



MATCH NOTES

WIMBLEDON
LONDON, GREAT BRITAIN
JUNE 28 - JULY 12, 2021 | \$23,401,424



FINAL MATCH-UP

1 **ASHLEIGH BARTY**

5-2
HEAD-TO-HEAD RECORD

KAROLINA PLISKOVA **8**

Barty has won their past three encounters, during title runs at Miami and the WTA Finals Shenzhen in 2019 and Stuttgart this April... Pliskova is the fourth Czech woman to reach the Wimbledon singles final... Barty has broken serve 27 times and made 86% of her returns this fortnight... Pliskova leads the tournament ace count with 54... First time since 1977 that both women are making their debut appearance in a Wimbledon final

A LOOK AT THE FINALISTS

| PLAYER | WIM W/L | YTD W/L | CAREER W/L | YTD PRIZE \$ | CAREER PRIZE \$ | YTD TITLES | TITLES |
|-----------------------|---------|---------|------------|--------------|-----------------|------------|--------|
| [1] Ashleigh Barty | 11-4 | 34-6 | 178-70 | 1,203,735 | 18,798,303 | 3 | 11 |
| [8] Karolina Pliskova | 17-8 | 21-12 | 344-179 | 572,426 | 20,973,859 | 0 | 16 |

BY THE NUMBERS

| PLAYER | Aces | DF | Service Pts Won | Service Games Won | Return Points Won | Return Games won | Winners | Unforced Errors |
|-----------------------|------|----|-----------------|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|---------|-----------------|
| [1] Ashleigh Barty | 46 | 25 | 64% (279/434) | 83% (53/64) | 47% (193/407) | 45% (27/60) | 180 | 154 |
| [8] Karolina Pliskova | 54 | 30 | 71% (272/385) | 93% (57/61) | 44% (176/404) | 35% (21/60) | 156 | 122 |

ROUNDS REACHED AT THE MAJORS

| PLAYER | R128 | R64 | R32 | R16 | QF | SF | FINAL* | WON | TOTAL* |
|-----------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|--------|-----|--------|
| [1] Ashleigh Barty | 9 | 4 | 4 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 25 |
| [8] Karolina Pliskova | 7 | 11 | 7 | 3 | 4 | 2 | 2 | - | 36 |

* Including 2021 Wimbledon

GRAND SLAM FINALS

| PLAYER | TOTAL GS FINALS* | GS FINAL W/L |
|-----------------------|------------------|--------------|
| [1] Ashleigh Barty | 2 | 1-0 |
| [8] Karolina Pliskova | 2 | 0-1 |

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WIMBLEDON & GRAND SLAM HIGHLIGHTS

| PLAYER | WIM W-L | WIM BEST RESULTS | GS W-L | GS BEST RESULT |
|-----------------------|---------|-----------------------------|--------|--------------------------|
| [1] Ashleigh Barty | 11-4 | Final (2021), R16 (2019) | 47-23 | WON (2019 Roland Garros) |
| [8] Karolina Pliskova | 17-8 | Final (2021), R16 (2018-19) | 72-35 | R-Up (2016 US Open) |

RECENT WIMBLEDON FINALS

| YEAR | CHAMPION | RUNNER-UP | SCORE |
|------|---------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------|
| 2019 | [7] Simona Halep (ROU #7) | [11] Serena Williams (USA #10) | 6-2 6-2 |
| 2018 | [11] Angelique Kerber (GER #10) | [25] Serena Williams (USA #181) | 6-3 6-3 |
| 2017 | [14] Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP #15) | [10] Venus Williams (USA #11) | 7-5 6-0 |
| 2016 | [1] Serena Williams (USA #1) | [4] Angelique Kerber (GER #4) | 7-5 6-3 |
| 2015 | [1] Serena Williams (USA #1) | [20] Garbiñe Muguruza (ESP #20) | 6-4 6-4 |
| 2014 | [6] Petra Kvitova (CZE #6) | [13] Eugenie Bouchard (CAN #13) | 6-3 6-0 |
| 2013 | [15] Marion Bartoli (FRA #15) | [23] Sabine Lisicki (GER #24) | 6-1 6-4 |
| 2012 | [6] Serena Williams (USA #6) | [3] Agnieszka Radwanska (POL #3) | 6-1 5-7 6-2 |
| 2011 | [8] Petra Kvitova (CZE #8) | [5] Maria Sharapova (RUS #6) | 6-3 6-4 |
| 2010 | [1] Serena Williams (USA #1) | [21] Vera Zvonareva (RUS #21) | 6-3 6-2 |
| 2009 | [2] Serena Williams (USA #2) | [3] Venus Williams (USA #3) | 7-6(3) 6-2 |
| 2008 | [7] Venus Williams (USA #7) | [6] Serena Williams (USA #6) | 7-5 6-4 |
| 2007 | [23] Venus Williams (USA #31) | [18] Marion Bartoli (FRA #19) | 6-4 6-1 |
| 2006 | [1] Amélie Mauresmo (FRA #1) | [3] Justine Henin (BEL #3) | 2-6 6-3 6-4 |
| 2005 | [14] Venus Williams (USA #16) | [1] Lindsay Davenport (USA #1) | 4-6 7-6(4) 9-7 |
| 2004 | [13] Maria Sharapova (RUS #15) | [1] Serena Williams (USA #10) | 6-1 6-4 |
| 2003 | [1] Serena Williams (USA #1) | [4] Venus Williams (USA #4) | 4-6 6-4 6-1 |
| 2002 | [2] Serena Williams (USA #2) | [1] Venus Williams (USA #1) | 7-6(4) 6-3 |
| 2001 | [2] Venus Williams (USA #2) | [8] Justine Henin (BEL #9) | 6-1 3-6 6-0 |
| 2000 | [5] Venus Williams (USA #5) | [2] Lindsay Davenport (USA #2) | 6-3 7-6(3) |

GRASS COURT QUEENS

Karolina Pliskova has traditionally been quite prolific in the grass court events heading into Wimbledon, winning Eastbourne (2017, 2019) and Nottingham (2016). However, for the first time since 2014, the Czech failed to win a match at a lead-up event, falling at her first hurdle in Berlin and Eastbourne.

Her spectacular return to form at the All England Club has resulted in an ascent up the leaderboard of active grass court match win leaders:

MOST GRASS COURT WINS (ACTIVE PLAYERS)

| Player | W-L | Grass titles |
|--------------------------|--------------|--------------|
| Serena Williams | 107-15 | 8 |
| Venus Williams | 97-23 | 5 |
| Angelique Kerber | 80-28 | 3 |
| Petra Kvitova | 59-20 | 4 |
| Kim Clijsters | 53-16 | 2 |
| Victoria Azarenka | 52-23 | 1 |
| Svetlana Kuznetsova | 49-30 | 1 |
| Johanna Konta | 46-25 | 1 |
| Alison Riske | 46-27 | 1 |
| Sabine Lisicki | 43-17 | 1 |
| Karolina Pliskova | 43-19 | 3 |

Her fellow finalist can also hold her own on the grass; **Ashleigh Barty** is a multiple title winner on the surface and now owns the third-best winning percentage among active players on grass.

GRASS COURT WINNING % (ACTIVE PLAYERS)

| Player | W-L | Winning % |
|-----------------------|-------------|-------------|
| Serena Williams | 107-15 | .877 |
| Venus Williams | 97-23 | .808 |
| Ashleigh Barty | 32-9 | .780 |
| Kim Clijsters | 53-16 | .768 |
| Petra Kvitova | 59-20 | .747 |
| Madison Keys | 34-12 | .739 |
| Angelique Kerber | 80-29 | .734 |

JUNIOR SENIOR

Ashleigh Barty's first breakthrough on the international stage came in 2011, when she lifted the girls' singles title at Wimbledon as a 15-year-old. In the Open Era, three women have backed up junior titles by later lifting the Venus Rosewater Dish: Ann Jones, Martina Hingis and Amélie Mauresmo.



SHARING THE SPOILS

Barbora Krejčíková's fourth-round exit and Naomi Osaka's absence mean that Saturday's singles champion will be the third different major winner of the season. In 10 of the past 11 seasons, the first three majors of the year (and all three in 2020) were won by different players.

WINNING HABIT

Wimbledon success has seen **Ashleigh Barty** draw level with Aryna Sabalenka at the summit of this season's match wins leaderboard:

| Player | W-L | Best Result |
|-----------------------|-------------|---|
| Ashleigh Barty | 34-6 | Champion: Yarra Valley, Miami, Stuttgart |
| Aryna Sabalenka | 34-11 | Champion: Abu Dhabi, Madrid |
| Ons Jabeur | 33-12 | Champion: Birmingham |
| Coco Gauff | 29-12 | Champion: Parma |
| Barbora Krejčíková | 28-9 | Champion: Strasbourg, Roland Garros |
| Iga Świątek | 27-8 | Champion: Adelaide, Rome |
| Garbiñe Muguruza | 27-10 | Champion: Doha |
| Daria Kasatkina | 27-12 | Champion: Phillip Island, St. Petersburg |
| Paula Badosa | 26-10 | Champion: Belgrade |
| Veronika Kudermetova | 26-15 | Champion: Charleston |

RANKING PROJECTIONS

By reaching the final, **Ashleigh Barty** will extend her stay at No.1 after Wimbledon. The week of July 12th will be her 77th consecutive week (84th overall) at the summit.

Karolina Pliskova is projected to move to No.7 by making the final. With victory on Saturday she will break back into the Top 5 at No.4.

CREATING HISTORY

Karolina Pliskova is bidding to become the 56th Grand Slam champion of the Open Era.

Nine women have won their maiden major title on the lawns of the All England Club, most recently Marion Bartoli in 2013.

Should **Ashleigh Barty** lift the Venus Rosewater Dish on Saturday afternoon, she will be the 11th active player with multiple Slam titles to her name.

| Player | GS Titles | Most Recent Slam |
|---------------------|-----------|----------------------|
| Serena Williams | 23 | 2017 Australian Open |
| Venus Williams | 7 | 2008 Wimbledon |
| Kim Clijsters | 4 | 2011 Australian Open |
| Naomi Osaka | 4 | 2021 Australian Open |
| Angelique Kerber | 3 | 2018 Wimbledon |
| Victoria Azarenka | 2 | 2013 Australian Open |
| Simona Halep | 2 | 2019 Wimbledon |
| Svetlana Kuznetsova | 2 | 2009 Roland Garros |
| Petra Kvitová | 2 | 2014 Wimbledon |
| Garbine Muguruza | 2 | 2017 Wimbledon |



PATH TO THE FINAL

After easing through her opening five matches without dropping a set, **Karolina Pliskova** proved her mettle in the semifinal against No.2 seed Aryna Sabalenka, withstanding 38 winners - including 18 aces - to complete the upset.

Should she follow this up with victory over World No.1 Ashleigh Barty in the final, the Czech will become the 13th different woman in the Open Era to beat the top two seeds en route to a Slam, and the first since Svetlana Kuznetsova toppled Serena Williams (No.2) and Dinara Safina (No.1) at Roland Garros in 2009.

The feat has been achieved four times at Wimbledon:

2005: V.Williams – d. No.2 Sharapova (SF), No.1 Davenport (F)

2000: V.Williams – d. No.1 Hingis (QF), No.2 Davenport (F)

1971: Goolagong – d. No.2 King (SF), No.1 Court (F)

1969: Jones – d. No.1 Court (SF), No.2 B.King (F)

On the other side of the draw, **Ashleigh Barty** has improved with each round, culminating with an excellent showing against 2018 champion Angelique Kerber in the semifinals. Striking 38 winners and only 16 unforced errors, Barty won 10 of 11 service games, rallying from 5-3 down in the second set to close out an impressive victory.

IS THE WAIT OVER?

If **Karolina Pliskova** manages to overcome **Ashleigh Barty** today, she will become the fifth-oldest first-time major winner in the Open Era:

OLDEST FIRST-TIME MAJOR CHAMPIONS

| Player | Grand Slam | Age |
|--------------------------|------------------------|-----------------|
| Flavia Pennetta | 2015 US Open | 33y 200d |
| Francesca Schiavone | 2010 Roland Garros | 29y 347d |
| Jana Novotná | 1998 Wimbledon | 29y 276d |
| Kerry Reid | 1977 Australian Open | 29y 155d |
| Karolina Pliskova | 2021 Wimbledon? | 29y 111d |
| Li Na | 2011 Roland Garros | 29y 98d |

N.B. Ann Jones triumphed at 1969 Wimbledon at 30 years, 261 days old but had also won pre-Open Era Slams



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TITLE STREAKS

Since collecting her maiden title at Kuala Lumpur in 2013, **Karolina Pliskova** has won at least one WTA tournament every year. However, she is yet to clinch any silverware this campaign, coming closest with a runner-up finish at Rome in May.

Ashleigh Barty's streak is not quite so long, stretching back to 2017. In this time, the Australian has taken her title tally to 11, with eight of these coming since the start of 2019.

MOST TITLES SINCE 2019

| Player | Number of titles |
|--------------------------|------------------|
| Ashleigh Barty | 8 |
| Aryna Sabalenka | 8 |
| Sofia Kenin | 5 |
| Naomi Osaka | 5 |
| Karolina Pliskova | 5 |

COMPLETING THE SET

With victory over Viktorija Golubic on Tuesday, **Karolina Pliskova** became the 28th player in the Open Era to reach the semifinals at all four Slams. Of this number, only five have not won a major title: Elena Dementieva, Mary Joe Fernandez, Andrea Jaeger, Dinara Safina and Pliskova.

SERVING NOTICE

Fine serving statistics have laid the foundations for **Karolina Pliskova's** march through the draw.

A tournament-leading 54 aces have contributed to 140 unreturned serves throughout the fortnight. She has won 81% of her first serve points, well up on her season average of 66%, and fended off 18 of 22 break points (82%).

Consequently the Czech has prevailed in 57 of 61 service games - the only player in the field of 128 players with a 90% success rate in this category. Impressive as these figures are, regardless of the result in the final, she will be unable to match the feats of Stefanie Graf in 1992 and Serena Williams in 2010, who both went through the tournament dropping serve just three times.

PATRIOT GAMES

Ashleigh Barty has ended Australia's four-decade wait for a Wimbledon women's finalist. Evonne Goolagong was the last to make the championship match here, defeating Chris Evert in 1980 to lift the second of her two titles.

Before Goolagong (who also won the 1971 title and finished runner-up in 1972, 1975-76), two other Australian women made Open Era final appearances at the All England Club: Margaret Court was champion in 1970 and lost out to Goolagong in 1971, while Judy Dalton (née Tegart) was the beaten finalist in 1968.

Two Czech women have been crowned Wimbledon champion - Jana Novotna (1998) and Petra Kvitova (2011, 2014) - with two others reaching the final, two-time runner-up Hana Mandlikova and now **Karolina Pliskova**.

A SNAPSHOT OF 2021 SO FAR

- Top 10 Debut (1): Iga Swiatek (at No.9 on May 17)
- Fewest games dropped en route to a title: Paula Badosa (20, Belgrade)
- Lowest-ranked player to triumph: María Camila Osorio Serrano (No.180, Bogotá)
- Youngest title winner: Coco Gauff, Parma (17)
- Oldest title winner: Angelique Kerber, Bad Homburg (33)
- Aces leaders: Ashleigh Barty - 255, Aryna Sabalenka - 241, Karolina Pliskova - 233, Ons Jabeur - 209
- Most aces in a match (21): Karolina Pliskova (d. Ostapenko 6-7(9) 6-4 6-3 - Stuttgart, 2r)
- Singles titles (3): Ashleigh Barty (Yarra Valley Classic, Miami, Stuttgart)
- Doubles titles (4): Shuko Aoyama / Ena Shibahara (Abu Dhabi, Yarra Valley, Miami, Eastbourne)
- Most Top 10 wins (6): 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); Jessica Pegula (No.5 Svitolina at Australian Open, No.6 Pliskova at Doha, No.6 at Dubai, No.6 Pliskova at Miami, No.2 Osaka at Rome and No.10 Pliskova at Berlin)
- Longest Match: 3h 51m - Sara Sorribes Tormo d. Camila Giorgi 7-6(4), 6-7(7), 7-5 (Rome 1r)



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1 **ASHLEIGH
BARTY**
AUSTRALIA

**KAROLINA
PLISKOVA** **13**
CZECH REPUBLIC

| | | |
|--|-----------------------------------|---|
| 1996-04-24 | Date of Birth | 1992-03-21 |
| Ipswich, Australia | Residence | Monte Carlo, Monaco |
| Right-handed (two-handed backhand) | Plays | Right-handed (two-handed backhand) |
| 5' 5" (1.66 m) | Height | 6' 1" (1.86 m) |
| 1 | Career-High Ranking | 1 |
| \$18,798,303 | Career Prize Money | \$20,973,859 |
| \$1,203,735 | Season Prize Money | \$572,426 |
| 3 / 11 | Singles Titles YTD / Career | 0 / 16 |
| 47-23 (Champion: 2019 Roland Garros) | Grand Slam W-L (best) | 72-35 (Finalist: 2016 US Open, Wimbledon) |
| 6-0 / 11-4 (Finalist: 2021) | YTD / Career WIMBLEDON W-L (best) | 6-0 / 17-8 (Finalist: 2021) |
| 34-6 / 178-70 | YTD / Career W-L | 21-12 / 344-179 |
| 6-0 / 32-9 | YTD / Career Grass W-L | 6-2 / 43-19 |
| 13-2 / 61-21 | YTD / Career 3-Set W-L | 8-3 / 110-60 |
| 6-2 / 24-19 | YTD / Career TB W-L | 2-4 / 65-73 |
| 2-0 / 6-14 | YTD / Career TOP 5 W-L | 1-1 / 19-21 |
| 11-1 / 48-39 | YTD / Career TOP 20 W-L | 1-2 / 65-75 |
| Champion: Stuttgart, Miami, Yarra Valley Classic | YTD Best Result | Finalist: Rome, Wimbledon |



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME |
|------|----------------|---------|-------|-------------------|-------------------|--------|
| 2021 | STUTTGART | CLAY | QF | Ashleigh Barty | 2-6 6-1 7-5 | 2h 2m |
| 2019 | WTA FINALS | HARD | QF | Ashleigh Barty | 4-6 6-2 6-3 | 1h 53m |
| 2019 | MIAMI | HARD | F | Ashleigh Barty | 7-6(1) 6-3 | 1h 40m |
| 2018 | US OPEN | HARD | 4r | Karolina Pliskova | 6-4 6-4 | 1h 24m |
| 2017 | WUHAN | HARD | QF | Ashleigh Barty | 4-6 7-6(3) 7-6(2) | 2h 31m |
| 2016 | NOTTINGHAM | GRASS | QF | Karolina Pliskova | 7-6(2) 7-6(7) | 1h 52m |
| 2012 | ITF/NOTTINGHAM | GRASS | SF | Ashleigh Barty | 2-6 6-3 7-6(6) | 1h 45m |

RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|-------------|----------|----------|
| 1 | - | 2021 | 6 | - |
| 1 | 1 | 2020 | 2 | 6 |
| 1 | 1 | 2019 | 2 | 2 |
| 15 | 15 | 2018 | 4 | 8 |
| 17 | 17 | 2017 | 1 | 4 |
| 301 | 325 | 2016 | 5 | 6 |
| 220 | - | 2015 | 7 | 11 |
| 153 | 218 | 2014 | 24 | 24 |
| 129 | 164 | 2013 | 63 | 67 |
| 195 | 195 | 2012 | 107 | 120 |



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. C. SUAREZ NAVARRO (#138) 6-1 6-7 6-1 (2h)
2r: d. A. BLINKOVA (#89) 6-4 6-3 (1h 31m)
3r: d. K. SINIAKOVA (#64) 6-3 7-5 (1h 38m)
4r: d. B. KREJCIKOVA (#17) 7-5 6-3 (1h 37m)
QF: d. A. TOMLJANOVIC (#75) 6-1 6-3 (1h 7m)
SF: d. A. KERBER (#28) 6-3 7-6 (1h 27m)

Total time on court: 9h 20m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making fifth main draw appearance at Wimbledon (eighth overall), where she made R16 in 2019 (as No.1 seed, l. Riske)
- Won girls' singles at Wimbledon in 2011. Bidding to become the fourth junior champion to lift the Venus Rosewater Dish, joining Jones, Hingis and Mauresmo
- Top seed for the second time at Wimbledon and the fifth time in her career at the majors. Since 1968, the No.1 seed here has claimed the title on 24 occasions and finished runner-up eight times
- Struck 46 aces in wins over Suarez Navarro in 1r, Blinkova in 2r, Siniakova in 3r, Krejciakova in R16, Tomljanovic in QF and Kerber in SF - has now hit a Tour-leading 255 aces this season
- Has successfully returned 86% of the serves she has faced this fortnight - the only player in the field to record a higher percentage was Brengle (90%), who fell in 3r
- Has now won 34 matches in 2021 - the most on Tour (level with Sabalenka)
- Is the first Australian woman to reach the final here since Goolagong lifted the title in 1980
- Faces Ka.Pliskova in F today's final; has won their past three meetings, at 2019 WTA Finals Shenzhen, 2019 Miami and 2021 Stuttgart, recovering from 5-3 down in the third set in the last of these matches
- In her only previous major final, beat Czech Republic's Vondrousova to lift the title; overall is 7-5 against Czechs at Slams
- Since the start of 2020, has compiled 15-3 record against Top-20 opposition, with three defeats coming at the hands of No.15 Kenin (2020 Australian Open), No.11 Kvitova (2020 Doha) and No.7 Sabalenka (2021 Madrid)
- Owns two titles on grass, at 2019 Birmingham and 2018 Nottingham. Is one of 11 active players to win multiple titles on the surface
- Her progress this fortnight guarantees she will remain World No.1 on Monday - her 84th week at the summit, positioning her ninth on the all-time list

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. T. ZIDANSEK (#47) 7-5 6-4 (1h 17m)
2r: d. D. VEKIC (#49) 6-2 6-2 (1h 7m)
3r: d. T. MARTINCOVA (#87) 6-3 6-3 (1h 38m)
4r: d. L. SAMSONOVA (#65) 6-2 6-3 (1h 15m)
QF: d. V. GOLUBIC (#66) 6-2 6-2 (1h 22m)
SF: d. A. SABALENKA (#4) 5-7 6-4 6-4 (1h 53m)

Total time on court: 8h 32m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making ninth main draw appearance at Wimbledon (10th overall), where best previous results were R16 showings in 2018 (l. Bertens) and 2019 (l. Muchova)
- Defeated Zidansek, Vekic, Martincova, Samsonova, Golubic and Sabalenka so far to reach her second Slam final
- Has now struck a tournament-leading 54 aces, taking her season total to 233 (third most on Tour, behind Barty and Sabalenka)
- Across her six matches, has won 57 of 61 service games (93%) - is the only player in the draw to be successful in more than 90% of games on their own delivery
- Win over No.4 Sabalenka in SF - which featured a tournament-record 32 aces - was her 33rd against a Top-10 player and first since the start of 2020 (d. No.4 Osaka at Brisbane)
- Faces No.1 Ashleigh Barty in F today; owns 2-4 record against World No.1s, including defeats against Barty at 2019 WTA Finals Shenzhen and 2021 Stuttgart
- Is 3-1 against Australian opponents at the Slams
- In only previous Slam final, lost out to Kerber at 2016 US Open, despite leading 3-1 in the deciding set
- Owns fine record on grass, winning titles at Eastbourne (2017, 2019) and Nottingham (2016)
- Is the fourth Czech woman to reach Wimbledon final, following in the footsteps of Mandlikova (R-Up - 1981, 1986), Novotna (WON - 1998, R-Up - 1993, 1997) and Kvitova (WON - 2011, 2014)
- Her progress this fortnight guarantees she will return to the Top 10 on Monday - the Wimbledon fortnight was her first weeks outside Top 10 since August 29, 2016
- Having lost her opening match at both Berlin and Eastbourne, this is the first year since 2014 she has failed to post a main draw win on grass heading into Wimbledon



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

| 2019 | Result | Rank: 1 | Seed: 1 |
|------|--------|-------------------------------|----------|
| 4r | L | A. RISKE (#55) 3-6 6-2 6-3 | |
| 3r | W | H. DART (#182) 6-1 6-1 | |
| 2r | W | A. VAN UYTVANCK (#58) 6-1 6-3 | |
| 1r | W | S. ZHENG (#43) 6-4 6-2 | |
| 2018 | Result | Rank: 17 | Seed: 17 |
| 3r | L | D. KASATKINA (#14) 7-5 6-3 | |
| 2r | W | E. BOUCHARD (#188) 6-4 7-5 | |
| 1r | W | S. VOEGELE (#93) 7-5 6-3 | |
| 2017 | Result | Rank: 56 | Seed: - |
| 1r | L | E. SVITOLINA (#5) 7-5 7-6(8) | |
| 2012 | Result | Rank: 258 | Seed: - |
| 1r | L | R. VINCI (#23) 6-2 6-4 | |

| 2019 | Result | Rank: 3 | Seed: 3 |
|------|--------|------------------------------------|----------|
| 4r | L | K. MUCHOVA (#68) 4-6 7-5 13-11 | |
| 3r | W | S. HSIEH (#29) 6-3 2-6 6-4 | |
| 2r | W | M. PUIG (#52) 6-0 6-4 | |
| 1r | W | L. ZHU (#101) 6-2 7-6(4) | |
| 2018 | Result | Rank: 8 | Seed: 7 |
| 4r | L | K. BERTENS (#20) 6-3 7-6(1) | |
| 3r | W | M. BUZARNESCU (#28) 3-6 7-6(3) 6-1 | |
| 2r | W | V. AZARENKA (#87) 6-3 6-3 | |
| 1r | W | H. DART (#171) 7-6(2) 2-6 6-1 | |
| 2017 | Result | Rank: 3 | Seed: 3 |
| 2r | L | M. RYBARIKOVA (#87) 3-6 7-5 6-2 | |
| 1r | W | E. RODINA (#80) 6-1 6-4 | |
| 2016 | Result | Rank: 17 | Seed: 15 |
| 2r | L | M. DOI (#49) 7-6(5) 6-3 | |
| 1r | W | Y. WICKMAYER (#46) 6-2 0-6 8-6 | |
| 2015 | Result | Rank: 11 | Seed: 11 |
| 2r | L | C. VANDEWEGHE (#47) 7-6(5) 6-4 | |
| 1r | W | I. FALCONI (#69) 6-4 4-6 6-1 | |



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SEASON 2021 HISTORY

- Exited Roland Garros in 2r (l. Linette via ret. w/hip injury). Also made QF at Rome (l. Gauff via ret. w/right arm injury)
 - Finished R-Up at Madrid (l. Sabalenka in F); defeat to No.7 Sabalenka ended a run a 10 consecutive wins over Top-10 opponents
 - At Stuttgart, won third title of the season at Stuttgart (d. No.9 Ka.Pliskova in QF, No.5 Svitolina in SF and No.7 Sabalenka in F); also won doubles title w/Brady to become first player to sweep both titles since Davenport in 2001
 - Kicked off clay court season with QF showing at Charleston (l. Badosa)
 - Lifted 10th career title, at Miami (d. Andreescu in F via ret. w/left foot injury) – first time defending a title in her career; saved a match point against qualifier Kucova in 2r - S.Williams in 2007 was the last woman to win Miami after saving a match point
 - Ended Australian swing with 2r exit at Adelaide (after 1r bye, l. Collins)
 - Opened season by lifting ninth career title, at the Yarra Valley Classic (d. Muguruza in F). Followed this by advancing to QF at Australian Open (l. Muchova)
- Began grass court season with 2r exit at Berlin (after 1r bye, l. Pegula for the fourth time this season), then fell 1r at Eastbourne (l. Giorgi)
 - Reached Rome final for third year in a row, finishing R-Up (l. Swiatek), then fell 2r at Roland Garros (l. Stephens)
 - Advanced to QF at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Barty in 3s) then fell 2r at Madrid (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
 - Was upset by Pegula at three consecutive tournaments in March, first in QF at Doha, then in 3r at both Dubai and at Miami
 - At Melbourne Park, reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Muchova) and the Yarra Valley Classic in Melbourne (l. Collins)
 - Made 2r in opening tournament of the season, at Abu Dhabi (l. No.292 Gasanova)

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|----------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 209 | 1 | Aces | 179 | 5 |
| 59% | 180 | First serve % | 61% | 148 |
| 73% | 3 | First Serve points won % | 66% | 39 |
| 49% | 33 | Second serve points won % | 42% | 168 |
| 63% | 2 | Overall service points won % | 57% | 57 |
| 80% | 2 | Service games won % | 63% | 99 |
| 64% | 14 | Break points saved % | 53% | 97 |
| 39% | 44 | First serve return points won % | 36% | 121 |
| 53% | 143 | Second serve return points won % | 52% | 160 |
| 41% | 171 | Break points converted % | 42% | 168 |
| 37% | 75 | Return games won % | 34% | 119 |
| 44% | 80 | Return points won % | 42% | 141 |



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (11)

2021 - STUTTGART, MIAMI, MELBOURNE 500
YARRA VALLEY
2020 - ADELAIDE
2019 - WTA FINALS, BIRMINGHAM, ROLAND
GARROS, MIAMI
2018 - ZHUHAI, NOTTINGHAM
2017 - KUALA LUMPUR

Runner-Up (6)

2021 - MADRID
2019 - BEIJING, SYDNEY
2018 - SYDNEY
2017 - WUHAN, BIRMINGHAM

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (11)

2021 - STUTTGART (w/Brady)
2019 - ROME (w/Azarenka)
2018 - US OPEN (w/Vandeweghe), MONTREAL
(w/Schuurs), ROME (w/Schuurs), MIAMI
(w/Vandeweghe)
2017 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Dellacqua), STRASBOURG
(w/Dellacqua), KUALA LUMPUR (w/Dellacqua)
2014 - STRASBOURG (w/Dellacqua)
2013 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Dellacqua)

Runner-Up (9)

2020 - BRISBANE (w/Bertens)
2019 - US OPEN (w/Azarenka)
2017 - NEW HAVEN (w/Dellacqua), EASTBOURNE
(w/Dellacqua), FRENCH OPEN (w/Dellacqua)
2014 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Dellacqua)
2013 - US OPEN (w/Dellacqua), WIMBLEDON
(w/Dellacqua), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Dellacqua)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (16)

2020 - BRISBANE
2019 - ZHENGZHOU, EASTBOURNE, ROME,
BRISBANE
2018 - TOKYO, STUTTGART
2017 - EASTBOURNE, DOHA, BRISBANE
2016 - CINCINNATI, NOTTINGHAM
2015 - PRAGUE
2014 - LINZ, SEOUL
2013 - KUALA LUMPUR

Runner-Up (14)

2021 - ROME
2020 - ROME
2019 - MIAMI
2018 - TIANJIN
2016 - US OPEN, EASTBOURNE
2015 - ZHUHAI, STANFORD, BIRMINGHAM, DUBAI,
SYDNEY
2014 - HONG KONG, NÜRNBERG, PATTAYA CITY

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (5)

2016 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Strycova)
2014 - HONG KONG (w/Pliskova), BAD GASTEIN
(w/Pliskova), NÜRNBERG (w/Krajicek)
2013 - LINZ (w/Pliskova)

Runner-Up (2)

2016 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Goerges)
2013 - PALERMO (w/Pliskova)



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GRAND SLAMS

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN | | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| QF | 2r | | | 2021 | 3r | 2r | | |
| SF | | | | 2020 | 3r | 2r | | 2r |
| QF | WON | 4r | 4r | 2019 | SF | 3r | 4r | 4r |
| 3r | 2r | 3r | 4r | 2018 | QF | 3r | 4r | QF |
| 3r | 1r | 1r | 3r | 2017 | QF | SF | 2r | QF |
| | | | | 2016 | 3r | 1r | 2r | RUP |
| | | | | 2015 | 3r | 2r | 2r | 1r |
| 1r | 1r | | 1r | 2014 | 2r | 2r | 2r | 3r |
| 1r | 2r | | 2r | 2013 | 1r | 1r | 2r | 1r |
| 1r | 1r | 1r | | 2012 | | 1r | 1r | |



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CAREER MILESTONES

- 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 first SF run at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Kenin) and runner-up finish at Doha (l. 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; l. Kvitova) and Beijing (l. 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, l. Mladenovic) and dropped decisive doubles (w/Stosur) as the French prevailed 3-2
- In 2018, won two singles titles and four doubles titles, finishing the season ranked 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 Krejciakova/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 all-rounder for the Brisbane Heat cricket team in the 2015-16 Women's Big Bash League
- Reached two finals across 2020, at Brisbane (d. Keys) and Rome (l. Halep via ret.). Has won at least one title every year since 2013
- Lifted a WTA-leading four titles across the 2019 season (tied with Barty) – triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou. Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F) – most economic title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets, and produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in 2r at Birmingham, in what was their first career main draw encounter
- Made fourth straight appearance at the WTA Finals in 2019, reaching SF for the third year in a row
- Won two titles in 2018 from three finals contested, triumphing at Stuttgart (d. Vandeweghe in F) and Tokyo [PPO] (d. Osaka in F). Posted R-Up finish in Tianjin (l. Garcia in F)
- Won Billie Jean King Cup for Czech Republic in 2015-16 and 2018
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Won three titles in 2017, at Brisbane (d. Cornet in F), Doha (d. Wozniacki in F) and Eastbourne (d. Wozniacki in F)
- Is a Grand Slam finalist, reaching the title match at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber)
- Captured fifth WTA doubles title of career at 2016 Birmingham (w/Strycova). At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Made Top 10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)
- Scored first Top 20 win of her career over No.16 Petrova in 1r at 2013 Wimbledon
- Won first career WTA title at 2013 Kuala Lumpur (d. Mattek-Sands) and followed it up with two more in 2014 Seoul (d. Lepchenko) and 2014 Linz (d. Giorgi)

- 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

- Reached first WTA QF as WC at 2008 Prague (l. Azarenka)
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in 2006

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Craig Tyzzer
- Is wearing the FILA Trailblazer collection this fortnight, which pays homage to Evonne Goolagong Cawley on the 50th anniversary of her first title here
- Father is Robert, mother is Josie; sisters are Ali and Sara
- Started playing at age 5 when parents introduced her to the sport
- After 2014 US Open took break from tennis that lasted almost two years; returned in 2016, having enjoyed a successful stint at the Brisbane Heat cricket team in Women's Big Bash League
- Also enjoys watching other sports, especially supporting her beloved Richmond Tigers AFL team, playing golf, reading and fishing

- Currently coached by Sascha Bajin; fitness coach is Martin Nosko and Ivan Trebatickia; trains at and plays for Sparta Praha tennis club
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
- Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic
- Enjoys listening to Czech pop music and watching movies (favorites is Public Enemies). Favorite author is Paulo Coelho