



**PREVIEW NOTES: BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL**  
 BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA | JANUARY 6-12, 2020 | USD \$1,500,000 PREMIER

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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL - QUICK FACTS

**Main draw dates:** Monday - Sunday, January 6-12, 2020  
**Singles Final:** Sunday, January 12, NB 2:30 pm  
**Doubles Final:** Sunday, January 12, 12:00 pm (before singles final)  
**Venue:** Queensland Tennis Centre  
**Status:** WTA Premier event  
**Staging:** Tournament's 12th year  
**Draw sizes:** 30 singles / 16 doubles teams / 32 singles qualifying  
**Surface:** Greenset Cushion / Outdoors  
**Tennis Ball:** Dunlop Australian Open  
**2019 Singles Final:** [5] Karolina Pliskova (CZE) d. Lesia Tsurenko (UKR) 4-6 7-5 6-2  
**2019 Doubles Final:** [3] Nicole Melichar/Kveta Peschke (USA/CZE) d. [4] Hao-Ching Chan/Latisha Chan (TPE/TPE) 6-1 6-1

| SINGLES                | USD \$  | RANK POINTS |
|------------------------|---------|-------------|
| <b>Winner</b>          | 266,000 | 470         |
| <b>Runner-Up</b>       | 142,000 | 305         |
| <b>Semifinalist</b>    | 75,050  | 185         |
| <b>Quarterfinalist</b> | 40,600  | 100         |
| <b>Round of 16</b>     | 22,050  | 55          |
| <b>Round of 32</b>     | 12,000  | 1           |

## MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS

**Singles wildcards:** Priscilla Hon (AUS), Maria Sharapova (RUS), Samantha Stosur (AUS), Ajla Tomljanovic (AUS)  
**Youngest singles player:** Dayana Yastremska, 19 years old (May 15, 2000)  
**Oldest singles player:** Samantha Stosur, 35 years old (March 30, 1984)  
**Main draw debutantes:** Sofia Kenin (USA), Karolina Muchova (CZE), Maria Sakkari (GRE), Dayana Yastremska (UKR)



## TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

- Six of the current WTA Top 10 will kick off their 2020 campaigns at the Brisbane International: **Ashleigh Barty, Karolina Pliskova, Naomi Osaka, Elina Svitolina, Petra Kvitova** and **Kiki Bertens**
- Two-time champion and No.2 seed **Karolina Pliskova** returns to Brisbane looking to defend last year's title, and after a first-round bye she will face the winner of the all-wildcard match-up between **Priscilla Hon** and **Ajla Tomljanovic**
- Five other former finalists are contesting this year's main draw: **Svitolina** (2018 champion), **Angelique Kerber** (2016 runner-up), **Maria Sharapova** (2015 champion), **Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova** (2013 runner-up) and **Kvitova** (2011 champion)
- World No.1 **Ashleigh Barty** also receives a opening-round bye, after which she could face wildcard **Sharapova**, who takes on a qualifier first up
- *One To Watch* – **Sofia Kenin**. After powering through a breakout season in 2019, lifting her maiden WTA singles title in Hobart, picking up two additional titles at Mallorca and Guangzhou, and clinching the 2019 WTA Most Improved Player Award, the 21-year-old American carries plenty of momentum into her 2020 campaign, which will begin against Anastasija Sevastova

## TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY\*

| PLAYER                      | TOURNAMENT HISTORY*   | W/L* | WIN %* |
|-----------------------------|---|------|--------|
| [1] Ashleigh Barty (AUS)    | 2r (2): 2014 (l. Sharapova), 2017 (l. Kerber)   | 2-2  | .500   |
| [2] Karolina Pliskova (CZE) | <b>WON</b> (2): 2017 (d. Cornet in F), 2019 (d. Tsurenko in F)<br>SF (1): 2018 (l. Svitolina)<br>2r (1): 2015 (l. Kudryavtseva)                   | 13-2 | .867   |
| [3] Naomi Osaka (JPN)       | SF (1): 2019 (l. Tsurenko)  | 2-1  | .667   |
| [4] Elina Svitolina (UKR)   | <b>WON</b> (1): 2018 (d. Sasnovich in F)<br>SF (2): 2015 (l. Sharapova), 2017 (l. Ka.Pliskova)<br>2r (2): 2014 (l. Jankovic), 2019 (l. Sasnovich) | 12-4 | .750   |

*\*Main draw matches only*

## PREVIOUS CHAMPIONS & RUNNERS-UP

| YEAR | CHAMPION                    | RUNNER-UP                   | SCORE          |
|------|-----------------------------|-----------------------------|----------------|
| 2014 | [1] Serena Williams (USA)   | [2] Victoria Azarenka (BLR) | 6-4 7-5        |
| 2015 | [1] Maria Sharapova (RUS)   | [2] Ana Ivanovic (SRB)      | 6-7(4) 6-3 6-3 |
| 2016 | Victoria Azarenka (BLR)     | [4] Angelique Kerber (GER)  | 6-3 6-1        |
| 2017 | [3] Karolina Pliskova (CZE) | Alizé Cornet (FRA)          | 6-0 6-3        |
| 2018 | [3] Elina Svitolina (UKR)   | Aliaksandra Sasnovich (BLR) | 6-2 6-1        |
| 2019 | [5] Karolina Pliskova (CZE) | Lesia Tsurenko (UKR)        | 4-6 7-5 6-2    |

If highlighted denotes competing in 2020 Brisbane main draw



## COUNTRY AND REGION BREAKDOWN

A total of 14 countries and regions are represented in the main draw, led by the United States with five players:

|                           |  |
|---------------------------|--|
| <b>Australia (4)</b>      | Ashleigh Barty, Priscilla Hon, Samantha Stosur, Ajla Tomljanovic           |
| <b>Chinese Taipei (1)</b> | Hsieh Su-Wei   |
| <b>Croatia (1)</b>        | Donna Vekic  |
| <b>Czech Republic (4)</b> | Petra Kvitova, Karolina Muchova, Karolina Pliskova, Barbora Strycova       |
| <b>Estonia (1)</b>        | Anett Kontaveit  |
| <b>Germany (1)</b>        | Angelique Kerber   |
| <b>Great Britain (1)</b>  | Johanna Konta  |
| <b>Greece (1)</b>         | Maria Sakkari  |
| <b>Japan (1)</b>          | Naomi Osaka  |
| <b>Latvia (1)</b>         | Anastasija Sevastova   |
| <b>Netherlands (1)</b>    | Kiki Bertens   |
| <b>Russia (2)</b>         | Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Maria Sharapova                                  |
| <b>Ukraine (2)</b>        | Elina Svitolina, Dayana Yastremska   |
| <b>United States (5)</b>  | Danielle Collins, Sofia Kenin, Madison Keys, Alison Riske, Sloane Stephens |

## ALPHABETIC PLAYER LIST

## MAIN DRAW SINGLES

## 2020 Brisbane International - Brisbane, Australia



| PLAYER NAME            | RANK SEED  |       |     | CAREER @ TRN |        | YEAR-TO-DATE |       | CAREER     |           | CAREER HGH |            | TITLES |     |
|------------------------|------------|-------|-----|--------------|--------|--------------|-------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|--------|-----|
|                        | 12/30/2019 | NAT   | AGE | PRIZE        | W / L  | PRIZE        | W / L | PRIZE      | W / L     | RANK       | DATE       | YTD    | CAR |
| BARTY, ASHLEIGH        | 1          | 1 AUS | 23  | 47,779       | 2 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 16,515,667 | 241 / 91  | 1          | 6/24/2019  | 7      |     |
| BERTENS, KIKI          | 9          | 6 NED | 28  | 48,568       | 1 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 10,730,150 | 426 / 251 | 4          | 5/13/2019  | 9      |     |
| COLLINS, DANIELLE      | 29         | USA   | 26  | 6,940        | 0 / 1  |              | 0 / 0 | 2,381,778  | 136 / 89  | 23         | 1/28/2019  | 0      |     |
| W HON, PRISCILLA       | 124        | AUS   | 21  | 18,948       | 0 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 564,032    | 163 / 124 | 118        | 10/14/2019 | 0      |     |
| HSIEH, SU-WEI          | 32         | TPE   | 34  | 24,999       | 0 / 1  |              | 0 / 0 | 8,089,870  | 502 / 313 | 23         | 2/25/2013  | 3      |     |
| KENIN, SOFIA           | 14         | USA   | 21  |              | 0 / 0  |              | 0 / 0 | 2,918,732  | 190 / 111 | 12         | 10/21/2019 | 3      |     |
| KERBER, ANGELIQUE      | 20         | GER   | 31  | 211,209      | 11 / 5 |              | 0 / 0 | 29,294,657 | 623 / 330 | 1          | 9/12/2016  | 12     |     |
| KEYS, MADISON          | 13         | 8 USA | 24  | 26,978       | 1 / 3  |              | 0 / 0 | 12,091,266 | 278 / 152 | 7          | 10/10/2016 | 5      |     |
| KONTA, JOHANNA         | 12         | 7 GBR | 28  | 39,917       | 3 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 9,354,364  | 377 / 226 | 4          | 7/17/2017  | 3      |     |
| KONTAVEIT, ANETT       | 26         | EST   | 24  | 38,112       | 3 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 3,998,762  | 288 / 152 | 14         | 4/1/2019   | 1      |     |
| KVITOVA, PETRA         | 7          | 5 CZE | 29  | 64,823       | 7 / 3  |              | 0 / 0 | 31,066,637 | 527 / 233 | 2          | 10/31/2011 | 27     |     |
| MUCHOVA, KAROLINA      | 21         | CZE   | 23  | 3,625        | 0 / 0  |              | 0 / 0 | 1,415,391  | 204 / 95  | 21         | 11/4/2019  | 1      |     |
| OSAKA, NAOMI           | 3          | 3 JPN | 22  | 57,100       | 2 / 1  |              | 0 / 0 | 14,417,479 | 217 / 130 | 1          | 1/28/2019  | 5      |     |
| PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTA | 31         | RUS   | 28  | 159,056      | 13 / 6 |              | 0 / 0 | 9,792,819  | 421 / 285 | 13         | 7/4/2011   | 12     |     |
| PLISKOVA, KAROLINA     | 2          | 2 CZE | 27  | 454,043      | 13 / 2 |              | 0 / 0 | 19,512,518 | 527 / 289 | 1          | 7/17/2017  | 15     |     |
| RISKE, ALISON          | 18         | USA   | 29  | 7,337        | 0 / 1  |              | 0 / 0 | 4,552,562  | 367 / 287 | 18         | 11/4/2019  | 2      |     |
| SAKKARI, MARIA         | 23         | GRE   | 24  | 1,025        | 0 / 0  |              | 0 / 0 | 2,756,084  | 307 / 209 | 22         | 10/21/2019 | 1      |     |
| SEVASTOVA, ANASTASIJA  | 27         | LAT   | 29  | 81,755       | 5 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 7,279,375  | 416 / 232 | 11         | 10/15/2018 | 4      |     |
| W SHARAPOVA, MARIA     | 133        | RUS   | 32  | 251,324      | 6 / 1  |              | 0 / 0 | 38,703,609 | 645 / 169 | 1          | 8/22/2005  | 36     |     |
| STEPHENS, SLOANE       | 25         | USA   | 26  | 32,634       | 2 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 15,181,022 | 293 / 196 | 3          | 7/16/2018  | 6      |     |
| W STOSUR, SAMANTHA     | 99         | AUS   | 35  | 66,435       | 4 / 9  |              | 0 / 0 | 18,930,476 | 604 / 440 | 4          | 2/21/2011  | 9      |     |
| STRYCOVA, BARBORA      | 33         | CZE   | 33  | 21,965       | 4 / 3  |              | 0 / 0 | 11,333,446 | 559 / 401 | 16         | 1/16/2017  | 2      |     |
| SVITOLINA, ELINA       | 6          | 4 UKR | 25  | 331,492      | 12 / 4 |              | 0 / 0 | 19,234,960 | 368 / 191 | 3          | 9/11/2017  | 13     |     |
| W TOMLJANOVIC, AJLA    | 51         | AUS   | 26  | 59,974       | 4 / 4  |              | 0 / 0 | 2,866,592  | 300 / 217 | 39         | 4/1/2019   | 0      |     |
| VEKIC, DONNA           | 19         | CRO   | 23  | 60,368       | 3 / 2  |              | 0 / 0 | 4,047,396  | 260 / 191 | 19         | 11/4/2019  | 2      |     |
| YASTREMSKA, DAYANA     | 22         | UKR   | 19  | 5,485        | 0 / 0  |              | 0 / 0 | 1,627,577  | 131 / 72  | 22         | 11/4/2019  | 3      |     |

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## PREVIOUS CHAMPIONS



| TOURNAMENT<br>RND            | WINNER<br>OPPONENT                      |     |                 | SCORE                       |             | RANK      | SEED |
|------------------------------|---|-----|-----------------|-----------------------------|-------------|-----------|------|
| 2019 BRISBANE<br>06 JAN 2019 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 899,500   |      |
| Singles                      | PLISKOVA, KAROLINA CZE                  |     |                 |                             |             | 8         | 5    |
| F                            | def TSURENKO, LESIA UKR                 |     |                 | 4-6 7-5 6-2                 |             | 27        |      |
| Doubles                      | MELICHAR N. USA / PESCHKE K. CZE        |     |                 |                             |             | 28        | 3    |
| F                            | def CHAN H. TPE / CHAN L. TPE           |     |                 | 6-1 6-1                     |             | 45        | 4    |
| 2018 BRISBANE<br>06 JAN 2018 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 894,700   |      |
| Singles                      | SVITOLINA, ELINA UKR                    |     |                 |                             |             | 6         | 3    |
| F                            | def SASNOVICH, ALIAKSANDRA BLR          |     |                 | 6-2 6-1                     |             | 88        |      |
| Doubles                      | BERTENS K. NED / SCHUURS D. NED         |     |                 |                             |             | 63        |      |
| F                            | def KLEPAC A. SLO / MARTÍNEZ SÁNCHEZ M. |     |                 | 7-5 6-2                     |             | 48        | 4    |
| 2017 BRISBANE<br>07 JAN 2017 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 890,100   |      |
| Singles                      | PLISKOVA, KAROLINA CZE                  |     |                 |                             |             | 6         | 3    |
| F                            | def CORNET, ALIZÉ FRA                   |     |                 | 6-0 6-3                     |             | 41        |      |
| Doubles                      | MATTEK-SANDS B. USA / MIRZA S. IND      |     |                 |                             |             | 6         | 1    |
| F                            | def MAKAROVA E. RUS / VESNINA E. RUS    |     |                 | 6-2 6-3                     |             | 14        | 2    |
| 2016 BRISBANE<br>09 JAN 2016 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 885,500   |      |
| Singles                      | AZARENKA, VICTORIA BLR                  |     |                 |                             |             | 22        |      |
| F                            | def KERBER, ANGELIQUE GER               |     |                 | 6-3 6-1                     |             | 10        | 4    |
| Doubles                      | HINGIS M. SUI / MIRZA S. IND            |     |                 |                             |             | 3         | 1    |
| F                            | def KERBER A. GER / PETKOVIC A. GER     |     |                 | 7-5 6-1                     |             | 569       |      |
| 2015 BRISBANE<br>10 JAN 2015 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 881,100   |      |
| Singles                      | SHARAPOVA, MARIA RUS                    |     |                 |                             |             | 2         | 1    |
| F                            | def IVANOVIC, ANA SRB                   |     |                 | 6-7(4) 6-3 6-3              |             | 7         | 2    |
| Doubles                      | HINGIS M. SUI / LISICKI S. GER          |     |                 |                             |             | 80        |      |
| F                            | def GARCIA C. FRA / SREBOTNIK K. SLO    |     |                 | 6-2 7-5                     |             | 36        | 4    |
| 2014 BRISBANE<br>04 JAN 2014 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 1,000,000 |      |
| Singles                      | WILLIAMS, SERENA USA                    |     |                 |                             |             | 1         | 1    |
| F                            | def AZARENKA, VICTORIA BLR              |     |                 | 6-4 7-5                     |             | 2         | 2    |
| Doubles                      | KUDRYAVTSEVA A. RUS / RODIONOVA A.      |     |                 |                             |             | 57        |      |
| F                            | def MLADENOVIC K. FRA / VOSKOBOEVA G.   |     |                 | 6-3 6-1                     |             | 53        |      |
| 2013 BRISBANE<br>05 JAN 2013 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 1,000,000 |      |
| Singles                      | WILLIAMS, SERENA USA                    |     |                 |                             |             | 3         | 3    |
| F                            | def PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTASIA RUS       |     |                 | 6-2 6-1                     |             | 36        |      |
| Doubles                      | MATTEK-SANDS B. USA / MIRZA S. IND      |     |                 |                             |             | 47        |      |
| F                            | def GROENEFELD A. GER / PESCHKE K. CZE  |     |                 | 4-6 6-4 10-7                |             | 35        | 4    |
| 2012 BRISBANE<br>08 JAN 2012 | AUSTRALIA                               | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl 32<br>Draw Dbl 16 | PRIZE (USD) | 655,000   |      |
| Singles                      | KANEPI, KAIA EST                        |     |                 |                             |             | 34        |      |
| F                            | def HANTUCHOVA, DANIELA SVK             |     |                 | 6-2 6-1                     |             | 24        |      |
| Doubles                      | LLAGOSTERA VIVES N. ESP / PARRA SANT    |     |                 |                             |             | 66        | 4    |
| F                            | def KOPS-JONES R. USA / SPEARS A. USA   |     |                 | 7-6(2) 7-6(2)               |             | 73        |      |

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| TOURNAMENT<br>RND            | WINNER<br>OPPONENT                     |     |                 | SCORE                 |          | RANK        | SEED    |
|------------------------------|--|-----|-----------------|-----------------------|----------|-------------|---------|
| 2011 BRISBANE<br>08 JAN 2011 | AUSTRALIA                              | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl<br>Draw Dbl | 32<br>16 | PRIZE (USD) | 220,000 |
| Singles                      | KVITOVA, PETRA CZE                     |     |                 |                       |          | 34          |         |
| F                            | def PETKOVIC, ANDREA GER               |     |                 | 6-1 6-3               |          | 32          |         |
| Doubles                      | KLEYBANOVA A. RUS / PAVLYUCHENKOVA     |     |                 |                       |          | 115         |         |
| F                            | def JANS K. POL / ROSOLSKA A. POL      |     |                 | 6-3 7-5               |          | 96          |         |
| 2010 BRISBANE<br>09 JAN 2010 | AUSTRALIA                              | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl<br>Draw Dbl | 32<br>16 | PRIZE (USD) | 220,000 |
| Singles                      | CLIJSTERS, KIM BEL                     |     |                 |                       |          | 18          | 1       |
| F                            | def HENIN, JUSTINE BEL                 |     |                 | 6-3 4-6 7-6(6)        |          | 0           |         |
| Doubles                      | HLAVACKOVA A. CZE / HRADECKA L. CZ     |     |                 |                       |          | 100         |         |
| F                            | def CZINK M. HUN / PARRA SANTONJA A. E |     |                 | 2-6 7-6(3) 10-4       |          | 171         |         |
| 2009 BRISBANE<br>10 JAN 2009 | AUSTRALIA                              | WTA | HARD<br>OUTDOOR | Draw Sngl<br>Draw Dbl | 32<br>16 | PRIZE (USD) | 220,000 |
| Singles                      | AZARENKA, VICTORIA BLR                 |     |                 |                       |          | 16          | 2       |
| F                            | def BARTOLI, MARION FRA                |     |                 | 6-3 6-1               |          | 17          | 3       |
| Doubles                      | GROENEFELD A. GER / KING V. USA        |     |                 |                       |          | 90          |         |
| F                            | def JANS K. POL / ROSOLSKA A. POL      |     |                 | 3-6 7-5 10-5          |          | 109         |         |

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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – DAY 1

### [7] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #12) vs. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #33)

*Strycova leads 2-0*

*Konta is playing her first match in over four months today, having last stepped on court in September at 2019 US Open... Strycova is aiming to win her seventh successive season opening match, having last lost in 2013*

### [WC] SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #99) vs. ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #20)

*Kerber leads 6-3*

*Stosur is appearing in her 10th Brisbane International, where she played the 1000th match of her career in 2019... Kerber enters Brisbane having never failed to reach at least the QF stage, including one R-Up finish in 2016*

### [4] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) vs. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #29)

*First meeting*

*Svitolina is one of four former champions in this year's field, joining Kerber, Ka.Pliskova and Sharapova... Collins is looking for her second career Top 5 victory, having scored her first at 2019 Australian Open over No.2 Kerber*

## RANKING POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY

| SINGLES         | USD \$  | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|---------|-------------|
| Winner          | 141,500 | 470         |
| Runner-Up       | 75,555  | 305         |
| Semifinalist    | 40,360  | 185         |
| Quarterfinalist | 21,700  | 100         |
| Round of 16     | 11,640  | 55          |
| Round of 32     | 7,385   | 1           |

| DOUBLES         | USD \$ | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|
| Winner          | 44,200 | 470         |
| Runner-Up       | 23,615 | 305         |
| Semifinalist    | 12,905 | 185         |
| Quarterfinalist | 6,565  | 100         |
| First Round     | 3,570  | 1           |

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# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 06 - 12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [7] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #12) vs. BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #33)

Head to Head: BARBORA STRYCOVA leads 2-0

|      |           |         |     |                  |            |          |
|------|-----------|---------|-----|------------------|------------|----------|
| 2019 | WIMBLEDON | GRASS O | QF  | BARBORA STRYCOVA | 7-6(5) 6-1 | 97 mins  |
| 2017 | TOKYO     | HARD O  | R16 | BARBORA STRYCOVA | 7-5 7-6(5) | 144 mins |

| JOHANNA KONTA   | WTA RANKING                          | BARBORA STRYCOVA |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| 12              | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 33               |
| 9,999           | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | 9,999            |
| 17-05-1991 (28) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 28-03-1986 (33)  |
| \$0             | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | \$0              |
| \$9,354,364     | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$11,333,446     |
| 0 / 3           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 2            |
| 0 / 0           | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 27           |
| 4-3             | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 4-3              |
| 0-0 / 165-102   | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 0-0 / 289-287    |
| 0-0 / 43-42     | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 0-0 / 95-76      |
| 0-0 / 35-30     | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-0 / 64-72      |
| 0-0 / 102-57    | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 0-0 / 160-167    |
| 0-0 / 13-13     | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 26-33      |
| 0-0 / 7-11      | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 7-31       |
| 0-0 / 22-22     | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 10-58      |
| 0-0 / 39-36     |                                      | 0-0 / 29-92      |

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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### JOHANNA KONTA

|             |       |                                |                |
|-------------|-------|--------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>2019</b> | R16   | L - AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #46) | 6-2 7-6(2)     |
| <b>2018</b> | QF    | L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6)   | 1-6 7-6(6) 3-2 |
| <b>2013</b> | R16-Q | L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #116)  | 6-4 1-6 7-5    |

### BARBORA STRYCOVA

|             |     |                               |             |
|-------------|-----|-------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>2012</b> | R16 | L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10) | 7-6(2) 6-0  |
| <b>2011</b> | QF  | L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #16)  | 6-2 6-1     |
| <b>2010</b> | R16 | L - MELINDA CZINK (HUN #37)   | 6-3 2-6 6-1 |



## **KONTA**

### Brisbane

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane (and fourth appearance overall)
- Best result here came with run to QF in 2018 (l. eventual champion Svitolina). Was two points from victory in second set against Ukrainian before retiring with a right hip injury midway through third
- Made R16 in 2019 (l. Tomljanovic) and fell in qualifying in 2013
- Today's 2020 opener vs. Strycova marks first match for four months, having last stepped on court in September at 2019 US Open, where she fell to Svitolina in the QF
- Has won her last three opening season matches, against Buyukakcay (2017 Shenzhen), Keys (2018 Brisbane) and Stephens (2019 Brisbane). Fell to Q.Wang in 1r at 2016 Shenzhen

### Career

- Ended 2019 season at No.12, up from No.39 in 2018. Owns two Top 10 finishes in career, coming in 2017 (No.9) and 2016 (No.10)
- Season highlight was historic run at Roland Garros, recording first ever main draw win in Paris before moving on to become the first British woman to reach SF since Jo Durie's run to the same stage in 1983. As a result, re-entered Top 20 on June 10, 2019 for the first time since March 2018 (dropped as low as No.50)
- Also made QF runs at Wimbledon and for the first time at US Open (first British woman to reach last 16 in New York since Jo Durie went all the way to the SF in 1983 (l. Evert))
- Reached two additional finals in 2019, at Rabat (l. Sakkari) and Rome (l. Ka. Pliskova)
- Lost to Muguruza in 2r at Australian Open in a three-set match which lasted two hours 42 minutes and finished at 03:12am – one of the latest finishes in the tournament's history
- Owns seven career wins over Top 5 players - No.2 Halep at 2015 Wuhan, No.3 A.Radwanska at 2017 Sydney, No.5 Halep at 2017 Miami, No.1 Kerber at 2017 Eastbourne, No.2 Halep at 2017 Wimbledon, No.4 Bertens at 2019 Rome and No.3 Ka. Pliskova at 2019 US Open
- Highlights in 2018 included a second successive R-Up finish at Nottingham (l. Barty) and SF at Moscow [Kremlin Cup] (l. eventual champion Kasatkina)
- Scored five Top 20 wins in 2018, over No.19 Keys (Brisbane), No.19 Rybarikova (Madrid and Rome), No.11 Ostapenko (Montréal) and No.16 Mertens (Moscow [Kremlin Cup])
- In 2017, posted career-high season finish of No.9. Peaked in rankings at No.4 on July 17, 2017
- Began 2017 season by lifting title at Sydney (d. A.Radwanska in F), before landing biggest title of career at Premier-Mandatory Miami (d. Wozniacki in F)
- At 2017 Wimbledon became first British player since Virginia Wade in 1978 to reach Wimbledon SF (l. eventual R-Up V.Williams)
- Reached third final of 2017 season at Nottingham (l. Vekic). Also in 2017, reached SF for second year in a row at home event of Eastbourne – QF defeat of World No.1 Kerber was first by a British woman over a reigning No.1 since Barker d. Evert at 1979 Boston
- Has seven Top 5 wins: No.2 Halep at 2015 Wuhan, No.3 A.Radwanska at 2017 Sydney, No.5 Halep at 2017 Miami, No.1 Kerber at 2017 Eastbourne, No.2 Halep at 2017 Wimbledon, No.4 Bertens at 2019 Rome and No.3 Ka.Pliskova at 2019 US Open
- Reached first Premier Mandatory final of career at 2016 Beijing (l. A.Radwanska)
- Non-playing alternate for WTA Finals in Singapore in 2016, narrowly missing qualification in the Top 8
- By virtue of reaching 2016 Beijing final, made WTA Top 10 debut – first British woman to feature in the elite group since Durie in 1984, and the fourth British woman overall to do so (also Wade and Barker)
- Won career-first singles title at 2016 Stanford in maiden final (d. V.Williams in F). First British woman to reach final of a Premier event since WTA Roadmap was introduced in 2009
- Broke into Top 20 on June 6, 2016 (at No.18) – first British woman in Top 20 for nearly 30 years (the week of October 13, 1986, with Durie at No.20)
- Was voted WTA Most Improved Player in 2016 by international media and fans

## Grand Slam

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

## Personal

- Born in Sydney, Australia; became a British citizen in May 2012. Parents are Gabor (hotelier) and Gabriella (dentist); older sister is Eva (works in fashion)
- Grandfather Tamas Kertesz played football for the Hungarian 'Golden Team' with Ferenc Puskas in 1955
- Switched clothing sponsor from Asics to Ellesse at end of 2018
- Currently working with Dimitri Zavialoff, having parted ways with Michael Joyce at the end of 2018 season

## **STRYCOVA**

### Brisbane

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, and first since 2012 (where she reached 2r, l. Petkovic)
- On her two other appearances here, she made the QF in 2011 (l. Bartoli) and 2r in 2010 (l. Czink)
- Opens 2020 season today vs. No.12 Konta, whom she is undefeated against in two previous meetings, most recently at 2019 Wimbledon
- Posted two Top 20 wins last season (faces No.12 Konta today), both coming at Wimbledon – over No.4 Bertens and No.18 Konta
- Has not lost opening match of season since 2013, where she began the year losing in qualifying at Stuttgart in April. Has subsequently beaten Govortsova (2014 Shenzhen), Scheepers (2015 Auckland), Bertens (2016 Auckland), Stefkova (2017 Auckland), Errani (2018 Auckland) and Townsend (2019 Auckland)
- Contesting doubles this week in Brisbane with Hsieh – team face Hon/Sanders in 1r

### Career

- Finished 2019 ranked No.33, her sixth consecutive Top 50 finish
- Season highlight was Grand Slam breakthrough at Wimbledon, reaching SF (l. S.Williams) on what was her 53rd major appearance
- During SW19 run, upset three seeds to become the oldest first-time Grand Slam semifinalist in the Open Era
- Enjoyed stellar season in doubles, winning first Grand Slam doubles title at Wimbledon w/Hsieh (d. Dabrowski/Xu in F) and rose to World No.1 ranking following the tournament (July 15, 2019).
- Wimbledon title was one of four doubles crowns from five finals, also winning Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham (all w/Hsieh)
- Team finished as R-Up at WTA Finals, ensuring Strycova finished the year as the WTA Year No.1 Doubles player presented by Dubai Duty Free
- In 2018, reached R16 at Roland Garros – her best result in Paris to date (l. Putintseva). Was also part of Czech Republic team that beat USA 3-0 in Fed Cup final (d. Kenin in day 1 singles rubber)
- Clinched second tour-level singles title at 2017 Linz (d. No.1 seed Rybarikova in F). Holds a 2-6 record in singles finals, with other title coming at 2011 Québec City (d. Erakovic in F)
- Posted career-high singles ranking of No.16 on January 16, 2017

- Owns seven career Top 5 wins, having defeated No.2 Li (2014 Wimbledon), No.3 Sharapova (2015 Wuhan), No.3 Muguruza (2016 Australian Open), No.3 Kerber (2016 Madrid) and No.1 Muguruza (2017 Beijing), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Birmingham) and No.4 Bertens (2019 Wimbledon)
- Won doubles bronze medal at 2016 Rio Olympics (w/Safarova)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2000. Won nine singles and 10 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Crowned ITF Junior World Champion in 2002

## Grand Slam

- Contested 54th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open. One of seven active players who've contested more than 50 Slams, behind V.Williams, S.Williams, Kuznetsova, Stosur, Sharapova and Cornet
- Breakthrough Slam result was SF run at 2019 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Before this, best result at Slam was QF run at 2014 Wimbledon (d. Li Na in the last match of the Chinese star's career, as well as Wozniacki en route, l. eventual champion Kvitova). Occasion marked first time in Open Era that three Czech women advanced to QF at a Slam (also Safarova, Kvitova)
- Advanced to R16 at Australian Open in 2016 (l. Azarenka), 2017 (l. S.Williams) and 2018 (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros in 2018 (l. Putintseva)
- Reached 3r at US Open in 2014 (l. Bouchard), 2015 (l. Lisicki) and 2018 (l. Mertens)
- At 2010 Australian Open played what was then the longest Grand Slam match (d. Kulikova in four hours and 19 minutes – since surpassed by Kuznetsova-Schiavone at 2011 Australian Open)
- In doubles, won 2019 Wimbledon w/Hsieh (d. Dabrowski/Xu in F). Is also a five-time semifinalist, at 2014 US Open (w/Date), 2015 Australian Open (w/Krajicek), 2017 US Open (w/Safarova), 2018 Roland Garros (w/Sestini Hlavackova) and 2019 Australian Open (w/Vondrousova)
- In successful junior career, won back-to-back Australian Open girls' singles titles in 2002 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2003 (d. Kutuzova in F) and was R-Up at the 2002 US Open (l. Kirilenko). Also won three junior Slams in doubles: 2001 Australian Open (w/Cetkovska), 2002 Roland Garros (w/Groenefeld) and 2002 Wimbledon (w/E.Clijsters)

## Personal

- Coached by David Kotyza and also works with Lukas Dlouhy
- Parents are Jindrich and Ilona; sister, Ivona, studied law and lives in US
- Started playing tennis at age 5
- Born in Plzen, Czech Republic – same hometown as frequent doubles partner Andrea Sestini Hlavackova



# MATCH NOTES

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## [WC] SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #99) vs. ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #20)

Head to Head: ANGELIQUE KERBER leads 6-3

|      |                           |         |     |                  |             |          |
|------|---------------------------|---------|-----|------------------|-------------|----------|
| 2019 | EASTBOURNE                | GRASS O | R2  | ANGELIQUE KERBER | 6-4 6-4     | 82 mins  |
| 2018 | DOHA                      | HARD O  | R2  | ANGELIQUE KERBER | 6-4 6-1     | 60 mins  |
| 2016 | OLYMPICS                  | HARD O  | R16 | ANGELIQUE KERBER | 6-0 7-5     |          |
| 2015 | HONG KONG                 | HARD O  | SF  | ANGELIQUE KERBER | 6-2 6-2     | 71 mins  |
| 2015 | MADRID                    | CLAY O  | R1  | SAMANTHA STOSUR  | 4-6 6-3 6-3 | 101 mins |
| 2015 | FED CUP WEEK 1            | HARD I  | R1  | ANGELIQUE KERBER | 6-2 6-4     |          |
| 2014 | FED CUP WEEK 2            | HARD O  | R2  | ANGELIQUE KERBER | 4-6 6-0 6-4 |          |
| 2013 | INDIAN WELLS              | HARD O  | QF  | ANGELIQUE KERBER | W/O         |          |
| 2012 | FED CUP WEEK 2 - PLAYOFFS | CLAY I  | R1  | SAMANTHA STOSUR  | 7-6(1) 6-4  |          |
| 2011 | US OPEN                   | HARD O  | SF  | SAMANTHA STOSUR  | 6-3 2-6 6-2 | 106 mins |

| SAMANTHA STOSUR | WTA RANKING                                   | ANGELIQUE KERBER |
|-----------------|---|------------------|
| 99              | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | 20               |
| 9,999           | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 9,999            |
| 30-03-1984 (35) | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | 18-01-1988 (31)  |
| \$0             | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$0              |
| \$18,930,476    | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | \$29,294,657     |
| 0 / 9           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 12           |
| 1 / 26          | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 0 / 0            |
| 4-10            | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 11-5             |
| 0-0 / 465-346   | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 0-0 / 427-244    |
| 0-0 / 128-124   | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-0 / 119-99     |
| 0-0 / 98-107    | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 0-0 / 86-57      |
| 0-0 / 273-221   | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 279-159    |
| 0-0 / 43-40     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 34-20      |
| 0-0 / 17-44     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 19-33      |
| 0-0 / 31-83     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 39-62      |
| 0-0 / 73-149    |   | 0-0 / 90-116     |

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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### SAMANTHA STOSUR

| 2019 |                                    |        |            |
|------|------------------------------------|--------|------------|
| R1   | L - MARIE BOUZKOVA (CZE #139)      | 4-6    | 6-2 6-2    |
| 2018 |                                    |        |            |
| R1   | L - ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #16) | 6-1    | 6-3        |
| 2017 |                                    |        |            |
| R1   | L - GARBINE MUGURUZA (ESP #7)      | 7-5    | 6-7(2) 7-5 |
| 2016 |                                    |        |            |
| R16  | L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #13) | 6-1    | 6-7(3) 6-4 |
| 2015 |                                    |        |            |
| R1   | L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #34)    | 4-6    | 6-4 7-5    |
| 2013 |                                    |        |            |
| R1   | L - SOFIA ARVIDSSON (SWE #41)      | 7-6(4) | 7-5        |
| 2012 |                                    |        |            |
| R16  | L - IVETA MELZER (CZE #54)         | 6-4    | 6-2        |
| 2011 |                                    |        |            |
| R16  | L - JARMILA WOLFE (AUS #42)        | 6-2    | 6-4        |
| 2009 |                                    |        |            |
| R16  | L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #61)       | 6-4    | 6-4        |

### ANGELIQUE KERBER

| 2017 |  |        |         |
|------|--|--------|---------|
| QF   | L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #14)          | 6-4    | 3-6 6-3 |
| 2016 |  |        |         |
| F    | L - VICTORIA AZARENKA (BLR #22)        | 6-3    | 6-1     |
| 2015 |  |        |         |
| QF   | L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #28)          | 4-6    | 7-5 6-3 |
| 2014 |  |        |         |
| QF   | L - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #8)           | 6-7(8) | 6-3 6-1 |
| 2013 |  |        |         |
| QF   | L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #36) | 7-6(3) | 7-6(3)  |

## STOSUR

### Brisbane

- Making 10th appearance at the Brisbane International, entering the 2020 main draw on a WC
- Has reached 2r – but no further – on four occasions, most recently in 2016 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- During 1r match here last season, her clash with qualifier Bouzkova rung in the New Year – first ball was struck at 10.03pm on Dec 31, 2018 and was finished at 12.16am
- Clash with Bouzkova was also Stosur's 1000th match of her career
- Faces No.20 Kerber today in their 10th meeting – bidding for first Top 20 win since 2019 Miami (d. No.16 Keys)
- Playing doubles this week with Perez – team face Kichenok/Yang in 1r

### Career

- Finished 2019 ranked No.96 in what was her 20th year ending the season with ranking points to her name
- Season highlight was reaching the final of Guangzhou – the 25th singles final of her career – falling to Kenin
- Also in 2019 advance to 3r at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty), where she defeated No.16 Keys in 2r at Miami for first Top 20 win since 2017 Hong Kong (d. No.18 A.Radwanska)
- In doubles, captured third Grand Slam title at Australian Open (w/S.Zhang, d. Babos/Mladenovic in F). Reached doubles final in Miami (w/S.Zhang, l. Mertens/Sabalenka in F). Team of Stosur/S.Zhang qualified for the 2019 WTA Finals, reaching SF
- Closed out 2019 partnering Barty representing Australian in the Fed Cup Final against France (team lost decisive doubles rubber vs. Garcia/Mladenovic)

- Ended 2018 outside Top 50, at No.72, for first time since 2008. 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)
- Career record in finals is 9-16, and has advanced to at least one singles final in 11 of past 12 seasons
- 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
- 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 Bacsinzky/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 26 titles to her name, including 2005 US Open, 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)
- 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

- 2019 US Open marked 64th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Owns one Grand Slam singles title, at 2011 US Open (d. S.Williams in F). One of seven women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber, Muguruza, Osaka and Halep)
- 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 home Slam of Australian Open made R16 in 2006 (l. Hingis) and 2010 (l. S.Williams)
- Three-time Grand Slam doubles champion, most recently at 2019 Australian Open (w/Zhang). Also won 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)

## Personal

- Currently without full-time. Stopped working with long-time coach, David Taylor, after 2016 Roland Garros
- 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

## KERBER

- Making sixth appearance at the Brisbane International, where in five previous appearances, she has never failed to reach at least the QF stage
- Made the last eight in 2013 (l. Pavlyuchenkova), 2014 (l. Jankovic), 2015 (l. Svitolina) and 2017 (l. Svitolina), and finished at R-Up in 2016 (l. Azarenka)
- Has reached four finals overall in Australia – 2014 Sydney (R-Up), 2016 Brisbane (R-Up), 2016 Australian Open (WON) and 2018 Sydney (WON)
- Faces Stosur today for their 10th meeting – the pair have met at least once every season since 2011 (aside from 2017 season)
- 2020 Brisbane marks first event working with new coach Dieter Kindlmann

## Career

- Ended 2019 ranked No.20, down from No.2 in 2018. Best finish of career remains No.1 in 2016
- Reached two finals across last season, firstly finishing as R-Up at Indian Wells (l. Andreescu), in what was the first Premier Mandatory final of her career. As a result, passed the \$28 million prize money mark – now eighth on the all-time list
- Second final came on the grass of Eastbourne (R-Up, l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Also made SF runs at Doha (l. eventual champion Mertens), Osaka (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and Mallorca (l. Bencic)
- 2r win over Kontaveit at 2019 Doha marked 600th career win across all levels
- Defeated Haddad Maia in 2r at 2019 Australian Open for 100th Grand Slam match-win (one of eight active players to achieve the feat)
- Won two titles in 2018, at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and third Grand Slam crown of career at Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), finishing the season ranked No.2
- Also in 2018, advanced to SF at Australian Open (l. Halep in 3s, having held two match points), Dubai (l. eventual champion Svitolina) and Eastbourne (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- Ended 2017 on a ranking of No.21. Best results of season were R-Up finish at Monterrey and SF runs at Tokyo [PPO] and Dubai
- Enjoyed an outstanding 2016 season, winning first Grand Slam titles of career at Australian Open (d. S.Williams in F) and US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F), finishing R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams in F) and rising to World No.1 in the WTA rankings. At 28, became oldest player to make her debut at World No.1
- 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]
- 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)
- One of only four active players with three or more Grand Slam titles to their resume along with S.Williams (23), V.Williams (7) and Sharapova (5)

## Grand Slam

- Just one of two players all-time to defeat S.Williams in two Grand Slam finals (also Venus Williams at 2001 US Open and 2008 Wimbledon)
- At 2016 Australian Open, became first Grand Slam champion to save match point en route to the title since Li Na at 2014 Australian Open (Kerber saved a match point in 1r win over Doi)
- Won second Grand Slam singles title at US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova in F) and duly rose to World No.1. Kerber made just five unforced errors to beat S.Williams and lift third major at 2018 Wimbledon
- In 2016, finished R-Up at Wimbledon (l. S.Williams), before triumphing over her in the 2018 Wimbledon final
- Best result at Roland Garros are QF runs in 2012 (l. eventual R-Up Errani) and 2018 (l. eventual champion Halep)

## Personal

- Working with Dieter Kindlmann
- Ended partnership with Raemon Sluiter during 2019 season. Parted ways 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
- Commercial endorsements include deals with Porsche, Rolex and Head & Shoulders and SAP



# MATCH NOTES

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## [4] ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) vs. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #29)

Head to Head: 0-0

| ELINA SVITOLINA | WTA RANKING                          | DANIELLE COLLINS |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|------------------|
| 6               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 29               |
| 9,999           | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | 231              |
| 12-09-1994 (25) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 13-12-1993 (26)  |
| \$0             | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | \$0              |
| \$19,234,960    | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$2,381,778      |
| 0 / 13          | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 0            |
| 0 / 2           | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0            |
| 12-5            | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 0-2              |
| 0-0 / 265-147   | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 0-0 / 36-39      |
| 0-0 / 81-51     | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 0-0 / 15-13      |
| 0-0 / 52-44     | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-0 / 11-8       |
| 0-0 / 196-100   | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 0-0 / 24-25      |
| 0-0 / 21-21     | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 2-5        |
| 0-0 / 19-18     | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 1-4        |
| 0-0 / 33-38     | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 2-10       |
| 0-0 / 59-68     |                                      | 0-0 / 8-17       |

\* Updated through entering 2020

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ELINA SVITOLINA

| 2019 |                                     |     |         |
|------|-------------------------------------|-----|---------|
| R16  | L - ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #30) | 6-4 | 0-6 6-3 |
| 2018 |                                     |     |         |
| F    | W - ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #88) | 6-2 | 6-1     |
| 2017 |                                     |     |         |
| SF   | L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #6)      | 6-2 | 6-4     |
| 2015 |                                     |     |         |
| SF   | L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #2)        | 6-1 | 6-3     |
| 2014 |                                     |     |         |
| R16  | L - JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #8)        | 6-1 | 6-3     |

### DANIELLE COLLINS

| 2019 |                            |        |               |
|------|----------------------------|--------|---------------|
| R1   | L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7) | 6-7(6) | 7-6(6)<br>6-3 |



## SVITOLINA

### Brisbane

- Making sixth appearance at the Brisbane International, returning as a former champion, having lifted the title in 2018 (d. Sasnovich in F)
- Also finished R-Up here in 2017 (l. Ka.Pliskova) and was a semifinalist in 2015 (l. eventual champion Sharapova)
- Made 2r in both 2019 (after 1r bye, l. Sasnovich) and 2014 (l. Jankovic)
- Faces Collins today in what is their first meeting
- Bidding to be the fourth player to win two Brisbane titles, after S.Williams (2013-14), Ka.Pliskova (2017, 2019) and Azarenka (2009, 2016)

### Career

- Finished 2019 at No.6, her third consecutive Top 10 finish
- Season highlight was reaching the title match as defending champion at the WTA Finals (l. Barty)
- Loss to Barty ended her nine-match unbeaten run at the WTA Finals, having gone undefeated in the RR stage from 2018-19
- Reached SF at US Open for the first time (l. S.Williams), tying career best Slam performance with 2019 Wimbledon SF run (l. eventual champion Halep). Also at Wimbledon became the first Ukrainian woman to appear in a Grand Slam SF (l. eventual champion Halep) overcoming a previous 0-4 record in Grand Slam QFs
- In 2018, won 13th – and most prestigious – career title at 2018 WTA Finals (d. Stephens in F), after going 3-0 during round robin stage. Ended year ranked No.4. Also won titles at Rome (as defending champion, d. No.1 Halep in F), Dubai (as defending champion, d. Kasatkina in F) and Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F); career record in finals now stands at 13-2, including a current nine match win streak
- Enjoyed stand-out 2017, finishing year at No.6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins (53, behind Wozniacki with 60)
- Season culminated by qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore, becoming first Ukrainian woman to qualify for the season-ending tournament in singles (fell at round robin stage with 1-2 record)
- In 2017, became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009
- One of five players to make Top 10 debut in 2017, after winning Dubai in February (also Ostapenko, Garcia, Mladenovic and Vandeweghe). Peaked in rankings at No.3 on September 11, 2017
- On four occasions could have reached World No.1 spot – at 2017 US Open, then needed to win 2017 Beijing (fell in QF), then needed to triumph at 2017 WTA Finals (failed to progress from group stage), or reach final at 2018 Australian Open (fell in QF)
- End to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (l. A.Radwanska) Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)
- Reached three finals in 2016, at Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and advancing to finals at New Haven (l. A.Radwanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)
- Other 2016 season highlights included SFs at Dubai, Tokyo [PPO] and Moscow, and QF at Rio Olympics
- Owns two career doubles titles: 2014 Istanbul (w/Doi) and 2015 Istanbul (w/Gavrilova)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Baku (lost in 1r but went on to win title there in both 2013 and 2014)
- Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008
- Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017

### Grand Slam

- 2019 US Open marked 29th consecutive Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Tied best Grand Slam result by reaching 2019 US Open SF (l. S.Williams), also made this stage at 2019 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep) - previous QF record at Slams was 0-4
- Became the first woman from Ukraine to reach a major SF; on the men's, Medvedev made that stage at Roland Garros in 1993 (SF) and 1999 (R-Up)
- Elsewhere, has posted QF showings at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Ivanovic), 2017 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Halep), 2018 Australian Open (l. Mertens) and 2019 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka)
- Joint-highest seeding at a Slam is No.4 (2017 Wimbledon and US Open, 2018 Australian Open and Roland Garros)

## Personal

- Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian
- Coached by Andrew Bettles and added Marcos Baghdatis to her team during offseason. Has previously worked with Iain Hughes and Thierry Ascione
- Won the Jerry Diamond ACES Award in the 2018 WTA Awards, in recognition of promotion of women's tennis to fans, media, and local communities by performing off-court promotional and charitable activities
- Launched the Elina Svitolina Foundation on March 18, 2019 with a mission to encourage children, through the sport of tennis, to learn the values of hard work, self-discipline and the importance of giving 100 percent every day in life

## COLLINS

### Brisbane

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane – made debut last year, falling in 1r to Kvitova
- Faces No.4 Svitolina today – bidding for second Top 5 win of career, the first coming here on Australian soil at the Australian Open in 2019 over No.2 Kerber
- Bidding to be first American woman to win Brisbane since 2014 (S.Williams)
- Played two events in off-season, contesting the Oracle Challenger Series event in Houston (l. 1r to Kalinina) and a \$25k ITF event in Naples, FL (reached QF, l. Talaba)

### Career

- Ended 2019 at No.31 for career-best year-end finish
- Produced 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
- Posted five Top 20 wins in 2019, over No.13 Goerges, No.19 Garcia and No.2 Kerber (all at Australian Open), No.12 Wozniacki (Rome) and No.12 Sevastova (Wimbledon)
- 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)
- Season highlight in 2018 was 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, reached 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 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

- 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

- All other major wins have also occurred during the 2019 season; recording a 3r appearance at Wimbledon alongside 2r showings at Roland Garros (d. Maria, l. eventual champion Barty) and US Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Fell 1r on first five major appearances: as a WC at US Open in 2014 (l. Halep) and 2016 (l. Rodina), then in 2018 at Roland Garros (l. Wozniacki), Wimbledon (l. Mertens) and US Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Gained first Grand Slam main draw direct acceptance at 2018 Roland Garros

#### 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
- Began working with former Top 25 WTA player Betsy Nagelsen McCormack ahead of 2019 Roland Garros



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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – DAY 2

### SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #24) vs. [Q] LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #129)

#### First meeting

*Stephens reached QF here in 2013... Samsonova upset Mladenovic during qualifying... The American lost four times to players ranked outside Top 100 last season*

### MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #23) vs. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

#### Osaka leads 2-1

*Osaka won when pair met in Birmingham last summer... Sakkari owns two career Top 5 wins... Osaka is first defending Australian Open champion to play Brisbane since 2017*

### [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) vs. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #22)

#### Bertens leads 2-0

*Bertens beat Yastremska twice during last year's Asian swing... Yastremska is the only teenager in the draw... Bertens owns three hard court titles, while Yastremska has two*

### ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #29) vs. [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7)

#### Kvitova leads 7-4

*Players have split two previous career meetings here in Brisbane... Pavlyuchenkova bidding for 33<sup>rd</sup> Top 10 upset of her career... Kvitova is among five Czech players in field here*

### MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #147) vs. JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53)

#### Sharapova leads 1-0

*Sharapova won when the two clashed at 2017 Stanford... Brady came through qualifying without dropping a set... The Russian is one of four former champions to start the draw*



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 06-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #24) vs. LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #129)

Head to Head: First meeting

| SLOANE STEPHENS | WTA RANKING                                    | LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA |
|-----------------|--|--------------------|
| 24              |  | 129                |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>    | 79                 |
| 20-03-1993 (26) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                     | 11-11-1998 (21)    |
| \$0             | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                         | \$0                |
| \$15,181,022    | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                      | \$218,301          |
| 0 / 6           | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>           | 0 / 0              |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>           | 0 / 0              |
| 2-3             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                     | 0-0                |
| 24-20 / 220-151 | <b>2019 / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 4-6 / 4-6          |
| 7-6 / 70-50     | <b>2019 / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 2-1 / 2-1          |
| 11-2 / 59-29    | <b>2019 / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 1-2 / 1-2          |
| 12-14 / 141-100 | <b>2019 / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 0-2 / 0-2          |
| 2-2 / 18-7      | <b>2019 / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-2 / 0-2          |
| 0-0 / 9-21      | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 0-0          |
| 0-2 / 17-35     | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 0-0          |
| 1-4 / 36-58     | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 0-0          |

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### BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### SLOANE STEPHENS

##### 2019

R1 L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #37) 6-4 6-3

##### 2013

QF L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #3) 6-4 6-3

##### 2012

R1-Q L - YVONNE MEUSBURGER (AUT #137) 7-6(3) 6-3

## STEPHENS:

### *Brisbane*

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane, where her best result was 2013's QF run (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Followed 2013 run here with Grand Slam breakthrough SF run at Australian Open
- In 1r here this year, faces No.129 Samsonova; in 2019, lost four times to players ranked outside Top 100
- During last year's Australian swing she fell 1r at Brisbane (l. Konta), 2r at Sydney (l. Putintseva) and reached R16 at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova)

### *Career*

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

### *Grand Slam History*

- 2019 US Open marked 31st Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Enjoyed fairytale run at 2017 US Open, lifting maiden Slam title at Flushing Meadows (d. Keys in F). At No.83, is second-lowest ranked major champion (since inception of computer rankings in 1975) and 14th unseeded player to advance to a Slam final in the Open Era, and only fifth unseeded champion
- Best result across other Slams was R-Up finish at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Prior to 2017 US Open triumph, best result across all majors was reaching SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. S.Williams in QF, l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Also just the second American (after Davenport) to beat both Williams sisters in Grand Slam match play
- Advanced to SF at 2013 Australian Open (d. Halep, Mladenovic and S.Williams en route) and QF at 2013 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Bartoli)

### *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

- Recently reunited with former long-term coach Kamau Murray; formerly coached by Sven Groenefeld and Nick Saviano
- On April 29, announced engagement to Toronto FC soccer star Jozy Altidore

## SAMSONOVA:

### *Brisbane*

- Making debut at Brisbane International, where she came through three rounds of qualifying, defeating McPhee, Mladenovic and Kostyuk
- Contesting her seventh main draw at a WTA tournament
- Faces No.24 Stephens today; only previous meeting with a Top 30 opponent was 6-2 6-4 defeat to then-No.24 Vekic at 2019 Roland Garros, while best career win, in terms of ranking, was over No.37 Mladenovic on Sunday
- Best result by a qualifier at Brisbane was R-Up finish by Sasnovich in 2018

### *Career*

- Finished 2019 at No.139 – her best season-ending finish after finishing the year with a 32-28 record
- Posted career-high ranking of No.123 on August 5, 2019
- Appeared in the first seven WTA main draws of her career in 2019, highlighted by SF run at Palermo (l. eventual champion Teichmann) and 2r at Lausanne (l. Han)
- Contested qualifying at a WTA event for the first time at 2019 St. Petersburg, while made her main draw bow at Roland Garros
- Owns four singles titles on the ITF Circuit, most recently at \$60K Saint-Malo-FRA in 2018
- Made professional debut at \$10K ITF/Gonesse-FRA in 2013

### *Grand Slam History*

- Made Grand Slam debut by qualifying for 2019 Roland Garros (l. Vekic)
- Also fell in qualifying at Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open in 2019

### *Personal*

- Born in Olenegorsk, Russia (in Artic Circle, close to border with Finland)
- Represented Italy from 2014-18
- Started playing tennis aged six



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #23) vs. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

Head to Head: NAOMI OSAKA leads 2-1

|      |              |         |     |               |             |          |
|------|--------------|---------|-----|---------------|-------------|----------|
| 2019 | BIRMINGHAM   | GRASS O | R1  | NAOMI OSAKA   | 6-1 4-6 6-3 | 120 mins |
| 2018 | CINCINNATI   | HARD O  | R1  | MARIA SAKKARI | 6-3 7-6(8)  | 110 mins |
| 2018 | INDIAN WELLS | HARD O  | R16 | NAOMI OSAKA   | 6-1 5-7 6-1 | 110 mins |

| MARIA SAKKARI   | WTA RANKING                                    | NAOMI OSAKA     |
|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| 23              |  | 4               |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>    | -               |
| 25-07-1995 (24) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                     | 16-10-1997 (22) |
| \$0             | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                         | \$0             |
| \$2,756,084     | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                      | \$14,417,479    |
| 1 / 1           | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>           | 3 / 5           |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>           | 0 / 0           |
| 0-0             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                     | 4-2             |
| 29-22 / 72-75   | <b>2019 / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 42-12 / 122-71  |
| 11-9 / 23-29    | <b>2019 / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 18-3 / 33-18    |
| 6-6 / 19-14     | <b>2019 / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 10-4 / 23-19    |
| 11-13 / 37-47   | <b>2019 / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 32-8 / 93-49    |
| 5-1 / 7-5       | <b>2019 / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 3-0 / 7-5       |
| 1-4 / 2-5       | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 1-0 / 4-7       |
| 5-6 / 7-10      | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 6-1 / 11-19     |
| 7-12 / 13-26    | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 10-3 / 26-31    |

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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### MARIA SAKKARI

2016

R1-Q L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #89) 6-3 3-6 7-6(5)

### NAOMI OSAKA

2019

SF L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27) 6-2 6-4

2016

QF-Q L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #89) 7-6(7) 4-6 6-4



## SAKKARI:

### *Brisbane*

- Making main draw debut at the Brisbane International, having fallen in qualifying in 2016
- Opens 2020 season against World No.4 Osaka – has scored two wins against Top 5 opponents, against No.5 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Rome) and No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome, via ret.)
- Enters 2020 on a four-match losing streak, which began with 3r exit at 2019 US Open and continued at Moscow (I. Pavlyuchenkova) then two RR losses at Zhuhai (I. Sabalenka, I. Mertens)
- US Open and Moscow appearances were sandwiched between withdrawals from Seoul and Korea with right wrist issues

### *Career*

- Finished 2019 at No.23 – the best year-end finish of her career (up from No.41 in 2018)
- Posted a career-high ranking at No.22 on October 21, 2019
- Season highlight was winning maiden WTA title at Rabat, recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final
- Made 3r at Australian Open (I. Barty), Wimbledon (I. Svitolina) and US Open (I. Barty). Has now reached 3r - but never further - at the majors seven times
- Closed out season by qualifying for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for first time in career (fell in RR stage)
- 2018 season highlights included reaching her first tour-level final at San Jose (I. Buzarnescu), scoring first career Top 5 win after defeat of No.5 Ka.Pliskova in Rome as well as reaching SF at Istanbul (I. Hercog) and Seoul (I. Bertens)
- Notched first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan Open
- Since then has posted a further six Top 10 wins, against No.5 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Rome), No.6 Bertens (2019 Charleston), No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome, via ret.), No.7 Svitolina (2019 San Jose), No.6 Kvitova and No.9 Sabalenka (both at 2019 Cincinnati)
- Broke into Top 50 for first time at No.49 on October 9, 2017
- 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*

- Contested 16th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Has reached 3r at all four of the majors, most recently at 2019 US Open (I. Barty)
- By reaching 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, by 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

### *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
- Currently coached by Tom Hill

## OSAKA:

### *Brisbane*

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane, and third appearance overall
- Made the SF stage in 2019 (l. Tsurenko) and fell in 2016 qualifying
- Playing first match today under new coach Wim Fissette, with the pair starting work together in mid-December
- Opens 2020 season today vs. Sakkari in 1r, owning a 2-1 record against the Greek, including a win en route to 2018 Indian Wells title
- Enjoyed strong Australian swing in 2019, posting a 9-1 record (2 wins at Brisbane, 7 wins at Australian Open)
- First year since 2017 that the defending Australian Open champion has played Brisbane in the lead up to Melbourne (Kerber)

### *Career*

- Finished 2019 ranked No.3 for career-best season-ending finish
- Won second Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); now owns 5-2 record in WTA singles finals. Defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed a 10-match winning streak after lifting the titles at Osaka and Beijing - the joint-longest of her career (also recorded 10 straight victories when winning the 2018 US Open and reaching the final at Tokyo)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- 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
- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated 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 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- 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)

### *Grand Slam History*

- Contested 15th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open (d. S.Williams in F) and 2019 Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F)
- 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)
- Won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance, becoming the 10th woman to win the US Open and Australian Open back-to-back
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (197, 122d)
- Has reached 3r at the other two majors: Roland Garros in 2016 (l. Halep), 2018 (l. Keys) and 2019 (l. Siniakova), and Wimbledon in 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. Kerber)

## *Personal*

- Began working with Wim Fissette at beginning of 2020 season. Previous coaches include Sascha Bajin and Jermaine Jenkins
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent) and Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship
- Sponsorship deals include Nike, Citizen, broadcaster Wowow, Nissin, Nissan and ANA Airlines
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in New York City before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari also plays professional tennis



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) vs. DAYANA YASTREMSKA (UKR #22)

Head to Head: KIKI BERTENS leads 2-0

|      |         |        |    |              |            |          |
|------|---------|--------|----|--------------|------------|----------|
| 2019 | ZHUHAI  | HARD O | R1 | KIKI BERTENS | 6-4 6-3    | 86 mins  |
| 2019 | BEIJING | HARD O | R2 | KIKI BERTENS | 7-6(5) 6-3 | 104 mins |

| KIKI BERTENS    | WTA RANKING                          | DAYANA YASTREMSKA |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 9               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 22                |
| -               | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | -                 |
| 10-12-1991 (28) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 15-05-2000 (19)   |
| \$0             | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | \$0               |
| \$10,730,150    | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$1,627,577       |
| 2 / 9           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 2 / 3             |
| 0 / 10          | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0             |
| 2-3             | 2019 / CAREER W-L (MD) *             | 0-0               |
| 56-27 / 210-160 | 2019 / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *       | 32-21 / 43-32     |
| 19-14 / 61-61   | 2019 / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *   | 5-9 / 7-16        |
| 12-14 / 45-52   | 2019 / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *        | 7-5 / 9-10        |
| 30-19 / 94-103  | 2019 / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) * | 24-14 / 33-21     |
| 8-2 / 24-11     | 2019 / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 1-1 / 2-2         |
| 5-3 / 11-12     | 2019 / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *  | 1-2 / 1-2         |
| 8-4 / 23-24     | 2019 / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *  | 1-5 / 1-6         |
| 13-9 / 36-45    |                                      | 6-10 / 7-11       |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### KIKI BERTENS

|             |      |                               |                |
|-------------|------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>2019</b> | R16  | L - DONNA VEKIC (CRO #34)     | 7-6(5) 1-6 7-5 |
| <b>2018</b> | R1   | L - ANA KONJUH (CRO #44)      | 6-1 6-2        |
| <b>2014</b> | QF-Q | L - ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #190) | 2-6 6-3 7-5    |

### DAYANA YASTREMSKA

|             |       |                                   |             |
|-------------|-------|-----------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>2019</b> | R16-Q | L - KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #144)   | 6-2 5-1     |
| <b>2018</b> | QF-Q  | L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #93) | 6-2 4-6 6-4 |

## BERTENS:

### Brisbane

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane International (fourth overall)
- Scored her first win here during last year's run to the 2r (d. Mertens, I. Vekic having held 2mp at 5-4 in final set)
- Fell 1r in 2018 (I. Konjuh) and in qualifying in 2014 (I. Barty)
- Faces Yastremska today in their third career meeting, having never dropped a set against the Ukrainian in their two previous encounters en route to SF at 2019 Beijing and R-Up finish at 2019 Zhuhai
- Enters this week at World No.9. Has held her position inside the Top 10 since she first reached the elite group on October 8, 2018
- Owns three hard court titles, at 2018 Cincinnati, 2018 Seoul and 2019 St. Petersburg

### Career

- Reached a career high ranking of World No.4 in 2019 following her first Premier Mandatory title at Madrid (defeated four Grand Slam champion en route - Ostapenko, Kvitova, Stephens and Halep in F). Also became first woman to win Madrid title without dropping a set
- Other season highlights included lifting the trophy at St. Petersburg (d. Vekic in F) and final runs at Palermo (I. Teichmann), Zhuhai (I. Sabalenka), and on home soil in 's-Hertogenbosch (could not convert five championship points in loss to Riske)
- Also in 2019 became the third alternate to win a match at the WTA Finals since the round robin format was introduced in 2003 - also Bartoli (2007, '11) and A.Radwanska (2008-09)
- Defeated No.1 Barty in Shenzhen to record her first win over the Australian and second win over a reigning World No.1, having also defeated Halep in 2018 Cincinnati final
- Won 55 matches in 2019 - the second most of the season, behind Barty (56)
- Struck 457 aces in 2019 - the second most on Tour behind Ka.Pliskova with 488
- Won the WTA Jerry Diamond ACES Award in 2019, which is granted to the player who consistently goes above and beyond in promoting the sport of women's tennis to fans, media, and local communities by performing off-court promotional and charitable initiatives.
- Enjoyed a break-out year in 2018, reaching a career-best four singles finals across the season and breaking into the Top 10 (October 8, 2018) - first Dutch woman to be ranked in the Top 10 since Brenda Schultz-McCarthy in 1996
- Won the WTA's Most Improved Player Award in 2018
- Lifted three titles in 2018, at Charleston (d. Goerges in F), Cincinnati (d. World No.1 Halep in F - saved 1mp) and Seoul (d. Tomljanovic in F). Reached one further final, at Premier Mandatory Madrid (I. Kvitova)
- Scored WTA-leading 12 Top 10 wins last season. Prior to 2018, only had three Top 10 wins in her career
- Also reached SF on WTA Finals debut (I. Svitolina)
- Season highlights in 2017 were titles at Nürnberg and Gstaad. Also ` posted SF run at 2017 Rome and reached QF at Madrid - first Premier Mandatory QF
- Career-high doubles ranking is No.16 (first reached on April 16, 2018)
- Finished 2016 ranked No.22 in singles - big jump from her season-ending ranking of No.101 in 2015
- Played on Netherlands Olympic team at 2016 Rio Olympics - fell in 1r (I. Errani)
- Won maiden career singles title at 2012 Fès as a qualifier in just her second main draw appearance; currently owns 9-5 career record in singles finals
- Owner of 10 WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2018 Brisbane (w/Schuurs)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2011 's-Hertogenbosch (I. 1r)
- Played first event of career on ITF Circuit in the Netherlands in 2006; has won seven singles titles and 11 doubles titles at this level
- Netherlands Fed Cup Team, 2011-2012, 2014-2017

## *Grand Slam*

- Contested milestone 30th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Deepest run across the Slams came with SF showing at 2016 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Enjoyed her best result at Wimbledon in 2018 by reaching her second career Grand Slam QF (l. Goerges). Became first Dutch woman to reach QF at Wimbledon since Krajicek in 2007
- In 2018 reached 3r for first time at both Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and US Open (l. Vondrousova)
- Is a two-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist in doubles, at 2015 Australian Open (w/Larsson, l. Goerges/Groenefeld) and 2016 Roland Garros (w/Larsson, l. eventual champions Garcia/Mladenovic)

## *Personal*

- Coached by former WTA player Elise Tamaela. Formerly coached by Raemon Sluiter (announced the end of their four-year partnership in November)
- In November 2019, married her husband Remko de Rijke, who has been involved as part of her team as a physio and fitness coach. The two announced their engagement in November 2018
- After her triumph at 2019 Madrid, Kiki reached a career-high singles ranking of World No.4 and became the highest-ranked Dutchwoman in history
- Won the 2019 WTA Jerry Diamond ACES Award and the 2018 WTA Most Improved Player of the Year Award
- Fan-voted as May 2019 WTA Player of the Month
- Parents are Rob and Doré; sisters are Joyce and Daisy
- Started playing at age 6. Tennis idol growing up was Kim Clijsters

## YASTREMSKA:

### *Brisbane*

- Making main draw debut at Brisbane, having fallen in qualifying the last two years – 2019 (l. Muchova) and 2018 (l. Bondarenko)
- Competing this week on a career ranking of No.22 (first achieved on November 4, 2019)
- Faces No.9 Bertens today. Owns 1-6 career record against Top 10 ranked opponents, having defeated No.2 Ka.Pliskova at 2019 Wuhan
- Holds six career Top 20 wins – all achieved in 2019 over No.2 Ka.Pliskova (Wuhan), No.19 Wozniacki (Cincinnati), No.14 Konta (Toronto), No.11 Sabalenka (Strasbourg), No.15 Muguruza (Hua Hin) and No.20 Vekic (Zhuhai)
- At 19, is the youngest player competing in Brisbane this year

### *Career*

- Captured two WTA singles titles in 2019 at Hua Hin (d. Tomljanovic in final after trailing 5-2 in third set) and Strasbourg (d. Garcia after saving 1MP)
- Advanced to QF at 2019 Wuhan, where she recorded maiden Top 5 win against No.2 Ka.Pliskova during R16 (l. Kvitova)
- Made Grand Slam breakthrough with R16 run at 2019 Wimbledon (l. Zhang)
- Qualified for Zhuhai in 2019, going 1-1 in RR stage (d. No.20 Vekic, l. eventual R-Up Bertens)
- Posted first Top 100 season in 2018, at No.60, winning first career title at Hong Kong (d. Q.Wang in F)

- Also in 2018, reached SF at Luxembourg (l. Bencic), 2r at New Haven (as qualifier, l. Goerges) and Charleston (as LL, l. Pera) and fell 1r at US Open (l. Muchova), Acapulco (as qualifier, l. Puig) Québec City (l. McHale) and Beijing (as qualifier, l. S.Zheng)
- Became first woman born in the 2000s to crack the Top 100 on the WTA rankings, debuting at No.100 (week of July 16, 2018)
- Won third ITF singles title in at \$60k ITF/Rome-ITA and reached two more finals in 2018
- Posted first Top 200 season in 2017, at No.189 – rose more than 200 places during the year
- Won first WTA main draw match and reached first tour-level QF at 2017 Istanbul, defeating former World No.9 Petkovic en route (l. Cepelova)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2016 Istanbul (l. Hibino in 1r)
- Played first matches of career on ITF Circuit in 2015
- In juniors, rose as high as No.6 in the world
- On ITF Circuit, winner of three singles titles and three doubles titles

### **Grand Slam**

- Contested fifth Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open, reaching 3r (l. Svitolina)
- Advanced to second week of a major for the first time at 2019 Wimbledon, falling to S.Zhang in R16
- Reached 3r at 2019 Australian Open (l. S.Williams)
- Made 1r exit on Grand Slam debut at 2018 US Open (l. qualifier Muchova in straight sets) and also 2019 Roland Garros
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Australian Open and 2018 Wimbledon
- Runner-up in 2016 Wimbledon junior girls' event (l. Potapova)

### **Personal**

- Currently coached Sascha Bajin (former coach of Naomi Osaka and Kristina Mladenovic). Previously coached by Oliver Jeunehomme
- Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year
- Born and resides in Odessa, Ukraine
- Trained as a junior in Istanbul, at Koza WOS
- Began playing tennis at age 5
- Prefers hard courts



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #29) vs. [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7)

Head to Head: PETRA KVITOVA leads 7-4

|      |               |        |     |                          |     |        |        |          |
|------|---------------|--------|-----|--------------------------|-----|--------|--------|----------|
| 2018 | WUHAN         | HARD O | R16 | ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA | 3-6 | 6-3    | 6-3    | 133 mins |
| 2015 | FED CUP FINAL | HARD I | R1  | PETRA KVITOVA            | 2-6 | 6-1    | 6-1    | n/a      |
| 2015 | MADRID        | CLAY O | R16 | PETRA KVITOVA            | 6-1 | 6-4    |        | 69 mins  |
| 2013 | NEW HAVEN     | HARD O | QF  | PETRA KVITOVA            | 2-6 | 6-2    | 7-5    | 136 mins |
| 2013 | BRISBANE      | HARD O | R16 | ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA | 6-4 | 7-5    |        | 98 mins  |
| 2012 | CINCINNATI    | HARD O | QF  | PETRA KVITOVA            | 6-3 | 7-6(4) |        | 105 mins |
| 2012 | ROME          | CLAY O | R2  | PETRA KVITOVA            | 7-5 | 6-4    |        | 122 mins |
| 2011 | MIAMI         | HARD O | R3  | ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA | 6-4 | 6-7(3) | 6-0    | 125 mins |
| 2011 | BRISBANE      | HARD O | SF  | PETRA KVITOVA            | 6-4 | 4-6    | 6-2    | 113 mins |
| 2009 | HOBART        | HARD O | QF  | PETRA KVITOVA            | 1-6 | 7-5    | 6-3    | 110 mins |
| 2008 | BRATISLAVA    | HARD I | QF  | ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA | 6-4 | 2-6    | 7-6(7) | n/a      |

### ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA

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03-07-1991 (28)

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\$9,792,819

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0 / 5

13-6

23-21 / 338-255

8-10 / 114-96

5-3 / 81-68

22-16 / 253-171

2-0 / 28-29

1-1 / 13-34

4-4 / 32-64

6-9 / 62-113

### WTA RANKING

#### PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD

#### DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)

#### YTD PRIZE MONEY

#### CAREER PRIZE MONEY

#### SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)

#### DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)

#### BRISBANE W-L (MD) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER W-L (MD) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) \*

#### 2019 / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) \*

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane

### PETRA KVITOVA

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-

08-03-1990 (29)

\$0

\$31,066,637

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8-4

38-17 / 436-206

9-10 / 129-87

10-8 / 88-65

27-14 / 290-145

1-0 / 45-14

1-4 / 25-34

3-6 / 55-56

9-9 / 108-93





# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Dec 31 - Jan 06, 2019 | \$1,000,000 | PREMIER

## BRISBANE Tournament History

### ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA

| 2016 |                                |     |         |
|------|--------------------------------|-----|---------|
| QF   | L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #10) | 6-4 | 6-4     |
| 2014 |                                |     |         |
| R16  | L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #9)  | 6-2 | 4-3     |
| 2013 |                                |     |         |
| F    | L - SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #3)   | 6-2 | 6-1     |
| 2012 |                                |     |         |
| R16  | L - KAIA KANEPI (EST #34)      | 6-0 | 6-3     |
| 2011 |                                |     |         |
| SF   | L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #34)    | 6-4 | 4-6 6-2 |
| 2010 |                                |     |         |
| QF   | L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #21)     | 6-2 | 7-6(6)  |

### PETRA KVITOVA

| 2019 |  |     |        |
|------|--|-----|--------|
| R16  | L - ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20)          | 7-5 | 7-6(1) |
| 2013 |  |     |        |
| R16  | L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #36) | 6-4 | 7-5    |
| 2011 |  |     |        |
| F    | W - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #32)          | 6-1 | 6-3    |
| 2009 |  |     |        |
| R1   | L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #5)              | 6-4 | 6-2    |

## PAVLYUCHENKOVA:

### Brisbane

- Making seventh appearance at Brisbane as a former finalist in 2013 (d. No.8 Kvitova and No.5 Kerber, l. S.Williams in F)
- Also reached the SF in 2011 (l. Kvitova) and QF on two occasions, in 2010 (l. Ivanovic) and on her most recent appearance in 2016 (l. Kerber)
- Faces No.7 Kvitova today in their 12th career meeting. Trails 4-7 in their head-to-head however, triumphed in their most recent meeting at 2018 Wuhan. Also defeated the Czech here in Brisbane in 2013 in R16 en route to the final
- Owns 32 Top 10 victories (32-64 record), most recently No.8 Bertens at 2019 Osaka
- One of five former finalists competing in this year's draw – also Ka.Pliskova (2019 champion), Svitolina (2018 champion), Kerber (2016 R-Up), Sharapova (2015 champion) and Kvitova (2011 champion)

### Career

- Ended 2019 ranked No.30, up from No.42 in 2018 – marking her 12th consecutive Top 50 finish
- Advanced to two finals in 2019 – both at the Premier-level – at Osaka (l. Osaka in F) and Moscow (l. Bencic in F)
- Fell in qualifying at Cincinnati (l. Dijas) - first time contesting WTA qualifying since 2011 Dubai
- Matched best Grand Slam result in 2019 at Melbourne Park by reaching QF (l. Collins); defeating No.9 Bertens and No.5 Stephens en route
- 2018 season highlight was claiming her 12th WTA singles title at Strasbourg (d. Cibulkova in F)
- Other highlights were QF runs at Stuttgart (l. Kontaveit), Wuhan (d. No.11 Bertens in 2r and No.5 Kvitova in R16, l. Barty), Linz (l. Alexandrova) and Moscow [Kremlin Cup] (l. Kasatkina)
- Owns 12 WTA singles titles, including a career-best three titles in a single season in 2017 at Monterrey, Rabat and Hong Kong
- Notched only win over a reigning World No.1 against Kerber en route to fourth Monterrey title in 2017
- Is a winner of five doubles titles from eight finals, most recently at 2017 Sydney (w/Babos)

- In addition to reaching last eight at 2016 Wimbledon, reached a further six quarterfinals in 2016: Brisbane (l. Kerber), St. Petersburg (l. Bencic), Acapulco (l. Wickmayer), Montréal (l. Keys), Linz (l. Cibulkova) and Moscow (l. Gavrilova)
- Owns 32 Top 10 victories (32-62 record), most recently No.8 Bertens at 2019 Osaka
- Represented Russia at Rio Olympics, losing to eventual gold medalist Puig in 2r
- Broke into Top 100 in singles on July 7, 2009 and entered Top 50 on November 3, 2008
- Made Top 20 debut on September 13, 2010 and rose as high as No.13 (July 4, 2011)
- Played first WTA main draw as a wildcard at 2006 Moscow
- Named 2006 ITF Junior World Champion

### Grand Slam

- Has reached QFs at all four majors; 2011 Roland Garros (l. Schiavone) and US Open (l. S. Williams), 2016 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion S. Williams), 2017 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up V. Williams), and 2019 Australian Open (l. Collins)
- One of just five active players to reach QF or better at all four majors in both singles and doubles (also Williams sisters, Kuznetsova and Zvonareva) and is the only player to do so since 2011
- Made Grand Slam debut as 15-year-old wildcard at 2007 Wimbledon (l. Hantuchova 6-0 6-1)
- In doubles, is a three-time semifinalist, at Australian Open (2015 w/Groenefeld and 2016 w/Ka.Pliskova) and Wimbledon (2016 w/Ka.Pliskova)
- Reached first Grand Slam final of any kind at 2014 Roland Garros, finishing runner-up in mixed doubles (w/Zimonjic; l. Groenefeld/Rojer)
- As well as twice winning the girls' singles at the Australian Open (2006, 2007), won 2006 US Open junior title

### Personal

- Began new coaching partnership with Sam Sumyk in September 2019. Occasionally works with father, Sergey and brother, Aleks
- Introduced to tennis at age six by family
- Grandmother played basketball for USSR and grandfather was high-level basketball referee; father was Olympic-level canoeist (missed Games due to boycott) and mother a swimmer

## KVITOVA:

### Brisbane

- Making her fifth appearance at the Brisbane International as a former champion in 2011 (d. Petkovic in F.)
- One of four former champions in this year's field – also Ka.Pliskova (2019), Svitolina (2018) and Sharapova (2015)
- One of five Czech players entered in the main draw – also Bouzkova, Muchova, Ka.Pliskova and Strycova
- Faces Pavlyuchenkova today in their third meeting at Brisbane and 12th meeting overall. Defeated the Russian here in 2011 en route to the title and fell to her in 2013

### Career

- Finished at No.7 in 2019 for the second straight year and seventh non-consecutive Top 10 finish – up from No.29 in 2017
- Enjoyed another standout season in 2019, highlighted by two titles at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit in F). Record in finals stands at 27-9

- Reached third career Grand Slam final in 2019 at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking. Went on 11-match winning streak across Sydney (five wins) and Melbourne (six wins)
- Also made R-Up finish at Dubai (l. Bencic in F)
- Qualified and competed at the WTA Finals in Shenzhen for the seventh time in 2019. Among active players, owns joint third-most appearances at the season-ending event behind S.Williams (nine) and Sharapova (eight)
- Won a WTA-leading five titles in 2018, at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7 – sixth career Top 10 finish, and first since 2015 (up from No.29 in 2017)
- Titles in 2018 came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015
- Has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- 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 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)
- Member of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

### *Grand Slam*

- Contested 44th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Winner of two major 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, Osaka and Barty)
- 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)
- Other Grand Slam highlights are SFs at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams) and 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

### *Personal*

- Has won the Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award, as voted by her WTA peers for the past seven years running (through 2019) and eight times overall
- 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



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #147) vs. JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53)

Head to Head: MARIA SHARAPOVA leads 1-0

2017 STANFORD HARD O R1 MARIA SHARAPOVA 6-1 4-6 6-0 123 mins

| MARIA SHARAPOVA | WTA RANKING                                    | JENNIFER BRADY  |
|-----------------|--|-----------------|
| 147             |  | 53              |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>    | -               |
| 19-04-1987 (32) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                     | 12-04-1995 (24) |
| -               | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                         | -               |
| \$38,703,609    | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                      | \$2,009,461     |
| 0 / 36          | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>           | 0 / 0           |
| 0 / 3           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>           | 0 / 0           |
| 6-1             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                     | 0-1             |
| 8-7 / 604-164   | <b>2019 / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 15-16 / 32-46   |
| 1-3 / 163-62    | <b>2019 / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 6-9 / 12-15     |
| 3-2 / 76-64     | <b>2019 / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 4-5 / 7-14      |
| 7-5 / 363-105   | <b>2019 / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 9-10 / 23-28    |
| 0-1 / 54-16     | <b>2019 / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-2 / 1-4       |
| 1-1 / 43-43     | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-3 / 0-4       |
| 1-3 / 98-69     | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-4 / 0-7       |
| 1-6 / 172-105   | <b>2019 / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 4-6 / 5-12      |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### MARIA SHARAPOVA

#### 2015

F W - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #7) 6-7(4) 6-3 6-3

#### 2014

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

### JENNIFER BRADY

#### 2019

R1-Q L - VIKTORIYA TOMOVA (BUL #156) 4-6 7-6(8) 6-2

#### 2018

R1 L - SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #37) 7-6(3) 6-1

#### 2017

R16-Q L - FRANCESCA SCHIAVONE (ITA #102) 6-4 6-7(6) 6-3

## SHARAPOVA:

### Brisbane

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane, where she is one of four former champions in the starting field (also Kvitova, Ka.Pliskova and Svitolina)
- Won the title here on her most recent visit in 2015 (d. Ivanovic in F – at 2h 39m was the longest final in the tournament's history) and reached SF in 2014 (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Faces Brady today in her first match on tour since losing 6-1 6-1 to S.Williams at the US Open in August
- Among active players, sits in fourth place for most hard court titles with 19 (behind S.Williams, V.Williams and Wozniacki). Is also one of 15 players in the Open Era to win multiple hard court Grand Slam title
- Career win-loss record on hard stands at 363-105 (.776) – among active players only S.Williams owns a winning percentage above .800
- Opened 2019 season with QF showing at Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Sabalenka via ret.)
- Has pledged AU\$25,000 to Australia's bushfire relief fund

### Career

- Restricted to only eight tournaments and 15 matches in 2019 due to injury (shoulder and left forearm)
- Reached R16 at 2019 Australian Open (l. Barty), defeating the defending champion Wozniacki in 3r for her first Top 5 win since ousting No.2 Halep at 2017 US Open 1r
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.29, highlights being SF efforts at Rome (l. Halep) and Shenzhen (l. Siniakova) and QF at Roland Garros (l. Muguruza)
- Loss to World No.1 Halep at 2018 Rome took lifetime record vs. No.1s to 7-17; most recently defeated Azarenka at 2012 WTA Finals; also owns two wins vs. No.1s at Slams – Mauresmo (2006 US Open) and Henin (2008 Australian Open)
- Finished 2017 season at No.60, having played at Stuttgart in April unranked; advanced to SF (l. Mladenovic) and played next event, Madrid, back on WTA Rankings at No.258
- Won 36th career WTA singles title at 2017 Tianjin in October (d. Sabalenka in F)
- Won two WTA titles in 2015 season, at Brisbane and Rome – won at least one title each year between 2003 and 2015 (13 straight years). Owns 36 WTA titles overall (36-23 record in finals), third most among active players, behind S.Williams and V.Williams
- Owns 11 tour-level titles on clay, at one point going 7-0 in clay court finals
- In 2015, appeared at season-ending WTA Finals for eighth time – posted perfect 3-0 record in RR stage (l. Kvitova in SF). Was champion on debut appearance at the season finale in Los Angeles in 2004 (d. S.Williams in F)
- Part of Russian Fed Cup team that finished runners-up to Czech Republic in November 2015, despite winning both rubbers vs. Ka.Pliskova, Kvitova
- On August 22, 2005, became 16th woman (first Russian) to reach No.1; held No.1 ranking for a total of 21 non-consecutive weeks

### Grand Slam

- 2019 US Open marked 57th main draw appearance at a Grand Slam, the fifth-most among active players
- Five-time Grand Slam champion, winning titles at 2004 Wimbledon (d. S.Williams in F), 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F), 2008 Australian Open (d. Ivanovic in F), 2012 Roland Garros (d. Errani in F to complete career Grand Slam) and 2014 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F)
- Remains the last teenager to win a Slam, aged 19 years, 132 days at the 2006 US Open (d. Henin in F)
- One of six women to achieve career Grand Slam in the Open Era (also Court, Evert, Navratilova, Graf and S.Williams)

- Owns a 5-5 record in Grand Slam finals, finishing as runner-up three times at the Australian Open (2007, 2012, 2015) as well as 2011 Wimbledon and 2013 Roland Garros

### Personal

- Autobiography, Unstoppable: My Life So Far, was published in September 2017
- Started playing at age 4; at age 6 took part in Moscow exhibition that featured Martina Navratilova
- Began training at Bollettieri Academy aged 9 (required two years away from mother due to visa and finances)

## BRADY:

### Brisbane

- Making debut at Brisbane International after coming through three rounds of qualifying, defeating Paquet, Di Lorenzo and Sanders without dropping a set
- Faces former No.1 Sharapova today; has lost all three career meetings with current or former World No.1s, against Sharapova (2017 Stanford), Ka.Pliskova (2017 US Open) and Halep (2019 Toronto)
- Opened last season by falling in qualifying here in Brisbane (l. Tomova after holding 4mp)

### Career

- Best results in 2019 were SF run at Nottingham and 3r showings at Dubai, Indian Wells and Beijing
- Posted best win of career to date during run through qualifying at Beijing in 2019, defeating No.15 Keys
- Last season, also finished R-Up at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (l. Golubic)
- In 2018, reached SFs at \$100k ITF/Midland-USA and \$80k ITF/Charlottesville-USA, while at tour level made 2r at Indian Wells, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- Won through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zanevska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era
- Reached first WTA career SF at 2017 Hong Kong
- Made first four main draw appearances at tour level in 2016 – at Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Hercog in 1r), Stanford (l. Cornet in 1r), Montréal (as qualifier l. Svitolina in 1r) and Guangzhou (d. Pivovarova and Kovinic, l. Kovinic in QF)
- Appeared in maiden WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Cincinnati (l. 1r to Falconi)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four ITF singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at \$10k ITF/Evansville, IN-USA (l. 1r)
- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015

### Grand Slam History

- Has appeared in 11 Grand Slam main draws, most recently at 2019 US Open
- Made debut at all four Slams in 2017; prior to 2017 Australian Open, had fallen in qualifying at US Open (2014-16), Roland Garros (2016) and Wimbledon (2016)
- Won through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zanevska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era

- Also became just sixth player to make R16 on Australian Open debut in last 21 years: V.Williams (1998), Suárez Navarro (2009), Bouchard (2014), Gasparyan and Konta (2016)
- Also reached R16 at 2017 US Open (I. Ka.Pliskova) and has made 2r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019 and Wimbledon in 2017 and 2018

### ***Personal***

- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015
- Trained during the 2016-17 off-season at the new USTA National Campus in Orlando, Florida
- Coached by Roger Anderson; fitness trainer is Satoshi Ochi
- Has twin sister, Jessica



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**BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – DAY 3**

**BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #31) vs. ALISON RISKE (USA #19)**

*Strycova leads 2-0*

**Strycova** won her seventh successive season opening match over No.7 seed Konta on Monday... At No.19 **Riske** contests just her second tournament inside the Top 20

**DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #27) vs. [Q] YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #32)**

*Putintseva leads 1-0*

**Collins** claimed her second career Top 5 victory over No.5 Svitolina in the first round... **Putintseva** defeated No.20 Vekic on Monday to notch her first Top 20 win since 2019 US Open

**[WC] SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #98) vs. [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13)**

*Stosur leads 3-0*

**Stosur** bidding to land the 75<sup>th</sup> Top 20 upset of her career... **Keys** kicked off her 2020 campaign with a straight-sets defeat of Bouzkova on Monday

**RANKING POINTS AND PRIZE MONEY**

| SINGLES         | USD \$  | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|---------|-------------|
| Winner          | 141,500 | 470         |
| Runner-Up       | 75,555  | 305         |
| Semifinalist    | 40,360  | 185         |
| Quarterfinalist | 21,700  | 100         |
| Round of 16     | 11,640  | 55          |
| Round of 32     | 7,385   | 1           |

| DOUBLES         | USD \$ | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|--------|-------------|
| Winner          | 44,200 | 470         |
| Runner-Up       | 23,615 | 305         |
| Semifinalist    | 12,905 | 185         |
| Quarterfinalist | 6,565  | 100         |
| First Round     | 3,570  | 1           |





# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## BARBORA STRYCOVA (CZE #31) vs. ALISON RISKE (USA #19)

Head to Head: BARBORA STRYCOVA leads 2-0

|      |               |        |    |                  |         |         |
|------|---------------|--------|----|------------------|---------|---------|
| 2017 | ROLAND GARROS | CLAY O | R1 | BARBORA STRYCOVA | 6-3 6-0 | 81 mins |
| 2011 | INDIAN WELLS  | HARD O | R1 | BARBORA STRYCOVA | 6-2 6-1 | 81 mins |

| BARBORA STRYCOVA | WTA RANKING                          | ALISON RISKE    |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 31               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 19              |
| -                | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | -               |
| 28-03-1986 (33)  | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 03-07-1990 (29) |
| -                | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | -               |
| \$11,333,446     | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$4,552,562     |
| 0 / 2            | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 2           |
| 0 / 27           | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0           |
| 5-3              | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 1-1             |
| 1-0 / 290-287    | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 1-0 / 143-151   |
| 1-0 / 96-76      | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 0-0 / 52-62     |
| 0-0 / 64-72      | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-0 / 39-50     |
| 1-0 / 161-167    | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 1-0 / 83-92     |
| 0-0 / 26-33      | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 12-8      |
| 0-0 / 7-31       | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 4-12      |
| 0-0 / 10-58      | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 9-28      |
| 1-0 / 30-92      |                                      | 0-0 / 21-52     |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane 2r

### BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### BARBORA STRYCOVA

|             |     |                               |             |
|-------------|-----|-------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>2012</b> | R16 | L - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #10) | 7-6(2) 6-0  |
| <b>2011</b> | QF  | L - MARION BARTOLI (FRA #16)  | 6-2 6-1     |
| <b>2010</b> | R16 | L - MELINDA CZINK (HUN #37)   | 6-3 2-6 6-1 |

#### ALISON RISKE

|             |      |                                |            |
|-------------|------|--------------------------------|------------|
| <b>2015</b> | R1   | L - DARIA GAVRILOVA (AUS #231) | 7-5 6-3    |
| <b>2011</b> | QF-Q | L - VANIA KING (USA #86)       | 6-3 7-6(3) |

## **STRYCOVA**

### Brisbane

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, and first since 2012 (where she reached 2r, l. Petkovic)
- On her two other appearances here, she made the QF in 2011 (l. Bartoli) and 2r in 2010 (l. Czik)
- Opened 2020 season by upsetting No.12 Konta on Monday; has now won all three meetings against the Briton, including en route to 2019 Wimbledon SF
- Has now not lost opening match of season since 2013, where she began the year losing in qualifying at Stuttgart in April. Has subsequently beaten Govortsova (2014 Shenzhen), Scheepers (2015 Auckland), Bertens (2016 Auckland), Stefkova (2017 Auckland), Errani (2018 Auckland) and Townsend (2019 Auckland)
- Looking for another Top 20 win today against No.19 Riske; posted two Top 20 wins in all of 2019 (both coming at Wimbledon – over No.4 Bertens and No.18 Konta)
- Contesting doubles this week in Brisbane with Hsieh – team face Hon/Sanders in 1r

### Career

- Finished 2019 ranked No.33, her sixth consecutive Top 50 finish
- Season highlight was Grand Slam breakthrough at Wimbledon, reaching SF (l. S.Williams) on what was her 53rd major appearance
- During SW19 run, upset three seeds to become the oldest first-time Grand Slam semifinalist in the Open Era
- Enjoyed stellar season in doubles, winning first Grand Slam doubles title at Wimbledon w/Hsieh (d. Dabrowski/Xu in F) and rose to World No.1 ranking following the tournament (July 15, 2019).
- Wimbledon title was one of four doubles crowns from five finals, also winning Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham (all w/Hsieh)
- Team finished as R-Up at WTA Finals, ensuring Strycova finished the year as the WTA Year No.1 Doubles player presented by Dubai Duty Free
- In 2018, reached R16 at Roland Garros – her best result in Paris to date (l. Putintseva). Was also part of Czech Republic team that beat USA 3-0 in Fed Cup final (d. Kenin in day 1 singles rubber)
- Clinched second tour-level singles title at 2017 Linz (d. No.1 seed Rybarikova in F). Holds a 2-6 record in singles finals, with other title coming at 2011 Québec City (d. Erakovic in F)
- Posted career-high singles ranking of No.16 on January 16, 2017
- Owns seven career Top 5 wins, having defeated No.2 Li (2014 Wimbledon), No.3 Sharapova (2015 Wuhan), No.3 Muguruza (2016 Australian Open), No.3 Kerber (2016 Madrid) and No.1 Muguruza (2017 Beijing), No.3 Muguruza (2018 Birmingham) and No.4 Bertens (2019 Wimbledon)
- Won doubles bronze medal at 2016 Rio Olympics (w/Safarova)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2000. Won nine singles and 10 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Crowned ITF Junior World Champion in 2002

### Grand Slam

- Contested 54th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open. One of seven active players who've contested more than 50 Slams, behind V.Williams, S.Williams, Kuznetsova, Stosur, Sharapova and Cornet
- Breakthrough Slam result was SF run at 2019 Wimbledon (l. S.Williams)
- Before this, best result at Slam was QF run at 2014 Wimbledon (d. Li Na in the last match of the Chinese star's career, as well as Wozniacki en route, l. eventual champion Kvitova). Occasion marked first time in Open Era that three Czech women advanced to QF at a Slam (also Safarova, Kvitova)
- Advanced to R16 at Australian Open in 2016 (l. Azarenka), 2017 (l. S.Williams) and 2018 (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Roland Garros in 2018 (l. Putintseva)
- Reached 3r at US Open in 2014 (l. Bouchard), 2015 (l. Lisicki) and 2018 (l. Mertens)

- At 2010 Australian Open played what was then the longest Grand Slam match (d. Kulikova in four hours and 19 minutes – since surpassed by Kuznetsova-Schiavone at 2011 Australian Open)
- In doubles, won 2019 Wimbledon w/Hsieh (d. Dabrowski/Xu in F). Is also a five-time semifinalist, at 2014 US Open (w/Date), 2015 Australian Open (w/Krajicek), 2017 US Open (w/Safarova), 2018 Roland Garros (w/Sestini Hlavackova) and 2019 Australian Open (w/Vondrousova)
- In successful junior career, won back-to-back Australian Open girls' singles titles in 2002 (d. Sharapova in F) and 2003 (d. Kutuzova in F) and was R-Up at the 2002 US Open (l. Kirilenko). Also won three junior Slams in doubles: 2001 Australian Open (w/Cetkovska), 2002 Roland Garros (w/Groenefeld) and 2002 Wimbledon (w/E.Clijsters)

## Personal

- Previously coached by David Kotyza (former coach of Petra Kvitova and Karolina Pliskova)
- Parents are Jindrich and Ilona; sister, Ivona, studied law and lives in US
- Started playing tennis at age 5
- Born in Plzen, Czech Republic – same hometown as frequent doubles partner Andrea Sestini Hlavackova

## **RISKE**

### Brisbane

- Making second main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, and first since 2015 (where she fell in 1r at hands of Gavrilova)
- The following four years, she has opened her campaign at Shenzhen, finishing R-Up on three occasions: 2016 (l. A.Radwanska), 2017 (l. Siniakova) and 2019 (l. Sabalenka)
- In opening match of 2020 broke serve four times to see off No.21 Muchova in straight sets; met the young Czech three times in 2019, including in 1r of title run at 's-Hertogenbosch and also in her final match of the campaign, a RR defeat at Zhuhai
- Faces another Czech Strycova in 2r today; lost 10 of the final 11 games during her most recent meeting with Strycova at 2017 Roland Garros
- Fell in 1r of doubles here w/Kudermetova (l. Mladenovic/Tomljanovic)

### Career

- Ended 2019 at career-high ranking of No.18, posted on November 4, 2019 – up from 2018 year-end ranking of No.63 with previous career-best finish being No.41 in 2016. Spending seventh consecutive year inside the Top 100
- In a breakout 2019 campaign, achieved best result in Grand Slam play to date by advancing to QF at Wimbledon, ousting World No.1 Barty to notch biggest win of her career before being halted by eventual runner-up S.Williams
- Additionally, lifted second career WTA singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Bertens in F after saving 5mp) and finished runner-up at Shenzhen (l. Sabalenka) and Wuhan (l. Sabalenka)
- Highlights in 2018 include reaching 3r at 2018 Miami, her best result at a Premier Mandatory tournament (l. Y.Wang on third set tiebreak), and advancing to QF at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe), Mallorca (l. Stosur) and Tokyo [PPO] (l. Pliskova). Also won eighth ITF Circuit singles title at Surbiton (d. Perrin in F)
- In 2017, finished R-Up at Shenzhen (l. Siniakova). Also part of Fed Cup winning USA team and posted then-career-best win over No.3 A. Radwanska en route and reached QF at Nürnberg and 3r at Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2014 Tianjin without dropping a set (d. Bencic in F)
- Made Top 100 debut on July 22, 2013 (No.96)
- Reached first WTA SF at 2010 Birmingham (as qualifier, l. Sharapova)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Charleston
- Winner of nine singles and one doubles title on ITF Women's Circuit
- Earned tennis scholarship to Vanderbilt University in summer 2009, but after good results and finding financial backing decided to pursue tennis full time and turned pro two weeks before classes were due to begin

## Grand Slam

- Best Grand Slam result was QF run at 2019 Wimbledon (d. No.1 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Also produced R16 showing at 2013 US Open (d. No.10 Kvitova en route, l. Hantuchova)
- Has reached 3r at Australian Open in 2014 (l. Kerber) and at Wimbledon on three previous occasions (2013-14, 2017, 2019)
- Made 2r on debut at Roland Garros in 2014 but is yet to go further in Paris

## Personal

- Coached by Billy Heiser
- Earned tennis scholarship to Vanderbilt University in summer 2009, but after good results and finding financial backing decided to pursue tennis full time and turned pro two weeks before classes were due to begin
- If hadn't been a tennis player, would have pursued medicine
- Parents, Albert and Carol, are retired. Earlier in career was coached by her sister, Sarah McGlamery; also has a brother, Daniel
- Married Stephen Amritraj in Alison's hometown of Pittsburgh after 2019 Wimbledon



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Dec 31 - Jan 06, 2019 | \$1,000,000 | PREMIER

## DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #27) vs. YULIA PUTINTSEVA (KAZ #32)

Head to Head: YULIA PUTINTSEVA leads 1-0

2019 EASTBOURNE GRASS O R1 YULIA PUTINTSEVA 5-0 ret. 43 mins

| DANIELLE COLLINS | WTA RANKING                                   | YULIA PUTINTSEVA |
|------------------|---|------------------|
| 27               |   | 32               |
| -                | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -                |
| 13-12-1993 (26)  | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 07-01-1995 (24)  |
| -                | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -                |
| \$2,381,778      | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$3,958,487      |
| 0 / 0            | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 1            |
| 0 / 0            | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 0            |
| 1-2              | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 1-3              |
| 1-0 / 37-39      | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 1-0 / 118-136    |
| 0-0 / 15-13      | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 1-0 / 39-45      |
| 0-0 / 12-8       | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-0 / 33-31      |
| 1-0 / 25-25      | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 1-0 / 70-91      |
| 0-0 / 2-4        | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 4-10       |
| 1-0 / 2-4        | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 4-14       |
| 2-6 / 3-10       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 8-27       |
| 6-9 / 9-17       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 1-0 / 17-46      |

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### BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### DANIELLE COLLINS

| 2019  |
|---|
| R1 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7) 6-7(6) 7-6(6) 6-3 |

#### YULIA PUTINTSEVA

| 2019  |
|---|
| R1 L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8) 4-6 6-3 6-4 |
| 2017  |
| R1 L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #6) 6-3 6-1     |
| 2014  |
| R1-Q L - JULIA GLUSHKO (ISR #91) 7-6(3) 6-1   |

# **COLLINS**

## Brisbane

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane; on debut last year, fell in 1r (I. Kvitova)
- Upset No.4 Svitolina in 1r on Monday – her second Top 5 win of career, the first coming here on Australian soil at the Australian Open in 2019 over No.2 Kerber
- Faces Putintseva in 2r today; retired from their only previous meeting at 2019 Eastbourne w/low back injury
- Bidding to be first American woman to win Brisbane since 2014 (S.Williams)
- Played two events in off-season, contesting the WTA 125K Series Oracle Challenger Series event in Houston (I. 1r to Kalinina) and a \$25k ITF event in Naples, FL-USA (reached QF, I. Talaba)

## Career

- Ended 2019 at No.31 for career-best year-end finish
- Produced Grand Slam breakthrough at Australian Open, advancing to SF (I. 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
- Posted five Top 20 wins in 2019, over No.13 Goerges, No.19 Garcia and No.2 Kerber (all at Australian Open), No.12 Wozniacki (Rome) and No.12 Sevastova (Wimbledon)
- 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)
- Season highlight in 2018 was at Miami where she became first qualifier to reach SF (I. 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 (I. Suárez Navarro), where she scored her first Top 50 win over No.15 Keys in 2r. Also in 2018, reached SF at San Jose and QF at Monterrey
- Contested one tour-level main draw during 2017 season, at Indian Wells (as WC, I. 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 (I. 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 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

- Best Grand Slam result is SF run at 2019 Australian Open (d. No.2 Kerber in R16, I. 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
- All other major wins have also occurred during the 2019 season; recording a 3r appearance at Wimbledon alongside 2r showings at Roland Garros (d. Maria, I. eventual champion Barty) and US Open (I. Wozniacki)
- Fell 1r on first five major appearances: as a WC at US Open in 2014 (I. Halep) and 2016 (I. Rodina), then in 2018 at Roland Garros (I. Wozniacki), Wimbledon (I. Mertens) and US Open (I. Sabalenka)
- Gained first Grand Slam main draw direct acceptance at 2018 Roland Garros

## 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
- Began working with former Top 25 WTA player Betsy Nagelsen McCormack ahead of 2019 Roland Garros

## **PUTINTSEVA**

### Brisbane

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane, where she fell in 1r in both 2018 and 2019, losing to Ka.Pliskova on both occasions; led by a set and a break during last year's defeat here
- Came through three rounds of qualifying to reach main draw, beating Dart, Brengle and Potapova
- In opening round, recovered from 3-1 down in the final set to upset No.20 Vekic
- Win over Vekic was first Top 20 win since beating No.13 Sabalenka at 2019 US Open
- Faces Collins in 2r today; bidding to reach second career QF on Australian soil, having previously reached that stage at 2019 Sydney

### Career

- Highlights of 2019 season include lifting maiden WTA singles title at Nürnberg (d. Zidansek in F), earning biggest win of career by ousting World No.1 Osaka to reach Birmingham QF (l. Goerges) and going on to defeat World No.2 Osaka a second time to reach Wimbledon 2r (l. Golubic)
- In addition to Wimbledon run, made 2r showing at Australian Open (d. No.34 Strycova, l. Bencic) and fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Martic) before defeating No.23 Sabalenka to record career-best run at US Open by advancing to 3r (l. Vekic)
- In 2018, made second WTA singles final at Guangzhou (l. Q.Wang) and QF at Roland Garros (l. Keys), matching best result at a Grand Slam to date (also reached QF in 2017). Also made the QFs at Washington D.C. (l. Kuznetsova) and Taipei (l.Koslova)
- Reached first WTA final at any level at 2017 St. Petersburg (and first SF at Premier-level). Defeated No.8 Kuznetsova and No.5 Cibulkova before falling to No.51 Mladenovic in championship match
- During St. Petersburg run, became first woman from Kazakhstan to reach a WTA singles final since Shvedova at 2015 Bogotá (l. Pereira)
- Outside of Roland Garros where she made QF in 2018 and 2016, her best results at each Slam include 3r at 2016 Australian Open (l. Gasparyan) and 2019 US Open (l. Vekic)
- When she advanced to QF at 2016 Roland Garros (l. S.Williams), became first Kazakh to reach last eight at a major since Shvedova in 2012 (l. QF)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.27 (week of February 6, 2017)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Luxembourg and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Copenhagen
- Winner of six ITF Circuit singles titles
- Was part of the Kazakhstan Fed Cup Team, 2014-19
- A two-time junior Grand Slam runner-up (2010 US Open, 2012 Australian Open)
- Changed representation from Russia to Kazakhstan in May 2012

### Grand Slam

- 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), 3r at 2019 US Open (l. Vekic) and 2r at Wimbledon in 2015 (l. V.Williams), 2016 (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and 2019 (l. Golubic)
- 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, singing, Sudoku, cards and chess





# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 06 - 12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [WC] SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #98) vs. MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

Head to Head: SAMANTHA STOSUR leads 3-0

|      |              |        |    |                 |             |          |
|------|--------------|--------|----|-----------------|-------------|----------|
| 2019 | MIAMI        | HARD O | R2 | SAMANTHA STOSUR | 6-4 4-6 6-4 | 129 mins |
| 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    |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 98              | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 13              |
| -               | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | -               |
| 30-03-1984 (35) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 17-02-1995 (24) |
| -               | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | -               |
| \$18,930,476    | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$12,091,266    |
| 0 / 9           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 5           |
| 0 / 26          | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0           |
| 5-10            | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 2-3             |
| 1-0 / 466-346   | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 1-0 / 207-121   |
| 0-0 / 128-124   | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 0-0 / 52-51     |
| 2-0 / 100-107   | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-0 / 53-45     |
| 1-0 / 274-221   | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 1-0 / 126-82    |
| 1-0 44-40       | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 18-18     |
| 0-0 / 17-44     | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 7-19      |
| 0-0 / 31-83     | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 17-30     |
| 1-0 / 74-149    |                                      | 0-0 / 36-48     |

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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### SAMANTHA STOSUR

|             |     |                                    |                |
|-------------|-----|------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>2019</b> | R1  | L - MARIE BOUZKOVA (CZE #139)      | 4-6 6-2 6-2    |
| <b>2018</b> | R1  | L - ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #16) | 6-1 6-3        |
| <b>2017</b> | R1  | L - GARBIÑE MUGURUZA (ESP #7)      | 7-5 6-7(2) 7-5 |
| <b>2016</b> | R16 | L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #13) | 6-1 6-7(3) 6-4 |
| <b>2015</b> | R1  | L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #34)    | 4-6 6-4 7-5    |

### MADISON KEYS

|             |     |                                 |             |
|-------------|-----|---------------------------------|-------------|
| <b>2018</b> | R1  | L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #9)      | 4-6 6-4 6-3 |
| <b>2015</b> | R16 | L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #34) | 6-4 6-4     |
| <b>2014</b> | R1  | L - STEFANIE VOEGELE (SUI #50)  | 6-4 6-3     |



## MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Dec 31 - Jan 06, 2019 | \$1,000,000 | PREMIER

### 2013

R1 L - SOFIA ARVIDSSON (SWE #41) 7-6(4) 7-5

### 2012

R16 L - IVETA MELZER (CZE #54) 6-4 6-2

### 2011

R16 L - JARMILA WOLFE (AUS #42) 6-2 6-4

### 2009

R16 L - LUCIE SAFAROVA (CZE #61) 6-4 6-4

## STOSUR

### Brisbane

- Making 10th appearance at the Brisbane International, entering the 2020 main draw on a WC
- Bidding to advance past 2r for the first time at this tournament, having reached this stage – but no further – on four previous occasions, most recently in 2016 (l. Suárez Navarro)
- During 1r match here last season, her clash with qualifier Bouzkova rung in the New Year – first ball was struck at 10.03pm on Dec 31, 2018 and was finished at 12.16am
- Clash with Bouzkova was also Stosur's 1000th match of her career
- On Monday, overcame a 1-5 deficit in the first set to defeat No.20 Kerber, recording first Top 20 win since 2019 Miami where she defeated today's opponent, then-No.16 Keys
- Faces No.13 Keys today, looking to extend 3-0 lead over the American and notch her 75<sup>th</sup> career win over a Top 20 player
- Played doubles this week with Perez – fell 1r to Yang/Kichenok

### Career

- Finished 2019 ranked No.96 in what was her 20th year ending the season with ranking points to her name
- Season highlight was reaching the final of Guangzhou – the 25th singles final of her career – falling to Kenin
- Also in 2019 advance to 3r at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty), where she defeated No.16 Keys in 2r at Miami for first Top 20 win since 2017 Hong Kong (d. No.18 A.Radwanska)
- In doubles, captured third Grand Slam title at Australian Open (w/S.Zhang, d. Babos/Mladenovic in F). Reached doubles final in Miami (w/S.Zhang, l. Mertens/Sabalenka in F). Team of Stosur/S.Zhang qualified for the 2019 WTA Finals, reaching SF
- Closed out 2019 partnering Barty representing Australian in the Fed Cup Final against France (team lost decisive doubles rubber vs. Garcia/Mladenovic)
- Ended 2018 outside Top 50, at No.72, for first time since 2008. 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)
- Career record in finals is 9-16, and has advanced to at least one singles final in 11 of past 12 seasons
- 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
- 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 Bacszinszky/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 26 titles to her name, including 2005 US Open, 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)
- 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

- 2019 US Open marked 64th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Owns one Grand Slam singles title, at 2011 US Open (d. S.Williams in F). One of seven women who have defeated S.Williams in a Grand Slam final (also V.Williams, Sharapova, Kerber, Muguruza, Osaka and Halep)
- 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 home Slam of Australian Open made R16 in 2006 (l. Hingis) and 2010 (l. S.Williams)
- Three-time Grand Slam doubles champion, most recently at 2019 Australian Open (w/Zhang). Also won 2005 US Open and 2006 Roland Garros (both w/Raymond)

## Personal

- Currently without full-time. Stopped working with long-time coach, David Taylor, after 2016 Roland Garros
- 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

## **KEYS**

### Brisbane

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Brisbane International
- Matched best result by advancing to 2r this year – last reaching this stage in 2015 (l. Lepchenko)
- Fell 1r in 2014 (l. Voegele) and 2018 (l. Konta)
- Kicked off 2020 campaign with a straight-sets defeat of Czech qualifier Bouzkova
- Faces No.98 Stosur today, looking to defeat the Australian for the first time, having fallen in their three previous meetings
- Bidding to be first American woman to win Brisbane since 2014 (S.Williams)

### Career

- Lifted biggest title of career during 2019 season at WTA Premier-5 level Cincinnati (d. Kuznetsova in F); afterwards returned to Top 10 for first time since week of June 25, 2018
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (l. Barty). One of three Americans to make last eight (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
- Other highlights in 2019 include R16 showings at Australian Open and US Open (l. Svitolina on both occasions) as well as picking up first title on clay at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F)

- Season highlights in 2018 were SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- 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
- Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), as youngest player in the year-end Top 25
- Broke into Top 10 on June 20, 2016, becoming 118th player to reach the elite bracket since computer rankings were introduced. Became first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
- Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.7 on October 10, 2016
- Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round robin play
- Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (lost Bronze medal match against Kvitova)
- Owns seven career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome, 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open), No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati) and No.4 Halep (2019 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage on all three appearances); advanced to SF stage in 2018 however withdrew before match due to a left knee injury
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- 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

- Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Deepest run prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Prior to 2015 had not passed 3r at a major
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – has reached at least QF at all four majors, including Wimbledon in 2015
- Was one of just two players to reach the SFs or better at two of the four Slams in 2018 (also Kerber – SF Australian Open, Won Wimbledon)
- 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

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



## MATCH NOTES: BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA | JANUARY 6-12, 2020 | USD \$1,500,000 PREMIER

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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – DAY 4

### [1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #1) vs. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53)

#### Barty leads 2-0

World No.1 **Barty** has pledged to donate all of her prize money this week to the bushfire relief fund... **Brady** came within two points of defeat during her 1r victory over former No.1 Sharapova

### [WC] AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #54) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

#### Pliskova leads 4-1

**Tomljanovic** achieved her best result in Brisbane by reaching the QF stage in 2019, falling to today's opponent... The defending champion **Pliskova** is the only two-time champion in this year's field

### [Q] LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #129) vs. [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7)

#### First meeting

**Samsonova** recorded her career first Top 50 wins this week over No.37 Mladenovic in qualifying and No.24 Stephens in 1r... **Kvitova** won 11 of the final 12 games to defeat Pavlyuchenkova on Tuesday

### SOFIA KENIN (USA #14) vs. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

#### Series tied 1-1

**Kenin** recorded to most wins on hard courts across the Tour in 2019 (38)... **Osaka** went 9-1 during last year's Australian swing, including a SF run in Brisbane and a title sweep at the Australian Open

### [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) vs. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #26)

#### Bertens leads 2-1

**Bertens** is aiming to reach the QF stage here for the first time... **Kontaveit** opened her 2020 campaign with a victory over Hsieh, which marked her first match since 2019 US Open due to illness



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 06 - 12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [1] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #1) vs. [Q] JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53)

Head to Head: ASHLEIGH BARTY leads 2-0

|      |              |         |     |                |         |         |
|------|--------------|---------|-----|----------------|---------|---------|
| 2019 | BIRMINGHAM   | GRASS O | R16 | ASHLEIGH BARTY | 6-3 6-1 | 60 mins |
| 2019 | INDIAN WELLS | HARD O  | R3  | ASHLEIGH BARTY | 6-3 6-2 | 74 mins |

| ASHLEIGH BARTY  | WTA RANKING                          | JENNIFER BRADY  |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 1               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 53              |
| 9,999           | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | 158             |
| 24-04-1996 (23) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 12-04-1995 (24) |
| \$0             | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | \$0             |
| \$16,515,667    | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$2,009,461     |
| 4 / 7           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 0           |
| 1 / 10          | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0           |
| 2-2             | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 1-1             |
| 0-0 / 140-61    | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 1-0 / 32-46     |
| 0-0 / 43-19     | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 1-0 / 12-15     |
| 0-0 / 21-15     | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 1-0 / 7-14      |
| 0-0 / 90-39     | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 1-0 / 23-28     |
| 0-0 / 13-6      | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 1-4       |
| 0-0 / 5-14      | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 0-4       |
| 0-0 / 17-20     | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 0-7       |
| 0-0 / 33-36     |                                      | 0-0 / 5-12      |

\* Updated through entering 2020 Brisbane 2r

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ASHLEIGH BARTY

| 2018 |                               |             |
|------|-------------------------------|-------------|
| R1   | L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #42)  | 6-3 6-2     |
| 2017 |                               |             |
| R16  | L - ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #1) | 6-3 2-6 6-3 |
| 2014 |                               |             |
| R16  | L - MARIA SHARAPOVA (RUS #4)  | W/O         |
| 2012 |                               |             |
| R1-Q | L - VANIA KING (USA #75)      | 6-1 6-2     |

### JENNIFER BRADY

| 2019  |                                    |                |
|-------|------------------------------------|----------------|
| R1-Q  | L - VIKTORIYA TOMOVA (BUL #156)    | 4-6 7-6(8) 6-2 |
| 2018  |                                    |                |
| R1    | L - SORANA CIRSTEAN (ROU #37)      | 7-6(3) 6-1     |
| 2017  |                                    |                |
| R16-Q | L - FRANCESCA SCHIAVONE (ITA #102) | 6-4 6-7(6) 6-3 |

## **BARTY:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at Brisbane, and fifth overall appearance
- Best result here is reaching the 2r twice, in 2014 (as qualifier, l. Sharapova) and 2017 (l. Kerber). Fell 1r in 2018 (l. Tsurenko) and fell in 2010 qualifying
- Will donate all of her Brisbane prize money to the bushfire relief fund
- A win today to reach the QF would match the best result by an Australian woman at Brisbane – Tomljanovic and Wolfe also made this stage in 2019 and 2011, respectively
- Faces Brady today in her first singles match of 2020 – faced American opposition 15 times across the whole of last season, posting a 13-2 record (including defeating Brady twice, at Indian Wells and Birmingham)
- Enters Brisbane as World No.1 and the top seed – the last top seed to win Brisbane was Sharapova in 2015, while the last World No.1 to triumph here was S.Williams in 2014
- Contesting doubles this week with Bertens – team have reached the SFs and face Mladenovic/Tomljanovic on Friday
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### **Career**

- Enjoyed fairytale season in 2019, winning debut Grand Slam title, ascending to the World No.1 ranking and winning the Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen
- Incredible season began with R-Up finish at Sydney (l. Kvitova), followed by winning her first Premier Mandatory title at Miami (d. Ka.Pliskova)
- Lifted first major crown at Roland Garros (d. Vondrousova in F) in the summer, becoming third Australian woman in the Open Era to win Roland Garros, joining Court (1969-70, 1973) and Goolagong Cawley (1971)
- In addition to winning Birmingham title two weeks after Paris success (d. Goerges in F), became the first Australian woman in 43 years to reach WTA singles No.1 spot
- Reached fifth final of season at Beijing (l. Osaka) before triumphing at WTA Finals in what was her debut appearance in singles – earning \$4.42 million, the largest amount of prize money at a single men's or women's tournament in tennis history
- Ended the season as the WTA World No.1 presented by Dubai Duty Free
- Closed out the year as part of defeated Australia side who lost to France in Fed Cup Final
- In 2018, won titles at Nottingham and Zhuhai and reached final on home soil at Sydney
- Won maiden Grand Slam doubles title at 2018 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 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 by ranking came over No.1 Halep at 2019 Sydney
- Winner of 10 doubles titles (five w/Dellacqua, two w/Vandeweghe, two w/Schuurs, one w/Azarenka)
- 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 2017 and 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**

- Won first major singles title at 2019 Roland Garros (d. Vondrousova in F), becoming third Australian woman in the Open Era to win Roland Garros, joining Court (1969-70, 1973) and Goolagong Cawley (1971)
- Prior to Paris run, best result at this level was QF showing at 2019 Australian Open (I. Kvitova) and R16 at 2018 US Open (I. Ka.Pliskova)
- Subsequently has also reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon (as No.1 seed, I. Riske) and 2019 US Open (as No.2 seed, I. Wang)
- Has advanced to 3r on four occasions, at Australian Open in 2017 (I. Barthel) and 2018 (I. Osaka), US Open in 2017 (I. eventual champion Stephens) and Wimbledon in 2018 (I. Kasatkina)
- Main draw Slam debut was at 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; finished R-Up at 2019 US Open in doubles (w/Azarenka)
- During partnership w/Dellacqua, advanced to three major doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and also Roland Garros in 2017

## **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, was 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

## **BRADY:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making debut at Brisbane International after coming through three rounds of qualifying, defeating Paquet, Di Lorenzo and Sanders without dropping a set
- Came within two points of defeat before rallying to see off former World No.1 Sharapova in 1r match on Tuesday, faces current World No.1 Barty today
- Second time facing the current World No.1 – previously lost 6-1 6-0 to Ka.Pliskova at 2017 US Open
- Best win of career came over No.15 Keys at 2019 Beijing
- Bidding to reach first QF since SF run at 2019 Nottingham, and first QF at Premier level of career
- Opened last season by falling in qualifying here in Brisbane (I. Tomova after holding 4mp)

### **Career**

- Posted best win of career to date during run through qualifying at Beijing in 2019, defeating No.15 Keys
- Last season, also finished R-Up at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (I. Golubic)
- In 2018, reached SFs at \$100k ITF/Midland-USA and \$80k ITF/Charlottesville-USA, while at tour level made 2r at Indian Wells, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- Won through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon.
- Reached first WTA career SF at 2017 Hong Kong
- Made first four main draw appearances at tour level in 2016 – at Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, I. Hercog in 1r), Stanford (I. Cornet in 1r), Montréal (as qualifier I. Svitolina in 1r) and Guangzhou (d. Pivovarova and Kovinic, I. Kovinic in QF)
- Appeared in maiden WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Cincinnati (I. 1r to Falconi)



- On ITF Circuit, owns four ITF singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at \$10k ITF/Evansville, IN-USA (l. 1r)
- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015

### **Grand Slam History**

- Made debut at all four Slams in 2017; prior to 2017 Australian Open, had fallen in qualifying at US Open (2014-16), Roland Garros (2016) and Wimbledon (2016)
- Won through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zanevska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era
- Also became just sixth player to make R16 on Australian Open debut in last 21 years: V.Williams (1998), Suárez Navarro (2009), Bouchard (2014), Gasparyan and Konta (2016)
- Also reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and has made 2r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019 and Wimbledon in 2017 and 2018

### **Personal**

- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015
- Trained during the 2016-17 off-season at the new USTA National Campus in Orlando, Florida
- Coached by Roger Anderson; fitness trainer is Satoshi Ochi
- Has twin sister, Jessica



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 06 - 12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [WC] AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #54) vs. [5] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 4-1

|      |            |        |    |                   |     |         |         |
|------|------------|--------|----|-------------------|-----|---------|---------|
| 2019 | ZHENGZHOU  | HARD O | SF | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-3 | 6-2     | 69 mins |
| 2019 | ROME       | CLAY O | R2 | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-3 | 6-3     | 71 mins |
| 2019 | BRISBANE   | HARD O | QF | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-1 | 1-6 6-1 | 83 mins |
| 2015 | STANFORD   | HARD O | QF | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-2 | 6-4     | 70 mins |
| 2011 | CLEARWATER | CLAY O | QF | AJLA TOMLJANOVIC  | 6-3 | 6-3     |         |

| AJLA TOMLJANOVIC | WTA RANKING                          | KAROLINA PLISKOVA |
|------------------|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 54               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 2                 |
| 9,999            | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | 9,999             |
| 07-05-1993 (26)  | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 21-03-1992 (27)   |
| \$0              | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | \$0               |
| \$2,866,592      | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$19,512,518      |
| 0 / 0            | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 4 / 15            |
| 0 / 0            | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 5             |
| 6-5              | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 18-2              |
| 1-0 / 99-117     | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 57-17 / 314-159   |
| 1-0 / 40-47      | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 22-13 / 103-58    |
| 0-0 / 34-33      | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 8-8 / 62-64       |
| 1-0 / 62-71      | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 40-12 / 224-106   |
| 0-0 / 4-11       | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 6-1 / 29-20       |
| 0-0 / 1-5        | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 5-3 / 17-19       |
| 0-0 / 3-12       | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 5-4 / 31-39       |
| 0-0 / 7-34       |                                      | 9-6 / 59-71       |

\* Updated through entering 2020 Brisbane 2r



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BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Dec 31 - Jan 06, 2019 | \$1,000,000 | PREMIER

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### AJLA TOMLJANOVIC

| 2019 |                                    |     |         |
|------|------------------------------------|-----|---------|
| QF   | L - KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #8)     | 6-1 | 1-6 6-1 |
| 2018 |                                    |     |         |
| R16  | L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #9)         | 4-6 | 6-1 6-4 |
| 2016 |                                    |     |         |
| R1   | L - CARLA SUÁREZ NAVARRO (ESP #13) | 6-1 | 6-2     |
| 2015 |                                    |     |         |
| R16  | L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #28)      | 6-3 | 6-2     |

### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

| 2019 |                                  |        |         |
|------|----------------------------------|--------|---------|
| F    | W - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27)     | 4-6    | 7-5 6-2 |
| 2018 |                                  |        |         |
| SF   | L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6)     | 7-5    | 7-5     |
| 2017 |                                  |        |         |
| F    | W - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #41)       | 6-0    | 6-3     |
| 2015 |                                  |        |         |
| R16  | L - ALLA KUDRYAVTSEVA (RUS #100) | 4-6    | 6-3 6-3 |
| 2013 |                                  |        |         |
| R1-Q | L - OLGA PUCHKOVA (RUS #106)     | 7-6(6) | 7-6(1)  |

## TOMLJANOVIC

### Brisbane

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Brisbane, and is looking to match best result with a win today by reaching the QFs
- Made the QFs previously in 2019 (l. Ka.Pliskova), 2r in 2015 (l. Svitolina) and 2018 (l. Konta) and fell 1r in 2016 (l. Suarez Navarro)
- Opened 2020 Brisbane campaign with three-set win over countrywoman Hon
- Faces No.2 Ka.Pliskova today – In terms of ranking, best career win came over No.3 A.Radwanska in 3r at 2014 Roland Garros. Posted two Top 10 wins last season, over No.9 Sabalenka (Miami) and No.8 Bertens (Zhengzhou)
- In doubles this week, has progressed to the SF with Mladenovic – team face Barty/Bertens on Friday

### Career

- Ended 2019 ranked No.51, down from career-best year-end ranking of No.43 in 2018
- Highlight of season was reaching fourth WTA final of her career at Hua Hin (l. Yastremska in F); now 0-4 in finals
- Posted new career-high ranking of No.39 on April 1, 2019
- Made two further SFs in 2019, at Rabat (l. Konta) and first Premier-level SF of career, at Zhengzhou (d. No.8 Bertens, l. KaPliskova)
- Return to form and fitness in 2018 was marked by first career Top 50 finish, at No.43, 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)
- Returned 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 event of 2017 at \$100k ITF/Dubai-UAE (l. Bencic) 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 and WTA main draw at 2009 Indian Wells (as WC, l. 1r)
- Owns six wins over Top 20 opponents: No.8 Bertens (2019 Zhengzhou), No.9 Sabaklenka (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**

- Contested 21st Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open. 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 2019, and at US Open in 2013 (as qualifier, l. Cornet), 2017 (l. Krunic), 2018 (l. Siniakova) and 2019 (l. Kontaveit)

### **Personal**

- Last month parted company with coach Dieter Kindlmann
- 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

## **PLISKOVA**

### **Brisbane**

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Brisbane, and returning as defending champion, having defeated Tsurenko in the final here last year
- In addition to lifting the title in 2019, also triumphed here in 2017 (d. Cornet in F)
- Made the SF stage in 2018 (l. Svitolina), reached the 2r in 2015 (l. Kudryavtseva) and fell in 2013 qualifying
- Has never successfully defended any of her 15 WTA singles titles
- Playing first singles match of 2020 season today vs. Tomljanovic – has not lost a season opener since she fell to Olga Puchkova here in Brisbane in 1r of qualifying
- Paired up with Vekic for doubles this week in Brisbane – fell to today's opponent Tomljanovic and her partner Mladenovic in QF

- Brisbane is first event working with new coach Daniel Vallverdu

### **Career**

- Finished 2019 ranked No.2 for career-best year-end finish
- Lifted four title across the season, taking tally to 15 – triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou
- Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F), the most economic WTA title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their first career main draw encounter
- Made fourth straight appearance at the WTA Finals in 2019, reaching SF for the third year in a row
- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level in 2018 season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Also in 2018, made the SF at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Owns 15-12 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart, 2019 Rome), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne, 2019 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane and 2019 Zhengzhou)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

### **Grand Slam**

- Contested milestone 30th career Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debuts in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), also reached last four at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Bartoli in 1r)

### **Personal**

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Has a twin sister – Kristyna. In 2013, became the first set of twins to capture a WTA doubles title
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon

- Currently coached by Daniel Vallverdu, and previously coached by by Conchita Martínez, Rennae Stubbs, Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic



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## [Q] LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #129) vs. [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7)

Head to Head: First meeting

| LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA | WTA RANKING                                   | PETRA KVITOVA   |
|--------------------|---|-----------------|
| 129                |   | 7               |
| -                  | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -               |
| 11-11-1998 (21)    | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 08-03-1990 (29) |
| -                  | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -               |
| \$218,301          | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$31,066,637    |
| 0 / 0              | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 27          |
| 0 / 0              | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 0           |
| 1-0                | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 9-4             |
| 1-0 / 5-6          | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 1-0 / 437-206   |
| 1-0 / 3-1          | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 1-0 / 130-87    |
| 0-0 / 1-2          | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-0 / 88-65     |
| 1-0 / 1-2          | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 1-0 / 291-145   |
| 0-0 / 0-2          | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 45-14     |
| 0-0 / 0-0          | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 1-4 / 25-34     |
| 0-0 / 0-0          | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 3-6 / 55-56     |
| 0-0 / 0-0          | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 9-9 / 108-93    |

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### BRISBANE Tournament History

#### PETRA KVI TOVA

##### 2019

R16 L - ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20) 7-5 7-6(1)

##### 2013

R16 L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #36) 6-4 7-5

##### 2011

F W - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #32) 6-1 6-3

##### 2009

R1 L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #5) 6-4 6-2

## SAMSONOVA:

### Brisbane

- Making debut at Brisbane International, where she came through three rounds of qualifying, defeating McPhee, Mladenovic and Kostyuk
- Contesting her seventh main draw at a WTA tournament
- Upset No.24 Stephens in 1r; has registered the first Top 50 wins of her career here in Brisbane (also No.37 Mladenovic in qualifying on Sunday)
- Faces No.7 Kvitova in 1r today; bidding to reach QF at a WTA event for the second time, have previously reached that juncture during SF run at 2019 Palermo
- Best result by a qualifier at Brisbane was R-Up finish by Sasnovich in 2018

### Career

- Finished 2019 at No.139 – her best season-ending finish after finishing the year with a 32-28 record
- Posted career-high ranking of No.123 on August 5, 2019
- Appeared in the first seven WTA main draws of her career in 2019, highlighted by SF run at Palermo (l. eventual champion Teichmann) and 2r at Lausanne (l. Han)
- Contested qualifying at a WTA event for the first time at 2019 St. Petersburg, while made her main draw bow at Roland Garros
- Owns four singles titles on the ITF Circuit, most recently at \$60K Saint-Malo-FRA in 2018
- Made professional debut at \$10K ITF/Gonesse-FRA in 2013

### Grand Slam History

- Made Grand Slam debut by qualifying for 2019 Roland Garros (l. Vekic)
- Also fell in qualifying at Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open in 2019



## **Personal**

- Born in Olenegorsk, Russia (in Arctic Circle, close to border with Finland)
- Represented Italy from 2014-18
- Started playing tennis aged six

## **KVITOVA:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making her fifth appearance at the Brisbane International as a former champion in 2011 (d. Petkovic in F)
- One of four former champions in this year's field – also Ka.Pliskova (2019), Svitolina (2018) and Sharapova (2015)
- In 1r on Tuesday, won 11 of the final 12 games to beat Pavlyuchenkova; defeated the Russian en route to the title here in 2011
- Faces No.129 Samsonova in 2r today; last loss to a player outside the Top 100 came against No.149 Anisimova at 2018 Indian Wells
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### **Career**

- Finished at No.7 in 2019 for the second straight year and seventh non-consecutive Top 10 finish – up from No.29 in 2017
- Enjoyed another standout season in 2019, highlighted by two titles at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit in F). Record in finals stands at 27-9
- Reached third career Grand Slam final in 2019 at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking. Went on 11-match winning streak across Sydney (five wins) and Melbourne (six wins)
- Also made R-Up finish at Dubai (l. Bencic in F)
- Qualified and competed at the WTA Finals in Shenzhen for the seventh time in 2019. Among active players, owns joint third-most appearances at the season-ending event behind S.Williams (nine) and Sharapova (eight)
- Won a WTA-leading five titles in 2018, at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7 – sixth career Top 10 finish, and first since 2015 (up from No.29 in 2017)
- Titles in 2018 came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015
- Has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- 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 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)
- Member of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

### **Grand Slam**

- Contested 44th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open

- Winner of two major 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, Osaka and Barty)
- 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)
- Other Grand Slam highlights are SFs at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams) and 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

### **Personal**

- Has won the Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award, as voted by her WTA peers for the past seven years running (through 2019) and eight times overall
- 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



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## SOFIA KENIN (USA #14) vs. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

|      |               |        |    |             |     |     |          |         |
|------|---------------|--------|----|-------------|-----|-----|----------|---------|
| 2019 | CINCINNATI    | HARD O | QF | SOFIA KENIN | 6-4 | 1-6 | 2-0 ret. | 90 mins |
| 2018 | ROLAND GARROS | CLAY O | R1 | NAOMI OSAKA | 6-2 | 7-5 |          | 74 mins |

| SOFIA KENIN     | WTA RANKING                          | NAOMI OSAKA     |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 14              | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 4               |
| -               | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | -               |
| 14-11-1998 (21) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 16-10-1997 (22) |
| -               | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | -               |
| \$2,918,732     | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$14,417,479    |
| 0 / 3           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 5           |
| 0 / 2           | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0           |
| 1-0             | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 5-2             |
| 1-0 / 70-44     | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 1-0 / 123-71    |
| 0-0 / 26-19     | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 1-0 / 34-18     |
| 14-8 / 18-10    | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-1 / 23-20     |
| 1-0 / 54-30     | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 33-8 / 94-49    |
| 0-0 / 2-3       | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 7-5       |
| 0-0 / 2-6       | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 4-7       |
| 0-0 / 7-13      | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 11-19     |
| 0-0 / 14-21     |                                      | 0-0 / 26-31     |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane 2r

### BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

#### NAOMI OSAKA

##### 2019

SF L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27) 6-2 6-4

##### 2016

QF-Q L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #89) 7-6(7) 4-6 6-4

## **KENIN:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making Brisbane debut
- Began season by breaking serve three times to edge past Sevastova in 1r
- Faces No.4 Osaka in 2r; registered five Top 10 wins in 2019, over No.10 S.Williams (Roland Garros), No.1 Barty (Toronto), No.7 Svitolina (Toronto and Cincinnati) and No.1 Osaka (Cincinnati)
- Was one of the tour's outstanding hard court performers in 2019, winning titles at Hobart and Guangzhou and registering more wins on the surface than any other player (38)
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### **Career**

- Finished 2019 ranked No.14 for career-best season-ending finish
- Won three titles in 2019, at Hobart (d. Schmiedlova), Mallorca (d. Bencic) and Guangzhou (d. Stosur in F); rose to career-high No.17 following Guangzhou (September 23, 2019)
- Also in 2019, was R-Up at Acapulco (l. Y.Wang), reached back-to-back SFs at Toronto and Cincinnati, and reached R16 for first time at a Slam at Roland Garros (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual champion Barty)
- Broke into the Top 100 on March 19, 2018, Top 50 on October 8, 2018 and Top 20 on August 19, 2019
- Advanced to first WTA level SF in 2018 at Mallorca as a qualifier, also reaching this stage later in the season at Québec City
- Represented the USA in their 3-0 Fed Cup final defeat to the Czech Republic in November 2018
- Opened 2018 with first tour-level QF at Auckland
- Holds 7-12 career record vs. Top 10 opponents, having defeated No.6 Garcia (2018 Mallorca), No.10 Goerges (2018 Wuhan), No.10 S.Williams (2019 Roland Garros), No.1 Barty (2019 Toronto), No.7 Svitolina (both at 2019 Toronto and 2019 Cincinnati) and No.1 Osaka (2019 Cincinnati)
- Compiled 47-28 record (all levels) in 2017, finishing at a career-high No.113. Campaign highlighted by 3r run at US Open, 2r at Québec City (l. Safarova) and one ITF Circuit title
- On ITF Circuit owns four singles and two doubles titles
- Played first matches on ITF Circuit in March 2013
- Climbed as high as No.2 in the ITF Junior Rankings
- Represented the US at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China

### **Grand Slam History**

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

### **Personal**

- Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now resides in Pembroke Pines, Florida, where she was home-schooled
- Known as 'Sonya'
- Coached by father Alexander Kenin with support Lorenzo Cava; trains at ProWorld Academy in Delray Beach, Florida
- Best tennis memory is playing idol Maria Sharapova on Arthur Ashe (US Open 2017)
- If not a tennis player would be a fashion designer
- Dream doubles partners would be Serena Williams and Grigor Dimitrov

- Good friends with CiCi Bellis and Katie Swan
- Likes rap music, especially Drake
- Treat food is Froyo - cookies and cream with Hershey's on top

## OSAKA:

### **Brisbane**

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane, and third appearance overall. Reached SF stage in 2019 (l. Tsurenko) and fell in 2016 qualifying
- On Tuesday, recovered from a break down in the final set to win her first match under new coach Wim Fisetto – the pair started work together in mid-December
- Faces Kenin in 2r today; retired from their previous meeting at 2019 Cincinnati w/left leg injury
- Enjoyed strong Australian swing in 2019, posting a 9-1 record (2 wins at Brisbane, 7 wins at Australian Open)
- First year since 2017 that the defending Australian Open champion has played Brisbane in the lead up to Melbourne (Kerber)

### **Career**

- Finished 2019 ranked No.3 for career-best season-ending finish
- Won second Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); now owns 5-2 record in WTA singles finals. Defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed a 10-match winning streak after lifting the titles at Osaka and Beijing - the joint-longest of her career (also recorded 10 straight victories when winning the 2018 US Open and reaching the final at Tokyo)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- 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
- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated 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 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- 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)

### **Grand Slam History**

- Contested 15th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open (d. S.Williams in F) and 2019 Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F)
- 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)
- Won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance, becoming the 10th woman to win the US Open and Australian Open back-to-back

- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (19y, 122d)
- Has reached 3r at the other two majors: Roland Garros in 2016 (l. Halep), 2018 (l. Keys) and 2019 (l. Siniakova), and Wimbledon in 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. Kerber)

### **Personal**

- Began working with Wim Fissette at beginning of 2020 season. Previous coaches include Sascha Bajin and Jermaine Jenkins
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent) and Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship
- Sponsorship deals include Nike, Citizen, broadcaster Wowow, Nissin, Nissan and ANA Airlines
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in New York City before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari also plays professional tennis



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 06 - 12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) vs. ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #26)

Head to Head: KIKI BERTENS leads 2-1

|      |            |        |     |                 |             |          |
|------|------------|--------|-----|-----------------|-------------|----------|
| 2018 | CINCINNATI | HARD O | R16 | KIKI BERTENS    | 6-3 2-6 6-3 | 105 mins |
| 2017 | GSTAAD     | CLAY O | F   | KIKI BERTENS    | 6-4 3-6 6-1 | 112 mins |
| 2016 | NEW HAVEN  | HARD O | R1  | ANETT KONTAVEIT | 6-3 6-4     | 78 mins  |

| KIKI BERTENS    | WTA RANKING                          | ANETT KONTAVEIT |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 9               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 26              |
| 9,999           | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | 9,999           |
| 10-12-1991 (28) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 24-12-1995 (24) |
| \$0             | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | \$0             |
| \$10,730,150    | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$3,998,762     |
| 2 / 9           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 1           |
| 0 / 10          | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0           |
| 2-3             | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 5-3             |
| 1-0 / 210-160   | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 1-0 / 105-89    |
| 1-0 / 61-61     | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 0-0 / 37-29     |
| 0-0 / 45-52     | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-0 / 29-28     |
| 1-0 / 94-103    | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 1-0 / 63-57     |
| 0-0 / 24-11     | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 11-10     |
| 0-0 / 11-12     | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 2-10      |
| 0-0 / 23-24     | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 10-16     |
| 0-0 / 36-45     |                                      | 0-0 / 17-27     |

\* Updated through entering 2020 Brisbane 2r

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### KIKI BERTENS

|             |                               |                |
|-------------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>2019</b> |                               |                |
| R16         | L - DONNA VEKIC (CRO #34)     | 7-6(5) 1-6 7-5 |
| <b>2018</b> |                               |                |
| R1          | L - ANA KONJUH (CRO #44)      | 6-1 6-2        |
| <b>2014</b> |                               |                |
| QF-Q        | L - ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #190) | 2-6 6-3 7-5    |

### ANETT KONTAVEIT

|             |                                     |                |
|-------------|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| <b>2019</b> |                                     |                |
| QF          | L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27)        | 7-5 6-3        |
| <b>2018</b> |                                     |                |
| R16         | L - ALIAKSANDRA SASNOVICH (BLR #88) | 1-6 7-6(2) 6-3 |

## **BERTENS:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane International (fourth overall)
- Scored her first win here during last year's run to the 2r (d. Mertens, I. Vekic having held 2mp at 5-4 in final set)
- Fell 1r in 2018 (I. Konjuh) and in qualifying in 2014 (I. Barty)
- Ousted Yastremska on Tuesday in their third career meeting – is now 3-0 against the Ukrainian
- Faces No.26 Kontaveit today in their fourth career meeting. Holds 2-1 edge over the Estonian and leveled at 1-1 on hard courts
- Enters this week at World No.9. Has held her position inside the Top 10 since she first reached the elite group on October 8, 2018
- Owns three hard court titles, at 2018 Cincinnati, 2018 Seoul and 2019 St. Petersburg
- Competing alongside Barty in doubles this week. The pair is currently into the SFs, having defeated Pavlyuchenkova/Kontaveit and No.2 seeds Melichar/Y.Xu. They will face Tomljanovic/Mladenovic for a spot in the final
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### **Career**

- Reached a career high ranking of World No.4 in 2019 following her first Premier Mandatory title at Madrid (defeated four Grand Slam champion en route - Ostapenko, Kvitova, Stephens and Halep in F). Also became first woman to win Madrid title without dropping a set
- Other season highlights included lifting the trophy at St. Petersburg (d. Vekic in F) and final runs at Palermo (I. Teichmann), Zhuhai (I. Sabalenka), and on home soil in 's-Hertogenbosch (could not convert five championship points in loss to Riske)
- Also in 2019 became the third alternate to win a match at the WTA Finals since the round robin format was introduced in 2003 - also Bartoli (2007, '11) and A.Radwanska (2008-09)
- Defeated No.1 Barty in Shenzhen to record her first win over the Australian and second win over a reigning World No.1, having also defeated Halep in 2018 Cincinnati final
- Won 55 matches in 2019 – the second most of the season, behind Barty (56)
- Struck 457 aces in 2019 - the second most on Tour behind Ka.Pliskova with 488
- Won the WTA Jerry Diamond ACES Award in 2019, which is granted to the player who consistently goes above and beyond in promoting the sport of women's tennis to fans, media, and local communities by performing off-court promotional and charitable initiatives.
- Enjoyed a break-out year in 2018, reaching a career-best four singles finals across the season and breaking into the Top 10 (October 8, 2018) – first Dutch woman to be ranked in the Top 10 since Brenda Schultz-McCarthy in 1996
- Won the WTA's Most Improved Player Award in 2018
- Lifted three titles in 2018, at Charleston (d. Goerges in F), Cincinnati (d. World No.1 Halep in F – saved 1mp) and Seoul (d. Tomljanovic in F). Reached one further final, at Premier Mandatory Madrid (I. Kvitova)
- Scored WTA-leading 12 Top 10 wins last season. Prior to 2018, only had three Top 10 wins in her career
- Also reached SF on WTA Finals debut (I. Svitolina)
- Season highlights in 2017 were titles at Nürnberg and Gstaad. Also` posted SF run at 2017 Rome and reached QF at Madrid - first Premier Mandatory QF
- Career-high doubles ranking is No.16 (first reached on April 16, 2018)
- Finished 2016 ranked No.22 in singles – big jump from her season-ending ranking of No.101 in 2015
- Played on Netherlands Olympic team at 2016 Rio Olympics – fell in 1r (I. Errani)
- Won maiden career singles title at 2012 Fès as a qualifier in just her second main draw appearance; currently owns 9-5 career record in singles finals
- Owner of 10 WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2018 Brisbane (w/Schuurs)



- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2011 's-Hertogenbosch (l. 1r)
- Played first event of career on ITF Circuit in the Netherlands in 2006; has won seven singles titles and 11 doubles titles at this level
- Netherlands Fed Cup Team, 2011-2012, 2014-2017

### **Grand Slam**

- Contested milestone 30th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Deepest run across the Slams came with SF showing at 2016 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Enjoyed her best result at Wimbledon in 2018 by reaching her second career Grand Slam QF (l. Goerges). Became first Dutch woman to reach QF at Wimbledon since Krajicek in 2007
- In 2018 reached 3r for first time at both Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and US Open (l. Vondrousova)
- Is a two-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist in doubles, at 2015 Australian Open (w/Larsson, l. Goerges/Groenefeld) and 2016 Roland Garros (w/Larsson, l. eventual champions Garcia/Mladenovic)

### **Personal**

- Coached by former WTA player Elise Tamaela. Formerly coached by Raemon Sluiter (announced the end of their four-year partnership in November)
- In November 2019, married her husband Remko de Rijke, who has been involved as part of her team as a physio and fitness coach. The two announced their engagement in November 2018
- After her triumph at 2019 Madrid, Kiki reached a career-high singles ranking of World No.4 and became the highest-ranked Dutchwoman in history
- Won the 2019 WTA Jerry Diamond ACES Award and the 2018 WTA Most Improved Player of the Year Award
- Fan-voted as May 2019 WTA Player of the Month
- Parents are Rob and Doré; sisters are Joyce and Daisy
- Started playing at age 6. Tennis idol growing up was Kim Clijsters

## **KONTAVEIT:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making her third consecutive appearance at the Brisbane International
- Made her best result here by reaching the QF stage in 2019 (l. Tsurenko). Also reached 2r in 2018 (l. Sasnovich)
- Fired eight aces during her opening round on Tuesday with a straight sets victory over Hsieh in 1hr, 12 min
- Her 1r win over Hsieh marked her first match since 2019 US Open, where she reached the 3r before withdrawing due to illness that kept her out for the rest of the season
- Faces No.9 Bertens today. Holds 10 career wins over Top 10 ranked opponents, most recently over No.7 Kvitova here in Brisbane last year
- Teamed up with Pavlyuchenkova in doubles this week (l. Bertens/Barty in 1r in 3s)
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### **Career**

- Finished 2019 ranked No.26 – her second straight Top 30 finish (No.21 in 2018)
- Reached her fifth career final in 2019 at Stuttgart (l. Kvitova in F); career record in finals is now 1-4
- Also in 2019, advanced to her first Premier Mandatory SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty), which propelled her to a career high ranking of No.14 (April 1, 2019). Came from a set and 4-0 down in the decider to defeat Hsieh in QF

- 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 season – finishing No.21 in the rankings
- Enjoyed fruitful clay swing in 2018, including a R16 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. Vihlyantseva 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 QF 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 en route

### **Grand Slam**

- 2019 US Open marked her 19th 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), 2018 (l. Van Uytvanck) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
- R-Up in 2012 US Open girls' singles (l. Crawford)

### **Personal**

- Coached by Nigel Sears
- Grew up in Tallinn, Estonia
- World No.1 Estonian player
- 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



**MATCH NOTES: BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL**  
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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – QUARTERFINALS

### JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53) vs. [6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7)

*Kvitova leads 1-0*  
*Kvitova won the pair's previous career meeting last year in Dubai... **Brady** upset World No.1 Barty in last round to score her maiden career Top 10 win... **Kvitova** won 2011 Brisbane title*

### DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #27) vs. [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

*Collins leads 1-0*  
*Collins beat Keys at 2018 Indian Wells to score here first Top 50 win... **Keys** appearing in QF here for the first time... The winner will be first US player to reach a Brisbane SF since 2016*

### [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) vs. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

*Series tied 1-1*  
*Osaka withdrew from their meeting at 2019 Rome with a hand injury... **Bertens** has reached QF at five of past six events... Both players extended to three sets in the opening two rounds*

### ALISON RISKE (USA #19) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

*Pliskova leads 6-1*  
*Pliskova won both their meetings in 2019, at Dubai and Toronto... **Riske** has risen nearly 50 places in the rankings in the past year... **Pliskova** one of two former champions remaining*

## A LOOK AT THE QUARTERFINALISTS

| PLAYER                | RANK | AGE | NAT | BRISBANE (MD) W/L* | CAREER W/L* | CAREER PRIZE \$^ | CAREER TITLES |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|--------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| [2] Karolina Pliskova | 2    | 27  | CZE | 14-2               | 528-289     | 19,514,518       | 15            |
| [3] Naomi Osaka       | 4    | 22  | JPN | 4-1                | 219-130     | 14,417,479       | 5             |
| [5] Petra Kvitova     | 7    | 29  | CZE | 9-3                | 529-233     | 31,066,637       | 27            |
| [6] Kiki Bertens      | 9    | 28  | NED | 3-2                | 428-251     | 10,730,150       | 9             |
| [8] Madison Keys      | 13   | 24  | USA | 3-3                | 280-152     | 12,091,266       | 5             |
| Alison Riske          | 19   | 29  | USA | 2-1                | 369-287     | 4,552,562        | 2             |
| Danielle Collins      | 27   | 26  | USA | 2-1                | 138-89      | 2,381,778        | 0             |
| [Q] Jennifer Brady    | 53   | 24  | USA | 2-1                | 206-146     | 2,009,461        | 0             |

\*Includes current tournament / ^ Does not include current tournament





**MATCH NOTES: BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL**  
BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA | JANUARY 6-12, 2020 | USD \$1,500,000 PREMIER

## QUARTERFINAL RECORDS

| PLAYER                | BEST BRISBANE RESULT | LAST SEMIFINAL REACHED (final result) | CAREER QF W/L* | CAREER SF W/L* |
|-----------------------|----------------------|---------------------------------------|----------------|----------------|
| [2] Karolina Pliskova | WON (2): 2017, 2019  | 2019 WTA Finals (SF)                  | 41-28          | 26-15          |
| [3] Naomi Osaka       | SF (1): 2019         | 2019 Beijing (WON)                    | 11-9           | 7-3            |
| [5] Petra Kvitova     | WON (1): 2011        | 2019 Wuhan (SF)                       | 54-27          | 36-19          |
| [6] Kiki Bertens      | QF (1): 2020         | 2019 Zhuhai (R-UP)                    | 25-16          | 14-12          |
| [8] Madison Keys      | QF (1): 2020         | 2019 Cincinnati (WON)                 | 19-11          | 9-9            |
| Alison Riske          | QF (1): 2020         | 2019 Wuhan (R-UP)                     | 14-12          | 9-5            |
| Danielle Collins      | QF (1): 2020         | 2019 Australian Open (SF)             | 3-2            | 0-3            |
| [Q] Jennifer Brady    | QF (1): 2020         | 2019 Nottingham (SF)                  | 2-1            | 0-2            |

*\*Not including walkovers*

## POTENTIAL SEMIFINAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

|         | COLLINS           | KEYS            |         | RISKE             | PLISKOVA        |
|---------|-------------------|-----------------|---------|-------------------|-----------------|
| BRADY   | Series tied       | Brady leads 1-0 | BERTENS | Bertens leads 3-1 | Series tied 1-1 |
| KVITOVA | Kvitova leads 2-0 | Series tied 3-3 | OSAKA   | Series tied 1-1   | Series tied 2-2 |

## RANKING MOVERS

**Madison Keys** will rise to No.11 if she wins her all-American quarterfinal clash with Danielle Collins.

Qualifier **Jennifer Brady** will break into the Top 50 for the first time thanks to her run this week.

**Alison Riske** can match her career-high ranking of No.18 by reaching the semifinals. Should she make the final, the American will move to No.17.

## EXPECT THE UNEXPECTED

For the past five years, the Brisbane International has featured at least one unseeded semifinalist. Can one of **Jennifer Brady**, **Danielle Collins** or **Alison Riske** make it six?

| YEAR | PLAYER                | ROUND REACHED |
|------|-----------------------|---------------|
| 2019 | Lesia Tsurenko        | Runner-Up     |
| 2019 | Donna Vekic           | Semifinals    |
| 2018 | Aliaksandra Sasnovich | Runner-Up     |
| 2017 | Alizé Cornet          | Runner-Up     |
| 2016 | Victoria Azarenka     | Champion      |
| 2016 | Samantha Crawford     | Semifinals    |
| 2015 | Elina Svitolina       | Semifinals    |
| 2015 | Varvara Lepchenko     | Semifinals    |

## QUEEN OF BRISBANE

**Karolina Pliskova**, the 2017 and 2019 champion, has a fine record in Brisbane. In fact, following her opening match victory this week, only two-time champions Serena Williams and Victoria Azarenka have a better win percentage at the Queensland Tennis Centre:

| PLAYER                   | WINS      | LOSSES   | WIN %       |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Serena Williams          | 10        | 0        | 1.000       |
| Victoria Azarenka        | 15        | 2        | .882        |
| <b>Karolina Pliskova</b> | <b>14</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>.875</b> |
| Kaia Kanepi              | 11        | 4        | .733        |
| Elina Svitolina          | 12        | 5        | .706        |

## NEW ACE QUEEN

**Naomi Osaka** has hit a career-high number of aces in both her matches this week, first striking 16 against Maria Sakkari, before improving this by two with 18 in the following round against Sofia Kenin.

With 34 to her name already, the Japanese star is just seven aces shy of the tournament record, set by **Karolina Pliskova** during her title run in 2017.



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53) vs. [6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7)

Head to Head: PETRA KVITOVA leads 1-0

2019 DUBAI HARD O R16 PETRA KVITOVA 7-5 1-6 6-3 133 mins

| JENNIFER BRADY  | WTA RANKING                                   | PETRA KVITOVA   |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| 53              |   | 7               |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -               |
| 12-04-1995 (24) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 08-03-1990 (29) |
| -               | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -               |
| \$2,009,461     | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$31,066,637    |
| 0 / 0           | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 27          |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 0           |
| 2-1             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 9-3             |
| 2-0 / 34-46     | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 2-0 / 438-206   |
| 1-0 / 13-15     | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 1-0 / 130-87    |
| 2-0 / 9-14      | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-0 / 88-65     |
| 2-0 / 25-28     | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 2-0 / 292-145   |
| 0-0 / 1-4       | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 45-14     |
| 1-0 / 1-4       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 25-34     |
| 1-0 / 1-7       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 55-56     |
| 1-0 / 6-12      | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 108-93    |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane QF

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### JENNIFER BRADY

**2019**  
R1-Q L - VIKTORIYA TOMOVA (BUL #156) 4-6 7-6(8) 6-2

**2018**  
R1 L - SORANA CIRSTEANU (ROU #37) 7-6(3) 6-1

**2017**  
R16-Q L - FRANCESCA SCHIAVONE (ITA #102) 6-4 6-7(6) 6-3

### PETRA KVITOVA

**2019**  
R16 L - ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20) 7-5 7-6(1)

**2013**  
R16 L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #36) 6-4 7-5

**2011**  
F W - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #32) 6-1 6-3

**2009**  
R1 L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #5) 6-4 6-2

## BRADY:

### Brisbane

- Making debut at Brisbane International after coming through three rounds of qualifying, defeating Paquet, Di Lorenzo and Sanders without dropping a set
- Came within two points of defeat before rallying to see off former World No.1 Sharapova in 1r match on Tuesday
- Followed this up by upsetting the current World No.1 Barty on Thursday to notch up her maiden Top 10 win – in terms of ranking, previous best win of career came over No.15 Keys at 2019 Beijing
- Faces Kvitova today in the first Premier-level QF of her career
- Bidding to reach only the third SF of her career, having previously made that stage at 2017 Hong Kong and 2019 Nottingham
- Next week is scheduled to play in qualifying at the WTA's new tournament in Adelaide
- Opened last season by falling in qualifying here in Brisbane (l. Tomova after holding 4mp)

### Career

- Posted best win of career to date during run through qualifying at Beijing in 2019, defeating No.15 Keys
- Last season, also finished R-Up at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (l. Golubic)
- In 2018, reached SFs at \$100k ITF/Midland-USA and \$80k ITF/Charlottesville-USA, while at tour level made 2r at Indian Wells, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- Won through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon.
- Reached first WTA career SF at 2017 Hong Kong
- Made first four main draw appearances at tour level in 2016 – at Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Hercog in 1r), Stanford (l. Cornet in 1r), Montréal (as qualifier l. Svitolina in 1r) and Guangzhou (d. Pivovarova and Kovinic, l. Kovinic in QF)
- Appeared in maiden WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Cincinnati (l. 1r to Falconi)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four ITF singles and four doubles titles
- Made professional debut at \$10k ITF/Evansville, IN-USA (l. 1r)
- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015

### Grand Slam History

- Made debut at all four Slams in 2017; prior to 2017 Australian Open, had fallen in qualifying at US Open (2014-16), Roland Garros (2016) and Wimbledon (2016)
- Won through qualifying at 2017 Australian Open and went on to become first major debutante to reach R16 at a Slam since Smitkova at 2014 Wimbledon. Defeated Zanevska in 1r, Watson in 2r (saved 5mp) and No.14 seed Vesnina in 3r, losing to Lucic-Baroni; became first American female qualifier to reach R16 at the Australian Open in Open Era
- Also became just sixth player to make R16 on Australian Open debut in last 21 years: V.Williams (1998), Suárez Navarro (2009), Bouchard (2014), Gasparyan and Konta (2016)
- Also reached R16 at 2017 US Open (l. Ka.Pliskova) and has made 2r at Roland Garros in 2018 and 2019 and Wimbledon in 2017 and 2018

### Personal

- Attended the University of California, Los Angeles, making her debut for the Bruins tennis team in 2013. Completed sophomore year of studies before turning professional in 2015
- Trained during the 2016-17 off-season at the new USTA National Campus in Orlando, Florida
- Coached by Roger Anderson; fitness trainer is Satoshi Ochi
- Has twin sister, Jessica

## KVITOVA:

### Brisbane

- Making her fifth appearance at the Brisbane International as a former champion in 2011 (d. Petkovic in F)
- One of four former champions in this year's field – also Ka.Pliskova (2019), Svitolina (2018) and Sharapova (2015)
- In 1r on Tuesday, won 11 of the final 12 games to beat Pavlyuchenkova; defeated the Russian en route to the title here in 2011
- Struck seven aces and won 82% of her first serve points during one-hour victory over No.129 Samsonova in 2r on Thursday
- Faces Brady in QF today; beat the American in their only previous career meeting, en route to Dubai final last February
- Enjoyed a stellar start to the season in 2019, following up a 2r exit here in Brisbane (l. Kontaveit), with an 11-match winning streak that brought her a title at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and R-Up finish at the Australian Open (l. Osaka in 3s)
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### Career

- Finished at No.7 in 2019 for the second straight year and seventh non-consecutive Top 10 finish – up from No.29 in 2017
- Enjoyed another standout season in 2019, highlighted by two titles at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit in F). Record in finals stands at 27-9
- Reached third career Grand Slam final in 2019 at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking. Went on 11-match winning streak across Sydney (five wins) and Melbourne (six wins)
- Also produced R-Up finish at Dubai (l. Bencic in F)
- Qualified and competed at the WTA Finals in Shenzhen for the seventh time in 2019. Among active players, owns joint third-most appearances at the season-ending event behind S.Williams (nine) and Sharapova (eight)
- Won a WTA-leading five titles in 2018, at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7 – sixth career Top 10 finish, and first since 2015 (up from No.29 in 2017)
- Titles in 2018 came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015
- Has won at least one title every year dating back to 2011
- 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 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)
- Member of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

## *Grand Slam*

- Contested 44th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Winner of two major 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, Osaka and Barty)
- 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)
- Other Grand Slam highlights are SFs at 2012 Australian Open (l. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (l. V.Williams) and 2015 US Open (l. eventual champion Pennetta)

## *Personal*

- Has won the Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award, as voted by her WTA peers for the past seven years running (through 2019) and eight times overall
- 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





# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #27) vs. MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

Head to Head: DANIELLE COLLINS leads 1-0

2018 INDIAN WELLS HARD O R2 DANIELLE COLLINS 6-3 7-6(1) 104 mins

| DANIELLE COLLINS | WTA RANKING                                   | MADISON KEYS    |
|------------------|---|-----------------|
| 27               |   | 13              |
| -                | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -               |
| 13-12-1993 (26)  | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 17-02-1995 (24) |
| -                | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -               |
| \$2,381,778      | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$12,091,266    |
| 0 / 0            | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 5           |
| 0 / 0            | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 0           |
| 2-1              | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 3-3             |
| 2-0 / 38-39      | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 2-0 / 209-121   |
| 0-0 / 15-13      | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 0-0 / 52-51     |
| 0-0 / 11-8       | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-0 / 53-45     |
| 2-0 / 26-25      | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 2-0 / 127-82    |
| 0-0 / 2-4        | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 18-18     |
| 1-0 / 2-4        | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 7-19      |
| 1-0 / 3-10       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 17-30     |
| 1-0 / 9-17       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 36-48     |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane QF

## BRISBANE Tournament History

### DANIELLE COLLINS

| 2019  |
|---|
| R1 L - PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7) 6-7(6) 7-6(6) 6-3 |

### MADISON KEYS

| 2018  |
|---|
| R1 L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #9) 4-6 6-4 6-3   |
| 2015  |
| R16 L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #34) 6-4 6-4 |
| 2014  |
| R1 L - STEFANIE VOEGELE (SUI #50) 6-4 6-3   |

## COLLINS:

### *Brisbane*

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane; on debut last year, fell in 1r (l. Kvitova – served for the match and was two points from victory in the second set)
- Upset No.4 Svitolina in 1r on Monday – her second Top 5 win of career, the first coming over No.2 Kerber here on Australian soil during last year's the Australian Open SF run
- Won the final 10 games of the match during dominant 2r victory over Putintseva on Wednesday; has dropped just three games en route to QF, the fewest of any player left in the draw
- Faces Keys in QF today; beat then-No.15-ranked Keys at 2018 Indian Wells to score her maiden Top 50 win
- Next week, is scheduled to play the new WTA tournament in Adelaide
- Played two events in off-season, contesting the WTA 125K Series Oracle Challenger Series event in Houston (l. 1r to Kalinina) and a \$25k ITF event in Naples, FL-USA (reached QF, l. Talaba)

### *Career*

- Ended 2019 at No.31 for career-best year-end finish
- Produced 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
- Posted five Top 20 wins in 2019, over No.13 Goerges, No.19 Garcia and No.2 Kerber (all at Australian Open), No.12 Wozniacki (Rome) and No.12 Sevastova (Wimbledon)
- 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)
- Season highlight in 2018 was 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, reached 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 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

- All other major wins have also occurred during the 2019 season; recording a 3r appearance at Wimbledon alongside 2r showings at Roland Garros (d. Maria, l. eventual champion Barty) and US Open (l. Wozniacki)
- Fell 1r on first five major appearances: as a WC at US Open in 2014 (l. Halep) and 2016 (l. Rodina), then in 2018 at Roland Garros (l. Wozniacki), Wimbledon (l. Mertens) and US Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Gained first Grand Slam main draw direct acceptance at 2018 Roland Garros

### *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 off-season
- Main coach is Pat Harrison (ATP's Ryan Harrison's dad), but he only travels occasionally
- Began working with former Top 25 WTA player Betsy Nagelsen McCormack ahead of 2019 Roland Garros

### KEYS:

#### *Brisbane*

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, where her previous best previous performance was 2r showing in 2015 (d. Cibulkova, l. Lepchenko)
- Has improved on this result with straight-set wins over Bouzkova and Stosur this week; fired 10 aces against Stosur, whom she had never beaten in three previous career encounters
- Faces fellow American Collins in QF today; winner of today's match will be the first American to reach SF here since qualifier Crawford's run in 2016, meanwhile, the last American woman to win Brisbane title was S.Williams in 2014
- Along with today's opponent Collins, Brady and Riske, is one of four Americans to reach Brisbane QF – the most in the tournament's history
- Brisbane is her sole WTA event prior to the start of the Australian Open; last year she eschewed playing any events prior to Melbourne, where she reached R16 (l. Svitolina)

#### *Career*

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

- Owns seven career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome, 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open), No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati) and No.4 Halep (2019 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage on all three appearances); advanced to SF stage in 2018 however withdrew before match due to a left knee injury
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- 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*

- Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Deepest run prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Prior to 2015 had not passed 3r at a major
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – has reached at least QF at all four majors, including Wimbledon in 2015
- Was one of just two players to reach the SFs or better at two of the four Slams in 2018 (also Kerber – SF Australian Open, Won Wimbledon)
- 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*

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



# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) vs. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

Head to Head: Series tied 1-1

|      |            |        |    |              |          |         |
|------|------------|--------|----|--------------|----------|---------|
| 2019 | ROME       | CLAY O | QF | KIKI BERTENS | W/O      |         |
| 2018 | WTA FINALS | HARD I | R1 | KIKI BERTENS | 6-3 ret. | 47 mins |
| 2016 | ACAPULCO   | HARD O | R1 | NAOMI OSAKA  | 6-4 6-2  | 81 mins |

| KIKI BERTENS    | WTA RANKING                          | NAOMI OSAKA     |
|-----------------|--------------------------------------|-----------------|
| 9               | PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD | 4               |
| -               | DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)                  | -               |
| 10-12-1991 (28) | YTD PRIZE MONEY                      | 16-10-1997 (22) |
| -               | CAREER PRIZE MONEY                   | -               |
| \$10,730,150    | SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | \$14,417,479    |
| 0 / 9           | DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)        | 0 / 5           |
| 0 / 10          | BRISBANE W-L (MD) *                  | 0 / 0           |
| 3-2             | YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *              | 4-1             |
| 2-0 / 214-160   | YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *        | 2-0 / 124-71    |
| 2-0 / 63-61     | YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *    | 2-0 / 35-18     |
| 0-0 / 45-52     | YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *         | 0-2 / 23-21     |
| 2-0 / 96-103    | YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *  | 2-0 / 95-49     |
| 0-0 / 24-11     | YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD & Q) *    | 0-0 / 7-5       |
| 0-0 / 11-12     | YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 4-7       |
| 0-0 / 23-24     | YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD & Q) *   | 0-0 / 11-19     |
| 0-0 / 36-45     |                                      | 1-0 / 27-31     |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane QF

## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### KIKI BERTENS

| 2019 | R16  | L - DONNA VEKIC (CRO #34)     | 7-6(5) 1-6 7-5 |
|------|------|-------------------------------|----------------|
| 2018 | R1   | L - ANA KONJUH (CRO #44)      | 6-1 6-2        |
| 2014 | QF-Q | L - ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #190) | 2-6 6-3 7-5    |

### NAOMI OSAKA

| 2019 | SF   | L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27)      | 6-2 6-4        |
|------|------|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| 2016 | QF-Q | L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #89) | 7-6(7) 4-6 6-4 |

## BERTENS:

### Brisbane

- Making third main draw appearance at Brisbane International (fourth overall), where she is through to QF for the first time
- Scored her first win here during last year's run to the 2r (d. Mertens, l. Vekic having held 2mp at 5-4 in final set)
- Ousted Yastremska in 1r on Tuesday in their third career meeting – is now 3-0 against the Ukrainian
- Struck 10 aces to edge past Kontaveit in 2r – has now reached QF at five of her last six tournaments (exception was RR exit at last year's WTA Finals in Shenzhen; as alternate, finished with 1-1 record)
- Faces No.4 Osaka in QF; most recent of her 11 Top 5 wins came over No.1 Barty at 2019 WTA Finals in Shenzhen
- Enters this week at World No.9. Has held her position inside the Top 10 since she first reached the elite group on October 8, 2018
- Owns three hard court titles, at 2018 Cincinnati, 2018 Seoul and 2019 St. Petersburg
- Alongside Barty has also advanced to doubles SF here in Brisbane, having defeated Pavlyuchenkova/Kontaveit and No.2 seeds Melichar/Y.Xu. They will face Tomljanovic/Mladenovic for a spot in the final
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### Career

- Reached a career high ranking of World No.4 in 2019 following her first Premier Mandatory title at Madrid (defeated four Grand Slam champion en route - Ostapenko, Kvitova, Stephens and Halep in F). Also became first woman to win Madrid title without dropping a set
- Other season highlights included lifting the trophy at St. Petersburg (d. Vekic in F) and final runs at Palermo (l. Teichmann), Zhuhai (l. Sabalenka), and on home soil in 's-Hertogenbosch (could not convert five championship points in loss to Riske)
- Also in 2019 became the third alternate to win a match at the WTA Finals since the round robin format was introduced in 2003 - also Bartoli (2007, 2011) and A.Radwanska (2008-09)
- Defeated No.1 Barty in Shenzhen to record her first win over the Australian and second win over a reigning World No.1, having also defeated Halep in 2018 Cincinnati final
- Won 55 matches in 2019 – the second most of the season, behind Barty (56)
- Struck 457 aces in 2019 - the second most on Tour behind Ka.Pliskova with 488
- Won the WTA Jerry Diamond ACES Award in 2019, which is granted to the player who consistently goes above and beyond in promoting the sport of women's tennis to fans, media, and local communities by performing off-court promotional and charitable initiatives.
- Enjoyed a break-out year in 2018, reaching a career-best four singles finals across the season and breaking into the Top 10 (October 8, 2018) – first Dutch woman to be ranked in the Top 10 since Brenda Schultz-McCarthy in 1996
- Won the WTA's Most Improved Player Award in 2018
- Lifted three titles in 2018, at Charleston (d. Goerges in F), Cincinnati (d. World No.1 Halep in F – saved 1mp) and Seoul (d. Tomljanovic in F). Reached one further final, at Premier Mandatory Madrid (l. Kvitova)
- Scored WTA-leading 12 Top 10 wins last season. Prior to 2018, only had three Top 10 wins in her career
- Also reached SF on WTA Finals debut (l. Svitolina)
- Season highlights in 2017 were titles at Nürnberg and Gstaad. Also ` posted SF run at 2017 Rome and reached QF at Madrid - first Premier Mandatory QF
- Career-high doubles ranking is No.16 (first reached on April 16, 2018)
- Finished 2016 ranked No.22 in singles – big jump from her season-ending ranking of No.101 in 2015
- Played on Netherlands Olympic team at 2016 Rio Olympics – fell in 1r (l. Errani)
- Won maiden career singles title at 2012 Fès as a qualifier in just her second main draw appearance; currently owns 9-5 career record in singles finals
- Owner of 10 WTA doubles titles, most recently at 2018 Brisbane (w/Schuurs)

- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2011 's-Hertogenbosch (l. 1r)
- Played first event of career on ITF Circuit in the Netherlands in 2006; has won seven singles titles and 11 doubles titles at this level
- Netherlands Fed Cup Team, 2011-2012, 2014-2017

### *Grand Slam History*

- Contested milestone 30th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Deepest run across the Slams came with SF showing at 2016 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up S.Williams)
- Enjoyed her best result at Wimbledon in 2018 by reaching her second career Grand Slam QF (l. Goerges). Became first Dutch woman to reach QF at Wimbledon since Krajicek in 2007
- In 2018 reached 3r for first time at both Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki) and US Open (l. Vondrousova)
- Is a two-time Grand Slam quarterfinalist in doubles, at 2015 Australian Open (w/Larsson, l. Goerges/Groenefeld) and 2016 Roland Garros (w/Larsson, l. eventual champions Garcia/Mladenovic)

### *Personal*

- Coached by former WTA player Elise Tamaela. Formerly coached by Raemon Sluiter (announced the end of their four-year partnership in November)
- In November 2019, married her husband Remko de Rijke, who has been involved as part of her team as a physio and fitness coach. The two announced their engagement in November 2018
- After her triumph at 2019 Madrid, Kiki reached a career-high singles ranking of World No.4 and became the highest-ranked Dutchwoman in history
- Won the 2019 WTA Jerry Diamond ACES Award and the 2018 WTA Most Improved Player of the Year Award
- Fan-voted as May 2019 WTA Player of the Month
- Parents are Rob and Doré; sisters are Joyce and Daisy
- Started playing at age 6. Tennis idol growing up was Kim Clijsters

## OSAKA:

### *Brisbane*

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane (third overall). Reached SF stage in 2019 (l. Tsurenko) and fell in 2016 qualifying
- On Tuesday, recovered from a break down in the final set to beat Sakkari in her first match under new coach Wim Fissette – the pair started work together in mid-December
- Struck a career-high 16 aces in match against Sakkari, before bettering this with a tally of 18 in 2r against Kenin – has now struck 38 aces across three career meetings with Kenin – the most she has struck against any opponent
- This is the second time in her career she has hit 10 or more aces in back-to-back matches, also doing so at 2019 Cincinnati (15 vs. Hsieh in R16 and 10 vs. Kenin in QF)
- With 34 to her name already, is just seven aces shy of the tournament record, set by Ka.Pliskova during her title run in 2017
- Faces Bertens in QF today; withdrew prior to their previous meeting at 2019 Rome w/right hand injury
- Could rise to No.2 in the rankings by reaching the final this week
- Enjoyed strong Australian swing in 2019, posting a 9-1 record (2 wins at Brisbane, 7 wins at Australian Open)
- First year since 2017 that the defending Australian Open champion has played Brisbane in the lead up to Melbourne (Kerber)

## Career

- Finished 2019 ranked No.3 for career-best season-ending finish
- Won second Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); now owns 5-2 record in WTA singles finals. Defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed a 10-match winning streak after lifting the titles at Osaka and Beijing - the joint-longest of her career (also recorded 10 straight victories when winning the 2018 US Open and reaching the final at Tokyo)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- 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
- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated 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 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- 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)

## Grand Slam History

- Contested 15th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open (d. S.Williams in F) and 2019 Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F)
- 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)
- Won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance, becoming the 10th woman to win the US Open and Australian Open back-to-back
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (197, 122d)
- Has reached 3r at the other two majors: Roland Garros in 2016 (l. Halep), 2018 (l. Keys) and 2019 (l. Siniakova), and Wimbledon in 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. Kerber)

## Personal

- Began working with Wim Fisetite at beginning of 2020 season. Previous coaches include Sascha Bajin and Jermaine Jenkins
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent) and Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship
- Sponsorship deals include Nike, Citizen, broadcaster Wowow, Nissin, Nissan and ANA Airlines
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in New York City before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari also plays professional tennis





# MATCH NOTES

BRISBANE - AUSTRALIA | Jan 6-12, 2020 | \$1,500,000 | PREMIER

## ALISON RISKE (USA #19) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

Head to Head: KAROLINA PLISKOVA leads 6-1

|      |            |         |     |                   |                   |          |
|------|------------|---------|-----|-------------------|-------------------|----------|
| 2019 | TORONTO    | HARD O  | R2  | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-4 6-7(4) 6-2    | 123 mins |
| 2019 | DUBAI      | HARD O  | R16 | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 7-6(3) 7-6(5)     | 124 mins |
| 2018 | TOKYO      | HARD I  | QF  | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-1 6-7(5) 7-6(4) | 154 mins |
| 2017 | EASTBOURNE | GRASS O | R2  | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-4 6-3           | 69 mins  |
| 2016 | NOTTINGHAM | GRASS O | F   | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 7-6(8) 7-5        | 115 mins |
| 2012 | ITF/BRONX  | HARD O  | R1  | ALISON RISKE      | 3-6 7-6(5) 6-2    |          |
| 2012 | ITF/NASSAU | HARD O  | R1  | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 7-5 6-2           |          |

| ALISON RISKE    | WTA RANKING                                   | KAROLINA PLISKOVA |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| 19              |   | 2                 |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -                 |
| 03-07-1990 (29) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 21-03-1992 (27)   |
| -               | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -                 |
| \$4,552,562     | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$19,512,518      |
| 0 / 2           | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 15            |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 5             |
| 2-1             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 14-2              |
| 2-0 / 144-151   | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 1-0 / 315-159     |
| 0-0 / 52-62     | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 1-0 / 104-58      |
| 0-0 / 39-50     | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-1 / 62-65       |
| 2-0 / 84-92     | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 0-0 / 225-106     |
| 0-0 / 12-8      | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 29-20       |
| 0-0 / 4-12      | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 17-19       |
| 0-0 / 9-28      | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 31-39       |
| 0-0 / 21-52     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 59-71       |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane QF



# MATCH NOTES

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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### ALISON RISKE

**2015**

R1 L - DARIA GAVRILOVA (AUS #231) 7-5 6-3

**2011**

QF-Q L - VANIA KING (USA #86) 6-3 7-6(3)

### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

**2019**

F W - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27) 4-6 7-5 6-2

**2018**

SF L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) 7-5 7-5

**2017**

F W - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #41) 6-0 6-3

**2015**

R16 L - ALLA KUDRYAVTSEVA (RUS #100) 4-6 6-3 6-3

**2013**

R1-Q L - OLGA PUCHKOVA (RUS #106) 7-6(6) 7-6(1)

## RISKE:

### Brisbane

- Making second main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, and first since 2015 (where she fell in 1r at hands of Gavrilova)
- The following four years, she has opened her campaign at Shenzhen, finishing R-Up on three occasions: 2016 (l. A.Radwanska), 2017 (l. Siniakova) and 2019 (l. Sabalenka)
- In opening match of 2020 broke serve four times to see off No.21 Muchova in straight sets; met the young Czech three times in 2019, including in 1r of title run at 's-Hertogenbosch and also in her final match of the campaign, a RR defeat at Zhuhai
- Broke serve five times to beat another Czech, Strycova, in 2r on Wednesday
- Faces No.2 Ka.Pliskova in QF today; owns four Top-5 wins, over No.3 A.Radwanska (2017 Shenzhen), No.4 Bertens (2019 's-Hertogenbosch), No.1 Barty (2019 Wimbledon) and No.3 Svitolina (2019 Wuhan)
- Fell in 1r of doubles here w/Kudermetova (l. Mladenovic/Tomljanovic)

### Career

- Ended 2019 at career-high ranking of No.18, posted on November 4, 2019 – up from 2018 year-end ranking of No.63 with previous career-best finish being No.41 in 2016. Spending seventh consecutive year inside the Top 100
- In a breakout 2019 campaign, achieved best result in Grand Slam play to date by advancing to QF at Wimbledon, ousting World No.1 Barty to notch biggest win of her career before being halted by eventual runner-up S.Williams
- Additionally, lifted second career WTA singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Bertens in F after saving 5mp) and finished runner-up at Shenzhen (l. Sabalenka) and Wuhan (l. Sabalenka)
- Highlights in 2018 include reaching 3r at 2018 Miami, her best result at a Premier Mandatory tournament (l. Y.Wang on third set tiebreak), and advancing to QF at Hobart (l. Buzarnescu), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Vandeweghe), Mallorca (l. Stosur) and Tokyo [PPO] (l. Pliskova). Also won eighth ITF Circuit singles title at Surbiton (d. Perrin in F)
- In 2017, finished R-Up at Shenzhen (d. No.3 A.Radwanska, l. Siniakova). Also part of Fed Cup winning USA team and reached QF at Nürnberg and 3r at Australian Open and Wimbledon

- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2014 Tianjin without dropping a set (d. Bencic in F)
- Made Top 100 debut on July 22, 2013 (No.96)
- Reached first WTA SF at 2010 Birmingham (as qualifier, l. Sharapova)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2010 Charleston
- Winner of nine singles and one doubles title on ITF Women's Circuit
- Earned tennis scholarship to Vanderbilt University in summer 2009, but after good results and finding financial backing decided to pursue tennis full time and turned pro two weeks before classes were due to begin

### *Grand Slam History*

- Best Grand Slam result was QF run at 2019 Wimbledon (d. No.1 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Also produced R16 showing at 2013 US Open (d. No.10 Kvitova en route, l. Hantuchova)
- Has reached 3r at Australian Open in 2014 (l. Kerber) and at Wimbledon on three previous occasions (2013-14, 2017, 2019)
- Made 2r on debut at Roland Garros in 2014 but is yet to go further in Paris

### *Personal*

- Coached by Billy Heiser
- Earned tennis scholarship to Vanderbilt University in summer 2009, but after good results and finding financial backing decided to pursue tennis full time and turned pro two weeks before classes were due to begin
- If hadn't been a tennis player, would have pursued medicine
- Parents, Albert and Carol, are retired. Earlier in career was coached by her sister, Sarah McGlamery; also has a brother, Daniel
- Married Stephen Amritraj in Alison's hometown of Pittsburgh after 2019 Wimbledon

## **KA.PLISKOVA:**

### *Brisbane*

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Brisbane, and returning as defending champion, having defeated Tsurenko in the final here last year
- In addition to lifting the title in 2019, also triumphed here in 2017 (d. Cornet in F)
- Has never successfully defended any of her 15 WTA singles titles
- After 1r bye, struck 12 aces during 2r victory over Tomljanovic – has not lost a season opener since 2013 when she fell to Puchkova in qualifying here in Brisbane
- Has now won 14 matches here in Brisbane, only two-time champion Azarenka has won more in the tournament's history
- Faces Riske in QF today; has won past five meetings with the American, going on to lift the title on three of these occasions (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne and 2018 Tokyo [PPO])
- Paired up with Vekic for doubles this week in Brisbane – fell to 2r opponent Tomljanovic and Mladenovic in 2r
- Brisbane is first event working with new coach Daniel Vallverdu

## *Career*

- Finished 2019 ranked No.2 for career-best year-end finish
- Lifted four title across the season, taking tally to 15 – triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou
- Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F) – most economic title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets
- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their first career main draw encounter
- Made fourth straight appearance at the WTA Finals in 2019, reaching SF for the third year in a row
- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level in 2018 season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
- Also in 2018, made the SF at Brisbane (as defending champion, l. eventual champion Svitolina), Madrid (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and WTA Finals (l. Stephens). Enjoyed QF runs at four other tournaments
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Owns 15-12 record in singles finals, having won having titles on clay (2015 Prague, 2018 Stuttgart, 2019 Rome), grass (2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne, 2019 Eastbourne) and hard (2013 Kuala Lumpur, 2014 Linz, 2014 Seoul, 2016 Cincinnati, 2017 Brisbane, 2017 Doha, 2018 Tokyo, 2019 Brisbane and 2019 Zhengzhou)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). Is now 5-2 in doubles finals. At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)

## *Grand Slam History*

- Contested milestone 30th career Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Advanced to career first Grand Slam final at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber), simultaneously making debuts in R16, QF, SF and title match at the majors. Became first Czech to reach US Open final since Helena Sukova in 1993 (l. Graf in F)
- At Australian Open, best result was SF run in 2019 (l. Osaka), also reached last four at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Halep)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2012 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Bartoli in 1r)

## *Personal*

- Born in Louny, north of Prague, but now trains at Sparta Praha tennis club
- Has a twin sister – Kristyna. In 2013, became the first set of twins to capture a WTA doubles title
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
- Currently coached by Daniel Vallverdu, and previously coached by Conchita Martínez, Rennae Stubbs, Tomas Krupa and David Kotyza
- Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic



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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – SEMIFINALS

### [6] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7) vs. [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

**Series tied 3-3**

*Keys bidding to be the first American player to reach the Brisbane final since 2014... Kvitova aiming to reach first final since her title run at 2019 Stuttgart ... Keys is the only semifinalist yet to drop a set en route to the final four*

### [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

**Series tied 2-2**

*Osaka extended to three sets in the opening three rounds... Pliskova bidding to win her 16<sup>th</sup> match in Brisbane, the most match wins in the tournament's history... Osaka looking to continue her career-best 14-match win streak*

## A LOOK AT THE SEMIFINALISTS

| PLAYER                | RANK | AGE | NAT | BRISBANE (MD) W/L* | CAREER W/L* | CAREER PRIZE \$^ | CAREER TITLES |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|--------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| [2] Karolina Pliskova | 2    | 27  | CZE | 15-2               | 529-289     | 19,514,518       | 15            |
| [3] Naomi Osaka       | 4    | 22  | JPN | 5-1                | 220-130     | 14,417,479       | 5             |
| [5] Petra Kvitova     | 7    | 29  | CZE | 10-3               | 530-233     | 31,066,637       | 27            |
| [8] Madison Keys      | 13   | 24  | USA | 4-3                | 281-152     | 12,091,266       | 5             |

\*Includes current tournament / ^ Does not include current tournament

## SEMIFINAL RECORDS

| PLAYER                | BEST BRISBANE RESULT | LAST FINAL REACHED (final result) | CAREER SF W/L* | CAREER F W/L* |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------|---------------|
| [2] Karolina Pliskova | WON (2): 2017, 2019  | 2019 Zhengzhou (WON)              | 26-15          | 15-11         |
| [3] Naomi Osaka       | SF (2): 2019, 2020   | 2019 Beijing (WON)                | 7-3            | 5-2           |
| [5] Petra Kvitova     | WON (1): 2011        | 2019 Stuttgart (WON)              | 36-19          | 27-9          |
| [8] Madison Keys      | SF (1): 2020         | 2019 Cincinnati (WON)             | 9-9            | 5-4           |

\*Not including walkovers



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## [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7) vs. [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

Head to Head: 3-3

|      |                 |        |     |               |     |        |        |          |
|------|-----------------|--------|-----|---------------|-----|--------|--------|----------|
| 2016 | BEIJING         | HARD O | QF  | MADISON KEYS  | 6-3 | 6-7(2) | 7-6(5) | 162 mins |
| 2016 | OLYMPICS        | HARD O | PRE | PETRA KVITOVA | 7-5 | 2-6    | 6-2    |          |
| 2016 | ROME            | CLAY O | R2  | MADISON KEYS  | 6-3 | 6-4    |        | 78 mins  |
| 2015 | NEW HAVEN       | HARD O | R16 | PETRA KVITOVA | 4-6 | 6-1    | 6-2    | 107 mins |
| 2015 | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | HARD O | R3  | MADISON KEYS  | 6-4 | 7-5    |        | 84 mins  |
| 2013 | TOKYO           | HARD O | R16 | PETRA KVITOVA | 6-2 | 6-2    |        | 75 mins  |

| PETRA KVITOVA   | WTA RANKING                                   | MADISON KEYS    |
|-----------------|---|-----------------|
| 7               |   | 13              |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -               |
| 08-03-1990 (29) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 17-02-1995 (24) |
| -               | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -               |
| \$31,066,637    | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$12,091,266    |
| 0 / 27          | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 5           |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 0           |
| 10-3            | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 4-3             |
| 3-0 / 438-205   | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 3-0 / 210-121   |
| 1-0 / 129-87    | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 0-0 / 52-51     |
| 0-0 / 87-63     | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 0-0 / 53-45     |
| 3-0 / 292-144   | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 3-0 / 128-82    |
| 0-0 / 45-14     | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 18-18     |
| 0-0 / 25-34     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 7-19      |
| 0-0 / 55-56     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 17-30     |
| 0-0 / 108-93    | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 36-48     |

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

**QF:** d. JENNIFER BRADY (USA #53) 6-4,6-2 (1h19)

**R16:** d. LUDMILLA SAMSONOVA (ITA #129) 6-3,6-2 (1h00)

**R32:** d. ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #29) 2-6,6-1,6-0 (1h47)

Total games: 56

Won/lost: 38-18

Sets won/lost: 6-1

Total time on court: 4h06

Average time on court: 1h22

Average rank of opponent: 70

### [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

**QF:** d. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #27) 6-4,6-1 (1h06)

**R16:** d. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #98) 7-5,6-3 (1h18)

**R32:** d. MARIE BOUZKOVA (CZE #57) 6-3,6-2 (1h06)

Total games: 55

Won/lost: 37-18

Sets won/lost: 6-0

Total time on court: 3h30

Average time on court: 1h10

Average rank of opponent: 61



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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### PETRA KVITOVA

#### 2019

R16 L - ANETT KONTAVEIT (EST #20) 7-5 7-6(1)

#### 2013

R16 L - ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #36) 6-4 7-5

#### 2011

F W - ANDREA PETKOVIC (GER #32) 6-1 6-3

#### 2009

R1 L - ANA IVANOVIC (SRB #5) 6-4 6-2

### MADISON KEYS

#### 2018

R1 L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #9) 4-6 6-4 6-3

#### 2015

R16 L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #34) 6-4 6-4

#### 2014

R1 L - STEFANIE VOEGELE (SUI #50) 6-4 6-3

## KVITOVA:

### Brisbane

- Making her fifth appearance at the Brisbane International as a former champion in 2011 (d. Petkovic in F)
- One of four former champions in this year's starting field – also Ka.Pliskova (2019), Svitolina (2018) and Sharapova (2015)
- In 1r on Tuesday, won 11 of the final 12 games to beat Pavlyuchenkova; defeated the Russian en route to the title here in 2011
- Struck seven aces and won 82% of her first serve points during one-hour victory over No.129 Samsonova in 2r
- Won 93% of her first service points (28 of 30) in the QFs to end American qualifier Brady's dream run, which included victories over Sharapova and No.1 Barty
- Faces No.13 Keys today in their seventh career meeting. Each hold three wins against one another however, Kvitova leads their head-to-head on hard courts 3-2
- Went 9-9 vs. Top 20 ranked opponents in 2019, including wins over No.11 Sabalenka, No.2 Kerber, No.15 Barty (en route to Sydney title), No.15 Barty (en route to Australian Open final), No.13 Sevastova, No.7 Bertens, No.15 Kontaveit (en route to Stuttgart title), No.15 Stephens (Wuhan) and No.10 Bencic (Beijing)
- Aiming to reach her first final since lifting her 27th WTA title at 2019 Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit in F)
- Enjoyed a stellar start to the season in 2019, following up a 2r exit here in Brisbane (l. Kontaveit), with an 11-match winning streak that brought her a title at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and R-Up finish at the Australian Open (l. Osaka in 3s)
- Next week is scheduled to continue her Australian swing at the WTA's new event in Adelaide

### Career

- Finished at No.7 in 2019 for the second straight year and seventh non-consecutive Top 10 finish – up from No.29 in 2017
- Enjoyed another standout season in 2019, highlighted by two titles at Sydney (d. Barty in F) and Stuttgart (d. Kontaveit in F). Record in finals stands at 27-9
- Reached third career Grand Slam final in 2019 at Australian Open (l. Osaka in F); was one win away from reaching World No.1 ranking. Went on 11-match winning streak across Sydney (five wins) and Melbourne (six wins)
- Also produced R-Up finish at Dubai (l. Bencic in F)
- Qualified and competed at the WTA Finals in Shenzhen for the seventh time in 2019. Among active players, owns joint third-most appearances at the season-ending event behind S.Williams (nine) and Sharapova (eight)
- Won a WTA-leading five titles in 2018, at St Petersburg (d. Mladenovic in F), Doha (d. Muguruza in F), Prague (d. Buzarnescu in F), Madrid (d. Bertens in F) and Birmingham (d. Rybarikova in F). Ended the year ranked No.7 – sixth career Top 10 finish, and first since 2015 (up from No.29 in 2017)
- Titles in 2018 came on all three surfaces – first player to win a title on three different surfaces in a season since S.Williams in 2015

- 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 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)
- Member of Czech Republic's Fed Cup winning team in 2011-12, 2014-16 and 2018
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Czech Republic in 2006

### **Grand Slam**

- Contested 44th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Winner of two major 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, Osaka and Barty)
- 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)
- Other Grand Slam highlights are SFs at 2012 Australian Open (I. Sharapova) and 2012 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Sharapova), and QF runs at 2017 US Open (I. V.Williams) and 2015 US Open (I. eventual champion Pennetta)

### **Personal**

- Has won the Karen Krantzcke Sportsmanship Award, as voted by her WTA peers for the past seven years running (through 2019) and eight times overall
- 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

## **KEYS:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, where her previous best previous performance was 2r showing in 2015 (d. Cibulkova, I. Lepchenko)
- Has improved on this result with straight-set wins over Bouzkova and Stosur this week; fired 10 aces against Stosur, whom she had never beaten in three previous career encounters
- Defeated fellow American Collins in QF to become the first American to reach SF here since qualifier Crawford's run in 2016. The last American woman to win the Brisbane title was S.Williams in 2014
- Along with Collins, Brady and Riske, was one of four Americans to reach the QF – the most in the tournament's history
- Is the only semifinalist that has not dropped a set en route to the final four
- Faces No.7 Kvitova today in their first meeting since defeating the Czech in their 2hr, 42min battle at 2016 Beijing QF
- Owns 17-30 career record vs. Top 10 players, with her most recent victory coming over No.4 Halep en route to 2019 Cincinnati title (d. Kuznetsova in F)
- Holds 18-18 career record against left-handed opponents, most recently falling to Kerber at 2019 Osaka
- Brisbane is her sole WTA event prior to the start of the Australian Open; last year she eschewed playing any events prior to Melbourne, where she reached R16 (I. Svitolina)



## **Career**

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

- Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Deepest run prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open - also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Prior to 2015 had not passed 3r at a major
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) - has reached at least QF at all four majors, including Wimbledon in 2015
- Was one of just two players to reach the SFs or better at two of the four Slams in 2018 (also Kerber - SF Australian Open, Won Wimbledon)
- 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**

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



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## [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

Head to Head: 2-2

|      |                 |        |     |                   |                |          |
|------|-----------------|--------|-----|-------------------|----------------|----------|
| 2019 | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | HARD O | SF  | NAOMI OSAKA       | 6-2 4-6 6-4    | 113 mins |
| 2018 | TOKYO           | HARD I | F   | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-4 6-4        | 64 mins  |
| 2018 | INDIAN WELLS    | HARD O | QF  | NAOMI OSAKA       | 6-2 6-3        | 78 mins  |
| 2017 | TORONTO         | HARD O | R16 | KAROLINA PLISKOVA | 6-2 6-7(4) 1-0 | 107 mins |

| NAOMI OSAKA     | WTA RANKING                                   | KAROLINA PLISKOVA |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| 4               |   | 2                 |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -                 |
| 16-10-1997 (22) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 21-03-1992 (27)   |
| -               | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -                 |
| \$14,417,479    | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$19,512,518      |
| 0 / 5           | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 15            |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 5             |
| 5-1             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 15-2              |
| 3-0 / 123-70    | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 2-0 / 311-159     |
| 3-0 / 35-18     | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 1-0 / 101-58      |
| 0-2 / 23-21     | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 1-1 / 63-65       |
| 3-0 / 94-48     | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 2-0 / 221-106     |
| 0-0 / 7-5       | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 29-20       |
| 0-0 / 4-7       | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 0-0 / 17-19       |
| 1-0 / 12-19     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 0-0 / 31-39       |
| 2-0 / 27-31     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 1-0 / 60-71       |

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### [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4)

**QF:** d. [6] KIKI BERTENS (NED #9) 6-3,3-6,6-3 (1h59)

**R16:** d. SOFIA KENIN (USA #14) 6-7(3),6-3,6-1 (2h20)

**R32:** d. MARIA SAKKARI (GRE #23) 6-2,6-7(4),6-3 (2h07)

Total games: 86

Won/lost: 51-35

Sets won/lost: 6-3

Total time on court: 6h26

Average time on court: 2h09

Average rank of opponent: 15

### [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

**QF:** d. ALISON RISKE (USA #19) 7-6(6),6-3 (1h53)

**R16:** d. AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (CRO #54) 6-4,6-7(5),6-1 (2h01)

**R32:** BYE

Total games: 52

Won/lost: 31-21

Sets won/lost: 4-1

Total time on court: 3h54

Average time on court: 1h57

Average rank of opponent: 37



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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### NAOMI OSAKA

#### 2019

SF L - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27) 6-2 6-4

#### 2016

QF-Q L - KATERYNA BONDARENKO (UKR #89) 7-6(7) 4-6 6-4

### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

#### 2019

F W - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27) 4-6 7-5 6-2

#### 2018

SF L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) 7-5 7-5

#### 2017

F W - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #41) 6-0 6-3

#### 2015

R16 L - ALLA KUDRYAVTSEVA (RUS #100) 4-6 6-3 6-3

#### 2013

R1-Q L - OLGA PUCHKOVA (RUS #106) 7-6(6) 7-6(1)

### OSAKA:

#### *Brisbane*

- Making second main draw appearance at Brisbane (third overall). Reached SF stage in 2019 (l. Tsurenko) and fell in 2016 qualifying
- On Tuesday, recovered from a break down in the final set to beat Sakkari in her first match under new coach Wim Fiset - the pair started working together in mid-December
- Struck a career-high 16 aces in match against Sakkari, before bettering this with a tally of 18 in 2r against Kenin - has now fired 38 aces across three career meetings with Kenin - the most she has hit against any opponent
- This is the second time in her career she has hit 10 or more aces in back-to-back matches, also doing so at 2019 Cincinnati (15 vs. Hsieh in R16 and 10 vs. Kenin in QF)
- Defeated No.9 Bertens in QF to extend her winning streak to 14 matches starting with back-to-back titles at 2019 Osaka and Beijing, as well as a win over Kvitova in the RR stage in Shenzhen before withdrawing due to a right shoulder injury
- With 38 aces to her name already this week (including four during win over Bertens), is just three aces shy of the tournament record, set by Ka.Pliskova during her title run in 2017
- Faces No.2 Ka.Pliskova today in their fifth career meeting, most recently defeating the Czech en route to her second Grand Slam title at the 2019 Australian Open. Holds four career wins against Top 5 ranked players, including wins over No.5 V.Williams (2017 Hong Kong), No.5 Ka.Pliskova and No.1 Halep (both en route to 2018 Indian Wells title), and No.1 Barty (2019 Beijing F)
- Could rise to No.2 in the rankings by lifting the title this week
- Enjoyed strong Australian swing in 2019, posting a 9-1 record (2 wins at Brisbane, 7 wins at Australian Open)
- First year since 2017 that the defending Australian Open champion has played Brisbane in the lead up to Melbourne (Kerber)

#### *Career*

- Finished 2019 ranked No.3 for career-best season-ending finish
- Won second Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); now owns 5-2 record in WTA singles finals. Defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed a 10-match winning streak after lifting the titles at Osaka and Beijing - the joint-longest of her career (also recorded 10 straight victories when winning the 2018 US Open and reaching the final at Tokyo)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- 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

- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated 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 was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- 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)

### **Grand Slam History**

- Contested 15th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Two-time major winner, at 2018 US Open (d. S.Williams in F) and 2019 Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F)
- 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)
- Won 2019 Australian Open on only her third appearance, becoming the 10th woman to win the US Open and Australian Open back-to-back
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (197, 122d)
- Has reached 3r at the other two majors: Roland Garros in 2016 (l. Halep), 2018 (l. Keys) and 2019 (l. Siniakova), and Wimbledon in 2017 (l. V.Williams) and 2018 (l. Kerber)

### **Personal**

- Began working with Wim Fissette at beginning of 2020 season. Previous coaches include Sascha Bajin and Jermaine Jenkins
- Also in her team are Stuart Duguid (agent) and Abdul Sillah (fitness trainer)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old; holds dual citizenship
- Sponsorship deals include Nike, Citizen, broadcaster Wowow, Nissin, Nissan and ANA Airlines
- Her father, Leonard Max Francois, was born in Haiti and attended college in New York City before moving to Japan where he lived for 13 years
- Mother, Tamaki, is Japanese. Older sister Mari also plays professional tennis

## **KA.PLISKOVA:**

### **Brisbane**

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Brisbane, and returning as defending champion, having defeated Tsurenko in the final here last year
- In addition to lifting the title in 2019, also triumphed here in 2017 (d. Cornet in F)
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- Defeated Riske in QF on Thursday for the sixth consecutive time. Has gone on to lift the title on three of those previous occasions at 2016 Nottingham, 2017 Eastbourne and 2018 Tokyo [PPO]
- Has now won 15 matches here in Brisbane, tied with two-time champion Azarenka for the most wins in the tournament's history
- Faces No.4 Osaka today in their fifth career meeting – all of which have been played on hard courts
- In 2019, went 5-3 against Top 5 ranked players – the second-most wins on Tour behind Bencic with six
- Since the start of 2019, has won five of her seven SF matches including 2019 Brisbane (WON), Miami (R-Up), Rome (WON), Eastbourne (WON) and Zhengzhou (WON). Losses at this stage came at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and WTA Finals Shenzhen (l. eventual champion Barty)
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### **Career**

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- Produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in R16 at Birmingham, in what was their first career main draw encounter
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- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- At Grand Slam level in 2018 season, made QF run at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Halep), reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sharapova), made R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Bertens) and had QF showing at US Open (d. No.17 Barty in R16, l. S.Williams)
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### **Personal**

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# MATCH NOTES: BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL

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## BRISBANE INTERNATIONAL – FINAL

### [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

#### *First meeting*

*Both players staged impressive comebacks in Saturday's SFs... **Keys** is the first American woman to reach the Brisbane final since 2014... **Pliskova** owns a tournament-record 16 match wins here... **Keys** has prevailed in four of her past six matches against Top 5 opposition... **Pliskova** has never successfully defended a title in her career*

### A LOOK AT THE FINALISTS

| PLAYER                | RANK | AGE | NAT | BRISBANE (MD) W/L* | CAREER W/L* | CAREER PRIZE \$^ | CAREER TITLES |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|--------------------|-------------|------------------|---------------|
| [2] Karolina Pliskova | 2    | 27  | CZE | 16-2               | 530-289     | 19,514,518       | 15            |
| [8] Madison Keys      | 13   | 24  | USA | 5-3                | 282-152     | 12,091,266       | 5             |

\*Includes current tournament / ^ Does not include current tournament

### FINAL RECORDS

| PLAYER                | BEST BRISBANE RESULT | LAST FINAL REACHED (final result) | CAREER F W/L |
|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| [2] Karolina Pliskova | WON (2): 2017, 2019  | 2019 Zhengzhou (WON)              | 15-12        |
| [8] Madison Keys      | FINAL (1): 2020      | 2019 Cincinnati (WON)             | 5-4          |

## RANKING MOVERS

Regardless of the result in the final, **Madison Keys** will rise to No.11 in the new rankings.

**Karolina Pliskova** has maintained her No.2 ranking (and the No.2 seeding at Australian Open) by reaching the final.

## ACE RACE

While **Naomi Osaka** stole the headlines earlier in the week with her serving feats, the WTA's reigning ace queen **Karolina Pliskova** has been nearly as impressive.

The Czech fired down 15 aces in Saturday's dramatic semifinal (in which Osaka delivered 16 of her own), improving her total for the week to 35 in just three matches.

## QUEEN OF BRISBANE

**Karolina Pliskova**, the 2017 and 2019 champion, has a fine record in Brisbane. In fact, following her run to the final this week, she has usurped two-time champion Victoria Azarenka as the owner of the most wins in the tournament's history. Only Serena Williams, who lifted the title on her only two appearances, owns a better win percentage at the Queensland Tennis Centre:

| PLAYER                   | WINS      | LOSSES   | WIN %       |
|--------------------------|-----------|----------|-------------|
| Serena Williams          | 10        | 0        | 1.000       |
| <b>Karolina Pliskova</b> | <b>16</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>.889</b> |
| Victoria Azarenka        | 15        | 2        | .882        |
| Kaia Kanepi              | 11        | 4        | .733        |
| Elina Svitolina          | 12        | 5        | .706        |



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## [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13) vs. [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

Head to Head: First meeting

| MADISON KEYS    | WTA RANKING                                   | KAROLINA PLISKOVA |
|-----------------|---|-------------------|
| 13              |   | 2                 |
| -               | <b>PORSCHE RACE TO SHENZHEN LEADERBOARD</b>   | -                 |
| 17-02-1995 (24) | <b>DATE OF BIRTH (AGE)</b>                    | 21-03-1992 (27)   |
| -               | <b>YTD PRIZE MONEY</b>                        | -                 |
| \$12,091,266    | <b>CAREER PRIZE MONEY</b>                     | \$19,512,518      |
| 0 / 5           | <b>SINGLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 15            |
| 0 / 0           | <b>DOUBLES TITLES (YTD / CAREER)</b>          | 0 / 5             |
| 5-3             | <b>BRISBANE W-L (MD) *</b>                    | 16-2              |
| 4-0 / 211-121   | <b>YTD / CAREER W-L (MD) *</b>                | 3-0 / 312-159     |
| 1-0 / 53-51     | <b>YTD / CAREER 3-SET W-L (MD) *</b>          | 2-0 / 102-58      |
| 0-0 / 53-45     | <b>YTD / CAREER TIE-BREAK W-L (MD) *</b>      | 2-2 / 64-66       |
| 4-0 / 129-82    | <b>YTD / CAREER HARD W-L (MD) *</b>           | 3-0 / 222-106     |
| 1-0 / 19-18     | <b>YTD / CAREER Left Hander W-L (MD) *</b>    | 0-0 / 29-20       |
| 0-0 / 7-19      | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 5 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b>  | 1-0 / 18-19       |
| 1-0 / 18-30     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 10 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 1-0 / 32-39       |
| 1-0 / 37-48     | <b>YTD / CAREER TOP 20 W-L (MD &amp; Q) *</b> | 2-0 / 61-71       |

\* Updated entering 2020 Brisbane final

## ROAD TO THE FINAL

### [8] MADISON KEYS (USA #13)

**SF:** d. [5] PETRA KVITOVA (CZE #7) 3-6,6-2,6-3 (2h00)

**QF:** d. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #27) 6-4,6-1 (1h06)

**R16:** d. SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #98) 7-5,6-3 (1h18)

**R32:** d. MARIE BOUZKOVA (CZE #57) 6-3,6-2 (1h06)

Total games: 81

Won/lost: 52-29

Sets won/lost: 8-1

Total time on court: 5h30

Average time on court: 1h23

Average rank of opponent: 47

### [2] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #2)

**SF:** d. [3] NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #4) 6-7(10),7-6(3),6-2 (2h48)

**QF:** d. ALISON RISKE (USA #19) 7-6(6),6-3 (1h53)

**R16:** d. AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (CRO #54) 6-4,6-7(5),6-1 (2h01)

**R32:** BYE

Total games: 86

Won/lost: 50-36

Sets won/lost: 6-2

Total time on court: 6h42

Average time on court: 2h14

Average rank of opponent: 26



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## BRISBANE Tournament History

"-Q" Qualifying match

### MADISON KEYS

#### 2018

R1 L - JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #9) 4-6 6-4 6-3

#### 2015

R16 L - VARVARA LEPCHENKO (USA #34) 6-4 6-4

#### 2014

R1 L - STEFANIE VOEGELE (SUI #50) 6-4 6-3

### KAROLINA PLISKOVA

#### 2019

F W - LESIA TSURENKO (UKR #27) 4-6 7-5 6-2

#### 2018

SF L - ELINA SVITOLINA (UKR #6) 7-5 7-5

#### 2017

F W - ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #41) 6-0 6-3

#### 2015

R16 L - ALLA KUDRYAVTSEVA (RUS #100) 4-6 6-3 6-3

#### 2013

R1-Q L - OLGA PUCHKOVA (RUS #106) 7-6(6) 7-6(1)

## KEYS:

### Brisbane

- Making fourth main draw appearance at the Brisbane International, where her previous best previous performance was 2r showing in 2015 (d. Cibulkova, I. Lepchenko)
- Improved on this result with straight-set wins over Bouzkova and Stosur this week; fired 10 aces against Stosur, whom she had never beaten in three previous career encounters
- Defeated fellow American Collins in QF to become the first American to reach SF here since qualifier Crawford's run in 2016. The only American woman to win the Brisbane title was S.Williams (2013-14)
- Along with Collins, Brady and Riske, was one of four Americans to reach the QF - the most in the tournament's history
- Won seven straight games to recover from 6-3 2-0 down to beat No.7 Kvitova in SF
- Faces No.2 Ka.Pliskova in today's final; has won four of her last six matches against Top-5 ranked opponents, with the wins all coming on hard courts, over No.4 Muguruza (2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open), No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati) and No.4 Halep (2019 Cincinnati)
- Is contesting her 10th career WTA final, all of which have come at Premier level or higher
- Regardless of the result in the final, will rise to No.11 in the new rankings
- Brisbane is her sole WTA event prior to the start of the Australian Open; last year she eschewed playing any events prior to Melbourne, where she reached R16 (I. Svitolina)

### Career

- Lifted biggest title of career during 2019 season at WTA Premier-5 level Cincinnati (d. Kuznetsova in F); afterwards returned to Top 10 for first time since week of June 25, 2018
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (I. Barty). One of three Americans to make last eight (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)
- Also in 2019, produced R16 showings at Australian Open and US Open (I. Svitolina on both occasions) as well as picking up first title on clay at Charleston (d. Wozniacki in F)



- Season highlights in 2018 were SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and QF at Australian Open (l. Kerber)
- Reached maiden Grand Slam final in 2017 in New York, losing out to Stephens in 10th all-American US Open final in the Open Era. At 22, became the youngest Flushing Meadows finalist since 19-year-old Wozniacki lost to Clijsters in 2009
- Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), as youngest player in the year-end Top 25
- Broke into Top 10 on June 20, 2016, becoming 118th player to reach the elite bracket since computer rankings were introduced. Became first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
- Reached a career-high singles ranking of No.7 on October 10, 2016
- Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round robin play
- Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (lost Bronze medal match against Kvitova)
- Owns seven career Top 5 victories: No.5 Li (2013 Madrid), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Muguruza (2016 Rome, 2017 Stanford), No.4 Svitolina (2017 US Open), No.4 Kerber (2018 Cincinnati) and No.4 Halep (2019 Cincinnati)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015 (went 1-1 in round robin stage on all three appearances); advanced to SF stage in 2018 however withdrew before match due to a left knee injury
- Cracked Top 20 on February 2, 2015
- 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**

- Contested 29th Grand Slam main draw at 2019 US Open
- Best result at a major was 2017 US Open R-Up finish to Stephens. Deepest run prior to that was breakthrough SF run at Australian Open in 2015 when she defeated No.18 V.Williams and No.4 Kvitova en route (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Became just the third American teenager since 1995 to reach SF at the Australian Open – also Chanda Rubin (1996, SF) and Sloane Stephens (2013, SF)
- Prior to 2015 had not passed 3r at a major
- Achieved best result at Roland Garros with SF run in 2018 (l. Stephens) – has reached at least QF at all four majors, including Wimbledon in 2015
- Was one of just two players to reach the SFs or better at two of the four Slams in 2018 (also Kerber – SF Australian Open, Won Wimbledon)
- 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**

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

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# Doubles Team Profile & Performance - BRISBANE

BRISBANE, AUSTRALIA | JANUARY 6 - 12, 2020 | USD \$1,500,000 PREMIER

All data as at Monday, Jan 06 2020

## BARBORA STRYCOVA

## SU-WEI HSIEH

|                          |                                   |                            |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------|
| 28 Mar 1986 (33)         | DOB                               | 4 Jan 1986 (34)            |
| Dubai, UAE               | Residence                         | Chinese Taipei             |
| RH (two-handed backhand) | Plays                             | RH (two-handed both sides) |
| 5' 5" (1.64 m)           | Height                            | 5' 7" (1.69 m)             |
| \$11,333,446             | Prize Career                      | \$8,089,870                |
| \$0                      | Prize YTD                         | \$0                        |
| 16 (Jan 16 2017)         | Career High Singles Rank          | 23 (Feb 25 2013)           |
| 1 (Jul 15 2019)          | Career High Doubles Rank          | 1 (May 12 2014)            |
| 0 / 2                    | WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career | 0 / 3                      |
| 0 / 27                   | WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career | 0 / 24                     |

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Doubles Ranking

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Race To Shenzhen

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Doubles Ranking

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Race To Shenzhen

## PERFORMANCE - DOUBLES

| MD YTD (2020) / CAREER | STATS                       | MD YTD (2020) / CAREER |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 0-0 / 2-1              | Tournament (BRISBANE) W - L | 0-0 / 4-4              |
| - / 94-55              | Grand Slam W - L            | - / 84-49              |
| - / 393-223            | Overall W - L               | - / 296-199            |
| - / 137-94             | 3 Set W - L                 | - / 87-94              |
| - / 318-53             | 1 Set W - L                 | - / 318-53             |
| - / 74-62              | Tie Break W - L             | - / 59-50              |
| 0-0 / 254 - 146        | Surface (HARD) W - L        | 0-0 / 209 - 143        |
| 0-0 / 95 - 60          | Surface (CLAY) W - L        | 0-0 / 56 - 39          |
| 0-0 / 46 - 19          | Surface (GRASS) W - L       | 0-0 / 40 - 21          |

## PREVIOUS APPEARANCES AS TEAM

### TOURNAMENT - WON (5)

- 2019 Wimbledon (Grass) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-2 6-4
- 2019 Birmingham (Grass) d. A.Groenefeld/D.Schuurs 6-4 6-7(4) 10-8
- 2019 Madrid (Clay) d. G.Dabrowski/Y.Xu 6-3 6-1
- 2019 Dubai (Hard) d. L.Hradecka/E.Makarova 6-4 6-4
- 2018 Indian Wells (Hard) d. E.Makarova/E.Vesnina 6-4 6-4

### TOURNAMENT - RUNNER UP (1)

- 2019 WTA Finals (Hard) l. T.Babos/K.Mladenovic

### OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)

- QF at 2019 Cincinnati (Hard) l. L.Hradecka/A.Klepac
- QF at 2019 Indian Wells (Hard) l. H.Chan/L.Chan 4-6 6-2 11-9
- R16 at 2019 Beijing (Hard) l. J.Ostapenko/D.Yastremska 6-4 6-4
- R16 at 2019 Wuhan (Hard) l. N.Kichenok/A.Spears 6-4 2-6 13-11
- R16 at 2019 US Open (Hard) l. L.Kichenok/J.Ostapenko 6-4 6-3
- R16 at 2019 Roland Garros (Clay) l. L.Kichenok/J.Ostapenko 7-5 6-1
- R16 at 2019 Rome (Clay) l. V.Azarenka/A.Barty 6-4 6-3



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## OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)

- R16 at 2019 Miami (Hard) I. E.Mertens/A.Sabalenka 7-6(3) 2-6 10-3
- R16 at 2019 Doha (Hard) I. V.Kudermetova/J.Ostapenko 4-6 6-3 10-4

## TOURNAMENT HISTORY - DOUBLES

### 2020 Season Summary

0 tournaments in 2020

0 tournaments in 2020

- in

### Best Previous Results (BRISBANE)

#### B.STRYCOVA

1 appearance at BRISBANE:

- SF Main Draw in 2012 Partner: I.Melzer (I. N.Llagostera Vives/A.Parra Santonja 6-2 6-3)

#### S.HSIEH

4 appearances at BRISBANE:

- SF Main Draw in 2017 Partner: L.Siegemund (I. B.Mattek-Sands/S.Mirza 6-4 6-3)
- SF Main Draw in 2015 Partner: S.Mirza (I. C.Garcia/K.Srebotnik 4-6 7-6(1) 10-8)
- R16 Main Draw in 2014 Partner: J.Jankovic (I. A.Groenefeld/M.Lucic-Baroni 6-2 6-3)
- R16 Main Draw in 2012 Partner: G.Voskoboeva (I. N.Bratchikova/K.Mladenovic 7-5 3-6 10-4)

## GRAND SLAM

| B.STRYCOVA      | W / L        | '19 | '18 | '17 | '16 | '15 | '14 | '13 | '12 | '11 | '10 | '09 | '08 | '07 | '06 | '05 |
|-----------------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 23-13        | SF  | SF  | 3R  | 3R  | SF  | 2R  | 3R  | 2R  | QF  | 3R  | QF  | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  |
| ROLAND GARROS   | 17-14        | 3R  | SF  | 2R  | 2R  | QF  | F   | 2R  | 2R  | 1R  | 3R  | SF  | 1R  | 2R  | 3R  | 2R  |
| WIMBLEDON       | 29-13        | W   | 3R  | 3R  | 3R  | QF  | 3R  | F   | 2R  | 3R  | 3R  | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 2R  | 3R  |
| US OPEN         | 25-15        | 3R  | 3R  | SF  | QF  | 3R  | SF  | QF  | SF  | QF  | 3R  | 2R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    | <b>94-55</b> |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

  

| S.HSIEH         | W / L        | '19 | '18 | '17 | '16 | '15 | '14 | '13 | '12 | '11 | '10 | '09 | '08 | '07 | '06 | '05 |
|-----------------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 22-14        | 2R  | SF  | -   | 3R  | 2R  | 2R  | 3R  | 2R  | QF  | 3R  | QF  | 2R  | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  |
| ROLAND GARROS   | 19-12        | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  | QF  | W   | 2R  | 2R  | 1R  | 1R  | SF  | 1R  | 2R  | -   | -   |
| WIMBLEDON       | 23-11        | W   | 3R  | 1R  | 1R  | QF  | 3R  | W   | 2R  | 1R  | 3R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  | 1R  | -   |
| US OPEN         | 20-12        | 3R  | 3R  | 3R  | -   | 2R  | 3R  | QF  | SF  | 3R  | 2R  | 2R  | 1R  | 1R  | -   | -   |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    | <b>84-49</b> |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

## OTHER INFORMATION

### B.STRYCOVA

Coached by David Kotyza ... Parents are Jindrich and Ilona; sister, Ivona, studied law and lives in US ... Started playing tennis at age 5 ... Baseline who prefers grass, clay ... Favorites include movie Into the Wild, book Love Is Just a Word, actor Leonardo DiCaprio, steak, sushi ... Also enjoys swimming, skiing, snowboarding ... Admires Steffi Graf.

### S.HSIEH

Father is Hsieh Tze-Lung; mother is Ho Fom-Ju; has six siblings ... Born and grew up in Kaohsiung; introduced to tennis by father at age 5 in Hsin-Chu; now lives and trains in Taipei ... Enjoys playing singles, doubles and mixed doubles ... Interests include listening to music, reading, writing, shopping, taking pictures and cooking ... Favorite tournament is Roland Garros ... Idolized Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi growing up.

## CAREER HIGHLIGHTS



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## B.STRYCOVA

### SINGLES

Winner (2): 2017 - Linz; 2011 - Québec City.

Finalist (6): 2016 - Dubai, Birmingham; 2014 - Birmingham, Luxembourg; 2012 - Palermo; 2010 - Prague.

### DOUBLES

Winner (27): 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Hsieh); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Hsieh), New Haven, Beijing (both w/Sestini Hlavackova); 2016 - Birmingham (w/Ka.Pliskova), Cincinnati, Tokyo (both w/Mirza); 2012 - Stuttgart (w/Benesova), Palermo (w/Voracova); 2011 - Sydney, Monterrey, Barcelona, Luxembourg (all w/Benesova), 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Koukalova); 2010 - Paris [Indoors], Monterrey, Tokyo [Pan Pacific] (all w/Benesova), Acapulco (w/Hercog), Linz (w/Voracova); 2009 - Québec City (w/King), Luxembourg (w/Benesova); 2008 - Stockholm (w/Benesova); 2005 - Warsaw (w/Perebiynis), Rabat (w/Loit).

Finalist (18): 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Hsieh); 2018 - Rome, Tokyo, Wuhan (all w/Sestini Hlavackova); 2017 - Sydney, Miami (both w/Mirza); 2016 - Auckland (w/Kovinic), Wuhan (w/Mirza); 2012 - Linz (w/Goerges); 2010 - Bastad (w/Voracova), Québec City (w/Mattek-Sands), Luxembourg (w/Benesova); 2009 - Monterrey, Prague (both w/Benesova); 2008 - Auckland (w/Müller); 2006 - Auckland (w/Loit); 2005 - Bogotá (w/Kurhajcova), Prague (w/Kostanic Tomic).

### ADDITIONAL

Czech Fed Cup Team, 2002-04, 2006-07, 2011-12, 2014-18; Czech Olympic Team, 2004, 2016.

## S.HSIEH

### SINGLES

Winner (3): 2018 - Hiroshima; 2012 - Kuala Lumpur, Guangzhou.

### DOUBLES

Winner (24): 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Strycova); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Strycova); 2017 - Biel/Bienne (w/Niculescu), Budapest (w/Kalashnikova); 2014 - Doha, Indian Wells, Roland Garros (all w/Peng); 2013 - Rome, Wimbledon, Cincinnati, Guangzhou, WTA Finals (all w/Peng); 2012 - Birmingham (w/Babos); 2011 - Guangzhou (w/S.Zheng); 2009 - Sydney, Rome, Beijing (all w/Peng); 2008 - Bali (w/Peng), Seoul (w/Chuang); 2007 - Beijing, Seoul (both w/Chuang).

Finalist (13): 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Strycova); 2019 - Osaka (w/Y.Hsieh); 2018 - Dubai (w/Peng); 2017 - Cincinnati (w/Niculescu), New Haven (w/Siegemund), Seoul (w/Sh.Hsieh); 2015 - Doha (w/Mirza); 2014 - WTA Finals (w/Peng); 2008 - Pattaya City (w/King), Cincinnati (w/Shvedova); 2007 - Auckland (w/S.Uberoi), Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva); 2004 - Seoul (w/Chuang).

### ADDITIONAL

Chinese Taipei Fed Cup Team, 2003, 2006-08, 2010, 2012, 2015-16; Chinese Taipei Olympic Team, 2012.



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## ASHLEIGH BARTY

## KIKI BERTENS

|                          |                                   |                          |
|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|
| 24 Apr 1996 (23)         | DOB                               | 10 Dec 1991 (28)         |
| Ipswich, Australia       | Residence                         | Wateringen, Netherlands  |
| RH (two-handed backhand) | Plays                             | RH (two-handed backhand) |
| 5' 5" (1.66 m)           | Height                            | 6' 0" (1.82 m)           |
| \$16,515,667             | Prize Career                      | \$10,730,150             |
| \$0                      | Prize YTD                         | \$0                      |
| 1 (Jun 24 2019)          | Career High Singles Rank          | 4 (May 13 2019)          |
| 5 (May 21 2018)          | Career High Doubles Rank          | 16 (Apr 16 2018)         |
| 0 / 7                    | WTA Singles Titles - YTD / Career | 0 / 9                    |
| 0 / 10                   | WTA Doubles Titles - YTD / Career | 0 / 10                   |



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19

Doubles Ranking

-

Race To Shenzhen

176

Doubles Ranking

-

Race To Shenzhen

## PERFORMANCE - DOUBLES

| MD YTD (2020) / CAREER | STATS                       | MD YTD (2020) / CAREER |
|------------------------|-----------------------------|------------------------|
| 0-0 / 5-3              | Tournament (BRISBANE) W - L | 0-0 / 4-1              |
| - / 51-18              | Grand Slam W - L            | - / 21-23              |
| - / 131-47             | Overall W - L               | - / 110-71             |
| - / 34-24              | 3 Set W - L                 | - / 28-28              |
| - / 114-15             | 1 Set W - L                 | - / 114-15             |
| - / 26-14              | Tie Break W - L             | - / 20-25              |
| 0-0 / 72 - 32          | Surface (HARD) W - L        | 0-0 / 71 - 45          |
| 0-0 / 33 - 8           | Surface (CLAY) W - L        | 0-0 / 28 - 16          |
| 0-0 / 28 - 7           | Surface (GRASS) W - L       | 0-0 / 12 - 10          |

## PREVIOUS APPEARANCES AS TEAM

TOURNAMENT - WON (None)

TOURNAMENT - RUNNER UP (None)

OTHER RESULTS (BEST ROUND REACHED)

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## A.BARTY

4 appearances at BRISBANE:

- SF Main Draw in 2018 Partner: C.Dellacqua (l. K.Bertens/ D.Schuurs 6-7(2) 6-3 10-8)
- SF Main Draw in 2012 Partner: C.Dellacqua (l. R.Atawo/A.Spears 5-7 7-6(3) 10-7)
- QF Main Draw in 2014 Partner: C.Dellacqua vs. M.Adamczak/ O.Rogowska, match not played due to walkover)
- R16 Main Draw in 2017 Partner: C.Dellacqua (l. A.Spears/ K.Srebotnik 6-7(5) 6-2 19-17)

## K.BERTENS

2 appearances at BRISBANE:

- W in 2018 Partner: D.Schuurs (d. A.Klepac/M.Martinez Sanchez 7-5 6-2)
- R16 Main Draw in 2019 Partner: D.Schuurs (l. K.Mladenovic/ G.Voskoboeva 6-3 7-5)

## GRAND SLAM

| A.BARTY         | W / L        | '19 | '18 | '17 | '16 | '15 | '14 | '13 | '12 |
|-----------------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 11-5         | 1R  | 2R  | QF  | 1R  | QF  | 2R  | F   | 1R  |
| ROLAND GARROS   | 10-5         | 3R  | 3R  | F   | QF  | 1R  | QF  | 1R  | 1R  |
| WIMBLEDON       | 13-4         | 2R  | 3R  | QF  | 2R  | 1R  | QF  | F   | -   |
| US OPEN         | 17-4         | F   | F   | 3R  | 2R  | 3R  | 1R  | F   | 1R  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    | <b>51-18</b> |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

| K.BERTENS       | W / L        | '18 | '17 | '16 | '15 | '14 | '13 | '12 |
|-----------------|--------------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | 4-6          | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  | QF  | 1R  | 1R  | -   |
| ROLAND GARROS   | 7-6          | 3R  | 3R  | QF  | 1R  | -   | 1R  | 1R  |
| WIMBLEDON       | 3-4          | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  | -   | -   | -   |
| US OPEN         | 7-7          | 2R  | 3R  | 2R  | 3R  | 1R  | 2R  | 1R  |
| <b>TOTAL</b>    | <b>21-23</b> |     |     |     |     |     |     |     |

## OTHER INFORMATION

### A.BARTY

Coached by Craig Tyzzer ... Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara ... Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport ... After 2014 US Open took break from tennis that lasted almost two years; returned in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint at the Brisbane Heat cricket team in Women's Big Bash League ... Also enjoys reading, playing video games and fishing.

### K.BERTENS

Coached by Raemon Sluiter ... Parents are Rob and Doré; sisters are Joyce and Daisy ... Started playing at age 6 ... Aggressive baseliner; favorite surfaces are hard and clay ... Tennis idol growing up was Kim Clijsters ... Enjoys listening to music, reading, shopping and seeing friends ... Favorite tournaments are the Grand Slams.

## CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

### A.BARTY

#### SINGLES

Winner (7): 2019 - Miami, Roland Garros, Birmingham, WTA Finals; 2018 - Nottingham, Zhuhai; 2017 - Kuala Lumpur.  
Finalist (5): 2019 - Sydney, Beijing; 2018 - Sydney; 2017 - Birmingham, Wuhan.

#### DOUBLES

Winner (10): 2019 - Rome (w/Azarenka); 2018 - Miami, US Open (both w/Vandeweghe), Rome, Montréal (both w/Schuurs); 2017 - Birmingham, Strasbourg, Kuala Lumpur (all w/Dellacqua); 2014 - Strasbourg (w/Dellacqua); 2013 - Birmingham (w/Dellacqua).  
Finalist (8): 2019 - US Open (w/Azarenka); 2017 - Roland Garros, Eastbourne, New haven (all w/Dellacqua); 2014 - Birmingham (w/Dellacqua); 2013 - Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open (all w/Dellacqua).

#### ADDITIONAL

Australian Fed Cup Team, 2013-14, 2017-19.





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## K.BERTENS

### SINGLES

Winner (9): 2019 - St. Petersburg, Madrid; 2018 - Charleston, Cincinnati, Seoul; 2017 - Gstaad, Nürnberg; 2016 - Nürnberg; 2012 - Fès.  
Finalist (5): 2019 - 's-Hertogenbosch, Palermo, Zhuhai; 2018 - Madrid; 2016 - Gstaad.

### DOUBLES

Winner (10): 2018 - Brisbane (w/Schuurs); 2017 - Gstaad, Auckland, Seoul, Linz (all w/Larsson); 2016 - Nürnberg, Linz, Luxembourg (all w/Larsson); 2015 - Hobart, Bastad (both w/Larsson).

Finalist (5): 2018 - 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Flipkens); 2017 - 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Schuurs), WTA Finals (w/Larsson); 2016 - Acapulco (w/Larsson); 2015 - Seoul (w/Larsson).

### ADDITIONAL

Dutch Fed Cup Team, 2011-12, 2014-17; Dutch Olympic Team, 2016.