



# PREVIEW NOTES

## Transylvania Open CLUJ-NAPOCA, ROMANIA

February 5 - February 11, 2024 | WTA 250 | \$267,082



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## TRANSYLVANIA OPEN – QUICK FACTS

<b>Main draw dates:</b>	Monday, February 5 - Sunday, February 11, 2024
<b>Singles Final:</b>	Sunday, February 11, 2024, NB 5:30pm
<b>Doubles Final:</b>	Sunday, February 11, 2024, 3pm
<b>Venue:</b>	Sala Polivalenta Cluj-Napoca
<b>Status:</b>	WTA 250
<b>Staging:</b>	4 <sup>th</sup> year
<b>Draw sizes:</b>	32 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
<b>Surface:</b>	Hard Court (Courtsol) / Indoors
<b>Tennis Ball:</b>	Dunlop Fort All Court Tournament Select
<b>2023 Singles Final:</b>	T. Korpatsch (GER) d. E. Ruse (ROU) 63 64
<b>2023 Doubles Final:</b>	J. Burrage (GBR)/ J. Teichmann (SUI) d. L. Jeanjean (FRA)/V. Strakhova (UKR) 61 64

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:** Miriam Bulgaru, Andreea Mitu, Anca Todoni

**Youngest singles player:** Anca Todoni (19)

**Oldest singles player:** Sara Errani (36)

- The WTA Hologic Tour returns to Cluj-Napoca for the fourth consecutive season (and is being held for the first time in February)
- The top seed this week is **Arantxa Rus**, who is making her tournament debut. Rus won her first title at Hamburg last year, and at 32 years of age she became the oldest first-time finalist at a WTA tournament in 17 years
- Returning champions include 2022 winner **Anna Blinkova** and defending champion **Tamara Korpatsch**. Both athletes won their maiden Hologic WTA Tour title at Cluj-Napoca
- Former World No.1 **Karolina Pliskova** is also making her Cluj-Napoca debut, and is looking for her first title in over four years (Brisbane 2020)
- There is a strong Romanian contingent in the draw, lead by **Ana Bogdan** and **Jaqueline Cristian** and including wildcards **Andreea Mitu**, **Anca Todoni**, and **Miriam Bulgaru**



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### TOP 4 SEEDS' TOURNAMENT HISTORY\*

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[1] Arantxa Rus (NED)	Making Tournament Debut	-	-
[2] Tatjana Maria (GER)	Making Tournament Debut	-	-
[3] Anna Blinkova	<b>Won (1):</b> 2022 (d. Paolini in final)	5-0	100%
[5] Elisabetta Cocciaretto (ITA)	Making Tournament debut	-	-

*\*Main draw matches only*

### COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 14 countries and regions are represented in the main draw led by Romania with five players:

<b>Argentina (1)</b>	Nadia Podoroska
<b>Belgium (2)</b>	Greet Minnen, Yanina Wickmayer
<b>Bulgaria (1)</b>	Viktoriya Tomova
<b>China (1)</b>	Bai Zhuoxuan
<b>Colombia (1)</b>	Camila Osorio
<b>Czech Republic (1)</b>	Karolina Pliskova
<b>Denmark (1)</b>	Clara Tauson
<b>Germany (3)</b>	Tamara Korpatsch, Tatjana Maria, Laura Siegemund
<b>Italy (2)</b>	Elisabetta Cocciaretto, Sara Errani
<b>Latavia (1)</b>	Anastasija Sevastova
<b>Netherlands (1)</b>	Arantxa Rus
<b>Romania (5)</b>	Ana Bogdan, Miriam Bulgaru, Jacqueline Cristian, Andreea Mitu, Anca Todoni
<b>Spain (1)</b>	Nuria Parrizas Diaz
<b>United States (2)</b>	Caty McNally, Alycia Parks
	Elina Avanesyan, Anna Blinkova

### 2024: THE STORY SO FAR

TOURNAMENT	LEVEL	CHAMPION	RUNNER-UP	SEMIFINALISTS
United Cup	-	Germany	Poland	France, Australia
Brisbane	WTA 500	Elena Rybakina	Aryna Sabalenka	Victoria Azarenka, Linda Noskova
Auckland	WTA 250	Coco Gauff	Elina Svitolina	Emma Navarro, Wang Xiyu



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Adelaide	WTA 500	Jelena Ostapenko	Daria Kasatkina	Ekaterina Alexandrova, Jessica Pegula
Hobart	WTA 250	Emma Navarro	Elise Mertens	Daria Saville, Yuan Yue
Australian Open	Grand Slam	Aryna Sabalenka	Zheng Qinwen	Coco Gauff, Dayana Yastremska
Linz	WTA 500	-	<i>Jelena Ostapenko vs. Elise Mertens*</i>	Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Donna Vekic
Hua Hin	WTA 250	-	<i>Diana Shnaider vs. Zhu Lin *</i>	Wang Xinyu, Wang Yafan

\* Final to be played on February 4, 2024