following her career first Grand Slam QF last month at the Australian Open (l. Halep)
- Is 2-2 vs. Top 20 ranked players in 2020, having defeated No.7 Bencic in 3r at Melbourne and No.4 Svitolina at Fed Cup
- One of three players to notch multiple wins over a Top 10 players entering this tournament (also Muguruza and Collins)
- Lone Estonian representative in the main draw

**Season**

- Represented Estonia in Fed Cup action winning her only singles rubber over No.4 Svitolina
- Made Grand Slam breakthrough by reaching maiden major QF at Australian Open (l. Halep)
- Kicked off 2020 season by reaching 2r in Brisbane (l. Bertens) and falling 1r in Adelaide (l. Pavlyuchenkova)

**Career Milestones**

- Finished 2019 ranked No.26 – her second straight Top 30 finish (No.21 in 2018)
- Reached her fifth career final in 2019 at Stuttgart (l. Kvitova in F); career record in finals is now 1-4
- Also in 2019, advanced to her first Premier Mandatory SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty), which propelled her to a career high ranking of No.14 (April 1, 2019). Came from a set and 4-0 down in the decider to defeat Hsieh in QF
- 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 a R16 at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showings at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) 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. Víkhyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Bená (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**

• Playing landmark 20th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
• 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)

**Personal**

• Coached by Nigel Sears
• Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
• World No.1 Estonian player
• 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
[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. [7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 2-1

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**SIMONA HALEP**

- WTA RANKING: 2
- PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD
- DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 27-09-1991 (28)
- YTD PRIZE MONEY: $744,773
- CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $35,852,794
- SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 19
- DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 1
- DUBAI W-L (MD) *: 9-4
- YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *: 7-2 / 377-170
- YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *: 1-0 / 111-57
- YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *: 2-1 / 49-56
- YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *: 7-2 / 221-110
- YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *: 0-0 / 35-15
- YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *: 0-0 / 12-29
- YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *: 0-0 / 39-49
- YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *: 1-1 / 100-76

**ARYNA SABALENKA**

- WTA RANKING: 13
- PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD
- DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 05-05-1998 (21)
- YTD PRIZE MONEY: $150,633
- CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $5,715,259
- SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 5
- DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 3
- DUBAI W-L (MD) *: 3-2
- YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *: 7-4 / 104-56
- YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *: 2-0 / 38-20
- YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *: 1-3 / 21-21
- YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *: 6-3 / 84-36
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- YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *: 1-1 / 22-16

*Updated through entering 2020 Dubai QF

**ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS**

**[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2)**

R16: d. ONS JABEUR (TUN #45) 1-6,6-2,7-6(7) (2h00)
R32: BYE

Total games: 28
Won/lost: 14-14
Sets won/lost: 2-1
Total time on court: 2h00
Average time on court: 2h00
Average rank of opponent: 45

**[7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13)**

R16: d. ELISE MERTENS (BEL #22) 6-4,6-3 (1h30)
R32: d. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #21) 6-2,4-6,6-1 (2h02)

Total games: 44
Won/lost: 28-16
Sets won/lost: 4-1
Total time on court: 3h32
Average time on court: 1h46
Average rank of opponent: 22
**Dubai:**

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Dubai (seventh overall)
- Won title here in 2015, defeating this year’s No.2 seed Ka.Pliskova in final match
- Only former champion remaining in tournament of three to start the main draw – also Bencic (l. Pavlyuchenkova in 1r) and Svitolina (l. Brady in 1r)
- Third time contesting Dubai as No.1 seed: 2015 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and 2016 (l. Ivanovic in 2r after 1r bye)
- The No.1 seed has won the tournament on eight occasions including her title run in 2015 – also Hingis (2001), Henin (2003, 2004, 2007), Davenport (2005), Wozniacki (2011) and Svitolina (2018)
- Saved one match point to defeat wildcard Jabeur in R16 on Wednesday. Retired in their only previous meeting in 2018 Beijing due to an ongoing back injury
- Faces No.13 Sabalenka today in their fourth career meeting and second of the season. Fell to the Belarusian in her first tournament of 2020 in the QFs at Adelaide
- Owns 100 career wins over Top 20 ranked players (100-76 record). Is 1-1 vs. such players in 2020, having defeated No.17 Mertens en route to Australian Open SF and falling to No.12 Sabalenka at Adelaide
- Including this week, has been ranked inside the Top 10 for 317 consecutive weeks – the 10th longest streak in WTA history
- Currently in fifth position on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen

**Season:**

- Reached eighth career Grand Slam SF at Australian Open (l. Muguruza) bringing record in major SF matches to 5-3
- Opened 2020 season with QF appearance in Adelaide (l. Sabalenka)

**Career Milestones:**

- Ended 2019 ranked No.4 for sixth consecutive year in the Top 5
- 2019 highlighted by winning second career Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams)
- Also finished R-Up at Madrid (l. Bertens) and QF at Roland Garros (as defending champion, l. Anisimova) and Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzova w/Achilles pain)
- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at

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**Simona Halep**

**2019**
- QF L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #45) 4-6 6-4 6-2

**2016**
- R16 L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #17) 7-6(2) 6-2

**2015**
- F W - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #18) 6-4 7-6(4)

**2014**
- R1 L - ALIZE CORNET (FRA #26) 6-1 1-1

**2013**
- R16-Q L - DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK #67) W/O

**2012**
- R16 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #4) 6-2 6-3

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**Aryna Sabalenka**

**2019**
- R16 L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #45) 6-4 2-6 7-6(7)

**2018**
- QF-Q L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #143) 6-2 1-6 7-6(4)

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**Dubai Tournament History**

- “-Q” Qualifying match
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 for first time 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 six times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-19, although withdrew injured in 2018), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player, winning her first six WTA titles and ending year ranked No.11
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals

Grand Slam History:
- Contested 39th Grand Slam main draw of her career at 2020 Australian Open
- Winner of two Grand Slam titles, lifting first at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) followed by an historic 2019 Wimbledon run (d. S.Williams in F)
- 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)
- Best result at US Open is SF run in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

Personal:
- Reunited with long-time coach, Darren Cahill during offseason after taking a 12-month break
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Sponsorship portfolio includes deals with Mercedes, Unilever and is an Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
- Sponsors a children’s hockey team back in Romania through the Simona Halep Foundation

SABALENKA:

Dubai
- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai (fourth overall)
- Has achieved best result here by reaching the QF stage, having previously reached the R16 in 2019 (l. eventual champion Bencic having held six match points)
- Fell 1r on debut in 2017 (l. K.Bondarenko) and made qualifying exit in 2018 (l. Errani)
- Competing in first Tour-level event since Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro in 1r)
- Defeated No.21 Sakkari in 1r on Tuesday in 3s before knocking out her doubles partner Mertens in R16 (the pair are not competing in the doubles field this week)
- Has won back-to-back matches for the second time this season, following a SF run at Adelaide (l. Yastremska)
- Faces No.2 Halep today, most recently defeating the Romanian earlier this season en route to the Adelaide SFs
- Owns 5-4 career record against Top 5 ranked players, having defeated No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Montréal), No.5 Garcia (2018 Cincinnati), No.5 Kvitova (2018 US Open), No.1 Barty (2019 Wuhan) and No.4 Halep (2020 Adelaide)

Season
- Represented Belarus in Fed Cup playoff victory vs. the Netherlands. Teamed up with Sasnovich in doubles to seal the victory (d. Bertens/Schuurs). In singles, defeated Rus and fell to Bertens
- Fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) after SF run at Adelaide (l. Yastremska)
- Upset No.4 Halep in QF at Adelaide to score fifth Top 5 win of her career, having previously beaten No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Montréal), No.5 Garcia (2018 Cincinnati), No.5 Kvitova (2018 US Open) and No.1 Barty (2019 Wuhan)
- Opened 2020 campaign with 2r exit at Shenzhen as the defending champion (d. Gasparyan, l. Kr.Pliskova)
Career

• Ended as World No.11 for the second straight year in 2019 after capturing three WTA singles titles at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F), Wuhan (d. Riske in F) and Zhuhai (d. Bertens in F)
• Became first player to successfully defend Wuhan title (d. Kontaveit in 2018 F). Also finished runner-up in doubles with Mertens in 2019 (l. Duan/Kudermetova in F)
• During summer hard court season made R-Up finish at San Jose (l. S.Zheng)
• Made Top 10 debut on January 28, 2019 following 3r run at 2019 Australian Open
• Captured first Grand Slam doubles trophy at US Open (w/Mertens, d. Azarenka/Barty in F). Earlier in the season, the pair claimed the ‘Sunshine Double’ by winning back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejcikova/Siniakova in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/Zhang in F)
• Qualified for WTA Finals Shenzhen (w/Mertens), going 1-2 in the round robin stage
• 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 (l. Mertens) and Eastbourne (l. 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 (l. Sharapova) and making SF run at Tashkent (l. Babos)
• Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, l. Witthoeft), and WTA main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
• Member of Belarus Fed Cup Team that advanced to competition final in 2017 – went 1-1 in singles and 0-1 in doubles as side lost to USA
• Scored first Top 20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during 2017 Fed Cup final in Minsk
• Rounded out season by lifting WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupovic)
• Wins three WTA doubles titles – all coming alongside Mertens during 2019 season (Indian Wells, Miami and US Open)
• 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

• Contested milestone 10th career Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
• Advanced to R16 for first time at 2018 US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
• Best singles showing at Australian Open was 3r run in 2019 (l. Anisimova)
• First Grand Slam win came during 2r showing on Grand Slam debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoeft)
• Made 1r exit on next three major appearances, at 2018 Australian Open (l. Barty), 2018 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu)
• Also fell in qualifying at 2016 and 2017 US Opens, 2017 Australian Open and 2017 Roland Garros
• Won career first Grand Slam title of any kind, in doubles at 2019 US Open (w/Mertens) – pair defeated Azarenka/Barty in final

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*
DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – DAY 3

[Q] KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #38) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)

Pliskova leads 3-2

Mladenovic earned first main draw win of the 2020 season in first round... Pliskova won their most recent meeting at Australian Open earlier this year

[Q] VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #39) vs. [9/WC] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

First career meeting

Kudermetoova came back from a double-break down in the third set to win first round match... Muguruza has reached the QF in each of the tournaments she's played this year

[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19) vs. [Q] KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #58)

Series tied 2-2

Rybakina entered tournament as Tour leader in match wins and aces so far this year... Siniakova hoping to avenge first round loss to Kazakh in St. Petersburg last week

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. [WC] ONS JABEUR (TUN #45)

Jabeur leads 1-0

Halep has not lost her first match at a tournament since 2019 Rome... Jabeur’s lone Top 5 win came over Halep at 2018 Beijing... Halep only remaining former champion in the draw

ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24) vs ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #31)

Kontaveit leads 3-2

Kontaveit coming off Grand Slam breakthrough reaching QF at Australian Open... Pavlyuchenkova won their most recent meeting at Adelaide earlier this year... Kontaveit has not beaten the Russian on hard courts since 2015 US Open
MATCH NOTES
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[Q] KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #38) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 3-2

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KRISTINA MLADENOVIC

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- DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 14-05-1993 (26)
- YTD PRIZE MONEY: $349,131
- CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $11,337,634
- SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 1
- DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 1 / 23
- DUBAI W-L (MD) *: 6-4
- YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *: 1-2 / 198-200
- YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *: 0-0 / 65-60
- YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *: 0-0 / 48-52
- YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *: 1-2 / 112-129
- YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *: 0-0 / 11-18
- YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *: 0-1 / 9-12
- YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *: 0-1 / 17-27
- YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *: 0-1 / 34-56
- * Updated entering 2020 Dubai 2r

KAROLINA PLISKOVA

- WTA RANKING: 3
- PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD
- DATE OF BIRTH (AGE): 21-03-1992 (27)
- YTD PRIZE MONEY: $397,156
- CAREER PRIZE MONEY: $19,909,674
- SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 1 / 16
- DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER): 0 / 5
- DUBAI W-L (MD) *: 8-6
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- YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *: 0-0 / 29-20
- YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *: 1-0 / 18-19
- YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *: 1-0 / 32-39
- YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *: 3-0 / 62-71
- * Updated entering 2020 Dubai 2r

ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[Q] KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #38)

- R3-Q: d. POLONA HERCOG (SLO #43) 6-3,6-1 (1h25)
- R2-Q: d. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #71) 6-3,6-3 (1h11)
- R1-Q: d. JASMINE PAOLINI (ITA #94) 6-1,6-4 (1h14)
- R32: d. ALIYASANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #114) 6-4,6-3 (1h32)

Total games: 19
Won/lost: 12-7
Sets won/lost: 2-0
Total time on court: 1h32
Average time on court: 1h32
Average rank of opponent: 114

[2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)

- R32: 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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Mladenovic: Dubai

- Making fifth appearance at Dubai (seventh overall)
- Best showing here has been achieved on three occasions, reaching R16 in 2016 (l. Vandeweghe), 2017 (l. Q.Wang) and 2019 (l. Suarez Navarro)
- Fell 1r in 2018 (l. Osaka) and during qualifying in 2012 and 2014
- Overcame Paolini, Hercog and Kasatkina in qualifying to contest main draw this week
- Defeated fellow qualifier Sasnovich in straight sets to notch first main draw win of the 2020 season
- Squares off against No.3 Pliskova in today’s match; last triumphed against the Czech at this tournament in 2017
- Bidding to record 10th career win against a Top 5 opponent
- At World No.38 is currently the French No.1

Season

- Lifted her first trophy of the season with partner Babos at the Australian Open (d. Hsieh/Strycova in F) to record the pair’s third Grand Slam title (also 2018 Australian Open and 2019 Roland Garros)
- Began 2020 falling as a qualifier at Brisbane and 1r at Australian Open (l. Pliskova) and St. Petersburg (l. Van Uytvanck)

Career Highlights

- Ended 2019 season strong with SF appearances in Moscow (l. eventual champion Bencic) and Zhengzhou (l. Martic) and QF in Linz (l. Alexandra)
- Notched five Top 10 wins in 2019 with two wins vs. reigning World No.1 (d. Osaka in Dubai; Barty in Fed Cup Final); win over World No.1 Barty helped France take home their first Fed Cup title since 2003
- Other 2019 highlights include QF at Monterrey, Istanbul, Rome, Nottingham and Washington DC
- 2019 was another strong doubles year with titles at Istanbul and Roland Garros (both w/Babos) boosting her to World No.1 for the first time in career
- Also w/Babos, defended title at year-end WTA Finals and finished R-Up at Australian Open to end the year at No.2
- Won only career singles title to date at 2017 St. Petersburg (d. Putintseva) in eight final appearances – made final in 2018 as defending champion (l. Kvitova)
- Reached biggest final of career at Premier Mandatory level Madrid in 2017 (l. Halep)
- Finished 2017 season at No.11 for highest year-end ranking and first inside Top 20. Broke into Top 10 on October 23, 2017
- Career best singles result at Grand Slam is QF at 2015 US Open (l. Vinci) and 2017 Roland Garros (l. Bacsinszky)
- Broke into Top 100 on September 17, 2012 and Top 50 on March 18, 2013
- Played first WTA main draw matches in 2009 and first WTA qualifying event as wildcard at 2008 Paris [Indoors]
- Mother is Dzenita (was a pro volleyball player); father is Dragan (was a pro handball player); brother is Luka (soccer player)
- Speaks French, English, Serbian, Italian and Spanish

Grand Slam

- Best Slam results are QF runs at 2015 US Open (l. Vinci) and 2017 Roland Garros (l. Bacsinszky)
- Also reached 3r at 2016 Australian Open (l. Gavrilova), 2015 Wimbledon (l. Azarenka) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual R-Up S. Williams)
- In doubles, won first Grand Slam title at 2016 Roland Garros (w/compatriot Garcia, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F) – were first French pair to win the doubles title at Roland Garros since Gail Chanfreau and Francoise Durr in 1971
- Won second Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 Australian Open (w/Babos, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F), third at 2019 Roland Garros (w/Babos, d. Duan/S.Zheng in F) and fourth at 2020 Australian Open (w/ Babos, d. Hsieh/Strycova in F)
- Finished R-Up at 2014 Wimbledon (w/Babos), 2016 US Open (w/Garcia), 2018 US Open (w/Babos) and 2019 Australian Open (w/Babos)
- Won mixed doubles at 2013 Wimbledon and 2014 Australian Open, and finished R-Up at 2013 Roland Garros and 2015 Australian Open (all w/Nestor)

Personal

- Mother is Dzenita (was a pro volleyball player); father is Dragan (was a pro handball player); brother is Luka (soccer player)
- Started playing tennis aged 8 when introduced to sport by parents
- Speaks French, English, Serbian, Italian and Spanish
**Dubai**

- Making seventh main draw appearance at the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships (eighth overall)
- Deepest run to date was R-Up showing in 2015 (l. Halep in F)
- Also made QF stage in 2018 (l. Kerber) and 2019 (l. Hsieh)
- Following 1r bye, faces No.38 Mladenovic in repeat of 2020 Australian Open 1r where she defeated the Frenchwoman in straight sets, extending their career head-to-head record to 3-2
- In meeting prior to this year’s Australian Open, during the 2016 Fed Cup final, defeated Mladenovic in a nail biting third set at 16-14 to help seal the victory for the Czech Republic
- Entering tournament, owns the eighth most aces on tour this season with 61 (Rybakina led the pack at 104)

**Season**

- Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Began 2020 by winning 16th career title at Brisbane International (d. Keys in F), defending her title from 2019 – has now won at least one WTA title for eight consecutive seasons. Was also first time successfully defending one of her previous 15 titles
- Brisbane marked first event working with new coach Daniel Vallverdu

**Career Highlights**

- Finished 2019 ranked No.2 for career-best year-end finish
- Lifted a Tour-leading four title across the season (tied with Barty), taking tally to 15 – triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou
- Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F) – most economic title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their first career main draw encounter
- Made fourth straight appearance at the WTA Finals in 2019, reaching SF for the third year in a row
- 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 R-Up Halep), 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 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)
- Owns 15-12 record in singles finals, having won having titles on all three surfaces
- 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)
- Won first career WTA title at 2013 Kuala Lumpur (d. Mattek-Sands) and followed it up with two more in 2014 Seoul (d. Lepchenko) and 2014 Linz (d. Giorgi)
- Made professional debut on ITF circuit in 2006

**Grand Slam History**

- Contested 31st career Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), also reached last four at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (as qualifier, 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 Daniel Vallverdu, and previously coached by Conchita Martínez, 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
[Q] VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #39) vs. [9/WC] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

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**ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND**

**[Q] VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #39)**

R3-Q: d. BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #385) 6-4,6-2 (1h14)

R2-Q: d. TEREZA MARTINCOVA (CZE #153) 5-7,6-3,6-4 (2h24)

R1-Q: d. SARAH BETH ASEKW (GBR #666) 6-2,6-4 (1h13)

R32: d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #26) 5-7,6-3,7-6(2) (2h18)

Total games: 34
Won/lost: 18-16
Sets won/lost: 2-1
Total time on court: 2h18
Average time on court: 2h18
Average rank of opponent: 26

**[9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)**

R32: d. KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #0) 6-2,7-6(6) (1h37)

Total games: 21
Won/lost: 13-8
Sets won/lost: 2-0
Total time on court: 1h37
Average time on court: 1h37
Average rank of opponent: 0
KUDERMETOVA:

**Dubai**

- Making main draw debut at Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships
- Fell in qualifying in 2018 (l. Diyas)
- Came through qualifying to enter this year's main draw, defeating Askew, Martincova and Mattek-Sands
- In 1r on Tuesday, ousted No.26 Yastremska for her first Top 30 win of the season and first since defeating No.4 Svitolina at Moscow last October
- Faces No.16 Muguruza today in their career first meeting. The two were scheduled to play earlier this season at Hobart before the Spaniard withdrew due to viral illness prior to their QF match
- Owns three career wins over Top 20 ranked players, including over No.13 Wozniacki at 2019 Roland Garros, No.10 Bencic at 2019 Wuhan and No.4 Svitolina at 2019 Moscow
- Seeking 12th overall WTA QF appearance, having advanced to that stage eight times in 2019 and once already this year
- Enters Dubai ranked No.39 – one spot shy from her career high of No.38 (achieved February 3, 2020). By contrast, was ranked No.96 this time last year

**Season**

- Coming off 2r showing at St. Petersburg (l. eventual champion Bertens)
- Represented Russia in Fed Cup qualifying vs. Romania earlier this month, falling to Bogdan and Cristian in both singles rubbers
- Fell 1r to Sorribes Tormo at Australian Open
- Posted SF run at Hobart (l. S.Zhang); received walkover into the SF due to the withdrawal of Muguruza (viral illness)
- Opened 2020 season by reaching final round of qualifying at Brisbane (l. Bouzkova)
Career Milestones

- Ended 2019 ranked No.41 for career-best year-end ranking, rising from No.115 at the end of 2018
- Played main draw at all four majors for first time in 2019, posting a career-best Grand Slam run to the 3r at Roland Garros, upsetting Wozniacki in 1r (I. Kanepi in 3r)
- Other 2019 highlights included SF finishes at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Riske), Hiroshima (l. Doi) and Tianjin (l. Watson). Picked up the biggest title of career at WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara (d. Bouzkova in F)
- Posted first two Top 10 wins of career in final weeks of 2019, defeating No.10 Bencic at Wuhan and No.4 Svitolina at Moscow
- Won career first WTA doubles title at 2019 Wuhan with Duan (d. Mertens/Sabalenka in F); also R-Up at Charleston (w/Khromacheva) and Lugano (w/Voskoboeva) in 2019
- Won biggest singles title of career at WTA 125K Series event at 2019 Guadalajara (d. Bouzkova in F)
- Made Top 100 debut at No.98 following 2019 St Petersburg, where she reached 2r as LL (week of February 4, 2019)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2018 Stuttgart, reaching 2r (d. No.25 Suarez Navarro, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Posted two QF runs in 2018, at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Krunic) and Gstaad (l. Bouchard)
- Won two doubles titles in 2018 at WTA 125k Series events, at Mumbai (w/Dzalamidze) and Limoges (w/Voskoboeva). Also has titles at this level from Taipei in 2016 (w/Dzalamidze) and 2017 (w/Sabalenka)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Moscow
- Contested first Tour-level match representing Russia in Fed Cup action in 2014 vs. Australia (l. Stosur)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four singles titles and 16 doubles titles

Grand Slam History

- 2020 Australian Open marked fifth Grand Slam main drawn appearance
- Contested the main draw at all four majors for the first time in 2019
- Best result so far at the Slams came with 3r run at Roland Garros (d. Wozniacki in 1r, l. Kanepi)
- Made 2r at 2019 US Open and fell 1r at 2019-20 Australian Open and 2019 US Open

Personal

- Coached by husband Sergey Demekhin, former coach of Vera Zvonareva
- Teenage sister, Polina, is on the junior circuit and contested Australian Open girls’ singles last January
- Born in Kazan, Russia. Based in Moscow and trains at CSKA club
- Off the court, has a passion for cooking and her specialty is roasted chicken with potatoes and garlic

MUGURUZA

Dubai

- Making sixth consecutive main draw appearance at Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships
- Two-time semifinalist in 2018 (l. Kasatkina) and on tournament debut in 2015 (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Other showings were two R16 visits last year and in 2016 (both losses came to Svitolina), and 2r finish in 2017 (l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- On Monday’s marquee matchup, defeated former No.1 and four-time Grand Slam singles champion Clijsters in what was the Belgian’s first professional match since 2012
- Fired eight aces and won 73% of her first service points in victory over Clijsters
- The Spaniard has now amassed a 21-10 advantage vs Grand Slam champions since the beginning of her first major title run at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F)
- Faces No.39 Kudermetova today in their career first meeting. Withdrew prior to what would have been their first meeting earlier this season at Hobart QF due viral illness
• Is two wins away from her 250th career main draw victory (248-139 overall record)
• Entering this week, sits at No.2 on tour in aces struck (86) and most match wins (11), behind Rybakina in both
• Enjoying the best start to a season in her career, coming in off the heels of a runner-up (Australian Open), quarterfinal (Hobart) and semifinal finish (Shenzhen)

Season

• Coming in off runner-up finish at Australian Open (l. Kenin in 3s) – her fourth career major final
• Defeated four seeds en route to final, including three Top 10 scalps (No.4 Halep, No.5 Svitolina, No.9 Bertens)
• Forced to withdraw with viral illness prior to QF match against Kudermetova at Hobart International
• Began 2020 campaign posting SF appearance (l. Alexandrova) at Shenzhen Open

Career Milestones

• Finished 2019 season at No.36 for first non-Top 20 finish since 2014
• Successfully defended her title in Monterrey for seventh career WTA trophy (d. Azarenka in F)
• Also in 2019, reached QF at Indian Wells defeating No.10 S.Williams and No.7 Bertens en route (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and R16 at Australian Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
• Is a two-time Grand-Slam champion winning titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F). Dropped only one set in Roland Garros title run
• Is only player to ever beat both Williams sisters in a Grand Slam final and one of 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles
• Also finished R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams) to make Top 10 debut. Is one of two players to meet both Williams sisters in the final of the same Grand Slam – also Hingis at US Open (1997, d. V.Williams; 1999, l. S.Williams)
• First Spaniard to reach Wimbledon final since Sánchez Vicario in 1996 and first to reach any Grand Slam final since Conchita Martínez at 2000 Roland Garros
• Rose to World No.1 on September 11, 2017 to become the 24th woman in history to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995). Also named ITF World Champion for 2017
• In 2015, became first Spanish player to compete at the WTA Finals in singles since 2001 (Sánchez Vicario) and reached doubles final (w/Suárez Navarro, l. Hingis/Mirza)
• Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

Grand Slam History

• Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open where she produced best result at event with runner-up finish (l. Kenin in 3s) – Grand Slam final record now stands at 2-2 (also R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams)
• Won titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
• One of just seven players all-time to defeat Serena in a Grand Slam final
• Is one of 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles
• 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)
• Best result at US Open came in 2017 with R16 showing
• In doubles, best result was SF run at 2014 Roland Garros w/Suárez Navarro

Personal

• 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
• Coached by Conchita Martínez
[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19) vs. [Q] KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #58)

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ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)
R32: d. [5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7) 6-7(2),6-3,6-3 (2h00)

Total games: 31
Won/lost: 18-13
Sets won/lost: 2-1
Total time on court: 2h00
Average time on court: 2h00
Average rank of opponent: 7

[Q] KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #58)
R3-Q: d. ALISON VAN UYTVANCK (BEL #47) 5-7,6-2,7-5 (2h23)
R2-Q: d. GIULIA GATTO-MONTICONE (ITA #149) 6-1,6-4 (1h16)
R1-Q: d. SAISAI ZHENG (CHN #36) 7-6(8),6-4 (1h44)
R32: d. KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #27) 6-4,4-6,6-0 (1h52)

Total games: 26
Won/lost: 16-10
Sets won/lost: 2-1
Total time on court: 1h52
Average time on court: 1h52
Average rank of opponent: 27

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RYBAKINA:

**Dubai**
- Making tournament debut here in Dubai
- Sealed third career win over a Top 10 player after dispatching No.7 Kenin in 1r – also defeated No.7 Garcia in 2018 St. Petersburg and No.6 Halep in 2019 Wuhan
- Squares off against Siniakova in repeat of last week’s St. Petersburg first round where she defeated the Czech in straight sets to begin an R-Up run (l. Bertens in F)
- Enters tournament as Tour leader in match wins with 16-3 record
- Has reached the final in three of the four tournaments played this year: Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F), Hobart (d. Zhang in F) and St. Petersburg (l. Bertens in F)
- Playing on a career high ranking of No.19 – made Top 20 debut on Monday
- Entering tournament, led Tour in Aces – now owns 111 through 19 matches
- Also entering tournament leads Tour in most 3 set matches played and won with 7-0 record – only Muguruza and Sakkari have played as many 3s matches, but have not won all of them
- Sits in fourth place on the Porsche Race to Shenzhen leaderboard

**Season**
- Coming off R-Up appearance at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens) for first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament
- Made Top 20 debut at No.19 on Feb. 17
- Recorded career-best run at a Grand Slam by advancing to 3r at the Australian Open (l. Barty) - won back-to-back Major matches for the first time after two straight sets victories over Pera in 1r and Minnen in 2r
- Opened 2020 season with back-to-back final runs, first reaching the championship match at Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F) before claiming a second career title at Hobart (d. S.Zhang in F)

**Career**
- Finished 2019 season at No.37 to record first Top 50 finish of her career, up from 2018’s final ranking of No.191
- During a breakout 2019 season, lifted maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest (d. Tig in F). Also advanced to second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson) and made SF appearances at Luxembourg (l. Goerges) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Bertens)
- Additionally, made QF runs at Istanbul (l. Strycova), Wuhan (l. Sabalenka) and Linz (l. Osatapenko)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova). Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
- On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions; back-to-back at $25K Moscow-RUS and $25K Kazan-RUS and at $60K ITF/Launceston-AUS. Now holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching the title at $15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
- First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg. Has since added the defeat of No.6 Halep (2019 Wuhan) to list of Top 10 triumphs
- Ended 2017 ranked No.425, improving 191 spots from 2016 (finished at No.616)
- Holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2020 Australian Open marked her third career Grand Slam main draw where she recorded her career best appearance at a Major by advancing to 3r (l. Barty)
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
- Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
- Has also fallen in qualifying at other two majors, both in 2019
- In Juniors, reached two Grand Slam SFs at 2017 Australian Open and Roland Garros

**Personal**
- Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior
- Coached by Stefano Vukov; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina’s former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
- Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
- Started playing tennis aged five
SINIAKOVA:

Dubai

- Making fourth main draw appearance in Dubai (fifth overall)
- Advanced to 2r in 2019 (d. No.36 Martic, I. Kvitova)
- Fell 1r in 2015 (I. Dellacqua) and 2017 (I. Mladenovic)
- As a qualifier, overcame S.Zheng, Gatto-Monticone and Van Uytvanck to contest main draw this week
- Defeated compatriot and No.27 Muchova on Tuesday to record first main draw win since advancing to R16 at 2019 Beijing (I. Wozniacki) and best win-by-ranking since toppling World No.1 Osaka at 2019 Roland Garros (I. Keys)
- Faces No.19 Rybakina in 2r where she will bid to avenge first round loss to the Kazakh last week in St. Petersburg. Last triumphed against Rybakina at 2019 Guangzhou (I. Golubic)
- Owns 13-34 record over Top 20 players – most recently over No.1 Osaka last year at Roland Garros
- At World No.58, is the Czech No.6 of eight women in the Top 100 (week of February 17, 2020)

Season

- In singles, fell 1r at Shenzhen (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova), the Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and St. Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina)
- Advanced to the Australian Open doubles SF with partner Krejcikova (l. Hsieh/Strycova)
- Lifted fifth WTA doubles title with Krejcikova at Shenzhen, her eighth doubles title overall

Career Milestones

- 2019 highlights include SF run at Nürnberg (l. Larsson), Bronx (l. Linette), and QF run at Prague (l. Strycova). Also made R16 at Roland Garros (career-best result at a Slam, l. Keys), Guangzhou (I. Golubic) and Beijing (I. Wozniacki)
- Secured two Top 20 victories in 2019 after defeating No.17 Q. Wang at Rome and No. 1 Osaka at Roland Garros
- Won two doubles titles in 2019 at Sydney (W/Krunic) and Toronto (W/Krejcikova). Also R-Up at Indian Wells (I. Mertens/ Sabalenka) and SF run at Wimbledon (I. Dabrowski/Xu) both w/ Krejcikova
- Finished 2018 ranked No.1 in doubles after winning fi rst two Grand Slam trophies at Roland Garros (d. Hozumi/ Ninomiya in F) and Wimbledon (d. Melichar/Peschke in F) both w/ Krejcikova, the first pairing to complete the Roland Garros-Wimbledon double since Kim Clijsters and Ai Sugiyama in 2003. Also R-Up at WTA Finals Singapore (I. Babos/ Mladenovic)
- Has three Top 5 career wins in singles - against No.4 Halep at 2017 Shenzhen, No.4 Garcia at Wuhan, and No.1 Osaka at 2019 Roland Garros
- In 2016, Reached fi rst two WTA fi nals of career, at Bastad (as qualifi er, l. Siegemund) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. McHale)
- On ITF Circuit has won seven singles titles and fi ve doubles titles
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami (l. Muguruza)
- Played fi rst events of career on ITF Circuit in 2012

Grand Slam History

- Contested 22nd Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- Achieved best showing at a major to date with run to R16 at 2019 Roland Garros (I. Keys)
- Previously made 3r at Wimbledon in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2018 (l. Giorgi), Roland Garros in 2018 (l. Strycova) and US Open in 2018 (I. Tsurenko)
- In doubles, lifted fi rst two Grand Slam trophies at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Hozumi/Ninomiya in F) and 2018 Wimbledon (d. Melichar/Peschke in F) both w/Krejcikova — the fi rst pairing to complete the Roland Garros-Wimbledon double since Kim Clijsters and Ai Sugiyama in 2003. Became the fi rst team ever to win the girls’ (2013) and ladies’ (2018) doubles title at Wimbledon
- Also reached doubles fi nal at 2017 US Open (w/Hradecka, I. Chan/Hingis)

Personal

- Coached by father, Dmitri Siniakov (also a businessman). Has also worked with WTA legend Helena Sukova and Iain Hughes
- Mother’s name is Hana Siniakova (accountant); younger brother is Daniel
- Started playing tennis at age 5
- All-court player; favorite surface is hardcourt; favorite tournament is Australian Open
- Tennis idol growing up was Maria Sharapova
**[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) vs. [WC] ONS JABEUR (TUN #45)**

Head to Head: ONS JABEUR leads 1-0

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**ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND**

[1] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2)

R32: 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

[WC] ONS JABEUR (TUN #45)

R32: d. ALISON RISKE (USA #18) 7-6(3), 1-6, 6-3 (2h12)

Total games: 29
Won/lost: 14-15
Sets won/lost: 2-1
Total time on court: 2h12
Average time on court: 2h12
Average rank of opponent: 18
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*"Q" Qualifying match*
**HALEP**

**Dubai:**
- Making sixth main draw appearance at Dubai (seventh overall)
- Won title here in 2015 defeating this year's No.2 seed Ka.Pliskova in final match
- Only former champion remaining in tournament of three to start the main draw – also Bencic (l. Pavlyuchenkova in 1r) and Svitolina (l. Brady in 1r)
- Third time contesting Dubai as No.1 seed: 2015 (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and 2016 (l. Ivanovic in 2r after 1r bye)
- The No.1 seed has won the tournament on eight occasions including her title run in 2015 – also Hingis (2001), Henin (2003, 2004, 2007), Davenport (2005), Wozniacki (2011) and Svitolina (2018)
- Faces No.45 Jabeur today – retired in their only previous meeting in 2018 Beijing due to an ongoing back injury
- Has not lost her first match of a tournament since 2019 Rome (l. Vondrousova in 3s)
- Currently in fifth position on Porsche Race to Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen

**Season:**
- Reached eighth career Grand Slam SF at Australian Open (l. Muguruza) bringing record in major SF matches to 5-3
- Opened 2020 season with QF appearance in Adelaide (l. Sabalenka)

**Career Milestones:**
- Ended 2019 ranked No.4 for sixth consecutive year in the Top 5
- 2019 highlighted by winning second career Grand Slam title at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams)
- Also finished R-Up at Madrid (l. Bertens) and QF at Roland Garros (as defending champion, l. Anisimova) and Toronto (ret. vs. Bouzova w/Achilles pain)
- 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 for first time 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 six times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-19, although withdrew injured in 2018), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player, winning her first six WTA titles and ending year ranked No.11
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals

**Grand Slam History:**
- Contested 39th Grand Slam main draw of her career at 2020 Australian Open
- Winner of two Grand Slam titles, lifting first at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) followed by an historic 2019 Wimbledon run (d. Williams in F)
- 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)
- Best result at US Open is SF run in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

**Personal:**
- Reunited with long-time coach, Darren Cahill during offseason after taking a 12-month break
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Sponsorship portfolio includes deals with Mercedes, Unilever and is an Ambassador for Dubai Duty Free
- Sponsors a children's hockey team back in Romania through the Simona Halep Foundation
Dubai:

- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai (sixth overall)
- Best showings at this tournament came by reaching 2r in 2017 (l. Q.Wang) and 2019 (l. Svitolina)
- Fell during qualifying rounds in 2012, 2016 and 2018
- Defeated No.18 Riske in 1r for seventh career Top 20 win and second of the season (also d. No.13 Konta in Melbourne)
- Faces World No.2 Halep today – only other Top 5 victory came over Halep ranked No.1 at time at 2018 Beijing
- After maiden Grand Slam QF at Australian Open, soared 33 spots to career-high ranking of No.45
- Sits in the 14th position on the Porsche Race to the Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen
- Was voted January’s WTA Breakthrough Player of the Month

Season:

- Made Top 50 debut at career high No.45 after breakthrough performance in Melbourne
- Reached maiden Grand Slam QF at Australian Open to become the first Arab woman to reach that stage at a major (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Opened 2020 season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Q.Wang) and 2r showing at Hobart (as qualifier, l. Muguruza)

Career Milestones:

- Ended 2019 ranked No.77, while during season posted new career-high ranking of No.51 (September 9, 2019)
- Season highlights were matching best result at the Slams with 3r run at US Open (matching 2017 Roland Garros and now 2020 Australian Open) and SF appearances at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Kerber) and Tianjin (l. Peterson)
- In 2018, defeated No.3 seed Stephens, No.8 seed Kontaveit and No.5 seed Sevastova en route to her first WTA final at 2018 Moscow, where she fell in three sets to No.6 seed Kasatkina. Was first Tunisian woman to advance beyond QF at a WTA tournament (Sfar was the only other Tunisian to reach a QF at this level)
- Prior to 2018 Moscow, best previous results were QF at 2013 Baku, 2017 Taipei City and 2018 Bucharest
- Owns three Top 10 victories, over No.1 Halep at 2018 Beijing (via ret.), No.8 Stephens at 2018 Moscow and No.7 Cibulkova at 2017 Roland Garros Member of Tunisian Olympic Team in 2012 and 2016
- Contested first two WTA main draws in 2012, at Doha (as WC) and Olympics
- Became first North African woman to win a Junior Slam at 2011 Roland Garros (d. Puig in F), having also reached the final in 2010 (l. Svitolina in F)
- On ITF Circuit, has 11 singles and one doubles title
- Played first event of career at 2008 ITF/El Menzah-TUN

Grand Slam History:

- Played her 13th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- Deepest run at a major was advancing to QF at 2020 Australian Open, making history by becoming the first Arab woman to reach the final eight of a Grand Slam (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Prior to 2020 Australian Open, best Slam runs were 3r runs at 2017 Roland Garros and 2019 US Open; in Paris became first Arab woman to reach 3r at a major and first lucky loser to contest 3r of a Slam since Kasatkina at 2015 US Open, and first at Roland Garros since Pizzichini in 1996. Gaidano, at 1993 US Open, was most recent lucky loser to reach R16 at a major
- Has also made 2r at 2017 US Open (l. Vandeweghe) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Siniakova)
- In girls’ singles at Roland Garros was champion in 2011 (d. Puig) and R-Up in 2010 (l. Svitolina)

Personal:

- Started playing tennis at age 3
- Husband Karim Kamoun is half-Russian and a former professional fencer; also her fitness coach
- Away from court enjoys playing and watching football
- In London in December 2019, was honoured at the Arab Women of the Year ceremony in for her achievements in the sport so far
- Big fan of Eminem and Cristiano Ronaldo
ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24) vs. ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #31)

Head to Head: ANETT KONTAVEIT leads 3-2

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**ANETT KONTAVEIT**

- WTS Ranking: 24
- YTD: 11-2
- Career: 31-13
- W's: 7-1, 6-3
- L's: 2-2
- Games: 16
- Won/Lost: 12-4
- Sets: 0-0
- Time on Court: 1h09

**ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA**

- WTS Ranking: 31
- YTD: 1-11
- Career: 11-28
- W's: 6-3, 10-9
- L's: 2-3
- Games: 21
- Won/Lost: 13-8
- Sets: 0-2
- Time on Court: 1h30

**ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND**

**ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24)**

R32: def. Sorana Cirstea (ROU #70) 6-1,6-3 (1h09)

**ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #31)**

R32: def. [4] Belinda Bencic (SUI #4) 1-6,6-1,6-1 (1h30)

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Dubai

- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai – has matched best result by reaching 2r, also reached this stage on debut in 2018 (l. Osaka)
- Faced only one break point in 1r win over qualifier Cirstea
- Faces No.31 Pavlyuchenkova today in hopes of reaching QF for first time in Dubai
- Leads head-to-head record against the Russian however has not beaten her on hard courts since 2015 US Open
- Owns 3-1 record in 3s matches this year
- One of three players to notch multiple wins over a Top 10 player before this tournament (also Muguruza and Collins) – defeated No.6 Bencic in 3r of Australian Open and No.4 Svitolina in Fed Cup
- Lone Estonian representative in the main draw

Season

- Represented Estonia in Fed Cup action winning her only singles rubber over No.4 Svitolina
- Made Grand Slam breakthrough by reaching maiden major QF at Australian Open (l. Halep)
- Kicked off 2020 season by reaching 2r in Brisbane (l. Bertens) and falling 1r in Adelaide (l. Pavlyuchenkova)

Career Milestones

- Finished 2019 ranked No.26 – her second straight Top 30 finish (No.21 in 2018)
- Reached her fifth career final in 2019 at Stuttgart (l. Kvitova in F); career record in finals is now 1-4
- Also in 2019, advanced to her first Premier Mandatory SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty), which propelled her to a career high ranking of No.14 (April 1, 2019). Came from a set and 4-0 down in the decider to defeat Hsieh in QF
- 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 a R16 at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showings at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) 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. Vikhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benne (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017)
- Also advanced to 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

- Playing landmark 20th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- 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)

Personal

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- World No.1 Estonian player
- 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
PAVLYUCHENKOVA

Dubai

- Making 10th overall main draw appearance in Dubai this week
- Best result was QF appearance in 2010 (l. V.Williams); has fallen in the 1r here in 7-consecutive visits
- Earned 15th win over Top 5 player with victory over defending champion No.5 Bencic today
- Faces No.24 Kontaveit today to reach QF for second time in Dubai
- While trailing in head-to-head records, owns more wins on hardcourts with 2-1 record against the Estonian and won their most recent meeting earlier this year in Adelaide
- Entered tournament tied w/Sakkari and Kenin for most tiebreak wins on tour (4) and No.2 for most tiebreak sets played (5), behind Ka.Pliskova (6)
- Currently the No.2 ranked Russian woman at No.31, six spots behind No.1 Alexandrova
- Aiming to have a resurgent 2020 under new head coach Sam Sumyk, to see herself break back into the Top 20 for the first time since leaving the top echelon in January 15, 2018

Season

- Matched last year’s Australian Open result with QF finish, falling to eventual R-Up Muguruza (def. No.2 Ka.Pliskova and No.18 Kerber en route)
- Fell to eventual champion Barty in R16 at Adelaide following 1r exit to begin 2020 campaign at Brisbane (l. Kvitova)

Career Milestones

- Ended 2019 ranked No.30, up from No.42 in 2018 – marking her 12th consecutive Top 50 finish
- Advanced to two finals in 2019 – both at the Premier-level – at Osaka (l. Osaka in F) and Moscow (l. Bencic in F)
- Fell in qualifying at Cincinnati (l. Diyas) - first time contesting WTA qualifying since 2011 Dubai
- Reached QF in Melbourne in 2019 to match best Grand Slam result (l. Collins); took out No.9 Bertens, No.5 Stephens en route
- 2018 season highlight was claiming her 12th WTA singles title at Strasbourg (d. Cibulkova in F). Other highlights were QF runs at Stuttgart (l. Kontaveit), Wuhan (d. No.11 Bertens in 2r and No.5 Kvitova in R16, l. Barty), Linz (l. Alexandria) and Moscow [Kremlin Cup] (l. Kasatkina)
- Owns 12 WTA singles titles, including a career-best three titles in a single season in 2017 at Monterrey, Rabat and Hong Kong
- Notched only win over a reigning World No.1 against Kerber en route to fourth Monterrey title in 2017
- Is a winner of five doubles titles from eight finals, most recently at 2017 Sydney (w/Babos)
- In addition to reaching last eight at 2016 Wimbledon, reached a further six quarterfinals in 2016: Brisbane (l. Kerber), St. Petersburg (l. Bencic), Acapulco (l.Wickmayer), Montréal (l. Keys), Linz (l. Cibulkova) and Moscow (l. Gavrilova)
- Owns 32 Top 10 victories (32-63 record), most recently No.8 Bertens at 2019 Osaka
- Represented Russia at Rio Olympics, losing to eventual gold medalist Puig in 2r
- Broke into Top 100 in singles on July 7, 2009 and entered Top 50 on November 3, 2008
- Made Top 20 debut on September 13, 2010 and rose as high as No.13 (July 4, 2011)
- Played first WTA main draw as a wildcard at 2006 Moscow
- Named 2006 ITF Junior World Champion

Grand Slam History

- Has reached QFs at all four majors; 2011 Roland Garros (l. Schiavone) and US Open (l. S.Williams), 2016 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2017 Australian Open (l. event R-Up V.Williams), and 2019 Australian Open (l. Collins)
- One of just five active players to reach QF or better at all four majors in both singles and doubles (also Williams sisters, Kuznetsova and Zvonareva) and is the only player to do so since 2011
- Made Grand Slam debut as 15-year-old wildcard at 2007 Wimbledon (l. Hantuchova 6-0 6-1)
- In doubles, is a three-time semifinalist, at Australian Open (2015 w/Groenefeld and 2016 w/Ka.Pliskova) and Wimbledon (2016 w/Ka.Pliskova)
- Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2014 Roland Garros, finishing runner-up in mixed doubles (w/Zimonjic; l. Groenefeld/Rojer)
- As well as twice winning the girls’ singles at the Australian Open (2006, 2007), won 2006 US Open junior title

Personal

- Began new coaching partnership with Sam Sumyk in September 2019.
- Occasionally works with father, Sergey and brother, Aleks - introduced to tennis at age six by family
- Grandmother played basketball for USSR and grandfather was high-level basketball referee; father was Olympic-level canoeist (missed Games due to boycott) and mother a swimmer
DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – DAY 2

[3/WC] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) vs. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

Svitolina leads 1-0

Two-time Dubai champion Svitolina is one of three former champions in the draw (also Bencic and Halep)... Brady will look to claim her second career Top 10 victory, having previously defeated WTA World No.1 Barty earlier this season in Brisbane.

ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #31) vs. [4] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #4)

Bencic leads 4-1

Pavlyuchenkova is aiming for her second Top 5 win of the season after defeating No.2 Ka.Pliskova at the Australian Open... 2019 champion Bencic is competing this week on a career-high ranking of No.4 as she looks to defend a title for the first time in her career.

[5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7) vs. [SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

First meeting

Kenin is competing in her first Tour-level event since capturing her maiden Grand Slam crown at the Australian Open... Rybakina enters this week as the newest edition to the WTA Top 20 following the biggest final of her career at St. Petersburg last week.

MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #21) vs [7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13)

Series tied 1-1

Sakkari is making her main draw debut at Dubai... The Greek woman is bidding for her 80th career main draw victory (79-79 overall record)... Sabalenka is aiming for her second best win by ranking of the season today, having previously defeated No.4 Halep at Adelaide.
[3/WC] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) vs. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

Head to Head: ELINA SVITOLINA leads 1-0

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ELINA SVITOLINA

WTA RANKING

JENNIFER BRADY

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

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

* Updated entering 2020 Dubai 1r

ROAD TO THE FIRST ROUND

[3] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6)

Total games: 0
Won/lost: 0-0
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Average rank of opponent: 0

[Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #52)

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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R3-Q: d. SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #39) 6-2,6-2 (1h08)
R2-Q: d. GABRIELA DABROWSKI (CAN #447) 6-4,6-3 (1h09)
R1-Q: d. KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #67) 6-3,7-6(3) (1h37)
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ELINA SVITOLINA

2019 SF L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #45) 6-2 3-6 7-6(3)

JENNIFER BRADY

2019 R16 L - PETRA Kvitova (CZE #4) 7-5 1-6 6-3
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SVITOLINA:

**Dubai**
- Making sixth appearance here in a Dubai - two-time champion in 2017 (d. Wozniacki) and 2018 (d. Kasatkina)
- Only third player in history to win the title in Dubai two consecutive years – Henin (2003-04; 2006-07) and V.Williams (2008-09)
- Also reached SF on two occasions: 2016 (l. Errani) and 2019 (l. Bencic)
- Fell in 2r on debut in 2015 (l. Kvitova)
- Faces qualifier Brady today in 1r
- Owns incredible 16-3 record in Dubai – second most wins at this tournament amongst active players (both V.Williams and Kuznetsova have 19 main draw wins)
- One of three former champions in the draw – also Bencic (2019) and Halep (2015)
- One of two Ukrainians in the draw, also Yastremska

**Season**
- Coming off QF appearance in Hua Hin (l. Hibino)
- In Fed Cup action, lost only singles rubber to Kontaveit even though Ukraine beat Estonia 2-1 in Group 1 promotional play-off
- Fell 3r at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Muguruza)
- Kicked off season falling in 1r at Brisbane (l. Collins)

**Career**
- Finished 2019 at No.6, her third consecutive Top 10 finish
- Season highlight was reaching the title match as defending champion at the Shiseido WTA Finals (l. Barty)
- Loss to Barty ended her nine-match unbeaten run at the year-end championship having gone undefeated in the RR stage from 2018-19
- In 2018, 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. 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
- 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 (l.

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MATCH NOTES

**DUBAI - UNITED ARAB EMIRATES | Feb 17 - Feb 22, 2020 | $2,908,770 | PREMIER**

**2018**
- **F**
  - W - Daria Kasatkina (RUS #24) 6-4 6-0

**2017**
- **F**
  - W - Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #15) 6-4 6-2

**2016**
- **SF**
  - L - Sara Errani (ITA #22) 6-4 6-4

**2015**
- **R2**
  - L - Petra Kvitova (CZE #3) 2-6 6-3 6-2
A. Radwanska) Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)
- Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (l. A. Radwanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)
- Other 2016 season highlights included 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 went on to win title there in both 2013 and 2014)
- Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008
- Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017

Grand Slam
- 2020 Australian Open marked 30th consecutive Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Tied best Grand Slam result by reaching 2019 US Open SF (l. S. Williams), also made this stage at 2019 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep) - previous QF record at Slams was 0-4
- Became the first woman from Ukraine to reach a major SF; on the men’s, Medvedev made that stage at Roland Garros in 1993 (SF) and 1999 (R-Up)
- Elsewhere, has posted QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens) and 2019 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

Personal
- Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian
- Coached by Andrew Bettles and added Marcos Baghdatis to her team during offseason. 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

BRADY:

Dubai
- Making second appearance in Dubai – last year made debut after coming through qualifying and reaching R16 by upsetting No.20 Garcia in 2r (l. R-Up Kvitova)
- Did not drop a set through qualifying this year dispatching Kr.Pliskova, Dabrowski and Hsieh
- Faces two-time champion and No.6 Svitolina today
- Owns one Top 10 career win which she earned earlier this year over World No.1 Barty in Brisbane

Season
- Coming off 1r defeat in St. Petersburg to hometown hero Kuznetsova
- Fell in the 1r of Australian Open (l. Halep)
- Reached career high of No.49 on Jan. 13, 2020
- Made incredible start to the season at Brisbane coming through qualifying and reaching QF (l. Kvitova) – scored first career Top 10 win over World No.1 Barty in R16

Career
- Ended 2019 season back in Top 60 after dipping as low as No.125
- Season highlights include R16 at Dubai (l. R-Up Kvitova), 3r at Indian Wells (l. Barty)
- Finished 2018 ranked No.116 following her first Top 100 finish in 2017 (No. 64)
- 2018 season highlight was reaching two SFs at $100k ITF/Midland-USA (l. Loeb) and $80k ITF/Charlottesville-USA (l. Duque-Mariño). Also made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Garcia), Roland Garros (l. Putintseva) and Wimbledon (l. Kontaveit)
- Posted best win of career to date at 2017 Beijing, defeating No.56 Keys
- Reached first WTA career SF at 2017 Hong Kong (l. eventual R-Up Gavrilova)
- Posted first WTA main draw wins at 2016 Guangzhou (d. Pivovarova and Kovinic)
- Made first four main draw appearances at tour level in 2016 – at Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Hercog in 1r), Stanford (l. Cornet in 1r), Montréal (as qualifier l. Svitolina in 1r)
- Ended 2017 inside Top 100 for first time – at No.64; career-high ranking is No.60 (October 16, 2017)
• Made WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Cincinnati (l. 1r to Falconi)
• On ITF Circuit, owns four ITF singles and four doubles titles
• Made professional debut at $10k ITF/Evansville, IN-USA (l. 1r)

**Grand Slam**

• 2020 Australian Open marked 13th Grand Slam main draw
• Made debut at all four Slams in 2017; prior to 2017 Australian Open, had fallen in qualifying at US Open (2014-16), Roland Garros (2016) and Wimbledon (2016)
• Came through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zanevska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era
• Also became just sixth player to make R16 on Australian Open debut in last 21 years: V.Williams (1998), Suárez Navarro (2009), Bouchard (2014), Gasparyan and Konta (2016)
• Also reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and has made 2r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019 and Wimbledon in 2017 and 2018

**Personal**

• Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015
• Recently hired Michael Geserer (previously with Goerges) at end of 2019 season, spent offseason training in Germany for first time
• Has twin sister, Jessica
ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #31) vs. [4] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #4)

Head to Head: BELINDA BENCIC leads 4-1

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PAVLYUCHENKOVA:

**Dubai:**
- Making 10th overall main draw appearance in Dubai this week
- Has fallen in the 1r here in 7-consecutive visits
- Best result was QF appearance in 2010 (l. Venus)
- Lone representative for Russia in this week’s main draw
- Begins campaign vs. No.5 Bencic today – 1-4 vs. the Swiss, w/lone victory coming at 2015 Washington DC
- Holds a 14-35 record vs Top 5 opponents in career, including 1-1 so far this season, having beaten No.2 Ka.Pliskova in Melbourne and lost to No.1 Barty in Adelaide
- Has won first set against Bencic on three of five occasions, and three of five meetings have gone the distance to three sets
- Tied w/Muguruza for most tiebreak wins on tour (4) and No.2 for most tiebreak sets played (5), behind Ka.Pliskova (6)
- Currently the No.2 ranked Russian woman at No.31, six spots behind No.1 Alexandrova
- Aiming to have a resurgent 2020 under new head coach Sam Sumyk, to see herself break back into the Top 20 for the first time since leaving the top echelon in January 15, 2018

**Season**
- Matched last year’s Australian Open result with another QF finish, falling to eventual runner-up Muguruza (def. Ka.Pliskova and Kerber en route)
- Fell to World No.1 Barty in R16 at Adelaide International following 1r exit to begin 2020 campaign at Brisbane International (l. Kvitova)

**Career Milestones**
- Ended 2019 ranked No.30, up from No.42 in 2018 – marking her 12th consecutive Top 50 finish
- Advanced to two finals in 2019 – both at the Premier-level – at Osaka (l. Osaka in F) and Moscow (l. Bencic in F)
- Fell in qualifying at Cincinnati (l. Diyas) - first time contesting WTA qualifying since 2011 Dubai
- Matched best Grand Slam result in 2019 at Melbourne Park by reaching QF (l. Collins); defeating No.9 Bertens and No.5 Stephens en route
- 2018 season highlight was claiming her 12th WTA singles title at Strasbourg (d. Cibulkova in F). Other highlights were QF runs at Stuttgart (l. Kontaveit), Wuhan (d. No.11 Bertens in 2r and No.5 Kvitova in R16, l. Barty), Linz (l. Alexandrova) and Moscow [Kremlin Cup] (l. Kasatkina)
Owns 12 WTA singles titles, including a career-best three titles in a single season in 2017 at Monterrey, Rabat and Hong Kong.

Notched only win over a reigning World No.1 against Kerber en route to fourth Monterrey title in 2017.

Is a winner of five doubles titles from eight finals, most recently at 2017 Sydney (w/Babos).

In addition to reaching last eight at 2016 Wimbledon, reached a further six quarterfinals in 2016: Brisbane (l. Kerber), St. Petersburg (l. Bencic), Acapulco (l.Wickmayer), Montréal (l. Keys), Linz (l. Cibulkova) and Moscow (l. Gavrilova).

Owns 32 Top 10 victories (32-63 record), most recently No.8 Bertens at 2019 Osaka.

Represented Russia at Rio Olympics, losing to eventual gold medalist Puig in 2r.

Broke into Top 100 in singles on July 7, 2009 and entered Top 50 on November 3, 2008.

Made Top 20 debut on September 13, 2010 and rose as high as No.13 (July 4, 2011).

Played first WTA main draw as a wildcard at 2006 Moscow.

Named 2006 ITF Junior World Champion.

**Grand Slam History**

Has reached QFs at all four majors; 2011 Roland Garros (l. Schiavone) and US Open (l. S.Williams), 2016 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2017 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up V.Williams), and 2019 Australian Open (l. Collins).

One of just five active players to reach QF or better at all four majors in both singles and doubles (also Williams sisters, Kuznetsova and Zvonareva) and is the only player to do so since 2011.

Made Grand Slam debut as 15-year-old wildcard at 2007 Wimbledon (l. Hantuchova 6-0 6-1).

In doubles, is a three-time semifinalist, at Australian Open (2015 w/Groenefeld and 2016 w/Ka.Pliskova) and Wimbledon (2016 w/Ka.Pliskova).

Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2014 Roland Garros, finishing runner-up in mixed doubles (w/Zimonjic; l. Groenefeld/Rojer).

As well as twice winning the girls’ singles at the Australian Open (2006, 2007), won 2006 US Open junior title.

**Personal**

Began new coaching partnership with Sam Sumyk in September 2019. Occasionally works with father, Sergey and brother, Aleks.

Introduced to tennis at age six by family.

Grandmother played basketball for USSR and grandfather was high-level basketball referee; father was Olympic-level canoeist (missed Games due to boycott) and mother a swimmer.

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**BENCIC:**

**Dubai**

Making fourth career main draw appearance in Dubai this week.

Returns as defending champion, defeating Kvitova in 3s last season for biggest title of her career.

Had not advanced beyond 2r here until hoisting title last season.

Triumph here last year ignited a career resurgence that saw her finish the year in the Top 8 at WTA Finals.

Enters this tournament at a career high ranking of No.4. By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.45.

This title has been defended on four different occasions by three different players (Svitolina, Venus, Henin – twice).

The Swiss is aiming to defend a title for the first time in her career this week.

Last year, Bencic became the first Swiss to win Dubai since Hingis won the first installment of this event in 2001.

Lone representative from Switzerland competing in this week’s tournament.

Sits at No.2 on WTA Tour in break points converted percentage at 65.0%.

Takes on No.31 Pavlyuchenkova for the sixth time in their careers today, owning a 4-1 advantage over the Russian.

Has captured the last three meetings vs. Pavlyuchenkova, including the Moscow final in 2019 which helped catapult the Swiss into the Top 8 to qualify for WTA Finals.
Season

- Coming in off QF visit in St. Petersburg last week (l. Sakkari in 3s)
- Split Fed Cup singles matches vs Team Canada (def. Dabrowski, l. Fernandez)
- Made QF exit at Adelaide (l. Collins) and fell 3r at Melbourne Park (l. Kontaveit)
- Opened 2020 season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Blinkova)

Career Milestones

- Enjoyed a stellar season in 2019, in which she lifted two titles – at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F)
- Posted a career-best 49 Tour-level match wins in 2019 - only Ka.Pliskova (52), Barty (54) and Bertens (55) scored more. By contrast, posted a combined total of 37 wins at this level across 2016-18
- Victory in Moscow ensured she became first Swiss to compete in singles at the WTA Finals since Hingis in 2006, going on to reach SF at the season-ending showpiece in Shenzhen
- Equaled her career-high ranking of No.7 following Moscow title run (October 21, 2019)
- Also in 2019, marked 20th Grand Slam main draw by reaching her maiden major SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Andreescu), finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Kenin after holding 3mp at 5-4 in second set) and advanced to SF at Hobart, Indian Wells and Madrid
- Led the WTA with six victories over Top 5 players last season, including upsets over No.1 Osaka at Indian Wells, Madrid and US Open
- Standout results in 2018 were R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, l. Goerges), QF at New Haven and Washington, D.C., and R16 run at Wimbledon
- In first round at 2018 Australian Open, defeated No.5 V.Williams. Having also upset then-No.1 S.Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto is one of seven women to defeat both Williams sisters before their 21st birthday (also Hingis, Sharapova, Clijsters, Henin, Chakvetadze and Osaka)
- Underwent left wrist surgery in spring 2017, missing five months – ranking fell outside Top 300
- Run to 2016 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
- At 2015 Eastbourne, at 18y 109d, became second youngest player to win a WTA Premier level final (Wozniacki won 2008 New Haven aged 18y 43d)
- With 2015 Toronto triumph, became first teenager to win an event at Premier 5 level or higher since Azarenka at 2009 Miami
- Qualified for 2015 WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai however withdrew due to hand injury
- 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 a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Tianjin (l. Riske) and QF run at 2014 US Open (defeated 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
- 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
- Won junior singles titles at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2013; was named ITF Junior World Champion for 2013

Grand Slam History

- 2020 Australian Open marked 21st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result came with SF run at 2019 US Open (l. eventual champion Andreescu)
- Next best Grand Slam singles result was QF at 2014 US Open; defeated two Top 10 players en route (No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16)
- Has made R16 at Australian Open in 2016 (l. Sharapova) and at Wimbledon in 2015 (l. Azarenka) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Kerber). Best result at Roland Garros is 3r in 2019 (l. Vekic)
Personal

- Fitness trainer is Martin Hromkovic, a former football player from Slovakia
- 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
- Also holds Slovak citizenship through her parents
- Includes Nike, Yonex and Rolex among her sponsors
[5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7) vs. [SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

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ROAD TO THE FIRST ROUND

[5] SOFIA KENIN (USA #7)

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Average rank of opponent: 0

[SE] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #19)

Total games: 0
Won/lost: 0-0
Sets won/lost: 0-0
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Average rank of opponent: 0

DUBAI Tournament History

SOFIA KENIN

2019
R16 L - VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #46) 1-6 7-5 6-2

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KENIN:

**Dubai**
- Making second appearance in Dubai – reached R16 on debut last year (l. Kuzmova)
- Faces No.19 Rybakina today for first time, owns one Top 20 win already this season over World No.1 Barty in the SF of Australian Open
- Playing at a career high ranking of No.7 after winning her maiden Grand Slam title at the Australian Open earlier this year
- One of four Grand Slam champions in the main draw here – also Clijsters (l. Muguruza in 1r), Halep and Muguruza
- Entering tournament with third most match wins this season (10-3 record), behind only her opponent today Rybakina who leads the tour with 15 and Alexandrova, Muguruza and Bertens who are all tied at 11
- Also entering the tournament, owns four tie break set wins which is tied for most on tour with Sakkari and Pavlyuchenkova
- One of four Americans to start the main draw – also Anisimova (l. Strycova in 1r), Riske (l. Jabeur in 1r) and qualifier Brady

**Season**
- In Fed Cup action for the USA, went 1-1 in singles (d. Sevastova, l. Ostapenko) before winning the deciding doubles rubber w/Mattek-Sands – USA beat Latvia 3-2 to qualify for the finals in Budapest
- Made her Top 10 debut at No.7 and USA No.1 on February 3
- Won maiden Grand-Slam in Melbourne defeating two-time major champion Muguruza to become the youngest champion (21y, 80d) at Australian Open since Sharapova (20y, 283d) in 2008
- Kicked off season two straight 2r appearances at Brisbane (l. Osaka) and Adelaide (l. Collins)

**Career**
- Produced incredible 2019 campaign, tallying three singles titles, a career-best Grand Slam performance, qualification into both WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai and WTA Finals (as alternate, played one match), and a career-high singles ranking of No.12
- Finished the year as US No.2 (behind No.9 S.Williams) and leader in hard court wins (38-tied w/Barty)
- Registered back-to-back SF runs at Cincinnati and Toronto, subsequently leading to Top 20 debut
- During this run, defeated No.1 Barty (Toronto) and No.1 Osaka (Cincinnati), to become first player since October 2001 to defeat reigning World No.1s in consecutive weeks (Davenport); also became youngest American to defeat reigning No.1 in eight years (McHale)
- Advanced to R16 for first time at a Slam at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams), becoming first American to defeat Serena at the majors since Stephens at 2013 Australian Open QF
- 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
- In 2017, won the US Open Wild Card Challenge, reaching the third round (l. Sharapova) and posting career first Top 50 win over No.34 Davis
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2015 US Open as a wildcard (l. Duque-Mariño in 1r)
- Owns four ITF singles titles and two doubles titles
- Played first matches of career on ITF Circuit in 2013, climbing to No.2 in ITF World Junior Rankings
- Represented the USA at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China

**Grand Slam**
- Produced previous best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Barty); in 3r became first American to defeat S.Williams at the majors since Stephens at 2013 AO QF
- 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) and again in 2019 (l. Keys)
- 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
- 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
RYBAKINA:

**Dubai**
- Making tournament debut here in Dubai
- Faces No.7 Kenin today in first round action
- Owns two career wins over a Top 10 player – defeated No.7 Garcia in 2018 St. Petersburg and No.6 Halep in 2019 Wuhan
- Enters tournament as Tour leader in match wins with 15-3 record
- Has reached the final in three of the four tournaments played this year: Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F), Hobart (d. Zhang in F) and St. Petersburg (l. Bertens in F)
- Playing on a career high ranking of No.19 – made Top 20 debut on Monday
- Entering tournament, leads Tour in Aces with 104 through 18 matches
- Also entering tournament leads Tour in most 3 set matches played and won with 6-0 record – only Muguruza and Sakkari have played as many 3s matches, but have not won all of them

**Season**
- Coming off R-Up appearance at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens) for first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament
- Made Top 20 debut at No.19 on Feb. 17
- Recorded career-best run at a Grand Slam by advancing to 3r at the Australian Open (l. Barty) - won back-to-back Major matches for the first time after two straight sets victories over Pera in 1r and Minnen in 2r
- Opened 2020 season with back-to-back final runs, first reaching the championship match at Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova in F) before claiming a second career title at Hobart (d. S.Zhang in F)

**Career**
- Finished 2019 season at No.37 to record first Top 50 finish of her career, up from 2018’s final ranking of No.191
- During a breakout 2019 season, lifted maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest (d. Tig in F). Also advanced to second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson) and made SF appearances at Luxembourg (l. Goerges) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch (l. Bertens)
- Additionally, made QF runs at Istanbul (l. Strycova), Wuhan (l. Sabalenka) and Linz (l. Osatapenko)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova). Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
- On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions; back-to-back at $25K Moscow-RUS and $25K Kazan-RUS and at $60K ITF/Launceston-AUS. Now holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching the title at $15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
- First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg. Has since added the defeat of No.6 Halep (2019 Wuhan) to list of Top 10 triumphs
- Ended 2017 ranked No.425, improving 191 spots from 2016 (finished at No.616)
- Holds four singles and four doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)

**Grand Slam History**
- 2020 Australian Open marked her third career Grand Slam main draw where she recorded her career best appearance at a Major by advancing to 3r (l. Barty)
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
- Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, l. Muchova)
- Has also fallen in qualifying at other two majors, both in 2019
- In Juniors, reached two Grand Slam SFs at 2017 Australian Open and Roland Garros

**Personal:**
- Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior
- Coached by Stefano Vukov; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina’s former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
• Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
• Started playing tennis aged five
MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #21) vs. [7] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13)

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**DUBAI Tournament History**

**MARIA SAKKARI**

- **2018**
  - QF-Q   L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #45)
  - Score: 6-1 6-4

**ARYNA SABALENKA**

- **2019**
  - R16   L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #45)
  - Score: 6-4 2-6 7-6(7)

- **2018**
  - QF-Q   L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #143)
  - Score: 6-2 1-6 7-6(4)

- **2017**
  - R1   L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #79)
  - Score: 4-6 6-4 6-3
SAKKARI:

**Dubai**
- Making main draw debut at Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships this week
- Fell in qualifying in her only previous appearance here in 2018 (l. Stosur)
- Competing this week on a career-high ranking of No.21 (achieved February 3, 2020). By contrast, was ranked No.38 this time last year
- Faces No.13 Sabalenka today in their third career meeting. Bidding for her 80th career main draw victory (79-79 overall record)
- Owns 2-3 record vs. Top 20 ranked opponents this season, having defeated No.11 Keys (Australian Open) and No.5 Bencic (St. Petersburg). Losses came to No.4 Osaka (Brisbane), No.20 Vekic (Adelaide) and No.8 Kvitova (Australian Open)
- Enters this week with the Tour-leading record in tiebreak set wins this season with 4-0 record

**Season**
- Coming off SF run at St. Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina) – her first SF since 2019 San Jose in August
- Made the R16 at Australian Open (l. Kvitova) – her best result at the majors – to become the first Greek woman to reach this stage at a Grand Slam since Eleni Daniilidou at 2004 Wimbledon
- Achieved new career high ranking of No.21 following Melbourne
- Made 2r at Adelaide (l. Vekic) after a 1r exit at Brisbane (l. Osaka)

**Career**
- Finished 2019 at No.23 – the best year-end finish of her career (up from No.41 in 2018)
- Reached as high as World No.22 on October 21, 2019
- Season highlight was winning maiden WTA title at Rabat, recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Barty), Wimbledon (l. Svitolina) and US Open (l. Barty). Has now reached 3r - but never further - at the majors seven times
- Closed out season by qualifying for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for first time in career (fell in RR stage)
- 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)
- Notched first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan Open
- Since then has posted a further six Top 10 wins, against No.5 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Rome), No.6 Bertens (2019 Charleston), No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome, via ret.), No.7 Svitolina (2019 San Jose), No.6 Kvitova and No.9 Sabalenka (both at 2019 Cincinnati)
- 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**
- Contested 17th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open, where she recorded her career-best result by reaching R16 to become the first Greek woman to reach this stage at a Grand Slam since Eleni Daniilidou at 2004 Wimbledon
- 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

**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
- Currently coached by Tom Hill
SABALENKA:

**Dubai**

- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai (fourth overall)
- Best result here was R16 showing in 2019 (l. eventual champion Bencic having held six match points)
- Fell 1r on debut in 2017 (l. K.Bondarenko) and made qualifying exit in 2018 (l. Errani)
- Competing in first Tour-level event since Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro in 1r)
- Faces No.21 Sakkari today in their third career meeting, most recently defeating the Greek woman en route to the 2019 Zhuhai title – the biggest title of her career
- A win today would mark her second best-by-ranking of the season, having previously defeated No.4 Halep (Adelaide) – her fifth Top 5 win of her career

**Season**

- Represented Belarus in Fed Cup playoff victory vs. the Netherlands. Teamed up with Sasnovich in doubles to seal the victory (d. Bertens/Schuurs). In singles, defeated Rus and fell to Bertens
- Fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) after SF run at Adelaide (l. Yastremska)
- Upset No.4 Halep in QF at Adelaide to score fifth Top 5 win of her career, having previously beaten No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Montréal), No.5 Garcia (2018 Cincinnati), No.5 Kvitova (2018 US Open) and No.1 Barty (2019 Wuhan)
- Opened 2020 campaign with 2r exit at Shenzhen as the defending champion (d. Gasparyan, l. Kr.Pliskova)

**Career**

- Ended as World No.11 for the second straight year in 2019 after capturing three WTA singles titles at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F), Wuhan (d. Riske in F) and Zhuhai (d. Bertens in F)
- Became first player to successfully defend Wuhan title (d. Kontaveit in 2018 F). Also finished runner-up in doubles with Mertens in 2019 (l. Duan/Kudermetova in F)
- During summer hard court season made R-Up finish at San Jose (l. S.Zheng)
- Made Top 10 debut on January 28, 2019 following 3r run at 2019 Australian Open
- Captured first Grand Slam doubles trophy at US Open (w/Mertens, d. Azarenka/Barty in F). Earlier in the season, the pair claimed the ‘Sunshine Double’ by winning back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejcikova/Siniakova in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/Zhang in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals Shenzhen (w/Mertens), going 1-2 in the round robin stage
- 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 (l. Mertens) and Eastbourne (l. 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 (l. Sharapova) and making SF run at Tashkent (l. Babos)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, l. Witthoeft), and WTA main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Fed Cup Team that advanced to competition final in 2017 – won 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)
- Owns three WTA doubles titles – all coming alongside Mertens during 2019 season (Indian Wells, Miami and US Open)
- 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

• Contested milestone 10th career Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
• Advanced to R16 for first time at 2018 US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
• Best singles showing at Australian Open was 3r run in 2019 (l. Anisimova)
• First Grand Slam win came during 2r showing on Grand Slam debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoef)
• Made 1r exit on next three major appearances, at 2018 Australian Open (l. Barty), 2018 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu)
• Also fell in qualifying at 2016 and 2017 US Opens, 2017 Australian Open and 2017 Roland Garros
• Won career first Grand Slam title of any kind, in doubles at 2019 US Open (w/Mertens) – pair defeated Azarenka/Barty in final

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
DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – DAY 1

AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #29) vs. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #30)

Anisimova leads 1-0

Anisimova is making her tournament debut this week... A former finalist here in 2016, Strycova will look to rekindle that magic by notching first win vs American this year (0-2)

ALISON RISKE (USA #18) vs. [WC] ONS JABEUR (TUN #45)

First meeting

Riske has yet to fall against a player ranked outside the Top 5 this season... Jabeur is contesting this week's event on a career-high ranking of No.45, soaring 33 spots following her maiden Grand Slam QF showing at Australian Open

[W] KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL) vs. [9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

First meeting

Clijsters makes her highly anticipated return to the WTA Tour this week in Dubai... The Belgian never competed in Dubai in either of her previous active periods on the WTA Tour... Muguruza is enjoying the best start to a season in her career and owns a 20-10 advantage vs Grand Slam champions since her 2016 title run at Roland Garros

MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #17) vs ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #41)

Vondrousova leads 1-0

Vondrousova is making her Dubai debut this week as one of four Czech ladies contesting the event... Sevastova is seeking her 20th career victory over a Top 20 opponent
AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #29) vs. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #30)

Head to Head: AMANDA ANISIMOVA leads 1-0

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ANISIMOVA

Dubai:
- Making tournament debut at Dubai this week
- Started her 2020 campaign with SF run at Auckland (l. eventual champion S.Williams) – her first time reaching the final four of a tournament since 2019 Roland Garros (l. Barty)
- Faces No.30 Strycova for their second career meeting – bidding to extend 1-0 record against the Doubles World No.2, having previously defeated her at 2019 Auckland
- Currently ranked No.29; at 18-years-old is the third highest-ranked teenager in the WTA Top 100 (after Andreescu and Yastremska)

Season:
- Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Diyas)
- Kicked off 2020 campaign by reaching SF at Auckland (l. eventual champion S.Williams)

Career Milestones:
- Highlight of 2019 season was winning maiden title at Bogotá (d. Sharma in F); at 17y 222d was the youngest American to win a title since S.Williams at 1999 Indian Wells (17y 169d)
- Finished 2019 ranked No.24 – the youngest of three teenagers in the Top 50 (also Andreescu and Yastremska). Other standout performances included SF run at Roland Garros – first player (man or woman) born in 2000s to advance to this stage of a major – QF showings at Mallorca and San Jose, and R16 appearance at Australian Open – at 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at a Slam since Paszek at 2007 US Open (16 yrs 277 days)
- Scored maiden win over a Top 5 player during 2019 Roland Garros, upsetting No.3 and defending champion Halep in QF
- Made Top 100 debut at No.95 on September 17, 2018, after reaching first career tour-level final at Hiroshima (as qualifier, l. Hsieh in F)
- Also in 2018, upset No.9 Kvitova to become the jointyoungest player to reach R16 at Indian Wells, along with Majoli, who made SF in 1994 (both aged 16 years, 199 days)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Miami (l. Townsend in 3s), with Grand Slam bow coming at 2017 Roland Garros. Also in 2017, reached four ITF Circuit finals, winning $60k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA and finishing R-Up at $25k ITF/Curtiba-BRA, $80k ITF/Indian Harbour Beach, FL-USA and $60k ITF/Dothan, AL-USA

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In juniors, won US Open girls’ singles in 2017 and was R-Up at 2016 Roland Garros
- Reached No.2 in junior world rankings
- Father, Konstantin, and mother, Olga, were both born and raised in Moscow; sister Maria Anisimova-Egee and lives in New York
- Born in New Jersey but moved to Miami at 3
- Speaks English and Russian

Grand Slam History:
- Has played in six Grand Slam main draws, most recently 2020 Australian Open
- Produced best Slam showing at 2019 Roland Garros, becoming the first player born in 2000s – man or woman – to reach a Grand Slam SF (l. eventual champion Barty)
- Best previous result was a R16 run at 2019 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Kvitova)
- At 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at Melbourne Park since Vaidisova in 2006 (16 yrs 281 days), and across all Slams since Paszek at 2007 US Open (16 yrs 277 days)
- Also the youngest American to reach this stage of a Slam since S.Williams at 1998 Roland Garros (16y 254d) and at Australian Open since Capriati in 1993
- Fell 1r on Slam main draw debut at 2017 Roland Garros (as WC, l. Nara, having led 6-3 4-2)
- Suffered 1r exit at 2018 US Open (l. Townsend); fell in qualifying in 2016 and 2017
- In juniors, won US Open girls’ singles in 2017 and was R-Up at 2016 Roland Garros

Personal:
- Coached by Jaime Cortez and Andis Juska, while fitness trainer is Yutaka Nakamura
- Mother is Olga and father is Konstantin (deceased), both parents were born and raised in Moscow; sister Maria Anisimova-Egee played tennis at University of Pennsylvania and now lives in New York
- Born in New Jersey but moved to Miami at age of 3

STRYCOVA

Dubai:
- Making sixth main draw appearance at the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships (seventh overall)
- Deepest run was making the championship match in 2016 (l. Errani in F)
- Squares off against No.29 Anisimova in 1r today. Looking to improve 0-2 record against American players this season after falling to Riske at Brisbane and Pera at Adelaide
- Contesting doubles this week in Dubai with Hsieh – as top seeds, received 1r bye

Season:
- In doubles, lifted her first trophy of the season with partner Hsieh Su-Wei at Brisbane (d. Barty/Bertens in F) before going on to make the final round at the Australian Open (l. Babos/Mladenovic in F)
- Made 1r exits at Adelaide (l. Pera) and Australian Open (l. Cirstea)
- Began 2020 campaign by recording third Top 20 scalp of her career against No.12 Konta at Brisbane before falling to Riske in R16

Career Milestones:
- Finished 2019 ranked No.33, her sixth consecutive Top 50 finish
- Season highlight was Grand Slam breakthrough at Wimbledon, reaching SF (l. S.Williams) on what was her 53rd major appearance
- During SW19 run, upset three seeds to become the oldest first-time Grand Slam semifinalist in the Open Era
- Enjoyed stellar season in doubles, winning 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).
- Wimbledon title was one of four doubles crowns from five finals, also winning Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham (all w/Hsieh)
- Team finished as R-Up at WTA Finals, ensuring Strycova finished the year as the WTA Year No.1 Doubles player presented by Dubai Duty Free
In 2018, reached R16 at Roland Garros – her best result in Paris to date (l. Putintseva). Was 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

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

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**Grand Slam History:**

- Contested 56th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open. One of seven active players who’ve contested more than 50 Slams, behind V.Williams, S.Williams, Kuznetsova, Stosur, Sharapova and Cornet
- Breakthrough Slam result was SF run at 2019 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- 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, l. 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 (l. Azarenka), 2017 (l. S.Williams) and 2018 (l. Putintseva) and Roland Garros in 2018 (l. Putintseva)
- 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). Reached the final at 2020 Australian Open (w/Hsieh) and is 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:**

- Previously coached by David Kotyza (former coach of Petra Kvitova and Karolina Pliskova)
- 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
ALISON RISKE (USA #18) vs. [WC] ONS JABEUR (TUN #45)

Head to Head: 0-0

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Insights from
Dubai:

- Making second main draw appearance at Dubai (third overall)
- Deepest run here came last year where she advanced to R16 (l. Pliskova)
- Advanced to 2r in 2017 (l. Sevastova) and fell during qualifying in 2016
- Begins tournament facing No.45 Jabeur for their first career meeting. Has yet to fall against a player ranked outside the Top 5 this season – lost to No.2 Pliskova at Brisbane and No.1 Barty at Australian Open
- Enters this week at a career-high ranking of No.18. By contrast, this time last year was ranked No.52

Season:

- Recorded best result at a Grand Slam with R16 run at Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Opened 2020 season with QF run at Brisbane (d. Czechs Muchova and Strycova before falling to Czech No.1 and eventual champion Ka. Pliskova)

Career Milestones:

- Ended 2019 at career-high ranking of No.18, posted on November 4, 2019 – up from 2018 year-end ranking of No.63 with previous career-best finish being No.41 in 2016. Spending seventh consecutive year inside the Top 100
- In a breakout 2019 campaign, achieved best result in Grand Slam play to date by advancing to QF at Wimbledon, ousting World No.1 Barty to notch biggest win of her career before being halted by eventual runner-up S.Williams
- Additionally, lifted second career WTA singles title at ’s-Hertogenbosch (d. Bertens in F after saving 5mp) and finished runner-up at Shenzhen (l. Sabalenka) and Wuhan (l. Sabalenka)
- Highlights in 2018 include reaching 3r at 2018 Miami, her best result at a Premier Mandatory tournament (l. Y.Wang on third set tiebreak), and advancing to QF at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu), ’s-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe), Mallorca (l. Stosur) and Tokyo [PPO] (l. Pliskova). Also won eighth ITF Circuit singles title at Surbiton (d. Perrin in F)
- In 2017, finished R-Up at Shenzhen (d. No.3 A.Radwanska, l. Siniakova). Also part of Fed Cup winning USA team and reached QF at Nürnberg and 3r at Australian Open and Wimbledon
- 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 SF 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 Women’s Circuit
- 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

Grand Slam History:

- 2020 Australian Open marked her 32nd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- 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)
- Made 2r on debut at Roland Garros in 2014 but is yet to go further in Paris

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
- If hadn’t been a tennis player, would have pursued medicine
- Parents, Albert and Carol, are retired. Earlier in career was coached by her sister, Sarah McGlamery; also has a brother, Daniel
- Married Stephen Amritraj in Alison’s hometown of Pittsburgh after 2019 Wimbledon
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Dubai:

- Making third main draw appearance at Dubai (sixth overall)
- Best showings at this tournament came by reaching 2r in 2017 (I. Q. Wang) and 2019 (I. Svitolyna)
- Fell during qualifying rounds in 2012, 2016 and 2018
- Faces No.18 Riske in 1r today; most recent Top 20 win occurred during this year’s Australian Open where she defeated No.13 Konta, pushing her record vs. Top 20 opponents to 6-13
- After maiden Grand Slam QF at Australian Open, soared 33 spots to career-high ranking of No.45
- Sits in the 12th position on the Porsche Race to the Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen
- Was voted January’s WTA Breakthrough Player of the Month

Season:

- Reached maiden Grand Slam QF to become the first Arab woman to accomplish this feat (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Opened 2020 season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Q. Wang) and 2r showing at Hobart (as qualifier, l. Muguruza)

Career Milestones:

- Ended 2019 ranked No.77, while during season posted new career-high ranking of No.51 (September 9, 2019)
- Season highlights were matching best result at the Slams with 3r run at US Open (matching 2017 Roland Garros and now 2020 Australian Open) and SF appearances at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Kerber) and Tianjin (l. Peterson)
- In 2018, defeated No.3 seed Stephens, No.8 seed Kontaveit and No.5 seed Sevastova en route to her first WTA final at 2018 Moscow, where she fell in three sets to No.6 seed Kasatkina. Was first Tunisian woman to advance beyond QF at a WTA tournament (Sfar was the only other Tunisian to reach a QF at this level)
- Prior to 2018 Moscow, best previous results were QF at 2013 Baku, 2017 Taipei City and 2018 Bucharest
- Owns three Top 10 victories, over No.1 Halep at 2018 Beijing (via ret.), No.8 Stephens at 2018 Moscow and No.7 Cibulkova at 2017 Roland Garros Member of Tunisian Olympic Team in 2012 and 2016
- Contested first two WTA main draws in 2012, at Doha (as WC) and Olympics
- Became first North African woman to win a junior Slam at 2011 Roland Garros (d. Puig in F), having also reached the final in 2010 (l. Svitolyna in F)
- On ITF Circuit, has 11 singles and one doubles title
- Played first event of career at 2008 ITF/El Menzah-TUN

Grand Slam History:

- Played her 13th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open
- Deepest run at a major was advancing to QF at 2020 Australian Open, making history by becoming the first Arab woman to reach the final eight of a Grand Slam (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Prior to 2020 Australian Open, best Slam runs were 3r runs at 2017 Roland Garros and 2019 US Open; in Paris became first Arab woman to reach 3r at a major and first lucky loser to contest 3r of a Slam since Kasatkina at 2015 US Open, and first at Roland Garros since Pizzichini in 1996. Gaidano, at 1993 US Open, was most recent lucky loser to reach R16 at a major
- Has also made 2r at 2017 US Open (l. Vandeweghe) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Siniakova)
- In girls’ singles at Roland Garros was champion in 2011 (d. Puig) and R-Up in 2010 (l. Svitolyna)

Personal:

- Started playing tennis at age 3
- Husband Karim Kamoun is half-Russian and a former professional fencer; also her fitness coach
- Away from court enjoys playing and watching football
- In London in December 2019, was honoured at the Arab Women of the Year ceremony in for her achievements in the sport so far
- Big fan of Eminem and Cristiano Ronaldo
[WC] KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #0) vs. [9] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

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The 36-year-old Belgian legend begins the third installment of what has been an illustrious career, at the Dubai Duty Free Championships this week.

During her eight years away, the Belgian gave birth to her second and third child, and was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 2017.

Clijsters said goodbye to the game for the second time at the 2012 US Open, falling to Robson in straight sets; heading into her 2r matchup against the Brit, the then 29-year-old Belgian was on a 22-match winning streak at Flushing Meadows – a run stemming back to her defeat by Justine Henin in the final of 2003. Only Chris Evert had won more consecutive matches at the US Open (31).

Clijsters ‘first career’ was highlighted by two victories at the WTA Championships (2002-03), 19 non-consecutive weeks as World No.1 on the WTA Rankings (first attained on August 11, 2003 for 10 weeks), and a maiden Grand Slam title at the 2005 US Open. That triumph at Flushing Meadows came after four runner-up finishes at the Slams: Roland Garros in 2001 and 2003, the US Open in 2003 and the Australian Open in 2004.

Clijsters first stepped away from tennis in May 2007, marrying Bryan Lynch shortly after and giving birth to a daughter, Jada, in February 2008. But in July 2009, after 26 months away from the tour, she launched what would prove to be a famous comeback. In just her third tournament back, Clijsters won the US Open to become the first mother to win a Grand Slam title since Evonne Goolagong at Wimbledon in 1980. She defended that title in 2010, going on to capture a third WTA Championships title at Doha, and winning the 2011 Australian Open. Her win in Melbourne saw Clijsters return to No.1 one for a 20th career week in February 2011.

Over the course of her 15-year career, Clijsters delivered against the very best, finding the measure of most of her key rivals. She finished with a 13-12 record against fellow Belgian Justine Henin; a 9-8 record against Lindsay Davenport; and an 8-7 record against Amélie Mauresmo. She went 7-6 with Venus Williams, 5-4 over both Martina Hingis and Maria Sharapova, and 3-3 against Jennifer Capriati. Only Serena Williams got the better of her on a regular basis (2-7).

13th player in the Open Era to win 40 singles titles, with 41 in total.

Clijsters never competed in Dubai in either of her previous active periods on the WTA, and her match between No.16 Muguruza is the lone first-round clash on Monday to have never been played at the main draw level.

Will put her impressive 162-79 strike rate vs Top 20 opponents to the test vs the Spaniard.

Is 18 wins away from reaching the 500 wins club (main draw).

This week marks the first event of her 2020 comeback campaign; originally targeted an earlier start to the year but injuries delayed her return to the WTA Tour.

Set to compete at Monterrey and Indian Wells following this event.

Owner of 41 singles titles, including 4 Grand Slams, most recently 2011 Australian Open; Runner-Up at 19 events, most recently 2011 Paris (indoors); owns 11 doubles crowns.

Retired at 2012 US Open, losing 76(4) 76(5) to then-18-year-old Laura Robson in 2r.

In final season, advanced to three SFs at 2012 Brisbane, Australian Open (as def. champion) and ‘s-Hertogenbosch, in addition to a QF finish at the London Olympics (falling to eventual silver medalist Sharapova).

3rd player in the Open Era to win 40 singles titles or more, adding 2 in 2011, including 4th Grand Slam singles title.

At the time of winning 2011 Australian Open, moved into 3rd place on career prize money list behind both Williams sisters.

Returned to tour at 2009 Cincinnati (after more than 2 years away, during which time she became a mother). In 3rd tournament back won 2nd Grand Slam title at US Open; played 4 events in 2009 and ended year ranked No.18; prior to return had not played since May 6, 2007 (l. Vakulenko, 2r Warsaw); announced plans for comeback in March 2009, played exhibitions at Wimbledon in May, ‘s-Hertogenbosch in June and World Team Tennis in July.

Only player to beat Serena and Venus Williams at the same tournament twice (2002 WTA Champs and 2009 US Open).

Became 13th player and first Belgian to hold No.1 singles ranking on August 11, 2003; spent total of 20 weeks at No.1; last ranked No.1 on February 20, 2011; also held No.1 ranking in doubles for 3 weeks, becoming only the 5th player in WTA history to hold No.1 singles and doubles simultaneously (Navratilova, Sánchez-Vicario, Hingis and Davenport; S.Williams became 6th player to do so in June 2010).

Missed much of 2004 w/left wrist injury (underwent surgery on June 12, 2004; played only 1 tournament between then and February 2005; returned to win Indian Wells-Miami double (only 2nd woman after Graf); injured left wrist again at 2006 Montreal and missed a further 2 months. Missed most of 2010 clay court season with left foot injury (suffered at Fed Cup tie).

Has 6 career wins vs. reigning No.1, most recently vs. Wozniacki at 2012 Australian Open.

Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team, 2000-06, 2010-11 helping Belgium win its first-ever title in 2001 and Belgian Olympic Team, 2012.
Grand Slam History:

- 2012 US Open marked 35th Grand Slam main draw singles appearance
- 4-time Grand Slam winner, at US Open in 2005 (d. Pierce in F), 2009 (d. Wozniacki) and 2010 (d. Zvonareva), extended winning streak there to 21 matches; won first GS title outside US at 2011 Australian Open
- At 2009 US Open became first wildcard to win a Grand Slam title and first mother to do so since Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1980 Wimbledon); 2009 US Open was first Slam played since 2007 Australian Open
- Won 2005 US Open in 5th Grand Slam final – the only female player in the Open Era to lose 4 finals and go on to win a major; runner-up at 2001 Roland Garros (l. Capriati), 2003 Roland Garros/2003 US Open/2004 Australian Open (l. Henin each time); also 8-time semifinalist, and 3-time quarterfinalist
- Has not lost in 1r of a major since 2000 Roland Garros, 1 of only 2 occasions that she has fallen in the opening round
- On Grand Slam (and tour-level) debut at 1999 Wimbledon, advanced to 4r (as qualifier, l. No.2 seed Graf)
- Owns two Grand Slam doubles titles w/Sugiyama (2003 Roland Garros and Wimbledon); mixed doubles finalist (2000 Wimbledon w/Hewitt)

Personal:

- Coached by Fred Hemmes Jr
- Fred is a former ATP player; since his playing days, he has worked in several academies and privately with several players - including Indy de Vroome, Arantxa Rus, Ruben Bemelmans, Scott Greekspoor and Jay Clarke. From 2012-2017, he worked with the Flanders men's team under the supervision of Johan van Herck. He joined the Kim Clijsters Academy and will be travelling full time
- Husband is former US basketball player, Brian Lynch; married July 13, 2007. Mother to three children
- Father, Leo (nickname Lei) passed away January 4, 2009; he was a soccer coach and former player (Belgium's 1988 Player of the Year); mother, Els, was a top gymnast in Belgium; younger sister, Elke also played professionally

MUGURUZA

Dubai:

- Making sixth consecutive main draw appearance at Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships
- Two-time semifinalist in 2018 (l. Kasatkina) and on tournament debut in 2015 (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Other showings were two R16 visits last year and in 2016 (both losses came to Svitilina), and 2r finish in 2017 (l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Takes on four-time Grand Slam champion and former World No.1 Clijsters for the first time in this evening’s marquee matchup
- There is a 10-year age gap between the two Grand Slam champions
- The Spaniard has amassed a 20-10 advantage vs Grand Slam champions since the beginning of her first major title run at 2016 Roland Garros (def. Serena in F)
- Enjoying the best start to a season in her career, coming in off the heels of a runner-up (Australian Open), quarterfinal (Hobart) and semifinal finish (Shenzhen)
- Sits at No.2 on tour in aces struck (86) and most match wins (11), behind Rybakina in both
- Has played (six) and won (five) the most 3s matches on tour this season

Season:

- Coming in off runner-up finish at Australian Open (l. Kenin in 3s)
- Defeated four seeds en route to finals, including three Top 10 scalps (No.4 Halep, No.5 Svitilina, No.9 Bertens)
- Forced to withdraw with viral illness prior to QF match against Kudermetova at Hobart International
- Began 2020 campaign posting SF appearance (l. Alexandrova) at Shenzhen Open

Career Milestones:

- Finished 2019 season at No.36 for first non-Top 20 finish since 2014
- Successfully defended her title in Monterrey for seventh career WTA trophy (d. Azarenka in F)
- Also in 2019, reached QF at Indian Wells defeating No.10 S.Williams and No.7 Bertens en route (l. eventual champion Andreeescu) and R16 at Australian Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
- Is a two-time Grand-Slam champion winning titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F). Dropped only one set in Roland Garros title run
- Is only player to ever beat both Williams sisters in a Grand Slam final and one of 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles
- Also finished R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams) to make Top 10 debut. Is one of two players to meet both Williams sisters in the final of the same Grand Slam – also Hingis at US Open (1997, d. V.Williams; 1999, l. S.Williams)
- First Spaniard to reach Wimbledon final since Sánchez Vicario in 1996 and first to reach any Grand Slam final since Conchita
Martínez at 2000 Roland Garros
- Rose to World No.1 on September 11, 2017 to become the 24th woman in history to hold the top spot and second from Spain (after Sánchez Vicario in 1995). Also named ITF World Champion for 2017
- In 2015, became first Spanish player to compete at the WTA Finals in singles since 2001 (Sánchez Vicario) and reached doubles final (w/Suárez Navarro, l. Hingis/Mirza)
- Made WTA main draw debut at Miami in 2012, defeating No.9 Zvonareva for first Top 10 win of career

**Grand Slam History:**
- Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Australian Open where she produced best result at event with runner-up finish (l. Kenin in 3s) – Grand Slam final record now stands at 2-2 (also R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. S.Williams)
- Won titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
- One of just seven players all-time to defeat Serena in a Grand Slam final
- Is one of 29 women in the Open Era to win multiple Grand Slam titles
- 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)
- Best result at US Open came in 2017 with R16 showing
- In doubles, best result was SF run at 2014 Roland Garros w/Suárez Navarro

**Personal:**
- 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
- Coached by Conchita Martínez
MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #17) vs. ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #41)

Head to Head: MARKETA VONDROUSOVA leads 1-0

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Dubai:

- Making main draw debut in Dubai this week, having fell in 1r of qualifying in 2018 to Pera
- One of four Czechs to contest this year’s main draw (also, Muchova, Ka.Pliskova and Strycova)
- Faces off against No.41 Sevastova for the second time in her career today, having captured previous meeting at Roland Garros last year
- Currently holding the top spot on tour for return games won percentage (56.8%) and return points won percentage (52.7%)

Season:

- Upset in 1r of Australian Open to Kuznetsova as No.15 seed
- Played in first tournament since falling in 1r at 2019 Wimbledon (l. Brengle) due to left wrist injury at Adelaide International, advanced to QF stage (l. Barty)

Career Milestones:

- Enjoyed break-out season in 2019, reaching three finals across the year and making Top 20 debut
- Finished R-Up at Budapest (l. Van Uytvanck) and Istanbul (l. Martic) before reaching championship match at Roland Garros (l. Barty); did not drop a set en route to final in Paris
- Posted first win of career over a Top 2 player in 2019, defeating No.2 Halep at Indian Wells and then Rome
- Forced to end 2019 season down early due to left wrist injury – did not play again following 1r exit at Wimbledon
- At 2018 US Open, became the first teenager to reach the last 16 at Flushing Meadows since 2016 (Konjuh, QF – 18) and the youngest Czech player to advance to this stage in New York since 2005 (Vaidisova, R16 – 16)
- Was the biggest ranking mover on tour in 2017, from No.376 to No.67 (309 places)
- Made WTA breakthrough by winning International-level title at 2017 Biel/Bienne (d. Kontaveit in F). At No.233, was the lowest-ranked title winner in 2017 and aged 17 years, 293 days was the youngest since Konjuh (17 years, 169 days) at 2015 Nottingham
- Reached doubles QF at 2017 Wimbledon (w/Bellis, l. eventual finalists H.Chan/Niculescu)
- Advanced to 2r on tour-level debut at 2016 Prague – as wildcard
- On ITF Circuit, winner of seven singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at 2014 $100k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Suk, l. Brengle in 2r)
- In juniors won doubles at Australian Open and Roland Garros in in 2015 (both w/Kolodziejova). In singles, was semifinalist at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon

Grand Slam History:

- Contested 11th and most recent major at 2020 Australian Open
- Breakthrough came during R-Up finish at 2019 Roland Garros; ranked No.38, was joint-third lowest-ranked woman to reach Roland Garros final, and aged 19, was first teenager to reach title match there since Ivanovic in 2007
- Previous best result at the majors was reaching R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Tsurenko). Was youngest Czech player to reach R16 at Flushing Meadows since 2005 (Nicole Vaidisova, R16 at 16yrs, 140 days)
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2017 Roland Garros, where she advanced to 2r. Has also reached 2r at 2018 and 2019 Australian Opens
- Fell 1r on debut at Wimbledon
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Personal:

- Coached by former ATP Pro Jan Hernych. Fitness trainer is Michal Vagner
- Born in Skolov but moved to Prague alone at age 15 to train full-time
- Chose tennis over soccer as she prefers the individual nature of the sport
- Describes herself as quiet and calm
- Tennis idol is Roger Federer
SEVASTOVA

**Dubai:**

- Seventh overall appearance in Dubai this week
- Best result was SF finish in 2017 (l. Wozniacki)
- Lone Latvian competing in this week’s main draw
- Comes in ranked No.41 – first time being ranked outside Top 40 since being ranked No.48 on August 29, 2016
- In contrast, was ranked No.11 at this stage last season
- Squares off against No.17 Vondrousova in today’s opening round
- Seeking 20th career victory over Top 20 opponent (19-46)
- Is 10-10 vs left-handed players, w/Vondrousova getting the win in their previous meeting at 2019 Roland Garros where she finished as runner-up

**Season:**

- Coming in off inspiring Fed Cup performance against Team USA, handing Serena Williams her first-ever Fed Cup singles loss, winning 76(5) 36 76(4) (also lost to Kenin 62 62)
- Endured a rough Australian swing to start the season, making 1r exits at all three events played (Australian Open, Adelaide International and Brisbane International)

**Career Milestones:**

- Finished 2019 ranked No. 27 for fourth consecutive Top 50 finish
- In 2019, captured fourth career title in inaugural home event in Jurmala
- Also reached 3r at 2019 US Open (l. Martic)
- Upset in 2r of Wimbledon by Collins after posting SF run at Mallorca (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Advanced to R16 for the first time at Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova); saved 5mp during 3h 21m 3r win over Mertens
- Opened 2019 season with QF run at Brisbane (l. Osaka) before suffering 1r exit in Sydney (l. Bacsinszky)
- Recorded second Top 20 season in 2018, finishing No.11 and posted a career-high number of wins (43)
- Lifted third title of her career on clay in Bucharest (d. Martic in F) and reached first Premier Mandatory final at Beijing (l. Wozniacki in F); now 3-4 in singles finals
- Was the second of two singles alternates for WTA Finals in Singapore and fell in round robin stage at WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai
- Flushing Meadows run saw her became the first Latvian woman to reach SF there, upsetting No.7 Svitolina and No.3 Stephens en route.
- Achieved first Top 20 season in 2017, finishing at No.16
- Captured second career singles title and first in seven years at 2017 Mallorca (d. Goerges in F)
- In 2016, played first full season since 2012, reaching two singles finals at Mallorca (l. Garcia) and Bucharest (l. Halep), as well as first Grand Slam QF of career at US Open
- Retired from professional tennis in May 2013 due to various injuries – mostly muscular and back-related – but returned to competition at ITF level in January 2015 after body had fully healed
- During break from tennis studied leisure management
- Prior to break from tennis, won first singles title at 2010 Oeiras – becoming first Latvian to win a WTA title in 17 years (since Savchenko at Schenectady in 1993)
- Made Top 100 debut on July 13, 2009. Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010 and Top 20 debut on May 15, 2017
- Played first WTA event at 2007 Istanbul; made Slam main draw debut as qualifier at 2009 Roland Garros
- Member of Latvian Fed Cup Team 2005-06, 2008-10, 2018-20

**Grand Slam History:**

- Made 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance at 2020 Australian Open
- Fell at QF stage on two occasions, at US Open in 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Stephens)
- In 2016, became first Latvian woman to reach a Grand Slam QF since Savchenko at 1994 Wimbledon (since joined by Ostapenko)
- Best results elsewhere is reaching R16 at 2011 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), before her two-year absence from the game, and 2019 Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)
- Made 3r at 2017 Roland Garros; this was the first time a Latvian woman reached 3r in the Open Era (also eventual champion Ostapenko). Latvian-born Larisa Savchenko advanced to 3r in 1984 and 1989 whilst representing the USSR
- At Wimbledon, has reached 2r in 2017 and 2019
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach a US Open SF in 2018. Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros – WON; 2018 Wimbledon – SF)
Personal:

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

Main draw dates:  Monday - Saturday, February 17-22, 2020
Singles Final:  Saturday, February 22, NB 7:00pm
Doubles Final:  Saturday, February 22, 5:00pm
Venue:  Dubai Duty Free Tennis Stadium
Status:  WTA Premier Event
Staging:  Tournament’s 20th year
Draw sizes:  30 singles / 28 doubles teams / 48 singles qualifying
Surface:  Decoturf II, Hardcourt / Outdoors
Total prize money:  USD $2,794,840
Tennis Ball:  Wilson US Open Regular Duty
2019 Singles Final:  Belinda Bencic (SUI) d. Petra Kvitova (CZE) 6-3 1-6 6-2

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MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS

Singles wildcards: Kim Clijsters (BEL), Ons Jabeur (TUN), Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP), Elina Svitolina (UKR)
Youngest singles player: Amanda Anisimova, 18 years old (August 31, 2001)
Oldest singles player: Kim Clijsters, 36 years old (June 8, 1983)
Singles withdrawals: Ashleigh Barty (right foot injury), Bianca Andreescu (cont. knee injury), Danielle Collins (cont. abdominal injury), Johanna Konta (knee injury), Madison Keys (schedule)
Main draw debutantes: Amanda Anisimova (USA), Kim Clijsters (BEL), Karolina Muchova (CZE), Maria Sakkarí (GRE), Marketa Vondrousova (CZE)
TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

- This year marks the 20th anniversary of the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships hosting the WTA Tour.
- Former World No.1 and four-time Grand Slam champion Kim Clijsters makes her eagerly awaited return to the professional tour as a wildcard and tournament debutante, appearing in her first match since the 2012 US Open where she faces a tough match-up against World No.8 Kiki Bertens.
- Simona Halep leads the pack as top seed and returns as a former champion, having lifted the title in 2015 after defeating this week’s No.2 seed, Karolina Pliskova.
- Defending champion Belinda Bencic kicks off her title defense against Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova while two-time Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships winner Elina Svitolina (2017, 2018) will face wildcard Garbiñe Muguruza who beat the World No.4 en route to a runner-up finish at Australian open.
- One to Watch - Dayana Yastremska. The talented teenager enjoyed a stellar campaign in 2019, lifting titles at Hua Hin and Strasbourg and reaching the fourth round at Wimbledon. After falling at the opening hurdle to Kiki Bertens in her first event of the new campaign at Brisbane, Yastremska skyrocketed to her first final of the season at Adelaide.

TOP 4 SEEDS’ TOURNAMENT HISTORY*

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RECENT CHAMPIONS & RUNNERS-UP

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*If highlighted denotes competing in 2020 Dubai main draw
COUNTRY AND REGION BREAKDOWN

A total of 16 countries and regions are represented in the main draw, led by the Czech Republic with 4 players:

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Belgium (2)  
China (1)  
Croatia (1)  
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Aryna Sabalenka  
Kim Clijsters, Elise Mertens  
Wang Qiang  
Petra Martic  
Karolina Muchova, Karolina Pliskova, Barbora Strycova, Marketa Vondrousova  
Anett Kontaveit  
Maria Sakkari  
Anastasija Sevastova  
Kiki Bertens  
Simona Halep  
Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova  
Garbiñe Muguruza  
Belinda Bencic  
Ons Jabeur  
Elina Svitolina, Dayana Yastremska  
Amanda Anisimova, Sofia Kenin, Alison Riske
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**Main Draw Singles**

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CLIJSTERS, KIM vs BERTENS, KIKI
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8 / 6 For Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships - Dubai, UAE
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- **Draw:** Hard, Outdoor, United Arab Emirates
- **Rank:** 26
- **Seed:** 64

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- **Draw:** Hard, Outdoor, United Arab Emirates
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| PLAYER NAME            | RANK SEED | COUNTRY | AGE | RANK SEED | COUNTRY | AGE | DATE | CAR | W / L | PRIZE | R / L | RANK | DATE | CARRH | TITLES |
|------------------------|-----------|---------|-----|-----------|---------|-----|------|-----|-------|-------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|
| ANISIMOVA, AMANDA      | 29        | USA     | 18  | Q         | USA     | 24  | 2/17/2020 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| BENCIC, BELINDA        | 3         | SUI     | 22  | J         | USA     | 24  | 2/17/2020 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Q BRADY, JENNIFER      | 52        | ROU     | 29  | L         | ROU     | 28  | 1/13/2020 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Q CIRSTEA, SORANA      | 70        | ROU     | 29  | W         | BEL     | 36  | 8/11/2003 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| W CLIJSTERS, KIM       | 171       | BLR     | 36  | H         | ROU     | 28  | 10/9/2017 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| HALEP, SIMONA          | 151       | ROU     | 29  | L         | TPE     | 34  | 2/25/2013 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| W JABEUR, ONS          | 162       | TUN     | 25  | W         | ROU     | 28  | 2/25/2013 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| KENN, SOFIA            | 176       | USA     | 21  | K         | EST     | 24  | 11/4/2017 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| KORNVEIT, ANETT        | 20       | EST     | 24  | Q         | RUS     | 22  | 3/8/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Q KUDERMETOVA, VERONIKA| 206       | ROU     | 22  | M         | CRO     | 29  | 1/13/2020 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| MARTIC, PETRA          | 151       | CRO     | 29  | Q         | FRA     | 26  | 10/23/2017 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| MERTENS, ELISE         | 14        | BEL     | 24  | M         | FRA     | 26  | 10/23/2017 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Q MLADENOVIC, KRISTINA | 149       | CRO     | 29  | S         | BLR     | 21  | 9/19/2017  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| MUCHOVA, KAROLINA      | 119       | CZE     | 23  | W         | ESP     | 26  | 11/4/2017 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| W MUGURUZA, GARBIÊNE   | 16        | ESP     | 26  | W         | HKB     | 25  | 9/10/2018  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTA | 172       | RUS     | 28  | P         | CRO     | 29  | 7/17/2017  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| PLISKOVA, KAROLINA     | 95        | CZE     | 27  | R         | USA     | 29  | 7/17/2017  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| RISKE, ALISON          | 150       | USA     | 29  | R         | SRB     | 25  | 2/20/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| RYBAKINA, ELENA        | 89        | KAZ     | 20  | S         | BLR     | 21  | 8/24/2019  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| SABALENKA, ARYNA       | 39        | BLR     | 21  | K         | GRE     | 24  | 2/23/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| SAKKARI, MARIA         | 131       | GRE     | 24  | S         | HRV     | 25  | 10/18/2018 |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Q SASNOVICH, ALIKA      | 174       | HRV     | 25  | Q         | BLR     | 25  | 5/19/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| SEVASTOVA, ANASTASIA   | 121       | LAT     | 29  | S         | CRO     | 29  | 5/19/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| Q SIAKOVA, KATERINA    | 251       | CZE     | 23  | S         | HRV     | 25  | 5/19/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| STRYCOVA, BARBOZA      | 317       | CRO     | 33  | W         | UKR     | 25  | 5/19/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |
| W SVITOLINA, ELINA     | 327       | UKR     | 25  | W         | UKR     | 19  | 5/19/2020  |    |       |       |      |      |      |       |       |       |