



PREVIEW NOTES

ADELAIDE INTERNATIONAL

ADELAIDE, AUSTRALIA



Jan 8 – Jan 13, 2024 | WTA 500 | USD \$922,573

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Adelaide International– Quick Facts

Main draw dates: Monday, Jan 8 – Saturday, Jan 13, 2024
Singles Final: Saturday, Jan 13, NB 6pm
Doubles Final: Friday, Jan 12, 12pm
Venue: Memorial Drive Tennis Centre
Status: WTA 500
Staging: 5th Edition
Draw sizes: 30 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface: GreenSet / Outdoor
Tennis Ball: Dunlop Australian Open

SINGLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	142,000	500
Runner-Up	87,655	325
Semifinalist	51,205	195
Quarterfinalist	24,200	108
Round of 16	13,170	60
Round of 32	8,860	1

DOUBLES	\$	RANK POINTS
Winner	47,390	500
Runner-Up	28,720	325
Semifinalist	16,430	195
Quarterfinalist	8,510	108
Round of 16	5,140	1

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

Wildcards: Paula Badosa (ESP), Karolina Pliskova (CZE), Ajla Tomljanovic (AUS), Taylah Preston (AUS)

Youngest singles player: Taylah Preston (18)

Oldest singles players: Angelique Kerber (35)

- The WTA Hologic Tour returns to Adelaide for the second WTA 500 tournament of the year in the week leading up to the Australian Open
- This is officially the 5th edition of the event however in 2022 and 2023 two tournaments were held here in back-to-back weeks to kick off the new season
- There will be a new Adelaide champion crowned this week, with no former title winners in the draw. Elena Rybakina and Daria Kasatkina have come closest, reaching the final in 2022 and 2023 respectively
- Four Top 10 players are in action this week, in the form of Jessica Pegula, Elena Rybakina, Marketa Vondrousova and Barbora Krejckova
- Angelique Kerber continues her return to the Hologic WTA Tour – the former World No.1 took time away from the court for 18 months to give birth to daughter Liana, and played her first event back at the United Cup



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- Overall there are two mothers in the main draw, with Elina Svitolina having also given birth to a daughter in 2022 and returning in 2023
- Australia's Taylah Preston enters on a wild card and will be making her WTA main draw debut. The 18-year-old joins Ajla Tomljanovic as the two home talents in the field

TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY*

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT HISTORY	W/L
[1] Elena Ryabkina (KAZ)	R-Up (2022), 1r (2023)	4-2
[2] Jessica Pegula (USA)	Making tournament debut	-
[3] Marketa Vondrousova (CZE)	QF (2020)	2-1
[4] Barbora Krejckova (CZE)	2r (2023)	1-1

**Main draw matches only*

COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 13 countries and regions are represented in the main draw:

Australia (2)	Taylah Preston, Ajla Tomljanovic
Brazil (1)	Beatriz Haddad Maia
Czech Republic (3)	Barbora Krejckova, Karolina Pliskova, Marketa Vondrousova
France (1)	Caroline Garcia
Germany (1)	Angelique Kerber
Italy (1)	Jasmine Paolini
Kazakhstan (1)	Elena Rybakina
Latvia (1)	Jelena Ostapenko
Poland (1)	Magda Linette
Spain (1)	Paula Badosa
Ukraine (3)	Anhelina Kalinina, Elina Svitolina, Lesia Tsurenko
USA (1)	Jessica Pegula
Romania (1)	Sorana Cirstea

Liudmila Samsonova, Daria Kasatkina, Veronika Kudermetova, Ekaterina Alexandrova, Anastasia Potapova

A SNAPSHOT OF 2023

- Thirty-seven different players won a WTA singles title in 2023
- **Iga Swiatek** led the way in terms of singles titles won in 2023, with six to her name (Doha, Stuttgart, Roland-Garros, Warsaw, Beijing, WTA Finals), followed by **Coco Gauff** with four (US Open, Cincinnati, Washington DC, Auckland) and **Aryna Sabalenka** with three (Adelaide 1, Australian Open, Madrid).
- In 2023, **Aryna Sabalenka** became the eighth WTA No.1 in both singles and doubles after Martina Navratilova, Arantxa Sanchez Vicario, Serena and Venus Williams, Martina Hingis, Lindsay Davenport and Kim Clijsters



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- Via **Marketa Vondrousova**, **Karolina Muchova** and **Barbora Krejckikova**, this is the first time since the WTA rankings were published where three Czech players have ended a calendar year in the WTA Top 10
- The WTA has crowned 11 first-time title winners in 2023: **Katie Boulter** (Nottingham), **Lucia Bronzetti** (Rabat), **Elisabetta Cocciaretto** (Lausanne), **Marta Kostyuk** (Austin), **Ashlyn Krueger** (Osaka), **Alycia Parks** (Lyon), **Arantxa Rus** (Hamburg), **Maria Timofeeva** (Budapest), **Wang Xiyu** (Guangzhou), **Zheng Qinwen** (Palermo), and **Zhu Lin** (Hua Hin)
- Two players in 2023 completed a singles-doubles title sweep at the same event – **Nao Hibino** at Prague (partnering Oksana Kalashnikova) and **Barbora Krejckikova** at San Diego (partnering Katerina Siniakova)
- The youngest title winner last season was **Coco Gauff** at Auckland (18) and the oldest was **Tatjana Maria** at Bogotá (35); **Tatjana Maria** was also the oldest title winner in 2022 when she won Bogotá at the age of 34
- Four qualifiers (or Lucky Losers) have won a WTA title in 2023: **Lauren Davis** (Auckland), **Maria Timofeeva** (Budapest), **Nao Hibino** (Prague) and **Sara Sorribes Tormo** (Cleveland)
- The No.1 seed has prevailed at eight events in 2023, while a title has been won by an unseeded player 18 times
- In the longest match in terms of time spent on court, **Beatriz Haddad Maia** took 3 hours and 51 minutes to defeat **Sara Sorribes Tormo** in R16 at Roland Garros
- Seventeen singles championship matches were decided in three-sets in 2023
- **Barbora Krejckikova** claimed the most doubles titles with four (Australian Open, Indian Wells, San Diego all w/Siniakova, Birmingham w/Kostyuk)
- **Iga Swiatek** led the Tour with match wins in 2023 (68-11), followed by Jessica Pegula (59-18) and Aryna Sabalenka (55-14)
- Four players made their Top-10 debuts in 2023: **Elena Rybakina** (January 30); **Beatriz Haddad Maia** (June 12); **Marketa Vondrousova** (July 17); **Karolina Muchova** (Aug 21)
- Lowest ranked player to win a title was No. 508 **Elina Svitolina** at Strasbourg