



MATCH NOTES

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DAY 6 MATCH-UPS

Head-to-Head

[31] **MARKETA VONDROUSOVA (CZE #41)**

2-2

[2] **ARYNA SABALENKA (BLR #2)**

Vondrousova is 3-1 vs. Top-2 opponents with wins over Halep (2019 Indian Wells, 2019 Rome) and Osaka (2021 Olympics)... Sabalenka can become the World No.1 during the Australian Open, but will need to reach at least the final with other results going her way... Both players made fourth round here in 2021, their best showing at Melbourne Park

Head-to-Head

[7] **IGA SWIATEK (POL #9)**

0-1

[25] **DARIA KASATKINA (RUS #23)**

Swiatek is through to third round at eighth consecutive major... Kasatkina is bidding to reach second week at Australian Open for the first time in her career... Swiatek has conceded only seven games across her opening two matches... Kasatkina owns 14 wins over Top-10 opponents but only one at the Slams

Head-to-Head

SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #38)

3-3

[10] **ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA (RUS #11)**

First meeting between Cirstea and Pavlyuchenkova since 2018... Cirstea made her Grand Slam main draw debut at the Australian Open in 2008... Pavlyuchenkova is a three-time quarterfinalist at Melbourne Park (2017, 2019, 2020)... Both players have appeared in more than 50 Grand Slam main draws

Head-to-Head

[14] **SIMONA HALEP (ROU #15)**

1-0

DANKA KOVINIC (MNE #98)

Among those remaining in the draw, Halep has won more titles (23) than any other player... Kovinic is only woman representing Montenegro to compete in the main draw of a Slam... Halep has progressed to the second week in Melbourne in each of her last four visits... Kovinic has spent close to six hours on court across her first two matches

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[19] ELISE MERTENS (BEL #26) **Head-to-Head** 2-1 ZHANG SHUAI (CHN #74)

Mertens has advanced to the third round for the 16th consecutive major... *Zhang* is appearing at the tournament for the 11th time, with her best result 2016's QF run... *Mertens* is currently ranked No.4 in doubles, having won the title here in Melbourne last year with Sabalenka... *Zhang* is the last Chinese player remaining in the draw

CLARA TAUSON (DEN #39) **Head-to-Head** 0-1 [27] DANIELLE COLLINS (USA #30)

Tauson is the final teenager left in the field... *Collins* is one of a tournament-leading four Americans to make the third round... The last time a Danish woman advanced to the last 16 at the Australian Open was during Wozniacki's 2018 title run... *Collins* enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough here in 2019, making the SF

[29] TAMARA ZIDANSEK (SLO #29) **Head-to-Head** 0-0 ALIZÉ CORNET (FRA #61)

Zidansek is bidding to become the first woman representing Slovenia to reach last 16 at Australian Open... *Cornet* has played in 60 consecutive Grand Slams, the third longest streak in the Open Era behind Sugiyama (62) and Schiavone (61)... *Zidansek* came within two points of defeat in opening round... *Cornet* owns 11 wins over seeds at the majors

KAIA KANEPI (EST #115) **Head-to-Head** 0-0 [WC] MADDISON INGLIS (AUS #133)

Kanepi is the oldest of 10 thirtysomethings to reach third round this year... *Inglis* has won back-to-back Tour-level matches for the first time... Australian Open is the only major where *Kanepi* has not made QF... *Inglis* looking to become first Australian wildcard to reach fourth round here since 2014

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