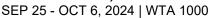


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# **MATCH NOTES – FRIDAY, 4 OCTOBER 2024**

### [1] Aryna Sabalenka (#2) vs. Karolina Muchova (CZE #49)

Muchova leads 2-1

#### Sabalenka:

- Has tied best result at Beijing by reaching quarterfinals also doing so in 2023 and 2018
- Looking to win 50th match of the year today behind only World No.1 Iga Swiatek who has 57 wins; currently leads Tour in hard-court match wins at 33
- A win today would earn eighth semifinal appearance of the year and fourth at a WTA 1000 this season; each time she has reached the semifinals of a WTA 1000 event this year, she has gone on to reach the final
- Is currently on a 15-match win streak after titles at Cincinnati and US Open tying her career best win streak of 15 matches winning titles at 2020 Ostrava and Linz then 2021 Abu Dhabi
- Has won four career titles in Asia most recently Wuhan and Zhuhai in 2019 and owns six WTA 1000 titles
- Looking to defeated today's opponent for the first time since that title run at 2019 Zhuhai
- Currently second on Tour in Service Games Won (80.2%) and Service Points Won (63.6%) and is third on Tour in aces (277)

#### Muchova:

- Making second main draw appearance at Beijing winning her first matches here this year to reach quarterfinals
- Has won the last two meetings between these two with both going to a third deciding set
- Holds 1-3 record against Top 10 players this year with win over No.5 Jasmine Paolini at the US Open; win over Paolini was first Top 10 win since beating today's opponent at 2023 Cincinnati
- Owns 4-2 record against players ranked in the Top 2; only losses have come to World No.1 Iga Swiatek
- Looking to reach second career WTA 1000 semifinal after finishing Runner-Up at 2023 Cincinnati (I. Gauff in final)
- This time last year was ranked No.9 however could not compete in the Asian swing or any tournaments post-US Open due to injury



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### [17] Mirra Andreeva (#22) vs. [5] Qinwen Zheng (CHN #7)

First meeting

#### Andreeva:

- Into her seventh Tour-level quarterfinal of the year and is seeking her third semifinal (won lasi title and made Roland Garros semifinals)
- Aiming for fifth career Top 10 win (all four have occurred this year); her most recent Top 10 win was over No.5 Jasmine Paolini at Cincinnati
- Has reached third career hard-court quarterfinal this fortnight and is seeking her first WTA hard-court semifinal
- Since Wimbledon, has posted a 12-3 win-loss record including maiden WTA singles title at lasi
- Contesting her eighth career WTA 1000 main draw and has already made three WTA 1000 quarterfinals (also Madrid and Cincinnati this year); seeking first WTA 1000 semifinal
- Ranks No.1 on tour this season in percentage of first serve return points won (42.6%)

#### Zheng:

- Also contesting her seventh quarterfinal of the year; aiming for her fourth semifinal of 2024
- Since Wimbledon, has posted a 19-2 win-loss record, including claiming the Olympic gold medal and her second straight Palermo title
- Playing in her 19th WTA 1000 main draw and is into her fifth WTA 1000 quarterfinal; seeking her first WTA 1000 semifinal
- One of two players from China to reach this week's quarterfinals (also Shuai Zhang who fell to Paula Badosa yesterday); the last time two Chinese women reached the Beijing quarterfinals in the same year was 2018 (Qiang Wang and Shuai Zhang)
- Trying to become first Chinese semifinalist in Beijing since Qiang Wang in 2018
- So far this season, leads Tour in percentage of first-serve points won (75.5%); also is No.2 in total aces this year (328), trailing only Rybakina (336)





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# KAROLINA MUCHOVA CZECH REPUBLIC

1998-05-05	Date of Birth	1996-08-21
	Residence	Prague, Czech Republic
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (double-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.82m)	Height	5' 11" (1.80m)
1	Career-High Ranking	8
\$28,361,708	Career Prize Money	\$7,633,833
\$7,984,145	Season Prize Money	\$1,123,670
3 / 16	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 1
77-23 (Champion: 2024 US OPEN, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	43-21 (Runner-Up: 2023 ROLAND GARROS)
3-0 / 8-3 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024, 2023, 2018)	YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)	4-0 / 4-1 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)
49-11 / 298-121	YTD / Career W-L	16-5 / 115-58
33-6 / 205-77	YTD / Career Hard W-L	10-2 / 78-36
10-7 / 87-63	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	1-4 / 34-31
8-3 / 63-42	YTD / Career TB W-L	5-0 / 34-19
3-3 / 17-19	YTD / Career TOP 5 W-L	1-1 / 7-7
Champion: US OPEN, CINCINNATI, AUSTRALIAN OPEN	YTD Best Result	Runner-Up: PALERMO





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# **HEAD TO HEAD RECORD**

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE F	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2023	CINCINNATI	HARD	SF	Karolina Muchova	6-7(4) 6-3 6-2	2h 37m
2023	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY	SF	Karolina Muchova	7-6(5) 6-7(5) 7-5	3h 13m
2019	ZHUHAI	HARD	GRP	Aryna Sabalenka	7-5 7-6(4)	1h 53m

# **RANKING HISTORY**

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
2	-	2024	8	-
1	2	2023	8	8
2	5	2022	31	149
2	2	2021	19	32
10	10	2020	21	27
9	11	2019	21	21
11	11	2018	141	145
76	78	2017	210	272
154	159	2016	206	208
539	548	2015	419	419



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### **TOURNAMENT HISTORY**

#### **CURRENT TOURNAMENT**

2r: d. M. SAWANGKAEW (#187) 6-4 6-1 (1h 16m) 3r: d. A. KRUEGER (#68) 6-2 6-2 (1h 14m) 4r: d. M. KEYS (#24) 6-4 6-3 (1h 5m)

Total time on court: 3h 35m

#### **PLAYER NOTES**

- Making fourth appearance at Beijing, where where she is into the QF for a third time also doing so in in 2023 (l. Rybakina) and 2018 (l. O.Wang)
- After a 1r bye, beat Mananchaya Sawangkaew, Ashlyn Krueger and Madison Keys for 15th straight win after claiming the Cincinnati and US Open titles (d. Pegula in both finals) - ties longest winning streak of her career from 2020-21
- Faces No.49 Karolina Muchova in QF today looking to reach eighth SF of the year and fourth at a WTA 1000 level: also Madrid (R-Up), Rome (R-Up) and Cincinnati (WON)
- Has lost to an unseeded player five times this year most recently to No.132 Amanda Anisimova at Toronto
- Owns 21-12 career record against players from Czech Republic, with record in 2024 standing at 2-2
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 44-22 and is 14-8 in WTA 1000 QF matches
- 14 of her 16 career titles have come on hardcourts including four in Asia: Wuhan (2018-19), Shenzhen (2019) and Zhuhai (2019)
- Has won six WTA 1000 titles in career: 2018-19 Wuhan, 2020 Doha, 2021 and 2023 Madrid and 2024 Cincinnati
- Is No. 1 seed this week; has been top seed at 18 tournaments in her career and won the tournament as top seed just twice at 2019 Shenzhen and 2020 Linz
- Is currently ranked No.2; this time last year was ranked No.1
- During last year's Asian swing reached QF at Bailing
- Has won 49 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.2 on Tour for match wins behind Iga Swiatek (57)

#### **CURRENT TOURNAMENT**

1r: d. A. BLINKOVA (#78) 6-1 6-1 (1h 2m) 2r: d. Y. YUAN (#41) 6-3 6-1 (1h 20m) 3r: d. J. CRISTIAN (#80) 6-1 6-3 (1h 16m) 4r: d. C. BUCSA (#79) 6-2 6-0 (1h 9m)

Total time on court: 4h 47m

#### **PLAYER NOTES**

- Making second appearance at Beijing, where she fell 1r in 2019 (l. Keys)
- Has beaten Anna Blinkova, Yue Yuan, Jaqueline Cristian and Cristina Bucsa to reach fourth QF of the year and second in a row after advancing to SF at US Open
- Faces No.2 Aryna Sabalenka in QF today; owns 12 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.5 Jasmine Paolini at US Open
- Holds 1–3 record against Top 10 players this year; win over Paolini was first Top 10 win since beating today's opponent at 2023 Cincinnati
- Has gone 4-2 against Top 2 ranked players, only losses came to No.1 Iga Swiatek at 2023 Montreal and in the 2023 Roland Garros final in addition to beating today's opponent at 2023 Roland Garros and 2023 Cincinnati also defeated No.1 Ashleigh Barty at 2021 Australian Open and No.2 Naomi Osaka at 2021 Madrid
- Owns 37-31 career record against seeded players, with a record in 2024 standing at 3-4
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 9-8 and is 1-2 in WTA 1000 QF matches
- Career best result at a WTA 1000 was finishing R-Up at 2023 Cincinnati (l. Gauff)
- Sole career title came on hard courts at 2019 Seoul (d. Linette in F)
- Only player from Czech Republic to reach QF; best result by a Czech layer at Beijing was Runner-Up run by Petra Kvitova in 2014
- Is currently ranked No.49; this time last year was ranked No.9





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# **RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY**

2023	Result	Rank: 1 Seed: 1	
QF	L	E. RYBAKINA (#5) 7-5 6-2	
3r	W	J. PAOLINI (#36) 6-4 7-6(4)	
2r	W	K. BOULTER (#56) 7-5 7-6(2)	
1r	W	S. KENIN (#31) 6-1 6-2	
2019	Result	Rank: 14 Seed: 12	
2019	Result	Rank: 14 Seed: 12	
2019 2r	L	D. KASATKINA (#45) 6-4 7-6(5)	
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2r	L	D. KASATKINA (#45) 6-4 7-6(5)	
2r 2018	L Result	D. KASATKINA (#45) 6-4 7-6(5)  Rank: 16 Seed: -	

2019	Result	Rank: 36 Seed: -
1r	L	M. KEYS (#15) 6-4 7-6(5)



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# **SEASON 2024 HISTORY**

- Won her third Grand Slam singles title and the first at US Open (d. Pegula in F)
- Claimed second title of the season at Cincinnati (d. Pegula in F)
- Finished QF at Toronto (l. Anisimova)
- · Reached SF at Washington DC (l. Bouzkova)
- Withdrew from Wimbledon due to shoulder injury
- Made QF at Berlin (l. Kalinskaya via ret.)
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (l. M. Andreeva)
- Reached back-to-back finals at Rome and Madrid, defeated by No.1 Swiatek on both occasions
- Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. Vondrousova)
- Made 3r at Miami Open (l. Kalinina) and 4r at Indian Wells (l. Navarro)
- Played 2r at Dubai (l. Vekic)
- Defended her Australian Open title and earned second Grand Slam career victory (d. Zheng)
- Achieved R-Up in her 2024 season opener at Brisbane (l. Rybakina)

- Made consecutive SF at US Open (l. Pegula)
- Reached 2r at Cincinnati (l. Pegula)
- Played 1r at Paris Olympics (l. Fernandez)
- Finished R-Up at Palermo (l. Zheng in F)
- Contested 1r at Wimbledon (l. Badosa)
- Played first event since US Open 2023 at Eastbourne and reached QF (l. Keys)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
277	3	Aces	77	62
62.5%	47	First serve %	61.7%	55
71.2%	7	First Serve points won %	68.4%	17
51.0%	3	Second serve points won %	50.3%	7
63.6%	2	Overall service points won %	61.4%	7
80.2%	2	Service games won %	74.9%	9
62.1%	8	Break points saved %	63.3%	5
36.7%	51	First serve return points won %	41.4%	3
58.4%	8	Second serve return points won %	54.8%	57
46.1%	39	Break points converted %	47.8%	18
38.9%	24	Return games won %	43.3%	6
45.3%	23	Return points won %	46.6%	8





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### TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

#### **SINGLES FINALS**

#### Champion (16)

2024 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI, AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2023 - MADRID, AUSTRALIAN OPEN, ADELAIDE #1

2021 - MADRID, ABU DHABI

2020 - LINZ, OSTRAVA, DOHA 2019 - ZHUHAI, WUHAN, SHENZHEN

2018 - WUHAN, NEW HAVEN

#### Runner-Up (14)

2024 - ROME, MADRID, BRISBANE

2023 - US OPEN, STUTTGART, INDIAN WELLS

2022 - WTA FINALS, 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH,

**STUTTGART** 

2021 - STUTTGART

2019 - SAN JOSE

2018 - EASTBOURNE, LUGANO

2017 - TIANJIN

#### **DOUBLES FINALS**

#### Champion (6)

2021 - BERLIN (w/Azarenka), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Mertens)

2020 - OSTRAVA (w/Mertens)

2019 - US OPEN (w/Mertens), MIAMI (w/Mertens),

2r

INDIAN WELLS (w/Mertens)

#### Runner-Up (2)

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

#### **SINGLES FINALS**

Champion (1)

2019 - SEOUL

Runner-Up (4)

2024 - PALERMO

2023 - CINCINNATI, ROLAND GARROS

2019 - PRAGUE

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
WON	QF		WON	2024			1r	SF
WON	SF	SF	RUP	2023	2r	RUP	1r	SF
4r	3r		SF	2022		3r	1r	1r
4r	3r	SF	SF	2021	SF	3r	QF	1r
1r	3r		2r	2020	2r	1r		4r
3r	2r	1r	2r	2019	1r	2r	QF	3r
1r	1r	1r	4r	2018				3r

2017



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### **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Outstanding 2023 saw her win debut Grand Slam title at Australian Open (d. Rybakina in F), reach second Major final at US Open (l. Gauff in F) and become the WTA World No.1 player for the first time in career (after US Open). In addition won titles at Adelaide and Madrid.
- Highlight of 2022 season was R-Up finish at WTA Finals in Fort Worth (l. Garcia in F); upset No.1 Swiatek, No.2 Jabeur and No.3 Pegula en route to final - only the fourth woman in history to beat the No.1, No.2 and No.3 at the same tournament
- Lifted two titles during 2021 campaign, at Abu Dhabi and Madrid, while was R-Up at Stuttgart. Also reached a further three SFs, including at Wimbledon and US Open
- Rose to career-high No.2 in rankings on August 23. 2021
- In doubles, lifted second major at 2021 Australian Open (w/Mertens, d. Krejcikova/Siniakova in F)
- Won final nine matches of 2020 to end the year with back-to-back titles - at Ostrava (d. Azarenka in F) and Linz (d. Mertens in F) - and ranked at No.10
- Having also taken home the silverware at Doha (d. Kvitova in F), was one of two players (also Halep) to lift three singles titles during disrupted 2020 season
- Ended as World No.11 for the second straight year in 2019 after capturing three WTA singles titles at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F), Wuhan (d. Riske in F) and Zhuhai (d. Bertens in F)
- Made Top-10 debut on January 28, 2019 following 3r run at 2019 Australian Open
- Ended 2019 at No.2 in WTA doubles rankings after capturing first Grand Slam doubles trophy at US Open (w/Mertens, d. Azarenka/Barty in F). Earlier in the season, the pair claimed the 'Sunshine Double' by winning back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejcikova/Siniakova in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/ Zhang in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals Shenzhen in doubles (w/Mertens), going 1-2 in the round-robin stage
- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2018, lifting two titles, at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F) and Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings
- Also in 2018, was R-Up at Lugano (L. Mertens) and Eastbourne (L. Wozniacki), made SF at Cincinnati, reached five QFs and produced a career-best Grand Slam run to R16 at US Open
- Entered Top 50 on April 16, 2018, after Lugano run, and Top 20 on August 27 of the same year,

- Enjoyed break-out season in 2023, reaching debut Slam final at Roland-Garros (l. Swiatek), debut WTA 1000 final at Cincinnati (l. Gauff) and made Top 10 debut in August. Also secured debut qualification for WTA Finals but did not compete due to injury.
- Best result in 2022 was QF showing at Tallinn (l. Kanepi). Also made 3r at Roland Garros and 2r at Ostrava.
- Back, abdominal and ankle injuries restricted her to just four tournaments in first half of 2022.
- Broke into Top 20 for first time in career in 2021, peaking at No.19 (May 17).
- Posted best result at the Grand Slams with SF run at Australian Open (l. Brady) and matched best return at Wimbledon by making QF (l. Kerber, made QF in 2019). Also made last eight at Madrid (l. Pavlyuchenkova).
- Defeated the World No.1 and No.2 during 2021, defeating No.1 Barty at Australian Open and No.2 Osaka at Madrid (only other player to manage this was Badosa).
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- Defeated the World No.1 and No.2 during 2021, defeating No.1 Barty at Australian Open and No.2 Osaka at Madrid (only other player to manage this was Badosa).
- Posted best result at US Open by reaching R16 in 2020 - handed V.Williams her first-ever opening round loss in New York in 22 appearances, then saved three MPs vs. Cirstea in 3r, before falling to eventual R-Up Azarenka.
- Finished 2019 season in rich vein of form, winning 18 of last 24 matches, including capturing maiden WTA title at Seoul (d. Linette in F), SFs at Zhuhai (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and Moscow (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and maiden major QF at Wimbledon (l. Svitolina)
- During run to last eight at 2019 Wimbledon upset No.3 Ka.Pliskova in R16 to record her first Top 10 victory; following the tournament, broke into Top 50 at No.43 on July 15, 2019
- First WTA final appearance came during R-Up finish on home soil at 2019 Prague (l. Teichmann) - made Top 100 debut at No.74 following the tournament (May 6, 2019)

- following New Haven title
- Broke into Top 100 at No.76 on October 16, 2017 after reaching first Tour-level final at Tianjin (l. Sharapova). Also in 2017 made SF at Tashkent (l. Babos) and lifting WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupovic)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoeft)
- Fell 1r on main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko)
- Member of Belarus Billie Jean King Cup team that lost to USA in 2017 final - scored first Top-20 win of career with defeat of No.13 Stephens during final in Minsk
- · WTA qualifying debut came at 2016 Rabat
- Lifted first three ITF Circuit titles in 2015, including a 13-match win streak towards the year's end, bringing back-to-back trophies in Antalya, Turkey
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in Minsk in 2012

- Advanced to maiden WTA QF at 2019 Doha (as qualifier, l. Svitolina)
- Billie Jean King Cup debut came during 4-0 World Group play-off win over Canada in 2019
- Reached 3r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 US Open (as qualifier, d. No.12 Muguruza in 2r, I. Barty in 3r)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2017 Seoul (as qualifier, I. Hon)
- Won second and most recent career ITF Circuit title in 2016 and posted 39-18 win-loss record; at tour-level fell in qualifying at US Open
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2013

### OTHER INFORMATION

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

- Coached by Emil Miske and Kirsten Flipkens
- Born in city of Olomouc in eastern Czech Republic, but moved to train in Prague in 2019
- Started playing tennis at aged seven with dad, a former professional footballer in Czech Republic
- Roger Federer was tennis idol growing up





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# QINWEN (5) ZHENG CHINA

2007-04-29	Date of Birth	2002-10-08
	Residence	Barcelona, Spain
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 9" (1.75m)	Height	5' 10" (1.78m)
21	Career-High Ranking	7
\$2,375,778	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$5,230,297
\$1,599,490	Season Prize Money	\$2,478,275
1/1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	2 / 4
15-7 (Semi-Finalist: 2024 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	26-12 (Runner-Up: 2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
3-0 / 5-1 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)	YTD / Career BEIJING W-L (best)	3-0 / 3-1 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)
29-13 / 43-22	YTD / Career W-L	38-14 / 96-53
13-6 / 18-11	YTD / Career Hard W-L	20-8 / 60-33
10-5 / 13-10	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	16-3 / 41-18
4-2 / 7-4	YTD / Career TB W-L	4-6 / 20-17
4-3 / 4-7	YTD / Career TOP 10 W-L	7-5 / 12-14
Champion: IASI 250	YTD Best Result	Champion: OLYMPICS, PALERMO





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MIRRA ANDREEVA QINWEN ZHENG

# **HEAD TO HEAD RECORD**

YEAR TOURNAMENT SURFACE ROUND WINNER SCORE/ RESULT T	IME
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First career meeting

### **RANKING HISTORY**

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
21	-	2024	7	-
46	46	2023	15	15
405	405	2022	25	25
-	-	2021	143	143
-	-	2020	324	324
-	-	2019	633	649
-	-	2018	933	933



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MIRRA ANDREEVA QINWEN ZHENG

### **TOURNAMENT HISTORY**

#### **CURRENT TOURNAMENT**

2r: d. I. BEGU (#103) 6-7 6-1 (2h 24m) 3r: d. D. VEKIC (#20) 3-6 6-4 6-4 (2h 29m) 4r: d. M. LINETTE (#45) 6-1 6-3 (1h 13m)

Total time on court: 6h 6m

#### **PLAYER NOTES**

- Making second appearance at Beijing, where she is into QF for the first time; reached R16 as a qualifier last year (l. Rybakina)
- After 1r bye, defeated Irina-Camelia Begu, No.16 seed Donna Vekic and No.31 seed Magda Linette so far this week to reach her seventh Tour-level QF of the year
- Since Wimbledon, has posted a 12-3 win-loss record including first career WTA singles title at lasi
- · Faces No.7 Zheng Qinwen in QF today
- Owns four wins in career over Top 10 players (all this year) with 4-3 record thsi season: No.5 Jasmine Paolini at Cincinnati, No.2 Aryna Sabalenka at Roland Garros, No.7 Marketa Vondrousova at Madrid and NO.6 Ons Jabeur at Australian Open
- Owns 1-0 career Tour-level record against players from China beating Xiyu Wang at 2023 Wimbledon
- Contesting her eighth career WTA 1000 main draw and has already made three WTA 1000 QFs (also Madrid and Cincinnati this year); seeking first WTA 1000 SF
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 2-4, with victories at Roland Garros (d. No.2 Sabalenka) and Iasi this year
- This fortnight, she has matched her career-best Tour-level results on hard court by making QF; also reached hard-court QFs at Brisbane and Cincinnati this year
- Is currently ranked No.22; this time last year was ranked No.62. Reached career-high ranking of No.21 this August
- During last year S Asian swing, reached 2r at Hong Kong and 3r at Beijing
- Ranks No.1 on tour this season in percentage of first-serve return points won (42.6%)

#### **CURRENT TOURNAMENT**

2r: d. K. RAKHIMOVA (#71) 6-1 6-1 (1h 15m) 3r: d. N. PODOROSKA (#66) 6-3 6-2 (1h 18m) 4r: d. A. ANISIMOVA (#43) 3-6 6-1 6-2 (2h 22m)

Total time on court: 4h 55m

#### **PLAYER NOTES**

- Making second appearance at Beijing, where she fell 1r in 2023 (l. Rybakina)
- After 1r bye, defeated Kamilla Rakhimova, Nadia Podoroska and Amanda Anisimova so far to reach her seventh QF of the year
- Faces No.22 Mirra Andreeva in QF today looking to reach fourth SF of the year and most recent since winning the gold medal at the Olympics this summer
- Since Wimbledon, has posted a 19-2 win-loss record including the Olympic gold medal and the Palermo title
- Contesting her 19th WTA 1000 main draw and is into her fifth WTA 1000 QF; seeking her first WTA 1000 SF
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 8-7 and is 3-3 this year
- One of her four career WTA singles titles has come on hard court (2023 Zhengzhou)
- One of two players from China to reach this week's QF (also Zhang Shuai who lost to Paula Badosa yesterday)
- The last time two players from China reached QF at Beijing was 2018 (Wang Qiang and Zhang Shuai)
- Best results by Chinese players at Beijing were SF runs by Wang Qiang in 2018, Li Na in 2010 and 2012, Zheng Jie in 2008, and Peng Shuai in 2006 and 2007
- Is currently ranked a career-high No.7; this time last year was ranked No.23
- During last year's Asian swing, won the Zhengzhou title, reached the Zhuhai final and fell 1r at Beijing
- Has won 38 tour-level matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.6 on Tour for match-wins this year (tied with Danielle Collins)
- So far this season, ranks No.1 on Tour in percentage of first-serve points won (75.5%); also is No.2 in total aces this year (328), trailing only Rybakina (336)





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# **RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY**

2023	Result	Rank: 60 Seed: -
3r	L	E. RYBAKINA (#5) 2-6 6-4 6-1
2r	W	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#62) 6-2 6-1
1r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#12) 6-2 6-2

2023	Result	Rank: 23	Seed: -
1r	L	E. RYBAKINA (#	5) 6-1 6-2





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### **SEASON 2024 HISTORY**

- Played 2r at US Open (l. Krueger)
- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Swiatek)
- Played 1r in singles (l. Linette) and won silver medal in women's doubles (w/Shnaider) at Paris Olympics
- Won first career singles title at Lasi (d. Avanesyan in F, via RET in third set)
- Contested 1r at Wimbledon (l. B. Fruhvirtova)
- Failed 1r at Bad Homburg (l. Yastremska)
- Reached first career Grand Slam SF at Roland Garros (l. Paolini)
- Fell 1r at Rome (l. Badosa)
- Made QF at Madrid (l. Sabalenka) achieving her best WTA 1000 result to date
- · Reached QF at Rouen (l. Kalinina)
- Contested 1r at Indian Wells (l. Volynets)
- Fell in opening round at Dubai (l. Stearns)
- Made R16 at Australian Open (l. Krejcikova)
- Opened the 2024 season making QF at Brisbane (l. Noskova)

- Reached consecutive QF at US Open (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Made 3r at Cincinnati (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Won gold medal in women's singles at Paris Olympics, becoming the first tennis player from China to win a singles medal at Olympics (d. Vekic in F)
- Successfully defended title at Palermo (d. Muchova in F)
- Suffered 1r exit at Wimbledon (l. Sun)
- Reached 2r at Berlin (l. Siniakova)
- Made 3r at Roland Garros (l. Avanesyan)
- Reached QF at Rome for the second consecutive season (l. Gauff)
- Retired during 2r match at Madrid due to injury (l. Putintseva)
- Reached R16 at Stuttgart (l. eventual R-Up, Kostyuk)
- Contested 3r at Miami (l. Azarenka)
- After 1r bye, fell in 2r at Indian Wells (l. Yuan)
- Made QF at Dubai (l. Swiatek)
- Contested R16 at Doha (l. Fernandez)
- Reached her first Grand Slam final at the Australian Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Started the 2024 season representing China in the 2024 United Cup, reaching the QF and going 2-1 in singles play (d. Vondrousova) (d. Danilovic) (l. Swiatek)





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# **SEASON 2024 STATS**

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
116	33	Aces	328	2
63.2%	42	First serve %	52.2%	94
65.0%	36	First Serve points won %	75.5%	1
48.2%	15	Second serve points won %	47.2%	26
58.8%	28	Overall service points won %	62.0%	6
68.3%	38	Service games won %	77.6%	6
52.1%	78	Break points saved %	58.1%	31
42.6%	1	First serve return points won %	37.9%	29
55.7%	38	Second serve return points won %	55.8%	36
51.7%	2	Break points converted %	48.2%	15
44.2%	4	Return games won %	36.9%	35
47.4%	3	Return points won %	44.5%	34

Best win by ranking: No.2 vs Sabalenka in ROLAND GARROS QF Longest match: 2h 38m vs Danilovic in IASI 250 SF Shortest match: 54m vs Jabeur in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2r Match points saved: 2 vs Danilovic in IASI 250 SF Most aces in a match: 12 vs Swiatek in CINCINNATI QF Best win by ranking: No.24 vs Vekic in US OPEN 4r Longest match: 2h 52m vs Avanesyan in ROLAND GARROS 3r Shortest match: 59m vs Dodin in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 4r Match points saved: Most aces in a match: 23 vs Osaka in BERLIN 1r





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# TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

#### **SINGLES FINALS**

Champion (1) 2024 - IASI 250

#### **DOUBLES FINALS**

Runner-Up (1) 2024 - OLYMPICS (w/Shnaider)

#### **SINGLES FINALS**

Champion (4)

2024 - OLYMPICS, PALERMO 2023 - ZHENGZHOU, PALERMO

Runner-Up (3)

2024 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2023 - ZHUHAI

2022 - TOKYO

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
4r	SF	1r	2r	2024	RUP	3r	1r	QF
	3r	4r	2r	2023	2r	2r	1r	QF
				2022	2r	4r	3r	3r



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### **CAREER MILESTONES**

- Opened 2023 season in April by winning 13 matches straight to claim back-to-back ITF titles in Switzerland; as WC, advanced to R16 at Madrid with wins over Fernandez, Haddad Maia and Linette (l. Sabalenka); subsequently made debut at Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Gauff in 3r), Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Keys in R16) and US Open (l. eventual champion Gauff in 2r)
- Also in 2023 reached R16 at Beijing (l. Rybakina), leading to Top 50 debut (started season just inside Top 300); voted WTA Newcomer of the Year
- In 2022, posted 39-9 win-loss record on ITF Circuit, winning first four titles at this level
- Fell 1r on WTA main-draw debut at 2022 Monastir (as WC, l. Potapova)
- Made professional debut at W15 ITF Circuit event at Sharm El-Sheikh in February 2022
- · Owns six ITF Circuit singles titles
- As a junior, finished R-Up at 2023 Australian Open (l. Korneeva)

- Earned 2023 WTA Most Improved Player of year ending the season at No.15 and inside the Top 20 for the first time
- Won maiden WTA titles in 2023 at Palermo (d. Paolini in F) and Zhengzhou (d. Krejcikova in F); also reached final at WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (l. Haddad Maia), SF at Abu Dhabi and first career Grand Slam QF at US Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Broke into Top 20 for the first time on May 22, 2023
- Won WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2022; reached first WTA final at Tokyo (l. Samsonova) and also made SF at Melbourne Summer Set 1, as qualifier), QF at Toronto and R16 at Roland Garros
- Broke into Top 50 at No.46 after run to fourth round in Paris that year
- Scored first Top 20 win over No.19 Simona Halep at 2022 Roland Garros then earned two Top 10 wins over No.5 Ons Jabeur at Toronto and No.4 Paula Badosa at Tokyo
- Broke into Top 100 on January 31, 2022, following run through qualifying to 2r at Australian Open
- Also won title at WTA 125K event in Valencia in June 2022
- Ended 2021 at No.143, her first Top 150 finish
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut in 2021 at Palermo (as qualifier, l. Cristian)
- Made further main draw appearances in 2021 at Moscow (as qualifier, l. Tsurenko in 1r) and Courmayeur (as qualifier, l. Vekic in 1r); also contested qualifying in Strasbourg
- Made WTA debut in 2019, appearing in qualifying at Miami, Tianjin and Wuhan
- Made ITF debut in 2018; gone on to amass nine ITF singles titles with 9-0 record in finals

### OTHER INFORMATION

- · Coached by Conchita Martinez
- · Sister Erika is also a professional player
- Originally from Krasnoyarsk and began playing aged six, but moved to Sochi and then Cannes, France, with sister to set uptraining base with coaches Jean-René Lisnard and Jean-Christophe Faurel
- Favorite surface is clay
- · Represented by IMG

- · Coached by Pere Riba;
- Trains in Barcelona
- Parents encouraged her to play multiple sports in her childhood, including table tennis
- Tennis idol is Roger Federer