# US Open - Day 2 Match-Ups

### YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #146) vs. [2] SOFIA KENIN (USA #4)
- **Wickmayer** won when the two met at a WTA 125K Series event two years ago... **Kenin** fell early at last week’s Western & Southern Open... **Wickmayer** made SF here in New York back in 2009

### KRISTIE AHN (USA #96) vs. [3] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #8)
- **First meeting**
- **Williams** is one of six former champions in the draw... **Ahn** made Slam breakthrough by reaching last 16 in 2019... **Williams** coming off early exit at Western & Southern Open

### [5] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #11) vs. OCEANE DODIN (FRA #115)
- **First meeting**
- **Sabalenka** produced best Grand Slam result to date with fourth-round run at 2018 US Open... **Dodin** owns two Top 20 wins in her career... **Sabalenka** is seeded for the seventh straight Slam

### [7] MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. TIMEA BABOS (HUN #101)
- **Keys leads 3-1**
- **Keys** beat the Hungarian en route to finals at Rome and Birmingham in 2016... **Babos** posted best result at a major with third-round run here in 2016... **Keys** was runner-up to Stephens in 2017’s all-American final

### HEATHER WATSON (GBR #54) vs. [9] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #13)
- **Konta leads 3-0**
- **Konta** won pair’s most recent encounter at 2018 Nottingham in two tight sets... Former junior champion **Watson** has never won a singles match in the women’s draw... **Konta** made QF here 12 months ago

### NAO HIBINO (JPN #78) vs. [10] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)
- **Muguruza leads 2-0**
- **Muguruza** dropped a combined total of four games across their two previous encounters back in 2016... **Hibino** has fallen at the first hurdle eight times in 10 Slam appearances... **Muguruza** playing 30th major

### [20] KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #26) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #67)
- **First meeting**
- **Williams** is one of six former champions in the draw... **Muchova** made third round here in 2018... **Williams** bidding to become third woman in her 40s to win a US Open singles match

### [WC] KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #N/A) vs. [21] EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA (RUS #29)
- **First meeting**
- **Clijsters** lifted title here as a wildcard in 2009... **Alexandrova** beat former US Open champion Stosur in first round here last year... **Clijsters** looking for first match win since returning to the tour

### VIKTORIYA TOMOVA (BUL #133) vs. [22] AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #28)
- **First meeting**
- **Anisimova** is the highest-ranked of 11 teenagers in the draw... **Tomova** owns one Top 50 win in her career... **Anisimova** was junior champion here in 2017

### [26] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #39) vs. MIHAELA BUZARNESCU (ROU #122)
- **First meeting**
- **Stephens** won the title at Flushing Meadows ranked No.83 in 2017... **Buzarnescu** returning to the tour after a long-term shoulder injury... **Stephens** has lost five times to players outside Top 100 in 2020

### VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #27) vs. BARBARA HAAS (AUT #139)
- **First meeting**
- **Azarenka** embarking upon 50th Grand Slam main draw of career... **Haas** meanwhile is contesting only her second... **Azarenka** fresh from collecting 21st singles title of her career
YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #146) vs. SOFIA KENIN (USA #4)

Head to Head: YANINA WICKMAYER leads 1-0

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US OPEN

- Making 12th main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows (13th overall)
- Best result in New York - and across all four Slams - was SF run in 2009 (l. Wozniacki)
- Also advanced to R16 in 2010 (l. Kanepi)
- Fell 2r in 2011 (l. Kudravetz), 2012 (l. Parmentier), 2015 (l. Azarenka) and 2017 (l. Kanepi)
- Faces No. 4 Kenin in 1r today; owns five wins over Top 10 opponents, having defeated No.9 A. Radwanska (2010 Fed Cup), No.7 Li Na (2011 Dubai), No.10 Bartoli (2012 Stanford), No.8 Kvitova (2013 Eastbourne) and No.10 Kirilenko (2013 Eastbourne)
- Career Slam record stands at 42-43, while is 23-20 in 1r matches
- One of seven Belgian women competing this fortnight in New York - also Bonaventure, Clijsters, Flipkens, Mertens, Minnen and Van Utyvanck

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Playing 44th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open
- Best major result to date is reaching the SF at the US Open in 2009 (l. Wozniacki)
- Has reached R16 twice at the Australian Open (2010 and 2015), once at Wimbledon (2011) and once more at the US Open (2010)
- Also made 3r three times at Roland Garros (2010-11 and 2016)
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Australian Open, ending run of 39 straight main draw appearances at the Slams

US OPEN

- Making sixth straight appearance at US Open
- Has reached 3r here on last three visits, in 2017 (as WC, l. Sharapova), 2018 (l. Ka.Pliskova) and 2019 (l. Keys)
- 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
- 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
- Overall Grand Slam win-loss record stands at 18-11
- Faces No.146 Wickmayer in 1r today; last loss to a player ranked outside the Top 100 came against No.132 Stosur at 2019 Eastbourne
- Meanwhile at the majors, only losses to players outside Top 100 were in 2018, to No.132 Diatchenko (Wimbledon) and No.146 Sharapova (US Open)
- Is 8-4 in Grand Slam 1r matches
- Contesting 2020 US Open ranked at a career-high No.4 (achieved March 4, 2020). By contrast, this time last year was No.20
- Seeded No.2, her fourth time among the 32 seeds at a major (also No.27 at 2019 Wimbledon and No.20 at 2019 US Open and No.14 at 2020 Australian Open)
- During last year’s US Open Series, made 2r at Washington DC, posted SF runs at Toronto and Cincinnati (d. No.1s Barty and Osaka along the way) before reaching 3r at US Open
- One of two players with multiple titles in 2020 (also Halep)

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
- Prior to 2020 Australian Open, best Slam result was reaching R16 at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Barty); in 3r became first American to defeat S.Williams at the majors since Stephens at 2013 AO QF
- Made Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open as a wildcard – received for being crowned USTA Girls’ 18s National Champion. Fell 1r to Duque Mariño
- Reached 3r at 2017 US Open as a wildcard (l. Sharapova), in what was only fourth tour-level main draw outing. Repeated feat in 2018 (l. Ka.Pliskova) and again in 2019 (l. Keys)
- Made 2r at Australian Open in 2019 and Wimbledon in 2018-19
SEASON

• On tour’s resumption, fell in qualifying at Palermo and Prague
• Prior to hiatus, reached QF at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (l. Doi)
• After Australia, headed to the US, posting a 3r effort at WTA 125K Series event in Newport Beach (l. Kick) before a series of outings on the ITF Circuit, reaching two QFs and a SF at $25K Rancho Santa Fe (l. Sramkova)
• Began 2020 campaign with qualifying exits at Auckland and Australian Open

CAREER MILESTONES

• Finished 2019 at No.152, down from No.113 in 2018.
• Highlights last year included reaching 2r at Wimbledon (l. Zhang) and Miami (l. Osaka), and finishing R-Up at $60K ITF/Shrewsbury-GBR in February (as top seed, l. Diatchenko in F)
• Was doubles R-Up at Zhengzhou (w/Zidansek); now 2-2 in doubles finals
• Finished 2018 at No.113, one spot lower than her 2017 year-end ranking of No.112 - her first finish outside Top 100 since 2007
• Best tour-level result in 2018 was 3r run at Wimbledon (l. Vekic). Lifted 11th career ITF singles title in 2018 at $25K ITF/Surprise-USA (d. Sanchez in F) - also took home the doubles trophy in Surprise (w/ Doi)
• Won first WTA 125K Series doubles title at Indian Wells in 2018 (w/Townsend, d. Brady/King in F)
• Claimed her fifth career WTA singles title at 2016 Washington D.C. (d. Davis in F). Other singles titles are 2015 Tokyo [Japan Open] (d. Linette in F), 2010 Auckland (d. Pennetta in F), 2009 Oeiras (d. Makarova in F) and 2009 Linz (d. Kvitova in F); owns 5-6 record in singles finals
• Enjoyed breakthrough year in 2009, winning first two WTA titles (Oeiras and Linz) and reaching first Grand Slam SF at 2009 US Open (l. Wozniacki)
• Winner of two WTA doubles titles: 2013 Luxembourg (w/Vogt), 2016 Washington DC (w/Niculescu)
• Suffered with Lyme Disease in the off-season at end of 2014
• Belgian Fed Cup Team, 2007-17, 2019
• Played first events of career in 2004 on ITF Circuit and in WTA qualifying at Hasselt

SEASON

• Coming off 2r exit at Western and Southern Open (l. Cornet)
• Before hiatus, lifted fifth WTA singles title at Lyon (d. Fnedsam in F)
• 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 (d. Sevastova, l. Ostapenko)
• 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-Marino 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

YANINA WICKMAYER VS SOFIA KENIN
PERSONAL

• Coached this fortnight by Ann Devries
• She was awarded “Most Improved Player” by the WTA in 2009
• Speaks Dutch, English and French
• With father, Marc, moved to Florida for two-and-a-half years aged nine (after death of mother)
• Married former footballer Jerome van der Zijl in November 2014, and opened a riverside restaurant/function center by the river in hometown of Hasselt

PERSONAL

• Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now resides in Pembroke Pines, Florida, where she was home-schooled
• Known as ‘Sonya’
• Coached by father Alexander Kenin with support Lorenzo Cava; trains at ProWorld Academy in Delray Beach, Florida
• Best tennis memory is playing idol Maria Sharapova on Arthur Ashe (US Open 2017)
• If not a tennis player would be a fashion designer
• Dream doubles partners would be Serena Williams and Grigor Dimitrov
• Good friends with CiCi Bellis and Katie Swan
• Likes rap music, especially Drake
• Treat food is Froyo - cookies and cream with Hershey’s on top
**KRISTIE AHN (USA #96) vs. SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #8)**

Head to Head: First meeting

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| 2013 | F     | VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR) | 7-5  6-7(6)  6-1 | 2013  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2012 | F     | VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR) | 6-2  2-6  7-5 | 2012  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2011 | F     | SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS) | 6-2  6-3 | 2011  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2009 | SF    | KIM CLUJSTERS (BEL) | 6-4  7-5 | 2009  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2008 | F     | JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB) | 6-4  7-5 | 2008  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2007 | QF    | JUSTINE HENIN (BEL) | 7-6(3)  6-1 | 2007  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2006 | R16   | AMÉLIE MAURESMO (FRA) | 6-4  0-6  6-2 | 2006  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2005 | R16   | VENUS WILLIAMS (USA) | 7-6(5)  6-2 | 2005  
|      |       |                   |       |       |
| 2004 | QF    | JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA) | 2-6  6-4  6-4 | 2004  
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| 2000 | QF    | LINDSAY DAVENTPORT (USA) | 6-4  6-2 | 2000  
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| 1999 | F     | MARTINA HINGIS (SUI) | 6-3  7-6(4) | 1999  
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| 1998 | R3    | IRINA SPIRLEA (ROM) | 6-3  0-6  7-5 | 1998  
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KIRSTIE AHN VS SERENA WILLIAMS

US OPEN

• Making third main draw appearance (seventh overall) at Flushing Meadows
• Best result here - and across all Slams - is last year’s R16 run (as WC, l. Mertens)
• Victory over former US Open champion Kuznetsova in last year’s 1r was first main draw win at a major
• Made Top 100 debut at No.93 following last year’s exploits here
• Made her Grand Slam main draw debut at the 2008 US Open, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Safina)
• Fell in qualifying here on four occasions, 2009 and 2016-18
• Contesting this year’s event as a direct main draw acceptant for only the second time at a major (also 2020 Australian Open)
• Owns 3-5 win-loss record at Slam level
• Faces No.8 S.Williams in 1r today; lost only previous encounter with a Top 10 player, against No.7 Safina at 2008 US Open
• In terms of ranking, best win of her career came over No.20 Mertens at 2019 San Jose
• Has never faced either Serena or Venus on tour. However, during this year’s break from tennis beat Venus while representing the Las Vegas Rollers in World Team Tennis
• Only other American she has faced in a WTA main draw match was Vandeweghe in 1r at 2014 Stanford (l. 6-2 7-5)
• The pair are two of 31 Americans in the main draw
• Entering this year’s US Open, the home nation has had at least one representative in the semifinals (or better) every year dating back to the 2007 edition of the tournament

US OPEN

• Making 20th appearance at US Open where she is a six-time champion: 1999 (d. Hingis in F), 2002 (d. V.Williams in F), 2008 (d. Jankovic in F), 2012 (d. Azarenka in F), 2013 (d. Azarenka in F) and 2014 (d. Wozniacki in F). Tied with Chris Evert for most US Open titles in the Open Era
• Also a four-time runner-up, in 2001 (l. V.Williams), 2011 (l. Stosur), 2018 (l. Osaka) and 2019 (l. Andreescu). Fell in SFs on three occasions, in 2009 (l. eventual champion Clijsters), 2015 (l. eventual R-Up Vinci) and 2016 (l. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova)
• With 101-13 record at US Open, is level with Chris Evert (101-12) for most US Open wins in the Open Era ahead of Martina Navratilova (89-17) - only the fourth player to ever reach 100+ wins at one single major, in addition to Evert also Navratilova (120 wins at Wimbledon) and Federer (101 wins at Wimbledon)
• By reaching last year’s final, established the largest gap between first and most recent Slam final appearance at 19 yrs, 362 days (d. Hingis in 1999 US Open) - previously held by V.Williams at 19 yrs, 312 days (l. Hingis in 1997 US Open, l. Muguruza in 2017 Wimbledon)
• Her 20 appearances at the US Open is second most among players in 2020 starting field, two behind her sister, Venus (22)
• Doubles champion here in 1999 (w/V.Williams d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (w/V.Williams d. Black/Huber). Also won mixed doubles (w/Mirnyi) in 1998
• Bidding this fortnight to tie Australia’s Margaret Court on 24 Grand Slam singles titles, the all-time record. Her record in Grand Slam finals stands at 23-10
• Winner of 13 major titles on hard – most of any player in Open Era; across all WTA events, has won 47 hard court titles, more than any other active player
• Contesting her 75th Grand Slam main draw – in the Open Era, trails only her sister Venus (86, including 2020 US Open)
• Seeded No.3 this fortnight; has been seeded on all but two of her appearances in New York (exceptions were debut in 1998 and 2006)
• Faces Ahn in 1r today; record against fellow Americans at the majors stands at 5-1 (21-4 at US Open)
• All five matches since the tour’s restart in August have been decided in three sets
• Is 19-0 in opening round matches at Flushing Meadows, winning the last 16 first round matches in straight sets
• Win-loss record across the Grand Slams is 351-50, the most wins in Open Era, ahead of Martina Navratilova (306-49)
• Among active players, owns the most main draw hard court wins 516-87 (.856), ahead of V.Williams on 481-150 (.762), heading into US Open
GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Appearing in sixth Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open
• Best result was R16 run at 2019 US Open (as WC, d. Kuznetsova, Kalinskaya and Ostapenko, I. Mertens)
• Also fell 1r at Australian Open in 2020 (l. Wozniacki) and 2018 (as WC, I. Strycova) and 2019 Wimbledon (as qualifier, I. Sevastova) and on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2008 US Open (as qualifier, I. Safina)
• Has yet to make main draw debut at Roland Garros

SEASON

• Coming off qualifying exit last week at Western & Southern Open
• Fell 1r at Lexington (as qualifier, I. Blinkova via ret. w/ right knee injury)
• Prior to tour’s hiatus, made 3r at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Begu), fell 1r at St. Petersburg (as qualifier, I. Vekic) and in 2r at $25k ITF/Glasgow-GBR
• Opened the 2020 campaign by contesting qualifying at Auckland and Hobart before falling 1r at Australian Open (l. Wozniacki)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Steffi Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
• Aged 35y 125d at the end of 2017 Australian Open, is the oldest player to win a major in the Open Era
• Boasts the longest span of Grand Slam singles glory all-time. Pre-Open Era, Helen Wills Moody won her majors over the course of 15y 9.5m. Serena won her first Slam at 1999 US Open, 17y 6.5m before her 2017 Australian title. WTA legends Evert, Navratilova and Graf all won their Slams over a 12 year span

SEASON

• Made 3r exit at Western & Southern Open (l. Sakkarin - led 7-5 5-3); 2h48m 2r win over Rus was longest match since I. Razzano at 2012 Roland Garros
• Returned to action at Lexington earlier this month, reaching the QF (l. Rogers)
• Faced sister Venus in 2r in what was their 31st meeting – now leads their head-to-head 19-12 (13-9 on hard courts and 8-5 on US soil)
• With a combined age of 79 years, 19 days, S.Williams vs. V.Williams represented the highest combined age in a match since 2004 Charleston when Martina Navratilova (47) faced Amy Frazier (31), with a combined age of 79 years, 28 days
• Loss to No.116 Rogers was 14th to a player ranked outside the Top 50, and most recent since 2017 Auckland to No.72 Brengle, while last to a player outside the Top 100 came against No.111 Razzano at 2012 Roland Garros
• In last tournament before tour’s hiatus, fell 3r at Australian Open (l. Q.Wang) before participating in Fed Cup action going 1-1 in singles as USA defeated Latvia 3-2 (d. Ostapenko, I. Sevastova)
• Began 2020 with 73rd career title at Auckland (d. Pegula in F) for first championship since giving birth to her daughter in 2017– also finished R-Up in doubles w/Wozniacki (l. Townsend/Muhammed); overall record in finals stands at 73-25
• At 44m, 6-1 6-1 SF defeat of Anisimova in Auckland is currently shortest completed match of the year
CAREER MILESTONES

• Enjoyed impressive 2019 campaign, compiling 34-24 record (across all levels) and finishing year inside Top 100 for the first time (at No.91)
• Highlights of last season were R16 showing at US Open (as WC, l. Mertens) and first Premier-level QF at San Jose (l. Vekic), another QF at Seoul (l. Alexandrova) and reaching one final on ITF Circuit
• Made Top 100 debut following run at Flushing Meadows (rose from No.141 to No.93 on September 9, 2019)
• Enjoyed second Top 200 season in 2018 at No.196 (also No.106 in 2017)
• Highlights of 2018 season were R-Up finish at $60K ITF/Landisville-PA and 2r showing at Charleston (l. Goerges). Also fell 1r at Sydney, Australian Open, Nottingham, Washington DC and Quebec City
• Owns four career wins over Top 50 players: No.39 Suarez Navarro (at 2018 Sydney), No.29 Ostapenko (2019 Bogota), No.42 Tomljanovic and No.20 Mertens (both at 2019 San Jose)
• Reached QF at 2017 Nottingham (as qualifier, d. Osaka, l. Rybarikova); also won $80k USTA Pro Circuit event in Tyler Texas in November, 2017
• Owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles overall, as well as two doubles titles
• Made professional debut at $10k ITF/Landisville, PA-USA (won title)

• Highlights of 2019 season were her 32nd and 33rd Grand Slam finals, at Wimbledon (l. Halep) and US Open (l. Andreescu)
• Reached one further final last year at Toronto (ret. vs. Andreescu w/back injury)
• With 73 career singles titles, ranks fifth on the Open Era list of most titles, after Martina Navratilova (167), Chris Evert (154), Steffi Graf (107) and Margaret Court (92)
• All three finals in 2019 – Wimbledon, Toronto and US Open – came in consecutive tournaments
• Ended 2019 ranked No.10, her first year-end finish inside the elite ranking bracket since 2016 (at No.2)
• Other highlights last season were reaching QF at Australian Open and partnering with Andy Murray to contest Mixed Doubles at Wimbledon (reaching 3r)
• Defeated World No.1 Halep in R16 at Australian Open – at 37 years, is oldest player to defeat the reigning World No.1
• Reached two Grand Slam finals in 2018, at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) and US Open (l. Osaka). Made return to Tour following birth of daughter Olympia at 2018 Indian Wells
• Ended 2017 ranked No.22, despite playing only two events all season, and both in January. Broke streak of 10 consecutive Top 20 finishes. Overall, has 16 Top 10 finishes to her name (most recently in 2019) – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1
• Holds distinction of being the oldest No.1 in WTA history – set record when most recent streak began on February 18, 2013. Spent her 319th week at No.1 in May 2017. Third on all-time list after Graf’s 377 and Navratilova’s 332
• Held the top ranking for 186 consecutive weeks (through 2016 US Open) which equaled the record held by Graf (186 weeks, August 17, 1986 through March 10, 1991)
• Has registered 17 career wins over (eight different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)
• Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics
• Along w/sister Venus held all four Grand Slam titles at same time, from 2009 Wimbledon through 2010 Roland Garros – third pair to do so (also Navratilova/Shriver and Fernandez/Zvereva). Also teamed with Venus to win three Olympic gold medals: 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London
• Spent eight weeks as co-No.1 in doubles (w/V. Williams); one of six players to hold No.1 in singles and doubles simultaneously (also Navratilova, Hingis, Sánchez Vicario, Davenport and Clijsters)
• Holds single-season prize money record of $12,385,572, achieved in 2013
PERSONAL

• Coached by Jay Devashetty
• Born in Flushing Hospital in New York before moving to New Jersey
• Serves on the WTA Player’s Council as a representative for players ranked 101+
• Graduated from Stanford University in 2014 with a major in Science, Technology and Society
• Also graduated as a four-time all American, going 97-17 in four seasons with the Cardinal and was named the 2014 ITA National Senior Player of the Year

PERSONAL

• Coached by father Richard Williams and mother Oracene Price; coaching consultant is Patrick Mouratoglou; hitting partner is Jarmere Jenkins
• Gave birth to daughter Alexis Olympia Ohanian Jr. on September 1, 2017
• Married Reddit co-founder Alexis Ohanian in November 2017 in New Orleans
• Launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’, in late 2018
ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #11) vs. OCEANE DODIN (FRA #115)

Head to Head: First meeting

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**US OPEN**

- Making third main draw appearance (and fifth overall) at the US Open
- Suffered 2r exit in 2019 (d. Azarenka, I. Putintseva)
- Posted career best Grand Slam finish here in 2018 by reaching R16 (d. No.5 Kvitova, I. eventual champion Osaka) on Flushing Meadows main draw debut
- Won doubles title here 12 months ago w/Mertens (d. Azarenka/Barty in F); defending their title as No.2 seeds (face Rodionova/Santamaria in 1r)
- Owns a 8-10 win-loss record across all Slams
- Faces No.115 Dodin in 1r; last loss to a player ranked outside the Top 100 came against No.139 Rybarikova at 2019 Wimbledon
- Competing this year as the No.5 seed - her seventh Slam in a row among the 32 seeds
- Best results of career on US soil are R-Up finish at 2019 San Jose and SF run at 2018 Cincinnati

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

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

**SEASON**

- Made 2r at Lexington (l. Gauff in 3s), then reached 3r at Western & Southern Open (l. Pegula in 3s)
- Before hiatus, won sixth career WTA title at Doha (d. Kvitova in F)
- 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 (d. Gasparian, I. Kr.Pliskova)

**US OPEN**

- Making third main draw appearance at Flushing Meadows
- Previously made 2r in both 2017 (d. Parmentier, I. V. Williams) and 2015 (d. Jankovic, I. Duque-Marino)
- This time last summer was ranked outside Top 300 and contesting a series of clay court events on the ITF Circuit
- Faces No.11 Sabalenka in opening round today; a win would be best-by-ranking since victory over No.5 Cibulkova at 2017 Madrid
- Owns a 2-10 record vs Top 20 opponents with only other victory coming against No.14 Konta at 2020 St. Petersburg
- Grand Slam record stands at 5-11; is 5-6 in 1r matches
- One of four French women in this year's starting field (also Cornet, Garcia and Mladenovic)

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Contesting 12th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open
- Reached 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 Australian Open (as WC, d. Riske, l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Since then has made 2r - but never further - on four more occasions, at Australian Open (2017), Roland Garros (2017) and US Open (2015 and 2017)
- Suffered a 1r exit in Wimbledon debut in 2017 (l. Safarova)

**SEASON**

- Coming off 1r exit at Western & Southern Open (as qualifier, l. Bellis in 3s)
- Contested qualifying at Prague
- In first event back since the tour resumed, came through three rounds of qualifying to reach 2r at Palermo (l. Yastremska)
- Before hiatus, enjoyed QF run at Lyon (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Picked up 10th ITF singles title at $25k ITF/Macon-FRA (d. Ponchet in F)
- Came through qualifying to reach St. Petersburg QF (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina) - her deepest run at a WTA event since reaching same stage at 2017 Washington DC. Overcame No.14 Konta in 2r to record second Top 20 victory of her career 2017 Madrid
- Fell in qualifying at Australian Open
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/Siniaková in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/Zhang in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals Shenzhen (w/Mertens), going 1-2 in the round robin stage
- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2018, lifting two titles, at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F) and Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings
- Also in 2018, was R-Up at Lugano (l. Mertens) and Eastbourne (l. Wozniacki), made SF at Cincinnati, reached five QFs and produced a career-best Grand Slam run to R16 at US Open
- Posted first Top 100 season finish in 2017, reaching career high WTA singles ranking No.46 on June 12
- Highlights included SF at Washington DC (l. Makarova) and first Premier Mandatory R16 at 2017 Madrid (l. Mladenovic)
- Captured maiden career title at 2016 Québec City (d. Davis in F) on ranking of No.132. Following this result, made Top 100 debut (September 19, 2016)
- Québec City run formed centerpiece of 16-match win streak that began with title at $25k ITF/Barcelona-ESP and concluded with SF effort at $25k ITF/Clermont-Ferrand-FRA
- Also appeared in QF at 2016 Linz (as qualifier, l. Keys)
- Ended 2016 season by defeating Davis in final of $100k ITF/Poitiers-FRA – her eighth ITF Circuit singles title
- Made tour-level debut in 2015 at Australian Open (as a wildcard), then reached Strasbourg main draw as a lucky loser, received another WC into Roland Garros, bowed out of the 1r at ’s-Hertogenbosch, made 2r at US Open (defeating 2008 runner-up Jankovic) and fell 1r at Luxembourg (as qualifier)
**PERSONAL**

- Coached by Dieter Kindlmann. Formerly worked with former ATP player Dmitry Tursunov
- Started playing aged six as an accident when father drove by local tennis courts
- Voted 2018 WTA Newcomer of the Year by international media
- Her favorite book is *The Count of Monte Cristo*

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**PERSONAL**

- Is an only child; started playing tennis with parents; father is a tennis coach and mother travels with her
- Favorite surface is hard; favorite shot is serve; favorite tournament is Australian Open (made tour-level main draw debut there and won first main draw match)
- Coached by father Frederic Dodin
- Tennis idols are Maria Sharapova and Roger Federer
- Short-term goal this year is to reach Top 50 and long-term goal is to be No.1
- Has always trained in France and is supported by the French Tennis Federation
MADISON KEYS (USA #14) vs. TIMEA BABOS (HUN #101)

Head to Head: MADISON KEYS leads 3-1

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

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- **2019**
  - R16: L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #5) 7-5 6-4

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- **2019**
  - R2: L - CORI GAUFF (USA #140) 6-2 4-6 6-4

- **2018**
  - SF: L - NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19) 6-2 6-4

- **2017**
  - F: L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83) 6-3 6-0

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

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US OPEN

- Making ninth main draw appearance at US Open (and 11th overall)
- Best result here was R-Up finish in 2017 (l. Stephens); took part in first all-American US Open final since 2002 (Serena d. Venus)
- Enjoyed SF run in 2018 (l. eventual champion Osaka) and advanced to R16 in 2015 (l. S.Williams), 2016 (l. Wozniacki) and 2019 (l. Svitolina)
- Reached 2r here in 2011 on Grand Slam main draw debut (as WC, l. Safarova) and again in 2014 (l. Krunic). Fell 1r in 2013 (l. Jankovic)
- No.7 seed this fortnight – her 20th consecutive major as a seeded player
- Faces No.101 Babos in 1r; most recently met the Hungarian on tour in 2016, en route to finals at Rome and Birmingham
- Last loss to a player ranked outside the Top 100 came against No.283 Baptiste at 2019 Washington DC, while last occurrence at a Slam to at hands of No.120 Rodina at 2018 Wimbledon
- Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 27-3; all three losses at this stage came in her teenage years, at 2012 Australian Open (l. J.Zheng), 2013 US Open (l. Jankovic) and 2014 Roland Garros (l. Errani)
- US Open is Keys' happiest major hunting ground holding a 22-8 record here, followed by the Australian Open (20-8) and is 73-30 across the Slams
- One of 31 Americans in starting field. The home nation has had at least one representative in SF (or better) every year since 2007

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens
- Deepest run prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Prior to 2015 had not passed 3r at a major
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – has reached at least QF at all four majors, including Wimbledon in 2015
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2011 US Open, advancing to 2r (was first 16-year-old to compete at Flushing Meadows since Kristie Ahn in 2008)

US OPEN

- Making ninth consecutive main draw appearance at US Open (10th overall)
- Best singles result here - and across all Slams - was reaching 3r in 2016 (l. Halep after leading 3-1 in the final set)
- Fell in 2r here last year (as qualifier, l. Gauff)
- Also a doubles R-Up here in 2018 (w/Mladenovic, l. Barty/Vandeweghe - held 3mp); top seed in doubles this year w/Mladenovic (face Christina/Olmos in 1r)
- Owns 11-29 Grand Slam win-loss record
- Faces No.14 Keys in 1r today; owns eight Top 20 wins, most recently over No.9 Vandeweghe at 2018 Australian Open
- Record in Grand Slam 1r matches is 10-19
- Aside from US Open showing, during last year’s US hard court season suffered 1r exit at San Jose, contested qualifying at Toronto and made SF at $100k ITF/Vancouver-CAN

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Contesting landmark 30th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open. Reached 3r at a major for the first - and to date only - time in at 2016 US Open (l. Halep)
- Won maiden Slam doubles title at 2018 Australian Open (w/Mladenovic, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F). Also triumphed w/Mladenovic at 2019 Roland Garros (d. Duan/Zheng in F) and 2020 Australian Open (d. Hsieh/Strycova in F)
- Four-time major doubles runner-up, at 2014 Wimbledon (w/Mladenovic, l. Errani/Vinci), 2016 Wimbledon (w/Shvedova, l. S.Williams/V.Williams), 2018 US Open (w/Mladenovic, l. Barty/Vandeweghe) and 2019 Australian Open (w/Mladenovic, l. Stosur/Zhang)
- Mixed doubles runner-up at 2015 Wimbledon (w/ Peya l. Hingis/Paes) and 2018 Australian Open (w/ Bopanna, l. Dabrowski/Pavic)
In first event back since six month hiatus, fell 2r at Western and Southern Open (after 1r bye, I. Jabeur)
Before hiatus, advanced to 3r at Australian Open (I. Sakkari)
Began 2020 campaign with R-Up finish at Brisbane (I. Ka.Pliskova); now 5-5 in WTA singles finals

On return from Australia, fell in qualifying at St. Petersburg before 1r exits at Doha (as qualifier, I. Putintseva) and Lyon (I. Bara)
Lifted fourth Grand Slam doubles title at Australian Open (w/Mladenovic, d. Hsieh/Strycova in F)
Began 2020 campaign by contesting qualifying at Shenzhen before 1r exits at Adelaide (as qualifier, I. Yastremska) and Australian Open (I. Swiatek)

Lifted biggest title of career during 2019 season at WTA Premier-5 level Cincinnati (d. Kuznetsova in F); afterwards returned to Top 10 for first time since week of June 25, 2018
Reached QF at Roland Garros (I. Barty). One of three Americans to make last eight (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
Also in 2019, produced R16 showings at Australian Open and US Open (I. Svitolina on both occasions) as well as picking up first title on clay at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F)
Season highlights in 2018 were SF at US Open (I. eventual champion Osaka), Roland Garros (I. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (I. Kerber)
Reached first Grand Slam final in 2017 in New York, losing out to Stephens in 10th all-American US Open final in the Open Era. At 22, became the youngest Flushing Meadows finalist since 19-year-old Wozniacki lost to Clijsters in 2009
Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), as youngest player in the year-end Top 25
Broke into Top 10 on June 20, 2016, becoming 118th player to reach the elite bracket since computer rankings were introduced. Became first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.7 on October 10, 2016
Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round robin play
Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (lost Bronze medal match against Kvitova)
Owns seven career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome, 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open), No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati) and No.4 Halep (2019 Cincinnati)
 Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage on all three appearances); advanced to SF stage in 2018 however withdrew before match due to a left knee injury
Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015

Ended 2019 ranked No.104 to record her first year-end finish outside the Top 100 since 2011
Last spring through Grand Slam qualifying for the first time in her career at Roland Garros before making 1r exit (I. Hon); bounced back to lift second major doubles title (w/Mladenovic, d. Duan/Zheng in F)
Other doubles highlights in 2019 included finishing R-Up in doubles at Australian Open (w/Mladenovic, I. Stosur/Zheng), reaching SF at Wimbledon and title run at Istanbul (both w/Mladenovic)
Season highlights in 2018 were reaching seventh and eighth career finals, at Taipei City (d. Kozlova in F) and Monterrey (I. Muguruza in F in 3s); is now 3-5 in WTA finals
Enjoyed success in doubles in 2018, winning debut Slam at Australian Open, WTA Finals, Birmingham and reached QF at Wimbledon (all w/Mladenovic); crowned new WTA World No.1 in doubles after Wimbledon run (July 16, 2018)
Reached a career-high three singles finals in 2017 (R-Up at Québec City and Tashkent), capturing the second WTA singles title of her career on home soil in Budapest (d. Safarova in F)
Produced an impressive season on the doubles court, claiming a career-high six titles, including hoisting the trophy at the WTA Finals in Singapore (w/Hlavackova)
Finished 2016 ranked No.26 – just one spot shy of her career-high ranking of No.25 (September 19, 2016)
Qualified for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai; fell in round robin stage (0-2) to No.18 Bacsinszky and No.28 S.Zhang
Reached third singles final of career at 2016 Florianopolis (I. Begu in F). Other 2016 highlights included SF appearances at Shenzhen (I. Riske) and Rabat, and QF runs at St Petersburg (I. eventual champion Vinci), Katowice (O. Ostapenko), Cincinnati (I. Muguruza) and Moscow (I. eventual champion Kuznetsova)
Qualified for the 2016 WTA Finals in doubles w/Shvedova – fell in 1r (I. Mattek-Sands/Safarova); also qualified for 2015 WTA Finals w/Mladenovic – pair exited at RR stage
### PERSONAL

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

### CAREER CONT.

- Highlights in 2015 were R-Up finish at Marrakech (l. Svitolina in F), winning the WTA 125K Series event in Taipei (d. Doi in F), and three doubles titles, at Dubai, Marrakech and Rome (all w/Mladenovic)
- Highest-ranked opponent beaten in career to date is No.9 Vandeweghe at 2018 Australian Open 1r
- Received WC into first WTA event of career at 2010 Budapest (l. Bacsinszky in 1r)
- On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and 10 doubles titles
- In juniors, was three-time doubles Grand Slam champion (2010 Roland Garros/Wimbledon/US Open – all w/Sloane Stephens) and two-time runner-up (2009 Roland Garros, 2010 Australian Open)

### PERSONAL

- Father’s name is Csaba; mother’s name is Zsuzsanna; sister is Susie; started playing at age 8
- Tennis idol is Elena Dementieva
- Coached by Michael Joyce. Previously worked with Nick Horvat and Thomas Drouet

### CAREER CONT.

- Was second-youngest player to win a WTA title in 2014, at Eastbourne (after Vekic at Kuala Lumpur); also youngest American to win a title since Vania King in October 2006 (17 years, 254 days, Bangkok)
- Made tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach at 14 years old (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14 years, 48 days, and youngest since Hingis in 1994
HEATHER WATSON (GBR #54) vs. JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #13)

Head to Head: JOHANNA KONTA leads 3-0

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HEATHER WATSON

US OPEN

• Making eighth main draw appearance at US Open (ninth overall); reached QF in 2019 (l. Svitolina)
• Previous deepest runs here were to R16 in 2015 (d. No.9 Muguruza in 2r, l. Kvitova) and 2016 (l. Sevastova) – first British woman to reach last 16 since Jo Durie went all the way to the SF in 1983 (l. Evert)
• Came through qualifying to reach 2r on debut here in 2012 (l. Govortsova)
• Overall Slam record is 38-25; is 13-12 in 1r matches at majors
• Faces compatriot Watson in 1r today; beat her compatriot most recently en route to 2018 Nottingham final
• Overall career record against fellow Brits stands at 27-8 (at all levels)
• Last year, arrived in New York having gone 0-2 on North American hard courts – made 1r exits at Toronto (l. Yastremska) and Cincinnati (l. Peterson)
• Best career result on US soil came in 2017 when she landed biggest title of career at Premier Mandatory Miami (d. Wozniacki in F). Also lifted maiden WTA title at 2016 Stanford

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Is a three-time Grand Slam semifinalist. Made Slam breakthrough with historic run to SF at 2016 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Kerber); became first British woman to reach the last four at Melbourne Park since Sue Barker in December 1977, and at any Slam since Jo Durie at 1983 US Open
• Has since reached SF at 2017 Wimbledon (l. R-Up V.Williams), becoming the first British woman to reach the last four since Wade in 1978 (l. Evert), and at 2019 Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)
• One of eight active players to reach a major SF on hard, grass and clay: also Azarenka, Bouchard, Halep, Kvitova, Sharapova, S.Williams and V.Williams
• Also advanced to QF at 2017 Australian Open, 2019 Wimbledon and 2019 US Open

SEASON

• Coming off SF appearance at the Western & Southern Open (l. eventual champion Azarenka); did not drop serve in any of her three matches en route to SF
• Suffered 1r defeat at Lexington (l. Bouzkova)
• Before tour’s hiatus, ended losing streak by advancing to SF at Monterrey (l. Bouzkova)
• Returned to Europe in February to make 2r exit at St. Petersburg (after 1r bye, l. qualifier Dodin)
• Opened campaign by falling 1r at Brisbane (l. Strycova) and Australian Open (l. Jabeur)

JOHANNA KONTA

US OPEN

• Making eighth main draw appearance at US Open (ninth overall) where she looks to advance to 2r for the first time
• Won US Open junior singles title in 2009 - one of five former junior champions in the draw (also Anisimova, Bouzkova, Flipkens and Azarenka)
• Record in 1r matches at Majors is 14-20 (0-8 at US Open)
• Faces fellow Brit and Fed Cup teammate No.13 Konta in today’s opening match; owns 23-9 career record against fellow Brits (at all levels)
• Most recent Top 20 win came against No.17 Mertens en route to this year’s Hobart SF
• Career record at Grand Slams stands at 18-34
• Watson and Konta are the only British players appearing in this year’s US Open women’s draw
• During last year’s North American hard court season fell 1r at San Jose and during qualifying at Toronto before lifting the title at 100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN (d. Sorribes Tormo in F). Also reached SF at 125K Oracle Challenger Series event in New Haven (l. Arconada)
• Is currently ranked No.54. By contrast was No.101 heading into last year’s tournament

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Contesting 35th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open
• Best showings are 3r runs at Wimbledon in 2012, 2015 and 2017, and Australian Open in 2013
• Reached 2r at Roland Garros on six occasions. Has never been beyond 1r at US Open in eight attempts
• Won mixed doubles title at All England Club in 2016 (w/Kontinen, d. Farah/Groenefeld in F) and finished R-Up in 2017 (w/Kontinen, l. Hingis/Murray)
• Won US Open junior singles title in 2009

SEASON

• Coming off 1r exits at Lexington (l. eventual champion Brady) and Cincinnati (l. Pera)
• Made 1r exit at Monterrey (l. Maria)
• Lifted fourth career title and first since 2016 at Acapulco (d. Fernandez in F)
• Split Fed Cup rubbers against Slovakia (d. Sramkova, l. Schmiedlova)
• Suffered 2r exit at Australian Open (d. Kr.Pliskova, l. Mertens) and made SF at Hobart (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Rybakina)
• Opened 2020 season with qualifying exit at Brisbane
HEATHER WATSON  VS  JOHANNA KONTA

CAREER MILESTONES

• Recorded 10th Top 100 season in 2019 by finishing the year at No.92. Best result was R-Up finish at Tianjin (l. Peterson)
• Finished 2018 just outside the Top 100 (No.101). Best year-end finish came in 2012 (No.49)
• Highlights of 2018 were SF runs at Hobart (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Mertens) and Quebec City (l. eventual champion Parmentier). Also picked up fourth career WTA doubles title at Acapulco (w/ Maria) and reached doubles final at Nottingham (w/ Buzarnescu)
• Won third WTA singles title of career at 2016 Monterrey (d. Flipkens in F), adding to wins at 2012 Osaka and 2015 Hobart (3-0 record in finals)
• Hit career-high singles ranking of No.38 on January 19, 2015 after title run at Hobart
• Lifetime record against Top 10 players stands at 2-17, with wins coming against No.8 A.Radwanska (2015 Indian Wells) and No.9 Cibulkova (2017 Eastbourne)
• In doubles owns four WTA titles, most recently at 2018 Acapulco (w/Maria)
• Represented Great Britain at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching 2r in singles (l. eventual champion Mertens) and Quebec City (l. eventual champion Parmentier). Also picked up fourth career WTA doubles title at Acapulco (w/Maria) and reached doubles final at Nottingham (w/Buzarnescu)
• Struggled throughout 2014 season with a right rib injury and missed two months in 2013 due to glandular fever (Miami to Roland Garros)
• Enjoyed a breakthrough 2012 season, winning Osaka to become first British woman to win a WTA singles title since Sara Gomer in 1988. Finished year as British No.1
• With 2012 Osaka singles title, became first British woman to win a WTA singles title since Sara Gomer in 1988
• Broke into Top 100 on June 6, 2011 and made Top 50 debut on October 15, 2012
• On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles and three doubles titles
• Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2010 Miami and recorded first main draw match win at 2010 Eastbourne
• Played first professional event on ITF Circuit at 2009 ITF/Jersey-GBR
• Member of Great Britain Fed Cup Team, 2011-18 and Great Britain Olympic Team, 2012, 2016

CAREER MILESTONES

• Ended 2019 campaign at No.12 (up from No.39 in 2018), despite not playing after US Open due to knee injury
• Last season was highlighted by historic run at Roland Garros; recording first ever main draw win in Paris before becoming the first British woman to reach SF since Jo Durie’s run to the same stage in 1983, eventually falling to Vondrousova
• Re-entered Top 20 on June 10, 2019 for first time since March 2018 (dropped as low as No.50)
• Other highlights in 2019 included QF run at Wimbledon (d. No.9 Stephens and No.6 Kvitova) and US Open (l. Strycova), R-Up finish in Rome (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rabat (l. Sakkari, after leading by a set and a break)
• Highlights in 2018 included a second successive R-Up finish at Nottingham (l. Barty) and SF at Moscow [Kremlin Cup] (l. eventual champion Kasatkina)
• Began 2017 season by lifting title at Sydney (d. A. Radwanska in F), before landing biggest title of career at Miami (w. Wozniacki in F)
• At 2017 Wimbledon became first British player since Virginia Wade in 1978 to reach Wimbledon SF (l. eventual R-Up V Williams)
• Reached third final of 2017 season at Nottingham (l. Vekic), Also in 2017, reached SF for second year in a row at home event of Eastbourne – QF defeat of World No.1 Kerber was first by a British woman over a reigning No.1 since Barker d. Evert at 1979 Boston Open
• Reached first Premier Mandatory final of career at 2016 Beijing (l. A.Radwanska)
• Was the non-playing alternate for WTA Finals in Singapore in 2016, narrowly missing qualification in the Top 8
• By virtue of reaching 2016 Beijing final, made WTA Top 10 debut – becoming the first British woman to feature in the elite group since Durie in 1984, and the fourth British woman overall to do so (also Wade and Barker)
• Won career-first singles title at 2016 Stanford in maiden final (d. V.Williams in F). First British woman to reach final of a Premier event since WTA Roadmap was introduced in 2009
• Broke into Top 20 on June 6, 2016 (at No.18) – first British woman in Top 20 for nearly 30 years (the week of October 13, 1986, with Durie at No.20)
• Was voted WTA Most Improved Player in 2016 by international media and fans
• Made tour-level main draw debut at 2011 Copenhagen
HEATHER WATSON VS JOHANNA KONTA

PERSONAL
- Currently working with Alexander Ward
- Born on Channel Island of Guernsey. Mother is Michelle and father is Ian; siblings are Adam, Stephanie and Julie
- Started playing at age 7; moved to Bollettieri Academy in Florida at age 12 (still trains there)
- Endorsement portfolio includes New Balance, Dunlop, Bently Motors and Always
- Ambassador for UK Tennis Charity ‘Give it Your Max’

PERSONAL
- Born in Sydney, Australia; became a British citizen in May 2012. Parents are Gabor (hotelier) and Gabriella (dentist); older sister is Eva (works in fashion)
- Grandfather Tamas Kertesz played football for the Hungarian ‘Golden Team’ with Ferenc Puskas in 1955
- Switched clothing sponsor from Asics to Ellesse at end of 2018
- Currently working with Thomas Hogstedt, formerly worked with Dimitri Zavialoff, Michael Joyce and Wim Fissette
NAO HIBINO (JPN #78) vs. GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #16)

Head to Head: GARBIÑE MUGURUZA leads 2-0

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NAO HIBINO Tournament History

2019 | R2* | L - JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #171) | 7-5 | 7-6(5) |
2018 | R2* | L - KATIE SWAN (GBR #178) | 6-1 | 6-4 |
2017 | R2 | L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #37) | 6-1 | 3-6 | 6-2 |
2016 | R1 | L - KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #37) | 6-4 | 7-5 |
2015 | R3* | L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #104) | 6-1 | 6-1 |
2014 | R2* | L - FRANCOISE ABANDA (CAN #205) | 6-1 | 6-1 |

GARBIÑE MUGURUZA Tournament History

2019 | R1 | L - ALISON RISKE (USA #36) | 2-6 | 6-1 | 6-3 |
2018 | R2 | L - KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #202) | 3-6 | 6-4 | 6-4 |
2017 | R16 | L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #14) | 7-6(3) | 6-3 |
2016 | R2 | L - ANASTASIA SEVASTOVA (LAT #48) | 7-5 | 6-4 |
2015 | R2 | L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #97) | 7-6(4) | 6-7(4) | 6-2 |
2014 | R1 | L - MIRJANA LUCIC-BARONI (CRO #121) | 6-3 | 7-6(4) |
2012 | R1 | L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #10) | 6-3 | 6-7(6) | 6-1 |

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NAO HIBINO

US OPEN

• Making third main draw appearance at US Open and seventh overall
• Reached 2r here in 2017 (d. Bellis, l. Safarova), which is joint best Slam result, having also made this stage at 2020 Australian Open
• Fell 1r in 2016 (l. Mladenovic) and in qualifying in 2014-15 and 2018-19
• Contesting 11th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open – owns a 2-10 record across the Slams
• Faces No.16 Muguruza today – owns two Top 20 wins in career, over No.18 Stosur at 2016 Hong Kong and No.4 Svitolina at 2020 Hua Hin
• Has won two hard-court titles in her career, at 2015 Tashkent and 2019 Hiroshima
• Playing doubles this fortnight w/Ninomiya (face Blinkova/Kudermetova in 1r)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
• Best result at a major were 2r showings at 2017 US Open (l. Safarova) and 2020 Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Sakkari)
• In 2016 and 2017 fell in 1r at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon
• Best doubles results at a major were 3r showings at US Open in 2016 (w/Gibbs) and 2018 (w/Kalashnikova)

GARBIÑE MUGURUZA

US OPEN

• Making eighth main draw appearance at the US Open
• Best result here is reaching R16 in 2017 (l. Kvitova)
• Made 2r in 2015-16 and 2018, and lost opening matches 2012 (which was Grand Slam main draw debut), 2014 and most recently in 2019
• Flushing Meadows is the only Slam where she has yet to reach the QF or better – however has reached the QF or better at every event she’s played in 2020, going 16-4 across the season – third most main draw wins this year, behind Rybakina (21) and Mertens (19) and tied with Kontaveit (16)
• Making milestone 30th Grand Slam main draw appearance this fortnight
• Is a two-time Grand Slam champion (2016 Roland Garros, 2017 Wimbledon) – one of 10 Grand Slam champions in the draw
• Overall record across the Slams stands at 72-27, and is 24-5 in Slam 1r matches - last loss at this stage was to Riske at 2019 US Open
• Faces Hibino today in opening match – first time facing Japanese opposition at a Slam
• A loss to No.78 Hibino would be worst by ranking since 2019 Wimbledon (l. No.121 Haddad Maia)
• Last 1r exit came at 2019 Beijing (l. Kenin)
• Seeded No.10 this fortnight – highest seeding at a Slam since 2018 Wimbledon (No.3 seed)
• Withdrew from Western & Southern Open last week w/ left ankle injury

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

• Won titles at 2016 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in F dropping just one set en route to lifting the Coupe Suzanne Lenglen) and 2017 Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in F)
• Reached title match at 2020 Australian Open (l. Kenin in 3s) – Grand Slam final record now stands at 2-2 (also R-Up at 2015 Wimbledon – l. 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 – l. S.Williams)
• By winning 2017 Wimbledon, became only player to defeat both sisters in Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 2016) and Wimbledon (d. V.Williams in 2017)
• Best result at US Open came in 2017 with R16 showing
• In doubles, best result was SF run at 2014 Roland Garros w/Suárez Navarro
SEASON

• Last week contested qualifying at Western & Southern Open
• Prior to tennis’ hiatus, last outing was a 2r showing at WTA 125k Series event at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, I. Rogers)
• Posted SF run at Hua Hin (upset No.4 Svitolina en route, I. Kung) and made 2r at Acapulco (I. Fernandez)
• Opened season with qualifying loss at Auckland and matching her best major performance with a 2r run at Australian Open (as qualifier, I. Sakkari)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Ended 2019 ranked No.102, up from No.119 in 2018
• Season highlight was singles and doubles sweep at 2019 Hiroshima (w/Doi, whom she beat in singles final). Also reached 2r at Monterrey (I. Vickery) and fell 1r four times
• In 2018, reached the 2r five times across the season and picked up one singles and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
• Posted third Top 100 finish in 2017, having reached finals in Kuala Lumpur (I. Barty in F) and Nanchang (I. Peng)
• Ended 2016 at No.84 for second consecutive Top 100 season (finished 2015 at No.78 – up from No.207 in 2014)
• 2016 season highlights included reaching second WTA singles final at Tashkent (as defending champion, I. Kr.Pliskova) and advancing to QF at Auckland (I. Goerges), Istanbul (I. Buyukkayac and Florianopolis (I. Begu)
• Achieved career-high singles ranking of No.56 on January 18, 2016
• Nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2015 (media vote; won by Gavrilova)
• Made WTA main draw debut in September 2015 at Tokyo [Japan Open]. Reached 2r (d. Kuwata, l. Brengle)
• Fell in 2015 Tokyo [PPO] qualifying, however following week landed her first WTA singles title, at Tashkent (d. Vekic in F) – was her second tour-level main draw; just six players have done better, winning their debut event
• Made professional debut on ITF Circuit at $25k ITF/Karuizawa-JPN in 2012 (fell in qualifying), however won next tournament played at $10k ITF/Tokyo-JPN

SEASON

• 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 - is the only player to achieve this feat in 2020
• Last event played was Doha, reaching QF (I. Barty)
• Also made QFs at Dubai (I. Brady in 3s). Defeated former No.1 and four-time Grand Slam singles champion Clijsters in the 1r at Dubai 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 Kudernetova at Hobart International
• Began 2020 campaign posting SF appearance (I. eventual champion Alexandrova) at Shenzhen Open

CAREER MILESTONES

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

- Born in Aichi, Japan, and currently resides there
- Named after former WTA player Naoko Sawamatsu
- Was introduced to tennis aged 10
- Coached by Eiji Takeuchi

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
KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #26) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #67)

Head to Head: First meeting

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US OPEN

- Making 22nd appearance at US Open – overtaking four-time champion Navratilova (21) for most appearances in the Open Era
- Two-time singles champion, in 2000 (d. Davenport in F) and 2001 (d. S.Williams in F), and a finalist on two other occasions – on event debut in 1997 (l. Hingis) and again in 2002 (l. S.Williams)
- Reached SF or better on each of first six appearances at Flushing Meadows
- Also a two-time US Open doubles champion, in 1999 and 2009 (both w/S.Williams)
- Unseeded at US Open for second consecutive year and just sixth time overall
- Faces No.26 Muchova in opening round today; is 21-0 in 1r matches at Flushing Meadows
- Owns 79-18 record at her home Slam (2r walkover to Lisicki in 2011, when Venus announced her Sjogren’s diagnosis, does not count on record). Among active players trails only Serena (101-13) for wins in New York - tied with Evert for the most wins here in the Open Era (101-12)
- At 40 years old, is bidding to become just the third woman to win a US Open singles match after reaching this milestone - also Pratt (1968) and Richards (1979-80)
- One of eight players in this year’s field who’ve held the WTA World No.1 ranking, and one of six former US Open champions
- Last summer on hard courts, suffered 1r exits at San Jose and Toronto, made QF run at Western and Southern Open before falling 2r at US Open
- Among active players, sits in joint second place with Clijsters for career hard court titles – 31, trailing only Serena (47)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Playing 86th Grand Slam main draw appearance, the most in the Open Era
- Is a seven-time Grand Slam singles champion, winning Wimbledon five times: 2000-01 2005 and 2007-08. Also won US Open in 2000 (d. Davenport in F) and 2001 (d. S.Williams in F)
- The span between her maiden Grand Slam final at the US Open in 1997 and 2017 Wimbledon is the longest in Open Era history, followed by Navratilova 1975-94
- Owns 14 Grand Slam doubles titles (all w/S.Williams), most recently winning 2016 Wimbledon
- In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/ Lobo in F) in 1998

US OPEN

- Making third main draw appearance at US Open (fourth overall)
- Came through qualifying to reach 3r on her Grand Slam main draw debut in 2018 at Flushing Meadows, (d. Yastremska, d. No.12 Muguruza, l.Barty)
- Matched previous best result with 3r run here last year (l. S.Williams)
- Career best result at a major came at 2019 Wimbledon with loss to Svitolina in the QF (d. No.20 Kontaveit and No.3 Ka.Pliskova en route)
- Faces No.67 V. Williams in opening round today; owns 5-1 record in Grand Slam 1r matches
- Overall Grand Slam win-loss record is 10-6
- Competing at No.26, five places off her career high ranking of No.21 (achieved on November 4, 2019). By contrast, was No.44 this time last year
- Currently the Czech No.4 of eight women in the Top 100 (week of August 31, 2020)

GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Playing seventh Grand Slam main draw appearance at 2020 US Open
- Earned career-best result with QF appearance at 2019 Wimbledon defeating No.20 Kontaveit and No.3 Ka.Pliskova en route (l. Svitolina)
- Reached 3r at 2018 US Open in her main draw debut at the majors (as qualifier, l. Barty in 3r) and 2019 (l. R-Up S.Williams)
- Fell 2r at 2019 Roland Garros and 2020 Australian Open
- Earned US$156,000 in prize money during 2018 Flushing Meadows run, more than doubling her career total
KAROLINA MUCHOVA VS VENUS WILLIAMS

SEASON

• Returned to action at Western & Southern Open, where she lost to eventual R-Up Osaka in 3 sets in 2r
• Prior to hiatus, suffered 1r exit at Dubai (I. Siniakova) and fell 2r at Doha (I. Bertens)
• Reached 2r for first time at Australian Open (I. Bellis)
• Opened season with 1r exit at Brisbane (I. Riske)

CAREER MILESTONES

• Finished 2019 season in rich vein of form, winning 18 of last 24 matches, including winning maiden WTA title at Seoul (d. Linette in F), SFs at Zhuhai (I. eventual champion Sabalenka) and Moscow (I. Pavlyuchenkova) and maiden major QF at Wimbledon (I. Svitolina)
• Rose to career-high ranking of No.21 on November 4, 2019
• Other highlights of breakthrough 2019 season were R-Up finish on home soil at Prague (I. Teichmann) and QF at Doha (I. Svitolina) and the Bronx (I. Linette)
• Ended 2018 ranked No.145, her first Top 200 season (up from her previous best of No.208 in 2016)
• 2018 season highlight was making Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open (as qualifier, I. Barty in 3r)
• Also contested WTA qualifying in 2018 at Stuttgart, Roland Garros, Wimbledon and Luxembourg
• Reached three ITF Circuit finals in 2018, including back-to-back finals at $25k ITF/Altenkirchen-GER (I. Dart) and $60k ITF/Croissy-Beauborg-FRA (I. Blinkova)
• Also reached the final at $80k ITF/Olomouc-CZE (I. Ferro)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Seoul (as qualifier, I. Hon). Also contested qualifying at 's-Hertogenbosch and Tokyo [Japan Open] and finished R-Up at one ITF Circuit event
• Won second career ITF Circuit title in 2016 and posted 39-18 win-loss record; at tour-level fell in qualifying at US Open
• On ITF Circuit has won two titles in singles and one in doubles
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2013

SEASON

• Coming off 1r exit at Western and Southern Open (I. Yastremska)
• Posted 2r showing at Lexington; snapped four-match losing streak with victory over fellow former No.1 Azarenka in 1r, before falling to sister Serena in 2r in what was the 31st career meeting between the sisters
• The win over Azarenka marked her first main draw win of 2020, having fallen in the opening round this year at the Australian Open (I. Gauff), Acapulco (I. Juvan) and Monterrey (I. Schmiedlova)
• Slipped to No.67 on March 9 – her lowest position since occupying No.72 spot on July 30, 2012

CAREER MILESTONES

• Ended 2019 ranked No.53, down from No.40 in 2018
• Reached four QFs across 2019, including Auckland (I. eventual R-Up Andreescu), Indian Wells (I. eventual R-Up Kerber), Birmingham (I. eventual champion Barty) and Cincinnati (I. eventual champion Keys)
• Scored her best win of the season at Indian Wells, ousting No.3 Kvitova in 3s. Also defeated defending champion and then-ranked No.5 in Cincinnati
• Also made R16 at Miami (I. Halep) and Rome (I. Konta)
• Season highlights in 2018 were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF effort at Miami (I. Collins)
• Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past $40 million – S.Williams ($92 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
• Teamed up in Fed Cup for Serena’s first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (played dead doubles rubber, I. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
• Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (I. Wozniacki) – the oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
• Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (I. Williams) and Wimbledon (I. Muguruza) – only player in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
• Shortly after her 37th birthday, returned to Top 10 by reaching 2017 Wimbledon final, becoming (at the time) the third oldest player to rank in Top 10 in WTA history behind Billie Jean King (September 26, 1983 – 39 years, 322 days) and Martina Navratilova (December 26, 1994 – 38 years, 75 days); also surpassed by 37-year-old Serena in February 2019
• 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is sixth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Serena Williams (38) at 2020 Auckland, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
PERSONAL

• Born in city of Olomouc in eastern Czech Republic, but moved to train in Prague this year
• Started playing tennis at aged seven with dad, a former professional footballer in Czech Republic
• Roger Federer was tennis idol growing up
• Coached by David Kotyza, formerly with Emil Miske

CAREER CONT.

• With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era titleholders, chasing Monica Seles (53 titles)
• At Grand Slam level in 2016, advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) which was first time reaching that stage at a major since 2010 US Open
• At 2016 Rio Olympics won silver medal in the mixed doubles (w/Ram, l. Mattek-Sands/Sock)
• Returned to Top 10 for first time since March 2011 following victory in final of the 2015 WTA Elite Trophy
• Was diagnosed with Sjögrens Syndrome in 2011, missing the end of that season and start of 2012
• Won singles gold medal at 2000 Sydney Olympics (d. Dementieva in F); won doubles gold three times with sister Serena, at Sydney, Beijing and London
• Spent 11 weeks at World No.1 in singles (first ascended to top spot week of February 25, 2002) and topped the doubles rankings for eight weeks in 2010
• Made WTA main draw debut at Oakland in 1994; as unranked WC, defeated Stafford in 1r before falling to then-world No.2 Sánchez Vicario in three sets

PERSONAL

• Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
• Chief Brand Officer of Asutra, a self-care line
• In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
• Coached by Eric Hechtman, Richard Williams and Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt at end of 2018

WTA
KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #N/A) vs. EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA (RUS #29)

Head to Head: First meeting

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US OPEN

- Making 10th appearance here in Flushing Meadows as a three-time US Open champion, having lifted the trophy in 2005 (d. Pierce in F), 2009 (as unranked WC, d. Wozniacki in F) and 2010 (d. Zvonareva in F)
- One of 10 Grand Slam champions and six former US Open winners in this year’s draw
- Owns 132-31 record across all majors - is one of seven active players to reach a century of wins
- Faces No.29 Alexandrova in today’s opening match where she looks to score her first win since returning to the WTA Tour
- Owns an excellent 33-2 record in Grand Slam 1r matches; this .943 win percentage is bettered by only one other active player - S.Williams (73-1, .986)
- Today will mark her 45th match at Flushing Meadows. Prior to the start of this year’s draw, only four active players have contested more matches at the tournament: S.Williams (114), V.Williams (97), Kuznetsova (51) and Azarenka (46)
- During her eight years away, the Belgian gave birth to her second and third child, and was inducted into the International Tennis Hall of Fame in 2017
- Clijsters said goodbye to the game for the second time at the 2012 US Open, falling to Robson in straight sets; heading into her 2r match-up against the Brit, the then 29-year-old Belgian was on a 22-match winning streak at Flushing Meadows – a run stemming back to her defeat by Justine Henin in the final of 2003. Only Chris Evert had won more consecutive matches at the US Open (31)
- Clijsters ‘first career’ was highlighted by two victories at the WTA Championships (2002-03), 19 non-consecutive weeks as World No.1 on the WTA Rankings (first attained on August 11, 2003 for 10 weeks), and a maiden Slam title at the 2005 US Open. That triumph at New York came after four runner-up finishes at the Slams: Roland Garros in 2001 and 2003, the US Open in 2003 and the Australian Open in 2004
- Clijsters first stepped away from tennis in May 2007, marrying Bryan Lynch shortly after and giving birth to a daughter, Jada, in February 2008. But in July 2009, after 26 months away from the tour, she launched what would prove to be a famous comeback. In just her third tournament back, Clijsters won the US Open to become the first mother to win a Grand Slam title since Evonne Goolagong at Wimbledon in 1980. She defended that title in 2010, going on to capture a third WTA Championships title at Doha, and winning the 2011 Australian Open. Her win in Melbourne saw Clijsters return to No.1 one for a 20th career week in February 2011
- Thirteenth player in the Open Era to win 40 singles titles, with 41 in total
- Is 18 wins away from reaching the 500 wins club (main draw)
**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Contesting 36th Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open - her first since 2012 US Open
- Four-time Grand Slam winner, at US Open in 2005 (d. Pierce in F), 2009 (d. Wozniacki) and 2010 (d. Zvonareva), extended winning streak there to 21 matches; won first GS title outside US at 2011 Australian Open
- At 2009 US Open became first wildcard to win a Grand Slam title and first mother to do so since Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1980 Wimbledon); 2009 US Open was first Slam played since 2007 Australian Open
- Won 2005 US Open in fifth Grand Slam final – the only female player in the Open Era to lose four finals and go on to win a major; runner-up at 2001 Roland Garros (l. Capriati), 2003 Roland Garros/2003 US Open/2004 Australian Open (l. Henin each time); also 8-time semifinalist, and 3-time quarterfinalist
- Has not lost in 1r of a major since 2000 Roland Garros, one of only two occasions that she has fallen in the opening round
- On Grand Slam (and tour-level) debut at 1999 Wimbledon, advanced to R16 (as qualifier, l. No.2 seed Graf)
- Owns two Grand Slam doubles titles w/Sugiyama (2003 Roland Garros and Wimbledon); mixed doubles finalist (2000 Wimbledon w/Hewitt)

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**SEASON**

- Withdrew from Western & Southern Open w/abdominal injury
- Suffered 1r exits at both tournaments contested this season - Dubai (l. Muguruza) and Monterrey (l. Konta)
- Dubai marked the first event of her 2020 comeback campaign; originally targeted an earlier start to the year but injuries delayed her return to the WTA Tour
- Coming off 2r showing at Western & Southern Open (d. Rybakina, l. McHale)
- On return to action from the tennis’ hiatus, fell 2r at Palermo (l. Ferro) and 1r at Prague (l. Tsurenko)
- During the tour’s break, played several exhibition events in Prague alongside, among others, Ka.Pliskova and Vondrousova
- Opened 2020 season by winning first tour-level WTA singles title at Shenzhen (d. Rybakina in F, having dispatched seeds Wang (QF) and Muguruza (SF) along the way)
- Extended winning streak to seven by advancing to 3r at Australian Open (l. Kvitova) – was seeded for the first time at a major (No.25)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Bogdan and Ruse) as Russia beat Romania in Cluj-Napoca to reach next year’s Fed Cup by BNP Paribas Finals
- In February reached maiden Premier-level SF at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens) and fell 1r at Doha (l. Anisimova); rose to career-high ranking of No.25 after St. Petersburg run (February 17, 2020)
CAREER MILESTONES

- Owner of 41 singles titles, including four Grand Slams, most recently 2011 Australian Open; Runner-Up at 19 events, most recently 2011 Paris (indoors); owns 11 doubles crowns
- Retired at 2012 US Open, losing 76(4) 76(5) to then-18-year-old Laura Robson in 2r
- In final season, advanced to three SFs at 2012 Brisbane, Australian Open (as def. champion) and 's-Hertogenbosch, in addition to a QF finish at the London Olympics (falling to eventual silver medalist Sharapova)
- 13th player in the Open Era to win 40 singles titles or more, adding 2 in 2011, including 4th Grand Slam singles title
- At the time of winning 2011 Australian Open, moved into 3rd place on career prize money list behind both Williams sisters
- Returned to tour at 2009 Cincinnati (after more than 2 years away, during which time she became a mother). In 3rd tournament back won 2nd Grand Slam title at US Open; played 4 events in 2009 and ended year ranked No.18; prior to return had not played since May 6, 2007 (l. Vakulenko, 2r Warsaw); announced plans for comeback in March 2009, played exhibitions at Wimbledon in May, 's-Hertogenbosch in June and World Team Tennis in July
- Only player to beat Serena and Venus Williams at the same tournament twice (2002 WTA Champs and 2009 US Open)
- Became 13th player and first Belgian to hold No.1 singles ranking on August 11, 2003; spent total of 20 weeks at No.1; last ranked No.1 on February 20, 2011; also held No.1 ranking in doubles for 3 weeks, becoming only the 5th player in WTA history to hold No.1 singles and doubles simultaneously (Navratilova, Sánchez-Vicario, Hingis and Davenport; S.Williams became 6th player to do so in June 2010)
- Missed much of 2004 w/left wrist injury (underwent surgery on June 12, 2004; played only 1 tournament between then and February 2005; returned to win Indian Wells-Miami double (only 2nd woman after Graf); injured left wrist again at 2006 Montreal and missed a further 2 months. Missed most of 2010 clay court season with left foot injury (suffered at Fed Cup tie)
- Has 6 career wins vs. reigning No.1, most recently vs. Wozniacki at 2012 Australian Open
- Member of Belgian Fed Cup Team, 2000-06, 2010-11 helping Belgium win its first-ever title in 2001 and Belgian Olympic Team, 2012

CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted first Top 40 season finish in 2019, at No.35 (up from No.93 the year prior)
- Registered 30 tour-level match wins during 2019, in which she reached SF at Budapest, Seoul and Linz and made QF at St. Petersburg, 's-Hertogenbosch, Eastbourne and Moscow. Also advanced to 3r at a major for the first time, at Roland Garros
- Made Top 50 debut after QF run at 's-Hertogenbosch (June 17, 2019)
- Other highlights in 2019 included upset of No.5 Halep en route to R16 at Beijing – the first win of her career over a Top 5 player – and 3r showing at Roland Garros
- Won first WTA doubles title at 2019 Budapest (w/ Zvonareva)
- Reached maiden WTA final at 2018 Linz (l. Giorgi). Other notable results in 2018 were QF run at Seoul (d. No.10 Ostapenko en route for her first career Top 10 win) and lifted WTA 125K Series title at Limoges for second time
- Made Top 100 debut at No.93 after winning title at $60K ITF/Shenzhen-CHN (March 20, 2017)
- Won WTA 125K Series title at Limoges in 2016 (d. Garcia in F). Also in 2016 reached 2r at Wimbledon (won her way through qualifying, on first attempt to qualify at any Slam, upsetting No.23 seed Ivanovic in 1r)
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2016 Kato-wice (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Giorgi)
- Contested qualifying for the first time at a WTA-level tournament at 2014 Bad Gastein
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in 2011
PERSONAL

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

PERSONAL

- Coached by Vojtech Flegl and also her father, Evgeny Alexandrov
- Born in Chelyabinsk, Russia, and began playing tennis at age six; remembers playing on holiday at Spain. Now trains in Prague, Czech Republic
- Favorite surface is hard and admires Serena Williams
VIKTORIYA TOMOVA (BUL #133) vs. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #28)

Head to Head: First meeting

VIKTORIYA TOMOVA (BUL #133) vs. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #28)

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**US OPEN**

- Making main draw debut at US Open, having previously fallen in qualifying 2016-19
- Came within one match of reaching the main draw at Flushing Meadows in both 2016 and 2017, losing in three sets in the final round of qualifying on both occasions
- Contesting third Grand Slam main draw this fortnight. Fell 1r at 2018 Australian Open (as qualifier, I. Gibbs) and reached 2r at 2018 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Smolka, I. S.Williams)
- Faces Anisimova in 1r today; highest-ranked opponent faced in her career was No.4 Osaka in 2r at 2019 Osaka
- Best career win by ranking was over No.40 Goerges in 1r of 2017 Bastad
- Currently ranked No.133, five spots off career-high
- Bulgarian No.1 of two in Top 200 (also No.189 Shinikova), although former Wimbledon semifinalist Pironkova is also competing in New York under a protected ranking of No.123

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Best result at one of the majors was 2r showing at 2018 Wimbledon (as qualifier, d. Smolka, I. S.Williams)
- On Grand Slam debut, fell 1r at 2018 Australian Open (as LL, I. Gibbs)
- Has lost in qualifying at other two majors Roland Garros (2017-19) and US Open (2016-19)
- Competed in girls’ singles and doubles at Wimbledon and Roland Garros in 2011

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

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

- During the break on tour, won a series of exhibitions in central Europe, posting 7-0 win-loss record
- In final event before the tour’s hiatus, made 2r at Lyon (I. Van Uytvanck)
- Enjoyed productive spell on ITF Circuit in Great Britain, finishing R-Up at $25K Sunderland before winning 16th title at this level at $25K Sunderland (d. Raducanu in F)
- Opened 2020 by contesting qualifying at both Brisbane and Australian Open

CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted fourth consecutive Top 200 season in 2019 (finishing at No.159)
- Made four tour-level appearances last year, highlighted by 2r showing at Osaka (as qualifier, d. Cornet, l. Osaka), while won title at $80K ITF/Biarmitz-FRA (d. Kovicin in F)
- Finished 2018 ranked No.156 however reached her career high ranking of No.128 on July 16, 2018
- Year was highlighted by her first ever Grand Slam main draw appearance at Australian Open (l. Gibbs in 1r) and first ever Grand Slam main draw victory at Wimbledon (d. Smitkova, I. S.Williams in 2r)
- Reached 2r at Istanbul (d. Ivakhnenko, I. Kuznetsova) and Hong Kong (d. Hakupovic, I. Kucova)
- On ITF circuit, best result was SF at $100k ITF/Suzhou-CHN (l. Zheng)
- Finished 2017 ranked No.141 (up from No.152 in 2016) – best year-end finish of career
- In 2017, reached 2r at Bastad (as qualifier, l. Krunic) and Linz (as qualifier, l. Gutubic). Also fell 1r at Gstaad – making her WTA main draw debut – and in qualifying on 12 occasions (including all four majors)
- Won two ITF Circuit titles in 2017 at $25k ITF/Istanbul-TUR and $25k ITF/Sofial-BUL – her 13th and 14th titles at this level
- Made successful comeback from injury in 2016, winning 64 matches and four titles, rising over 300 places in the rankings. Since return has stopped playing doubles to protect injury
- In 2015, missed five months with a leg muscle strain – ended season at No.474
- Member of Bulgarian Fed Cup Team, 2014-15, 2017-20
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2010 Miami
- On ITF Circuit owns 16 singles titles and 12 doubles titles
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Bulgaria in 2009

SEASON

- Coming off 2r showing last week at the Western & Southern Open (d. Riske, l. Pegula)
- At Doha in February, withdrew prior to 3r match vs. Kuznetsova (w/gastrointestinal illness)
- Upset No.7 Svitolina in 2r at Doha to record her first Top 10 win of 2020 and third overall, also No.9 Kvitova (2018 Indian Wells) and No.3 Halep (2019 Roland Garros)
- Made 1r exits at Australian Open (l. Diyas) and Dubai (l. Strycova, having led 3-1 in third set)
- Kicked off campaign with SF at Auckland (l. eventual champion S.Williams) – her first time reaching the final four since 2019 Roland Garros (l. Barty)

CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlight of 2019 season was winning maiden title at Bogotá (d. Sharma in F); at 17y 222d was the youngest American to win a title since S.Williams at 1999 Indian Wells (17y 169d)
- Finished 2019 ranked No.24 – the youngest of three teenagers in the Top 50 (also Andreescu and Yasmentska). Other standout performances included SF run at Roland Garros – first player (man or woman) born in 2000s to advance to this stage of a major – QF showings at Mallorca and San Jose, and R16 appearance at Australian Open – at 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at a Slam since Paszek at 2007 US Open (16 yrs 277 days)
- Scored maiden win over a Top 5 player during 2019 Roland Garros, upsetting No.3 and defending champ Halep in QF
- Made Top 100 debut at No.95 on September 17, 2018, after reaching first WTA final at Hiroshima (as qualifier, l. Hsieh)
- Also in 2018, upset No.9 Kvitova to become the joint-youngest player to reach R16 at Indian Wells, along with Majoli, who made SF in 1994 (both aged 16 years, 199 days)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Miami (l. Townsend in 3s), with Grand Slam bow coming at 2017 Roland Garros. Also in 2017, reached four ITF Circuit finals, winning $60k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA and finishing R-Up at $25k ITF/Curitiba-BRA, $80k ITF/Indian Harbour Beach, FL-USA and $60k ITF/Dothan, AL-USA
- Owns six Top 20 wins: No.9 Kvitova (2018 Indian Wells), No.11 Sabalenka (2019 Australian Open), No.11 Sabalenka (2019 Roland Garros), No.3 Halep (2019 Roland Garros), No.7 Svitolina (2020 Doha) and No.19 Riske (2020 Western & Southern Open)
- In juniors, won US Open girls’ singles in 2017 and was R-Up at 2016 Roland Garros
- Reached No.2 in junior world rankings
VIKTORIYA TOMOVA  VS  AMANDA ANISIMOVA

PERSONAL

- Has been coached by Mihail Kanev since she was 9
- Comes from a sporting family; grandfather played football for Bulgarian national team and also Levski and CSKA Sofia, while older brother Ivan was a top junior footballer
- Mother Eleonora works at the airport, father, Konstantin, owns a currency bureau
- Best friend on tour is Harriet Dart
- Admires Simona Halep’s game
- Speaks Bulgarian, English, Croatian and a little Russian

PERSONAL

- Coached by Jaime Cortez and Andis Juska, while fitness trainer is Yutaka Nakamura
- Mother is Olga and father is Konstantin (deceased), both parents were born and raised in Moscow; sister Maria Anisimova-Egee played tennis at University of Pennsylvania and now lives in New York
- Born in New Jersey but moved to Miami at age of 3
SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #39) vs. MIHAELA BUZARNESCU (ROU #122)

Head to Head: First meeting

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**US OPEN Tournament History**

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**US OPEN**

- Making ninth main draw appearance at US Open (and 12th appearance overall)
- One of six champions in this year’s draw having triumphed unseeded in 2017
- At No.83, was second-lowest ranked Grand Slam champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Grand Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Made QF during title defense in 2018 (l. Sevastova)
- Reached 3r here in 2011 on US Open main draw debut (as WC, l. Ivanovic) and again in 2012 (l. Ivanovic) before reaching R16 in 2013 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)

- Record in Grand Slam 1r matches stands at 22-10
- Win-loss record across all Slams is 67-31
- Faces No.122 Buzarnescu in 1r today; lost to a player ranked outside Top 100 at this stage last year (Suffered 1r exit last year: No.127 Kalinskaya)
- Five of her seven defeats in 2020 have been at the hands of players outside Top 100
- One of 31 Americans in starting field. The home nation has had at least one representative in SF (or better) every year since 2007

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2020 US Open marks 33rd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- 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**

- 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 three tournaments of the year, at Brisbane (l. Samsonova), Adelaide (l. Rodionova) and Australian Open (l. Zhang)

**US OPEN**

- Making third main draw appearance at US Open (fifth overall)
- Has fallen 1r in both previous main draw appearances here: one her Grand Slam main draw debut in 2017 (as qualifier, l. No.5 seed Wozniacki) and 2019 (l. Petkovic)
- Missed 2018 tournament after badly injuring right ankle in Montreal; at the time had just cracked the Top 20 after lifting maiden singles title at San Jose
- Owns 6-8 Grand Slam win-loss record across the majors with career-best result coming at 2018 Roland Garros where she advanced to R16 (l. Keys)
- Faces No.39 Stephens in opening round today; playing her first match since last September (due to shoulder injury)
- During last year’s North American hard court season suffered 1r exit at San Jose before falling in qualifying at Toronto and Cincinnati. Also advanced to 2r at Bronx before falling 1r at US Open

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Playing ninth Grand Slam main draw at 2020 US Open
- Has been seeded four times in her six previous Grand Slam appearances – was No.31 seed at 2018 Roland Garros, No.29 seed at 2018 Wimbledon, No.25 at 2019 Australian Open and No.30 at 2019 Roland Garros
- Advanced to R16 at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Keys) for her best result at a major to date; also made 3r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Fell 1r on Slam main draw debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, l. No.5 seed Wozniacki)
- Reached QF stage in doubles at 2018 Roland Garros (w/Bara, l. H.Chan/Z.Yang)
- Before making main draw debut, had fallen eight times in qualifying

**SEASON**

- Missed opening months of the season due to shoulder injury
**CAREER MILESTONES**

- Finished 2019 season ranked No.110; campaign was highlighted by SF run at Hiroshima (l. Hibino)
- Enjoyed stellar year in 2018, reaching her first three WTA singles finals and breaking into the Top 20
- Lifted first WTA singles title at Premier level San Jose (d. Sakkari in F). Also finished R-Up at 2018 Hobart (l. Mertens) and 2018 Prague (l. Kvitova)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.20 on August 6
- Prior to 2018, had three WTA main draw wins to her name. Ended last season with a 36-21 record at tour, main draw level
- Posted her first five Top 20 wins of career in 2018, over No.6 Ostapenko (2018 Doha), No.4 Svitolina (2018 Roland Garros), No.5 Svitolina (2018 Birmingham), No.20 Bertens (2018 Eastbourne) and No.15 Mertens (San Jose)
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- Enjoyed breakthrough year in 2017, achieving first Top 100 season of career at No.72. Previous best year-end finish was in 2011 (No.155)
- Reached first tour-level SF of career at 2017 Linz (having come through qualifying), defeating No.35 Kontaveit en route (l. eventual champion Strycova)
- Broke into Top 100 after Linz run (October 16, 2017); at 29 was the oldest Top 100 debutante since 33-year-old Obziler on February 19, 2007 at No.96
- Made Slam and WTA main draw debut at 2017 US Open as a qualifier (l. Wozniacki in 1r). Prior to US Open breakthrough had made 16 unsuccessful attempts to qualify for tour-level tournaments, including eight Grand Slams, dating back to 2007 Fès
- Ascent up the rankings helped by strong showings on ITF Circuit in 2017, picking up seven titles, including $100k ITF/Poitiers-FRA
- In 2015, won 48 matches, four ITF Circuit titles and rose 600 spots in the rankings, ending at No.260
- Has won 22 singles and 34 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut at 2004 $10k ITF/Bucharest-ROU (l. Savu in 1r)

**CAREER MILESTONES**

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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

PERSONAL

- Coached by Artemon Apostu and father, Mihai, a former Romanian intercollegiate tennis player; mother is Marcela (pharmacist)
- Introduced to tennis at age 4 by parents
- Has been part of the Romanian national tennis federation since age 12
- Dream doubles partners are childhood idol Pete Sampras and all-time favorite player Serena Williams
- Gained PhD in sports science from UNEFS in Bucharest
VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #27) vs. BARBARA HAAS (AUT #139)

Head to Head: First meeting

VICTORIA AZARENKA

WTA RANKING

PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD

DATE OF BIRTH (AGE) 19-03-1996 (24)

YTD PRIZE MONEY $49,741

CAREER PRIZE MONEY $434,864

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Doubles TITLES (YTD / CAREER) 0 / 0

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BARBARA HAAS

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US OPEN Tournament History

VICTORIA AZARENKA

2019

R1 L - ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #13) 3-6 6-3 6-4

2018

R3 L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #3) 6-3 6-4

2015

QF L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #2) 6-3 4-6 6-4

2014

QF L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #18) 6-4 6-2

2013

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

2012

F L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #4) 6-2 2-6 7-5

2011

R3 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #27) 6-1 7-6(5)

BARBARA HAAS

2019

R1* L - XINYU WANG (CHN #192) 6-1 5-7 6-2

2017

R2* L - JANA FETT (CRO #131) 6-4 2-6 6-1

2016

R1 L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #34) 5-7 6-3 7-5

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**US OPEN**

- Making 13th main draw appearance at US Open, where she is a two-time R-Up, in 2012 (l. S.Williams) and 2013 (l. S.Williams)
- Also a two-time quarterfinalist in New York, in 2014 and 2015
- Among active players, places fifth for wins at US Open (34-12 record)
- R-Up in doubles here in 2019 (w/Barty, l. Mertens/ Sabalenka); seeded No.7 this year w/Kenin (face Perez/Sanders in 1r)
- Contesting landmark 50th major this fortnight - one of nine active players to reach this milestone - compiling 127-46 win-loss record
- Has lost in 1r at Slams on nine occasions – but only once at US Open, in 2019 to Sabalenka - whom she could face in 2r this year
- Faces No.139 Haas in 1r today - has lost three times to players ranked outside Top 100 in the main draw at a Slam: No.217 A.Radwanska (2006 Wimbledon), No.118 Knapp via ret. (2016 Roland Garros) and No.110 Siegemund (2019 Australian Open)
- One of eight players who've held the WTA World No.1 singles ranking in this year’s draw
- Currently ranked No.27 – her highest ranking since return from maternity leave in 2017

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Two-time major champion, winning Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2013 (d. Li in F)
- Also a two-time runner-up, at 2012 and 2013 US Open (losing to S.Williams in 3s on both occasions)
- Advanced to Wimbledon SF in 2011 and 2012, while best result at Roland Garros is also SF run in 2013
- Four-time Grand Slam doubles finalist, at 2008 Australian Open (w/Peer), 2009 Roland Garros (w/Vesnina), 2011 Australian Open (w/Kirilenko) and 2019 US Open (w/Barty)
- Two-time Grand Slam mixed doubles champion, at 2007 US Open (w/Mirnyi) and 2008 Roland Garros (w/B.Bryan). Most recently finished as mixed doubles R-Up at 2018 Wimbledon (w/J.Murray)
- Won girls' singles titles at the Australian Open and US Open in 2005

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**US OPEN**

- Making second Grand Slam main draw appearance at 2020 US Open, with her only other Slam outing also coming here in New York in 2016
- That year, came through qualifying, before falling to Babos in 1r, having led 4-0 in the third set
- Fell in qualifying here in New York in 2017 and 2019
- Enters main draw this year as direct entrant, ranked No.139 - career-high ranking is No.133 (February 24, 2020)
- Faces No.27 Azarenka in 1r today – highest-ranked opponent faced in her career is No.10 Bertens at 201 Linz (l. 6-2 6-1)
- In terms of ranking, best win of career came over No.86 Hsieh in qualifying at 2017 Brisbane
- Only previous tour-level match wins of career came over No.183 Eraydin at 2017 Gstaad and No.214 Muramatsu at 2020 Hua Hin
- Austrian No.1 of two in Top 500 (also No.226 Grabher). Is also the first Austrian woman to compete in the main draw at a Slam in singles since her own run through qualifying here in 2016
- The last Austrian to win a match at US Open was Mayr-Achleitner in 2013 (d. Rybarikova in 1r), while across all Slams it was Meusburger at 2014 Wimbledon (d. Vania King in 1r)

**GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 US Open, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Babos in 3s)
- Also fell in qualifying on nine further occasions
SEASON

• Lifted 21st career title at last week’s Western & Southern Open when final opponent Osaka withdrew w/left hamstring injury; now 21-17 in singles finals
• Suffered 1r exit at Lexington (l. V.Williams) in her second WTA event of 2020
• Opened 2020 season with 1r exit at Monterrey (l. Zidansek), having contested any events in Australia due to personal reasons

CAREER MILESTONES

• Last tournament of 2019 was the US Open, where she fell to Sabalenka in 1r; also reached the doubles final w/Barty (l. Mertens/Sabalenka)
• Highlight of 2019 was 37th singles final at Monterrey (d. No.5 Kerber in SF, l. Muguruza in F via ret. w/leg injury). Also made QFs at Acapulco (l. Kenin), Stuttgart (l. Kontaveit via ret.) and Rome (l. Ka.Pliskova)
• On February 2, 2019 returned to Top 50 for first time following the birth of her child, Leo
• Highlights of 2018 season included SF at Miami (l. Stephens) and QF at San Jose and Tokyo
• Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child in December 2016
• Comeback tournament was Mallorca, reaching 2r (d. Ozaki, l. Konjuh). Prior to 2017 Mallorca, last tournament contested was 2016 Roland Garros (1r)
• Followed this with R16 at Wimbledon (l. Halep). Did not play after Wimbledon due to personal reasons
• Ended 2016 ranked No.13, despite missing second-half of season after going on maternity leave (announced pregnancy mid-July). Lifted three titles, at Brisbane and ‘Sunshine Double’ of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
• Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, l. Kerber), Rome (2r, l. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/right knee injury)
• Limited to total of 23 events over 2014-15 seasons due to variety of injuries
• Posted five consecutive Top 10 finishes between 2009 and 2013, qualifying for the WTA Finals on each occasion (l. Kvitova in 2011 final in Istanbul)
• Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks
• Began 2012 with 26-match win streak – best start since Hingis went 37-0 in 1997. Went on to win tour-leading 69 matches in 2012, season highlighted by six titles, finishing as WTA's year-end No.1
• Won two medals for Belarus at 2012 Olympics – bronze in singles and mixed doubles gold (w/Mirnyi)
• Made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Kolkata
• ITF Junior World Champion for 2005 – reached first tour-level semifinal at Guangzhou the same year

SEASON

• Contested qualifying at Palermo
• Prior to tour’s hiatus, made 3r at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (l. Wickmayer)
• At Hua Hin in February reached 2r in singles (l. Wang Xiyu) and was doubles R-Up (w/Perez)
• Opened the season with qualifying exit at Brisbane before reaching third round of qualifying at the Australian Open

CAREER MILESTONES

• Rose to career-high ranking of No.133 on February 24, 2020
• Posted third Top 200 season in 2019, at No.151 (up from No.204 in 2018) after compiling 45-26 record (across all levels)
• Last year, fell 1r at Prague (as qualifier, l. Pera), Laußanne (as qualifier, l. Stosur), Jurmala (as qualifier, l. Potapova) and Linz (as WC, l. Pavlyuchenkova), while won three singles titles on ITF Circuit, including at $60k ITF/Hechingen-GER
• In doubles was R-Up at 2019 Linz (w/Knoll); is 0-2 in WTA doubles finals
• Registered first tour-level match win during 2r showing at 2017 Gstaad (d. Eraydin, l. Larsson)
• Enjoyed first Top 150 season in 2016 (finishing No.149). Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open (as qualifier, l. Babos) and also made 1r exits at Linz and Gstaad, while on ITF Circuit won back-to-back singles titles and reached two other SFs
• Fell 1r on WTA debut at 2012 Bad Gastein (as WC, l. Evtimova)
• On ITF Circuit has won 16 titles in singles and two in doubles
• Member of Austrian Fed Cup team 2015-19
• Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Austria in 2010
PERSONAL

- Currently without a full-time coach but worked with Francis Bougy at last week’s Western & Southern Open. Formerly coached by Wim Fissette, Sam Sumyk and Michael Joyce
- Gave birth to son Leo in December 2016
- Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother Alla; father’s name is Fedor and older brother is Max

PERSONAL

- Coached by Juergen Waber (previously worked with Paszek and Bammer)
- Born in Linz, Austria
- Off the court enjoys traveling, shopping, reading and cooking - favorite foods are Kaiserschmarm and Schnitzel
- Favorite book is Unstoppable.