



PREVIEW NOTES

PRUDENTIAL HONG KONG TENNIS OPEN
HONG KONG, CHINA

Oct 28 – Nov 3, 2024 | WTA 250 | \$267,082



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PRUDENTIAL HONG KONG TENNIS OPEN – QUICK FACTS

Main draw dates: Monday, Oct 28 – Sunday, Nov 03, 2024
Singles Final: Sunday, Nov 03, NB 4:00PM
Doubles Final: Sunday, Nov 03, 1:30pm
Venue: Victoria Park Tennis Stadium
Status: WTA 250
Staging: 7th edition
Draw sizes: 32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface: Outdoors / Greenset
Tennis Ball: Dunlop – Australian Open
2023 Singles Final: L. Fernandez (CAN) d. K. Siniakova (CZE) 3-6 6-4 6-4
2023 Doubles Final: Q. Tang (CHN) / C. Y. Tsao (TPE) d. [3] O. Kalashnikova (GEO) / JA. Sasnovich 7-5 1-6 11-9

| SINGLES | \$ | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|
| Winner | \$35,250 | 250 |
| Runner-Up | \$20,830 | 163 |
| Semifinalist | \$11,610 | 98 |
| Quarterfinalist | \$6,608 | 54 |
| Round of 16 | \$4,040 | 30 |
| Round of 32 | \$2,890 | 1 |

| DOUBLES | \$ | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|----------|-------------|
| Winner | \$12,820 | 250 |
| Runner-Up | \$7,210 | 163 |
| Semifinalist | \$4,140 | 98 |
| Quarterfinalist | \$2,470 | 54 |
| Round of 16 | \$1,900 | 1 |

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

Wildcards: Eudice Chong (HKG), Hong Yi Cody Wong (HKG), Simona Halep (ROU)

Youngest* singles player: Sara Saito (18)

Oldest* singles player: Simona Halep (33)

**excluding qualifiers*

- 2024 Hologic WTA tour continues in Asia with Hong Kong and Jiujiang taking place this week
- Former World No. 2 and two-time Grand Slam champion **Li Na** named tournament director this year
- Top seed **Diana Shnaider** and No. 2 seed **Katie Boulter** are both making their tournament debut
- 2021 US Open finalist and defending champion **Leylah Fernandez** returns to Hong Kong as the No. 3 seed; Fernandez is set to face 2015 quarterfinalist **Heather Watson** in the opening round
- No. 4 seed **Xinyu Wang** coming off semifinal run at Wuhan (l. Zheng) and will face **Jessika Ponchet** in the first round
- No. 6 seed **Yue Yuan** is set to face wildcard **Simona Halep** – Halep’s first tour-level match since Miami 2024 due to a continuing knee injury
- **Suzan Lamens** is entered in the field after capturing her first Hologic WTA Tour title at Osaka last week
- Doubles field is led by No.1 seed **Cristina Bucsa / Miyu Kato**



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TOP 4 SEEDS – TOURNAMENT HISTORY

| PLAYER | TOURNAMENT HISTORY | W/L |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----|
| [1] Diana Shnaider | Tournament debut | - |
| [2] Katie Boulter (GBR) | Tournament debut | - |
| [3] Leylah Fernandez (CAN) | WON (1): 2023 (d. Siniakova in F) | 5-0 |
| [4] Xinyu Wang (CHN) | 2R (1): 2023 (l. Sorribes Tormo) | 1-1 |

**Main draw matches only*

COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 12 countries and regions are represented in the main draw, led by China and Japan with three players each:

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|--------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Australia (2) | Kimberly Birrell, Priscilla Hon |
| Canada (1) | Leylah Fernandez |
| China (3) | Yue Yuan, Xinyu Wang, Xiyu Wang |
| France (2) | Varvara Gracheva, Jessika Ponchet |
| Great Britain (2) | Katie Boulter, Heather Watson |
| Hong Kong (2) | Eudice Chong, Hong Yi Cody Wong |
| Japan (3) | Nao Hibino, Aoi Ito, Sara Saito |
| Netherlands (1) | Suzan Lamens |
| New Zealand (1) | Lulu Sun |
| Romania (2) | Ana Bogdan, Simona Halep |
| Spain (1) | Cristina Bucsa |
| United States (2) | Sofia Kenin, Bernarda Pera |

Margarita Betova, Aliaksandra Sasnovich, Diana Shnaider, Anastasia Zakharova

2024 WTA TOUR FINALS

| END DATE | TOURNAMENT | LEVEL | CHAMPION | RUNNER-UP |
|----------|-----------------|------------|------------------|-----------------------|
| Jan 7 | United Cup | WTA 500 | Germany | Poland |
| Jan 7 | Brisbane | WTA 500 | Elena Rybakina | Aryna Sabalenka |
| Jan 7 | Auckland | WTA 250 | Coco Gauff | Elina Svitolina |
| Jan 13 | Adelaide | WTA 500 | Jelena Ostapenko | Daria Kasatkina |
| Jan 13 | Hobart | WTA 250 | Emma Navarro | Elise Mertens |
| Jan 28 | Australian Open | Grand Slam | Aryna Sabalenka | Zheng Qinwen |
| Feb 4 | Linz | WTA 500 | Jelena Ostapenko | Ekaterina Alexandrova |
| Feb 4 | Hua Hin | WTA 250 | Diana Shnaider | Zhu Lin |



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|--------------|------------------|------------|---------------------|-----------------------|
| Feb 11 | Abu Dhabi | WTA 500 | Elena Rybakina | Daria Kasatkina |
| Feb 11 | Cluj-Napoca | WTA 250 | Karolina Pliskova | Ana Bogdan |
| Feb 17 | Doha | WTA 1000 | Iga Swiatek | Elena Rybakina |
| Feb 24 | Dubai | WTA 1000 | Jasmine Paolini | Anna Kalinskaya |
| Mar 3 | San Diego | WTA 500 | Katie Boulter | Marta Kostyuk |
| Mar 3 | Austin | WTA 250 | Yue Yuan | Xiyu Wang |
| Mar 17 | Indian Wells | WTA 1000 | Iga Swiatek | Maria Sakkari |
| Mar 31 | Miami | WTA 1000 | Danielle Collins | Elena Rybakina |
| Apr 7 | Charleston | WTA 500 | Danielle Collins | Daria Kasatkina |
| Apr 7 | Bogota | WTA 250 | Camila Osorio | Marie Bouzkova |
| Apr 21 | Stuttgart | WTA 500 | Elena Rybakina | Marta Kostyuk |
| Apr 21 | Rouen | WTA 250 | Sloane Stephens | Magda Linette |
| May 4 | Madrid | WTA 1000 | Iga Swiatek | Aryna Sabalenka |
| May 19 | Rome | WTA 1000 | Iga Swiatek | Aryna Sabalenka |
| May 25 | Strasbourg | WTA 500 | Madison Keys | Danielle Collins |
| May 25 | Rabat | WTA 250 | Peyton Stearns | Mayar Sherif |
| June 9 | Roland Garros | Grand Slam | Iga Swiatek | Jasmine Paolini |
| June 16 | Nottingham | WTA 250 | Katie Boulter | Karolina Pliskova |
| June 16 | 's-Hertogenbosch | WTA 250 | Liudmila Samsonova | Bianca Andreescu |
| June 23 | Berlin | WTA 500 | Jessica Pegula | Anna Kalinskaya |
| June 23 | Birmingham | WTA 250 | Yulia Putintseva | Ajla Tomljanovic |
| June 29 | Eastbourne | WTA 500 | Daria Kasatkina | Leylah Fernandez |
| June 29 | Bad Homburg | WTA 250 | Diana Shnaider | Donna Vekic |
| July 14 | Wimbledon | Grand Slam | Barbora Krejcikova | Jasmine Paolini |
| July 21 | Budapest | WTA 250 | Diana Shnaider | Aliaksandra Sasnovich |
| July 21 | Palermo | WTA 250 | Qinwen Zheng | Karolina Muchova |
| July 28 | Prague | WTA 250 | Magda Linette | Magdalena Frech |
| July 28 | Iasi | WTA 250 | Mirra Andreeva | Elina Avanesyan |
| August 4 | Washington DC | WTA 500 | Paula Badosa | Marie Bouzkova |
| August 4 | Olympics | -- | Qinwen Zheng | Donna Vekic |
| August 12 | Toronto | WTA 1000 | Jessica Pegula | Amanda Anisimova |
| August 19 | Cincinnati | WTA 1000 | Aryna Sabalenka | Jessica Pegula |
| August 24 | Monterrey | WTA 500 | Linda Noskova | Lulu Sun |
| August 24 | Cleveland | WTA 250 | McCartney Kessler | Beatriz Haddad Maia |
| September 7 | US Open | Grand Slam | Aryna Sabalenka | Jessica Pegula |
| September 15 | Monastir | WTA 250 | Sonay Kartal | Rebecca Sramkova |
| September 15 | Guadalajara | WTA 500 | Magdalena Frech | Olivia Gadecki |
| September 22 | Seoul | WTA 500 | Beatriz Haddad Maia | Daria Kasatkina |
| September 22 | Hua Hin | WTA 250 | Rebecca Sramkova | Laura Siegemund |
| October 6 | Beijing | WTA 1000 | Coco Gauff | Karolina Muchova |
| October 14 | Wuhan | WTA 1000 | Aryna Sabalenka | Qinwen Zheng |
| October 20 | Osaka | WTA 250 | Suzan Lamens | Kimberly Birrell |
| October 20 | Ningbo | WTA 500 | Daria Kasatkina | Mirra Andreeva |



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A SNAPSHOT OF 2024 SO FAR

- **Top 10 debuts:** Zheng Qinwen (January 29), Jasmine Paolini (June 10), Emma Navarro (Sep 9)
- **Top 100 debuts:** Renata Zarazua (Jan 8), Brenda Fruhvirtova & Maria Timofeeva (Jan 29), Arina Rodionova (Feb 5), Erika Andreeva (Feb 19), Maria Lourdes Carle (Mar 4), Hailey Baptiste (Mar 18), Jessica Bouzas Maneiro (Apr 15), Julia Riera (Apr 22), Moyuka Uchijima & Rebecca Sramkova (May 20), Lulu Sun (NZL), Chloe Paquet (Jul 29), McCartney Kessler (Aug 12), Oliva Gadecki & Sonay Kartal (Sep 16)
- **Match wins leaders:** Iga Swiatek (57), Aryna Sabalenka (53), Coco Gauff (50), Qinwen Zheng (46), Emma Navarro (45)
- **Most aces in a match (23):** Qinwen Zheng, at Berlin (vs. Osaka)
- **Most singles titles (5):** Iga Swiatek (Doha, Indian Wells, Madrid, Rome, Roland Garros)
- **Lowest-ranked title winner (No.125):** Suzan Lamens (2024 Osaka)
- **Teenagers to win titles (4):** Mirra Andreeva (17y, 90d), Coco Gauff (Auckland, 19y, 300d); Diana Shnaider (Hua Hin, 19y, 308d), Linda Noskova (19y, 280d Monterrey)
- **Oldest title winner (32):** Magda Linette (Prague, 32 years old)
- **First time title winners (10):** Diana Shnaider (Hua Hin), Emma Navarro (Hobart), Yuan Yue (Austin), Peyton Stearns (Rabat), Linda Noskova (Monterrey), Magdalena Frech (Guadalajara), Sonay Kartal (Monastir), Mirra Andreeva (Iasi), McCartney Kessler (Cleveland), Rebecca Sramkova (Hua Hin #2), Suzan Lamens (Osaka)