



PREVIEW NOTES

Grand Prix Son Altesse Royale La Princesse Lalla Meryem Rabat, Morocco

May 21 - 27, 2023 | WTA 250 | \$259,303



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Grand Prix Son Altesse Royale La Princesse Lalla Meryem – Quick Facts

Main draw dates: Sunday, May 21 – Saturday, May 27, 2023
Singles Final: Saturday, May 27, 12:00pm
Doubles Final: Friday, May 26, FB 12:00pm
Venue: Union Sportive des Cheminots du Maroc (USCM)
Status: WTA 250
Staging: 21st Edition
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 16 singles qualifying
Surface: Red Clay / Outdoors
Tennis Ball: Wilson Roland Garros Clay Court

SINGLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	34,228	280
Runner-Up	20,226	180
Semifinalist	11,275	110
Quarterfinalist	6,418	60
Round of 16	3,922	30
Round of 32	2,804	1
Qualified	-	18

DOUBLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	12,447	280
Runner-Up	7,000	180
Semifinalist	4,020	110
Quarterfinalist	2,400	60
Round of 16	1,848	1

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

Wildcards: Malak El Allami, Aya El Aouni, Vera Zvonareva

Youngest singles player: Malak El Allami (16)

Oldest singles player: Vera Zvonareva (38)

- 21st Edition of the tournament.
- **Martina Trevisan** returns to Rabat as the defending champion; won her first career title at 2022 Rabat defeating Claire Liu in the final.
- Other standout names in the main draw includes **Leylah Fernandez, Tatjana Maria, Mayar Sherif, Alycia Parks, Sloane Stephens, and Vera Zvonareva.**
- *One to watch* – **Linda Fruhvirtova.** The Czech native is the youngest player (18) in the Top 100, currently ranked 55. Fruhvirtova recently reached her career high ranking of 50 in March after reaching the fourth round of the Australian Open 2023. She is coming into Rabat after winning the first match of her career in Madrid (l. in second round to Ostapenko).



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COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

A total of eighteen countries and regions are represented in the main draw, led by the USA with three players:

Argentina (1)	Julia Riera
Austria (1)	Julia Grabher
Belgium (1)	Ysaline Bonaventure
Burundi (1)	Sada Nahimana
Canada (1)	Leylah Fernandez
Czech Republic (1)	Linda Fruhvirtova
Egypt (1)	Mayar Sherif
France (2)	Leolia Jeanjean, Kristina Mladenovic
Germany (1)	Tatjana Maria
Hungary (1)	Panna Udvardy
Italy (2)	Lucia Bronzetti, Martina Trevisan
Kazakhstan (1)	Yulia Putintseva
Morocco (2)	Malak El Allami, Aya El Aouni
Romania (1)	Gabriela Lee
Spain (2)	Nuria Parrizas Diaz, Sara Sorribes Tormo
Sweden (1)	Rebecca Peterson
Ukraine (1)	Kateryna Baindl
USA (2)	Alycia Parks, Peyton Stearns, Sloane Stephens

Irina Khromacheva, Kamilla Rakhimova, Vera Zvonareva

A SNAPSHOT OF 2023 SO FAR

- **Top-10 debuts (1):** Elena Rybakina (January 30)
- **Match wins leaders:** Aryna Sabalenka (29-5), Iga Swiatek (28-6), Elena Rybakina (27-7 as of Rome Final), Jessica Pegula (25-9)
- **Aces leaders:** Elena Rybakina (275 as of Rome Final), Caroline Garcia (226), Aryna Sabalenka (204)
- **Most aces in a match (20):** Veronika Kudermetova (d. Victoria Azarenka at Adelaide 2)
- **Most singles titles (3):** Aryna Sabalenka (Adelaide 1, Australian Open, Madrid)
- **Fewest games dropped en route to a title (5):** Iga Swiatek (Doha)
- **Lowest-ranked title winner (No.84):** Lauren Davis (Hobart)
- **Youngest title winner (18):** Coco Gauff (Auckland)
- **Oldest title winner (33):** Petra Kvitova (Miami)



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2023 WTA TOUR FINALS

Week of	Level	Tournament	Singles Final	Doubles Final
January 2	WTA 500 WTA 250	Adelaide 1 Auckland Open	[2] A. Sabalenka d [Q] L. Noskova 63 76(4) [1] C. Gauff d [Q] R. Masarova 61 61	[6] A. Muhammad/T. Townsend d [1] S. Hunter/K. Siniakova 62 76(2) [2] M. Kato/A. Sutjiadi d L. Fernandez/B. Mattek-Sands 16 75 10-4
January 9	WTA 500 WTA 250	Adelaide 2 Hobart	[8] B. Bencic d [5] D. Kasatkina 60 62 [Q] L. Davis d E. Cocciaretto 76(0) 62	L. Stefani/T. Townsend d A. Pavlyuchenkova/E. Rybakina 75 76(3) [1] K. Flipkens/L. Siegemund d V. Golubic/P. Udvardy 64 75
January 16	GS	Australian Open	[5] A. Sabalenka d [22] E. Rybakina 46 63 64	[1] B. Krejcikova/K. Siniakova d [10] S. Aoyama/E. Shibahara 64 63
January 30	WTA 250 WTA 250	Hua Hin Lyon	L. Zhu d L. Tsurenko 64 64 A. Parks d [1] C. Garcia 76(7) 75	H. Chan/F. Wu d X. Wang/L. Zhu 61 76(6) C. Bucsa/B. Schoofs d O. Danilovic/A. Panova 76(5) 63
February 6	WTA 500 WTA 250	Abu Dhabi Linz	[2] B. Bencic d [8] L. Samsonova 16 76(8) 64 [8] A. Potapova d [6] P. Martic 63 61	L. Stefani/S. Zhang d S. Aoyama/H. Chan 36 62 10-8 N. Dzalamidze/V. Kuzmova d A. Friedsam/N. Kichenok 46 75 12-10
February 13	WTA 500	Doha	[1] I. Swiatek d [2] J. Pegula 6-3 6-0	[1] C. Gauff/J. Pegula d L. Kichenok/J. Ostapenko 6-4 2-6 10-7
February 20	WTA 1000 WTA 250	Dubai Merida	B. Krejcikova d [1] I. Swiatek 6-4 6-2 C. Giorgi d [Q] R. Peterson 7-6(3) 1-6 6-2	V. Kudermetova/L. Samsonova d H. Chan/L. Chan 6-4 6-7(4) 10-1 C. McNally/D. Parry d X. Wang/F. Wu 6-0 7-5
February 27	WTA 250 WTA 250	Austin Monterrey	[8] M. Kostyuk d V. Gracheva 6-3 7-5 [3] D. Vekic d [1] C. Garcia 6-4 3-6 7-5	[2] E. Routliffe/A. Sutjiadi d [1] N. Melichar-Martinez/E. Perez 6-4 3-6 10-8 Y. Lizarazo/M. Garcia d [WC] K. Birrell/F. Contreras Gómez 6-3 5-7 10-5
March 6	WTA 1000	Indian Wells	[10] E. Rybakina d [2] A. Sabalenka 7-6(11) 6-4 7	[1] B. Krejcikova/K. Siniakova d B. Haddad Maia/L. Siegemund 6-1 6-7(3) 10-7
March 20	WTA 1000	Miami	[15] P. Kvitova d [10] E. Rybakina 7-6(14) 6-2	[2] C. Gauff/J. Pegula d L. Fernandez/T. Townsend 7-6(6) 6-2
April 3	WTA 500 WTA 250	Charleston Bogotá	[2] O. Jabeur d [4] B. Bencic 7-6(6) 6-4 [2] T. Maria d P. Stearns 6-3 2-6 6-4	D. Collins/D. Krawczyk d [1] G. Olmos/E. Shibahara 0-6 6-4 14-12 I. Khromacheva/I. Shymanovich d O. Kalshnikova/K. Piter 6-1 3-6 10-6
April 17	WTA 500	Stuttgart	[1] I. Swiatek d [2] A. Sabalenka 6-3 6-4	[2] D. Krawczyk/D. Schuurs d [3] N. Melichar-Martinez/G. Olmos 6-4 6-1
April 24	WTA 1000	Madrid	[2] A. Sabalenka d. [1] I. Swiatek 6-3 3-6 6-3	V. Azarenka/B. Haddad Maia d. C. Gauff/J. Pegula 6-1 6-4