



PREVIEW NOTES

PRUDENTIAL HONG KONG TENNIS OPEN HONG KONG

OCTOBER 9-15, 2023 | WTA 250 | \$259,303



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PRUDENTIAL HONG KONG TENNIS OPEN – QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Monday, October 9 - Saturday, October 15, 2023
Singles Final: Saturday, October 15 at 4pm
Doubles Final: Saturday, October 15 at 4pm
Venue: Victoria Park Tennis Stadium
Status: WTA 250
Staging: 6th edition
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface: Plexipave / Outdoor
Tennis Ball: Dunlop Australian Open

SINGLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	34,228	280
Runner-Up	20,226	180
Semifinalist	11,276	110
Quarterfinalist	6,418	60
Round of 16	3,920	30
Round of 32	2,804	1

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

Wildcards: Ho Ching Wu (HKG), Eudice Chong (HKG), Hong Yi Cody Wong (HKG)

Youngest singles player: Mirra Andreeva (16)

Oldest singles player: Victoria Azarenka (34)

- The WTA comes to Hong Kong for the first time since 2018. **Dayana Yastremska** returns to Victoria Park Tennis Stadium to defend her maiden WTA title
- Headlining the field is top seed and two-time grand slam champion **Victoria Azarenka**; on the other side of the draw is World No.20 **Beatriz Haddad Maia**
- Also competing in Ningbo is No.3 seed **Elise Mertens**, who is currently ranked No.1 in doubles and recently won the Guadalajara Open Akron doubles title alongside Storm Hunter
- Representing the host country are three wildcards – **Ho Ching Wu**, **Eudice Chong**, and **Hong Yi Cody Wong**
- Notable first round matches include No.1 seed **Victoria Azarenka** taking on the 2021 US Open finalist **Leylah Fernandez**. Young rising stars **Peyton Stearns** and **Linda Fruhvirtova** face off as well as local favorite **Wang Xinyu** and **Elina Avanesyan**
- *One to Watch* – **Wang Xiyu**. The 22-year-old recently captured her maiden WTA title in Guangzhou, where she dropped just one set en route to claiming the title in a decisive 6-0 6-2 victory against No.1 seed Magda Linette. Wang is playing Tour-level tennis in front of her home country for the first time in four years. She will face **Katerina Siniakova** in her first round match



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TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY*

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	W/L	WIN %
[1] Victoria Azarenka	Tournament debut	-	-
[2] Beatriz Haddad Maia (BRA)	Tournament debut	-	-
[3] Elise Mertens (BEL)	Tournament debut	-	-
[4] Xinyu Wang (CHN)	Tournament debut	-	-

**Main draw matches only*

COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 17 countries and regions are represented in the main draw.

Australia (1)	Priscilla Hon
Belgium (1)	Elise Mertens
Brazil (1)	Beatriz Haddad Maia
Canada (1)	Leylah Fernandez
China (2)	Wang Xiyu, Wang Xinyu
Croatia (1)	Jana Fett
Czech Republic (2)	Linda Fruhvirtova, Katerina Siniakova
France (1)	Varvara Gracheva
Hong Kong (3)	Ho Ching Wu, Eudice Chong, Hong Yi Cody Wong
Italy (1)	Martina Trevisan
Kazakhstan (1)	Yulia Putintseva
Poland (1)	Magdalena Frech
Spain (2)	Sara Sorribes Tormo, Cristina Bucsa
Ukraine (1)	Dayana Astremska
United States (1)	Peyton Stearns

Victoria Azarenka, Mirra Andreeva, Elina Avanesyan, Anna Blinkova, Kamilla Rakhimova, Valeria Savinykh, Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Aliaksandra Sasnovich



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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 (63-11), Aryna Sabalenka (53-12), Jessica Pegula (50-17)
- **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 (5):** Iga Swiatek (Doha, Stuttgart, Roland Garros, Warsaw, Beijing)
- **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 Krejckikova (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 Krejckikova (San Diego)

2023 WTA TOUR FINALS

Week of	Level	Tournament	Singles Final	Doubles Final
January 2	WTA 500 WTA 250	Adelaide 1 Auckland	[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. Cocciareto 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. Krejckikova/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. Krejckikova d [1] I. Swiatek 6-4 6-2 C. Giorgi d [Q] R. Peterson 7-6(3) 1-6 6-2	V. Kudrmetova/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	[1] B. Krejckikova/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 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. Kalschnikova/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



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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
May 21	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
May 29	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
June 12	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. Hrucakova/T. Mihalikova 6-3 6-3
June 19	WTA 500 WTA 250	Berlin Birmingham	[7] P. Kvitova d. D. Vekic 6-2 7-6(6) [2] J. Ostapenko d. [1] B. Krejcikova 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. Krejcikova d. [3] S. Hunter / A. Parks 6-2 7-6(7)
June 26	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)
July 3	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
July 17	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
July 24	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
July 31	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
Aug 7	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
Aug 14	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
Aug 21	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
Aug 28	GS	US Open	[6] C.Gauff d. [2] A. Sabalenka 2-6 6-3 6-2	[16] G. Dabrowski/E. Routliffe V [12] V. Zvonareva/ L. Siegemund
Sep 11	WTA 500 WTA 250	San Diego Osaka	[4] B.Krejcikova d. [WC] S. Kenin 6-4 2-6 6-4 A.Krueger d. [1] L. Zhu 6-3 7-6 (6)	[1] B.Krejcikova/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
Sep 18	WTA 250 WTA 1000	Guangzhou Guadalajara	Xiy. Wang d. [1] M. Linette 6-0 6-2 [2] M. Sakkari d. C. Dolehide 75 63	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 36 62 10-4
Sep 25	WTA 500 WTA 250	Tokyo Ningbo	[8] V. Kudermetova d. [2] J. Pegula 75 61 [1] O. Jabeur d. D. Shnaider 62 61	U. Eikeri/I. Neel d. E. Hozumi/M. Nimoniya 36 75 10-5 [1] L. Siegemund/V. Zvonareva d. H. Guo/X. Jiang 46 63 10-5