



MATCH NOTES

BNP PARIBAS OPEN
INDIAN WELLS, CA, USA
OCTOBER 6-17, 2021 | \$8,761,725



FINAL MATCH-UP

21 PAULA BADOSA

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HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD

VICTORIA AZARENKA **27**

Azarenka is looking to become the first ever female three-time champion at the BNP Paribas Open... Badosa could win the title here on her debut following in the footsteps of the 2019 champion, Andreescu... Azarenka appearing in first final of the season while Badosa won her first WTA title earlier this year... Azarenka came back from a set and a break down to beat Ostapenko in SF... Badosa has not lost a set since her first match of the tournament

A LOOK AT THE FINALISTS

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT W/L	YTD W/L	CAREER W/L	YTD PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$	YTD TITLES	TITLES
[21] Paula Badosa (ESP)	5-0	40-15	58-37	1,084,732	1,955,790	1	1
[27] Victoria Azarenka (BLR)	33-8	28-8	497-192	786,628	33,133,916	0	21

BY THE NUMBERS

PLAYER	Aces	DF	Service Pts Won Pct	Service Games Won Pct	Return Points Won Pct	Return Games won
[21] Paula Badosa	21	19	63.8%	80.0%	48.6%	47.1%
[27] Victoria Azarenka	19	26	57.5%	70.6%	50.1%	50.9%

Most Singles Titles (Active Players)

73	SERENA WILLIAMS
48	VENUS WILLIAMS
41	KIM CLIJSTERS
28	PETRA KVITOVA
22	SIMONA HALEP
21	>>VICTORIA AZARENKA

WTA Match Stats Era (Since Start of 2008) Career Best 2nd Serve Return Points Won Leaders

ENTERING INDIAN WELLS	2ND SERVE RETURN PTS WON
AZARENKA, VICTORIA BLR	61.9%
CLIJSTERS, KIM BEL	60.0%
SHARAPOVA, MARIA RUS	59.7%
DEMENTIEVA, ELENA RUS	59.6%
RADWANSKA, AGNIESZKA POL	59.1%

>>Azarenka is winning 61.4% of 2nd serve return points this week at Indian Wells

PORSCHE RACE TO THE WTA FINALS

Four singles players have already qualified for the WTA Finals: Ashleigh Barty, Aryna Sabalenka, Barbora Krejčíková and Karolína Plíšková.

By reaching the quarterfinals at the BNP Paribas Open, **Ons Jabeur** has overtaken Naomi Osaka in eighth place on the leaderboard.

However, **Paula Badosa** could still replace Jabeur in the final qualifying spot by lifting the title.

Among the qualifying contenders, Garbiñe Muguruza, Maria Sakkari, Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Jabeur, Anett Kontaveit and Angelique Kerber have all entered next week's Kremlin Cup in Moscow. Iga Świątek is also in contention but is not playing anywhere next week.

Player	Points (not including 2021 IW)	Best Result
1. Ashleigh Barty	6411	Champion: Yarra Valley, Miami, Stuttgart, Wimbledon, Cincinnati
2. Aryna Sabalenka	4668	Champion: Abu Dhabi, Madrid
3. Barbora Krejčíková	4398	Champion: Strasbourg, Roland Garros, Prague
4. Karolína Plíšková	3971	Runner-Up: Rome, Wimbledon, Montreal
5. Iga Świątek	3106	Champion: Adelaide, Rome
6. Maria Sakkari	3147	Runner-Up: Ostrava
7. Garbiñe Muguruza	3140	Champion: Dubai, Charleston 500
8. Naomi Osaka	2771	Champion: Australian Open
9. Ons Jabeur	2630	Champion: Birmingham
10. Elina Svitolina	2381	Champion: Chicago 250

RETURNING CHAMP

Victoria Azarenka won the title here in 2012 and 2016 and is on the verge of becoming the **first woman in history** to win the BNP Paribas Open three times. She is currently tied with Martina Navratilova, Mary Joe Fernandez, Steffi Graf, Lindsay Davenport, Serena Williams, Kim Clijsters, Daniela Hantuchová and Maria Sharapova; all of whom have lifted the trophy in Indian Wells twice.

By reaching the final, she has the third most match wins in Indian Wells at 33 behind Davenport (47) and Sharapova (38) and has become the eighth woman to appear in three or more finals in Indian Wells: Davenport (6), Graf (3), Martina Hingis (3), Clijsters (3), Sharapova (3), S.Williams (3) and Svetlana Kuznetsova (3).

RANKING PROJECTIONS

Paula Badosa will break new ground and reach a new career high on Monday based on her results here. She will crack into the Top 20 at No.16 if she finishes runner-up and No.13 by winning the title. Her previous career high was No.26 which she hit on August 23, 2021.

Victoria Azarenka is projected to move to No.26 by reaching the final and as high as No.18 by winning the title.

Top 10 after Indian Wells

1. Ashleigh Barty
2. Aryna Sabalenka
3. Karolína Plíšková
4. Barbora Krejčíková
5. Garbiñe Muguruza
6. Elina Svitolina
7. Maria Sakkari
8. Ons Jabeur
9. Belinda Bencic
10. Naomi Osaka



PATRIOT GAMES

Victoria Azarenka is looking to bring the title back home to Belarus, while Badosa has a chance to make history for her country at Indian Wells. Although Spain has seen success here before, **Badosa** is trying to become the first ever champion from the nation to lift the trophy at the BNP Paribas Open. Conchita Martínez came close with her two runner-up finishes in 1992 (L. Seles) and 1996 (L. Graf) losing to the World No.1 in both instances.



DEBUTANTE BALL

Paula Badosa is hoping to win the title in Indian Wells on her debut in the desert. That would mean a BNP Paribas Open first-timer would have won the title in consecutive finals with 2019 champion, Bianca Andreescu, lifting the trophy on her introduction in Indian Wells. Andreescu's title run was the first victory for a debutante here since Serena Williams did so in 1999.



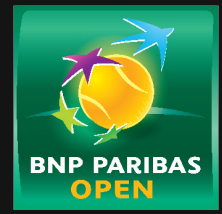
INDIAN WELLS 10-YEAR FINAL HISTORY

YEAR	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	SCORE
2019	[WC] Bianca Andreescu (CAN #60)	[8] Angelique Kerber (GER #8)	6-3 3-6 6-4
2018	Naomi Osaka (JPN #44)	[20] Daria Kasatkina (RUS #19)	6-3 6-2
2017	[14] Elena Vesnina (RUS #15)	[8] Svetlana Kuznetsova (USA #8)	6-7(6) 7-5 6-4
2016	[13] Victoria Azarenka (BLR #15)	[1] Serena Williams (USA #1)	6-4 6-4
2015	[3] Simona Halep (ROU #3)	[18] Jelena Jankovic (SRB #21)	2-6 7-5 6-4
2014	[20] Flavia Pennetta (ITA #21)	[2] Agnieszka Radwanska (POL #3)	7-6(5) 6-3
2013	[2] Maria Sharapova (RUS #3)	[8] Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #10)	6-2 6-2
2012	[1] Victoria Azarenka (BLR #1)	[2] Maria Sharapova (RUS #2)	6-2 6-3
2011	[1] Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #1)	[15] Marion Bartoli (FRA #17)	6-1 2-6 6-3
2010	[6] Jelena Jankovic (SRB #9)	[2] Caroline Wozniacki (DEN #4)	6-2 6-4



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A SNAPSHOT OF 2021

- Top 10 Debuts (3): Iga Swiatek (at No.9 on May 17), Barbora Krejckikova (at No.10 on August 9), Maria Sakkari (at No.10 on September 27), Ons Jabeur (on October 18)
- Fewest games dropped en route to a title: Paula Badosa (20, Belgrade)
- Lowest-ranked player to triumph: Elena-Gabriela Ruse (No.198, Hamburg)
- Youngest title winner: Coco Gauff, Parma (17)
- Oldest title winner: Andrea Petkovic, Cluj-Napoca (33)
- Match wins leader: Ons Jabeur (48), Barbora Krejckikova (44), Aryna Sabalenka (43), Ashleigh Barty (42)
- Aces leaders: Karolina Pliskova - 392, Ashleigh Barty - 325, Aryna Sabalenka - 325, Elena Rybakina - 297
- Most aces in a match (24): Karolina Pliskova (d. Anisimova 7-5 6-7(5) 7-6(7) – US Open, 2r)
- Singles titles (5): Ashleigh Barty (Yarra Valley Classic, Miami, Stuttgart, Wimbledon, Cincinnati)
- Doubles titles (5): Aoyama/Shibahara (Abu Dhabi, Yarra Valley, Miami, Eastbourne, Cleveland)
- Most Top 10 wins (7): Ashleigh Barty (No.8 Sabalenka, No.5 Svitolina and No.9 Andreescu at Miami, No.9 Ka.Pliskova, No.5 Svitolina and No.7 Sabalenka at Stuttgart, No.10 Krejckikova at Cincinnati)
Jessica Pegula (No.5 Svitolina at Australian Open, No.6 Ka.Pliskova at Doha, No.6 Ka.Pliskova at Dubai, No.6 Ka.Pliskova at Miami, No.2 Osaka at Rome, No.10 Ka.Pliskova at Berlin and No.7 Svitolina at Indian Wells)
- Longest Match: 3h 55m – Kristina Kucova d. Ekaterine Gorgodze 6-7(4), 7-6(7), 7-6(3) (Gdynia QF)



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VICTORIA (27) AZARENKA

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BELARUS

1997-11-15	Date of Birth	1989-07-31
Barcelona, Spain	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.80 M)	Height	6' 0" (1.83 m)
26	Career-High Ranking	1
\$1,955,790	Career Prize Money	\$33,133,916
\$1,084,732	Season Prize Money	\$786,628
2 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 21
12-10 (Quarter-Finalist: 2021 ROLAND-GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	140-52 (Champion: 2013 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2012 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
5-0 / 5-0	YTD / Career INDIAN WELLS W-L (best)	5-0 / 33-8 (Champion: 2016, 2012)
40-15 / 58-38	YTD / Career W-L	28-8 / 494-191
15-6 / 21-8	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	8-4 / 96-68
9-7 / 11-11	YTD / Career TB W-L	4-1 / 72-43
Champion: BELGRADE	YTD Best Result	Semi-Finalist: BERLIN, DOHA



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YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
First career meeting						

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
69	70	2020	13	13
86	97	2019	38	50
143	143	2018	51	51
242	247	2017	13	208
222	314	2016	5	13
193	220	2015	19	22
366	366	2014	2	32
666	678	2013	1	2
-	-	2012	1	1
-	-	2011	3	3



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

SF: d. O. JABEUR (#14) 6-3 6-3 (1h 21m)
QF: d. A. KERBER (#15) 6-4 7-5 (1h 26m)
4r: d. B. KREJCIKOVA (#5) 6-1 7-5 (1h 25m)
3r: d. C. GAUFF (#19) 6-2 6-2 (54m)
2r: d. D. YASTREMSKA (#75) 6-4 2-6 6-2 (1h 46m)

Total time on court: 6h 52m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making debut main draw appearance in Indian Wells; fell in qualifying here in 2019
- After 1r bye, beat Yastremska in 2r, Gauff in 3r and upset No.3 seed Krejckikova in 3r
- Upset of No.5 Krejckikova was fourth Top 10 win of her career all of which have come this year beating No.1 Barty at Charleston, No.8 Swiatek at the Olympics and No.3 Sabalenka at Cincinnati
- Defeated No.15 Kerber in QF to reach second WTA 1000 SF of the year
- Took out No.14 Jabeur in SF on Friday to notch tenth Top 10 win of the year four of which have come this tournament; it was also her 40th match win of the year, by contrast last year posted only seven wins
- Has now reached second career WTA final and first on hard courts after winning her first title earlier this year in Belgrade (d. Konjuh in F via ret.)
- Faces No.32 Azarenka today looking for biggest title of her career
- Owns 1-0 career record against players from Belarus defeating Sabalenka in Cincinnati this year
- Record in WTA final matches stands at 1-0
- Best previous career result on hard courts was SF run at 2021 Lyon (l. Tauson)
- Trying to become the first champion from Spain to win the title at the BNP Paribas Open
- Best result by Spain at Indian Wells was Runner-Up run by Conchita Martínez in 1992 and 1996
- Is currently ranked No.27; this time last year was ranked No.87


CURRENT TOURNAMENT

SF: d. J. OSTAPENKO (#29) 3-6 6-3 7-5 (2h 20m)
QF: d. J. PEGULA (#24) 6-4 6-2 (1h 34m)
4r: d. A. SASNOVICH (#100) 6-3 6-4 (1h 31m)
3r: d. P. KVITOVA (#11) 7-5 6-4 (1h 49m)
2r: d. M. LINETTE (#54) 7-5 3-0 (1h 19m)

Total time on court: 8h 33m


PLAYER NOTES

- Making 12th appearance at Indian Wells where she was champion in 2012 and 2016
- Is the only former champion remaining in the draw out of four to start the tournament: Clijsters (2003, 2005), Halep (2015) and Andreescu (2019)
- Followed up 2016 triumph here by becoming only the third woman to complete the Indian Wells-Miami sweep (also Graf 1994, 1996 and Clijsters 2005)
- Also won doubles title here in 2009 w/Zvonareva. Lost to the Russian in SF in singles that year
- After 1r bye, advanced when 2r opponent Linette retired w/ankle injury
- Earned 30th match win in Indian Wells with 3 rdefeat of two-time major champion, Kvitova
- Advanced to QF by taking out country woman, Sasnovich, in R16 before taking out No.24 Pegula to reach third SF of the season
- Dropped her first set of the tournament in SF win over No.29 Ostapenko coming back from a set and a break
- Faces No.27 Badosa in first final of the season looking to become the first woman to win the BNP Paribas Open three times
- By reaching the final, has become the eighth woman in history to appear in three or more finals in Indian Wells
- Owns 16-7 career record against players from Spain
- Record in WTA final matches stands at 19-16 last reaching this stage at 2020 Ostrava finishing R-Up to countrywoman Sabalenka; last title came at 2020 Cincinnati-New York (d. Osaka in F via walkover)
- Fourth among active players for hard-court titles (20) behind S.Williams (47), V.Williams (31) and Clijsters (31)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY


- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

2019	Result	Rank: 48	Seed: -
2r	L	S. WILLIAMS (#10) 7-5 6-3	
1r	W	V. LAPKO (#62) 6-2 6-3	
2018	Result	Rank: 204	Seed: -
2r	L	S. STEPHENS (#13) 6-1 7-5	
1r	W	H. WATSON (#70) 6-4 6-2	
2016	Result	Rank: 15	Seed: 13
F	W	S. WILLIAMS (#1) 6-4 6-4	
SF	W	K. PLISKOVA (#19) 7-6(1) 1-6 6-2	
QF	W	M. RYBARIKOVA (#97) 6-0 6-0	
4r	W	S. STOSUR (#28) 6-1 4-6 6-1	
3r	W	S. ZHANG (#69) 6-4 6-3	
2r	W	Z. DIYAS (#87) 6-3 6-2	
2015	Result	Rank: 38	Seed: 32
3r	L	M. SHARAPOVA (#2) 6-4 6-3	
2r	W	K. FLIPKENS (#61) 6-2 6-4	
2014	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 3
2r	L	L. DAVIS (#66) 6-0 7-6(2)	



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SEASON 2021 HISTORY

- Fell 2r at Ostrava (l. eventual champion Kontaveit)
 - Made 2r at Montreal (l. Marino), QF at Cincinnati (l. Ka.Pliskova via ret. w/right shoulder injury)before falling 2r at US Open (l. Gracheva)
 - Reached QF at the Olympics (l. Vondrousova via ret. w/heat illness)
 - Suffered 1r defeat at Eastbourne (l. Svitolina) before reaching R16 at Wimbledon (l. Muchova)
 - Lifted first WTA title at Belgrade (d. Konjuh in F), then advanced to maiden Grand Slam QF at Roland Garros (l. Zidansek)
 - At Madrid, advanced to biggest WTA SF of her career (as WC, l. Barty)
 - Produced SF run at Charleston (l. eventual champion Kudermetova); upset No.12 Bencic in 2r and World No.1 Barty en route to score her first ever Top 20 wins
 - Made at Miami (l. Jabeur)
 - Fell 1r at St. Petersburg (l. Ostapenko)
 - Reached third WTA SF of her career at Lyon (l. eventual champion Tauson)
 - Reached 3r in opening tournament of the season, at Abu Dhabi (l. Kudermetova) and then fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Samsonova)
- Made 3r at US Open (l. Muguruza) and Chicago 500 (withdrew prior to matach against Muguruza)
 - Advanced to QF at Montreal (l. Sabalenka) and 3r at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Barty)
 - Withdrew prior to QF against Sorribes Tormo at Bad Homburg w/injury and fell 2r at Wimbledon (l. Cirstea)
 - Enjoyed SF run at Berlin (l. Samsonova); bounced back to win first WTA doubles title in two years (w/Sabalenka, d. Melichar/Schuurs)
 - Advanced to R16 at Roland Garros (l. Pavluchenkova)
 - Withdrew prior to 2r match at Madrid w/low back injury
 - Reached R16 at Miami (l. eventual champion Barty)
 - Coming off SF run at Doha (d. No.5 Svitolina in QF, withdrew prior to match vs. Muguruza w/back injury)
 - Opened season by reaching QF of Grampians Trophy (saved 2 MPs vs. Putintseva in 2r) – withdrew prior to match vs. Kontaveit w/lower back injury – then was upset in 1r at Australian Open (l. Pegula)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
182	15	Aces	100	40
65%	112	First serve %	62%	166
69%	33	First Serve points won %	65%	70
43%	194	Second serve points won %	44%	155
59%	20	Overall service points won %	57%	73
65%	90	Service games won %	63%	124
50%	196	Break points saved %	52%	168
37%	128	First serve return points won %	39%	58
57%	74	Second serve return points won %	63%	12
46%	143	Break points converted %	50%	71
37%	100	Return games won %	43%	29
45%	76	Return points won %	48%	19

Best win by ranking: No.1 vs Barty in CHARLESTON QF
Longest match: 4h 5m vs Linette in WIMBLEDON QF
Shortest match: 43m vs Konjuh in BELGRADE F

Best win by ranking: No.5 vs Svitolina in DOHA QF
Longest match: 3h 2m vs Cornet in BAD HOMBURG 2r

Most aces in a match: 10 vs Bencic in CHARLESTON 2r

Shortest match: 1h 1m vs Zhang in CHICAGO 500 1r
1h 1m vs Kozlova in WIMBLEDON F
Most aces in a match: 9 vs Kvitova in INDIAN WELLS 3r



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS	SINGLES FINALS
Champion (1) 2021 - BELGRADE	Champion (21) 2020 - CINCINNATI (NYC) 2016 - MIAMI, INDIAN WELLS, BRISBANE 2013 - CINCINNATI, DOHA, AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2012 - LINZ, BEIJING, INDIAN WELLS, DOHA, AUSTRALIAN OPEN, SYDNEY 2011 - LUXEMBOURG, MARBELLA, MIAMI 2010 - MOSCOW, STANFORD 2009 - MIAMI, MEMPHIS, BRISBANE
	Runner-Up (19) 2020 - Ostrava, US OPEN 2019 - MONTERREY 2015 - DOHA 2014 - BRISBANE 2013 - US OPEN, CARLSBAD, ROME 2012 - US OPEN, MADRID, STUTTGART 2011 - WTA CHAMPIONSHIPS, MADRID 2010 - EASTBOURNE, DUBAI 2008 - PRAGUE, GOLD COAST 2007 - TASHKENT, ESTORIL
	DOUBLES FINALS
	Champion (9) 2021 - BERLIN (w/Sabalenka) 2019 - ROME (w/Barty), ACAPULCO (w/Zheng) 2011 - STANFORD (w/Kirilenko), MADRID (w/Kirilenko) 2010 - CINCINNATI (w/Kirilenko) 2009 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Zvonareva), MEMPHIS (w/Wozniacki) 2006 - TASHKENT (w/Poutchek)
	Runner-Up (11) 2019 - US OPEN (w/Barty) 2011 - TORONTO (w/Kirilenko), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Kirilenko) 2009 - FRENCH OPEN (w/Vesnina) 2008 - AMELIA ISLAND (w/Vesnina), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Peer) 2007 - MOSCOW (w/Poutchek), LUXEMBOURG (w/Peer), SAN DIEGO (w/Chakvetadze), STANFORD (w/Chakvetadze) 2006 - MEMPHIS (w/Wozniacki)



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r	QF	4r	2r	2021	1r	4r	2r	3r
2r	4r		1r	2020		2r		RUP
1r		1r	1r	2019	1r	2r	3r	1r
				2018		1r	2r	3r
				2017			4r	
				2016	QF	1r		
				2015	4r	3r	QF	QF
				2014	QF		2r	QF
				2013	WON	SF	2r	RUP
				2012	WON	4r	SF	RUP
				2011	4r	QF	SF	3r
				2010	QF	1r	3r	2r
				2009	4r	QF	QF	3r
				2008	3r	4r	3r	3r
				2007	3r	1r	3r	4r
				2006	1r	1r	1r	3r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- At 2020 Roland Garros, upset former finalist Stephens and 2017 champion Ostapenko en route to reaching R16 for the first time at a major; posted career-high singles ranking of No.69 (October 12, 2020) following Paris run
- Also in 2020, reached SF at Istanbul (L. Bouchard)
- Campaign in 2019 highlighted by SF run at Palermo (L. Bertens) and QF run in Seoul (L. Y.Wang); also made Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open (L. 1r)
- Finished 2018 inside Top 200 for the first time (at No.143); picked up three ITF titles at \$25k ITF/Glasgow-UK, ITF/\$25k Les Franqueses del Valles – FRA and ITF/\$60k Valencia-ESP
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Wimbledon, Madrid and US Open
- Claimed third title on ITF Circuit in 2017 at ITF/\$25k El Espinar; Fell 1r at Miami and in qualifying at Madrid
- In 2016, fell 1r at Miami, Madrid and Mallorca and in qualifying at Rio de Janeiro
- As wildcard, made breakthrough on WTA Tour with 3r run at 2015 Miami Open (L. Ka.Pliskova)
- Came through qualifying at 2015 Madrid, fell 1r to Errani via ret. w/left leg injury
- Continued at ITF Circuit level during 2013-2014 before playing second WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Antwerp, where she advanced to 2r (L. Bodarenko)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Palermo, winning one match via retirement before falling in 2r (L.Gatto-Monticone) Won first title on ITF Circuit at \$10k ITF/Sant Jordi-ESP in 2012; now owns seven singles titles at this level
- Played first pro tournament of career at \$10k ITF/Gexto-ESP in 2012 (L. in 1r)
- Won girls' Singles title at 2015 Roland Garros (d. Kaliskaya in F) and reached QF at 2014 Roland Garros and Wimbledon; finished 2015 as No.8 in ITF World Junior rankings
- Finished 2020 ranked No.13 – her best season-end ranking since 2013 (No.2)
- One of five players to reach three or more finals in 2020, lifting one trophy at the Western & Southern Open – her first title since 2016
- Advanced to her fifth career Grand Slam final at 2020 US Open, which helped her return to the Top 20 for the first time since March 2017
- Winner of the 2020 WTA Comeback Player of the Year Award, as voted on by members of the international media
- Last tournament of 2019 was the US Open, where she fell to Sabalenka in 1r; also reached the doubles final w/Barty (L. Mertens/Sabalenka)
- Highlight of 2019 was 37th singles final at Monterrey (d. No.5 Kerber in SF, L. Muguruza in F via ret. w/leg injury). Also made QFs at Acapulco (L. Kenin), Stuttgart (L. Kontaveit via ret.) and Rome (L. Ka.Pliskova)
- On February 2, 2019 returned to Top 50 for first time following the birth of her child, Leo
- Highlights of 2018 season included SF at Miami (L. Stephens) and QF at San Jose and Tokyo
- Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child in December 2016
- Comeback tournament was Mallorca, reaching 2r (d. Ozaki, L. Konjuh). Prior to 2017 Mallorca, last tournament contested was 2016 Roland Garros (1r)
- Followed this with R16 at Wimbledon (L. Halep). Did not play after Wimbledon due to personal reasons
- Ended 2016 ranked No.13, despite missing second half of season after going on maternity leave (announced pregnancy mid-July). Lifted three titles, at Brisbane and 'Sunshine Double' of Indian Wells and Miami – third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
- Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, L. Kerber), Rome (2r, L. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/right knee injury)
- Limited to total of 23 events over 2014-15 seasons due to variety of injuries
- Posted five consecutive Top 10 finishes between 2009 and 2013, qualifying for the WTA Finals on each occasion (L. Kvitova in 2011 final in Istanbul)
- Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks
- Began 2012 with 26-match win streak – best start since Hingis went 37-0 in 1997. Went on to win Tour-leading 69 matches in 2012, season

highlighted by six titles, finishing as WTA's year-end No.1

- Belarusian Fed Cup Team, 2005, 2007, 2009-11, 2015-16, 2019; Belarusian Olympic Team, 2008, 2012
- Won two medals for Belarus at 2012 Olympics - bronze in singles and mixed doubles gold (w/Mirnyi)
- Made her Top 100 debut on July 10, 2006 (No.99) and Top 50 debut on May 14, 2007 (No.49)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Kolkata
- ITF Junior World Champion for 2005 – reached first tour-level semifinal at Guangzhou the same year

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Jorge García
- Born in New York City but lives and trains in Barcelona, near her hometown Begur in the Costa Brava
- Aggressive baseliner whose favorite shot is serve. Favorite tournament is US Open
- Childhood idol was Maria Sharapova, whose dedication, work ethic and values inspired her to become a pro
- Enjoys reading, always travels with books and her favorite is Tuesdays with Morrie (Mitch Albom)
- Professional goals are to reach her full potential
- Speaks English, Spanish and Catalan, and would like to learn more languages

- Mother's name is Alla; father's name is Fedor; has one brother, Max
- Introduced to tennis at age 7 by her mother. Favorite shot is her backhand; favorite surface is hardcourts
- Speaks Belarusian, English and Russian
- Enjoys music (rock, club hip-hop, R&B), seeing friends, surfing, paddle boarding, cooking, comedy and karaoke
- Has a young son named Leo
- Favorite cities are hometown of Minsk and New York City
- Admires Roger Federer for his professionalism on and off of the court