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Semifinalist	10,000	185
Quarterfinalist	5,500	100
Round of 16	3,500	1

# **MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS**

Seeds: Ashleigh Barty, Belinda Bencic, Johanna Konta, Elise Mertens, Iga Swiatek, Petra Martic, Yulia

Putintseva, Qiang Wang

Wildcards: Ajla Tomljanovic, Ashleigh Barty, Olivia Gadecki, Samantha Stosur

Most career WTA singles titles: Samantha Stosur (9)

**Youngest singles player:** Olivia Gadecki, 18 years old (April 24, 2002) **Oldest singles player:** Samantha Stosur, 36 years old (March 30, 1984)

# **TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS**

- Sixth tournament taking place in this year's Australian Swing, following the Yara Valley Classic, the Gippsland Trophy, the Grampians Trophy, the Phillip Island Trophy and the Australian Open
- Six of the Top 20 players in the world are in the draw, including World No.1 and Yarra Valley Classic champion **Ashleigh Barty**, who is the top seed, as well as **Elise Mertens** and **Iga Swiatek**, who each advanced to the Round of 16 at the 2021 Australian Open, seeded No.4 and No.5, respectively
- Barty and Mertens will receive first-round byes, along with No.2 seed Belinda Bencic and No.3 seed
   Johanna Konta
- Also in the draw is Australian wildcard Olivia Gadecki, who shocked No.4 Kenin during the opening round of last week's Phillip Island Trophy; she takes on No.8 seed Qiang Wang

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• One to Watch – One to Watch – **Danielle Collins.** Coming off an SF showing at the Phillip Island Trophy last week (I. eventual champion Kasatkina), the American has seen success in Australia before by reaching the SF at the 2019 Australian Open where she notched her first ever Grand Slam match wins. Collins is also known to have strong starts to the season: in 2020, she reached QF at Brisbane and SF at Adelaide in her first two events of the year and earned victories over Top 20 players like No.5 Svitolina, No.15 Kenin and No.7 Bencic.

# **COUNTRY AND REGION BREAKDOWN**

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 13 countries and regions are represented in the main draw, led by the Australia with four players:

Australia (4) Ajla Tomljanovic, Ashleigh Barty, Olivia Gadecki, Samantha Stosur

**Belgium (1)** Elise Mertens

**China (2)** Qiang Wang, Saisai Zheng

Croatia (1) Petra Martic

France (2) Caroline Garcia, Kristina Mladenovic

Germany (1)
Great Britain (1)
Kazakhstan (1)
Latvia (1)
Laura Siegemund
Johanna Konta
Yulia Putintseva
Anastasija Sevastova

Poland (1) Iga Swiatek

Russia (2) Anna Blinkova, Veronika Kudermetova

Switzerland (2) Belinda Bencic, Jil Teichmann
United States (2) Danielle Collins, Shelby Rogers

# **2021 WTA TOUR FINALS**

Week of	Level	Tournament	Singles Final	Doubles Final
January 6	WTA 500	Abu Dhabi, UAE	[4] Sabalenka d. Kudermetova 62 62	[5] Aoyama/Shibahara d. [8] Carter/Stefani 76(5) 64
January 31	WTA 500	Yarra Valley Classic	[1] Barty d. [6] Muguruza 76(3) 64	[3] Aoyama/Shibahara d. Kalinskaya/Kuzmova 63 64
January 31	WTA 500	Gippsland Trophy	[7] Mertens d. Kanepi 64 61	[1] Krejcikova/Siniakova d. [2] Chan/Chan 63 76(4)
February 3	WTA 500	Grampians Trophy	Li & [6] Kontaveit (FINAL NOT PLAYED)	
February 8 February 13	Grand Slam WTA 250	Australian Open Phillip Island Trophy	[3] Osaka d. [22] Brady 64 63	[2] Sabalanka/Mertens d. [3] Krejcikova/Siniakova 62 63 Raina/Rakhimova d. Blinkova/Potapova 26 64 10-7

# A SNAPSHOT OF LAST SEASON

- **Top 10 Debut (1):** Sofia Kenin (at No.7 on February 3)
- Fewest games dropped en route to a title: Jennifer Brady (24, Lexington)
- Lowest-ranked player to triumph: Patricia Maria Tig (No.88, Istanbul)
- Most titles (3): Simona Halep: 3 (Dubai W; Prague W; Rome W); Aryna Sabalenka: 3 (Doha W;
   Ostrava W; Linz W)
- **Maiden titles (4):** Ekaterina Alexandrova (Shenzhen), Jennifer Brady (Lexington), Patricia Maria Tig (Istanbul), Iga Swiatek (Roland Garros)
- Youngest title winner: Iga Swiatek, Roland Garros (19y 132d)
- Oldest title winner: Serena Williams, Auckland (38y 108d)

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- Aces leaders: Elena Rybakina 193, Serena Williams 178, Aryna Sabalenka 165
- Most aces in a match (22): Alison Van Uytvanck (l. vs. Sofia Kenin 7-6(5) 6-7(2) 7-6(2) Lyon, SF)
- Match win leaders: Elise Mertens 34, Elena Rybakina 29, Aryna Sabalenka 29, Sofia Kenin 24
- Most three-set wins (11): Aryna Sabalenka (11-5 record)
- **Most doubles titles (4)**: Barbora Strycova / Hsieh Su-Wei (Brisbane, Dubai, Doha, Rome)
- Best result by a qualifier (R-Up): Kung (Hua Hin), Fernandez (Acapulco), Bouchard (Istanbul)
- Longest match: 3h 33m Heather Watson d. Elise Mertens 6-7(5) 6-4 7-5 (Hobart, QF)
- Shortest (completed) match: 39m Ekaterina Alexandrova d. Storm Sanders 6-1 6-0 (Strasbourg, 1r)
- Most Top 10 wins (3): Garbiñe Muguruza (No.3 Simona Halep, No.5 Elina Svitolina and No.10 Kiki Bertens all at Australian Open); Jelena Ostapenko (No.7 Sofia Kenin in Fed Cup, No.8 Kiki Bertens at Strasbourg, No.4 Karolina Pliskova at Roland Garros); Maria Sakkari (No.5 Belinda Bencic at St. Petersburg, No.9 Serena Williams at Western & Southern Open, No.5 Elina Svitolina at Ostrava)





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# **ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL – DAY ONE**

### ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #53) vs. CAROLINE GARCIA (FRA #43)

#### Series tied 1-1

**Sevastova** upset defending champion **Garcia** en route to Mallorca title in 2017... Winner faces No.4 seed Mertens in next round... Both players fell at the first hurdle at last week's Phillip Island Trophy

### [WC] OLIVIA GADECKI (AUS #NR) vs. [8] WANG QIANG (CHN #34)

#### First meeting

**Gadecki** notched up a win over World No.4 Kenin last week... **Wang** is looking for just her second win of the season... **Gadecki** is youngest Australian in the draw

### SHELBY ROGERS (USA #57) vs. VERONIKA KUDERMETOVA (RUS #36)

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**Rogers** coming off impressive run to fourth round at Australian Open... **Kudermetova** opened 2021 season by reaching her first WTA final, at Abu Dhabi... Winner faces No.3 seed Konta in next round

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\*\*All rankings and prize money accurate as of February 8, 2021\*\*

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Head-to-head: Series tied 1-1

2017 MALLORCA GRASS O SF ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA 6-4 6-2 2016 MALLORCA GRASS O F CAROLINE GARCIA 6-3 6-4

SEVASTOVA		GARCIA	
Career Prize Money	\$7,281,875	Career Prize Money	\$10,732,601
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 13, 1990 (30)	Date of Birth (Age)	Oct. 16, 1993 (27)
Singles Titles	4	Singles Titles	7
Adelaide W-L (MD)	0-1	Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	1-4 / 179-150	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	3-3 / 227-182
3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 57-51	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 79-62
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 40-39	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 61-57
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	1-4 / 95-93	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	3-3 / 137-119
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 10-24	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 17-42
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 19-47	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 34-70
Coach	Ronald Schmidt	Coach	Louis Paul Garcia

#### SEVASTOVA:

- Making second appearance at Adelaide International, having fallen 1r last year (I. Vekic)
- Faces Garcia in 1r today; lost to the Frenchwoman in the championship match at 2016 Mallorca, but gained revenge in SF of the same tournament en route to the title 12 months later
- Most recent Top 50 win came over No.9 S.Williams on Fed Cup duty last February
- Winner faces No.4 seed Mertens in 2r
- Made 2r at Yarra Valley Classic (d. Brengle, I. Pavlyuchenkova) before 1r exits at Australian Open (I. Kanepi) and then at last week's Phillip Island Trophy (I. Bogdan in 3s)
- Opened 2021 with 1r exit at Abu Dhabi (I. Badosa)
- Suffered a difficult year in 2020, finishing at No.54 after four consecutive Top 50 seasons; however, the only two wins of the season were over S.Williams at Fed Cup qualifiers (handing the American her first-ever singles loss in the competition) and Gauff at US Open
- The 2019 season was highlighted by lifting fourth WTA singles title at Jurmala (d. Kawa in F) and posting two R16 showings on the Grand Slam stage—at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and for the first time at Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)
- Season highlights in 2018 include claiming her third title in Bucharest (d. Martic in F) and finishing R-Up at Mallorca (l. Maria). Also made first Premier Mandatory final at Beijing (l. Wozniacki in F), defeating No. 6 Osaka in SF for her fourth Top 10 win of the season
- Had 6-9 record against Top 20 players in 2018. Two of those victories (No.18 Keys and No.6 Osaka)
   came on the way to R-Up finish at 2018 Beijing Open





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- Became the first Latvian woman to reach SF at 2018 US Open, upsetting No.7 Svitolina and No.3
  Stephens en route. Defeat of No.3 Stephens was joint-best win rankings-wise (also d. No.3 Muguruza at
  2016 US Open and No.3 Ka. Pliskova at 2017 Madrid). Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to
  reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros WON; 2018 Wimbledon SF)
- Posted 43 tour-level wins in 2018, her highest previous number of wins in a single season was 37 in 2017
- Was the second of two singles alternates for 2018 WTA Finals in Singapore
- Captured second career singles title and first in seven years at 2017 Mallorca (d. Goerges in F)
- In 2016, played first full season since 2012, reaching two singles finals at Mallorca (I. Garcia) and Bucharest (I. Halep), as well as first Grand Slam QF of career at US Open
- Made Top 100 debut on July 13, 2009, Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010 and Top 20 debut on May 15, 2017
- Retired from professional tennis in May 2013 due to various injuries mostly muscular and back-related but returned to competition at ITF level in January 2015 after body had fully healed
- Prior to break from tennis, won first singles title at 2010 Oeiras becoming first Latvian to win a WTA title in 17 years (since Savchenko at Schenectady in 1993)
- On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and four doubles titles
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2007 Istanbul, reaching 2r (as qualifier)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2006
- Latvian Fed Cup Team, 2005-06, 2008-10, 2018-20

#### **GARCIA:**

- Making tournament debut
- Faces Sevastova in 1r today; beat the Latvian in the final at 2016 Mallorca to lift her third career title (has added a further four since then)
- One of two French women in the draw (also Mladenovic)
- Last week, fell 1r at Phillip Island Trophy (I. Doi)
- Made 2r exit at Australian Open (I. eventual champion Osaka) and posted 3r showing at Gippsland (I. eventual champion Mertens)
- Best results in 2020 came at Slams, reaching R16 at Roland Garros (I. Svitolina) and 3r at US Open (I. Brady)
- Defeated No.3 Ka.Pliskova in 2r at Flushing Meadows to record her first Top 10 win since 2018 Tianjin title (d. No.6 Ka.Pliskova in F)
- Highlights of 2019 campaign include capturing her seventh career WTA singles title at Nottingham and reaching the finals at Strasbourg
- Member of French Fed Cup team that won the 2019 competition final vs. Australia, teaming up with Mladenovic to win the decisive doubles runner against Barty/Stosur. Also took part in the team that advanced to 2016 Fed Cup final vs. Czech Republic
- Fell out of the Top 20 on March 18, 2019 after holding her position there since August 14, 2017





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- In 2018, won sixth career title at Tianjin; also made semifinals at Stuttgart and Madrid
- Broke into the Top 5 on August 13, 2018 and reached a career-high of No.4 on September 10, 2018
- Became first player to win Wuhan and Beijing back-to-back in 2017. As a result, gualified for WTA Finals. Was ranked No.30 on the Race to Singapore leaderboard in May 2017
- Best win of her career came over No.2 Halep in 2017 Beijing final
- In 2017, lifted first Premier-5 level title at Wuhan and first Premier-Mandatory crown at Beijing; subsequently made Top 10 debut
- Won a career-best 48 main draw matches in 2017 (48-22 record, two titles), Advanced to QF at 2017 Roland Garros (I. Ka. Pliskova) for best Grand Slam singles result to date
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- Qualifying for WTA Finals in 2017, became the first Frenchwoman to compete at WTA Finals in singles since Mauresmo in 2006 (I. Henin in F)
- At 2016 Roland Garros w/Mladenovic, won first major doubles title. They were the first French pair to win in Paris since 1971, when Gail Chanfreau and Francoise Durr triumphed
- Represented France at 2016 Rio Olympics in singles (2r) and doubles (1r, w/Mladenovic)
- Member of French Fed Cup team that advanced to 2016 competition final vs. Czech Republic
- Played 2015 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (I. Osaka in F)
- Made professional debut at 13 on ITF Circuit in France in 2007
- In juniors, singles runner-up at 2011 US Open (I. Min) and was a semifinalist at the other three Slams





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## [WC] OLIVIA GADECKI (AUS #NR) VS. [8] WANG QIANG (CHN #34)

Head-to-head: First meeting

GADECKI		WANG	
Career Prize Money	\$2,189	Career Prize Money	\$4,352,609
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 24, 2002 (18)	Date of Birth (Age)	Jan. 14, 1992 (29)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	2
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Adelaide W-L (MD)	0-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-2 / 2-2	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	1-4 / 104-100
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 1-1	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-4 / 25-29
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 2-0	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 18-12
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 2-2	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	1-5 / 85-74
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 1-0	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 12-22
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 /1-0	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 25-43
Coach	David Taylor	Coach	Pat Cash

#### **GADECKI:**

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide International
- One of four wildcards in the draw (also Barty, Stosur and Tomljanovic)
- Faces Q.Wang in 1r today; bidding for third Tour-level match win, following 3r run at last week's Phillip Island Trophy
- In 2r at Phillip Island Trophy, beat World No.4 Kenin her sole career win over a Top-200 ranked opponent – with pre-season training partner Barty watching on in the stands
- Opened season by losing to Osuigwe in 2r of Australian Open qualifying event in Dubai. Fell 1r at Gippsland Trophy (as WC, I. Pera)
- After falling in 1r at \$25k ITF/Brisbane-AUS in September 2019 took a year-long break from tennis to focus on school
- Best result on ITF Circuit is SF run at \$15k ITF/Perth-AUS in February 2019
- Reached 2r on professional debut at \$25k ITF/Tweeds Head-AUS in September 2016
- As a junior, contested girls' singles at Australian Open four times, reaching 3r in 2020. Also R-Up in U16
   Australian Championships singles title in December 2018 and part of the Australian Junior Fed Cup team in 2017

#### Q.WANG:

- Making second appearance at Adelaide International, having fallen in 1r last year (I. Kerber)
- Faces Gadecki in 1r today; beat an Australian, Inglis, in her opening match at last week's Phillip Island
   Trophy
- Coming off 3r showing at Phillip Island Trophy (after 1r bye, d. Inglis, I. Begu in 3s), following 1r exit at Australian Open (I. Errani in 3s)





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- Opened 2021 with 1r exit at Abu Dhabi (I. Kasatkina) and falling 2r at Yarra Valley Classic (after 1r bye, I. Paolini)
- Due to various concerns with the pandemic and waist injury (lumbar disc herniation), did not play again following 1r exit at 2020 Doha
- Last Autumn, split with coach Thomas Drouet; now working with Pat Cash on a trial basis
- Ended 2020 ranked at No.34, the third consecutive season finish as Chinese No.1
- Year highlighted by upsetting 23-time Grand Slam champion S.Williams en route to reach R16 for the first time at Australian Open (I. Jabeur)
- Enjoyed a string of career-best results across 2019 season, which included reaching first career Grand
   Slam QF at US Open with best win-by-ranking by defeating No.2 Barty in R16
- Her US Open run made her just the fifth Chinese woman to reach a Grand Slam QF (after Li Na, Zheng Jie, Peng Shuai and Zhang Shuai)
- Her new career-high ranking of No.12 following New York result made her the second highest ranked
   Chinese singles player in history (after No.2 Li Na)
- Additionally, posted best result at Wimbledon by advancing to 3r and also reached second Premier Mandatory QF at Miami
- Enjoyed breakout 2018 campaign with career-best year-end finish at No.20 and 37 main draw match wins (including four Top 10 victories), her first season of 30 or more wins in career
- Posted an impressive 23-6 win-loss record on home soil in 2018: Nanchang (WON), Guangzhou (WON), Wuhan (SF), Beijing (SF), Hong Kong (R-UP) and Zhuhai (R-UP)
- Dropped just 18 games en route to second career title at Guangzhou the fewest games lost in winning a WTA singles title in 2018 – becoming the fourth Chinese woman to win the title in the tournament's 15year history, joining Li (2004), Yan (2005) and Zhang (2013 and 2017)
- Lifted first tour-level title in July at Nanchang (d. Zheng Saisai in F following ret. w/fatigue)
- Achieved first Top 50 year-end finish in 2017, finishing as China's No.3. Ascended 25 spots from No.70 in 2016 to No.45 in 2017, marking third Top 100 season in four years
- Advanced to first WTA SF at 2017 Hong Kong (I. Pavlyuchenkova) and captured WTA 125K Series title in Zhengzhou
- Registered first Top 10 win of career over No.10 Wozniacki in 1r at 2013 Kuala Lumpur
- First broke into Top 100 on November 3, 2014 and Top 50 on May 22, 2017
- On ITF Circuit, owns 13 singles and one doubles title
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2007 Beijing and main draw debut at 2012 Baku
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in China
- Gold medalist at 2018 Asian Games
- Represented China at Rio Olympics and member of Chinese Billie Jean King Cup Team, 2012-2016,
   2020





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Head-to-head: First meeting

ROGERS		KUDERMETOVA	
Career Prize Money	\$2,938,632	Career Prize Money	\$1,247,590
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Oct.13, 1992 (28)	Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 24, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	0
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	6-2 / 71-82	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-3 / 53-43
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Hard Court (YTD / Career)	6-2 / 39-47	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	8-3 / 34-28
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 3-11	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 5-5
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 14-24	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 6-10
Coach	Mark Gellard	Coach	Sergey Demkhine

#### ROGERS:

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide International
- Faces Kudermetova in 1r today; since the start of 2020, has compiled a 6-5 record against Top 50 players, including wins over No.9 S.Williams (2020 Lexington), No.17 Rybakina (2020 US Open), No.12 Kvitova (2020 US Open) and No.18 Martic (2021 Yarra Valley Classic)
- Coming off career-best run to R16 at Australian Open (d. No.22 Kontaveit in 3r, I. Barty)
- One of two Americans gaining direct entry into singles draw this week (also Collins)
- Opened her 2021 campaign with a QF showing at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. Barty)
- Produced career best year-end finish in 2020 at No.58, on the heels of SF appearance at Lexington (d. S.Williams in 2r, I. Teichmann) and QF at US Open (d. Kvitova, I. eventual champion Osaka) marked second career Slam QF appearance (also 2016 Roland Garros)
- In 2019, made return from injury at Charleston where she reached 2r (I. Ostapenko). Also posted 2r showings at Roland Garros and Mallorca and fell 1r six occasions and reached one ITF Circuit final
- Fell 1r in only two tournaments played in 2018 at Australian Open and Indian Wells injured left knee in loss to Dolehide at Indian Wells, requiring surgery in the summer
- In 2017, posted third Top 100 season and year-end finish of No.59. Year highlighted by reaching QFs at Charleston, Hobart and Strasbourg. Achieved career-high ranking of No.48 on January 30, 2017
- Also, played all three ties to help USA win its first Fed Cup in 17 years, winning decisive doubles rubber (w/Vandeweghe) in final against Belarus
- In 2017 US Open 2r, d. No.25 seed Gavrilova 7-6(6), 4-6, 7-6(5), in a match that took 3 hours, 33 minutes, setting a record for the longest women's match in US Open history
- Appeared in two WTA singles finals, at 2016 Rio de Janeiro (I. Schiavone) and at 2014 Bad Gastein (d.
- No.16 Suárez Navarro and No.14 Errani en route, I.Petkovic)
- One-time doubles runner-up, at 2015 Bogotá (w/Falconi)
- Participated in 2014 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (along with Diyas, Puig and Zheng)
- Made Top 100 for first time on August 11, 2014





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- Won first WTA level match at 2013 Strasbourg (d. Domachowska)
- Winner of five singles titles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit, where she made professional debut in United States in 2009, at age 16

#### **KUDERMETOVA:**

- Making her debut at Adelaide International
- Faces Rogers in 1r today; has lost her past two matches with US opposition, to Li (2021 Grampians Trophy) and Brady (2020 Ostrava)
- Coming off career-best 3r run at Australian Open (I. Halep)
- Also this season, made 2r at Grampians Trophy (I. Li) after opening her campaign by reaching her maiden WTA final, at Abu Dhabi (I. Sabalenka)
- Began last season with qualifying exit at Brisbane and then SF run at Hobart
- Scored first win over a Top-3 ranked opponent by upsetting No.3 Ka.Pliskova at 2020 Western & Southern Open.
- Closed out 2020 season with back-to-back QFs at Ostrava (as qualifier, I. Brady) and Linz (I. Mertens)
- Won 27 main-draw matches during 2019 had previously won six across entire career to rise over sixty
  places in the WTA rankings, making Top 100 debut on February 4 and Top 50 debut on September 9
- Singles highlights in 2019 included reaching maiden WTA SF at 's-Hertogenbosch (I. eventual champion Riske), 3r at Roland Garros (d. No.13 Wozniacki in 1r – her maiden Grand Slam main draw win and also first over a Top 20 opponent – I. Kanepi) and winning WTA 125K Series title at Guadalajara (d. Bouzkova in F)
- Posted first two Top 10 wins of career in final weeks of 2019, over No.10 Bencic at Wuhan and No.4
   Svitolina at Moscow
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Australian Open (as qualifier, I. Kenin)
- Won career first WTA doubles title at 2019 Wuhan with Duan (d. Mertens/Sabalenka in F); also in 2019 was R-Up at Charleston (w/Khromacheva) and Lugano (w/Voskoboeva)
- Posted maiden career WTA QF runs in 2018, first at 's-Hertogenbosch (I. eventual champion Krunic) and then Gstaad (I. Bouchard)
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2018 Stuttgart (d. No.25 Suárez Navarro, I. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2014 Moscow
- Made Billie Jean King Cup debut in 2014 vs. Australia (I. Stosur her first Tour-level match)
- On ITF Circuit, owns four singles most recently at 2018 \$25K Keito-JPN and 16 doubles titles
- Made professional debut at \$50K ITF/Kazan-RUS in 2014





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# **ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL – DAY TWO**

## [6] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #21) vs. [Q] LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #117)

#### Martic leads 1-0

**Martic** fought back to beat **Samsonova** at 2020 Palermo... **Samsonova** bidding for best rankings win of her career... **Martic** was upset by No.183 Danilovic at Australian Open

## [Q] MADISON BRENGLE (USA #81) vs. [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18)

#### Brengle leads 1-0

**Brengle** won when they met on ITF Circuit in 2018... **Swiatek** coming off last 16 run at the Australian Open for the second year in a row... **Brengle's** most recent Top 20 win came at 2019 Wimbledon

# [WC] SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #107) vs. [Q] MADDISON INGLIS (AUS #136)

### First meeting

**Stosur** was runner-up in mixed doubles at Australian Open... **Inglis** bidding for just second Tour-level win of her career... **Stosur** entering under a wildcard for the second tournament in a row

# [Q] STORM SANDERS (AUS #292) vs. [WC] AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #74)

#### First meeting

**Tomljanovic** coming off second-round showings at past two tournaments... **Sanders** upset Pera in qualifying to record second career Top 100 win... Players are among six Australians in main draw

# SHELBY ROGERS (USA #53) vs. [3] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #16)

#### Konta leads 2-1

**Konta** won their most recent Tour-level encounter at 2016 Montréal... **Rogers** has notched up four wins over Top 20 players since start of 2020... **Konta** is one of five Top 20 players in the draw





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### [6] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #21) VS. [Q] LIUDMILA SAMSONOVA (RUS #117)

Head-to-head: PETRA MARTIC leads 1-0

2020 PALERMO CLAY O R2 PETRA MARTIC 5-7 6-4 6-2

MARTIC		SAMSONOVA	
Career Prize Money	\$5,555,962	Career Prize Money	\$461,559
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Jan. 19, 1991 (30)	Date of Birth (Age)	Nov. 11, 1998 (22)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	0
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	3-3 / 142-135	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	1-3 / 7-15
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 59-39	3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 4-4
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 36-31	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 3-4
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	3-3 / 75-84	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	1-3 / 2-10
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 4-28	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-3
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 15-46	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-4
Coach	Martijn Bok	Coach	Alessandro Dumitrache

#### **MARTIC:**

- Making tournament debut in Adelaide this week as the No.6 seed
- Faces No.117 Samsonova with a 3-1 record against players outside the Top 100 already this year only loss also came to a qualifier, No.183 Danilovic in 1r of Australian Open
- Earned comeback victory over the Russian last year in 2r of Palermo where she would go on to reach SF (I. R-Up Kontaveit) in the WTA's first tournament back from hiatus
- Winner will face another qualifier, either Paolini or Gauff
- Coming off run to QF at the Phillip Island Trophy (I. eventual champion Kasatkina) after surprise 1r exit at Australian Open (I. Danilovic in 3s) where she was seeded No.16
- Began 2021 season by reaching 2r at Yarra Valley Classic (I. Rogers)
- Despite a disrupted 2020, reached two SFs at Dubai and Palermo, and matched best result at US Open with R16 run
- Posted best season finish of career in 2019, at No.15. Lifted maiden career WTA title at Istanbul (d. Vondrousova in F) and advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (I. eventual runner-up Vondrousova); upset No.2 seed and No.2-ranked Ka.Pliskova in 3r to register best win-by-ranking
- Also in 2019, finished R-Up at Zhengzhou before qualifying for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the first time (fell at RR stage)
- Broke into Top 20 for first time week of September 30, 2019 (at No.17)
- In 2018, finished R-Up at Bucharest (I. Sevastova), posted QF showing at Indian Wells and made R16 at Australian Open





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- In 2017, notched first Top 20 win in nearly five years over No.13 Keys at Roland Garros. Was ranked No.290 –
  the lowest-ranked player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since the unranked Henin finished R-Up at 2010
  Australian Open (I. S.Williams)
- In April 2017 played her first event after 10 months out with a back injury, coming through qualifying to win \$25k ITF/Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2009 (after US Open; rose from No.137 to No.89) and enjoyed a Top 50 season in 2011, finishing at No.49
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team 2008-2010,2012, 2014
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2007 Miami
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2005

#### SAMSONOVA:

- · Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week after coming through qualifying
- Defeated Australian Birrell in 1r of qualifying before earning her spot in the main draw with a straight sets victory over Doi in 2r
- Faces No.21 Martic today looking for best by-ranking win of career best previous was over No.24 Stephens in 1r of 2020 Brisbane (as qualifier, I. No.7 Kvitova in 2r)
- Lost to the Croatian player last year after taking the first set in 2r of 2020 Palermo
- Winner will play another qualifier between the winner of Paolini vs. Gauff
- Fell 1r last week at the Phillip Island Trophy (I. Sorribes Tormo) after failing to convert a match point in the third set
- Reached 2r of Australian Open earning first career Grand Slam main draw win over Badosa in 1r (I. Muguruza)
- Contested main draw at the Yarra Valley Classic, falling 1r (I. Pironkova)
- Started 2021 season by coming through three rounds of Australian Open qualifying in Dubai defating Kung,
   Anderson and Tsurenko
- Ended 2020 with R-Up finish at \$25k ITF/Reims-FRA
- Last season also reached 2r at Brisbane (as qualifier, d. No.24 Stephens, I. No.7 Kvitova) and Palermo (as qualifier, I. Martic), and fell 1r four times (including Australian Open, US Open and Roland Garros); posted career-high ranking of No.114 after Australian Open (February 3, 2020)
- Finished 2019 at No.139 her best season-ending finish after ending the year with a 32-28 record
- Appeared in the first six WTA main draws of her career in 2019, highlighted by SF run at Palermo (I. eventual champion Teichmann), 2r showing at Lausanne (I. Han) and falling 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at Roland Garros (as qualifier, I. Vekic)
- Contested qualifying at a WTA event for the first time at 2019 St. Petersburg, while fell 1r on her main draw at Roland Garros that year
- 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





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# [Q] MADISON BRENGLE (USA #81) VS. [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18)

Head-to-head: MADISON BRENGLE leads 1-0 (all levels)

2018 ITF/CHARLESTON CLAY O SF MADISON BRENGLE 6-1 6-1

BRENGLE		SWIATEK	
Career Prize Money	\$3,176,988	Career Prize Money	\$2,941,902
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	April 3, 1990 (30)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 31, 2001 (19)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-3 / 71-111	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	4-2 / 32-19
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 22-34	3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 8-6
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 19-16	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-6
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	2-3 / 48-76	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	4-2 / 18-13
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 3-15	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 6-31	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 6-5
Coach	Glenn Weiner	Coach	Piotr Sierzputowski

#### **BRENGLE:**

- Making tournament debut in Adelaide this week after coming through qualifing
- Earned back-to-back qualifying wins over two Australians, Aiava and Perez, to earn spot in main draw
- Faces No.18 Swiatek today with 6-31 record against Top 20 opponents most recently falling to No.8
   Andreescu last week at the Phillip Island Trophy
- Defeated the Polish player in only previous meeting en route to final at \$80K ITF/Charleston-USA (I. Townsend in F); Swiatek was ranked No.412 at the time
- Last win over a Top 20 player came over No.14 Vondrousova at 2019 Wimbledon; has also defeated No.13
   Petkovic (2015 Australian Open), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Stuttgart), No.8 Kvitova (2016 Dubai), No.2 S.Williams (2017 Auckland) and No.12 Kvitova (2017 Wimbledon)
- Coming off 2r appearance at last week's Phillip Island Trophy defeating Y.Wang in 1r before falling to Andreescu in 2r in 3 sets
- Reached 2r at Australian Open before losing to eventual R-Up and fellow American, Brady; earned first win of season in 1r over Australian, Rodionova
- Opened 2021 season with 1r exit at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. Sevastova)
- Last season highlighted by reaching 3r at US Open and matching career best result in New York (d. No.25 Yastremska in 2r, I. Rogers) and winning first WTA 125K Series title at Newport Beach (d. Voegele in F)
- Defeated top seed and World No.2 S.Williams in 2r to reach QF at 2017 Auckland for best by-ranking win of career to date
- Including win over S.Williams, owns six career Top 20 wins: No.14 Vondrousova (2019 Wimbledon), No.12 Kvitova (2017 Wimbledon) No.2 S.Williams (2017 Auckland), No.8 Kvitova (2016 Dubai), No.4 Kvitova (2015 Stuttgart) and No.13 Petkovic (2015 Australian Open)





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- Enjoyed breakthrough start to 2015, reaching first WTA singles final at Hobart (as qualifier, I. Watson), followed by R16 run at Australian Open (d. No.13 Petkovic in 1r, I. Keys) left Australia with a 14-3 record
- Reached first SF at Premier-level at 2015 Stuttgart (I. eventual champion Kerber); posted first Top 5 win of career over No.4 Kvitova in 2r
- Stuttgart run helped achieve career-high ranking of No.35 on May 4, 2015
- Broke into Top 100 on September 24, 2014 and Top 50 for the first time on February 2, 2015 after run in Melbourne
- Reached first WTA QF at 2014 Linz; as qualifier, advanced when Begu retired in second set of 1r match and received walkover from Ivanovic in 2r
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2007 Australian Open (as WC, I. No.9 Schnyder in 1r) ad earned first WTA main draw victory at 2009 Quebec City (d. Cecil, I. Petrova)
- Played first tour event at 2005 US Open, falling 1r of qualifying (as WC)
- Made professional debut at \$25k ITF/Allentown, PA-USA in 2004
- Owns 15 ITF singles titles and seven doubles titles

#### SWIATEK:

- Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week as No.5 seed, just one shy of her career high ranking
- Faces No.81 Brengle today fell to a player outside the Top 50 only twice last year: Western & Southern Open (I. No.90 Mchale in 1r) and Rome (I. No.71 Rus in 1r)
- As a qualifier ranked No.412, lost to the American in SF of ITF event in Charleston in 2018
- Coming off run to R16 at Australian Open falling to World No.2 Halep in 3 sets ending her 10-match Grand Slam win streak; won final major of the year at 2020 Roland Garros in which she beat Halep in QF
- Opened 2021 season reaching R16 at the Gippsland Trophy as No.6 seed (I. Alexandrova)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.17 on October 12, 2020 for her first Top 20 season finish.
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland man or woman to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017
   Roland Garros
- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Her coach, Piotr Sierzputowski, was voted by members of the WTA Coach Program as the WTA Coach of the Year for 2020
- Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award, as voted on by fans
- Owns six career wins over Top 10 ranked players, having defeated No.16 Q.Wang (2019 Roland Garros),
   No.18 Wozniacki (2019 Toronto), No.20 Vekic (2020 Australian Open), No.19 Vondrousova (2020 Roland Garros),
   No.2 Halep (2020 Roland Garros) and No.6 Kenin (2020 Roland Garros)

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- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (I. Hercog) and R16 run at Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Also in 2019, reached 3r at Toronto (I. Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)
- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record in ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 campaign were four titles on the ITF Circuit, including at the \$60k clay court events in Budapest-HUN and Montreux-SUI
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Member of Poland's Fed Cup team, 2018-20
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016; owns seven singles titles at this level
- Enjoyed a stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Küng in F), 2018 Roland Garros doubles (w/McNally), and leading Poland to the Junior Fed Cup crown in 2016





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## [WC] SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #107) VS. [Q] MADDISON INGLIS (AUS #136)

Head-to-head: First meeting

STOSUR		INGLIS	
Career Prize Money	\$19,183,476	Career Prize Money	\$423,000
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	March 30, 1984 (36)	Date of Birth (Age)	Jan 14, 1998 (23)
Singles Titles	9	Singles Titles	0
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Tournament W-L (MD)	Tournament debut
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	1-2 / 467-350	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	1-3 / 1-7
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 127-117	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-1
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 100-107	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-0
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 275-225	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	1-3 / 1-6
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 31-83	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-1
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 74-150	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-1
Coach	Rennae Stubbs	Coach	Andrew Roberts

#### STOSUR:

- Entering as a wildcard, having also entered recent Australian Open as a wildcard
- Faces compatriot Inglis in 1r today beat a fellow Australian Aiava in opening round at Australian Open
- In the end, fell 2r at Melbourne Park (I. Pegula) before going on to finish R-Up in mixed doubles (w/Ebden, I. Krejcikova/Ram)
- Opened season with 1r exit at Yarra Valley Classic (I. Bouzkova) her first Tour-level event in over a year, since contesting last year's Australian Open (although did play WTA 125K Series tournament at Indian Wells last March)
- During last year's Australian swing, made 2r at Brisbane (I. Keys) and fell 1r at Hobart (I. Kudermetova) and Australian Open (I. McNally)
- Member of Australian Fed Cup team that advanced to final of Billie Jean King Cup in 2019 –country's first final in the team competition since 1993; I. decisive doubles rubber to France (w/Barty)
- Won ninth and most recent WTA singles title at 2017 Strasbourg (d. Gavrilova in F)
- Advanced to fifth Grand Slam SF of career at 2016 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Muguruza).
   Following Roland Garros result, rose to No.14 marked first time ranked inside Top 15 since week of August 26, 2013
- Represented Australia at Rio Olympics in 2016, progressing to 3r in singles (I. Kerber)
- Achieved 500th career match win (all levels) at 2015 Washington, DC
- Reached first Grand Slam singles final at 2010 Roland Garros (I. Schiavone) and achieved career-high singles ranking the following February, when she peaked at No.4
- Posted four consecutive Top 10 seasons from 2010-13 and 16 Top 100 seasons in a row, 2004-19
- Qualified for WTA Finals in singles on two occasions, reaching SF in both 2010 and 2011
- Diagnosed with Lyme disease in 2007, and did not play any events after US Open





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- Two-time WTA Finals doubles champion, in 2006-06 (both w/Raymond). Ascended to doubles World No.1 ranking on February 6, 2006
- Owns three Grand Slam mixed doubles titles: 2005 Australian Open (w/ Draper), 2008 Wimbledon (w/B.Bryan) and 2014 Wimbledon (w/Zimonjic)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2002 Gold Coast, as WC (I. Myskina in 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 1998
- Became a mother on June 16, 2020 when partner Liz gave birth to a baby daughter, Genevieve ('Evie')

#### **INGLIS:**

- Making debut at Adelaide International having beaten Woolcock and McHale in qualifying
- One of six Australian women in the main draw (also Barty, Gadecki, Sanders, Tomljanovic and today's opponent Stosur)
- Coming off 2r showing at Phillip Island Trophy (I. Q.Wang); win over Rakhimova in 1r was her first Tour-level victory
- Opened season with 1r exits at Yarra Valley Classic (I. Peterson) and Australian Open (I. Kenin)
- Best win of career came over No.63 Van Uytvanck at an ITF \$100k event in Vancouver, Canada. Also owns another Top 100 win – over No.97 Badosa at ITF \$60k event in Burnie, Australian
- Set career high ranking of No.112 the week of March 2, 2020 after winning back-to-back titles on ITF Circuit in Australia in February d. Vickery in final at Burnie and Aiava in final at Perth
- Posted second Top 100 win en route to title at Burnie d. No.97 Badosa in SF; previously, d. No.63 Van
  Uytvanck at \$100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN in 2019 (via ret.)
- Won first three singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2019
- Winner of two ITF Circuit doubles titles, at \$25K ITF/Brisbane-AUS in 2018 and \$60K ITF/Bendigo-AUS in 2019
- At 2018 Hopman Cup, aged 19 and ranked No.771, subbed in at last minute for Team Japan's Naomi Osaka to play a singles rubber against CoCo Vandeweghe pushed the No.10-ranked American to 75 62
- Made WTA singles main draw debut as WC at 2016 Hobart (I. Gasparyan in 1r) and the following week made Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open, having won Tennis Australia's WC play-off (I. Makarova in 1r)
- Made doubles Grand Slam debut at 2015 Australian Open as WC (w/Nancarrow)
- Contested qualifying at Australian Open for first time in 2014
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2013





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## [Q] STORM SANDERS (AUS #292) VS. [WC] AJLA TOMLJANOVIC (AUS #74)

Head-to-head: First meeting

SANDERS		TOMLJANOVIC	
Career Prize Money	\$493,684	Career Prize Money	\$2,874,866
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Aug. 11, 1994 (26)	Date of Birth (Age)	May 7, 1993 (27)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	0
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	0-0 / 2-9	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	3-4 / 106-132
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-2	3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-3 / 41-53
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-3	Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 36-34
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-7	Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	3-4 / 69-83
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-1	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 3-15
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-2	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 8-38
Left-Hand W-L (YTD/Career)	0-0 / 0-0	Left-Hand W-L (YTD/Career)	1-0 / 3-8
Coach	-	Coach	Ratko Tomljanovic

#### SANDERS:

- Making debut at Adelaide International where she is the second lowest-ranked player in the draw (after No.399 Gadecki)
- Upset No.66 Pera and No.113 McNally during qualifying
- Faces No.74 Tomljanovic in 1r today; only Top 100 wins of her career came over No.39 Peng (2014 Hobart) and No.66 Pera (in qualifying on Sunday)
- Playing first Tour-level main draw since 1r exit at 2020 Strasbourg (as LL, I. Alexandrova)
- Fell to Juvan at opening hurdle of qualifying for 2021 Australian Open
- Last year, made 2r at Hua Hin, fell 1r at Prague and Strasbourg and in qualifying at Australian Open and Brisbane
- In February 2020 lifted WTA doubles title at Hua Hin w/Ar.Rodionova without dropping a set
- Owns one other WTA title, triumphing at 2017 Nottingham w/Adamczak. She has also finished R-Up three times, most recently w/Perez at Istanbul in September 2020 – rose to career-high No.62 in doubles rankings on September 14, 2020
- Won second of two career singles titles on ITF Circuit at \$60K ITF/Playford-AUS in November 2019
- Fell 1r at Australian Open singles in 2014-17, while has contested qualifying at Roland Garros and US
   Open
- Posted career-high singles ranking of No.202 on February 10, 2014
- Won first ITF Circuit singles title at \$25k ITF/Launceston-AUS in February 2013
- Owns 12 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut at \$25k ITF/Esperance-AUS in 2009





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#### **TOMLJANOVIC:**

- Making second appearance at Adelaide International. Having reached 2r last year (I. Halep)
- Faces Sanders in 1r today; beat a fellow Australian in opening round of last week's Phillip Island Trophy
- Coming off 2r showings at Phillip Island Trophy (I. Pavlyuchenkova) and Australian Open (I. Halep having led 5-2 in final set)
- Made 1r exit at Gippsland Trophy (I. Cornet in 3s)
- Reached 2r in opening tournament of the season, at Abu Dhabi (I. eventual champion Sabalenka); also reached SF in doubles (w/Kenin, I. eventual champions Aoyama/Shibahara)
- Reached 2r but never further on five occasions in 2020, including on first three outings of the season at Brisbane, Adelaide and Australian Open
- Ended 2019 season by representing Australia in Perth final of Billie Jean King Cup vs. France went 1-1 in singles (d. Parmentier, I. Mladenovic) as visitors prevailed 3-2
- Posted career-high ranking of No.39 on April 1, 2019 (following 3r run at Miami 3r)
- Four-time WTA singles finalist, most recently finishing runner-up at 2019 Hua Hin (I. Yastremska). Earlier finals came at 2015 Pattaya City (I. Hantuchova), 2018 Rabat (I. Mertens) and 2018 Seoul (I. Bertens)
- Posted two Top 10 wins in 2019, her first for almost five years, defeating No.10 Sabalenka (Miami) and No.8 Bertens (Zhengzhou). Other Top 10 defeat, and best win of career, came over No.3 A.Radwanska at 2014 Roland Garros
- Reached first Premier-level SF of career at 2019 Zhengzhou (I. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Underwent shoulder surgery in February 2016 and was sidelined for rest of season; returned at 2017
   Acapulco, more than 12 months later
- Made Top 50 debut in 2015, rising as high as No.47 (week of February 23)
- Best Grand Slam result to date is R16 run at 2014 Roland Garros (d. No.32 seed Vesnina in 2r and No.3 seed A.Radwanska in 3r, I. Suárez Navarro)
- Announced in 2014 she would switch nationalities and start representing Australia (first did so at 2014 US Open)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of four singles titles and three doubles titles
- Made pro debut on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2007 and WTA main draw debut at 2009 Indian Wells (as WC,
   I. 1r)
- As a junior, achieved career-high ranking of No.4, won Australian Open junior doubles title in 2009 (w/McHale), and was a member of Croatia's victorious junior Fed Cup team in 2009





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# SHELBY ROGERS (USA #57) VS. [3] JOHANNA KONTA (GBR #16)

Head-to-head: JOHANNA KONTA leads 2-1

2012	ITF/DOTHAN	CLAY	0	QUAL.	SHELBY ROGERS	3-6 6-2 6-2
2012	ITF/LEXINGTON	HARD	0	QF	JOHANNA KONTA	6-4 6-2
2012	MONTRÉAL	HARD	0	R1	JOHANNA KONTA	6-4 6-2

ROGERS		KONTA	
Career Prize Money	\$3,169,293	Career Prize Money	\$9,803,137
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Oct.13, 1992 (28)	Date of Birth (Age)	May 17, 1991 (29)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	3
Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	7-2 / 72-82	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	1-2 / 173-112
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 24-36	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 42-47
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 27-22	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 38-33
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	7-2 / 40-47	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 101-65
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 3-11	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 21-22
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 14-24	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 38-36
Coach	Mark Gellard	Coach	Daniel Smethurst

#### ROGERS:

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide International
- Came through a 76-minute second set to close out victory over Kudermetova in 1r
- Faces No.16 Konta in 2r today; since the start of 2020, has registered four Top 20 wins, over No.9
   S.Williams (2020 Lexington), No.17 Rybakina (2020 US Open), No.12 Kvitova (2020 US Open) and No.18
   Martic (2021 Yarra Valley Classic)
- Coming off career-best run to R16 at Australian Open (d. No.22 Kontaveit in 3r, I. Barty)
- One of four Americans in main draw this week (also Collins and qualifiers Brengle and Gauff)
- Opened her 2021 campaign with a QF showing at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. Barty)
- Produced career best year-end finish in 2020 at No.58, on the heels of SF appearance at Lexington (d. S.Williams in 2r, I. Teichmann) and QF at US Open (d. Kvitova, I. eventual champion Osaka) marked second career Slam QF appearance (also 2016 Roland Garros)
- In 2019, made return from injury at Charleston where she reached 2r (I. Ostapenko). Also posted 2r showings at Roland Garros and Mallorca and fell 1r six occasions and reached one ITF Circuit final
- Fell 1r in only two tournaments played in 2018 at Australian Open and Indian Wells injured left knee in loss to Dolehide at Indian Wells, requiring surgery in the summer
- In 2017, posted third Top 100 season and year-end finish of No.59. Year highlighted by reaching QFs at Charleston, Hobart and Strasbourg. Achieved career-high ranking of No.48 on January 30, 2017
- Also, played all three ties to help USA win its first Fed Cup in 17 years, winning decisive doubles rubber (w/Vandeweghe) in final against Belarus
- In 2017 US Open 2r, d. No.25 seed Gavrilova 7-6(6), 4-6, 7-6(5), in a match that took 3 hours, 33 minutes, setting a record for the longest women's match in US Open history
- Appeared in two WTA singles finals, at 2016 Rio de Janeiro (I. Schiavone) and at 2014 Bad Gastein (d.





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- No.16 Suárez Navarro and No.14 Errani en route, I.Petkovic)
- One-time doubles runner-up, at 2015 Bogotá (w/Falconi)
- Participated in 2014 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (along with Diyas, Puig and Zheng)
- Made Top 100 for first time on August 11, 2014
- Won first WTA level match at 2013 Strasbourg (d. Domachowska)
- Winner of five singles titles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit, where she made professional debut in United States in 2009, at age 16

#### KONTA:

- Making tournament debut
- After 1r bye, faces Rogers in 2r today her first match since retiring against Juvan in 1r at Australian
   Open w/abdominal injury
- Has fallen to opponents ranked outside the Top 50 at eight of her past 10 tournaments, with worst loss coming to No.159 Dodin at 2020 St. Petersburg
- Has had success down under before, most notably in 2016 when she became first British woman to reach
  the last four at Melbourne Park since Sue Barker in December 1977, and at any Grand Slam since Jo
  Durie at 1983 US Open
- However, went winless during 2020 Australian swing, falling 1r at Brisbane (I. Strycova) and Australian
   Open (I. Jabeur)
- Disrupted 2020 season saw her reach two semifinals, at Monterrey and Western & Southern Open
- Highlight of 2019 was historic run at Roland Garros; recording first ever main draw win in Paris before becoming the first British woman to reach SF since Jo Durie's run to the same stage in 1983, eventually falling to Vondrousova
- Other highlights in 2019 included QF run at Wimbledon (d. No.9 Stephens and No.6 Kvitova; I. Strycova) and US Open (I. Svitolina), R-Up finish in Rome (I. Ka.Pliskova) and Rabat (I. Sakkari, after leading by a set and a break)
- Highlights in 2018 included a second successive R-Up finish at Nottingham (I. Barty) and SF at Moscow
   [Kremlin Cup] (I. eventual champion Kasatkina)
- Began 2017 season by lifting title at Sydney (d. A. Radwanska in F), before landing biggest title of career at Miami (d. Wozniacki in F)
- At 2017 Wimbledon became first British player since Virginia Wade in 1978 to reach Wimbledon SF (I. eventual R-Up V.Williams). Posted career-high ranking of No.4 following the tournament, on July 17, 2017
- Reached third final of 2017 season at Nottingham (I. 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
- Was the non-playing alternate for WTA Finals in Singapore in 2016, narrowly missing qualification in the Top 8





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- By virtue of finishing R-Up at 2016 Beijing (I. A. Radwanska) her first Premier Mandatory final made WTA Top 10 debut - becoming the 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)
- Made Slam breakthrough with historic run to SF at 2016 Australian Open (I. 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
- One of nine active players to reach a major SF on hard, grass and clay: also Azarenka, Bouchard, Clijsters, Halep, Kvitova, Muguruza, S.Williams and V.Williams
- Was voted WTA Most Improved Player in 2016 by international media and fans
- Made tour-level main draw debut at 2011 Copenhagen





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# **ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL - DAY THREE**

# [LL] CHRISTINA MCHALE (USA #85) vs. ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #56)

#### McHale leads 2-0

**McHale** won their most recent match up at 2019 Wuhan... **Mertens** has accrued a 4-0 record vs. players outside the Top 50 so far this season

# [LL] MISAKI DOI (JPN #86) vs. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

### Bencic leads 1-0

A victory today would be **Doi's** first against Top 20 opposition since ousting No.13 Keys at 2017 Madrid... **Bencic** looks to win her first match following a 1r bye since making QFs at 2020 Doha

## [6] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #21) vs. [Q] COCO GAUFF (USA #54)

#### First meeting

**Martic** aiming to reach back-to-back QFs, having reached this stage last week at the Phillip Island Trophy... **Gauff's** first round win over Paolini marked her 25th career main draw victory

# [1/WC] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #1) vs. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #37)

#### **Barty leads 3-0**

**Barty** returns as the defending champion, defeating **Collins** en route to the crown... **Collins** coming off SF run last week at the Phillip Island Trophy – her first SF since 2020 Adelaide

# [Q] MADISON INGLIS (AUS #136) vs. [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18)

#### First meeting

**Inglis** hoping to notch her maiden win over a Top 20 opponent, currently owns 0-1 record... **Swiatek** coming off run to R16 at Australian Open, ending her 10-match Grand Slam win streak



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## [LL] CHRISTINA MCHALE (USA #85) VS. ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #56)

Head-to-head: CHRISTINA MCHALE leads 2-0

 2017
 NOTTINGHAM
 GRASS O
 R32
 CHRISTINA MCHALE
 6-0 5-7 7-6(2)

 2019
 WUHAN
 HARD O
 R64
 CHRISTINA MCHALE
 4-6 6-3 6-3

MCHALE		SEVASTOVA	
Career Prize Money	\$4,488,926	Career Prize Money	\$7,622,849
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	May 11, 1992 (28)	Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 13, 1990 (30)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	4
Adelaide W-L (MD)	Tournament debut	Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	0-3 / 169-202	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-4 / 180-150
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 69-76	3-Set (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 57-51
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 37-48	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 40-39
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	0-3 / 112-126	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	2-4 / 96-93
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 6-33	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 10-24
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 16-67	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 19-47
Coach		Coach	Ronald Schmidt

#### MCHALE:

- Making tournament debut in Adelaide this week as a Lucky Loser defeated Popovic in 1r of qualifying before falling to Inglis
- Made 1r exits at Grampians Trophy (I. eventual finalist Kontaveit), Australian Open (I. Podoroska) and then at last week's Phillip Island Trophy (I. Diyas in 3s)
- Highlight of 2020 season was QF run at Acapulco (I. eventual champion Watson) first WTA QF since 2017 Tianjin
   (I. Errani) and first back-to-back wins at tour level since 2019 Indian Wells
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.85 her eighth Top 100 season in the past nine years with the highlights of her campaign a fourth ITF Circuit title at \$80K Cagnes-sur-Mer-FRA and a 3r run at Indian Wells. In doubles was R-Up at Hiroshima (w/Savinykh)
- Ended 2018 ranked No.155 for first year-end finish outside Top 100 since 2010. Best result was 3r showing at Miami (d. No.24 Strycova in 2r, I. Muguruza)
- In 2017 posted SF runs at Acapulco and Tokyo [Japan Open] and QF at Tianjin
- Posted third non-consecutive Top 50 season in 2016 (first since 2012), at No.45. Won a career-best 26 main draw matches in 2016 and won first WTA singles title of career at Tokyo [Japan Open] (d. Siniakova in F). Now 1-1 in tour-level finals, having been runner-up at 2014 Acapulco (l. Cibulkova)
- The 2016 season also brought first two career WTA doubles titles, at Hobart (w/Han) and Tianjin (w/Peng)
- Enjoyed breakout year in 2012 when she became youngest member of US Olympic tennis team (four days younger than Ryan Harrison); also reached 3r of three straight Slams (Australian Open, Roland Garros, Wimbledon)
- Achieved career-best ranking of No.24 the week of August 20, 2012, but contracted mononucleosis and dropped out of the Top 100 on August 12, 2013 (to No.115), before finishing the year at No.68
- Broke into Top 100 on March 21, 2011 and Top 50 on September 12 the same year





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- Owns six wins against Top 10 players including three against the Top 5 d. No.1 Wozniacki at 2011 Cincinnati,
   No.3 Kvitova at 2012 Indian Wells and No.4 Muguruza at 2016 Indian Wells
- Played first WTA qualifying at 2008 New Haven and made main draw debut at 2009 Australian Open (both as WC); recorded first tour-level match win at 2009 US Open (in second tour-level main draw)

#### SEVASTOVA:

- Making second appearance at Adelaide International, having fallen 1r last year (I. Vekic)
- Sole Latvian in this week's starting field
- Ousted No.46 Garcia in 1r to record first Top 50 win since defeating No.9 S.Williams on Billie Jean King Cup duty last February
- Today, faces No.4 seed Mertens for their third career meeting looks to extend 2-0 record vs. the Belgian
- Their most recent meeting at 2019 Roland Garros lasted 3h18m with Sevastova saving five MPs in the 3s tiebreak before closing out the match 6-7(3) 6-4 11-9
- A win today would mark 20th career Top 20 win
- Made 2r at Yarra Valley Classic (d. Brengle, I. Pavlyuchenkova) before 1r exits at Australian Open (I. Kanepi) and then at last week's Phillip Island Trophy (I. Bogdan in 3s)
- Opened 2021 with 1r exit at Abu Dhabi (I. Badosa)
- Suffered a difficult year in 2020, finishing at No.54 after four consecutive Top 50 seasons; however, the only two
  wins of the season were over S.Williams at Fed Cup qualifiers (handing the American her first ever singles loss in
  the competition) and Gauff at US Open
- The 2019 season was highlighted by lifting fourth WTA singles title at Jurmala (d. Kawa in F) and posting two R16 showings on the Grand Slam stage—at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and for the first time at Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)
- Season highlights in 2018 include claiming her third title in Bucharest (d. Martic in F) and finishing R-Up at Mallorca (I. Maria). Also made first Premier Mandatory final at Beijing (I. Wozniacki in F), defeating No. 6 Osaka in SF for her fourth Top 10 win of the season
- Had 6-9 record against Top 20 players in 2018. Two of those victories (No.18 Keys and No.6 Osaka) came on the way to R-Up finish at 2018 Beijing Open
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach SF at 2018 US Open, upsetting No.7 Svitolina and No.3 Stephens en route. Defeat of No.3 Stephens was joint-best win rankings-wise (also d. No.3 Muguruza at 2016 US Open and No.3 Ka. Pliskova at 2017 Madrid). Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros WON; 2018 Wimbledon SF)
- Posted 43 tour-level wins in 2018, her highest previous number of wins in a single season was 37 in 2017Was the second of two singles alternates for 2018 WTA Finals in Singapore
- Captured second career singles title and first in seven years at 2017 Mallorca (d. Goerges in F)
- In 2016, played first full season since 2012, reaching two singles finals at Mallorca (I. Garcia) and Bucharest (I. Halep), as well as first Grand Slam QF of career at US Open
- Made Top 100 debut on July 13, 2009, Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010 and Top 20 debut on May 15, 2017

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- Retired from professional tennis in May 2013 due to various injuries mostly muscular and back-related but returned to competition at ITF level in January 2015 after body had fully healed
- Prior to break from tennis, won first singles title at 2010 Oeiras becoming first Latvian to win a WTA title in 17 years (since Savchenko at Schenectady in 1993)
- On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and four doubles titles
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2007 Istanbul, reaching 2r (as qualifier)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2006
- Latvian Billie Jean King Cup Team, 2005-06, 2008-10, 2018-20

# [LL] MISAKI DOI (JPN #86) VS. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

Head-to-head: BELINDA BENCIC leads 1-0

2015 US OPEN HARD O R64 BELINDA BENCIC 5-7 7-6(3) 6-3

DOI		BENCIC	
Career Prize Money	\$3,065,115	Career Prize Money	\$8,331,992
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 29, 1991 (29)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 10, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	4





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Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-3 / 84-137	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-2 / 158-118
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 31-42	3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 59-38
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 21-29	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 40-26
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	2-3 / 57-95	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 106-82
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-18	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 24-22
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 6-38	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 30-40
Coach	Christian Zahalka	Coach	Ivan Bencic

#### DOI:

- Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week as a Lucky Loser after falling to Samsonova in 2r of qualifying
- Won both her first tiebreak and 3s match of the season against No.69 Blinkova in 1r
- In 2r, faces off against No.12 Bencic; a victory today would mark her first win vs. Top 20 opposition since defeating No.13 Keys at 2017 Madrid
- Lone Japanese women in the draw
- Coming off 3r run at Phillip Island Trophy where she upset No.43 Garcia in 1r her first Top 50 win since beating
   No.44 Mladenovic and No.21 Vekic en route to QF at 2019 Osaka
- Recorded 1r exits at Yarra Valley Classic (I. Pavlyuchenkova) and Australian Open (I. Tomljanovic)
- Twelve months ago, opened her season with 1r exits at Shenzhen (I. Bondarenko) and Australian Open (I. Dart on final set tie-break)
- Best result of 2020 was R-Up finish at WTA 125K Series event at Indian Wells (I. Begu), while at Tour-level, sole main draw win came in 2r showing at Istanbul
- Appeared in her third WTA final at 2019 Hiroshima, falling to compatriot Hibino in the first all-Japanese final since
   1997 when Sawamatsu defeated Yoshida in Jakarta
- She later teamed with Hibino and won the Hiroshima doubles title her first appearance in a WTA doubles final in four years
- Also in 2019, swept singles and doubles titles at WTA 125K Series event at Bastad
- Highlights of 2018 campaign came on the ITF Circuit, winning her sixth and seventh career titles at \$25k Kofu-JPN and \$100k Vancouver-CAN
- Best results in 2017 were SF at Nurnberg, QF at Taipei City and 3r run at Madrid
- Posted career-best finish in 2016 at No.38 (up from No.60 in 2015) while also posting new career-high ranking of No.30 (week of October 10, 2016)
- Notched up career-best 24 main draw match wins in 2016. Highlights were reaching second WTA singles final at Kaohsiung (I. V.Williams) and best Slam showing with R16 run at Wimbledon (d. No.17 Pliskova in 2r, I. eventual R-Up Kerber)
- Represented Japan at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching 2r in singles (I. Stosur) and 2r in doubles (w/Hozumi, I. Kasatkina/Kuznetsova)
- Best result of 2016 clay season was Premier-level QF at 2016 Rome (d. No.15 Safarova in 2r, I. Begu). At the time
  was the first Japanese player to reach QF at Premier-level tournament or above since 2014, when Date made
  Birmingham QF
- In March 2016, won the WTA 125k Series event at San Antonio (d. Friedsam in F)

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- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2015 Luxembourg (d. Barthel in F); scored first Top 20 win of her career en route to title, over No.20 Petkovic in 1r
- Lifted first WTA doubles title at 2014 Istanbul (w/Svitolina)
- In 2012, advanced to first WTA QF, at Birmingham, and SF, at Osaka
- Member of Japanese Billie Jean King Cup Team, 2011, 2013-15, 2017, 2019-20
- Scored first WTA main draw win at 2011 Kuala Lumpur (fourth tour-level main draw) and first back-to-back wins during 3r run at 2011 Wimbledon (eighth main draw)
- Played first WTA qualifying at 2009 Osaka; made main draw debut at 2010 Roland Garros

#### **BENCIC:**

- Making her second main draw appearance at the Adelaide International as the No.2 seed
- One of two Swiss women in the main draw also Teichmann
- Last year, advanced to QFs before falling to No.27 Collins
- Following 1r bye, faces No.86 Doi in today's 2r. Has fallen following her last two 1r byes, at 2020 Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic) and at 2021 Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea)
- Coming off 3r run at the Australian Open posting first back-to-back wins of the season against Davis in 1r and Kuznetsova in 2r (I. Mertens)
- Opened her 2021 season with 2r exit at the Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea) in what was her first match since last September at Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic)
- Across a disrupted 2020 reached three QFs, at Adelaide, St. Petersburg and Doha
- Enjoyed a stellar season in 2019, in which she lifted two titles at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and posted a career-best 49 Tour-level match wins in 2019 only Ka.Pliskova (52), Barty (54) and Bertens (55) scored more. By contrast, posted a combined total of 37 wins at this level across 2016-18
- Victory in Moscow ensured she became first Swiss player to compete in singles at the WTA Finals since Hingis in 2006, going on to reach SF at the season-ending showpiece in Shenzhen
- Equaled her career-high ranking of No.7 following Moscow title run (October 21, 2019)
- Also in 2019, marked 20th Grand Slam main draw by reaching her maiden major SF at US Open (I. eventual champion Andreescu) and finished R-Up at Mallorca (I. Kenin after holding 3mp at 5-4 in second set)
- Was voted WTA Comeback Player of the Year in 2019
- Led the WTA with six victories over Top 5 players in 2019, including upsets over No.1 Osaka at Indian Wells,
   Madrid and US Open
- Standout result in 2018 was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, I. Goerges)
- In first round at 2018 Australian Open, defeated No.5 V.Williams. Having also upset then-No.1 S.Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto is one of seven women to defeat both Williams sisters before their 21st birthday (also Hingis, Sharapova, Clijsters, Henin, Chakvetadze and Osaka)
- Underwent left wrist surgery in spring 2017, missing five months ranking fell outside Top 300
- Run to 2016 St. Petersburg final saw her break into Top 10 (at No.9) for the first time in her career; became 116th player to break into the Top 10 since computerized rankings were introduced in 1975. In the last 20 years, 11 players have made their Top 10 debut before their 19th birthday

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- At 2015 Eastbourne, at 18y 109d, became second youngest player to win a WTA Premier level final (Wozniacki won 2008 New Haven aged 18y 43d)
- With 2015 Toronto triumph, became first teenager to win an event at Premier 5 level or higher since Azarenka at 2009 Miami
- Qualified for 2015 WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai however withdrew due to hand injury
- Won second WTA doubles title of career in 2015 at Washington, DC (w/Mladenovic), the first coming earlier in the year at Prague (w/Siniakova)
- Voted 2014 WTA Newcomer of the Year after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Tianjin (I. Riske) and QF run at 2014 US Open (defeated No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16); at 17 years of age, was youngest player through to last eight at Flushing Meadows since 1997 when Hingis won the title
- Played first WTA qualifying event at Luxembourg in October 2011, and first WTA main draw 12 months later at same event as WC (I. V.Williams, 1r); only 15 years, 7 months at the time
- Won junior singles titles at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2013; was named ITF Junior World Champion for 2013

# [6] PETRA MARTIC (CRO #21) VS. [Q] COCO GAUFF (USA #52)

Head-to-head: First meeting

MARTIC		GAUFF	
Career Prize Money	\$5,555,962	Career Prize Money	\$557,122
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Jan. 19, 1991 (30)	Date of Birth (Age)	Mar. 13, 2004 (16)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	1
Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	4-3 / 143-135	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	4-3 / 25-16
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 60-39	3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 11-7
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 36-31	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 7-4
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	4-3 / 76-84	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	4-3 / 20-13





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Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 4-28	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 15-46	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 4-6
Coach	Martijn Bok	Coach	Corey Gauff

#### **MARTIC:**

- Making tournament debut in Adelaide this week as the No.6 seed
- Defeated No.117 Samsonova in 1r, improving her record against players outside the Top 100 in 2021 to 4-1 only loss also came to a qualifier, No.183 Danilovic in 1r of Australian Open
- Also defeated Samsonova in a comeback victory last year in 2r of Palermo where she would go on to reach SF
   (I. R-Up Kontaveit) in the WTA's first tournament back from hiatus
- Faces No.52 Gauff today in their career first meeting. A win today would mark her best-by-ranking since defeating No.42 Kudermetova last year at Roland Garros
- Her last win against an American came on Australian soil, defeating McHale at 2020 Australian Open 1r
- Aiming to reach back-to-back QFs, having reached this stage last week at the Phillip Island Trophy (I. eventual champion Kasatkina) after surprise 1r exit at Australian Open (I. Danilovic in 3s) where she was seeded No.16
- The last time she reached back-to-back QF was in 2019 Zhengzhou (R-Up) and Wuhan (QF)
- Began 2021 season by reaching 2r at Yarra Valley Classic (I. Rogers)
- Despite a disrupted 2020, reached two SFs at Dubai and Palermo, and matched best result at US Open with R16 run
- Posted best season finish of career in 2019, at No.15. Lifted maiden career WTA title at Istanbul (d. Vondrousova in F) and advanced to first Grand Slam QF of career at 2019 Roland Garros (I. eventual runner-up Vondrousova); upset No.2 seed and No.2-ranked Ka.Pliskova in 3r to register best win-by-ranking
- Also in 2019, finished R-Up at Zhengzhou before qualifying for the WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the first time (fell at RR stage)
- Broke into Top 20 for first time week of September 30, 2019 (at No.17)
- In 2018, finished R-Up at Bucharest (I. Sevastova), posted QF showing at Indian Wells and made R16 at Australian Open
- In 2017, notched first Top 20 win in nearly five years over No.13 Keys at Roland Garros. Was ranked No.290 –
  the lowest-ranked player to reach R16 at a Grand Slam since the unranked Henin finished R-Up at 2010
  Australian Open (I. S.Williams)
- In April 2017 played her first event after 10 months out with a back injury, coming through qualifying to win \$25k
   ITF/Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA
- Made Top 100 debut on September 14, 2009 (after US Open; rose from No.137 to No.89) and enjoyed a Top 50 season in 2011, finishing at No.49
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team 2008-2010,2012, 2014
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2007 Miami
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2005

#### **GAUFF:**

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- Making tournament debut at Adelaide as a qualifier was the top seed in the qualifying draw, where she
  defeated Jones and Juvan to reach the main draw
- Defeated fellow qualifier Paolini in the 1r, firing seven aces. Held one match point in the second set before
  eventually ousting the Italian in a decisive third set
- The win over Paolini marked her 25th career main draw victory and 20th on hard courts
- Faces No.21 Martic today for a spot in her first QF since 2020 Lexington (I. eventual champion Brady in SF)
- Aiming for her best win-by-ranking since defeating No.13 Konta at 2020 Roland Garros 1r
- Fell 1r in doubles this week (w/Fichman) to the No.2 seeds Y.Duan/S.Zhang
- Coming off back-to-back 2r exits at Gippsland Trophy (I. Boulter) and Australian Open (I. Svitolina)
- Reached the doubles QFs at Melbourne Park (w/McNally, I. No.4 seed Melichar/Schuurs)
- Opened her 2021 season at Abu Dhabi, falling in 2r to Sakkari
- Ended 2020 at No.48, just one shy of her career high which she reached on October 26, 2020
- First cracked the Top 50 earlier in the season on Feb. 24, 2020 at No.49 following a R16 appearance at Australian Open to tie her career best Grand Slam result during performance, defeated V.Williams in 1r and her first Top 5 opponent in No.4 Osaka in 3r (I. eventual champion Kenin in 3s)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2019, highlighted by maiden WTA singles title at Linz (as lucky loser, d. Ostapenko in F) earned her first Top 10 win en route to title over No.8 Bertens in QF
- At 15y214d, her title run in Linz made her youngest to win a WTA tour-level title since Vaidisova (15y177d)
   won Tashkent in 2004
- Also claimed maiden WTA doubles titles at Washington, DC (w/McNally, d. Sanchez/Stollar in F) and Luxembourg (w/McNally, d. Christian/Guarachi in F)
- By winning the doubles title at Washington DC at 15 yrs, 144 days, became the youngest player to win a doubles title since May 1995 (Martina Hingis won Hamburg at 14 yrs, 219 days)
- Reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon on Grand Slam main draw debut defeating V.Williams in 1r (I. eventual champion Halep) - followed with 3r showing at US Open (as WC, I. Osaka)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2019 Miami where she earned her first WTA main draw win over good friend McNally (I. Kasatkina in 2r)
- Made professional debut in May 2018 as a qualifier into the \$25K ITF/Osprey, FL-USA
- Member of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2020
- Former Junior World No.1 (July 2018). Won 2018 Roland Garros girls' title (d. McNally in F) and 2018 US Open doubles title (w/McNally), while finished R-Up at 2017 US Open girls' event (l. Anisimova) becoming the youngest girls' singles finalist in US Open history at 13-years-old





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# [1/WC] ASHLEIGH BARTY (AUS #1) VS. DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #37)

Head-to-head: ASHLEIGH BARTY leads 3-0

2020	ADELAIDE	HARD O	SF	ASHLEIGH BARTY	3-6 6-1 7-6(5)
2019	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY O	R64	ASHLEIGH BARTY	7-5 6-1
2019	MADRID	CLAY O	R32	ASHLEIGH BARTY	6-1 1-6 6-1





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#### **BARTY:**

- Making second appearance at Adelaide as the defending champion (d. Yastremska in last year's final)
- Is the No.1 seed this week her 15th Tour-level event as the top seed. Spending her 64th week as the WTA World No.1 this week (first achieved June 24, 2019)

BARTY		COLLINS	
Career Prize Money	\$17,594,569	Career Prize Money	\$2,953,097
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	April 24, 1996 (24)	Date of Birth (Age)	Dec. 13, 1993 (27)
Singles Titles	9	Singles Titles	0
Adelaide W-L (MD)	4-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	4-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-1 / 160-66	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-3 / 54-47
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 49-20	3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 19-18
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	3-0 / 26-19	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	4-1 / 14-9
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	8-1 / 110-44	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	8-3 / 38-32
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 18-20	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 5-12
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 38-38	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 13-21
Coach	Craig Tyzzer	Coach	Tom Couch

- Following 1r bye, faces No.37 Collins today in their fourth career meeting. Defeated the American en route to two
  of her nine career titles, including here last year at Adelaide and during her 2019 Roland Garros triumph. Also
  defeated the American at 2019 Madrid
- Since returning to the Tour in 2017, has posted an impressive 41-11 record on home soil (including Fed Cup ties), winning two titles at 2020 Adelaide and 2021 Yarra Valley Classic, and finishing R-Up twice at Sydney in 2018 and 2019
- Coming off QF run at the Australian Open last week (I. Muchova) after winning her ninth career title at the Yarra Valley Classic (d. Muguruza in F) – her first tournament since 2020 Doha where she reached SF (I. eventual R-Up Kvitova)
- Finished year-end No.1 for second year in a row in 2020, despite missing all tournaments held after the resumption of play in the summer
- Went 12-3 to start 2020 season, results highlighted by first title on home soil, and eighth overall at Adelaide (d. Yastremska in F). Followed up with SF runs at Australian Open (I. eventual champion Kenin) and Doha (I. Kvitova)
- Stellar season in 2019 brought four singles titles including maiden major at Roland Garros (d. Vondrousova in F) and WTA Finals in Shenzhen (d. Svitolina in F); registered Tour-leading 57 match wins, with 11-6 record against Top 10 opponents
- Broke into Top 10 after defeating Ka.Pliskova in F at 2019 Miami (week of April 1) and became first Australian woman in 43 years to secure No.1 singles ranking after title run at Birmingham, where she defeated Goerges in F (June 24, 2019)
- Other highlights in 2019 included R-Up finishes at Sydney (scored first win over a reigning No.1, Halep, en route; I.
   Kvitova) and Beijing (I. Osaka) and reached SF at Cincinnati and Wuhan. In doubles, won Rome titles and was R-Up at US Open (both w/Azarenka)
- In 2019, spearheaded Australia to its first Billie Jean King Cup final since 1993, against France in Perth; went 1-1 in singles (d. Garcia, I. Mladenovic) and dropped decisive doubles (w/Stosur) as the French prevailed 3-2





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- In 2018, won two singles titles and four doubles titles, finishing the season No.15 in singles and No.7 in doubles; was one of only two players to finish the year in the Top 20 in both disciplines (along with Mertens)
- Captured first Grand Slam doubles trophy at 2018 US Open (w/Vandeweghe, d. No.1 seeds Krejcikova/Siniakova in SF and No.2 seeds Mladenovic/Babos in F)
- 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
- Qualified for WTA Finals in doubles in 2017 (w/Dellacqua) and 2018 (w/Vandeweghe)
- After 2014 US Open, took a break from tennis that lasted almost two years. Returned to professional tennis in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint as an allrounder for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- During doubles partnership alongside compatriot Dellacqua, reached three Grand Slam doubles finals in 2013 (Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open) and was also R-Up at Roland Garros in 2017
- Presented with Tennis Australia's Newcombe Medal prize in 2018 and 2019
- Made WTA main draw debut as WC at 2012 Hobart
- Won 2011 Wimbledon girls' singles title; finished season as world No.2 ranked junior behind Khromacheva
- Played first ITF Circuit event in hometown of Ipswich, Queensland in April 2010

#### **COLLINS:**

- Making her second appearance at the Adelaide International, having reached the SFs here last year (I. eventual champion Barty)
- In 1r on Monday, defeated S.Zheng in straight sets to set up clash with World No.1 Barty
- Bidding for her first win over the Australian and her first win over a reigning No.1. Best win-by-ranking came against
   No.2 Kerber at 2019 Australian Open
- A win today would mark her 20th main draw victory on Australian soil
- Coming off SF run last week at the Phillip Island Trophy (I. eventual champion Kasatkina) her first SF since 2020 Adelaide (I. Barty). Has yet to reach a Tour-level final
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (I. Ka.Pliskova) after QF showing at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. No.11 S.Williams in a third-set super tiebreak)
- Enjoyed a strong start in Australia last season, reaching QF at Brisbane (I. Keys) and SF at Adelaide (I. Barty);
   beat Top 20 players No.5 Svitolina (Brisbane), No.15 Kenin and No.7 Bencic (both at Adelaide)
- Ended 2020 by making QF at Roland Garros for first time, upsetting No.15 Muguruza and No.35 Jabeur en route (I. eventual R-Up Kenin)
- Began 2020 with SF at Adelaide (I. eventual champion Barty) and QF at Brisbane (I. Keys) scored third and fourth career Top 10 wins over No.5 Svitolina (Brisbane) and No.7 Bencic (Adelaide)
- Produced Grand Slam breakthrough at 2019 Australian Open, advancing to SF (I. Kvitova); had never won a major match in five previous Grand Slam appearances
- Scored first Top 5 win of her career against No.2 Kerber in R16 at 2019 Australian Open
- Rose to career-high No.23 following Melbourne run (January 28, 2019)
- 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)

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- Season highlight in 2018 was at Miami where she became first qualifier to reach SF (I. Ostapenko), scoring first
   Top 10 win over No.8 V.Williams en route. Earned USD\$327,965 by reaching the last four in Miami, more than doubling her career earnings at the time
- Posted first Tour-level wins during R16 run at 2018 Indian Wells (I. Suárez Navarro), including first Top 50 win over No.15 Keys in 2r
- Won first title at WTA125K event in Newport Beach in 2018 (d. Zhuk in F)
- Fell 1r at WTA main draw debut at 2014 US Open (I. Halep)
- · Owns four singles titles on ITF Circuit
- Part of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2019
- Played collegiate tennis at the University of Virginia (transferred from the University of Florida after her freshman year) winning the NCAA singles title twice in 2014 and 2016

## [Q] MADDISON INGLIS (AUS #136) VS. [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18)

Head-to-head: First meeting

INGLIS		SWIATEK	
Career Prize Money	\$423,000	Career Prize Money	\$3,165,382
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Jan 14, 1998 (23)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 31, 2001 (19)





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Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Tournament W-L (MD)	1-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	1-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-3 / 2-7	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	5-2 / 33-19
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 1-1	3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 8-6
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-0	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-6
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	2-3 / 2-6	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	5-2 / 19-13
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-1	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 0-1	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 6-5
Coach	Andrew Roberts	Coach	Piotr Sierzputowski

#### **INGLIS:**

- Making debut at Adelaide International having beaten Woolcock and McHale in qualifying
- One of three Australian women left in the main draw (also Barty, Gadecki, and Sanders)
- Faces No.18 Swiatek today in first career meeting with 0-1 record against Top 20 opponents
- Came through a 166-minute match to close out victory over compatriot Stosur in 1r
- Coming off 2r showing at Phillip Island Trophy (I. Q.Wang); win over Rakhimova in 1r was her first Tour-level victory
- Opened season with 1r exits at Yarra Valley Classic (I. Peterson) and Australian Open (I. Kenin)
- Best win of career came over No.63 Van Uytvanck at an ITF \$100k event in Vancouver, Canada Also owns another Top 100 win – over No.97 Badosa at ITF \$60k event in Burnie, Australian
- Set career high ranking of No.112 the week of March 2, 2020 after winning back-to-back titles on ITF Circuit in Australia in February d. Vickery in final at Burnie and Aiava in final at Perth
- Posted second Top 100 win en route to title at Burnie d. No.97 Badosa in SF; previously, d. No.63 Van Uytvanck at \$100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN in 2019 (via ret.)
- Won first three singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2019
- Winner of two ITF Circuit doubles titles, at \$25K ITF/Brisbane-AUS in 2018 and \$60K ITF/Bendigo-AUS in 2019
- At 2018 Hopman Cup, aged 19 and ranked No.771, subbed in at last minute for Team Japan's Naomi Osaka to play a singles rubber against CoCo Vandeweghe – pushed the No.10-ranked American to 75 62
- Made WTA singles main draw debut as WC at 2016 Hobart (I. Gasparyan in 1r) and the following week made
   Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open, having won Tennis Australia's WC play-off (I. Makarova in 1r)
- Made doubles Grand Slam debut at 2015 Australian Open as WC (w/Nancarrow)
- Contested qualifying at Australian Open for first time in 2014
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2013

#### SWIATEK:

- Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week as No.5 seed, just one shy of her career high ranking
- Faces No.136 Inglis today fell to a player outside the Top 50 only twice last year: Western & Southern Open (I. No.90 Mchale in 1r) and Rome (I. No.71 Rus in 1r)

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- Defeated No. 81 Brengle in comfortable straight sets victory in 1r
- As a qualifier ranked No.412, lost to the American in SF of ITF event in Charleston in 2018
- Coming off run to R16 at Australian Open falling to World No.2 Halep in 3 sets ending her 10-match Grand Slam win streak; won final major of the year at 2020 Roland Garros in which she beat Halep in QF
- Opened 2021 season reaching R16 at the Gippsland Trophy as No.6 seed (I. Alexandrova)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.17 on October 12, 2020 for her first Top 20 season finish
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland man or woman to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017
   Roland Garros
- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Her coach, Piotr Sierzputowski, was voted by members of the WTA Coach Program as the WTA Coach of the Year for 2020
- Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award, as voted on by fans
- Owns six career wins over Top 10 ranked players, having defeated No.16 Q.Wang (2019 Roland Garros), No.18 Wozniacki (2019 Toronto), No.20 Vekic (2020 Australian Open), No.19 Vondrousova (2020 Roland Garros), No.2 Halep (2020 Roland Garros) and No.6 Kenin (2020 Roland Garros)
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (I. Hercog) and R16 run at Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Also in 2019, reached 3r at Toronto (I. Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)
- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record in ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 campaign were four titles on the ITF Circuit, including at the \$60k clay court events in Budapest-HUN and Montreux-SUI
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Member of Poland's Fed Cup team, 2018-20
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016; owns seven singles titles at this level
- Enjoyed a stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Küng in F), 2018 Roland Garros doubles (w/McNally), and leading Poland to the Junior Fed Cup crown in 2016





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# **ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL – QUARTERFINALS**

## **ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #56) VS. JIL TEICHMANN (SUI #61)**

#### First meeting

**Sevastova** is into her first WTA QF since her title run at 2019 Jurmala... **Teichmann** has reached back-to-backs QFs, having also reached this stage last week at the Phillip Island Trophy

## [Q] COCO GAUFF (USA #52) VS. SHELBY ROGERS (USA #53)

#### First meeting

**Gauff** is 2-0 in the QF stage at Tour-level events and is looking for her first SF since 2020 Lexington... **Rogers** notched her fifth Top 20 win since the start of 2020 over No.16 Konta on Wednesday

## **DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #37) VS. [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18)**

#### First meeting

**Collins** coming off her first win over a reigning No.1 against Barty and faces another Roland Garros champion today... **Swiatek** bidding for first Top 40 win since claiming three during 2020 Paris triumph

## [Q] STORM SANDERS (AUS #292) VS. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

#### First meeting

**Sanders** has scored back-to-back Tour-level wins for the first time in her career this week... **Bencic** has lost to a player outside the Top 200 once in her career, retiring vs. No.225 Boserup at 2016 Wimbledon





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## ANASTASIJA SEVASTOVA (LAT #56) VS. JIL TEICHMANN (SUI #61)

Head-to-head: First meeting

SEVASTOVA		TEICHMANN	
Career Prize Money	\$7,622,849	Career Prize Money	\$902,786
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Left-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Apr. 13, 1990 (30)	Date of Birth (Age)	July 15, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	4	Singles Titles	2
Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-1	Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	3-4 / 181-150	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	5-3 / 33-34
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 57-51	3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 7-13
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 40-39	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 7-11
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	3-4 / 97-93	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	5-3 / 18-23
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 10-24	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-2
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 19-47	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-3
Left-handers W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 8-5	Left-handers W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 2-0
Coach	Ronald Schmidt	Coach	Alberto Martin

#### SEVASTOVA:

- Making second appearance at Adelaide International, having fallen 1r last year (I. Vekic)
- Sole Latvian in this week's starting field
- Ousted No.46 Garcia in 1r to record first Top 50 win since defeating No.9 S.Williams on Billie Jean King Cup duty last February
- Was scheduled to play No.4 seed Mertens in 2r before the Belgian withdrew due to a right shoulder injury. Instead, faced lucky loser McHale, defeating the American in straight sets and winning 50% of her return games
- Has now won back-to-back matches for the first time since 2019 US Open (d. Bouchard and Swiatek, I. Martic)
- Faces No.61 Teichmann today in their career first meeting. Owns 8-5 career record vs. left-handed opponents, most recently falling to Vondrousova at 2020 Dubai
- Today marks her first QF since winning the 2019 Jurmala title (d. Kawa in F)
- Made 2r at Yarra Valley Classic (d. Brengle, I. Pavlyuchenkova) before 1r exits at Australian Open (I. Kanepi) and then at last week's Phillip Island Trophy (I. Bogdan in 3s)
- Opened 2021 with 1r exit at Abu Dhabi (I. Badosa)
- Suffered a difficult year in 2020, finishing at No.54 after four consecutive Top 50 seasons; however, the only two
  wins of the season were over S.Williams at Fed Cup qualifiers (handing the American her first ever singles loss in
  the competition) and Gauff at US Open
- The 2019 season was highlighted by lifting fourth WTA singles title at Jurmala (d. Kawa in F) and posting two R16 showings on the Grand Slam stage—at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Osaka) and for the first time at Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)





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- Season highlights in 2018 include claiming her third title in Bucharest (d. Martic in F) and finishing R-Up at Mallorca (I. Maria). Also made first Premier Mandatory final at Beijing (I. Wozniacki in F), defeating No. 6 Osaka in SF for her fourth Top 10 win of the season
- Had 6-9 record against Top 20 players in 2018. Two of those victories (No.18 Keys and No.6 Osaka) came on the way to R-Up finish at 2018 Beijing Open
- Became the first Latvian woman to reach SF at 2018 US Open, upsetting No.7 Svitolina and No.3 Stephens en route. Defeat of No.3 Stephens was joint-best win rankings-wise (also d. No.3 Muguruza at 2016 US Open and No.3 Ka. Pliskova at 2017 Madrid). Across all majors, the only other Latvian woman to reach this stage is Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros WON; 2018 Wimbledon SF)
- Posted 43 tour-level wins in 2018, her highest previous number of wins in a single season was 37 in 2017Was the second of two singles alternates for 2018 WTA Finals in Singapore
- Captured second career singles title and first in seven years at 2017 Mallorca (d. Goerges in F)
- In 2016, played first full season since 2012, reaching two singles finals at Mallorca (I. Garcia) and Bucharest (I. Halep), as well as first Grand Slam QF of career at US Open
- Made Top 100 debut on July 13, 2009, Top 50 debut on October 11, 2010 and Top 20 debut on May 15, 2017
- Retired from professional tennis in May 2013 due to various injuries mostly muscular and back-related but returned to competition at ITF level in January 2015 after body had fully healed
- Prior to break from tennis, won first singles title at 2010 Oeiras becoming first Latvian to win a WTA title in 17 years (since Savchenko at Schenectady in 1993)
- On ITF Circuit, has won 13 singles and four doubles titles
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2007 Istanbul, reaching 2r (as qualifier)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2006
- Latvian Billie Jean King Cup Team, 2005-06, 2008-10, 2018-20

#### TEICHMANN:

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide International
- One of two Swiss women in the starting field, including Bencic who is also through to QF
- Opened this week with a straight sets victory over Mladenovic followed by a comeback win over No.8 seed Q.Wang to reach back-to-back QFs, having fallen at this stage last week at Phillip Island Trophy (I. Bouzkova)
- Faces No.56 Sevastova today in their career first meeting. The last time she faced a Latvian opponent was at 2020 Doha, falling to Ostapenko in 1r
- Looking to reach her first SF since R-Up appearance at 2020 Lexington (I. Brady in F)
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at the Gippsland Trophy and Australian Open, both to Gauff
- Achieved career-best year-end ranking of No.57 in 2020, helped by runner-up showing at Lexington (I. Brady) and QF at Strasbourg (I. Svitolina)
- Won first and second titles of her career during 2019 season, coming through qualifying to triumph at Prague (d. Muchova in F) and then at Palermo (d. No.5 Bertens in F)
- Made Top 100 debut after Prague success, jumping from No.146 to No.87 (May 6). Rose to career-high No.54 following Palermo title run (July 29, 2019)

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- Also made QF on home soil at Lausanne and fell 1r at nine other tour-level events (including Wimbledon and US Open). Won ITF Circuit title at Santa Margherita Di Pula-ITA
- Qualified for first Grand Slam main draw at 2018 US Open, going on to reach 2r (I. Kanepi). Also, reached 2r at tour level events at Acapulco and Linz and lifted WTA 125K Series title at Newport Beach (w/Doi)
- Spent majority of 2016 on ITF Circuit, winning 44 matches and three titles to rise over 200 places in the rankings. Also reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at Strasbourg and fell in qualifying at US Open
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2015 Luxembourg
- Owns six singles and five doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Switzerland and Germany in 2013
- As a junior won 2014 US Open girls' doubles (w/Soylu) and a gold medal in mixed doubles (w/Zielinski) at 2014
   Youth Olympics in Nanjing



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## [Q] COCO GAUFF (USA #52) VS. SHELBY ROGERS (USA #53)

Head-to-head: First meeting

GAUFF		ROGERS	
Career Prize Money	\$1,213,921	Career Prize Money	\$3,169,293
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Mar. 13, 2004 (16)	Date of Birth (Age)	Oct.13, 1992 (28)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	0
Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	5-3 / 26-16	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-2 / 73-82
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	3-1 / 12-7	3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 24-36
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 7-4	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 27-22
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	5-3 / 21-13	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	8-2 / 41-47
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-2 / 3-11
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 4-6	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 15-24
Coach	Corey Gauff	Coach	Mark Gellard

#### **GAUFF:**

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide as a qualifier was the top seed in the qualifying draw, where she
  defeated Jones and Juvan to reach the main draw
- Defeated fellow qualifier Paolini in the 1r, firing seven aces. Held one match point in the second set before
  eventually ousting the Italian in a decisive third set
- The win over Paolini marked her 25th career main draw victory and 20th on hard courts
- Defeated No.21 Martic on Wednesday for a spot in her first QF since 2020 Lexington (I. eventual champion Brady in SF). The win marked her best-by-ranking since defeating No.13 Konta at 2020 Roland Garros 1r
- Has now won back-to-back main draw matches for the first time since her SF run at 2020 Lexington
- Faces No.53 Rogers today in their career first meeting. Is 4-2 vs. her compatriots at Tour-level, with wins coming over McNally (2019 Miami), V.Williams (2019 Wimbledon and 2020 Australian Open) and Dolehide (2020 Lexington)
- Is 2-0 in QF stage at Tour-level 2019 Linz (WON) and 2020 Lexington (SF)
- Fell 1r in doubles this week (w/Fichman) to the No.2 seeds Y.Duan/S.Zhang
- Coming off back-to-back 2r exits at Gippsland Trophy (I. Boulter) and Australian Open (I. Svitolina)
- Reached the doubles QFs at Melbourne Park (w/McNally, I. No.4 seed Melichar/Schuurs)
- Opened her 2021 season at Abu Dhabi, falling in 2r to Sakkari
- Ended 2020 at No.48, just one shy of her career high which she reached on October 26, 2020
- First cracked the Top 50 earlier in the season on Feb. 24, 2020 at No.49 following a R16 appearance at
  Australian Open to tie her career best Grand Slam result during performance, defeated V.Williams in 1r
  and her first Top 5 opponent in No.4 Osaka in 3r (I. eventual champion Kenin in 3s)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2019, highlighted by maiden WTA singles title at Linz (as lucky loser, d.
   Ostapenko in F) earned her first Top 10 win en route to title over No.8 Bertens in QF





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- At 15y214d, her title run in Linz made her youngest to win a WTA tour-level title since Vaidisova (15y177d)
   won Tashkent in 2004
- Also claimed maiden WTA doubles titles at Washington, DC (w/McNally, d. Sanchez/Stollar in F) and Luxembourg (w/McNally, d. Christian/Guarachi in F)
- By winning the doubles title at Washington DC at 15 yrs, 144 days, became the youngest player to win a doubles title since May 1995 (Martina Hingis won Hamburg at 14 yrs, 219 days)
- Reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon on Grand Slam main draw debut defeating V.Williams in 1r (I. eventual champion Halep) followed with 3r showing at US Open (as WC, I. Osaka)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2019 Miami where she earned her first WTA main draw win over good friend McNally (I. Kasatkina in 2r)
- Made professional debut in May 2018 as a qualifier into the \$25K ITF/Osprey, FL-USA
- Member of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2020
- Former Junior World No.1 (July 2018). Won 2018 Roland Garros girls' title (d. McNally in F) and 2018 US Open doubles title (w/McNally), while finished R-Up at 2017 US Open girls' event (l. Anisimova) becoming the youngest girls' singles finalist in US Open history at 13-years-old

#### ROGERS:

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide International
- Came through a 76-minute second set to close out victory over Kudermetova in 1r
- Ousted No.16 Konta in 2r without dropping serve and saving all three break points faced; since the start of 2020, has now registered five Top 20 wins also d. No.9 S.Williams (2020 Lexington), No.17 Rybakina (2020 US Open), No.12 Kvitova (2020 US Open) and No.18 Martic (2021 Yarra Valley Classic)
- Is into her second QF of 2021, having also reached this stage at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. Barty). In 2020, reached this stage at Tour-level events twice at Lexington (SF) and US Open (QF)
- Faces No.52 Gauff today for a spot in her first SF since 2020 Lexington (I. Teichmann in SF)
- One of four Americans in main draw this week (also Collins and qualifiers Brengle and Gauff)
- Coming off career-best run at Australian Open by reaching the R16 (d. No.22 Kontaveit in 3r, I. Barty)
- Opened her 2021 campaign with a QF showing at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. Barty)
- Produced career best year-end finish in 2020 at No.58, on the heels of SF appearance at Lexington (d. S.Williams in 2r, I. Teichmann) and QF at US Open (d. Kvitova, I. eventual champion Osaka) marked second career Slam QF appearance (also 2016 Roland Garros)
- In 2019, made return from injury at Charleston where she reached 2r (I. Ostapenko). Also posted 2r showings at Roland Garros and Mallorca and fell 1r six occasions and reached one ITF Circuit final
- Fell 1r in only two tournaments played in 2018 at Australian Open and Indian Wells injured left knee in loss to Dolehide at Indian Wells, requiring surgery in the summer
- In 2017, posted third Top 100 season and year-end finish of No.59. Year highlighted by reaching QFs at Charleston, Hobart and Strasbourg. Achieved career-high ranking of No.48 on January 30, 2017
- Also, played all three ties to help USA win its first Fed Cup in 17 years, winning decisive doubles rubber (w/Vandeweghe) in final against Belarus

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- In 2017 US Open 2r, d. No.25 seed Gavrilova 7-6(6), 4-6, 7-6(5), in a match that took 3 hours, 33 minutes, setting a record for the longest women's match in US Open history
- Appeared in two WTA singles finals, at 2016 Rio de Janeiro (I. Schiavone) and at 2014 Bad Gastein (d.
- No.16 Suárez Navarro and No.14 Errani en route, I.Petkovic)
- One-time doubles runner-up, at 2015 Bogotá (w/Falconi)
- Participated in 2014 WTA Finals Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore (along with Diyas, Puig and Zheng)
- Made Top 100 for first time on August 11, 2014
- Won first WTA level match at 2013 Strasbourg (d. Domachowska)
- Winner of five singles titles and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit, where she made professional debut in United States in 2009, at age 16





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## DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #37) VS. [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18)

Head-to-head: First career meeting

COLLINS		SWIATEK	
Career Prize Money	\$2,953,097	Career Prize Money	\$3,165,382
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Dec. 13, 1993 (27)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 31, 2001 (19)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	1
Adelaide W-L (MD)	5-1	Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	9-3 / 55-47	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	6-2 / 34-19
3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 19-18	3-Set (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 8-6
Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	4-1 / 14-9	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-6
Hard Court (YTD / Career)	9-3 / 39-32	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	6-2 / 20-13
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	2-1 / 6-12	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	2-2 / 14-21	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 6-5
Coach	Tom Couch	Coach	Piotr Sierzputowski

#### **COLLINS:**

- Making her second appearance at the Adelaide International, having reached the SFs here last year (I. eventual champion Barty)
- One of three Americans still in the main draw (also Gauff and Rogers)
- In 1r on Monday, defeated S. Zheng in straight sets to set up clash with World No.1 Barty
- Scored her first win over a reigning World No.1 against Barty in 2r in a 62-minute match. Previous best winby-ranking came against No.2 Kerber at 2019 Australian Open
- The win over Barty also marked her 20th main draw victory on Australian soil
- Faces No.18 Swiatek today in their career first meeting; Holds a 14-21 career record vs. Top 20 opponents, including two in 2021 against No.6 Ka.Pliskova (Yarra Valley Classic) and No.1 Barty this week
- Bidding for back-to-back SFs, having reached this stage last week at the Phillip Island Trophy (I. eventual champion Kasatkina) – her first SF since 2020 Adelaide (I. Barty). Has yet to reach a Tour-level final
- Fell 2r at Australian Open (I. Ka.Pliskova) after QF showing at the Yarra Valley Classic (I. No.11 S.Williams in a third-set super tiebreak)
- Enjoyed a strong start in Australia last season, reaching QF at Brisbane (I. Keys) and SF at Adelaide (I. Barty); beat Top 20 players No.5 Svitolina (Brisbane), No.15 Kenin and No.7 Bencic (both at Adelaide)
- Ended 2020 by making QF at Roland Garros for first time, upsetting No.15 Muguruza and No.35 Jabeur en route (I. eventual R-Up Kenin)
- Began 2020 with SF at Adelaide (I. eventual champion Barty) and QF at Brisbane (I. Keys) scored third and fourth career Top 10 wins over No.5 Svitolina (Brisbane) and No.7 Bencic (Adelaide)
- Produced Grand Slam breakthrough at 2019 Australian Open, advancing to SF (I. Kvitova); had never won a major match in five previous Grand Slam appearances





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- Scored first Top 5 win of her career against No.2 Kerber in R16 at 2019 Australian Open
- Rose to career-high No.23 following Melbourne run (January 28, 2019)
- 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)
- Season highlight in 2018 was at Miami where she became first qualifier to reach SF (I. Ostapenko),
   scoring first Top 10 win over No.8 V.Williams en route. Earned USD\$327,965 by reaching the last four in Miami, more than doubling her career earnings at the time
- Posted first Tour-level wins during R16 run at 2018 Indian Wells (I. Suárez Navarro), including first Top 50 win over No.15 Keys in 2r
- Won first title at WTA125K event in Newport Beach in 2018 (d. Zhuk in F)
- Fell 1r at WTA main draw debut at 2014 US Open (I. Halep)
- · Owns four singles titles on ITF Circuit
- Part of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2019
- Played collegiate tennis at the University of Virginia (transferred from the University of Florida after her freshman year) winning the NCAA singles title twice in 2014 and 2016

#### SWIATEK:

- Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week as No.5 seed and ranked at No.18, just one spot shy of her career high ranking
- Defeated No.81 Brengle in 1r followed by No.136 Inglis in 2r both in straight sets, which marked her 19th and 20th career hard court victories at Tour-level
- Is into her first QF of 2021, having last reached this stage at 2020 Roland Garros where she eventually won the title
- Faces No.37 Collins today in their first career meeting. Has not defeated a Top 40 ranked opponent since her 2020 Roland Garros triumph, when she defeated No.19 Vondrousova, No.2 Halep and No.6 Kenin
- Coming off run to R16 at Australian Open falling to World No.2 Halep in three-sets, ending her 10-match
   Grand Slam win streak; won final major of the year at 2020 Roland Garros in which she beat Halep in QF
- Opened 2021 season reaching R16 at the Gippsland Trophy as No.6 seed (I. Alexandrova)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.17 on October 12, 2020 for her first Top 20 season finish
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland – man or woman – to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017 Roland Garros





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- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Her coach,
   Piotr Sierzputowski, was voted by members of the WTA Coach Program as the WTA Coach of the Year
   for 2020
- Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award, as voted on by fans
- Owns six career wins over Top 10 ranked players, having defeated No.16 Q.Wang (2019 Roland Garros),
   No.18 Wozniacki (2019 Toronto), No.20 Vekic (2020 Australian Open), No.19 Vondrousova (2020 Roland Garros),
   No.2 Halep (2020 Roland Garros) and No.6 Kenin (2020 Roland Garros)
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (I. Hercog) and R16 run at Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Also in 2019, reached 3r at Toronto (I. Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)
- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record in ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 campaign were four titles on the ITF Circuit, including at the \$60k clay court events in Budapest-HUN and Montreux-SUI
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Member of Poland's Fed Cup team, 2018-20
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016; owns seven singles titles at this level
- Enjoyed a stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Küng in F), 2018
   Roland Garros doubles (w/McNally), and leading Poland to the Junior Fed Cup crown in 2016





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## [Q] STORM SANDERS (AUS #292) VS. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

Head-to-head: First career meeting

SANDERS		BENCIC	
Career Prize Money	\$493,752	Career Prize Money	\$8,331,992
Plays	Left-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Aug. 11, 1994 (26)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 10, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	0	Singles Titles	4
Adelaide W-L (MD)	2-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	3-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	2-0 / 4-9	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	3-2 / 159-118
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 1-3	3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 59-38
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-3	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 40-26
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 4-7	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	3-2 / 107-82
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-1	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 24-22
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-2	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 30-40
Career Left-Hander (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 0-0	Career Left-Hander (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 13-9
Coach		Coach	Ivan Bencic

#### SANDERS:

- Making debut at Adelaide International where she was the second lowest-ranked player to start the main the draw (after No.399 Gadecki)
- Sole Australian left in tournament out of six who started the draw this week
- Upset No.66 Pera and No.113 McNally during qualifying rounds to earn spot in main draw
- Put on impressive performance to defeat compatriot No.74 Tomljanovic in 1r (6-1, 6-2); only previous Top 100 wins of her career came over No.39 Peng (2014 Hobart) and No.66 Pera (in qualifying on Sunday)
- Earned best by-rankings win of career in 2r over No.7 seed and World No.28 Putintseva
- The 6-4, 5-7, 6-1 win was also the Australian's first Tour-level three-set win in her career; was previously 0-3 when going the distance
- Into her first career WTA QF with back-to-back Tour-level main draw wins for the first time in career
- Faces No.12 Bencic today in only her third career match against a Top 20 opponent
- Has notched losses to No.19 Flipkens at 2014 Hobart and No.4 Svitolina at 2020 Hua Hin won first set in match against Flipkens before losing next two sets in a tiebreak
- Playing first Tour-level main draw since 1r exit at 2020 Strasbourg (as LL, I. Alexandrova)
- Fell to Juvan at opening hurdle of qualifying for 2021 Australian Open in Dubai
- Last year, made 2r at Hua Hin, fell 1r at Prague and Strasbourg and in qualifying at Australian Open and Brisbane
- In February 2020 lifted WTA doubles title at Hua Hin w/Ar.Rodionova without dropping a set
- Owns one other WTA title, triumphing at 2017 Nottingham w/Adamczak. She has also finished R-Up three times, most recently w/Perez at Istanbul in September 2020 – rose to career-high No.62 in doubles rankings on September 14, 2020
- Won second of two career singles titles on ITF Circuit at \$60K ITF/Playford-AUS in November 2019
- Fell 1r at Australian Open singles in 2014-17, while has contested qualifying at Roland Garros and US Open





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- Posted career-high singles ranking of No.202 on February 10, 2014
- Won first ITF Circuit singles title at \$25k ITF/Launceston-AUS in February 2013
- Owns 12 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut at \$25k ITF/Esperance-AUS in 2009

#### **BENCIC:**

- Making her second main draw appearance at the Adelaide International as the No.2 seed,
- With No.1 Barty's loss in 2r, is now the highest seed remaining in the draw
- One of two Swiss women in the main draw also Teichmann who has also advanced to final eight
- Has tied performance from last year when she also reached QF before falling to No.27 Collins
- Following 1r bye, defeated No.86 Doi in 2r ending her losing streak following her last two 1r byes, at 2020 Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic) and at 2021 Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea)
- Faces another left-handed player No.292 Sanders today hoping to reach first WTA SF since 2019 WTA Finals in Shenzhen (I. Svitolina)
- Reached a total of three QFs in 2020 (Adelaide, St. Petersburg, Doha) without advancing to the final four
- Owns 7-1 record against players outside the Top 200 with sole loss coming in 2r of 2016 Wimbledon when she retired with a wrist injury to No.225 Boserup; worst by-ranking loss in a completed match was to another Australian No.187 Gavrilova at 2015 Sydney
- Since start of 2019 season, has gone 11-5 against qualifiers last falling to No.86 Kovinic at 2020 Rome
- Coming off 3r run at the Australian Open posting first back-to-back wins of the season against Davis in 1r and Kuznetsova in 2r (I. Mertens)
- Opened her 2021 season with 2r exit at the Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea) in what was her first match since last September at Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic)
- Across a disrupted 2020 reached three QFs, at Adelaide, St. Petersburg and Doha
- Enjoyed a stellar season in 2019, in which she lifted two titles at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and posted a career-best 49 Tour-level match wins in 2019 - only Ka. Pliskova (52), Barty (54) and Bertens (55) scored more. By contrast, posted a combined total of 37 wins at this level across 2016-18
- Victory in Moscow ensured she became first Swiss player to compete in singles at the WTA Finals since Hingis in 2006, going on to reach SF at the season-ending showpiece in Shenzhen
- Equaled her career-high ranking of No.7 following Moscow title run (October 21, 2019)
- Also in 2019, marked 20th Grand Slam main draw by reaching her maiden major SF at US Open (I. eventual champion Andreescu) and finished R-Up at Mallorca (I. Kenin after holding 3mp at 5-4 in second set)
- Was voted WTA Comeback Player of the Year in 2019
- Led the WTA with six victories over Top 5 players in 2019, including upsets over No.1 Osaka at Indian Wells, Madrid and US Open
- Standout result in 2018 was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, I. Goerges)
- In first round at 2018 Australian Open, defeated No.5 V.Williams. Having also upset then-No.1 S.Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto is one of seven women to defeat both Williams sisters before their 21st birthday (also Hingis, Sharapova, Clijsters, Henin, Chakvetadze and Osaka)

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- Underwent left wrist surgery in spring 2017, missing five months ranking fell outside Top 300
- Run to 2016 St. Petersburg final saw her break into Top 10 (at No.9) for the first time in her career; became 116th player to break into the Top 10 since computerized rankings were introduced in 1975. In the last 20 years, 11 players have made their Top 10 debut before their 19th birthday
- At 2015 Eastbourne, at 18y 109d, became second youngest player to win a WTA Premier level final (Wozniacki won 2008 New Haven aged 18y 43d)
- With 2015 Toronto triumph, became first teenager to win an event at Premier 5 level or higher since Azarenka at 2009 Miami
- Qualified for 2015 WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai however withdrew due to hand injury
- Won second WTA doubles title of career in 2015 at Washington, DC (w/Mladenovic), the first coming earlier in the year at Prague (w/Siniakova)
- Voted 2014 WTA Newcomer of the Year after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Tianjin (I. Riske) and QF run at 2014 US Open (defeated No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16); at 17 years of age, was youngest player through to last eight at Flushing Meadows since 1997 when Hingis won the title
- Played first WTA qualifying event at Luxembourg in October 2011, and first WTA main draw 12 months later at same event as WC (I. V.Williams, 1r); only 15 years, 7 months at the time
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# **ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL – SEMIFINALS**

## [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18) vs. JIL TEICHMANN (SUI #61)

#### First meeting

**Teichmann** saved two match points in three-hour QF victory over Sevastova... **Swiatek** coming off fourth-round showing at Australian Open... **Teichmann** bidding for second Top 20 win of her career

## COCO GAUFF (USA #52) vs. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

#### First meeting

**Gauff** recovered from 4-2 down in third set to beat Rogers in QF... **Bencic** is playing her first SF since the end of 2019... Including qualifying, **Gauff** has spent nearly 10 hours on court en route to the final

## A LOOK AT THE SEMIFINALISTS

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	NAT	ADELAIDE (MD) W/L*	SEASON (MD) W/L*	CAREER (MD) W/L*	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER TITLES
[2] Belinda Bencic	12	23	SUI	4-1	4-2	160-118	8,331,992	4
[5] Iga Swiatek	18	19	POL	3-0	7-2	35-19	3,165,382	1
Coco Gauff	52	16	USA	3-0	6-3	27-16	1,213,921	1
Jil Teichmann	61	23	SUI	3-0	6-3	34-34	988,206	2

<sup>\*</sup>Includes current tournament / ^ Does not include current tournament

## SEMIFINAL RECORDS

PLAYER	LAST FINAL	CAREER	CAREER F
PLATER	REACHED (final result)	SF W/L	W/L
[2] Belinda Bencic	2019 Moscow (WON)	10-8	4-6
[5] Iga Swiatek	2020 Roland Garros (WON)	2-0	1-1
Coco Gauff	2019 Linz (WON)	1-1	1-0
Jil Teichmann	2020 Lexington (R-UP)	3-0	2-1

#### POTENTIAL FINAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

	GAUFF	BENCIC
SWIATEK	First meeting	First meeting
TEICHMANN	Gauff leads 2-0	Bencic leads 1-0

## **SEMIFINALIST STATS**

PLAYER	ACES	SERVICE POINTS WON	SERVICE GAMES WON	RETURN POINTS WON	RETURN GAMES WON
[2] Belinda Bencic	5	79/128 (62%)	13/17 (77%)	62/112 (55%)	11/18 (61%)
[5] Iga Swiatek	9	102/161 (63%)	20/24 (83%)	72/133 (54%)	13/22 (59%)
Coco Gauff	21	175/275 (64%)	33/44 (75%)	119/277 (43%)	16/45 (36%)
Jil Teichmann	3	146/263 (56%)	28/41 (68%)	130/272 (48%)	18/40 (45%)

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Head-to-head: First meeting

SWIATEK		TEICHMANN	
Career Prize Money	\$3,165,382	Career Prize Money	\$902,786
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Left-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	March 31, 2001 (19)	Date of Birth (Age)	July 15, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	2
Adelaide W-L (MD)	3-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	3-0
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	7-2 / 35-19	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	6-3 / 34-34
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 8-6	3-Set (YTD / Career)	3-2 / 8-13
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-6	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	2-3 / 7-12
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	7-2 / 21-13	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	6-3 / 19-23
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-2
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 6-5	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 1-3
Left-handers W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 5-1	Left-handers W-L (YTD / Career)	1-0 / 2-0
Coach	Piotr Sierzputowski	Coach	Alberto Martin

#### SWIATEK:

- Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week as No.5 seed and ranked at No.18, just one spot shy of her career-high ranking
- Defeated No.81 Brengle in 1r followed by No.136 Inglis in 2r both in straight sets, winning nine of 17 return games across both matches
- In QF, struck 17 winners in a set and a half on court before opponent Collins retired w/lower back injury
- Faces No.61 Teichmann in SF today; last loss to a player outside Top 50 came to left-hander Rus at 2020
   Rome (the tournament prior to her Roland Garros title run)
- Career record in WTA SF matches stands at 2-0, beating Kr.Pliskova at 2019 Lugano and Podoroska at 2020 Roland Garros
- Prior to this week, best result on hard courts were R16 runs at the Australian Open in 2020 and 2021
- One of three teenagers in the main draw (also Gauff and Gadecki); with Gauff also through to SF, there is the possibility of the first all-teenage WTA 500 final since 2017 Charleston (Kasatkina d. Ostapenko)
- Coming off run to R16 at Australian Open falling to World No.2 Halep in three-sets, ending her 10-match
   Grand Slam win streak; won final major of the year at 2020 Roland Garros in which she beat Halep in QF
- Opened 2021 season reaching 3r at the Gippsland Trophy as No.6 seed (I. Alexandrova)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.17 on October 12, 2020 for her first Top 20 season finish
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland – man or woman – to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017 Roland Garros





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- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Her coach,
   Piotr Sierzputowski, was voted by members of the WTA Coach Program as the WTA Coach of the Year for 2020
- Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award, as voted on by fans
- Owns six career wins over Top 10 ranked players, having defeated No.16 Q.Wang (2019 Roland Garros),
   No.18 Wozniacki (2019 Toronto), No.20 Vekic (2020 Australian Open), No.19 Vondrousova (2020 Roland Garros),
   No.2 Halep (2020 Roland Garros) and No.6 Kenin (2020 Roland Garros)
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (I. Hercog) and R16 run at Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Also in 2019, reached 3r at Toronto (I. Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)
- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record in ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 campaign were four titles on the ITF Circuit, including at the \$60k clay court events in Budapest-HUN and Montreux-SUI
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Member of Poland's Fed Cup team, 2018-20
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016; owns seven singles titles at this level
- Enjoyed a stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Küng in F), 2018
   Roland Garros doubles (w/McNally), and leading Poland to the Junior Fed Cup crown in 2016

#### **TEICHMANN:**

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide International
- Opened this week with a straight sets victory over Mladenovic followed by a comeback win over No.8 seed
  Q.Wang to reach back-to-back QFs, having fallen at this stage last week at Phillip Island Trophy (I.
  Bouzkova)
- Recovered from 3-0 down in the final set and saved 2MP to beat Sevastova in QF match lasting nearly three hours
- Has spent just over six and a half hours on court en route to SF three hours more than Swiatek's total
- Faces No.18 Swiatek in today's SF; owns one Top 20 win in her career, over No.5 Bertens at 2019 Palermo
- Career record in WTA SF matches stands at 3-0, although this is her first appearance at this stage of a WTA 500-level event; previously made it this far at 2019 Prague (WON), 2019 Palermo (WON) and 2020 Lexington (R-Up)
- One of two women from Switzerland in draw (also Bencic). Should both win today it will set up the first all-Swiss WTA final in the Open Era
- Made back-to-back 1r exits at the Gippsland Trophy and Australian Open (I. Gauff at both tournaments could potentially meet the American in final here)
- Achieved career-best year-end ranking of No.57 in 2020, helped by runner-up showing at Lexington (I. Brady) and QF at Strasbourg (I. Svitolina)
- Won first and second titles of her career during 2019 season, coming through qualifying to triumph at Prague (d. Muchova in F) and then at Palermo (d. No.5 Bertens in F)

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





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## [Q] COCO GAUFF (USA #52) VS. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

Head-to-head: First meeting

GAUFF		BENCIC	
Career Prize Money	\$1,213,921	Career Prize Money	\$8,331,992
Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	Mar. 13, 2004 (16)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 10, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	4
Adelaide W-L (MD)	3-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	4-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	6-3 / 27-16	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	4-2 / 160-118
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	4-1 / 13-7	3-Set (YTD / Career)	2-0 / 59-38
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	1-2 / 7-4	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 40-26
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	6-3 / 22-13	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	4-2 / 108-82
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 24-22
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 4-6	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 30-40
Coach	Corey Gauff	Coach	Ivan Bencic

#### **GAUFF:**

- Making tournament debut at Adelaide as a qualifier was the top seed in the qualifying draw, where she
  defeated Jones and Juvan whom she trailed 6-3 3-0 to reach the main draw
- Defeated fellow qualifier Paolini in the 1r. Held one match point in the second set before eventually ousting the Italian in third set
- The win over Paolini marked her 25th career main draw victory and 20th on hard courts
- Beat No.21 Martic on Wednesday for a spot in her first QF since 2020 Lexington (I. eventual champion Brady in SF). The win marked her best-by-ranking since defeating No.13 Konta at 2020 Roland Garros 1r
- Has won back-to-back main draw matches for the first time since her SF run at 2020 Lexington
- Recovered from 4-2 down in both the second and third sets to beat Rogers in QF
- Since the Tour restarted last summer 12 of her 25 matches (including qualifying) have gone to three sets
- Including two qualifying matches, has spent 9h 58m on court en route to SF; by contrast, Bencic (who received a 1r bye), has played for just 2h 52m
- Faces No.12 Bencic in today's SF; four career Top 20 wins came over No.8 Bertens (2019 Linz), No.4
   Osaka (2020 Australian Open), No.11 Sabalenka (2020 Lexington) and No.13 Konta (2020 Roland Garros)
- Is appearing in third career SF and first at a WTA 500-level tournament of above. Previously made it this far at 2019 Linz (WON) and 2020 Lexington (SF)
- One of three teenagers in the main draw (also Gadecki and Swiatek); with Swiatek also through to SF, there
  is the possibility of the first all-teenage WTA 500 final since 2017 Charleston (Kasatkina d. Ostapenko)
- Fell 1r in doubles this week (w/Fichman) to the No.2 seeds Y.Duan/S.Zhang
- Coming off back-to-back 2r exits at Gippsland Trophy (I. Boulter) and Australian Open (I. Svitolina)
- Reached the doubles QFs at Melbourne Park (w/McNally, I. No.4 seed Melichar/Schuurs)
- Opened her 2021 season at Abu Dhabi, falling in 2r to Sakkari
- Ended 2020 at No.48, just one shy of her career high which she reached on October 26, 2020
- First cracked the Top 50 earlier in the season on Feb. 24, 2020 at No.49 following a R16 appearance at
  Australian Open to tie her career best Grand Slam result during performance, defeated V.Williams in 1r
  and her first Top 5 opponent in No.4 Osaka in 3r (I. eventual champion Kenin in 3s)





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- Enjoyed breakout season in 2019, highlighted by maiden WTA singles title at Linz (as lucky loser, d.
   Ostapenko in F) earned her first Top 10 win en route to title over No.8 Bertens in QF
- At 15y214d, her title run in Linz made her youngest to win a WTA tour-level title since Vaidisova (15y177d)
   won Tashkent in 2004
- Also claimed maiden WTA doubles titles at Washington, DC (w/McNally, d. Sanchez/Stollar in F) and Luxembourg (w/McNally, d. Christian/Guarachi in F)
- By winning the doubles title at Washington DC at 15 yrs, 144 days, became the youngest player to win a doubles title since May 1995 (Martina Hingis won Hamburg at 14 yrs, 219 days)
- Reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon on Grand Slam main draw debut defeating V.Williams in 1r (I. eventual champion Halep) followed with 3r showing at US Open (as WC, I. Osaka)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2019 Miami where she earned her first WTA main draw win over good friend McNally (I. Kasatkina in 2r)
- Made professional debut in May 2018 as a qualifier into the \$25K ITF/Osprey, FL-USA
- Member of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2020
- Former Junior World No.1 (July 2018). Won 2018 Roland Garros girls' title (d. McNally in F) and 2018 US Open doubles title (w/McNally), while finished R-Up at 2017 US Open girls' event (l. Anisimova) becoming the youngest girls' singles finalist in US Open history at 13-years-old

#### **BENCIC:**

- · Making her second appearance at the Adelaide International, where she is through to SF for the first time
- Last year, as No.4 seed, reached QF (I. Collins)
- Playing just her fourth tournament since the Tour's resumption last August
- Following 1r bye, defeated No.86 Doi in 2r ending her losing streak following her last two 1r byes, at 2020
   Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic) and at 2021 Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea)
- With No.1 Barty's loss in 2r, is the highest-ranked remaining in the draw
- In QF, beat another left-handed player, No.292 Sanders, to reach first WTA SF since 2019 WTA Finals in Shenzhen (I. Svitolina)
- Fell at QF stage three times in 2020 (Adelaide, St. Petersburg, Doha)
- Faces No.52 Gauff in SF; two of past three defeats have been to players outside Top 50, at 2020 Rome (No.86 Kovinic) and 2021 Grampians Trophy (No.72 Cirstea)
- Owns 10-8 win-loss record in WTA SFs; eight out of these 18 visits to the final four came during 2019 campaign (3-5 record)
- Best previous results on Australian soil were SF runs at 2016 Sydney and 2019 Hobart
- Including win over Sanders in previous round, has gone 12-5 against qualifiers since start of 2019 (last lost to No.86 Kovinic at 2020 Rome)
- Lost most recent encounter with a teenager, falling to then No.185 Fernandez whilst representing Switzerland in the Billie Jean King Cup last February
- One of two women from Switzerland in draw (also Teichmann). Should both win today it will set up the first all-Swiss WTA final in the Open Era





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- Coming off 3r run at the Australian Open posting first back-to-back wins of the season against Davis in 1r and Kuznetsova in 2r (I. Mertens)
- Opened her 2021 season with 2r exit at the Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea) in what was her first match since last September at Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic)
- Across a disrupted 2020 reached three QFs, at Adelaide, St. Petersburg and Doha
- Enjoyed a stellar season in 2019, in which she lifted two titles at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and posted a career-best 49 Tour-level match wins in 2019 only Ka.Pliskova (52), Barty (54) and Bertens (55) scored more. By contrast, posted a combined total of 37 wins at this level across 2016-18
- Victory in Moscow ensured she became first Swiss player to compete in singles at the WTA Finals since Hingis
  in 2006, going on to reach SF at the season-ending showpiece in Shenzhen
- Equaled her career-high ranking of No.7 following Moscow title run (October 21, 2019)
- Also in 2019, marked 20th Grand Slam main draw by reaching her maiden major SF at US Open (I. eventual champion Andreescu) and finished R-Up at Mallorca (I. Kenin after holding 3mp at 5-4 in second set)
- Was voted WTA Comeback Player of the Year in 2019
- Led the WTA with six victories over Top 5 players in 2019, including upsets over No.1 Osaka at Indian Wells,
   Madrid and US Open
- Standout result in 2018 was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, I. Goerges)
- In first round at 2018 Australian Open, defeated No.5 V.Williams. Having also upset then-No.1 S.Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto is one of seven women to defeat both Williams sisters before their 21st birthday (also Hingis, Sharapova, Clijsters, Henin, Chakvetadze and Osaka)
- Underwent left wrist surgery in spring 2017, missing five months ranking fell outside Top 300
- Run to 2016 St. Petersburg final saw her break into Top 10 (at No.9) for the first time in her career; became 116th player to break into the Top 10 since computerized rankings were introduced in 1975. In the last 20 years, 11 players have made their Top 10 debut before their 19th birthday
- At 2015 Eastbourne, at 18y 109d, became second youngest player to win a WTA Premier level final (Wozniacki won 2008 New Haven aged 18y 43d)
- With 2015 Toronto triumph, became first teenager to win an event at Premier 5 level or higher since Azarenka at 2009 Miami
- Qualified for 2015 WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai however withdrew due to hand injury
- Won second WTA doubles title of career in 2015 at Washington, DC (w/Mladenovic), the first coming earlier in the year at Prague (w/Siniakova)
- Voted 2014 WTA Newcomer of the Year after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Tianjin (I. Riske) and QF run at 2014 US Open (defeated No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16); at 17 years of age, was youngest player through to last eight at Flushing Meadows since 1997 when Hingis won the title
- Played first WTA qualifying event at Luxembourg in October 2011, and first WTA main draw 12 months later at same event as WC (I. V.Williams, 1r); only 15 years, 7 months at the time
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# **ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL – FINAL**

## [5] IGA SWIATEK (POL #18) vs. [2] BELINDA BENCIC (SUI #12)

#### First meeting

**Swiatek** is bidding for seventh Top 20 win of her career... **Bencic** is through to her first final since October 2019... **Swiatek** is yet to drop a set this week... **Bencic's** most recent Top 20 victory came at end of 2019 season... **Swiatek** had never previously reached the QF stage of a hard court tournament... **Bencic** has not faced a Top 50-ranked player en route to the final

#### A LOOK AT THE FINALISTS

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	NAT	ADELAIDE (MD) W/L*	SEASON (MD) W/L*	CAREER (MD) W/L*	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER TITLES
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#### FINAL RECORDS

PLAYER	LAST FINAL REACHED (final result)	CAREER F W/L	
[2] Belinda Bencic	2019 Moscow (WON)	4-6	
[5] Iga Swiatek	2020 Roland Garros (WON)	1-1	

#### **FINALIST STATS**

PLAYER	ACES	SERVICE POINTS WON	SERVICE GAMES WON	RETURN POINTS WON	RETURN GAMES WON
[2] Belinda Bencic	8	150/240 (63%)	26/33 (79%)	115/231 (50%)	16/34 (47%)
[5] Iga Swiatek	10	139/213 (65%)	29/33 (88%)	98/190 (52%)	16/30 (53%)

#### **ROAD TO THE FINAL**

SWIATEK BENCIC

OPPONENT	RESULT	ROUND	RESULT	OPPONENT
[Q] Madison Brengle (USA #81)	6-3 6-4	First Round	-	Вуе
[Q] Maddison Inglis (AUS #136)	6-1 6-3	Second Round	6-1 6-3	[LL] Misaki Doi (JPN #86)
Danielle Collins (USA #37)	6-2 3-0 ret.	Quarterfinals	6-2 6-4	[Q] Storm Sanders (AUS #292)
Jil Teichmann (SUI #61)	6-3 6-2	Semifinals	7-6(2) 6-7(4) 6-2	[Q] Coco Gauff (USA #52)

Total time on court: 4h 55m

Total time on court: 5h 40m





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Plays	Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed
Date of Birth (Age)	March 31, 2001 (19)	Date of Birth (Age)	March 10, 1997 (23)
Singles Titles	1	Singles Titles	4
Adelaide W-L (MD)	4-0	Adelaide W-L (MD)	5-1
YTD / Career W-L (MD)	8-2 / 36-19	YTD / Career W-L (MD)	5-2 / 161-118
3-Set W-L (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 8-6	3-Set (YTD / Career)	3-0 / 60-38
Tie-Break W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 2-6	Tie-Break (YTD / Career)	1-1 / 41-27
Hard Court W-L (YTD / Career)	8-2 / 22-13	Hard Court (YTD / Career)	5-2 / 109-82
Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 2-3	Top 10 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-0 / 24-22
Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 6-5	Top 20 W-L (YTD / Career)	0-1 / 30-41
Coach	Piotr Sierzputowski	Coach	Ivan Bencic

#### SWIATEK:

- Making tournament debut at the Adelaide International this week as No.5 seed and ranked at No.18, just one spot shy of her career-high ranking
- Scored straight sets wins over No.81 Brengle in 1r followed by No.136 Inglis in 2r, winning nine of 17 return games across both matches
- In QF, struck 17 winners in a set and a half on court before opponent Collins retired w/lower back injury
- Delivered another tidy performance in SF win over Teichmann, striking 17 winners and just 12 unforced errors; has now won all three career SFs, having previously beaten Kr.Pliskova at 2019 Lugano and Podoroska at 2020 Roland Garros
- Since the Tour's resumption last August, 15 of her 17 wins have come in straight sets (17-5 overall record)
- Faces No.12 Bencic in today's final; six career Top 20 wins have come over No.16 Q.Wang (2019 Roland Garros), No.18 Wozniacki (2019 Toronto), No.20 Vekic (2020 Australian Open), No.19 Vondrousova, No.2 Halep and No.6 Kenin (all at 2020 Roland Garros)
- Prior to this week, best result on hard courts were R16 runs at the Australian Open in 2020 and 2021
- One of three teenagers in the main draw (also Gauff and Gadecki)
- Coming off run to R16 at Australian Open falling to World No.2 Halep in three-sets, ending her 10-match
   Grand Slam win streak; won final major of the year at 2020 Roland Garros in which she beat Halep in QF
- Opened 2021 season reaching 3r at the Gippsland Trophy as No.6 seed (I. Alexandrova)
- Posted career-high ranking of No.17 on October 12, 2020 for her first Top 20 season finish
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland – man or woman – to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017 Roland Garros





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- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Her coach,
   Piotr Sierzputowski, was voted by members of the WTA Coach Program as the WTA Coach of the Year for 2020
- Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award, as voted on by fans
- Owns six career wins over Top 10 ranked players, having defeated No.16 Q.Wang (2019 Roland Garros),
   No.18 Wozniacki (2019 Toronto), No.20 Vekic (2020 Australian Open), No.19 Vondrousova (2020 Roland Garros),
   No.2 Halep (2020 Roland Garros) and No.6 Kenin (2020 Roland Garros)
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (I. Hercog) and R16 run at Roland Garros (I. Halep)
- Also in 2019, reached 3r at Toronto (I. Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)
- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record in ITF Circuit
- Highlights of 2018 campaign were four titles on the ITF Circuit, including at the \$60k clay court events in Budapest-HUN and Montreux-SUI
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Member of Poland's Fed Cup team, 2018-20
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016; owns seven singles titles at this level
- Enjoyed a stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Küng in F), 2018
   Roland Garros doubles (w/McNally), and leading Poland to the Junior Fed Cup crown in 2016

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- Making her second appearance at the Adelaide International, where she is through to final for the first time
- Last year, as No.4 seed, reached QF (I. Collins)
- Playing just her fourth tournament since the Tour's resumption last August
- Following 1r bye, defeated lucky loser Doi in 2r had lost her previous two matches immediately following byes, at 2020 Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic) and at 2021 Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea)
- With No.1 Barty's loss in 2r, is the highest-ranked woman remaining in the draw
- In QF, beat another left-handed player, No.292 Sanders, to reach first WTA SF since 2019 WTA Finals in Shenzhen (I. Svitolina)
- Fell at QF stage three times in 2020 (Adelaide, St. Petersburg, Doha)
- In SF against another qualifier, Gauff, failed to convert 1MP at 5-3 up in second set before eventually closing out victory in 2h 48m had spent 2h 52m on court in her opening two matches combined
- Improved win-loss record in WTA SF matches to 11-8; eight out of her previous 18 visits to the final four came during 2019 campaign (3-5 record)
- Faces No.18 Swiatek in today's final; only meeting with a Top 20 player since start of 2020 was 6-2 6-1 defeat against No.16 Mertens in 3r at 2021 Australian Open
- Most recent Top 20 wins came during SF run at 2019 WTA Finals Shenzhen (No.6 Kvitova and No.10 Bertens)
- Six of past seven finals have come on hard, winning the two most recent ones, at 2019 Dubai (d. Kvitova) and 2019 Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova)





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- Best previous results on Australian soil were SF runs at 2016 Sydney and 2019 Hobart
- One of two women from Switzerland in draw (also Teichmann)
- Coming off 3r run at the Australian Open (I. Mertens) beat Davis in 1r and Kuznetsova in 2r to register backto-back wins for the first time since QF run at 2020 Doha
- Opened her 2021 season with 2r exit at the Grampians Trophy (after 1r bye, I. Cirstea) in what was her first match since last September at Rome (after 1r bye, I. Kovinic)
- Across a disrupted 2020 reached three QFs, at Adelaide, St. Petersburg and Doha
- Enjoyed a stellar season in 2019, in which she lifted two titles at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and posted a career-best 49 Tour-level wins in 2019 only Ka.Pliskova (52), Barty (54) and Bertens (55) scored more. By contrast, posted a combined total of 37 wins at this level across 2016-18
- Victory in Moscow ensured she became first Swiss player to compete in singles at the WTA Finals since Hingis in 2006, going on to reach SF at the season-ending showpiece in Shenzhen
- Equaled her career-high ranking of No.7 following Moscow title run (October 21, 2019)
- Also in 2019, marked 20th Grand Slam main draw by reaching her maiden major SF at US Open (I. eventual champion Andreescu) and finished R-Up at Mallorca (I. Kenin after holding 3mp at 5-4 in second set)
- Was voted WTA Comeback Player of the Year in 2019
- Led the WTA with six victories over Top 5 players in 2019, including upsets over No.1 Osaka at Indian Wells,
   Madrid and US Open
- Standout result in 2018 was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, I. Goerges)
- In first round at 2018 Australian Open, defeated No.5 V.Williams. Having also upset then-No.1 S.Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto is one of seven women to defeat both Williams sisters before their 21st birthday (also Hingis, Sharapova, Clijsters, Henin, Chakvetadze and Osaka)
- Underwent left wrist surgery in spring 2017, missing five months ranking fell outside Top 300
- Run to 2016 St. Petersburg final saw her break into Top 10 (at No.9) for the first time in her career; became 116th player to break into the Top 10 since computerized rankings were introduced in 1975. In the last 20 years, 11 players have made their Top 10 debut before their 19th birthday
- At 2015 Eastbourne, at 18y 109d, became second youngest player to win a WTA Premier level final (Wozniacki won 2008 New Haven aged 18y 43d)
- With 2015 Toronto triumph, became first teenager to win an event at Premier 5 level or higher since Azarenka at 2009 Miami
- Qualified for 2015 WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai however withdrew due to hand injury
- Won second WTA doubles title of career in 2015 at Washington, DC (w/Mladenovic), the first coming earlier in the year at Prague (w/Siniakova)
- Voted 2014 WTA Newcomer of the Year after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Tianjin (I. Riske) and QF run at 2014 US Open (defeated No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16); at 17 years of age, was youngest player through to last eight at Flushing Meadows since 1997 when Hingis won the title
- Played first WTA qualifying event at Luxembourg in October 2011, and first WTA main draw 12 months later at same event as WC (I. V.Williams, 1r); only 15 years, 7 months at the time
- Won junior singles titles at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2013; was named ITF Junior World Champion for 2013