



MATCH NOTES: J & T BANKA OSTRAVA OPEN
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ZHANG SHUAI (CHN #48) VS. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #49)

Head-to-head: Series tied 2-2

2021	CINCINNATI	HARD	(O)	R1	YULIA PUTINTSEVA	6-2 6-0
2020	WESTERN & SOUTHERN OPEN	HARD	(O)	R1	YULIA PUTINTSEVA	6-4 6-3
2019	BILLIE JEAN KING CUP	HARD	(I)	-	ZHANG SHUAI	6-3 4-6 6-3
2017	BEIJING	HARD	(O)	R1	ZHANG SHUAI	6-4 6-4

ZHANG		PUTINTSEVA	
Career Prize Money	\$7,713,604	Career Prize Money	\$5,364,336
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Jan. 21, 1989 (32)	Date of Birth (Age)	Jan. 7, 1995 (26)
Singles Titles	2	Singles Titles	2
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	11-18 / 188-211	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	24-18 / 157-162
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-3 / 52-51	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	7-10 / 51-54
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	5-1 / 47-45	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	5-3 / 38-36
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	5-8 / 140-139	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	12-10 / 93-107
Coach	Liu Shuo	Coach	Roman Kislianski

ZHANG:

Ostrava

- Making second appearance at J&T Banka Ostrava Open. Fell 1r last year (I. Muchova)
- Faces Putintseva in 1r today; owns 1-9 record against Top-50 opponents this season, with sole win coming over No.26 Keys at San Jose
- Including last week's early exit in Luxembourg, has fallen 12 times in 1r this season
- Only Chinese player in the draw
- No.2 seed w/Mirza in the doubles draw (face Bektas/Moore in 1r)

Season

- Coming off 1r defeat at Luxembourg (I. Bouzkova)
- Lifted second Grand Slam doubles title at US Open (w/Stosur, d. Gauff/McNally). In singles, fell 2r (I. eventual champion Raducanu)
- Advanced to QF at Cleveland (I. Sorribes Tormo) and San Jose (I. Konjuh). Fell 1r at Montréal (I. Konta) and Cincinnati (as qualifier, I. Putintseva)
- Coming off SF showing at Palermo (I. eventual champion Collins)
- Opened grass court season with R-Up finish at Nottingham (I. Konta), which she followed by 2r showing at Birmingham (I. Watson) and 1r exit at Wimbledon (I. Muchova). Also contested qualifying at Eastbourne
- Fell 1r at Roland Garros (I. Lepchenko)

- Ended nine-match losing streak with 2r showing at Strasbourg (d. Doi, I. Cirstea)
- Also suffered 1r defeats at Stuttgart (I. Kerber), Madrid (I. Mertens), Rome (I. Brady) and Belgrade (I. Osorio Serrano)
- Fell 1r at Charleston (I. Fernandez) and Miami (I. Petkovic)
- Opened season with 1r exit at Australian Open (I. Li)

Career Milestones

- Season highlight in 2020 was reaching third career WTA singles final (I. Rybakina in F) and finished R-Up in doubles at Hobart (w/Peng), which marked the first time she made it through to the championship match in both singles and doubles at the same tour-level event
- Also in 2020, made R16 at Roland Garros for the first time; now has advanced to second week in three Grand Slams across hard, grass and clay
- Standout results of 2019 season were reaching second Grand Slam singles QF of career at Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Halep), finishing R-Up at WTA125K Series event in Anning (I. S.Zheng) and closing out season by winning \$100k ITF/Tokyo-JPN (d. Paolini in F)
- Registered first Top 10 doubles season in 2019—finished at No.10 while posted career-high ranking at No.9 on May 20
- Won first Grand Slam title in doubles at 2019 Australian Open (w/Stosur; d. Babos/Mladenovic in F); also reached final at Miami w/Stosur (I. Mertens/Sabalenka). Team qualified for WTA Finals in Shenzhen (Zhang's debut at the season finale) where they advanced to SF (I. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)
- First Top 30 season in 2016, posted career-high ranking of No.23 on November 14
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF as qualifier (d. No.2 Halep and No.17 Key en route, I. Konta). Run also marked first time winning back-to-back main draw matches since semifinal run at 2014 Birmingham
- As a qualifier during 2016 Melbourne run, defeated No.2 Halep and No.17 Keys (I. Konta). Ranked No.133, became lowest-ranked player to advance to last eight in Melbourne since unranked Henin reached final in 2010, and first qualifier to do so since Gavaldon in 1990
- Contemplated retirement after ending 2015 ranked No.186, her lowest year-end finish since 2008 (No.212) and down from No.62 in 2014
- Winner of two WTA singles titles, at 2013 Guangzhou (d. King in F) and 2017 Guangzhou (d. Krunic in F); also won WTA 125K Series events at Nanjing in 2013 and Honolulu in 2017
- Scored first Top 10 win over then top ranked Safina in 1r at 2009 Beijing; at No.226, was the lowest-ranked player ever to beat a World No.1
- First broke into Top 100 on August 9, 2010 and Top 50 on February 3, 2014
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou
- Winner of 21 singles titles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup team in 2007, 2009-10, 2012, 2014-15, 2019-20. Chinese Olympic Team, 2012, 2016
- In mixed doubles, reached SF at 2018 US Open (w/Peers)

PUTINTSEVA:

Ostrava

- Making debut at Ostrava
- Faces Zhang in 1r today; beat the Chinese No.1 in 46 minutes when they met last month in 1r at Cincinnati
- Win-loss record against Top-50 opponents this season is 5-12
- Best hard-court results of her career were R-Up finishes at 2017 St. Petersburg and 2018 Guangzhou

Season

- Coming off SF showing at Portoroz (l. eventual champion Paolini)
- Defeated in 1r at US Open (l. Kanepi)
- Advanced to QF at San Jose (l. Mertens), then fell 1r at Montréal (l. Kudermetova) and 2r at Cincinnati (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Suffered 1r exit at Olympics (l. Podoroska)
- At Budapest, lifted second WTA title of her career (d. Kalinina in F)
- Defeated in 2r at Hamburg (after 1r bye, l. Petkovic)
- Contested qualifying at Eastbourne and reached 2r at Wimbledon (l. Badosa)
- Suffered 1r exits at Madrid (l. Konta) and Rome (l. Gauff), before reaching 2r at Belgrade (l. Konjuh) and Strasbourg (l. Linette). Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Jabeur)
- Reached QF at Charleston (l. Kovinic)
- Made 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. No.95 Stojanovic)
- Opened 2021 season by reaching 3r at Abu Dhabi (l. Kenin after holding 1MP) and 2r at Grampians Trophy (l. Azarenka). Advanced to 3r at Australian Open (l. Svitolina), then fell 2r at Adelaide (l. No.292 Sanders)

Career Milestones

- Recorded 300th career win (at all levels) with 1r triumph over Flipkens at 2020 Roland Garros
- Standout results of 2020 were QF runs at US Open (l. Brady) – first Kazakh woman to reach last eight in New York – and Rome (l. Halep)
- Owns one win over a reigning World No.1, upsetting Osaka on grass at 2019 Birmingham
- Won first career title at 2019 Nürnberg (d. Zidasek in F); afterwards rose to No.28 in rankings – one spot off career best No.27 (achieved February 6, 2017)
- Best result of 2018 was QF run at Roland Garros (l. Keys)
- Reached maiden WTA final in 2017 at St Petersburg (l. Mladenovic) after notching two Top 10 wins over No.8 Kuznetsova and No.5 Cibulkova – first over a Top 5 player – (l. Mladenovic in F); first woman from Kazakhstan to reach a WTA final since Shvedova at 2015 Bogotá (l. Pereira)
- Rose to new career-high ranking of No.27 on February 6, 2017 following St. Petersburg
- In 2016 became first Kazakh to reach the quarterfinals at Roland Garros – or at any major – since Shvedova in 2012, eventually losing to S.Williams in 3s



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- Defeated No.14 V.Williams en route to first Premier-level quarterfinal of career at 2016 Charleston
- First Top 10 win came over No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Nürnberg (via ret.)
- Progressed to maiden WTA SF at 2015 Bastad (l. eventual champion Larsson)
- In 2014, reached first two WTA QFs, first on clay at Bastad (as qualifier, l. Cepelova) and then on hard at Osaka (l. eventual champion Stosur). Between these two results, scored first Top 20 win – over No.14 Pennetta – during run through qualifying to 2r at Montréal
- Made it through to 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2013 Australian Open (d. McHale, l. Suárez Navarro)
- Advanced to 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2012 Copenhagen (as WC, d. Barbat, l. Jankovic)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and six doubles titles
- Kazakhstan Billie Jean King Cup Team, 2014-20

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[Q] ANA KONJUH (CRO #77) VS. [5] ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #13)

Head-to-head: ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA leads 1-0

2014 MOSCOW HARD (I) R32 ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA 63 64

KONJUH	PAVLYUCHENKOVA
Career Prize Money	Career Prize Money
\$2,448,089	\$12,001,213
Plays	Plays
Right-handed	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Date of Birth (Age)
Dec. 27, 1997 (23)	Jul. 3, 1991 (30)
Singles Titles	Singles Titles
1	12
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	YTD / Career W-L (MD)
15-11 / 72-61	24-15 / 373-278
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)
6-2 / 31-19	6-6 / 122-99
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)
3-2 / 17-12	3-7 / 90-80
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)
7-5 / 42-39	12-10 / 271-185
Coach	Coach
Antonio Veic	Aleksandr Pavlyuchenkov

KONJUH:

Ostrava

- Making first career appearance in Ostrava
- Earned spot in main draw by coming through two rounds of qualifying defeating Zelnickova and Pera both in straight sets
- Faces No.5 seed and World No.13 Pavlyuchenkova in their first meeting since 2014
- Owns 2-1 record against Top 20 opponents this year defeating No.19 Keys and No.16 Swiatek en route to R16 at Miami; sole loss came to No.4 Sabalenka in 1r of Roland Garros
- A win today would be best by-ranking win since defeating No.9 Cibulkova in 3r of 2017 Wimbledon (l. No.11 V.Williams in R16)
- Sole representative from Croatia this week

Season

- Coming off 2r at Portoroz (d. Vekic in 1r, l. Mladenovic)
- Made 1r exits at Chicago 125K (l. Diatchenko) and at US Open as a qualifier; lost to Fernandez who would go on to reach the final
- As a qualifier reached SF at San Jose elevating her back into the Top 100 (l. eventual champion Collins)
- Reached 2r at Hamburg (l. Errani) and Budapest (l. eventual champion Putintseva)
- On grass, fell in qualifying at Berlin and in 1r at Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Finished R-Up at Belgrade (ret. w/right hip injury vs. Badosa) in her first final since January 2017; suffered 1r defeats at Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Sabalenka) and at WTA 125K Series event at Bol
- At Istanbul, made first QF since 2017 (l.Kostyuk). Then contested qualifying at Madrid before advancing to QF at \$25k ITF/Prague-CZE

- After receiving a wildcard, advanced to R16 at Miami (d. Keys and Swiatek, I. Sevastova); first WTA main draw wins since making 2r at 2018 Brisbane (d. Bertens, I. Svitolina)
- Missed much of 2018 and 2019 due to four separate surgeries on her right elbow
- Made qualifying exit at St. Petersburg
- Advanced through qualifying at Dubai to reach first WTA main draw since 2019 Hungary; made 1r exit (I. Anisimova)
- Opened 2021 season by contesting qualifying at Australian Open

Career Milestones

- Highlight of 2020 was winning her third title on the ITF circuit at \$25K Zagreb-CRO (d. Mrdeza in F)
- In 2019, played just three events before ending season early due to right elbow injury
- Contested four tournaments in 2018 before ending season early due to right elbow injury
- Underwent surgery on right elbow after 2017 US Open, ending season early
- Notched second-consecutive Top 50 finish in 2017, finishing the year at No.44
- Posted career-high ranking of World No.20 on July 31, 2017
- Highlight of 2017 was making second career singles final at Auckland (I. Davis). Rose to new career-high ranking of No.36 following result (January 9, 2017)
- Ended 2016 at No.48 for career-best year-end finish
- Season highlight was posting best result at a Grand Slam with QF run at 2016 US Open (I. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova). Became first Croatian woman to reach the QF at Flushing Meadows, and first at any Grand Slam since Karolina Sprem at 2004 Wimbledon (I. QF). Unranked players aside, at No.92 Konjuh was the equal second-lowest ranked player through to quarterfinals at the US Open since rankings began in November 1975 (Kerber was also ranked No.92 in 2011)
- Opened 2017 season by reaching second career singles final at Auckland (I. Davis). Rose to new career-high ranking of No.36 following result (January 9, 2017)
- Ended 2016 at No.48 for career-best year-end finish
- Season highlights – US Open aside – were SF at Guangzhou (I. Jankovic) and QF at Moscow (as LL, I. Svitolina)
- Represented Croatia at Rio Olympics, falling 2r in singles (I. Suarez Navarro)
- Forced to withdraw from Nottingham – as defending champion – with w/lower back injury
- Won first WTA singles title at 2015 Nottingham (d. Niculescu in F)
- Made WTA main draw debut as wildcard at 2014 Auckland (d. top seed Vinci in 1r, I. Davis in 3s)
- Played first pro events of career on ITF Circuit in Croatia and Turkey in 2012
- On ITF circuit won one singles title at \$10k ITF/Montpellier-FRA (d. Khromacheva in F)
- Claimed junior girls No.1 ranking after winning the Australian Open singles and doubles titles in 2013; also won 2013 US Open girls singles title
- Won girls doubles title at 2013 Australian Open w/Zhao; also reached doubles final at 2012 Wimbledon w/Bencic (I. Bouchard/Townsend in F)

PAVLUCHENKOVA:

Ostrava

- Making debut at the J&T Banka Ostrava Open where she is playing as the No.5 seed
- Faces No.77 Konjuh today for first time since 2014
- Has suffered only three losses this year to players outside the Top 50: No.71 Kasatkina at Phillip Island Trophy, No.241 Gasanova at St. Petersburg and No.76 Potapova at Istanbul in April – since then has gone 10-0 against players not ranked in the Top 50
- Owns nine hard-court titles in her career including at three indoor tournaments at Linz in 2015 and Paris and Moscow in 2014
- One of a tournament-leading six Russians in the draw this week

Season

- Coming off run to R16 at US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Montréal (l. Pegula)
- At Olympics, reached QF in singles (l. eventual champion Bencic); won mixed doubles gold w/Rublev (d. Vesnina/Karatsev in F saving 1MP)
- On grass, suffered 1r exit at Eastbourne (l. Ostapenko), then advanced to 3r at Wimbledon (l. Muchova)
- Reached maiden Slam final at Roland Garros (l. Krejckikova); upset Sabalenka and Azarenka en route
- At Madrid, reached first SF since 2019 (l. Sabalenka); upset three Top 20 players en route, No.9 Ka.Pliskova in 2r, No.14 Brady in 3r and No.20 Muchova in QF
- Began clay court season with 1r defeat at Istanbul (l. Potapova)
- Reached 2r at St. Petersburg (l. Gasanova)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and suffered 1r defeat at Dubai (l. Kudermetova)
- Down under, posted 3r showings at the Yarra Valley Classic (l. Muguruza) and Phillip Island Trophy (l. eventual champion Kasatkina) and suffered 1r exit at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Began 2021 season falling to Jabeur in 1r of Abu Dhabi

Career Milestones

- Finished 2020 ranked No.38 for 13th straight year inside the Top 50
- At 2020 Roland Garros, made 50th main draw appearance at a major – one of 10 active players to reach this milestone
- Upset No.2 Ka.Pliskova and former champion Kerber en route to QF at 2020 Australian Open
- Advanced to two finals in 2019 – both at Premier-level – at Osaka (l. Osaka in F) and Moscow (l. Bencic in F). Also made QF in Melbourne in 2019 to match best Grand Slam result (l. Collins), upsetting No.9 Bertens and No.5 Stephens en route
- Notched only win over a reigning World No.1 against Kerber during run to fourth Monterrey title in 2017
- Represented Russia at 2016 Rio Olympics, losing to eventual gold medalist Puig in 2r
- In doubles, owns 12 titles and has reached QF of all four majors – most recently at 2018 US Open w/Sevastova. Career-high doubles ranking is No.21 (September 16, 2013)

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- In 2011, won 39 main draw matches, one title and reached first two Grand Slam QFs to end the year inside Top 20 for the first time
- Made Top 20 debut at No.20 on September 13, 2010, after R16 showing at US Open
- Won the first title of her career at Monterrey in 2010 (d. Hantuchova in F); has gone on to lift this title three more times (2011, 2013 and 2017)
- Advanced to maiden WTA SF at 2009 Indian Wells, scoring first Top 10 wins of her career en route, over No.3 Jankovic and No.10 A.Radwanska
- Broke into Top 100 in singles on July 7, 2008 – following run through qualifying to 3r at Wimbledon – and entered Top 50 on November 3 of the same year
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2007 Wimbledon as a WC, losing 6-0 6-1 to No.10 seed Hantuchova
- Played first WTA main draw as a wildcard at 2006 Moscow
- Named 2006 ITF Junior World Champion, having won girls' singles titles at Australian Open (2006-07) and US Open (2006)

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[WC] TEREZA MARTINCOVA (CZE #61) VS. [WC] KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #50)

Head-to-head: KATERINA SINIAKOVA leads 1-0

2015 ITF \$50K/NANTES-FRA HARD (O) R2 KATERINA SINIAKOVA 75 46 76(8)

MARTINCOVA		SINIAKOVA	
Career Prize Money	\$1,238,826	Career Prize Money	\$7,206,416
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 24, 1994 (26)	Date of Birth (Age)	May 10, 1996 (25)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	2
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	20-16 / 40-55	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	21-14 / 133-149
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	9-3 / 20-17	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	8-6 / 55-57
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	5-2 / 9-12	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	6-2 / 37-27
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	12-9 / 21-32	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	8-9 / 70-96
Coach	Pavel Zadrava	Coach	Evgenia Maniukova

MARTINCOVA:

Ostrava

- Making second career appearance in Ostrava reaching main draw last year defeating Pera and Badosa in qualifying rounds; fell to fellow Czech player, Krejckikova in 1r
- Faces another Czech No.50 Siniakova today for their first Tour-level meeting
- Owns 1-2 against compatriots in WTA main draw matches this year with sole win coming over Kr.Pliskova in 1r of Dubai and losing to Ka.Pliskova in 3r of Wimbledon and Krecjikova in final of Prague
- Playing one shy of her career high ranking of No.60 which she achieved on August 16, 2021; broke into Top 100 for the first time on April 5, 2021
- Has won 20 main draw matches this season; previous best tally was five wins, in both 2017 and 2020
- Only WTA final of her career came on hard courts, at Prague earlier this summer (l. Krejckikova)
- One of three Czechs playing on home soil this week alongside today's opponent Siniakova and No.2 seed Kvitova

Season

- Coming off 1r loss at US Open (l. Azarenka) and 2r at Portoroz (l. Cirstea)
- Made QF showing at Chicago 250 (l. Peterson via ret. w/muscle cramping)
- Fell 1r at Montréal and in qualifying at Cincinnati
- At Prague, reached first WTA final of her career (l. Krejckikova)
- Enjoyed productive grass court season, reaching QF at Nottingham (l. Stojanovic) and Birmingham (l. Kasatkina), then making 3r at Wimbledon (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Scored first Grand Slam main draw win during 2r showing at Roland Garros (d. Jorovic, l. Pegula)
- Made 2r at first clay tournament of the year at Bogota (l. eventual champion Osorio Serrano) before 1r exits at MUSC Health Women's Open (ret. w/right lower leg injury vs. Navarro), WTA 125K Series event at Saint-Malo and Belgrade (l. Jani). Also contested qualifying at Rome

- Also advanced to 3r at Dubai (as qualifier, l. Gauff) and 2r at Lyon (as qualifier, l. Ferro via ret. w/back injury), St. Petersburg (l. Alexandrova) and Miami (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Andreescu)
- Opened 2021 by falling at Australian Open qualifying event in Dubai before dropping down to ITF Circuit to play a couple of indoor hard events in France

Career Milestones

- Highlight of last season was SF run at 2020 Istanbul (l. eventual champion Tig)
- In 2019, season highlight was fourth ITF Circuit title of career at \$25K Essen-GER
- Ended 2018 ranked No.212, down from career best year-end finish of No.140 in 2018
- In 2018, won third ITF singles title at \$25k ITF/Obidos and made QF run at WTA 125K Series event at Taipei
- Advanced to first tour-level SF at 2017 Gstaad, earning career first Top 20 win over then-No.20 Garcia
- Earned a then career-high singles ranking of No.114 following 2r run at 2017 Nanchang (l. eventual champion Peng)
- Win-loss record at tour-level in 2017 was 5-7, including three wins at Gstaad and 2r runs at Monterrey (d. McHale, l. Boserup) and Nanchang (d. Kudryavtseva, l. Peng)
- Advanced to maiden WTA SF at Québec City in 2016 (l. Davis)
- In 2015, reached first WTA QF at Florianopolis (l. Mattek-Sands)
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2013 Nurnberg (l. Cabeza Candela in 1r)
- Owns four singles titles on the ITF Circuit at 2014 \$10k ITF/Heraklion-GRE, 2015 \$25k ITF/Lenzerheide-SUI, 2018 \$25k ITF/Obidos and 2019 \$25k Essen-GER
- Professional debut came on ITF Circuit in Germany in 2010 (as qualifier, l. 1r)

SINIAKOVA:

Ostrava

- Played first edition of the J&T Banka Ostrava Open last year as a WC falling in 1r to Gauff however reached SF w/ Krejckova in doubles (l. Dabrowski/Stefani)
- Faces No.61 Martincova today in their first match since 2015
- Owns 2-1 record against fellow Czechs this year winning against Bouzkova in 1r of Roland Garros and Smitkova in R16 of Prague before falling to Krejckova in her next match there in QF
- Owns one singles title on hard courts lifting the trophy at 2017 Shenzhen
- One of three Czechs playing on home soil this week alongside today's opponent, Martincova, and No.2 seed Kvitova
- With Krejckova, recently named one of two doubles teams to qualify for this year's WTA Finals to be held in Guadalajara, Mexico in November

Season

- Coming off 2r exit at US Open (l. Sakkari); in doubles, as No.2 seed w/ Krejckova made shocking 1r exit falling to Linette/Pera
- In singles, advanced to 3r at Montréal (l. Sorribes Tormo) and QF at Cleveland (l. Kontaveit); reached SF in doubles at Cincinnati (l. Dabrowski/Stefani)

- With longtime doubles partner, Krejčíková, the two won gold for the Czech Republic at the Tokyo Olympics this year defeating the Swiss team of Bencic/Golubic in the final match
- Reached QF at Prague (l. eventual champion Krejčíková)
- At Bad Homburg, finished R-Up (l. Kerber) - her first singles final since the start of 2018 - then enjoyed 3r run at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Barty); in doubles at Wimbledon reached QF w/Krejčíková (l. Kudrmetova/Vesnina)
- Advanced to SF at Parma (d. No.8 S.Williams, l. eventual champion Gauff) and reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Zidensek); also lifted second Roland Garros doubles title (w/Krejčíková)
- Contested qualifying at Madrid; bounced back to lift 10th WTA doubles title of her career (w/Krejčíková, d. Dabrowski/Schuurs in F)
- Advanced to QF at Istanbul (l. Bogdan)
- Reached 2r at St. Petersburg (l. Gasparyan) before suffering 1r exit at Miami (l. Konjuh)
- Fell 1r at Dubai (l. Jabeur) and in qualifying at Doha
- Bounced back to reach doubles final at Australian Open w/Krejčíková (l. Mertens/Sabalenka)
- Opened singles campaign in 2021 with 1r exits at Grampains Trophy (l. Kerber) and Australian Open (l. Ferro)

Career Milestones

- Reached two doubles finals in 2020, winning her first event of the season (Shenzhen w/Krejčíková) and finishing R-Up in the last (Linz w/Hradecka); also reached SF at Australian Open and Roland Garros (both w/Krejčíková)
- In singles last year, best results were QF at Strasbourg (l. Sabalenka) and 3r run at Roland Garros (l. Bertens)
- Produced career-best Slam singles result with R16 run at 2019 Roland Garros (d. No.1 Osaka in 3r, l. Keys)
- Finished 2018 ranked No.1 in doubles after winning first two Grand Slam trophies at Roland Garros (d. Hozumi/Ninomiya in F) and Wimbledon (d. Melichar/Peschke in F) both w/Krejčíková, the first pairing to complete the Roland Garros-Wimbledon double since Kim Clijsters and Ai Sugiyama in 2003; also became the first team ever to win the girls' (2013) and ladies' doubles title at SW19
- Also R-Up w/Krejčíková at 2018 WTA Finals Singapore (l. Babos/ Mladenovic)
- Has three Top 5 career wins in singles – against No.4 Halep at 2017 Shenzhen, No.4 Garcia at Wuhan, and No.1 Osaka at 2019 Roland Garros
- Won both singles rubbers during Czech Republic's 3-0 victory over USA in final of 2018 Billie Jean King Cup
- Won two career singles titles in 2017, first at Shenzhen (d. No.4 Halep in 2r, No.10 Konta in SF – the first Top 10 wins of her career – and Riske in F) and then Bastad (d. No.17 Sevastova in QF, No.20 Garcia in SF and No.6 Wozniacki in F)
- Reached doubles final at 2017 US Open (w/Hradecka, l. Chan/Hingis)
- Made Top 50 debut on October 24, 2016
- In 2016, advanced to first two WTA finals of career, at Bastad (as qualifier, l. Siegemund) and Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. McHale)
- Won back-to-back Slam matches for the first time during 3r showing at 2016 Wimbledon (l. A.Radwanska)
- Notched the first Top 20 win of her career by upsetting No.14 Petkovic during QF run at 2015 Birmingham
- Broke into Top 100 for the first time on October 20, 2014 following breakthrough SF run at Moscow (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Pavlyuchenkova)

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- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2014 Australian Open (as qualifier, I. Diyas)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami (I. Muguruza)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2012
- Ranked world No.2 in ITF junior rankings in December 2012; won the girls' doubles titles at Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open in 2013

[6] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #15) VS. JILL TEICHMANN (SUI #42)

Head-to-head: First meeting

KERBER		TEICHMANN	
Career Prize Money	\$31,146,274	Career Prize Money	\$1,586,222
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Left-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Jan. 18, 1988 (33)	Date of Birth (Age)	Jul. 15, 1997 (24)
Singles Titles	13	Singles Titles	2
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	26-13 / 461-263	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	19-15 / 47-46
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	9-3 / 129-100	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	6-6 / 11-17
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	3-3 / 91-64	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	3-4 / 9-13
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	11-7 / 298-170	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	16-9 / 29-29
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	5-6 / 95-122	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	5-2 / 6-5
Coach	Torben Beltz	Coach	Alberto Martin Magret

KERBER:

Ostrava

- Making debut at J&T Banka Ostrava Open
- Faces Teichmann in 1r; has fallen at the opening hurdle three times this season, at Australian Open, Dubai and Roland Garros
- Has been in fine form since the start of the summer, winning 17 of her past 20 matches
- Is one of four Grand Slam champions in the draw this week (also Kvitova, Ostapenko and Swiatek)
- Oldest of six thirtysomethings in the draw
- Currently ranked No.15 – her highest position since October 2019
- Owns seven hard-court titles, most recently at 2018 Sydney. Most recent final on the surface was 2019 Indian Wells (I. Andreescu)

Season

- Advanced to SF at Cincinnati (d. No.6 Svitolina, I. eventual champion Barty) and R16 at US Open (I. Fernandez)
- Enjoyed return to form on grass, lifting first title in nearly three years, at Bad Homburg (d. Siniakova in F) and reaching SF at Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Barty). Also made 2r showing on home soil at Berlin (I. Azarenka)
- Reached 3r at Rome (I. Ostapenko), then fell 1r at Roland Garros (I. Kalinina)
- Began clay court season with 2r showings at Stuttgart (I. Svitolina) and then Madrid (I. Kvitova)
- Reached 3r at Miami (I. Azarenka)
- Made 2r at Doha (I. Kontaveit) and then suffered 1r defeat at Dubai (I. Garcia)
- Fell 1r at Australian Open (I. Pera) – her first opening round loss at Melbourne Park since 2015
- Opened season by reaching QF at Grampians Trophy (I. Sakkari)

Career Milestones

- Finished 2020 ranked No.25. Highlights of the season were reaching R16 at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and US Open (l. Brady)
- Advanced to two finals across 2019, including a R-Up finish at Indian Wells (l. Andreescu), in what was the first Premier Mandatory final of her career. As a result, passed the \$28 million prize money mark – currently eighth on the all-time list
- Victory over Kontaveit in 2r at 2019 Doha marked 600th career win across all levels
- Defeated Haddad Maia in 2r at 2019 Australian Open for 100th Grand Slam match-win (one of seven active players to achieve the feat)
- Won two titles in 2018, at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and third Grand Slam crown of career at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), finishing the season ranked No.2
- Also in 2018, advanced to SF at Australian Open (l. Halep in 3s, having held two match points), Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- Best results of 2017 season were R-Up finish at Monterrey and SF runs at Tokyo [PPO] and Dubai
- Enjoyed an outstanding 2016 season, winning first Grand Slam titles of career at Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F) and US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), finishing R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F) and rising to World No.1 in the WTA rankings. At 28, became oldest player to make her debut at World No.1
- At 2016 Australian Open, became first Grand Slam champion to save match point en route to the title since Li Na at 2014 Australian Open (Kerber saved a match point in 1r win over Doi)
- Finished 2016 year-end World No.1 ranking – became 12th WTA player to achieve the feat and second German woman to do so after Graf (eight times)
- Was voted WTA Player of the Year in 2016 by international media; also, ITF World Champion and Olympics silver medalist that year. Ended the season with a tour-leading 63-18 win-loss record
- Part of the Germany team that reached the final of 2014 Billie Jean King Cup. Also played the competition in 2007-08, 2012-13, 2015-18
- Made Grand Slam breakthrough with run to SF at 2011 US Open (ranked No.92, upset No.13 A.Radwanska, l. eventual champion Stosur)
- Broke into Top 100 on May 14, 2007 and reached first WTA QF one month later at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Chakvetadze)
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut, at 2006 Hasselt (d. Oprandi, l. Ivanovic)
- Professional debut came in qualifying at 2003 Berlin

TEICHMANN:

Ostrava

- Making main draw debut at Ostrava, having fallen in qualifying last year
- Faces No.15 Kerber in 1r today; has scored five Top-20 wins this season, over No.10 Kvitova (Dubai), No.5 Svitolina (Madrid), No.2 Osaka, No.12 Bencic and No.4 Ka.Pliskova (all Cincinnati)
- Has fallen in 1r eight times this season

- One of two Swiss players in the draw (also No.3 seed Bencic)
- Has reached two hard-court finals in her career, finishing R-Up at 2020 Lexington and 2021 Cincinnati

Season

- Fell 2r at US Open (I. Kontaveit)
- Finished R-Up at Cincinnati (I. Barty); upset No.2 Osaka, No.12 Bencic and No.4 Ka.Pliskova en route
- Made 1r exit at Montréal (I. Collins)
- Ended losing streak with win over Bassols Ribera in Palermo but withdrew from next match with a left thigh injury
- Returned to Tour at Wimbledon falling in 1r (I. Giorgi) followed by 1r exits at Hamburg (I. eventual champion Ruse) and Lausanne (I. Zanevska)
- Fell 1r at Rome (I. Sevastova) and 2r at Strasbourg (I. Putintseva via ret. – left lower leg injury)
- Made 2r exit at Madrid after earning second Top 5 win of career over No.5 Svitolina in 1r (I. Badosa)
- Fell 1r in Miami to Badosa after retiring in the first set with a left thigh injury
- Reached first SF at WTA 1000 event at Dubai defeating No.10 Kvitova in 2r, Jabeur in R16 and Gauff in QF (I. Krejckikova)
- Ended Australian swing with QF at Phillip Island Trophy (I. Bouzkova) and then first WTA 500 SF at Adelaide (I. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Opened season with back-to-back 1r exits at Gippsland Trophy and Australian Open (I. Gauff at both)

Career Milestones

- Achieved career-best year-end ranking of No.57 in 2020, helped by runner-up showing at Lexington (I. Brady) and QF at Strasbourg (I. Svitolina)
- Won first and second titles of her career during 2019 season, coming through qualifying to triumph at Prague (d. Muchova in F) and then at Palermo (d. No.5 Bertens in F)
- Made Top 100 debut after Prague success, jumping from No.146 to No.87 (May 6). Rose to career-high No.54 following Palermo title run (July 29, 2019)
- Also made QF on home soil at Lausanne and fell 1r at nine other tour-level events (including Wimbledon and US Open). Won ITF Circuit title at Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA
- Qualified for first Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open, going on to reach 2r (I. Kanepi). Also, reached 2r at tour level events at Acapulco and Linz and lifted WTA 125K Series title at Newport Beach (w/Doi)
- Spent majority of 2016 on ITF Circuit, winning 44 matches and three titles to rise over 200 places in the rankings. Also reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at Strasbourg and fell in qualifying at US Open
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2015 Luxembourg
- Owns six singles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Switzerland and Germany in 2013
- As a junior won 2014 US Open girls' doubles (w/Soylu) and a gold medal in mixed doubles (w/Zielinski) at 2014 Youth Olympics in Nanjing



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VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #31) VS. [7] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #16)

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

2018 ST. PETERSBURG HARD (I) QUAL. ELENA RYBAKINA 3-6 6-3 6-2

KUDERMETOVA		RYBAKINA	
Career Prize Money	\$2,565,228	Career Prize Money	\$2,559,578
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 24, 1997 (24)	Date of Birth (Age)	Jun. 17, 1999 (22)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	2
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	28-19 / 73-59	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	27-18 / 84-42
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	9-7 /	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	5-9 / 22-19
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	8-5 / 24-14	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	5-10 / 21-20
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	13-12 / 39-38	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	15-11 / 51-26
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	3-11 / 8-19	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	4-7 / 10-14
Coach	Sergey Demekhin	Coach	Stefano Vukov

KUDERMETOVA:

Ostrava

- Making second appearance at J&T Banka Ostrava Open, having reached QF last year (as qualifier, d. No.6 Ka.Pliskova in 2r, l. Brady)
- Faces Rybakina in 1r today; owns three Top-20 wins this season, over No.5 Svitolina (Abu Dhabi), No.10 Bertens (Madrid) and No.14 Mertens (Rome)
- Winner faces qualifier Linette in 2r
- One of a tournament-leading six Russians in the draw (also Blinkova, Gracheva, Pavlyuchenkova, Potapova and Zakharova)

Season

- Made 2r at Montréal (l. Sakkari), Cincinnati (l. Kvitova) and fell 1r at US Open (l. Cirstea)
- Suffered 1r defeat at Olympics (l. Muguruza)
- On grass, made 2r at Berlin (l. eventual champion Samsonova), followed by 1r exits at Eastbourne (l. Riske) and Wimbledon (l. Golubic)
- Fell in 2r at Roland Garros (l. Siniakova)
- Progressed to 3r at Madrid (l. Kvitova) and Rome (l. Barty)
- Produced SF run at Istanbul (l. Mertens); bounced back to win doubles title alongside the Belgian
- In Charleston, lifted her maiden WTA title, without dropping a set (d. Kovinic in F). Results in Charleston took her total career prize money past \$2 million

- Produced 3r showing at Miami (I. Sabalenka)
- Advanced to QF at St. Petersburg (I. eventual champion Kasatkina) where she was one of seven Russians to reach the last eight
- Made 2r exit at Dubai (I. Bencic) and 1r exit at Doha (I. Muguruza)
- Suffered 1r exit at Adelaide (I. Rogers) after a career-best 3r run at Australian Open (I. Halep)
- Also this season, made 2r at Grampians Trophy (I. Li) after opening her campaign by reaching maiden WTA final, at Abu Dhabi (I. Sabalenka)

Career Milestones

- Scored first win over a Top-3 ranked opponent by upsetting No.3 Ka.Pliskova at 2020 Western & Southern Open.
- Closed out 2020 season with back-to-back QFs at Ostrava (as qualifier, I. Brady) and Linz (I. Mertens)
- Won 27 main-draw matches during 2019 – had previously won six across entire career – to rise over sixty places in the WTA rankings, making Top 100 debut on February 4 and Top 50 debut on September 9
- Singles highlights in 2019 included reaching maiden WTA SF at 's-Hertogenbosch (I. eventual champion Riske), 3r at Roland Garros (d. No.13 Wozniacki in 1r – her maiden Grand Slam main draw win and also first over a Top 20 opponent – I. Kanepi) and winning WTA 125K Series title at Guadalajara (d. Bouzkova in F)
- Posted first two Top 10 wins of career in final weeks of 2019, over No.10 Bencic at Wuhan and No.4 Svitolina at Moscow
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Australian Open (as qualifier, I. Kenin)
- Won career first WTA doubles title at 2019 Wuhan with Duan (d. Mertens/Sabalenka in F); also in 2019 was R-Up at Charleston (w/Khromacheva) and Lugano (w/Voskoboeva)
- Posted maiden career WTA QF runs in 2018, first at 's-Hertogenbosch (I. eventual champion Krunić) and then Gstaad (I. Bouchard)
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2018 Stuttgart (d. No.25 Suárez Navarro, I. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2014 Moscow
- Made Billie Jean King Cup debut in 2014 vs. Australia (I. Stosur – her first Tour-level match)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four singles – most recently at 2018 \$25K Keito-JPN – and 16 doubles titles
- Made professional debut at \$50K ITF/Kazan-RUS in 2014

RYBAKINA:

Ostrava

- Making second appearance at Ostrava, having fallen 1r last year (I. Kasatkina)
- Faces Kudermetova in 1r today; has lost her opening match at four tournaments this season
- One of two Kazakhstani women in the draw (also Putintseva)
- Has reached five WTA hard-court finals in her career, including one indoors at 2020 St. Petersburg (I. Bertens)

Season

- Upset in 1r at Montréal (l. Samsonova), before reaching 3r at Cincinnati (l. Badosa) and US Open (l. Halep)
- Made QF at San Jose (l. eventual champion Collins)
- Advanced to SF at the Olympics (l. Bencic); defeated on bronze medal match by Svitolina
- Began grass court season with 2r showing at Berlin (l. Muguruza), then reached SF at Eastbourne (l. Ostapenko) and R16 at Wimbledon (l. Sabalenka)
- At Roland Garros, advanced to maiden major QF (l. Pavluyuchenova); upset No.8 S.Williams in R16
- Suffered 2r exit at Madrid (l. Mertens)
- Retired w/GI illness midway through 1r match against McNally at Charleston
- Produced 3r showing at Miami (l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Suffered 1r exit at Doha (l. Siegemund)
- Advanced to QF in opening tournament of the season, at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual champion Sabalenka in 3s - only player to take a set off the Belarusian), before falling 1r at Grampians Trophy (l. Krejckova) and 2r at Australian Open (l. Ferro)

Career Milestones

- Opened 2020 campaign by reaching the championship match at four of her first five tournaments, including a title run at Hobart (d. Zhang in F)
- Made first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament with R-Up finish at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens); was rewarded with Top 20 debut at No.19 following run in Russia (February 17, 2020)
- First win over a Top-5 ranked opponent came over No.3 Ka.Pliskova during R-Up finish at 2020 Dubai
- Won back-to-back Slam matches for the first time during 3r showing at 2020 Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2019 Bucharest (d. Tig in F), breaking into Top 100 for the first time in the following week's rankings at No.65 (July 22, 2019)
- Also in 2019, went on to make Top 50 debut on September 16, 2019, after reaching second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson), produced SF appearances at Luxembourg and 's-Hertogenbosch, and made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
- Finished 2019 campaign with 57-21 win-loss record (across all levels) to end season at No.37, up from 2018's final ranking of No.191. On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions: back-to-back at \$25k Moscow-RUS and \$25k Kazan-RUS, and at \$60k ITF/Launceston-AUS
- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching title at \$15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
- First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)
- Professional debut came at \$10k ITF/Antalya-TUR in 2014