



PREVIEW NOTES

OPEN 6 ÉME SENS MÉTROPOLE DE LYON LYON, FRANCE



JANUARY 30 – FEBRUARY 5, 2023 | WTA 250 | €225,480

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OPEN 6 ÉME SENS MÉTROPOLE DE LYON – QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Monday, January 30 – Sunday, February 5, 2023
Singles Final: Sunday, February 5, Not Before 3:30pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, February 5, 1pm
Venue: Palais des Sports de Gerland
Status: WTA 250
Staging: Tournament's fourth year
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface: Hard (greenset) / Indoors
Tennis Ball: Head Tour Regular Duty
2022 Singles Final: [8] Zhang Shuai d. [WC] Dayana Yastremska 3-6 6-3 6-4
2022 Doubles Final: Laura Siegemund/Vera Zvonareva d. Alicia Barnett/Olivia Nicholls 7-5 6-1

SINGLES	€	RANK POINTS
Winner	29,760	280
Runner-Up	17,590	180
Semifinalist	9,810	110
Quarterfinalist	5,580	60
Round of 16	3,410	30
Round of 32	2,438	1

MAIN DRAW QUICK-HITS

Wildcards: Clara Burel, Kristina Mladenovic, Garbiñe Muguruza

Qualifiers: Erika Andreeva, Marina Bassols Ribera, Olga Danilovic, Ana Konjuh, Rebeka Masarova, Linda Noskova

Youngest singles player: Linda Noskova (18)

Oldest singles player: Zhang Shuai (34)



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TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

- The fourth edition of the tournament features five of the Top 50, including local favorite and World No.5 **Caroline Garcia**
- Last year, Garcia was a semifinalist at her home-town event and opens her challenge this time against **Tereza Martincova**
- Garcia's semifinal conqueror in 2022 was eventual champion **Zhang Shuai**, who returns as No.2 seed, opening her title defense against **Madison Brengle**
- Like Garcia, No.3 seed **Alizé Cornet** has been an ever-present in Lyon since its addition to the WTA calendar in 2020. She has won only once in her three previous visits and has a tricky assignment in the first round this year against **Camila Osorio**
- The wildcards feature two more Frenchwomen, **Clara Burel** and **Kristina Mladenovic**, as well as two-time major champion **Garbiñe Muguruza**, with the latter involved in arguably the pick of the first-round matches against teenage qualifier **Linda Noskova**, who was a recent finalist in Adelaide
- **One to Watch** – **Anna Blinkova**. Last October, Blinkova came through qualifying to lift her maiden WTA title at Cluj-Napoca and help secure a first year-end Top 100 finish since 2020. The 24-year-old has continued where she left off at the start of 2023, reaching the semifinals at Hobart as a qualifier before a tight three-set defeat to No.10 seed Madison Keys at the Australian Open

TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY*

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	W/L	WIN %
[1] Caroline Garcia (CAN)	SF (1): 2022 (l. Zhang) QF (1): 2020 (l. Van Uytvanck) 2r (1): 2021 (l. Golubic)	6-3	.667
[2] Zhang Shuai (CHN)	WON (1): 2022 (d. Yastremska in F)	5-0	1.000
[3] Alizé Cornet (FRA)	2r (1): 2020 (l. Giorgi) 1r (2): 2021 (l. Burel), 2022 (l. Bucsa)	1-3	.250
[4] Petra Martic (CRO)	Tournament debut	-	-

*Main draw matches only

PREVIOUS SINGLES FINALS

YEAR	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	SCORE
2022	[8] Zhang Shuai (CHN #64)	[WC] Dayana Yastremska (UKR #140)	3-6 6-3 6-4
2021	[Q] Clara Tauson (DEN #139)	[Q] Viktorija Golubic (FRA #130)	6-4 6-1
2020	[1] Sofia Kenin (USA #5)	Anna-Lena Friedsam (GER #136)	6-2 4-6 6-4



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COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

A total of 17 countries and regions are represented in the main draw led by France and Spain with four players each:

Austria (1)	Julia Grabher
Belgium (2)	Alison Van Uytvanck, Maryna Zanevska
China (1)	Zhang Shuai
Colombia (1)	Camila Osorio
Croatia (2)	Ana Konjuh, Petra Martić
Czech Republic (2)	Tereza Martincová, Linda Nosková
Egypt (1)	Mayar Sherif
France (4)	Clara Burel, Alizé Cornet, Caroline Garcia, Kristina Mladenovic
Germany (2)	Tamara Korpatsch, Jule Niemeier
Hungary (2)	Anna Bondar, Dalma Galfi
Italy (1)	Jasmine Paolini
Montenegro (1)	Danka Kovinić
Romania (1)	Ana Bogdan
Serbia (1)	Olga Danilović
Spain (4)	Marina Bassols Ribera, Rebeka Masarova, Garbiñe Muguruza, Nuria Párrizas Díaz
Switzerland (1)	Viktorija Golubic
United States (2)	Madison Brengle, Alycia Parks

Erika Andreeva, Anna Blinkova, Anastasia Potapova

A SNAPSHOT OF 2023 SO FAR

- **Top-10 debuts (1):** Elena Rybakina (January 30)
- **Match wins leaders:** Aryna Sabalenka (11-0), Coco Gauff (8-1), Belinda Bencic (8-2), Jessica Pegula (8-2)
- **Aces leaders:** Elena Rybakina (82), Aryna Sabalenka (81), Caroline Garcia (60)
- **Most aces in a match (20):** Veronika Kudermetova (d. Victoria Azarenka at Adelaide 2)
- **Most singles titles (2):** Aryna Sabalenka (Adelaide 1, Australian Open)
- **Fewest games dropped en route to a title (22):** Coco Gauff (Auckland)
- **Lowest-ranked title winner (No.84):** Lauren Davis (Hobart)
- **Youngest title winner (18):** Coco Gauff (Auckland)
- **Oldest title winner (29):** Lauren Davis (Hobart)
- **Longest Match (3h 14m):** Martina Trevisan d. Maria Sakkari 6-3 6-7(4) 7-5 (United Cup)



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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] Muhammad/Townsend d [1] Hunter/Siniakova 62 76(2) [2] Kato/Sutjiadi d Fernandez/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	Stefani/Townsend d Pavlyuchenkova/Rybakina 75 76(3) [1] Flipkens/Siegemund d. Golubic/Udvardy 64 75
January 16	GS	Australian Open	[5] A. Sabalenka d [22] E. Rybakina 46 63 64	[1] Krejckova/Siniakova d [10] Aoyama/Shibahara 64 63
January 30	WTA 250 WTA 250	Hua Hin Lyon		