



35 **LIN ZHU (1)**
CHINA

ASHLYN KRUEGER **123**
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1994-01-28	Date of Birth	2004-05-07
Beijing, China	Residence	Dallas, TX, USA
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 8" (1.73m)	Height	6'1" (1.85m)
33	Career-High Ranking	108
\$2,688,902	Career Prize Money	\$615,139
\$821,337	Season Prize Money	\$297,330
1 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
9-17 (Round of 16: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	0-3 (Round of 128: 2023 US OPEN; 2022 US OPEN; 2021 US OPEN)
4-0 / 5-1 (Runner-Up: 2023)	YTD / Career OSAKA W-L (best)	4-0 / 4-0 (Runner-Up: 2023)
27-18 / 68-83	YTD / Career W-L	6-5 / 6-11
23-13 / 63-68	YTD / Career Hard W-L	4-4 / 4-10
7-5 / 20-26	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	0-0 / 0-3
9-3 / 22-19	YTD / Career TB W-L	0-0 / 1-2
Champion: HUA HIN	YTD Best Result	Runner-Up: OSAKA



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
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First career meeting

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
58	62	2022	178	178
88	140	2021	534	536
69	91	2020	-	-
83	83	2019	-	-
102	114	2018	-	-
104	104	2017	-	-
140	140	2016	-	-
107	173	2015	-	-
139	139	2014	-	-
469	580	2013	-	-



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. X. WANG (#91) 6-4 6-4 (1h 42m)
2r: d. M. UCHIJIMA (#174) 6-4 4-6 6-1 (2h 19m)
QF: d. E. MANDLIK (#167) 6-3 6-2 (1h 14m)
SF: d. X. WANG (#39) 7-5 7-6 (2h 4m)

Total time on court: 7h 19m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making second appearance at the event, where her previous result was reaching 2r in 2018 at Hiroshima (l. Tomljanovic)
- Has beaten Xiyu Wang, Moyuka Uchijima, Elizabeth Mandlik and Xinyu Wang so far this week to reach her first final since Hua Hin in 2023 where she lifted the title
- Faces No.123 Ashlyn Krueger in the final today
- Owns 6-10 career record against players from United States of America, with record in 2023 standing at 5-4
- Record in WTA final matches stands at 1-0
- Best career result on hard court was becoming champion in Hua Hin in 2023 (d. Tsurenko)
- Is No. 1 seed this week for the first time in her career
- Best result by player from China at this event was SF runs by Zhang Shuai in 2018 and 2016, Wang Qiang in 2018 and Zhang Jie in 2011
- Reached her career-high ranking of No. 33 in March 2023, is currently ranked No.35; this time last year was ranked No.69
- Is currently on a 4-match winning streak
- Has been involved in 11 three-set matches in 2023

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. BAINDL (#84) 6-2 6-3 (1h 22m)
2r: d. J. PONCHET (#140) 6-4 6-1 (1h 23m)
QF: d. A. KALINSKAYA (#92) 6-3 6-1 (1h 21m)
SF: d. M. HONTAMA (#176) 6-3 6-3 (1h 38m)

Total time on court: 5h 44m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making debut appearance at Osaka
- Has beaten Kateryna Baindl, Jessika Ponchet, Anna Kalinskaya and Mai Hontama so far this week to reach her first tour level final
- Faces No.35 Lin Zhu in F today; owns 1 win in her career over Top 50 players - No.19 Victoria Azarenka at S'Hertogenbosch 2023
- Owns 0-1 career record against players from China (l. Wang Qiang at Miami 2022)
- Best career result on hard court is Round of 32 which she has reached twice: Austin in 2023 (l. McNally); San Jose in 2022 (l. Anisimova)
- Best result by a player from United States of America at Osaka was Champion achieved by Christina Mchale in 2016
- Last time a player from United States of America reached the final at Osaka was in 2018
- Lowest ranked player (No.171) to reach final at Osaka was Miyu Kato in 2017
- Reached her career-high ranking of No.106 earlier this season in June, and is currently ranked No.123; this time last year was ranked No.223
- Is currently on a 4-match winning streak, her longest win streak yet
- Has won 5 matches so far in 2023 with record on hard court standing at 3-4



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2018	Result	Rank: 112	Seed: -
2r	L	A. TOMLJANOVIC (#60) 7-5 6-4	
1r	W	M. KATO (#184) 7-6(3) 6-2	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

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SEASON 2023 HISTORY

- Played 3r at US Open (l. Bencic)
- Reached SF at Cleveland (l. Alexandrova)
- Fell in 1r at Prague (l. Wickmayer), Montreal (l. Ka. Pliskova) and Cincinnati (l. Kalinina)
- Reached 2r at Warsaw (l. Siegemund)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Swiatek)
- Advanced to career first SF on grass at Birmingham (l. Krejciikova)
- Reached 2r at Nottingham (l. Frech)
- Suffered 1r defeat at Roland Garros (l. Davis)
- Fell in 1r at Madrid (l. Marino) and withdrew from Rome due to injury
- Defeated in 1r at Indian Wells (l. Tsurenko) and 2r at Miami (after 1r bye, l. Muchova)
- Fell 1r at Merida (l. McNally) and advanced to SF at Monterrey (l. eventual champion Vekic)
- Lifted maiden WTA title at Hua Hin (d. Tsurenko in F)
- At Australian Open advanced to R16 at a Slam for the first time (l. Azarenka); scored maiden Top-10 win over No.6 Sakkari in 3r
- Fell 1r at Hobart (l. Kenin)
- Opened season by reaching QF at Auckland (l. eventual champion Gauff)

- Fell 1r 125K Stanford and at US Open (l. Bouzkova)
- Reached SF at W100 Granby, CAN then fell in qualifying at Washington DC and Montreal
- On grass, reached first career WTA QF at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Hrucakova) and won title at 125K event in Gaiba, ITA (d. Maria in F); also played W100 Surbiton, GBR and fell in qualifying at Wimbledon
- Defeated in 1r at 125K event in Paris and final round of qualifying at Roland Garros
- Contested qualifying at Charleston; on ITF circuit reached final at W60 Charlottesville, VA, USA also playing W100 Charleston, SC, USA and W100 Bonita Springs, FL, USA
- Fell 1r Austin (as qualifier, l. McNally), Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Teichmann) and Miami (as WC, l. E.Andreeva)
- Reached SF of ITF W60 Orlando 2, FL, USA and W60 Irapuato, MEX; also played W60 Rome, GA, USA
- Opened season at ITF Circuit W60 event in Canberra, Australia; then contested qualifying at Australian Open

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
68	57	Aces	29	100
66.0%	21	First serve %	67.6%	0
61.2%	66	First Serve points won %	68.1%	0
49.5%	10	Second serve points won %	46.6%	0
57.2%	43	Overall service points won %	61.1%	0
66.0%	47	Service games won %	73.3%	0
58.1%	22	Break points saved %	50.9%	0
37.4%	36	First serve return points won %	39.3%	0
58.1%	9	Second serve return points won %	51.6%	0
49.9%	11	Break points converted %	39.5%	0
37.9%	22	Return games won %	35.1%	0
45.0%	19	Return points won %	43.7%	0



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)
2023 - HUA HIN

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)
2019 - NANCHANG (w/Wang)

Runner-Up (2)
2023 - HUA HIN (w/Wang)
2022 - GUADALAJARA (w/Wang)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
4r	1r	1r	3r	2023				1r
	1r	1r		2022				1r
2r	1r	2r		2021				1r
2r				2020				
1r	1r	1r	2r	2019				
1r				2018				
1r				2017				
				2016				
		1r		2015				



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Last season reached QF at Seoul (l. Maria) and 2r at four other WTA tournaments. Also won 13th, 14th and 15th career titles on ITF Circuit, including at W100 event in Landisville, PA
- Won biggest career title at end of 2021, at WTA 125K Series event at Seoul. Also in 2021 reached 2r at Australian Open and Wimbledon (l. Mertens at both tournaments)
- Ended 2020 ranked at No.91 for her second successive Top 100 finish, recording career-high ranking of No.69 on February 17. Season highlight was QF run at Acapulco
- Played primarily on the ITF Circuit in 2019, winning three titles and finishing runner-up at three further tournaments. First broke into Top 100 on February 25 and finished the season at No.83
- Won first Grand Slam main draw match of career at 2019 US Open, defeating compatriot Wang Xinyu in 1r before falling to Keys
- Lifted first WTA doubles title at 2019 Nanchang (w/Wang Xinyu)
- Highlight of 2018 season was second career WTA SF at Nanchang (l. Zheng). At tour level, also made 2r at Hiroshima (l. Tomljanovic) and fell 1r on four occasions (including Australian Open)
- Won two ITF Circuit titles in 2018, at \$60k Luan-CHN and \$60k Jinan-CHN
- Prior to 2018, best results on tour were SF at Kuala Lumpur in 2016 (l. Svitolina) and QF runs at Taipei City, Nanchang and Tianjin in 2017
- Notched first Top-20 win of career over No.17 Kvitova at 2017 Tianjin
- Won doubles title at WTA 125K Series event at Zhengzhou in 2017 (w/Han)
- Member of Chinese Bille Jean King Cup Team, 2017-18, 2022
- Was selected to participate in the 2015 WTA Rising Stars Invitational in Singapore
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Hong Kong - as qualifier, l. Cepelova in 2r
- Winner of 15 singles and six doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in China in 2009

- Highlight of 2022 season was playing main draw Indian Wells, Miami, San Jose and US Open
- On ITF circuit in 2022, won title at W60 Evansville, IN, USA and reached final at W25 Sarasota, FL, USA
- In 2021, also received WC to Indian Wells, where she was defeated in 1r (l. Martincova)
- Fell 1r on Tour-level debut at 2021 US Open (as WC, l. Schmiedlova in 3s)
- Also made 2r as WC in doubles at 2021 US Open (w/Montgomery, l. Fernandez/Routliffe) WTA qualifying debut came at 2021 San Jose
- Earned wild cards into the singles and doubles draws at 2021 US Open after sweeping the USTA National Championships
- Best career result on ITF Circuit was coming through qualifying to reach SF on professional debut in 2019 at W15 event in Carson, CA, USA
- As a junior won 2020 Orange Bowl tournament as a wildcard. Also lifted girls' doubles title at 2021 US Open (w/Montgomery)

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Tim Nicholls; trains in Guangzhou

- Currently coached by Michael Joyce

- Father is Zhu Jiangming (works in finance); mother is Chen Yunqi (travel agent); father introduced her to tennis at age 4
- Aggressive player; favorite shot is forehand; tennis idol growing up was Martina Hingis
- Enjoys shopping, watching movies and cooking
- If she was not a tennis player, would probably work in travel industry like her mother

- Resides in Dallas, Texas
- Favorite players growing up were Kim Clijsters and Maria Sharapova
- Off the court, likes to draw and read poetry