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# WOMEN'S TENNIS ASSOCIATION MATCH NOTES



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## MIAMI OPEN - FINAL MATCH-UP

**[12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11) vs. [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7)**

Series tied 2-2

*Both players appearing in their first WTA Premier Mandatory final... **Pliskova** won their most recent encounter on tour at 2018 US Open... **Barty** will rise to career-high ranking of No.9 after Miami... **Pliskova** has won more matches on tour this year than any other player... **Barty** bidding for 10th career Top 10 win*

## THE FINALISTS

PLAYER	MIAMI W/L	YTD W/L	CAREER W/L	YTD PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$	YTD TITLES	CAREER TITLES
<b>[5] Karolina Pliskova</b>	16-6	21-4	496-276	1,123,316	15,506,047	1	12
<b>[12] Ashleigh Barty</b>	8-2	17-3	201-81	524,878	5,732,958	0	3

## FINAL RECORDS

PLAYER	BEST MIAMI RESULT	LAST FINAL REACHED	CAREER FINAL W/L
<b>[5] Karolina Pliskova</b>	Final (1): 2019 SF (1): 2017	2019 Brisbane (WON)	12-11
<b>[12] Ashleigh Barty</b>	Final (1): 2019 R16 (1): 2018	2019 Sydney (R-Up)	3-4

## RECENT MIAMI FINALS

YEAR	CHAMPION	FINALIST	SCORE
<b>2011</b>	VICTORIA AZARENKA	MARIA SHARAPOVA	6-1 6-4
<b>2012</b>	AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA	MARIA SHARAPOVA	7-5 6-4
<b>2013</b>	SERENA WILLIAMS	MARIA SHARAPOVA	4-6 6-3 6-0
<b>2014</b>	SERENA WILLIAMS	LI NA	7-5 6-1
<b>2015</b>	SERENA WILLIAMS	CARLA SUAREZ NAVARRO	6-2 6-0
<b>2016</b>	VICTORIA AZARENKA	SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA	6-3 6-2
<b>2017</b>	JOHANNA KONTA	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-4 6-3
<b>2018</b>	SLOANE STEPHENS	JELENA OSTAPENKO	7-6(5) 6-1

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### RANKINGS UPDATE

By reaching the final, **Karolina Pliskova** is projected to move to No.4. She would rise to No.2 by lifting the title - her highest position since surrendering the No.1 ranking following the 2017 US Open - only 91 points behind Naomi Osaka.

**Ashleigh Barty** is guaranteed to rise to No.9 in the new rankings, becoming the first Australian to grace the WTA Top 10 since June 2013 (Samantha Stosur, week of May 27, 2013, at No.9).

### FIRST TIMERS

Both **Pliskova** and **Barty** are contesting their first WTA Premier Mandatory final today.

However, this is becoming something of regular occurrence at the tour's showpiece events. Since the start of 2018 four Premier Mandatory finals have been between women playing their first final at that level:

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	RESULT
2018	INDIAN WELLS	Osaka d. Kasatkina 6-3 6-2
2018	MIAMI	Stephens d. Ostapenko 7-6(5) 6-1
2019	INDIAN WELLS	Andreescu d. Kerber 6-4 3-6 6-4
2019	MIAMI	Barty vs. Pliskova

### HIGH STANDARDS

**Pliskova** can lay claim to being the WTA's most consistent performer in 2019, reaching the quarterfinals or better at each of the five tournaments she has contested.

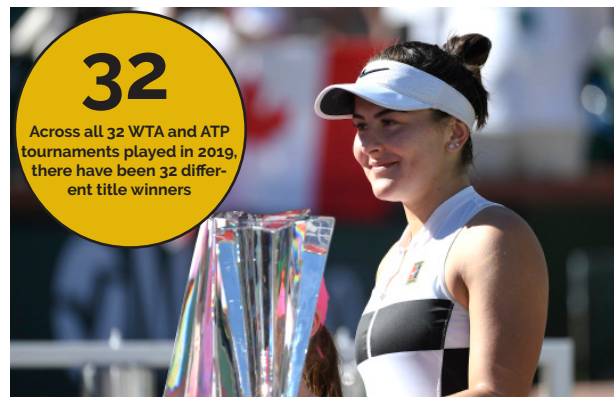
Today, she will attempt to add another title to the one she picked up at Brisbane in January, and also register her 22nd match win of the campaign.

#### 2019 WIN LEADERS

PLAYER	WIN-LOSS	BEST RESULT
KAROLINA PLISKOVA	21-4	BRISBANE (WON)
BIANCA ANDREESCU	20-4	INDIAN WELLS (WON)
PETRA KVITOVA	20-6	SYDNEY (WON)
ASHLEIGH BARTY	17-3	SYDNEY (R-UP)
BELINDA BENCIC	17-4	DUBAI (WON)
SIMONA HALEP	16-6	DOHA (R-UP)

### SHARING THE SPOILS

For the first time in WTA history, the first 13 tournaments of the season have been won by different players. **Barty**, whose most recent silverware came at Zhuhai in the last event of the 2018 season, can continue this trend into the clay court season by winning Saturday's final.



### ON THIS DAY

On **March 30, 1996**, Stefanie Graf wins her fifth and final Miami title, sweeping aside Chanda Rubin 6-1 6-3 in a 54-minute final.

#### MOST MIAMI TITLES

PLAYER	TITLES	YEARS
SERENA WILLIAMS	8	2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15
STEFANIE GRAF	5	1987-88, 1994-96
VENUS WILLIAMS	3	1998-99, 2001
VICTORIA AZARENKA	3	2009, 2011, 2016

### RETURN WITH INTEREST

Both finalists have posted impressive numbers in their return games this fortnight.

**Barty**, in particular, has enjoyed a marked upturn in fortune in this aspect of her game, breaking serve 24 times from 53 games (48.1%). By contrast, entering the tournament, she had won just 39.2% of her return games in 2019. Her numbers are all the more impressive considering she faced Kiki Bertens and Petra Kvitova, two of the WTA's best servers, en route to the final.

Eager not to be outdone, **Pliskova** has won 40.4% of her return games en route to the final, up on her pre-tournament number of 35.8%.

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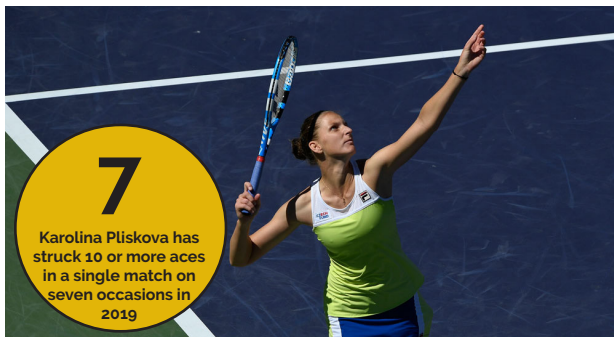


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### SERVING NOTICE

**Pliskova** has struck a tournament-leading 31 aces en route to the final, increasing her season tally to 177 and stretching her lead over Kiki Bertens (153) at the summit of the 2019 leaderboard.

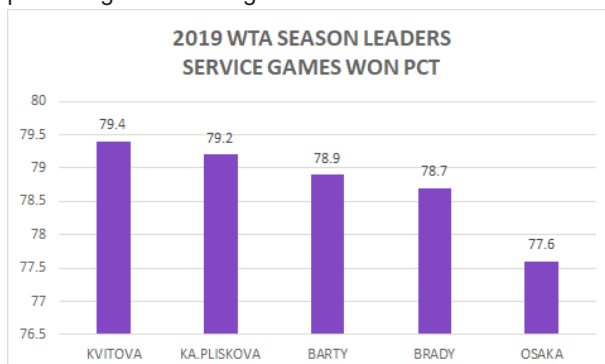
PLAYER	ACES IN 2019	ACES IN MIAMI
KAROLINA PLISKOVA	177	31
KIKI BERTENS	153	24
PETRA KVITOVA	126	17
NAOMI OSAKA	115	18
VIKTORIA KUZMOVA	108	14
KRISTYNA PLISKOVA	107	-
JULIA GOERGES	100	15
ASHLEIGH BARTY	96	21



**Barty** (21) has also struck a double-digit number of aces, whilst also keeping pace with the Czech in terms of the percentage of points won on serve in Miami:

PLAYER	SERVICE POINTS WON %
SERENA WILLIAMS	65.7
KIKI BERTENS	64.8
KAROLINA PLISKOVA	63.0
ASHLEIGH BARTY	62.9
CAROLINE GARCIA	62.8

Both finalists are among the outstanding performers on serve this season, ranking behind only Petra Kvitova for percentage of service games won:



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### PATRIOT GAMES

**Barty** and **Pliskova** are the first women from Australia and Czech Republic, respectively, to reach the Miami final.

Prior to this fortnight, the best result by an Australian were quarterfinal runs from Rachel McQuillan in 1995 and Samantha Stosur in 2009 and 2010.

For the Czech Republic, Pliskova herself fell in the semifinals in 2017, while Jana Novotna also made the last four in 1995 and 1997.

### IN THE MONEY

Should **Pliskova** win the final, her on-court earnings this season will pass the \$2-million mark:

#### 2019 PRIZE MONEY ENTERING MIAMI OPEN

PLAYER	2019 PRIZE MONEY (USD \$)
NAOMI OSAKA	3,210,559
PETRA KVITOVA	1,988,245
BIANCA ANDREESCU	1,489,031
KAROLINA PLISKOVA	1,115,271
BELINDA BENCIC	1,013,367

### RACE TO SHENZHEN

Following the Indian Wells-Miami double-header, this year's Porsche Race to Shenzhen is starting to take shape, with both this fortnight's finalists in the thick of the qualification picture:

#### Porsche Race to Shenzhen leaderboard (after Miami):

1. Petra Kvitova	2735
2. Naomi Osaka	2371
3. Karolina Pliskova	2305 (finalist) 2655 (title)
4. Bianca Andreescu	1757
5. Belinda Bencic	1683
6. Ashleigh Barty	1505 (finalist) 1855 (title)
7. Elina Svitolina	1366
8. Angelique Kerber	1345







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Head to Head: 2-2

2018	US OPEN	HARD O	R16	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-4 6-4	84 mins
2017	WUHAN	HARD O	QF	ASHLEIGH BARTY	4-6 7-6(3) 7-6(2)	151 mins
2016	NOTTINGHAM	GRASS O	QF	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	7-6(2) 7-6(7)	112 mins
2012	ITF/NOTTINGHAM 2	GRASS O	SF	ASHLEIGH BARTY	2-6 6-3 7-6(6)	105 mins

ASHLEIGH BARTY	WTA RANKING	KAROLINA PLISKOVA
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11	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	4
24-04-1996 (22)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	21-03-1992 (27)
\$524,878	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,131,606
\$5,732,958	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$15,506,047
0 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 12
0 / 9	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 5
8-2	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	16-6
17-3 / 101-52	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	21-4 / 278-146
4-2 / 28-15	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	11-4 / 92-49
2-3 / 15-13	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	3-2 / 57-58
17-3 / 70-33	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	21-4 / 205-98
1-2 / 10-6	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	4-0 / 27-19
2-0 / 4-12	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 13-18
4-3 / 9-17	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 27-37
7-3 / 21-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-2 / 53-67

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami F

## ROAD TO THE FINAL

### [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

**SF:** d. [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19) 6-3,6-3 (1h17)

**QF:** d. [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) 7-6(6),3-6,6-2 (2h32)

**R16:** d. [7] KIKI BERTENS (NED #8) 4-6,6-3,6-2 (1h53)

**R32:** d. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83) 6-0,6-3 (0h58)

**R64:** d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #37) 6-4,6-1 (1h03)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 107

Won/lost: 68-39

Sets won/lost: 10-2

Total time on court: 7h43

Average time on court: 1h33

Average rank of opponent: 30

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7)

**SF:** d. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3) 7-5,6-1 (1h14)

**QF:** d. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59) 6-3,6-4 (1h20)

**R16:** d. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #44) 2-6,6-3,7-5 (2h10)

**R32:** d. ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53) 6-7(3),6-1,6-4 (2h36)

**R64:** d. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #52) 6-3,6-4 (1h17)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 116

Won/lost: 70-46

Sets won/lost: 10-2

Total time on court: 8h37

Average time on court: 1h43

Average rank of opponent: 42



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### MIAMI Tournament History

#### ASHLEIGH BARTY

##### 2018

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

##### 2017

R2 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #19) 6-4 6-4

#### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

##### 2018

QF L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #186) 7-5 6-3

##### 2017

S L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #14) 5-7 6-1 6-1

##### 2016

R2 L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49) 5-7 6-2 7-6(0)

##### 2015

QF L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10) 6-4 6-2

##### 2014

R1 L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #44) 7-5 6-0

##### 2013

R2 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #9) 5-7 6-3 6-3

**ASHLEIGH  
BARTY**

**VS**

**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

## MIAMI

- Making third appearance at Miami Open and has made best run here by reaching SF stage
- Reached R16 last year (l. Svitolina) and 2r on debut in 2017 (l. Stosur)
- Seeded No.12 – her joint-highest at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament (also at 2019 Indian Wells)
- After 1r bye this year, defeated Yastremska in 2r and compatriot Stosur in 3r - has won at least two matches at 11 of her past 12 tournaments (exception was 2018 Tokyo)
- Claimed third and fourth Top 10 wins of the season over No.8 Bertens in R16 and No.2 Kvitova in QF. Other such wins came against No.1 Halep and No.9 Bertens en route to Sydney final
- Win over Kvitova was 200th of career (including ITF Circuit) and 100th at main draw level
- Following five hours of rain delays, overcame a slow start to both sets to see off No.19 Kontaveit in SF
- Faces Ka.Pliskova today in eighth career final and first at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament - previous best result at this level was R16 showing at 2019 Indian Wells and 2018 Miami
- Contesting 2019 Indian Wells on career-high ranking of No.11 (achieved March 18, 2019). Results this fortnight guarantee she will rise to No.9 on Monday
- Has won 24 of her last 29 matches on tour and reached SF or better at four of her past six tournaments: 2018 Wuhan (SF), 2018 Zhuhai (WON), Sydney (R-Up) and Miami (SF)
- Won doubles title here in 2018 (w/Vandeweghe). Fell in SF of title defense w/Azarenka as WC (d. No.1 seeds Krejickova/Siniakova in 1r, l. Mertens/Sabalenka)

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina in the longest match of 2019 at 3hr 12min) - saved four match points)
- Inspired Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, beating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar. Australia will host Belarus in the World Group SF in April
- At tour-level posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (l. Kvitova at both tournaments)
- Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, l. Kerber)

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open, where she is through to the final for the first time
- Previous best result was SF showing in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)
- Last year, exited in QF to wildcard Azarenka. Also reached QF in 2015 (l. Petkovic)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Martic in 2r, Cornet in 3r, Putintseva in R16, Vondrousova in QF and Halep in SF - has now won 21 main draw matches in 2019, the most on tour, ahead of Andreescu (20-4) and Kvitova (20-6)
- After wins over Cornet and Putintseva, has played a tour-leading 15 three-set matches in 2019 (11-4 record)
- Has struck a tournament-leading 31 aces so far this fortnight to take 2019 total to 177 (ahead of Bertens on 153 atop 2019 WTA ace leaderboard)
- Victory over No.3 Halep in SF was first Top 10 win since beating No.5 Kvitova at 2018 WTA Finals
- Faces Bartey in final today in her 24th WTA final and first at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament; had previously lost SF at this level at Indian Wells (2016-17), Miami (2017) and Madrid (2018)
- Has reached QF or better in all five tournaments she has contested this year
- Is the first Czech player to reach Miami final. Her run in 2017 and Novotna's in 1995 and 1997 were the only times a Czech woman had made Miami SF
- By reaching final will rise to No.4 and can go as high as No.2 by lifting the title

## SEASON

- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
- Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
- Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, l. Halep)
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved 4MP to defeat S.Williams in QF
- Began season by winning 12th career title at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons





**ASHLEIGH  
BARTY**

**VS**

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 season with a career-best finish of No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai. Now 3-3 in career singles finals
- Also was R-Up on home soil at Sydney and made SF at Montréal and Wuhan
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe)
- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at a then-career-high No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- Best career win is over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney
- Winner of nine WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs)
- Qualified for first WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.5 on May 21, 2018
- Took a break from tennis after 2014 US Open that lasted almost two years
- Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- Won Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2018
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Best major result to date is QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina), Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel), and 2018 (l. Osaka), and US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens). Made 2r at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Kirilenko) and 2018 (l. S.Williams)
- First Slam main draw (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia's WC Play-Off
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejickova/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)



## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level last season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Made the SF stage at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Helped Czech Republic win sixth Fed Cup in past eight years in 2018 (played SF tie vs. Germany)
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe)
- Holds a 12-11 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish first time in WTA history, three Czech women inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

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***PERSONAL***

- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara. Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- In April 2018, named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia, In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women's Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce

***PERSONAL***

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Currently coached by Rennae Stubbs and Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon



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## MIAMI OPEN - SEMIFINAL MATCH-UPS

### [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19) vs. [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

#### First meeting

Both players appearing in their first WTA Premier Mandatory SF... **Kontaveit** has recovered from a break down in the deciding set twice this fortnight... **Barty** will rise to career-high ranking of No.9 after Miami

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

#### Halep leads 7-2

**Halep** won in three sets when the two met earlier this year on Fed Cup duty... **Pliskova** bidding for WTA-leading 21st main draw win of the season... **Halep** can recapture No.1 ranking by reaching final

## THE FINAL FOUR

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[2] Simona Halep	20-7	16-5	466-202	441,078	28,586,657	0	18
[5] Karolina Pliskova	15-6	20-4	495-276	1,123,316	15,506,047	1	12
[12] Ashleigh Barty	7-2	16-3	200-81	524,878	5,732,958	0	3
[21] Anett Kontaveit	6-4	12-6	275-142	239,571	3,017,860	0	1

## SEMIFINAL RECORDS

PLAYER	BEST MIAMI RESULT	LAST FINAL REACHED	CAREER SF W/L*	CAREER FINAL W/L
[2] Simona Halep	SF (2): 2015, 2019	2019 Doha (R-Up)	33-14	18-16
[5] Karolina Pliskova	SF (2): 2017, 2019	2019 Brisbane (WON)	22-14	12-11
[12] Ashleigh Barty	SF (1): 2019	2019 Sydney (R-Up)	7-4	3-4
[21] Anett Kontaveit	SF (1): 2019	2018 Wuhan (R-UP)	4-4	1-3

\* not including walkovers

## POTENTIAL FINAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

	PLISKOVA	HALEP
KONTAVEIT	Pliskova leads 2-0	Halep leads 2-0
BARTY	Series tied 2-2	Halep leads 2-1

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## [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19) vs. [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

Head to Head: First meeting

ANETT KONTAVEIT	WTA RANKING	ASHLEIGH BARTY
19		11
31	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	11
24-12-1995 (23)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-04-1996 (22)
\$239,571	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$524,878
\$3,017,860	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$5,732,958
0 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 9
6-4	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	7-2
12-6 / 90-78	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	16-3 / 100-52
4-1 / 31-26	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	4-2 / 28-15
5-3 / 26-26	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	2-3 / 15-13
12-6 / 55-53	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	16-3 / 69-33
1-1 / 9-9	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 10-6
0-1 / 2-7	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-0 / 4-12
1-2 / 9-13	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-3 / 9-17
2-3 / 15-22	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	6-3 / 20-31

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### [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

**QF:** d. [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27) 3-6,6-2,7-5 (2h00)

**R16:** d. BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24) 6-1,2-0 Ret'd (0h56)

**R32:** d. AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #40) 7-6(3),2-6,7-6(4) (2h27)

**R64:** d. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73) 6-3,1-6,6-4 (2h06)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 98

Won/lost: 53-45

Sets won/lost: 8-3

Total time on court: 7h29

Average time on court: 1h52

Average rank of opponent: 41

### [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

**QF:** d. [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) 7-6(6),3-6,6-2 (2h32)

**R16:** d. [7] KIKI BERTENS (NED #8) 4-6,6-3,6-2 (1h53)

**R32:** d. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83) 6-0,6-3 (0h58)

**R64:** d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #37) 6-4,6-1 (1h03)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 89

Won/lost: 56-33

Sets won/lost: 8-2

Total time on court: 6h26

Average time on court: 1h37

Average rank of opponent: 33



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### ANETT KONTAVEIT

##### 2018

R2 L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #52) 6-4 6-1

##### 2017

R3 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 6-3 6-0

##### 2016

R1-Q L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #131) 6-3 6-1

##### 2014

R1 L - MADISON KEYS (USA #38) 6-3 6-2

##### 2013

R1 L - CHRISTINA MCHALE (USA #55) 6-2 6-1

#### ASHLEIGH BARTY

##### 2018

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

##### 2017

R2 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #19) 6-4 6-4

**ANETT  
KONTAVEIT**

**VS**

**ASHLEIGH  
BARTY**

## MIAMI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Miami (sixth overall), where she is through to SF for the first time
- Previous best result here is reaching 3r in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Halep)
- After 1r bye, recovered from 4-2 down in third set to defeat Anisimova in 2r on Friday
- Overcame Tomljanovic in 3r on Saturday in 3s, needing two tie-breaks to secure the win. Improves to 5-3 in tie-breaks in 2019 (only Kvitova has played more tie-breaks in 2019 - 5-5 record)
- Ended Andreescu's 10-match winning streak in R16 (via ret. w/right shoulder injury) to reach the first WTA Premier Mandatory QF of her career
- Previously reached R16 at WTA Premier Mandatory events on two occasions, at 2018 Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and 2019 Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Recovered from 4-0 and 5-3 down in the final set to beat Hsieh in QF on Tuesday
- Faces No.11 Barty in her ninth career WTA SF and first since Wuhan in September 2018 (d. Q.Wang via ret. l. Sabalenka in F). Overall record in SF matches is 4-4
- Owns 15 career Top 20 wins, 12 of which have been posted since the start of 2018 season. Top 20 victories in 2019 were over No.7 Kvitova (Brisbane) and No.11 Sevastova (Indian Wells)
- Career record against Australian opposition stands at 7-6, with most recent encounter a 3s win over Stosur at 2018 Dubai
- Bidding to become the eighth player outside Top 15 to reach Miami final; most recent to do so was No.19 Kuznetsova, who finished R-Up in 2016
- Rose to career-high ranking of No.19 on Monday, March 18. Will move to No.14 by reaching SF and would go as high as No.12 by lifting the title

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Kerber) and fell 1r at Dubai (l. S.Zhang)
- Won all three of the singles matches she played at the Fed Cup Europe/Africa Zone Group I event, including defeating Barritza to help Estonia to a 2-0 victory in their relegation play-off tie against Denmark
- Lost to Sasnovich in straight sets in 2r at Australian Open
- Upset No.7 Kvitova in 2r at Brisbane before falling to Tsurenko in QF. Reached 2r in Sydney (l. Mertens)

## MIAMI

- Making third appearance at Miami Open and has made best run here by reaching SF stage
- Reached R16 last year (l. Svitolina) and 2r on debut in 2017 (l. Stosur)
- Seeded No.12 – her joint-highest at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament (also at 2019 Indian Wells)
- After 1r bye this year, defeated Yastremska in 2r and compatriot Stosur in 3r - has won at least two matches at 11 of her past 12 tournaments (exception was 2018 Tokyo)
- Claimed third and fourth Top 10 wins of the season over No.8 Bertens in R16 and No.2 Kvitova in QF. Other such wins came against No.1 Halep and No.9 Bertens en route to Sydney final
- Win over Kvitova was first in five attempts, including two defeats at Sydney and Australian Open in 2019
- Now owns 200 career wins (including ITF Circuit), 100 of which have come at main draw level
- Faces No.19 Kontaveit in 12th career SF and first at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament
- Career record in WTA-level SFs stands at 7-4
- Contesting 2019 Indian Wells on career-high ranking of No.11 (achieved March 18, 2019). By reaching SF is guaranteed to rise to No.9
- Has won 16 of her 19 matches played this season and reached QF or better at three of the four events contested: Sydney (R-Up), Australian Open (QF), and Miami (SF)
- Competing with Azarenka in doubles this fortnight (d. No.1 seeds Krejickova/Siniakova in 1r; face Mertens/Sabalenka in SF)
- Bidding to become the first woman to reach Miami singles and doubles finals in the same year since Zvereva in 1994 (R-Up in singles to Graf, Won doubles w/Fernandez); Sánchez Vicario in 1992 was the last woman to win both titles in the same year

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina in the longest match of 2019 at 3hr 12min) - saved four match points)
- Inspired Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, beating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar. Australia will host Belarus in the World Group SF in April
- At tour-level posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (l. Kvitova at both tournaments)
- Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, l. Kerber)





**ANETT  
KONTAVEIT**

**VS**

**ASHLEIGH  
BARTY**

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018, season highlighted by fourth WTA singles final at Wuhan (l. Sabalenka); posted 33 main draw wins – the first time she had registered 30 or more wins in a single season – and finished at No.21 in the rankings
- Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showings at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Breakthrough season came in 2017, finishing on a ranking of No.34, up from No.110 in 2016 – first year-end finish inside Top 50 and second non-consecutive year in Top 100
- Won first career singles title at 2017 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benne (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017)
- Also advanced to quarterfinals at Premier-level tournaments at Stuttgart, where she beat No.6 Muguruza en route, and Rome, where she posted her first career win over a reigning No.1 with defeat of Kerber in 2r
- In 2016, played main draw at all four Grand Slams for first time, but dropped out of Top 100
- One of five teenagers in 2015 year-end Top 100
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2015 at No.96, up from No.152
- Scored first Top 20 win of career over No.17 Errani at 2016 Monterrey (2r)
- Has won 11 singles titles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami as WC (l. McHale, 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010
- Junior highlights included winning 2011 Orange Bowl, defeating Bouchard and Putintseva along the way

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 16th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Earned her first Grand Slam victories at 2015 US Open where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. V.Williams) – only seventh qualifier in Open Era to reach US Open R16
- Also made R16 at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
- Best showings at Wimbledon are 3r runs in 2017 (l. Wozniacki) and 2018 (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Runner-up in 2012 US Open girls' singles (l. Crawford)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 season with a career-best finish of No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai. Now 3-3 in career singles finals
- Also was R-Up on home soil at Sydney and made SF at Montréal and Wuhan
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe)
- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at a then-career-high No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- Best career win is over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney
- Winner of nine WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs)
- Qualified for first WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.5 on May 21, 2018
- Took a break from tennis after 2014 US Open that lasted almost two years
- Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- Won Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2018
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Best major result to date is QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (l. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Kasatkina), Australian Open in 2017 (l. Barthel), and 2018 (l. Osaka), and US Open in 2017 (l. eventual champion Stephens). Made 2r at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Kirilenko) and 2018 (l. S.Williams)
- First Slam main draw (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia's WC Play-Off
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejčíková/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)



**ANETT  
KONTAVEIT**

**VS**

**ASHLEIGH  
BARTY**

***PERSONAL***

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- Mother, Ulle, is a tennis coach and started her in tennis (was her coach until the age of 11, then began working other Estonian coaches). Father, Andrus, is a manager at the Port of Tallinn

***PERSONAL***

- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara. Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- In April 2018, named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia, In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women's Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce



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## [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 7-2

2019	FED CUP WEEK 1	HARD I	R1	SIMONA HALEP	6-4 5-7 6-4	159 mins
2018	MADRID	CLAY O	QF	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-4 6-3	69 mins
2018	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	QF	SIMONA HALEP	6-3 6-2	71 mins
2017	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY O	SF	SIMONA HALEP	6-4 3-6 6-3	120 mins
2016	MONTREAL	HARD O	R16	SIMONA HALEP	6-3 6-3	67 mins
2016	FED CUP WEEK 1	HARD I	R1	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-7(4) 6-4 6-2	156 mins
2016	SYDNEY	HARD O	QF	SIMONA HALEP	6-4 7-5	98 mins
2015	INDIAN WELLS	HARD O	R16	SIMONA HALEP	6-4 6-4	77 mins
2015	DUBAI	HARD O	F	SIMONA HALEP	6-4 7-6(4)	106 mins

KAROLINA PLISKOVA	WTA RANKING	SIMONA HALEP
7		3
4	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	10
21-03-1992 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1991 (27)
\$1,131,606	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$441,078
\$15,506,047	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$28,586,657
1 / 12	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 18
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
15-6	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	20-7
20-4 / 277-146	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	16-5 / 343-156
11-4 / 92-49	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-4 / 100-53
3-2 / 57-58	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-2 / 44-52
20-4 / 204-98	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	16-5 / 207-100
4-0 / 27-19	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 34-12
0-2 / 12-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 11-27
0-2 / 26-37	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-0 / 35-44
2-2 / 52-67	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	4-2 / 94-69
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## ROAD TO THE SEMIFINALS

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7)

**QF:** d. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59) 6-3,6-4 (1h20)

**R16:** d. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #44) 2-6,6-3,7-5 (2h10)

**R32:** d. ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53) 6-7(3),6-1,6-4 (2h36)

**R64:** d. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #52) 6-3,6-4 (1h17)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 97

Won/lost: 57-40

Sets won/lost: 8-2

Total time on court: 7h23

Average time on court: 1h51

Average rank of opponent: 52

### [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

**QF:** d. [18] QIANG WANG (CHN #18) 6-4,7-5 (1h37)

**R16:** d. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43) 6-3,6-3 (1h12)

**R32:** d. POLONA HERCOG (SLO #93) 5-7,7-6(1),6-2 (2h49)

**R64:** d. TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96) 6-1,6-3 (1h02)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 89

Won/lost: 55-34

Sets won/lost: 8-1

Total time on court: 6h40

Average time on court: 1h40

Average rank of opponent: 63





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## MIAMI Tournament History

### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

2018				
QF	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #186)	7-5	6-3	
2017				
S	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #14)	5-7	6-1	6-1
2016				
R2	L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49)	5-7	6-2	7-6(0)
2015				
QF	L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10)	6-4	6-2	
2014				
R1	L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #44)	7-5	6-0	
2013				
R2	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #9)	5-7	6-3	6-3

### SIMONA HALEP

2018				
R3	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32)	3-6	6-2	6-3
2017				
Q	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	3-6	7-6(7)	6-2
2016				
QF	L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #20)	4-6	6-3	6-2
2015				
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-2	4-6	7-5
2013				
R3	L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #7)	6-1	6-0	
2012				
R3	L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7)	6-4	7-6(6)	
2011				
R2	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #15)	6-0	6-4	

**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open, where she is through to SF for the second time
- Previously made it this far in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)
- Last year, exited in QF to wildcard Azarenka. Also reached QF in 2015 (l. Petkovic)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Martic in 2r, Cornet in 3r, Putintseva in R16 and Vondrousova in QF - has now won 20 main draw matches in 2019, the joint-most on tour with Andreescu (20-4) and Kvitova (20-6)
- After wins over Cornet and Putintseva, has played a tour-leading 15 three-set matches in 2019 (11-4 record)
- Struck a tournament-leading 26 aces so far this fortnight to take 2019 total to WTA-leading 172 (ahead of Bertens on 153)
- Faces No.3 Halep in SF today for the pair's 10th career meeting; lost third rubber to Halep in 3s as Romania ended Czech Republic's Fed Cup reign in February
- Has reached QF or better in all five tournaments she has contested this year
- Bidding to become first Czech player to reach Miami final. Her runs in 2017 and 2019 and Novotna's in 1995 and 1997 are the only times a Czech woman has made Miami SF
- By reaching SF will rise to No.4 and can go as high as No.2 by lifting the title

## SEASON

- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
- Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
- Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, l. Halep)
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved 4MP to defeat S.Williams in QF
- Began season by winning 12th career title at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)

## MIAMI

- Making eighth appearance in Miami, where she is through to SF for a second time
- Also reached SF in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams). Made QF in 2016 (l. Bacsinszky) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Konta)
- Holds two of the four WTA Premier Mandatory titles, at Indian Wells in 2015 and two at Madrid from 2016-17. Only three players have lifted three of the four Premier Mandatory trophies - S.Williams (Indian Wells, Miami, Madrid), Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing) and Azarenka (Indian Wells, Miami, Beijing)
- After 1r bye, defeated American qualifier Townsend in 2r, then hit 20 winners during hard-fought 3r win over lucky loser Herczeg
- In R16, beat three-time champion V.Williams for the fourth time in a row (all in straight sets)
- Struck 24 winners to see off Chinese No.1 Q.Wang in QF; has now won past six matches with Chinese opposition
- Has won 62.9% of her service points this fortnight, ahead of other three semifinalists Barty (62.8%), Ka.Pliskova (62.7%) and Kontaveit (55.5%)
- The Miami Open fortnight marks her 269th and 270th consecutive weeks in the Top 10 - the longest active streak (ahead of Ka.Pliskova on 133 weeks)
- Can reclaim No.1 ranking by reaching the final. Has spent 64 weeks atop the rankings in her career - the 10th most of all time
- Is one of nine players in the draw to have held the No.1 ranking - also Osaka, Ka.Pliskova, S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka, Kerber, Wozniacki and Muguruza

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 run at Indian Wells (l. No.61 Vondrousova in 3s), ending her 21-match winning streak against players ranked outside the Top 60 (in completed matches)
- Fell to eventual champion Bencic in 3s in QF at Dubai
- Finished R-Up in Doha (l. Mertens); career record in singles finals now 18-16
- Defeated Siniakova and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round at the weekend and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)



**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- At Grand Slam level last season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Made the SF stage at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Helped Czech Republic win sixth Fed Cup in past eight years in 2018 (played SF tie vs. Germany)
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe)
- Holds a 12-11 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish first time in WTA history, three Czech women inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F)
- Also won titles last year at Shenzhen (d. Siniakova in F) and Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and was R-Up at Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), Rome (l. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (l. Bertens). Is 18-16 in career finals
- Won first career WTA doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu).ow 1-1 in career doubles finals
- Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot for first time in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1
- Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F); reached four more finals in 2017: Rome, Roland Garros, Cincinnati and Beijing. 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid, Bucharest and Montréal
- Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles
- Has qualified five times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-18), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player after winning her first six WTA titles and rising to year-end No.11 (dipped as low as No.64 in May)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals
- Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2012, 2014-19

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Won first Grand Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) after three runner-up finishes, at Roland Garros in 2014 (l. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (l. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Became 49th different woman to win a Slam title in the Open Era, and the second Romanian woman to win a Slam after Ruzici at 1978 Roland Garros
- Was the first Romanian woman to advance to final at 2018 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Made SF at Wimbledon in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and US Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Won Roland Garros girls' singles title in 2008 – sixth woman to go on to win the women's singles title



**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

***PERSONAL***

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Currently coached by Rennae Stubbs and Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon

***PERSONAL***

- Announced at Miami that she is now working with Daniel Dobre. During off-season long-time coach Darren Cahill announced he was taking a 12-month break from tennis
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer





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## MIAMI OPEN - QUARTERFINAL MATCH-UPS

### [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27) vs. [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

#### Kontaveit leads 1-0

*Kontaveit dropped just four games when the pair met at 2015 Guangzhou... Hsieh has beaten both the current and a former World No.1 in her past two matches... Kontaveit playing first QF on US soil*

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

#### Kvitova leads 4-0

*Players meeting for the third time this season... Kvitova attempting to notch up a WTA-leading 21st win of the season... Barty is guaranteed to break into Top 10 should she win this evening's match*

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59)

#### First meeting

*Pliskova has reached QF here for fourth time in past five years... Vondrousova is yet to drop a set en route to second straight Premier Mandatory QF... Pliskova has made QF at every event she has played in 2019*

### [18] QIANG WANG (CHN #18) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

#### Halep leads 1-0

*Halep won when the two met 12 months ago at Indian Wells... Wang owns five Top 10 wins in her career... Halep attempting to reach SF at Miami for a second time*

## A LOOK AT THE QUARTERFINALISTS

PLAYER	MIAMI W/L	YTD W/L	CAREER W/L	YTD PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$	YTD TITLES	CAREER TITLES
[2] Simona Halep	19-7	15-5	465-202	441,078	28,586,657	0	18
[3] Petra Kvitova	12-9	20-5	510-222	1,988,245	29,330,452	1	26
[5] Karolina Pliskova	14-6	19-4	494-276	1,123,316	15,506,047	1	12
[12] Ashleigh Barty	6-2	15-3	199-81	524,878	5,732,958	0	3
[18] Wang Qiang	3-2	9-4	375-233	230,845	3,264,537	0	2
[21] Anett Kontaveit	5-4	11-6	274-142	239,571	3,017,860	0	1
[27] Hsieh Su-Wei	6-2	14-7	485-296	428,670	6,452,206	0	3
Marketa Vondrousova	4-1	13-3	141-50	352,682	1,317,037	0	1

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## WOMEN'S TENNIS ASSOCIATION MATCH NOTES

### RANKINGS UPDATE

**Petra Kvitova** and **Simona Halep** both remain in contention to usurp Naomi Osaka atop the rankings after Miami.

Due to Osaka's early exit, both Kvitova and Halep could move to No.1 by reaching the final, so long as the other is not their opponent in the final; should they both make the championship match, the winner would be crowned the new No.1.

**Karolina Pliskova** is guaranteed to return to the Top 5 by reaching the quarterfinals and will move to No.4 should she reach the last four.

**Ashleigh Barty** will break into the Top 10 - at No.10 - unless **Wang Qiang** lifts the title. Should she beat Kvitova today she will move to No.9.

Wang's own progress to the last eight assures herself a new career-high ranking of either No.15 or No.16. While **Anett Kontaveit** can also assure a new best ranking, inside the Top 15, by advancing to the semifinals.

**Hsieh Su-Wei** will equal her career-high ranking of No.23 by reaching the semifinals and can break into the Top 20 by lifting the title.

By getting through to the last eight, **Marketa Vondrousova** will move to a career-best No.43 in the rankings. She would rise to No.38 with a semifinal showing and No.31 should she reach the final.

### DOUBLING UP

**Ashleigh Barty**, **Simona Halep** and **Hsieh Su-Wei** are all still alive and kicking in the doubles draw. The last woman to win both singles and doubles in Miami was Arantxa Sánchez Vicario in 1992.

#### PLAYERS TO WIN BOTH TITLES IN MIAMI

PLAYER	YEAR	DOUBLES PARTNER
MARTINA NAVRATILOVA	1985	GIGI FERNANDEZ
STEFANIE GRAF	1988	GABRIELA SABATINI
ARANTXA SANCHEZ VICARIO	1992	LARISA SAVCHENKO

### UNCHARTED TERRITORY

Three of the quarterfinalists, **Ashleigh Barty**, **Hsieh Su-Wei** and **Anett Kontaveit** are appearing at this stage of a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament for the first time.

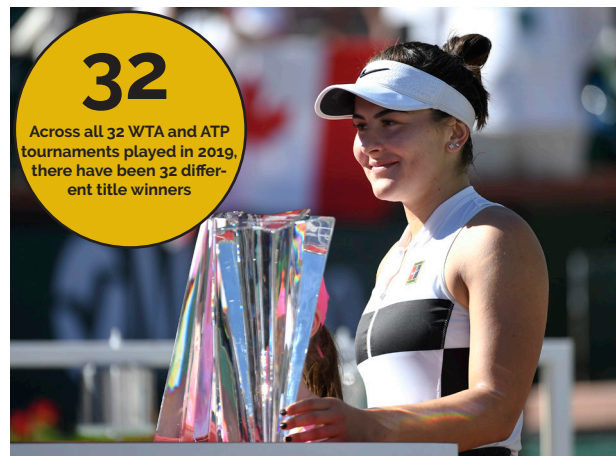
By contrast, the other five players remaining in the draw have contested a combined total of 34 quarterfinals at this level between them.

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### SHARING THE SPOILS

For the first time in WTA history, the first 13 tournaments of the season have been won by different women. **Petra Kvitova** and **Karolina Pliskova** are the only players left in Miami to have won a title this season, leaving the possibility of this trend continuing into the clay court season.



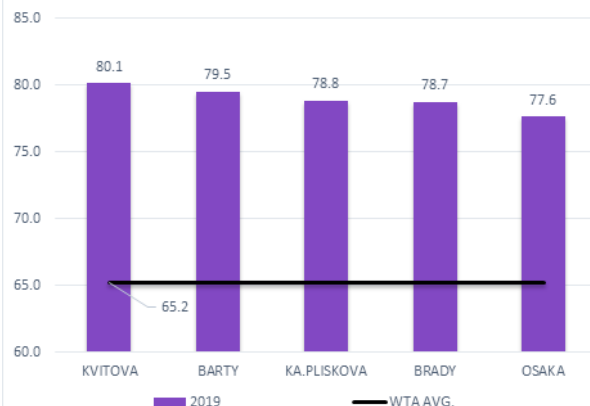
### SERVING NOTICE

**Ashleigh Barty**, **Petra Kvitova** and **Karolina Pliskova** have unsurprisingly been impressing on serve so far this fortnight.

Pliskova has struck 23 aces to increase her season tally to 169, maintaining her advantage over Kiki Bertens (153) at the summit of the 2019 leaderboard.

Barty (14) and Kvitova (12) have both also struck a double-digit number of aces, and have even outshone Pliskova in terms of the percentage of service games won:

#### WTA Leaders Service Games Won Pct. Including matches at Miami Open presented by Itaù





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## [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27) vs. [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

Head to Head: ANETT KONTAVEIT leads 1-0

2015 GUANGZHOU HARD O R1 ANETT KONTAVEIT 6-1 6-3 51 mins

SU-WEI HSIEH	WTA RANKING	ANETT KONTAVEIT
27		19
14	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	31
04-01-1986 (33)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-12-1995 (23)
\$428,670	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$239,571
\$6,452,206	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$3,017,860
0 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
1 / 21	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
6-2	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	5-4
14-7 / 125-137	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	11-6 / 89-78
4-2 / 49-43	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-1 / 30-26
3-3 / 27-38	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-3 / 26-26
14-7 / 93-89	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	11-6 / 54-53
1-2 / 14-18	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 9-9
2-2 / 4-8	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 2-7
3-3 / 6-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 9-13
5-3 / 11-38	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-3 / 15-22

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami QF

## ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

### [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27)

**R16:** d. [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13) 6-3,6-7,6-2 (2h13)

**R32:** d. [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) 4-6,7-6(4),6-3 (2h18)

**R64:** d. ALISON RISKE (USA #45) 6-2,7-5 (1h24)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 82

Won/lost: 48-34

Sets won/lost: 6-2

Total time on court: 5h55

Average time on court: 1h58

Average rank of opponent: 20

### [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

**R16:** d. BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24) 6-1,2-0 Ret'd (0h56)

**R32:** d. AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (CRO #40) 7-6(3),2-6,7-6(4) (2h27)

**R64:** d. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73) 6-3,1-6,6-4 (2h06)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 69

Won/lost: 37-32

Sets won/lost: 6-2

Total time on court: 5h29

Average time on court: 1h50

Average rank of opponent: 46



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### SU-WEI HSIEH

2018

R3 L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #6) 6-4 1-6 7-6(4)

2014

R2-Q L - VIRGINIE RAZZANO (FRA #81) 4-6 6-3 6-4

2013

R2 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4) 6-3 6-2

2012

R2-Q L - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #114) 6-3 5-7 6-4

2008

R1-Q L - TATIANA POUTCHEK (BLR #118) 7-5 6-4

#### ANETT KONTAVEIT

2018

R2 L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #52) 6-4 6-1

2017

R3 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 6-3 6-0

2016

R1-Q L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #131) 6-3 6-1

2014

R1 L - MADISON KEYS (USA #38) 6-3 6-2

2013

R1 L - CHRISTINA MCHALE (USA #55) 6-2 6-1

**HSIEH  
SU-WEI**

**VS**

**ANETT  
KONTAVEIT**

## MIAMI

- Making third main draw appearance at Miami Open (sixth overall)
- Is through to QF for the first time here or at any Premier Mandatory tournament
- Last year, made 3r (l. Ka.Pliskova) and reached 2r in 2013 (l. A.Radwanska)
- Seeded No.27 this fortnight - the second time she has been seeded at a Premier Mandatory event following Indian Wells earlier this month (also No.27)
- After 1r bye, defeated Riske in 2r on Friday. Has now won four of her last five matches against Americans, wins coming over Mattek-Sands (2018 Rabat), Anisimova (2018 Hiroshima) and Collins (2019 Sydney). Loss came against Kenin at 2018 Wuhan
- Recovered from 6-4 5-3 down to upset World No.1 Osaka in 3r. Was her second career win over a reigning No.1 (also defeated Halep at 2018 Wimbledon)
- Beat former No.1 Wozniacki in R16; had previously won one set from the Dane in four career meetings
- Takes on Kontaveit today in 23rd WTA singles QF and second at a Premier event, having previously made SF earlier this year at Premier 5 Dubai
- Bidding for sixth Top 20 win of 2019, having also upset No.11 Sevastova, No.7 Kerber and No.5 Ka.Pliskova (all at Dubai) and No.1 Osaka and No.13 Wozniacki (both at Miami)
- Will match career-high ranking of No.23 by reaching the SF. Needs to lift title to break into Top 20 (at No.17)
- Seeded No.3 in doubles this fortnight w/Strycova (play Mertens/Sabalenka in 2r later today)

## SEASON

- After 1r bye, fell to Konta in 2r at Indian Wells; reached doubles QF w/Strycova as defending champions (l. Chan/Chan)
- Advanced to first Premier-level SF of her career at Dubai (d. No.7 Kerber and No.5 Ka.Pliskova, l. No.4 Kvitova)
- Lifted 21st doubles title in Dubai (w/Strycova, d. Hradecka/Makarova in F), improving to 21-11 career record in doubles finals
- Fell 1r at Hua Hin (l. Niculescu) and reached 2r at Doha (l. Muchova)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka after leading 7-5 4-1)
- Opened 2019 season with runs to SF in Auckland (l. R-Up Andreescu) and 2r at Sydney (l. eventual champion Kvitova)

## MIAMI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Miami (sixth overall), where she is through to QF for the first time
- Previous best result here is reaching 3r in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Halep)
- After 1r bye, recovered from 4-2 down in third set to defeat Anisimova in 2r on Friday
- Overcame Tomljanovic in 3r on Saturday in 3s, needing two tiebreaks to secure the win. Improves to 8-3 in tiebreaks in 2019
- Ended Andreescu's 10-match winning streak in R16 (via ret. w/right shoulder injury) to reach the first WTA Premier Mandatory QF of her career
- Previously reached R16 at WTA Premier Mandatory events on two occasions, at 2018 Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and 2019 Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Faces No.27 Hsieh today in their first meeting in nearly four years, since 2015 Guangzhou when she was ranked No.98 and Hsieh No.112
- Holds 4-4 record vs. Top 30 players this season, having defeated No.7 Kvitova and No.23 Suarez Navarro (both at Brisbane), No.11 Sevastova (Indian Wells, via ret.) and No.24 Andreescu (Miami, via ret.)
- Through to her second QF of the season (also Brisbane). By contrast, did not reach her first of four QFs in 2018 until Stuttgart in April
- Rose to career-high ranking of No.19 on Monday, March 18. Can break into Top 15 by reaching SF and would rise as high as No.12 by lifting the title

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Kerber) and fell 1r at Dubai (l. S.Zhang)
- Won all three of the singles matches she played at the Fed Cup Europe/Africa Zone Group I event, including defeating Barritza to help Estonia to a 2-0 victory in their relegation play-off tie against Denmark
- Lost to Sasnovich in straight sets in 2r at Australian Open
- Upset No.7 Kvitova in 2r at Brisbane before falling to Tsurenko in QF. Reached 2r in Sydney (l. Mertens)





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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.28, up from No.96 in 2017
- Returned to Top 30 on September 17, 2018 for the first time since reaching career high of No.23 on February 25, 2013
- Won third WTA singles title at 2018 Hiroshima – others both coming in 2012 at Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Martić in F) and Guangzhou (d. Robson in F)
- Won 20th career doubles title at 2018 Indian Wells (w/Strycova, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F)
- Other highlights of 2018 season were SF runs Auckland (l. eventual champion Goerges), Rabat (l. eventual champion Mertens), Seoul (l. Tomljanovic) and Tianjin (l. Garcia). Also made QF at Strasbourg (l. Buzarnescu) and equaled best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Stunned No.1 Halep at 2018 Wimbledon for first win over reigning No.1
- Reached QF at Nanchang (l. Y.Wang) in 2017 and concluded season with runner-up effort at WTA 125K Series event in Hua Hin, Thailand (l. Bencic)
- 2016 season highlights included SF run at Kaohsiung (l. Doi) and QF showing at Prague (l. eventual champion Safarova)
- Ended 2016 by winning 27th singles title on the ITF Circuit at \$100K ITF/Dubai-UAE; has also won 22 doubles titles at that level, most recently at \$100k ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer in May 2017 (w/Chang)
- Just second player from Chinese Taipei to win a tour-level singles title (Wang Shi-Ting won six titles in 1990s)
- Qualified for 2012 Tournament of Champions-Sofia (went 1-2 in round robin play)
- Won two Grand Slams w/Peng and qualified twice for WTA Finals, emerging as champions in 2013 (d. Makarova/Vesnina in F) and runners-up in 2014 (l. Black/Mirza in F)
- Became first player from Chinese Taipei (male or female) to achieve the WTA World No.1 doubles ranking on May 12, 2014 – held the top spot for five non-consecutive weeks
- On ITF Circuit, winner of 26 singles titles and 23 doubles titles
- Played first professional tournament at ITF level in New Zealand in 2001; started career by winning first 33 matches (mix of ITF and tour level)

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Has reached R16 on three occasions at the Australian Open in 2018 (l. Kerber) and 2008 (as qualifier, l. Henin), and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Cibulkova)
- Also made 3r at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Garcia). At US Open, posted 2r efforts in 2018 (l. Cibulkova) and 2013 (l. Giorgi)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018, season highlighted by fourth WTA singles final at Wuhan (l. Sabalenka); posted 33 main draw wins – the first time she had registered 30 or more wins in a single season – and finished at No.21 in the rankings
- Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showings at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Breakthrough season came in 2017, finishing on a ranking of No.34, up from No.110 in 2016 – first year-end finish inside Top 50 and second non-consecutive year in Top 100
- Won first career singles title at 2017 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benke (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017)
- Also advanced to quarterfinals at Premier-level tournaments at Stuttgart, where she beat No.6 Muguruza en route, and Rome, where she posted her first career win over a reigning No.1 with defeat of Kerber in 2r
- In 2016, played main draw at all four Grand Slams for first time, but dropped out of Top 100
- One of five teenagers in 2015 year-end Top 100
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2015 at No.96, up from No.152
- Scored first Top 20 win of career over No.17 Errani at 2016 Monterrey (2r)
- Has won 11 singles titles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami as WC (l. McHale, 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010
- Junior highlights included winning 2011 Orange Bowl, defeating Bouchard and Putintseva along the way

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 16th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Earned her first Grand Slam victories at 2015 US Open where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. V.Williams) – only seventh qualifier in Open Era to reach US Open R16
- Also made R16 at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
- Best showings at Wimbledon are 3r runs in 2017 (l. Wozniacki) and 2018 (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Runner-up in 2012 US Open girls' singles (l. Crawford)



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### ***GRAND SLAM CONT.***

- Winner of two Grand Slam doubles titles – 2014 Roland Garros (w/Peng, d. Errani/Vinci in final) and 2013 Wimbledon (w/Peng, d. Barty/Dellacqua in final)

### ***PERSONAL***

- Has six siblings. Introduced to tennis by dad at age 5
- Father is Hsieh Tze-Lung; mother is Ho Fom-Ju
- Idolized Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi growing up

### ***PERSONAL***

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- Mother, Ulle, is a tennis coach and started her in tennis (was her coach until the age of 11, then began working other Estonian coaches). Father, Andrus, is a manager at the Port of Tallinn



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## [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

Head to Head: PETRA KVITOVA leads 4-0

2019	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	QF	PETRA KVITOVA	6-1	6-4	68 mins
2019	SYDNEY	HARD O	F	PETRA KVITOVA	1-6	7-5 7-6(3)	140 mins
2017	BIRMINGHAM	GRASS O	F	PETRA KVITOVA	4-6	6-3 6-2	107 mins
2012	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY O	R1	PETRA KVITOVA	6-1	6-2	54 mins

PETRA KVITOVA	WTA RANKING	ASHLEIGH BARTY
2		11
1	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	11
08-03-1990 (29)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-04-1996 (22)
\$1,988,245	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$524,878
\$29,330,452	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$5,732,958
1 / 26	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 9
12-9	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	6-2
20-5 / 418-194	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	15-3 / 99-52
6-3 / 126-80	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-2 / 27-15
5-4 / 83-61	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-3 / 14-13
20-5 / 283-136	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	15-3 / 68-33
1-0 / 45-14	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-2 / 9-6
1-1 / 25-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 3-12
1-1 / 53-51	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-3 / 8-17
4-2 / 103-86	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	5-3 / 19-31

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami QF

## ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2)

**R16:** d. [19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21) 6-3,6-3 (1h24)

**R32:** d. [26] DONNA VEKIC (CRO #25) 6-4,3-6,6-4 (2h35)

**R64:** d. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #49) 6-1,6-4 (1h09)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 64

Won/lost: 39-25

Sets won/lost: 6-1

Total time on court: 5h08

Average time on court: 1h43

Average rank of opponent: 32

### [12] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #11)

**R16:** d. [7] KIKI BERTENS (NED #8) 4-6,6-3,6-2 (1h53)

**R32:** d. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83) 6-0,6-3 (0h58)

**R64:** d. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #37) 6-4,6-1 (1h03)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 59

Won/lost: 40-19

Sets won/lost: 6-1

Total time on court: 3h54

Average time on court: 1h18

Average rank of opponent: 43



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### MIAMI Tournament History

#### PETRA KVITOVA

##### 2018

R16 L - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5) 7-6(4) 6-3

##### 2016

R3 L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #31) 6-4 6-4

##### 2014

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

##### 2013

R3 L - KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #28) 6-0 4-6 6-1

##### 2012

R2 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #134) 6-4 4-6 6-0

##### 2011

R3 L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #21) 6-4 6-7(3) 6-0

##### 2010

R2 L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16) 6-1 6-1

##### 2009

R1 L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #56) 6-2 6-4

##### 2008

R1 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #61) 3-6 7-5 7-5

#### ASHLEIGH BARTY

##### 2018

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

##### 2017

R2 L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #19) 6-4 6-4

**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**ASHLEIGH  
BARTY**

## MIAMI

- Making 10th appearance at Miami Open
- Has matched best result here by reaching QF, having also reached this stage in 2014 (I. Sharapova)
- Last year, made R16 (won opening two matches in 3s, I. eventual R-Up Ostapenko)
- Best result by a Czech in Miami were SF showings by Novotna (1995, 1997) and Ka.Pliskova (2017)
- After 1r bye this year, struck five aces in 2r to overcome No.49 Sakkari, then four more to edge past No.25 Vekic in 3r
- Defeated No.21 Garcia in R16 on Monday to reach her fifth QF from seven events in 2019 - by contrast, reached two QFs in the first three months of last season
- Faces No.11 Barty today for the third time this season, having triumphed in the Sydney final and Australian Open QFs
- Holds 4-2 record vs. Top 20 players in 2019, with three of these wins coming en route to Sydney title over No.11 Sabalenka, No.2 Kerber and No.15 Barty, and at Australian Open against No.15 Barty. Losses came against No.20 Kontaveit (Brisbane 2r) and No.4 Osaka (Australian Open final)
- Has now struck 121 aces this season, the third-most on tour behind Ka.Pliskova (169) and Bertens (153)
- Can rise to No.1 by lifting the title. Could also do so by making final (as long as Halep is not champion)
- Owns 20 main draw wins this season (joint-most on tour along with Andreescu), and has reached the most singles finals (three)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (I. V.Williams after leading 6-4 4-2)
- Reached her 35th career final at Dubai (I. Bencic) and eighth final since the start of 2018 season. Record in finals stands at 26-9
- Fell QF in defense of St. Petersburg title (I. Vekic)
- Reached third career Grand Slam final at Australian Open (I. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking
- Captured 26th career title at Sydney (d. Barty in F)
- Went on 11-match winning streak between Sydney (5 wins) and Melbourne (6 wins)
- Fell 2r in season opener at Brisbane (I. Kontaveit)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won a WTA Tour-leading five titles in 2018, at St. Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7



## MIAMI

- Making third appearance at Miami Open and has made best run here by reaching QF stage
- Reached R16 last year (I. Svitolina) and 2r on debut in 2017 (I. Stosur)
- Seeded No.12 – her joint-highest at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament (also at 2019 Indian Wells)
- After 1r bye this year, defeated Yastremska in 2r and compatriot Stosur in 3r - has won at least two matches at 11 of her past 12 tournaments (exception was 2018 Tokyo)
- Improved to 3-3 vs. Top 10 players this season with win over No.8 Bertens in R16. Other such wins came against No.1 Halep and No.9 Bertens en route to Sydney final
- Bidding for first win over No.2 Kvitova today in QF; came close to beating Czech in this year's Sydney final, leading 3-0 in the deciding set
- Holds 9-6 career record against left-handed players; with most recent victory over Kerber at 2018 Wuhan
- Aiming for her 200th career win today (including ITF Circuit) and 100th at main draw level
- Contesting 2019 Indian Wells on career-high ranking of No.11 (achieved March 18, 2019). Can secure her Top 10 debut with a win today
- Has won 15 of her 18 matches played this season and reached QF or better at three of the four events contested: Sydney (Final), Australian Open (QF), and Miami (QF)
- Competing with Azarenka in doubles this fortnight (d. No.1 seeds Krejickova/Siniakova in 1r)

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 showing at Indian Wells (I. Svitolina in the longest match of 2019 at 3hr 12min) - saved four match points)
- Inspired Australia to 3-2 away win over USA on Fed Cup duty in February, beating Kenin and Keys in singles before teaming up with Hon to win decisive doubles rubber over Collins and Melichar. Australia will host Belarus in the World Group SF in April
- At tour-level posted 8-2 record on home soil in January, reaching QF at Australian Open and finishing R-Up at Sydney for second year in a row (I. Kvitova at both tournaments)
- Opened 2019 season at the Hopman Cup. Posted 2-1 singles record as home nation made group stage exit (d. Cornet, d. Muguruza, I. Kerber)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 season with a career-best finish of No.15, winning titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai. Now 3-3 in career singles finals



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BARTY**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Titles came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S. Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, I. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand
- Won title at 2017 Birmingham. Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (I. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (I. V. Williams)
- Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
- Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai
- Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (I. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
- 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney, Madrid and New Haven. New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
- Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (I. A. Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
- At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
- Part of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 42nd Grand Slam main draw appearance, reaching her third career major final (I. Osaka in F)
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Was first player born in 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (since joined by Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens, Wozniacki, Halep and Osaka)
- Runner-up at 2019 Australian Open. The last Czech woman to reach the final at Melbourne Park was Novotna in 1991 (I. Seles); last Czech to win the Australian Open title was Mandlikova in 1987 (d. Navratilova)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results are SF at 2012 (I. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (I. V. Williams), 2015 US Open (I. eventual champion Pennetta)



## **CAREER CONT.**

- Also was R-Up on home soil at Sydney and made SF at Montréal and Wuhan
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at US Open (w/Vandeweghe) and picked up three other titles at Miami, Rome, and Montréal. Fell SF at WTA Finals (w/Vandeweghe)
- Started 2017 ranked No.271 in singles and improved her position by 254 spots to post first Top 20 season (finishing at a then-career-high No.17)
- Clinched career first WTA singles title at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Hibino in F)
- Made Top 20 debut and became Australia's No.1 on October 23, 2017
- Best career wins were over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney and No.3 Kerber at 2018 Wuhan
- Winner of nine WTA doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs)
- Qualified for first WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.5 on May 21, 2018
- Took a break from tennis after 2014 US Open that lasted almost two years
- Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- Won Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2018
- Finished 2013 ranked No.12 in doubles – only teenager ranked in doubles Top 30
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished 2011 as No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Hobart as WC

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Best major result to date is QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (I. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (I. Ka.Pliskova)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Wimbledon in 2018 (I. Kasatkina), Australian Open in 2017 (I. Barthel), and 2018 (I. Osaka), and US Open in 2017 (I. eventual champion Stephens). Made 2r at Roland Garros in 2013 (I. Kirilenko) and 2018 (I. S. Williams)
- First Slam main draw (2012 Australian Open) came from winning Tennis Australia's WC Play-Off
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe), defeating No.1 seeds Krejčíková/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F
- Advanced to three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017 (all w/Dellacqua)

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### **PERSONAL**

- Nominated for 2018 WTA Player of the Year after winning a tour-leading five WTA singles titles
- A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
- Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
- Fitness trainer is David Vydra
- Parents are Jiri and Pavla

### **PERSONAL**

- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara. Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- In April 2018, named National Indigenous Tennis Ambassador by Tennis Australia, In conjunction with the announcement, she flew to the remote Wurrumiyanga community on Bathurst Island in the Northern Territory to conduct a clinic at a local school
- In 2015, earned a contract with the Brisbane Heat for the inaugural Women's Big Bash League (cricket) before returning to tennis in 2016
- Currently coached by Craig Tyzzer; formerly coached by Jason Stoltenberg and Jim Joyce





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## [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59)

Head to Head: First meeting

KAROLINA PLISKOVA	WTA RANKING	MARKETA VONDROUSOVA
7		59
4	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	27
21-03-1992 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	28-06-1999 (19)
\$1,131,606	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$352,682
\$15,506,047	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,317,037
1 / 12	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
14-6	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	4-1
19-4 / 276-146	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	13-3 / 37-27
11-4 / 92-49	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	4-2 / 7-14
3-2 / 57-58	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	4-0 / 14-10
19-4 / 203-98	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	13-3 / 28-14
3-0 / 26-19	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 1-0
0-2 / 12-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 1-2
0-2 / 26-37	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 1-6
2-2 / 52-67	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-1 / 7-8

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami QF

## ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7)

**R16:** d. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #44) 2-6,6-3,7-5 (2h10)

**R32:** d. ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53) 6-7(3),6-1,6-4 (2h36)

**R64:** d. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #52) 6-3,6-4 (1h17)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 78

Won/lost: 45-33

Sets won/lost: 6-2

Total time on court: 6h03

Average time on court: 2h01

Average rank of opponent: 50

### MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59)

**R16:** d. TATJANA MARIA (GER #62) 6-4,6-3 (1h27)

**R32:** d. [16] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #14) 6-4,7-6(1) (1h55)

**R64:** d. [22] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #23) 7-5,6-1 (1h24)

**R128:** d. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #47) 6-3,6-2 (1h27)

Total games: 78

Won/lost: 50-28

Sets won/lost: 8-0

Total time on court: 6h13

Average time on court: 1h33

Average rank of opponent: 37

## MIAMI Tournament History

### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

2018

QF L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #186)

7-5 6-3

### MARKETA VONDROUSOVA

2018

R1 L - YAFAN WANG (CHN #125)

6-2 4-6 7-6(0)



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### 2017

S L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #14) 5-7 6-1 6-1

### 2016

R2 L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49) 5-7 6-2 7-6(0)

### 2015

QF L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10) 6-4 6-2

### 2014

R1 L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #44) 7-5 6-0

### 2013

R2 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #9) 5-7 6-3 6-3

**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

**VS**

**MARKETA  
VONDROUSOVA**

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open, where she is through to QF for third consecutive year
- Best result here is reaching SF in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)
- Last year, exited in QF to wildcard Azarenka. Also reached QF in 2015 (l. Petkovic)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Martic in 2r, Cornet in 3r and Putintseva in R16 - has now won 19 main draw matches in 2019, the third-most on tour behind Andreescu (20) and Kvitova (20)
- After wins over Cornet and Putintseva, has played a tour-leading 15 three-set matches in 2019 (11-4 record)
- Struck 23 aces so far this fortnight to take 2019 total to WTA-leading 169 (ahead of Bertens on 153)
- Faces No.59 Vondrousova in QF today for the pair's first meeting; last loss to a player outside Top 50 came against Zvonareva at 2018 Moscow
- Has now reached QF or better in all five tournaments she has contested this year
- One of three Czechs (also Vondrousova and No.3 seed Kvitova) through to QF from the seven to start in main draw (qualifier Muchova lost 2r, Siniakova lost 2r, Strycova lost 1r, lucky loser Kr.Pliskova lost 1r)
- Her run in 2017 and Novotna's in 1995 and 1997 are the only times a Czech woman has made Miami SF

## SEASON

- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
- Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
- Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, l. Halep)
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved 4MP to defeat S.Williams in QF
- Began season by winning 12th career title at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level last season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)



## MIAMI

- Making second appearance at the Miami Open, where she is through to QF for the first time
- Fell 1r on debut here in 2018 (l. Y.Wang after leading 4-1 in third set)
- Defeated compatriot Strycova in 1r, then last year's finalist and No.22 seed Ostapenko in 2r
- Broke serve six times to upset No.14 Mertens in 3r to record third Top 20 win of 2019 (also No.14 Kasatkina and No.2 Halep at Indian Wells)
- Overcame No.62 Maria in straight sets in R16 on Monday to reach second consecutive Premier Mandatory quarterfinal after run at Indian Wells earlier this month
- Faces No.7 and compatriot Ka.Pliskova in QF today for the first time; has 1-6 record vs. Top 10 opponents, with sole win coming against No.2 Halep at 2019 Indian Wells
- One of five teenagers in WTA Top 100; Vondrousova (19) is the only teenager to have reached the QF here after Andreescu (18) fell in R16. By contrast, no teenager made it past 3r here in 2018
- Among the players left in the tournament, has won the highest percentage of return games (53.8%) and the second-highest percentage of return points (50.9%, behind Barty on 51.9%)

## SEASON

- Coming off QF showing at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina). Scored first Top 10 win over No.2 Halep en route
- Reached second WTA final at Budapest, losing to Van Uytvanck in 3s in the final
- Fell in 2r at Australian Open (l. Martic). Reached SF in doubles with Strycova (l. eventual champions Stosur/S.Zhang)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- 2018 highlights included reaching SF at Gstaad (l. Minella), and R16 at Indian Wells (l. Martic) and US Open (l. Tsurenko in 3s)
- Notched Top 20 victories over No.11 Konta (2018 Indian Wells), No.11 Goerges (2018 Stuttgart) and No.13 Bertens (2018 US Open)
- Posted first Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.67, having finished 2016 at No.376 – biggest ranking mover into the Top 100 (309 places)
- Made WTA breakthrough by winning International-level title at Biel/Bienne (as qualifier, d. Kontaveit in F). At No.233, was the lowest-ranked title winner in 2017 and aged 17 years, 293 days was the youngest since Konjuh (17 years, 169 days) at 2015 Nottingham



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VONDROUSOVA**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Made the SF stage at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Helped Czech Republic win sixth Fed Cup in past eight years in 2018 (played SF tie vs. Germany)
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe)
- Holds a 12-11 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish first time in WTA history, three Czech women inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

## **PERSONAL**

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Currently coached by Rennae Stubbs and Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Also won four singles titles at ITF level in 2017 – including at \$80k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Muchova in F)
- In April 2017, made Fed Cup debut during Czech Republic's 3-2 defeat to USA in Florida. Lost opening singles rubber to Vandeweghe before levelling the tie with victory over Davis (USA won the deciding doubles to end Czech Republic's three-year reign as Fed Cup champions)
- Missed second half of 2016 to recover from elbow injury
- Advanced to 2r on tour-level debut at 2016 Prague – as wildcard, l. eventual champion Stosur
- On ITF Circuit, winner of seven singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at 2014 \$100k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Suk, l. Brengle in 2r)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked eighth Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Achieved her best result at the majors by reaching R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Tsurenko). Was youngest Czech player to reach R16 at Flushing Meadows since 2005 (Nicole Vaidisova, R16 at 16yrs, 140 days)
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2017 Roland Garros, where she advanced to 2r. Has also reached 2r at 2018 and 2019 Australian Opens
- Fell 1r on debut at Wimbledon and US Open in 2017
- Reached doubles QF at 2017 Wimbledon (w/Bellis, l. eventual finalists H.Chan/Niculescu)
- In juniors won doubles at Australian Open and Roland Garros in 2015 (both w/Kolodziejova). In singles, was semifinalist at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon

## **PERSONAL**

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





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## [18] QIANG WANG (CHN #18) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 1-0

2018 INDIAN WELLS HARD O R16 SIMONA HALEP 7-5 6-1 76 mins

QIANG WANG	WTA RANKING	SIMONA HALEP
18		3
45	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	10
14-01-1992 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1991 (27)
\$230,845	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$441,078
\$3,264,537	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$28,586,657
0 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 18
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
3-2	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	19-7
6-3 / 81-75	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	15-5 / 342-156
1-0 / 20-27	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-4 / 100-53
2-1 / 11-9	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-2 / 44-52
6-3 / 69-56	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	15-5 / 206-100
1-0 / 2-5	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 34-12
0-0 / 1-6	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 11-27
0-0 / 5-14	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-0 / 35-44
1-1 / 15-26	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-2 / 93-69

\* Updated entering Miami QF

## ROAD TO THE QUARTERFINALS

### [18] QIANG WANG (CHN #18)

R16: d. YAFAN WANG (CHN #50) 7-5,6-4 (1h45)

R64: d. JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #38) 6-4,6-0 (1h24)

R128: BYE

Total games: 38

Won/lost: 25-13

Sets won/lost: 4-0

Total time on court: 3h09

Average time on court: 1h35

Average rank of opponent: 44

### [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

R16: d. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43) 6-3,6-3 (1h12)

R32: d. POLONA HERCOG (SLO #93) 5-7,7-6(1),6-2 (2h49)

R64: d. TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96) 6-1,6-3 (1h02)

R128: BYE

Total games: 67

Won/lost: 42-25

Sets won/lost: 6-1

Total time on court: 5h03

Average time on court: 1h41

Average rank of opponent: 77



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### MIAMI Tournament History

#### QIANG WANG

##### 2018

R1 L - AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #130) 6-3 1-6 6-2

##### 2017

R2 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #8) 7-6(3) 6-1

#### SIMONA HALEP

##### 2018

R3 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32) 3-6 6-2 6-3

##### 2017

Q L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11) 3-6 7-6(7) 6-2

##### 2016

QF L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #20) 4-6 6-3 6-2

##### 2015

SF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-2 4-6 7-5

##### 2013

R3 L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #7) 6-1 6-0

##### 2012

R3 L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7) 6-4 7-6(6)

##### 2011

R2 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #15) 6-0 6-4

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**VS**

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HALEP**

## MIAMI

- Making third appearance at Miami Open, where she is through to QF for the first time
- Only previous win came during 2r showing on debut in 2017 (d. Vekic, l. A.Radwanska)
- After 1r bye, won 10 straight games to beat 2017 champion Konta in 2r
- Made R16 via w/o from S.Williams (w/left knee injury)
- In R16 broke serve four times to beat namesake Y.Wang in straight sets; one of two players left in draw yet to drop a set (also Vondrousova, who has played two more matches)
- Has now reached R16 or better at five of her past eight WTA Premier Mandatory tournaments, with best result a SF showing at 2018 Beijing
- Faces No.3 Halep in QF today; owns five Top 10 wins over No.10 Wozniacki (2013 Kuala Lumpur), No.9 V.Williams (2018 Roland Garros), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Wuhan), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Beijing) and No.5 Svitolina (2018 Hong Kong)
- Contesting Miami ranked and seeded No.18; is the second time she has been seeded at a Premier Mandatory tournament (also No.18 at 2019 Indian Wells)
- By reaching QF, is guaranteed to post a new career-high ranking after Miami (No.15 or No.16), improving on the No.18 position she first set after Australian Open (January 28, 2019)
- Will reach the Top 10 by winning the title; would be first Chinese player to do so since Li Na retired at the end of 2014
- Last remaining Chinese player in the draw; best result by a Chinese woman at Miami was Li's R-Up finish in 2014 (l. S.Williams)

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 run at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Andreescu)
- Also made SF at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells earlier in March (l. eventual champion Golubic)
- Opened 2019 season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Riske) before reaching 3r at Australian Open for the first time (l. Sevastova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted first Top 20 and career-best year-end finish at No.20 in 2018, up from No.45 in 2017 – marked fourth Top 100 season in five years
- 2018 highlights were title runs at Nanchang (d. Zheng Saisai in F via ret.) to claim her maiden tour-level title - dropping only one set en route to title – and second career title at Guangzhou (d. Putintseva in F). Became the first Chinese player to reach the final in Zhuhai



## MIAMI

- Making eighth appearance in Miami
- Reached SF in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and QF in 2016 (l. Bacsinszky), 2017 (l. eventual champion Konta) and now 2019
- Holds two of the four WTA Premier Mandatory titles, at Indian Wells in 2015 and two at Madrid from 2016-17. Only three players have lifted three of the four Premier Mandatory trophies - S.Williams (Indian Wells, Miami, Madrid), Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing) and Azarenka (Indian Wells, Miami, Beijing)
- After 1r bye, defeated American qualifier Townsend in 2r
- Hit 20 winners during hard-fought 3r win over lucky loser Herczeg
- In R16, beat three-time champion V.Williams for the fourth time in a row (all in straight sets)
- Faces Chinese No.1 Q.Wang in QF; has won past five matches with Chinese opposition, including against Q.Wang at 2018 Indian Wells
- The Miami Open fortnight marks her 269th and 270th consecutive weeks in the Top 10 - the longest active streak (ahead of Ka.Pliskova on 133 weeks)
- Can reclaim No.1 ranking by winning title here. Could also take top spot by making the final (as long as Kvitova does not win title)
- Is one of nine players in the starting field to have held the No.1 ranking - also Osaka, Ka.Pliskova, S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka, Kerber, Wozniacki and Muguruza

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 run at Indian Wells (l. No.61 Vondrousova in 3s), ending her 21-match winning streak against players ranked outside the Top 60 (in completed matches)
- Fell to eventual champion Bencic in 3s in QF at Dubai
- Finished R-Up in Doha (l. Mertens); career record in singles finals now 18-16
- Defeated Siniakova and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round at the weekend and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F)

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## **CAREER CONT.**

- Other 2018 highlights were finishing R-Up at Hong Kong (l. Yastremska) and Zhuhai (l. Barty); now owns 2-2 record in WTA singles finals. Produced SF showings at Wuhan (ret. vs. Kontaveit w/left thigh injury) – first SF at WTA Premier-level or above – Beijing (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and Hiroshima (l. eventual champion Hsieh)
- Posted four victories over Top 10 players in 2018 defeating No.9 V.Williams (2018 Roland Garros), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Wuhan), No.7 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Beijing) and No.5 Svitolina (2018 Hong Kong); her record now stands at 4-5
- Enjoyed best result at 2018 Roland Garros by reaching 3r (l. Putintseva). Defeated No.9 V.Williams in 1r. Also achieved best result at US Open with run to 3r (l. Svitolina)
- Achieved first Top 50 year-end finish in 2017, finishing as China's No.3. Ascended 25 spots from No.70 in 2016 to No.45
- Advanced to first WTA SF at 2017 Hong Kong (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and captured WTA 125K Series title in Zhengzhou
- Posted three victories vs. Top 20 opponents in 2017, defeating No.15 Vesnina (Rome), No.15 Mladenovic (Tokyo [PPO]) and No.17 Sloane Stephens (Wuhan)
- 2016 highlights included QF runs at Shenzhen (l. A.Radwanska), Kuala Lumpur (l. Zhu), Hong Kong (l. Wozniacki) and WTA 125K Series event at Dalian (l. Min). Also reached 2r at 2016 US Open, upsetting No.23 seed Kasatkina in 1r (l. Shvedova)
- Represented China at Rio Olympics – l. Kuznetsova in 1r in three sets
- In 2016, posted a 14-1 record between March–May on the ITF Circuit, winning \$50k ITF/Quanzhou-CHN and \$100k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN, and finishing runner-up at \$75k ITF/Gifu-JPN
- Owns three Top 10 wins in career (3-12 record), defeating No.10 Wozniacki at 2013 Kuala Lumpur, No.9 V.Williams at 2018 Roland Garros and No.7 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Wuhan
- Member of Chinese Fed Cup Team, 2012-2016
- On ITF Circuit, owns 13 singles and one doubles title
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2007 Beijing and main draw debut at 2012 Baku

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 18th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam – record stands at 12-19 across the majors
- Reached 3r for the first time at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Putintseva) - defeated No.9 V.Williams in 1r. Since matched with 3r showing at 2018 US Open (l. Svitolina) and 2019 Australian Open (l. Sevastova)

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Also won titles last year at Shenzhen (d. Siniakova in F) and Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and was R-Up at Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), Rome (l. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (l. Bertens). Is 18-16 in career finals
- Won first career WTA doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu).ow 1-1 in career doubles finals
- Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot for first time in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1
- Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F); reached four more finals in 2017: Rome, Roland Garros, Cincinnati and Beijing. 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid, Bucharest and Montréal
- Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles
- Has qualified five times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-18), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player after winning her first six WTA titles and rising to year-end No.11 (dipped as low as No.64 in May)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals
- Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2012, 2014-19

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Won first Grand Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) after three runner-up finishes, at Roland Garros in 2014 (l. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (l. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Became 49th different woman to win a Slam title in the Open Era, and the second Romanian woman to win a Slam after Ruzici at 1978 Roland Garros
- Was the first Romanian woman to advance to final at 2018 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Made SF at Wimbledon in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and US Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Won Roland Garros girls' singles title in 2008 – sixth woman to go on to win the women's singles title

## **PERSONAL**

- Announced at Miami that she is now working with Daniel Dobre. During off-season long-time coach Darren Cahill announced he was talking a 12-month break from tennis
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer





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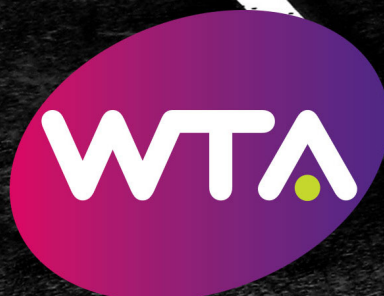
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### ***GRAND SLAM CONT.***

- Previously had reached 2r on six occasions: at 2014 US Open (l. Dellacqua), 2015 US Open (l. Strycova), 2016 Australian Open (l. Friedsam), 2016 Roland Garros (l. Suárez Navarro), 2016 US Open (l. Shvedova) and 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams)
- Made major debut at 2014 US Open

### ***PERSONAL***

- Began playing tennis aged nine as a way to keep fit
- Would have become a teacher if not a tennis player
- Admires Zheng Jie
- Split earlier this year with long-term coach Peter McNamara



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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 7 MATCH-UPS

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. [19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21)

**Series tied 3-3**

*Garcia won pair's most recent encounter en route to 2017 Beijing title... Kvitova can rise to No.1 for the first time by lifting the title here... Garcia bidding to match career-best rankings win*

### VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

**Series tied 3-3**

*Halep has won past three meetings between the two players in straight sets... Williams through to fourth round here for the 16th time... Halep in the running to reclaim No.1 ranking following Miami*

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #44)

**Pliskova leads 3-0 (at tour level)**

*Pliskova beat Putintseva en route to SF here two years ago... Putintseva through to last 16 at a Premier Mandatory event for the first time... Pliskova has made QF or better of every tournament so far in 2019*

### [27] SU WEI HSIEH (TPE #27) vs. [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13)

**Wozniacki leads 4-0**

*Wozniacki has won three of their four meetings in straight sets... Hsieh scored second career win over a World No.1 in previous round against Osaka... Wozniacki bidding to reach first QF of 2019*

### MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59) vs. TATJANA MARIA (GER #62)

**First meeting**

*Vondrousova attempting to post back-to-back Premier Mandatory QF runs... Maria upset defending champion Stephens in last round... Vondrousova one of two teenagers still in the draw*

## DOUBLES UPDATE

Four of the seeded pairings failed to make it beyond the first round in the doubles draw. **Victoria Azarenka** and **Ashleigh Barty**, who accounted for top seeds Barbora Krejčíková and Katerina Siniakova in the first round, are still in contention, and they will face Darija Jurak and Raluca Olaru for a place in the semifinals.



## 2019 ACE RACE

**Kiki Bertens** has struck a tournament-leading 19 aces across her opening two matches in Miami, closing in on **Karolina Pliskova** atop the 2019 ace race.

### 2019 ACES LEADERBOARD

PLAYER	ACES	MATCHES
KAROLINA PLISKOVA	162	20
KIKI BERTENS	148	20
PETRA KVITOVA	118	24
NAOMI OSAKA	115	16
VIKTORIA KUZMOVA	108	16

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## [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. [19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21)

Head to Head: Series tied 3-3

2017	BEIJING	HARD O	SF	CAROLINE GARCIA	6-3 7-5	91 mins
2017	US OPEN	HARD O	R3	PETRA KVITOVA	6-0 6-4	73 mins
2016	FED CUP FINAL	HARD I	R1	CAROLINE GARCIA	7-6(6) 6-3	113 mins
2015	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R2	CAROLINE GARCIA	7-5 4-6 6-2	140 mins
2015	FED CUP WEEK 2	HARD I	R2	PETRA KVITOVA	6-4 6-4	94 mins
2014	WUHAN	HARD O	QF	PETRA KVITOVA	6-3 6-4	82 mins

PETRA KVITOVA	WTA RANKING	CAROLINE GARCIA
2		21
1	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	76
08-03-1990 (29)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	16-10-1993 (25)
\$1,988,245	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$182,225
\$29,330,452	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$9,603,270
1 / 26	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
11-9	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	6-5
19-5 / 417-194	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	7-6 / 194-149
6-3 / 126-80	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 62-54
5-4 / 83-61	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 51-47
19-5 / 282-136	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	7-6 / 124-99
1-0 / 45-14	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 17-13
1-1 / 25-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 5-23
1-1 / 53-51	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 16-34
4-2 / 103-86	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 32-60
* Updated entering 2019 Miami R16		

## ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2)

**R32:** d. [26] DONNA VEKIC (CRO #25) 6-4,3-6,6-4 (2h35)

**R64:** d. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #49) 6-1,6-4 (1h09)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 46  
 Won/lost: 27-19  
 Sets won/lost: 4-1  
 Total time on court: 3h44  
 Average time on court: 1h52  
 Average rank of opponent: 37

### [19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21)

**R32:** d. [15] JULIA GOERGES (GER #15) 6-0,7-5 (1h20)

**R64:** d. VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #46) 6-3,6-4 (1h36)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 37  
 Won/lost: 25-12  
 Sets won/lost: 4-0  
 Total time on court: 2h56  
 Average time on court: 1h28  
 Average rank of opponent: 31



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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### PETRA KVITOVA

2018			
R16	L - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5)	7-6(4)	6-3
2016			
R3	L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #31)	6-4	6-4
2014			
QF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #7)	7-5	6-1
2013			
R3	L - KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #28)	6-0	4-6 6-1
2012			
R2	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #134)	6-4	4-6 6-0
2011			
R3	L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #21)	6-4	6-7(3) 6-0
2010			
R2	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-1	6-1
2009			
R1	L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #56)	6-2	6-4
2008			
R1	L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #61)	3-6	7-5 7-5

### CAROLINE GARCIA

2018			
R2	L - ALISON RISKE (USA #104)	6-3	6-1
2017			
R2	L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #43)	6-4	6-0
2016			
R3	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #19)	4-6	6-2 7-6(6)
2015			
R2	L - KURUMI NARA (JPN #54)	6-3	7-6(9)
2014			
R3	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-4	4-6 6-4
2012			
R1-Q	L - ARANTXA RUS (NED #105)	2-6	6-3 6-1



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## MIAMI

- Making 10th appearance at Miami Open
- Best result here is QF run in 2014 (l. Sharapova)
- Last year, made R16 (won opening two matches in 3s, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko)
- Has lost her opening match here three times, as a qualifier on debut in 2008 (l. Kanepi), 2009 (l. Lisicki) and in 2012 (after 1r bye, l. V.Williams)
- After 1r bye this year, in 2r struck five aces to overcome No.49 Sakkari, then four more to edge past No.25 Vekic in 3r
- Has now struck 118 aces this season, the third-most on tour behind Ka.Pliskova (162) and Bertens (148)
- This fortnight, has doubled here total Top 50 wins in Miami (previously No.34 Peng in 2013 and No.13 Ivanovic in 2014)
- Faces Garcia in R16 today; over the past five years on tour has posted 9-3 record against French opposition, with all three defeats coming at hands of Garcia (most recently at 2017 Beijing)
- Best result by a Czech in Miami were SF showings by Novotna (1995, 1997) and Ka.Pliskova (2017)
- Can rise to No.1 by lifting the title. Could also do so by making final (as long as Halep is not champion)
- Owns 19 main draw wins this season (second-most on tour behind Andreescu on 20), and has reached the most singles finals (three)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. V.Williams after leading 6-4 4-2)
- Reached her 35th career final at Dubai (l. Bencic) and eighth final since the start of 2018 season. Record in finals stands at 26-9
- Fell QF in defense of St. Petersburg title (l. Vekic)
- Reached third career Grand Slam final at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking
- Captured 26th career title at Sydney (d. Barty in F)
- Went on 11-match winning streak between Sydney (5 wins) and Melbourne (6 wins)
- Fell 2r in season opener at Brisbane (l. Kontaveit)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won a WTA Tour-leading five titles in 2018, at St. Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7
- Titles came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011



## MIAMI

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Miami Open (seventh overall), where she is through to R16 for the first time
- Best previous result here was reaching 3r in 2014 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Kuznetsova)
- After 1r bye, fell 2r here in 2015 (l. Nara), 2017 (l. Shuai Peng) and 2018 (l. Riske)
- Seeded No.19 - was also seeded in 2015 (No.25), 2017 (No.21) and 2018 (No.7)
- After 1r bye, won the opening five games of the match en route to straight-set win over three-time champion Azarenka in 2r
- Made another flying start in 3r, winning first seven games against No.15 Goerges - her first Top 20 win since upsetting No.12 Sabalenka at 2018 Zhuhai
- Faces No.2 Kvitova today; in terms of ranking, best win of her career came over No.2 Halep in 2017 Beijing final
- Bidding to win three consecutive matches at the same tournament for the first time since Tianjin title run in October 2018
- One of four Frenchwomen in the draw (also Cornet, Mladenovic and Parmentier). Best result by a Frenchwoman here was Golovin's SF run in 2006

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Brady)
- Withdrew from Doha w/leg injury. Fell 2r in Dubai (l. Brady)
- Inspired France to 3-1 World Group I win over Belgium in Liège (d. Van Uytvanck and Mertens)
- As No.2 seed made 1r exit at Hua Hin (l. Brady)
- Scored her first wins of the season over qualifier Ponchet and wildcard Hives en route to Australian Open 3r (l. Collins). Has now reached 3r or better on eight of her past nine major appearances (exception was 1r exit to Bencic at 2018 Wimbledon)
- Began season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Jorovic) and Hobart (l. eventual champion Kenin)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018, won sixth career title at Tianjin; also made semifinals at Stuttgart and Madrid
- Broke into the Top 5 on August 13, 2018 and reached a career-high of No.4 on September 10, 2018
- Became first player to win Wuhan and Beijing back-to-back in 2017. As a result, qualified for WTA Finals. Was ranked No.30 on the Race to Singapore Leaderboard in May 2017

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## **CAREER CONT.**

- Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, I. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand
- Won title at 2017 Birmingham. Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (I. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (I. V. Williams)
- Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
- Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai
- Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (I. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
- 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney, Madrid and New Haven. New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
- Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (I. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
- At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
- Part of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 42nd Grand Slam main draw appearance, reaching her third career major final (I. Osaka in F)
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Was first player born in 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (since joined by Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens, Wozniacki, Halep and Osaka)
- Runner-up at 2019 Australian Open. The last Czech woman to reach the final at Melbourne Park was Novotna in 1991 (I. Seles); last Czech to win the Australian Open title was Mandlikova in 1987 (d. Navratilova)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results are SF at 2012 (I. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (I. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (I. eventual champion Pennetta)

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Best win of her career came over No.2 Halep in 2017 Beijing final
- 2017 Wuhan marked first Premier-5 level title and 2017 Beijing marked first Premier-Mandatory crown; subsequently made Top 10 debut
- Won a career-best 48 main draw matches in 2017 (48-22 record, 2 titles)
- Qualifying for WTA Finals in 2017, became the first Frenchwoman to compete at WTA Finals in singles since Mauresmo in 2006 (I. Henin in F)
- Played 2015 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (I. Osaka in F)
- Represented France at 2016 Rio Olympics in singles (2r) and doubles (1r, w/Mladenovic)
- Member of French Fed Cup team that advanced to 2016 competition final vs. Czech Republic
- Made professional debut at 13 on ITF Circuit in France in 2007

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (I. Ka.Pliskova) for best Grand Slam singles result to date
- Has also reached R16 at 2017 Wimbledon (I. Konta), 2018 Australian Open (I. Keys) and 2018 Roland Garros (I. Kerber)
- Made US Open 3r in 2016 (I. A.Radwanska), 2017 (I. Kvitova) and 2018 (I. Suárez Navarro)
- In 2016 was doubles champion at Roland Garros and R-Up at US Open (both w/Mladenovic)
- In juniors, singles runner-up at 2011 US Open (I. Min) and was a semifinalist at the other three Grand Slam events

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by father, Louis Paul Garcia
- Played many sports when she was younger and chose tennis because it was the one she enjoyed the most
- Enjoys reading and spending time with family
- Endorsement portfolio includes Rolex, Nike, Yonex and Sothys beauty products



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## ***PERSONAL***

- Nominated for 2018 WTA Player of the Year after winning a tour-leading five WTA singles titles
- A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
- Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
- Fitness trainer is David Vydra
- Parents are Jiri and Pavla





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## VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

Head to Head: Series tied 3-3

2019	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R3	SIMONA HALEP	6-2 6-3	77 mins
2018	MONTREAL	HARD O	R16	SIMONA HALEP	6-2 6-2	72 mins
2015	ROME	CLAY O	R16	SIMONA HALEP	6-2 6-1	61 mins
2013	TOKYO	HARD O	R16	VENUS WILLIAMS	4-6 7-5 6-3	145 mins
2012	ROME	CLAY O	R1	VENUS WILLIAMS	6-3 6-4	95 mins
2012	MADRID	CLAY O	R1	VENUS WILLIAMS	6-1 4-6 7-6(6)	146 mins

VENUS WILLIAMS	WTA RANKING	SIMONA HALEP
43		3
30	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	10
17-06-1980 (38)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1991 (27)
\$303,222	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$441,078
\$41,234,270	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$28,586,657
0 / 49	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 18
0 / 22	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
67-15	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	18-7
11-3 / 786-235	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	14-5 / 341-156
5-1 / 181-110	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-4 / 100-53
3-2 / 132-94	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-2 / 44-52
11-3 / 475-138	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	14-5 / 205-100
2-1 / 73-16	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 34-12
1-1 / 64-72	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 11-27
1-2 / 135-100	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-0 / 35-44
1-2 / 233-146	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-2 / 93-69
* Updated entering 2019 Miami R16		

## ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

### VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

**R32:** d. [14] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #22) 6-3,6-1 (1h14)

**R64:** d. [24] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #29) 7-6(4),6-1 (1h41)

**R128:** d. DALILA JAKUPOVIC (SLO #80) 7-5,6-3 (1h18)

Total games: 57

Won/lost: 38-19

Sets won/lost: 6-0

Total time on court: 4h13

Average time on court: 1h24

Average rank of opponent: 44

### [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

**R32:** d. POLONA HERCOG (SLO #93) 5-7,7-6(1),6-2 (2h49)

**R64:** d. TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96) 6-1,6-3 (1h02)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 49

Won/lost: 30-19

Sets won/lost: 4-1

Total time on court: 3h51

Average time on court: 1h56

Average rank of opponent: 95



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### VENUS WILLIAMS

2018			
QF	L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93)	6-2	6-3
2017			
S	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	6-4	7-5
2016			
R2	L - ELENA VESNINA (RUS #96)	6-0	6-7(5) 6-2
2015			
QF	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12)	0-6	6-1 7-5
2014			
R16	L - DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #11)	6-1	5-7 6-3
2013			
R3	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #16)	W/O	
2012			
QF	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	6-4	6-1
2010			
F	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-2	6-1
2009			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-4	3-6 6-3
2008			
QF	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #4)	6-4	6-4
2007			
R3	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	2-6	6-2 7-5
2005			
SF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #3)	6-4	6-3
2004			
QF	L - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #8)	6-3	5-7 7-6(3)
2003			
R16	L - MEGHANN SHAUGHNESSY (USA #22)	7-6(2)	6-1
2002			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #9)	6-2	6-2
2001			
F	W - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #5)	4-6	6-1 7-6(4)
1999			
F	W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-1	4-6 6-4
1998			
F	W - ANNA KOURNIKOVA (RUS #25)	2-6	6-4 6-1
1997			
R3	L - MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #2)	6-4	6-2

### SIMONA HALEP

2018			
R3	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32)	3-6	6-2 6-3
2017			
Q	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	3-6	7-6(7) 6-2
2016			
QF	L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #20)	4-6	6-3 6-2
2015			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-2	4-6 7-5
2013			
R3	L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #7)	6-1	6-0
2012			
R3	L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7)	6-4	7-6(6)
2011			
R2	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #15)	6-0	6-4



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## MIAMI

- Playing Miami for a record 20th time - the next highest appearance makers are S.Williams (18) and Frazier, Hantuchova, Kuznetsova and Tauziat (all 16)
- A former champion on three occasions – 1998 (d. Kournikova in F), 1999 (d. S.Williams in F) and 2001 (d. Capriati in F)
- One of five former champions in starting field this fortnight – also S.Williams (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15), Azarenka (2009, 2011, 2016), Konta (2017) and Stephens (2018)
- Also finished as R-Up in 2010 (l. Clijsters in F) and made SF run four times in 2002 (l. S.Williams), 2005 (l. Sharapova), 2009 (l. S.Williams) and 2017 (l. Konta)
- Has won the second most matches in the tournament's history (67), behind S.Williams (76) and ahead of Graf (59)
- Unseeded at Miami for the first time since 2012 – reached QF on that occasion (l. A.Radwanska)
- Produced tidy numbers across opening two matches, hitting 16 winners to just 11 unforced errors against qualifier Jakupovic in 1r
- Then went 31 and 28 for the same statistic in upsetting No.29 Suarez Navarro in 2r
- Won all eight return games during straight-set win over No.14 seed Kasatkina in 3r
- Leads the tournament for percentage of return games won (67.9% - level with Y.Wang) and ranks third for return points won (55.4%)
- Faces No.3 Halep in R16 today; scored Top 5 win in her previous tournament, over No.3 Kvitova at Indian Wells
- Has advanced to R16 at Miami for a record 16th time - S.Williams is the only player to have reached this stage as many times (also 16)

## SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Indian Wells, becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament's history and at a tour-level tournament since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight aged 43
- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells - first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)
- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career. Also signified first time has won four consecutive matches since her run to the SF at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina). Has not won five matches in a row since the 2017 US Open when she lost in the SF to Stephens
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in the 3r at the Australian Open
- Reached QF at Auckland (l. qualifier Andreescu)

## MIAMI

- Making eighth appearance in Miami
- Reached SF in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and two-time quarterfinalist in 2016 (l. Bacsinzsky) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Konta)
- Holds two of the four WTA Premier Mandatory titles, at Indian Wells in 2015 and two at Madrid from 2016-17. Only three players have lifted three of the four Premier Mandatory trophies - S.Williams (Indian Wells, Miami, Madrid), Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing) and Azarenka (Indian Wells, Miami, Beijing)
- After 1r bye, defeated American qualifier Townsend in 2r, improving record vs. Americans this season to 3-1, having also defeated Kenin and V.Williams, and falling to S.Williams (all at Australian Open)
- Hit 20 winners during hard-fought 3r win over lucky loser Hercog
- Faces V.Williams in R16 today; has won their past three encounters, dropping a combined total of 12 games across these matches
- The Miami Open fortnight marks her 269th and 270th consecutive weeks in the Top 10 - the longest active streak (ahead of Ka.Pliskova on 133 weeks)
- Can reclaim No.1 ranking by winning title here. Could also take top spot by making the final (as long as Kvitova does not win title)
- Is one of nine players in the draw to have held the No.1 ranking - also Osaka, Ka.Pliskova, S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka, Kerber, Wozniacki and Muguruza

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 run at Indian Wells (l. No.61 Vondrousova in 3s), ending her 21-match winning streak against players ranked outside the Top 60 (in completed matches)
- Fell to eventual champion Bencic in 3s in QF at Dubai
- Finished R-Up in Doha (l. Mertens); career record in singles finals now 18-16
- Defeated Siniakova and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round at the weekend and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F)



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down on No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, I. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF run at Miami (I. Collins)
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past \$40 million – S.Williams (\$84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber I. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (I. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (I. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (I. Muguruza) – only player in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is 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)
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- 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 (I. 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, I. 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

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 81st Grand Slam main draw appearance, the most in the Open Era

## CAREER CONT.

- Also won titles last year at Shenzhen (d. Siniakova in F) and Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and was R-Up at Australian Open (I. Wozniacki), Rome (I. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (I. Bertens). Is 18-16 in career finals
- Won first career WTA doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu).ow 1-1 in career doubles finals
- Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot for first time in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1
- Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F); reached four more finals in 2017: Rome, Roland Garros, Cincinnati and Beijing. 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid, Bucharest and Montréal
- Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles
- Has qualified five times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-18), reaching final in 2014 (I. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player after winning her first six WTA titles and rising to year-end No.11 (dipped as low as No.64 in May)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals
- Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2012, 2014-19

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Won first Grand Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) after three runner-up finishes, at Roland Garros in 2014 (I. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (I. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (I. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Became 49th different woman to win a Slam title in the Open Era, and the second Romanian woman to win a Slam after Ruzici at 1978 Roland Garros
- Was the first Romanian woman to advance to final at 2018 Australian Open (I. Wozniacki)
- Made SF at Wimbledon in 2014 (I. Bouchard) and US Open in 2015 (I. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Won Roland Garros girls' singles title in 2008 – sixth woman to go on to win the women's singles title

## PERSONAL

- Announced at Miami that she is now working with Daniel Dobre. During off-season long-time coach Darren Cahill announced he was talking a 12-month break from tennis
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer



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## **GRAND SLAM CONT.**

- 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)
- In addition, a nine-time Grand Slam R-Up across all four majors: Wimbledon (2002-03, 2009 and 2017), US Open (1997, 2002), Roland Garros (2002) and Australian Open (2003, 2017)
- 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. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)
- In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998

## **PERSONAL**

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during off-season



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## [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #44)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 3-0

2019	BRISBANE	HARD O	R1	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	4-6 6-3 6-4	138 mins
2017	MIAMI	HARD O	R32	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	7-5 6-3	95 mins
2017	BRISBANE	HARD O	R1	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-3 6-1	62 mins

KAROLINA PLISKOVA	WTA RANKING	YULIA PUTINTSEVA
7		44
4	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	63
21-03-1992 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	07-01-1995 (24)
\$1,131,606	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$160,461
\$15,506,047	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$3,187,827
1 / 12	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
13-6	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	4-4
18-4 / 275-146	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	7-7 / 95-116
10-4 / 91-49	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-4 / 31-37
3-2 / 57-58	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	3-0 / 27-24
18-4 / 202-98	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	7-7 / 59-78
3-0 / 26-19	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 4-9
0-2 / 12-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 2-9
0-2 / 26-37	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-3 / 6-18
2-2 / 52-67	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-3 / 13-35

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami R16

## ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7)

**R32:** d. ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53) 6-7(3),6-1,6-4 (2h36)

**R64:** d. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #52) 6-3,6-4 (1h17)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 49  
 Won/lost: 30-19  
 Sets won/lost: 4-1  
 Total time on court: 3h53  
 Average time on court: 1h57  
 Average rank of opponent: 53

### YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #44)

**R32:** d. [11] ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #12) 1-6,6-2,6-3 (1h47)

**R64:** d. [23] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #20) 6-3,7-5 (1h38)

**R128:** d. KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #56) 4-6,6-4,7-5 (3h01)

Total games: 77  
 Won/lost: 43-34  
 Sets won/lost: 6-2  
 Total time on court: 6h26  
 Average time on court: 2h09  
 Average rank of opponent: 29



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

2018			
QF	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #186)	7-5	6-3
2017			
S	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #14)	5-7	6-1 6-1
2016			
R2	L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49)	5-7	6-2 7-6(0)
2015			
QF	L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10)	6-4	6-2
2014			
R1	L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #44)	7-5	6-0
2013			
R2	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #9)	5-7	6-3 6-3

#### YULIA PUTINTSEVA

2018			
R1	L - MONICA NICULESCU (ROU #70)	6-2	6-4
2017			
R3	L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #3)	7-5	6-3
2016			
R1	L - NICOLE GIBBS (USA #74)	6-4	6-2
2015			
R1-Q	L - LOURDES DOMÍNGUEZ LINO (ESP #108)	6-1	6-0
2013			
R1	L - DONNA VEKIC (CRO #95)	7-6(4)	6-0



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**YULIA  
PUTINTSEVA**

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open
- Best result here is reaching SF in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)
- Last year, exited in QF to wildcard Azarenka. Also reached QF in 2015 (l. Petkovic)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Martic in 2r and Cornet in 3r - has now won 18 main draw matches in 2019, the third-most on tour behind Andreescu (20) and Kvitova (19)
- After win over Cornet, has played a tour-leading 14 three-set matches in 2019 (10-4 record)
- Struck 16 aces so far this fortnight to take 2019 total to WTA-leading 162 (ahead of Bertens on 148)
- Faces Putintseva in R16 today; recovered from 6-4 3-1 down to beat Putintseva en route to Brisbane title this January
- Has reached QF or better in all four tournaments she has contested this year
- One of three Czechs (also Vondrousova and No.3 seed Kvitova) through to 3r from the seven to start in main draw (qualifier Muchova lost 2r, Siniakova lost 2r, Strycova lost 1r, lucky loser Kr.Pliskova lost 1r).
- Novotna (1995, 1997) and Pliskova (2017) are the only Czech players to have reached the SF at Miami

## SEASON

- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
- Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
- Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, l. Halep)
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved 4MP to defeat S.Williams in QF
- Began season by winning 12th career title at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level last season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)

## MIAMI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Miami (sixth overall), where she is through to R16 for first time at a Premier Mandatory tournament
- Previous best result in Miami was 3r showing in 2017 (l. today's opponent Ka.Pliskova)
- Overturned a 5-3 final set deficit to beat Flipkens in 1r
- Scored first win over a seed in Miami by knocking out Bencic in 2r
- Then rallied from a break down in the final set to knock out No.11 seed Sevastova in 3r and post three wins at the same tournament for first time since Guangzhou R-Up finish in September 2018
- Takes on No.5 seed Ka.Pliskova today. Bidding for third Top 50 win of career (also No.5 Cibulkova at 2017 St Petersburg and No.5 Stephens at 2019 Sydney)
- Contesting Miami at No.44. By contrast, this time last year was No.75

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells. Defeat of Babos in 1r snapped four-match losing streak, which began with 2r exit at Australian Open (l. Bencic) then continued at St. Petersburg (l. Martincova), Fed Cup (l. Zhang Shuai) then Dubai (l. Tsurenko)
- Posted QF run at Sydney prior to Australian Open, as a qualifier (l. l. Bertens). Defeat of No.5 Stephens in 2r matched career best win of career (against No.5 Cibulkova at 2017 St Petersburg)
- Began season with 1r exit at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova, whom she led by a set and a break)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted first Top 50 season in 2018, finishing at No.45 (up from No.53 in 2017). Season highlighted by second career WTA final at Guangzhou (l. Q.Wang)
- Also in 2018, reached QF at Roland Garros for a second time (l. Keys) and advanced to the last eight at Taipei City (l. Kozlova) and Washington DC (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova)
- 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 (l. Mladenovic in F) – became first woman from Kazakhstan to reach a WTA singles final since Shvedova at 2015 Bogotá (l. Pereira)
- Rose to new career-high ranking of No.27 on February 6, 2017 following her run to the final in St. Petersburg



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## **CAREER CONT.**

- Made the SF stage at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Helped Czech Republic win sixth Fed Cup in past eight years in 2018 (played SF tie vs. Germany)
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe)
- Holds a 12-11 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish first time in WTA history, three Czech women inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

## **PERSONAL**

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Currently coached by Rennae Stubbs and Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon



## **CAREER CONT.**

- Also in 2017 made QF at Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. eventual champion Diyas) and Nürnberg (l. Cirstea), and reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. No.5 Muguruza)
- In 2016 became first Kazakh to reach the quarter-finals at Roland Garros – or at any major – since Shvedova in 2012
- Also reached SFs at two International-level events in 2016: Kaohsiung (l. V.Williams) and Washington, DC (l. Wickmayer). Defeated No.14 V.Williams en route to first Premier-level quarterfinal of career at 2016 Charleston
- Later in season, posted second career win over a Top 10 opponent at 2016 Tokyo [PPO], defeating No.9 Keys in 1r. First Top 10 win came over No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Nürnberg (via ret.)
- Reached maiden WTA SF at 2015 Bastad (l. eventual champion Larsson)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Luxembourg and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Copenhagen
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and six doubles titles.
- Kazakhstan Fed Cup Team, 2014-19

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 21st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result across the Slams were QF runs at Roland Garros in 2016 (l. S.Williams in 3 sets) and 2018 (l. Keys). Was the first Kazakh to reach QF at Roland Garros – or at any major – since Shvedova in 2012 (l. QF)
- Away from Paris, other key results include 3r at 2016 Australian Open (l. Gasparyan), 2r at Wimbledon in 2015 (l. V.Williams) and 2016 (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and 2r at US Open in 2016 (l. Wittthoeft) and 2017 (l. A.Radwanska)
- A two-time junior Grand Slam runner-up (2010 US Open, 2012 Australian Open)

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Roman Kislianskii
- Changed representation from Russia to Kazakhstan in May 2012
- Practiced at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior before moving to Paris to attend Mouratoglou Academy
- Tennis idols were Martina Hingis and Justine Henin - still watches videos of Henin on YouTube
- Enjoys dancing, music, singing, Sudoku, playing cards and chess



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## [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27) vs. [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13)

Head to Head: CAROLINE WOZNIACKI leads 4-0

2015	KUALA LUMPUR	HARD O	SF	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-2 6-2	78 mins
2012	SOFIA	HARD I	R1	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-2 6-2	61 mins
2012	BEIJING	HARD O	R2	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-7(5) 7-6(3) 6-0	169 mins
2008	BAD GASTEIN	CLAY O	R1	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-1 6-1	43 mins

SU-WEI HSIEH	WTA RANKING	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI
27		13
14	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	92
04-01-1986 (33)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	11-07-1990 (28)
\$428,670	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$152,897
\$6,452,206	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$33,645,310
0 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 30
1 / 21	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
5-2	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	29-11
13-7 / 124-137	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	5-3 / 578-242
3-2 / 48-43	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-2 / 148-81
3-2 / 27-37	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 90-79
13-7 / 92-89	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	5-3 / 417-165
1-2 / 14-18	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 58-28
2-2 / 4-8	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 21-37
3-3 / 6-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 61-67
4-3 / 10-38	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 132-106

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami R16

## ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

### [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27)

**R32:** d. [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) 4-6,7-6(4),6-3 (2h18)

**R64:** d. ALISON RISKE (USA #45) 6-2,7-5 (1h24)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 52

Won/lost: 30-22

Sets won/lost: 4-1

Total time on court: 3h42

Average time on court: 1h51

Average rank of opponent: 23

### [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13)

**R32:** d. MONICA NICULESCU (ROU #138) 6-4,7-6(4) (2h08)

**R64:** d. ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #36) 6-4,6-4 (1h32)

**R128:** BYE

Total games: 43

Won/lost: 25-18

Sets won/lost: 4-0

Total time on court: 3h40

Average time on court: 1h50

Average rank of opponent: 87



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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### SU-WEI HSIEH

2018				
R3	L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #6)	6-4	1-6	7-6(4)
2014				
R2-Q	L - VIRGINIE RAZZANO (FRA #81)	4-6	6-3	6-4
2013				
R2	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	6-3	6-2	
2012				
R2-Q	L - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #114)	6-3	5-7	6-4
2008				
R1-Q	L - TATIANA POUTCHEK (BLR #118)	7-5	6-4	

### CAROLINE WOZNIACKI

2018				
R2	L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #82)	0-6	6-4	6-4
2017				
F	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	6-4	6-3	
2016				
R3	L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #16)	5-7	6-4	7-6(1)
2015				
R16	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-3	7-6(1)	
2014				
QF	L - NA LI (CHN #2)	7-5	7-5	
2013				
R3	L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #73)	6-2	6-4	
2012				
SF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	4-6	6-2	6-4
2011				
R16	L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #23)	7-5	3-6	6-3
2010				
QF	L - JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #33)	6-7(5)	6-3	6-4
2009				
QF	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #8)	6-4	6-7(5)	6-1
2008				
R16	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #7)	6-3	6-3	

**HSIEH  
SU-WEI**

**VS**

**CAROLINE  
WOZNIACKI**

## MIAMI

- Making third main draw appearance at Miami Open (sixth overall), where she is through to R16 for the first time
- Last year, made 3r (l. Ka.Pliskova) and reached 2r in 2013 (l. A.Radwanska)
- Seeded No.27 this fortnight - the second time she has been seeded at a Premier Mandatory event following Indian Wells earlier this month (also No.27)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Riske in 2r on Friday. Has now won four of her last five matches against Americans, wins coming over Mattek-Sands (2018 Rabat), Anisimova (2018 Hiroshima final) and Collins (2019 Sydney). Loss came against Kenin at 2018 Wuhan
- Recovered from 6-4 5-3 down to upset World No.1 Osaka in 3r. Was her second career win over a reigning No.1 (also defeated Halep at 2018 Wimbledon)
- Faces No.13 Wozniacki in R16 today; bidding to reach 23rd WTA singles QF and second at a Premier event, having previously made SF earlier this year at Premier 5 Dubai
- Seeded No.3 in doubles this fortnight w/Strycova (play Mertens/Sabalenka in 2r later today)

## SEASON

- After 1r bye, fell to Konta in 2r at Indian Wells; reached doubles QF w/Strycova as defending champions (l. Chan/Chan)
- Advanced to first Premier-level SF of her career at Dubai (d. No.7 Kerber and No.5 Ka.Pliskova, l. No.4 Kvitova)
- Lifted 21st doubles title in Dubai (w/Strycova, d. Hradecka/Makarova in F), improving to 21-11 career record in doubles finals
- Fell 1r at Hua Hin (l. Niculescu) and reached 2r at Doha (l. Muchova)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka after leading 7-5 4-1)
- Opened 2019 season with runs to SF in Auckland (l. R-Up Andreescu) and 2r at Sydney (l. eventual champion Kvitova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.28, up from No.96 in 2017
- Returned to Top 30 on September 17, 2018 for the first time since reaching career high of No.23 on February 25, 2013
- Won third WTA singles title at 2018 Hiroshima – others both coming in 2012 at Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Martic in F) and Guangzhou (d. Robson in F)
- Won 20th career doubles title at 2018 Indian Wells (w/Strycova, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F)



## MIAMI

- Making 12th consecutive appearance at Miami
- Was R-Up in 2017 (l. Konta in F) and also semifinalist in 2012 (l. Sharapova) and three-time quarterfinalist: 2009 (l. Kuznetsova), 2010 (l. Henin) and 2014 (l. Na)
- Scored only career win over S.Williams in 2012 Miami QF, prevailing 6-4 6-4
- Last year, suffered earliest Miami exit, losing to Puig in 2r after 1r bye
- Received a 1r bye again this year, then broke eight times in 2r win over Sasnovich - her first win since Australian Open
- Hit 28 winners and only 16 unforced errors in 3r victory over qualifier Niculescu
- Faces No.27 Hsieh today in R16; bidding for first Top 30 win since beating No.5 Kvitova at 2018 WTA Finals
- Enters Miami ranked No.13 – lowest ranking since March 20, 2017 (No.14)
- Miami marks only fourth event of season, having been forced to miss both Doha and Dubai during Middle Eastern swing with a viral illness

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Alexandrova)
- Withdrew from Doha and Dubai due to viral illness
- As the defending champion, reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
- Opened 2019 season by reaching 2r at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Andreescu)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted a 41-17 record across 2018, finishing at No.3 for 11th consecutive Top 20 season and eighth Top 10 finish of career, including six in a row (2009-14) and back-to-back year-end No.1 finishes in 2010-11
- Won three titles last season from four finals, winning the debut Slam at the Australian Open, Eastbourne and Beijing. Finished R-Up at Auckland
- Owns 30 tour-level singles titles (30-24 record in finals) - sits fourth among active players, trailing S.Williams (72), V.Williams (49) and Sharapova (36)
- Won 2017 WTA Finals Singapore, passing \$25 million in career prize money
- Lifetime record stands at 4-6 vs. World No.1 players
- Has won at least one title in 11 straight seasons (since 2008), including career-best six titles in 2010 and 2011
- Won first WTA title at 2008 Stockholm, the first ever title won by a Danish woman



**HSIEH  
SU-WEI**

**VS**

**CAROLINE  
WOZNIACKI**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Other highlights of 2018 season were SF runs Auckland (l. eventual champion Goerges), Rabat (l. eventual champion Mertens), Seoul (l. Tomljanovic) and Tianjin (l. Garcia). Also made QF at Strasbourg (l. Buzarnescu) and equaled best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Stunned No.1 Halep at 2018 Wimbledon for first win over reigning No.1
- Reached QF at Nanchang (l. Y.Wang) in 2017 and concluded season with runner-up effort at WTA 125K Series event in Hua Hin, Thailand (l. Bencic)
- 2016 season highlights included SF run at Kaohsiung (l. Doi) and QF showing at Prague (l. eventual champion Safarova)
- Ended 2016 by winning 27th singles title on the ITF Circuit at \$100K ITF/Dubai-UAE; has also won 22 doubles titles at that level, most recently at \$100k ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer in May 2017 (w/Chang)
- Just second player from Chinese Taipei to win a tour-level singles title (Wang Shi-Ting won six titles in 1990s)
- Qualified for 2012 Tournament of Champions-Sofia (went 1-2 in round robin play)
- Won two Grand Slams w/Peng and qualified twice for WTA Finals, emerging as champions in 2013 (d. Makarova/Vesnina in F) and runners-up in 2014 (l. Black/Mirza in F)
- Became first player from Chinese Taipei (male or female) to achieve the WTA World No.1 doubles ranking on May 12, 2014 – held the top spot for five non-consecutive weeks
- On ITF Circuit, winner of 26 singles titles and 23 doubles titles
- Played first professional tournament at ITF level in New Zealand in 2001; started career by winning first 33 matches (mix of ITF and tour level)

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Has reached R16 on three occasions at the Australian Open in 2018 (l. Kerber) and 2008 (as qualifier, l. Henin), and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Cibulkova)
- Also made 3r at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Garcia). At US Open, posted 2r efforts in 2018 (l. Cibulkova) and 2013 (l. Giorgi)
- Winner of two Grand Slam doubles titles – 2014 Roland Garros (w/Peng, d. Errani/Vinci in final) and 2013 Wimbledon (w/Peng, d. Barty/Dellacqua in final)

### **PERSONAL**

- Has six siblings. Introduced to tennis by dad at age 5
- Father is Hsieh Tze-Lung; mother is Ho Fom-Ju
- Idolized Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi growing up



### **CAREER CONT.**

- Denmark's flag bearer at 2016 Rio Olympics
- Broke into Top 100 on July 9, 2007 and entered Top 50 on January 28, 2008. Debuted in Top 10 on May 18, 2009
- Rose to No.1 on October 11, 2010 and held No.1 ranking for total of 67 weeks; returned to No.1 on January 29, 2018 after Australian Open title for a further four weeks, taking career to 71 weeks
- Qualified for WTA Finals six times (2009-11, 2014, 2017, 2018)
- Made professional debut aged 15 as a wildcard at 2005 Cincinnati

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Captured her first Grand Slam title at 2018 Australian Open (d. Halep in three sets)
- Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at the US Open in 2009 (l. Clijsters) and 2014 (l. S.Williams). Became first Danish player to reach a Grand Slam final since Kurt Nielsen at 1955 Wimbledon
- Made major debut at 2007 Roland Garros (l. Dechy in 1r). Would go on to play 36 consecutive majors until streak was snapped by withdrawal from 2016 Roland Garros (w/right ankle injury)
- At Roland Garros she is a two-time quarterfinalist, in 2010 (l. eventual champion Schiavone) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Ostapenko) and has reached R16 at Wimbledon on six occasions, most recently in 2017
- In juniors, won girls' singles title at 2006 Wimbledon and was a finalist at 2006 Australian Open

### **PERSONAL**

- Ran 2014 New York City Marathon with charity Team for Kids, funds going to New York Road Runners youth programs
- Announced engagement to former NBA player David Lee in November 2017, the ex-New York Knicks forward proposing on holiday in Bora Bora
- Coached by father, Piotr Wozniacki



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## MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59) vs. TATJANA MARIA (GER #62)

Head to Head: First meeting

MARKETA VONDROUSOVA	WTA RANKING	TATJANA MARIA
59		62
27	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	52
28-06-1999 (19)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	08-08-1987 (31)
\$352,682	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$122,614
\$1,317,037	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,704,624
0 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
3-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	5-3
12-3 / 36-27	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	5-6 / 74-140
4-2 / 7-14	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 19-33
4-0 / 14-10	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 14-21
12-3 / 27-14	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	5-6 / 28-76
0-0 / 1-0	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 3-2
1-0 / 1-2	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 1-5
1-1 / 1-6	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 4-9
3-1 / 7-8	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-3 / 6-23

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami R16

## ROAD TO THE ROUND OF 16

### MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #59)

**R32:** d. [16] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #14) 6-4,7-6(1) (1h55)  
**R64:** d. [22] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #23) 7-5,6-1 (1h24)  
**R128:** d. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #47) 6-3,6-2 (1h27)

Total games: 59  
 Won/lost: 38-21  
 Sets won/lost: 6-0  
 Total time on court: 4h46  
 Average time on court: 1h35  
 Average rank of opponent: 28

### TATJANA MARIA (GER #62)

**R32:** d. [4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6) 6-3,6-2 (1h33)  
**R64:** d. [29] CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #31) 6-3,6-4 (1h21)  
**R128:** d. ANNA KAROLINA SCHMIEDLOVA (SVK #65) 6-4,6-1 (1h27)

Total games: 53  
 Won/lost: 36-17  
 Sets won/lost: 6-0  
 Total time on court: 4h21  
 Average time on court: 1h27  
 Average rank of opponent: 34



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### MARKETA VONDROUSOVA

##### 2018

R1 L - YAFAN WANG (CHN #125) 6-2 4-6 7-6(0)

#### TATJANA MARIA

##### 2018

R1 L - CARINA WITTHOEFT (GER #57) 6-3 6-4

##### 2017

R64-Q L - ANA BOGDAN (ROU #124) 7-5 2-6 6-4

##### 2016

R2-Q L - MAGDA LINETTE (POL #110) 7-6(4) 6-3

##### 2015

R3 L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #34) 6-4 7-5

##### 2013

R2-Q L - SHAHAR PEER (ISR #116) 6-4 6-0

##### 2011

R1-Q L - JELENA DOKIC (AUS #64) 5-7 6-3 6-4

##### 2010

R1 L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #43) 6-1 6-0

##### 2009

R2-Q L - MARIANA DUQUE-MARIÑO (COL #120) 6-4 6-4

**MARKETA  
VONDROUSOVA**

**VS**

**TATJANA  
MARIA**

## **MIAMI**

- Making second appearance at the Miami Open
- Fell 1r on debut here in 2018 (l. Y.Wang after leading 4-1 in third set)
- Defeated compatriot Strycova in 12, then last year's finalist and No.22 seed Ostapenko in 2r
- Broke serve six times to upset No.14 Mertens in 3r to record third Top 20 win of 2019 (also No.14 Kasatkina and No.2 Halep at Indian Wells)
- Faces No.62 Maria in R16 today; most recent loss to a player ranked outside Top 50 was against No.275 Perez in qualifying at 2018 New Haven
- One of five teenagers in WTA Top 100; Vondrousova (19 years old) and Andreescu (18) are the only teenagers to have reached the R16 here. By contrast, no teenager made it past 3r here in 2018
- One of three Czech players left in draw (also Kvitova and Ka.Pliskova). Best performance by a Czech woman here were SF showings by Novotna (1995, 1997) and Ka.Pliskova (2017)

## **SEASON**

- Coming off QF showing at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina). Scored first Top 10 win over No.2 Halep en route
- Reached second WTA final at Budapest, losing to Van Uytvanck in 3s in the final
- Fell in 2r at Australian Open (l. Martic). Reached SF in doubles with Strycova (l. eventual champions Stosur/S.Zhang)

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- 2018 highlights included reaching SF at Gstaad (l. Minella), and R16 at Indian Wells (l. Martic) and US Open (l. Tsurenko in 3s)
- Notched Top 20 victories over No.11 Konta (2018 Indian Wells), No.11 Goerges (2018 Stuttgart) and No.13 Bertens (2018 US Open)
- Posted first Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.67, having finished 2016 at No.376 – biggest ranking mover into the Top 100 (309 places)
- Made WTA breakthrough by winning International-level title at Biel/Bienne (as qualifier, d. Kontaveit in F). At No.233, was the lowest-ranked title winner in 2017 and aged 17 years, 293 days was the youngest since Konjuh (17 years, 169 days) at 2015 Nottingham
- Also won four singles titles at ITF level in 2017 – including at \$80k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Muchova in F)

## **MIAMI**

- Making fourth main draw appearance (ninth overall) at the Miami Open, where she is through to R16 for the first time at WTA Premier mandatory level
- Best previous result here was reaching 3r in 2015 as a qualifier (d. No.7 Bouchard in 2r, l. Bencic)
- Suffered 1r exits in 2010 (l. Errani) and 2018 (l. Witthoeft)
- Won 10 of the last 11 games to beat Schmiedlova in straight sets in 1r on Thursday
- Upset No.31 Giorgi in 2r to score her first Top 50 win since overcoming No.48 A.Radwanska at 2018 US Open
- Scored fourth Top 10 win of career over defending champion Stephens in 3r on Sunday. Previously defeated No.10 Li at 2010 Kuala Lumpur, No.7 Bouchard at 2015 Miami and No.5 Svitolina at 2018 Wimbledon
- One of four mothers in starting field (also Azarenka, Rodina and S.Williams)

## **SEASON**

- Coming off SF run at WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara (l. eventual champion Kudrmetova)
- Fell 2r at Indian Wells (l. Barty) and Acapulco (l. Azarenka)
- Was part of Germany's Fed Cup team which lost 4-0 to Belarus in the World Group (l. Sasnovich)
- Made SF at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach (l. eventual champion Andreescu)
- Fell in 1r at the Australian Open to S.Williams in straight sets
- Began 2019 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and Sydney (as qualifier, l. Hon)

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ended 2018 season at No.79 after a campaign in which she clinched her maiden WTA singles title at 2018 Mallorca (d. No.20 Sevastova in F)
- Reached 2r seven times (incl. Wimbledon and US Open) and won third career WTA doubles title at Acapulco (w/Watson, d. Christian/Santamaria in F)
- Finished 2017 by cracking into the Top 50 for the first time in her career; jumped 69 spots from No.115 in 2016 to a career-high No.46 in 2017
- Played 33 tournaments in 2017, more than any other player, a feat all the more notable for the fact she was joined at all but a few tournaments by her young daughter, Charlotte



**MARKETA  
VONDROUSOVA**

**VS**

**TATJANA  
MARIA**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- In April 2017, made Fed Cup debut during Czech Republic's 3-2 defeat to USA in Florida. Lost opening singles rubber to Vandeweghe before levelling the tie with victory over Davis (USA won the deciding doubles to end Czech Republic's three-year reign as Fed Cup champions)
- Missed second half of 2016 to recover from elbow injury
- Advanced to 2r on tour-level debut at 2016 Prague – as wildcard, l. eventual champion Stosur
- On ITF Circuit, winner of seven singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at 2014 \$100k ITF/Prague-CZE (d. Suk, l. Brengle in 2r)

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked eighth Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Achieved her best result at the majors by reaching R16 at 2018 US Open (l. Tsurenko). Was youngest Czech player to reach R16 at Flushing Meadows since 2005 (Nicole Pietrangeli, R16 at 16yrs, 140 days)
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2017 Roland Garros, where she advanced to 2r. Has also reached 2r at 2018 and 2019 Australian Opens
- Fell 1r on debut at Wimbledon and US Open in 2017
- Reached doubles QF at 2017 Wimbledon (w/Bellis, l. eventual finalists H.Chan/Niculescu)
- In juniors won doubles at Australian Open and Roland Garros in 2015 (both w/Kolodziejova). In singles, was semifinalist at both Roland Garros and Wimbledon

### **PERSONAL**

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

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Reached first career WTA SF of career at 2017 Québec City (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck); also made three QF appearances across the season, at Rabat (l. Schiavone), Bucharest (l. Suárez Navarro) and Linz (l. Strycova), taking number of career QF to seven (first was at 2009 Barcelona)
- Posted just four tour-level wins in 2016; three coming on clay, during 2r appearances at Bogotá (l. Goncalves), Rabat (l. Putintseva) and Roland Garros (l. Cornet)
- In 2016, advanced to back-to-back doubles finals at Bogotá and Rabat – lifted the title at Bogotá (w/Arruabarrena) but lost the Rabat final (w/Olaru). Bogotá doubles triumph was second WTA doubles title (also 2012 Québec City w/Mladenovic); owns 3-4 record in doubles finals
- Owns four Top 10 wins in career, over No.10 Li at 2010 Kuala Lumpur, No.7 Bouchard at 2015 Miami, No.5 Svitolina at 2018 Wimbledon and No.6 Stephens at 2019 Miami
- Winner of 15 singles – including two in 2017 – and 15 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2001 and made WTA main draw debut in 2006

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked her 27th Grand Slam main draw, having made her major debut at 2007 Wimbledon (l. Kanepi in 1r)
- Best result across the majors came at 2015 Wimbledon, where she reached 3r (d. Jovanovski and Duan, l. Keys)
- Has reached 2r at the other three majors on multiple occasions – in 2017, reached 2r at three of four majors for first time in career

### **PERSONAL**

- Husband and coach is Charles Edouard Maria (married April 8, 2013 – formerly Tatjana Malek)
- Gave birth to daughter, Charlotte, on December 20, 2013 and was back on the tennis circuit by the following April
- During pregnancy break, decided to switch from two-hander to one-handed backhand
- Began playing at age 4 when introduced to tennis by parents







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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 6 MATCH-UPS

### POLONA HERCOG (SLO #93) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

#### Hercog leads 1-0

*Hercog won pair's only previous meeting on the ITF Circuit 10 years ago... Halep has fallen in the third round on three occasions in Miami... Hercog looking for second career Top 10 win*

### TATJANA MARIA (GER #62) vs. [4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6)

#### Stephens leads 2-0

*Stephens was victorious in both previous meetings between the two in the United States... Maria owns three Top 10 wins... Stephens has won 25 of past 31 matches on home soil*

### WANG YAFAN (CHN #50) vs. [25] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #26)

#### First meeting

*last year both players enjoyed deep runs here as qualifiers... Wang scored first Top 10 win over Svitolina in previous round... Collins owns 1-6 career record against Chinese opposition*

### [14] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #22) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

#### Kasatkina leads 2-1

*All three of the pair's meetings have gone to three sets... Kasatkina bidding to register back-to-back wins for the first time since the end of 2018... Williams bidding to reach fourth round in Miami for the 16th time*

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53)

#### Pliskova leads 2-1

*Pliskova has dropped a total of just eight games across pair's two most recent encounters... Cornet playing Top 20 opposition for the first time in 2019... Pliskova has reached QF here on three of past four visits*

## HIGH STANDARDS

**Karolina Pliskova** has reached the quarterfinals or better at all four tournaments she has played this year, amassing a total of 17 main draw wins.

#### 2019 MOST MAIN DRAW WINS

PLAYER	WINS	LOSSES
Bianca Andreescu	20	3
Petra Kvitova	19	5
Karolina Pliskova	17	4
Belinda Bencic	17	4
Ashleigh Barty	14	3
Aryna Sabalenka	14	6
Sofia Kenin	14	7

## RACE FOR TOP SPOT

Naomi Osaka's surprise third-round exit has left the door ajar for **Simona Halep** or **Petra Kvitova** to end March as World No.1.

However, there is plenty of work still to do, with both needing to reach the final if they are to have a shot at usurping the Japanese star. If Halep and Kvitova meet in the final, the winner will be the new No.1.

Elsewhere, Serena Williams's withdrawal means she could be replaced in the Top 10 at the end of the tournament by any one of **Ashleigh Barty**, **Anastasija Sevastova**, **Caroline Wozniacki**, **Elise Mertens** and **Wang Qiang**.

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## POLONA HERCOG (SLO #93) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

Head to Head: POLONA HERCOG leads 1-0

2009 ITF/SOFIA CLAY O R1 POLONA HERCOG 7-6(3) 1-6 6-2

POLONA HERCOG	WTA RANKING	SIMONA HALEP
93		3
170	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	10
20-01-1991 (28)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1991 (27)
\$73,635	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$441,078
\$2,919,469	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$28,586,657
0 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 18
0 / 2	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
4-5	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	17-7
1-4 / 136-174	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	13-5 / 340-156
0-0 / 38-56	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	4-4 / 99-53
1-0 / 27-40	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	4-2 / 43-52
1-4 / 50-99	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	13-5 / 204-100
1-1 / 13-21	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 34-12
0-1 / 0-10	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 11-27
0-1 / 1-21	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-0 / 35-44
0-1 / 7-38	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-2 / 93-69

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### POLONA HERCOG (SLO #93)

**R2-Q:** L - LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #108) 3-6,6-2,6-2 (2h37)

**R1-Q:** d. FANNY STOLLAR (HUN #124) 6-2,6-2 (0h56)

**R64:** d. MISAKI DOI (JPN #112) 7-6(4),6-4 (1h52)

### [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

**R64:** d. TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96) 6-1,6-3 (1h02)

**R128:** BYE



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### POLONA HERCOG

##### 2018

R1 L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #111) 6-2 6-0

##### 2016

R1-Q L - FANNY STOLLAR (HUN #469) 6-3 3-0

##### 2015

R1 L - ANNA KAROLINA SCHMIEDLOVA (SVK #58) 6-3 6-2

##### 2012

R2 L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7) 5-7 6-2 6-1

##### 2011

R1 L - CHANELLE SCHEEPERS (RSA #81) 5-7 7-5 6-2

##### 2010

R3 L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #54) 6-2 6-2

#### SIMONA HALEP

##### 2018

R3 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32) 3-6 6-2 6-3

##### 2017

Q L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11) 3-6 7-6(7) 6-2

##### 2016

QF L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #20) 4-6 6-3 6-2

##### 2015

SF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-2 4-6 7-5

##### 2013

R3 L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #7) 6-1 6-0

##### 2012

R3 L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7) 6-4 7-6(6)

##### 2011

R2 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #15) 6-0 6-4

**POLONA  
HERCOG**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

## MIAMI

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Miami Open (seventh overall)
- Has matched best result in Miami by making 3r, having also reached this stage on debut in 2010 (l. Bacsinszky)
- Enters 2019 Miami as a lucky loser, following Tsurenko's withdrawal (w/right arm injury). The last LL to reach 3r here was Davis in 2013 (l. Cornet in 3r)
- Benefited from Tsurenko's 1r bye as No.28 seed, then defeated Doi in 2r on Friday to score first main draw win in Miami since 2012, when she reached 2r (d. Hampton before falling to Bartoli)
- Faces No.3 Halep today in their first meeting in almost 10 years, when she defeated the Romanian at 2009 \$100K ITF/Sofia-BUL in 3s
- Owns one win over a Top 10 player in her career, coming over No.7 Bartoli at 2012 Charleston (1-21 career record)
- One of three Slovene women in 2019 Miami Open main draw (also Jakupovic and Zidansek - both fell in 1r)

## SEASON

- Fell 1r at Dubai (as LL, l. Voegele) and Doha (as LL, l. Riske)
- Reached SF at \$60K ITF/Andrezieux-Boutheon-FRA (l. Sramkova) after 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Opened 2019 season with 1r exit in Auckland (l. S.Hsieh) and qualifying exit at Hobart (l. Rogowska)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.82, up from No.102 in 2017
- 2018 highlight was R-Up showing at Istanbul (l. Parmentier) – her first final appearance in nearly six years. Now 2-3 in career singles finals. Also made SF at Bucharest (ret. vs. eventual champion Sevastova w/right thigh injury) and QF at Auckland (l. eventual champion Georges)
- Ended injury-disrupted 2017 ranked No.102. Played only 10 tournaments, highlighted by 3r run at Wimbledon
- Began comeback in 2017 at Roland Garros qualifying, winning \$60k ITF/Brescia-ITA (d. Poznikhirenko in F) in her second tournament back
- Suffered three injuries following 2016 US Open (l. Kerber in via ret.) including a scapula stress fracture, left knee injury and right wrist injury
- Ended 2016 at No.139 – her first non-Top 100 season since 2008 (finished No.243)



## MIAMI

- Making eighth appearance in Miami
- Reached SF in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and two-time quarterfinalist in 2016 (l. Bacsinszky) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Konta)
- Holds two of the four WTA Premier Mandatory titles, at Indian Wells in 2015 and two at Madrid from 2016-17. Only three players have lifted three of the four Premier Mandatory trophies - S.Williams (Indian Wells, Miami, Madrid), Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing) and Azarenka (Indian Wells, Miami, Beijing)
- After 1r bye, defeated American qualifier Townsend in 2r, improving record vs. Americans this season to 3-1, having also defeated Kenin and V.Williams, and falling to S.Williams (all at Australian Open)
- Faces No.93 Hercog today in 3r - a loss would mark worst-by-ranking since retiring vs. No.116 Jabeur in her last match of 2018 at Beijing 1r (w/back injury)
- Has not faced a Slovenian opponent since 2011 at \$100K ITF/Bucharest-ROU (d. Zec-Peskirc in 1r)
- The Miami Open fortnight marks her 269th and 270th consecutive weeks in the Top 10 - the longest active streak (ahead of Ka.Pliskova on 133 weeks)
- Can reclaim No.1 ranking by winning title here. Could also take top spot by making the final (as long as Kvitova does not win title)
- Is one of nine players in the draw to have held the No.1 ranking - also Osaka, Ka.Pliskova, S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka, Kerber, Wozniacki and Muguruza

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 run at Indian Wells (l. No.61 Vondrousova in 3s), ending her 21-match winning streak against players ranked outside the Top 60 (in completed matches)
- Fell to eventual champion Bencic in 3s in QF at Dubai
- Finished R-Up in Doha (l. Mertens); career record in singles finals now 18-16
- Defeated Siniakova and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round at the weekend and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F)

**POLONA  
HERCOG**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Season highlights included a runner-up finish at WTA \$125k Series event at Bol (l. Minella in F) and QF run at Bucharest (l. Siegemund) – her first QF since a year earlier at Bad Gastein
- Represented Slovenia at the Rio Olympics, losing in the 1r in singles (l. eventual gold medalist Puig)
- Ended 2015 ranked No.71, for seventh Top 100 season. Best result during the year was SF at Bucharest (l. Schmiedlova) and QF at Bad Gastein (l. Knapp)
- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2011 Bastad; successfully defended title at 2012 Bastad; runner-up at Istanbul in 2018 Palermo in 2011 and at Acapulco in 2010
- Owns two WTA doubles titles – 2010 Acapulco (w/ Strycova) and 2010 Seoul (w/Goerges)
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.35 in September 2011
- Owns a 1-21 career record vs. Top 10 opponents, with sole win coming over No.7 Bartoli at 2012 Charleston
- Breakthrough season in 2011, highlighted by first singles final. Rose from No.53 to No.37 after title run at Bastad and duly posted first Top 40 season finish at No.36
- Slovenian Fed Cup Team, 2007-08, 2010-12, 2015 and Slovenian Olympic Team, 2012, 2016
- On ITF Circuit, has won 17 singles and five doubles titles
- Played first WTA event (in qualifying, as a WC) at 2006 Portoroz

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 34th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best results at the majors were 3r runs at 2010 Roland Garros (l. Pennetta) and 2017 Wimbledon (l. Kuznetsova)
- At Australian Open made 2r in 2010 (l. Bondarenko) and 2015 (l. Hradecka); at US Open made 2r in 2011 (l. Petrova), 2014 (l. Makarova) and 2015 (l. Bouchard)

### **PERSONAL**

- Started playing tennis at age 4
- Trained in Slovenia until age 14 then moved to Italy to train there before turning pro
- Speaks Slovenian, English and Italian

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Also won titles last year at Shenzhen (d. Siniakova in F) and Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and was R-Up at Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), Rome (l. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (l. Bertens). Is 18-16 in career finals
- Won first career WTA doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu).ow 1-1 in career doubles finals
- Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot for first time in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1
- Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F); reached four more finals in 2017: Rome, Roland Garros, Cincinnati and Beijing. 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid, Bucharest and Montréal
- Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles
- Has qualified five times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-18), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player after winning her first six WTA titles and rising to year-end No.11 (dipped as low as No.64 in May)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals
- Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2012, 2014-19

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Won first Grand Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) after three runner-up finishes, at Roland Garros in 2014 (l. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (l. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Became 49th different woman to win a Slam title in the Open Era, and the second Romanian woman to win a Slam after Ruzici at 1978 Roland Garros
- Was the first Romanian woman to advance to final at 2018 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Made SF at Wimbledon in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and US Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Won Roland Garros girls' singles title in 2008 – sixth woman to go on to win the women's singles title

### **PERSONAL**

- Announced at Miami that she is now working with Daniel Dobre. During off-season long-time coach Darren Cahill announced he was talking a 12-month break from tennis
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer







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## TATJANA MARIA (GER #62) vs. [4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6)

Head to Head: SLOANE STEPHENS leads 2-0

2018	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R2	SLOANE STEPHENS	6-3	6-2	71 mins
2012	US OPEN	HARD O	R2	SLOANE STEPHENS	5-7	6-4 6-2	150 mins

TATJANA MARIA	WTA RANKING	SLOANE STEPHENS
62		6
52	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	40
08-08-1987 (31)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	20-03-1993 (26)
\$122,614	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$251,663
\$2,704,624	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$13,627,866
0 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
0 / 3	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
4-3	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	15-6
4-6 / 73-140	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	6-5 / 202-136
0-1 / 19-33	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 64-46
1-2 / 14-21	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 53-28
4-6 / 27-76	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	6-5 / 135-91
0-0 / 3-2	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 17-6
0-0 / 1-5	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 9-21
0-0 / 3-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 17-33
0-3 / 5-23	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 35-54

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### TATJANA MARIA (GER #62)

**R64:** d. [29] CAMILA GIORGI (ITA #31) 6-3,6-4 (1h21)

**R128:** d. ANNA KAROLINA SCHMIEDLOVA (SVK #65) 6-4,6-1 (1h27)

### [4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6)

**R64:** d. ONS JABEUR (TUN #58) 6-2,6-3 (1h10)

**R128:** BYE



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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### TATJANA MARIA

2018			
R1	L - CARINA WITTHOEFT (GER #57)	6-3	6-4
2017			
R64-Q	L - ANA BOGDAN (ROU #124)	7-5	2-6 6-4
2016			
R2-Q	L - MAGDA LINETTE (POL #110)	7-6(4)	6-3
2015			
R3	L - BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #34)	6-4	7-5
2013			
R2-Q	L - SHAHAR PEER (ISR #116)	6-4	6-0
2011			
R1-Q	L - JELENA DOKIC (AUS #64)	5-7	6-3 6-4
2010			
R1	L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #43)	6-1	6-0
2009			
R2-Q	L - MARIANA DUQUE-MARIÑO (COL #120)	6-4	6-4

### SLOANE STEPHENS

2018			
F	W - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5)	7-6(5)	6-1
2016			
R2	L - HEATHER WATSON (GBR #69)	6-3	6-0
2015			
QF	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)	6-1	7-5
2014			
R3	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #18)	6-1	6-0
2013			
R16	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	4-6	6-2 6-0
2012			
R3	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	6-4	6-2
2011			
R1	L - BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #50)	6-4	6-2
2010			
R1-Q	L - LATISHA CHAN (TPE #94)	6-1	6-2
2009			
R1-Q	L - AKGUL AMANMURADOVA (UZB #99)	6-3	6-2
2008			
R1-Q	L - EKATERINA BYCHKOVA (RUS #105)	6-1	7-5

**TATJANA  
MARIA**

**VS**

**SLOANE  
STEPHENS**

## MIAMI

- Making fourth main draw appearance (ninth overall) at the Miami Open
- Has equalled previous best result here by reaching 3r today. Fell at this stage in 2015 as a qualifier (d. No.7 Bouchard in 2r, l. Bencic)
- Suffered 1r exits in 2010 (l. Errani) and 2018 (l. Witthoeft)
- Won 10 of the last 11 games to beat Schmiedlova in straight sets in 1r on Thursday
- Upset No.31 Giorgi in 2r to score her first Top 50 win since overcoming No.48 A.Radwanska at 2018 US Open
- Faces defending champion Stephens in 3r today, bidding to reach R16 at a Premier Mandatory tournament for the first time
- Bidding for fourth Top 10 win of career. Previously defeated No.10 Li at 2010 Kuala Lumpur, No.7 Bouchard at 2015 Miami and No.5 Svitolina at 2018 Wimbledon
- One of four mothers in main draw (also Azarenka, Rodina and S.Williams)

## SEASON

- Coming off SF run at WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara (l. eventual champion Kudermetova)
- Fell 2r at Indian Wells (l. Barty) and Acapulco (l. Azarenka)
- Was part of Germany's Fed Cup team which lost 4-0 to Belarus in the World Group (l. Sasnovich)
- Made SF at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach (l. eventual champion Andreescu)
- Fell in 1r at the Australian Open to S.Williams in straight sets
- Began 2019 season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and Sydney (as qualifier, l. Hon)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 season at No.79 after a campaign in which she clinched her maiden WTA singles title at 2018 Mallorca (d. No.20 Sevastova in F)
- Reached 2r seven times (incl. Wimbledon and US Open) and won third career WTA doubles title at Acapulco (w/Watson, d. Christian/Santamaria in F)
- Finished 2017 by cracking into the Top 50 for the first time in her career; jumped 69 spots from No.115 in 2016 to a career-high No.46 in 2017
- Played 33 tournaments in 2017, more than any other player, a feat all the more notable for the fact she was joined at all but a few tournaments by her young daughter, Charlotte



## MIAMI

- Defending champion is making her eighth main draw appearance at Miami (11th overall)
- During title run, defeated No.3 Muguruza, No.10 Kerber, former champion Azarenka and No.5 Ostapenko on her way to her first Premier Mandatory title. Made her Top 10 debut (at No.9) as a result
- One of five former champions in the starting field (also S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka, Konta)
- Last time the Miami title was successfully defended was in 2015, when S.Williams lifted the trophy for the third straight year
- After 1r bye, broke serve five times to defeat Jabeur in 2r - has now won 25 of her last 31 matches on US soil
- Faces No.62 Maria in 3r today, attempting to register back-to-back wins for first time since R16 run at Australian Open in January
- Has fallen twice to players ranked outside the Top 50 this season: No.172 Haddad Maia at Acapulco and No.109 Voegele at Indian Wells
- Has won one title in each of the past four years in the US, at 2015 Washington, DC, 2016 Charleston, 2017 US Open & 2018 Miami
- One of 14 American players to start the main draw (four reached 3r - also Collins, S.Williams and V.Williams)

## SEASON

- Fell in 2r to No.109 and qualifier Voegele at Indian Wells (following a 1r bye)
- Made R16 at Acapulco (l. No.172 Haddad Maia)
- Posted R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane, fell 1r (l. Konta) before suffering 2r exit at Sydney (l. Putinseva after leading 6-3 5-3)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted best year-end finish at No.6 in 2018; reached career-high No.3 ranking on July 16, 2018
- Season highlights in 2018 were lifting first Premier-Mandatory title at Miami - subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 - and R-Up finishes at Roland Garros, WTA Finals and Montréal
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines w/foot injury, had surgery in January

**TATJANA  
MARIA**

**VS**

**SLOANE  
STEPHENS**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Reached first career WTA SF of career at 2017 Québec City (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck); also made three QF appearances across the season, at Rabat (l. Schiavone), Bucharest (l. Suárez Navarro) and Linz (l. Strycova), taking number of career QF to seven (first was at 2009 Barcelona)
- Posted just four tour-level wins in 2016; three coming on clay, during 2r appearances at Bogotá (l. Goncalves), Rabat (l. Putintseva) and Roland Garros (l. Cornet)
- In 2016, advanced to back-to-back doubles finals at Bogotá and Rabat – lifted the title at Bogotá (w/Arruabarrena) but lost the Rabat final (w/Olaru). Bogotá doubles triumph was second WTA doubles title (also 2012 Québec City w/Mladenovic); owns 3-4 record in doubles finals
- Owns three Top 10 wins in career, over No.10 Li at 2010 Kuala Lumpur, No.7 Bouchard at 2015 Miami and No.5 Svitolina at 2018 Wimbledon
- Winner of 15 singles – including two in 2017 – and 15 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2001 and made WTA main draw debut in 2006

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked her 27th Grand Slam main draw, having made her major debut at 2007 Wimbledon (l. Kanepi in 1r)
- Best result across the majors came at 2015 Wimbledon, where she reached 3r (d. Jovanovski and Duan, l. Keys)
- Has reached 2r at the other three majors on multiple occasions – in 2017, reached 2r at three of four majors for first time in career

### **PERSONAL**

- Husband and coach is Charles Edouard Maria (married April 8, 2013 – formerly Tatjana Malek)
- Gave birth to daughter, Charlotte, on December 20, 2013 and was back on the tennis circuit by the following April
- During pregnancy break, decided to switch from two-hander to one-handed backhand
- Began playing at age 4 when introduced to tennis by parents

### **CAREER CONT.**

- After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Before 2017 Wimbledon last match at Rio Olympics
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches that season
- First WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami. First WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier, No.747, fell 2r, l. Zvonareva)

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is 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
- Also R-Up 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)

### **PERSONAL**

- 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
- Coached by Kamau Murray (started working together in January 2016). Worked with Nick Saviano in 2015





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## YAFAN WANG (CHN #50) vs. [25] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #26)

Head to Head: First meeting

YAFAN WANG	WTA RANKING	DANIELLE COLLINS
50		26
20	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	9
30-04-1994 (24)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	13-12-1993 (25)
\$203,584	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$758,677
\$1,330,897	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,743,028
1 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 3	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
5-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	6-1
13-4 / 36-33	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 25-25
5-1 / 11-9	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-1 / 12-6
1-0 / 11-5	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	3-3 / 6-6
13-4 / 34-29	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 21-18
2-0 / 3-5	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 2-3
1-0 / 1-2	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 1-4
1-0 / 1-4	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-3 / 2-7
1-2 / 2-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-3 / 6-11

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### YAFAN WANG (CHN #50)

R64: d. [6] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #5) 6-2,6-4 (1h22)

R128: d. KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #68) 6-3,6-3 (1h36)

### [25] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #26)

R64: d. WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #205) 7-6(5),6-0 (1h31)

R128: BYE

## MIAMI Tournament History

### YAFAN WANG

2018

R16 L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #10)

6-7(1) 7-6(5)  
6-3

### DANIELLE COLLINS

2018

SF L - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5)

7-6(1) 6-3



**WANG  
YAFAN**

**VS**

**DANIELLE  
COLLINS**

## MIAMI

- Making second appearance at Miami, reached R16 as a qualifier on her debut here last year, losing to Kerber in 3s in almost three hours after coming within two points of victory
- Is one of nine qualifiers in the tournament's history to make the R16
- Hit 18 winners and broke serve eight times to beat Mladenovic in 1r
- Upset No.5 Svitolina in 2r to register first career Top 10 win; previous best win was over No.20 Stosur at 2014 Guangzhou
- Faces Collins in 3r today, bidding for 14th tour-level victory of the season; by contrast posted just 16 wins at this level across 2017 and 2018 seasons combined
- Winner will face only other Chinese player left in the draw, Q.Wang, in R16
- Contesting 2019 Miami ranked No.50, one spot off her career-high ranking of No.49 which was achieved earlier this month after claiming maiden WTA tour title at Acapulco. By contrast, this time last year was No.125
- One of six Chinese women to start in the Miami Open main draw (also wildcards Xiyu Wang and Xinyu Wang, S.Zhang, S.Zheng and No.18 seed Q.Wang)

## SEASON

- Lost in 1r at Indian Wells in 3s to Kenin
- Broke into the Top 50 for the first time in her career on March 4, 2019 after title run at Acapulco
- Lifted maiden WTA title - in first final - at Acapulco, rallying from a set and a break down to defeat No.5 seed Kenin in final
- Made QF showing in singles at Hua Hin (l. Linette), reached doubles final with Blinkova (l. Begu/Niculescu)
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Opened 2019 season by reaching fourth career WTA SF, at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlight in 2018 was reaching third career WTA SF at Taipei City (l. eventual champion Babos), where she also won doubles title w/Duan
- Also in 2018, made QF at Bucharest (l. Buzarnescu) – rose to then-career-high No.71 in the rankings after Bucharest run (July 23, 2018) – and won through qualifying to reach R16 at Miami (l. Kerber on 3s); scored then-second-best win of career over No.23 Suárez Navarro in 2r



## MIAMI

- Making her second appearance at Miami, having made SF as a qualifier on debut in 2018
- Was the first qualifier to reach SF here, scoring first Top 10 win over No.8 V.Williams in QF before falling to eventual R-Up Ostapenko
- Since the introduction of Premier Mandatory tournaments in 2009, only three other players have reached SF – but no further – at one of the four events: Niculescu (2011 Beijing), Hradecka (2012 Madrid) and Chirico (2016 Madrid)
- Earned USD \$327,965 by reaching the last four in 2018, more than doubling her career earnings
- After 1r bye, beat compatriot Osuigwe in the only 2r encounter between players from the same country
- Faces Y.Wang in 3r; career record against Chinese opposition stands at 1-6, with sole win coming over Z.Yang in qualifying at 2017 Tokyo
- Contesting this fortnight ranked No.26 - three spots off career-high, set on January 28, 2019. By contrast, entered last year's tournament ranked No.93 and with only three career main draw wins to her name
- Will drop out of the Top 30 if she loses today
- Fell 1r in doubles draw in Miami w/Ostapenko (l. Indian Wells champions Mertens/Sabalenka)

## SEASON

- Coming off 3r showing at Indian Wells (l. Osaka - was first time facing a reigning World No.1)
- Made 1r exit at Acapulco (l. Azarenka)
- Part of US team which lost 3-2 to Australia in February's Fed Cup World Group tie (d. Gavrilova in sole singles rubber)
- Made Grand Slam breakthrough at Australian Open, advancing to SF (l. Kvitova); had never previously won a match in five previous Grand Slam appearances
- Scored first Top 5 win of her career against No.2 Kerber in R16 at Australian Open
- Rose to career-high No.23 following Melbourne run (January 28, 2019)
- Earned around \$655,000 USD by reaching Australian Open SF, taking career earnings past \$1 million
- Opened 2019 season by falling 1r in Brisbane (l. Kvitova) and Sydney (as qualifier, l. Hsieh)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 at No.36, in what was second season as a professional (finished 2017 at No.167). All 17 of her career WTA main draw wins were posted in 2018 (prior to 2018 Indian Wells, had played only three tour-level matches, losing all three)

**WANG  
YAFAN**

**VS**

**DANIELLE  
COLLINS**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Strong performances at WTA 125K Series events in 2018 highlighted by R-Up finish at Zhengzhou (l. S.Zheng)
- Season highlight in 2017 was reaching second WTA SF, at Nanchang. Missed first half of 2017 due to illness. Marked comeback with a series of opening round defeats on ITF Circuit before lifting eighth career title at this level at \$25k ITF/Tianjin-CHN
- Made Fed Cup debut for China in 2016
- Having fallen in qualifying at all four Grand Slam events in 2015, made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Australian Open (l. Sakkari in 1r)
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2014 Guangzhou, advancing to SF (l. Niculescu). Defeated No.20 Stosur en route to register first Top 20 win
- Has lost all three matches against Top 5 players: No.5 Wozniacki at 2015 Kuala Lumpur, No.5 Kvitova at 2018 US Open and No.4 Garcia at 2018 Beijing
- Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at 2012 Beijing
- Played first event of career at ITF/Quanzhou-CHN in 2009

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked sixth Grand Slam main draw appearance (14th overall)
- Having fallen in qualifying at all four Grand Slam events in 2015, made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Australian Open (l. Sakkari in 1r)
- Best results are 2r showings at US Open in 2016 (as qualifier, l. Tsurenko) and 2018 (l. Kvitova) and Australian Open in 2019 (l. Barty)
- Also fell 1r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
- Has contested doubles main draw at all four majors

## **PERSONAL**

- Joined up with current coach Karim Miguel Perona Vidal at 2018 Tianjin; also travels with fitness coach Toni Martinez Formerly worked with Alejandro Dulko (brother of ex-WTA doubles No.1 Gisela Dulko)
- Began playing tennis when she was nine
- Born in Nanjing, China

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Season highlight in 2018 came at Miami where she became first qualifier to reach SF (l. Ostapenko), scoring first Top 10 win over V.Williams en route. Earned USD\$327,965 by reaching the last four at Key Biscayne, more than doubling her career earnings at the time
- Posted first tour-level wins during R16 run at Indian Wells (l. Suárez Navarro), where she scored her first Top 50 win over No.15 Keys in 2r. Also in 2018, made SF at San Jose and QF at Monterrey
- Contested one tour-level main draw during 2017 season, at Indian Wells (as WC, l. Puig in 1r). Fell in qualifying five times, at Monterrey, Wimbledon, US Open, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Tokyo [PPO]
- Closed out 2017 season at WTA 125K Series event in Honolulu (l. Vickery in 1r)
- Won two singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2017, at \$25k ITF/Bethany Beach, DE-USA and \$25k ITF/Norman, OK-USA, taking total tally to four
- Enjoyed illustrious college career at University of Virginia, claiming two NCAA singles titles in three seasons; became only the seventh woman to win two NCAA singles titles
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 New Haven
- Graduated in 2016 as the top-ranked collegiate player in the country with a degree in media studies

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Best Grand Slam result is SF run at 2019 Australian Open (d. No.2 Kerber in R16, l. Kvitova)
- Became the fourth American collegiate player to reach R16 at a major, joining Lisa Raymond, Jill Craybas and Laura Granville, and the first collegiate major quarterfinalist since Raymond at the 2004 Australian Open
- Gained first Grand Slam main draw acceptance at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Wozniacki in 1r)
- Also fell 1r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Mertens) and US Open three times, in 2018 (l. Sabalenka), and also after entering her home Slam on a wild card in 2014 (l. Halep in 1r) and 2016 (l. Rodina in 1r)

## **PERSONAL**

- 2016 Honda Sport Award winner for tennis and candidate for Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year
- Introduced to tennis by father aged three
- Relaxes by going to the beach, fishing and running
- Started her own jewelry line during 2018 offseason
- Main coach is Pat Harrison (ATP's Ryan Harrison's dad), but he only travels occasionally





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## [14] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #22) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

Head to Head: DARIA KASATKINA leads 2-1

2018	INDIAN WELLS	HARD O	SF	DARIA KASATKINA	4-6	6-4	7-5	169 mins
2016	WIMBLEDON	GRASS O	R3	VENUS WILLIAMS	7-5	4-6	10-8	161 mins
2016	AUCKLAND	HARD O	R1	DARIA KASATKINA	6-7(4)	6-3	6-3	135 mins

DARIA KASATKINA	WTB RANKING	VENUS WILLIAMS
22		43
108	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	30
07-05-1997 (21)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	17-06-1980 (38)
\$136,754	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$303,222
\$5,179,848	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$41,234,270
0 / 2	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 49
0 / 1	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 22
2-3	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	66-15
2-6 / 116-79	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	10-3 / 785-235
1-2 / 43-28	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 181-110
0-2 / 20-20	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	3-2 / 132-94
2-6 / 75-54	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	10-3 / 474-138
0-1 / 7-8	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	2-1 / 73-16
0-0 / 8-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 64-72
0-0 / 12-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 135-100
0-0 / 21-32	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 233-146

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### [14] DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #22)

**R64:** d. CORI GAUFF (USA #456) 6-3,6-2 (1h06)

**R128:** BYE

### VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

**R64:** d. [24] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #29) 7-6(4),6-1 (1h41)

**R128:** d. DALILA JAKUPOVIC (SLO #80) 7-5,6-3 (1h18)



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## MIAMI Tournament History

### DARIA KASATKINA

2018				
R2	L - SOFIA KENIN (USA #94)	3-6	6-2	6-2
2017				
R2	L - SHELBY ROGERS (USA #61)	6-4	5-7	6-0
2016				
R2	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5)	6-3	7-5	

### VENUS WILLIAMS

2018				
QF	L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93)	6-2	6-3	
2017				
S	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	6-4	7-5	
2016				
R2	L - ELENA VESNINA (RUS #96)	6-0	6-7(5)	6-2
2015				
QF	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12)	0-6	6-1	7-5
2014				
R16	L - DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #11)	6-1	5-7	6-3
2013				
R3	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #16)	W/O		
2012				
QF	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	6-4	6-1	
2010				
F	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-2	6-1	
2009				
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-4	3-6	6-3
2008				
QF	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #4)	6-4	6-4	
2007				
R3	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	2-6	6-2	7-5
2005				
SF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #3)	6-4	6-3	
2004				
QF	L - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #8)	6-3	5-7	7-6(3)
2003				
R16	L - MEGHANN SHAUGHNESSY (USA #22)	7-6(2)	6-1	
2002				
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #9)	6-2	6-2	
2001				
F	W - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #5)	4-6	6-1	7-6(4)
1999				
F	W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-1	4-6	6-4
1998				
F	W - ANNA KOURNIKOVA (RUS #25)	2-6	6-4	6-1
1997				
R3	L - MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #2)	6-4	6-2	

**DARIA  
KASATKINA**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

## MIAMI

- Making fourth appearance at Miami Open
- Prior to this year, only other victory at Miami came on debut appearance in 2016 when she overcame K.Bondarenko in 1r before losing to No.4 Halep in 2r
- Lost in 2r (after 1r byes) in 2017 (I. Rogers) and 2018 (I. qualifier Kenin)
- After 1r bye, beat Gauff in 2r on Friday for just third win of the season (also Barritza in Fed Cup and Frech at Dubai)
- Plays No.43 V.Williams in 3r today; most recent Top 100 win came over No.22 Q.Wang at 2018 Zhuhai
- Playing doubles this week w/Bencic (face Aoyama/ Marozava in 2r)
- Only Russian player to reach the 3r from the six to start in this year's draw (wildcard Vikhlyantseva lost 1r, Alexandrova lost 1r, Rodina lost 1r, No.31 seed Pavlyuchenkova lost 2r, Gasparyan lost 1r). Best showing by a Russian in Miami last year was Pavlyuchenkova's 3r run (I. Kerber)
- Playing 2019 Miami ranked No.22 having dropped out after failing to defend Indian Wells R-Up points from 2018 - for the first time in 21 years, there was not a Russian in the Top 20 on Monday March 18, snapping a streak of 1,094 consecutive weeks with at least one Russian in the Top 20

## SEASON

- Lost to Vondrousova in 2r at Indian Wells (following a 1r bye)
- Fell in 2r at Dubai (d. No.178 Frech, I. Kenin in 3s)
- Posted first singles win of the season over No.669 Barritza of Denmark during Russia's triumph in Europe/Africa Zone Group I
- Lost to Zvonareva in straight sets in QF at St. Petersburg (after 1r bye, received walkover when Sharapova withdrew w/shoulder injury)
- Suffered 1 exit at Australian Open (I. Bacszinsky)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane. Fell to wildcard Birrell in 1r after leading 5-3 in the third set. Also fell in 1r at Sydney International (I. Sasnovich)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted season-best finish of No.10 in 2018, up from No.24 in 2017
- 2018 saw the Russian win a second WTA singles title at Moscow [Kremlin Cup]. Recovered from 6-2 4-1 down to defeat Jabeur in final; is now 2-3 in WTA singles finals, all coming at Premier-level or above
- Reached biggest final of career at 2018 Indian Wells (I. Osaka). Finished R-Up at Dubai and made SF at St. Petersburg



## MIAMI

- Playing Miami for a record 20th time - the next highest appearance makers are S.Williams (18) and Frazier, Hantuchova, Kuznetsova and Tauziat (all 16)
- A former champion on three occasions – 1998 (d. Kournikova in F), 1999 (d. S.Williams in F) and 2001 (d. Capriati in F)
- One of five former champions in starting field this fortnight – also S.Williams (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15), Azarenka (2009, 2011, 2016), Konta (2017) and Stephens (2018)
- Also finished as R-Up in 2010 (I. Clijsters in F) and made SF run four times in 2002 (I. S.Williams), 2005 (I. Sharapova), 2009 (I. S.Williams) and 2017 (I. Konta)
- Has won the second most matches in the tournament's history (66), behind S.Williams (76) and ahead of Graf (59)
- Unseeded at Miami for the first time since 2012 – reached QF on that occasion (I. A.Radwanska)
- Produced tidy numbers across opening two matches, hitting 16 winners to just 11 unforced errors against qualifier Jakupovic in 1r
- Then went 31 and 28 for the same statistic in upsetting No.29 Suarez Navarro in 2r
- Plays No.14 seed Kasatkina in 3r today. Came within two points of victory before losing thrilling Indian Wells SF to the Russian last year
- At 38, is oldest women left in singles draw here

## SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Indian Wells, becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament's history and at a tour-level tournament since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight aged 43
- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells - first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)
- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career. Also signified first time has won four consecutive matches since her run to the SF at 2018 Indian Wells (I. Kasatkina). Has not won five matches in a row since the 2017 US Open when she lost in the SF to Stephens
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in the 3r at the Australian Open
- Reached QF at Auckland (I. qualifier Andreescu)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down on No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, I. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF run at Miami (I. Collins)



**DARIA  
KASATKINA**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

## CAREER CONT.

- Was one of eight players to reach QF or better at two or more Grand Slams in 2018 (Wimbledon and Roland Garros)
- Earned her sixth win over a Top 2 player when she ousted No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Roland Garros R16
- One of five players in WTA history to have multiple wins over World No.1s before their 21st birthday, others being: V.Williams (9), S. Williams (8), Sharapova (4) and Kuznetsova (2)
- 2017 season was highlighted by capturing first WTA singles title in debut final at Charleston, defeating fellow teenager Ostapenko in F – the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
- Reached second tour-level final at Moscow in 2017 (l. Goerges in F). Also finished R-Up in two WTA doubles finals at 2017 – at Tokyo [PPO] and Moscow (both w/Gavrilova)
- 2016 highlights included reaching second WTA SF at St Petersburg (l. eventual R-Up Bencic) and QF stage at five tournaments, including Indian Wells and Rio Olympics
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (l. Pavlyuchenkova, having recorded first Top 20 win over No.14 Suárez Navarro in QF)
- QF run at 2015 Bad Gastein (as qualifier) was first time reaching last eight at a WTA-level tournament
- Won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Moscow (w/ Vesnina)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow; made main draw debut as WC also at Moscow in 2014

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Earned best result at the majors with QF runs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) surpassing her previous-best R16 effort at 2017 US Open (l. Kanepi)
- Reached 3r on her main draw debuts at all of the majors – 2015 US Open (l. Mladenovic), 2016 Australian Open (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 Roland Garros (l. Bertens) and 2016 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams)
- In juniors, lifted the 2014 Roland Garros singles trophy

## PERSONAL

- Born and resides in Togliatti, Russia. Mother is Tatiana Timkovskaya and father is Sergey Kasatkin
- Began playing at age six when brother and fitness trainer, Aleksandr Timkovskii, introduced her to tennis
- Currently attending Sport College in Samara, Russia; three years into a five-year degree
- Without a full-time coach. Has previously worked with Philippe Dehaes and Vladimir Platenik



## CAREER CONT.

- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past \$40 million – S.Williams (\$84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) – only player in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is 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)
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- 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

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 81st 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)

**DARIA  
KASATKINA**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

### **GRAND SLAM CONT.**

- In addition, a nine-time Grand Slam R-Up across all four majors: Wimbledon (2002-03, 2009 and 2017), US Open (1997, 2002), Roland Garros (2002) and Australian Open (2003, 2017)
- 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. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)
- In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998

### **PERSONAL**

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during off-season





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## [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7) vs. ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 2-1

2018	DOHA	HARD O	R2	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-2 6-3	70 mins
2017	BRISBANE	HARD O	F	KAROLINA PLISKOVA	6-0 6-3	66 mins
2013	GUANGZHOU	HARD O	R16	ALIZÉ CORNET	7-6(4) 6-0	80 mins

KAROLINA PLISKOVA	WTA RANKING	ALIZÉ CORNET
7		53
4	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	54
21-03-1992 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	22-01-1990 (29)
\$1,131,606	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$150,182
\$15,506,047	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$6,716,860
1 / 12	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
0 / 5	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
12-6	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	10-11
17-4 / 274-146	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 287-277
9-4 / 90-49	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 97-92
3-1 / 57-57	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 58-59
17-4 / 201-98	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	8-5 / 173-167
3-0 / 26-19	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 25-17
0-2 / 12-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 8-27
0-2 / 26-37	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 17-47
2-2 / 52-67	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 37-99

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #7)

**R64:** d. PETRA MARTIC (CRO #52) 6-3,6-4 (1h17)

**R128:** BYE

### ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #53)

**R64:** d. [30] MIHAELA BUZARNESCU (ROU #32) 7-6(7),6-1 (1h58)

**R128:** d. VERA LAPKO (BLR #64) 7-5,6-7(7),6-1 (2h47)



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### MIAMI Tournament History

#### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

2018			
QF	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #186)	7-5	6-3
2017			
S	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #14)	5-7	6-1 6-1
2016			
R2	L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49)	5-7	6-2 7-6(0)
2015			
QF	L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10)	6-4	6-2
2014			
R1	L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #44)	7-5	6-0
2013			
R2	L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #9)	5-7	6-3 6-3

#### ALIZÉ CORNET

2018			
R2	L - ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #17)	7-5	6-4
2017			
R1	L - ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #120)	6-4	1-6 6-4
2016			
R2	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #2)	6-0	6-1
2015			
R3	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12)	6-0	6-4
2014			
R3	L - DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #11)	7-6(6)	6-4
2013			
R16	L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #15)	2-6	6-4 6-4
2012			
R1	L - SHAHAR PEER (ISR #55)	6-4	6-2
2011			
R1	L - VIRGINIE RAZZANO (FRA #101)	6-3	6-1
2010			
R2	L - FRANCESCA SCHIAVONE (ITA #17)	6-3	6-2
2009			
R3	L - JIE ZHENG (CHN #17)	6-4	6-0
2008			
R1	L - TAMIRA PASZEK (AUT #42)	6-1	2-6 6-3

**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

**VS**

**ALIZÉ  
CORNET**

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open
- Best result here is reaching SF in 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki)
- Last year, exited in QF to wildcard Azarenka. Also reached QF in 2015 (l. Petkovic)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Martic in straight sets in 2r - has now won 17 main draw matches in 2019, the third-most on tour behind Andreescu (20) and Kvitova (19)
- Faces Cornet in 3r today. Has won their past two meetings comfortably, at 2018 Doha and in the final at 2017 Brisbane - on both occasions won close to 60% of her return points
- Last loss to a player outside Top 100 was against No.161 Zvonareva at 2018 Moscow
- Has played a tour-leading 13 three-set matches in 2019 (9-4 record)
- Has reached QF or better in all four tournaments she has contested this year
- One of three Czechs (also Vondrousova and No.3 seed Kvitova) through to 3r from the seven to start in main draw (qualifier Muchova lost 2r, Siniakova lost 2r, Strycova lost 1r, lucky loser Kr.Pliskova lost 1r).
- Novotna (1995, 1997) and Pliskova (2017) are the only Czech players to have reached the SF at Miami

## SEASON

- Fell in 3s to Bencic in QF at Indian Wells
- Led 5-1 in the final set of her QF match vs. Hsieh at Dubai before losing 6-4 1-6 7-5
- Withdrew from Doha w/viral illness
- Was unable to prevent defending champions Czech Republic from slipping to 3-2 defeat at the hands of Romania in Ostrava (d. Buzarnescu, l. Halep)
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved 4MP to defeat S.Williams in QF
- Began season by winning 12th career title at Brisbane International (d. Tsurenko in F) – has now won at least one WTA title for seven consecutive seasons

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level last season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)



## MIAMI

- Making 12th appearance at Miami Open, where she is through to 3r for a fifth time
- Best result in Miami is reaching the R16 in 2013 (l. Vinci)
- Defeated Lapko in 3s in 1r - opening two sets lasted over two hours
- Upset No.30 seed Buzarnescu in 2r - first win over a seed at Miami
- Is first time she has won back-to-back matches since reaching SF in first event of the year at Hobart (l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Takes on No.5 seed Ka.Pliskova today. Won her most recent encounter against a Top 10 opponent when defeating No.4 Kerber at 2018 Montreal (17-47 overall)
- Highest-ranked opponent she has faced this season was No.21 Mertens in Fed Cup (won 7-6(6) 6-2)
- One of two French players (also No.19 seed Garcia) through to the 3r from the four to start in main draw this week (Parmentier lost 2r and Mladenovic lost 1r). Testud (2000), Golovin (2006), Mauresmo (2005, 2006) and Bartoli (2010, 2012) have all reached the SF here - the best performances by a French woman

## SEASON

- Fell in 1r at both Indian Wells (l. Tomljanovic) and at the WTA \$125k Series event in Guadalajara (l. wildcard Zhuk)
- Lost to Riske in 2r at Dubai
- Helped France to 3-1 win away to Belgium in Fed Cup World Group (d. Mertens on day one). Will play Romania in April's SF
- Produced SF showing at Hobart (l. eventual champion Kenin) before falling 2r at Australian Open (l. V.Williams)
- Opened season by losing singles matches to Barty, Muguruza and S.Williams as France made group stage exit at Hopman Cup

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018, won sixth career title at Gstaad (d. Minella in F), and reached two further QFs at Brisbane and Charleston
- Other five career titles came at 2008 Budapest, 2012 Bad Gastein, 2013 Strasbourg, 2014 Katowice and 2016 Hobart; owns 6-6 career record in finals
- Former World No.11 (achieved in February 2009) who broke back into Top 20 at end of 2014 for first time since May 2009; dropped out of Top 20 again after 2015 Dubai



**KAROLINA  
PLISKOVA**

**VS**

**ALIZÉ  
CORNET**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Made the SF stage at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Helped Czech Republic win sixth Fed Cup in past eight years in 2018 (played SF tie vs. Germany)
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- In Grand Slam play, reached SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), QF at both Australian Open (l. Lucic Baroni) and US Open (l. Vandeweghe)
- Holds a 12-11 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish first time in WTA history, three Czech women inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debut in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), while she posted deepest run at 2018 Roland Garros, advancing to SF (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (l. Bartoli in 1r)

## **PERSONAL**

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Currently coached by Rennae Stubbs and Conchita Martínez, and previously coached by Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon



## **CAREER CONT.**

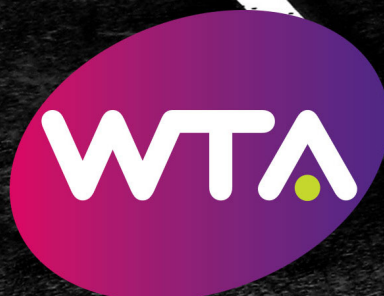
- Owns five wins over Top 3 ranked opponents: No.1 S. Williams (2014 Dubai, 2014 Wimbledon and 2014 Wuhan via ret.), No.3 A.Radwanska (2014 Katowice) and No.2 Halep (2015 Madrid); wins over S.Williams made her the first player to defeat the American in three straight meetings since Henin in 2007
- Qualified for 2013 and 2014 Tournament of Champions in Sofia, Bulgaria
- Three-time doubles champion: 2008 Budapest (w/Husarova), 2010 Strasbourg (w/King), 2015 Hong Kong (w/Shvedova)
- Member of French Fed Cup Team, 2008-17, 2019; French Olympic Team, 2008, 2012, 2016

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 49th consecutive Grand Slam main draw appearance – the longest streak among active players. However, among active players also has the most Grand Slam appearances (52) without reaching a quarterfinal
- Made Grand Slam – and WTA main draw debut – as a 15-year-old at 2005 Roland Garros, advancing to 2r (l. Mauresmo)
- Reached R16 on four occasions, at Australian Open in 2009 (l. Safina), Wimbledon in 2014 (l. eventual runner-up Bouchard) and Roland Garros in 2015 (l. Svitolina) and 2017 (l. Garcia)
- Best showing at US Open is 3r (2007-08, 2013-14)
- Won 2007 Roland Garros girls' singles (d. Duque-Mariño in F)

## **PERSONAL**

- Father is Francis (retired); mother is Patricia; brother is Sébastien (PhD, also her agent)
- Sponsors include Peugeot, Babolat and Lacoste
- Currently without a full-time coach. Working with Pierre Bouteyre during the Miami tournament



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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 5 MATCH-UPS

### [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) vs. [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27)

#### Osaka leads 2-0

*Osaka recovered from 7-5 4-2 down to beat Hsieh en route to January's Australian Open title... Hsieh seeded for the second time at Premier Mandatory level... Osaka hit 14 aces in second-round win*

### BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24) vs. [8] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

#### Andreescu leads 1-0

*Rematch of Sunday's three-set Indian Wells final... Kerber has reached at least the QF on four of past five Miami appearances.... Andreescu saved match point in her first-round win over Begu*

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. [26] DONNA VEKIC (CRO #25)

#### Series tied 1-1

*Kvitova won when the pair met at the same stage here in Miami five years ago... All three of Vekic's Top 5 career wins have been posted since last summer... Kvitova in contention to end Miami as World No. 1*

### [Q] MONICA NICULESCU (ROU #138) vs. [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13)

#### Wozniacki leads 9-0

*Wozniacki has won 18 of 19 sets across pair's nine career meetings... Niculescu scored first Top 20 win in 12 months over Muguruza in second round... Wozniacki was runner-up here in 2017*

### AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #40) vs. [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

#### First meeting

*Tomljanovic scored second career Top 10 win over Sabalenka in previous round... Kontaveit recovered from 4-2 down in deciding set to beat Anisimova on Friday... Both players currently at career-high ranking*

## QUALIFIED SUCCESS

**Monica Niculescu** is bidding to become the 10th qualifier to reach the fourth round at Miami:

PLAYER	YEAR	ROUND
Danielle Collins	2018	SF
Marion Bartoli	2003	QF
Marlene Weingartner	2003	Fourth round
Catalina Castano	2005	Fourth round
Eleni Daniilidou	2006	Fourth round
Vera Dushevina	2007	Fourth round
CoCo Vandeweghe	2014	Fourth round
Risa Ozaki	2017	Fourth round
Wang Yafan	2018	Fourth round

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## ON A ROLL

Following her Houdini act in the opening round against Irina-Camelia Begu and Friday's more straightforward triumph over Sofia Kenin, **Bianca Andreescu** has now won nine consecutive matches.

Should she beat Angelique Kerber today, she will become the fourth woman to post a double-digit tour-level winning streak in 2019.

#### 2019 WINNING STREAKS

PLAYER	WINS
Belinda Bencic	12 (Fed Cup 2, Dubai 6, Indian Wells 4)
Petra Kvitova	11 (Sydney 5, Australian Open 6)
Karolina Pliskova	10 (Brisbane 5, Australian Open 5)
Bianca Andreescu	9 (Indian Wells 7, Miami 2)



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## [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) vs. [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27)

Head to Head: NAOMI OSAKA leads 2-0

2019	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R3	NAOMI OSAKA	5-7	6-4	6-1	117 mins
2015	ITF/SURBITON	GRASS O	QF	NAOMI OSAKA	6-4	6-7(5)	6-3	N/A

NAOMI OSAKA	WTA RANKING	SU-WEI HSIEH
1		27
2	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	14
16-10-1997 (21)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	04-01-1986 (33)
\$3,210,559	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$428,670
\$10,839,756	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$6,452,206
1 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 21
5-3	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	4-2
12-3 / 92-62	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	12-7 / 123-137
6-0 / 21-15	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 47-43
1-1 / 14-16	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 26-37
12-3 / 73-44	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	12-7 / 91-89
1-0 / 5-5	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 14-18
0-0 / 3-7	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 3-8
3-0 / 8-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-3 / 5-20
5-0 / 21-28	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-3 / 9-38

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

**R64:** d. YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #141) 6-0,6-7(3),6-1 (2h09)

**R128:** BYE

### [27] SU-WEI HSIEH (TPE #27)

**R64:** d. ALISON RISKE (USA #45) 6-2,7-5 (1h24)

**R128:** BYE



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### NAOMI OSAKA

##### 2018

R2 L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #4) 6-4 6-2

##### 2017

R2 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 6-4 2-6 6-3

##### 2016

R3 L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49) 7-5 6-0

#### SU-WEI HSIEH

##### 2018

R3 L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #6) 6-4 1-6 7-6(4)

##### 2014

R2-Q L - VIRGINIE RAZZANO (FRA #81) 4-6 6-3 6-4

##### 2013

R2 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4) 6-3 6-2

##### 2012

R2-Q L - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #114) 6-3 5-7 6-4

##### 2008

R1-Q L - TATIANA POUTCHEK (BLR #118) 7-5 6-4



**NAOMI  
OSAKA**

**VS**

**HSIEH  
SU-WEI**

## MIAMI

- Making fourth main draw appearance at Miami, having reached the 3r on her first attempt in 2016 (l. Babos)
- Defeated S.Williams in her first meeting against the American in 1r here last year before falling to Svitolina
- On her Miami debut in 2016, defeated No.18 Errani in 2r to claim her career second Top 20 win (first came against No.19 Stosur at 2014 Stanford)
- Ranked and seeded No.1 at this year's tournament; by contrast, 12 months ago was No.22 after winning her first WTA title at Indian Wells in 2018
- Will keep her World No.1 ranking by reaching the final this fortnight
- The Miami title has been won 10 times by the current No.1 ranked player and 29 times by a player who held the top ranking at some point during their career
- The top seed has won the title here 13 times, most recently in 2015 when Serena Williams defeated No.12 seed Suarez Navarro in the final
- The earliest the top seed has lost in Miami is 3r, in 1995 (Sanchez Vicario, l. Werdel Witmeyer) and 2018 (Halep, l. A.Radwanska)
- After 1r bye, hit 14 aces to beat qualifier Wickmayer in 2r on Friday; has now struck 111 aces this season, the fourth-most on tour (behind Ka.Pliskova - 153, Bertens - 134 and Kvitova - 114)
- Is now 6-0 in three-set matches this season, last defeat in a match going the distance came against Kerber at 2018 WTA Finals
- Faces No.27 Hsieh today in their third career meeting, and second of 2019. Rallied from 7-5 4-1 down to beat Hsieh en route to Australian Open title
- One of four Japanese women enter main draw here in Miami, along with her sister and wildcard Mari Osaka, and qualifiers Hibino and Doi

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 at Indian Wells (l. Bencic) as a defending champion for the first time in her career
- Made 2r exit at Dubai (l. Mladenovic) in what was her first match since defeating Kvitova in Australian Open final; withdrew from Doha w/back injury
- Opened 2019 season with SF run at Brisbane (l.eventual R-Up Tsurenko). Withdrew from Sydney citing a change in schedule
- Won second Grand Slam title at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach No.1 following the tournament
- Is the first woman to win her second major straight after winning her first since Capriati did so in 2001 (Australian Open followed by Roland Garros)

## MIAMI

- Making third main draw appearance at Miami Open (sixth overall)
- Through to 3r for second straight year - fell to Ka.Pliskova at this stage last year; also reached 2r in 2013 (l. A.Radwanska)
- Seeded No.27 this fortnight - the second time she has been seeded at a Premier Mandatory event following Indian Wells earlier this month (also No.27)
- Following 1r bye, defeated Riske in 2r on Friday. Has now won four of her last five matches against Americans, wins coming over Mattek-Sands (2018 Rabat), Anisimova (2018 Hiroshima final) and Collins (2019 Sydney). Loss came against Kenin at 2018 Wuhan
- Faces World No.1 Osaka today. Holds one win over a reigning No.1 against Halep at 2018 Wimbledon
- Seeded No.3 in doubles this fortnight w/Strycova (play Christian/ Muhammad in 1r later today)
- Owns three career Top 5 wins, having defeated No.3 Muguruza (2018 Australian Open), No.1 Halep (2018 Wimbledon) and No.5 Ka.Pliskova (2019 Dubai)

## SEASON

- After 1r bye, fell to Konta in 2r at Indian Wells; reached doubles QF w/Strycova as defending champions (l. Chan/Chan)
- Advanced to first Premier-level SF of her career at Dubai (d. No.7 Kerber and No.5 Ka.Pliskova, l. No.4 Kvitova)
- Lifted 21st doubles title in Dubai (w/Strycova, d. Hradecka/Makarova in F), improving to 21-11 career record in doubles finals
- Fell 1r at Hua Hin (l. Niculescu) and reached 2r at Doha (l. Muchova)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka after leading 7-5 4-1)
- Opened 2019 season with runs to SF in Auckland (l. R-Up Andreescu) and 2r at Sydney (l. eventual champion Kvitova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.28, up from No.96 in 2017
- Returned to Top 30 on September 17, 2018 for the first time since reaching career high of No.23 on February 25, 2013
- Won third WTA singles title at 2018 Hiroshima – others both coming in 2012 at Kuala Lumpur (as qualifier, d. Martic in F) and Guangzhou (d. Robson in F)
- Won 20th career doubles title at 2018 Indian Wells (w/Strycova, d. Makarova/Vesnina in F)



**NAOMI  
OSAKA**

**VS**

**HSIEH  
SU-WEI**

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted a 40-20 record in 2018, resulting in best year end finish of career at No.5, up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career last season, at WTA Premier Mandatory level Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- Reached one further final, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova). Record in finals stands at 2-2, having also finished as R-Up at 2016 Toyko [PPO] (l. Wozniacki)
- From her efforts in New York last September, passed USD \$5 million in prize money for the season – No.2 (behind Halep) on the 2018 list of top earners
- En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep. Only set dropped all fortnight was against Sakkari in R16
- After win over Halep at 2018 Indian Wells, owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (also lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)
- Owns eight Top 10 wins, also over No.6 Kerber (2017 US Open), No.5 V.Williams (2017 Hong Kong), No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (2018 Indian Wells), No.10 Goerges (2018 Beijing), and No.6 Kvitolina, No.7 Svitolina and No.8 Ka.Pliskova (all 2019 Australian Open)
- Other Grand Slam results in 2018 were R16 at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), 3r at Roland Garros (l. Keys) and 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber). Elsewhere, had SF runs at Nottingham (l. champion Barty) and Beijing (l. Sevastova), and fell in group stage on WTA Finals debut
- Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1
- Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win
- Voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year
- Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open.
- Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)
- Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

## CAREER CONT.

- Other highlights of 2018 season were SF runs Auckland (l. eventual champion Goerges), Rabat (l. eventual champion Mertens), Seoul (l. Tomljanovic) and Tianjin (.Garcia). Also made QF at Strasbourg (l.Buzarnescu) and equaled best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Stunned No.1 Halep at 2018 Wimbledon for first win over reigning No.1
- Reached QF at Nanchang (l. Y.Wang) in 2017 and concluded season with runner-up effort at WTA 125K Series event in Hua Hin, Thailand (l. Bencic)
- 2016 season highlights included SF run at Kaohsiung (l. Doi) and QF showing at Prague (l. eventual champion Safarova)
- Ended 2016 by winning 27th singles title on the ITF Circuit at \$100K ITF/Dubai-UAE; has also won 22 doubles titles at that level, most recently at \$100k ITF/Cagnes-sur-Mer in May 2017 (w/Chang)
- Just second player from Chinese Taipei to win a tour-level singles title (Wang Shi-Ting won six titles in 1990s)
- Qualified for 2012 Tournament of Champions-Sofia (went 1-2 in round robin play)
- Won two Grand Slams w/Peng and qualified twice for WTA Finals, emerging as champions in 2013 (d. Makarova/Vesnina in F) and runners-up in 2014 (l. Black/Mirza in F)
- Became first player from Chinese Taipei (male or female) to achieve the WTA World No.1 doubles ranking on May 12, 2014 – held the top spot for five non-consecutive weeks
- On ITF Circuit, winner of 26 singles titles and 23 doubles titles
- Played first professional tournament at ITF level in New Zealand in 2001; started career by winning first 33 matches (mix of ITF and tour level)

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Has reached R16 on three occasions at the Australian Open in 2018 (l. Kerber) and 2008 (as qualifier, l. Henin), and Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Cibulkova)
- Also made 3r at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Garcia). At US Open, posted 2r efforts in 2018 (l. Cibulkova) and 2013 (l. Giorgi)
- Winner of two Grand Slam doubles titles – 2014 Roland Garros (w/Peng, d. Errani/Vinci in final) and 2013 Wimbledon (w/Peng, d. Barty/Dellacqua in final)

## PERSONAL

- Has six siblings. Introduced to tennis by dad at age 5
- Father is Hsieh Tze-Lung; mother is Ho Fom-Ju
- Idolized Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi growing up



**NAOMI  
OSAKA**

**VS**

**HSIEH  
SU-WEI**

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open and 2019 Australian Open. Has made only 12 Grand Slam main draw appearances, owning 32-10 record
- Defeated six-time champion S.Williams to win 2018 US Open. Flushing Meadows triumph made her first Japanese woman to reach Slam final and the youngest US Open champion since Sharapova in 2006 won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance.
- Became the 10th woman to win US Open and Australian Open back-to-back and first since S.Williams in 2015
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)
- Has also made 3r at the other two majors: 2016 Roland Garros (I. Halep) and 2018 Roland Garros (I. Keys), 2017 Wimbledon (I. V.Williams) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. Kerber)

## **PERSONAL**

- Recently hired Jermaine Jenkins, former hitting partner of Venus Williams, as her new head coach having parted company with Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki, Victoria Azarenka and Serena Williams.
- Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent), Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer) and Kristy Stahr (physio)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship.
- Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
- Sponsorship deals include Citizen, broadcaster WOWOW, Nissin (food brand), Nissan (automobiles) and ANA Airlines
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour





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## BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24) vs. [8] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

Head to Head: BIANCA ANDREESCU leads 1-0

2019 INDIAN WELLS HARD O F BIANCA ANDREESCU 6-4 3-6 6-4 138 mins

BIANCA ANDREESCU	WTB RANKING	ANGELIQUE KERBER
24		4
5	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	7
16-06-2000 (18)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	18-01-1988 (31)
\$1,489,031	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$976,118
\$1,704,919	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$28,132,959
1 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 12
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
2-0	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	18-9
19-3 / 22-8	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	13-5 / 412-230
6-3 / 7-6	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 116-91
4-3 / 6-3	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-0 / 83-53
17-3 / 19-6	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	13-5 / 273-150
4-0 / 4-0	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 33-20
1-0 / 1-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 19-32
3-0 / 3-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 38-60
5-2 / 6-2	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-1 / 88-112

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24)

R64: d. [32] SOFIA KENIN (USA #34) 6-3,6-3 (1h32)

R128: d. IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU (ROU #70) 4-6,7-6(2),6-2 (2h33)

### [8] ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #4)

R64: d. KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #113) 3-6,6-3,6-3 (2h08)

R128: BYE



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"-Q" Qualifying match

#### ANGELIQUE KERBER

##### 2018

QF L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #12) 6-1 6-2

##### 2017

Q L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #12) 7-5 6-3

##### 2016

SF L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #8) 6-2 7-5

##### 2015

R3 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #29) 6-3 3-6 6-3

##### 2014

QF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-2 6-2

##### 2013

R3 L - SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #27) 6-4 6-0

##### 2012

R2 L - JIE ZHENG (CHN #31) 7-6(4) 6-1

##### 2011

R2 L - FRANCESCA SCHIAVONE (ITA #4) 6-4 6-4

##### 2010

R2-Q L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #136) 6-4 6-0

##### 2008

R2 L - JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #1) 6-4 6-2



**BIANCA  
ANDREESCU**

**VS**

**ANGELIQUE  
KERBER**

## MIAMI

- Making debut appearance at Miami, which is the ninth WTA main draw appearance of her career
- Playing second WTA Premier Mandatory tournament of career, fresh from winning the title at her first at Indian Wells on Sunday
- Bidding to become only the fourth woman to complete the 'Sunshine Doubles' by winning Indian Wells and Miami back-to-back, after Graf (1994, 1996), Clijsters (2005) and Azarenka (2016)
- In 1r on Thursday, trailed Begu 6-4 5-1, saving 1mp before eventually triumphing; also beat Begu in 1r during Indian Wells title run, recovering from 3-1 in the third set on that occasion
- Broke serve six times to beat No.32 seed Kenin in 2r
- Win over Kenin was 30th of the season across all levels (ITF, WTA 125Ks, WTA qualifying, WTA main draw), more than any player in 2019
- Eleven of these wins have been over Top 50 players; prior to this season, sole Top 50 win was against No.13 Mladenovic at 2017 Washington DC
- Faces Kerber today in 3r; beat the German in Sunday's Indian Wells final, winning four of the last five games
- At 18, is one of two teenagers to reach 3r (also Vondrousova who plays No.16 seed Mertens tomorrow); best result by a qualifier at 2018 Miami was Kenin's 3r showing
- Playing Indian Wells ranked at a career-high No.24 - highest-ranked teenager on tour. Finished 2018 ranked No.178, made her Top 100 debut after the Australian Open this year

## SEASON

- Coming off winning maiden career title at Indian Wells (d. No.6 Svitolina in SF and No.8 Kerber in F)
- Was fourth unseeded woman and first wildcard to lift the title at Indian Wells
- Increased career prize money fivefold thanks to Indian Wells success (total stood at USD \$350,909 entering the tournament)
- Made SF at Acapulco (l. Kenin)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Rus and Hogenkamp) as Canada beat Netherlands 4-0 in Fed Cup to set up a World Group play-off with 2018 champions Czech Republic in April
- Won title at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach (d. Pegula in F)
- Qualified for Australian Open, going on to reach 2r for first time at a major (d. Osuigwe, l. Sevastova)
- Began 2019 by finishing R-Up at Auckland as a qualifier (d. Wozniacki, d. V.Williams, l. Goerges)

## MIAMI

- Making 10th main draw appearance at Miami Open (and 11th overall). Best result is reaching SF in 2016 (l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Also made QF in 2014 (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 (l. eventual champion Azarenka in SF), 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- Last left-handed player to win the Miami Open was Seles in 1991; last German to win here was Graf in 1996
- After 1r bye, broke serve five times in comeback win over Muchova in 2r
- In 3r today faces Andreescu in rematch of last weekend's Indian Wells final, which she led by a break in the final set
- Is one of eight thirtysomethings to reach 3r

## SEASON

- Coming off finishing R-Up at Indian Wells (l. Andreescu), in what was her first WTA Premier Mandatory final
- Prior to Indian Wells run, had not won more than three matches at the same tournament since 2018 Wimbledon title run
- Made R16 at Dubai (l. S.Hsieh)
- Advanced to SF in Doha (l. eventual champion Mertens) - 2r win over Kontaveit marked 600th career win across all levels (600-313 record)
- Won three consecutive tour-level matches for the first time since 2018 Wimbledon title run when reaching R16 at Australian Open (l. Collins). Defeated Haddad Maia in 2r for 100th Grand Slam match-win (one of eight active players to achieve the feat)
- Posted QF run in Sydney (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Kvitova) - first QF since Wimbledon title run last July
- Started off Australian swing by helping Germany finish R-Up to Switzerland at Hopman Cup (posted 4-0 singles record - d. Barty, Bencic, Cornet, Muguruza)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- 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
- Record in tour-level finals stands at 12-17 - her 29 finals is the joint-10th-most among active players
- Also in 2018, made SF at Australian Open (l. Halep in 3s, having had two match points), Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki having had match point)



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ANDREESCU**

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## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Finished 2018 ranked No.178, winning fourth and fifth career ITF Circuit titles at \$25k ITF/Florence-SC, USA and \$25k ITF/Norman-OK, USA
- Fell in qualifying at all four majors in 2018
- Highlight of 2017 season was QF run at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). As wildcard, defeated Giorgi and world No.13 Mladenovic in 2r to become first player born in 21st century to register a Top 20 win
- Also in 2017, made 2r at Quebec City and fell 1r at Wimbledon and Toronto
- Highlight of 2016 season was maiden ITF Circuit title at \$25k ITF/Gatineau-CAN (d. Halbauer in F). Also won doubles at same tournament w/Robillard-Millette
- Career best win was over No.3 Wozniacki at 2019 Auckland
- Posted career-high ranking of No.24 on March 18, 2019
- Made professional debut by finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Gatineau-CAN (l. Glatch in F)
- Owns five singles and three doubles titles on ITF Circuit

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Best Grand Slam result was 2r showing at 2019 Australian Open (as qualifier, d. Osuigwe, l. Sevastova)
- Only other main draw major appearance came as a qualifier at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Kucova)
- Also fell in qualifying at 2017 Roland Garros, 2017 US Open, 2018 Australian Open, 2018 Roland Garros, 2018 Wimbledon and 2018 US Open

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Sylvain Bruneau
- Born in Mississauga, Ontario, but moved to her parents' native country of Romania as a child and started playing tennis at age seven
- On her return to Canada, at 11 joined Tennis Canada's U14 National Training Centre in Toronto for the 2011–2012 season
- Models her game on Simona Halep

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.21. Best results of season were R-Up finish at Monterrey and SFs 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
- Courtesy of her results in 2016, doubled her career prize money during season, passing \$19 million mark; passed \$20 million at 2017 Roland Garros, becoming 15th player to do so
- 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 and fans; also, ITF World Champion
- 2016 marked fifth successive Top 10 season finish. Was the WTA match win leader in 2016, going 63-18
- Made fourth appearance at WTA Finals in 2016, progressing past round-robin for first time (l. Cibulkova in F); first German to reach final at the season-ending championships since Graf won title in 1996
- Reached first WTA final of career at 2010 Bogotá and won first title at 2012 Paris [Indoors]. Has won titles on all surfaces: hardcourt, grass and clay

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Three-time Grand Slam champion, at 2016 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F), 2016 US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and 2018 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F)
- At 2016 Australian Open, became first Grand Slam champion to save match point en route to the title since Li at 2014 Australian Open (Kerber saved a match point in 1r win over Doi)
- Won second Grand Slam singles title at US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and rose to World No.1
- Kerber hit only five unforced errors to beat S.Williams and lift third major at 2018 Wimbledon
- In 2016, finished R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Best result at Roland Garros are QF runs in 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Halep)

## **PERSONAL**

- Currently working with former Australian Open finalist Rainer Schüttler, having ended partnership with Wim Fissette at the end of 2018
- Previously worked with Torben Beltz
- In January 2017 was named in Forbes 30 Under 30 in Europe (in the entertainment category), alongside the likes of Gareth Bale and Luis Suárez





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## [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. [26] DONNA VEKIC (CRO #25)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

2019	ST. PETERSBURG	HARD I	QF	DONNA VEKIC	6-4	6-1	83 mins
2014	MIAMI	HARD O	R3	PETRA KVITOVA	6-3	6-4	65 mins

PETRA KVITOVA	WTA RANKING	DONNA VEKIC
2		25
1	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	16
08-03-1990 (29)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	28-06-1996 (22)
\$1,988,245	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$289,418
\$29,330,452	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,801,984
1 / 26	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
10-9	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	6-4
18-5 / 416-194	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	12-6 / 101-108
5-3 / 125-80	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	2-3 / 27-36
5-4 / 83-61	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-3 / 24-24
18-5 / 281-136	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	12-6 / 72-78
1-0 / 45-14	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	2-1 / 6-8
1-1 / 25-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 3-5
1-1 / 53-51	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-2 / 7-15
4-2 / 103-86	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-2 / 7-33

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2)

R64: d. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #49) 6-1,6-4 (1h09)

R128: BYE

### [26] DONNA VEKIC (CRO #25)

R64: d. SARA SORRIBES TORMO (ESP #78) 6-3,6-3 (1h24)

R128: BYE



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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### PETRA KVITOVA

2018			
R16	L - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5)	7-6(4)	6-3
2016			
R3	L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #31)	6-4	6-4
2014			
QF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #7)	7-5	6-1
2013			
R3	L - KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #28)	6-0	4-6 6-1
2012			
R2	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #134)	6-4	4-6 6-0
2011			
R3	L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #21)	6-4	6-7(3) 6-0
2010			
R2	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-1	6-1
2009			
R1	L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #56)	6-2	6-4
2008			
R1	L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #61)	3-6	7-5 7-5

### DONNA VEKIC

2018			
R3	L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93)	4-6	6-2 6-1
2017			
R1	L - QIANG WANG (CHN #58)	0-6	6-4 6-2
2016			
R2-Q	L - KIKI BERTENS (NED #108)	6-3	7-5
2015			
R1-Q	L - INGRID NEEL (USA #765)	6-1	6-2
2014			
R3	L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #8)	6-3	6-4
2013			
R2	L - ELENA VESNINA (RUS #32)	6-4	6-2

**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**DONNA  
VEKIC**

## MIAMI

- Making 10th appearance at Miami Open
- Best previous result here was QF run in 2014 (l. Sharapova)
- Last year, made R16 (won opening two matches in 3s, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko)
- Has lost her opening match here three times, as a qualifier on debut in 2008 (l. Kanepi), 2009 (l. Lisicki) and in 2012 (after 1r bye, l. V.Williams)
- After 1r bye this year, in 2r struck five aces to overcome No.49 Sakkari - just her third Top 50 win in Miami (also No.34 Peng in 2013 and No.13 Ivanovic in 2014)
- Faces Vekic in 3r today; earlier this year, Vekic ended Kvitova's title defense in St. Petersburg
- No Czech player has reached the Miami final – although in recent years Ka.Pliskova did reach SF in 2017
- Can rise to No.1 after Miami, although needs to reach at least final
- Owns 18 main draw wins this season (second-most on tour behind Andreescu on 19), and has reached the most singles finals (three)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. V.Williams after leading 6-4 4-2)
- Reached her 35th career final at Dubai (l. Bencic) and eighth final since the start of 2018 season. Record in finals stands at 26-9
- Fell QF in defense of St. Petersburg title (l. Vekic)
- Reached third career Grand Slam final at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking
- Captured 26th career title at Sydney (d. Barty in F)
- Went on 11-match winning streak between Sydney (5 wins) and Melbourne (6 wins)
- Fell 2r in season opener at Brisbane (l. Kontaveit)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won a WTA Tour-leading five titles in 2018, at St. Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7
- Titles came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011

## MIAMI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Miami (seventh overall)
- Best results were 3r showings in 2014 (as qualifier, l. today's opponent Kvitova) and 2018 (l. Collins)
- Seeded No.26 this fortnight - second seeding at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament (also No.28 at 2019 Indian Wells)
- After 1r bye, broke serve five times to see off Sorribes Tormo in 2r
- Has now won 11 tour-level matches this season - by contrast did not reach this mark until May (Rome) in 2018
- Faces No.2 Kvitova in 3r today; owns three Top 5 wins across career, against No.4 Stephens (2018 Wimbledon), No.4 Garcia (2018 Tokyo) and No.2 Kvitova (2019 St. Petersburg)
- Bidding to reach R16 at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament for a second time, having previously been this far at 2018 Beijing (l. Sevastova)
- Contesting tournament at career-high ranking of No.25; by contrast was No.55 in the corresponding fortnight last year

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. qualifier Bonaventure)
- At Acapulco, made sixth SF in past 12 months (l. eventual champion Y.Wang)
- Fell 1r at Dubai (l. Jabuer)
- On Fed Cup duty, won both singles rubbers (d. Krunic and Ozgen) as Croatia failed to advance in the Europe/Africa Zone Group I
- Reached biggest final of career at Premier-level St. Petersburg (l. Bertens); now owns 2-5 record in singles finals
- Posted best win of career with defeat of No.2 Kvitova en route to St. Petersburg QF, bettering victory over No.4 Garcia at 2018 Tokyo [PPO]
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (d. Mladenovic, l. Birrell)
- Began 2019 season with SF run at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 at then-career-high ranking of No.34, after registering a career-best 31 tour-level wins
- Season highlighted by R-Up finish at Washington DC (l. Kuznetsova after holding 4mp) – her first finals appearance since winning 2017 Nottingham
- Also made SF showings at Nottingham and Tokyo and reached Grand Slam R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Goerges)





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KVITOVA**

**VS**

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VEKIC**

## CAREER CONT.

- Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, l. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand
- Won title at 2017 Birmingham. Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (l. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (l. V. Williams)
- Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
- Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai
- Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (l. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
- 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney, Madrid and New Haven. New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
- Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (l. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
- At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
- Part of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 42nd Grand Slam main draw appearance, reaching her third career major final (l. Osaka in F)
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Was first player born in 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (since joined by Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens, Wozniacki, Halep and Osaka)
- Runner-up at 2019 Australian Open. The last Czech woman to reach the final at Melbourne Park was Novotna in 1991 (l. Seles); last Czech to win the Australian Open title was Mandlikova in 1987 (d. Navratilova)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results are SF at 2012 (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

## CAREER CONT.

- Enjoyed a resurgent year in 2017, cracking the Top-50 in the week of July 24 and finishing campaign ranked No.54
- Grass court season highlighted by winning second WTA singles title of career, at Nottingham – d. No.8 Konta. Until this title run, had not posted back-to-back main draw wins since September 2015 (run to final at Tashkent)
- Reached two ITF finals at the end of 2016 season, winning the title at \$100k ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY.
- Also reached QF at WTA 125K event at Limoges
- Posted just four main draw wins across 2016, defeating Al Nabhani at Doha, Riske at Kaohsiung, Ivanovic at Cincinnati and Zhang at Tianjin
- 2015 highlights included reaching final at Tashkent (l.Hibino) and QF at Baku
- When she won first career singles title at 2014 Kuala Lumpur, aged 17 yrs 10 mos, became youngest player to win a WTA singles title since 2006 Bangkok (Vania King)
- Reached first WTA career final at 2012 Tashkent. In what was her first WTA main draw appearance, became youngest WTA finalist since 15-year-old Paszek won Portoroz in 2005. Also finished runner-up on grass at 2013 Birmingham (l. Hantuchova) and 2015 Tashkent (l. Hibino). Including 2019 St. Petersburg, owns a 2-5 record in singles finals
- Broke into Top 100 (at No.93) on January 28, 2013
- Has won five ITF Circuit singles and one doubles title
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017, 2019

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 22nd main draw Grand Slam appearance
- Achieved deepest run at a Slam by reaching 2018 Wimbledon R16 (l. Goerges)
- Next best results at the majors came with 3r runs at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic) and 2017 US Open (l. Sevastova)
- At Australian Open, reached 2r in 2013, 2017, 2018 and 2019

## PERSONAL

- Both parents played professional sports: mother, Brankica (track hurdler) and father, Igor (soccer goalkeeper)
- Currently coached by Torben Beltz. Dario Novak is also part of coaching team
- Favorite surface is hard
- Speaks Croatian, English and Italian
- Self-described as strong-willed, determined and extremely competitive



**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

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**DONNA  
VEKIC**

## **PERSONAL**

- Nominated for 2018 WTA Player of the Year after winning a tour-leading five WTA singles titles
- A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
- Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
- Fitness trainer is David Vydra
- Parents are Jiri and Pavla





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## [Q] MONICA NICULESCU (ROU #138) vs. [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13)

Head to Head: CAROLINE WOZNIACKI leads 9-0

2018	DOHA	HARD O	R16	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	7-5 6-1	91 mins
2017	MADRID	CLAY O	R1	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	7-5 6-7(3) 6-4	207 mins
2016	LUXEMBOURG	HARD I	QF	MONICA NICULESCU	W/O	
2016	US OPEN	HARD O	R3	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-3 6-1	87 mins
2013	LUXEMBOURG	HARD I	R16	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-3 6-2	109 mins
2013	BEIJING	HARD O	R2	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-3 6-1	75 mins
2013	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R2	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-4 6-3	119 mins
2012	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R3	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-2 6-2	76 mins
2008	NEW HAVEN	HARD O	R16	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-3 6-3	94 mins
2006	ITF/ISTANBUL 2	HARD I	R16	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	6-4 6-0	N/A

MONICA NICULESCU	WTA RANKING	CAROLINE WOZNIACKI
138		13
97	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	92
25-09-1987 (31)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	11-07-1990 (28)
\$125,783	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$152,897
\$5,696,793	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$33,645,310
0 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 30
1 / 9	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
8-9	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	28-11
5-3 / 175-203	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 577-242
2-2 / 63-80	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-2 / 148-81
2-3 / 31-32	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 89-79
5-3 / 142-143	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 416-165
1-0 / 14-13	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 58-28
0-0 / 0-15	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 21-37
0-0 / 4-32	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 61-67
1-0 / 15-59	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 132-106

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### [Q] MONICA NICULESCU (ROU #138)

**R2-Q:** d. KATERYNA KOZLOVA (UKR #101) 6-2,6-4 (1h33)

**R1-Q:** d. LARA ARRUBARRENA (ESP #99) 6-0,2-6,6-4 (1h57)

**R64:** d. [20] GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #17) 7-6,4-6,6-2 (2h53)

**R128:** d. TAMARA ZIDANSEK (SLO #66) 6-1,6-2 (1h09)

### [13] CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #13)

**R64:** d. ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #36) 6-4,6-4 (1h32)

**R128:** BYE



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## MONICA NICULESCU

2018				
R3	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #12)	6-7(1)	6-3	4-0
2017				
R1	L - JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #60)	6-3	6-1	
2016				
R16	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #23)	6-2	6-2	
2015				
R2	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-3	6-1	
2014				
R1	L - BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #64)	6-3	6-4	
2013				
R1	L - JAMIE HAMPTON (USA #68)	6-4	6-3	
2012				
R2	L - ALEKSANDRA WOZNIAK (CAN #65)	4-6	6-3	6-4
2011				
R2	L - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #7)	6-3	6-1	
2009				
R1	L - TAMIRA PASZEK (AUT #74)	7-5	6-2	

## CAROLINE WOZNIACKI

2018				
R2	L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #82)	0-6	6-4	6-4
2017				
F	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	6-4	6-3	
2016				
R3	L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #16)	5-7	6-4	7-6(1)
2015				
R16	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-3	7-6(1)	
2014				
QF	L - NA LI (CHN #2)	7-5	7-5	
2013				
R3	L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #73)	6-2	6-4	
2012				
SF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	4-6	6-2	6-4
2011				
R16	L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #23)	7-5	3-6	6-3
2010				
QF	L - JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #33)	6-7(5)	6-3	6-4
2009				
QF	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #8)	6-4	6-7(5)	6-1
2008				
R16	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #7)	6-3	6-3	

**MONICA  
NICULESCU**

**VS**

**CAROLINE  
WOZNIACKI**

### **MIAMI**

- Making 10th appearance at Miami Open, where she is through to 3r for a third time
- Also made this stage during 2016 R16 run (l. Konta) and last year (as qualifier, l. Stephens via ret. w/mid back injury)
- Won through qualifying this year - the second time she has done so in 2019 (also Shenzhen)
- In 1r, won the first five games of the match during comfortable win over Zidansek
- Upset No.17 Muguruza in 2r - her first Top 20 win since beating No.18 Rybarikova here in Miami during last year's 3r showing
- Faces Wozniacki in 3r today, bidding to win three consecutive main draw matches for first time since R-Up finish at 2017 Hobart
- Playing doubles this fortnight w/Spears (face Groenefeld/Hradecka in 1r later today)

### **SEASON**

- Coming off qualifying exits at Indian Wells and Dubai
- Made 2r at Hua Hin (l. Linette). Also won ninth WTA doubles title in Thailand w/Begu (d. Blinkova/Y.Wang in F)
- Fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Anisimova)
- Opened season with QF showing at Shenzhen (as qualifier, l. Y.Wang)

### **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ten Top 100 seasons in past 11 years, finishing 2018 at No.78 (career-best year-end finish was No.30 in 2011)
- Injury interrupted 2018 season was highlighted by QF runs at Hobart (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Mertens) and Taipei City (l. Lisicki)
- Also reached 3r at 2018 Miami (d. No.17 seed Rybarikova in 2r, l. eventual champion Stephens)
- Missed entire 2018 clay season due to a left calf injury, returning at the ITF grass event at Southsea, Great Britain
- In doubles, advanced to semifinals of 2018 Australian Open (w/Begu), lost to Makarova/Vesnina
- Highlight of 2017 was finishing runner-up at Hobart (l. Mertens); has reached at least one singles final seven years running (2011-17). Also reached QF at Washington DC (l. Goerges), 3r at US Open (l. Brady) and won WTA 125K title at Limoges (d. Lottner in F)
- In doubles appeared in first Grand Slam final at Wimbledon 2017 (w/H.Chan, l. Makarova/Vesnina) and won Biel (w/Hsieh). Now has nine WTA doubles titles from 25 finals



### **MIAMI**

- Making 12th consecutive appearance at Miami
- Was R-Up in 2017 (l. Konta in F) and also semifinalist in 2012 (l. Sharapova) and three-time quarterfinalist: 2009 (l. Kuznetsova), 2010 (l. Henin) and 2014 (l. Na)
- Scored only career win over S.Williams in 2012 Miami QF, prevailing 6-4 6-4
- Last year, suffered earliest Miami exit, losing to Puig in 2r after 1r bye
- Received a 1r bye again this year, then broke eight times in 2r win over Sasnovich - her first win since Australian Open
- Faces qualifier and World No.138 Niculescu in 3r today. Has already lost one match to a player outside Top 100 in 2019, against another qualifier No.152 Andreescu at Auckland
- Enters Miami ranked No.13 – lowest ranking since March 20, 2017 (No.14)
- Miami marks only fourth event of season, having been forced to miss both Doha and Dubai during Middle Eastern swing with a viral illness

### **SEASON**

- Coming off 2r exit at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Alexandrova)
- Withdrew from Doha and Dubai due to viral illness
- As the defending champion, reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Sharapova)
- Opened 2019 season by reaching 2r at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Andreescu)

### **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Posted a 41-17 record across 2018, finishing at No.3 for 11th consecutive Top 20 season and eighth Top 10 finish of career, including six in a row (2009-14) and back-to-back year-end No.1 finishes in 2010-11
- Won three titles last season from four finals, winning the debut Slam at the Australian Open, Eastbourne and Beijing. Finished R-Up at Auckland
- Owns 30 tour-level singles titles (30-24 record in finals) - sits fourth among active players, trailing S.Williams (72), V.Williams (49) and Sharapova (36)
- Won 2017 WTA Finals Singapore, passing \$25 million in career prize money
- Lifetime record stands at 4-6 vs. World No.1 players
- Has won at least one title in 11 straight seasons (since 2008), including career-best six titles in 2010 and 2011
- Won first WTA title at 2008 Stockholm, the first ever title won by a Danish woman



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NICULESCU**

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**CAROLINE  
WOZNIACKI**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- During 2017 Asian swing, passed US\$5 million in career prize money
- Won third WTA singles title of career at 2016 Luxembourg, defeating Kvitova in final for eleventh career win over a Top 10 opponent. Career record in singles finals stands at 3-5
- Posted three wins against Top 20 ranked players in 2016 – defeated No.20 Jankovic at Doha, No.9 Kvitova in Fed Cup play-offs vs. Czech Republic and No.11 Kvitova at Luxembourg. Ended 2016 at No.39 in rankings
- Made Top 100 debut on May 19, 2008 and entered Top 50 on November 10, 2008
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.28 on February 27, 2012
- Best win by ranking came over No.6 Li at 2011 Beijing
- On ITF Circuit, winner of 18 singles titles and 22 doubles titles
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2007 Dubai

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 43rd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best results at majors are R16 showings at 2011 US Open (l. Kerber) and 2015 Wimbledon (l. Bacsinszky)
- Has made 3r at Australian Open three times, but never progressed any further than 2r at Roland Garros in eight appearances
- Grand Slam R-Up in doubles, at 2017 Wimbledon (w/H.Chan, l. Makarova/Vesnina)

### **PERSONAL**

- Coach is Calin Ciorbagiu
- Mother is Cristiana and father is Mihai (both engineers); sister is Gabriela
- Favorite cities are Bucharest and New York

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Denmark's flag bearer at 2016 Rio Olympics
- Broke into Top 100 on July 9, 2007 and entered Top 50 on January 28, 2008. Debuted in Top 10 on May 18, 2009
- Rose to No.1 on October 11, 2010 and held No.1 ranking for total of 67 weeks; returned to No.1 on January 29, 2018 after Australian Open title for a further four weeks, taking career to 71 weeks
- Qualified for WTA Finals six times (2009-11, 2014, 2017, 2018)
- Made professional debut aged 15 as a wildcard at 2005 Cincinnati

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Captured her first Grand Slam title at 2018 Australian Open (d. Halep in three sets)
- Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at the US Open in 2009 (l. Clijsters) and 2014 (l. S.Williams). Became first Danish player to reach a Grand Slam final since Kurt Nielsen at 1955 Wimbledon
- Made major debut at 2007 Roland Garros (l. Dechy in 1r). Would go on to play 36 consecutive majors until streak was snapped by withdrawal from 2016 Roland Garros (w/right ankle injury)
- At Roland Garros she is a two-time quarterfinalist, in 2010 (l. eventual champion Schiavone) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Ostapenko) and has reached R16 at Wimbledon on six occasions, most recently in 2017
- In juniors, won girls' singles title at 2006 Wimbledon and was a finalist at 2006 Australian Open

### **PERSONAL**

- Ran 2014 New York City Marathon with charity Team for Kids, funds going to New York Road Runners youth programs
- Announced engagement to former NBA player David Lee in November 2017, the ex-New York Knicks forward proposing on holiday in Bora Bora
- Coached by father, Piotr Wozniacki





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## AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #40) vs. [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

Head to Head: First meeting

AJLA TOMLJANOVIC	WTA RANKING	ANETT KONTAVEIT
40		19
38	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	31
07-05-1993 (25)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	24-12-1995 (23)
\$164,618	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$239,571
\$2,281,613	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$3,017,860
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
10-7	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	3-4
9-7 / 80-95	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	9-6 / 87-78
2-5 / 35-39	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	2-1 / 29-26
3-3 / 30-25	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	3-3 / 24-26
9-7 / 54-60	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	9-6 / 52-53
0-0 / 4-9	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 9-9
0-0 / 1-3	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 2-7
1-2 / 2-7	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 9-13
1-3 / 5-27	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-3 / 15-22

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 3r

## ROAD TO THE THIRD ROUND

### AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #40)

**R64:** d. [9] ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #9) 6-3,6-4 (1h16)

**R128:** d. ANNA-LENA FRIEDSAM (GER #9,999) 4-6,6-3,6-0 (1h48)

### [21] ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #19)

**R64:** d. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73) 6-3,1-6,6-4 (2h06)

**R128:** BYE



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### AJLA TOMLIJANOVIC

##### 2018

R2 L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #12) 6-1 6-3

##### 2017

R3 L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #36) 6-1 6-3

##### 2015

R1 L - KURUMI NARA (JPN #54) 6-4 6-3

##### 2014

R3 L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #49) 6-4 6-7(4)  
7-6(2)

##### 2013

R16 L - KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #28) 6-7(6) 6-4 6-3

##### 2011

R1 L - JAMIE HAMPTON (USA #127) 3-6 7-5 6-0

##### 2010

R1 L - YAROSLAVA SHVEDOVA (KAZ #48) 6-7(1) 7-6(3)  
7-5

#### ANETT KONTAVEIT

##### 2018

R2 L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #52) 6-4 6-1

##### 2017

R3 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 6-3 6-0

##### 2016

R1-Q L - MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #131) 6-3 6-1

##### 2014

R1 L - MADISON KEYS (USA #38) 6-3 6-2

##### 2013

R1 L - CHRISTINA MCHALE (USA #55) 6-2 6-1

**AJLA  
TOMLJANOVIC**

**VS**

**ANETT  
KONTAVEIT**

## MIAMI

- Making eighth main draw appearance at Miami – six were all as a wildcard
- Through to 3r for fourth time, reached as far as R16 in 2013 (l. Flipkens), also reached 3r in 2014 (l. Lepchenko) and, most recently, in 2017 (l. Safarova)
- Won the last nine games of the match to complete comeback win over Friedsam in 1r
- Upset No.9 Sabalenka in 2r - her second career Top 10 win and first since beating No.3 A.Radwanska at 2014 Roland Garros
- Faces No.19 Kontaveit today; including Sabalenka result, owns five Top 20 wins - also No.13 Vesnina (2017 Miami), No.18 Keys (2015 Stanford), No.16 Jankovic (2015 Brisbane) and No.3 Radwanska (2014 Roland Garros)
- One of three Australians through to 3r (also Stosur and Barty who face each other)
- Enters Miami riding a career-high singles ranking of No.40 (first set February 18, 2019)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r showing at Indian Wells (l. Sabalenka)
- Fell 1r at both Doha (l. Goerges) and Dubai (l. S.Zheng)
- Reached the second WTA final of her career at Hua Hin (l. Yastremska in F)
- Fell in 1r of Australian Open (l. Konta)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane, reaching QF (l. eventual R-Up Ka.Pliskova), then fell 1r the following week at Sydney (l. Giorgi)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Return to form and fitness in 2018 was marked by first career Top 50 finish, at No.46, and second and third WTA singles finals at Rabat (l. Mertens) and Seoul (l. Bertens)
- Elsewhere in 2018, at Monterrey, made first WTA QF appearance since 2015 (Tokyo [Japan Open]) before falling to the eventual champion, Muguruza. Reached three other QFs last season, at Mallorca, San Jose and Hiroshima
- Opened 2016 season at Brisbane and Australian Open, but thereafter underwent shoulder surgery and was off tour until 2017 Acapulco (early March)
- Finished 2016 season at No.930
- Advanced to 2r at comeback event at 2017 Acapulco, defeating Bouchard in 1r – her first main draw win since September 2015 at Tokyo [Japan Open] – before retiring vs. Flipkens in 2r (w/shoulder injury)

## MIAMI

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Miami (sixth overall), where she is through to 3r for a second time
- Also made it this far in 2017 (as qualifier, l. Halep)
- After 1r bye, recovered from 4-2 down in third set to beat Anisimova in 2r
- Faces Tomljanovic in 3r today; owns 7-6 career record against Australian opponents
- Bidding to reach R16 at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament for the third time, having also been that far at 2018 Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and 2019 Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Rose to career-high No.19 ranking on Monday

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 showing at Indian Wells (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Kerber) and fell 1r at Dubai (l. S.Zhang)
- Won all three of the singles matches she played at the Fed Cup Europe/Africa Zone Group I event, including defeating Barritza to help Estonia to a 2-0 victory in their relegation play-off tie against Denmark
- Lost to Sasnovich in straight sets in 2r at Australian Open
- Upset No.7 Kvitova in 2r at Brisbane before falling to Tsurenko in QF. Reached 2r in Sydney (l. Mertens)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018, season highlighted by fourth WTA singles final at Wuhan (l. Sabalenka); posted 33 main draw wins – the first time she had registered 30 or more wins in a single season – and finished at No.21 in the rankings
- Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including a R16 run at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Stephens) and SF showings at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Breakthrough season came in 2017, finishing on a ranking of No.34, up from No.110 in 2016 – first year-end finish inside Top 50 and second non-consecutive year in Top 100
- Won first career singles title at 2017 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Vikhlyantseva in F). Also reached finals at Biel/Benne (l. Vondrousova) and Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Broke into Top 30 for first time at No.27 following run at Gstaad (July 24, 2017)



**AJLA  
TOMLJANOVIC**

**VS**

**ANETT  
KONTAVEIT**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Improved ranking back to No.151 by end of 2017 season, helped by 3r run at Miami (l. Safarova) and 2r efforts at US Open (l. Krunic) and Linz (l. Buzarnescu)
- On ITF Circuit, finished R-Up in final tournament of 2017 at \$100k ITF/Dubai-UAE (l. Bencic) in December and also reached finals at \$60k ITF/Sacramento (l. Anisimova), CA-USA and \$80k Waco, TX-USA (l. Townsend)
- Made first WTA final of career in 2015, finishing R-Up at Pattaya City (l. Hantuchova in 3s) – previously, had never been past the QF at any WTA event
- Reached first Premier-level QF of career in 2015, at Stanford (l. No.11 Ka.Pliskova). Other notable results in 2015 were SF run at Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. eventual champion Wickmayer) and QF at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Stosur)
- Improved ranking from No.453 to No.78 in 2013 season – biggest jump of any player in Top 100
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2007. WTA main draw debut came at 2009 Indian Wells (as WC, l. 1r)
- Owns five wins over Top 20 opponents: No.9 Sabalenka (2019 Miami), No.13 Vesnina (2017 Miami), No.18 Keys (2015 Stanford), No.16 Jankovic (2015 Brisbane) and No.3 A.Radwanska (2014 Roland Garros)
- As a junior, achieved career-high ranking of No.4 in singles and No.4 in doubles. Member of Croatia's victorious junior Fed Cup team in 2009

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 18th Grand Slam main draw appearance. Made debut at 2013 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Bojanovski)
- Best Grand Slam result to date was R16 run at 2014 Roland Garros (d. No.32 seed Vesnina in 2r and No.3 seed A.Radwanska in 3r, l. Suárez Navarro)
- Has also reached 2r at Australian Open twice, in 2014 (l. Stephens) and 2015 (l. Lepchenko), at Wimbledon in 2015 (l. A.Radwanska) and at US Open in 2013 (as qualifier, l. Cornet), 2017 (l. Krunic) and 2018 (l. Siniakova)

## **PERSONAL**

- Coach and fitness trainer is father Ratko Tomljanovic
- Started playing tennis at age 7 (introduced by sister)
- Announced in 2014 she would switch nationalities from Croatia to Australia (first at 2014 US Open)
- Moved to Brisbane in November 2014 with Australian residency; parted ways with coach David Taylor in June 2015

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Also advanced to quarterfinals at Premier-level tournaments at Stuttgart, where she beat No.6 Muguruzá en route, and Rome, where she posted her first career win over a reigning No.1 with defeat of Kerber in 2r
- In 2016, played main draw at all four Grand Slams for first time, but dropped out of Top 100
- One of five teenagers in 2015 year-end Top 100
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2015 at No.96, up from No.152
- Scored first Top 20 win of career over No.17 Errani at 2016 Monterrey (2r)
- Has won 11 singles titles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2013 Miami as WC (l. McHale, 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010
- Junior highlights included winning 2011 Orange Bowl, defeating Bouchard and Putintseva along the way

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 16th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Earned her first Grand Slam victories at 2015 US Open where she reached R16 (as qualifier, l. V.Williams) – only seventh qualifier in Open Era to reach US Open R16
- Also made R16 at 2018 Australian Open (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
- Best showings at Wimbledon are 3r runs in 2017 (l. Wozniacki) and 2018 (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Runner-up in 2012 US Open girls' singles (l. Crawford)

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- Mother, Ulle, is a tennis coach and started her in tennis (was her coach until the age of 11, then began working other Estonian coaches). Father, Andrus, is a manager at the Port of Tallinn







# WOMEN'S TENNIS ASSOCIATION MATCH NOTES



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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 4 MATCH-UPS

### [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) vs. [Q] YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #141)

#### First meeting

*The top seed in Miami has never failed to reach the third round... Wickmayer's opening-round win was first at tour level since 2018 Wimbledon... Osaka closing in on 100 aces for the season*

### REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #63) vs. [10] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #10)

#### First meeting

*Williams bidding for 76th win in Miami... Peterson's best career victory came over No.28 Pavlyuchenkova... Williams has won all eight career matches against Swedish opposition in straight sets*

### [WC] WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #205) vs. [25] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #26)

#### First meeting

*Osuigwe is through to second round at a WTA event for the first time... Last year Collins became first qualifier in the tournament's history to reach SF... Osuigwe is one of seven teenagers to reach second round*

### VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43) vs. [24] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #29)

#### Venus leads 6-3

*Suarez Navarro beat Williams en route to 2015 final... Williams looking for 66th match win in Miami... Suarez Navarro has not won a set in Miami since run to final four years ago*

### ONS JABEUR (TUN #58) vs. [4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6)

#### Jabeur leads 1-0

*Jabeur won when the pair met at 2018 Moscow... Stephens aiming to become first player to defend Miami title since S.Williams in 2015... Jabeur won 12 of last 14 points in first-round win over Kr.Pliskova*

### [Q] TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

#### Halep leads 1-0

*Halep beat Townsend en route to maiden Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros... Townsend has lost all eight career encounters with Top 10 opposition... Halep in contention to reclaim No.1 ranking this fortnight*

## EARLY EXITS

The top seed in Miami has historically enjoyed a lengthy stay in the draw. In fact, on only six occasions has the No.1 seed not reached at least the quarterfinals:

YEAR	TOP SEED	ROUND REACHED
1995	Arantxa Sánchez Vicario	Third round (I. Werdel-Witmeyer)
2007	Maria Sharapova	Fourth round (I. S.Williams)
2010	Svetlana Kuznetsova	Fourth round (I. Bartoli)
2011	Caroline Wozniacki	Fourth round (I. Petkovic)
2016	Serena Williams	Fourth round (I. Kuznetsova)
2018	Simona Halep	Third round (I. A.Radwanska)

## ELITE COMPANY

Eight of **Serena Williams's** 72 career titles have come at the Miami Open. The American is just one of four players to win a single tournament eight or more times:

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT WINS
Martina Navratilova	Chicago: 12, Eastbourne: 11, Dallas: 9, Washington DC: 9, Wimbledon: 9, Los Angeles: 8, WTA Finals: 8
Stefanie Graf	Berlin: 9
Chris Evert	Hilton Head/Amelia Island: 8
Serena Williams	Miami: 8

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## [1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1) vs. [Q] YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #141)

Head to Head: First meeting

NAOMI OSAKA	WTA RANKING	YANINA WICKMAYER
1		141
2	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	117
16-10-1997 (21)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	20-10-1989 (29)
\$3,210,559	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$37,930
\$10,839,756	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$4,945,318
1 / 3	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 5
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
4-3	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	8-9
11-3 / 91-62	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 226-204
5-0 / 20-15	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 77-71
1-0 / 14-15	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 56-58
11-3 / 72-44	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 144-132
1-0 / 5-5	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 19-21
0-0 / 3-7	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 0-14
3-0 / 8-18	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 5-30
5-0 / 21-28	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 22-56

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[1] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #1)

R128: BYE

[Q] YANINA WICKMAYER (BEL #141)

R2-Q: d. KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #94) 6-3,6-3 (1h13)

R1-Q: d. VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #81) 6-4,6-2 (1h18)

R128: d. SACHIA VICKERY (USA #142) 3-6,6-3,6-1 (1h45)



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"-Q" Qualifying match

### NAOMI OSAKA

#### 2018

R2 L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #4) 6-4 6-2

#### 2017

R2 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 6-4 2-6 6-3

#### 2016

R3 L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #49) 7-5 6-0

### YANINA WICKMAYER

#### 2018

R2-Q L - MONICA NICULESCU (ROU #70) 6-1 6-3

#### 2017

R1 L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #36) 7-6(2) 6-4

#### 2016

R3 L - HEATHER WATSON (GBR #69) 3-6 7-5 6-3

#### 2015

R1 L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #45) 6-1 6-3

#### 2014

R1 L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #49) 7-5 6-1

#### 2013

R2 L - AYUMI MORITA (JPN #50) 7-6(2) 2-6 6-3

#### 2012

R16 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #6) 7-6(6) 6-0

#### 2011

R2 L - ELENA VESNINA (RUS #56) 6-2 5-7 6-4

#### 2010

QF L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #15) 6-4 7-5

#### 2009

R1 L - MARIA JOSE MARTINEZ SANCHEZ (ESP #53) 6-0 6-4

**NAOMI  
OSAKA**

**VS**

**YANINA  
WICKMAYER**

## MIAMI

- Making fourth main draw appearance at Miami, having reached the 3r on her first attempt in 2016 (l. Babos)
- Defeated S.Williams in her first meeting against the American in 1r here last year before falling to Svitolina
- On her Miami debut in 2016, defeated No.18 Errani in 2r to claim her career second Top 20 win (first came against No.19 Stosur at 2014 Stanford)
- Ranked and seeded No.1 at this year's tournament; by contrast, 12 months ago was No.22 after winning her first WTA title at Indian Wells in 2018
- Will keep her World No.1 ranking by reaching the final this fortnight
- The Miami Open title has been won 10 times by the current No.1 ranked player and 29 times by a player who held the top ranking at some point during their career
- The top seed has won the title here 13 times, most recently in 2015 when Serena Williams defeated No.12 seed Suarez Navarro in the final
- The earliest the top seed has lost in Miami is 3r, in 1995 (Sanchez Vicario, l. Werdel Witmeyer) and 2018 (Halep, l. A.Radwanska)
- After 1r bye, faces qualifier Wickmayer today in their first career meeting. Has won her last three matches against qualifiers, most recently defeating Aiava earlier this season in Brisbane. Last loss to such player came at 2018 Montreal (l. Suarez Navarro in 1r)
- Has won 62-straight matches when winning the first set. Has not lost a match when winning the first set since her last match of the 2016 season in Tianjin (vs. Kuznetsova in QF)
- Has hit 97 aces this season - sixth-most on tour
- One of four Japanese women competing in Miami, along with her sister and wildcard Mari Osaka, and qualifiers Hibino and Doi

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 at Indian Wells (l. Bencic) as a defending champion for the first time in her career
- Made 2r exit at Dubai (l. Mladenovic) in what was her first match since defeating Kvitova in Australian Open final; withdrew from Doha w/back injury
- Opened 2019 season with SF run at Brisbane (l.eventual R-Up Tsurenko). Withdrew from Sydney citing a change in schedule
- Won second Grand Slam title at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach No.1 following the tournament
- Is the first woman to win her second major straight after winning her first since Capriati did so in 2001 (Australian Open followed by Roland Garros)



## MIAMI

- Making 10th main draw appearance at Miami (11th overall)
- Posted best result here in 2010 by reaching QF (l. Bartoli). Also reached R16 in 2012 (l. Wozniacki)
- Overcame two rounds of qualifying to make main draw in 2019 (d. Kudermetova, who came off winning the WTA 125K title in Guadalajara last week, and Kr.Pliskova, who beat the Belgian in Guadalajara)
- Best result by a qualifier in Miami was achieved by Collins in 2018 (SF, l. Ostapenko)
- Defeated fellow qualifier Vickery in 1r on Thursday to score her first main draw win since 2018 Wimbledon, where she reached 3r (d. Barthel and Petkovic, l. Vekic)
- Faces World No.1 Osaka today in her fifth attempt at a reigning No.1 - fell to Wozniacki at 2011 Charleston, Rome and Brussels, and Azarenka at 2012 Doha
- Owns 5-30 career record against 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)
- One of three Belgian women competing this fortnight in Miami - also Flipkens and Mertens. Van Uytvanck was forced to retire due to a viral illness

## SEASON

- Made R16 at WTA 125K Series event in Guadalajara last week (l. Kr.Pliskova)
- Fell in qualifying at Indian Wells following a 2r run at WTA 125K Series event held there the week prior (l. Riske); advanced to doubles final at Indian Wells 125K event (as defending champions w/Townsend, l. Kr.Pliskova/Rodina in F)
- Reached the singles final at \$60K ITF/Shrewsbury-GBR in February (as top seed, l. Diatchenko in F) but won the doubles title (w/Ar.Rodionova)
- Made QF at \$100K ITF/Midland-USA (l. Anderson) after 2r showing at WTA 125K Series event in Newport Beach (after 1r bye, l. Kiick)
- Reached doubles final at Newport Beach (w/ Townsend)
- Opened 2019 season with qualifying exits at Brisbane and Australian Open

## CAREER MILESTONES

- 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
- 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)

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WICKMAYER**

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Posted a 40-20 record in 2018, resulting in best year end finish of career at No.5, up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career last season, at WTA Premier Mandatory level Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- Reached one further final, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova). Record in finals stands at 2-2, having also finished as R-Up at 2016 Toyko [PPO] (l. Wozniacki)
- From her efforts in New York last September, passed USD \$5 million in prize money for the season – No.2 (behind Halep) on the 2018 list of top earners
- En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep. Only set dropped all fortnight was against Sakkari in R16
- After win over Halep at 2018 Indian Wells, owns a 1-3 record against reigning No.1s (also lost to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 Toronto and Halep at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Rome)
- Owns eight Top 10 wins, also over No.6 Kerber (2017 US Open), No.5 V.Williams (2017 Hong Kong), No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (2018 Indian Wells), No.10 Goerges (2018 Beijing), and No.6 Kvitova, No.7 Svitolina and No.8 Ka.Pliskova (all 2019 Australian Open)
- Other Grand Slam results in 2018 were R16 at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), 3r at Roland Garros (l. Keys) and 3r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber). Elsewhere, had SF runs at Nottingham (l. champion Barty) and Beijing (l. Sevastova), and fell in group stage on WTA Finals debut
- Produced second Top 100 season in 2017, finishing at No.68 as the Japanese No.1
- Book-ended the season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win when she upset No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win
- Voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year
- Highlight of 2016 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached three QFs, at Acapulco, Florianopolis and Tianjin, and 3r at 2016 Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open.
- Won 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (d. Garcia in F, saving match points)
- Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Also in 2018, reached SF at WTA 125K event in Zhengzhou (l. Y.Wang), and QFs at WTA 125K events in Indian Wells (l. K.Bondarenko) and Anning (l. Khromacheva)
- Advanced to 3r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Vekic)
- 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 include 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
- Played first events of career in 2004 on ITF Circuit and in WTA qualifying at Hasselt

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2018 US Open marked 42nd - and most recent - main draw appearance at a Grand Slam (failed to qualify for 2019 Australian Open)
- Best Grand Slam 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 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

## **PERSONAL**

- Speaks Dutch, English and French
- With father, Marc, moved to Florida for two-and-a-half years aged nine (after death of mother)
- Became engaged to Jerome van der Zijl in November 2014, and opened a riverside restaurant/function center by the river in hometown of Hasselt





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## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open and 2019 Australian Open. Has made only 12 Grand Slam main draw appearances, owning 32-10 record
- Defeated six-time champion S.Williams to win 2018 US Open. Flushing Meadows triumph made her first Japanese woman to reach Slam final and the youngest US Open champion since Sharapova in 2006 won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance.
- Became the 10th woman to win US Open and Australian Open back-to-back and first since S.Williams in 2015
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19yrs, 342 days) and the youngest player from Japan to reach the fourth round at Australian Open since Date in 1990 (19 yrs, 122 days)
- Has also made 3r at the other two majors: 2016 Roland Garros (l. Halep) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Keys), 2017 Wimbledon (l. V.Williams) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Kerber)

## **PERSONAL**

- Recently hired Jermaine Jenkins, former hitting partner of Venus Williams, as her new head coach having parted company with Aleksandar (Sascha) Bajin, former hitting partner of Caroline Wozniacki, Victoria Azarenka and Serena Williams.
- Formerly coached by David Taylor, long-time coach of Sam Stosur
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent), Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer) and Kristy Stahr (physio)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship.
- Currently lives in Fort Lauderdale and trains in Boca Raton
- Sponsorship deals include Citizen, broadcaster WOWOW, Nissin (food brand), Nissan (automobiles) and ANA Airlines
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in NYC before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Her mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari is also on tour





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Head to Head: First meeting

REBECCA PETERSON	WTA RANKING	SERENA WILLIAMS
63		10
95	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	25
06-08-1995 (23)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	26-09-1981 (37)
\$114,116	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$391,021
\$872,543	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$88,624,322
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 72
0 / 1	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 23
2-2	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	75-9
2-4 / 21-33	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	5-2 / 797-134
1-1 / 7-7	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 155-60
0-0 / 4-10	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 107-52
2-4 / 15-17	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	5-2 / 495-82
0-0 / 0-4	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 68-13
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 110-34
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 173-71
0-0 / 0-3	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 301-96

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

REBECCA PETERSON (SWE #63)

R128: d. LAURA SIEGEMUND (GER #108) 6-1,5-7,7-5 (2h37)

[10] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #10)

R128: BYE



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## MIAMI Tournament History

### REBECCA PETERSON

#### 2018

R1 L - NATALIA VIKHLYANTSEVA (RUS #88) 7-5 6-1

#### 2014

R2 L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #24) 6-1 6-1

### SERENA WILLIAMS

#### 2018

R1 L - NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #22) 6-3 6-2

#### 2016

R16 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #19) 6-7(3) 6-1 6-2

#### 2015

F W - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12) 6-2 6-0

#### 2014

F W - NA LI (CHN #2) 7-5 6-1

#### 2013

F W - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2) 4-6 6-3 6-0

#### 2012

QF L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #6) 6-4 6-4

#### 2009

F L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #10) 6-3 6-1

#### 2008

F W - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #3) 6-1 5-7 6-3

#### 2007

F W - JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #1) 0-6 7-5 6-3

#### 2005

QF L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #9) 6-1 7-6(8)

#### 2004

F W - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #8) 6-1 6-1

#### 2003

F W - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #5) 4-6 6-4 6-1

#### 2002

F W - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #1) 7-5 7-6(4)

#### 2001

QF L - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #5) 6-1 7-6(5)

#### 2000

R16 L - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #14) 7-6(2) 1-6 6-3

#### 1999

F L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #6) 6-1 4-6 6-4

#### 1998

QF L - MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #1) 6-3 1-6 7-6(4)

**REBECCA  
PETERSON**

**VS**

**SERENA  
WILLIAMS**

## MIAMI

- Making third Miami Open appearance, where she is through to 2r for a second time
- Also made 2r on debut in 2014 (d. Barthel, I. Makarova)
- Came through qualifying at 2018 Miami Open (I. Vikhlyantseva in 1r) ranked No.116 – returns this year ranked No.63, 11 spots off career-high ranking of No.52 (October 22, 2018)
- In 1r this year, broke serve nine times to edge past Siegemund in 3s
- Faces No.10 S.Williams in 2r today – a win would be best-by-ranking of career, bettering upset of No.28 Pavlyuchenkova at 2018 US Open
- Only previous Top 10 opponent she has faced is No.2 Wozniacki at 2018 Wuhan (I. 6-4 6-1)
- A win today would see her post back-to-back main draw wins outside a WTA International or ITF tournament for only the second time (also 3r run at 2018 US Open)
- One of two Swedish women in the singles draw (also Larsson, I. Townsend in 1r)

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r exits at Indian Wells (I. Alexandrova) and Acapulco (I. Kenin via ret. w/upper respiratory illness)
- Posted 1-2 record in singles at the Fed Cup Europe/Africa Zone Group I event, as Sweden narrowly missed out on a place in the World Group II playoffs
- Made QF at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and then SF at \$100k ITF/Midland-USA
- Made 2r on Australian Open debut (d. Cirstea, I. Sharapova). Has now contested the main draws of all the majors, and this year's appearance at Melbourne Park marks fifth main draw at Slam level
- Did not play any events in lead-up to 2019 Australian Open

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 at No.55 for career-high year-end finish, and debut Top 100 season
- Posted most main draw wins last year, going 10-11, and peaked at No.52 in the rankings (October 22, 2018)
- Advanced to 3r at 2018 US Open, first time at that stage of a Grand Slam (I. Kanepi); defeated a Top 30 player for the first time when overcoming No.28 Pavlyuchenkova in 1r. Fell 2r on debuts at Wimbledon (I. Vekic) and Roland Garros (I. Buzarnescu)

## MIAMI

- Making 18th visit to Miami, where only sister Venus has made more appearances here (20)
- Is a record eight-time Miami champion, 2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15
- Eight of her 72 career titles have come at Miami; the only other players to win any WTA event eight times or more are Evert, Navratilova and Graf (see cover sheet)
- Finished as Miami R-Up in 1999 (I. V.Williams in F) and 2009 (I. Azarenka in F)
- On debut in 1998 Miami faced reigning World No.1 for first time, losing QF to Hingis on third-set tie-break
- Achieved 750th career victory (all levels) at 2016 Miami, against Diyas
- Has a tournament-leading record of 75-9 in Miami, next best is V.Williams with 65-15 record
- After bye, plays Peterson today in 2r; owns 80-10 career record in matches following 1r bye, with most recent defeat coming against Cornet at 2014 Wuhan via ret. (w/viral illness)
- Has won all eight of her career meetings with Swedish opposition in straight sets, most recently over Larsson at 2016 US Open
- Seven different players have beaten Serena on the hard courts of Miami – Hingis (1998), V.Williams (1999, 2005), Capriati (2000, 2001), Azarenka (2009), Wozniacki (2012), Kuznetsova (2016) and Osaka (2018)
- Thirteen of 34 titles in the tournament's history have been won by Americans: home champions are Martina Navratilova (1985), Chris Evert (1986), V.Williams (1998, 1999, 2001) and Serena Williams (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15)

## SEASON

- Has contested one tour-level event in 2019, at Australian Open, reaching QF (I. Ka.Pliskova)
- Was her 70th Grand Slam main draw appearance – third on the Open Era list, behind V.Williams (81) and Frazier (71)
- Overcame World No.1 Halep in R16 – was first time facing the reigning World No.1 since 2013 Doha (I. Azarenka in F) and was first win since 2013 Brisbane (d. Azarenka in SF). Aged 37, is the oldest player to defeat the reigning World No.1, bettering sister Venus's win vs. Kerber aged 36 at 2017 Miami
- Now owns a 17-12 win-loss record vs. world No.1s - only Navratilova has more wins with 18
- Began 2019 at Hopman Cup, posted singles wins over Bencic, Sakkari and Boulter as USA made group-stage exit



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PETERSON**

**VS**

**SERENA  
WILLIAMS**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- As qualifier, made first WTA-level SF at 2018 Acapulco (I. Voegele); scored then-best career win-by-ranking over No.33 Zhang in QF
- After missing first half of 2017 season with shoulder injury, reached second WTA QF at Guangzhou in 2017 (I. Krunic) and lost 1r on Grand Slam debut at US Open. Also fell 1r at Bastad, and in qualifying twice, and won one singles title on ITF Circuit
- Advanced to first WTA-level QF at Bastad in 2015. Also won one WTA doubles title that year at Rio de Janeiro (w/Bonaventure)
- Played first WTA main draw at Bastad in 2012, falling 1r (as WC).
- Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at Bastad in 2010
- Winner of 11 singles titles and six doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first senior tournament in 2009, in doubles at ITF/Stockholm 2-SWE

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked fifth Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Made 3r at a Grand Slam for the first time when reaching that stage at 2018 US Open (I. Kanepi). Recovered from 3-1 down in the final set to upset No.28 Pavlyuchenkova in 1r and score the first Top 30 win of her career
- Prior to 2018 US Open 3r run, best major runs were 2r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
- Made debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, I. Allertova)
- Has fallen in qualifying at Australian Open in 2016 and 2018

## **PERSONAL**

- Trains in Stockholm and coached by father Mart Peterson
- Mother's name is Annelie; has one sister, Berit
- Tennis idol growing up was Justine Henin and Kim Clijsters

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Returned to Top 20 in 2018 year-end rankings (at No.16) despite playing only seven tournaments
- Was R-Up at both Wimbledon (I. Kerber) and US Open (I. Osaka) last season, and advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (withdrew prior to match against Sharapova w/right pectoral muscle tear)
- Made her return to tour as a mother at Indian Wells in March 2017, falling to sister V.Williams in 3r, having defeated Diyas and Bertens in straight sets
- 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 15 Top 10 finishes to her name – third-most behind Navratilova (20) and Evert (19) – including five as the year-end No.1
- Won 23rd Grand Slam singles title at 2017 Australian Open (d. V.Williams in F)
- With 72 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). Also a 22-time singles runner-up
- 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)
- Five-time champion at WTA Finals (2001, 2009, 2012-14)
- Has registered 17 career wins over (seven different) No.1 ranked players, second-most behind Navratilova (18)
- Among active players, owns the most titles on clay (13), hard (46) and grass (8)
- Singles gold medalist at London 2012 Olympics, and doubles gold medalist at 2000 Sydney, 2008 Beijing and 2012 London (all w/V.Williams)
- 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
- At 2014 US Open, received \$4 million prize money pay out (including Emirates Airline US Open Series bonus); the largest payout in tennis – men's or women's





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WILLIAMS**

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- A 23-time Grand Slam singles winner, ahead of Steffanie Graf (22) on Open Era leaderboard, and behind only Margaret Court (24) all time
- Her titles were won at Australian Open: 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009-10, 2015, 2017; Roland Garros: 2002, 2013, 2015; Wimbledon: 2002-03, 2009-10, 2012, 2015-16; US Open: 1999, 2002, 2008, 2012-14
- Owns a 23-8 record in Slam finals, with losses coming at 2001 US Open (I. V. Williams), 2004 Wimbledon (I. Sharapova), 2008 Wimbledon (I. V. Williams), 2011 US Open (I. Stosur), 2016 Australian Open (I. Kerber), 2016 Roland Garros (I. Muguruza), 2018 Wimbledon (I. Kerber) and 2018 US Open (I. Osaka)
- 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
- The 2017 Australian Open final saw Serena and Venus have the oldest combined age of any Grand Slam final match-up in the Open Era (71 years, 351 days), beating the previous record set by Flavia Penetta and Roberta Vinci (66 years, 19 days) at the 2015 US Open. Prior to that all-Italian final the record was held for nearly four decades by Virginia Wade and Betty Stove – who had a combined age of just over 63 years, 11 months at 1977 Wimbledon
- In 2015, came within two wins of completing the calendar year Grand Slam, having won the Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon; I. Vinci in SF at US Open. Two women in Open Era had previously achieved the feat: Court (1970) and Graf (1988)
- Has twice been in possession of all four majors for a “Serena Slam” (2002 Roland Garros to 2003 Australian Open and 2014 US Open to 2015 Wimbledon)
- Has won 14 Grand Slam doubles titles, all with sister Venus – most recently at 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F). Also won mixed doubles titles at 1998 Wimbledon and 1998 US Open (both w/Mirnyi)

## **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
- Recently launched her own clothing line, ‘Serena’





## MATCH NOTES

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### [WC] WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #205) vs. [25] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #26)

Head to Head: First meeting

WHITNEY OSUIGWE	WTA RANKING	DANIELLE COLLINS
205		26
209	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	9
17-04-2002 (16)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	13-12-1993 (25)
\$57,935	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$758,677
\$182,403	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,743,028
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
1-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	5-1
1-1 / 1-3	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	7-5 / 24-25
0-1 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-1 / 12-6
1-1 / 1-1	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	2-3 / 5-6
1-1 / 1-3	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	7-5 / 20-18
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 2-3
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 1-4
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-3 / 2-7
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-3 / 6-11

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[WC] WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #205)

R128: d. MARI OSAKA (JPN #338) 6-2,6-4 (1h20)

[25] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #26)

R128: BYE

## MIAMI Tournament History

WHITNEY OSUIGWE

2018

R1 L - CLAIRE LIU (USA #230)

6-3 6-1

DANIELLE COLLINS

2018

SF L - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5)

7-6(1) 6-3

**WHITNEY  
OSUIGWE**

**VS**

**DANIELLE  
COLLINS**

## MIAMI

- Making second appearance at Miami Open
- As wildcard, fell 1r in 2018 to fellow teenage wildcard Liu
- Received another wildcard this year; best result by a wildcard in Miami were SF showings from Henin in 2010 and Azarenka in 2018
- Beat fellow wildcard Osaka in 1r on Thursday to register first tour-level match win of her career; previously fell 1r at 2018 Miami (L. Liu), at 2018 US Open (L. Giorgi) and 2019 Australian Open (L. Andreescu)
- In 2r today, faces No.26 Collins - the highest-ranked opponent of her career
- The previous highest-ranked opponent she had faced was No.39 Bencic at \$80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA in 2018 (won 6-4 2-6 7-6(3))
- One of seven teenagers to reach 2r (also Andreescu, Anisimova, Gauff, Vondrousova, Wang Xiyu and Yas-tremka); best showing by a teenager here in 2018 was Kenin's run to 3r
- Twelve months ago was ranked No.621

## SEASON

- Earlier this month, reached QF at \$25k ITF/Irapua-to-MEX (L. Sanchez)
- Fell 1r at WTA 125 Series event at Indian Wells (L. Ahn)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.197 on January 28, 2019
- Began season by falling 1r at Australian Open (as wildcard, L. Andreescu)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.226 (up from No.1120 in 2017)
- Season highlighted by two finals on ITF Circuit, winning title at \$80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA and finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Wesley Chapel, FL-USA
- Scored career-best win over No.39 Bencic en route to title at \$80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA
- At tour level in 2018, fell 1r at 2018 Miami (L. Liu) and 2018 US Open (L. Giorgi)
- Owns one singles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut in qualifying at 2016 \$10k ITF/Buffalo, NY-USA
- Crowned ITF Junior World Champion in 2018 and a former No.1 junior in the world

## MIAMI

- Making her second appearance at Miami, having made SF as a qualifier on debut in 2018
- Was the first qualifier to reach SF here, scoring first Top 10 win over No.8 V.Williams in QF before falling to eventual R-Up Ostapenko
- Since the introduction of Premier Mandatory tournaments in 2009, only three other players have reached SF – but no further – at one of the four events: Niculescu (2011 Beijing), Hradecka (2012 Madrid) and Chirico (2016 Madrid)
- Earned USD \$327,965 by reaching the last four here in 2018, more than doubling her career earnings
- After 1r bye, begins 2019 Miami Open against compatriot Osuigwe, in the only 2r encounter between players from the same country
- Last loss to a player outside Top 200 came against No.329 Bacsinszky at 2018 Tianjin
- Contesting this fortnight ranked No.26 - three spots off career-high, set on January 28, 2019. By contrast, entered last year's tournament ranked No.93 and with only three career main draw wins to her name
- Fell 1r in doubles draw in Miami w/Ostapenko (L. Indian Wells champions Mertens/Sabalenka)

## SEASON

- Coming off 3r showing at Indian Wells (L. Osaka - was first time facing a reigning World No.1)
- Made 1r exit at Acapulco (L. Azarenka)
- Part of US team which lost 3-2 to Australia in February's Fed Cup World Group tie (d. Gavrilova in sole singles rubber)
- Made Grand Slam breakthrough at Australian Open, advancing to SF (L. Kvitova); had never previously won a match in five previous Grand Slam appearances
- Scored first Top 5 win of her career against No.2 Kerber in R16 at Australian Open
- Rose to career-high No.23 following Melbourne run (January 28, 2019)
- Earned around USD \$655,000 by reaching Australian Open SF, taking career earnings past \$1 million
- Opened 2019 season by falling 1r in Brisbane (L. Kvitova) and Sydney (as qualifier, L. Hsieh)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 at No.36, in what was second season as a professional (finished 2017 at No.167). All 17 of her career WTA main draw wins were posted in 2018 (prior to 2018 Indian Wells, had played only three tour-level matches, losing all three)



**WHITNEY  
OSUIGWE**

**VS**

**DANIELLE  
COLLINS**

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- On only two Slam appearances (both as a wildcard), fell 1r at 2018 US Open (l. Giorgi) and 2019 Australian Open (l. Andreescu)
- Also made qualifying exit at 2017 US Open
- In juniors, won 2017 Roland Garros (d. Liu in F). In doing so, she became the first American to win the girls' event since Capriati in 1989
- Also R-Up in doubles at Wimbledon in both 2017 and 2018 (both w/McNally)

## PERSONAL

- Has played at IMG Academy since age 6, where her father Desmond has been a teaching pro since 1997 and acts as her primary coach
- Father originally from Lagos in Nigeria and played on ITF Circuit before coming to US to attend college
- Has an older brother named Deandre who is a college basketball player and a younger sister named Victoria who also plays tennis

## CAREER CONT.

- Season highlight in 2018 came at Miami where she became first qualifier to reach SF (l. Ostapenko), scoring first Top 10 win over V. Williams en route. Earned USD\$327,965 by reaching the last four at Key Biscayne, more than doubling her career earnings at the time
- Posted first tour-level wins during R16 run at Indian Wells (l. Suárez Navarro), where she scored her first Top 50 win over No.15 Keys in 2r. Also in 2018, made SF at San Jose and QF at Monterrey
- Contested one tour-level main draw during 2017 season, at Indian Wells (as WC, l. Puig in 1r). Fell in qualifying five times, at Monterrey, Wimbledon, US Open, Tokyo [Japan Open] and Tokyo [PPO]
- Closed out 2017 season at WTA 125K Series event in Honolulu (l. Vickery in 1r)
- Won two singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2017, at \$25k ITF/Bethany Beach, DE-USA and \$25k ITF/Norman, OK-USA, taking total tally to four
- Enjoyed illustrious college career at University of Virginia, claiming two NCAA singles titles in three seasons; became only the seventh woman to win two NCAA singles titles
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 New Haven
- Graduated in 2016 as the top-ranked collegiate player in the country with a degree in media studies

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Best Grand Slam result is SF run at 2019 Australian Open (d. No.2 Kerber in R16, l. Kvitova)
- Became the fourth American collegiate player to reach R16 at a major, joining Lisa Raymond, Jill Craybas and Laura Granville, and the first collegiate major quarterfinalist since Raymond at the 2004 Australian Open
- Gained first Grand Slam main draw acceptance at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Wozniacki in 1r)
- Also fell 1r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Mertens) and US Open three times, in 2018 (l. Sabalenka), and also after entering her home Slam on a wild card in 2014 (l. Halep in 1r) and 2016 (l. Rodina in 1r)

## PERSONAL

- 2016 Honda Sport Award winner for tennis and candidate for Collegiate Woman Athlete of the Year
- Introduced to tennis by father aged three
- Relaxes by going to the beach, fishing and running
- Started her own jewelry line during 2018 offseason
- Main coach is Pat Harrison (ATP's Ryan Harrison's dad), but he only travels occasionally





# MATCH NOTES

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## VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43) vs. [24] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #29)

Head to Head: VENUS WILLIAMS leads 6-3

2018	INDIAN WELLS	HARD O	QF	VENUS WILLIAMS	6-3 6-2	71 mins
2017	US OPEN	HARD O	R16	VENUS WILLIAMS	6-3 3-6 6-1	110 mins
2016	WIMBLEDON	GRASS O	R16	VENUS WILLIAMS	7-6(3) 6-4	95 mins
2015	WUHAN	HARD O	R16	VENUS WILLIAMS	6-3 6-4	90 mins
2015	MIAMI	HARD O	QF	CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO	0-6 6-1 7-5	110 mins
2014	MONTREAL	HARD O	QF	VENUS WILLIAMS	4-6 6-2 6-3	132 mins
2014	ROME	CLAY O	R2	CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO	6-4 6-2	79 mins
2009	WIMBLEDON	GRASS O	R3	VENUS WILLIAMS	6-0 6-4	81 mins
2009	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R2	CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO	2-6 6-3 7-5	132 mins

VENUS WILLIAMS	WTA RANKING	CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO
43		29
30	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	43
17-06-1980 (38)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	03-09-1988 (30)
\$303,222	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$198,906
\$41,234,270	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$10,962,829
0 / 49	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
0 / 22	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
65-15	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	10-9
9-3 / 784-235	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	5-6 / 338-240
5-1 / 181-110	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-2 / 105-72
2-2 / 131-94	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 61-46
9-3 / 473-138	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	5-6 / 183-151
2-1 / 73-16	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 31-20
1-1 / 64-72	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 12-35
1-2 / 135-100	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-2 / 28-63
1-2 / 233-146	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-4 / 47-102

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

R128: d. DALILA JAKUPOVIC (SLO #80) 7-5,6-3 (1h18)

[24] CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #29)

R128: BYE





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## MIAMI Tournament History

### VENUS WILLIAMS

2018			
QF	L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93)	6-2	6-3
2017			
S	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	6-4	7-5
2016			
R2	L - ELENA VESNINA (RUS #96)	6-0	6-7(5) 6-2
2015			
QF	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12)	0-6	6-1 7-5
2014			
R16	L - DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #11)	6-1	5-7 6-3
2013			
R3	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #16)	W/O	
2012			
QF	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	6-4	6-1
2010			
F	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-2	6-1
2009			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-4	3-6 6-3
2008			
QF	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #4)	6-4	6-4
2007			
R3	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	2-6	6-2 7-5
2005			
SF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #3)	6-4	6-3
2004			
QF	L - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #8)	6-3	5-7 7-6(3)
2003			
R16	L - MEGHANN SHAUGHNESSY (USA #22)	7-6(2)	6-1
2002			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #9)	6-2	6-2
2001			
F	W - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #5)	4-6	6-1 7-6(4)
1999			
F	W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-1	4-6 6-4
1998			
F	W - ANNA KOURNIKOVA (RUS #25)	2-6	6-4 6-1
1997			
R3	L - MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #2)	6-4	6-2

### CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO

2018			
R2	L - YAFAN WANG (CHN #125)	7-5	6-3
2017			
R2	L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #47)	6-4	7-6(5)
2016			
R2	L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #38)	6-4	6-2
2015			
F	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-2	6-0
2014			
R16	L - NA LI (CHN #2)	6-0	6-2
2013			
R3	L - ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #15)	5-7	6-4 6-4
2012			
R1	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #50)	6-7(5)	6-3 6-3
2010			
R2	L - SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #10)	4-6	7-5 6-2
2009			
R3	L - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #4)	6-2	6-2

**CARLA  
SUAREZ NAVARRO**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

## MIAMI

- Making tenth appearance at Miami
- Best result here was R-Up finish in 2015 (l. S. Williams in F)
- Other key result here was R16 showing in 2014 (l. Li Na)
- Doubles quarterfinalist w/Muguruza here in 2014 (l. Atawo/Spears)
- Seeded for eighth time here, at No. 24
- After 1r bye, faces No.43 V. Williams in 2r today; has 3-6 record against the American, with most recent win coming during final run here
- One of three Spaniards to begin the singles draw this week (also Muguruza and Sorribes Tormo)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. Vikhlyantseva)
- Fell in 2r at the Australian Open (d. Burel, l. Yas-tremska)
- Opened 2019 season with straight set 1r exits in Brisbane (l. Kontaveit) and Sydney (l. Muguruza)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Bertens). Posted QF showing at Dubai (l. Svitolina)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlight of 2018 campaign was R-Up finish at New Haven (l. Sabalenka in F) – her first final since February 2016 (Doha). Career record in singles finals now stands at 2-9
- Last year, also posted QF runs at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and US Open (l. Keys) – still waiting for first Grand Slam SF
- Claimed three Top 5 wins in 2018, over No.4 Svitolina in Indian Wells and Madrid and No.5 Kvitova at New Haven
- Finished 2017 ranked at No.40, down from No.12 in 2016 – best season finished of career to date
- Reached R16 at both US Open (l. V. Williams) and Roland Garros in 2017 (l. R-Up Halep). Also in 2017, reached SF at Monterrey (l. then No.1 Kerber) and Bucharest (l. eventual champion Begu)
- 2016 season highlight was winning biggest title of career at Premier 5 Doha (d. Ostapenko in F). Triumph was second WTA singles title, after winning first at 2014 Oeiras (d. Kuznetsova in F)
- Returned to Top 10 after 2016 Doha title at No.6, a new career-high singles ranking
- Represented Spain at the 2016 Olympics. Reached 3r in singles (l. Keys), QF in doubles (w/Muguruza, l. eventual gold medalists Makarova/Vesnina), and fell 1r in mixed doubles (w/Ferrer, l. Watson/A.Murray)



## MIAMI

- Playing Miami for a record 20th time - the next highest appearance makers are S.Williams (18) and Frazier, Hantuchova, Kuznetsova and Tauziat (all 16)
- A former champion on three occasions – 1998 (d. Kournikova in F), 1999 (d. S.Williams in F) and 2001 (d. Capriati in F)
- One of five former champions competing this fortnight – also S.Williams (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15), Azarenka (2009, 2011, 2016), Konta (2017) and Stephens (2018)
- Also finished as R-Up in 2010 (l. Clijsters in F) and made SF run four times in 2002 (l. S.Williams), 2005 (l. Sharapova), 2009 (l. S.Williams) and 2017 (l. Konta)
- Has won the second most matches in the tournament's history (65), behind S.Williams (75) and ahead of Graf (59)
- Unseeded at Miami for the first time since 2012 – reached QF stage (l. A.Radwanska)
- Defeated qualifier Jakupovic in 1r in what was their career first meeting
- Faces No.24 Seed Suarez-Navarro in 2r today; owns 6-3 record vs. the Spaniard, winning their most recent encounter in qualifying at 2018 Indian Wells
- Winner will face Kasatkina or Guaff in 3r
- At 38, is oldest in women's singles draw at 2019 Miami
- One of 14 American women to contest this year's Main Draw

## SEASON

- Coming off QF run at Indian Wells, becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament's history and at a tour-level tournament since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight aged 43
- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells - first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)
- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career. Also signified first time has won four consecutive matches since her run to the SF at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina). Has not won five matches in a row since the 2017 US Open when she lost in the SF to Stephens
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in the 3r at the Australian Open
- Reached QF at Auckland (l. qualifier Andreescu)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down on No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF run at Miami (l. Collins)

**CARLA  
SUAREZ NAVARRO**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Ended 2015 season third on list for Top 5 wins (4-6 record), defeating No.3 Kvitova (3r Dubai), No.3 Kvitova (QF Doha), No.4 Kvitova (QF Rome) and No.2 Halep (SF Rome)
- One of six players to make Top 10 rankings debut in 2015 (April 6, 2015 at No.10), rising as high as No.8 during the season. Third Spanish women to achieve a Top 10 ranking, after Sánchez-Vicario and Martínez; Muguruza has since become the fourth
- 2015 singles highlights included finishing runner-up in three singles finals. Reached title match at Antwerp in February 2015, but was forced to withdraw vs. Petkovic w/neck injury; a month later, reached biggest final of career at Miami (l. S.Williams). Capped off strong first half of season with run to final in Rome (l. Sharapova in 3s)
- In doubles, qualified for 2015 WTA Finals (w/Muguruza) after winning titles at Birmingham and Tokyo [PPO], and posting R-Up finishes at Dubai and Madrid. Pair advanced to final in Singapore, falling to top seeds Hingis/Mirza
- Won first WTA doubles title in 2014, at Stanford (w/ Muguruza); team qualified for 2014 WTA Finals (l. QF)
- Currently the highest ranked woman with a single-handed backhand

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Best Grand Slam results have been reaching the QF stage at three of the four majors – at Roland Garros in 2008 (as qualifier, l. Jankovic) and 2014 (l. Bouchard), at Australian Open in 2009 (l. Dementieva), 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and 2018 (l. Wozniacki), and 2013 US Open (l. S.Williams) and in 2018 (l. Keys)
- By virtue of 2018 Wimbledon results, passed \$10 million in career prize money
- QF run at 2008 Roland Garros made her the first qualifier to reach Roland Garros last eight since 2001; and ranked No.132, became joint-lowest-ranked quarterfinalist at Roland Garros (also Pierce)
- Best result at Wimbledon is reaching R16 in 2013 and 2016
- 2016 saw her reach R16 or better at each of the four Grand Slams – one of just four players to do so (also Keys, A.Radwanska and S.Williams)

### **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Marc Casabó and Óscar Serrano
- Split with longtime coach Xavier Budo in July of 2017, having spent 10 years together
- Father is José Luís (plays handball) and mother is Lali (was gymnast, now teacher)
- Moved from Canary Islands to Barcelona in 2007 to train at Pro-Ab Team Tennis Academy



### **CAREER CONT.**

- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past \$40 million – S.Williams (\$84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) – only player in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is 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)
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- 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

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 81st 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)

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SUAREZ NAVARRO**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

### **GRAND SLAM CONT.**

- In addition, a nine-time Grand Slam R-Up across all four majors: Wimbledon (2002-03, 2009 and 2017), US Open (1997, 2002), Roland Garros (2002) and Australian Open (2003, 2017)
- 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. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)
- In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998

### **PERSONAL**

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during off-season





# MATCH NOTES

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## ONS JABEUR (TUN #58) vs. [4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6)

Head to Head: ONS JABEUR leads 1-0

2018 MOSCOW HARD I R16 ONS JABEUR 6-3 6-2 63 mins

ONS JABEUR	WTA RANKING	SLOANE STEPHENS
58		6
106	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	40
28-08-1994 (24)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	20-03-1993 (26)
\$118,404	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$251,663
\$1,179,744	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$13,627,866
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 6
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
1-0	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	14-6
4-6 / 28-49	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	5-5 / 201-136
1-1 / 6-20	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 64-46
2-4 / 5-18	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 53-28
4-6 / 20-37	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	5-5 / 134-91
1-1 / 4-1	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 17-6
0-0 / 1-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 9-21
0-1 / 3-3	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 17-33
0-1 / 4-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 35-54

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

ONS JABEUR (TUN #58)

R128: d. KRISTYNA PLISKOVA (CZE #94) 2-6,6-3,6-4 (1h43)

[4] SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #6)

R128: BYE





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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ONS JABEUR

#### 2018

R1-Q L - ALISON RISKE (USA #104) 7-5 6-1

#### 2015

R1-Q L - TIMEA BABOS (HUN #87) 7-5 6-3

### SLOANE STEPHENS

#### 2018

F W - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5) 7-6(5) 6-1

#### 2016

R2 L - HEATHER WATSON (GBR #69) 6-3 6-0

#### 2015

QF L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3) 6-1 7-5

#### 2014

R3 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #18) 6-1 6-0

#### 2013

R16 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4) 4-6 6-2 6-0

#### 2012

R3 L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2) 6-4 6-2

#### 2011

R1 L - BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #50) 6-4 6-2

#### 2010

R1-Q L - LATISHA CHAN (TPE #94) 6-1 6-2

#### 2009

R1-Q L - AKGUL AMANMURADOVA (UZB #99) 6-3 6-2

#### 2008

R1-Q L - EKATERINA BYCHKOVA (RUS #105) 6-1 7-5

**ONS  
JABEUR**

**VS**

**SLOANE  
STEPHENS**

## MIAMI

- Making first main draw appearance (third overall) at the Miami Open
- Won 12 of the last 14 points to eventually see off lucky loser Kr.Pliskova in 3s in the 1r
- Faces defending champion and No.4 seed Stephens in 2r today. Leads head-to-head 1-0 having defeated the American in straight sets en route to her first WTA final at 2018 Moscow
- Bidding for fourth Top 10 victory of her career. Previously defeated No.7 Cibulkova at 2017 Roland Garros, No.1 Halep at 2018 Beijing (via ret.) and No.8 Stephens at 2018 Moscow
- Playing here ranked No.58, four spots of her career high ranking of No.54 which she achieved on 25 February. This time last year was ranked No.131

## SEASON

- Lost to qualifier Doi in 1r at Indian Wells
- Retired with a right shoulder injury when trailing Svitolina in 2r at Dubai
- Made 1r exit at Doha (as WC, I. Suárez Navarro in straight sets). As alternate pairing, reached first WTA doubles SF w/Riske (I. Groenefeld/Schuurs)
- Was part of Tunisia Fed Cup team which failed to progress from Europe/Africa Group II (posted 2-1 record in singles and 0-2 in doubles)
- Fell in 1r at the Australian Open to Babos in straight sets
- Opened season with 2r showings at Shenzhen (I. Y.Wang) and Hobart (I.Kenin)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Defeated No.3 seed Stephens, No.8 seed Kontaveit and No.5 seed Sevastova en route to her first WTA final at 2018 Moscow, where she fell in three sets to No.6 seed Kasatkina. Was first Tunisian woman to advance beyond QF at a WTA tournament (Sfar was the only other Tunisian to reach a QF at this level)
- Prior to 2018 Moscow, best previous results were QF at 2013 Baku, 2017 Taipei City and 2018 Bucharest
- Owns three Top 10 victories, over No.1 Halep at 2018 Beijing (via ret.), No.8 Stephens at 2018 Moscow and No.7 Cibulkova at 2017 Roland Garros
- Member of Tunisian Olympic Team in 2012 and 2016
- Contested first two WTA main draws in 2012, at Doha (as WC) and Olympics
- Became first North African woman to win a junior Slam at 2011 Roland Garros (d. Puig in F), having also reached the final in 2010 (I. Svitolina in F)
- On ITF Circuit, has 11 singles and one doubles title
- Played first event of career at 2008 ITF/EI Menzah-TUN

## MIAMI

- Defending champion is making her eighth main draw appearance at Miami (11th overall)
- During title run, defeated No.3 Muguruza, No.10 Kerber, former champion Azarenka and No.5 Ostapenko on her way to her first Premier Mandatory title. Made her Top 10 debut (at No.9) as a result
- One of five former champions in the main draw (also S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka (lost 2r to Garcia), Konta)
- Last time the Miami title was successfully defended was in 2015, when S.Williams lifted the trophy for the third straight year
- After 1r bye, faces No.58 Jabeur in 2r today. Lost to lower-ranked opposition in her past two matches, against No.172 Haddad Maia in 2r at Acapulco and No.109 Voegele in 1r at Indian Wells
- One of 14 American players to start the main draw

## SEASON

- Fell in 2r to No.109 qualifier Voegele at Indian Wells (following a 1r bye)
- Coming off R16 run at Acapulco (I. No.172 Haddad Maia)
- Made R16 at Australian Open (I. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Opened 2019 season at Brisbane, fell 1r (I. Konta) before suffering 2r exit at Sydney (I. Putinseva after leading 6-3 5-3)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted best year-end finish at No.6 in 2018; reached career-high No.3 ranking on July 16, 2018
- Season highlights in 2018 were lifting first Premier-Mandatory title at Miami - subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9 - and R-Up finishes at Roland Garros, WTA Finals and Montréal
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Only returned to action at 2017 Wimbledon (1r) following 11 months on sidelines w/foot injury, had surgery in January
- After 1r loss at Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open, also making back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Before 2017 Wimbledon last match at Rio Olympics
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC



**ONS  
JABEUR**

**VS**

**SLOANE  
STEPHENS**

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Contested ninth Grand Slam main draw at 2019 Australian Open
- Best Grand Slam showing was 3r run at 2017 Roland Garros; in Paris became first Arab woman to reach 3r of a Grand Slam and first lucky loser to contest 3r of a Slam since Kasatkina at 2015 US Open, and first at Roland Garros since Pizzichini in 1996. Gaidano, at 1993 US Open, was the most recent lucky loser to reach R16 at a major
- Is second Tunisian woman to win a Grand Slam main draw match after Selima Sfar reached 2r at 2001 Roland Garros, Wimbledon and US Open; 2002 Wimbledon; 2005 Wimbledon; and 2008 Roland Garros
- Has also made 2r at 2017 US Open (I. Vandeweghe) and 2018 Wimbledon (I. Siniakova)
- Has lost in 1r at Australian Open on three occasions, in 2015 (as qualifier, I. Zvonareva), 2018 (I. Vesnina) and 2019 (I. Babos)
- In girls' singles at Roland Garros was champion in 2011 (d. Puig) and R-Up in 2010 (I. Svitolina)

## PERSONAL

- Started playing tennis at age 3
- Husband Karim Kamoun is half-Russian
- Away from court enjoys playing and watching football

## CAREER CONT.

- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013 and went on to win a career-best 39 matches that season
- First WTA qualifying at 2008 Miami. First WTA main draw at 2010 Indian Wells (as qualifier, No.747, fell 2r, I. Zvonareva)

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Grand Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is 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
- Also R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, I. 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 (I. eventual champion Bartoli)

## PERSONAL

- 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
- Coached by Kamau Murray (started working together in January 2016). Worked with Nick Saviano in 2015





# MATCH NOTES

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## [Q] TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96) vs. [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

Head to Head: SIMONA HALEP leads 2-0

2018	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY O	R2	SIMONA HALEP	6-3	6-1	68 mins
2017	CINCINNATI	HARD O	R2	SIMONA HALEP	6-4	6-1	66 mins

TAYLOR TOWNSEND	WTA RANKING	SIMONA HALEP
96		3
194	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	10
16-04-1996 (22)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1991 (27)
\$109,267	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$441,078
\$1,518,026	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$28,586,657
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 18
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
3-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	16-7
1-3 / 20-34	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	12-5 / 339-156
0-2 / 10-9	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	4-4 / 99-53
2-0 / 7-3	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	4-2 / 43-52
1-3 / 13-24	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	12-5 / 203-100
0-1 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 33-12
0-1 / 0-4	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 11-27
0-1 / 0-8	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	2-0 / 35-44
0-1 / 0-12	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-2 / 93-69

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

### [Q] TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #96)

**R2-Q:** d. BEATRIZ HADDAD MAIA (BRA #151) 6-1,6-4 (1h06)

**R1-Q:** d. (ZHENG QINWEN #801) 4-6,7-5,6-4 (2h16)

**R128:** d. JOHANNA LARSSON (SWE #79) 6-1,6-2 (1h12)

### [2] SIMONA HALEP (ROU #3)

**R128:** BYE



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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### TAYLOR TOWNSEND

##### 2018

R1-Q L - KATIE BOULTER (GBR #208) 7-6(1) 6-2

##### 2017

R3 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #7) 6-4 6-2

#### SIMONA HALEP

##### 2018

R3 L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #32) 3-6 6-2 6-3

##### 2017

Q L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11) 3-6 7-6(7) 6-2

##### 2016

QF L - TIMEA BACSINSZKY (SUI #20) 4-6 6-3 6-2

##### 2015

SF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-2 4-6 7-5

##### 2013

R3 L - SARA ERRANI (ITA #7) 6-1 6-0

##### 2012

R3 L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7) 6-4 7-6(6)

##### 2011

R2 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #15) 6-0 6-4



**TAYLOR  
TOWNSEND**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

## MIAMI

- Making second main draw appearance at Miami Open (third overall) as a qualifier
- Reached 3r on debut in 2017 as a qualifier (d. No.25 seed Vinci in 2r, l. No.7 seed Kuznetsova)
- Recovered from 6-4 5-1 to defeat Q.Zheng in first round of qualifying, then Haddad Maia to win through qualifying for first time since 2018 Indian Wells
- Notched first main draw win of 2019 over Larsson in 1r on Thursday Won all eight service games and 87% of first serve points in victory
- Faces No.3 Halep in 2r today. Is 0-8 in career vs. Top 10 opponents, most recently falling to No.5 Stephens earlier this season at Australian Open
- Best win of career came over No.21 Cornet at 2014 Roland Garros in 2r
- Aiming for back-to-back main draw match wins for first time since 2017 Miami (d. Anisimova and Vinci, l. Kuznetsova in 3r)
- One of 14 American women in the 2019 Miami Open main draw (including qualifiers)

## SEASON

- Fell 1r at Indian Wells (l. Bonaventure); reached R16 at the WTA 125K event in Indian Wells (l. Gibbs) and advanced to doubles final (w/Wickmayer, l. Kr.Pliskova/Rodina)
- Advanced to QF at 125K Newport Beach (l. Davis) in singles and runner-up in doubles (w/Wickmayer, l. Carter/Shibahara)
- Made 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Stephens)
- Opened 2019 season with 1r exit in Auckland (l. Strycova). R-Up in doubles (w/Hourigan, l. Bouchard/Kenin in F)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted best year-end finish at No.74 in 2018, up from No.105 in 2017; reached career-high No.61 ranking on July 16, 2018
- First broke into the Top 100 the week of January 19, 2015 at No.99
- 2018 season highlights were winning her ninth ITF singles title at \$25k ITF/Sumter, SC-USA (d. Lim in F) Enjoyed more ITF success pre-2018 Roland Garros, highlighted by seventh and eighth career titles at this level at \$80K ITF/Dothan, AL-USA (d. Duque-Mariño in F) and \$80K ITF/Charleston, SC-USA (d. Brengle in F)
- In 2018, won doubles title at WTA 125K Series Indian Wells w/Wickmayer (d. Brady/King in F)
- 2017 season highlight was 3r run at Miami after coming through qualifying. Upset No.30 Vinci in 2r before losing to No.7 Kuznetsova



## MIAMI

- Making eighth appearance in Miami
- Reached SF in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and two-time quarterfinalist in 2016 (l. Bacsinzsky) and 2017 (l. eventual champion Konta)
- Holds two of the four WTA Premier Mandatory titles, at Indian Wells in 2015 and two at Madrid from 2016-17. Only three players have lifted three of the four Premier Mandatory trophies - S.Williams (Indian Wells, Miami, Madrid), Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing) and Azarenka (Indian Wells, Miami, Beijing)
- After 1r bye, faces American qualifier Townsend today. Last loss to a qualifier was in her last match of the 2018 season against Jabeur in Beijing via ret. (w/ back injury)
- Holds a 2-1 vs. American players this season, having defeated Kenin and V.Williams, and falling to S.Williams (all at Australian Open)
- Has 33-12 record against lefthanders overall, most recently defeating Kerber en route to 2018 Roland Garros title
- The Miami Open fortnight will be her 269th and 270th consecutive weeks in the Top 10 - the longest active streak (ahead of Ka.Pliskova on 133 weeks)
- Can reclaim No.1 ranking here, but needs to at least reach the final in order to do so
- Is one of nine players in the draw to have held the No.1 ranking - also Osaka, Ka.Pliskova, S.Williams, V.Williams, Azarenka, Kerber, Wozniacki and Muguruza

## SEASON

- Coming off R16 run at Indian Wells (l. No.61 Vondrousova in 3s), ending her 21-match winning streak against players ranked outside the Top 60 (in completed matches)
- Fell to eventual champion Bencic in 3s in QF at Dubai
- Finished R-Up in Doha (l. Mertens); career record in singles finals now 18-16
- Defeated Siniakova and Ka.Pliskova to help Romania to a 3-2 victory over Czech Republic in the Fed Cup first round at the weekend and reach the SF for the first time. Was the first time Czech Republic had been defeated at home in 10 years
- Lost to S.Williams in R16 at Australian Open
- Fell to Barty in 2r at Sydney (after 1r bye)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 season as World No.1 for the second time in her career, with season highlighted by maiden Grand Slam title at Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F)

**TAYLOR  
TOWNSEND**

**VS**

**SIMONA  
HALEP**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Also won three singles title on ITF Circuit in 2017, at \$25K ITF/Sumter, SC-USA, \$25K ITF/Florence, SC-USA and \$80K ITF/Waco, TX-USA
- Made WTA main draw debut as wildcard at 2013 Indian Wells; in first match posted career first Top 100 win over No.57 Hradecka
- Has reached two WTA doubles finals, finishing R-Up at 2013 Washington DC (w/Bouchard) and 2019 Auckland (w/Hourigan)
- Won the junior singles and doubles titles at 2012 Australian Open; became first American to hold year-end No.1 junior world ranking since Gretchen Rush in 1982
- Turned professional at end of 2012 season

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 14th time contesting a Grand Slam main draw
- At Roland Garros, has reached 3r in 2014 (l. Suárez Navarro) - at 18 years, one month was the youngest woman to reach 3r there since 2009 (Pavlyuchenko)
- Best result at US Open was reaching 2r in 2018 (l. Ostapenko), having lost opening matches in 2014 (l. eventual champion S.Williams), 2016 (as qualifier, l. Wozniacki) and 2017 (l. Bogdan). Fell in 2011, 2013 and 2015 qualifying
- On US Open debut in 2014, lost to World No.1 Serena Williams 6-3 6-1
- Made 2r at 2018 Wimbledon (l. Sasnovich)
- Won both the girls' singles and doubles titles at 2012 Australian Open, becoming first American to sweep both events at a junior Slam since Davenport in 1992
- Also won junior doubles title at 2012 Wimbledon (w/Bouchard) and 2012 US Open (w/Andrews)

### **PERSONAL**

- Started playing right-handed for two years then switched to lefty
- Played violin for two years
- Coached by Donald Young Sr.

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Also won titles last year at Shenzhen (d. Siniakova in F) and Montréal (d. Stephens in F) and was R-Up at Australian Open (l. Wozniacki), Rome (l. Svitolina) and Cincinnati (l. Bertens). Is 18-16 in career finals
- Won first career WTA doubles title at 2018 Shenzhen (w/Begu).ow 1-1 in career doubles finals
- Finished 2017 as the year-end World No.1, having ascended to the No.1 spot for first time in career on October 9, 2017 – became the 25th woman to reach the top spot, and the 13th to hold year-end No.1
- Defended Madrid title in 2017 (d. Mladenovic in F); reached four more finals in 2017: Rome, Roland Garros, Cincinnati and Beijing. 2016 season highlighted by three titles, at Madrid, Bucharest and Montréal
- Between May 2013 and August 2014, improved ranking from No.64 to No.2, winning seven titles
- Has qualified five times for WTA Finals in Singapore (2014-18), reaching final in 2014 (l. S.Williams, having defeated the World No.1 in the round robin stage)
- Named 2013 WTA Most Improved Player after winning her first six WTA titles and rising to year-end No.11 (dipped as low as No.64 in May)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Marbella as a qualifier, reaching quarterfinals
- Member of Romanian Fed Cup Team, 2010, 2012, 2014-19

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Won first Grand Slam title at 2018 Roland Garros (d. Stephens in F) after three runner-up finishes, at Roland Garros in 2014 (l. Sharapova in 3s), 2017 (l. Ostapenko in 3s) and at Australian Open in 2018 (l. Wozniacki in 3s)
- Became 49th different woman to win a Slam title in the Open Era, and the second Romanian woman to win a Slam after Ruzici at 1978 Roland Garros
- Was the first Romanian woman to advance to final at 2018 Australian Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Made SF at Wimbledon in 2014 (l. Bouchard) and US Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion Pennetta)
- Won Roland Garros girls' singles title in 2008 – sixth woman to go on to win the women's singles title

### **PERSONAL**

- Announced at Miami that she is now working with Daniel Dobre. During off-season long-time coach Darren Cahill announced he was taking a 12-month break from tennis
- Formerly coached by Wim Fissette and Victor Ionita
- Tennis idols are Justine Henin and Roger Federer





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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 3 MATCH-UPS

### [Q] DALILA JAKUPOVIC (SLO #80) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

#### First meeting

*Williams making record 20th appearance at Miami... Jakupovic, meanwhile, contesting first main draw match at Premier Mandatory level... Williams one of five former champions in the draw*

### [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #49)

#### First meeting

*Kvitova bidding for just third Top 50 win of career at Miami... Sakkari recovered from slow start to beat wildcard Danilovic in opening round... Kvitova can potentially rise to No. 1 by reaching final here*

### SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83) vs. [17] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)

#### Stosur leads 2-0

*Players meeting for the first time since 2013... Stosur's most recent Top 20 win came over A.Radwanska in late 2017... Keys coming off opening match defeat to Barthel at Indian Wells*

### WANG YAFAN (CHN #50) vs. KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #68)

#### First meeting

*Wang came through qualifying to reach fourth round here 12 months ago... Mladenovic has lost her opening match at Miami on four occasions... Winner to face No.6 seed Svitolina in second round*

### [19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21) vs. VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #46)

#### Garcia leads 1-0

*Garcia won in straight sets when pair met last year at Cincinnati... Azarenka won her 20th and most recent WTA title here in 2016... Garcia owns four main draw wins here, compared to Azarenka's 36*

## RECORD BREAKER

**Venus Williams** begins her record 20th Miami campaign today against qualifier **Dalila Jakupovic**. Sister Serena is her closest competitor on the all-time appearance list:

PLAYER	MIAMI APPS	BEST RESULT
Venus Williams	20	WON (1998-99, 2001)
Serena Williams	18	WON (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15)
Natalie Tauziat	16	SF (1990)
Svetlana Kuznetsova	16	WON (2006)
Amy Frazier	16	QF (1992, 2000)
Daniela Hantuchova	16	R16 (2010)

## PACESETTERS

**Petra Kvitova** takes on Maria Sakkari in the third match on Stadium court today, looking to register her 18th win of the season.

She leads the way on tour for wins in 2019, along with the young duo **Belinda Bencic** and **Bianca Andreescu**.

#### 2019 MATCH WIN LEADERS

PLAYER	WINS
Bianca Andreescu	17
Belinda Bencic	17
Petra Kvitova	17
Karolina Pliskova	16
Aryna Sabalenka	14
Sofia Kenin	14

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## [Q] DALILA JAKUPOVIC (SLO #80) vs. VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)

Head to Head: First meeting

DALILA JAKUPOVIC	WTA RANKING	VENUS WILLIAMS
80		43
147	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	30
24-03-1991 (27)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	17-06-1980 (38)
\$117,642	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$303,222
\$681,640	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$41,234,270
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 49
0 / 2	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 22
0-0	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	64-15
2-5 / 16-22	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	8-3 / 783-235
1-1 / 6-6	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-1 / 181-110
0-1 / 5-4	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 131-94
2-5 / 8-15	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	8-3 / 472-138
0-1 / 1-2	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	2-1 / 73-16
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 64-72
0-1 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 135-100
0-1 / 2-3	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 233-146

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 1r

### [Q] DALILA JAKUPOVIC (SLO #80)

R2-Q: d. MADISON BRENGLE (USA #98) 6-0,6-3 (1h01)

R1-Q: d. FIONA FERRO (FRA #110) 1-6,6-3,6-2 (1h44)

### VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #43)



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### VENUS WILLIAMS

2018			
QF	L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93)	6-2	6-3
2017			
S	L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #11)	6-4	7-5
2016			
R2	L - ELENA VESNINA (RUS #96)	6-0	6-7(5) 6-2
2015			
QF	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12)	0-6	6-1 7-5
2014			
R16	L - DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #11)	6-1	5-7 6-3
2013			
R3	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #16)	W/O	
2012			
QF	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	6-4	6-1
2010			
F	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-2	6-1
2009			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-4	3-6 6-3
2008			
QF	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #4)	6-4	6-4
2007			
R3	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)	2-6	6-2 7-5
2005			
SF	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #3)	6-4	6-3
2004			
QF	L - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #8)	6-3	5-7 7-6(3)
2003			
R16	L - MEGHANN SHAUGHNESSY (USA #22)	7-6(2)	6-1
2002			
SF	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #9)	6-2	6-2
2001			
F	W - JENNIFER CAPRIATI (USA #5)	4-6	6-1 7-6(4)
1999			
F	W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-1	4-6 6-4
1998			
F	W - ANNA KOURNIKOVA (RUS #25)	2-6	6-4 6-1
1997			
R3	L - MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #2)	6-4	6-2



**DALILA  
JAKUPOVIC**

**VS**

**VENUS  
WILLIAMS**

## **MIAMI**

- Making debut WTA Premier Mandatory appearance at this fortnight's Miami Open
- Overcame Ferro in 1r of qualifying in 3s and dropped three games in victory over Brengle in 2r qualifying
- Best result by a qualifier at Miami was achieved by Collins who reached SF in 2018
- Faces V.Williams today in her second career meeting with a former World No.1, having lost to Kerber earlier this season at Dubai in what remains her only match against Top 10 opposition
- Bidding for second main draw win of 2019, having claimed her first at Dubai (as qualifier, d. Diyas in 1r before falling to Kerber in 2r)
- Enters Miami ranked No.80. By contrast, was ranked No.171 this time last year, competing and lifting the fifth and biggest ITF title of her career at \$60k ITF/Canberra-AUS (d. Aiava in F)
- One of two representatives from country of Slovenia competing this fortnight – also Zidansek

## **SEASON**

- Fell in qualifying at Indian Wells after 1r exit at Acapulco (l. Babos)
- Notched first main draw win of 2019 season at Dubai with three set victory over fellow qualifier Diyas in 1r (l. Kerber in 2r)
- Posted 1-3 singles record on Fed Cup duty for Slovenia in Europe/Africa Zone Group I event in Bath, Great Britain
- Began 2019 campaign with three consecutive 1r losses at Shenzhen (l. Alexandrova), Hobart (l. Flipkens) and Australian Open (l. Giorgi)

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Earned over half of her career prize money in 2018 (\$337,832) and finished her season at a career-high singles ranking and best year-end finish of No.69
- Reached her first WTA SF at Bogota and first Premier level QF at Birmingham (as a qualifier)
- Captured second career WTA doubles crown at 2018 Bogota (w/Khromacheva)
- Notched first two Top 20 wins of her career at 2018 Birmingham, over No.17 Mertens (saved four match points) and No.18 Osaka (via ret.)
- First rose to career-high ranking of No.69 on November 5, 2018 following SF showing at WTA 125K event in Mumbai (l. eventual R-Up Khromacheva)
- Reached a career-high doubles ranking of No.38 following QF showing at US Open (w/Khromacheva, l. eventual champions Barty/Vandeweghe) – September 10, 2018



## **MIAMI**

- Playing Miami for a record 20th time - the next highest appearance makers are S.Williams (18) and Frazier, Hantuchova, Kuznetsova and Tauziat (all 16)
- A former champion on three occasions – 1998 (d. Kournikova in F), 1999 (d. S.Williams in F) and 2001 (d. Capriati in F)
- One of five former champions competing this fortnight – also S.Williams (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15), Azarenka (2009, 2011, 2016), Konta (2017) and Stephens (2018)
- Also finished as R-Up in 2010 (l. Clijsters in F) and made SF run four times in 2002 (l. S.Williams), 2005 (l. Sharapova), 2009 (l. S.Williams) and 2017 (l. Konta)
- Has won the second most matches in the tournament's history (64), behind S.Williams (75) and ahead of Graf (59)
- Unseeded at Miami for the first time since 2012 – reached QF stage (l. A.Radwanska)
- Faces qualifier Jakupovic today in their career first meeting. Last loss to a qualifier was against Andreescu at the 2019 season opener in Auckland QF. Previous loss to a qualifier came here in Miami last year against compatriot Collins
- Has not faced a Slovenian opponent in over nine years, having defeated Herczeg in the final at 2010 Acapulco
- At 38, is oldest in women's singles draw at 2019 Miami

## **SEASON**

- Coming off QF run at Indian Wells, becoming the oldest player to reach this stage in the tournament's history and at a tour-level tournament since 2014 Birmingham when Date reached the last eight aged 43
- Beat No.3 Kvitova in 2r at Indian Wells - first Top 5 win since 2017 WTA Finals (d. No.2 Muguruza in RR)
- Victory over Barthel in R16 at Indian Wells was 800th (at all levels) of her career. Also signified first time has won four consecutive matches since her run to the SF at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Kasatkina). Has not won five matches in a row since the 2017 US Open when she lost in the SF to Stephens
- Lost to then-No.1 Halep in straight sets in the 3r at the Australian Open
- Reached QF at Auckland (l. qualifier Andreescu)

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Ended 2018 ranked No.40, down on No.5 in 2017
- Season highlights were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF run at Miami (l. Collins)



**DALILA  
JAKUPOVIC**

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WILLIAMS**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Finished 2017 season ranked No.239 – fourth non-consecutive Top 300 season – and No.89 in doubles for career first Top 100 doubles season
- Season highlighted by runner-up finish at WTA \$125k Series event in Mumbai (l. Sabalenka in F)
- Also reached 2r at two tour-level events in 2017, at Taipei City (as qualifier, l. Stosur) and Bogota (l. Schiavone)
- Reached three WTA doubles finals in 2017, lifting career first WTA doubles trophy at Istanbul (w/ Kichenok, d. Melichar/Mertens in F), and finishing as runner-up at Monterrey (w/Kichenok, l. Hibino/Rosolska in F) and Tianjin (w/Stojanovic, l. Begu/Errani in F)
- Holds five ITF singles titles (all on clay) and eight ITF doubles titles
- Part of Slovenian Fed Cup team in 2014, 2017 AND 2019
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Monterrey (as qualifier, l. Kumkhum)
- Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at 2011 Copenhagen

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked third career main draw appearance at a Slam
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 Roland Garros, falling in 1r (as qualifier, l. Garcia Perez) - first Slovenian to debut in a Grand Slam since Tadeja Majeric at the 2014 Australian Open
- Fell in 1r of debut appearances at 2018 US Open (l. Teichmann) and 2019 Australian Open (l. Giorgi)

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by her father, Senad Jakupovic
- Began playing tennis at age six
- Favorite surface is hardcourt

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past \$40 million – S.Williams (\$84 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up with sister Serena at Fed Cup for her first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (in dead doubles rubber l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki). Oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) – only player in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Returned to Top 10 in WTA Rankings by reaching Wimbledon final. Is 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)
- 2016 season highlights including winning 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is fifth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá
- 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

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 81st 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)



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JAKUPOVIC**

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WILLIAMS**

### **GRAND SLAM CONT.**

- In addition, a nine-time Grand Slam R-Up across all four majors: Wimbledon (2002-03, 2009 and 2017), US Open (1997, 2002), Roland Garros (2002) and Australian Open (2003, 2017)
- 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. Haul includes two US Opens (1999, 2009)
- In mixed doubles, won Australian Open (w/Gimelstob) and Roland Garros (w/Gimelstob, d. S.Williams/Lobo in F) in 1998

### **PERSONAL**

- Owns interior design company, VStarr Interiors. Also set up clothing line called EleVen, designing her own on-court outfits
- In 2015 received Bachelor of Science in Business Administration from Indiana University East
- Coached by Richard Williams, Oracene Price. Split with long-term coach David Witt during off-season





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## [3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2) vs. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #49)

Head to Head: First meeting

PETRA KVITOVA	WTA RANKING	MARIA SAKKARI
2		49
1	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	102
08-03-1990 (29)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	25-07-1995 (23)
\$1,988,245	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$151,144
\$29,330,452	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,847,005
1 / 26	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
9-9	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	3-2
17-5 / 415-194	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	3-5 / 46-58
5-3 / 125-80	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	2-2 / 14-22
5-4 / 83-61	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 13-8
17-5 / 280-136	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	3-5 / 29-39
1-0 / 45-14	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 2-4
1-1 / 25-31	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 1-1
1-1 / 53-51	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 2-4
4-2 / 103-86	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-2 / 6-16

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[3] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #2)

R128: BYE

MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #49)

R128: d. (OLGA DANILOVIC #115) 1-6,6-3,6-4 (1h57)



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"-Q" Qualifying match

### PETRA KVITOVA

#### 2018

R16 L - JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #5) 7-6(4) 6-3

#### 2016

R3 L - EKATERINA MAKAROVA (RUS #31) 6-4 6-4

#### 2014

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

#### 2013

R3 L - KIRSTEN FLIPKENS (BEL #28) 6-0 4-6 6-1

#### 2012

R2 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #134) 6-4 4-6 6-0

#### 2011

R3 L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #21) 6-4 6-7(3) 6-0

#### 2010

R2 L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16) 6-1 6-1

#### 2009

R1 L - SABINE LISICKI (GER #56) 6-2 6-4

#### 2008

R1 L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #61) 3-6 7-5 7-5

### MARIA SAKKARI

#### 2018

R3 L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #82) 6-3 7-5

#### 2017

R64-Q L - ANASTASIA POTAPOVA (RUS #454) 6-4 0-6 7-6(2)

#### 2016

R1 L - IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU (ROU #35) 6-1 6-3

**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**MARIA  
SAKKARI**

## MIAMI

- Making 10th appearance at Miami Open
- Best previous result here was QF run in 2014 (l. Sharapova)
- Last year, made R16 (won opening two matches in 3s, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko)
- Has lost her opening match here three times, as a qualifier on debut in 2008 (l. Kanepi), 2009 (l. Lisicki) and in 2012 (after 1r bye, l. V.Williams)
- After 1r bye this year, faces No.49 Sakkari in 2r today; has scored just two Top 50 wins at Miami, against No.34 Peng in 2013 and No.13 Ivanovic in 2014
- No Czech player has reached the Miami final – although in recent years Ka.Pliskova did reach SF in 2017
- Can rise to No.1 after Miami, although needs to reach at least final
- Owns 17 main draw wins this season (joint-most on tour with Andreescu and Bencic), and has reached the most singles finals (three)
- Celebrated 29th birthday earlier this month, on March 9th

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. V.Williams after leading 6-4 4-2)
- Reached her 35th career final at Dubai (l. Bencic) and eighth final since the start of 2018 season. Record in finals stands at 26-9
- Fell QF in defense of St. Petersburg title (l. Vekic)
- Reached third career Grand Slam final at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking
- Captured 26th career title at Sydney (d. Barty in F)
- Went on 11-match winning streak between Sydney (5 wins) and Melbourne (6 wins)
- Fell 2r in season opener at Brisbane (l. Kontaveit)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won a WTA Tour-leading five titles in 2018, at St. Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7
- Titles came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015. The Czech has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011

## MIAMI

- Making third main draw appearance at Miami (fourth overall)
- Best result is last year's 3r run (l. Puig); wins over Krunic and Kontaveit en route were first at a WTA Premier Mandatory tournament
- Also qualified for main draw in 2016 before falling 1r (l. Begu)
- Recovered from losing seven straight games to beat wildcard Danilovic in 1r on Wednesday
- Faces No.2 Kvitova in 2r today; owns two career Top 10 wins, over No.6 Wozniacki at 2017 Wuhan and No.5 Ka.Pliskova at 2018 Rome
- The only Greek to contest the 2019 Miami main draw (Tsitsipas is No.8 seed in the men's draw)

## SEASON

- Suffered 1r exits at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges), Acapulco (l. Puig) and earlier this month at Indian Wells (l. McHale)
- Part of the Greek Fed Cup Team who failed to gain promotion from Europe/Africa Zone Group I event in February (posted 2-1 record in singles)
- Had 3r run at Australian Open (l. Barty), having defeated No.22 seed Ostapenko in 1r
- Fell 1r at Hobart (l. Linette)
- Began 2019 campaign pairing with Tsitsipas at Hopman Cup - going 2-1 in singles (d. Bencic, d. Boulter, l. S.Williams)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Registered third-consecutive Top 100 year-end finish in 2018 ranked No.42, up from No.52 in 2017 - the highest year-end finish by a Greek player since Daniilidou in 2006 (No.36)
- 2018 season highlights include reaching her first tour-level final at San Jose (l. Buzarnescu), scoring first career Top 5 win after defeat of No.5 Ka.Pliskova in Rome as well as SF at Istanbul (l. Hercog) and Korea (l. Bertens)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.29 after Seoul run (September 24, 2019)
- Has six career Top 20 wins, against No.6 Wozniacki (2017 Wuhan), No.16 Vandeweghe (2018 Indian Wells), No.15 Bertens, No.5 Ka.Pliskova (both 2018 Rome), No.14 V.Williams (2018 San Jose) and No.19 N.Osaka (2018 Cincinnati)
- Broke into Top 50 for first time at No.49 on October 9, 2017



**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**MARIA  
SAKKARI**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Began 2017 season in May at Roland Garros (2r, I. Mattek-Sands) after a knife attack in her home in Czech Republic on December 20, 2016; required extensive surgery to left hand
- Won title at 2017 Birmingham. Other season highlights included a SF showing at Beijing (I. eventual champion Garcia) and equaled best result at US Open by advancing to QF (I. V. Williams)
- Ended 2016 ranked No.11, ending run of five straight Top 10 finishes
- Won two singles titles in 2016, at Wuhan and the WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai
- Contested Rio Olympics in August 2016, winning the singles bronze medal (I. Puig in SF, d. Keys in bronze medal play-off)
- 2015 season highlights included three singles titles, at Sydney, Madrid and New Haven. New Haven win was third in past four years, and marked first time she has won any tournament title three times
- Runner-up at 2015 WTA Finals in Singapore (I. A.Radwanska in 3s). Former champion at the season finale, which she won on her event debut in 2011 (d. Azarenka in F)
- At 2012 Sydney was two wins from becoming No.1 (had won Wimbledon and WTA Finals in previous six months)
- Part of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 42nd Grand Slam main draw appearance, reaching her third career major final (I. Osaka in F)
- Winner of two Grand Slam singles titles, at Wimbledon in 2011 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2014 (d. Bouchard in F)
- Was first player born in 1990s to win a Grand Slam title (since joined by Muguruza, Ostapenko, Stephens, Wozniacki, Halep and Osaka)
- Runner-up at 2019 Australian Open. The last Czech woman to reach the final at Melbourne Park was Novotna in 1991 (I. Seles); last Czech to win the Australian Open title was Mandlikova in 1987 (d. Navratilova)
- Aside from Wimbledon, best Grand Slam results are SF at 2012 (I. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (I. V.Williams), 2015 US Open (I. eventual champion Pennetta)

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Notched first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan Open – became just second qualifier to reach Premier-level SF in 2017 (Mertens at New Haven)
- Reached first career WTA QF at 2016 Istanbul after qualifying to enter main draw (I. Kovinic) – at the time, achieved her then best win-by-ranking defeating No.34 Schmiedlova in 1r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2012 Palermo
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2010; Owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles and five in doubles

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 13th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Has reached 3r at all four of the majors – at 2017 Australian Open (I. Lucic-Baroni), 2017 Wimbledon (I. Konta), 2017 US Open (I. V.Williams) and 2018 Roland Garros (I. Kasatkina) and now 2019 Australian Open
- When she made 3r at 2017 Australian Open, became first Greek woman to reach this stage at a Slam since Daniilidou at 2005 Wimbledon (I. Pennetta)
- At 2016 Australian Open, reaching 2r, (d. Y.Wang, I. Suárez Navarro) became the first woman from Greece to win a main draw match at a Slam since Daniilidou d. Ka.Pliskova at 2013 Australian Open
- At all Grand Slams, Daniilidou reached R16 at 2002 Wimbledon, 2003 Australian Open and 2004 US Open

## **PERSONAL**

- Born and grew up in Athens, Greece, before moving to Barcelona aged 18 – has trained there for two years
- Mother, Angeliki Kanellopoulou, was tennis player too, however didn't start because of her – just liked the sport. Tried karate and gymnastics but was thrown out of class for laughing too much
- Favorite surface is hard court
- Currently coached by Mark Petchey and Tom Hill





**PETRA  
KVITOVA**

**VS**

**MARIA  
SAKKARI**

## **PERSONAL**

- Nominated for 2018 WTA Player of the Year after winning a tour-leading five WTA singles titles
- A global ambassador for Right To Play International, a charity which helps children to learn through sport
- Current coach is Jiri Vanek, having split with former ATP player and fellow Czech, Frantisek Cermak, after 2016 US Open. Previously coached by David Kotyza for seven years, with the partnership ending in January 2016
- Fitness trainer is David Vydra
- Parents are Jiri and Pavla





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## SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83) vs. [17] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)

Head to Head: SAMANTHA STOSUR leads 2-0

2013	OSAKA	HARD O	SF	SAMANTHA STOSUR	6-1	6-2	62 mins
2013	INDIAN WELLS	HARD O	R2	SAMANTHA STOSUR	6-3	6-4	75 mins

SAMANTHA STOSUR	WTA RANKING	MADISON KEYS
83		16
146	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	56
30-03-1984 (34)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	17-02-1995 (24)
\$387,784	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$219,873
\$18,171,746	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$10,308,551
0 / 9	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 3
1 / 26	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
18-12	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	8-8
2-5 / 452-331	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 183-109
1-2 / 123-119	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-2 / 45-45
0-0 / 92-107	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 45-40
2-5 / 266-212	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	4-3 / 112-74
0-0 / 42-39	YTD / CAREER Left Handers W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 17-17
0-0 / 17-43	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 6-18
0-0 / 31-81	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 15-28
0-0 / 72-145	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 31-45

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

**SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83)**

**R128:** d. EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #69) 6-4,6-2 (1h31)

**[17] MADISON KEYS (USA #16)**

**R128:** BYE



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"-Q" Qualifying match

### SAMANTHA STOSUR

2018			
R1	L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #82)	6-3	6-4
2017			
R16	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5)	4-6	7-5 6-2
2016			
R2	L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #66)	3-6	6-1 6-4
2015			
R3	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-4	7-6(3)
2014			
R3	L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #104)	5-7	7-5 7-5
2012			
R16	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #11)	7-5	6-3
2011			
R16	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13)	6-4	6-1
2010			
QF	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-3	7-5
2009			
QF	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #10)	6-1	6-0
2007			
R3	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #5)	6-4	6-2
2006			
R2	L - AMÉLIE MAURESMO (FRA #1)	6-0	6-0
2005			
R1	L - ABIGAIL SPEARS (USA #78)	7-6(5)	4-6 6-1
2004			
R1-Q	L - YULIANA FEDAK (UKR #141)	7-5	6-4

### MADISON KEYS

2018			
R2	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #186)	7-6(5)	2-0
2017			
R3	L - LARA ARRUABARRENA (ESP #72)	7-5	7-5
2016			
QF	L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #3)	6-3	6-2
2015			
R2	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #45)	6-4	6-2
2014			
R3	L - NA LI (CHN #2)	7-6(3)	6-3
2013			
R2	L - LAUREN DAVIS (USA #81)	6-1	5-7 7-6(7)
2012			
R2	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #4)	6-1	6-1
2011			
R1	L - PATTY SCHNYDER (SUI #41)	3-6	6-1 7-6(2)

**SAMANTHA  
STOSUR**

**VS**

**MADISON  
KEYS**

## MIAMI

- Making 13th main draw appearance at the Miami Open (and 14th appearance overall); among players in 2019 draw, only V.Williams (20) and S.Williams (18) have played here more often
- Best result at Miami is reaching QF in 2009 (d. No.2 Safina, l. eventual champion Azarenka) and 2010 (d. No.8 Jankovic, l. eventual champion Clijsters)
- In 1r, hit nine aces to beat Rodina - her second main draw win of season (also vs. Cibulkova at Sydney)
- Faces No.16 Keys today; owns 72 Top 20 wins, most recently over No.18 A.Radwanska at 2017 Hong Kong
- Doubles champion here w/Raymond in 2006 (d. Huber/Navratilova) and 2007 (d. Black/Huber)
- One of four Australian women in main draw (also No.12 seed Barty, Gavrilova and Tomljanovic)

## SEASON

- Lost in 1r as a lucky loser at Doha (l. qualifier Muchova) and at Indian Wells (l. wildcard Brengle)
- Fell in 1r in singles at the Australian Open (l. Yastremska) but won the doubles title with S.Zhang, defeating defending champions Babos/Mladenovic in straight sets in the final. Was the third Grand Slam women's doubles title of her career and she was the first home winner of the title since Molik triumphed with Kuznetsova in 2005
- Reached 2r at Sydney (l. Bacsinszky)
- Lost in 1r at Brisbane to qualifier Bouzkova in what was 1000th match (at all levels) of career

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 outside Top 50, at No.72, for first time since 2008; was first campaign in which she failed to reach a WTA singles final since 2007
- During 2018, reached SF on grass at Mallorca and QFs on clay at Strasbourg, Prague and Gstaad. Also won 25th career doubles title at Hong Kong (w/S. Zhang)
- Suffered through an injury-plagued 2017 season, but, still managed to post her ninth consecutive Top 50 finish, ending at No.41
- Highlight of reduced season came with ninth career title at Strasbourg (d. Gavrilova in F), along with QF runs at Taipei City (l. Peng), Doha (l. Cibulkova) and Hong Kong (l. Wang) – also reached R16 of Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Ostapenko)
- 2016 season highlights included R-Up finish at Prague (l. Safarova in three sets) and advancing to fifth Grand Slam SF of career at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Muguruza). Following Roland Garros result, rose to No.14 – first time ranked inside Top 15 since week of August 26, 2013

## MIAMI

- Making ninth consecutive appearance at Miami
- Best result was 2016's QF run (d. No.9 Vinci in 3r, l. Kerber). Also made 3r in 2014 (l. Li) and 2017 (l. Arruabarrena)
- After 1r bye, faces No.83 Stosur today. Last year here after 1r bye, ret. vs. Azarenka w/left thigh injury
- Lost most recent meeting with Stosur back in 2013, in what was the first tour-level SF of her career
- Owns 1-2 record on home soil this season (also two Fed Cup rubbers and Indian Wells). Record in the US last year stood at 11-5, highlighted by SF run at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- One of a tournament-leading 14 US players to begin the main draw at 2019 Miami Open

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. No.97 Barthel, having led 3-1 in final set)
- In February, was part of US Fed Cup team slipped to 3-2 defeat against Australia in Asheville (d. Birrell, l. Barty)
- Began season with R16 showing at Australian Open (l. Svitolina in 3s). Has reached R16 or better at four of past five majors

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlights in 2018 were SFs at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Also made SF stage in Charleston (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka)
- 2017 season highlighted by reaching maiden Grand Slam final 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
- Also in 2017, won third career tour-level singles title, and first on hard courts, at Stanford (d. Vandeweghe in F). Previous two titles were won on grass, at 2014 Eastbourne (d. Kerber in F; second youngest title winner of season) and 2016 Birmingham (d. Strycova in F); also a runner-up on four occasions
- 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



**SAMANTHA  
STOSUR**

**VS**

**MADISON  
KEYS**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Represented Australia at Rio Olympics, progressing to 3r in singles (l. eventual silver medalist Kerber), and fell 1r in doubles (w/Gavrilova, l. eventual silver medalists Bacsinszky/Hingis) and 1r in mixed doubles (w/Peers, l. Mirza/Bopanna)
- Won two WTA singles titles in 2015 season, both at International level, at Strasbourg (d. Mladenovic in F) and Bad Gastein (d. Knapp in F). Was second season where had won multiple titles (also 2013 – Carlsbad, Osaka)
- Achieved 500th career match win (all levels) at 2015 Washington DC.
- Owns two wins over a reigning World No.1: S.Williams (2010 Roland Garros) and Wozniacki (2010 WTA Finals)
- Former doubles World No.1 (spent 61 weeks in top spot) with 25 titles to her name, including 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 1998, and first WTA main draws in 2002, as a wildcard at Gold Coast and Australian Open

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 61st Grand Slam main draw appearance – fourth-most among active players behind V.Williams (81), S.Williams (70) and Kuznetsova (63)
- Owns one Grand Slam singles title, at 2011 US Open (d. S.Williams in F). One of six women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber, Muguruza and Osaka)
- Reached the final at Roland Garros in 2010 (l. Schiavone). Also a three-time Paris semifinalist, in 2009 (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova), 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
- Best result at Wimbledon is reaching 3r three times (2009, 2013, 2015) and at Australian Open made R16 in 2006 (l. Hingis) and 2010 (l. S.Williams)
- In doubles, won 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond), and 2019 Australian Open (w/Zhang)
- Owns three Grand Slam mixed doubles titles: 2005 Australian Open (w/Draper), 2008 Wimbledon (w/B. Bryan) and 2014 Wimbledon (w/Zimonjic)

### **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Mark Hlawaty in Miami. Has worked with Joshua Eagle and David Taylor
- Friend introduced her to tennis at age eight
- Off the court, enjoys going to the beach, swimming in the sea, hanging out with friends, surfing and listening to music

### **CAREER CONT.**

- 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 six 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) and No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage)
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- 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

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Best result prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Before 2015 Melbourne Park SF run, had never previously passed 3r at a major. 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)
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros to date with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – means she has now reached at least QF at all four majors
- At Wimbledon, best result so far is QF in 2015 (l. A.Radwanska)
- 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)

### **PERSONAL**

- During off-season, hired former ATP coach Jim Madrigal; fitness coach is Rodney Marshall
- Past coaches: Jesse Levine, Thomas Hogstedt, Dieter Kindlmann, Lindsay Davenport and David Taylor
- Unveiled as Evian's first American ambassador in 2017
- Prior to 2016 US Open was unveiled as ambassador for FearlesslyGIRL, an organization dedicated to empowering young women and their communities





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## YAFAN WANG (CHN #50) vs. KRISTINA MLADENOVIC (FRA #68)

Head to Head: First meeting

YAFAN WANG	WTA RANKING	KRISTINA MLADENOVIC
50		68
20	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	85
30-04-1994 (24)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	14-05-1993 (25)
\$203,584	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$291,610
\$1,330,897	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$9,293,038
1 / 1	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 1
0 / 3	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 19
3-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	3-6
11-4 / 34-33	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	3-5 / 171-179
5-1 / 11-9	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 54-55
1-0 / 11-5	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 44-47
11-4 / 32-29	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	3-5 / 95-116
2-0 / 3-5	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 9-14
0-0 / 0-2	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 7-9
0-0 / 0-4	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 13-21
0-2 / 1-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-1 / 28-49

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 1r





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### MIAMI Tournament History

#### YAFAN WANG

##### 2018

R16 L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #10) 6-7(1) 7-6(5)  
6-3

#### KRISTINA MLADENOVIC

##### 2018

R2 L - PETRA MARTIC (CRO #40) 3-6 6-4 6-2

##### 2017

R2 L - PATRICIA MARIA TIG (ROU #95) 7-6(4) 6-2

##### 2016

R2 L - NICOLE GIBBS (USA #74) 6-2 6-4

##### 2015

R3 L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10) 6-0 6-2

##### 2014

R1 L - AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #69) 7-6(4) 6-4

##### 2013

R2 L - DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #14) 6-2 6-3

**WANG  
YAFAN**

**VS**

**KRISTINA  
MLADENOVIC**

## MIAMI

- Making second appearance at Miami, reached R16 as a qualifier on her debut here last year, losing to Kerber in 3s in almost three hours after coming within two points of victory
- Is one of nine qualifiers in the tournament's history to make the R16
- Faces Mladenovic for first time in 1r today; owns 4-3 career record against French opponents, most recently losing to Garcia in 1r at 2018 Beijing
- Winner will face No.6 seed Svitolina in 2r
- Contesting 2019 Miami ranked No.50, one spot off her career-high ranking of No.49 which was achieved earlier this month after claiming maiden WTA tour title at Acapulco. By contrast, this time last year was No.125
- One of six Chinese women to start in the Miami Open main draw (also wildcards Xiyu Wang and Xinyu Wang, S.Zhang, S.Zheng (l. 1r to Siniakova), and No.18 seed Q.Wang)

## SEASON

- Lost in 1r at Indian Wells in 3s to Kenin
- Broke into the Top 50 for the first time in her career on March 4, 2019 after title run at Acapulco
- Lifted maiden WTA title - in first final - at Acapulco, rallying from a set and a break down to defeat No.5 seed Kenin in final
- Made QF showing in singles at Hua Hin (l. Linette), reached doubles final with Blinkova (l. Begu/Niculescu)
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Opened 2019 season by reaching fourth career WTA SF, at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlight in 2018 was reaching third career WTA SF at Taipei City (l. eventual champion Babos), where she also won doubles title w/Duan
- Also in 2018, made QF at Bucharest (l. Buzarnescu) – rose to then-career-high No.71 in the rankings after Bucharest run (July 23, 2018) – and won through qualifying to reach R16 at Miami (l. Kerber on 3s); scored second-best win of career over No.23 Suárez Navarro in 2r
- Strong performances at WTA 125K Series events in 2018 highlighted by R-Up finish at Zhengzhou (l. S.Zheng)

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open
- Best result here was a 3r showing in 2015 (l. Petkovic)
- Has lost her opening match here on four occasions, in 1r in 2014 (l. Tomljanovic) and in 2r after byes on past three visits in 2016 (l. Gibbs), 2017 (l. Tig) and 2018 (l. Martić)
- In doubles, made SF here in 2015 w/Babos, losing to eventual champions Hingis/Mirza. Is No.2 seed this fortnight w/Babos, will face Goerges/Halep in 1r
- Faces Wang for first time in 1r today; owns 10-7 career record against Chinese opponents, most recently beating Zheng in 1r at Indian Wells earlier this month
- One of four French players in starting field (also Cornet, No.19 seed Garcia and Parmentier)

## SEASON

- Lost to World No.1 and defending champion Osaka in 2r at Indian Wells
- Made 2r exit at Indian Wells 125K series event (l. Bacsinszky) after 1r bye
- During Middle Eastern swing contested Dubai, and posted her first win over a reigning World No.1, defeating Osaka in 2r en route to R16 (l. Suarez Navarro)
- Had previously lost both matches against reigning No.1s, vs. S. Williams at 2016 Roland Garros and Kerber at 2016 Wuhan
- Began 2019 with 1r exits in Brisbane (l. Aiva), Sydney qualifying (l. Birrell), Australian Open (l. Vekic) and St. Petersburg (l. Ostapenko)
- Sydney marked first time contesting qualifying since 2015 Rome (d. Falconi and Puig to reach main draw). Was first qualifying loss since 2015 Madrid (l. Doi)
- As defending champion in doubles at Australian Open (w/Babos), reached final again in 2019, however lost out to Stosur/Zhang

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Season highlights in 2018 were R-Up finish as St. Petersburg (as defending champion, l. Kvitova in F) and matching her best career result at Wimbledon by reaching 3r (l. eventual R-Up S. Williams)
- In doubles in 2018, won second career Grand Slam doubles title at Australian Open (w/Babos) – defeated Makarova/Vesnina in F. Also finished doubles R-Up at Flushing Meadows York (w/Babos, l. Barty/Vandeweghe) and ended campaign by lifting WTA Finals crown w/Babos (d. Krejčíková/Siniakova in F)



**WANG  
YAFAN**

**VS**

**KRISTINA  
MLADENOVIC**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Season highlight in 2017 was reaching second WTA SF, at Nanchang. Missed first half of 2017 due to illness. Marked comeback with a series of opening round defeats on ITF Circuit before lifting eighth career title at this level at \$25k ITF/Tianjin-CHN
- Made Fed Cup debut for China in 2016
- Having fallen in qualifying at all four Grand Slam events in 2015, made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Australian Open (l. Sakkari in 1r)
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2014 Guangzhou, advancing to SF (l. Niculescu). Defeated No.20 Stosur en route to register first – and to date only – Top 20 win
- Has lost all three matches against Top 5 players: No.5 Wozniacki at 2015 Kuala Lumpur, No.5 Kvitova at 2018 US Open and No.4 Garcia at 2018 Beijing
- Contested WTA qualifying for the first time at 2012 Beijing
- Played first event of career at ITF/Quanzhou-CHN in 2009

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked sixth Grand Slam main draw appearance (14th overall)
- Having fallen in qualifying at all four Grand Slam events in 2015, made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Australian Open (l. Sakkari in 1r)
- Best results are 2r showings at US Open in 2016 (as qualifier, l. Tsurenko) and 2018 (l. Kvitova) and Australian Open in 2019 (l. Barty)
- Also fell 1r at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2018
- Has contested doubles main draw at all four majors

## **PERSONAL**

- Joined up with current coach Karim Miguel Perona Vidal at 2018 Tianjin; also travels with fitness coach Toni Martinez Formerly worked with Alejandro Dulko (brother of ex-WTA doubles No.1 Gisela Dulko)
- Began playing tennis when she was nine
- Born in Nanjing, China

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Owns six Top 5 career wins, over No.2 Li (2014 Roland Garros), No.3 Halep (2015 Birmingham), No.3 Ka.Pliskova (2017 Dubai), No.4 Halep (2017 Indian Wells), No.2 Kerber (2017 Stuttgart) and No.5 Muguruza (2017 Roland Garros)
- Enjoyed best season of career in 2017, making Top 10 debut and lifting first career singles title at Premier-level 2017 St Petersburg (d. Putintseva in F). Passed \$5 million career prize money mark by winning title
- Finished season at No.11 for highest year-end ranking and first inside Top 20. Broke into Top 10 on October 23, 2017
- Reached biggest final of career at Premier Mandatory-level Madrid in 2017 (l. Halep) and was R-Up at Acapulco (l. Tsurenko) and Stuttgart (l. Siegemund)
- Advanced to SF at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Vesnina), en route defeating two seeds, No.4 Halep and No.13 Wozniacki. Result saw her break into Top 20 in WTA Rankings for first time in career, and overtake Garcia to become French No.1
- Qualified as first alternate for 2017 WTA Finals but not called on to play
- Reached two singles finals in 2016, at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe) and Hong Kong (l. Wozniacki), having been runner-up at 2015 Strasbourg (l. Stosur)
- Won four doubles titles in 2016 w/Garcia: Charleston, Stuttgart, Madrid and Roland Garros
- Member of French Fed Cup side that advanced to 2016 competition final against Czech Republic – lost epic singles rubber to Ka.Pliskova, 63 46 16-14 in 3 hours 48 minutes – 30-game final set being longest-ever in a Fed Cup final – as well as decisive doubles rubber (w/Garcia, l. Pliskova/Strycova)
- Broke into Top 100 on September 17, 2012 and Top 50 on March 18, 2013
- Played first WTA qualifying event as wildcard at 2008 Paris [Indoors]

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

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



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YAFAN**

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**KRISTINA  
MLADENOVIC**

### ***GRAND SLAM CONT.***

- Finished R-Up at 2014 Wimbledon (w/Babos), 2016 US Open (w/Garcia), 2018 US Open (w/Babos) and 2019 Australian Open (w/Babos)
- Won mixed doubles at 2013 Wimbledon and 2014 Australian Open, and finished R-Up at 2013 Roland Garros and 2015 Australian Open (all w/Nestor)

### ***PERSONAL***

- Mother is Dzenita (was a pro volleyball player); father is Dragan (was a pro handball player); brother is Luka (soccer player)
- Started playing tennis aged 8 when introduced to sport by parents
- Speaks French, English, Serbian, Italian and Spanish
- Currently without a full-time coach





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## [19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21) vs. VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #46)

Head to Head: CAROLINE GARCIA leads 1-0

2018 CINCINNATI HARD O R2 CAROLINE GARCIA 6-4 7-5 96 mins

CAROLINE GARCIA	WTA RANKING	VICTORIA AZARENKA
21		46
76	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	94
16-10-1993 (25)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	31-07-1989 (29)
\$182,225	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$125,763
\$9,603,270	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$29,404,752
0 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 20
0 / 6	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 7
4-5	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	36-7
5-6 / 192-149	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	5-5 / 434-165
1-1 / 62-54	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-3 / 82-56
1-1 / 51-47	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-1 / 64-43
5-6 / 122-99	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	5-5 / 301-99
0-0 / 17-13	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 45-14
0-0 / 5-23	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 28-40
0-0 / 16-34	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-2 / 64-67
0-0 / 31-60	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-2 / 115-92

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 2r

## ROAD TO THE SECOND ROUND

[19] CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #21)

R128: BYE

VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #46)

R128: d. DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #35) 6-2,3-6,6-4 (2h31)



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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### CAROLINE GARCIA

#### 2018

R2 L - ALISON RISKE (USA #104) 6-3 6-1

#### 2017

R2 L - SHUAI PENG (CHN #43) 6-4 6-0

#### 2016

R3 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #19) 4-6 6-2 7-6(6)

#### 2015

R2 L - KURUMI NARA (JPN #54) 6-3 7-6(9)

#### 2014

R3 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-4 4-6 6-4

#### 2012

R1-Q L - ARANTXA RUS (NED #105) 2-6 6-3 6-1

### VICTORIA AZARENKA

#### 2018

SF L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #12) 3-6 6-2 6-1

#### 2016

F W - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #19) 6-3 6-2

#### 2015

R3 L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #28) 7-6(5) 7-6(6)

#### 2012

QF L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7) 6-3 6-3

#### 2011

F W - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13) 6-1 6-4

#### 2010

R16 L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16) 6-4 6-0

#### 2009

F W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1) 6-3 6-1

#### 2008

R3 L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #4) 1-6 7-5 6-0

#### 2007

R3 L - NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE #8) 6-3 6-3

#### 2006

R3 L - ANASTASIA MYSKINA (RUS #12) 6-3 7-5



**CAROLINE  
GARCIA**

**VS**

**VICTORIA  
AZARENKA**

## MIAMI

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Miami Open (seventh overall)
- Best result here is reaching 3r in 2014 (l. S.Williams) and 2016 (l. Kuznetsova)
- After 1r bye, fell 2r here in 2015 (l. Nara), 2017 (l. Shuai Peng) and 2018 (l. Riske)
- Seeded No.19 - was also seeded in 2015 (No.25), 2017 (No.21) and 2018 (No.7)
- After 1r bye, faces No.46 Azarenka in 2r today; beat the Belarusian in their only previous encounter at 2018 Cincinnati
- One of four Frenchwoman in the draw (also Cornet, Mladenovic and Parmentier). Best result by a Frenchwoman here was Golovin's SF run in 2006

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (after 1r bye, l. Brady)
- Withdrew from Doha w/leg injury. Fell 2r in Dubai (l. Brady)
- Inspired France to 3-1 World Group I win over Belgium in Liège (d. Van Uytvanck and Mertens)
- As No.2 seed made 1r exit at Hua Hin (l. Brady)
- Scored her first wins of the season over qualifier Ponchet and wildcard Hives en route to Australian Open 3r (l. Collins). Has now reached 3r or better on eight of her past nine major appearances (exception was 1r exit to Bencic at 2018 Wimbledon)
- Began season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (l. Jorovic) and Hobart (l. eventual champion Kenin)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2018, won sixth career title at Tianjin; also made semifinals at Stuttgart and Madrid
- Broke into the Top 5 on August 13, 2018 and reached a career-high of No.4 on September 10, 2018
- Became first player to win Wuhan and Beijing back-to-back in 2017. As a result, qualified for WTA Finals. Was ranked No.30 on the Race to Singapore Leaderboard in May 2017
- Best win of her career came over No.2 Halep in 2017 Beijing final
- 2017 Wuhan marked first Premier-5 level title and 2017 Beijing marked first Premier-Mandatory crown; subsequently made Top 10 debut
- Won a career-best 48 main draw matches in 2017 (48-22 record, 2 titles)
- Qualifying for WTA Finals in 2017, became the first Frenchwoman to compete at WTA Finals in singles since Mauresmo in 2006 (l. Henin in F)

## MIAMI

- Making 11th appearance at Miami Open, where she was champion in 2009 (d. S.Williams in F), 2011 (d. S.Williams in F) and 2016 (d. Kuznetsova in F)
- Triumph here in 2016 was 20th – and most recent – title of career (20-16 record)
- One of five former champions in main draw (also S.Williams – 2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-15; V.Williams – 1998-99, 2001; Konta – 2017; Stephens - 2018)
- Completed the 'Sunshine Double' here in 2016 by lifting the back-to-back titles in Indian Wells and Miami to become only third woman (after Graf in 1994 and 1996, and Clijsters in 2005) to do this double
- Last year, became just second wildcard to reach SF here (l. eventual champion Stephens)
- Win over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in last year's QF was seventh over a Top 10 player at Miami
- Since the inception of the WTA Premier Mandatory category in 2009, has won three of the four events: Indian Wells (2012, 2016), Miami (2009, 2011, 2016) and Beijing (2012). Only two other players have won three of the four Premier Mandatory tournaments – also S.Williams (Miami, Madrid, Beijing) and Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing)
- Overcame No.35 Cibulkova on Wednesday in what was their 11th career meeting and first since 2015
- Faces No.19 seed Garcia in 2r today; owns a perfect 10-0 record in 2r matches at Miami, winning nine of these in straight sets
- As a wildcard, teaming up with Barty in doubles this fortnight. The pair will face top seeds Krejčíková/Siniakova in 1r

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (d. compatriot Lapko in 1r before falling to S.Williams). Faced S.Williams in their 22nd career meeting - the only player S.Williams has faced more in her career is sister Venus (30 meetings)
- Win over Lapko in 1r at Indian Wells marked 300th career main draw win on hard courts
- Recorded back-to-back match-wins at a tournament for the first time this season when reaching QF at Acapulco (l. Kenin)
- Also won seventh career doubles title - and first since 2011 - in Acapulco (w/S.Zheng d. Krawczyk/Olmos in F)
- Lost to Kvitová in 2r at St. Petersburg
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Australian Open (l. Siegemund) and Auckland (l. V.Williams)



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**VICTORIA  
AZARENKA**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Played 2015 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (l. Osaka in F)
- Represented France at 2016 Rio Olympics in singles (2r) and doubles (1r, w/Mladenovic)
- Member of French Fed Cup team that advanced to 2016 competition final vs. Czech Republic
- Made professional debut at 13 on ITF Circuit in France in 2007

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Ka.Pliskova) for best Grand Slam singles result to date
- Has also reached R16 at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Konta), 2018 Australian Open (l. Keys) and 2018 Roland Garros (l. Kerber)
- Made US Open 3r in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska), 2017 (l. Kvitova) and 2018 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- In 2016 was doubles champion at Roland Garros and R-Up at US Open (both w/Mladenovic)
- In juniors, singles runner-up at 2011 US Open (l. Min) and was a semifinalist at the other three Grand Slam events

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by father, Louis Paul Garcia
- Played many sports when she was younger and chose tennis because it was the one she enjoyed the most
- Enjoys reading and spending time with family
- Endorsement portfolio includes Rolex, Nike, Yonex and Sothys beauty products

## **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Highlights of 2018 season were SF at Miami (l. Stephens and QFs at San Jose and Tokyo)
- Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child Leo 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 up with R16 showing at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Halep). Did not play any tournaments 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 (first title since 2013 Cincinnati) and 'Sunshine Double' of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
- Miami marked 20th tour-level singles title of career (20-16 record in finals)
- 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 London 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

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 46th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and again in 2013 (d. Li in F). Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2012 and 2013 US Open (losing to S.Williams both times in 3s)
- Reached Wimbledon SF in 2011 and 2012, while best result at Roland Garros has been SF appearance in 2013



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**VICTORIA  
AZARENKA**

### ***GRAND SLAM CONT.***

- Three Grand Slam doubles R-Up, at 2008 Australian Open (w/Peer), 2009 Roland Garros (w/Vesnina) and 2011 Australian Open (w/Kirilenko). 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

### ***PERSONAL***

- Hired Wim Fissette as her full-time coach during the 2018 offseason. This partnership proved to be successful after their first stint together in 2016 prior to Vika's pregnancy. Formerly coached by 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
- At 15, moved from hometown Minsk to train in Scottsdale, Arizona





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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 2 MATCH-UPS

### VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #46) vs. DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #35)

#### Azarenka leads 7-3

Players meeting in first match on new 14,000 capacity Stadium court... **Cibulkova** has won pair's past two meetings... **Azarenka** one of five former champions in the draw

### IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU (ROU #70) vs. BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24)

#### Series tied 1-1

**Andreescu** beat **Begu** 14 days ago, at same stage of Indian Wells... **Begu** reached fourth round here in 2016... **Andreescu** bidding for 29th win (at all levels) of the season

### ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #67) vs. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73)

#### First meeting

**Petkovic** a two-time semifinalist in Miami... **Anisimova** a direct main draw entrant here for the first time... Winner faces Kontaveit in second round

### EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #69) vs. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83)

#### Stosur leads 2-0

**Stosur** dropped only seven games combined in pair's two previous meetings... **Rodina** playing only second main draw match at Miami... **Stosur**, by contrast, is in the main draw for a 13th time

### [WC] XIYU WANG (CHN #190) vs. MONICA PUIG (PUR #61)

#### First meeting

**Puig** defeated World No.2 Wozniacki en route to fourth round last year... **Wang** has risen 300 ranking spots in past 12 months... **Puig** raised in southern Florida

## MIAMI MASTER

**Victoria Azarenka** is bidding for her 36th match win in Miami today when she takes on **Dominika Cibulkova**.

Only four players in the tournament's history have won more matches than the Belarusian:

PLAYER	WINS	LOSSES	WIN %
Serena Williams	75	9	.893
Venus Williams	64	15	.810
Stefanie Graf	59	6	.908
Gabriela Sabatini	45	11	.804
Victoria Azarenka	35	7	.833
Svetlana Kuznetsova	34	15	.694

## THE DOUBLE

**Bianca Andreescu's** fairytale run in Indian Wells ended in her being crowned the youngest champion there this millennium.

On Wednesday, she begins her quest to become only the fourth woman to do the 'Sunshine Double' and win back-to-back Indian Wells and Miami titles.

#### PLAYERS TO COMPLETE 'SUNSHINE DOUBLE'

PLAYER	YEAR
Stefanie Graf	1994
Stefanie Graf	1996
Kim Clijsters	2005
Victoria Azarenka	2016

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## VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #46) vs. DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA (SVK #35)

Head to Head: VICTORIA AZARENKA leads 7-3

2016	ACAPULCO	HARD O	R16	DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA	W/O	
2015	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD O	R16	DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA	6-2 3-6 6-3	130 mins
2012	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY O	R16	DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA	6-2 7-6(4)	107 mins
2012	ROME	CLAY O	R16	DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA	W/O	
2012	MIAMI	HARD O	R16	VICTORIA AZARENKA	1-6 7-6(7) 7-5	168 mins
2011	MIAMI	HARD O	R3	VICTORIA AZARENKA	3-6 6-3 6-4	133 mins
2010	SYDNEY	HARD O	QF	VICTORIA AZARENKA	2-6 6-2 7-5	140 mins
2008	AMELIA ISLAND	CLAY O	R2	DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA	7-5 4-6 6-2	150 mins
2008	GOLD COAST	HARD O	QF	VICTORIA AZARENKA	6-1 3-6 6-3	123 mins
2007	US OPEN	HARD O	R2	VICTORIA AZARENKA	6-2 6-2	N/A
2007	PRAGUE	CLAY O	QF	VICTORIA AZARENKA	6-1 6-1	N/A
2006	TASHKENT	HARD O	R16	VICTORIA AZARENKA	6-4 6-4	N/A

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0-1 / 45-14	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 31-29
0-1 / 28-40	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 20-36
0-2 / 64-67	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 37-63
0-2 / 115-92	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 70-109

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 1r





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## MIAMI Tournament History

### VICTORIA AZARENKA

2018				
SF	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #12)	3-6	6-2	6-1
2016				
F	W - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #19)	6-3	6-2	
2015				
R3	L - FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA #28)	7-6(5)	7-6(6)	
2012				
QF	L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #7)	6-3	6-3	
2011				
F	W - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13)	6-1	6-4	
2010				
R16	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-4	6-0	
2009				
F	W - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	6-3	6-1	
2008				
R3	L - SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (RUS #4)	1-6	7-5	6-0
2007				
R3	L - NICOLE VAIDISOVA (CZE #8)	6-3	6-3	
2006				
R3	L - ANASTASIA MYSKINA (RUS #12)	6-3	7-5	

### DOMINIKA CIBULKOVA

2017				
R16	L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #36)	7-6(5)	6-1	
2016				
R2	L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #4)	6-7(3)	6-3	7-5
2014				
SF	L - NA LI (CHN #2)	7-5	2-6	6-3
2013				
R16	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	2-6	6-4	6-2
2012				
R16	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #1)	1-6	7-6(7)	7-5
2011				
R3	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #8)	3-6	6-3	6-4
2010				
R3	L - JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #33)	6-4	6-4	
2009				
R3	L - ANABEL MEDINA GARRIGUES (ESP #21)	7-6(4)	1-6	5-5
2008				
R3	L - ELENA DEMENTIEVA (RUS #11)	6-0	6-7(1)	6-4
2007				
R1	L - YAROSLAVA SHVEDOVA (KAZ #84)	6-3	6-1	

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AZARENKA**

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CIBULKOVA**

## MIAMI

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- Win over No.6 Ka.Pliskova in last year's QF was seventh over a Top 10 player at Miami
- Since the inception of the WTA Premier Mandatory category in 2009, has won three of the four events: Indian Wells (2012, 2016), Miami (2009, 2011, 2016) and Beijing (2012). Only two other players have won three of the four Premier Mandatory tournaments – also S.Williams (Miami, Madrid, Beijing) and Sharapova (Indian Wells, Madrid, Beijing)
- Faces No.35 Cibulkova today in their 11th career meeting and first since 2015.
- Withdrew from 2r meeting against Cibulkova at 2016 Acapulco w/left wrist injury
- Today's match is the first ever to be played on the 14,000 capacity main court here at the Hard Rock Stadium
- Winner faces No.19 seed Garcia in 2r
- Holds a perfect 10-0 record in 1r matches in Miami, winning all 10 matches in straight sets. Earliest exit here is 3r: 2006-08 and 2015
- As a wildcard, teaming up with Barty in doubles this fortnight. The pair will face top seeds Krejčíková/Siniakova in 1r

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (d. compatriot Lapko in 1r before falling to S.Williams). Faced S.Williams in their 22nd career meeting - the only player S.Williams has faced more in her career is sister Venus (30 meetings)
- Win over Lapko in 1r at Indian Wells marked 300th career main draw win on hard courts
- Recorded back-to-back match-wins at a tournament for the first time this season when reaching QF at Acapulco (l. Kenin)
- Also won seventh career doubles title - and first since 2011 - in Acapulco (w/S.Zheng d. Krawczyk/Olmos in F)
- Lost to Kvitová in 2r at St. Petersburg
- Suffered back-to-back 1r exits at Australian Open (l. Siegemund) and Auckland (l. V.Williams)

## MIAMI

- Making 11th main draw appearance at Miami, where best result was SF showing in 2014 (l. Li Na)
- Also reached R16 in 2012 (l. today's opponent Azarenka), 2013 (l. S.Williams) and 2017 (l. Safarova)
- Was forced to withdraw from Miami in 2018 due to illness
- Faces No.46 Azarenka today for the 11th time in their careers; only other occasion was ranked higher than Azarenka was at 2015 Australian Open (then-No.10 Cibulkova d. then-No.44 Azarenka)
- Aiming for her second win of 2019 following Dubai (d. Arruabarrena in 1r, l. Ka.Pliskova in 2r)
- One of four Slovakian women competing in the singles field this fortnight – also Kuzmova, Rybarikova and Schmiedlova

## SEASON

- After 1r bye at Indian Wells, fell to eventual champion Andreescu in 2r
- Notched first win of 2019 at Dubai (d. Arruabarrena in 3s before falling to Ka.Pliskova in 2r)
- Withdrew from St. Petersburg w/viral illness
- Opened season with 1r exits at Sydney (l. Stosur) and Australian Open (l. Zhang) - first time she has failed to post a win in Australia since 2007

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted ninth career Top 30 finish in 2018 (at No.25), reaching finals at Budapest (l. Van Uytvanck) and Strasbourg (l. Pavlyuchenkova). Record in WTA finals now stands at 8-13 (most recent title came at 2016 WTA Finals in Singapore)
- Held 2mp in Strasbourg final against Pavlyuchenkova; match lasted 3h 35m – the longest non-Slam match of the 2018 season
- Also made QFs in 2018 at Sydney, Wimbledon, Wuhan and Beijing and R16 at US Open
- Upset World No.1 Halep in 2r at Wuhan; now has 5-11 record against current World No.1s, with other wins over Wozniacki at 2011 Sydney and 2011 Wimbledon, Azarenka 2012 Roland Garros and Kerber at 2016 WTA Finals
- 2017 was highlighted by R-Up finish at New Haven (l. Gavrilova). Posted career-high ranking on March 20, 2017 at No.4 following run to R16 at Indian Wells
- Won first WTA doubles title of career at 2017 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Flipkens)
- Capped 2016 by winning biggest title of career to date at WTA Finals in Singapore – went 1-2 in group stage before defeating No.9 Kuznetsova in SF and World No.1 Kerber in final



**VICTORIA  
AZARENKA**

**VS**

**DOMINIKA  
CIBULKOVA**

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlights of 2018 season were SF at Miami (l. Stephens and QFs at San Jose and Tokyo)
- Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child Leo 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 up with R16 showing at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Halep). Did not play any tournaments 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 (first title since 2013 Cincinnati) and 'Sunshine Double' of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
- Miami marked 20th tour-level singles title of career (20-16 record in finals)
- 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 London 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

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 46th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Is a two-time Grand Slam champion, winning the Australian Open in 2012 (d. Sharapova in F) and again in 2013 (d. Li in F). Also a two-time Grand Slam runner-up, at 2012 and 2013 US Open (losing to S.Williams both times in 3s)
- Reached Wimbledon SF in 2011 and 2012, while best result at Roland Garros has been SF appearance in 2013

## CAREER CONT.

- At No.7, became lowest seeded player to triumph at WTA Finals since No.7 seed V.Williams in 2008; first debutante to win WTA Finals since Kvitova in 2011
- Won 2016 WTA Comeback Player of the Year award – ended 2015 ranked No.38 having been sidelined for four months with a left Achilles problem, with ranking dipping as low as No.66 in February 2016
- Won career-high 53 matches in 2016 (previous best was 42 matches in 2011)
- Won a WTA-leading four singles titles in 2016 – qualified for Singapore by virtue of lifting trophy at Linz (d. Golubic in F) after earlier wins at Katowice (d. Giorgi in F) and Eastbourne (d. Ka.Pliskova in F). In 2016 also reached finals at Acapulco (l. Stephens), Madrid (l. Halep) and Wuhan (l. Kvitova)
- Earlier titles came at 2011 Moscow, 2012 Carlsbad, 2013 Stanford and 2014 Acapulco
- Owns 37 victories over Top 10 opponents (eight coming in 2016) including five over reigning World No.1s: Wozniacki at 2011 Sydney and 2011 Wimbledon, Azarenka at 2012 Roland Garros, Kerber at 2016 WTA Finals and Halep at 2018 Wuhan
- Made Top 10 debut at No.10 on March 31, 2014 (after Miami)
- Broke into Top 20 on August 4, 2008
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2005 Rabat and main draw debut at 2006 Istanbul

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 45th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result across the majors came with runner-up finish at 2014 Australian Open (l. Li). Defeated four seeds en route to final at Melbourne Park, including No.3 Sharapova and No.5 A.Radwanska to become first player representing Slovakia (male or female) to reach a Grand Slam singles final
- At Roland Garros, advanced to SF in 2009 (l. eventual R-Up Safina) and QF in 2012 (l. Stosur)
- Also, a quarterfinalist at Wimbledon in 2011, 2016 and 2018, and at US Open in 2010

## PERSONAL

- In February 2014 launched her own sportswear and accessories line, 'Domi', which incorporates her on-court Slovak catch-cry 'Pome!'; proceeds go to her foundation which assists athletes and other notables in her native Slovakia who have fallen on tough times
- Married husband Michal 'Miso' Navara in Bratislava in July 2016, after Wimbledon
- Coached by Matej Liptak; fitness trainer and physio is Jozef Ivanko



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## **GRAND SLAM CONT.**

- Three Grand Slam doubles R-Up, at 2008 Australian Open (w/Peer), 2009 Roland Garros (w/Vesnina) and 2011 Australian Open (w/Kirilenko). 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

## **PERSONAL**

- Hired Wim Fissette as her full-time coach during the 2018 offseason. This partnership proved to be successful after their first stint together in 2016 prior to Vika's pregnancy. Formerly coached by 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
- At 15, moved from hometown Minsk to train in Scottsdale, Arizona



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## IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU (ROU #70) vs. BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #24)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

2019	INDIAN WELLS	HARD O	R1	BIANCA ANDREESCU	6-7(3) 6-3 6-3	143 mins
2018	FED CUP WEEK 1	HARD I	R1	IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU	6-3 6-7(4) 6-2	160 mins

IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU	WTB RANKING	BIANCA ANDREESCU
70		24
65	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	5
26-08-1990 (28)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	16-06-2000 (18)
\$147,171	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,489,031
\$4,820,399	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$1,704,919
0 / 4	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 1
1 / 9	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
5-6	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	0-0
6-6 / 164-161	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	17-3 / 20-8
2-3 / 62-52	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	5-3 / 6-6
2-2 / 38-36	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	3-3 / 5-3
6-6 / 79-92	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	15-3 / 17-6
0-2 / 10-16	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	4-0 / 4-0
0-0 / 2-16	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-0 / 1-0
0-1 / 6-27	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	3-0 / 3-0
0-1 / 12-42	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	5-2 / 6-2

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 1r

## MIAMI Tournament History

### IRINA-CAMELIA BEGU

2018		
R1	L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93)	6-1 6-1
2017		
R2	L - LARA ARRUABARRENA (ESP #72)	3-6 6-4 6-3
2016		
R16	L - MADISON KEYS (USA #24)	6-3 6-1
2015		
R3	L - AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA (POL #8)	6-2 4-6 6-2
2013		
R2	L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #29)	6-3 6-4



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2012

R1 L - CHANELLE SCHEEPERS (RSA #42) 3-6 6-3 6-0



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BEGU**

**VS**

**BIANCA  
ANDREESCU**

## MIAMI

- Making seventh appearance at Miami Open, where her best result is run to R16 in 2016 (l. Keys)
- Has lost opening match on three occasions, in 2012 (l. Scheepers), 2017 (after 1r bye, l. Arruabarrena) and 2018 (l. Collins)
- Faces Andreescu in 1r today; lost to the Canadian in 1r at Indian Wells, having led 3-1 in the final set
- Best career results across the four WTA Premier Mandatory events are QF runs at Madrid in 2015 and 2016
- Is one of three Romanians in draw (Buzarnescu and Halep). Niculescu is also in final round of qualifying
- Playing doubles this fortnight w/Buzarnescu; pair face No.8 seeds Chan/Chan in 1r

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r exit last week at WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara (l. Errani)
- A week before this, fell 1r at Indian Wells (l. today's opponent Andreescu)
- Reached QF at Budapest (l. Vondrousova) and 2r at Hua Hin (l. S.Zheng)
- Began season with 1r exit at Shenzhen (l. Kudermetova), followed by QF showing at Hobart (l. Schmiedlova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- 2018 marked fifth consecutive Top 100 season, finishing at No.66
- Won two doubles titles in 2018 – Shenzhen and Bucharest – finishing the year at a career-best No.23 in the WTA Doubles Rankings. Reached SF stage of 2018 Australian Open doubles event w/Niculescu
- Defeated No.5 Ostapenko at 2018 Madrid for second Top 5 win of career having beaten No.4 Muguruza at 2016 Madrid
- Reached two singles SFs - Shenzhen and Istanbul - and one QF last season
- 2017 season was highlighted by lifting career fourth singles title at Bucharest without dropping a set (d. Goerges in F); also took home the doubles trophy without dropping a set (as No.1 seeds w/Olaru, d. No.2 seeds Mertens/Schuurs in F)
- Also in 2017 reached two SFs in 2017: Istanbul (l. Mertens) and Moscow (l. Kasatkina), and one QF at Charleston (l. eventual champion Kasatkina)
- In 2016, equaled best Slam result at Roland Garros by reaching R16 (l. Rogers) – also advanced to R16 at 2015 Australian Open (l. Bouchard). With Halep also reaching R16 at 2016 Roland Garros, was first time since 1997 two Romanian women reached R16 at Paris since 1997 (Spirlea and Dragomir)



## MIAMI

- Making debut appearance at Miami, which is the ninth WTA main draw appearance of her career
- Playing second WTA Premier Mandatory tournament of career, fresh from winning the title at her first at Indian Wells on Sunday
- Bidding to become only the fourth woman to win Indian Wells and Miami back-to-back, after Graf (1994, 1996), Clijsters (2005) and Azarenka (2016)
- Plays Begu in 1r today; faced the Romanian at the same stage in Indian Wells 14 days ago
- Winner faces No.32 seed Kenin in 2r
- Entering Miami has won 28 matches this season across all levels (ITF, WTA 125Ks, WTA qualifying, WTA main draw), more than any player in 2019
- Ten of these wins have been over Top 50 players; prior to this season, sole Top 50 win was against No.13 Mladenovic at 2017 Washington DC
- At 18, is one of 10 teenagers in main draw (before the end of qualifying); best result by a qualifier at 2018 Miami was Kenin's 3r showing
- Playing Indian Wells ranked at a career-high No.24 - highest-ranked teenager on tour. Finished 2018 ranked No.178, made her Top 100 debut after the Australian Open this year

## SEASON

- Coming off winning maiden career title at Indian Wells (d. No.6 Svitolina in SF and No.8 Kerber in F)
- Was fourth unseeded woman and first wildcard to lift the title at Indian Wells
- Increased career prize money fivefold thanks to Indian Wells success (total stood at USD \$350,909 entering the tournament)
- Made SF at Acapulco (l. Kenin)
- Won both singles rubbers (d. Rus and Hogenkamp) as Canada beat Netherlands 4-0 in Fed Cup to set up a World Group play-off with 2018 champions Czech Republic in April
- Won title at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach (d. Pegula in F)
- Qualified for Australian Open, going on to reach 2r for first time at a major (d. Osuigwe, l. Sevastova)
- Began 2019 by finishing R-Up at Auckland as a qualifier (d. Wozniacki, d. V.Williams, l. Goerges)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 ranked No.178, winning fourth and fifth career ITF Circuit titles at \$25k ITF/Florence-SC, USA and \$25k ITF/Norman-OK, USA
- Fell in qualifying at all four majors in 2018

**IRINA-CAMELIA  
BEGU**

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**BIANCA  
ANDREESCU**

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Represented Romania at 2016 Rio Olympics, making 1r exits in singles (l. Hibino) and doubles (w/Niculescu, l. Chan/Chan)
- Other notable results in 2016 included SF at Rome (l. S.Williams), QF at Charleston (l. Kerber) and QF at Madrid (l. Halep)
- Posted best ranking at No.22 (August 22, 2016)
- In run to QF at 2016 Madrid was one of four Romanians for reach QF – which was first time this had occurred at a Premier Mandatory event (also Halep, Cirstea and Tig). Secured two milestones during Madrid: career-best win vs. No.4 Muguruza, and 300th match win of career (all levels) with R16 defeat of McHale
- Owns four WTA singles titles from seven finals, lifting the trophies at 2012 Tashkent, 2015 Seoul, 2016 Florianopolis and 2017 Bucharest
- Owns eight WTA doubles titles from 15 finals, most recently at 2018 Bucharest (w/Mitu)
- Struggled with right shoulder injury in 2013 – first felt pain at 2013 Australian Open and missed three months of action; says confidence as well as ranking suffered
- Holds 11 singles titles and 19 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Voted WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2011 (media vote)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 31st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best results at the majors are R16 showings at 2015 Australian Open (l. Bouchard) and 2016 Roland Garros (l. Rogers)
- Also made 3r at Wimbledon in 2015 and 2r at US Open in 2012 and 2014
- Made Grand Slam debut at 2011 Roland Garros, reaching 2r (d. Rezai, l. Kuznetsova)
- In doubles, reached SF stage at 2018 Australian Open (w/Niculescu) and QF at 2017 Roland Garros (w/Zheng)

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Artemon Apostu
- Started playing tennis at age 3 with aunt, who was a coach
- Did gymnastics and played handball when younger
- Idol growing up was Martina Hingis

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Highlight of 2017 season was QF run at Washington DC (l. Petkovic). As wildcard, defeated Giorgi and world No.13 Mladenovic in 2r to become first player born in 21st century to register at Top 20 win
- Also in 2017, made 2r at Quebec City and fell 1r at Wimbledon and Toronto
- Highlight of 2016 season was maiden ITF Circuit title at \$25k ITF/Gatineau-CAN (d. Halbauer in F). Also won doubles at same tournament w/Robillard-Millette
- Career best win was over No.3 Wozniacki at 2019 Auckland
- Posted career-high ranking of No.24 on March 18, 2019
- Made professional debut by finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Gatineau-CAN (l. Glatch in F)
- Owns five singles and three doubles titles on ITF Circuit

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Best Grand Slam result was 2r showing at 2019 Australian Open (as qualifier, d. Osuigwe, l. Sevastova)
- Only other main draw major appearance came as a qualifier at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Kucova)
- Also fell in qualifying at 2017 Roland Garros, 2017 US Open, 2018 Australian Open, 2018 Roland Garros, 2018 Wimbledon and 2018 US Open

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Sylvain Bruneau
- Born in Mississauga, Ontario, but moved to her parents' native country of Romania as a child and started playing tennis at age seven
- On her return to Canada, at 11 joined Tennis Canada's U14 National Training Centre in Toronto for the 2011–2012 season
- Models her game on Simona Halep





# MATCH NOTES

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## ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #67) vs. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73)

Head to Head: First meeting

ANDREA PETKOVIC	WTA RANKING	AMANDA ANISIMOVA
67		73
165	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	41
09-09-1987 (31)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	31-08-2001 (17)
\$88,833	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$235,685
\$7,211,411	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$596,426
0 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
14-8	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	1-1
1-4 / 250-190	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	6-4 / 17-11
0-1 / 86-70	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 1-5
1-0 / 51-49	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 2-1
1-4 / 160-129	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	6-4 / 17-10
0-0 / 27-20	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 1-4
0-0 / 5-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 0-1
0-1 / 13-33	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 1-3
0-1 / 36-75	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 2-4

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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ANDREA PETKOVIC

2018	
R2	L - DARIA GAVRILOVA (AUS #26) 7-6(3) 6-4
2017	
R1	L - JANA CEPELOVA (SVK #105) 6-2 6-4
2016	
R2	L - CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #48) 7-6(5) 3-6 7-6(2)
2015	
SF	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12) 6-3 6-3
2014	
R2	L - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #22) 6-2 6-7(0) 6-4

### AMANDA ANISIMOVA

2018	
R2	L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #3) W/O
2017	
R1	L - TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #111) 2-6 6-2 6-3



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### 2013

R3 L - AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #242) 0-6 6-4 7-6(1)

### 2011

SF L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13) 3-6 6-0 6-2

### 2010

R3 L - YAROSLAVA SHVEDOVA (KAZ #48) 6-0 5-7 7-5

### 2009

R1-Q L - MARIYA KORYTTSEVA (UKR #104) 6-4 7-6(7)

**ANDREA  
PETKOVIC**

**VS**

**AMANDA  
ANISIMOVA**

## MIAMI

- Making her ninth main draw appearance at the Miami Open and her 10th overall
- Made SF in 2011 (d. No.1 Wozniacki and No.7 Jan-kovic, I. Sharapova) and 2015 (d. No.9 Makarova, I. Suarez Navarro)
- Has lost her opening main draw match at Miami on two occasions, in 2016 (after 1r bye, I. Garcia) and 2017 (I. Cepelova)
- Last year, contested qualifying here for first time since 2009, going on to reach 2r (d. Hercog in 1r, I. Gavrilo)va)
- Faces No.73 Anisimova today. Last Top 100 wins came during QF run at 2018 Luxembourg (d. No.49 Van Uytvanck and No.33 Siniakova)
- Winner will play No.21 seed Kontaveit in 2r
- One of five Germans in the main draw along with Goerges, Friedsam, Kerber and Maria. Graf is the only German woman to have lifted the title here in 1987-88 and 1994-96

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r loss at Indian Wells (I. V.Williams in 3s)
- Won first main draw match of the season when defeating Bogdan in 1r at Budapest before falling in 2r to Potapova
- Defeated by Sabalenka in straight sets during Germany's 4-0 Fed Cup World Group first-round loss against Belarus in Braunschweig in February
- Fell in qualifying at St Petersburg (I. Vikhlyuntseva)
- Retired in 1r at the Australian Open with heatstroke (I. Begu)
- Failed to qualify at Brisbane, losing in final round to Dart

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.64. Season highlighted by SF finishes at Washington (I. eventual champion Kuznetsova), Guangzhou (I. eventual champion Q.Wang) and Linz (I. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
- Achieved best Grand Slam result since 2015 by reaching 3r of 2018 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Halep)
- Ended 2017 ranked No.97 – eighth Top 100 finish of career and just the second outside the Top 50 since 2012
- Season highlighted by SF run at 2017 Washington D.C. (I. Goerges)
- Posted three wins vs. Top 50 players in 2017: No.28 Begu and Bertens twice – once No.27 and No.30

## MIAMI

- Making third appearance at Miami and first as a direct entrant
- Made WTA main draw debut here as wildcard in 2017, falling to qualifier Townsend in 1r
- Also granted wildcard in 2018, upsetting Q.Wang in 1r before withdrawing prior to 2r match vs. Muguruza with what turned out to be a right foot fracture. Spent six weeks in a protective boot
- Faces Petkovic in 1r today; in only previous career match against a German lost to Maria 2-6 6-2 6-0 in qualifying at 2018 Beijing
- One of 10 teenagers in main draw (before end of qualifying); best showing by a teenager here in 2018 was Kenin's run to 3r
- Set career-high ranking last month, at No.59 (February 4, 2019)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r showing at Indian Wells (I. Mertens)
- Fell 1r at Acapulco in the end February (I. Flink via ret. w/illness)
- Made Australian Open debut in January, and posted best Grand Slam result, reaching R16 (d. Sabalenka in 3r, I. eventual champion Kvitova)
- At 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at Melbourne Park since Vaidiso-va in 2006 (16 yrs 281 days), and across all Slams since Paszek at 2007 US Open (16 yrs 277 days)
- At Slam level, had previously failed to make it past 1r at 2017 Roland Garros (I. Nara) and 2018 US Open (I. Townsend)
- Opened 2019 season with 1r exit at Auckland (I. Kuzmova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.95 to record first Top 100 finish, up from No.192 in 2017 – was No.761 in 2016
- Enjoyed breakout year in 2018, finishing R-Up at Hiroshima (I. Hsieh in F) and reaching R16 at Indian Wells (I. No.5 Ka.Pliskova) - San Jose (I. Buzarnescu) and Cincinnati (I. Svitolina)
- Became the joint-youngest player to reach R16 at Indian Wells, along with Majoli, who made SF in 1994 (both aged 16 years, 199 days)
- Earned first Top 10 win of career over No.9 Kvitova in 3r at 2018 Indian Wells – youngest player to record a Top 10 win since 2005 when Vaidiso-va defeated then No.9 Petrova to win the title in Bangkok





**ANDREA  
PETKOVIC**

**VS**

**AMANDA  
ANISIMOVA**

## CAREER CONT.

- Scored best result of 2016 with SF run at Doha (ret. vs. Ostapenko); advanced to SF by defeating No.5 Muguruza; first win over a Top 5 opponent since d. No.2 Azarenka at 2013 Beijing. Also in 2016, posted three QF runs (Luxembourg, Dubai and Brisbane)
- Bowed out of 2016 Rio Olympics in 1r of singles (l. Svitolina) and 1r of doubles (w/Kerber, l. Errani/Vinci)
- Owns 13-33 lifetime record vs. Top 10 opponents, most recent win coming over No.3 Stephens (2018 Washington D.C.)
- Is a former Top 10 player, cracking the elite bracket at No.9 in September of 2011 and again in May 2015
- Won sixth WTA singles title at 2015 Antwerp (d. Suárez Navarro in F via w/o – neck injury); owns a 6-11 record in finals, with four of six titles coming on clay – the biggest being at Charleston (d. Cepelova in F). Notably also won the Tournament of Champions-Sofia in 2014 (d. Muguruza in SF and Pennetta in F)
- Is a two-time doubles runner-up, at 2009 Bad Gastein (w/Maria) and 2016 Brisbane (w/Kerber)
- Suffered right knee injury at Hopman Cup at end of December 2012, which forced her to miss 2013 Australian and Middle East swings; returned to tour at Indian Wells. Ranking dropped as low as No.177 in March 2013
- Member of German Fed Cup Team, 2007, 2010-12, 2014-18
- Made first WTA appearances as a WC in qualifying at 2002 Hamburg and Leipzig

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 37th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best result at a Slam came at 2014 Roland Garros, where she advanced to SF (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- In 2011, her most consistent year at the majors, reached QF at Australian Open (l. Li), Roland Garros (l. Sharapova) and US Open (l. Wozniacki)
- At Wimbledon, has advanced to 3r on three occasions, in 2011 (l. Pervak), 2014 (l. Bouchard) and 2015 (l. Diyas)

## PERSONAL

- Coached by Dusan Vemic
- Began playing at age 6 when father introduced her to the sport
- Speaks French, German, English, Serbian
- Favorite authors are Goethe, Wilde, Flaubert; people most admired are Goethe (genius in writing) and Che Guevara (genius in fighting)

## CAREER CONT.

- Prior to 2018 Indian Wells had played only two tour-level main draw matches (l. Townsend at 2017 Miami; l. Nara 2017 Roland Garros), adding her first three tour-level main draw wins (No.94 Parmentier, No.23 Pavlyuchenkova, No.9 Kvitova) before losing in R16 to No.5 Ka. Pliskova
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Miami (l. Townsend in 3s)
- Contested qualifying at 2017 US Open. In final event of season, reached 2r at WTA 125k Series event at Honolulu (l. Jang)
- Also in 2017, reached four ITF Circuit finals, winning \$60k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA and finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Curtiba-BRA, \$80k ITF/Indian Harbour Beach, FL-USA and \$60k ITF/Dothan, AL-USA
- Made professional debut during qualifying draw for 2016 US Open (d. No.123 Cepede Royg 6-3 6-4, l. Hozumi in final set tie-break in 2r)
- Reached No.2 in junior world rankings

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian open marked third Grand Slam main draw appearance (fifth overall)
- Best result came with R16 run at 2019 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Kvitova)
- At 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at Melbourne Park since Vaidiso-va 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 (16yrs 254 days) and at Australian Open since Capriati in 1993
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2017 Roland Garros (as wildcard, led 6-3 4-2 before losing to Nara in 1r)
- Suffered 1r exit at 2018 US Open (l. Townsend); fell in qualifying in 2016 and 2017
- In juniors, won US Open girls' singles in 2017 and was R-Up at 2016 Roland Garros

## PERSONAL

- Coached by father Konstantin
- Mother is Olga, 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







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## EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #69) vs. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83)

Head to Head: SAMANTHA STOSUR leads 2-0

2017	PRAGUE	CLAY O	R1	SAMANTHA STOSUR	6-2	6-3	69 mins
2015	US OPEN	HARD O	R2	SAMANTHA STOSUR	6-1	6-1	51 mins

EVGENIYA RODINA	WTA RANKING	SAMANTHA STOSUR
69		83
62	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	146
04-02-1989 (30)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	30-03-1984 (34)
\$101,501	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$387,784
\$2,159,431	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$18,171,746
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 9
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 26
0-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	17-12
2-6 / 67-98	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	1-5 / 451-331
2-2 / 22-23	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 123-119
2-0 / 24-13	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 92-107
2-6 / 43-62	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	1-5 / 265-212
0-1 / 3-6	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 42-39
0-0 / 0-6	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 17-43
0-0 / 0-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 31-81
0-0 / 1-17	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 72-145

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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### EVGENIYA RODINA

#### 2018

R1-Q L - FRANCOISE ABANDA (CAN #124) 6-4 6-3

#### 2017

R32-Q L - PATRICIA MARIA TIG (ROU #95) 3-6 6-3 6-2

#### 2016

R1-Q L - JANA CEPELOVA (SVK #126) 7-5 6-4

#### 2015

R1 L - HEATHER WATSON (GBR #41) 3-6 6-1 7-5

#### 2012

R1-Q L - URSZULA RADWANSKA (POL #98) 3-6 6-1 6-2

#### 2011

R1-Q L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #192) 3-6 6-4 6-3

#### 2010

R1-Q L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #136) 6-2 6-1

#### 2008

R1-Q L - MARIYA KORYTTSEVA (UKR #59) 6-3 6-4

### SAMANTHA STOSUR

#### 2018

R1 L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #82) 6-3 6-4

#### 2017

R16 L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5) 4-6 7-5 6-2

#### 2016

R2 L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #66) 3-6 6-1 6-4

#### 2015

R3 L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16) 6-4 7-6(3)

#### 2014

R3 L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #104) 5-7 7-5 7-5

#### 2012

R16 L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #11) 7-5 6-3

#### 2011

R16 L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13) 6-4 6-1

#### 2010

QF L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16) 6-3 7-5

#### 2009

QF L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #10) 6-1 6-0

#### 2007

R3 L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #5) 6-4 6-2

#### 2006

R2 L - AMÉLIE MAURESMO (FRA #1) 6-0 6-0

#### 2005

R1 L - ABIGAIL SPEARS (USA #78) 7-6(5) 4-6 6-1

#### 2004

R1-Q L - YULIANA FEDAK (UKR #141) 7-5 6-4

**EVGENIYA  
RODINA**

**VS**

**SAMANTHA  
STOSUR**

## MIAMI

- Making second appearance in main draw at Miami but first as a direct acceptance. Has fallen in qualifying here on seven occasions, including last year (l. Abanda)
- On only other appearance in main draw in 2015, as a qualifier lost to Watson in 3s in the 1r
- Bidding for her third match-win of the year when faces Stosur in 1r today. Trails their head-to-head 0-2 having lost both of their previous meetings in straight sets
- Winner will take on No.17 seed Keys in 2r
- Plays here ranked No.69, one spot off her career high ranking of No.68 which she achieved in January this year. This time last year was ranked No.113
- One of six Russian players in the main draw (also wildcard Vikhlyuntseva, Alexandrova, No.31 seed Pavlyuchenkova, Gasparyan and No.14 seed Kasatkina). Kuznetsova is the only Russian to have won the title here in 2006 (d. Sharapova in F)
- One of four mothers in the singles starting field at 2019 Miami Open, along with Azarenka, Maria and S.Williams (Minella is in final round of qualifying)

## SEASON

- Exited 1r at Indian Wells (l. Puig) and WTA 125K Series at Guadalajara (l. Blinkova)
- Lost opening singles match to Gibbs at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (following a 1r bye) but lifted the trophy in the doubles event with Kr.Pliskova (d. Townsend/Wickmayer in F)
- Reached 2r at Budapest (l. Begu)
- Fell in 1r at Hobart (l. Schmiedlova), Australian Open (l. Vondrousova) and Hua Hin (l. Begu)
- Lost to Riske in 2r in first tournament of the year at Shenzhen

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.88. Best result came at Wimbledon where she reached the R16 as a qualifier (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams). Upset No.11 Keys in 3r to register first Top 20 win of career (now owns 1-17 record)
- Finished 2017 at No.83 – the best year-end ranking of career
- Highlight was reaching SF at Guangzhou (l. eventual champion S.Zhang) and QF at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Konjuh). Also made 2r at Indian Wells (as LL, l. Garcia), Biel (l. Kontaveit), US Open (l. Svitolina) and Luxembourg (l. Witthoeft)

## MIAMI

- Making 13th main draw appearance at the Miami Open (and 14th appearance overall)
- Best result at Miami is reaching QF on two occasions, in 2009 (d. No.2 Safina, l. eventual champion Azarenka) and 2010 (d. No.8 Jankovic, l. eventual champion Clijsters)
- Bidding to win just second main draw match of season when takes on Rodina today; only other came over Cibulkova at Sydney
- Has lost opening match here in 2005 (l. Spears), 2016 (after 1r bye, l. Goerges) and 2018 (l. Puig)
- Doubles champion here w/Raymond in 2006 (d. Huber/Navratilova) and 2007 (d. Black/Huber)
- One of four Australian women in main draw (also No.12 seed Barty, Gavriloza and Tomljanovic)

## SEASON

- Lost in 1r as a lucky loser at Doha (l. qualifier Muchova) and at Indian Wells (l. wildcard Brengle)
- Fell in 1r in singles at the Australian Open (l. Yastremska) but won the doubles title with S.Zhang, defeating defending champions Babos/Mladenovic in straight sets in the final. Was the third Grand Slam women's doubles title of her career and she was the first home winner of the title since Molik triumphed with Kuznetsova in 2005
- Reached 2r at Sydney (l. Bacsinszky)
- Lost in 1r at Brisbane to qualifier Bouzkova in what was 1000th match (at all levels) of career

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 outside Top 50, at No.72, for first time since 2008; was first campaign in which she failed to reach a WTA singles final since 2007
- During 2018, reached SF on grass at Mallorca and QFs on clay at Strasbourg, Prague and Gstaad. Also won 25th career doubles title at Hong Kong (w/S. Zhang)
- Suffered through an injury-plagued 2017 season, but, still managed to post her ninth consecutive Top 50 finish, ending at No.41
- Highlight of reduced season came with ninth career title at Strasbourg (d. Gavriloza in F), along with QF runs at Taipei City (l. Peng), Doha (l. Cibulkova) and Hong Kong (l. Wang) – also reached R16 of Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Ostapenko)
- 2016 season highlights included R-Up finish at Prague (l. Safarova in three sets) and advancing to fifth Grand Slam SF of career at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Muguruza). Following Roland Garros result, rose to No.14 – first time ranked inside Top 15 since week of August 26, 2013



**EVGENIYA  
RODINA**

**VS**

**SAMANTHA  
STOSUR**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Ended 2016 on a ranking of No.104, down from No.84 in 2015 (at the time the best season finish of career to date)
- 2016 season highlight was QF run at 's-Hertogenbosch in June (l. eventual champion Vandeweghe), which also marked first main draw wins of 2016. Closed out 2016 with strong showings at WTA 125k events, winning title in Taipei (d. Chang in F) and reaching SF in Honolulu (l. Zhang). In doubles, reached first tour-level final at Bastad (w/Beck, l. Arruabarrena/ Knoll in F)
- Highlights on 2015 season included SF run at Tashkent (l. Vekic) and QF at Pattaya City (l. Tomljanovic) and Baku (l. Gasparyan)
- Ended 2015 season with SF showing at WTA 125K event in Taipei
- Career-best ranking is No.68 (January 7, 2019)
- Has won 13 ITF singles titles and six ITF doubles titles
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004 and made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Tashkent, advancing to QF

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Contested 23rd Grand Slam main draw at 2019 Australian Open
- Best result came at 2018 Wimbledon, where she came through qualifying to reach R16 (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Prior to 2018 Wimbledon, run to 3r at 2008 Wimbledon was best Grand Slam showing
- Has reached 2r at both Australian Open (2011) and US Open (2015-17), but yet to pass 1r at Roland Garros on four main draw outings
- Made major debut at 2008 Roland Garros, losing 1r to Sharapova 1r 6-1 3-6 8-6. Has fallen in 1r on three other main draw outings in Paris

### **PERSONAL**

- Coach and husband is Denis Shteyngart
- They have a daughter, Anna, born in November 2012 (Evgeniya returned to tour in August 2013)
- Mother's name is Oxana (national U16 girls' tennis coach); brother's name is Sascha. Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Represented Australia at Rio Olympics, progressing to 3r in singles (l. eventual silver medalist Kerber), and fell 1r in doubles (w/Gavrilova, l. eventual silver medalists Bacsinszky/Hingis) and 1r in mixed doubles (w/Peers, l. Mirza/Bopanna)
- Won two WTA singles titles in 2015 season, both at International level, at Strasbourg (d. Mladenovic in F) and Bad Gastein (d. Knapp in F). Was second season where had won multiple titles (also 2013 – Carlsbad, Osaka)
- Achieved 500th career match win (all levels) at 2015 Washington DC.
- Owns two wins over a reigning World No.1: S.Williams (2010 Roland Garros) and Wozniacki (2010 WTA Finals)
- Former doubles World No.1 (spent 61 weeks in top spot) with 25 titles to her name, including 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 1998, and first WTA main draws in 2002, as a wildcard at Gold Coast and Australian Open

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 61st Grand Slam main draw appearance – fourth-most among active players behind V.Williams (81), S.Williams (70) and Kuznetsova (63)
- Owns one Grand Slam singles title, at 2011 US Open (d. S.Williams in F). One of six women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber, Muguruza and Osaka)
- Reached the final at Roland Garros in 2010 (l. Schiavone). Also a three-time Paris semifinalist, in 2009 (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova), 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
- Best result at Wimbledon is reaching 3r three times (2009, 2013, 2015) and at Australian Open made R16 in 2006 (l. Hingis) and 2010 (l. S.Williams)
- In doubles, won 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond), and 2019 Australian Open (w/Zhang)
- Owns three Grand Slam mixed doubles titles: 2005 Australian Open (w/Draper), 2008 Wimbledon (w/B. Bryan) and 2014 Wimbledon (w/Zimonjic)

### **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Mark Hlawaty in Miami. Has worked with Joshua Eagle and David Taylor
- Friend introduced her to tennis at age eight
- Off the court, enjoys going to the beach, swimming in the sea, hanging out with friends, surfing and listening to music





# MATCH NOTES

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## [WC] XIYU WANG (CHN #190) vs. MONICA PUIG (PUR #61)

Head to Head: First meeting

XIYU WANG	WTA RANKING	MONICA PUIG
190		61
247	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	120
28-03-2001 (17)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1993 (25)
\$25,744	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$103,098
\$79,001	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,923,637
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0-0	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	5-6
0-0 / 2-4	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	6-5 / 129-123
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-1 / 41-43
0-0 / 1-1	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 26-31
0-0 / 2-4	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	3-5 / 87-85
0-0 / 1-0	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 10-9
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 5-6
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 6-11
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 17-36

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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### XIYU WANG

2018

R1-Q L - POLONA HERCOG (SLO #86) 6-4 6-2

#### MONICA PUIG

2018

R16 L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93) 3-6 6-4 6-2

2017

R1 L - SORANA CIRSTEAN (ROU #65) 6-2 6-4

2016

R2 L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #8) 6-2 6-4

2015

R1 L - IRINA FALCONI (USA #100) 7-6(9) 7-6(3)

2014

R2 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #18) 6-1 1-6 6-3

2013

R1 L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #131) 6-4 7-5



**WANG  
XIYU**

**VS**

**MONICA  
PUIG**

## MIAMI

- Making first appearance at Miami on wildcard; is second WTA tour level event of her career
- Contesting Miami ranked No.190. By contrast, was No.495 this time last year
- Faces No.61 Puig in 1r today for the pair's first meeting; owns two victories over Top 100 opponents (No.59 Kuzmova and No.72 Pera), both coming at 2018 Wuhan
- One of eight wildcards contesting the main draw. Best result by a wildcard here is reaching SF. In 2010, Justine Henin became the first wildcard to reach the semifinals at Miami, a feat matched 12 months ago by Victoria Azarenka
- One of six Chinese women in the starting field, excluding qualifiers

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r exit at WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara (l. Kr.Pliskova). Also contested qualifying at Indian Wells
- Made 1r exit at ITF \$60k Launceston-AUS
- Opened 2019 season with 2r qualifying exit at Australian Open (l. Martincova). Made QF at ITF \$60k Burnie-AUS (l. Badosa Gibert)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 season ranked No.200, up from No.592 in 2017
- Season highlights in 2018 were maiden ITF Singles titles at \$25,000 Nonthaburi and \$25,000 Tsukuba
- Also won four doubles titles in 2018; at \$25k Barcelona (w/Ho), \$25k Madrid (w/Gonzalez), \$25k Nonthaburi (w/X.Wang)
- At tour-level in 2018 contested Wuhan; fell 2r to Kasatkina in what was her first match vs. Top 20 opponent
- Owns two Top 100 wins; against No.59 Kuzmova at and No.72 Pera at 2018 Wuhan
- Made professional debut at 2016 \$10k ITF/Anning, CHN

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Contested qualifying at 2019 Australian Open
- Girls' singles champion at US Open in 2018 (d. Burel). Also won title at Wimbledon (w/Wang Xinyu)

## MIAMI

- Making seventh main draw appearance at Miami
- Best result here was R16 showing last year (l. Collins). Upset World No.2 Wozniacki in 2r in what was joint-best of career; equaling defeats of No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Wuhan) and No.2 Kerber (2016 Olympics)
- Fell 2r in 2014 (l. Wozniacki) and 2016 (l. Azarenka)
- Made 1r exit in 2013, 2015 and 2017
- Faces No.190 wildcard Wang XiYu in 1r today for the pairs first meeting; has 4-7 record vs. Chinese opponents
- A loss today would be worst-by-ranking since No.341 Zhaoxuan Yang at 2014 Wuhan

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. Kontaveit)
- Fell 2r in Acapulco (l. eventual champion Y.Wang via. ret)
- Represented Puerto Rico in Fed Cup Americas Zone Group II (posted 3-0 record in singles)
- Suffered 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Opened 2019 season with 2r exit at Auckland (l. Hsieh). Came through qualifying in Sydney, then fell 1r to Kontaveit

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.53 – sixth consecutive Top 100 finish. Season highlight was SF showing at New Haven (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/left abdominal injury) – her only SF of 2018. Also made QF runs at Monterrey (l. eventual R-Up Babos), Québec City (l. Kenin) and Wuhan (l. Qiang Wang)
- Posted R16 showing at 2018 Miami (l. Collins) Scored fourth Top 5 win of career over No.2 Wozniacki in 2r; other wins came against No.5 Errani (2013 Wimbledon), and No.4 Muguruza and No.2 Kerber (both at 2016 Rio Olympics)
- R-Up finish at 2017 Luxembourg (l. Witthoeft); was first final since winning the 2016 Rio Olympics. Also posted SF run at Doha (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki) and made QF at Acapulco (l. McHale)
- Finished 2016 season with QF run at International-level Tianjin (l. Kovinic); reached at least QF on eight occasions during the year – also Sydney (R-Up; l. Kuznetsova in first final at Premier level), Prague (QF, l. Kuznetsova), Nottingham (SF, l. Ka.Pliskova), Eastbourne (SF, as qualifier, l. Cibulkova), Florianopolis (SF, l. Begu), Rio Olympics (Won, d. Kerber in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (QF, l. A.Radwanska)
- Made Top 30 debut the week of September 26, 2016 after QF run at Tokyo [PPO], posting career-high ranking of No.27



**WANG  
XIYU**

**VS**

**MONICA  
PUIG**

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Eduardo Nicolas
- Favorite surface is hard
- Hobbies include playing the violin, reading books and listening to music

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Made history at Rio Olympics in August, winning Puerto Rico's first ever Gold medal. Posted two Top 5 wins en route, over No.4 Muguruza (R16) and No.2 Kerber (F)
- Best results in Grand Slam play in 2016 were 3r efforts at Australian Open (saved five match points during 2r win vs. Kr.Pliskova, in addition to the Czech serving a WTA-record 31 aces in the match – beating Lisicki's 27 vs. Bencic at 2015 Birmingham) and Roland Garros (l. Keys)
- Owns 2-2 record in singles finals, having won 2014 Strasbourg (d. Soler-Espinosa in F) and 2016 Olympics (d. Kerber in F), and finished as R-Up at 2016 Sydney (as qualifier, l. Kuznetsova) and 2017 Luxembourg (l. Witthoef)
- First player representing Puerto Rico to win a WTA singles title; Brandi and Fernández, both born in Puerto Rico, won titles while playing under USA flag
- In her fourth career tour-level main draw appearance (2013 Brisbane), defeated Rogowska in opening match, becoming the first player from Puerto Rico to win a main draw match since 2006 Charleston (Kristina Brandi)
- Won inaugural Rising Stars Invitational as part of WTA Finals in Singapore in 2014 (d. S.Zheng in F)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2018 US Open marked 22nd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at the majors came with R16 run at 2013 Wimbledon (l. Stephens)
- Made 3r at Australian Open in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2016 (l. Keys)
- On Grand Slam debut at 2013 Roland Garros, became first woman representing Puerto Rico to reach 3r at a Grand Slam in the Open Era (Kristina Brandi's best results at Grand Slams were representing USA)
- At US Open, best results are 2r runs in 2014 (l. Petkovic) and 2018 (l. Garcia)
- Advanced to the final of two junior Grand Slams: 2011 Australian Open and 2011 Roland Garros

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Kamau Murray
- Was Named Best Female Athlete of the 2016 Rio Olympics by Association of National Olympics Committees (ANOC); award was presented in Doha last November
- During 2016 off-season, hosted a charity exhibition match against Sharapova in Puerto Rico in December







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## MIAMI OPEN - DAY 1 MATCH-UPS

### ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #67) vs. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73)

#### First meeting

*Petkovic a two-time semifinalist in Miami... Anisimova a direct main draw entrant here for the first time... Winner faces Kontaveit in second round*

### [WC] XIYU WANG (CHN #190) vs. MONICA PUIG (PUR #61)

#### First meeting

*Puig defeated World No.2 Wozniacki en route to fourth round last year... Wang has risen 300 ranking spots in past 12 months... Puig raised in southern Florida*

### EVGENIYA RODINA (RUS #69) vs. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #83)

#### Stosur leads 2-0

*Stosur dropped only seven games combined in pair's two previous meetings... Rodina playing only second main draw match at Miami... Stosur, by contrast is in the main draw for a 13th time*

### [WC] WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #205) vs. [WC] MARI OSAKA (JPN #338)

#### First meeting

*Both players bidding for their first tour-level win... One of two first-round match-ups between wildcards... Osuigwe fell at the opening hurdle in Miami 12 months ago*

## GULF IN EXPERIENCE

**Samantha Stosur** will play her 30th main draw match in Miami today against a player whom will be contesting only her second, **Evgeniya Rodina**.

Among active players, Stosur is among the highest appearance makers in the tournament's history:

PLAYER	APPS*	BEST RESULT
Venus Williams	20	WON (1998-99, 2001)
Serena Williams	18	WON (2002-04, 2007-08, 2013-14)
Svetlana Kuznetsova	16	WON (2006)
Jelena Jankovic	15	R-UP (2008)
Samantha Stosur	13	QF (2009-10)

\* including 2019 Miami Open

## TEENAGE KICKS

Even before the end of qualifying, this year's Miami starting field features 10 teenagers, four of whom currently reside in the Top 100. This time last year, the highest-ranked of the four teens in the Top 100 was No.45 CiCi Bellis.

#### TEENAGERS IN THE TOP 100

PLAYER	AGE	CURRENT RANKING
Bianca Andreescu	18	24
Dayana Yastremska	18	37
Marketa Vondrousova	19	59
Anastasia Potapova	17	71
Amanda Anisimova	17	73

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## ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #67) vs. AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #73)

Head to Head: First meeting

ANDREA PETKOVIC	WTA RANKING	AMANDA ANISIMOVA
67		73
165	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	41
09-09-1987 (31)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	31-08-2001 (17)
\$88,833	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$235,685
\$7,211,411	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$596,426
0 / 6	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
14-8	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	1-1
1-4 / 250-190	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	6-4 / 17-11
0-1 / 86-70	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 1-5
1-0 / 51-49	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 2-1
1-4 / 160-129	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	6-4 / 17-10
0-0 / 27-20	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-1 / 1-4
0-0 / 5-20	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 0-1
0-1 / 13-33	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 1-3
0-1 / 36-75	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	1-2 / 2-4

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 1r

## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ANDREA PETKOVIC

2018	
R2	L - DARIA GAVRILOVA (AUS #26) 7-6(3) 6-4
2017	
R1	L - JANA CEPELOVA (SVK #105) 6-2 6-4
2016	
R2	L - CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #48) 7-6(5) 3-6 7-6(2)
2015	
SF	L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #12) 6-3 6-3
2014	
R2	L - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #22) 6-2 6-7(0) 6-4

### AMANDA ANISIMOVA

2018	
R2	L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #3) W/O
2017	
R1	L - TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #111) 2-6 6-2 6-3



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### 2013

R3 L - AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #242) 0-6 6-4 7-6(1)

### 2011

SF L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13) 3-6 6-0 6-2

### 2010

R3 L - YAROSLAVA SHVEDOVA (KAZ #48) 6-0 5-7 7-5

### 2009

R1-Q L - MARIYA KORYTTSEVA (UKR #104) 6-4 7-6(7)



**ANDREA  
PETKOVIC**

**VS**

**AMANDA  
ANISIMOVA**

## MIAMI

- Making her ninth main draw appearance at the Miami Open and her 10th overall
- Made SF in 2011 (d. No.1 Wozniacki and No.7 Jan-kovic, I. Sharapova) and 2015 (d. No.9 Makarova, I. Suarez Navarro)
- Has lost her opening main draw match at Miami on two occasions, in 2016 (after 1r bye, I. Garcia) and 2017 (I. Cepelova)
- Last year, contested qualifying here for first time since 2009, going on to reach 2r (d. Hercog in 1r, I. Gavrilo)va)
- Faces No.73 Anisimova today. Last Top 100 wins came during QF run at 2018 Luxembourg (d. No.49 Van Uytvanck and No.33 Siniakova)
- Winner will play No.21 seed Kontaveit in 2r
- One of five Germans in the main draw along with Goerges, Friedsam, Kerber and Maria. Graf is the only German woman to have lifted the title here in 1987-88 and 1994-96

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r loss at Indian Wells (I. V.Williams in 3s)
- Won first main draw match of the season when defeating Bogdan in 1r at Budapest before falling in 2r to Potapova
- Defeated by Sabalenka in straight sets during Germany's 4-0 Fed Cup World Group first-round loss against Belarus in Braunschweig in February
- Fell in qualifying at St Petersburg (I. Vikhlyuntseva)
- Retired in 1r at the Australian Open with heatstroke (I. Begu)
- Failed to qualify at Brisbane, losing in final round to Dart

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.64. Season highlighted by SF finishes at Washington (I. eventual champion Kuznetsova), Guangzhou (I. eventual champion Q.Wang) and Linz (I. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
- Achieved best Grand Slam result since 2015 by reaching 3r of 2018 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Halep)
- Ended 2017 ranked No.97 – eighth Top 100 finish of career and just the second outside the Top 50 since 2012
- Season highlighted by SF run at 2017 Washington D.C. (I. Goerges)
- Posted three wins vs. Top 50 players in 2017: No.28 Begu and Bertens twice – once No.27 and No.30

## MIAMI

- Making third appearance at Miami and first as a direct entrant
- Made WTA main draw debut here as wildcard in 2017, falling to qualifier Townsend in 1r
- Also granted wildcard in 2018, upsetting Q.Wang in 1r before withdrawing prior to 2r match vs. Muguruza with what turned out to be a right foot fracture. Spent six weeks in a protective boot
- Faces Petkovic in 1r today; in only previous career match against a German lost to Maria 2-6 6-2 6-0 in qualifying at 2018 Beijing
- One of 10 teenagers in main draw (before end of qualifying); best showing by a teenager here in 2018 was Kenin's run to 3r
- Set career-high ranking last month, at No.59 (February 4, 2019)

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r showing at Indian Wells (I. Mertens)
- Fell 1r at Acapulco in the end February (I. Flink via ret. w/illness)
- Made Australian Open debut in January, and posted best Grand Slam result, reaching R16 (d. Sabalenka in 3r, I. eventual champion Kvitova)
- At 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at Melbourne Park since Vaidiso-va in 2006 (16 yrs 281 days), and across all Slams since Paszek at 2007 US Open (16 yrs 277 days)
- At Slam level, had previously failed to make it past 1r at 2017 Roland Garros (I. Nara) and 2018 US Open (I. Townsend)
- Opened 2019 season with 1r exit at Auckland (I. Kuzmova)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.95 to record first Top 100 finish, up from No.192 in 2017 – was No.761 in 2016
- Enjoyed breakout year in 2018, finishing R-Up at Hiroshima (I. Hsieh in F) and reaching R16 at Indian Wells (I. No.5 Ka.Pliskova) - San Jose (I. Buzarnescu) and Cincinnati (I. Svitolina)
- Became the joint-youngest player to reach R16 at Indian Wells, along with Majoli, who made SF in 1994 (both aged 16 years, 199 days)
- Earned first Top 10 win of career over No.9 Kvitova in 3r at 2018 Indian Wells – youngest player to record a Top 10 win since 2005 when Vaidiso-va defeated then No.9 Petrova to win the title in Bangkok



**ANDREA  
PETKOVIC**

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**AMANDA  
ANISIMOVA**

## CAREER CONT.

- Scored best result of 2016 with SF run at Doha (ret. vs. Ostapenko); advanced to SF by defeating No.5 Muguruza; first win over a Top 5 opponent since d. No.2 Azarenka at 2013 Beijing. Also in 2016, posted three QF runs (Luxembourg, Dubai and Brisbane)
- Bowed out of 2016 Rio Olympics in 1r of singles (l. Svitolina) and 1r of doubles (w/Kerber, l. Errani/Vinci)
- Owns 13-33 lifetime record vs. Top 10 opponents, most recent win coming over No.3 Stephens (2018 Washington D.C.)
- Is a former Top 10 player, cracking the elite bracket at No.9 in September of 2011 and again in May 2015
- Won sixth WTA singles title at 2015 Antwerp (d. Suárez Navarro in F via w/o – neck injury); owns a 6-11 record in finals, with four of six titles coming on clay – the biggest being at Charleston (d. Cepelova in F). Notably also won the Tournament of Champions-Sofia in 2014 (d. Muguruza in SF and Pennetta in F)
- Is a two-time doubles runner-up, at 2009 Bad Gastein (w/Maria) and 2016 Brisbane (w/Kerber)
- Suffered right knee injury at Hopman Cup at end of December 2012, which forced her to miss 2013 Australian and Middle East swings; returned to tour at Indian Wells. Ranking dropped as low as No.177 in March 2013
- Member of German Fed Cup Team, 2007, 2010-12, 2014-18
- Made first WTA appearances as a WC in qualifying at 2002 Hamburg and Leipzig

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian Open marked 37th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam
- Best result at a Slam came at 2014 Roland Garros, where she advanced to SF (l. eventual R-Up Halep)
- In 2011, her most consistent year at the majors, reached QF at Australian Open (l. Li), Roland Garros (l. Sharapova) and US Open (l. Wozniacki)
- At Wimbledon, has advanced to 3r on three occasions, in 2011 (l. Pervak), 2014 (l. Bouchard) and 2015 (l. Diyas)

## PERSONAL

- Coached by Dusan Vemic
- Began playing at age 6 when father introduced her to the sport
- Speaks French, German, English, Serbian
- Favorite authors are Goethe, Wilde, Flaubert; people most admired are Goethe (genius in writing) and Che Guevara (genius in fighting)

## CAREER CONT.

- Prior to 2018 Indian Wells had played only two tour-level main draw matches (l. Townsend at 2017 Miami; l. Nara 2017 Roland Garros), adding her first three tour-level main draw wins (No.94 Parmentier, No.23 Pavlyuchenkova, No.9 Kvitova) before losing in R16 to No.5 Ka. Pliskova
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Miami (l. Townsend in 3s)
- Contested qualifying at 2017 US Open. In final event of season, reached 2r at WTA 125k Series event at Honolulu (l. Jang)
- Also in 2017, reached four ITF Circuit finals, winning \$60k ITF/Sacramento, CA-USA and finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Curtiba-BRA, \$80k ITF/Indian Harbour Beach, FL-USA and \$60k ITF/Dothan, AL-USA
- Made professional debut during qualifying draw for 2016 US Open (d. No.123 Cepede Royg 6-3 6-4, l. Hozumi in final set tie-break in 2r)
- Reached No.2 in junior world rankings

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- 2019 Australian open marked third Grand Slam main draw appearance (fifth overall)
- Best result came with R16 run at 2019 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Kvitova)
- At 17 years and five months old, was the youngest player to reach R16 at Melbourne Park since Vaidisova in 2006 (16 yrs 281 days), and across all Slams since Paszek at 2007 US Open (16 yrs 277 days)
- Also the youngest American to reach this stage of a Slam since S.Williams at 1998 Roland Garros (16yrs 254 days) and at Australian Open since Capriati in 1993
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2017 Roland Garros (as wildcard, led 6-3 4-2 before losing to Nara in 1r)
- Suffered 1r exit at 2018 US Open (l. Townsend); fell in qualifying in 2016 and 2017
- In juniors, won US Open girls' singles in 2017 and was R-Up at 2016 Roland Garros

## PERSONAL

- Coached by father Konstantin
- Mother is Olga, 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





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## [WC] XIYU WANG (CHN #190) vs. MONICA PUIG (PUR #61)

Head to Head: First meeting

XIYU WANG	WTA RANKING	MONICA PUIG
190		61
247	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	120
28-03-2001 (17)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	27-09-1993 (25)
\$25,744	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$103,098
\$79,001	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$2,923,637
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 2
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0-0	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	5-6
0-0 / 2-4	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	6-5 / 129-123
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	3-1 / 41-43
0-0 / 1-1	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 26-31
0-0 / 2-4	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	3-5 / 87-85
0-0 / 1-0	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	1-0 / 10-9
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 5-6
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 6-11
0-0 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-1 / 17-36

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### MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### XIYU WANG

2018

R1-Q L - POLONA HERCOG (SLO #86) 6-4 6-2

#### MONICA PUIG

2018

R16 L - DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #93) 3-6 6-4 6-2

2017

R1 L - SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #65) 6-2 6-4

2016

R2 L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #8) 6-2 6-4

2015

R1 L - IRINA FALCONI (USA #100) 7-6(9) 7-6(3)

2014

R2 L - CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #18) 6-1 1-6 6-3

2013

R1 L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #131) 6-4 7-5

**WANG  
XIYU**

**VS**

**MONICA  
PUIG**

## MIAMI

- Making first appearance at Miami on wildcard; is second WTA tour level event of her career
- Contesting Miami ranked No.190. By contrast, was No.495 this time last year
- Faces No.61 Puig in 1r today for the pair's first meeting; owns two victories over Top 100 opponents (No.59 Kuzmova and No.72 Pera), both coming at 2018 Wuhan
- One of eight wildcards contesting the main draw. Best result by a wildcard here is reaching SF. In 2010, Justine Henin became the first wildcard to reach the semifinals at Miami, a feat matched 12 months ago by Victoria Azarenka
- One of six Chinese women in the starting field, excluding qualifiers

## SEASON

- Coming off 1r exit at WTA 125K Series event at Guadalajara (l. Kr.Pliskova). Also contested qualifying at Indian Wells
- Made 1r exit at ITF \$60k Launceston-AUS
- Opened 2019 season with 2r qualifying exit at Australian Open (l. Martincova). Made QF at ITF \$60k Burnie-AUS (l. Badosa Gibert)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Finished 2018 season ranked No.200, up from No.592 in 2017
- Season highlights in 2018 were maiden ITF Singles titles at \$25,000 Nonthaburi and \$25,000 Tsukuba
- Also won four doubles titles in 2018; at \$25k Barcelona (w/Ho), \$25k Madrid (w/Gonzalez), \$25k Nonthaburi (w/X.Wang)
- At tour-level in 2018 contested Wuhan; fell 2r to Kasatkina in what was her first match vs. Top 20 opponent
- Owns two Top 100 wins; against No.59 Kuzmova at and No.72 Pera at 2018 Wuhan
- Made professional debut at 2016 \$10k ITF/Anning, CHN

## GRAND SLAM HISTORY

- Contested qualifying at 2019 Australian Open
- Girls' singles champion at US Open in 2018 (d. Burel). Also won title at Wimbledon (w/Wang Xinyu)

## MIAMI

- Making seventh main draw appearance at Miami
- Best result here was R16 showing last year (l. Collins). Upset World No.2 Wozniacki in 2r in what was joint-best of career; equaling defeats of No.2 Wozniacki (2018 Wuhan) and No.2 Kerber (2016 Olympics)
- Fell 2r in 2014 (l. Wozniacki) and 2016 (l. Azarenka)
- Made 1r exit in 2013, 2015 and 2017
- Faces No.190 wildcard Wang XiYu in 1r today for the pairs first meeting; has 4-7 record vs. Chinese opponents
- A loss today would be worst-by-ranking since No.341 Zhaoxuan Yang at 2014 Wuhan

## SEASON

- Coming off 2r exit at Indian Wells (l. Kontaveit)
- Fell 2r in Acapulco (l. eventual champion Y.Wang via. ret)
- Represented Puerto Rico in Fed Cup Americas Zone Group II (posted 3-0 record in singles)
- Suffered 1r exit at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Opened 2019 season with 2r exit at Auckland (l. Hsieh). Came through qualifying in Sydney, then fell 1r to Kontaveit

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.53 – sixth consecutive Top 100 finish. Season highlight was SF showing at New Haven (ret. vs. Suárez Navarro w/left abdominal injury) – her only SF of 2018. Also made QF runs at Monterrey (l. eventual R-Up Babos), Québec City (l. Kenin) and Wuhan (l. Qiang Wang)
- Posted R16 showing at 2018 Miami (l. Collins) Scored fourth Top 5 win of career over No.2 Wozniacki in 2r; other wins came against No.5 Errani (2013 Wimbledon), and No.4 Muguruza and No.2 Kerber (both at 2016 Rio Olympics)
- R-Up finish at 2017 Luxembourg (l. Witthoeft); was first final since winning the 2016 Rio Olympics. Also posted SF run at Doha (l. eventual R-Up Wozniacki) and made QF at Acapulco (l. McHale)
- Finished 2016 season with QF run at International-level Tianjin (l. Kovinic); reached at least QF on eight occasions during the year – also Sydney (R-Up; l. Kuznetsova in first final at Premier level), Prague (QF, l. Kuznetsova), Nottingham (SF, l. Ka.Pliskova), Eastbourne (SF, as qualifier, l. Cibulkova), Florianopolis (SF, l. Begu), Rio Olympics (Won, d. Kerber in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (QF, l. A.Radwanska)
- Made Top 30 debut the week of September 26, 2016 after QF run at Tokyo [PPO], posting career-high ranking of No.27



**WANG  
XIYU**

**VS**

**MONICA  
PUIG**

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Eduardo Nicolas
- Favorite surface is hard
- Hobbies include playing the violin, reading books and listening to music

## **CAREER CONT.**

- Made history at Rio Olympics in August, winning Puerto Rico's first ever Gold medal. Posted two Top 5 wins en route, over No.4 Muguruza (R16) and No.2 Kerber (F)
- Best results in Grand Slam play in 2016 were 3r efforts at Australian Open (saved five match points during 2r win vs. Kr.Pliskova, in addition to the Czech serving a WTA-record 31 aces in the match – beating Lisicki's 27 vs. Bencic at 2015 Birmingham) and Roland Garros (l. Keys)
- Owns 2-2 record in singles finals, having won 2014 Strasbourg (d. Soler-Espinosa in F) and 2016 Olympics (d. Kerber in F), and finished as R-Up at 2016 Sydney (as qualifier, l. Kuznetsova) and 2017 Luxembourg (l. Witthoef)
- First player representing Puerto Rico to win a WTA singles title; Brandi and Fernández, both born in Puerto Rico, won titles while playing under USA flag
- In her fourth career tour-level main draw appearance (2013 Brisbane), defeated Rogowska in opening match, becoming the first player from Puerto Rico to win a main draw match since 2006 Charleston (Kristina Brandi)
- Won inaugural Rising Stars Invitational as part of WTA Finals in Singapore in 2014 (d. S.Zheng in F)

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2018 US Open marked 22nd Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Best result at the majors came with R16 run at 2013 Wimbledon (l. Stephens)
- Made 3r at Australian Open in 2016 (l. A.Radwanska) and at Roland Garros in 2013 (l. Suárez Navarro) and 2016 (l. Keys)
- On Grand Slam debut at 2013 Roland Garros, became first woman representing Puerto Rico to reach 3r at a Grand Slam in the Open Era (Kristina Brandi's best results at Grand Slams were representing USA)
- At US Open, best results are 2r runs in 2014 (l. Petkovic) and 2018 (l. Garcia)
- Advanced to the final of two junior Grand Slams: 2011 Australian Open and 2011 Roland Garros

## **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Kamau Murray
- Was Named Best Female Athlete of the 2016 Rio Olympics by Association of National Olympics Committees (ANOC); award was presented in Doha last November
- During 2016 off-season, hosted a charity exhibition match against Sharapova in Puerto Rico in December







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Head to Head: SAMANTHA STOSUR leads 2-0

2017	PRAGUE	CLAY O	R1	SAMANTHA STOSUR	6-2	6-3	69 mins
2015	US OPEN	HARD O	R2	SAMANTHA STOSUR	6-1	6-1	51 mins

EVGENIYA RODINA	WTA RANKING	SAMANTHA STOSUR
69		83
62	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	146
04-02-1989 (30)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	30-03-1984 (34)
\$101,501	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$387,784
\$2,159,431	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$18,171,746
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 9
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	1 / 26
0-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	17-12
2-6 / 67-98	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	1-5 / 451-331
2-2 / 22-23	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	1-2 / 123-119
2-0 / 24-13	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 92-107
2-6 / 43-62	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	1-5 / 265-212
0-1 / 3-6	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 42-39
0-0 / 0-6	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 17-43
0-0 / 0-9	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 31-81
0-0 / 1-17	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 72-145

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## MIAMI Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### EVGENIYA RODINA

2018			
R1-Q	L - FRANCOISE ABANDA (CAN #124)	6-4	6-3
2017			
R32-Q	L - PATRICIA MARIA TIG (ROU #95)	3-6	6-3 6-2
2016			
R1-Q	L - JANA CEPELOVA (SVK #126)	7-5	6-4
2015			
R1	L - HEATHER WATSON (GBR #41)	3-6	6-1 7-5
2012			
R1-Q	L - URSZULA RADWANSKA (POL #98)	3-6	6-1 6-2
2011			
R1-Q	L - SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #192)	3-6	6-4 6-3
2010			
R1-Q	L - BETHANIE MATTEK-SANDS (USA #136)	6-2	6-1
2008			
R1-Q	L - MARIYA KORYTTSEVA (UKR #59)	6-3	6-4

### SAMANTHA STOSUR

2018			
R1	L - MONICA PUIG (PUR #82)	6-3	6-4
2017			
R16	L - SIMONA HALEP (ROU #5)	4-6	7-5 6-2
2016			
R2	L - JULIA GOERGES (GER #66)	3-6	6-1 6-4
2015			
R3	L - VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #16)	6-4	7-6(3)
2014			
R3	L - COCO VANDEWEGHE (USA #104)	5-7	7-5 7-5
2012			
R16	L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #11)	7-5	6-3
2011			
R16	L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #13)	6-4	6-1
2010			
QF	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #16)	6-3	7-5
2009			
QF	L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #10)	6-1	6-0
2007			
R3	L - KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #5)	6-4	6-2
2006			
R2	L - AMÉLIE MAURESMO (FRA #1)	6-0	6-0
2005			
R1	L - ABIGAIL SPEARS (USA #78)	7-6(5)	4-6 6-1
2004			
R1-Q	L - YULIANA FEDAK (UKR #141)	7-5	6-4

**EVGENIYA  
RODINA**

**VS**

**SAMANTHA  
STOSUR**

## MIAMI

- Making second appearance in main draw at Miami but first as a direct acceptance. Has fallen in qualifying here on seven occasions, including last year (l. Abanda)
- On only other appearance in main draw in 2015, as a qualifier lost to Watson in 3s in the 1r
- Bidding for her third match-win of the year when faces Stosur in 1r today. Trails their head-to-head 0-2 having lost both of their previous meetings in straight sets
- Winner will take on No.17 seed Keys in 2r
- Plays here ranked No.69, one spot off her career high ranking of No.68 which she achieved in January this year. This time last year was ranked No.113
- One of six Russian players in the main draw (also wildcard Vikhlyuntseva, Alexandrova, No.31 seed Pavlyuchenkova, Gasparyan and No.14 seed Kasatkina). Kuznetsova is the only Russian to have won the title here in 2006 (d. Sharapova in F)
- One of four mothers in the singles starting field at 2019 Miami Open, along with Azarenka, Maria and S.Williams (Minella is in final round of qualifying)

## SEASON

- Exited 1r at Indian Wells (l. Puig) and WTA 125K Series at Guadalajara (l. Blinkova)
- Lost opening singles match to Gibbs at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (following a 1r bye) but lifted the trophy in the doubles event with Kr.Pliskova (d. Townsend/Wickmayer in F)
- Reached 2r at Budapest (l. Begu)
- Fell in 1r at Hobart (l. Schmiedlova), Australian Open (l. Vondrousova) and Hua Hin (l. Begu)
- Lost to Riske in 2r in first tournament of the year at Shenzhen

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.88. Best result came at Wimbledon where she reached the R16 as a qualifier (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams). Upset No.11 Keys in 3r to register first Top 20 win of career (now owns 1-17 record)
- Finished 2017 at No.83 – the best year-end ranking of career
- Highlight was reaching SF at Guangzhou (l. eventual champion S.Zhang) and QF at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Konjuh). Also made 2r at Indian Wells (as LL, l. Garcia), Biel (l. Kontaveit), US Open (l. Svitolina) and Luxembourg (l. Witthoeft)

## MIAMI

- Making 13th main draw appearance at the Miami Open (and 14th appearance overall)
- Best result at Miami is reaching QF on two occasions, in 2009 (d. No.2 Safina, l. eventual champion Azarenka) and 2010 (d. No.8 Jankovic, l. eventual champion Clijsters)
- Bidding to win just second main draw match of season when takes on Rodina today; only other came over Cibulkova at Sydney
- Has lost opening match here in 2005 (l. Spears), 2016 (after 1r bye, l. Goerges) and 2018 (l. Puig)
- Doubles champion here w/Raymond in 2006 (d. Huber/Navratilova) and 2007 (d. Black/Huber)
- One of four Australian women in main draw (also No.12 seed Barty, Gavriloza and Tomljanovic)

## SEASON

- Lost in 1r as a lucky loser at Doha (l. qualifier Muchova) and at Indian Wells (l. wildcard Brengle)
- Fell in 1r in singles at the Australian Open (l. Yastremska) but won the doubles title with S.Zhang, defeating defending champions Babos/Mladenovic in straight sets in the final. Was the third Grand Slam women's doubles title of her career and she was the first home winner of the title since Molik triumphed with Kuznetsova in 2005
- Reached 2r at Sydney (l. Bacsinszky)
- Lost in 1r at Brisbane to qualifier Bouzkova in what was 1000th match (at all levels) of career

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 outside Top 50, at No.72, for first time since 2008; was first campaign in which she failed to reach a WTA singles final since 2007
- During 2018, reached SF on grass at Mallorca and QFs on clay at Strasbourg, Prague and Gstaad. Also won 25th career doubles title at Hong Kong (w/S. Zhang)
- Suffered through an injury-plagued 2017 season, but, still managed to post her ninth consecutive Top 50 finish, ending at No.41
- Highlight of reduced season came with ninth career title at Strasbourg (d. Gavriloza in F), along with QF runs at Taipei City (l. Peng), Doha (l. Cibulkova) and Hong Kong (l. Wang) – also reached R16 of Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Ostapenko)
- 2016 season highlights included R-Up finish at Prague (l. Safarova in three sets) and advancing to fifth Grand Slam SF of career at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Muguruza). Following Roland Garros result, rose to No.14 – first time ranked inside Top 15 since week of August 26, 2013



**EVGENIYA  
RODINA**

**VS**

**SAMANTHA  
STOSUR**

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Ended 2016 on a ranking of No.104, down from No.84 in 2015 (at the time the best season finish of career to date)
- 2016 season highlight was QF run at 's-Hertogenbosch in June (l. eventual champion Vandeweghe), which also marked first main draw wins of 2016. Closed out 2016 with strong showings at WTA 125k events, winning title in Taipei (d. Chang in F) and reaching SF in Honolulu (l. Zhang). In doubles, reached first tour-level final at Bastad (w/Beck, l. Arruabarrena/ Knoll in F)
- Highlights on 2015 season included SF run at Tashkent (l. Vekic) and QF at Pattaya City (l. Tomljanovic) and Baku (l. Gasparyan)
- Ended 2015 season with SF showing at WTA 125K event in Taipei
- Career-best ranking is No.68 (January 7, 2019)
- Has won 13 ITF singles titles and six ITF doubles titles
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004 and made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Tashkent, advancing to QF

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- Contested 23rd Grand Slam main draw at 2019 Australian Open
- Best result came at 2018 Wimbledon, where she came through qualifying to reach R16 (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Prior to 2018 Wimbledon, run to 3r at 2008 Wimbledon was best Grand Slam showing
- Has reached 2r at both Australian Open (2011) and US Open (2015-17), but yet to pass 1r at Roland Garros on four main draw outings
- Made major debut at 2008 Roland Garros, losing 1r to Sharapova 1r 6-1 3-6 8-6. Has fallen in 1r on three other main draw outings in Paris

### **PERSONAL**

- Coach and husband is Denis Shteyngart
- They have a daughter, Anna, born in November 2012 (Evgeniya returned to tour in August 2013)
- Mother's name is Oxana (national U16 girls' tennis coach); brother's name is Sascha. Introduced to tennis at age 7 by mother

### **CAREER CONT.**

- Represented Australia at Rio Olympics, progressing to 3r in singles (l. eventual silver medalist Kerber), and fell 1r in doubles (w/Gavrilova, l. eventual silver medalists Bacsinszky/Hingis) and 1r in mixed doubles (w/Peers, l. Mirza/Bopanna)
- Won two WTA singles titles in 2015 season, both at International level, at Strasbourg (d. Mladenovic in F) and Bad Gastein (d. Knapp in F). Was second season where had won multiple titles (also 2013 – Carlsbad, Osaka)
- Achieved 500th career match win (all levels) at 2015 Washington DC.
- Owns two wins over a reigning World No.1: S.Williams (2010 Roland Garros) and Wozniacki (2010 WTA Finals)
- Former doubles World No.1 (spent 61 weeks in top spot) with 25 titles to her name, including 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 1998, and first WTA main draws in 2002, as a wildcard at Gold Coast and Australian Open

### **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- 2019 Australian Open marked 61st Grand Slam main draw appearance – fourth-most among active players behind V.Williams (81), S.Williams (70) and Kuznetsova (63)
- Owns one Grand Slam singles title, at 2011 US Open (d. S.Williams in F). One of six women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber, Muguruza and Osaka)
- Reached the final at Roland Garros in 2010 (l. Schiavone). Also a three-time Paris semifinalist, in 2009 (l. eventual champion Kuznetsova), 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2016 (l. eventual champion Muguruza)
- Best result at Wimbledon is reaching 3r three times (2009, 2013, 2015) and at Australian Open made R16 in 2006 (l. Hingis) and 2010 (l. S.Williams)
- In doubles, won 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond), and 2019 Australian Open (w/Zhang)
- Owns three Grand Slam mixed doubles titles: 2005 Australian Open (w/Draper), 2008 Wimbledon (w/B. Bryan) and 2014 Wimbledon (w/Zimonjic)

### **PERSONAL**

- Coached by Mark Hlawaty in Miami. Has worked with Joshua Eagle and David Taylor
- Friend introduced her to tennis at age eight
- Off the court, enjoys going to the beach, swimming in the sea, hanging out with friends, surfing and listening to music





## MATCH NOTES

MIAMI - USA, FL | Mar 19 - Mar 30, 2019 | \$9,035,428 | PREMIER MANDATORY

### [WC] WHITNEY OSUIGWE (USA #205) vs. [WC] MARI OSAKA (JPN #338)

Head to Head: First meeting

WHITNEY OSUIGWE	WTA RANKING	MARI OSAKA
205		338
209	PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD	9,999
17-04-2002 (16)	DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)	03-04-1996 (22)
\$57,935	YTD PRIZE MONEY	\$1,446
\$182,403	CAREER PRIZE MONEY	\$58,496
0 / 0	SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0 / 0	DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)	0 / 0
0-1	MIAMI W-L (MD) *	0-0
0-1 / 0-3	YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 0-0
0-1 / 0-1	YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 0-0
1-1 / 1-1	YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 0-0
0-1 / 0-3	YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 0-0
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *	0-0 / 0-0
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 0-0
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 0-0
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *	0-0 / 0-0

\* Updated entering 2019 Miami 1r

### MIAMI Tournament History

#### WHITNEY OSUIGWE

2018

R1 L - CLAIRE LIU (USA #230) 6-3 6-1

**WHITNEY  
OSUIGWE**

**VS**

**MARI  
OSAKA**

## MIAMI

- Making second appearance at Miami Open
- As wildcard, fell 1r in 2018 to fellow teenage wildcard Liu
- Received another wildcard this year; best result by a wildcard in Miami were SF showings from Henin in 2010 and Azarenka in 2018
- Faces No.338 Osaka in 1r today; lost to a player outside Top 300 in her last match on tour (vs. No.365 Sanchez in QF at \$25k ITF/Irapuato-MEX)
- Bidding to win first tour-level match of her career; 0-3 at this level, having fallen 1r at 2018 Miami (L. Liu), at 2018 US Open (L. Giorgi) and 2019 Australian Open (L. Andreescu)
- Winner will play No.25 seed Collins in 2r
- One of 10 teenagers in main draw (before end of qualifying); best showing by a teenager here in 2018 was Kenin's run to 3r
- Twelve months ago was ranked No.621

## SEASON

- Earlier this month, reached QF at \$25k ITF/Irapuato-MEX (L. Sanchez)
- Fell 1r at WTA 125 Series event at Indian Wells (L. Ahn)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.197 on January 28, 2019
- Began season by falling 1r at Australian Open (as wildcard, L. Andreescu)

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.226 (up from No.1120 in 2017)
- Season highlighted by two finals on ITF Circuit, winning title at \$80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA and finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Wesley Chapel, FL-USA
- Scored career-best win over No.39 Bencic en route to title at \$80k ITF/Tyler, TX-USA
- At tour level in 2018, fell 1r at 2018 Miami (L. Liu) and 2018 US Open (L. Giorgi)
- Owns one singles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut in qualifying at 2016 \$10k ITF/Buffalo, NY-USA
- Crowned ITF Junior World Champion in 2018 and a former No.1 junior in the world

## MIAMI

- Making debut appearance at Miami
- Faces No.205 Osuigwe in 1r today; match is first at WTA tour level of her career
- Previously fell in qualifying on seven occasions, most recently at 2018 Tokyo
- Is yet to win a match (at any level) on tour in 2019
- At No.338 is one of four players ranked outside Top 300 in main draw (before end of qualifying); also Friedsam (unranked), Gauff (No.456) and Wang Xinyu (No.305)

## SEASON

- Fell 1r at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach (L. Volynets)
- Contested qualifying at \$100k ITF/Midland, MI-USA

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Ended 2018 ranked No.326 (down from career-best No.297 in 2017)
- Season highlight in 2018 was R-Up finish at \$80k ITF/Florence, SC-USA (L. Andreescu)
- At tour-level in 2018 contested qualifying at Bucharest and Tokyo
- In terms of ranking, career-best win came over No.80 Brengle at \$80k ITF/Charlottesville, VA-USA
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2014 Stanford (L. Shamayko); also partnered Shamayko in doubles (L. Lepchenko/Tomljanovic); sister Naomi made 2r on WTA main draw debut at same tournament
- A four-time R-Up on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut in qualifying at 2011 \$25k ITF/Plantation, FL-USA

## PERSONAL

- Born in Japan to a Haitian father and a Japanese mother
- Sister of two-time Grand Slam champion Naomi Osaka
- Grew up in Fort Lauderdale.
- Favorite surface is hard





**WHITNEY  
OSUIGWE**

**VS**

## **GRAND SLAM HISTORY**

- On only two Slam appearances (both as a wildcard), fell 1r at 2018 US Open (l. Giorgi) and 2019 AUstralian Open (l. Andreescu)
- Also made qualifying exit at 2017 US Open
- In juniors, won 2017 Roland Garros (d. Liu in F). In doing so, she became the first American to win the girls' event since Capriati in 1989
- Also R-Up in doubles at Wimbledon in both 2017 and 2018 (both w/McNally)

## **PERSONAL**

- Has played at IMG Academy since age 6, where her father Desmond has been a teaching pro since 1997 and acts as her primary coach
- Father originally from Lagos in Nigeria and played on ITF Circuit before coming to US to attend college
- Has an older brother named Deandre who is a college basketball player and a younger sister named Victoria who also plays tennis

