



PREVIEW NOTES: DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS

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DUBAI DUTY FREE TENNIS CHAMPIONSHIPS – QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Monday, February 14-Saturday, February 19, 2022
Singles Final: Saturday, February 19, 2022, NB 7pm
Doubles Final: Saturday, February 19, 2022 5pm
Venue: The Aviation Club
Status: WTA 500
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 48 singles qualifying
Surface: Decoturf II / Outdoor
Tennis Ball: Wilson US Open Regular Duty
2021 Singles Final: [9] G. Muguruza (ESP) d. B. Krejckikova (CZE) 7-6(6) 6-3
2021 Doubles Final: [8] A. Guarachi/D. Jurak (CHI/CRO) d. Y.Xu/Z.Yang (CHN/CHN) 6-0 6-3

SINGLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	104,180	470
Runner-Up	64,800	305
Semifinalist	37,500	185
Quarterfinalist	17,500	100
Round of 16	9,000	55
Round of 32	6,200	1

MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS

Wildcards: Caroline Garcia, Alison Riske, Mayar Sherif, Vera Zvonareva

Youngest singles player: Coco Gauff (17)

Oldest singles player: Vera Zvonareva (37)

Withdrawals: Karolina Pliskova, Angelique Kerber, Maria Sakkari

- The 22nd edition of the Dubai Duty Free Tennis Championships features seven Top-10 players and eight Grand Slam champions
- Top seed **Aryna Sabalenka** has reached the last eight on her previous two appearances here, losing to eventual champion **Garbiñe Muguruza** in three sets last year. The draw has paired her with a qualifier in the first round and also placed **Petra Kvitova** and **Iga Swiatek** in her section
- Last year a run to the final in Dubai kick-started a memorable campaign for **Barbora Krejckikova**. Since then she has lifted three titles – at the Aviation Club
- Defending champion **Muguruza** is the No.4 seed, while her fellow Spaniard **Paula Badosa** is the No.3
- **One to Watch** – **Jessica Pegula** performed admirably on her Dubai debut in 2021, upsetting No.2 seed Karolina Pliskova en route to the quarterfinals. After a slow start to 2022, she found her range at the Australian Open, making the last eight for the second time in succession before running into the imperious World No.1 Ashleigh Barty. She faces fellow American Coco Gauff in Monday's second match on Centre Court, with the winner meeting either Vera Zvonareva or No.8 seed Ons Jabeur in the last 16

TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY*

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	W/L	WIN %
[1] Aryna Sablenka (BLR)	QF (2): 2020 (l. Halep), 2021 (l. Muguruza) 3r (1): 2019 (l. Bencic) 1r (1): 2017 (l. Bondarenko)	5-4	.556
[2] Barbora Krejckova (CZE)	R-Up (1): 2021 (l. Muguruza)	5-1	.833
[3] Paula Badosa (ESP)	Tournament debut	-	-
[4] Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP)	WON (1): 2021 (d. Krejckova in F) SF (2): 2015 (l. Ka.Pliskova), 2018 (l. Kasatkina) QF (1): 2020 (l. Brady) 3r (1): 2019 (l. Svitolina) 2r (2): 2016 (l. Svitolina), 2017 (l. Bondarenko)	16-6	.727

*Main draw matches only

COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Not including qualifiers, a total of 15 countries and regions are represented in the draw, led by United States with five:

Belarus (2)	Victoria Azarenka, Aryna Sabalenka
Belgium (1)	Elise Mertens
Czech Republic (2)	Barbora Krejckova, Petra Kvitova
Egypt (1)	Mayar Sherif
Estonia (1)	Anett Kontaveit
France (1)	Caroline Garcia
Italy (1)	Camila Giorgi
Latvia (1)	Jelena Ostapenko
Poland (1)	Iga Swiatek
Romania (2)	Irina-Camelia Begu, Simona Halep
Russia (3)	Daria Kasatkina, Veronika Kudermetova, Vera Zvonareva
Spain (2)	Paula Badosa, Garbiñe Muguruza
Tunisia (1)	Ons Jabeur
Ukraine (1)	Elina Svitolina
United States (5)	Danielle Collins, Coco Gauff, Sofia Kenin, Jessica Pegula, Alison Riske

A SNAPSHOT OF THE SEASON

- **Match wins leaders:** Ashleigh Barty (11), Madison Keys (11), Anett Kontaveit (9)
- **Most three-set wins:** Amanda Anisimova (5)
- **Aces leaders:** Madison Keys (88), Ashleigh Barty (77), Elena Rybakina (59), Paula Badosa (55)
- **Most aces in a match (17):** Ashleigh Barty (d. Kenin at Adelaide)
- **Most singles titles (2):** Ashleigh Barty (Adelaide, Australian Open)
- **Fewest games dropped en route to a title (30):** Ashleigh Barty (Adelaide, Australian Open)
- **Lowest-ranked title winner (No.78):** Amanda Anisimova (Melbourne Summer Set 2)
- **Youngest title winner (20):** Amanda Anisimova (Melbourne Summer Set 2)
- **Oldest title winner (30):** Simona Halep, (Melbourne Summer Set 1)
- **Most doubles titles (2):** Katerina Siniakova (Melbourne Summer Set 2, Australian Open)
- **Singles-doubles title sweeps (1):** Ashleigh Barty (Adelaide w/Sanders)
- **Top-10 debuts (1):** Danielle Collins (January 31)
- **Longest Match (3h 9m):** Danka Kovinic d. Jang Su-Jeong 6-3 2-6 6-4 at Australian Open



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THIS SEASON'S WTA TOUR FINALS

Week of	Level	Tournament	Singles Final	Doubles Final
January 3	WTA 500	Adelaide	[1] A. Barty d [7] E. Rybakina 63 62	Barty/Sanders d [3] Jurak Schreiber/Klepac 61 64
	WTA 250	Melbourne Set 1	[2] S. Halep d [3] V. Kudermetova 62 63	[2] Muhammad/Pegula vs Errani/Paolini 63 61
	WTA 250	Melbourne Set 2	A. Anisimova d A. Sasnovich 75 16 64	[2] Pera/Siniakova vs Martincova/Sherif 62 67 (7) 10-5
January 10	WTA 500	Sydney	[5] P. Badosa d [3] B. Krejcikova 63 46 76(4)	Danilina/Haddad Maia d Heisen/Udvardy 46 75 10-8
	WTA 250	Adelaide 250	M. Keys d A. Riske 61 62	[3] Hozumi/Ninomiya d Martincova/Vondrousova 16 76 10-7
January 17	GS	Australian Open	[1] A. Barty d [27] D. Collins 63 76	[1] Krejcikova/Siniakova d Danilina/Haddad Maia 67 64 64
February 7	WTA 500	St Petersburg	[2] A. Kontaveit d [1] M. Sakkari 5-7 7-6 7-5	Kalinskaya/McNally d Rosolska/Routliffe 63 67 10-4

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TOURNAMENT RND	WINNER OPPONENT	SCORE	RANK	SEED	
2021 DUBAI 13 MAR 2021	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$1,835,490 (\$1,835,490)
Singles F	MUGURUZA, GARBIÑE ESP def KREJCIKOVA, BARBORA CZE	7-6(6) 6-3	16 63	9	
Doubles F	GUARACHI A. CHI / JURAK D. CRO def XU Y. CHN / YANG Z. CHN	6-0 6-3	64 66	8	
2020 DUBAI 22 FEB 2020	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 32	Prize USD \$2,643,670 (\$2,908,770)
Singles F	HALEP, SIMONA ROU def RYBAKINA, ELENA KAZ	3-6 6-3 7-6(5)	2 19	1	
Doubles F	HSIEH S. TPE / STRYCOVA B. CZE def KREJCIKOVA B. CZE / ZHENG S. CHN	7-5 3-6 10-5	3 34	1 5	
2019 DUBAI 23 FEB 2019	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$2,527,250 (\$2,828,000)
Singles F	BENCIC, BELINDA SUI def KVITOVA, PETRA CZE	6-3 1-6 6-2	45 4	2	
Doubles F	HSIEH S. TPE / STRYCOVA B. CZE def HRADECKA L. CZE / MAKAROVA E. RUS	6-4 6-4	27 38	3 7	
2018 DUBAI 24 FEB 2018	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$2,358,385 (\$2,623,485)
Singles F	SVITOLINA, ELINA UKR def KASATKINA, DARIA RUS	6-4 6-0	4 24	1	
Doubles F	CHAN H. TPE / YANG Z. CHN def HSIEH S. TPE / PENG S. CHN	4-6 6-2 10-6	49 41	4	
2017 DUBAI 25 FEB 2017	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$2,365,250 (\$2,666,000)
Singles F	SVITOLINA, ELINA UKR def WOZNIACKI, CAROLINE DEN	6-4 6-2	13 15	7 10	
Doubles F	MAKAROVA E. RUS / VESNINA E. RUS def HLAVACKOVA A. CZE / PENG S. CHN	6-2 4-6 10-7	11 25	2 6	
2016 DUBAI 20 FEB 2016	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$1,734,900 (\$2,000,000)
Singles F	ERRANI, SARA ITA def STRYCOVA, BARBORA CZE	6-0 6-2	22 47		
Doubles F	CHUANG C. TPE / JURAK D. CRO def GARCIA C. FRA / MLADENOVIC K. FRA	6-4 6-4	95 20	2	
2015 DUBAI 21 FEB 2015	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$2,212,250 (\$2,513,000)
Singles F	HALEP, SIMONA ROU def PLISKOVA, KAROLINA CZE	6-4 7-6(4)	4 18	1 17	
Doubles F	BABOS T. HUN / MLADENOVIC K. FRA def MUGURUZA G. ESP / SUÁREZ NAVARRO C.	6-3 6-2	44 27	8 6	
2014 DUBAI 22 FEB 2014	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$1,734,900 (\$2,000,000)
Singles F	WILLIAMS, VENUS USA def CORNET, ALIZE FRA	6-3 6-0	44 26		
Doubles F	KUDRYAVTSEVA A. RUS / RODIONOVA A. def KOPS-JONES R. USA / SPEARS A. USA	6-2 5-7 10-8	47 38		

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Singles	KVITOVA, PETRA CZE					8	6
F	def ERRANI, SARA ITA			6-2 1-6 6-1		7	5
Doubles	MATTEK-SANDS B. USA / MIRZA S. IND					46	
F	def PETROVA N. RUS / SREBOTNIK K. SLO			6-4 2-6 10-7		15	2
2012 DUBAI 25 FEB 2012	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$2,000,000 (\$2,000,000)		
Singles	RADWANSKA, AGNIESZKA POL					6	5
F	def GOERGES, JULIA GER			7-5 6-4		19	
Doubles	HUBER L. USA / RAYMOND L. USA					3	1
F	def MIRZA S. IND / VESNINA E. RUS			6-2 6-1		15	2
2011 DUBAI 20 FEB 2011	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$2,050,000 (\$2,050,000)		
Singles	WOZNIACKI, CAROLINE DEN					2	1
F	def KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA RUS			6-1 6-3		23	16
Doubles	HUBER L. USA / MARTINEZ SANCHEZ M.					19	2
F	def PESCHKE K. CZE / SREBOTNIK K. SLO			7-6(5) 6-3		6	1
2010 DUBAI 20 FEB 2010	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$2,000,000 (\$2,000,000)		
Singles	WILLIAMS, VENUS USA					5	3
F	def AZARENKA, VICTORIA BLR			6-3 7-5		6	4
Doubles	LLAGOSTERA VIVES N. ESP / MARTINEZ S					13	2
F	def PESCHKE K. CZE / SREBOTNIK K. SLO			7-6(5) 6-4		134	
2009 DUBAI 21 FEB 2009	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	64 32	Prize USD \$2,000,000 (\$2,000,000)		
Singles	WILLIAMS, VENUS USA					6	6
F	def RAZZANO, VIRGINIE FRA			6-4 6-2		58	
Doubles	BLACK C. ZIM / HUBER L. USA					2	1
F	def KIRILENKO M. RUS / RADWANSKA A. PO			6-3 6-3		83	
2008 DUBAI 01 MAR 2008	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$1,500,000 (\$1,500,000)		
Singles	DEMENTIEVA, ELENA RUS					11	8
F	def KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA RUS			4-6 6-3 6-2		3	2
Doubles	BLACK C. ZIM / HUBER L. USA					2	1
F	def YAN Z. CHN / ZHENG J. CHN			7-5 6-2		35	
2007 DUBAI 24 FEB 2007	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$1,500,000 (\$1,500,000)		
Singles	HENIN, JUSTINE BEL					2	1
F	def MAURESMO, AMELIE FRA			6-4 7-5		3	2
Doubles	BLACK C. ZIM / HUBER, L. RSA					9	1
F	def KUZNETSOVA S. RUS / MOLIK, A. AUS			7-6(6) 6-4		188	
2006 DUBAI 25 FEB 2006	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$1,000,000 (\$1,000,000)		
Singles	HENIN-HARDENNE, JUSTINE BEL					5	4
F	def SHARAPOVA, MARIA RUS			7-5 6-2		4	3
Doubles	PESCHKE K. CZE / SCHIAVONE, F. ITA					50	
F	def KUZNETSOVA S. / PETROVA, N.			3-6 7-6(1) 6-3		50	

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2005 DUBAI 05 MAR 2005	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$1,000,000 (\$1,000,000)			
Singles F	DAVENPORT, LINDSAY USA def JANKOVIC, JELENA SCG						1 28	1
Doubles F	RUANO PASCUAL V. / SUAREZ, P. def KUZNETSOVA S. RUS / MOLIK, A. AUS						3 13	1 2
2004 DUBAI 28 FEB 2004	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$585,000 (\$585,000)			
Singles F	HENIN-HARDENNE, JUSTINE BEL def KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA RUS						1 29	1
Doubles F	HUSAROVA J. SVK / MARTINEZ, C. ESP def KUZNETSOVA S. / LIKHOVTSEVA, E.						38 14	4 2
2003 DUBAI 22 FEB 2003	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$585,000 (\$585,000)			
Singles F	HENIN-HARDENNE, JUSTINE BEL def SELES, MONICA USA						4 11	1 4
Doubles F	KUZNETSOVA S. / NAVRATILOVA, M. def BLACK C. ZIM / LIKHOVTSEVA, E. RUS						66 17	4 1
2002 DUBAI 23 FEB 2002	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$585,000 (\$585,000)			
Singles F	MAURESMO, AMELIE FRA def TESTUD, SANDRINE FRA						10 11	3 4
Doubles F	RITTNER B. / VENTO-KABCHI, M. def TESTUD S. FRA / VINCI, R. ITA						142 37	
2001 DUBAI 25 FEB 2001	WTA UNITED ARAB EMIRATES	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$565,000 (\$565,000)			
Singles F	HINGIS, MARTINA SUI def TAUZIAT, NATHALIE FRA						1 13	1 3
Doubles F	BASUKI, Y. INA / VIS, C. NED def CARLSSON A. / HABSUDOVA, K.						182 85	