



# PREVIEW NOTES

CHINA OPEN  
BEIJING, CHINA

Sep 30-OCT 8, 2023 | WTA 1000 | \$8,127,389



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## 2023 CHINA OPEN – QUICK FACTS

**Main draw dates:** Saturday, Sep 30 – Sunday, Oct 8, 2023  
**Singles Final:** Sunday, Oct 8, 7:30pm  
**Doubles Final:** Sunday, Oct 8, 4:30pm  
**Venue:** National Tennis Center  
**Status:** WTA 1000  
**Staging:** 17th Edition  
**Draw sizes:** 60 singles (4 performance byes) / 28 doubles teams / 32 singles qualifying  
**Surface:** Hard / Outdoor  
**Tennis Ball:** HEAD Tour Regular Duty

SINGLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	\$1,324,000	1000
Runner-Up	\$780,000	650
Semifinalist	\$402,000	390
Quarterfinalist	\$185,018	215
Round of 16	\$92,500	120
Round of 32	\$52,000	65
Round of 64	\$32,325	10

## TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

**Wildcards:** Wang Xiyu (CHN), Yuan Yue (CHN), Tian Fangran (CHN), Sofia Kenin (USA), Vera Zvonareva

**Youngest singles player:** Linda Fruhvirtova (18 years, 160 days), Linda Noskova (18 years, 325 days)

**Oldest singles player:** Vera Zvonareva (39 years, 31 days), Tatjana Maria (36 years, 61 days)

- The WTA Hologic Tour comes to Beijing, for the 17th edition of the China Open.
- This is the 126th WTA 1000 tournament since the level was introduced in 2009.
- This is ninth WTA 1000 of the 2023 season. Elena Rybakina (Indian Wells, Rome) is the only player to win multiple WTA 1000 titles, and she is joined by Coco Gauff (Cincinnati), Barbora Krejčíková (Dubai), Petra Kvitová (Miami), Jessica Pegula (Montreal), Aryna Sabalenka (Madrid) and Maria Sakkari (Guadalajara).
- Aryna Sabalenka is the top seed this week, competing in her first tournament as WTA World No.1.
- Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova is making her 12th appearance at the tournament, the most among those in this year's draw. Only Peng Shuai (13), Caroline Wozniacki (13) and Jelena Jankovic (13) have made more appearances.
- Pavlyuchenkova is making her 104th appearance at a WTA 1000 tournament, the most since the level was introduced in 2009.
- Four players have won the title here twice – Svetlana Kuznetsova (2006, 2009), Agnieszka Radwanska (2011, 2016), Caroline Wozniacki (2010, 2018) and Serena Williams (2013, 2014).



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- A Chinese player is yet to reach the final of the China Open, with Shuai Peng (2006-07), Jie Zheng (2008), Na Li (2010, 2012) and Qiang Wang (2018) reaching the semifinals.
- At 18 years and 243 days, Maria Kirilenko (2005) is the youngest player to win the women's singles at the China Open. Kirilenko is one of the two teenagers to win the event, along with Agnes Szavay, at 18 years and 268 days in 2007. There are three teenagers in this year's draw – Linda Fruhvirtova, Linda Noskova and Coco Gauff.
- Iga Swiatek has reached five WTA 1000 semi-finals in 2023. Since the introduction of the format in 2009, only Serena Williams in 2013 (seven) and Simona Halep in 2015 (six) reached more in a calendar year.

## TOP 8 SEEDS – TOURNAMENT & WTA 1000 HISTORY

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	BEST WTA 1000 RESULTS
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	QF (1): 2018	Won (5): 2018 Wuhan, 2019 Wuhan, 2020 Doha, 2021 Madrid, 2023 Madrid
[2] Iga Swiatek (POL)	Debut	Won (5): 2021 Rome, 2022 Doha, 2022 Indian Wells, 2022 Miami, 2022 Rome
[3] Coco Gauff (USA)	Debut	Won (1): 2023 Cincinnati
[4] Jessica Pegula (USA)	R64 (1): 2019	Won (2): 2022 Guadalajara, 2023 Montreal
[5] Elena Rybakina (KAZ)	Debut	Won (2): 2023 Indian Wells, 2023 Rome
[6] Maria Sakkari (GRE)	R64 (1): 2018	Won (1): 2023 Guadalajara
[7] Ons Jabeur (TUN)	R32 (1): 2018	Won (1): 2022 Madrid
[8] Marketa Vondrousova (CZE)	Debut	SF (1): 2020 Rome

## A SNAPSHOT OF 2023 SO FAR

- **Top-10 debuts (4):** Elena Rybakina (January 30); Beatriz Haddad Maia (June 12); Marketa Vondrousova (July 17); Karolina Muchova (Aug 21)
- **Match wins leaders:** Iga Swiatek (56-10), Aryna Sabalenka (54-15), Jessica Pegula (46-15)
- **Most aces in a match (21):** Rebecca Marino (d. Emina Betkas at Birmingham)
- **Most singles titles (4):** Swiatek (Doha, Stuttgart, Roland Garros, Warsaw), Coco Gauff (US Open, Cincinnati, Washington DC, Auckland)
- **Lowest-ranked title winner (No.508):** Elina Svitolina (Strasbourg)
- **Youngest title winner (18):** Coco Gauff (Auckland)
- **Oldest title winner (35):** Tatjana Maria (Bogotá)
- **Most doubles titles (4):** Barbora Krejickova (Australian Open, Indian Wells, Birmingham, San Diego)
- **Longest Match (3h 51m):** Beatriz Haddad Maia d. Sara Sorribes Tormo 6-7(3) 6-3 7-5 (Roland Garros)
- **Singles & Doubles Titles – Same Event:** Nao Hibino (Prague), Barbora Krejickova (San Diego)



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## COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 20 countries and regions are represented in main draw, led by the Czech Republic (7), China (6) and USA (5):

<b>Australia (1)</b>	Daria Saville
<b>Belgium (1)</b>	Elise Mertens
<b>Brazil (1)</b>	Beatriz Haddad Maia
<b>China (6)</b>	Tian Fangran, Wang Xinyu, Wang Xiyu, Yuan Yue, Zheng Qinwen, Zhu Lin
<b>Croatia (2)</b>	Petra Martic, Donna Veikic
<b>Czech Republic (7)</b>	Marie Bouzkova, Linda Fruhvirtova, Barbora Krejckova, Petra Kvitova, Linda Noskova, Katerina Siniakova, Marketa Vondrousova
<b>Egypt (1)</b>	Mayar Sherif
<b>France (2)</b>	Caroline Garcia, Varvara Gracheva
<b>Greece (1)</b>	Maria Sakkari
<b>Italy (3)</b>	Elisabetta Cocciaretto, Jasmine Paolini, Martina Trevisan
<b>Kazakhstan (1)</b>	Elena Ryabkina
<b>Latvia (1)</b>	Jelena Ostapenko
<b>The Netherlands (1)</b>	Arantxa Rus
<b>Poland (1)</b>	Magda Linette, Iga Swiatek
<b>Romania (1)</b>	Sorana Cirstea
<b>Spain (1)</b>	Sara Sorribes Tormo
<b>Tunisia (1)</b>	Ons Jabeur
<b>Ukraine (3)</b>	Anhelina Kalinina, Marta Kostyuk, Lesia Tsurenko
<b>United States (5)</b>	Jennifer Brady, Coco Gauff, Sofia Kenin, Alycia Parks, Jessica Pegula
	Victoria Azarenka, Aryna Sabalenka
	Ekaterina Alexandrova, Anna Blinkova, Daria Kasatkina, Veronika Kudermetova, Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Anastasia Potapova, Liudmila Samsonova, Vera Zvonareva

## 2023 WTA TOUR FINALS

WEEK OF	LEVEL	TOURNAMENT	SINGLES FINAL	DOUBLES FINAL
<b>Jan 2</b>	WTA 500	Adelaide 1	[2] A. Sabalenka d [Q] L. Noskova 63 76(4)	[6] A. Muhammad/T. Townsend d [1] S. Hunter/K. Siniakova 62 76(2)
	WTA 250	Auckland Open	[1] C. Gauff d [Q] R. Masarova 61 61	[2] M. Kato/A. Sutjiadi d L. Fernandez/B. Mattek-Sands 16 75 10-4
<b>Jan 9</b>	WTA 500	Adelaide 2	[8] B. Bencic d [5] D. Kasatkina 60 62	L. Stefani/T. Townsend d A. Pavlyuchenkova/E. Rybakina 75 76(3)
	WTA 250	Hobart	[Q] L. Davis d E. Cocciaretto 76(0) 62	[1] K. Flipkens/L. Siegemund d V. Golubic/P. Udvardy 64 75
<b>Jan 16</b>	GS	Australian Open	[5] A. Sabalenka d [22] E. Rybakina 46 63 64	[1] B. Krejckova/K. Siniakova d [10] S. Aoyama/E. Shibahara 64 63
<b>Jan 30</b>	WTA 250	Hua Hin	L. Zhu d L. Tsurenko 64 64	H. Chan/F. Wu d X. Wang/L. Zhu 61 76(6)
	WTA 250	Lyon	A. Parks d [1] C. Garcia 76(7) 75	C. Bucsa/B. Schoofs d O. Danilovic/A. Panova 76(5) 63
<b>Feb 6</b>	WTA 500	Abu Dhabi	[2] B. Bencic d [8] L. Samsonova 16 76(8) 64	L. Stefani/S. Zhang d S. Aoyama/H. Chan 36 62 10-8
	WTA 250	Linz	[8] A. Potapova d [6] P. Martic 63 61	N. Dzalamidze/V. Kuzmova d A. Friedsam/N. Kichenok 46 75 12-10
<b>Feb 13</b>	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
<b>Feb 20</b>	WTA 1000	Dubai	B. Krejckova d [1] I. Swiatek 6-4 6-2	V. Kudermetova/L. Samsonova d H. Chan/L. Chan 6-4 6-7(4) 10-1
	WTA 250	Merida	C. Giorgi d [Q] R. Peterson 7-6(3) 1-6 6-2	C. McNally/D. Parry d X. Wang/F. Wu 6-0 7-5



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<b>Feb 27</b>	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
<b>Mar 6</b>	WTA 1000	Indian Wells	[10] E.Rybakina d [2] A.Sabalenka 7-6(11) 6-4	[1] B.Krejckova/K.Siniakova d B.Haddad Maia/L.Siegemund 6-1 6-7(3) 10-7
<b>Mar 20</b>	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
<b>Apr 3</b>	WTA 500 WTA 500	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
<b>Apr 17</b>	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
<b>Apr 24</b>	WTA 1000	Madrid	[2] A. Sabalenka d. [1] I. Swiatek 6-3 3-6 6-3	V. Azarenka/B. Haddad Maia d.[1] C. Gauff/J. Pegula 6-1 6-4
<b>May 8</b>	WTA 1000	Rome	[7] E. Rybakina d. [30] A. Kalinina 6-4 1-0 ret.	[4] S. Hunter/E. Mertens d. [1] C. Gauff/J.Pegula 6-4 6-4
<b>May 21</b>	WTA 250 WTA 250	Strasbourg Rabat	E. Svitolina d. B. Blinkova 6-2 6-3 L. Bronzetti d. J. Grabher 6-4 5-7 7-5	[4]Y.Xu /Z. Yang d. [2] D. Krawczyk / G. Olmos 6-3 6-2 S. Santamaria / Y. Sizikova d. L. Marozava / I. Gamarra Martins 3-6 6-1 10-8
WEEK OF	LEVEL	TOURNAMENT	SINGLES FINAL	DOUBLES FINAL
<b>May 29</b>	GS	Roland Garros	[1] I. Swiatek d. K. Muchova 6-2 5-7 6-4	X. Wang / S. Hsieh d. [10] L. Fernandez/ T. Townsend 1-6 7-6(5) 6-1
<b>June 12</b>	WTA 250 WTA 250	Nottingham 's-Hertogenbosch	[WC] K. Boulter d. J. Burrage 6-3 6-3 [4] E. Alexandrova d. [1] V. Kudermetova 4-6 6-4 7-6(3)	U. Eikeri/I. Neel d. [WC] H. Dart/H. Watson 7-6(6) 5-7 10-8 S. Aoyama/E. Shibahara d. V. Hrunckova/T. Mihalikova 6-3 6-3
<b>June 19</b>	WTA 500 WTA 250	Berlin Birmingham	[7] P. Kvitova d. D. Vekic 6-2 7-6(6) [2] J. Ostapenko d. [1] B. Krejckova 7-6(8) 6-4	C. Garcia / L. Stefani d. K. Siniakova / M. Vondrousova 4-6 7-6(8) 10-4 [2] M. Kostyuk / B. Krejckova d. [3] S. Hunter / A. Parks 6-2 7-6(7)
<b>June 26</b>	WTA 500 WTA 250	Eastbourne Bad Homburg	M. Keys d. [9] D. Kasatkina 6-2 7-6(13) K. Siniakova d. L. Bronzetti 6-2 7-6(5)	[3] D. Krawczyk / D. Schuurs d. [2] N. Melichar-Martinez 6-2 6-4 L. Marozava / I. Gamarra Martins d.E. Hozumi / M. Nivulescu 6-0 7-6(3)
<b>July 3</b>	GS	Wimbledon	M.Vondrousova d. O. Jabeur 6-4 6-4	B. Stycova/S. Hsieh d. [3] S. Hunter/E. Mertens 7-5 6-4
<b>July 17</b>	WTA 250 WTA 250 WTA 250	Budapest Palermo	[LL] M. Timofeeva d. K. Baidl 6-3 3-6 6-0 [2/WC] Q. Zheng d. [5] J.Paolini 4-6 6-1 1-6	K. Piter/F. Stollar d. J. Aney/A. Siskova 6-2 4-6 10-6 [1] Y. Sizikova/K. Zimmermann/ A. Moratelli/C. Rosatello 6-2 6-4
<b>July 24</b>	WTA 250 WTA 250 WTA 250	Hamburg Warsaw Lausanne	[7] A. Rus d. [WC] N. Noha Akugue 6-0 7-6(3) [1] I. Swiatek d. L. Siegemund 6-0 6-1 [2] E. Cocciaretto d. C. Burel 7-5 4-6 6-4	[1] A. Danilina/A. Panova d. [2] M. Kolodziejova/A. Kulikov 6-4 6-2 H. Waston/Y. Wickmayer d. W. Falkowska/K. Piter 6-4 6-4 [3] A. Bondar/D. Parry d. A. Anshba/A. Detiuc 6-2 6-1
<b>July 31</b>	WTA 500 WTA 250	Washington DC Prague	[3] C. Gauff d. [4] M. Sakkari 6-2 6-3 [LL] N. Hibino d. [4] L. Noskova 6-4 6-1	L. Siegemund/V. Zvonareva d. A. Guarachi/M. Niculescu 6-4 6-4 N. Hibino/ O. Kalashnikova d. Q. Gleason/ E. Lechemia 6-7(7) 7-5 10-3
<b>Aug 7</b>	WTA 1000	Montreal	[4] J. Pegula d. [15] L. Samsonova 6-1 6-0	[7] S. Aoyama/E. Shibahara d. [5] D. Krawczyk/D. Schuurs 6-4 4-6 13-11
<b>Aug 14</b>	WTA 1000	Cincinnati	[7] C. Gauff d. K. Muchova 6-3 6-4	A. Parks/T. Townsend d. [3] N. Melichar-Martinez/E. Perez 6-7(1) 6-4 10-6
<b>Aug 21</b>	WTA 250	Cleveland	[LL] S. Sorribes Tormo d. [4] E. Alexandrova 3-6 6-4 6-4	M. Kato/A. Sutjiadi d. [2] N. Melichar-Martinez/E. Perez 6-4 6-7(4) 10-8
<b>Aug 28</b>	GS	US Open	[6] C.Gauff d. [2] A. Sabalenka 26 63 62	[16] G. Dabrowski/E. Routliffe V [12] V. Zvonareva/ L. Siegemund
<b>Sep 11</b>	WTA 500 WTA 250	San Diego Osaka	[WC] B.Krejckova d. [WC] S. Kenin 6-2 2-6 6-4 A.Krueger d. [1] L. Zhu 6-3 7-6 (6)	[1] B.Krejckova/K.Siniakova d. [WC] D.Collins/C.Vandeweghe 6-1 6-4 A.Friedsam/N.Kichenok d. K.Kalinskaya/Y.Putintseva 7-6(3) 6-3
<b>Sep 18</b>	WTA 250 WTA 1000	Guangzhou Guadalajara	Xiy. Wang d. [1] M. Linette 6-0 6-2 C. Dolehide v. [2] M. Sakkari	H. Guo/X. Jiang d. [2] d. [2] E. Hozumi / M. Ninomiya 6-3 7-6(4) [1] E. Mertens/S. Hunter d. [3] G. Dabrowski/E. Routliffe 3-6 6-2 10-4