



# MATCH NOTES

## CHINA OPEN BEIJING, CHINA

SEP 25 - OCT 6, 2024 | WTA 1000



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## MATCH NOTES – SUNDAY, 29 SEPTEMBER 2024

[32] Veronika Kudermetova (#39) vs. [2] Jessica Pegula (USA #3)

Kudermetova leads 2-0

### ***Kudermetova:***

- In her third China Open, she previously made 3r in 2023 (l. Gauff)
- Rematch of the 2023 Tokyo final, which Kudermetova won 7-5, 6-1 to improve to 2-0 against the American
- Made her first semifinal of the season last week in Seoul (l. eventual champion Haddad Maia)
- Bidding for her first Top 5 win since beating Pegula in Tokyo. Has lost her last three matches vs. Top 5 opposition

### ***Pegula:***

- Entered Beijing at No.5 on PIF Race to the WTA Finals Leaderboard; WTA Finals runner-up last year (l. Swiatek), bidding to qualify for third consecutive year.
- Entered the summer hard-court season at No.20 on PIF Race to the WTA Finals and proceeded to win 16 of her last 18 matches. Both losses have come to No.2 Aryna Sabalenka in the finals of Cincinnati and US Open.
- Has made the final or better at four of her last six tournaments (excluding Olympics), including first Grand Slam final earlier this month at US Open
- Despite missing Middle East swing due to injury, owns 25 hard court wins this season; fourth on tour behind Sabalenka (31), Navarro (30) and Swiatek (29)
- Has won 135 tour-level matches on hard court since the start of 2020 season, trailing only Iga Swiatek (147) (incl. Olympics and team events)

[WC] Shuai Zhang (CHN #595) vs. Greet Minnen (BEL #94)

First meeting

### ***Zhang:***

- Two-time Beijing quarterfinalist, most recently in 2018
- With first round win over McCartney Kessler, she broke a 24-match losing streak – second longest in the Open Era
- With her second round win over No.6 seed Emma Navarro, she earned her first Top 10 win since 2022 Tokyo and posted back-to-back wins for the first time since 2023 Australian Open
- Only WC to reach 3r; best result by a WC at Beijing were SF runs by Wang Qiang in 2018 and Peng Shuai in 2006
- Currently ranked No.595 on PIF WTA Rankings she becomes the lowest-ranked player to reach China Open third round (record previously held by No.415 Xu Yifan in 2007)

### ***Minnen:***

- Making debut at Beijing
- Has not defeated a player from China before in two previous career meetings
- Achieved her equal best career hard court result in China at Guangzhou last season with semifinal
- Looking to win three main draw matches in a row for the first time since that run at Guangzhou
- One of two players from Belgium to reach the third round along with Elise Mertens
- With a win today would become the first player from Belgium to reach R16 at China Open



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**[26] Katie Boulter (GBR #34) vs. [4] Coco Gauff (USA #6)**

**Tied 1-1**

***Boulter:***

- Making third appearance at Beijing, where she is into the third round for the first time
- Bidding for her fourth Top 10 victory today and first since defeating Jessica Pegula at United Cup in January
- Has lost last two matchups with Top 10 players
- Won first hard-court title earlier this year at San Diego (d. Kostyuk)

***Gauff:***

- Making second China Open appearance after reaching semifinals here last year
- Owns 6-1 record against British players winning the most recent meeting between the two at 2023 Montreal
- Enters Beijing at No.6 on PIF Race to the WTA Finals behind Jessica Pegula and ahead of Emma Navarro; bidding to qualify for third consecutive WTA Finals
- Announced split with coach Brad Gilbert after US Open. Has added Matt Daly to team to coach alongside long-time coach Jean-Christophe Faurel
- Victory today would be her 47<sup>th</sup> WTA 1000 hard court win, moving her ahead of Caroline Wozniacki for the most WTA 1000 hard court wins before turning 21 since the format was introduced in 2009
- Entering Beijing, leads tour in Return Games Won (48.4%) and fourth in first-serve points won (71.3%)

**[15] Paula Badosa (ESP #19) vs. [Q] Rebecca Sramkova (SVK #61)**

**Badosa leads 1-0**

***Badosa:***

- Making main draw debut at Beijing
- Her 2r victory over Tomova this week was 20th hard-court match-win of the season
- Has won her last 10 matches against players outside the Top 50, last loss came to No.93 Jessica Bouzas Maneiro at Madrid earlier this year
- One of two Spanish women into the third round (also Cristina Bucsa); best result by a Spanish woman at Beijing was Garbiñe Muguruza's run to the title in 2015
- This season, ranks No.3 on tour in percentage of break points saved (63.7%) and No.9 in total aces (227)

***Sramkova:***

- Making Beijing tournament debut, as a qualifier
- Currently on a 9-match winning streak (including qualifying matches) after beating Top 50 players Kalinina and Alexandrova in main draw
- Has gone 13-1 this month (including qualifying matches) by making first WTA final in Monastir and winning first WTA title at Hua Hin #2
- Owns two wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.18 Karolina Muchova at 2023 Warsaw
- Currently ranked a career-high No.61; was ranked No.136 just 2 weeks ago
- Contesting just her third WTA 1000 main draw of career (all this year)



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**Katie Volynets (USA #60) vs. Naomi Osaka (JPN #73)**

**First meeting**

***Volynets:***

- Making main draw debut at Beijing
- Facing a player from Japan for the first time at Tour-level
- Looking to win three main draw match wins in a row for the first time since reaching SF at 2023 Austin
- Best result by a player from USA at Beijing was Serena Williams who claimed the title in 2004 and 2013
- Achieved her best Tour-level result of the 2024 season so far in Asia at Hua Hin with quarterfinal run (l. Wang Yafan)
- At No.60, is playing close to her career high ranking of No.56 achieved on July 29, 2024

***Osaka:***

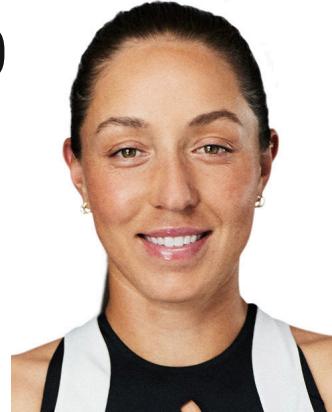
- 2019 China Open champion (d. Barty in F) is making her fourth main draw appearance at Beijing, she is the only former champion in the draw
- All seven of her career titles have come on hard court most recently 2021 Australian Open as well as her four additional runner-up finishes; last final reached was 2022 Miami (l. Swiatek)
- Has not won against a player from the United States yet this year, falling to Danielle Collins at Abu Dhabi, Emma Navarro at Wimbledon as well as Ashlyn Krueger in qualifying at Cincinnati
- With her 2r win here in Beijing over Yulia Putintseva, has won consecutive matches for the first time since reaching quarterfinals at 's-Hertogenbosch this year



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**39** **VERONIKA  
KUDERMETOVA (32)**

**JESSICA  
(2) PEGULA 3**  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

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|--|--|------------------------------------|
| 1997-04-24                                   | <b>Date of Birth</b>                   | 1994-02-24                         |
|  | <b>Residence</b>                       | Boca Raton, FL, USA                |
| Right-handed (two-handed backhand)           | <b>Plays</b>                           | Right-handed (two-handed backhand) |
| 5' 8" (1.75m)                                | <b>Height</b>                          | 5' 7" (1.70m)                      |
| 9  | <b>Career-High Ranking</b>             | 3                                  |
| \$7,473,196                                  | <b>Career Prize Money</b>              | \$16,104,673                       |
| \$939,214                                    | <b>Season Prize Money</b>              | \$3,721,244                        |
| 0 / 2  | <b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>     | 2 / 6                              |
| 18-22 (Quarter-Finalist: 2022 ROLAND GARROS) | <b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>           | 47-23 (Runner-Up: 2024 US OPEN)    |
| 1-0 / 2-2 (Round of 16: 2023)                | <b>YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)</b> | 1-0 / 2-2 (Round of 16: 2023)      |
| 15-21 / 166-125                              | <b>YTD / Career W-L</b>                | 35-12 / 205-104                    |
| 9-12 / 99-81                                 | <b>YTD / Career Hard W-L</b>           | 25-7 / 150-66                      |
| 5-8 / 65-41                                  | <b>YTD / Career 3-Set W-L</b>          | 12-8 / 59-39                       |
| 4-3 / 47-40                                  | <b>YTD / Career TB W-L</b>             | 12-6 / 38-34                       |
| 0-2 / 10-10                                  | <b>YTD / Career TOP 5 W-L</b>          | 3-3 / 11-18                        |
| Semi-Finalist: SEOUL                         | <b>YTD Best Result</b>                 | Champion: TORONTO, BERLIN          |



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER               | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME   |
|------|------------|---------|-------|----------------------|---------------|--------|
| 2023 | TOKYO      | HARD    | F     | Veronika Kudermetova | 7-5 6-1       | 1h 24m |
| 2023 | MADRID     | CLAY    | QF    | Veronika Kudermetova | 6-4 0-6 6-4   | 2h 5m  |

## RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 16       | -        | 2024 | 3        | -        |
| 9        | 19       | 2023 | 3        | 5        |
| 9        | 9        | 2022 | 3        | 3        |
| 28       | 31       | 2021 | 18       | 18       |
| 38       | 46       | 2020 | 59       | 62       |
| 41       | 41       | 2019 | 55       | 76       |
| 112      | 115      | 2018 | 124      | 125      |
| 174      | 257      | 2017 | 165      | 632      |
| 208      | 210      | 2016 | 135      | 165      |
| 282      | 400      | 2015 | 150      | 151      |



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. X. WANG (#50) 3-6 6-4 7-5 (2h 42m)

*Total time on court: 2h 42m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making third appearance at Beijing, where her previous and best result was reaching 3r in 2023
- After 1r bye, defeated Xinyu Wang in three sets in 2r
- Faces No.3 Jessica Pegula in 3r today in a rematch of last year's Tokyo final; holds 2-0 record vs. Pegula
- Bidding for first Top 10 win of 2024; owns 16 wins in career vs. Top 10 players, most recently No.2 Iga Swiatek at Tokyo 2023
- Owns 27-17 career record against players from the United States, with record in 2024 standing at 3-1
- Owns a record of 2-7 vs. seeded players in 2024
- Has won one hard court title, defeating No.1 Swiatek and today's opponent Pegula last fall at Tokyo 2023
- Is currently No.39 on PIF WTA Rankings; this time last year was ranked No.19
- During last year's fall Asian swing reached won title at Tokyo, played group stage at Zhuhai, reached 3r at Beijing and fell 1r at Zhengzhou
- Made first semifinal of the season last week at Seoul (l. eventual champion Haddad Maia)
- Winner of today's match will face either No.15 seed Paula Badosa or Hua Hin champion Rebecca Sramkova

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. D. PARRY (#53) 6-1 7-6 (1h 33m)

*Total time on court: 1h 33m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making third appearance at Beijing, where her previous and best result was reaching 3r in 2023 (l. Ostapenko)
- Since the start of the summer hard court season, has won 16 of last 18 matches, winning Toronto and making the finals at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka) and US Open (l. Sabalenka)
- After 1r bye, defeated Diane Parry in straight sets in 2r
- Bidding for her first win against No.39 Veronika Kudermetova in 3r today; has lost last two meetings, including the final of Tokyo 2023
- Owns an 8-6 record vs. seeded opponents in 2024
- Five of her six WTA titles have come on hard court: Toronto in 2024; Seoul, Montreal in 2023; Guadalajara in 2022; Washington DC in 2019
- Best result by a player from the United States at Beijing were Serena Williams' title runes in 2004 and 2013
- Is currently No.3 on PIF WTA Rankings; this time last year was ranked No.4
- Entered Beijing at No.5 on PIF Race to the WTA Finals Leaderboard; WTA Finals runner-up last year (l. Swiatek), bidding to qualify for third consecutive year
- During last year's fall Asian swing won title at Seoul, finished R-Up at Tokyo and reached 3r at Beijing
- Despite missing Middle East swing, owns 25 hard court wins this season; 4th on tour behind Sabalenka (31), Navarro (30) and Swiatek (29)
- Has won 135 tour-level matches on hard court since the start of 2020 season, trailing only Iga Swiatek (147) (incl. Olympics and team events)
- Entering this week, No.9 on tour in second-serve point won (49.0%)
- Winner of today's match will face either No.15 seed Paula Badosa or Rebecca Sramkova



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

| 2023 | Result | Rank: 16                      | Seed: 16 |
|------|--------|-------------------------------|----------|
| 3r   | L      | C. GAUFF (#3) 7-6(5) 6-2      |          |
| 2r   | W      | L. TSURENKO (#49) 3-6 6-0 6-0 |          |

| 2019 | Result | Rank: 42                               | Seed: - |
|------|--------|--|---------|
| 1r   | L      | A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#40) 6-0 3-6 7-6(4) |         |

| 2023 | Result | Rank: 4                          | Seed: 4 |
|------|--------|----------------------------------|---------|
| 3r   | L      | J. OSTAPENKO (#17) 6-4 6-2       |         |
| 2r   | W      | A. BLINKOVA (#39) 6-7(2) 6-2 6-1 |         |

| 2019 | Result | Rank: 76                 | Seed: - |
|------|--------|--------------------------|---------|
| 1r   | L      | N. OSAKA (#4) 6-3 7-6(5) |         |



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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Reached SF at Seoul (l. eventual champion Haddad Maia)
  - Made 2r at Guadalajara 500 (l. Osorio)
  - Contested 1r at US Open (l. Mertens)
  - Played 1r at Monterrey (l. Carle)
  - Contested 1r at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Krejčíková)
  - Made 2r at Bad Homburg (l. Wozniacki)
  - Made 2r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Galfi) and Berlin (l. Rybakina)
  - Fell in opening round at Roland Garros (l. Bouzková)
  - After a 1r bye, fell in 2r at both Madrid (l. Carle) and Rome (l. Kerber)
  - Reached R16 at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
  - Made QF at Charleston (l. Sakkari)
  - Contested 2r at Miami (l. Wang Xinyu)
  - Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Kerber)
  - Played 2r at Dubai (l. Cirstea)
  - Contested 1r at Abu Dhabi (l. Watson) and Doha (l. Collins)
  - Fell in opening round at Australian Open (l. Golubic)
  - Made R16 at Adelaide (l. Alexandrova)
  - Opened the 2024 season making R16 at Brisbane (l. Potapova)
- Reached career first Grand Slam final at US Open (l. Sabalenka in champion match)
  - Achieved R-Up at Cincinnati (l. Sabalenka in F)
  - Won career third WTA 1000 title at Toronto (d. Anisimova)
  - Contested 2r at Paris Olympics (l. Svitolina)
  - Reached 2r at Wimbledon (l. Xinyu Wang)
  - Contested 2r at Eastbourne (1r bye, l. Raducanu)
  - Won first career singles title on grass at Berlin (d. Kalinskaya in F) in her second tournament coming back to tour
  - Reached 2r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Krunic) in her first tournament after a hiatus due to injury
  - Made SF at Charleston (l. Kasatkina)
  - Reached QF at Miami (l. Alexandrova)
  - After a first round bye, fell against Blinkova in 2r at Indian Wells
  - Contested SF at San Diego (l. Kostyuk)
  - Played 2r at Australian Open (l. Burel)
  - Made SF at Adelaide before withdrawing prior to the match against Kasatkina (illness)
  - Started the 2024 season representing USA at 2024 United Cup, going 1-1 in singles play (d. Tomljanovic) (l. Boulter)





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## SEASON 2024 STATS

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                             | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|---|-------|----------|
| 135   | 25       | <b>Aces</b>                             | 157   | 19       |
| 60.8% | 59       | <b>First serve %</b>                    | 61.8% | 53       |
| 64.6% | 38       | <b>First Serve points won %</b>         | 67.2% | 23       |
| 46.2% | 44       | <b>Second serve points won %</b>        | 49.0% | 9        |
| 57.4% | 41       | <b>Overall service points won %</b>     | 60.3% | 10       |
| 66.7% | 44       | <b>Service games won %</b>              | 73.1% | 16       |
| 50.2% | 83       | <b>Break points saved %</b>             | 59.2% | 21       |
| 34.7% | 75       | <b>First serve return points won %</b>  | 37.4% | 34       |
| 55.9% | 33       | <b>Second serve return points won %</b> | 57.1% | 21       |
| 47.9% | 18       | <b>Break points converted %</b>         | 45.8% | 43       |
| 32.5% | 66       | <b>Return games won %</b>               | 36.9% | 33       |
| 42.7% | 64       | <b>Return points won %</b>              | 44.9% | 27       |

Best win by ranking: No.13 vs Haddad Maia in CHARLESTON 3r  
Longest match: 3h 25m vs Potapova in BRISBANE 3r  
Shortest match: 1h 9m vs Kerber in ROME 2r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 12 vs Schmiedlova in BRISBANE 2r

Best win by ranking: No.1 vs Swiatek in US OPEN QF  
Longest match: 3h 4m vs Fernandez in CINCINNATI QF  
Shortest match: 49m vs Krueger in WIMBLEDON 1r  
Match points saved: 5 vs Kalinskaya in BERLIN F  
4 vs Azarenka in CHARLESTON QF  
Most aces in a match: 9 vs Pavlyuchenkova in ADELAIDE QF

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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2023 - TOKYO  
2021 - CHARLESTON  
Runner-Up (5)  
2023 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH  
2022 - ISTANBUL, DUBAI, MELBOURNE 250 #1  
2021 - ABU DHABI

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (8)  
2024 - STUTTGART (w/Chan)  
2023 - ZHUHAI (w/Haddad Maia), DUBAI (w/Samsonova)  
2022 - WTA FINALS (w/Mertens), ROME (w/Pavlyuchenkova), DUBAI (w/Mertens)  
2021 - ISTANBUL (w/Mertens)  
2019 - WUHAN (w/Duan)  
Runner-Up (9)  
2024 - BAD HOMBURG (w/Chan), BERLIN (w/Chan)  
2022 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH (w/Mertens), MIAMI (w/Mertens), DOHA (w/Mertens)  
2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Rybakina), WIMBLEDON (w/Vesnina)  
2019 - LUGANO (w/Voskoboeva), CHARLESTON (w/Khromacheva)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (6)  
2024 - TORONTO, BERLIN  
2023 - SEOUL, MONTREAL  
2022 - GUADALAJARA  
2019 - WASHINGTON DC  
Runner-Up (9)  
2024 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI  
2023 - WTA FINALS, TOKYO, DOHA, UNITED CUP  
2022 - MADRID  
2020 - AUCKLAND  
2018 - QUEBEC CITY

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)  
2023 - MIAMI (w/Gauff), DOHA (w/Gauff)  
2022 - SAN DIEGO (w/Gauff), TORONTO (w/Gauff), WASHINGTON DC (w/Routliffe), DOHA (w/Gauff), MELBOURNE 250 #1 (w/Muhammad)  
Runner-Up (4)  
2024 - SAN DIEGO (w/Krawczyk)  
2023 - ROME (w/Gauff), MADRID (w/Gauff)  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Gauff)

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |             | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| 1r              | 1r            | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2024</b> | 2r              |               | 2r        | RUP     |
| 2r              | 1r            | 2r        | 1r      | <b>2023</b> | QF              | 3r            | QF        | 4r      |
| 3r              | QF            |           | 4r      | <b>2022</b> | QF              | QF            | 3r        | QF      |
| 3r              | 2r            | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2021</b> | QF              | 3r            | 2r        | 3r      |
| 1r              | 2r            |           | 1r      | <b>2020</b> | 1r              | 1r            |           | 3r      |
| 1r              | 3r            | 2r        | 1r      | <b>2019</b> |                 | 1r            | 1r        | 1r      |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2018</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2017</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2016</b> |                 |               |           | 1r      |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2015</b> |                 |               |           | 2r      |

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won second career title at 2023 Tokyo (d. Pegula in F) and finished R-Up at 2023 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Alexandrova in F); ended year at No.19 for second straight Top 20 year-end ranking
  - Also in 2023, reached SF at Adelaide 2, Doha, Madrid and Rome; qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai going 1-1 in group play
  - In doubles, won titles in 2023 at Dubai with Liudmila Samsonova and Zhuhai with Beatriz Haddad Maia
  - Made Top 10 debut in singles on October 24, 2022, following QF run at Guadalajara 1000 and Top 10 debut in doubles on January 31, 2022 ending the year at No.2
  - Singles highlights in 2022 were R-Up finishes at Melbourne Summer Set 1 (l. Halep), Dubai (l. Ostapenko) and Istanbul (l. Potapova), and reached maiden Grand Slam QF at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina)
  - Won doubles title at 2022 WTA Finals in Fort Worth with partner Elise Mertens; also won title at Dubai and 's-Hertogenbosch with Mertens as well as Rome with Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova
  - Appeared in maiden WTA final at Abu Dhabi in opening event of 2021 (l. Sabalenka) before securing first title at Charleston (d. Kovinic)
  - In doubles won title at Istanbul with Elise Mertens and made final at Wimbledon (w/Vesnina) and Indian Wells (w/Rybakina) Scored first win over a Top-3 ranked opponent by upsetting No.3 Karolina Pliskova at 2020 Cincinnati. Other highlights in 2020 included SF run at Hobart and closing out season with back-to-back QFs at Ostrava and Linz
  - Won 27 main-draw matches during 2019 – had previously won six across entire career – to rise over 60 places in the WTA rankings, making Top-100 debut on February 4 and Top-50 debut on September 9
  - Singles highlights in 2019 included reaching SF at 's-Hertogenbosch, Hiroshima and Tianjin and 3r at Roland Garros where she defeated No.13 Caroline Wozniacki in 1r – her maiden Grand Slam main draw win and first over a Top-20 opponent)
  - Also in 2019, won WTA 125K Series title at Guadalajara (d. Bouzkova in F) and entered Top 50 on Sept 9, 2019
  - Posted first two Top 10 wins of career in final weeks of 2019, over No.10 Belinda Bencic at Wuhan and No.4 Elina Svitolina at Moscow
  - Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Kenin)
  - Won two titles in 2023, her second WTA 1000 tournament at Montreal and also WTA 250 Seoul. Also finished R-Up at Doha, Tokyo and at the WTA Finals in Cancun.
- In doubles ascended to No.1 ranking (co-ranked with Coco Gauff) after 2023 US Open.
- Achieved career-high No. 3 in October 2022 after defeating four Grand Slam champions at Guadalajara, en route to ending three-year wait for second WTA title (d. Sakkari in F)
  - Qualified for WTA Finals Fort Worth in both singles and doubles (w/Gauff), thus becoming the first Americans to debut in singles and doubles at the season-ending showpiece since Davenport in 1994
  - Reached QF at three of the four majors in 2022, breaking into Top 10 after doing so at Roland Garros (June 6, 2022)
  - One of seven players to win 40 or more matches in 2022, alongside Swiatek, Jabeur, Garcia, Sakkari, Kasatkina and Bencic
  - In 2021, reached the QF or better on seven occasions, including at the Australian Open
  - Broke into Top 20 on November 1, 2021
  - Began 2020 with runner-up finish at Auckland (l. S.Williams), other standout results were a QF at Western & Southern Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens) and a 3r showing at US Open (l. Kvitova)
  - On the doubles court in 2020, reached QFs of Roland-Garros (w/Muhammad) and Cincinnati (w/Rogers)
  - Won her first WTA title at 2019 Washington DC (d. Giorgi in F)
  - Also in 2019, fell 1r on main draw debut at Roland-Garros (l. eventual champion Barty) and Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu) and Miami (as a qualifier, l. Konta)
  - Broke into Top 100 for the first time on February 4, 2019 following back-to-back R-Up finishes at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and W100 ITF Circuit tournament in Midland-MI, USA
  - Highlights of 2018 included finishing R-up as a qualifier at Quebec City (l. Parmentier in F), recording SF finish at Houston WTA 125K Series tournament (l. S.Peng) and reaching QF or better at 10 ITF events
  - Did not play between January and August 2017 after undergoing hip surgery. Primarily played at ITF Circuit events for the rest of the year, winning two doubles titles with Townsend
  - Played a mixture of WTA and ITF Circuit events in 2016 with highlight coming at Washington DC,

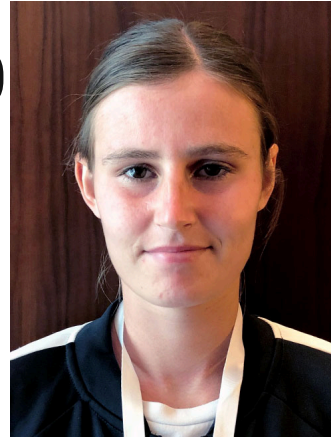
- Won career first WTA doubles title at 2019 Wuhan with Yingying Duan (d. Mertens/Sabalenka in F); also in 2019 was R-Up at Charleston (w/Khromacheva) and Lugano (w/Voskoboeva)
- Posted maiden career WTA QF runs in 2018, first at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Krunić) and then Gstaad (l. Bouchard)
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2018 Stuttgart as qualifier (d. No.25 Suárez Navarro, l. eventual champion Ka.Pliskova)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Moscow
- Made professional debut on ITF circuit in 2011; on ITF Circuit, owns four singles titles

- where she defeated No.14 Stosur for first Top-20 win of career on her way to a SF finish (l. Davis)
- Reached 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, d. Van Uytvanck, l. Cibulkova)
- Sidelined from tennis for a year and a half between 2013 and 2015 due to a right knee injury
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Indian Wells

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by husband Sergey Demekhine
- Born in Kazan, Russia, now based in Moscow and trains at CSKA club
- Father, Eduard, was a Russian national ice hockey champion; teenage sister, Polina, is on the junior circuit
- She started playing tennis at the age of eight
- Off the court, has a passion for cooking and her specialty is roasted chicken with potatoes and garlic

- Working with the coaching team of Mark Knowles and Mark Merklein
- Recently parted ways with coach David Witt; formerly with Michael Joyce
- Parents are Terrence (works in oil and gas) and Kim (business owner); her parents are principal owners of the Buffalo Bills (NFL), while Terry Pegula also owns hockey team the Buffalo Sabres (NHL)
- Brothers are Michael and Matthew, sisters are Laura and Kelly; also has three pets - Laura played Division I college tennis at the University of Pittsburgh
- Introduced to tennis by family at age 7
- Nickname is JP
- Favorite shot is backhand down the line; favorite tournament is the US Open
- Tennis idol was Martina Hingis
- One word to describe her would be "Determined"
- Owns her own skincare company called 'Ready 24'
- Also enjoys golf, sports, and design
- Married Taylor Gahagen in October 2021
- Passionate about new charity with her husband called A Lending Paw



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**SHUAI ZHANG (WC)**  
CHINA

**GREET MINNEN**  
BELGIUM

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|--|--|--|
| 1989-01-21   | <b>Date of Birth</b>                   | 1997-08-14                                     |
| Tianjin, China   | <b>Residence</b>                       | Turnhout, Belgium                              |
| Right-handed (two-handed backhand)                             | <b>Plays</b>                           | Right-Handed (two-handed backhand)             |
| 5' 10" (1.77m)   | <b>Height</b>                          | 5' 9"  |
| 22   | <b>Career-High Ranking</b>             | 59   |
| \$10,553,747   | <b>Career Prize Money</b>              | \$2,697,469                                    |
| \$580,720  | <b>Season Prize Money</b>              | \$680,138                                      |
| 0 / 3  | <b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>     | 0 / 0  |
| 39-46 (Quarter-Finalist: 2019 WIMBLEDON; 2016 AUSTRALIAN OPEN) | <b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>           | 8-17 (Round of 32: 2023 US OPEN; 2021 US OPEN) |
| 2-0 / 13-12 (Quarter-Finalist: 2018, 2016)                     | <b>YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)</b> | 2-0 / 2-0 (Round of 32: 2024)                  |
| 2-8 / 207-260  | <b>YTD / Career W-L</b>                | 11-17 / 39-61                                  |
| 2-6 / 148-170  | <b>YTD / Career Hard W-L</b>           | 8-11 / 30-40                                   |
| 0-3 / 55-62  | <b>YTD / Career 3-Set W-L</b>          | 3-5 / 13-18                                    |
| 2-0 / 58-55  | <b>YTD / Career TB W-L</b>             | 1-4 / 12-15                                    |
| Round of 32: SEOUL, BEIJING                                    | <b>YTD Best Result</b>                 | Quarter-Finalist: 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH             |



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME |
|------|------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------|------|
|------|------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------|------|

First career meeting

## RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 206      | -        | 2024 | 59       | -        |
| 22       | 208      | 2023 | 59       | 62       |
| 24       | 24       | 2022 | 75       | 202      |
| 35       | 63       | 2021 | 69       | 75       |
| 30       | 35       | 2020 | 103      | 110      |
| 31       | 46       | 2019 | 120      | 123      |
| 27       | 35       | 2018 | 310      | 316      |
| 23       | 36       | 2017 | 323      | 828      |
| 24       | 24       | 2016 | 263      | 323      |
| 61       | 186      | 2015 | 457      | 457      |



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. M. KESSLER (#65) 7-6 7-6 (2h 0m)  
2r: d. E. NAVARRO (#8) 6-4 6-2 (1h 15m)

*Total time on court: 3h 15m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Two-time quarterfinalist making 13th appearance at Beijing, where her previous result was falling 1r in 2019
- Has beaten McCartney Kessler and No.8 Emma Navarro so far this week to reach 3r for first Top 20 win since 2022
- Prior to her two wins here in Beijing, had lost her previous 24 matches, earning first wins since 2023 Lyon. In the Open Era, only one player has lost more than 24 consecutive matches (Madeleine Pegel, 29 from 1968-1974)
- Faces No.94 Greet Minnen in 3r today; looking to win three matches in a row for the first time since reaching R16 at 2023 Australian Open
- Owns 4-8 career record against players from Belgium
- All three WTA titles have come on hard court: Lyon in 2022; Guangzhou in 2013 and 2017
- Best result by a player from China at Beijing were SF runs by Wang Qiang in 2018, Li Na in 2012 and 2010, Zheng Jie in 2008, Peng Shuai in 2007 and 2006
- Best result by a wildcard at Beijing was SF by Wang Qiang in 2018 and Peng Shuai in 2006
- She is the lowest ranked player to reach 3r at Beijing; previously was Xu Yifan (No.415) in 2007
- Is currently ranked No.595; this time last year was ranked No.187
- Winner today will face either Frech or Shnaider in 4r

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. E. ANDREEVA (#67) 7-5 6-2 (1h 43m)  
2r: d. A. POTAPOVA (#38) 7-5 2-6 6-4 (2h 32m)

*Total time on court: 4h 15m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making debut appearance at Beijing
- Has beaten Erika Andreeva and Anastasia Potapova so far this week to reach 3r
- Faces No.595 Shuai Zhang in 3r today, looking to win three main draw matches in a row for the first time since reached SF at 2023 Guangzhou
- Owns 0-2 career record against players from China
- Owns 3-4 career record against wildcards, with a record in 2024 standing at 1-1
- Best career result on hard court was reaching SF at Guangzhou in 2023 and Prague in 2021
- One of two players from Belgium to reach 3r along with Elise Mertens
- Has tied best result by Belgium at Beijing with R32 run; also done by Elise Mertens in 2019 and 2017, Kirsten Flipkens in 2018, Yanina Wickmayer in 2016 and Alison Van Uytvanck in 2015
- Is currently ranked No.94, this time last year was ranked No.63; reached a career high ranking of No.59 on Oct 16, 2023



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

| 2019 | Result | Rank: 35                    | Seed: - |
|------|--------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 1r   | L      | A. KERBER (#13) 6-2 1-6 6-4 |         |

| 2018 | Result | Rank: 45                     | Seed: - |
|------|--------|------------------------------|---------|
| QF   | L      | N. OSAKA (#6) 3-6 6-4 7-5    |         |
| 3r   | W      | A. KERBER (#3) 6-1 2-6 6-0   |         |
| 2r   | W      | T. BABOS (#68) 6-1 6-2       |         |
| 1r   | W      | E. MERTENS (#14) 6-1 3-6 6-3 |         |

| 2017 | Result | Rank: 26                    | Seed: - |
|------|--------|-----------------------------|---------|
| 2r   | L      | A. RADWANSKA (#11) 7-5 7-5  |         |
| 1r   | W      | Y. PUTINTSEVA (#47) 6-4 6-4 |         |

| 2016 | Result | Rank: 36                               | Seed: - |
|------|--------|--|---------|
| QF   | L      | J. KONTA (#14) 6-4 6-0                 |         |
| 3r   | W      | S. HALEP (#5) 6-0 6-3                  |         |
| 2r   | W      | A. RISKE-AMRITRAJ (#60) 6-3 4-6 7-6(4) |         |
| 1r   | W      | S. STOSUR (#18) 6-1 6-2                |         |

| 2015 | Result | Rank: 191                | Seed: - |
|------|--------|--------------------------|---------|
| 1r   | L      | M. BARTHEL (#53) 6-3 6-2 |         |

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles





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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Played 1r at Seoul (l. V. Kudermetova)
- Played 1r at US Open (l. Krueger)
- Fell in opening round at Cincinnati (l. Shnaider)
- Contested 1r at Wimbledon (l. Kasatkina)
- Suffered 1r defeats at Madrid (l. Rogers), Miami (l. Saville) and Indian Wells (l. Hontama)
- Opened 2024 season at Dubai, playing 1r (l. Ka. Pliskova)

- Made 2r at Monastir (l. Sonmez)
- Played 2r at US Open (l. Vekic)
- Reached 2r at Cleveland (as LL, l. Bogdan)
- Retired during opening match at WTA 125 Barranquilla through right ankle injury (l. Okalova)
- Reached 2r at Toronto (as qualifier, l. Azarenka)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Paolini)
- Contested 1r at Eastbourne (as qualifer, l. Ostapenko)
- Reached QF at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Samsonova)
- Fell in opening round at Roland Garros (l. Rybakina)
- Contested 1r at WTA 125 Paris and WTA 1000 Rome (l. Shnaider both times)
- Reached 1r at Madrid as lucky loser (l. Osaka)
- Played 1r at WTA 125 La Bisbal (l. Mladenovic)
- As lucky loser, played R32 at Miami (l. Putintseva)
- Made SF at WTA 125 Charleston (l. eventual champion Cocciaretto)
- Played 1r at Indian Wells (l. Siniakova)
- Won first matches of 2024 at Doha reaching 2r as a qualifier (l. Vondrousova)
- Contested 1r at Cluj-Napoca (l. Rus)
- Fell in opening round at Australian Open (l. Tauson)
- Made 1r at Hobart (l. Kenin)
- Opened the 2024 season making 1r at Brisbane (l. Bucsa)



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## SEASON 2024 STATS

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                             | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|---|-------|----------|
| 13    | 142      | <b>Aces</b>                             | 76    | 61       |
| 64.5% | 0        | <b>First serve %</b>                    | 62.9% | 43       |
| 59.4% | 0        | <b>First Serve points won %</b>         | 63.7% | 49       |
| 43.1% | 0        | <b>Second serve points won %</b>        | 42.9% | 76       |
| 53.6% | 0        | <b>Overall service points won %</b>     | 56.0% | 60       |
| 54.3% | 0        | <b>Service games won %</b>              | 63.2% | 66       |
| 45.5% | 0        | <b>Break points saved %</b>             | 54.7% | 60       |
| 37.1% | 0        | <b>First serve return points won %</b>  | 34.0% | 79       |
| 46.7% | 0        | <b>Second serve return points won %</b> | 55.7% | 39       |
| 39.0% | 0        | <b>Break points converted %</b>         | 49.8% | 9        |
| 28.6% | 0        | <b>Return games won %</b>               | 33.8% | 53       |
| 40.7% | 0        | <b>Return points won %</b>              | 42.6% | 65       |

Best win by ranking: No.8 vs Navarro in BEIJING 2r  
Longest match: 2h 32m vs Saville in MIAMI 1r  
Shortest match: 56m vs Shnaider in CINCINNATI 1r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 4 vs Kudermetova in SEOUL 1r

Best win by ranking: No.38 vs Potapova in BEIJING 2r  
Longest match: 2h 54m vs Azarenka in TORONTO 2r  
Shortest match: 52m vs Maria in DOHA 1r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 6 vs Samsonova in 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH QF



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)

2022 - LYON  
2017 - GUANGZHOU  
2013 - GUANGZHOU

Runner-Up (4)

2022 - BIRMINGHAM  
2021 - NOTTINGHAM  
2020 - HOBART  
2016 - ZHUHAI

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (13)

2023 - ABU DHABI (w/Stefani)  
2022 - NOTTINGHAM (w/Haddad Maia)  
2021 - OSTRAVA (w/Mirza), US OPEN (w/Stosur),  
CINCINNATI (w/Stosur)  
2019 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Stosur)  
2018 - HONG KONG (w/Stosur), HIROSHIMA  
(w/Hozumi), ISTANBUL (w/Liang)  
2014 - PATTAYA CITY (w/Peng)  
2012 - GUANGZHOU (w/Tanasugarn), ESTORIL  
(w/Chuang)  
2011 - OSAKA (w/Date)

Runner-Up (16)

2024 - SEOUL (w/Kato), US OPEN (w/Mladenovic),  
BIRMINGHAM (w/Kato)  
2022 - WIMBLEDON (w/Mertens), BIRMINGHAM  
(w/Mertens), STUTTGART (w/Gauff)  
2021 - COURMAYEUR (w/Hozumi)  
2020 - HOBART (w/Peng)  
2019 - NANCHANG (w/Peng), MIAMI (w/Stosur)  
2017 - ZHUHAI (w/Lu), BIRMINGHAM (w/Chan)  
2014 - HOBART (w/Raymond)  
2013 - OSAKA (w/Stosur), KUALA LUMPUR  
(w/Husarova)  
2012 - MONTERREY (w/Date)

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2021 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Van Uytvanck)  
2018 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Van Uytvanck)

Runner-Up (2)

2024 - BRISBANE (w/Watson)  
2021 - BELGRADE (w/Van Uytvanck)



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## GRAND SLAMS

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |             | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
|                 |               | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2024</b> | 1r              | 1r            | 2r        | 2r      |
| 4r              | 1r            | 1r        |         | <b>2023</b> |                 |               | 1r        | 3r      |
| 3r              | 1r            | 3r        | 4r      | <b>2022</b> | 1r              | 1r            | 2r        | 1r      |
| 1r              | 1r            | 1r        | 2r      | <b>2021</b> | 1r              | 1r            | 1r        | 3r      |
| 3r              | 4r            |           | 1r      | <b>2020</b> | 2r              | 1r            |           | 1r      |
| 3r              | 2r            | QF        | 3r      | <b>2019</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 2r              | 2r            | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2018</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 2r              | 3r            | 1r        | 3r      | <b>2017</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| QF              | 2r            | 1r        | 3r      | <b>2016</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 1r              | 1r            |           |         | <b>2015</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 1r              | 1r            | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2014</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2013</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 1r              | 1r            |           |         | <b>2012</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 1r              | 1r            | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2011</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 | 1r            |           |         | <b>2010</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2009</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           | 1r      | <b>2008</b> |                 |               |           |         |

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Reached R16 at 2023 Australian Open (l. Pliskova) taking her ranking to a high of No. 22. Zhang failed to win a singles match after Lyon in January and ended her season early after Montreal (l. Blinkova).
- In doubles, won the 2023 title at Abu Dhabi (w/Stefani) and reached semifinals at Doha (w/Olmos) and Wimbledon (w/Dolehide).  
  
Won third career singles title at Lyon (d. Yastremska in F) and 12th doubles title in Nottingham (w/Haddad Maia) in 2022
- Finished the season at No. 24, very close to previous best career ranking of No. 23 (Nov 14, 2016); in doubles climbed as high as No. 2 on July 11, 2022
- Reached fourth singles final of career in 2021, finishing R-Up at Nottingham (l. Konta). Also advanced to SF at Palermo and QF at San Jose
- Enjoyed strong campaign in doubles in 2021 winning three titles, at Cincinnati and US Open (w/Stosur) and Ostrava (w/Mirza). Qualified for WTA Finals for first time (w/Stosur) however failed to progress from group stage
- Season highlight in 2020 was reaching third career WTA singles final (l. Rybakina in F) and finished R-Up in doubles at Hobart (w/Peng), which marks the first time she made it through to the championship match in both singles and doubles at the same tour-level event
- Also in 2020, made R16 at Roland Garros for the first time; now has advanced to second week in three Grand Slams across hard, grass and clay
- Standout results of 2019 season were reaching second Grand Slam singles QF of career at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep), finishing R-Up at WTA125K Series event in Anning, China (l. S.Zheng) and closing out season by winning \$100k ITF/Tokyo-JPN (d.Paolini in F)
- Registered first Top 10 doubles season in 2019-finished at No.10 while posted career-high ranking at No.9 on May 20
- Won first Grand Slam title in doubles at 2019 Australian Open (w/Stosur; d. Babos/Mladenovic in F); also reached final at Miami w/Stosur (l. Mertens/Sabalenka). Team qualified for WTA Finals in Shenzhen (Zhang's debut at the season finale) where they advanced to SF (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)
- First Top 30 season in 2016, posted career-high ranking of No.23 on November 14
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF as
- In 2023 reached semifinal at Guangzhou (l. Wang Xiyu); reached two WTA 125 finals, at Saint Malo (l. Stephens, but won doubles title w/Schoofs) and Kozerki (l. Yastremska); matched previous best Grand Slam result with 3r run at US Open (as qualifier, l. Kasatkina); on ITF Circuit, won two singles titles and three doubles titles (all w/Wickmayer)
- Strongest 2022 results were making second round twice, at Wimbledon (l. Zheng) and Bad Homburg (l. Lisicki)
- Advanced to maiden WTA SF at 2021 Prague (l. Martincova); also made QF at Lyon (l. Golubic)
- Reached 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2020 Australian Open (as qualifier, d. Sasnovich, l. Rybakina)
- Scored first Top 50 win over No.33 Cibulkova during 2r showing at 2019 Stuttgart
- Advanced to QF on WTA main draw debut at 2019 Hobart (d. Kozlova and Linette, l. Cornet)
- Won first WTA title in doubles at 2018 Luxembourg (w/Van Uytvanck, d. Lapko/Minella in F)
- Captured four ITF Circuit singles in 2018 at Solarino, Antalya, Oldenzaal and Santarem
- Jumped 578 ranking spots from start of 2018 to the end - from No.926 to No.348
- Lifted one ITF Circuit singles title in 2016, at \$10K ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY
- Notched first two ITF singles titles in 2015, at \$15K ITF/Petange-LUX and \$10K ITF/Antalya 28-TUR
- Played first professional event at \$10K ITF/Maaseik-BEL, reaching the final (unranked, l. No.3 seed Arcangioli)
- In juniors, was R-Up in doubles (w/Hobgarski) at 2015 Australian Open (l. Kolodziejova/Vondrousova)

- qualifier (d. No.2 Halep and No.17 Key en route, l. Konta). Run also marked first time winning back-to-back main draw matches since semifinal run at 2014 Birmingham
- As a qualifier during 2016 Melbourne run, defeated No.2 Halep and No.17 Keys (l. Konta). Ranked No.133, became lowest-ranked player to advance to last eight in Melbourne since unranked Henin reached final in 2010, and first qualifier to do so since Gavaldon in 1990
  - Contemplated retirement after ending 2015 ranked No.186, her lowest year-end finish since 2008 (No.212) and down from No.62 in 2014
  - Winner of two WTA singles titles, at 2013 Guangzhou (d. King in F) and 2017 Guangzhou (d. Krunic in F); also won WTA 125K Series events at Nanjing in 2013 and Honolulu in 2017
  - Scored first Top 10 win over then top ranked Safina in 1r at 2009 Beijing; at No.226, was the lowest-ranked player ever to beat a World No.1
  - First broke into Top 100 on August 9, 2010 and Top 50 on February 3, 2014
  - Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou
  - Winner of 21 singles titles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit
  - Member of Chinese Fed Cup team in 2007, 2009-10, 2012, 2014-15, 2019-20. Chinese Olympic Team, 2012, 2016
  - In mixed doubles, reached SF at 2018 US Open (w/Peers)

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Liu Shuo
  - Father, Zhang Zhi Qiang, was a soccer player; mother, Wang Feng Qin, was a basketball player. Started playing tennis aged five when parents took her to local club
  - Started working with Chinese Tennis Association at age 12
  - Idolized Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal
  - Best tennis memory was playing mixed doubles with Pete Sampras in 2011, winning Australian Open doubles champion in 2019 with best friend Sam Stosur, and quarterfinalists at 2016 Australian Open and 2019 Wimbledon
  - Relaxes by listening to music, taking photos and exploring the places she travels to
- Currently coached by Philippe Dehaes
  - Trains in Antwerp, Belgium and currently lives in Turnhout, Belgium
  - Parents are Hans and Ann, brother's name is Toon
  - Hobbies include going out with friends, watching movies or walking her dog
  - Favorite shots are her serve and forehand, and favorite surface is grass



**1**  
WIN

**2**  
MATCHES  
PLAYED

**1**  
WIN



**34**

**KATIE  
BOULTER (26)**  
UNITED KINGDOM

**6**

**COCO  
(4) GAUFF**  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

|  |  |                                    |
|--|--|------------------------------------|
| 1996-08-01   | <b>Date of Birth</b>                   | 2004-03-13                         |
| Leicester, Great Britain                                     | <b>Residence</b>                       | Delray Beach, FL, USA              |
| Right-handed (double-handed backhand)                        | <b>Plays</b>                           | Right-handed (two-handed backhand) |
| 5' 11" (1.82m)   | <b>Height</b>                          | 5' 9" (1.75m)                      |
| 27   | <b>Career-High Ranking</b>             | 2                                  |
| \$2,807,251  | <b>Career Prize Money</b>              | \$15,517,550                       |
| \$1,060,857  | <b>Season Prize Money</b>              | \$3,289,408                        |
| 2 / 3  | <b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>     | 1 / 7                              |
| 12-14 (Round of 32: 2023 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON; 2022 WIMBLEDON) | <b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>           | 60-20 (Champion: 2023 US OPEN)     |
| 1-0 / 2-2 (Round of 32: 2024, 2023)                          | <b>YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)</b> | 1-0 / 5-1 (Semi-Finalist: 2023)    |
| 23-15 / 60-57  | <b>YTD / Career W-L</b>                | 42-15 / 188-83                     |
| 15-8 / 31-37   | <b>YTD / Career Hard W-L</b>           | 23-8 / 118-54                      |
| 8-4 / 22-19  | <b>YTD / Career 3-Set W-L</b>          | 9-7 / 52-29                        |
| 4-5 / 15-12  | <b>YTD / Career TB W-L</b>             | 8-7 / 43-25                        |
| 1-3 / 3-10   | <b>YTD / Career TOP 10 W-L</b>         | 5-6 / 21-29                        |
| Champion: NOTTINGHAM, SAN DIEGO                              | <b>YTD Best Result</b>                 | Champion: AUCKLAND                 |



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BOULTER**

**COCO  
GAUFF**

## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT                     | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER        | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME   |
|------|--------------------------------|---------|-------|---------------|---------------|--------|
| 2023 | MONTREAL                       | HARD    | 2r    | Coco Gauff    | 6-2 6-2       | 1h 13m |
| 2021 | MELBOURNE 500 GIPPSLAND TROPHY | HARD    | 2r    | Katie Boulter | 3-6 7-5 6-2   | 1h 44m |

## RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 27       | -        | 2024 | 2        | -        |
| 50       | 58       | 2023 | 3        | 3        |
| 118      | 124      | 2022 | 4        | 7        |
| 148      | 148      | 2021 | 19       | 22       |
| 315      | 365      | 2020 | 47       | 48       |
| 82       | 352      | 2019 | 68       | 68       |
| 92       | 100      | 2018 | 874      | 875      |
| 199      | 199      | 2017 | -        | -        |
| 362      | 368      | 2016 | -        | -        |
| 340      | 889      | 2015 | -        | -        |





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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. T. TOWNSEND (#52) 6-4 6-4 (1h 34m)

*Total time on court: 1h 34m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making third appearance at Beijing, where she is into 3r for the first time; her previous and best result was reaching 2r in 2023
- After 1r bye, defeated Taylor Townsend in straight sets in 2r to snap two-match losing streak
- Faces No.6 Coco Gauff in 3r today; owns three wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.5 Jessica Pegula at United Cup 2024, has also beaten NO.7 Karolina Pliskova at 2022 Eastbourne and 2022 Wimbledon
- Has lost her last two Top 10 matches to No.7 Jasmine Paolini at 2023 Eastbourne and No.3 Aryna Sabalenka at 2024 Toronto
- Owns 8-8 career record against players from the United States, with record in 2024 standing at 4-1
- Owns 21-24 career record against seeds, with a record in 2024 standing at 12-4
- Achieved best career result on hard court earlier this year by winning title at San Diego (d. Kostyuk)
- Only player from United Kingdom to reach 3r
- Best result by United Kingdom at Beijing was Runner-Up run by Johanna Konta in 2016
- Is currently No.34 on PIF WTA Ranking; this time last year was ranked No.54
- Winner of today's match will face either Naomi Osaka or Katie Volynets in the Round of 16

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. C. BUREL (#56) 7-5 6-3 (1h 40m)

*Total time on court: 1h 40m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Playing first tournament since making US Open Round of 16 in title defense (l. Navarro)
- Enters Beijing at No.6 on PIF Race to the WTA Finals behind Jessica Pegula and ahead of Emma Navarro; bidding to qualify for third consecutive WTA Finals
- Making second appearance at Beijing, where her previous and best result was reaching SF in 2023 (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- After 1r bye, defeated Clara Burel in straight sets in 2r
- Faces No.34 Katie Boulter in 3r today; won their last meeting 6-2, 6-2 at Montreal 2023
- Owns 6-1 career record against players from United Kingdom, with record in 2024 standing at 1-0 with win over Sonay Kartal at Wimbledon - only career loss came to today's opponent at 2021 Gippssland Trophy
- Six of her seven WTA titles have been won on hard court: Auckland in 2024; US Open, Cincinnati, Washington DC, Auckland in 2023; Linz in 2019
- Best result by a player from the United States of America was Serena Williams' title runs in 2004 and 2013
- Is currently No.6 on PIF WTA Rankings; this time last year was ranked No.3
- During last year's fall Asian swing reached SF at Beijing
- Leads tour in Return Points Won (48.4%) and Return Games Won (44.9%); ranked 10th in Break Points Saved (61.1%)
- Announced split with coach Brad Gilbert after US Open. Has added Matt Daly to coaching team along with long-time coach JC Faurel
- Winner of today's match will face either Naomi Osaka or Katie Volynets in the Round of 16



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

| 2023 | Result | Rank: 56                     | Seed: - |
|------|--------|------------------------------|---------|
| 2r   | L      | A. SABALENKA (#1) 7-5 7-6(2) |         |
| 1r   | W      | M. FRECH (#69) 6-4 3-6 6-2   |         |

| 2018 | Result | Rank: 109                     | Seed: - |
|------|--------|-------------------------------|---------|
| 1r   | L      | K. FLIPKENS (#57) 4-6 6-2 7-5 |         |

| 2023 | Result | Rank: 3                         | Seed: 3 |
|------|--------|---------------------------------|---------|
| SF   | L      | I. SWIATEK (#2) 6-2 6-3         |         |
| QF   | W      | M. SAKKARI (#6) 6-2 6-4         |         |
| 3r   | W      | V. KUDERMETOVA (#16) 7-6(5) 6-2 |         |
| 2r   | W      | P. MARTIC (#48) 7-5 5-7 7-6(2)  |         |
| 1r   | W      | E. ALEXANDROVA (#20) 7-5 6-3    |         |



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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Reached 2r at US Open (l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- Played 1r at Cincinnati (l. Linette)
- Reached 3r at Toronto (l. Sabalenka)
- Played 1r at Paris Olympics (l. Schmiedlova)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Dart)
- Reached QF at Eastbourne (l. Paolini)
- Failed 1r at Birmingham (l. Kalinina)
- Successfully defended title at Nottingham (d. Ka. Pliskova in f)
- Made her Roland Garros main draw debut (l. Badosa in 1r)
- Reached QF at WTA 125 Paris (l. Gracheva)
- After a 1r bye, fell in 2r at both Madrid (l. Montgomery) and Rome (l. Sramkova)
- Reached R16 at Miami (l. Azarenka)
- Fell in opening round at Indian Wells (l. Giorgi)
- Achieved second singles career title at San Diego (d. Kostyuk in F) and climbed to career high ranking of No.27
- Contested R16 at Linz (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Played 2r at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Zheng)
- As a qualifier, made 1r at Adelaide (l. Bogdan)
- Started the season representing Great Britain at the 2024 United Cup, going 2-0 in singles play (d. Tomljanovic) (d. Pegula)

- Made 4r at US Open as defending champion (l. Navarro)
- After 1r bye played 2r at Cincinnati (l. Putintseva)
- Reached 3r at Toronto (l. Shnaider)
- Made 2r at Paris Olympics (l. Vekic)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon (l. Navarro)
- Made SF at Berlin (l. eventual champion Pegula)
- Reached 3rd straight Grand Slam SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Swiatek); also won 1st Grand Slam doubles title (w/Siniakova)
- Made SF at Rome (l. eventual champion Swiatek); also achieved R-Up in doubles w/Routliffe
- Contested 4r at Madrid (l. Keys)
- Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)
- Made R16 at Miami (l. Garcia)
- Reached SF at Indian Wells (l. Sakkari)
- Contested QF at Dubai (l. Kalinskaya)
- Following 1r bye, fell in 2r at Doha (l. Siniakova)
- Reached third Grand Slam SF of her career at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Won the title in her opening tournament of the 2024 season and her seventh title overall at Auckland (d. Svitolina)



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## SEASON 2024 STATS

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                             | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|---|-------|----------|
| 141   | 23       | <b>Aces</b>                             | 190   | 14       |
| 56.2% | 84       | <b>First serve %</b>                    | 57.3% | 79       |
| 70.7% | 7        | <b>First Serve points won %</b>         | 71.3% | 4        |
| 44.4% | 57       | <b>Second serve points won %</b>        | 44.4% | 55       |
| 59.2% | 23       | <b>Overall service points won %</b>     | 59.8% | 14       |
| 74.2% | 10       | <b>Service games won %</b>              | 73.3% | 13       |
| 58.7% | 24       | <b>Break points saved %</b>             | 61.0% | 10       |
| 33.5% | 87       | <b>First serve return points won %</b>  | 41.6% | 2        |
| 55.9% | 34       | <b>Second serve return points won %</b> | 59.0% | 5        |
| 41.8% | 79       | <b>Break points converted %</b>         | 51.6% | 4        |
| 31.6% | 69       | <b>Return games won %</b>               | 45.8% | 1        |
| 42.6% | 66       | <b>Return points won %</b>              | 48.4% | 1        |

Best win by ranking: No.13 vs Ostapenko in EASTBOURNE 2r  
No.13 vs Haddad Maia in MIAMI 3r  
No.13 vs Haddad Maia in SAN DIEGO 2r  
Longest match: 3h 13m vs Raducanu in NOTTINGHAM SF  
3h 13m vs Dart in NOTTINGHAM 1r  
Shortest match: 17m vs Haddad Maia in TORONTO 2r  
Most aces in a match: 11 vs Ostapenko in EASTBOURNE 2r

Best win by ranking: No.7 vs Zheng in ROME QF  
Longest match: 3h 8m vs Kostyuk in AUSTRALIAN OPEN QF  
Shortest match: 51m vs Rus in MADRID 2r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 10 vs Navarro in AUCKLAND SF



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)  
2024 - NOTTINGHAM, SAN DIEGO  
2023 - NOTTINGHAM

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (7)  
2024 - AUCKLAND  
2023 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI, WASHINGTON DC, AUCKLAND  
2021 - PARMA  
2019 - LINZ

Runner-Up (1)  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (9)  
2024 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Siniakova)  
2023 - MIAMI (w/Pegula), DOHA (w/Pegula)  
2022 - SAN DIEGO (w/Pegula), TORONTO (w/Pegula), DOHA (w/Pegula)  
2021 - PARMA (w/Mcnally)  
2019 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Mcnally), WASHINGTON DC (w/Mcnally)

Runner-Up (6)  
2024 - ROME (w/Routliffe)  
2023 - ROME (w/Pegula), MADRID (w/Pegula)  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Pegula), STUTTGART (w/Zhang)  
2021 - US OPEN (w/Mcnally)

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |             | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN    |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|------------|
| 2r              | 1r            | 2r        | 2r      | <b>2024</b> | SF              | SF            | 4r        | 4r         |
|                 |               | 3r        | 3r      | <b>2023</b> | 4r              | QF            | 1r        | <b>WON</b> |
|                 |               | 3r        |         | <b>2022</b> | 1r              | RUP           | 3r        | QF         |
| 1r              |               | 2r        | 1r      | <b>2021</b> | 2r              | QF            | 4r        | 2r         |
| 1r              |               |           |         | <b>2020</b> | 4r              | 2r            |           | 1r         |
| 2r              |               |           |         | <b>2019</b> |                 |               | 4r        | 3r         |
|                 |               | 2r        |         | <b>2018</b> |                 |               |           |            |
|                 |               | 1r        |         | <b>2017</b> |                 |               |           |            |

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2023 captured first WTA singles title of career on home soil at Nottingham; made Top 50 debut at No.50 the week of September 11; advanced to 3r at Wimbledon for second year in a row (l. Rybakina), and at US Open for first time (l. Stearns).
- Also in 2023, reached 2r as qualifier at both Montreal and Beijing; on ITF Circuit won one singles title at Canberra and reached two finals in Japan; went 2-0 in singles in November's Billie Jean King Cup play-offs against Sweden
- During the 2022 grass court season, advanced to QF at Nottingham (ret. vs. Davis w/right elbow injury) and 2r at Wimbledon (l. Sabalenka)
- Opened 2021 season by reaching 3r at the Gippsland Trophy in Melbourne (l. Osaka); upset No.14 seed Gauff in 2r
- Ended 2020 by finishing R-Up at \$15k ITF/Sharm El-Sheikh-EGY. Earlier in the year, made 2r at Acapulco (l. Zhu) and fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Svitolina) in only Tour-level outings
- Suffered a stress fracture in her back which forced her out for much of 2019. Best results prior to injury were 2r showing at Australian Open and SF run at \$25K ITF/Solapur-IND (l. Raina)
- Won the WTA's first-ever 10-point match tie-break at a Slam to see off Makarova in 1r at 2019 Australian Open
- Reached career-high No.82 on February 18, 2019
- Broke into the Top 100 the week of October 15, 2018
- Made significant strides in 2018, reaching first WTA QF of career at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) - defeated Stosur en route for her first win over a Grand Slam winner. Also enjoyed QF run at Tianjin (d. No.432 Sakkari, l. Ka.Pliskova) and R-Up finish at \$100K ITF/Southsea-GBR (l. Flipkens)
- Also in 2018, reached 2r for the first time at a major, at Wimbledon (d. Cepede Royg, l. Osaka)
- Part of Great Britain Fed Cup Team, 2018-19
- Fell 1r on tour level main draw singles debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as WC, l. McHale)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and four doubles titles
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Britain in 2011
- Appeared in girls' singles at all four Slams, reaching 3r at Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open, and was R-Up in doubles at 2014 Australian Open (w/Jorovic, l. Kalinina/Kulichkova). Other junior highlights include winning Lemon Bowl in Rome at age of
- Won debut Grand Slam singles crown in 2023 lifting title on home soil at US Open (d. Sabalenka in F). Picked up another three titles in 2023, marking first WTA 1000 title at Cincinnati and debut WTA 500 title at Washington DC, in addition to WTA 250 Auckland. In doubles was co-ranked No.1 with Pegula after US Open.
- In 2022, reached maiden Grand Slam final at Roland-Garros (l. Swiatek); was the youngest major finalist since Sharapova won 2004 Wimbledon
- Made Top-10 debut on September 12, 2022, following QF run at US Open (l. Garcia)
- Highlight of 2021 campaign was completing singles-doubles title sweep at Parma; defeated Q.Wang in singles final and teamed up w/McNally to win doubles
- In 2021 also reached SF at Adelaide and Rome, while at the Slams made QF at Roland-Garros and R16 at Wimbledon
- Finished R-Up in doubles at 2021 US Open (w/McNally, l. Stosur/Zhang)
- First cracked the Top 50 on February 24, 2020 at No.49, following a R16 appearance at Australian Open to tie her career best Grand Slam result - during run, defeated V.Williams in 1r and her first Top-5 opponent in No.4 Osaka in 3r (l. eventual champion Kenin in 3s)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2019, highlighted by maiden WTA singles title at Linz (as lucky loser, d. Ostapenko in F) - earned her first Top-10 win en route to title over No.8 Bertens in QF
- At 15y 214d, her title run in Linz made her youngest to win a WTA tour-level title since Vaidisova (15y 177d) won Tashkent in 2004
- Also claimed maiden WTA doubles titles at Washington, DC (w/McNally, d. Sanchez/Stollar in F) and Luxembourg (w/McNally, d. Christian/Guarachi in F)
- By winning the doubles title at Washington, DC at 15y 144d, became the youngest player to win a doubles title since May 1995 (Hingis won Hamburg at 14y 219d)
- Reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon on Grand Slam main draw debut defeating V.Williams in 1r (l. eventual champion Halep) - followed with 3r showing at US Open (as WC, l. Osaka)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2019 Miami where she earned her first WTA main draw win over good friend McNally (l. Kasatkina in 2r)
- Made professional debut in May 2018 as a qualifier into the \$25K ITF/Osprey, FL-USA

11, and reaching final at Junior Orange Bowl in Florida at age 14

- Member of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2022
- Former Junior World No.1 (July 2018); won 2018 Roland-Garros girls' title (d. McNally in F) and 2018 US Open doubles title (w/McNally), while finished R-Up at 2017 US Open girls' event (L. Anisimova) becoming the youngest girls' singles finalist in tournament history at 13-years-old

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Biljana Vesilinic
- Receives support from the LTA via their Pro Scholarship Programme and trains at National Tennis Centre in London
- Mother is Sue (ex-tennis coach), Father is David
- Began playing tennis aged 5; tennis idol is Serena Williams
- Hobbies include hockey, cycling, shopping and cooking; supports Leicester City football club

- Coached by Jean Christophe Faurel
- Father, Corey, played basketball at Georgia State; mother, Candi, excelled in gymnastics before competing in a track and field at Florida State University
- Previously worked with Diego Moyano
- Started playing tennis at six
- Favorite surface is hard, describes her playing style as aggressive as possible with a big serve; depends on her quickness and athleticism to keep her in any point - describes herself as a "fighter"
- Tennis idols growing up were the Williams sisters whose tenacity and fearlessness made her want to become a professional tennis player
- Enjoys hanging out with her brother and family, watching superhero movies and making TikTok videos
- Does not have any pets but has been trying to convince her mom to get a dog
- Favorite city is Paris because of the history, food and architecture. Favorite celebrity is Beyonce because she is an incredible performer



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**19** **PAULA BADOSA (15)**  
SPAIN

**REBECCA SRAMKOVA (Q)** **61**  
SLOVAKIA

|  |  |   |
|--|--|---|
| 1997-11-15   | <b>Date of Birth</b>                   | 1996-10-19  |
| Dubai, UAE   | <b>Residence</b>                       | Bratislava, Slovakia  |
| Right-handed (two-handed backhand)                         | <b>Plays</b>                           | Right-handed (two-handed backhand)  |
| 5' 11" (1.80m)   | <b>Height</b>                          | 5' 10" (1.79 m)   |
| 2  | <b>Career-High Ranking</b>             | 61  |
| \$7,467,954  | <b>Career Prize Money</b>              | \$1,136,761   |
| \$1,612,503  | <b>Season Prize Money</b>              | \$390,869   |
| 1 / 4  | <b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>     | 1 / 1   |
| 33-19 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024 US OPEN; 2021 ROLAND-GARROS) | <b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>           | 0-4 (Round of 128: 2024 WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS; 2022 ROLAND GARROS; 2017 AUSTRALIAN OPEN) |
| 1-0 / 1-0 (Round of 32: 2024)                              | <b>YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)</b> | 2-0 / 2-0 (Round of 32: 2024)   |
| 31-16 / 142-85   | <b>YTD / Career W-L</b>                | 17-6 / 21-13  |
| 20-9 / 75-49   | <b>YTD / Career Hard W-L</b>           | 12-2 / 15-5   |
| 12-8 / 50-25   | <b>YTD / Career 3-Set W-L</b>          | 7-2 / 9-5   |
| 3-3 / 38-23  | <b>YTD / Career TB W-L</b>             | 5-3 / 6-3   |
| 4-7 / 25-31  | <b>YTD / Career TOP 20 W-L</b>         | 0-3 / 2-4   |
| Champion: WASHINGTON DC                                    | <b>YTD Best Result</b>                 | Champion: HUA HIN #2  |





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**REBECCA  
(Q) SRAMKOVA**

## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT        | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER       | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME |
|------|-------------------|---------|-------|--------------|---------------|------|
| 2019 | CROISSY-BEAUBOURG | HARD    | 1r    | Paula Badosa | 7-6(4) 6-3    | 0m   |

## RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 19       | -        | 2024 | 61       | -        |
| 11       | 66       | 2023 | 121      | 129      |
| 2        | 13       | 2022 | 163      | 316      |
| 8        | 8        | 2021 | 167      | 167      |
| 69       | 70       | 2020 | 170      | 203      |
| 86       | 97       | 2019 | 140      | 171      |
| 143      | 143      | 2018 | 227      | 233      |
| 242      | 247      | 2017 | 111      | 324      |
| 222      | 314      | 2016 | 119      | 119      |
| 193      | 220      | 2015 | 272      | 312      |



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**PAULA  
BADOSA**

**REBECCA  
(Q) SRAMKOVA**

## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. V. TOMOVA (#51) 6-3 6-2 (1h 24m)

*Total time on court: 1h 24m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making main draw debut at Beijing
- After 1r bye, defeated Viktoriya Tomova for 15th win in her last 18 matches on hard court and 20th hard-court match-win of the season
- Faces No.61 Rebecca Sramkova in 3r today; defeated Sramkova at W60 ITF Challenger event at Croissy-Beaubourg in 2019
- Has not lost to a player outside the Top 60 since falling to No.93 Jessica Bouzas Maneiro at Madrid
- This will be her first Tour-level meeting against a player from Slovakia
- Three of her four WTA singles titles have come on hard court (2021 Indian Wells, 2022 Sydney and 2024 Washington DC)
- One of four Spaniards in this week's main draw; two of them have reached the 3r (also Bucsa)
- Best result by a Spanish woman at Beijing was Garbiñe Muguruza's run to the title in 2015
- Is currently ranked No.19; this time last year was ranked No.56. Peaked at a career-high ranking of No.2 in 2022
- Ranks No.3 on tour this year in percentage of break points saved (63.7%)
- Ranks No.9 on tour this year in total aces (227)
- Career-best result at a WTA 1000 event is winning the Indian Wells title in 2021; contesting her 31st WTA 1000 main draw of career this week

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. KALININA (#48) 6-4 6-0 (1h 6m)

2r: d. E. ALEXandrova (#33) 5-7 6-4 6-3 (2h 20m)

*Total time on court: 3h 26m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making tournament debut at Beijing; qualified for main draw with wins over Zidasek and P. Kudermetova
- In the main draw, defeated Top 50 players Anhelina Kalinina and Ekaterina Alexandrova so far this week
- Currently on a nine-match winning streak (including main-draw and qualifying matches) after capturing her first WTA singles title in Hua Hin last week
- Adding her runner-up finish at Monastir two weeks ago, has gone 13-1 this month (including main-draw and qualifying matches)
- Faces No.19 Paula Badosa in 3r today; owns two wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.18 Karolina Muchova at 2023 Warsaw
- Best career result on hard court is her title run at Hua Hin last week
- Only player from Slovakia in this week's main draw
- Best results by Slovakian women at Beijing were QF runs by Dominika Cibulkova (2008, 2018) and Daniela Hantuchova (2008)
- Best result by a qualifier at Beijing was Monica Niculescu's SF run in 2011
- Is currently ranked a career-high No.61; this time last year was ranked No.124, and was ranked No.136 just 2 weeks ago
- Ranks No.4 on tour this year in percentage of second-serve points won (51.1%)
- Contesting her 3rd WTA 1000 main draw of career (all this year)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Made career first QF at US Open (l. Navarro)
- Reached 2r at Toronto (l. Ostapenko)
- Won career 4th singles title at Washington DC (d. Bouzkova in F)
- Reached 4r at Wimbledon (l. Vekic)
- Reached QF at Bad Homburg (l. eventual champion Shnaider)
- Made 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached 4r at Rome (l. Gauff)
- Contested 1r at Madrid (l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- Forced to retire in R16 at Stuttgart (l. Sabalenka)
- Fell in opening round at Charleston (l. eventual champion Collins)
- Made 2r at Miami (l. Sabalenka)
- Played 2r at Doha (l. Fernandez) then low back injury again forced her withdrawal in 1r at Dubai (during match against Sun)
- Retired in R16 match against Shnaider at Hua Hin with low back injury
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Anisimova)
- Opened 2024 season playing 1r at Adelaide (l. Pera)

- Won first WTA singles title at Hua Hin #2 (d. Siegemund in F)
- Reached first career final at Monastir (l. Kartal in F)
- Played qualifying at US Open
- Played 1r at Hamburg 125 (l. Danilovic) and Warsaw 125 (l. Bolkvadze)
- Reached second career QF at Budapest (l. Lys)
- Played 1r at Bastad 125 (l. Li)
- Contested 1r at Wimbledon (l. Kostyuk)
- Reached 2r at Valencia 125 (l. Pigossi)
- Made 1r of Roland Garros as a qualifier (l. Anisimova)
- As a qualifier, reached 4r at Rome (l. Ostapenko)
- Fell in opening round at WTA 125 Oeiras (l. Lepchenko)
- Reached QF at WTA 125 La Bisbal (l. Masarova)
- Reached 2r at Indian Wells as a qualifier (l. Haddad Maia)

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                             | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|---|-------|----------|
| 227   | 9        | <b>Aces</b>                             | 45    | 88       |
| 57.1% | 82       | <b>First serve %</b>                    | 60.4% | 62       |
| 69.2% | 16       | <b>First Serve points won %</b>         | 60.5% | 73       |
| 47.0% | 30       | <b>Second serve points won %</b>        | 51.1% | 4        |
| 59.6% | 17       | <b>Overall service points won %</b>     | 56.8% | 50       |
| 71.8% | 19       | <b>Service games won %</b>              | 64.3% | 57       |
| 63.7% | 3        | <b>Break points saved %</b>             | 59.1% | 23       |
| 36.1% | 58       | <b>First serve return points won %</b>  | 38.6% | 21       |
| 57.1% | 19       | <b>Second serve return points won %</b> | 56.1% | 29       |
| 46.6% | 32       | <b>Break points converted %</b>         | 49.0% | 11       |
| 35.4% | 45       | <b>Return games won %</b>               | 36.8% | 34       |
| 44.3% | 38       | <b>Return points won %</b>              | 45.5% | 21       |

Best win by ranking: No.12 vs Kasatkina in WIMBLEDON 3r  
 Longest match: 2h 51m vs Kasatkina in WIMBLEDON 3r  
 Shortest match: 46m vs Samsonova in WASHINGTON DC 2r  
 Match points saved:  
 Most aces in a match: 11 vs Raducanu in WASHINGTON DC QF  
 11 vs Kenin in WASHINGTON DC 1r

Best win by ranking: No.28 vs Boulter in ROME 2r  
 Longest match: 3h 22m vs Sorribes Tormo in MONASTIR QF  
 Shortest match: 1h 6m vs Kalinina in BEIJING 1r  
 Match points saved: 1 vs Sorribes Tormo in MONASTIR QF  
 Most aces in a match: 5 vs Bulgaru in BUDAPEST 1r



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)  
2024 - WASHINGTON DC  
2022 - SYDNEY  
2021 - INDIAN WELLS, BELGRADE

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)  
2024 - HUA HIN #2  
  
Runner-Up (1)  
2024 - MONASTIR

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |             | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| 3r              | 3r            | 4r        | QF      | <b>2024</b> |                 | 1r            | 1r        |         |
|                 |               | 2r        |         | <b>2023</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 4r              | 3r            | 4r        | 2r      | <b>2022</b> |                 | 1r            |           |         |
| 1r              | QF            | 4r        | 2r      | <b>2021</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 2r              | 4r            |           | 1r      | <b>2020</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 1r              |               | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2019</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2018</b> |                 |               |           |         |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2017</b> | 1r              |               |           |         |



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- 2023 was a difficult season for Badosa; while she made the SF at Adelaide #2, reached back-to-back QF at Charleston and Stuttgart and an additional QF at Rome, she withdrew from Roland Garros with a back injury. Her last match of the year was at Wimbledon, where she fell in the R64. She ended her season afterwards due to continuing injury
- In 2022, Badosa rose to career-high ranking of No.2 (April 25), won one title, at Sydney and advanced to SF at Indian Wells, Stuttgart and San Jose
- Captured the first two WTA singles titles of her career in 2021 at Belgrade (d. Konjuh in F) and Indian Wells (d. Azarenka in F)
- Qualified for AKRON WTA Finals Guadalajara, where she advanced to the SF stage
- Broke into the WTA Top 20 on October 18, 2021 after winning the Indian Wells title and reached the Top 10 on November 8, 2021
- Nominated for 2021 WTA Most Improved Player of the Year (won by Krejčíková), as voted on by members of the media
- In 2021 also advanced to SF at Madrid, Charleston and Lyon and QFs at Roland-Garros, Cincinnati and Olympics
- At 2020 Roland Garros, upset former finalist Stephens and 2017 champion Ostapenko en route to reaching R16 for the first time at a major. That year also reached SF at Istanbul (l. Bouchard)
- Campaign in 2019 highlighted by SF run at Palermo (l. Bertens) and QF showing at Seoul (l. Y.Wang); also fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Birrell)
- Finished 2018 inside Top 200 for the first time (at No.143); picked up three ITF titles at \$25k ITF/Glasgow-UK, ITF/\$25k Les Franqueses del Valles - FRA and ITF/\$60k Valencia-ESP
- Fell in qualifying at 2018 Wimbledon, Madrid and US Open
- Claimed third title on ITF Circuit in 2017 at ITF/\$25k El Espinar; Fell 1r at Miami and in qualifying at Madrid
- In 2016, fell 1r at Miami, Madrid and Mallorca and in qualifying at Rio de Janeiro
- As wildcard, made breakthrough on WTA Tour with 3r run at 2015 Miami Open (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- Came through qualifying at 2015 Madrid, fell 1r to Errani via ret. w/left leg injury
- Continued at ITF Circuit level during 2013-2014 before playing second WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Antwerp, where she advanced to 2r (l. Bodarenko)
- Standout performance of 2023 was reaching QF at Warsaw (l. Maria). Also achieved R-Up at WTA 125 Bari on clay (l. Zidansek).
- Best result in 2022 was making 1r as a qualifier at Roland Garros (as LL, l. Kasatkina).
- Continued on ITF circuit from 2019 – 2021, also making 2r at Tour level at Prague 2020 (l. Jones) and again at Prague 2021 (as qualifier, l. Kuzmova).
- Reached Grand Slam main draw in 2017 at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Duan) and won first WTA main draw match at Gstaad over Nina Stojanovic.
- Broke into Top 200 for first time in 2016 following title run at ITF Rome \$25K and also made Grand Slam debut at US Open that season (l. Karatantcheva in Q1).
- Played first WTA match in qualifying at Nottingham in 2015 (l. Zhu).
- Won first ITF title in 2013 on clay at Vrnjaska Banja \$10K.
- Began on professional circuit in 2012 at Velenje \$10K at the age of 15.

- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Palermo, winning one match via retirement before falling in 2r (L.Gatto-Monticone) Won first title on ITF Circuit at \$10k ITF/Sant Jordi-ESP in 2012; now owns seven singles titles at this level
- Played first professional tournament of career at \$10k ITF/Gexto-ESP in 2012 (L. in 1r)
- Won girls' singles title at 2015 Roland Garros (d. Kalinskaya in F) and reached QF at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2014; finished 2015 as No.8 in ITF World Junior rankings

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Pol Todeo; Previously worked with Jorge García
  - Born in New York City, often trains in Barcelona, near her hometown Begur in the Costa Brava, but lives in Dubai
  - Aggressive baseliner whose favorite shot is serve. Favorite tournament is US Open
  - Childhood idol was Maria Sharapova, whose dedication, work ethic and values inspired her to become a pro
  - Enjoys reading, always travels with books and her favorite is Tuesdays with Morrie (Mitch Albom)
  - Professional goals are to reach her full potential
  - Speaks English, Spanish and Catalan, and would like to learn more languages
- Coached by Milan Martinec



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**KATIE VOLYNETS**  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**NAOMI OSAKA** 73  
JAPAN

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|--|--|--|
| 2001-12-31                               | <b>Date of Birth</b>                   | 1997-10-16   |
| Walnut Creek, CA, USA                    | <b>Residence</b>                       | Boca Raton, FL, USA  |
| Right-Handed                             | <b>Plays</b>                           | Right-handed (two-handed backhand)   |
| 5' 7" (1.70m)                            | <b>Height</b>                          | 5' 11" (1.80 m)  |
| 56                                       | <b>Career-High Ranking</b>             | 1  |
| \$1,721,777                              | <b>Career Prize Money</b>              | \$21,946,163   |
| \$604,245                                | <b>Season Prize Money</b>              | \$768,911  |
| 0 / 0                                    | <b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>     | 0 / 7  |
| 5-13 (Round of 32: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN) | <b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>           | 60-22 (Champion: 2021 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2020 US OPEN; 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2018 US OPEN) |
| 2-0 / 2-0 (Round of 32: 2024)            | <b>YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)</b> | 2-0 / 12-2 (Champion: 2019)  |
| 13-14 / 23-42                            | <b>YTD / Career W-L</b>                | 19-16 / 187-103  |
| 9-10 / 18-26                             | <b>YTD / Career Hard W-L</b>           | 11-8 / 147-69  |
| 4-8 / 11-19                              | <b>YTD / Career 3-Set W-L</b>          | 3-5 / 51-28  |
| 5-6 / 7-11                               | <b>YTD / Career TB W-L</b>             | 4-8 / 32-37  |
| Quarter-Finalist: HUA HIN                | <b>YTD Best Result</b>                 | Quarter-Finalist: 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH, DOHA   |





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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME |
|------|------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------|------|
|------|------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------|------|

First career meeting

## RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 56       | -        | 2024 | 75       | -        |
| 74       | 109      | 2023 | 41       | -        |
| 109      | 110      | 2022 | 13       | 42       |
| 174      | 178      | 2021 | 2        | 13       |
| 315      | 315      | 2020 | 3        | 3        |
| 387      | 438      | 2019 | 1        | 3        |
| 743      | 743      | 2018 | 4        | 5        |
| -        | -        | 2017 | 44       | 68       |
| -        | -        | 2016 | 40       | 40       |
| -        | -        | 2015 | 156      | 203      |



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. D. GALFI (#143) 7-5 6-1 (1h 53m)  
2r: d. M. KOSTYUK (#18) 7-5 6-3 (1h 48m)

*Total time on court: 3h 41m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making main draw debut at Beijing
- Has beaten Dalma Galfi and Marta Kostyuk so far this week to reach 3r
- Faces No.73 Naomi Osaka in 3r today, looking to win three main draw match wins in a row for the first time since reaching SF at 2023 Austin
- First time facing a player from Japan on Tour-level however has a 5-2 record against Japanese players on across all levels
- Best career result on hard court is SF which she has reached once at Austin in 2023
- Best result by a player from the United States at Beijing were Serena Williams' title runs in 2013 and 2004
- Is currently ranked No.60; this time last year was ranked No.109; reached a career high ranking of No.56 on July 29, 2024
- Winner today will face Boulter or Gauff in 4r

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. L. BRONZETTI (#77) 6-3 6-2 (1h 23m)  
2r: d. Y. PUTINTSEVA (#32) 3-6 6-4 6-2 (1h 46m)

*Total time on court: 3h 9m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making fourth main draw appearance at Beijing, where she won the tournament in 2019 (d. Barty in F), which is also Japan's best result at Beijing
- She is the only former China Open champion in the draw
- Has beaten Lucia Bronzetti and Yulia Putintseva so far this week to reach 3r
- Faces No.60 Katie Volynets in 3r today; looking to win three main draw matches in a for the third time this year also doing so in QF run at Doha (l. Ka.Pliskova) and R16 run at Rome (l. Q.Zheng) - however has not yet strung together four consecutive match wins since returning from maternity leave
- Owns 26-23 career record against players from the United States, with record in 2024 standing at 0-2: losses have come to Danielle Collins (Abu Dhabi) and Emma Navarro (Wimbledon)
- All of her seven career singles titles have come on hard court - Australian Open 2021; US Open 2020; Beijing, Osaka, Australian Open in 2019; US Open, Indian Wells in 2018
- Only player from Japan to reach 3r
- Is currently ranked No.73; this time last year was ranked No.661



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

| 2019 | Result | Rank: 4                 | Seed: 4     |
|------|--------|-------------------------|-------------|
| F    | W      | A. BARTY (#1)           | 3-6 6-3 6-2 |
| SF   | W      | C. WOZNIACKI (#19)      | 6-4 6-2     |
| QF   | W      | B. ANDREESCU (#6)       | 5-7 6-3 6-4 |
| 3r   | W      | A. RISKE-AMRITRAJ (#24) | 6-4 6-0     |
| 2r   | W      | A. PETKOVIC (#82)       | 6-2 6-0     |
| 1r   | W      | J. PEGULA (#76)         | 6-3 7-6(5)  |

| 2018 | Result | Rank: 6            | Seed: 8     |
|------|--------|--------------------|-------------|
| SF   | L      | A. SEVASTOVA (#20) | 6-4 6-4     |
| QF   | W      | S. ZHANG (#45)     | 3-6 6-4 7-5 |
| 3r   | W      | J. GOERGES (#10)   | 6-1 6-2     |
| 2r   | W      | D. COLLINS (#37)   | 6-1 6-0     |
| 1r   | W      | Z. DIYAS (#91)     | 6-4 6-3     |

| 2017 | Result | Rank: 62        | Seed: - |
|------|--------|-----------------|---------|
| 1r   | L      | A. KERBER (#12) | 6-2 7-5 |



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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Reached 2r at Hua Hin 2 (l. Zidasek)
- Played 1r at US Open (l. Muchova)
- Contested 1r at Cleveland (l. Kenin)
- Played qualifying at Cincinnati
- Played 1r at Toronto (as qualifier, l. Mertens)
- Contested 1r at Washington DC (l. Rakhimova)
- Reached 2r at Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Krejčíková)
- Played qualifying at Birmingham
- Won WTA 125 at Makarska (d. Sherif in F)
- Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Vondrousova)
- Contested 2r at WTA 125 Paris (l. Gracheva)
- As a qualifier, made 2r at Rome (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)
- Reached QF at WTA 125 Saint Malo (l. Boisson)
- Contested 2r at Charleston (as a qualifier, l. Navarro)
- Made 2r at Miami (as a qualifier, l. Paolini)
- Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Wozniacki)
- Played R16 at Austin (l. Collins)
- Made SF at WTA 125 Mumbai (l. Hunter)
- Contested QF at Hua Hin (l. Wang Yafan)
- Reached 1r at Australian Open as a qualifier (l. Kalinskaya)
- Reached SF in her 2024 season opener at Canberra 125 (l. Dart)

- Reached 2r at US Open (l. Muchova)
- Played qualifying at Cincinnati
- Contested 2r at Toronto (l. Mertens)
- Played 1r at Paris Olympics (l. Kerber)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (as WC, l. Navarro)
- Failed 1r at Berlin (l. Zheng)
- Reached SF at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Andreescu)
- Faced No.1 Swiatek in 2r at Roland Garros; the match was even at 5-all in the third set before Swiatek took the win after 2hr 57mins
- Contested 4r at Rome (l. Zheng)
- Reached 2r at Madrid (l. Samsonova)
- Fell in opening round at Rouen (l. Trevisan)
- Reached 3r at Miami (l. Garcia) and Indian Wells (l. Mertens)
- Made QF at Doha (l. Ka. Pliskova)
- Contested 1r at Abu Dhabi (l. Collins)
- Fell in opening round at Australian Open (l. Garcia)
- Returned from maternity leave to open 2024 season at Brisbane, reaching 2r (l. Ka.Pliskova)



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## SEASON 2024 STATS

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                             | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|---|-------|----------|
| 24    | 115      | <b>Aces</b>                             | 231   | 7        |
| 77.0% | 2        | <b>First serve %</b>                    | 54.5% | 90       |
| 57.6% | 87       | <b>First Serve points won %</b>         | 75.1% | 2        |
| 45.7% | 46       | <b>Second serve points won %</b>        | 49.9% | 7        |
| 54.9% | 72       | <b>Overall service points won %</b>     | 63.6% | 2        |
| 61.2% | 76       | <b>Service games won %</b>              | 78.9% | 4        |
| 54.0% | 66       | <b>Break points saved %</b>             | 58.1% | 30       |
| 40.5% | 10       | <b>First serve return points won %</b>  | 30.9% | 91       |
| 55.7% | 41       | <b>Second serve return points won %</b> | 52.7% | 76       |
| 44.4% | 53       | <b>Break points converted %</b>         | 45.3% | 48       |
| 40.3% | 16       | <b>Return games won %</b>               | 27.6% | 89       |
| 46.2% | 11       | <b>Return points won %</b>              | 39.3% | 90       |

Best win by ranking: No.6 vs Jabeur in INDIAN WELLS 2r  
Longest match: 3h 43m vs Rus in CHARLESTON 1r  
Shortest match: 1h 9m vs Navarro in CHARLESTON 2r  
Match points saved: 2 vs Rus in CHARLESTON 1r  
Most aces in a match: 3 vs Kenin in MIAMI 1r  
3 vs Wang in HUA HIN QF

Best win by ranking: No.10 vs Ostapenko in US OPEN 1r  
Longest match: 2h 57m vs Swiatek in ROLAND GARROS 2r  
Shortest match: 54m vs Lamens in 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH 2r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 16 vs Garcia in MIAMI 3r



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2021 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2020 - US OPEN

2019 - BEIJING, OSAKA, AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2018 - US OPEN, INDIAN WELLS

Runner-Up (4)

2022 - MIAMI

2020 - CINCINNATI (NYC)

2018 - TOKYO

2016 - TOKYO

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |             | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|-------------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| 1r              | 2r            | 2r        | 1r      | <b>2024</b> | 1r              | 2r            | 2r        | 2r      |
| 3r              | 1r            | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2023</b> |                 |               |           |         |
| 1r              | 2r            |           |         | <b>2022</b> | 3r              | 1r            |           | 1r      |
|                 |               | 1r        | 1r      | <b>2021</b> | WON             | 2r            |           | 3r      |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2020</b> | 3r              |               |           | WON     |
|                 |               |           | 1r      | <b>2019</b> | WON             | 3r            | 1r        | 4r      |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2018</b> | 4r              | 3r            | 3r        | WON     |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2017</b> | 2r              | 1r            | 3r        | 3r      |
|                 |               |           |         | <b>2016</b> | 3r              | 3r            |           | 3r      |



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Opened 2023 with two breakthrough performances, posting her best Grand Slam result with 3r at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Zhang) and maiden WTA SF at Austin (l. Gracheva). The results took her ranking into Top 100 for first time.
- Performed well on clay in 2022, lifting a title at W100 event in Palm Harbor, Florida and compiling 11-3 win-loss record at a series of ITF Circuit events before making 2r at Roland Garros (l. Rybakina)
- Won first ITF Circuit title in 2021, at W100 Bonita Springs, FL, USA
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam debut at 2019 US Open (l. eventual champion Andreescu)
- Ended 2018 ranked No.743 after posting 21-5 record from five tour outings
- Best results in 2018 came in October and November when she came through qualifying to reach SFs at \$25k ITF/Florence-SC, USA and \$25k ITF/Norman-OK, USA
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.387 on July 29, 2019
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 San Jose
- As a junior, contested three of the four majors and reached No.21 in the rankings
- Played 2022 Tokyo in September before taking a 15 month break to give birth to daughter Shai in early July 2023
- In 2022 had success at Miami, where she fell to Swiatek in the final, her first final since the 2021 Australian Open. Also reached the semifinals at Melbourne 250 #1 (withdrew before semifinal with Kudermetova w/abdominal injury)
- Won 2021 Australian Open (d. Brady in F) to become first woman since Seles in the early 1990s to win each of her first four Grand Slam finals - is the 16th woman to win four or more majors in the Open Era
- At 2020 US Open, came from a set and a break down to Azarenka and win third Grand Slam title of career
- Also last season was R-Up at Western & Southern Open - withdrew w/left hamstring injury before final against Azarenka
- Won second Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep. Only set dropped all fortnight was against Sakkari in R16
- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (19y, 122d)
- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-

ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win

- Voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year; highlight was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Alejandro Dulko
- Born in Walnut Creek, California
- Favorite surface is hard

- Father is from Haiti, mother is from Japan; older sister is Mari (also played tennis)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old
- Hobbies include fashion, gaming and photography