



PREVIEW NOTES: ABIERTO GNP SEGUROS
 MONTERREY, MÉXICO | MARCH 15-21, 2021 | \$235,238 WTA 250

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ABIERTO GNP SEGUROS – QUICK FACTS

Main Draw Dates: March 15-21, 2021
Singles Final: Sunday, March 21, NB 4:30pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, March 21, 2pm (TBC)
Venue: Club Sonoma
Status: WTA 250
Staging: Tournament's 13th year
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface: Decoturf (hard) / Outdoors
Total Prize Money: \$235,238
Tennis Ball: Wilson US Open Regular Duty
2020 Singles Final: [1] Elina Svitolina (UKR #7) d. [9] Marie Bouzkova (CZE #57) 7-5 4-6 6-4
2020 Doubles Final: K. Bondarenko/S. Fichman (UKR/CAN) d. M. Kato/Y. Wang (JPN/CHN) 4-6 6-3 10-7

SINGLES	US\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	29,200	280
Runner-Up	16,398	180
Semifinalist	10,100	110
Quarterfinalist	5,800	60
Round of 16	3,675	30
Round of 32	2,675	1

DOUBLES	US\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	10,300	280
Runner-Up	6,000	180
Semifinalist	3,800	110
Quarterfinalist	2,300	60
Round of 16	1,750	1

MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS

Seeds: Sloane Stephens, Nadia Podoroska, Zheng Saisai, Heather Watson, Anna Blinkova, Sara Sorribes Tormo, Ann Li, Nao Hibino
Wildcards: Caroline Dolehide, CoCo Vandeweghe, Renata Zarazua
Qualifiers: Anna Kalinskaya, Viktorija Golubic, Kaja Juvan, María Camilia Osorio Serrano, Mayar Sherif, Lesia Tsurenko
Lucky Loser: Kristina Kucova
Most career WTA singles titles: Sloane Stephens (six)
Prize money leader: Sloane Stephens (\$15,253,974)
Youngest singles player: Leylah Fernandez, 18 years old (September 6, 2002)
Oldest singles player: Lesia Tsurenko, 31 years old (May 30, 1989)

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

- Former US Open champion **Sloane Stephens** leads the field at the 13th edition of the Abierto GNP Seguros, where she is joined by, among others, last year's Roland Garros semifinalist **Nadia Podoroska**
- Also among the seeds is 2016 champion **Heather Watson** and **Sara Sorribes Tormo**, the latter fresh from picking up her maiden career title, in Guadalajara
- Sorribes Tormo's opponent in that final, **Eugenie Bouchard**, is also in the draw, as is another former Top 10 player, **CoCo Vandeweghe**, who received one of three wildcards handed out
- **Vandeweghe** is involved in arguably the pick of the first-round matches, taking on one of last year's quarterfinalists, **Leylah Fernandez**
- *One to Watch* – **Ann Li**. The WTA's extended stay in Melbourne at the start of the year proved to be a fruitful three weeks for Li, who reached the third round at the Australian Open and advanced to her maiden WTA final at the Grampians Trophy. While she was denied her chance to lift the trophy – which was shared with Anett Kontaveit – the 20-year-old returned with her reputation enhanced and a new career-high ranking of No.69. Li is among the seeds here and begins her challenge against one of last year's semifinalists, Arantxa Rus.

COUNTRY BREAKDOWN

A Total of 19 countries are represented in the main draw, led by the United States with five players:

Argentina (1)	Nadia Podoroska
Canada (2)	Eugenie Bouchard, Leylah Fernandez
China (2)	Zheng Saisai, Zhu Lin
Colombia (1):	María Camilia Osorio Serrano
Egypt (1):	Mayar Sherif
Great Britain (2)	Katie Boulter, Heather Watson
Italy (2)	Elisabetta Cocciaretto, Martina Trevisan
Japan (1)	Nao Hibino
México (1)	Renata Zarazua
Montenegro (1)	Danka Kovinic
Netherlands (1)	Arantxa Rus
Russia (3)	Anna Blinkova, Vavara Gracheva, Anna Kalinskaya
Serbia (1)	Nina Stojanovic
Slovakia (3)	Kristina Kucova, Viktoria Kuzmova, Anna Karolina Schmiedlova
Slovenia (2)	Kaja Juvan, Tamara Zidansek
Spain (1)	Sara Sorribes Tormo
Switzerland (1):	Viktorija Golubic
Ukraine (1):	Lesia Tsurenko
United States (5)	Lauren Davis, Caroline Dolehide, Ann Li, Sloane Stephens, CoCo Vandeweghe



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THIS SEASON'S WTA TOUR FINALS

Week of	Level	Tournament	Singles Final	Doubles Final
January 6	WTA 500	Abu Dhabi, UAE	[4] Sabalenka d. Kudermetova 62 62	Aoyama/Shibahara d. Carter/Stefani
January 31	WTA 500	Yarra Valley Classic, AUS	[1] Barty d. [6] Muguruza 76(3) 64	Aoyama/Shibahara d. Kalinskaya/Kuzmova
	WTA 500	Gippsland Trophy, AUS	[7] Mertens d. Kanepi 64 61	Krejciikova/Siniakova d. Chan/Chan
	WTA 500	Grampians Trophy, AUS	[6] Kontaveit/Li (final not played due to scheduling)	
February 8	GS	Australian Open, AUS	[3] Osaka d. [22] Brady 64 63	Mertens/Sabalenka d. Krejciikova/Siniakova
February 13	WTA 250	Phillip Island Trophy, AUS	Kasatkina d. [13] Bouzkova 46 62 62	Raina/Rakhimova d. Blinkova/Potapova
February 22	WTA 500	Adelaide, AUS	[5] Swiatek d. [2] Bencic 62 62	Guarachi/Krawczyk d. Carter/Stefani
March 1	WTA 500	Doha, QAT	[4] Kvitova d. Muguruza 62 61	Melichar/Schuurs d. Niculescu/Ostapenko
	WTA 250	Lyon, FRA	[Q] Tauson d. [Q] Golubic 64 61	Kuzmova/Rus d. Bouchard/Danilovic
March 8	WTA 1000	Dubai, UAE	[9] Muguruza d. Krejciikova 76(6) 63	Guarachi/Jurak d. Xu/Yang
	WTA 250	Guadalajara, MEX	[4] Sorribes Tormo d. [WC] Bouchard 62 75	Perez/Sharma d. Krawczyk/Olmos

A SNAPSHOT OF 2021 SO FAR

- **Top 20 Debut (1):** Jennifer Brady (at No.13 on February 22)
- **Fewest games dropped en route to a title:** Iga Swiatek (22, Adelaide)
- **Lowest-ranked player to triumph:** Clara Tauson (No.139, Lyon)
- **Youngest title winner:** Clara Tauson, Lyon (18y 76d)
- **Oldest title winner:** Petra Kvitova, Doha (30y 363d)
- **Aces leaders:** Veronika Kudermetova – 80, Ons Jabeur – 77, Ekaterina Alexandrova – 76
- **Most aces in a match (17):** Ekaterina Alexandrova (d. Watson 7-5 6-7(7) 6-3 – Abu Dhabi, 2r)
- **Match win leaders:** Garbiñe Muguruza – 18, Jessica Pegula – 12, Iga Swiatek – 11
- **Most doubles titles (2):** Shuko Aoyama / Ena Shibahara (Abu Dhabi, Yarra Valley Classic), Alexa Guarachi (Adelaide, Dubai)
- **Most Top 10 wins (3):** Jessica Pegula (No.5 Svitolina at Australian Open, No.6 Ka.Pliskova at Doha and Dubai), Garbiñe Muguruza (No.4 Kenin at Yarra Valley Classic, No.8 Sabalenka at Doha and Dubai)

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PREVIOUS CHAMPIONS

TOURNAMENT RND	WINNER OPPONENT			SCORE		RANK	SEED
2020 MONTERREY 08 MAR 2020	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$251,750 (\$275,000)	
Singles	SVITOLINA, ELINA UKR					7	1
F	def BOUZKOVA, MARIE CZE			7-5 4-6 6-4		57	9
Doubles	BONDARENKO K. UKR / FICHMAN S. CAN					293	
F	def KATO M. JPN / WANG Y. CHN			4-6 6-3 10-7		159	
2019 MONTERREY 07 APR 2019	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$226,750 (\$250,000)	
Singles	MUGURUZA, GARBIÑE ESP					19	2
F	def AZARENKA, VICTORIA BLR			6-1 3-1 RET		67	5
Doubles	MUHAMMAD A. USA / SANCHEZ M. USA					117	3
F	def ADAMCZAK M. AUS / MOORE J. AUS			7-6(2) 6-4		145	
2018 MONTERREY 08 APR 2018	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$226,750 (\$250,000)	
Singles	MUGURUZA, GARBIÑE ESP					3	1
F	def BABOS, TIMEA HUN			3-6 6-4 6-3		44	4
Doubles	BROADY N. GBR / SORRIBES TORMO S.					247	
F	def KRAWCZYK D. USA / OLMOS G. MEX			3-6 6-4 10-8		230	
2017 MONTERREY 09 APR 2017	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$226,750 (\$250,000)	
Singles	PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTASIA RUS					16	2
F	def KERBER, ANGELIQUE GER			6-4 2-6 6-1		1	1
Doubles	HIBINO N. JPN / ROSOLSKA A. POL					111	1
F	def JAKUPOVIC D. SLO / KICHENOK N. UKR			6-2 7-6(4)		301	
2016 MONTERREY 06 MAR 2016	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$226,750 (\$250,000)	
Singles	WATSON, HEATHER GBR					84	
F	def FLIPKENS, KIRSTEN BEL			3-6 6-2 6-3		73	
Doubles	MEDINA GARRIGUES A. ESP / PARRA SANT					58	1
F	def MARTIC P. CRO / SANCHEZ M. USA			4-6 7-5 10-7		194	
2015 MONTERREY 08 MAR 2015	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$426,750 (\$500,000)	
Singles	BACSINSZKY, TIMEA SUI					31	4
F	def GARCIA, CAROLINE FRA			4-6 6-2 6-4		29	3
Doubles	DABROWSKI G. CAN / ROSOLSKA A. POL					115	4
F	def RODIONOVA A. AUS / RODIONOVA A. AU			6-3 2-6 10-3		76	3
2014 MONTERREY 06 APR 2014	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$426,750 (\$500,000)	
Singles	IVANOVIC, ANA SRB					13	2
F	def JAKSIC, JOVANA SRB			6-2 6-1		137	
Doubles	JURAK D. CRO / MOULTON-LEVY M. USA					109	3
F	def BABOS T. HUN / GOVORTSOVA O. BLR			7-6(5) 3-6 11-9		97	1
2013 MONTERREY 07 APR 2013	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$235,000 (\$235,000)	
Singles	PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTASIA RUS					26	5
F	def KERBER, ANGELIQUE GER			4-6 6-2 6-4		6	1
Doubles	BABOS T. HUN / DATE-KRUMM K. JPN					110	1
F	def BIRNEROVA E. CZE / TANASUGARN T. T			6-1 6-4		149	3

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2012 MONTERREY 26 FEB 2012	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$220,000 (\$220,000)		
Singles	BABOS, TIMEA HUN						107	
F	def CADANTU, ALEXANDRA ROU			6-4 6-4			110	
Doubles	ERRANI S. ITA / VINCI R. ITA						31	1
F	def DATE-KRUMM K. JPN / ZHANG S. CHN			6-2 7-6(6)			115	2
2011 MONTERREY 06 MAR 2011	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$220,000 (\$220,000)		
Singles	PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTASIA RUS						19	2
F	def JANKOVIC, JELENA SRB			2-6 6-2 6-3			6	1
Doubles	BENESOVA I. CZE / ZAHLAVOVA STRYCOVA						33	1
F	def GROENEFELD A. GER / KING V. USA			6-7(8) 6-2 10-6			60	2
2010 MONTERREY 07 MAR 2010	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$220,000 (\$220,000)		
Singles	PAVLYUCHENKOVA, ANASTASIA RUS						28	3
F	def HANTUCHOVA, DANIELA SVK			1-6 6-1 6-0			24	2
Doubles	BENESOVA I. CZE / ZAHLAVOVA STRYCOVA						61	2
F	def GROENEFELD A. GER / KING V. USA			3-6 6-4 10-8			60	1
2009 MONTERREY 08 MAR 2009	MEXICO	WTA	HARD OUTDOOR	Draw Sngl Draw Dbl	32 16	Prize USD \$220,000 (\$220,000)		
Singles	BARTOLI, MARION FRA						13	2
F	def LI, NA CHN			6-4 6-3			53	
Doubles	DECHY N. FRA / SANTANGELO M. ITA						83	4
F	def BENESOVA I. CZE / ZAHLAVOVA STRYCOVA			6-3 6-4			112	

ALPHABETIC PLAYER LIST

MAIN DRAW SINGLES

2021 Abierto GNP Seguros - Monterrey, Mexico

PLAYER NAME	RANK SEED			AGE	CAREER @ TRN		YEAR-TO-DATE		CAREER		CAREER HGH		TITLES	
	3/8/2021	NAT			PRIZE	W / L	PRIZE	W / L	PRIZE	W / L	RANK	DATE	YTD	CAR
BLINKOVA, ANNA	70	6	RUS	22	6,195	1 / 2	106,460	4 / 5	1,219,977	182 / 118	54	2/3/2020	0	0
BOUCHARD, EUGENIE	144		CAN	27	2,405	0 / 1	29,668	1 / 2	6,446,815	276 / 204	5	10/20/2014	0	1
BOULTER, KATIE	317		GBR	24		0 / 0	75,452	2 / 3	583,930	193 / 131	82	2/18/2019	0	0
DAVIS, LAUREN	83		USA	27	13,639	3 / 3	83,735	0 / 3	2,969,761	293 / 213	26	5/22/2017	0	1
DOLEHIDE, CAROLINE	154		USA	22	3,060	0 / 1	34,451	1 / 3	712,979	171 / 113	102	7/16/2018	0	0
FERNANDEZ, LEYLAH	87		CAN	18	6,275	2 / 1	100,937	2 / 3	157,285	83 / 51	86	2/8/2021	0	0
Q GOLUBIC, VIKTORIJA	102		SUI	28	1,640	0 / 0	48,674	19 / 4	1,610,816	342 / 226	51	4/3/2017	0	1
GRACHEVA, VARVARA	94		RUS	20		0 / 0	111,653	3 / 4	219,281	146 / 74	89	9/21/2020	0	0
HIBINO, NAO	79	9	JPN	26	14,700	1 / 3	114,511	1 / 2	1,540,249	268 / 197	56	1/18/2016	0	2
Q JUVAN, KAJA	91		SLO	20	1,100	0 / 0	156,637	7 / 3	392,789	141 / 55	91	2/22/2021	0	0
Q KALINSKAYA, ANNA	126		RUS	22		0 / 0	55,958	1 / 2	732,829	176 / 100	96	10/21/2019	0	0
KOVINIC, DANKA	84		MNE	26	5,943	0 / 2	93,137	1 / 4	1,603,085	314 / 243	46	2/22/2016	0	0
L KUCOVA, KRISTINA	149		SVK	30	4,225	0 / 2	18,073	1 / 2	1,152,031	378 / 293	71	9/12/2016	0	0
KUZMOVA, VIKTORIA	104		SVK	22		0 / 0	108,342	0 / 3	1,475,373	251 / 133	43	3/4/2019	0	0
LI, ANN	72	8	USA	20		0 / 0	180,907	6 / 1	306,853	118 / 66	69	2/8/2021	0	0
Q OSORIO SERRANO, MARIA C	186		COL	19		0 / 0	39,217	7 / 4	79,387	90 / 45	184	11/11/2019	0	0
PAOLINI, JASMINE	99		ITA	25	2,105	0 / 0	107,827	4 / 4	494,687	244 / 178	93	3/2/2020	0	0
PODOROSKA, NADIA	46	2	ARG	24	6,620	1 / 2	129,626	4 / 4	341,589	281 / 150	44	2/22/2021	0	0
RUS, ARANTXA	80		NED	30	14,085	3 / 2	101,792	1 / 4	1,532,966	523 / 324	61	8/13/2012	0	0
SCHMIEDLOVA, ANNA KARO	117		SVK	26	8,299	1 / 3	107,078	4 / 3	2,406,431	301 / 209	26	10/12/2015	0	3
Q SHERIF, MAYAR	116		EGY	24		0 / 0	112,478	4 / 3	154,664	143 / 61	114	2/22/2021	0	0
SORRIBES TORMO, SARA	71	7	ESP	24	16,700	2 / 3	99,900	4 / 3	1,541,535	299 / 199	62	1/25/2021	0	0
STEPHENS, SLOANE	44	1	USA	27	3,600	1 / 1	72,952	0 / 3	15,253,974	297 / 210	3	7/16/2018	0	6
STOJANOVIC, NINA	95		SRB	24	5,943	0 / 2	180,641	3 / 3	600,010	213 / 139	81	3/2/2020	0	0
TREVISAN, MARTINA	90		ITA	27	1,685	0 / 0	116,226	0 / 4	419,402	214 / 120	83	10/12/2020	0	0
Q TSURENKO, LESIA	142		UKR	31	9,255	2 / 1	46,250	4 / 6	4,531,589	408 / 279	23	2/18/2019	0	4
W VANDEWEGHE, COCO	228		USA	29	10,136	1 / 3		0 / 0	7,436,778	299 / 240	9	1/15/2018		2
WATSON, HEATHER	64	5	GBR	28	52,140	7 / 2	132,208	2 / 3	3,733,723	319 / 254	38	1/19/2015	0	4
W ZARAZUA, RENATA	143		MEX	23	8,505	0 / 3	26,006	4 / 3	187,434	217 / 157	141	2/22/2021	0	0
ZHENG, SAISAI	48	3	CHN	27		0 / 0	105,210	0 / 5	3,658,184	316 / 222	34	3/2/2020	0	1
ZHU, LIN	100		CHN	27		0 / 0	131,773	3 / 5	1,196,188	325 / 213	69	2/17/2020	0	0
ZIDANSEK, TAMARA	93		SLO	23	4,360	1 / 1	96,947	2 / 3	893,846	232 / 101	56	7/22/2019	0	0



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[8] ANN LI (USA #72) VS. [3] ZHENG SAISAI (CHN #52)

Head-to-head: First meeting

LI		ZHENG	
Career Prize Money	\$625,011	Career Prize Money	\$3,906,893
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	June 26, 2000 (20)	Date of Birth (Age)	Feb. 5, 1994 (27)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Monterrey W-L (MD)	2-0	Monterrey W-L (MD)	2-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-1 / 11-5	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-6 / 78-116
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 3-2	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-3 / 39-43
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 4-1	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 22-13
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	8-1 / 11-5	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	2-6 / 69-88
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-1	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 6-12
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 1-2	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 11-26
Coach	Henner Nehles	Coach	Goran Tomic

LI:

- Making tournament debut this week at Abierto GNP Seguros
- Enters as the No.8 seed – her highest seeding at a WTA event
- Coming off 3r run at Australian Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Saved eight of nine break points to secure win over Rus and register her 10th career WTA main draw match win
- Defeated Zidanksek to reach at least 3r at all three tournaments contested this season
- In today's QF, faces No.52 Zheng for their first career meeting
- Owns 7-1 record vs. Top 100 opposition this season, with sole defeat coming against No.7 Sabalenka at Australian Open
- Opened 2021 campaign by reaching first career WTA final at Grampians Trophy
- At 2020 US Open, the American recorded her first Top 20 win en route to 3r; defeated No.20 Riske in 2r, before losing to No.17 Kerber
- Biggest professional final of her career before 2021 came at \$100k ITF/Bonita Springs-FL, USA in May 2019, when she finished R-Up to Davis
- Ended 2020 season with career-high ranking of No.97 (November 9, 2020) and first-ever Top 100 finish
- Best result of campaign was 3r run at US Open (d. No.20 Riske in 2r, l. Kerber)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2020 Auckland (as qualifier, l. McHale)
- Also, captured third career ITF singles title at \$80k ITF/Tyler-TX, USA (d. Kostyuk in F)
- Owns three ITF singles titles
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in US in 2016
- Was R-Up in girls' singles at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Liu)



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ZHENG:

- Making tournament debut at Monterrey as the No.3 seed
- Posted maiden win of the season over Gracheva in 1r
- Won all eight service games to defeat compatriot L.Zhu and reach first QF since making this stage last year at Doha (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Today, faces American Li for the first time – last triumph over an American opponent was at 2019 Zhuhai over No.13 Keys
- Has advanced to final in doubles this week w/Watson
- Prior to this week, had fallen 1r at every tournament contested this season: Gippsland Trophy (l. Begu), Australian Open (l. Krejčíková), Phillip Island Trophy (l. Jones), Adelaide (l. Collins), Doha (l. Doi) and Dubai (l. Rybakina)
- Posted career high ranking of No.34 on March 24, 2020
- Highlights of 2020 season were two QF appearances at Hua Hin (l. Tig) and Doha (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Posted second successive Top 50 finish in 2019, ending the year ranked No.39, having set a new career high of No.36 a few weeks earlier (October 14)
- Lifted maiden career title at 2019 San Jose; upset of Anisimova in SF was her 300th career win (all levels)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2019 –went 1-1 in round robin play (d. Keys, l. Martić) to advance to SF (l. Bertens)
- Reached first Grand Slam doubles final of career at 2019 Roland Garros, w/Duan (l. Babos/Mladenovic)
- Won fourth WTA doubles title of career at 2019 Acapulco (w/Azarenka)
- In 2018 registered first Top 50 finish of career, up from No.94 in 2017
- 2018 season highlights included maiden WTA singles final at Nanchang (ret. vs. Q.Wang w/abdominal pain) followed by SF run at Washington DC (l. Vekić)
- Has won three titles on the WTA 125K Series –2015 Dalian, 2018 Zhengzhou and 2019 Anning –with each of those events being staged in China
- Also won 11th ITF title in 2018 at \$100k ITF/Suzhou-CHN
- Registered five tour-level wins in 2017, as injury ended her season prematurely; right knee injury forced her to miss all tournaments after 2017 US Open
- Highlights of 2016 season included SF run at Nottingham (d. Konta in 2r, l. Riske) and first Premier QF at Stanford (l. eventual champion Konta in 3s) and Doha (d. No.2 Kerber in 2r; l. eventual runner-up Ostapenko)
- In beating Kerber, became fourth Chinese woman to defeat a Top 2-ranked player, after Li Na (six wins), Zheng Jie (three wins) and Zhang Shuai (two wins)
- At Rio Olympics, reached 2r in singles (l. Kasatkina) and 2r in doubles (w/Xu, l. Errani/Vinci)
- In doubles, reached final at 2016 Shenzhen (w/Xu) and SF at 2016 Australian Open (w/Xu; l. Hlaváčková/Hradecká). Was second SF at Australian Open –also 2013 (w/Lepchenko)



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- Won first WTA Premier doubles title at 2015 Stanford (w/Xu); now owns four tour-level doubles titles, having also won at 2011 Guangzhou (w/Hsieh), 2015 Tianjin (w/Xu) and 2019 Acapulco (w/Azarenka)
- Owns six Top 10 wins, over No.6 Kvitova (via. ret at 2016 Shenzhen), No.2 Kerber (2016 Doha), No.5 A.Radwanska (2016 Olympics), No.10 Svitolina (2017 Madrid), No.10 Sabalenka (2019 San Jose) and No.6 Bertens (2020 Doha)
- Reached first WTA singles QF at Hong Kong in September 2014, and first WTA SF at Tianjin in October 2014
- Selected by fans to participate in the 2014 WTA Rising Stars Invitational as part of the WTA Finals
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in 2008



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LEYLAH FERNANDEZ (CAN #88) VS. VIKTORIA KUZMOVA (SVK #104)

Head-to-head: First meeting

FERNANDEZ		KUZMOVA	
Career Prize Money	\$518,504	Career Prize Money	\$1,777,774
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Sep. 6, 2002 (18)	Date of Birth (Age)	May 11, 1998 (22)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	0
Tournament W-L (MD)	4-1	Tournament W-L (MD)	2-0
YTD / Career W-L	5-4 / 17-16	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-3 / 46-54
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 4-3	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 15-11
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 4-3	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 16-16
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	5-4 / 15-12	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	2-3 / 30-34
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-2	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-10
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 1-4	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 3-13
Left-Hand W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-3	Left-Hand W-L (YTD/Career)	0-0 / 4-5
Coach	Romain Derrider	Coach	Tomas Hrnacak

FERNANDEZ:

- Making second main draw appearance in Monterrey having also reached QF on debut last year defeating Voegele and No.5 seed Stephens before falling to No.1 seed and eventual champion Svitolina
- At 18-years-old, is the youngest player to start the main draw and one of two teenagers; also 19-year-old qualifier, Osorio Serrano, who fell 1r to Juvan
- Started campaign this year with a straight sets win over American WC, Vandeweghe
- Defeated LL Kucova in 2r who had previously ousted top seed, Stephens, in 1r
- Faces Kuzmova today looking to book second SF appearance of her career after reaching her first WTA final last year in Acapulco (I. Watson)
- QF appearances at Acapulco and Monterrey last year marked first time reaching final eight in her young career
- Coming off 2r exit at Guadalajara last week (d. Kalinskaya, I. Sharma)
- In Australia swing, made 2r showing at the Grampians Trophy where she defeated 2017 US Open champion Stephens in 1r before falling to Sakkari; also exited 1r in Australian Open (I. Mertens)
- Fell 2r in opening tournament of the season, at Abu Dhabi (I. Zidansek)
- Breakout year in 2020 saw her crack Top 100 for the first time on September 14, 2020
- Finished the year by reaching 3r at Roland Garros for best career Grand Slam performance
- Result helped her reach career high of No.88 – jumped a total of 121 spots from previous year-end ranking of No.209
- Earned first career Grand Slam win at 2020 US Open (d. Zvonareva, I. Kenin in 2r) and made Grand Slam debut at 2020 Australian Open as qualifier (I. Davis in 1r)



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- Reached first career WTA final and notched first tour-level back-to-back wins at 2020 Acapulco as qualifier (l. Watson in F); at 17y, 177d, she was the youngest Canadian to reach a WTA singles final in 34 years (since Helen Kelesi at 1986 Tokyo [Japan Open] won at 16y, 338d)
- Also in 2020, earned first Top 100 win and only Top 10 win of career over No.5 Bencic in Fed Cup action
- Owns one singles title and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Won 2019 Roland Garros junior's title (d. Navarro) becoming first Canadian to win a junior Grand Slam since Bouchard in 2012
- Played first WTA main draw and earned first main draw win of career at 2018 Quebec City defeating countrywoman Dabrowski in 1r (l. Watson in 2r)
- Member of Canadian Billie Jean King Cup Team 2019-20
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in USA in 2016

KUZMOVA:

- Making tournament debut in Monterrey this week where she is into first QF of the season
- Earned first match win of the year in 1r with straight sets victory over Dolehide
- Win over Dolehide also snapped a seven-match losing streak having not won a match since the Tour's restart in August of last year
- Notched back-to-back wins for first time since QF run at 2020 Lyon with 2r win over Dart
- Faces No.88 Fernandez today bidding for fourth SF appearance of career having advanced to final four previously at 2018 Budapest, 2018 's-Hertogenbosch and 2019 Auckland
- While this will be the first meeting with the young Canadian in singles, the two have met in doubles when the team of Kuzmova/Kalinskaya defeated Fernandez/Potapova earlier this year in QF en route to the final at the Yarra Valley Classic (w/Kalinskaya)
- Began season falling 1r at Yarra Valley Classic (l. Gavrilova), Australian Open (l. Sabalenka) and Lyon (l. Giorgi)
- Has seen success in doubles this year reaching two finals: won the title at Lyon just a few weeks ago w/Rus (d. Bouchard/Danilovic) and finishing R-Up at the Yarra Valley Classic w/Kalinskaya (l. Aoyama/Shibahara)
- Ended 2020 ranked No.97, down from No.60 in 2019. Highlight of last season was QF run at Lyon
- Opened 2019 by advancing to SF at Auckland (l. eventual champion Goerges) and reached an additional three QFs, including at Dubai (d. No.8 Bertens and Kenin, l. Kvitova). Produced best Grand Slam result at Roland Garros, where she made 3r (l. Konta)
- Reached three doubles finals in 2019, winning titles at Prague (w/Kalinskaya) and Bucharest (w/Kr.Pliskova), and finishing R-Up at St. Petersburg (w/Kalinskaya). Also advanced to SF at US Open (w/Sabalenka) and rose to career-high doubles ranking of No.29 on October 14, 2019
- At 2018 Budapest, simultaneously made tour-level QF and SF debut. As qualifier, defeated No.36 Cirstea, Grand Slam R-Up Lisicki and Martic to reach SF without dropping a set (l. eventual champion Van Uytvanck)



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- Other 2018 highlights included reaching SF at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Flipkens), while on ITF Circuit won titles at \$100K ITF/Budapest-HUN, \$60k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN (d. Kalinskya in F) and ITF \$100k/Trnava 2-SVK (d. Cepede Royg in F) to break into Top 100 for first time on May 21, 2018
- Was instrumental for Slovakia on Fed Cup debut vs. Russia in February 2018, going 2-0 in singles (d. Potapova, Vikhlyantseva) as they ran out 3-1 winners
- Highlight of 2017 season was earning first tour-level win in 2r showing at Linz (d. Friedsam, l. Maria)
- Fell 1r on tour-level main draw debut at 2017 US Open (as qualifier, l. V.Williams)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2016 Prague
- In juniors won 2015 US Open doubles (w/Pospelova) and was runner-up in 2016 US Open singles (l. Day)



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[Q] VIKTORIJA GOLUBIC (SUI #102) VS. [Q] ANNA KALINSKAYA (RUS #130)

Head-to-head: GOLUBIC leads 1-0

2018 ROLAND GARROS CLAY O Q-R32 VIKTORIJA GOLUBIC 3-6 7-6(1) 6-4

GOLUBIC		KALINSKAYA	
Career Prize Money	\$1,799,125	Career Prize Money	\$1,006,937
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 16, 1992	Date of Birth (Age)	Dec. 2, 1998 (22)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	0
Tournament W-L (MD)	2-0	Tournament W-L (MD)	2-0
YTD / Career W-L	6-1 / 52-63	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-2 / 13-31
3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 28-34	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 5-6
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 14-24	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-4
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	6-1 / 32-36	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 11-20
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-7	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-1
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 3-12	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-4
Coach	Phillip Wallbank	Coach	Patricia Tarabini

GOLUBIC:

- Playing main draw in Monterrey for the first time, after coming through two rounds of qualifying
- Also fell in qualifying here in 2016 falling to a then-ranked No.112 Bertens
- This year, as the No.2 seed in qualifying, earned impressive wins over Sanchez and Kung to earn spot in main draw
- Upset No.6 seed Blinkova 6-4, 6-4 in 1r before taking out American, Davis, 6-3, 6-1 in 2r
- Faces No.130 Kalinskaya for second time in career after defeating the Russian in the final round of qualifying at 2018 Roland Garros
- Owns 4-5 record in WTA QF matches – looking to book back-to-back SFs after final run last week in Lyon
- Would be the first-time reaching SFs at a WTA tournament twice in one year since 2016 when she reached her first WTA finals at Gstaad and Linz
- Owns 19-16 record against players outside the Top 100
- Including qualifying and ITF Circuit matches, owns 21-4 record in 2021
- Coming off R-Up finish, as a qualifier, at Lyon in first WTA main draw of the year defeating the No.2 and No.3 seeds, Ferro and Garcia, en route (l. fellow qualifier Tauson)
- Has reached two finals on ITF Circuit in 2021, finishing R-Up at \$25k Fujairah-UAE and winning \$25k Grenoble-FRA – her 10th title at this level
- Ended 2020 outside Top 100 (at No.137) for first time since 2017 – after a campaign in which she fell 1r three times (including Australian Open and US Open) and in qualifying on four occasions
- Other than run to SF at Guangzhou, highlights of 2019 season include QF runs at Hua Hin and last week in Nanchang, and 3r showing at Wimbledon – the deepest run of her career at a major
- Finished 2018 ranked No.92 for second-best career-end finish (after No.57 in 2016)



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- Made 2r at three events in 2018, at Gstaad, Hiroshima and Wuhan, and fell 1r on seven occasions
- Also won ninth career title on ITF Circuit at \$80k Poitiers-FRA
- 2017 saw her play all four Grand Slam main draws for first time in her career and post career-high ranking of No.51 on April 3, 2017
- Ended 2016 at No.57 for best year-end finish of career (up from No.178 in 2015)
- Season highlights were winning maiden WTA singles title at Gstaad (d. Bertens in F) and R-Up finish at Linz (l. Cibulkova in F)
- Made Slam debut at 2016 Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Suárez Navarro in 1r) and qualified for Roland Garros, reaching 2r (l. Safarova). Prior to 2016 Australian Open, had fallen six times in Grand Slam qualifying
- Other 2016 highlights included QFs at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Bencic), Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. eventual champion McHale) and Guangzhou (l. Kontaveit). Reached 2r at Katowice (l. Babos) and Bastad (l. Errani), and fell 1r at Cincinnati (l. Nara) and Luxembourg (l. Lisicki)
- Posted first and second Top 50 wins (vs. No.18 Ka. Pliskova and No.33 Strycova) during 2016 Fed Cup World Group SF against Czech Republic
- Entering 2016, had posted just two tour-level main draw wins in career. By comparison, registered 20 main draw wins in 2016
- Prior to 2016 had contested two tour-level events, having come through qualifying on both occasions: 2013 Bad Gastein (d. Bertens, l. Hlavackova), 2014 Shenzhen (d. Wozniack, l. Beck)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2010 Budapest, and main draw debut at 2013 Bad Gastein
- Made debut on ITF Circuit at \$10k ITF/Budapest-HUN in 2008

KALINSKAYA:

- Making tournament debut in Monterrey this week as one of two Russians to start the main draw (also Blinkova who was defeated in 1r by today's opponent)
- Came through two rounds of qualifying defeating Mexico's Contreras Gomez and then Arruabarrena to earn spot in main draw
- Earned first win of the year with upset of No.2 seed Podoroska in 1r: was first career win over a Top 2 seeded player
- Defeated Stojanovic in 2r to book first WTA QF since 2019
- Faces another qualifier Golubic today - a win would mark second career WTA SF having reached final four at 2019 Washington DC
- Owns 1-1 record in WTA QF matches last falling at 2019 Tashkent (l. Zavatska) and 4-10 record against players outside the Top 100
- Coming off 1r exit at Guadalajara (l. Fernandez)
- Opened 2021 season falling in Australian Open qualifying in Dubai – however still made the trip to Australian to play in the Gippsland Trophy (l. Boulter in 1r)



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- Finished 2020 season ranked No.114 falling 1r at first tournaments of the year in Australian Open, Acapulco, Indian Wells 125K, Lexington and Western & Southern Open
- Earned only second Grand Slam match at US Open defeating Stojanovic in 1r (l. Muchova in 2r)
- Made main draw debut at Roland Garros (l. WC Bouchard in 1r)
- Reached a career-high ranking of No.96 on October 21, 2019 and ending the year at No.100 – her first ever Top 100 year-end ranking
- Year highlighted by first WTA SF at Washington, DC (l. eventual champion Pegula), QF run at Tashkent (l. Zavatska) and maiden Top 20 win over No.10 Stephens to reach 2r of a Grand Slam for the first time at US Open (l. Ahn)
- Also made Wimbledon main draw debut as qualifier (l. Linette) and captured two titles on the ITF circuit
- Ended 2018 ranked No.169, down on career-best finish of No.146 in 2017
- Failed to win a tour-level singles main draw match in 2018, going 0-9
- At all levels, posted a 28-23 record in 2018
- Season highlights were making Grand Slam main draw debuts at Australian Open (l. Giorgi) and US Open (l. Goerges), coming through qualifying but falling in 1r at each
- Fell in final round of qualifying at both Roland Garros (l. Golubic) and Wimbledon (l. Tomova)
- Advanced through qualifying to reach the 2r for the first time at a WTA-tour level event at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (l. Han)
- Backed that performance up with two more 2r finishes that year at Istanbul (l. Yastremska) and Gstaad (l. Kontaveit) – both as a qualifier
- Hoisted her fifth career ITF title in 2017 at \$25k ITF/Obidos 4-POR (d. Frech)
- Additionally, advanced to the finals of \$25K ITF/Batumi-GEO and semifinals of \$60k ITF/Shenzhen-CHN, \$25K ITF/Altenkirchen-GER and \$25K ITF/Obidos 5-POR
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2016 Moscow (as WC, l. Mladenovic in 1r). Also won a career-high four ITF titles in 2016 and made four runner-up finishes
- Produced a successful 2015 campaign on the ITF circuit, reaching the finals at \$10K ITF/Antalya-TUR and \$10K ITF/EI Kantaoui 29-TUN. Also made a SF run at \$10K ITF/EI Kantoui 28-TUN.
- Made professional debut as a qualifier at Premier event at 2014 Moscow (l. Monova)



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ANNA KAROLINA SCHMIEDLOVA (SVK #117) VS. [7] SARA SORRIBES TORMO (ESP #57)

Head-to-head: SORRIBES TORMO leads 1-0

2019 BOL (WTA 125) CLAY O SF SARA SORRIBES TORMO 6-4 6-0

SCHMIEDLOVA		SORRIBES TORMO	
Career Prize Money	\$2,675,361	Career Prize Money	\$1,911,064
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Sep. 13, 1994 (26)	Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 8, 1996 (24)
Singles Titles	3	Singles Titles	1
Monterrey W-L (MD)	3-3	Monterrey W-L (MD)	4-3
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	6-3 / 83-106	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	11-4 / 61-79
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 35-36	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	4-2 / 24-22
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 17-25	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	3-2 / 19-11
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	6-3 / 46-61	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	11-4 / 35-42
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-8	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 4-6
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 8-15	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 7-9
Coach	Peter Huber	Coach	Manuela Tormo Traver

SCHMIEDLOVA:

- Playing Abierto GNP Seguros for a fourth time, with best result being a 2r run posted last year (as qualifier, I. Bouzkova)
- Made 1r exits in 2015 (I. Pavlyuchenkova) and in 2018 (I. Tomljanovic)
- In 1r this year, cruised past Boulter in straight sets
- Recovered after dropping the first set to defeat Paolini 2-6 6-2 6-2
- In today's QF, faces No.57 Sorribes Tormo. Bidding to reach first WTA SF since R-Up finish at 2019 Hobart
- Owns 1-3 record vs. Top 100 opponents this season – sole victory coming against No.79 Hibino last week at Guadalajara
- Coming off QF run at Guadalajara (I. Bouzkova)
- At Melbourne Park this February, made 2r at both Gippsland Trophy (I. Alexandrova) and Australian Open (as LL, I. Jabeur)
- Lost to Babos in final round of Australian Open qualifying event in Dubai in early January but gained entry as a lucky loser following Anisimova's withdrawal
- Best result of 2020 was 3r run at Roland Garros (d. V.Williams and No.14 Azarenka, I. Podoroska). Also made QF at WTA 125K Series event at Prague (I. Cocciaretto)
- Finished 2019 ranked No.138, having ended season after 1r exit at Wimbledon (I. Puig) in order to undergo knee surgery
- Had been enjoying return to form until Wimbledon, having finished R-Up at Hobart (I. Kenin) and scoring a Top 20 win at Madrid (d. Mertens)
- Season highlight in 2017 was lifting third career title, at Bogotá (d. Arruabarrena in F) and QF at Hiroshima and Tashkent
- Struggled throughout 2016 and 2017, posting a total of only six main draw match wins and finishing both years outside Top 100



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- Won her first two WTA singles titles in 2015, both at International level – the first at Katowice in April (d. Giorgi in F) and the second in July at Bucharest (d. Errani in F). Also reached final at Rio de Janeiro (l. Errani)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai at end of 2015 season as an alternate – posted a win over Vinci in round-robin competition
- Surpassed \$1 million career prize money mark during 3r run at 2015 US Open (l. Kvitova)
- Owns eight career Top 20 wins: No.20 Errani (2015 Budapest), No.15 A.Radwanska (2015 Cincinnati), No.11 Wozniacki (2015 Wuhan), No.15 Vinci (2015 Zhuhai), No.13 Bacsinszky (2016 Sydney) and No.8 Vinci (2016 Rio Olympics), No.20 Mertens (2019 Madrid) and No.14 Azarenka (2020 Roland Garros)
- Made 2r on her Grand Slam main draw debut at 2013 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Hampton)
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2013 Katowice (l. Martic); defeated No.33 Cornet in career-first main draw match
- Winner of 12 singles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2010 and turned professional in 2011
- Member of Slovak Billie Jean King Cup team, 2012, 2014-20
- Finished runner-up to Annika Beck in girls' final at 2012 Roland Garros

SORRIBES TORMO:

- Making fourth appearance at Monterrey – best results were back-to-back 2r runs in 2017 (l. Suarez Navarro) and 2018 (l. Bogdan). Fell 1r last year to Bondarenko
- Enters this week on career-high ranking of No.57, earned after securing her maiden title last week at Guadalajara
- In 1r, needed almost three hours to see off Tsurenko, before advancing to QF via WO after Juvan withdrew ahead of their 2r match
- After beating No.141 Tsurenko, now owns 13-1 record against players outside Top 100 since the Tour's restart
- Today, faces Schiedlova in the 14th WTA QF of her career and fifth since the Tour's restart in August
- Coming off her maiden WTA title run at Monterrey (d. Bouchard in F), the Spaniard is bidding to reach her fourth career WTA SF – prior to last week's title run, only other SF appearances were at 2017 Bogotá (l. Arruabarrena) and 2017 Gstaad (l. Bertens via ret.)
- At Phillip Island Trophy withdrew w/back injury prior to 2r match with Doi
- Kicked off 2021 campaign with QF run at Abu Dhabi (l. Kostyuk) before falling 1r at Gippsland Trophy (l. McNally) and Australian Open (l. Gavrilova)
- Won ITF/\$80k title in Cagnes-Sur-Mer-FRA in September 2020; overall owns 10 singles titles and five doubles titles on the ITF Circuit
- Also in 2020, made QFs at Ostrava and Prague, and 2r at Australian Open and US Open – has now reached
- this stage at all four majors



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- Has lifted two career doubles titles – at 2018 Monterrey (w/Broadly) and 2019 Rabat (w/Martinez Sanchez); also reached final at 2019 Mallorca (w/Martinez Sanchez). Career-high doubles ranking of No.40 (February 3, 2020)
- Made 2r for the first time at a major in 2018, as a qualifier at Wimbledon (l. compatriot Suarez Navarro)
- Reached first career WTA SFs in 2017, at first Bogotá and then Gstaad
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- In 2016, reached maiden tour-level QF at Seoul
- Also in 2016 made QF at WTA 125k Series event at Honolulu (l. eventual champion Bellis) and won two titles on the ITF Circuit at \$25K ITF/Sao Paulo-BRA (d. Mitu in F) and \$50K ITF/Essen-GER (d. Muchova in F). Finished as R-Up at \$100K ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY (l. Vekic in F)
- Scored first WTA main draw win over Pavlyuchenkova (via ret.) at 2015 Charleston
- Has represented Spain in Fed Cup in 2015-17 and 2019-20; best win came over No.10 Osaka (straight sets) in qualifying tie vs. Japan in February 2020
- Played first WTA main draw event at 2015 Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Ormaechea)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2012 Barcelona (l. 1r)
- Played first professional event at \$10k ITF/Vallduxo-ESP in 2010



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[8] ANN LI (USA #72) VS. [Q] VIKTORIJA GOLUBIC (SUI #102)

Head-to-head: First meeting

LI		GOLUBIC	
Career Prize Money	\$625,011	Career Prize Money	\$1,799,125
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	June 26, 2000 (20)	Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 16, 1992
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Monterrey W-L (MD)	3-0	Tournament W-L (MD)	3-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	9-1 / 12-5	YTD / Career W-L	7-1 / 53-63
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 3-2	3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 28-34
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 4-1	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 14-24
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	9-1 / 12-5	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	7-1 / 33-36
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-1	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-7
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 1-2	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 3-12
Coach	Henner Nehles	Coach	Phillip Wallbank

LI:

- Making tournament debut this week at Abierto GNP Seguros in only seventh WTA main draw appearance of career
- Enters as the No.8 seed, her first ever seeding at a WTA event – currently playing three spots off her career high of No.69
- Saved eight of nine break points to secure win over Rus and register her 10th career WTA main draw match win
- Defeated Zidensek to reach at least 3r at all three tournaments contested this season
- Saved eight of ten breakpoints in QF defeat of No.52 Zheng
- Faces qualifier Golubic today hoping to reach second final of the year after reaching her first career WTA final earlier this year at the Grampians Trophy
- Owns 2-0 Tour-level record against players outside the Top 100
- Made run to 3r at Australian Open to tie best career Grand Slam result, fell to No.7 Sabalenka for sole loss of the year thus far
- Reached career high ranking of No.69 on Feb. 8, 2021
- Opened 2021 campaign by reaching first career WTA final at Grampians Trophy (also Kontaveit, final not played due to scheduling)
- At 2020 US Open, the American recorded her first Top 20 win en route to 3r; defeated No.20 Riske in 2r, before losing to No.17 Kerber
- Biggest professional final of her career before 2021 came at \$100k ITF/Bonita Springs-FL, USA in May 2019, when she finished R-Up to Davis
- Ended 2020 season with career-high ranking of No.97 (November 9, 2020) and first-ever Top 100 finish
- Best result of campaign was 3r run at US Open (d. No.20 Riske in 2r, l. Kerber)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2020 Auckland (as qualifier, l. McHale)



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- Also, captured third career ITF singles title at \$80k ITF/Tyler-TX, USA (d. Kostyuk in F)
- Owns three ITF singles titles
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in US in 2016
- Was R-Up in girls' singles at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Liu)

GOLUBIC:

- Playing main draw in Monterrey for the first time, after coming through two rounds of qualifying
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- Defeated No.130 Kalinskaya in another straight sets match to reach second SF of the year after final run last week in Lyon
- Has yet to drop a set through five matches here, including qualifying
- Faces No.72 Li today hoping to reach back-to-back finals – would be the first-time reaching two finals in a year at since 2016 when she reached her first career WTA finals at Gstaad and Linz
- Aiming to become first qualifier in tournament history to reach the final in Monterrey
- Owns 2-2 record in WTA SF matches (not walkover at 2016 Linz)
- Including qualifying and ITF Circuit matches, now owns 22-4 record in 2021
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- 2017 saw her play all four Grand Slam main draws for first time in her career and post career-high ranking of No.51 on April 3, 2017
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- Season highlights were winning maiden WTA singles title at Gstaad (d. Bertens in F) and R-Up finish at Linz (l. Cibulkova in F)



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- Made Slam debut at 2016 Australian Open (as qualifier, I. Suárez Navarro in 1r) and qualified for Roland Garros, reaching 2r (I. Safarova). Prior to 2016 Australian Open, had fallen six times in Grand Slam qualifying
- Other 2016 highlights included QFs at 's-Hertogenbosch (I. Bencic), Tokyo [Japan Open] (I. eventual champion McHale) and Guangzhou (I. Kontaveit). Reached 2r at Katowice (I. Babos) and Bastad (I. Errani), and fell 1r at Cincinnati (I. Nara) and Luxembourg (I. Lisicki)
- Posted first and second Top 50 wins (vs. No.18 Ka. Pliskova and No.33 Strycova) during 2016 Fed Cup World Group SF against Czech Republic
- Entering 2016, had posted just two tour-level main draw wins in career. By comparison, registered 20 main draw wins in 2016
- Prior to 2016 had contested two tour-level events, having come through qualifying on both occasions: 2013 Bad Gastein (d. Bertens, I. Hlavackova), 2014 Shenzhen (d. Wozniack, I. Beck)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2010 Budapest, and main draw debut at 2013 Bad Gastein
- Made debut on ITF Circuit at \$10k ITF/Budapest-HUN in 2008



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LEYLAH FERNANDEZ (CAN #88) VS. [7] SARA SORRIBES TORMO (ESP #57)

Head-to-head: First meeting

FERNANDEZ		SORRIBES TORMO	
Career Prize Money	\$518,504	Career Prize Money	\$1,911,064
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Sep. 6, 2002 (18)	Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 8, 1996 (24)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Tournament W-L (MD)	5-1	Monterrey W-L (MD)	5-3
YTD / Career W-L	6-4 / 18-16	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	12-4 / 62-79
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 4-3	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	4-2 / 24-22
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 4-3	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	3-2 / 19-11
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	6-4 / 16-12	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	12-4 / 36-42
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-2	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 4-6
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 1-4	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 7-9
Left-Hand W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-3	Left-Hand W-L (YTD/Career)	0-1 / 2-7
Coach	Romain Derrider	Coach	Manuela Tormo Traver

FERNANDEZ:

- Making second main draw appearance in Monterrey having reached QF on debut last year defeating Voegele and No.5 seed Stephens before falling to No.1 seed and eventual champion Svitolina
- At 18-years-old, is the youngest player to start the main draw and one of two teenagers; also 19-year-old qualifier, Osorio Serrano, who fell 1r to Juvan
- Started campaign this year with a straight sets win over American WC, Vandeweghe
- Defeated LL Kucova in 2r who had previously ousted top seed, Stephens, in 1r
- Ousted Kuzmova in third career QF appearance all which have come in Mexico after reaching final eight in Acapulco and Monterrey last year
- Faces No.57 Sorribes Tormo in SF today looking to book second final appearance of her career after runner-up finish in Acapulco last year (I. Watson)
- Owns 11-15 record against players ranked higher than her and 4-6 record against seeded players
- Coming off 2r exit at Guadalajara last week (d. Kalinskaya, I. Sharma)
- In Australia swing, made 2r showing at the Grampians Trophy where she defeated 2017 US Open champion Stephens in 1r before falling to Sakkari; also exited 1r in Australian Open (I. Mertens)
- Fell 2r in opening tournament of the season, at Abu Dhabi (I. Zidansek)
- Breakout year in 2020 saw her crack Top 100 for the first time on September 14, 2020
- Finished the year by reaching 3r at Roland Garros for best career Grand Slam performance
- Result helped her reach career high of No.88 – jumped a total of 121 spots from previous year-end ranking of No.209
- Earned first career Grand Slam win at 2020 US Open (d. Zvonareva, I. Kenin in 2r) and made Grand Slam debut at 2020 Australian Open as qualifier (I. Davis in 1r)



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- Reached first career WTA final and notched first tour-level back-to-back wins at 2020 Acapulco as qualifier (l. Watson in F); at 17y, 177d, she was the youngest Canadian to reach a WTA singles final in 34 years (since Helen Kelesi at 1986 Tokyo [Japan Open] won at 16y, 338d)
- Also in 2020, earned first Top 100 win and only Top 10 win of career over No.5 Bencic in Fed Cup action
- Owns one singles title and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Won 2019 Roland Garros junior's title (d. Navarro) becoming first Canadian to win a junior Grand Slam since Bouchard in 2012
- Played first WTA main draw and earned first main draw win of career at 2018 Quebec City defeating countrywoman Dabrowski in 1r (l. Watson in 2r)
- Member of Canadian Billie Jean King Cup Team 2019-20
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in USA in 2016

SORRIBES TORMO:

- Making fourth appearance at Monterrey – best previous results were back-to-back 2r runs in 2017 (l. Suarez Navarro) and 2018 (l. Bogdan). Fell 1r last year to Bondarenko
- Enters this week on career-high ranking of No.57 after securing maiden title last week at Guadalajara
- In 1r, needed almost three hours to see off Tsurenko, before advancing to QF via WO after Juvan withdrew ahead of their 2r match
- Defeated Schmiedlova QF to reach fourth SF of career – was previously 3-10 in career WTA QF matches
- Faces No.88 Fernandez today hoping to reach just her second final of career following maiden WTA title last week
- Before last week, was 0-2 in career SF matches falling at 2017 Bogota (l. Arruabarrena) and 2017 Gstaad (l. Bertens)
- Coming off maiden WTA title run at Monterrey (d. Bouchard in F), the Spaniard is bidding to reach her fourth career WTA SF – prior to last week's title run, only other SF appearances were at 2017 Bogotá (l. Arruabarrena) and 2017 Gstaad (l. Bertens via ret.)
- At Phillip Island Trophy withdrew w/back injury prior to 2r match with Doi
- Kicked off 2021 campaign with QF run at Abu Dhabi (l. Kostyuk) before falling 1r at Gippsland Trophy (l. McNally) and Australian Open (l. Gavrilova)
- Won ITF/\$80k title in Cagnes-Sur-Mer-FRA in September 2020; overall owns 10 singles titles and five doubles titles on the ITF Circuit
- Also in 2020, made QFs at Ostrava and Prague, and 2r at Australian Open and US Open – has now reached this stage at all four majors
- Has lifted two career doubles titles – at 2018 Monterrey (w/Broady) and 2019 Rabat (w/Martinez Sanchez); also reached final at 2019 Mallorca (w/Martinez Sanchez). Career-high doubles ranking of No.40 (February 3, 2020)
- Made 2r for the first time at a major in 2018, as a qualifier at Wimbledon (l. compatriot Suarez Navarro)



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- Reached first career WTA SFs in 2017, at first Bogotá and then Gstaad
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2016 Roland Garros (as qualifier, I. Pavlyuchenkova)
- In 2016, reached maiden tour-level QF at Seoul
- Also in 2016 made QF at WTA 125k Series event at Honolulu (l. eventual champion Bellis) and won two titles on the ITF Circuit at \$25K ITF/Sao Paulo-BRA (d. Mitu in F) and \$50K ITF/Essen-GER (d. Muchova in F). Finished as R-Up at \$100K ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY (l. Vekic in F)
- Scored first WTA main draw win over Pavlyuchenkova (via ret.) at 2015 Charleston
- Has represented Spain in Fed Cup in 2015-17 and 2019-20; best win came over No.10 Osaka (straight sets) in qualifying tie vs. Japan in February 2020
- Played first WTA main draw event at 2015 Rio de Janeiro (as qualifier, l. Ormaechea)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2012 Barcelona (l. 1r)
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LEYLAH FERNANDEZ (CAN #88) VS. [Q] VIKTORIJA GOLUBIC (SUI #102)

Head-to-head: First meeting

FERNANDEZ		GOLUBIC	
Career Prize Money	\$518,504	Career Prize Money	\$1,799,125
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Sep. 6, 2002 (18)	Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 16, 1992
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Tournament W-L (MD)	6-1	Monterrey W-L (MD)	4-0
YTD / Career W-L	7-4 / 19-16	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-1 / 54-63
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 4-3	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 28-34
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 4-3	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 14-24
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	7-4 / 17-12	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	8-1 / 34-36
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-2	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-7
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 1-4	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 3-12
Coach	Romain Derrider	Coach	Phillip Wallbank

FERNANDEZ:

- 2021 Monterrey marks second WTA singles final, having finished R-Up at Acapulco in 2020 (as qualifier, I. Watson)
- This is her second main draw appearance in Monterrey – on debut last year, made the QF by defeating Voegele and No.5 seed Stephens before falling to No.1 seed and eventual champion Svitolina
- Is the first Canadian woman to reach the singles final here; Dabrowski won the doubles tile in 2015
- Overall, she is the first woman from either North or South America to reach the singles final here. All previous champions and runners-up have come from Europe, along with China's Li Na in 2009
- With Bouchard making the final last week in Guadalajara (I. Sorribes Tormo), this is first time Canadian players have made singles finals in back-to-back weeks on Tour
- It has however happened in singles and doubles more recently – in 2020, Dabrowski finished R-Up at Doha, and a week later, Fernandez and Fichman finished runners-up in singles and doubles respectively at Acapulco. Also in 2013 - Dabrowski finished R-Up in doubles in Linz, Bouchard finished R-Up at Osaka a week later
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- Contesting this week at No.88, two spots off career-high ranking of No.86 (posted Feb 8, 2021)
- Started campaign this year with a straight sets win over American WC Vandeweghe
- Defeated LL Kucova in 2r who had previously ousted top seed, Stephens, in 1r
- Ousted Kuzmova in third career QF appearance - all which have come in Mexico after reaching final eight in Acapulco and Monterrey last year
- Defeated an in-from Sorribes Tormo (who won Guadalajara last week, defeating countrywoman Bouchard) in SF



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- Has not dropped a set en route to the final; neither has her opponent Golubic
- Faces Golubic today in the title match, in what is their first meeting. Her sole win over a Swiss woman on Tour came here vs. Voegele at 2020 Monterrey. Also fell to Voegele in qualifying at 2020 Rome
- A win today would be her 20th Tour level main draw match win (first came at 2018 Quebec City over Dabrowski)
- Coming off 2r exit at Guadalajara last week (d. Kalinskaya, I. Sharma)
- In Australia swing, made 2r showing at the Grampians Trophy where she defeated 2017 US Open champion Stephens in 1r before falling to Sakkari; also exited 1r in Australian Open (I. Mertens)
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- Through to the Monterrey final for the first time in her career, which is her fourth WTA singles final overall, after winning 2016 Gstaad and losing 2016 Linz and 2021 Lyon (Lyon was last event contested prior to Monterrey)
- Muguruza (Yarra Valley Classic, Doha, Dubai) and Kasatkina (Phillip Island Trophy and St. Petersburg) are the only other players to reach multiple finals in 2021
- Second Swiss woman through to the singles final in Monterrey – Bacsinszky triumphed here in 2015 (d. Garcia in F)
- First qualifier to reach the final in the tournament's history (this is the 13th staging)



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