

# PREVIEW NOTES

## TORAY PAN PACIFIC OPEN TENNIS

### TOKYO, JAPAN

Sep 25 – Oct 1, 2023 | WTA 500 | \$780, 637

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## Toray Pan Pacific Open Tennis – Quick Facts

**Main draw dates:** Monday, Sep 25 – Sunday, Oct 1, 2023  
**Singles Final:** Sunday, Oct 1, 12pm  
**Doubles Final:** Following Singles Final  
**Venue:** Ariake Coliseum and Ariake Tennis Forest  
**Status:** WTA 500  
**Staging:** 38<sup>th</sup> Edition  
**Draw sizes:** 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying  
**Surface:** Deco Turf Hard / Outdoor  
**Tennis Ball:** Yonex Tour

SINGLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	120,150	470
Runner-Up	74,161	305
Semifinalist	43,323	185
Quarterfinalist	21,075	100
Round of 16	11,500	55
Round of 32	8,310	1

DOUBLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	40,100	470
Runner-Up	24,300	305
Semifinalist	13,900	185
Quarterfinalist	7,200	100
Round of 16	4,350	1

## TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

**Wildcards:** Moyuka Uchijima (JPN), Anna Kalinskaya,

**Youngest singles player:** Linda Noskova (18)

**Oldest singles player:** Tatjana Maria (36)

- The WTA Hologic Tour returns to Tokyo for the second tournament of the season in Japan following the Kinoshita Group Japan Open Tennis Championships 2023 held in Osaka
- This is the 38<sup>th</sup> edition of the tournament and the 12<sup>th</sup> WTA 500 of the 2023 season
- Leading the field is Roland Garros 2023 winner **Iga Swiatek** – the No.1 seed has a total of 15 titles and in addition to her Roland Garros victory this season, she also won Doha, Stuttgart and Warsaw
- No.2 seed **Jessica Pegula**, earning her third career title at WTA 1000 Montreal, also reached the final of WTA 500 Doha this year
- 2023 Australian Open finalist **Elena Rybakina** is No.3 seed, also claiming the Indian Wells title this year and No.4 seed **Maria Sakkari**, who is coming off the back of winning her second career title at Guadalajara, round out the Top 4 in Tokyo
- The Top 4 seeds all competed in the Tokyo Olympic Games in 2021 held at the same venue, with **Rybakina** posting the best result reaching the bronze medal match (I. Svitolina); among the Top 5 seeds No.5 **Caroline Garcia** holds the most previous appearances at the current tournament with a total of five (2012, 2015, 2017, 2018 and 2022)



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## TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY\*

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	W/L
[1] Iga Swiatek (POL)	Making tournament debut	-
[2] Jessica Pegula (USA)	Making tournament debut	-
[3] Elena Rybakina (KAZ)	1r (1): 2022 (I. Samsonova)	0-1
[4] Maria Sakkari (GRE)	1r (1): 2016 (I. Putintseva)	0-1

*\*Main draw matches only*

## COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 12 countries and regions are represented in the main draw:

<b>Czech Republic (1)</b>	Linda Noskova
<b>Croatia (2)</b>	Donna Vekic, Petra Martic
<b>France (1)</b>	Caroline Garcia
<b>Germany (1)</b>	Tatjana Maria
<b>Greece (1)</b>	Maria Sakkari
<b>Japan (2)</b>	Nao Hibino, Moyuka Uchijima,
<b>Kazakhstan (1)</b>	Elena Rybakina
<b>Poland (1)</b>	Iga Swiatek
<b>Spain (1)</b>	Cristina Bucsa
<b>UKR (2)</b>	Anhelina Kalinina, Marta Kostyuk
<b>USA (3)</b>	Jessica Pegula, Kayla Day, Ashlyn Krueger

Daria Kasatkina, Liudmila Samsonova, Veronika Kudermetova, Ekaterina Alexandrova, Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Anna Kalinskaya

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## A SNAPSHOT OF 2023 SO FAR

- **Top-10 debuts (1):** 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)
- **Aces leaders:** Elena Rybakina (401), Caroline Garcia (387), Aryna Sabalenka (355), Zheng Qinwen (270)
- **Most aces in a match (21):** Rebecca Marino (d. Emina Betkas at Birmingham)
- **Most singles titles (4):** Iga Swiatek (Doha, Stuttgart, Roland Garros, Warsaw), Coco Gauff (Auckland, Washington DC, Cincinnati, US Open)
- **Fewest games dropped en route to a title (5):** Iga Swiatek (Doha)
- **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 Krejčíková (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 Krejčíková (San Diego)

## 2023 WTA TOUR FINALS

WEEK OF	LEVEL	TOURNAMENT	SINGLES FINAL	DOUBLES FINAL
Jan 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
Jan 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. Udvary 64 75
Jan 16	GS	Australian Open	[5] A. Sabalenka d [22] E. Rybakina 46 63 64	[1] B. Krejčíková/K. Siniakova d [10] S. Aoyama/E. Shibahara 64 63
Jan 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
Feb 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. Martić 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
Feb 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
Feb 20	WTA 1000 WTA 250	Dubai Merida	B. Krejčíková 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
Feb 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. García d [WC] K. Birrell/F. Contreras Gómez 6-3 5-7 10-5
Mar 6	WTA 1000	Indian Wells	[10] E. Rybakina d [2] A. Sabalenka 7-6(11) 6-4	[1] B. Krejčíková/K. Siniakova d B. Haddad Maia/L. Siegemund 6-1 6-7(3) 10-7
Mar 20	WTA 1000	Miami	[15] P. Kvitová d [10] E. Rybakina 7-6(14) 6-2	[2] C. Gauff/J. Pegula d L. Fernandez/T. Townsend 7-6(6) 6-2
Apr 3	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
Apr 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
Apr 24	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
May 8	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

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<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
<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> <b>July 17</b>	GS WTA 250 WTA 250	Wimbledon Budapest Palermo	M. Vondrousova d. O. Jabeur 6-4 6-4 [LL] M. Timofeeva d. K. Baindl 3-3 6-3 6-0 [2/WC] Q. Zheng d. [5] J. Paolini 4-6 6-1 1-6	B. Stycova / S. Hsieh d. [3] S. Hunter / E. Mertens 7-5 6-4 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> <b>Aug 14</b> <b>Aug 21</b>	WTA 1000 WTA 1000 WTA 250	Montreal Cincinnati Cleveland	[4] J. Pegula d. [15] L. Samsonova 6-1 6-0 [7] C. Gauff d. K. Muchova 6-3 6-4 [LL] S. Sorribes Tormo d. [4] E. Alexandrova 3-6 6-4 6-4	[7] S. Aoyama / E. Shibahara d. [5] D. Krawczyk / D. Schuurs 6-4 4-6 13-11 A. Parks / T. Townsend d. [3] N. Melichar-Martinez / E. Perez 6-7(1) 6-4 10-6 M. Kato / A. Sutjiadi d. [2] N. Melichar-Martinez / E. Perez 6-4 6-7(4) 10-8
<b>Aug 28</b> <b>Sept 11</b>	GS WTA 500 WTA 250	US Open San Diego Osaka	[6] C. Gauff d. [2] A. Sabalenka 2-6 6-3 6-2 [WC] B. Krejckova d. [WC] S. Kenin 6-2 2-6 6-4 A. Krueger d. [1] L. Zhu 6-3 7-6 (6)	[16] G. Dabrowski / E. Routliffe d. [12] V. Zvonareva / L. Siegemund 7-6(9) 6-3 [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>Sept 18</b>	WTA 1000 WTA 250	Guadalajara Guangzhou	[2] Maria Sakkari d. Caroline Dolehide 75 63 Wang Xiyu d. [1] M. Linette 60 62	[1] E. Mertens / S. Hunter d. [3] G. Dabrowski / E. Routliffe 3-6 6-2 10-4 H. Guo / X. Jiang d. [2] d. [2] E. Hozumi / M. Ninomiya 6-3 7-6(4)