



MATCH NOTES

AUSTRALIAN OPEN MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA



JANUARY 16-29, 2023 | GRAND SLAM | A\$76,500,000

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WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 25 – QUARTERFINALS

[30] KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #31) Head-to-Head 7-2 MAGDA LINETTE (POL #45)

PLISKOVA: Won six of the first seven meetings from 2012-17; last year at the US Open required a final set tie-break to defeat Linette, who has won the most recent meeting... Appearing at this stage of the Australian Open for the fourth time... Struck a tournament-leading 28 aces in four matches; led the Tour in aces five times from 2015-21... Spent the least amount of time on court en route to QF... Will return to Top 20 by advancing to SF

LINETTE: Beat Pliskova during last year's Billie Jean King Cup Finals... Is ninth-oldest woman to make Grand Slam QF debut... Projected to break into Top 30 for the first time... Bidding to become third Polish woman to reach Australian Open SF in Open Era

[5] ARYNA SABALENKA (#5) Head-to-Head 1-5 DONNA VEKIC (CRO #64)

SABALENKA: Contesting first QF at Melbourne Park; has reached the QF stage in four of last six Slam appearances... This fortnight has struck 125 winners and 76 unforced errors... Opened season with title run at Adelaide 1 and is now on an eight-match unbeaten streak... Has won all eight matches this season in straight sets...

VEKIC: Won their past two meetings in three sets at the Tokyo Olympics and at San Diego last October... Appearing in second major QF of her career... Has won 16 of her past 19 matches, including her last seven... Becomes third Croatian to reach the Australian Open QF stage joining Majoli (1996) and Lucic (2017)... Projected to return to Top 40 having slipped as low as No.112 last February... Owns more wins over Sabalenka than any other player (along with Bertens)

CLOSER LOOK AT THE QUARTERFINALISTS (BOTTOM HALF)

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$^	YTD W/L*	YTD TITLES	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER W/L*	CAREER TITLES
[5] Aryna Sabalenka	5	24	127,100	8-0	1	12,302,010	202-96	11
[30] Karolina Pliskova	31	30	14,250	4-2	0	24,308,845	374-202	16
Magda Linette	45	30	149,300	7-2	0	4,301,282	137-144	2
Donna Vekic	64	26	128,600	7-0	0	5,665,590	167-165	3

*entering Australian Open QF / ^Does not include current tournament



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AUSTRALIAN OPEN AND GRAND SLAM RECORDS

PLAYER	AO W-L*	AO BEST RESULT*	GS W-L*	GS BEST RESULT*
[5] Aryna Sabalenka	12-5	QF (2023)	40-19	SF (3): Wimbledon (2021), US Open (2021-22)
[30] Karolina Pliskova	26-9	SF (2019)	86-40	R-Up (2): Wimbledon (2021), US Open (2016)
Magda Linette	7-6	QF (2023)	22-29	QF (1): Australian Open (2023)
Donna Vekic	13-10	QF (2023)	35-36	QF (2): Australian Open (2023), US Open (2019)

*entering Australian Open QF

GRAND SLAM QUARTERFINAL HISTORIES

PLAYER	TOTAL GS QF*	LAST GRAND SLAM QF PLAYED (RESULT)	W-L IN GS QF	W-L IN GS SF
[5] Aryna Sabalenka	4	2022 US Open (d. Ka.Pliskova)	3-0	0-3
[30] Karolina Pliskova	11	2022 US Open (l. Sabalenka)	4-6	2-2
Magda Linette	1	-	-	-
Donna Vekic	2	2019 US Open (l. Bencic)	0-1	-

*entering Australian Open QF

CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORDS – BY ROUND

PLAYER	R128	R64	R32	R16	QF*	SF	F	W	TOTAL*
[5] Aryna Sabalenka	5	4	4	3	1	3	-	-	20
[30] Karolina Pliskova	7	13	7	3	7	2	2	-	41
Magda Linette	17	6	6	-	1	-	-	-	30
Donna Vekic	18	10	4	3	2	-	-	-	37

*includes 2023 Australian Open appearance in total figure

POTENTIAL AUSTRALIAN OPEN SEMIFINAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

	SABALENKA	VEKIC
PLISKOVA	Sabalenka leads 3-2	Pliskova leads 6-2
LINETTE	Sabalenka leads 2-0	Vekic leads 1-0



2
WIN

9
MATCHES
PLAYED

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WIN



45 **MAGDA
LINETTE**
POLAND

**KAROLINA
(30) PLISKOVA** **31**
CZECH REPUBLIC

1992-02-12	Date of Birth	1992-03-21
Poznan, Poland	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.71m)	Height	6' 1" (1.86m)
33	Career-High Ranking	1
\$4,301,282	Career Prize Money	\$24,308,845
\$149,300	Season Prize Money	\$14,250
0 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 16
22-29 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	86-40 (Runner-Up: 2021 WIMBLEDON; 2016 US OPEN)
4-0 / 7-6 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	4-0 / 26-9 (Semi-Finalist: 2019)
7-2 / 137-144	YTD / Career W-L	4-2 / 374-202
7-2 / 103-96	YTD / Career Hard W-L	4-2 / 257-132
2-1 / 46-54	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	0-0 / 127-66
0-0 / 45-25	YTD / Career TB W-L	0-0 / 77-83
Quarter-Finalist: AUSTRALIAN OPEN	YTD Best Result	Quarter-Finalist: AUSTRALIAN OPEN



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2022	BJK CUP FINALS - GROUP D	HARD	1r	Magda Linette	6-4 6-1	0m
2022	US OPEN	HARD	1r	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 4-6 7-6(8)	2h 33m
2017	TOKYO	HARD	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 6-1	1h 1m
2017	US OPEN	HARD	1r	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 6-1	1h 18m
2015	TIANJIN	HARD	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 6-1	55m
2014	PRAGUE	CLAY	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-3 6-3	0m
2012	EQUEURDEVILLE	HARD	1r	Magda Linette	6-3 5-7 6-3	0m
2012	NANTES	HARD	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-1 6-2	0m
2012	ANDREZIEUX	HARD	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-3 6-3	0m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
45	49	2022	4	32
40	57	2021	3	4
33	40	2020	2	6
41	42	2019	2	2
55	83	2018	4	8
70	71	2017	1	4
81	96	2016	5	6
64	89	2015	7	11
106	117	2014	24	24
148	148	2013	63	67
231	296	2012	107	120
163	248	2011	159	159
187	194	2010	168	203
1008	1008	2009	228	228
-	-	2008	402	427
-	-	2007	860	860

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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. M. SHERIF (#54) 7-5 6-1 (1h 25m)
2r: d. A. KONTAVEIT (#19) 3-6 6-3 6-4 (1h 52m)
3r: d. E. ALEXANDROVA (#18) 6-3 6-4 (1h 16m)
4r: d. C. GARCIA (#4) 7-6 6-4 (1h 57m)

Total time on court: 6h 30m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making seventh main-draw appearance at the Australian Open, where her previous best result was a 3r run in 2018 (l. Allertova)
- Overall this is her 30th main draw and first QF appearance at a Grand Slam; previously had reached the 3r six times
- On her way to the QF, has defeated Mayar Sherif, No.16 seed Anett Kontaveit, No.19 seed Ekaterina Alexandrova and No.4 seed Caroline Garcia, all Top 50 players
- Faces No.31 Karolina Pliskova in QF today; owns 36 wins in career over Top 50 players
- Has won seven of the last eight encounters against Top 50 players, only falling against Madison Keys (l. at United Cup)
- Owns 6-16 career record against players from Czech Republic; seven of those losses being against Ka. Pliskova
- Won last encounter against Ka.Pliskova at the United Cup; first win since triumph on ITF Circuit in 2012, when both were ranked outside Top 100
- Owns two titles on hard courts - Hua Hin in 2020 and Bronx in 2019
- Became the third female player from Poland to reach a Grand Slam QF in Open Era after A.Radwanska and Swiatek
- Best results by Polish players at Australian Open have been SF runs from Swiatek in 2022 and Radwanska in 2014 and 2016
- Is currently ranked No.45; this time last year was No.53

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. X. WANG (#53) 6-1 6-3 (1h 4m)
2r: d. Y. PUTINTSEVA (#47) 6-0 7-5 (1h 17m)
3r: d. V. GRACHEVA (#97) 6-4 6-2 (1h 17m)
4r: d. S. ZHANG (#22) 6-0 6-4 (55m)

Total time on court: 4h 33m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 10th appearance at Australian Open, having missed last year's tournament w/right hand injury
- Best result at Melbourne Park was a SF run in 2019 (l. eventual Champion Naomi Osaka); defeated Garbine Muguruza and Serena Williams en route
- Also made QF here in 2017-18
- Has won four of her previous 10 career GS QFs, and holds a 1-2 win record at Australian Open (d. S.Williams in 2019)
- Two-time Grand Slam finalist, finishing R-Up at 2016 US Open (l. Angelique Kerber) and 2021 Wimbledon (l. Ashleigh Barty)
- Has beaten Xiyu Wang, Yulia Putintseva, Varvara Gracheva and seed No. 23 Shuai Zhang so far this fortnight to reach her fourth QF at Australian Open
- Faces No.45 Magda Linette in QF today; owns 183 wins in career over Top 50 players
- Has won seven career matches against Linette; has only won more matches against Muguruza (nine), S.Zhang and Riske (eight)
- Aside the most recent two Top 50 wins at the Australian Open 2023, the last Top 50 win came in at US Open 2022 (d. Victoria Azarenka), since then has fallen on seven occasions including once against Magda Linette (at United Cup)
- Owns 6-8 career record against players from Poland
- Holds the record for the most aces so far at the Australian Open 2023 (28)
- Owns 10 titles on hard court, most recently lifting the title at Brisbane in 2020
- Is currently ranked No.31; this time last year was ranked No.5
- Best result by a Czech at Australian Open were Mandlikova's title runs in 1980 and 1987



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2022	Result	Rank: 53	Seed: -
2r	L	D. KASATKINA (#23)	6-2 6-3
1r	W	A. SEVASTOVA (#71)	6-4 7-5

2020	Result	Rank: 43	Seed: -
1r	L	A. RUS (#93)	1-6 6-3 6-4

2019	Result	Rank: 80	Seed: -
1r	L	N. OSAKA (#4)	6-4 6-2

2018	Result	Rank: 74	Seed: -
3r	L	D. SATRALOVA (#130)	6-1 6-4
2r	W	D. KASATKINA (#25)	7-6(4) 6-2
1r	W	J. BRADY (#65)	2-6 6-4 6-3

2017	Result	Rank: 96	Seed: -
1r	L	M. MINELLA (#105)	7-5 6-4

2016	Result	Rank: 93	Seed: -
1r	L	M. PUIG (#52)	6-3 6-0

2021	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 6
3r	L	K. MUCHOVA (#27)	7-5 7-5
2r	W	D. COLLINS (#40)	7-5 6-2
1r	W	J. PAOLINI (#95)	6-0 6-2

2020	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
3r	L	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#30)	7-6(4) 7-6(3)
2r	W	L. SIEGEMUND (#72)	6-3 6-3
1r	W	K. MLADENOVIC (#41)	6-1 7-5

2019	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 7
SF	L	N. OSAKA (#4)	6-2 4-6 6-4
QF	W	S. WILLIAMS (#16)	6-4 4-6 7-5
4r	W	G. MUGURUZA (#18)	6-3 6-1
3r	W	C. GIORGI (#28)	6-4 3-6 6-2
2r	W	M. BRENGLE (#88)	4-6 6-1 6-0
1r	W	K. MUCHOVA (#139)	6-3 6-2

2018	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 6
QF	L	S. HALEP (#1)	6-3 6-2
4r	W	B. STRYCOVA (#24)	6-7(5) 6-3 6-2
3r	W	L. SAFAROVA (#29)	7-6(6) 7-5
2r	W	B. HADDAD MAIA (#70)	6-1 6-1
1r	W	V. CEPEDA ROYG (#80)	6-3 6-4

2017	Result	Rank: 5	Seed: 5
QF	L	M. LUCIC-BARONI (#79)	6-4 3-6 6-4
4r	W	D. SAVILLE (#26)	6-3 6-3
3r	W	J. OSTAPENKO (#38)	4-6 6-0 10-8
2r	W	A. BLINKOVA (#189)	6-0 6-2
1r	W	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#106)	6-2 6-0

2016	Result	Rank: 12	Seed: 9
3r	L	E. MAKAROVA (#24)	6-3 6-2
2r	W	J. GOERGES (#45)	7-6(5) 6-1
1r	W	K. BIRRELL (#296)	6-4 6-4



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SEASON 2023 HISTORY

- Fell 1r at Hobart (l. Van Uytvanck)
- Opened season at United Cup, going 3-1 in singles play as Poland contested the City Final in Sydney

- Opened 2023 campaign with 1r exits at Adelaide 1(l. Ostapenko) and Adelaide 2 (as qualifier, l. Collins)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
1	80	Aces	9	37
65.3%	39	First serve %	68.2%	21
57.1%	71	First Serve points won %	58.7%	67
46.2%	42	Second serve points won %	22.9%	90
53.3%	63	Overall service points won %	47.3%	87
64.3%	55	Service games won %	41.2%	85
16.7%	91	Break points saved %	37.5%	79
34.0%	49	First serve return points won %	27.7%	72
62.5%	10	Second serve return points won %	48.8%	66
35.7%	59	Break points converted %	50.0%	26
38.5%	14	Return games won %	17.6%	73
44.7%	18	Return points won %	36.1%	73

Best win by ranking: No.4 vs Garcia in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 4r
Longest match: 2h 42m vs Teichmann in UNITED CUP
Shortest match: 1h 7m vs Kulambayeva in UNITED CUP
Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 5 vs Teichmann in UNITED CUP

Best win by ranking: No.22 vs Zhang in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 4r
Longest match: 1h 17m vs Gracheva in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 3r
1h 17m vs Putintseva in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2r
Shortest match: 55m vs Zhang in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 4r
Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 6 vs Collins in ADELAIDE #2 1r



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2020 - HUA HIN
2019 - BRONX

Runner-Up (3)

2022 - CHENNAI
2019 - SEOUL
2015 - TOKYO INTERNATIONAL

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2022 - EASTBOURNE (w/Krunic), CHARLESTON
(w/Klepac)

Runner-Up (3)

2017 - BOGOTA (w/Cepede Royg)
2016 - TIANJIN (w/Xu)
2014 - GUANGZHOU (w/Cornet)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (16)

2020 - BRISBANE
2019 - ZHENGZHOU, EASTBOURNE, ROME,
BRISBANE
2018 - TOKYO, STUTTGART
2017 - EASTBOURNE, DOHA, BRISBANE
2016 - CINCINNATI, NOTTINGHAM
2015 - PRAGUE
2014 - LINZ, SEOUL
2013 - KUALA LUMPUR

Runner-Up (16)

2021 - MONTREAL, WIMBLEDON, ROME
2020 - ROME
2019 - MIAMI
2018 - TIANJIN
2016 - US OPEN, EASTBOURNE
2015 - ZHUHAI, STANFORD, BIRMINGHAM, DUBAI,
SYDNEY
2014 - HONG KONG, NÜRNBERG, PATTAYA CITY

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (5)

2016 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Strycova)
2014 - HONG KONG (w/Pliskova), BAD GASTEIN
(w/Pliskova), NÜRNBERG (w/Krajicek)
2013 - LINZ (w/Pliskova)

Runner-Up (2)

2016 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Goerges)
2013 - PALERMO (w/Pliskova)



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r	2r	2r	1r	2022		2r	2r	QF
	3r	3r	1r	2021	3r	2r	RUP	QF
1r	1r		3r	2020	3r	2r		2r
1r	2r	3r	2r	2019	SF	3r	4r	4r
3r	1r	1r	1r	2018	QF	3r	4r	QF
1r	3r	1r	1r	2017	QF	SF	2r	QF
1r	1r	1r	1r	2016	3r	1r	2r	RUP
	1r	1r	2r	2015	3r	2r	2r	1r
				2014	2r	2r	2r	3r
				2013	1r	1r	2r	1r
				2012		1r	1r	



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CAREER MILESTONES

- 2022 season highlight was R-Up finish at Chennai (l. Fruhvirtova). Also won two doubles titles, at Charleston (w/Klepac) and Eastbourne (w/Krunic)
- Posted seventh successive Top 100 season in 2021, finishing at No.57 after starting her season at Miami in March, due to a knee injury
- Reached two semifinals in 2021, at Strasbourg (l. Cirstea) and Cleveland (l. Begu)
- Matched previous best results at Grand Slams in 2021 with 3r runs at Roland Garros (d. World No.1 Barty via ret. in 2r; l. Jabeur) and Wimbledon (d. No.5 Svitolina in 2r for best win of career in a completed match, before falling to Badosa)
- Won second WTA singles title at Hua Hin in 2020 (d. Kung in F), rising to new career-high ranking of No.33 (on February 17)
- Posted best result at US Open by advancing to 3r (l. Kontaveit); now has reached this stage at all four Grand Slams
- Winner of 2020 WTA Shot of the Year; became the third Polish woman to win this award (after A.Radwanska and Swiatek)
- Her 2019 campaign was highlighted by lifting maiden WTA title at the Bronx and finished R-Up at Seoul (l. Muchova); broke into Top 50 on September 9, 2019
- Season highlights in 2018 included QF run at Washington DC (l. Vekic); win over No.17 Osaka in 2r was first Top 20 victory - previous career-best win came over No.21 Gavrilova at 2017 Tokyo [PPO]
- Posted first career victories at 2018 Australian Open during 3r run (d. Brady in 1r and No.22 seed Kasatkina in 2r, l. Allertova)
- Highlight of 2017 campaign was SF at Kuala Lumpur (l. Hibino). Also made QF at Bogotá and reached 3r at major for first time at Roland Garros
- In 2016 enjoyed run to first Premier-level quarterfinal of career at Tokyo [PPO] (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Wozniacki); also advanced to QF at Katowice (l. Parmentier)
- Reached maiden WTA singles final at 2015 Tokyo [Japan Open] (l. Wickmayer)
- Broke into Top 100 on June 15, 2015
- Played first two WTA main draws in 2013: 2r at Strasbourg (l. Cornet) and SF at Baku (l. Peer)
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Poland in 2007; owns 12 singles titles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Best results last season were SF runs at Strasbourg (l. Juvan) and Toronto (l. Haddad Maia) and QF showings at Berlin (l. Gauff) and US Open (l. Sabalenka). Was first time she failed to reach a Tour-level final since 2012
- Reached three finals across 2021, at Rome (l. Swiatek), her second Slam final at Wimbledon (l. Barty) and Montreal (l. Giorgi)
- Ended 2021 season by qualifying for WTA Finals for the fifth consecutive year - only four active players have qualified more than her
- Made Olympic debut, reaching R16 at Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games (l. Giorgi)
- Lifted a WTA-leading four titles across the 2019 season (tied with Barty) - triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou. Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F) - most economic title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at 2019 Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets, and produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in 2r at Birmingham, in what was their first career main-draw encounter
- Helped the Czech Republic lift Billie Jean King Cup in 2015-16 and 2018
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Is a Grand Slam finalist, reaching the title match at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber) and also 2021 Wimbledon (l. Barty)
- Made Top-10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)
- Scored first Top-20 win of her career over No.16 Petrova in 1r at 2013 Wimbledon
- Won first career WTA title at 2013 Kuala Lumpur (d. Mattek-Sands in F)
- At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
- Reached first WTA QF as WC at 2008 Prague (l. Azarenka)
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in 2006

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Mark Gellard. Previously worked with Nikola Horvat and Izo Zunic
 - Parents are Tomasz and Beata; sister is Dagmara
 - Started playing at age 6, favorite shot is backhand; favorite surfaces are hard and grass, and favorite tournament is Roland Garros
 - Tennis idol growing up was Monica Seles
- Working again with Sascha Bajin; fitness coach is Martin Nosko and Ivan Trebatická; trains at and plays for Sparta Praha tennis club
 - Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
 - Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic
 - Enjoys listening to Czech pop music and watching movies (favorites is Public Enemies). Favorite author is Paulo Coelho



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5 **ARYNA SABALENKA (5)**

DONNA VEKIC **64**
CROATIA

1998-05-05	Date of Birth	1996-06-28
	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.82m)	Height	5' 10" (1.79m)
2	Career-High Ranking	19
\$12,302,010	Career Prize Money	\$5,665,590
\$127,100	Season Prize Money	\$128,600
1 / 11	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 3
40-19 (Semi-Finalist: 2022 US OPEN; 2021 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	35-36 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2019 US OPEN)
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8-0 / 202-96	YTD / Career W-L	7-0 / 167-165
8-0 / 145-62	YTD / Career Hard W-L	7-0 / 118-117
0-0 / 67-50	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	2-0 / 45-56
3-0 / 45-33	YTD / Career TB W-L	0-0 / 34-46
0-0 / 11-12	YTD / Career TOP 5 W-L	0-0 / 6-10
Champion: ADELAIDE #1	YTD Best Result	Quarter-Finalist: AUSTRALIAN OPEN



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2022	SAN DIEGO	HARD	QF	Donna Vekic	6-4 6-7(5) 6-1	2h 37m
2021	OLYMPICS	HARD	2r	Donna Vekic	6-4 3-6 7-6(3)	0m
2019	SAN JOSE	HARD	SF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 6-3	1h 19m
2017	CINCINNATI	HARD	Q	Donna Vekic	2-6 6-4 6-1	1h 55m
2017	ST. PETERSBURG	HARD	Q	Donna Vekic	6-4 6-2	1h 11m
2016	SAINT-PETERSBURG	HARD	SF	Donna Vekic	6-1 4-6 6-1	0m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
2	5	2022	47	69
2	2	2021	29	67
10	10	2020	19	32
9	11	2019	19	19
11	11	2018	34	34
76	78	2017	45	56
154	159	2016	90	101
539	548	2015	81	105
-	-	2014	63	84
-	-	2013	62	86



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. T. MARTINCOVA (#74) 6-1 6-4 (1h 9m)
2r: d. S. ROGERS (#51) 6-3 6-1 (1h 27m)
3r: d. E. MERTENS (#32) 6-2 6-3 (1h 14m)
4r: d. B. BENCIC (#10) 7-5 6-2 (0m)

Total time on court: 3h 50m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making sixth appearance at Australian Open, where her previous best results have been R16 showings in 2021 (l. S.Williams) and 2022 (l. Kanepi)
- Crowned Australian Open doubles champion in 2021 (w/ Mertens, d. Krecjikova/Siniakova in F)
- Actross all Slams, best results have been SF runs at Wimbledon in 2021 (l. Ka. Pliskova), and US Open in 2021 (l. Fernandez) and 2022 (l. Swiatek)
- Has beaten Tereza Martincova, Shelby Rogers, seed No. 26 Elise Mertens and seed No.12 Belinda Bencic so far this fortnight without dropping a set
- Faces No.64 Donna Vekic in QF today
- Owns 3-3 career record against players from Croatia
- Has won all her previous three Grand Slam QFs; is attempting to become the sixth woman in the Open Era to win first four Grand Slam QFs contested (following A.Jones, B.King, C.Evert, E.Dementieva and N.Osaka)
- For the first time in her career (inc. ITF and qualifying rounds), has won first eight matches of a season
- Longest winning streak of her career was 15 matches in 2020-21, ending 2020 season with titles at Ostrava and Linz, then opening 2021 with a title in Abu Dhabi
- Owns 10 titles on hard court, most recent tile coming in at Adelaide Int. 1 in 2023 (d. Noskova in F)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. O. SELEKHMETEVA (#179) 6-2 2-6 7-6 (2h 54m)
2r: d. L. SAMSONOVA (#20) 6-3 6-0 (1h 6m)
3r: d. N. PARRIZAS DIAZ (#75) 6-2 6-3 (1h 4m)
4r: d. L. FRUHVIRTOVA (#82) 6-2 1-6 6-3 (2h 7m)

Total time on court: 7h 11m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 11th appearance at Australian Open, where her deepest run previously was to R16 in 2021 (l. Brady)
- Best performance accross all the majors was QF run at 2019 Us Open (l. Bencic)
- Has beaten Oksana Selekhmeteva, No.18 seed Liudmila Samsonova, Nuria Parrizas Diaz and Linda Fruhvirtova so far
- Faces No.5 Aryna Sabalenka in QF today; owns 10 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.5 Sabalenka at San Diego 2022 (also defeated No.7 Sakkari on her way to final where she fell against Swiatek)
- Holds 5-1 win record against Sabalenka, all encounters being on hard court, and four out of the six matches going to three sets
- Out of those four three-set matches against Sabalenka, Vekic secured the first set on three occassions
- Has won her last 13 matches where she has won the first set, last time she lost such a match was at Wimbledon in 2019 (l. A.Riske-Amritraj)
- Has won her last six Grand Slam matches when the match has gone to the deciding set
- Sabalenka is the player against which Vekic has won the joint-most career matches (five; level w/Sakkari and Garcia)
- Owns two titles on hard court from Courmayeur in 2021 and Kuala Lumpur in 2014
- Is the third Croatian women's player to feature in the QF of Australian Open (also I.Majori, M.Lucic) and first tince M.Lucic in 2017
- Is currently ranked No.64 and is the lowest-ranked player left in the singles main draw



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2022	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
4r	L	K. KANEPI (#115) 5-7 6-2 7-6(7)	
3r	W	M. VONDROUSOVA (#41) 4-6 6-3 6-1	
2r	W	X. WANG (#100) 1-6 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	S. HUNTER (#128) 5-7 6-3 6-2	
2021	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 7
4r	L	S. WILLIAMS (#11) 6-4 2-6 6-4	
3r	W	A. LI (#69) 6-3 6-1	
2r	W	D. KASATKINA (#75) 7-6(5) 6-3	
1r	W	V. KUZMOVA (#100) 6-0 6-4	
2020	Result	Rank: 12	Seed: 11
1r	L	C. SUÁREZ NAVARRO (#54) 7-6(6) 7-6(6)	
2019	Result	Rank: 11	Seed: 11
3r	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#87) 6-3 6-2	
2r	W	K. BOULTER (#97) 6-3 6-4	
1r	W	A. KALINSKAYA (#146) 6-1 6-4	
2018	Result	Rank: 66	Seed: -
1r	L	A. BARTY (#17) 6-7(2) 6-4 6-4	

2022	Result	Rank: 79	Seed: -
1r	L	A. RISKE-AMRITRAJ (#46) 6-2 6-2	
2021	Result	Rank: 33	Seed: 28
4r	L	J. BRADY (#24) 6-1 7-5	
3r	W	K. KANEPI (#65) 5-7 7-6(2) 6-4	
2r	W	N. PODOROSKA (#45) 6-2 6-2	
1r	W	Y. WANG (#98) 4-6 6-3 6-4	
2020	Result	Rank: 20	Seed: 19
3r	L	I. SWIATEK (#56) 7-5 6-3	
2r	W	A. CORNET (#61) 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	M. SHARAPOVA (#145) 6-3 6-4	
2019	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: 29
2r	L	K. BIRRELL (#240) 6-4 4-6 6-1	
1r	W	K. MLADENOVIC (#45) 6-2 6-4	
2018	Result	Rank: 52	Seed: -
2r	L	A. KERBER (#16) 6-4 6-1	
1r	W	N. HIBINO (#96) 7-5 6-3	



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SEASON 2023 HISTORY

- Won 11th career title at Adelaide 1 (d. Noskova in F)

- Represented Croatia in the inaugural staging of United Cup, where she set a 3-0 win record (d. Cornet, Papamichail and Carle)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
35	2	Aces	0	0
58.6%	76	First serve %	0.0%	0
73.6%	12	First Serve points won %	0.0%	0
54.5%	13	Second serve points won %	0.0%	0
65.7%	8	Overall service points won %	0.0%	0
88.4%	4	Service games won %	0.0%	0
79.2%	3	Break points saved %	0.0%	0
31.8%	57	First serve return points won %	0.0%	0
59.1%	22	Second serve return points won %	0.0%	0
34.4%	62	Break points converted %	0.0%	0
27.5%	47	Return games won %	0.0%	0
42.5%	33	Return points won %	0.0%	0

Best win by ranking: No.10 vs Bencic in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 4r
Longest match: 2h 15m vs Samsonova in ADELAIDE #1 2r
Shortest match: 1h 9m vs Martincova in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 1r
Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 12 vs Noskova in ADELAIDE #1 F

Best win by ranking: No.20 vs Samsonova in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2r
Longest match: 2h 54m vs Selekhmeteva in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 1r
Shortest match: 1h 4m vs Parrizas Diaz in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 3r
1h 4m vs Papamichail in UNITED CUP
Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 4 vs Cornet in UNITED CUP



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (11)

2023 - ADELAIDE #1
2021 - MADRID, ABU DHABI
2020 - LINZ, OSTRAVA, DOHA
2019 - ZHUHAI, WUHAN, SHENZHEN
2018 - WUHAN, NEW HAVEN

Runner-Up (8)

2022 - WTA FINALS, S'HERTOGENBOSCH,
STUTTGART
2021 - STUTTGART
2019 - SAN JOSE
2018 - EASTBOURNE, LUGANO
2017 - TIANJIN

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (6)

2021 - BERLIN (w/Azarenka), AUSTRALIAN OPEN
(w/Mertens)
2020 - OSTRAVA (w/Mertens)
2019 - US OPEN (w/Mertens), MIAMI (w/Mertens),
INDIAN WELLS (w/Mertens)

Runner-Up (2)

2019 - WUHAN (w/Mertens)
2018 - LUGANO (w/Lapko)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)

2021 - COURMAYEUR
2017 - NOTTINGHAM
2014 - KUALA LUMPUR

Runner-Up (7)

2022 - SAN DIEGO
2019 - NOTTINGHAM, ST. PETERSBURG
2018 - WASHINGTON DC
2015 - TASHKENT
2013 - BIRMINGHAM
2012 - TASHKENT



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
4r	3r		SF	2022	1r	2r	1r	1r
4r	3r	SF	SF	2021	4r	1r	2r	1r
1r	3r		2r	2020	3r	1r		3r
3r	2r	1r	2r	2019	2r	4r	1r	QF
1r	1r	1r	4r	2018	2r	2r	4r	1r
		2r		2017	2r	1r	2r	3r
				2016	1r	1r	1r	
				2015	1r	3r		
				2014	1r	1r	2r	1r
				2013	2r	1r	1r	2r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlight of last season was R-Up finish at WTA Finals in Fort Worth (l. Garcia in F); upset No.1 Swiatek, No.2 Jabeur and No.3 Pegula en route to final - only the fourth woman in history to beat the No.1, No.2 and No.3 at the same tournament
- Lifted two titles during 2021 campaign, at Abu Dhabi and Madrid, while was R-Up at Stuttgart. Also reached a further three SFs, including at Wimbledon and US Open
- Rose to career-high No.2 in rankings on August 23, 2021
- In doubles, lifted second major at 2021 Australian Open (w/Mertens, d. Krejciakova/Siniakova in F)
- Won final nine matches of 2020 to end the year with back-to-back titles - at Ostrava (d. Azarenka in F) and Linz (d. Mertens in F) - and ranked at No.10
- Having also taken home the silverware at Doha (d. Kvitova in F), was one of two players (also Halep) to lift three singles titles during disrupted 2020 season
- Ended as World No.11 for the second straight year in 2019 after capturing three WTA singles titles at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F), Wuhan (d. Riske in F) and Zhuhai (d. Bertens in F)
- Made Top-10 debut on January 28, 2019 following 3r run at 2019 Australian Open
- Ended 2019 at No.2 in WTA doubles rankings after capturing first Grand Slam doubles trophy at US Open (w/Mertens, d. Azarenka/Barty in F). Earlier in the season, the pair claimed the 'Sunshine Double' by winning back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejciakova/Siniakova in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/ Zhang in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals Shenzhen in doubles (w/Mertens), going 1-2 in the round-robin stage
- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2018, lifting two titles, at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F) and Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings
- Also in 2018, was R-Up at Lugano (l. Mertens) and Eastbourne (l. Wozniacki), made SF at Cincinnati, reached five QFs and produced a career-best Grand Slam run to R16 at US Open
- Entered Top 50 on April 16, 2018, after Lugano run, and Top 20 on August 27 of the same year, following New Haven title
- Broke into Top 100 at No.76 on October 16, 2017 after reaching first Tour-level final at Tianjin (l. Sharapova). Also in 2017 made SF at Tashkent (l. Babos) and lifting WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupovic)
- Last season's highlight was R-Up finish at San Diego (as qualifier, l. Swiatek). Elsewhere, made QF at Birmingham and Tallinn
- Lifted third WTA title of her career at Courmayeur in October 2021 (d. Tauson in F)
- Underwent knee surgery at start of 2021, but experienced some setbacks since her return to Tour last summer, tearing plantar fascia and suffering from knee and foot injuries in spring 2022
- Contested the first match of the WTA Tour's resumption following the hiatus, defeating Rus in the 1r at 2020 Palermo
- Ended 2019 ranked No.19 for career-best year-end finish (up from No.34 in 2018), having cracked the Top 20 for the first time on October 21, 2019
- Produced career best Grand Slam result at 2019 US Open, where she reached QF (l. Bencic)
- Also in 2019, finished R-Up at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens); en route to final, posted best win of career by ranking - and third over a Top 5 opponent - with defeat of No.2 Kvitova in QF, bettering victories over No.4 Stephens at 2018 Wimbledon and No.4 Garcia at 2018 Tokyo [PPO]
- Also made final at Nottingham (l. Garcia in third set tie-break) and ended 2019 by qualifying for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (fell RR)
- Ended 2018 at then-career-high ranking of No.34, after registering 31 tour-level wins. Campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Washington, DC (l. Kuznetsova after holding 4mp) - her first finals appearance since winning 2017 Nottingham - and made SF showings at Nottingham and Tokyo [PPO], and reached Grand Slam R16 for first time at Wimbledon (l. Goerges)
- Enjoyed a resurgent year in 2017, breaking the Top 50 on July 24 and finishing campaign ranked No.54. Grass court season saw her lift a second WTA singles title of career, at Nottingham (d. No.8 Konta in final) - prior to this run had not posted back-to-back main draw wins since September 2015 (R-Up at Tashkent)
- Posted just four tour-level wins across 2016, but closed the campaign by reaching two ITF finals, winning her fifth and most recent title at this level at \$100k ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY
- Highlights in 2015 included reaching final at Tashkent (l. Hibino) and QF at Baku
- Ranked No.95, lifted maiden WTA singles title at 2014 Kuala Lumpur (d. No.10 Cibulkova in final); aged 17 y 10 m, became youngest player to win a

- Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoef)
- Fell 1r on main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Billie Jean King Cup team that lost to USA in 2017 final - scored first Top-20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during final in Minsk
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2016 Rabat
- Lifted first three ITF Circuit titles in 2015, including a 13-match win streak towards the year's end, bringing back-to-back trophies in Antalya, Turkey
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in Minsk in 2012

WTA singles title since 2006 Bangkok (Vania King)

- Reached first WTA career final at 2012 Tashkent (l. Begu) on her WTA main draw debut, and in doing so became youngest WTA finalist since 15-year-old Paszek won Portoroz in 2005
- Broke into Top 100 (at No.93) on January 28, 2013 Has won five ITF Circuit singles and one doubles title
- Member of Croatian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017, 2019

OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently working with former hitting partner Anton Dubrov; previously coached by Dmitry Tursunov and Didi Kindlmann
- Started playing tennis when she was 6 by an accident when her father Sergey drove by the tennis courts and decided to give it a try
- Has a sweet tooth and considers something sweet as a perfect present; loves her grandmother's cooking, and looks forward to her pancakes when she is away from home
- Has a tiger tattoo on her left arm, which earned her the nickname "The Tiger"
- She spends her time off with family, catching up with friends, or reading; her favorite book is "The Count of Monte Cristo"

- Currently coached by Nick Horvat
- Both parents played professional sports: mother, Brankica (track hurdler) and father, Igor (soccer goalkeeper)
- Favorite surface is hard
- Speaks Croatian, English and Italian
- Self-described as strong-willed, determined and extremely competitive