



# ***MATCH NOTES***



***ROLAND GARROS***  
***SEPTEMBER 26 – OCTOBER 11, 2020***



# WOMEN'S TENNIS ASSOCIATION MATCH NOTES



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## ROLAND GARROS - DAY 5 MATCH-UPS

### JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #43) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #4)

Pliskova leads 3-2

*Ostapenko owns three Top 10 wins at majors and is 8-3 in 2r of Slams...Pliskova's win/loss record against major champions in the Slams is 6-4*

### ANA BOGDAN (ROU #93) vs. [4] SOFIA KENIN (USA #6)

First meeting

*Bogdan is looking to record maiden Top 10 victory and fourth Top 20 win of career...Kenin has never reached a WTA QF on clay, with best result being last year's R16 run here*

### [7] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #11) vs. JASMINE PAOLINI (ITA #94)

First meeting

*A win today would mark Kvitova's milestone 25th victory at Roland Garros (24-10)...Today marks Paolini's sixth encounter with a Top 20 ranked player (1-4 record)*

### [8] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12) vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #71)

Kasatkina leads 1-0

*Sabalenka is one of two Top 16 seeds yet to reach a Slam QF...Kasatkina's last win vs Top 10 player took place here in 2018 defeating No.2 Wozniacki*

### KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #69) vs. [11] GARBINĚ MUGURUZA (ESP #15)

First meeting

*Pliskova is bidding to match best Slam result of her career...Muguruza has fallen to lower-ranked players at five of her last eight Slams*

### [14] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #18) vs. FIONA FERRO (FRA #49)

Rybakina leads 1-0

*Rybakina leads the Tour in aces struck (190) and match wins (29)...Ferro is aiming for her first-ever 3r appearance at a major*

### [29] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #34) vs. PAULA BADOSA (ESP #87)

First meeting

*Stephens holds an impressive 21-2 mark in Grand Slam 2r play...Badosa is bidding to reach 3r of a major for the first time and a win today would be best-by-ranking*

### ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #52) vs. SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #39)

Cornet leads 4-2

*Cornet is aiming to notch back-to-back 3r Slam visits for first time since 2016...Zhang owns an 8-5 record in 2r Slam play, including a 1-3 mark here in Paris*



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### A SNAPSHOT OF 2020 – THE YEAR SO FAR

**One Top 10 Debut:** Sofia Kenin (at No.7 on February 3)

**Fewest games dropped en route to a title:** Jennifer Brady (24, Lexington)

**Lowest-ranked title winner:** Patricia Maria Tig (No.88, Istanbul)

**Most finals:** Elena Rybakina: 5 (Shenzhen, R-Up, Hobart, W, St. Petersburg, R-Up, Dubai, R-Up, Strasbourg, R-Up); Simona Halep: 3 (Dubai, W, Prague, W, Rome, W)

**Maiden titles (3):** Alexandrova (Shenzhen), Brady (Lexington), Tig (Istanbul)

**Youngest title winner:** Elena Rybakina, Hobart (20y 7m 1d)

**Oldest title winner:** Serena Williams, Auckland (38y 3m 17d)

**Aces leaders:** Elena Rybakina – 190, Serena Williams – 178, Garbiñe Muguruza – 150

**Most aces in a match (22):** Alison Van Uytvanck (l. vs. Sofia Kenin 7-6(5) 6-7(2) 7-6(2) – Lyon, SF)

**Match win leaders:** Rybakina – 29, Mertens – 27, Muguruza - 22, Halep – 21

**Most doubles titles (4):** Barbora Strycova / Hsieh Su-Wei (Brisbane, Dubai, Doha, Rome)

**Best result by a qualifier (R-Up):** Kung (Hua Hin), Fernandez (Acapulco), Bouchard (Istanbul)

**Longest match:** 3h 33m – Heather Watson d. Elise Mertens 6-7(5) 6-4 7-5 (Hobart)

**Shortest (completed) match:** 44m – Serena Williams d. Amanda Anisimova 6-1 6-1 (Auckland)

**Most Top 10 wins (3):** Garbiñe Muguruza (No.3 Simona Halep, No.5 Elina Svitolina and No.10 Kiki Bertens – all at Australian Open)

### WTA4LOVE – SUPPORTING THE GLOBAL COMMUNITY



- As part of the ongoing humanitarian campaign, WTA4Love, more than **100 community initiatives** have been undertaken by WTA players and partners since the onset of the COVID-19 pandemic in March.

- Many players are stepping up again to raise awareness by wearing **WTA4Love patches** during competition in support of the ongoing campaign as we return to play.

- WTA4Love initiatives have provided COVID-19 support ranging from donations of medical equipment to hospitals, including **30,000 masks** donated to medical professionals through the efforts of the players and WTA Charities.

- Food insecurity has also been addressed by providing **24,000 meals** to families and frontline workers and through fundraisers for local foodbanks. WTA Charities will continue to support the ongoing

needs of communities with upcoming donations of **100,000 meals** in partnership with Lilly Pulitzer.

- “WTA4Love” is a global campaign with activities and donations by players and WTA Charities in **14 of the countries** which are home to WTA tournaments and most impacted by the COVID-19 pandemic, including China, Spain, the United Kingdom and the United States, among others.

- In addition to the urgent focus on the COVID-19 pandemic, WTA Charities has continued to support a wide range of nonprofit organizations including **live video chats** teaching leadership and character development to youth and **offering support and positive messaging** to Special Olympics participants.

- For more information on each player’s specific activities, please contact WTA Communications Manager, Teyva Sammet [TSammet@wtatennis.com](mailto:TSammet@wtatennis.com)



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## JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #43) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #4)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 3-2

2019	BEIJING	HARD O	R1	JELENA OSTAPENKO	7-5	3-6	7-5	146 mins
2018	STUTTGART	CLAY I	QF	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	5-7	7-5	6-4	138 mins
2017	WTA FINALS	HARD I	R1	JELENA OSTAPENKO	6-3	6-1		66 mins
2017	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R3	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	4-6	6-0	10-8	125 mins
2016	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R2	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-4	6-1		72 mins

JELENA OSTAPENKO	WTA RANKING	KAROLINA PLISKOVA
43		4
107	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	12
08-06-1997 (23)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	21-03-1992 (28)
\$241,687	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$785,371
\$8,899,982	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$20,297,889
0 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 16
0 / 3	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 5
8-3	ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *	12-8
7-6 / 126-104	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	14-6 / 323-165
3-1 / 46-33	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 105-59
0-4 / 33-20	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	2-7 / 64-71
3-2 / 27-21	YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 58-37
2-2 / 12-15	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 32-40
2-3 / 18-29	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *	5-2 / 64-73
1-1 / 11-15	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	2-0 / 32-20

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #43)

vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #4)

R128: d. MADISON BRENGLER (USA #78) 6-2,6-1 (1h02)

R128: d. [Q] MAYAR SHERIF (EGY #172) 6-7(9),6-2,6-4 (2h15)

### ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

\* Qualifying match

JELENA OSTAPENKO

KAROLINA PLISKOVA

2019

2019

R1 L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #43)

6-4 7-6(4)

R3 L - PETRA MARTIC (CRO #31)

6-3 6-3



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## 2018

R1 L - KATERYNA KOZLOVA (UKR #67) 7-5 6-3

## 2017

F W - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4) 4-6 6-4 6-3

## 2016

R1 L - NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #101) 6-4 7-5

## 2015

R1\* L - VERA DUSHEVINA (RUS #1,101) 4-6 6-3 6-3

## 2018

R3 L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #30) 6-2 6-1

## 2017

SF L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4) 6-4 3-6 6-3

## 2016

R1 L - SHELBY ROGERS (USA #108) 3-6 6-4 6-3

## 2015

R2 L - ANDREEA MITU (ROU #100) 2-6 7-6(5) 6-4

## 2014

R2 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #3) 6-3 6-4

## 2013

R1 L - GARBINE MUGURUZA (ESP #72) 4-6 7-5 6-3

## 2012

R1 L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #8) 6-3 6-3

## 2011

R2\* L - VITALIA DIATCHENKO (RUS #159) 6-1 6-2

**JELENA  
OSTAPENKO**

**VS**

**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making fifth main draw appearance (sixth overall) at Roland Garros, where she was champion in 2017
- Defeated Stosur, Wozniacki and Bacsinszky en route to final two years ago, then overcame a 6-4 3-0 deficit to win the final against Halep
- 2017 Roland Garros was eighth Grand Slam main draw appearance. Previous best result at a major had been 3r run at 2017 Australian Open (l. Ka.Pliskova). This was the fewest number of Grand Slam main draw appearances before winning debut Slam title since Sharapova at 2004 Wimbledon (on what was seventh appearance)
- Roland Garros triumph was also first tour-level title of her career – the previous player to win their debut title at Roland Garros was Gustavo Kuerten, who lifted the title on June 8, 1997 – the day Ostapenko was born
- Made Top 20 debut and more than doubled career prize money earnings by winning the title in Paris (entered tournament with \$1.2 million in prize money)
- Was ranked No.47 during 2017 run – the seventh lowest ranked major champion in the Open Era
- Lost to Kozlova in 1r of title defense - the sixth major champion to lose in opening round of title defense: Graf (1994 Wimbledon), Capriati (2003 Australian Open), Myskina (2005 Roland Garros), Kuznetsova (2005 US Open) and Kerber (2017 US Open)
- Also fell 1r in 2019 (l. Azarenka) and on debut in 2016 (l. Osaka)
- Struck 46 winners in 63-minute 1r win over Brengle; Grand Slam win-loss record improves to 30-18
- Faces No.4 Ka.Pliskova in 2r today; beat the Czech, then ranked No.2, at 2019 Beijing - her most recent victory over a Top-5 ranked opponent
- Owns three Top 10 wins at majors: No.9 Suarez Navarro (2015 Wimbledon), No.4 Halep (2017 Roland Garros) and No.5 Svitolina (2017 Wimbledon)
- Record in Slam 2r matches is 8-3
- Contesting milestone 20th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Roland Garros

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Unseeded champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F)
- One of eight players born in the 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (also Kvitova, Muguruza, Stephens, Wozniacki, Osaka, Barty and Kenin)
- At Wimbledon reached SF in 2018 (l. eventual champion Kerber) and QF in 2017 (l. V.Williams)
- Has been to 3r - but never further at Australian Open (2017-18) and US Open (2017-19)
- Mixed doubles R-Up at 2019 Wimbledon (w/Lindstedt, l. eventual champions Chan/Dodig)



## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making ninth main draw appearance at Roland Garros (and 10th overall)
- Achieved best result here by advancing to SF in 2017 (l. Halep)
- Reached 3r in 2018 (l. Sharapova) and 2019 (l. Martić). Prior to 2017, had never progressed beyond 2r in Paris, falling at this stage in 2014 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2015 (l. Mitu)
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut here in 2012 (as qualifier, l. Bartoli)
- Contesting her 33rd Slam main draw this fortnight where she is seeded No.2 – 23rd straight major as a seeded player and 16th as one of the Top 10 seeds
- Coming off R-Up finish in defense of Rome title (retired vs. Halep w/left thigh injury)
- Came from a set down against qualifier and Slam debutante Sherif to record her 17th consecutive 1r win at a major; overall Slam record is now 63-32
- Faces Ostapenko in 2r today; came from a set down to win their only previous meeting on clay, en route to 2018 Stuttgart title
- Also triumphed in their only Slam encounter, rallying from 5-2 down in the third set to prevail in 3r at 2017 Australian Open
- Win-loss record against major champions in the Slams is 6-4, with the three most recent of these encounters coming during SF run at 2019 Australian Open (d. Muguruza and S.Williams, l. Osaka); meanwhile only meeting with a major winner at Roland Garros was 3r loss to Sharapova in 2018
- Overall record in 2r matches across all four majors stands at 16-9 (3-2 at Roland Garros), with most recent defeat at this stage coming last month against Garcia at US Open
- Owns three clay courts titles: 2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart and 2019 Rome. Has also finished R-Up on the surface at 2020 Rome and 2014 Nurnberg
- One of seven former World No.1s in draw this fortnight (also Azarenka, Halep, Kerber, Muguruza, S.Williams, V.Williams)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debuts in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), 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)

**JELENA  
OSTAPENKO**

**VS**

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PLISKOVA**

## SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Strasbourg (l. Hibino)
- Suffered 1r exit at Rome (l. Linette)
- Prior to hiatus, fell 1r at St. Petersburg (l. Cornet) before advancing to 3r at Doha (l. Kvitova)
- Finished R-Up in doubles w/Dabrowski at Doha (l. Hsieh/Strycova); now 3-3 in doubles finals
- Performed well during Latvia's 3-2 Fed Cup defeat vs. USA; beat 2020 Australian Open champion Kenin and falling to S.Williams in two tie-break sets
- Began 2020 campaign with 2r showing at Australian Open (l. Bencic)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2019 season in fine style winning Luxembourg (d. Goerges in F) and finishing R-Up at Linz (l. Gauff); year-end ranking was No.44, having slipped as low as No.83 during the summer
- Other highlights in 2019, included QF at Birmingham and 3r showings at US Open, Charleston, Eastbourne and Toronto
- In doubles last year, won third WTA title at Luxembourg (w/Dabrowski) and finished R-Up at Jurmala (w/Voskoboeva) and Beijing (w/Yastremska)
- Finished 2018 season at No.22, with season highlighted by R-Up finish at Miami (l. Stephens).
- Record in singles finals now stands at 2-4
- Saw off No.9 Kvitova and No.4 Svitolina during Miami run to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time in her career
- Elsewhere in 2018, made SF at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) and reached four further QFs
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Makarova and Pavlyuchenkova in straight sets) to help Latvia beat Russia 3-2 and earn promotion to the Fed Cup World Group II for the first time
- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time in her career (at No.7); was No.44 at end of 2016 (first Top 50 finish) and No.79 at end of 2015 (first Top 100 finish)
- Won first tour-level title and maiden Grand Slam trophy at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F), where she became the lowest-ranked (No.47), and first unseeded, player to lift the trophy in the Open Era
- Clinched second tour-level title at Seoul in September (d. Haddad Maia in F) as top seed
- Seoul title, and subsequent SF runs at Wuhan and Beijing, helped earn her first-ever qualification at WTA Finals, where she went 1-2 in the group stage – d. Ka.Pliskova; l. V.Williams and Muguruza
- Advanced to third career singles final at 2017 Charleston in April, falling to then fellow 19-year-old Kasatkina; was the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)

## SEASON

- Coming off R-Up finish at Rome (as defending champion, l. Halep via ret. w/left thigh injury); now 16-13 in finals
- Suffered 2r defeat at US Open (l. Garcia)
- Fell 2r in first event back following the hiatus at Western & Southern Open (after 1r bye, l. Kudermetova)
- Prior to this, last outings were 3r showing at Doha (l. Jabeur) and QF at Dubai (l. Rybakina)
- Made 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 MILESTONES

- Finished 2019 ranked No.2 for career-best year-end finish
- Lifted a WTA-leading four titles 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 2r 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)



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PLISKOVA**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Upset Muguruza in QF at 2017 Beijing to register first win over a reigning World No.1
- Made Top 10 debut at No.10 on September 11, 2017 - following 3<sup>r</sup> run at US Open (l. Kasatkina),
- In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo)
- 2016 season highlight and breakthrough result was reaching final at Premier 5 Doha (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Reached first WTA final of career at 2015 Québec City (l. Beck)
- Ended 2015 at No.79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No.308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second- highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No.370 to No.72 (298 spots)
- Began playing ITF Circuit events in 2012

### **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Thomas Hogstedt
- Mother, Jelena Jakovleva, also serves as coach
- Father is Jevgenijs, half-brother is Maksim Ostapenko (graduated from art academy in Los Angeles and lives there)
- Previously coached by David Taylor and Glen Schaap
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams and Ernests Gulbis – watched Gulbis' QF match at Roland Garros from his box in 2014
- Took ballroom dancing classes for seven years

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Owns 16-13 record in singles finals, having won 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

### **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 Olga Savchuk, 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







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Head to Head: 0-0

ANA BOGDAN	WTA RANKING	SOFIA KENIN
93		6
71	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	2
25-11-1992 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	14-11-1998 (21)
\$50,391	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$3,326,962
\$1,359,571	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$6,245,694
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	2 / 5
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
1-2	ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *	2-2
2-3 / 35-54	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	18-8 / 87-52
1-2 / 11-19	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	6-3 / 32-22
0-1 / 6-15	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	8-6 / 25-16
1-1 / 14-19	YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 5-10
1-1 / 4-5	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	2-0 / 4-3
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 3-7
0-0 / 0-2	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 8-14
0-0 / 3-8	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-4 / 15-25

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### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

#### ANA BOGDAN (ROU #93)

R128: d. TIMEA BABOS (HUN #107) 6-4 6-2 (1h27)

Total games: 18  
 Won/lost: 12-6  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h27  
 Average time on court: 1h27  
 Average rank of opponent: 107

#### SOFIA KENIN (USA #6)

R128: d. LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #125) 6-4 3-6 6-3 (2h11)

Total games: 28  
 Won/lost: 15-13  
 Sets won/lost: 2-1  
 Total time on court: 2h11  
 Average time on court: 2h11  
 Average rank of opponent: 125



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## ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ANA BOGDAN

2019

R2-Q L - CONNY PERRIN (SUI #140) 7-5 7-5

2018

R2 L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #12) 6-2 6-3

2017

R1 L - ONS JABEUR (TUN #114) 6-3 6-4

2015

R1-Q L - PATRICIA MARIA TIG (ROU #176) 6-4 6-1

### SOFIA KENIN

2019

R16 L - ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #8) 6-3 3-6 6-0

2018

R1 L - NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #20) 6-2 7-5

2017

R2-Q L - ALISON VAN UYTVANCK (BEL #113) 6-3 6-2

**ANA  
BOGDAN**

**VS**

**SOFIA  
KENIN**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making third main draw appearance (fifth overall) at Roland Garros; best result here was reaching 2r in 2018 (d. Vondrousova, I. Kerber)
- Fell in qualifying in 2015 and 2019
- Owns 9-12 record across all Grand Slams; best result was 3r run at 2018 Australian Open (I. Keys)
- In 1r action on Tuesday, won 75% of first serve points to defeat Babos and record first major win since 2019 US Open (d. Dart, I. Martić)
- Faces No.6 Kenin in 2r; looking to record maiden Top 10 win and fourth Top 20 win of career, having previously defeated No.17 Sevastova (2017 Bucharest), No.18 Vesnina (2017 New Haven) and No.11 Mladenovic (2018 Australian Open)
- Highlights from last year's clay court season include 2r showings at Bogota (I. Sorribes Tormo), Istanbul (as qualifier, I. Martić) and Rabat (I. Konta) before an R-Up appearance at \$60K ITF/Saint Gaudens-FRA (I. Kalinskaya in F)
- One of seven Romanian women contesting the main draw this fortnight (also Halep, Bara, Niculescu, Cirstea, Begu and Tig)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2020 Roland Garros marks 13th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at a Grand Slam was reaching 3r at 2018 Australian Open
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2016 US Open, came through qualifying and then upset Cirstea in 1r. Run ended by fellow Romanian Niculescu in 2r
- In 2017, appeared at three other majors, reaching 2r at Wimbledon and falling 1r at Australian Open and Roland Garros
- 2017 Wimbledon was first direct entry in a major

## **SEASON**

- Following hiatus, advanced to 3r at Prague (I. Kr. Pliskova due to retirement)
- Made 1r exit at Lyon (I. Martincova)
- Went 1-1 in Fed Cup Qualifiers where Romania fell 2-3 against Russia
- Started 2020 season by suffering qualifying exits at Auckland, Australian Open and Dubai

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making third main draw appearance at Roland Garros (fourth overall)
- Last year in Paris, advanced to R16 for the first time at a major (I. eventual champion Barty)
- In 3r during 2019 run became first American to defeat S. Williams at the majors since Stephens at 2013 Australian Open QF
- One of 10 Grand Slam champions in the draw though the only 2020 Grand Slam champion to contest
- Pushed to three sets in the opening round, fired 26 winners and broke Samsonova's serve six times to defeat the Russian
- Faces No.93 Bogdan in 2r action - a loss today would be worst-by-ranking since falling to No.132 Stosur at 2019 Eastbourne
- Owns a 22-12 mark across all four majors and is 6-3 in 2r matches
- Three 2r exits came during 2018 Wimbledon (I. No.132 Diatchenko), 2019 Australian Open (I. No.1 Halep), 2019 Wimbledon (I. No.35 Yastremska)
- One of a tournament-leading 19 Americans in main draw; by contrast there were 17 last year
- Has won two titles this season (Australian Open and Lyon) – only other woman to win more than one is Halep (Dubai, Prague and Rome)
- Has never reached a WTA QF on clay, with her best result on the surface last year's R16 run here

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 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
- Before 2020 Australian Open, best Slam result was R16 run at 2019 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Barty); in 3r became first American to beat S. Williams at a 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 (I. Sharapova), in what was only fourth tour-level main draw outing. Has since posted best US Open result with R16 run in 2020
- Made 2r at Wimbledon in 2018-19

## **SEASON**

- Fell 2r at Rome (after 1r bye, I. Azarenka 6-0 6-0 - the only time she has lost by that scoreline in her career)
- Advanced to R16 at 2020 US Open (I. Mertens)



**ANA  
BOGDAN**

**VS**

**SOFIA  
KENIN**

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2019, lifted two singles titles on the ITF Circuit and concluded the year ranked No.121
- Finished 2018 ranked No.71 to record first Top 100 finish of career
- 2018 highlights included 3r run at Australian Open (l. Keys) and SF runs at Monterrey (l. Muguruza) and Bogota (l. Schmeidlova)
- Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Kerber) and US Open (l. Ka. Pliskova)
- 2017 marked third Top 200 season, finishing at a career-best No.115 (ended 2016 at No.118)
- Reached SF at Bucharest (l. Goerges) and made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Garcia), US Open (l. Niculescu) and New Haven (as qualifier, l. Flipkens)
- Made first WTA SF at 2016 Florianopolis (upset former No.1 Jankovic in 2r, l. Babos)
- Also made Grand Slam debut in 2016 at US Open, reaching 2r (as qualifier, l. Niculescu)
- In other main draw appearances in 2016 reached 2r at Rio de Janeiro (l. Arruabarrena) and Stanford (as qualifier, l. Riske), and 1r at Mallorca and Tashkent
- Owns three Top 20 wins in career, defeating No.17 Sevastova (2017 Bucharest), No.18 Vesnina (2017 New Haven) and No.11 Mladenovic (2018 Australian Open)
- Transition from juniors to pro circuit was initially hampered by a series of injuries, notably quadriceps muscle rupture and a ski accident; more recently, problems with left Achilles tendon began in December 2015
- Winner of 11 singles titles and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
- Played first senior tournament at \$25k/ITF Bucharest and first WTA main draw at 2014 Bad Gastein (l. Ka.Pliskova in 2r)

## SEASON CONT.

- Suffered 2r exit at Western and Southern Open (after 1r bye, l. Cornet)
- Before hiatus, lifted fifth WTA singles title at Lyon (d. Friedsam in F); now 5-1 in WTA singles finals
- Suffered 1r exit at Dubai (l. Rybakina) before falling 2r at Doha (l. Yastremska)
- Won deciding doubles rubber w/Mattek-Sands to help USA beat Latvia 3-2 and qualify for next year's Fed Cup finals in Budapest; also went 1-1 in singles
- Made her Top 10 debut at No.7 and US No.1 on February 3
- Won maiden major at Australian Open (d. Muguruza in F) to become the youngest champion (21y, 80d) in Melbourne since Sharapova (20y, 283d) in 2008
- Kicked off season with 2r showings at Brisbane (l. Osaka) and Adelaide (l. Collins)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Produced incredible 2019 campaign, winning 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 No.1s in consecutive weeks (Davenport); also became youngest American to defeat reigning No.1 in eight years (after 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, Top 50 on October 8, 2018 and Top 20 on August 19, 2019
- 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



**ANA  
BOGDAN**

**VS**

**SOFIA  
KENIN**

### **PERSONAL**

- Trains in Sinaia and Bucharest; has been coached by her father, Nicolae Ionescu, for past 10 years. He was previously a ski instructor
- Mother is Monica; parents also own a restaurant in her hometown of Sinaia
- Favorite surface is hard; favorite shot is crosscourt backhand
- Enjoys skiing and snowboarding, horse riding, swimming and travelling
- Would like to get into interior design after tennis
- Favorite tournaments are Rio Open, Bad Gastein, all the Grand Slams and Stanford

### **PERSONAL**

- Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now resides in Pembroke Pines, Florida, where she was home-schooled
- Known as 'Sonya'
- Coached by father Alexander Kenin with support Lorenzo Cava; trains at ProWorld Academy in Delray Beach, Florida
- If not a tennis player would be a fashion designer
- Dream doubles partners would be Serena Williams and Grigor Dimitrov
- Good friends with CiCi Bellis and Katie Swan
- Likes rap music, especially Drake
- Treat food is Froyo - cookies and cream with Hershey's on top





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## [7] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #11) vs. JASMINE PAOLINI (ITA #94)

Head to Head: 0-0

PETRA KVITOVA	WTA RANKING	JASMINE PAOLINI
11		94
9	<b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>	88
08-03-1990 (30)	<b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>	04-01-1996 (24)
\$1,035,941	<b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$170,038
\$32,102,578	<b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$556,898
0 / 27	<b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 0
0 / 0	<b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 0
24-10	<b>ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *</b>	1-1
16-5 / 451-210	<b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>	4-6 / 13-24
6-3 / 134-90	<b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>	2-1 / 6-2
4-4 / 91-67	<b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0 / 2-2
1-0 / 88-42	<b>YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *</b>	4-4 / 11-16
1-1 / 56-57	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *</b>	0-1 / 0-2
1-3 / 109-96	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *</b>	0-1 / 1-4
0-0 / 45-14	<b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0 / 1-1

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

#### [7] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #11)

R128: d. OCEANE DODIN (FRA #118) 6-3,7-5 (1h17)

#### vs. JASMINE PAOLINI (ITA #94)

R128: d. ALIONA BOLSOVA (ESP #97) 6-4,6-3 (1h14)

Total games: 21  
 Won/lost: 13-8  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h17  
 Average time on court: 1h17  
 Average rank of opponent: 118

Total games: 19  
 Won/lost: 12-7  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h14  
 Average time on court: 1h14  
 Average rank of opponent: 97

### ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

\* Qualifying match

#### PETRA KVITOVA

<b>2018</b>		
R3	L - ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #24)	7-6(6) 7-6(4)
<b>2017</b>		
R2	L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #117)	7-6(5) 7-6(5)
<b>2016</b>		
R3	L - SHELBY ROGERS (USA #108)	6-0 6-7(3) 6-0

#### JASMINE PAOLINI

<b>2019</b>		
R1	L - DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #21)	6-2 6-3
<b>2018</b>		
R1*	L - VITALIA DIATCHENKO (RUS #140)	7-6(5) 6-4
<b>2017</b>		
R1*	L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #117)	4-6 6-2 6-3



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## 2015

R16 L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #24) 2-6 6-0 6-3

## 2014

R3 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #28) 6-7(3) 6-1 9-7

## 2013

R3 L - JAMIE HAMPTON (USA #54) 6-1 7-6(7)

## 2012

SF L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2) 6-3 6-3

## 2011

R16 L - NA LI (CHN #7) 2-6 6-1 6-3

## 2010

R1 L - SOPHIE FERGUSON (AUS #142) 1-6 6-2 6-2

## 2008

R16 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #49) 6-3 3-6 6-1

**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**JASMINE  
PAOLINI**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making 11th main draw appearance in Paris
- Missed 2019 edition due to an arm injury
- Best result here was SF finish in 2012 (l. eventual champion Sharapova)
- Other notable results were a handful of R16 visits (2008, 2011, 2015)
- Did not compete in any lead-up clay events following this year's US Open
- Is 110-44 at Slams, including 24-10 here in Paris
- Defeated No.118 Dodin in 1r on Monday for her 10th 1r victory in Paris (10-1 record). Sole 1r loss here came 10 years ago in 2010 (l. Ferguson)
- Faces No.94 Paolini today in their career first meeting. A loss today would mark her worst-by-ranking since falling to No.149 Anisimova at 2018 Indian Wells
- Holds an impressive 30-7 career record in 2r at the majors. Last time she fell at this stage was at 2019 US Open (l. Petkovic)
- A win today would mark her milestone 25th victory at Roland Garros (24-10 record)
- Entering this week, has won 62% of her service points - the third best on Tour this season behind Brady (62.6%) and Rybakina (62.2%)
- One of nine Czech women contesting this year's event
- Is one of 26 players who are aged 30 or older in the draw
- Owns five clay titles in her career, winning Madrid (2011, 2015 and 2018), Prague (2018) and Stuttgart (2019) - level with Svitolina as the sixth most successful active player on the surface

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Winner of two major singles titles: 2011 Wimbledon (d. Sharapova) and 2014 Wimbledon (d. Bouchard)
- Was first player born in 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (since joined by Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens, Wozniacki, Halep, Osaka, Barty and Kenin)
- Best result at Australian Open came with runner-up finish in 2019 (l. Osaka) – becoming first Czech woman to reach the final there since Novotna in 1991 (l. Seles); last Czech to win the Australian Open title was Mandlikova in 1987 (d. Navratilova)
- Had she defeated Osaka, would have become the World No.1 – Osaka's took the accolade instead
- Other Grand Slam highlights include reaching SF at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams) and 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making second main draw appearance at Roland Garros (fourth overall)
- Won her first main draw match in Paris - and at any Slam - on Monday by defeating No.97 Bolsova
- Fell 1r here in 2019 (as qualifier, l. Kasatkina) and made qualifying exits in 2017 and 2018
- Including 1r win here, owns three wins over Top 100 ranked opponents in 2020 - also d. No.66 Kasatkina (Palermo) and No.46 Sevastova (Rome)
- Faces No.11 Kvitova today in her sixth career meeting against a Top 20 ranked player (1-4 record). Sole win came over No.15 Kasatkina at 2018 Prague
- Owns 1-1 career record vs. left-handed opponents, having defeated Di Lorenzo (2019 Bogota) and falling to Kr.Pliskova (2019 Tashkent)
- One of four Italian women in the draw - also Errani, Giorgi and Trevisan
- In 2019, posted a 4-6 record on clay at Tour-level, highlighted by QF run at Palermo
- Enters this week's tournament ranked No.94, just one spot shy of her career-high ranking of No.93 achieved on March 2, 2020. Last year, entered Roland Garros ranked No.210
- Competing in doubles this fortnight w/Gracheva. The pair defeated No.15 seeds L.Kichenok/N.Kichenok in 1r; face Romanian duo Tig/Mitu in 2r on Friday

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2020 Roland Garros marks her fourth Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Appeared in maiden Grand Slam main draw at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Kasatkina)
- Has fallen in qualifying on 11 occasions, most recently at 2019 US Open
- Contested Australian and US Opens as a junior





**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**JASMINE  
PAOLINI**

## SEASON

- Advanced to R16 at US Open, falling to Rogers in 3 sets after holding match points
- Posted 2r exit at Western & Southern Open (after 1r bye, I. Bouzkova) - main draw record vs. fellow Czechs now 36-5
- Before the hiatus, last tournament contested was Doha, finishing as R-Up (I. Sabalenka); now 27-10 in WTA singles finals
- Defeat of Barty in Doha SF was sixth career win over a reigning World No.1
- Advanced to QF at St Petersburg (withdrew prior to match vs. Alexandrova w/illness)
- Made 12th major QF at Australian Open (I. Barty)
- Opened season at Brisbane, reaching SF (I. R-Up Keys) before withdrawing from Adelaide w/fatigue

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2019 ranked No.7 for second consecutive year ending in Top 10 and seventh time in her career
- Captured 26th and 27th career titles in 2019 at Sydney (d. Barty) and Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit). With 27 titles, is currently tied with Mandlikova and Sabatini in 20th place (Open Era)
- Reached title match at 2019 Australian Open for third career Grand Slam final appearance – result moved her to World No.2, matching her career high ranking
- Also in 2019, qualified for WTA Finals in Shenzhen for seventh time (went 0-3 in group play)
- Won a WTA-leading five titles in 2018, at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7 – sixth career Top 10 finish, and first since 2015 (up fro No.29 in 2017)
- Titles in 2018 came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three difference surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015
- Including 2019, has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, I. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand
- Won title at 2017 Birmingham. Other highlights included a SF at Beijing (I. eventual champion Garcia) and reached second US Open QF (I. V. Williams)
- Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai
- Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (I. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)

## SEASON

- Coming off back-to-back 2r showings at Istanbul (I. Hercog) and Rome (I. Halep)
- Match against Halep at Rome marked her second career meeting vs. a Top 10 ranked player (I. No.5 Bertens at 2019 Palermo)
- Fell to Garcia in 1r at US Open
- Fell 1r at Prague (I. eventual R-Up Mertens) and during qualifying at Western & Southern Open
- Advanced to 2r at Palermo (d. Kasatkina, I. Sasnovich)
- Suffered 1r exit at Australian Open (I. Blinkova)
- Fell during qualifying at Shenzhen, Adelaide, Dubai and Monterrey

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted career-high ranking of No.93 on March 2, 2020
- 2019 season highlights include QF showings at Guangzhou and Palermo, a SF run at WTA 125K Series event at Karlsruhe, lifting seventh, eighth and ninth ITF Circuit title of her career, at \$60K Brescia-ITA, \$25K ITF/Curtiba-BRA and \$100K ITF/Tokyo-JPN, and qualifying for maiden Grand Slam main draw at Roland Garros (I. Kasatkina in 1r)
- Ended 2018 ranked No.180, with season highlight a maiden WTA singles QF at Prague (d. No.15 Kasatkina, I. Zhang)
- Also in 2018, made 2r at Bogota and fell 1r at Shenzhen, Acapulco and Bucharest
- Posted first Top 200 season in 2017, finishing at No.137. During campaign made WTA main draw debut at Bastad (I. Suarez Navarro in 1r) and also fell 1r at Guangzhou and in qualifying a further three times
- Posted career-high ranking of No.130 on June 19, 2017
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2015 Rome
- Part of Italy Fed Cup team 2017-19
- Owns nine singles and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Italy in 2011



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KVITOVA**

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PAOLINI**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (l. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
- At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
- Owns six wins over current World No.1s: Safina (2009 US Open), Wozniacki (2011 WTA Finals), S.Williams (2015 Madrid), Kerber (2016 Wuhan), Wozniacki (2018 Doha) and Barty (2020 Doha)
- Among active players, owns the most wins in indoor hardcourt events (77)
- Member of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

### **PERSONAL**

- Current coach is Jiri Vanek, while fitness coach is Florian Zitzelsberger
- Parents are Jiri and Pavla
- Won the 2019 Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award, as voted by her WTA peers for the eighth time in career
- A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport

### **PERSONAL**

- Currently coached by Renzo Furlan
- Father Ugo Paolini is Italian and mother Jacqueline Gardiner is of Ghanaian and Polish descent
- Favorite shot is her forehand and favorite surface is clay





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## [8] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12) vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #71)

Head to Head: DARIA KASATKINA leads 1-0

2019 BEIJING HARD O R2 DARIA KASATKINA 6-4 7-6(5) 113 mins

ARYNA SABALENKA	WTA RANKING	DARIA KASATKINA
12		71
10	<b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>	59
05-05-1998 (22)	<b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>	07-05-1997 (23)
\$1,003,198	<b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$205,453
\$6,567,824	<b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$6,285,906
1 / 6	<b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 2
0 / 3	<b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 1
2-2	<b>ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *</b>	10-4
19-9 / 116-61	<b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>	7-10 / 133-104
8-4 / 44-24	<b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>	3-4 / 49-36
3-6 / 23-24	<b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0 / 24-21
5-2 / 14-12	<b>YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *</b>	3-2 / 38-25
1-3 / 12-13	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *</b>	0-1 / 12-22
3-3 / 24-18	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *</b>	0-5 / 24-42
4-1 / 10-8	<b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0 / 10-9

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

#### [8] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #12)

R128: d. JESSICA PEGULA (USA #60) 6-3,6-1 (1h13)

#### vs. DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #71)

R128: d. [WC] HARMONY TAN (FRA #238) 6-2,6-1 (1h5)

Total games: 16  
 Won/lost: 12-4  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h13  
 Average time on court: 1h13  
 Average rank of opponent: 60

Total games: 15  
 Won/lost: 12-3  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h5  
 Average time on court: 1h5  
 Average rank of opponent: 238

### ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

\* Qualifying match

#### ARYNA SABALENKA

<b>2019</b>			
R2	L - AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #51)	6-4	6-2
<b>2018</b>			
R1	L - KIKI BERTENS (NED #22)	6-2	6-1
<b>2017</b>			
R1*	L - IPEK SOYLU (TUR #156)	4-6	6-1 7-6(3)

#### DARIA KASATKINA

<b>2019</b>			
R2	L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #59)	6-3	6-1
<b>2018</b>			
QF	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #10)	6-3	6-1
<b>2017</b>			
R3	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4)	6-0	7-5
<b>2016</b>			
R3	L - KIKI BERTENS (NED #58)	6-2	3-6 10-8

**ARYNA  
SABALENKA**

**VS**

**DARIA  
KASATKINA**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making third main draw appearance at Roland Garros (fourth overall)
- Reached 2r in 2019 (d. Cibulkova, I. Anisimova) and fell 1r in 2018 (Bertens). Fell in 2017 qualifying
- In doubles, reached SF here in 2019 (w/Mertens, I. Babos/Mladenovic)
- Seeded for the eighth Slam in a row (No.8)
- Is one of two Top 16 seeds yet to reach a Slam QF (also Rybakina)
- Faces No.71 Kasatkina today in 2r. Has fallen to players ranked outside the Top 50 on four occasions in 2020 - I. No.66 Kr.Pliskova (Shenzhen), No.54 Suarez Navarro (Australian Open), No.53 Gauff (Lexington) and No.83 Pegula (Western & Southern Open)
- One of three Belarusian women in this year's draw - also Azarenka and Sasnovich
- Posted 5-5 record on clay last season, highlighted by SF run at Strasbourg (I. eventual champion Yas-tremaska); currently holds a 5-2 mark on clay this year
- Dropped just four games to Pegula in 1r action, and aiming for 20th singles victory of 2020 today vs. Kasatkina
- Seeking first-ever 3r appearance in Paris, 2-4 mark across Slams at 2r stage
- Owns a 10-11 overall record at majors, 2-2 in Paris

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Making her 12th Grand Slam main draw appearance at 2020 Roland Garros
- Advanced to R16 for first time at 2018 US Open (I. eventual champion Osaka in 3s)
- Best singles showing at Australian Open was 3r run in 2019 (I. Anisimova)
- First Grand Slam win came during 2r showing on Grand Slam debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, I. Witthoeft)
- Made 1r exit on next three major appearances, at 2018 Australian Open (I. Barty), 2018 Roland Garros (I. Bertens) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. Buzarnescu)
- Won career first Grand Slam title of any kind, in doubles at 2019 US Open (w/Mertens) – pair defeated Azarenka/Barty in final

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making fifth career main draw visit in Paris this week
- Best result here was QF appearance in 2018 (I. eventual runner-up Stephens)
- With 10-4 record, Roland Garros has proven to be the Russian's happiest Slam hunting ground thus far
- Was seeded No.14 here just two short years ago
- Is one of 10 players competing in this year's field who also won Roland Garros Junior Title (2014)
- Success on clay includes 2017 title run at Volvo Car Open in Charleston
- Produced R16 lead-up result in Rome as qualifier, being forced to retire against Azarenka due to an ankle injury
- Forfeited just three games in 1r victory over WC Tan
- Takes on No.12 Sabalenka in today's 2r action - holds a 12-22 career mark vs. Top 10 opponents, is 0-1 this year
- Last win vs Top 10 player took place here in 2018 defeating No.2 Wozniacki
- Holds an 8-4 strike rate in Grand Slam 2r matches

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Contesting 19th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Roland Garros
- Best results at the majors were QF runs at 2018 Roland Garros (I. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Kerber) surpassing her previous-best R16 effort at 2017 US Open (I. Kanepi)
- Reached 3r on her main draw debuts at all of the majors –2015 US Open (I. Mladenovic), 2016 Australian Open (I. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 Roland Garros (I. Bertens) and 2016 Wimbledon (I. V.Williams)
- In juniors, lifted the 2014 Roland Garros singles trophy

## **SEASON**

- Arrives in Paris on the heels of a R16 performance in Rome (I. Azarenka via retirement due to ankle injury), as a qualifier
- Fell at first hurdle at 2020 US Open (I. Kostyuk)
- Advanced to main draw of W&S Open via qualifying but fell in 1r to Kontaveit
- Returned to tour with 1r exit at Palermo (I. Paolini)
- In final tournament before tennis' hiatus, reached SF at Lyon (I. Friedsam) – her first WTA SF since Moscow title run in October 2018
- Only other main draw win this season came during 2r showing in season opener at Auckland (d. Suárez Navarro, I. Anisimova)
- Fell 1r at Adelaide (as qualifier, I. Bencic), Australian Open (I. Keys), St. Petersburg (I. Alexandrova) and Doha (as qualifier, I. Muguruza), while contested qualifying at Doha



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## SEASON

- Coming off SF run at Strasbourg (l. Svitolina in 3s)
- Made US Open 2r (l. eventual R-Up Azarenka) after 3r showing at Western & Southern Open (l. Pegula)
- In doubles w/Mertens, made QFs at Western & Southern Open and US Open (as defending champions, l. eventual champions Siegemund/Zvonareva)
- On return following the Tour's five-month hiatus, made 2r at Lexington (l. Gauff in 3s)
- In February, won sixth career title at Doha (d. Kvitova in F); now 6-4 in singles finals
- Reached QF at Dubai (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Represented Belarus in Fed Cup play-off victory vs. the Netherlands. Teamed up with Sasnovich in doubles to seal the victory (d. Bertens/Schuurs on a third-set tie-break). In singles, d. Rus, l. Bertens
- Fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro)
- Posted 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 (l. Kr.Pliskova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- 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. Krejčíková/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

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2019 season at No.69, down from No.10 in 2018, having gone 12-21 across the season, with best result a QF run at Premier Mandatory China Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Ended 2018 season by catering her second WTA singles title at Moscow [Kremlin Cup]. Recovered from a set and 6-2 4-1 down to defeat Jabeur in final; is now 2-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
- Reached biggest final of career at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Osaka) and was also R-Up at Dubai (l. Svitolina)
- Captured the joint-most wins over Top 5 players (five) in 2018, along with Bertens and Stephens, including upset of No.1 Wozniacki during SF run at St. Petersburg – having also beaten Kerber at 2017 Sydney, is one of five players in WTA history to have multiple wins over World No.1s before their 21st birthday, joining V.Williams (9), S. Williams (8), Sharapova (4) and Kuznetsova (2)
- Was one of eight players to reach QF or better at two or more Grand Slams in 2018 (Wimbledon and Roland Garros)
- 2017 season was highlighted by capturing first WTA singles title in debut final at Charleston, defeating fellow teenager Ostapenko in F – the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
- Reached second tour-level final at Moscow in 2017 (l. Goerges in F). Also finished R-Up in two WTA doubles finals at 2017 – at Tokyo [PPO] and Moscow (both w/Gavrilova)
- Ended 2016 as the highest-ranked teenager
- 2016 highlights included reaching second WTA SF at St Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Bencic) and QF stage at Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova), Charleston (l. eventual champion Stephens having held match points), Montreal (l. Kerber), Rio Olympics (l. Keys) and Moscow (l. Goerges)
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (l. Pavlyuchenkova, having recorded first Top 20 win over No.14 Suárez Navarro in QF)
- Nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2015
- QF run at 2015 Bad Gastein (as qualifier) was first time reaching last eight at a WTA-level tournament
- Won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Moscow (w/ Vesnina)
- Won five singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2015, taking career total to seven
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow; made main draw debut as WC also at Moscow in 2014 (l. Riske 1r)



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## **CAREER CONT.**

- 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. Witthoef), and WTA main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Fed Cup Team that advanced to competition final in 2017 – went 1-1 in singles and 0-1 in doubles as side lost to USA
- Scored first Top 20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during 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

## **PERSONAL**

- Currently without a full-time coach; previously coached by Dmitry Tursunov and Didi Kindlmann
- Started playing tennis when she was 6 by accident when her father Sergey drove by the tennis courts and decided to give it a try
- Loves her family and her young sister
- Loves to laugh, has a sweet tooth and considers something sweet as a perfect present
- Dreams of having a dog
- Loves her grandmother's cooking, and looks forward to her pancakes when she is away from home
- She spends her time off with family, catching up with friends, or reading
- Her favorite book is "The Count of Monte Cristo"
- Favorite movies are Titanic, Home Alone, Never Back Down
- Her role model is Roger Federer

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Carlos Martínez, while brother, Alexandr Timkovskii is fitness trainer; formerly worked with Philippe Dehaes and Vladimir Platenik
- Parents are Sergey and Tatiana
- Introduced to tennis by brother at age 6
- Speaks Russian and English
- Baseliner whose favorite surface is clay; favorite shot is forehand
- Loves soccer (favorite team is FC Barcelona)
- Best tennis memory is winning Roland Garros juniors





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## KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #69) vs. [11] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #15)

Head to Head: First meeting

KRISTYNA PLISKOVA	WTA RANKING	GARBIÑE MUGURUZA
69		15
82	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	5
21-03-1992 (28)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	08-10-1993 (26)
\$207,648	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,802,805
\$2,921,623	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$21,020,534
0 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 7
1 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 5
1-5	ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *	28-6
9-6 / 86-122	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	22-6 / 258-143
1-4 / 28-59	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	10-4 / 83-63
0-2 / 35-32	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	7-0 / 42-50
5-2 / 28-33	YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 58-30
0-0 / 4-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *	3-2 / 35-35
3-0 / 8-16	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *	5-3 / 63-61
0-0 / 4-8	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 18-14

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

**KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #69)**

R128: d. VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #90) 6-1,6-2 (0h56)

**vs. [11] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #15)**

R128: d. TAMARA ZIDANSEK (SLO #83) 7-5,4-6,8-6 (3h01)

### ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

\* Qualifying match

#### KRISTYNA PLISKOVA

2019			
R1	L - LAUREN DAVIS (USA #111)	6-2	6-4
2018			
R1	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #451)	7-6(4)	6-4
2017			
R1	L - CHLOE PAQUET (FRA #260)	6-7(4)	6-2 6-2

#### GARBIÑE MUGURUZA

2019			
R16	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #7)	6-4	6-3
2018			
SF	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #1)	6-1	6-4
2017			
R16	L - KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #14)	6-1	3-6 6-3



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## 2016

R1 L - TELIANA PEREIRA (BRA #81) 7-5 3-6 9-7

## 2015

R1\* L - GABRIELA DABROWSKI (CAN #179) 6-4 6-4

## 2014

R1\* L - ANASTASIYA VASYLYEVA (UKR #171) 7-5 6-3

## 2013

R1 L - MARIANA DUQUE-MARIÑO (COL #162) 6-2 6-0

## 2012

R1\* L - DINAH PFIZENMAIER (GER #198) 2-6 6-2 6-1

## 2011

R1\* L - LING ZHANG (HKG #222) 6-3 3-6 6-3

## 2016

F W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 7-5 6-4

## 2015

QF L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #13) 7-6(3) 6-3

## 2014

QF L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #8) 1-6 7-5 6-1

## 2013

R2 L - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #18) 6-3 6-0

## 2012

R3\* L - LARA ARRUABARRENA (ESP #135) 6-0 7-6(7)



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MUGURUZA**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making sixth main draw appearance in Paris (10th overall)
- Previous main draw outings ended in 1r defeats in 2013, 2016-19, including losing 7-5 3-6 9-7 to Pereira in 2016 - was two points from victory at 7-6 in final set
- On Monday, finally claimed her first main draw win in the French capital, hitting seven aces and winning all eight service games to ease past Kuzmova
- Has now struck 132 aces this season - fifth most on tour, behind Rybakina (190), S.Williams (178), Muguruza (150) and Osaka (141)
- Overall Grand Slam win-loss record is now 13-26
- Faces No.15 Muguruza in 2r today; owns three Top 20 wins in 2020, over No.11 Sabalenka (Shenzhen), No.20 Sakkari (Palermo) and No.14 Martić (Prague)
- In terms of ranking, best win at one of the four Grand Slams came over No.21 Goerges at 2012 US Open
- Owns 2-8 record in Grand Slam 2r matches; bidding today to match best Slam result of her career - 3r runs at 2015 Wimbledon and 2017 Australian Open
- Teamed up with Monday's singles opponent Kuzmova to beat alternates Paar/Wachaczyk in doubles 1r on Wednesday
- Has made one singles final on clay, at 2017 Prague (l. Barthel)
- One of nine Czech women to begin main draw, and one of six to progress to 2r (also Krejčíková, Kvítová, Ka.Pliskova, Siniakova and Strycova)

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making eighth main draw appearance at Roland Garros (and ninth overall)
- Won the first Slam title of her career here, lifting the trophy in 2016, becoming the first Spanish woman to win Roland Garros since Sánchez Vicario in 1998
- Defeated S.Williams in 2016 title match – one of just eight women to defeat S.Williams in a Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber, Stosur, Osaka, Halep and Andreescu)
- Reached R16 here last year (l. Stephens) and made run to SF in 2018 (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Other standout results in Paris include back-to-back QFs in 2014 (d. No.1 S.Williams in 2r, l. eventual champion Sharapova) and 2015 (l. eventual R-Up Safarova) and R16 in 2017 (l. Mladenovic)
- In doubles, made SF in 2014 w/ Suárez Navarro (l. eventual champions Hsieh/Peng)
- Enters this tournament as No.11 seed - has now been seeded at a Grand Slam 24 times
- This year's Australian Open - where she made her fourth major the final - marked the first Slam she had not been seeded at since 2014 Roland Garros
- In the Open Era, a Top 10 seed has won the women's singles title here every year except 2010 (No.17 Schiavone) and 2017 (unseeded Ostapenko). Was seeded No.4 when she lifted the title here in 2016
- One of four Spaniards to begin the main draw, also Badosa (faces Stephens in 2r today), Bolsova (l. Paolini in 1r) and Sorribes Tormo (l. Halep in 1r)
- Opened 2020 Roland Garros campaign with a marathon win over Zidansek, recovering from 3-0 down to prevail 8-6 in the final set
- Match lasted 3h 1m – the only 1r match to go beyond 3hrs and the sixth longest on Tour this season; was first time contesting an extended final set at a Slam since 2013 Australian Open (d. Rybarikova 14-12)
- Improves to an impressive 26-5 in Slam 1r matches, and is a perfect 8-0 here in Paris. Also undefeated in 1r matches at Australian Open (8-0)
- Following 1r win, now owns a .824 win rate at Roland Garros (28-6 record) which ranks second amongst players in the main draw, following S.Williams (.835, includes 1r win here at 2020 Roland Garros)
- Faces No.69 Kr.Pliskova today; in terms of ranking, worst main draw loss here was to No.18 Jankovic in 2013 (also l. No.134 Arruebarrena in 2012 qualifying)
- Has fallen to lower-ranked players at five of last eight Slams – 2020 US Open (No.16, l. unranked Pironkova), 2019 US Open (No.25, l. No.36 Riske), 2019 Wimbledon (No.27, l. No.121 Haddad Maia), 2018 US Open (No.12, l. No.202 Muchova) and 2019 Wimbledon (No.3, l. No.47 Van Uytvanck)
- Entering 2r, has served 150 aces this season – only Rybakina (190) and S.Williams (178) have more



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PLISKOVA**

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MUGURUZA**

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Contesting 27th Grand Slam main draw appearance at 2020 Roland Garros
- Has made 3r at a major twice, at 2015 Wimbledon (I. Niculescu) and 2017 Australian Open (I. Kerber)
- At US Open, has made 2r three times (2012, 2017, 2019) and has reached 2r at Roland Garros in 2020
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 Wimbledon (as qualifier, I. Bartoli)

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r loss at US Open (I. Vekic)
- Enjoyed SF run at Prague in August (I. Mertens). Upset No.2 seed and No.14 Martic in 2r
- Martic win was third Top 20 win of season – also No.20 Sakkari (Palermo) and No.11 Sabalenka (Shenzhen)
- Made 2r at Palermo (d. No.20 Sakkari, I. Errani) at first tournament back following hiatus
- During June and July, played a series of exhibitions in Czech Republic with, among others, Muchova, Siniakova, Alexandrova and Strycova
- Contesting qualifying at Dubai and Doha
- Followed Shenzhen with a 2r showing at Hobart (I. Cabrera), a 1r exit at Australian Open (I. Watson)
- Best result of the season came in her first tournament, a SF run at Shenzhen (d. No.11 Sabalenka, I. Rybakina) – hit 48 aces in her four matches

## ROLAND GARROS CONT.

- Owns 22-6 record so far in 2020 only trailing Rybakina (29) and Mertens (27) in match wins
- Leads tour in three-set matches played this year at 14 having come away victorious in 10 of them

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Appeared in milestone 30th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open
- Won titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F dropping just one set en route to titlen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
- Reached title match at 2020 Australian Open (I. Kenin in 3s) – Grand Slam final record now stands at 2-2 (also R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – I. S.Williams)
- One of just eight 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

## SEASON

- Made SF at Rome (d. Stephens, Gauff, Konta and in-form Azarenka en route (I. eventual champion Halep)
- Made 2r exit at US Open (I. unranked Pironkova)
- Withdrew from Western & Southern Open w/left ankle injury
- Prior to tour's hiatus, was enjoying her best ever start to a season and for the first time in her career made the QF or better at five straight tournaments - a feat matched only by Halep in 2020
- Last event played was Doha, reaching QF (I. Barty)
- Also made QF at Dubai (I. Brady in 3s). Defeated four-time Slam champion Clijsters in the 1r which was the Belgian's first professional match since 2012
- Finished R-Up at Australian Open (I. Kenin in 3s) – her fourth career major final
- Defeated four seeds en route to Melbourne final, including three of the Top 10 (No.4 Halep, No.5 Svitolina, No.9 Bertens)
- Forced to withdraw with viral illness prior to QF match against Kudrmetova at Hobart International
- Began 2020 campaign posting SF appearance (I. eventual champion Alexandrova) at Shenzhen Open



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MUGURUZA**

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2019 ranked No.66, up from 2018 year-end ranking of No.97, to record fourth consecutive Top 100 finish
- Highlights of 2019 include SF runs at Lugano (l. Swiatek) and Tashkent (l. Van Uytvanck). Also advanced through qualifying at Birmingham to upset twin sister and World No.3 Karolina en route to the QF (l. Strycova)
- Best results of 2018 campaign were QF showings at Shenzhen, Charleston, Prague and Nürnberg
- In 2017, contested second WTA singles final at Prague, finishing R-Up (l. Barthel). Also reached QF stage at Shenzhen, Biel, Strasbourg and Mallorca
- Posted equal-best Grand Slam result at 2017 Australian Open, advancing to 3r (l. No.1 Kerber). Also made 3r at 2015 Wimbledon
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.35 on July 31, 2017
- Season highlight in 2016 was reaching first WTA singles final at Tashkent, defeating Hibino in final for first career singles title
- Holds WTA record for most aces served in a match – 31 vs. Puig at 2016 Australian Open, beating Lisicki's 27 vs. Bencic at 2015 Birmingham (Kr.Pliskova held five match points before eventually losing the match)
- Aside from run to final at 2016 Tashkent and 3r at Miami (l. Begu), did not progress beyond 2r at any other tour level event, falling at this stage at Australian Open (l. Puig), Miami (l. Begu), Katowice (l. Ostapenko) and Luxembourg (l. Davis)
- Owns four WTA doubles titles; at 2013 Linz (with twin sister Ka.Pliskova, first twins to win a WTA title), 2014 Bad Gastein and Hong Kong (both w/ Ka.Pliskova) and 2019 Bucharest (w/ Kuzmova)
- On ITF Circuit, most recently reached final at 2017 \$80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE. Overall owns 10 ITF Circuit singles and eight doubles titles
- Made WTA main draw debut as WC at 2007 Prague (l. Bartoli)

## PERSONAL

- Coached by Jaro Levinsky
- Trains at and plays for Sparta Praha tennis club
- Began playing tennis at age 4
- Enjoys music (any type), movies (favorites are The Notebook and Gladiator) and nature
- Favorite book is Dear John
- Favorite foods are strawberries, melons and Italian cuisine

## 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 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

## 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





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## [14] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #18) vs. FIONA FERRO (FRA #49)

Head to Head: ELENA RYBAKINA leads 1-0

2020 ST. PETERSBURG HARD I R16 ELENA RYBAKINA 6-3 6-4 72 mins

ELENA RYBAKINA	WTA RANKING	FIONA FERRO
18		49
6	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	48
17-06-1999 (21)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	12-03-1997 (23)
\$909,127	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$138,250
\$1,353,871	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,030,277
1 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 2
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
1-1	ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *	2-5
29-8 / 55-21	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	9-3 / 30-34
9-3 / 17-7	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	2-0 / 9-9
8-6 / 15-10	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 7-6
7-2 / 16-6	YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *	6-0 / 19-13
2-4 / 4-5	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 0-2
4-4 / 6-7	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 2-5
2-0 / 4-2	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 3-2

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

### [14] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #18)

R128: d. SORANA CIRSTEVA (ROU #84) 6-0,6-3 (1h5)

### vs. FIONA FERRO (FRA #49)

R128: d. HEATHER WATSON (GBR #56) 7-6(4),6-1 (1h51)

Total games: 15  
Won/lost: 12-3  
Sets won/lost: 2-0  
Total time on court: 1h5  
Average time on court: 1h5  
Average rank of opponent: 84

Total games: 20  
Won/lost: 13-7  
Sets won/lost: 2-0  
Total time on court: 1h51  
Average time on court: 1h51  
Average rank of opponent: 56

## ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

\* Qualifying match

### ELENA RYBAKINA

2019  
R1 L - KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #42) 7-6(5) 6-1

### FIONA FERRO

2019  
R1 L - KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #53) 6-3 7-6(3)

2018  
R2 L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #3) 6-4 6-3

2017  
R1 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #10) 6-1 6-1



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## 2016

R3\* L - SACHIA VICKERY (USA #165) 6-0 6-1

## 2015

R1 L - TELIANA PEREIRA (BRA #76) 6-3 6-2

## 2014

R1 L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #17) 6-1 7-5

**ELENA  
RYBAKINA**

**VS**

**FIONA  
FERRO**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making second main draw appearance at 2020 Roland Garros
- Fell 1r on debut here last year (as qualifier, I. Siniakova) when ranked No.141. Currently ranked No.18
- Seeded at a major for the third time in her career, at No.14. Was seeded No.29 at 2020 Australian Open and No.11 at 2020 US Open
- In 1r on Monday, dropped three games to defeat No.84 Cirstea and win her first match in Paris
- Has now hit a Tour-leading 190 aces this season (including two in her 1r match here)
- Also owns a Tour-leading 29 match wins this season (29-8 record), ahead of Mertens (28-10)
- Faces No.49 Ferro today in their second career meeting, having defeated the Frenchwoman earlier this season at St. Petersburg
- Owns 11-6 record vs. Top 50 ranked players in 2020, most recently defeating No.40 S.Zhang en route to Strasbourg final last week (I. No.5 Svitolina in F)
- Overall Grand Slam win-loss record stands to 4-4
- Has reached QF or better at five of the 10 tournaments contested in 2020, including Shenzhen (R-Up), Hobart (WON), St. Petersburg (R-Up), Dubai (R-Up) and Strasbourg (R-Up)
- Enters Roland Garros ranked No.18, one spot shy of her career-high of No.17 (achieved Feb 24, 2020)
- Competed alongside Badosa in doubles this week; the pair fell to No.9 seeds Kenin/Mattek-Sands in 1r

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Contesting fifth Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Roland Garros
- Best result across the Slams was 3r run at 2020 Australian Open (I. Barty)
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros (as qualifier, I. Siniakova)
- Also made 1r exit at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, I. Muchova)
- Contested qualifying at Wimbledon in 2019
- As a junior, reached two Grand Slam SFs at 2017 Australian Open and Roland Garros

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making sixth main draw appearance (seventh overall) at Roland Garros
- Has matched best result in Paris by reaching 2r, having also reached this stage in 2018 (I. Muguruza); 1r win over Wittthoef in 2018 marked not only first main draw win in Paris, but across the Grand Slams
- Last year, fell 1r to compatriot Mladenovic
- Defeated No.56 Watson in 1r on Tuesday in straight sets, having not won a set in their previous two meetings this year at Brisbane and Hobart
- Now owns 30 career main draw wins (30-34 record)
- Improves record in Grand Slam 1r matches to 4-6 (2-4 at Roland Garros). Made 2r at Australian Open in only Grand Slam appearance this year (d. Van Uytvanck, I. Wang)
- Faces No.18 Rybakina today for a spot in her career first 3r at a major (0-2 in 2r across the slams)
- Holds 2-5 career record vs. Top 20 ranked players, with wins coming over No.16 Q.Wang at 2019 Strasbourg and No.20 Kontaveit in 2020 Palermo final
- A win today would mark her 20th career main draw victory on clay (19-13 record)
- One of 11 French women in this year's main draw. Best result from a home representative last year was in the 2r reached by Garcia, Mladenovic and Parry
- The last Frenchwoman to win the title here was Mary Pierce in 2000 (d. Martinez in F)
- Won second career title at Palermo (d. Kontaveit) in only clay lead-up tournament and first tournament back from hiatus
- Result helped her break into Top 50 for the first time in career
- Other WTA title also came on clay at 2019 Lausanne defeating compatriot Cornet in final
- Including title run at Lausanne, posted a 12-5 record on clay last year also reaching SF at Lugano (I. Hercog)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2020 Roland Garros marks 10th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Contested main draw at all four Slams in 2019 for the first time in career
- Best result was 2019 3r showing at US Open (I. Wang)
- Also reached 2r at 2018 Roland Garros (I. Muguruza) and 2020 Australian Open (I. Wang)
- Fell 1r at 2019 Wimbledon in London debut (I. Mertens)



**ELENA  
RYBAKINA**

**VS**

**FIONA  
FERRO**

## SEASON

- Coming off R-Up finish at Strasbourg (I. Svitolina in F) - her fifth final of 2020 (2-7 career record in finals)
- Reached R16 at Rome (I. Putintseva) following a 2r showing at US Open (I. Rogers) and 1r exit at Western & Southern Open (I. Alexandrova)
- In final event prior to tour's hiatus, withdrew w/abductor strain prior to 3r match vs. No.1 Barty at Doha
- Eight weeks into the season, registered 20th win by beating Cirstea in Doha 1r - making her the quickest to reach that milestone on WTA tour in over a decade
- Earlier in February was R-Up at Dubai (I. Halep); en route, upset No.7 Kenin and No.3 Ka.Pliskova to score third and fourth career Top 10 wins
- Also R-Up at St. Petersburg (I. Bertens) – first final appearance at a Premier-level event; made Top 20 debut at No.19 following run in Russia (February 17)
- Posted back-to-back Grand Slam wins for the first time by advancing to 3r at the Australian Open (d. Pera and Minnen, I. Barty)
- Opened 2020 season with back-to-back final runs, first finishing R-Up at Shenzhen (I. Alexandrova) 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 No.191 in 2018
- During a breakout 2019 season, lifted maiden WTA singles title at Bucharest (d. Tig in F). Also advanced to second career final at Nanchang (I. Peterson) and made SF appearances at Luxembourg (I. Goerges) and 's-Hertogenbosch (I. Bertens)
- Additionally, made QF runs at Istanbul (I. Strycova), Wuhan (I. Sabalenka) and Linz (I. Ostapenko)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, I. Siniakova). Also fell 1r at 2019 US Open (as qualifier, I. 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 (I. Goerges) and clinching title at \$15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
- First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg. Has since added three more: No.6 Halep (2019 Wuhan), No.7 Kenin and No.3 Ka.Pliskova (both 2020 Dubai)
- Ended 2017 ranked No.425, improving 191 spots from 2016 (finished at No.616)
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, I. Begu in 1r)
- Professional debut came at \$10k ITF/Antalya-TUR in 2014

## SEASON

- Won second career title in first and only tournament since the restart at Palermo (d. Kontaveit in F)
- Result shot her to a career high ranking of No.44 and first time in the Top 50
- Leading up to the tour's resumption, performed well at a series of exhibitions in the south of France, posting a 10-0 record including wins over Mladenovic and Cornet
- Only wins of 2020 season before tennis' hiatus were during 2r showings at Hobart (I. Watson), Australian Open (I. Q.Wang) and St. Petersburg (as LL, I. Rybakina)
- Began 2020 season with 1r exit at Brisbane (I. Watson)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Enjoyed career-best season in 2019, lifting her first WTA title in her career first tour-level final at Lausanne (d. Cornet in F); posted first Top 100 year-end finish (No.63)
- Reached one additional SF in 2019 at Lugano and the QF on two other occasions at Strasbourg and Palermo
- Contested the main draw at all four Grand Slams for the first time in 2019, achieving her best result at the majors by reaching the 3r at the US Open (I. No.18 seed Q.Wang)
- Member of the French Fed Cup squad that were crowned 2019 Fed Cup champions, beating Australia away from home in November
- Finished 2018 ranked No.102 highlighted by maiden WTA QF at Guangzhou (I. eventual champion Q.Wang). Also made 2r at Roland Garros, Tashkent and Luxembourg and won first four titles on ITF Circuit
- Prior to 2018 Roland Garros had lost 1r on eight previous tour-level main draw appearances
- Ended 2017 ranked No.325 (down from No.235 in 2016)
- Owns a career-high ranking of No.88 (May 20, 2019)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Strasbourg



**ELENA  
RYBAKINA**

**VS**

**FIONA  
FERRO**

**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

**PERSONAL**

- Coach is Stéphane Huet
- Has three brothers, one young and two older
- Older brothers run an Italian restaurant in South of France; parents run two hotels in South of France
- Favorite surface is clay
- Born in Libramont, Belgium, and introduced to tennis aged 7 via brothers
- If not a tennis player would have studied medicine at university
- Enjoys reading







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## [29] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #34) vs. PAULA BADOSA (ESP #87)

Head to Head: 0-0

SLOANE STEPHENS	WTA RANKING	PAULA BADOSA
34		87
125	<b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>	93
20-03-1993 (27)	<b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>	15-11-1997 (22)
\$285,238	<b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$169,412
\$15,466,260	<b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$647,656
0 / 6	<b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 0
0 / 0	<b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 0
24-8	<b>ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0
3-10 / 223-160	<b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>	4-3 / 15-21
1-5 / 71-55	<b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>	1-0 / 4-2
1-1 / 60-30	<b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0 / 2-3
0-2 / 61-41	<b>YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *</b>	3-1 / 8-7
1-2 / 20-9	<b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>	0-1 / 2-3
0-0 / 9-21	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>	0-0 / 0-1
0-1 / 17-36	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>	0-1 / 0-3
0-2 / 36-60	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>	0-1 / 0-5

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

#### SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #34)

R128: d. VITALIA DIATCHENKO (RUS #116) 6-2 6-2 (1h07)

Total games: 16  
 Won/lost: 12-4  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h07  
 Average time on court: 1h07  
 Average rank of opponent: 116

#### PAULA BADOSA (ESP #87)

R128: d. KATERYNA KOZLOVA (UKR #99) 6-2 4-6 6-3 (2h04)

Total games: 27  
 Won/lost: 16-11  
 Sets won/lost: 2-1  
 Total time on court: 2h04  
 Average time on court: 2h04  
 Average rank of opponent: 99

### ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### SLOANE STEPHENS

2019

QF L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #26)

6-1 6-4

#### PAULA BADOSA

2019

R1-Q L - TAMARA KORPATSCH (GER #143)

4-6 7-6(2)  
7-6(5)



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### 2018

F L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #1) 3-6 6-4 6-1

### 2016

R3 L - TSVETANA PIRONKOVA (BUL #102) 6-2 6-1

### 2015

R16 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 1-6 7-5 6-3

### 2014

R16 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #4) 6-4 6-3

### 2013

R16 L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2) 6-4 6-3

### 2012

R16 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #6) 7-5 6-4

### 2011

R1 L - ELENA BALTACHA (GBR #83) 7-5 6-2

**SLOANE  
STEPHENS**

**VS**

**PAULA  
BADOSA**

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making ninth main draw appearance in Paris this week
- Was R-Up here in 2018 (l. Halep, having led 6-3 2-0)
- Also made QF last year (l. Konta) and reaching the R16 each year between 2012-15 – lost to one of the eventual finalists on three of these occasions
- In addition to run to final here in 2018, career highlight on clay was Charleston title (green clay) in 2016
- Having fallen 1r in this year's clay lead-up events at Rome (l. Muguruza) and Strasbourg (l. Hibino), most recent clay court win came over Muguruza in R16 here last year
- Playing 34th Slam main draw, owns a 70-32 record at this level, including a 25-8 at Roland Garros
- Dropped just four games to breeze past No.116 Diatchenko in 1r
- Today, faces No.87 Badosa - a loss today would be worst at a major since No.127 Kalinskaya in 1r at 2019 US Open. Worst lost in Paris came in 3r in 2016 against No.102 Pironkova
- Record in Grand Slam 2r matches stands at 21-2, with sole losses at this stage coming at 2012 Australian Open (l. Kuznetsova) and 2014 US Open (l. Larsson)
- Is joined by 10 other Grand Slam champions in the draw this year

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F)
- Best result across other Slams was R-Up finish at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to beat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
- Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)

## **SEASON**

- Coming off back-to-back 1r exits at Rome (l. Muguruza) and Strasbourg (l. Hibino)
- Advanced to 3r of 2020 US Open (l. S.Williams in 3s)
- On tennis' return suffered 1r exits at Lexington (l. Fernandez) and Cincinnati (l. Garcia)
- Before break, advanced to 2r at Monterrey (d. Navarro, l. Fernandez). Fell 1r at Acapulco (l. Zarazua)
- Suffered 1r defeats in first three tournaments of the year, at Brisbane (l. Samsonova), Adelaide (l. Rodionova) and Australian Open (l. Zhang)

## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making main draw debut appearance at Roland Garros (second overall) and fourth main draw appearance at the Slams
- Fell in qualifying on only previous showing in Paris in 2019
- Fired nine aces against Kozlova in opening round action to advance to 2r at a Grand Slam for just the second time in her career, also reached this stage at 2020 Australian Open (d. Larsson, l. No.8 Kvitova)
- Faces No.34 Stephens in 2r today where she bids to reach 3r at a major for the first time
- A win today would be best-by-ranking
- Enters 2020 Roland Garros one spot off career-high ranking of No.86 (achieved September 23, 2019)
- One of four Spaniards in this year's starting field (also Bolsova, Muguruza and Sorribes Tormo)
- Won Girls' Singles title at 2015 Roland Garros (d. Kalinskaya in F) and reached the singles QF at 2014 Roland Garros

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Roland Garros marks fourth Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result across Slams was 2r showing at 2020 Australian Open (d. Larsson, l. Kvitova)
- As qualifier, fell 1r at 2019 Australian Open (l. Birrell) and 2019 Wimbledon (l. Flink)
- Contested qualifying at 2019 Roland Garros, fell 1r to Korpatsch
- Fell in qualifying at US Open in 2015 and 2018
- Won Girls' Singles title at 2015 Roland Garros (d. Kalinskaya in F)
- In juniors, reached the singles QF at 2014 Roland Garros and 2014 Wimbledon

## **SEASON**

- Coming off second Tour-level SF of career at Istanbul (l. Bouchard)
- Made qualifying exit at Western & Southern Open before falling 1r at US Open (l. Gracheva)
- Recorded maiden 2r run at a Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Larsson, l. Kvitova)
- Opened 2020 season by suffering qualifying loss at Auckland



**SLOANE  
STEPHENS**

**VS**

**PAULA  
BADOSA**

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2019 season ranked No.25; campaign was highlighted by SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Roland Garros (l. Konta)
- Also made R16 at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova), Cincinnati (l. Kuznetsova), and Wuhan (l. Kvitova)
- In 2018 posted best year-end finish of career to date, at No.6; reached career-high No.3 ranking on July 16, 2018
- Season highlights in 2018 included capturing first Premier Mandatory title at Miami – subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9. Also reached her second Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros and posted R-Up finishes at Montréal and WTA Finals
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Returned to action at Wimbledon after 11 months on sidelines w/foot injury (had surgery in the January)
- After 1r loss at 2017 Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open title run, including back-to-back SF at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013

## PERSONAL

- Reunited with former long-term coach Kamau Murray during off-season; formerly coached by Sven Groenefeld and Nick Saviano
- Mother is Sybil Smith a former collegiate swimmer at Boston University and late father, John Stephens, was an NFL player in 1980s and 1990s; brother is Shawn Farrell
- Aged 11, relocated from Fresno to Boca Raton, Florida, where she began training at the Evert Tennis Academy before moving to Nick Saviano High Performance Tennis Academy
- On April 29, 2019 announced engagement to Toronto FC soccer star Jozy Altidore

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2019 within the Top 100 for the first time on a year-end ranking of No.93
- 2019 season was highlighted by SF at Palermo (l. Bertens) and a QF run at Seoul (l. Y.Wang)
- In 2018, picked up three ITF titles at \$25k ITF/ Glasgow-UK, ITF/\$25k Les Franqueses del Valles – FRA and ITF/\$60k Valencia-ESP
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Sorribes Tormo), Madrid (l. Vikhlyantseva) and US Open (l. Dulgheru)
- Claimed third title on ITF circuit in 2017 at ITF/\$25k El Espinar; Fell 1r at Miami (l. Bondarenko) and in qualifying at Madrid
- In 2016, fell 1r at Miami (l. Kr.Pliskova), Madrid (l. Cornet) and Mallorca (l. Sorribes Tormo) and in qualifying at Rio de Janeiro
- As wildcard, made first breakthrough on WTA Tour with 3r run at 2015 Miami Open (l. Ka.Pliskova).
- Came through qualifying at 2015 Madrid, fell 1r to Errani via. Ret
- Owns six singles titles on ITF Circuit
- Won Girls' Singles title at 2015 Roland Garros (d. Kaliskaya in F)
- In juniors, reached the singles QF at 2014 Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- Continued at ITF Circuit level during 2013-2014 before playing second WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Antwerp, where she advanced to 2r (l. Bodarenko)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Palermo, winning one match via retirement before falling in 2r (l. Gatto-Monticone)
- Won first title on ITF Circuit at \$10k ITF/Sant Jordi-ESP in 2012
- Played first pro tournament of career at \$10k ITF/ Gexto-ESP in 2012 (l. in 1r)

## PERSONAL

- Coached by Xavier Budó Bartumeu
- Born in New York City but lives and trains in Barcelona near her hometown Begur in the Costa Brava
- Favourite shots are serve and backhand
- Idol is Rafael Nadal (favourite book is Nadal's book)
- Enjoys listening to music, dancing and fashion
- Has little sister, Jana, who also plays tennis





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## ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #52) vs. SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #39)

Head to Head: ALIZÉ CORNET leads 4-2

2019	EASTBOURNE	GRASS O	R16	ALIZÉ CORNET	6-2	6-2	83 mins
2016	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R2	SHUAI ZHANG	6-3	6-3	86 mins
2015	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R1	ALIZÉ CORNET	6-3	6-2	86 mins
2012	INDIAN WELLS	HARD O	R2	SHUAI ZHANG	2-6	7-6(4) 7-6(3)	198 mins
2008	BEIJING	HARD O	R1	ALIZÉ CORNET	6-1	3-6 7-6(7)	119 mins
2008	ROME	CLAY O	R1	ALIZÉ CORNET	7-5	6-2	70 mins

ALIZÉ CORNET	WTA RANKING	SHUAI ZHANG
52		39
24	<b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>	30
22-01-1990 (30)	<b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>	21-01-1989 (31)
\$398,790	<b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$306,153
\$7,590,063	<b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>	\$6,553,475
0 / 6	<b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 2
0 / 3	<b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>	0 / 8
19-15	<b>ROLAND GARROS W-L (MD) *</b>	6-9
13-8 / 316-300	<b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>	10-8 / 152-187
5-2 / 104-100	<b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>	4-2 / 46-47
4-2 / 66-62	<b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>	3-3 / 39-43
2-1 / 109-89	<b>YTD / CAREER CLAY W-L (MD) *</b>	3-2 / 24-42
1-0 / 20-48	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD) *</b>	0-0 / 6-21
3-2 / 43-104	<b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD) *</b>	1-2 / 18-56
2-0 / 29-17	<b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>	0-1 / 14-16

\* Updated entering 2020 Roland Garros 2r

### ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

#### ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #52)

**R128:** d. CHLOE PAQUET (FRA #185) 6-3,6-2 (1h29)

#### vs. SHUAI ZHANG (CHN #39)

**R128:** d. [12] MADISON KEYS (USA #16) 6-3,7-6(2) (1h33)

Total games: 17  
 Won/lost: 12-5  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h29  
 Average time on court: 1h29  
 Average rank of opponent: 185

Total games: 22  
 Won/lost: 13-9  
 Sets won/lost: 2-0  
 Total time on court: 1h33  
 Average time on court: 1h33  
 Average rank of opponent: 16

### ROLAND GARROS Tournament History

\* Qualifying match

#### ALIZÉ CORNET

2019

R1 L - VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #46)

6-4 6-3

#### SHUAI ZHANG

2019

R2 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #88)

6-7(4) 6-0 7-5



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## 2018

R2 L - PAULINE PARMENTIER (FRA #74) 6-7(2) 6-4 6-2

## 2017

R16 L - CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #27) 6-2 6-4

## 2016

R3 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #11) 7-6(5) 1-6 6-0

## 2015

R16 L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #21) 6-2 7-6(9)

## 2014

R2 L - TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #205) 6-4 4-6 6-4

## 2013

R3 L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #3) 4-6 6-3 6-1

## 2012

R1 L - JIE ZHENG (CHN #34) 6-4 6-4

## 2011

R2 L - NURIA LLAGOSTERA VIVES (ESP #112) 6-0 6-2

## 2010

R1 L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #29) 6-4 6-2

## 2009

R2 L - SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #41) 6-3 6-2

## 2008

R3 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #15) 6-4 6-4

## 2007

R1 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #27) 6-4 6-3

## 2006

R2 L - TATHIANA GARBIN (ITA #72) 6-2 6-4

## 2005

R2 L - AMÉLIE MAURESMO (FRA #3) 6-0 6-2

## 2018

R2 L - IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU (ROU #40) 6-3 6-4

## 2017

R3 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #9) 7-6(5) 4-6 7-5

## 2016

R2 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #24) 6-3 6-4

## 2015

R1 L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #12) 7-6(4) 6-4

## 2014

R1 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #3) 6-3 6-0

## 2012

R1 L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #10) 6-3 6-4

## 2011

R1 L - DANIELA HANTUCHOVA (SVK #29) 6-3 6-3

## 2010

R1 L - NADIA PETROVA (RUS #20) 6-0 6-3

## 2008

R2\* L - TETIANA LUZHANSKA (USA #171) 6-1 6-3

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## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making 16th consecutive appearance at Roland Garros. Has reached R16 at her home Slam twice, in 2015 (l. Svitolina) and 2017 (l. Garcia)
- Has also reached 3r here in Paris on three occasions, in 2008 (l. A.Radwanska), 2013 (l. Azarenka) and 2016 (l. V.Williams)
- Made Grand Slam debut here as 15-year-old wild-card in 2005, reaching 2r (d. Jidkova, l. Mauresmo)
- 2007 Roland Garros girls' singles champion. Is one of 10 former junior champions in the starting field: Kanepi (2001), Halep (2008), Mladenovic (2009), Svitolina (2010), Jabeur (2011), Bencic (2013), Kasatkina (2014), Badosa (2015), Gauff (2018), Fernandez (2019)
- Roland Garros fortnight marks 55th consecutive Grand Slam main draw appearance – the longest streak among active players. However, among active players also has the most Grand Slam appearances (58 - including 2020 Roland Garros) without reaching a quarterfinal
- Overall Slam record stands at 62-57
- Is one of 26 thirtysomethings in the draw
- Owns fine career record on clay, reaching eight finals on the surface, winning titles at 2008 Budapest, 2012 Bad Gastein, 2013 Strasbourg and 2018 Gstaad
- Seeking 20th career victory at Roland Garros today as she faces off against No.39 S.Zhang for the seventh time in her career - owns 4-2 head-to-head edge
- Also, aiming to notch back-to-back 3r Slam visits (2020 US Open) for first time since 2016 Roland Garros/Wimbledon (l. 3r both)
- At 19-15, Roland Garros proves to be the Frenchwoman's happiest hunting ground amongst the Slams
- Is 13-8 since teaming up with new coach Sandra Zaniewska for the 2020 season
- Holds a career record of 17-20 in 2r Grand Slam play, including 5-6 here in Paris

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Made Grand Slam – and WTA main draw debut – as a 15-year-old at 2005 Roland Garros, advancing to 2r (l. Mauresmo)
- This year's Roland Garros is her 58th Grand Slam main draw appearance overall – the fifth most among active players
- Reached R16 on five occasions, at Australian Open in 2009 (l. Safina), Wimbledon in 2014 (l. eventual runner-up Bouchard), Roland Garros in 2015 (l. Svitolina) and 2017 (l. Garcia), and US Open in 2020 (l. Pironkova)
- Won 2007 Roland Garros girls' singles (d. Duque-Mariño in F)



## **ROLAND GARROS**

- Making 10th main draw appearance at Roland Garros (11th overall)
- Best result was 3r run in 2017 (l. No.9 Kuznetsova)
- Also made 2r in 2016, 2018 and 2019
- Advanced to doubles QF here in 2019 w/Stosur (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic); seeded No.8 in this year's draw w/Kudermetova (face Blinkova/McHale in 1r)
- Overall Grand Slam singles win-loss record stands at 26-32
- Notched 19th career victory over Top 20 opponent w/ straight sets win over No.16 Keys in 1r
- Faces off against familiar foe No.52 Cornet in 2r action today, with the Frenchwoman holding the edge 4-2 - first career meeting took place on clay at 2008 Rome
- Owns an 8-5 mark in 2r Grand Slam play, including a 1-3 record here in Paris
- Is only Chinese player in the women's singles draw
- Best career results on clay were SF run at 2018 Prague and QF showings at 2020 Strasbourg and 2014 Rome

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Won first Grand Slam doubles title at 2019 Australian Open (w/Stosur)
- Made Slam singles breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she came through qualifying to reach QF – first time she had progressed beyond 1r in what was her 15th main draw. Upset No.2 Halep and No.17 Keys en route (l. Konta). Ranked No.133, became lowest-ranked player to advance to last eight in Melbourne since unranked Henin reached final in 2010, and first qualifier since Gavaldon in 1990
- Also reached QF at 2019 Wimbledon (d. No.14 Wozniacki in 3r, l. eventual champion Halep). Had previously not gone beyond 1r at Wimbledon
- Has reached 3r at US Open at 2016, 2017 and 2019
- At Roland Garros, best result is 3r in 2017

## **SEASON**

- Made QF last week at Strasbourg (as qualifier, l. Rybakina)
- On tour's return, suffered 1r exits at Western & Southern Open, US Open and Rome (l. Putintseva, Bonaventure and Pavlyuchenkova respectively)
- Fell 1r at Doha (l. Navarro) and also contested qualifying at Dubai (l. Bogdan, after holding 1MP)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (d. Stephens in 1r, l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Opened the 2020 season with 2r exit at Shenzhen (l. K.Bondarenko) and finished R-Up at Hobart (l. Rybakina); also R-Up in doubles at Hobart w/Peng

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## SEASON

- Last week, fell 2r at Strasbourg (l. Rybakina)
- At US Open, advanced to R16 for the fifth time at a major (d. No.14 Keys, l. Pironkova)
- Made 3r at Western & Southern Open (l. eventual champion Azarenka). Defeated No.4 Kenin in 2r – first Top 5 win since No.4 Kerber at 2018 Montréal
- During the Tour's break, played a series of exhibitions against, among others, Mladenovic, Pavlyuchenkova and Ferro, compiling an 8-6 record
- Reached 2r at Lyon (l. Giorgi) and St. Petersburg (as qualifier, l. Sakkari)
- Followed this with 2r showings at Hobart (l. eventual champion Rybakina) and then Australian Open (l. Vekic)
- Began season with QF at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Pegula)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2019 ranked No.60 - had previously enjoyed seven consecutive Top 50 finishes
- Highlight of 2019 was reaching Lausanne final (l. Ferro as the defending champion) – has reached at least one WTA final in six of last seven seasons; now 6-7 in WTA singles finals
- Part of victorious Fed Cup squad for France who defeated Australia in Perth 3-2 to be crown 2019 champions (did not play)
- In 2018, won sixth career title at Gstaad (d. Minella in F), and reached two further QFs at Brisbane and Charleston
- Other five career titles came at 2008 Budapest, 2012 Bad Gastein, 2013 Strasbourg, 2014 Katowice and 2016 Hobart; owns 6-7 career record in finals
- Former World No.11 (achieved in February 2009) who broke back into Top 20 at end of 2014 for first time since May 2009; dropped out of Top 20 again after 2015 Dubai
- Owns five wins over Top 3 ranked opponents: No.1 S. Williams (2014 Dubai, 2014 Wimbledon and 2014 Wuhan via ret.), No.3 A.Radwanska (2014 Katowice) and No.2 Halep (2015 Madrid); wins over S.Williams made her the first player to defeat the American in three straight meetings since Henin in 2007
- Qualified for 2013 and 2014 Tournament of Champions in Sofia, Bulgaria
- Three-time doubles champion: 2008 Budapest (w/ Husarova), 2010 Strasbourg (w/King), 2015 Hong Kong (w/Shvedova)
- Member of French Fed Cup Team, 2008-17, 2019; French Olympic Team, 2008, 2012, 2016

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In singles, posted fourth successive Top 50 season finishing 2019, at No.46; also registered first Top 10 doubles season (at No.10)
- Singles highlight in 2019 was reaching second Grand Slam singles QF of career at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Also in singles, reached final at WTA125K Series event in Anning, China (l. S.Zheng) and closed out season by winning \$100k ITF/Tokyo-JPN (d.Paolini in F)
- Won first Grand Slam title in doubles at 2019 Australian Open (w/Stosur; d. Babos/Mladenovic in F); also reached final at Miami w/Stosur (l. Mertens/Sabalenska). Team qualified for WTA Finals in Shenzhen (Zhang's debut at the season finale) where they advanced to SF (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)
- Ended 2018 ranked No.35 for third consecutive Top 50 finish. Season highlights in 2018 included QF run at Premier Mandatory-level Beijing, and SF efforts at Prague, Hiroshima and Hong Kong
- In 2017 won Guangzhou title (d. Krunic in F); now owns 2-1 record in WTA finals, having also won 2013 Guangzhou and finished R-Up at 2020 Hobart
- Also the winner of two WTA 125/K Series events – 2013 Nanjing and 2017 Honolulu
- Posted career-high ranking of No.23 on November 14, 2016
- Strong end to 2016 (went 21-6 post US Open) brought back-to-back semifinals on Asian swing – Tokyo [Japan Open] and Seoul – and saw her win 19th ITF Circuit singles title of career at \$100k ITF/Tokyo 2-JPN
- Enjoyed Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, by reaching QF (d. No.2 Halep and No.17 Key en route, l. Konta). Run also marked first time winning back-to-back main draw matches since semifinal run at 2014 Birmingham
- Represented China at Rio Olympics (d. No.15 Bacsinszky in opening match, l. Siegemund in 2r). In doubles, also made 2r (w/Peng)
- Contemplated retirement after ending 2015 ranked No.186, her lowest year-end finish since 2008 (No.212) and down from No.62 in 2014
- Reached 2r at tour-level only four times in 2015
- Has won eight WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2019 Australian Open (w/Stosur) and is a eight-time runner-up
- Winner of 19 singles titles and nine doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup team in 2007, 2009-10, 2012, 2014-15, 2019; Chinese Olympic Team, 2012, 2016
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou





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## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Sandra Zaniewska
- Father is Francis (retired); mother is Patricia; brother is Sébastien (PhD, also her agent)
- Has one cat (Lilou) and one dog (Andy)
- Started playing tennis at age 4 after watching her brother play
- Baseline whose favorite shot is backhand; favorite surface is clay
- Favorite music is rock; favorite artists are Muse, Jack Johnson, Coldplay, and Kygo
- Favorite movie is Lord of the Rings; favorite actors are Brad Pitt, Tom Hanks, and Omar Sy
- Other sports interests are handball, soccer, padel, beach volleyball, and hiking
- Also enjoys playing piano, reading, and writing
- Favorite city is hometown of Nice
- People most admired are Rafael Nadal and her brother.

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Liu Shuo (Robert)
- Hails from a sporting family. Father, Zhang Zhi Qiang, was a professional soccer player, and mother, Wang Feng Quin, was a basketball player
- Started playing tennis at age 5 when parents took her to local club
- Started working with Chinese Tennis Association at age 12
- Best tennis memory was playing mixed doubles with Pete Sampras in 2011 and winning Australian Open doubles title in 2019
- Relaxes by listening to music, taking photos and exploring the places she travels to

