



MATCH NOTES

BNP PARIBAS OPEN
INDIAN WELLS, CA, USA

MARCH 8-19, 2023 | WTA 1000 | \$8,800,000



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BNP PARIBAS OPEN – QUARTERFINALS (BOTTOM HALF)

[1] IGA SWIATEK (POL #1) Head-to-Head SORANA CIRSTEA (ROU #83)
1-0

SWIATEK: Recovered from one set down to beat the Romanian at 2022 Australian Open... Won 43 straight matches against opponents ranked outside Top 50... Took on Grand Slam champions in previous two rounds... All 15 wins this season have been in straight sets... Navratilova is only woman in history to successfully defend Indian Wells title... This week marks her 50th week at No. 1; only three women have held the No. 1 ranking more consecutive weeks in their 1st stint at No. 1: Stefanie Graf (186) Martina Hingis (80) Serena Williams (57)... All 15 wins this season have been in straight sets

CIRSTEA: Upset No. 5 seed Garcia in previous round to score first Top-10 win in over two years... Facing the reigning WTA No. 1 for the first time since losing 6-2 6-0 to S. Williams in 2013 Toronto final... Lowest-ranked player to reach Indian Wells QF since No. 97 Rybarikova in 2016... Projected to return to Top 75 by reaching the QF... With a win today, Cirstea would become the sixth oldest woman to reach the semifinals at Indian Wells

KAROLINA MUCHOVA (CZE #76) Head-to-Head [10] ELENA RYBAKINA (KAZ #10)
1-0

MUCHOVA: Won in two tight sets when they met at 2019 US Open... Has required a deciding set in three of her four matches this fortnight... Is making her debut at the Indian Wells Tennis Garden... Won a tournament-leading 75 points by approaching the net... Bidding to be first Czech to reach SF at Indian Wells since Ka.Pliskova in 2017... By reaching the QF, projected to climb to No. 55 or No. 56; with a win today would return to Top 50... Has 7 Top10 wins in her career, most recently at 2023 Dubai

RYBAKINA: Is yet to drop a set this year, spending just five hours on court... Struck 298 winners this season, including the second most aces on Tour with 135... Has won 82.8% of her service games this season, only Garcia and Sabalenka have posted a higher percentage... No woman representing Kazakhstan has ever reached SF at Indian Wells

QUARTERFINALISTS – BOTTOM HALF

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$^	YTD W/L*	YTD TITLES	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER W/L*	CAREER TITLES
[1] Iga Swiatek	1	21	1,008,793	15-3	1	15,743,870	143-43	12
[10] Elena Rybakina	10	23	1,245,229	13-4	0	7,606,187	137-69	3
Karolina Muchova	76	26	193,928	11-3	0	3,899,035	74-43	1
Sorana Cirstea	83	32	118,888	6-5	0	7,594,395	279-285	2

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INDIAN WELLS AND WTA 1000 RECORDS

PLAYER	IW W-L*	IW BEST RESULT*	WTA 1000 W-L*	WTA 1000 BEST RESULT*
[1] Iga Swiatek	11-1	WON (2022)	46-13	WON (5): Doha (2022), Indian Wells (2022), Miami (2022), Rome (2021-22)
[10] Elena Rybakina	6-2	QF (2022-23)	30-17	QF (4): Indian Wells (2022-23), Cincinnati (2022), Wuhan (2019)
Karolina Muchova	4-0	QF (2023)	18-9	QF (3): Indian Wells (2023), Dubai (2023), Madrid (2021)
Sorana Cirstea	11-10	QF (2023)	55-68	R-Up (1): Toronto (2013)

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INDIAN WELLS APPEARANCES

PLAYERS	R128	R64	R32	R16	QF	SF	R-UP	WON	TOTAL*
[1] Iga Swiatek				1				1	3
[10] Elena Rybakina		1			1				3
Karolina Muchova									1
Sorana Cirstea	2	5	2	1					11

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POTENTIAL INDIAN WELLS SEMIFINAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

	MUCHOVA	RYBAKINA
SWIATEK	Muchova leads 1-0	Series tied 1-1
CIRSTEA	Muchova leads 2-0	Rybakina leads 2-0

	GAUFF	SABALENKA
SAKKARI	Sakkari leads 4-1	Sabalenka leads 4-3
KVITOVA	Gauff leads 1-0	Kvitova leads 3-2



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QUARTERFINALS QUICK HITS

- The leading two seeds – No.1 **Iga Swiatek** and No.2 **Aryna Sabalenka** – have advanced to the quarterfinals for the first time at Indian Wells since 2014, when No.1 Li Na and No.2 Agnieszka Radwanska reached the semifinals and final, respectively.
- **Swiatek** is trying to become only the second woman to successfully defend her title at Indian Wells.
- The last time the No.1 seed advanced to the final at Indian Wells was 2016 (Serena Williams, R-Up) and the last time the No.1 seed won the title here at Indian Wells was 2012 (Victoria Azarenka).
- For the first time since 2019 two Czech women advanced to the quarterfinals at Indian Wells. With Petra Kvitova losing yesterday in the quarterfinals, **Karolina Muchova** is trying to become the first Czech semifinalist since 2017 (Karolina Pliskova).
- **Sorana Cirstea** (32 years, 346 days old) is the oldest player remaining in the draw. With a win today, Cirstea would become the sixth oldest woman to reach the semifinals at Indian Wells.

OLDEST INDIAN WELLS SEMIFINALISTS

YEAR	NAME	ROUND	AGE YR	AGE DAY
2018	WILLIAMS, VENUS	SF	37	274
2016	WILLIAMS, SERENA	R-UP	34	176
1991	NAVRATILOVA, MARTINA	WON	34	136
2015	WILLIAMS, SERENA	SF	33	177
1990	NAVRATILOVA, MARTINA	WON	33	137
2021	AZARENKA, VICTORIA	R-UP	32	78
2014	PENNETTA, FLAVIA	WON	32	19
2014	LI, NA	SF	32	18

- **Cirstea**, **Muchova** and **Elena Rybakina** are bidding for their first semifinal appearance at Indian Wells. In 3 of last 4 editions of the tournament, there have been three first-time semifinalists at Indian Wells.
- **Cirstea** (No.83) and **Muchova** (No.76) are the lowest ranked quarterfinalists remaining in the draw. Only two women ranked outside the Top 75 have advanced to the semifinals at Indian Wells – Kim Clijsters in 2005 (No.133, Won) and Stephanie Rottier in 1993 (No.76, SF).
- **Muchova** has spent the most time on court this fortnight, requiring nine hours and 40 minutes to negotiate her four matches. In contrast, Sabalenka has needed barely over three hours, although she did receive an opening match bye and a walkover in the third round



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SEMIFINALISTS ALREADY ADVANCED

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[2] Aryna Sabalenka	2	24	2,271,221	16-1	2	14,446,131	210-97	12
[7] Maria Sakkari	7	27	622,352	15-5	0	8,674,380	185-134	1

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[2] Aryna Sabalenka	7-3	SF (2023)	63-31	WON (4): Doha (2020), Madrid (2021), Wuhan (2018-19)
[7] Maria Sakkari	12-4	R-Up (2022)	54-35	R-Up (2): Guadalajara (2022), Indian Wells (2022)

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[7] Maria Sakkari	1	1		1			1		5

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A SNAPSHOT OF 2023 SO FAR

- **Top-10 debuts (1):** Elena Rybakina (January 30)
- **Most aces in a match (20):** Veronika Kudermetova (d. Victoria Azarenka at Adelaide 2)
- **Most titles (2):** Aryna Sabalenka (Adelaide 1, Australian Open), Belinda Bencic (Adelaide 2, Abu Dhabi)
- **Fewest games dropped en route to a title (5):** Iga Swiatek (Doha)
- **Lowest-ranked title winner (No.84):** Lauren Davis (Hobart)
- **Youngest title winner (18):** Coco Gauff (Auckland)
- **Oldest title winner (31):** Camila Giorgi (Mérída)
- **Longest Match (3h 32m):** Erika Andreeva d. Harriet Dart 7-6(4) 3-6 7-6(3) (Austin)

Most Main Draw Wins in 2023	W	L
Caroline Garcia	17	7
Aryna Sabalenka	16	1
Belinda Bencic	15	4
Iga Swiatek	15	3
Jessica Pegula	15	5
Maria Sakkari	15	5
Donna Vekic	14	3
Coco Gauff	14	4
Elena Rybakina	13	4
Barbora Krejčíková	13	5
Zhu Lin	13	6
Marta Kostyuk	13	6

Most Aces in ...	2023	2023 IW
Caroline Garcia	170	26
Elena Rybakina	135	19
Aryna Sabalenka	123	21
Liudmila Samsonova	97	8
Zheng Qinwen	93	-
Karolina Pliskova	93	14
Veronika Kudermetova	91	9
Alycia Parks	90	2
Coco Gauff	81	21
Maria Sakkari	78	22