



# MATCH NOTES

## INTERNAZIONALI BNL D'ITALIA

### ROME, ITALY

MAY 7 – MAY 19, 2024 | WTA 1000 | \$5,509,771



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## MATCH NOTES – QUARTERFINALS (BOTTOM HALF)

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 15, 2024

**[9] Jelena Ostapenko (LAT #10) vs. [2] Aryna Sabalenka (#2)**

**Sabalenka leads 2-0**

**Ostapenko** has made her fourth quarterfinal at the Internazionali d'Italia, becoming the tournament where she made the most quarterfinals in her career (level with Eastbourne)... **Ostapenko** has reached her 11th WTA 1000 quarterfinal, where she has a record of 7-3... **Ostapenko** is looking to make back-to-back semifinals in a single WTA level event for the second time in her career after having done so in Eastbourne 2021-2022... **Ostapenko** is seeking her third title of 2024, after winning Adelaide and Linz; this is the second time in her career she has won two titles in a year (also 2017)... **Sabalenka** has won the pair's previous two matchups, though both matches were played on hard courts... **Sabalenka** has the most winners of any player at WTA clay court events this season (396)... **Sabalenka** has spent 24 hours and 22 minutes so far during WTA clay court events, the most time spent by any player on Tour... Since 2021, only Iga Swiatek (5) has reached more semifinals at clay-court WTA 1000 events than **Sabalenka** (4)

If Sabalenka wins...

- it will be the first time that the WTA World No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 have advanced to the semifinals of a WTA 250 event or higher (outside of the WTA Finals) since 2013 Roland Garros.
- it will be the second WTA 1000 semifinal that features the WTA World No. 1, No. 2 and No. 3 (also 2013 Doha)
- it will also be the first time that the WTA World No. 1 and No. 2 have reached the semifinals at back-to-back WTA 1000 semifinals since 2013 Miami and Madrid

**[24] Victoria Azarenka (#24) vs. [13] Danielle Collins (USA #15)**

**Series tied 1-1**

**Azarenka** is making 15th appearance at Rome, where she was a finalist in 2013 (l. S. Williams in F)... **Azarenka** owns 10 singles title at WTA 1000 events... **Azarenka** has reached her seventh quarterfinal at Rome; with a win today, would be her third semifinal of 2024 season (after Miami and Brisbane)... **Azarenka** has 203 match wins at WTA 1000 tournaments, the most at the tournament level since it was introduced in 2009... **Azarenka's** record in WTA quarterfinal matches stands at 66-38 (2-2 in 2024)... **Collins** is making fourth appearance at Rome and has reached her first quarterfinal at Rome this year... **Collins'** best result at WTA 1000 events was champion run at Miami 2024 (d. Rybakina in final)... **Collins'** record in WTA quarterfinal matches stands at 15-14 (2-2 in 2024)... **Collins** has won two singles titles on clay: Charleston 2024 and Palermo 2021... **Collins** is one of three American women in the singles quarterfinals at Rome (w/ Gauff and Keys) and is looking to join Gauff in the semifinals: the last time two Americans reached the Rome semifinals was 2016 (S. Williams def. Keys in F)



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#### ROME QUARTERFINALISTS - MOST CLAY-COURT QUARTERFINAL APPEARANCES

21	Azarenka
15	Swiatek
13	Sabalenka
12	Keys
9	Ostapenko
8	Gauff
6	Collins
3	Q. Zheng

- *Among the quarterfinalists, all eight have won at least one clay-court title, but only Swiatek (8), Collins (2) and Sabalenka (2) have won multiple*
- *All eight quarterfinalists are ranked inside WTA Top 25 for the first time at Rome since 2004*



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**JELENA  
OSTAPENKO (9)**  
LATVIA

**ARYNA  
(2) SABALENKA 2**

1997-06-08	Date of Birth		1998-05-05
Riga, Latvia	Residence		
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	
5' 10" (1.77m)	Height	5' 11" (1.82m)	
5	Career-High Ranking	1	
\$14,939,612	Career Prize Money	\$23,312,379	
\$1,005,684	Season Prize Money	\$2,934,816	
2 / 8	Singles Titles YTD / Career	1 / 14	
51-31 (Champion: 2017 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	66-22 (Champion: 2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	
3-0 / 15-8 (Semi-Finalist: 2023)	YTD / Career ROME W-L (best)	3-0 / 7-5 (Semi-Finalist: 2022)	
22-8 / 246-172	YTD / Career W-L	23-6 / 272-116	
5-2 / 46-35	YTD / Career Clay W-L	9-2 / 59-25	
8-2 / 95-65	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	8-5 / 85-61	
5-0 / 53-34	YTD / Career TB W-L	6-3 / 61-42	
0-0 / 12-15	YTD / Career TOP 5 W-L	2-2 / 16-18	
0-1 / 21-30	YTD / Career TOP 10 W-L	2-3 / 31-31	
Champion: LINZ, ADELAIDE	YTD Best Result	Champion: AUSTRALIAN OPEN	



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2023	DUBAI	HARD	3r	Aryna Sabalenka	2-6 6-1 6-1	1h 40m
2019	ZHENGZHOU	HARD	2r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-1 6-2	56m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
9	-	2024	2	-
12	13	2023	1	2
11	18	2022	2	5
28	28	2021	2	2
40	44	2020	10	10
22	44	2019	9	11
5	22	2018	11	11
7	7	2017	76	78
34	44	2016	154	159
77	79	2015	539	548



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. A. POTAPOVA (#43) 6-4 6-2 (1h 36m)  
3r: d. S. SORRIBES TORMO (#47) 6-4 5-7 6-1 (2h 33m)  
4r: d. R. SRAMKOVA (#120) 4-6 6-4 7-6 (2h 46m)

*Total time on court: 6h 55m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 9th appearance at Rome, where her previous best result was reaching SF in 2023 (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
- Has defeated Potapova, Sorribes Tormo and Sramkova so far this week to reach her first QF since 2024 Linz (Champion)
- Faces No.2 Sabalenka in QF today; owns 20 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.4 Pegula at 2023 Beijing
- Owns 56-66 career record against seeded players, with a record in 2024 standing at 2-4
- Career record in WTA QF matches stands at 26-16
- Looking to make back-to-back semi-finals in a single WTA level event for the second time in her career after having done so in Eastbourne 2021-2022
- Owns one singles title on clay - 2017 Roland Garros
- Is currently ranked No.10; this time last year was ranked No.20. Has won two titles this year, both at the 500-level: Adelaide (d. Kasatkina in F) and Linz (d. Alexandrova in F)
- During last year's European clay swing reached SF at Rome, 3r at Madrid, 2r at Roland Garros and Stuttgart

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. K. VOLYNETS (#109) 4-6 6-3 6-2 (2h 15m)  
3r: d. D. YASTREMSKA (#33) 6-4 6-2 (1h 26m)  
4r: d. E. SVITOLINA (#19) 4-6 6-1 7-6 (2h 24m)

*Total time on court: 6h 5m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making sixth appearance at Rome where her best result came during a semifinal run in 2022 (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Coming off a run to the final at Madrid, where she lost to Swiatek in a thrilling three-set final
- After 1r bye, has defeated Volynets, Yastremska and Svitolina so far this week
- Faces No.10 Jelena Ostapenko in QF today; owns 31 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.4 Rybakina at 2024 Madrid
- Owns 2-0 career record against players from Latvia, with record in 2024 standing at 0-0
- Owns 90-55 career record against seeded players, with a record in 2024 standing at 11-5
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 40-19
- Has won two clay court titles, both at Madrid (d. Barty in final 2021; d. Swiatek in final in 2023)
- Is currently ranked No.2; this time last year was ranked No.2
- During last year's European clay swing, won Madrid, finished R-Up at Stuttgart, reached SF at Roland Garros, 2r at Rome
- No player has spent more time on court in clay WTA events in 2024 than Sabalenka - she has spent 24 hours and 22 minutes so far



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 20	Seed: 20
SF	L	E. RYBAKINA (#6) 6-2 6-4	
QF	W	P. BADOSA (#35) 6-2 4-6 6-3	
4r	W	D. KASATKINA (#9) 6-4 4-6 6-0	
3r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#13) 7-6(2) 6-0	
2r	W	S. CIRSTEAN (#34) 6-3 3-6 6-2	
2022	Result	Rank: 13	Seed: 11
1r	L	L. DAVIS (#102) 6-2 6-3	
2021	Result	Rank: 49	Seed: -
QF	L	K. PLISKOVA (#9) 4-6 7-5 7-6(1)	
3r	W	A. KERBER (#26) 4-6 6-3 6-4	
2r	W	A. TOMLIJANOVIC (#80) 6-2 7-6(3)	
1r	W	J. KONTA (#18) 6-3 6-1	
2020	Result	Rank: 43	Seed: -
1r	L	M. LINETTE (#35) 6-4 6-3	
2019	Result	Rank: 27	Seed: -
1r	L	M. BUZARNESCU (#29) 6-2 5-4	

2023	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
2r	L	S. KENIN (#134) 7-6(4) 6-2	
2022	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 3
SF	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-2 6-1	
QF	W	A. ANISIMOVA (#32) 4-6 6-3 6-2	
3r	W	J. PEGULA (#11) 6-1 6-4	
2r	W	S. ZHANG (#42) 6-2 6-0	
2021	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 7
3r	L	C. GAUFF (#35) 7-5 6-3	
2r	W	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#51) 7-5 6-1	
2019	Result	Rank: 10	Seed: 9
1r	L	A. CORNET (#53) 6-1 6-4	
2018	Result	Rank: 45	Seed: -
1r	L	S. HSIEH (#50) 6-2 6-4	



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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Made R16 at Madrid (l. Jabeur)
- Fell in opening round at Stuttgart (l. Noskova)
- Contested 3r at WTA 1000 in Miami (l. Kalinskaya)
- Played 2r at WTA 1000 Indian Wells (l. Kerber)
- Made R16 at Dubai (l. eventual R-Up, Kalinskaya)
- Contested R16 at Doha (l. Azarenka)
- Won her second title of the 2024 season after defeating Alexandrova at Linz
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Azarenka)
- Won her seventh career title after defeating Kasatkina in the Adelaide final
- Opened her season with QF showing at Brisbane (l. Azarenka), also lifting the doubles title there (w/Kichenok)

- Finalist at Madrid (l. Swiatek)
- Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. Vondrousova)
- Made 3r at WTA 1000 Miami Open (l. Kalinina)
- Fell in R16 at WTA 1000 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)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
115	8	Aces	144	4
58.4%	72	First serve %	63.9%	44
67.8%	21	First Serve points won %	71.0%	6
44.5%	49	Second serve points won %	49.1%	9
58.1%	28	Overall service points won %	63.1%	4
70.0%	23	Service games won %	78.2%	4
56.6%	39	Break points saved %	61.2%	16
37.4%	37	First serve return points won %	37.2%	38
58.7%	8	Second serve return points won %	56.0%	37
44.9%	42	Break points converted %	47.0%	28
38.9%	24	Return games won %	37.4%	28
45.3%	24	Return points won %	44.6%	31

Best win by ranking: No.15 vs Kasatkina in ADELAIDE F  
Longest match: 2h 46m vs Sramkova in ROME 4r  
Shortest match: 53m vs Kalinina in DOHA 2r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 9 vs Kerber in INDIAN WELLS 2r  
9 vs Giorgi in BRISBANE 2r

Best win by ranking: No.4 vs Rybakina in MADRID SF  
No.4 vs Gauff in AUSTRALIAN OPEN SF  
Longest match: 3h 11m vs Swiatek in MADRID F  
Shortest match: 52m vs Tsurenko in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 3r  
Match points saved: 3 vs Svitolina in ROME 4r  
4 vs Stearns in INDIAN WELLS 2r  
Most aces in a match: 10 vs Linette in MADRID 2r  
10 vs Stearns in INDIAN WELLS 2r  
10 vs Azarenka in BRISBANE SF

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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)

2024 - LINZ, ADELAIDE  
2023 - BIRMINGHAM  
2022 - DUBAI  
2021 - EASTBOURNE  
2019 - LUXEMBOURG  
2017 - SEOUL, ROLAND GARROS

Runner-Up (8)

2022 - SEOUL, EASTBOURNE  
2021 - LUXEMBOURG  
2019 - LINZ  
2018 - MIAMI  
2017 - CHARLESTON  
2016 - DOHA  
2015 - QUEBEC CITY

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2024 - BRISBANE (w/Kichenok)  
2022 - CINCINNATI (w/Kichenok), BIRMINGHAM (w/Kichenok)  
2021 - MOSCOW (w/Siniakova)  
2018 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)  
2017 - STUTTGART (w/Atawo), ST. PETERSBURG (w/Rosolska)

Runner-Up (8)

2024 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Kichenok)  
2023 - DOHA (w/Kichenok)  
2022 - EASTBOURNE (w/Kichenok), DUBAI (w/Kichenok)  
2021 - DOHA (w/Niculescu)  
2020 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)  
2019 - BEIJING (w/Yastremska), JURMALA (w/Voskoboeva)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (14)

2024 - 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 (13)

2024 - 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), INDIAN WELLS (w/Mertens)

Runner-Up (2)

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

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





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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won sixth career title at 2023 Birmingham (d. Krejčíková in F) and reached SF at Rome; in doubles achieved R-Up at Doha (w/L. Kichenok)
- At 2022 Dubai, lifted fifth career singles title (d. Kudermetova in F); finished R-Up at Eastbourne (l. Kvitová) and Seoul (l. Alexandrova) as well as SF at St. Petersburg and Doha
- Won two doubles titles in 2022 at Birmingham and Cincinnati (both w/L. Kichenok); qualified for WTA Finals reaching SF Lifted first grass court title at 2021 Eastbourne (as WC, d. Kontaveit in F)
- In 2021, also finished R-Up at Luxembourg (l. Tauson), made SF at Indian Wells (l. Azarenka), reached QF at Rome and represented Latvia at the Tokyo Olympics (l. Vesnina in 1r)
- Won doubles title at 2021 Moscow (w/Siniakova)
- Highlights of 2020 season included three Top 10 wins and reaching QF at Strasbourg
- Finished R-Up in doubles w/Dabrowski at 2020 Doha (l. Hsieh/Strycova)
- 2019 season saw her capture third career title at Luxembourg (d. Goerges in F) right after finishing R-Up at Linz (l. Gauff)
- Also R-Up in mixed doubles at 2019 Wimbledon w/Lindstedt
- 2018 campaign highlighted by finishing R-Up at Miami (l. Stephens); beat No.9 Petra Kvitová and No.4 Elina Svitolina to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time
- Reached SF at 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) to become first Latvian woman to reach final four at All England Club
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.5 on March 19, 2018
- In doubles won title at 2018 Doha (w/Dabrowski)
- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time (at No.7); was No.44 at end of 2016 (first Top 50 finish) and No.79 at end of 2015 (first Top 100 finish)
- Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F) becoming first woman to win first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open. Also became the first unseeded player to lift the trophy in the Open Era and the first Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam
- Followed up title run with QF appearance at 2017 Wimbledon; also won title at Seoul (d. Haddad Maia in F) and reached final at Charleston (l. Kasatkina)
- Qualified for debut WTA Finals in 2017 went 1-2 in group stage
- 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 Świątek, 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. Krejčíková/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. Kvitová 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. Krejčíková/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,

- Made Top 10 debut at No.10 on September 11, 2017
- In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo) Breakthrough result of 2016 season was reaching final at Doha launching her into Top 50 at No.40 (l. Suárez Navarro); also in 2016 reached SF at Katowice and QF at Birmingham and Florianopolis ending year at No.44
- Ended 2015 at No.79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No.308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No.370 to No.72 (298 spots)
- Highlights of 2014 were reaching first career WTA final at Quebec City (l. Beck) and 2r at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 10 win over No.9 Carla Suárez Navarro in 1r at 2015 Wimbledon
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Tashkent as WC advancing to 2r (l. Pervak)
- Played qualifying at Moscow in 2012
- Member of Latvian Billie Jean King Cup team in 2013-2022
- Began professional career playing ITF in 2012 winning first career title at \$10k/ITF Stockholm, SWE; owns seven career ITF titles

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

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Stanislav Khmarsky; formerly worked with David Taylor, Glen Schaap and Marion Bartoli
- Mother is Jelena Jakovleva, while father, Jevgenijs Ostapenko, is a former football player; half-brother's name is Maksim Ostapenko (graduated from art academy in California and lives there now); also has a dog named Juljeta
- Introduced to tennis at age 5 by mother (who was also her first coach)
- Favorite shots are serve and backhand; favorite surfaces are grass and hard; favorite tournament is Wimbledon
- Speaks Russian, Latvian and English
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams
- Enjoys spending time with parents and dog, listening to music and going out with friends. Was a ballroom dancer for seven years

- Currently working with former hitting partner 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"



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AMERICA

**15**

1989-07-31	Date of Birth	1993-12-13
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	St. Petersburg, FL, USA
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed
6' 0" (1.83m)	Height	5' 10" (1.78m)
1	Career-High Ranking	7
\$37,512,165	Career Prize Money	\$8,322,716
\$861,446	Season Prize Money	\$1,620,843
0 / 21	Singles Titles YTD / Career	2 / 4
160-60 (Champion: 2013 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2012 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	35-25 (Runner-Up: 2022 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
3-0 / 28-12 (Runner-Up: 2013)	YTD / Career ROME W-L (best)	3-0 / 6-3 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)
20-8 / 561-232	YTD / Career W-L	27-8 / 149-97
6-2 / 113-57	YTD / Career Clay W-L	11-1 / 37-20
9-4 / 118-96	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	7-4 / 43-40
3-6 / 89-65	YTD / Career TB W-L	4-1 / 33-22
5-5 / 143-122	YTD / Career TOP 20 W-L	6-4 / 32-43
Semi-Finalist: MIAMI, BRISBANE	YTD Best Result	Champion: CHARLESTON, MIAMI



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2019	ACAPULCO	HARD	1r	Victoria Azarenka	6-1 6-2	1h 12m
2018	SAN JOSE	HARD	QF	Danielle Collins	6-7(4) 3-0	1h 36m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
22	-	2024	15	-
14	22	2023	11	55
15	27	2022	7	14
13	27	2021	25	29
13	13	2020	25	45
38	50	2019	23	31
51	51	2018	35	36
13	208	2017	153	167
5	13	2016	299	299
19	22	2015	903	-



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. M. LINETTE (#51) 6-7 6-4 6-3 (2h 51m)  
3r: d. M. SHERIF (#80) 6-2 6-7 6-3 (2h 54m)  
4r: d. M. SAKKARI (#8) 6-4 6-1 (1h 17m)

*Total time on court: 7h 2m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 15th appearance at Rome, where she was a finalist in 2013 (l. S. Williams in F)
- Owns 10 singles title at WTA-1000 events, including Cincinnati 2020; Indian Wells and Miami in 2016; Cincinnati and Doha in 2013; Doha, Indian Wells and Beijing in 2012; Miami in 2011; Miami in 2009
- After 1r Bye, has beaten Magda Linette, Mayar Sherif and Maria Sakkari to reach QF, her 7th QF at Rome; with a win today, would be her third SF of 2024 season (after Miami and Brisbane)
- Faces No.15 Danielle Collins in QF today; owns 143 wins in career over Top 20 players (5-5 in 2024), most recently No.8 Maria Sakkari here in the previous round
- Owns 52-41 career record against players from United States of America, with record in 2024 standing at 2-2, having defeated Townsend at Charleston and Sterns at Miami; she lost to Dolehide at Indian Wells and Pegula at Charleston
- Owns 183-137 career record against seeded opponents (6-5)
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 66-38 (2-2 in 2024)
- Owns just one career singles title on clay at Marbella in 2011
- Is currently ranked No.24; this time last year was ranked No.17

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. A. BLINKOVA (#46) 6-4 (58m)  
3r: d. C. GARCIA (#23) 6-3 6-3 (1h 21m)  
4r: d. I. BEGU (#161) 6-0 6-3 (1h 7m)

*Total time on court: 3h 26m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making fourth appearance at Rome, where her previous best result was reaching R16 (3r) in 2022 (l. Anisimova)
- Best result at WTA-1000 events was champion run at Miami 2024 (d. Rybakina in F)
- After 1r bye, has beaten Anna Blinkova, Caroline Garcia and Irina-camelia Begu to reach her first QF at Rome
- Faces No.24 Victoria Azarenka in QF today; owns 61 wins in career over Top 50 players, most recently No.23 Caroline Garcia at Rome 2024
- Owns 41-54 career record against seeded opponents (11-7 in 2024)
- Record in WTA QF matches stands at 15-14 (2-2 in 2024)
- Owns two singles titles on clay at Charleston 2024 and Palermo 2021
- One of 3 players from United States of America to reach QF (along with Gauff and Keys); last time 3 players from United States of America reached QF at Rome was 1998
- United States of America has won Rome 7 times, most recently by Serena Williams in 2016
- Is currently ranked No.15; this time last year was ranked No.41



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 17	Seed: 14
2r	W	S. STEPHENS (#36) 6-4 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: 16
3r	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-4 6-1	
2r	W	C. OSORIO (#58) 6-2 6-4	
1r	W	V. GOLUBIC (#56) 6-3 6-0	
2020	Result	Rank: 14	Seed: -
QF	L	G. MUGURUZA (#17) 3-6 6-3 6-4	
3r	W	D. KASATKINA (#74) 6-6	
2r	W	S. KENIN (#5) 6-0 6-0	
1r	W	V. WILLIAMS (#70) 7-6(7) 6-2	
2019	Result	Rank: 51	Seed: -
QF	L	K. PLISKOVA (#7) 6-7(5) 6-2 6-2	
3r	W	G. MUGURUZA (#19) 6-4 3-1	
2r	W	E. SVITOLINA (#6) 4-6 6-1 7-5	
1r	W	S. ZHANG (#48) 6-2 6-1	
2018	Result	Rank: 84	Seed: -
1r	L	N. OSAKA (#21) 6-0 6-3	

2022	Result	Rank: 9	Seed: 7
3r	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#32) 6-2 6-2	
2r	W	S. HALEP (#21) 7-6(1) 6-3	
2019	Result	Rank: 30	Seed: -
2r	L	G. MUGURUZA (#19) 6-4 4-6 6-2	
1r	W	C. WOZNIACKI (#12) 7-6(5)	
2018	Result	Rank: 47	Seed: -
2r	L	D. KASATKINA (#13) 6-2 6-3	
1r	W	S. CIRSTEA (#43) 6-3 4-6 6-4	



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## SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Made 3r at Madrid (1r bye, l. Sorribes Tormo)
- Made QF at Charleston (l. Pegula)
- Contested SF at Miami (l. Rybakina)
- After a first round bye, fell against Dolehide in 2r at Indian Wells
- Played 2r at Dubai, retiring during the match through injury (l. Rybakina)
- Contested QF at Doha (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Made R16 at Australian Open (l. Yastremska)
- Opened 2024 season with SF at Brisbane (l. Sabalenka)

- Won back-to-back titles at Miami (d. Rybakina in F) and Charleston (d. Kasatkina in F) for her third and fourth career singles titles; reached 4r (1r bye, l. Sabalenka) at Madrid; in total her 15 straight match wins achieved her career longest winning streak to date
- Contested 2r at WTA 1000 Indian Wells (l. eventual champion, Swiatek)
- Retired during QF against Wang Xiyu at Austin with low back injury
- As a qualifier, made QF at Doha (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- As a qualifier, reached R16 at Abu Dhabi (l. Rybakina)
- Played 2r at Australian Open (l. Swiatek)
- Played 1r at Hobart (l. eventual R-Up Mertens)
- Opened the 2024 season making 2r at Brisbane (l. Zhu)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
89	13	Aces	136	6
66.1%	29	First serve %	57.0%	79
67.0%	22	First Serve points won %	70.5%	9
44.2%	54	Second serve points won %	47.5%	19
59.3%	15	Overall service points won %	60.6%	8
72.7%	13	Service games won %	74.9%	7
62.3%	9	Break points saved %	62.4%	8
38.3%	27	First serve return points won %	37.1%	39
59.9%	5	Second serve return points won %	61.0%	3
46.2%	38	Break points converted %	51.6%	8
40.1%	19	Return games won %	41.3%	13
45.9%	18	Return points won %	45.7%	21

Best win by ranking: No.7 vs Zheng in MIAMI 3r  
Longest match: 2h 55m vs Putintseva in MIAMI QF  
Shortest match: 1h 10m vs Cocciaretto in CHARLESTON 2r  
Match points saved:  
Most aces in a match: 16 vs Ostapenko in BRISBANE QF

Best win by ranking: No.4 vs Rybakina in MIAMI F  
Longest match: 3h 14m vs Swiatek in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 2r  
Shortest match: 36m vs Wang in AUSTIN QF  
Match points saved: 1 vs Andreeva in INDIAN WELLS 1r  
Most aces in a match: 12 vs Pera in MIAMI 1r



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (21)

2020 - CINCINNATI (NYC)  
2016 - MIAMI, INDIAN WELLS, BRISBANE  
2013 - CINCINNATI, DOHA, AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
2012 - LINZ, BEIJING, INDIAN WELLS, DOHA,  
AUSTRALIAN OPEN, SYDNEY  
2011 - LUXEMBOURG, MARBELLA, MIAMI  
2010 - MOSCOW, STANFORD  
2009 - MIAMI, MEMPHIS, BRISBANE

Runner-Up (20)

2021 - INDIAN WELLS  
2020 - OSTRAVA, US OPEN  
2019 - MONTERREY  
2015 - DOHA  
2014 - BRISBANE  
2013 - US OPEN, CARLSBAD, ROME  
2012 - US OPEN, MADRID, STUTTGART  
2011 - WTA CHAMPIONSHIPS, MADRID  
2010 - EASTBOURNE, DUBAI  
2008 - PRAGUE, GOLD COAST  
2007 - TASHKENT, ESTORIL

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (10)

2023 - MADRID (w/Haddad Maia)  
2021 - BERLIN (w/Sabalenka)  
2019 - ROME (w/Barty), ACAPULCO (w/Zheng)  
2011 - STANFORD (w/Kirilenko), MADRID  
(w/Kirilenko)  
2010 - CINCINNATI (w/Kirilenko)  
2009 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Zvonareva), MEMPHIS  
(w/Wozniacki)  
2006 - TASHKENT (w/Poutchek)

Runner-Up (11)

2019 - US OPEN (w/Barty)  
2011 - TORONTO (w/Kirilenko), AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
(w/Kirilenko)  
2009 - FRENCH OPEN (w/Vesnina)  
2008 - AMELIA ISLAND (w/Vesnina), AUSTRALIAN  
OPEN (w/Peer)  
2007 - MOSCOW (w/Poutchek), LUXEMBOURG  
(w/Peer), SAN DIEGO (w/Chakvetadze), STANFORD  
(w/Chakvetadze)  
2006 - MEMPHIS (w/Wozniacki)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)

2024 - CHARLESTON, MIAMI  
2021 - SAN JOSE, PALERMO

Runner-Up (1)

2022 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2023 - CHARLESTON (w/Krawczyk)

Runner-Up (1)

2023 - SAN DIEGO (w/Vandeweghe)



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- Opened 2023, with QF at Adelaide 1 (L. Noskova) before reaching semifinal at Australian Open (L. Rybakina). Made 4r at Wimbledon (L. Svitolina) and 2r at US Open before earning a QF finish at Guadalajara (L. Garcia)
- Standout result in 2022 was SF in last tournament of her season, at Guadalajara (L. eventual champion Pegula). Also reached QFs at Washington DC and Adelaide, while made R16 at Australian Open and US Open
- Best result in 2021 came in final event when she finished R-Up at Indian Wells (L. Badosa on third set tie-break). Also made SFs at Doha and Bad Homburg
- One of five players to reach three or more finals in 2020, lifting one trophy at the Western & Southern Open - her first title since 2016. Finished year ranked No.13 - her best season-end ranking since 2013 (No.2)
- Advanced to her fifth career Grand Slam final at 2020 US Open, which helped her return to the Top 20 for the first time since March 2017
- Winner of the 2020 WTA Comeback Player of the Year Award, as voted on by members of the international media
- Last tournament of 2019 was the US Open, where she fell to Sabalenka in 1r; also reached the doubles final w/Barty (L. Mertens/Sabalenka)
- Highlight of 2019 was 37th singles final at Monterrey (L. Muguruza in F via ret. w/leg injury). On February 2, 2019 returned to Top 50 for first time following the birth of her child, Leo
- Made return to tennis in June 2017 following birth of first child in December 2016, reaching 2r of comeback event at Mallorca (d. Ozaki, L. Konjuh)
- Ended 2016 ranked No.13, despite missing second half of season after going on maternity leave (announced pregnancy mid-July). Lifted three titles, at Brisbane and 'Sunshine Double' of Indian Wells and Miami - third woman to achieve feat after Graf in 1994 and 1996 and Clijsters in 2005
- Posted 26-3 record for first six months of 2016 with losses coming at the Australian Open (QF, L. Kerber), Rome (2r, L. Begu) and Roland Garros (ret. vs. Knapp w/right knee injury)
- Limited to total of 23 events over 2014-15 seasons due to variety of injuries
- Posted five consecutive Top-10 finishes between 2009 and 2013, qualifying for the WTA Finals on each occasion (L. Kvitova in 2011 final in Istanbul)

- 2023 season highlighted by SF runs at both Austin (L. eventual champion Kostyuk) and San Diego (L. eventual champion Krejčíková); also qualified at reached QF at Montreal (L. Swiatek).
- Made Top-10 debut on January 31, 2022, following run to final at Australian Open (L. Barty)
- Other highlights last season were SF at San Diego (L. Vekic) and QF at Miami (L. Osaka)
- Closed out 2021 campaign with QF at Chicago [500] (L. Vondrousova), 3r at Indian Wells (L. Jabeur) and SF at Linz (L. eventual champion Riske). Posted first Top-30 year-end finish at No.29
- Extended winning streak to 12 matches with title run at San Jose (d. Kastkina in F) and then 3r showing at Montreal
- Produced impressive second half of 2022, which started with QF showing at Hamburg (L. eventual champion Ruse), SF at Budapest (L. Kalinina via ret. w/right elbow injury) and then maiden WTA title at Palermo (d. Ruse in F)
- Made QF at 2020 Roland Garros for first time upsetting No.15 Muguruza and No.35 Jabeur en route (L. eventual R-Up Kenin)
- Began 2020 with SF at Adelaide (L. eventual champion Barty) and QF at Brisbane (L. Keys) - scored third and fourth career Top 10 wins over No.5 Svitolina (Brisbane) and No.7 Bencic (Adelaide)
- Produced Grand Slam breakthrough at 2019 Australian Open, advancing to SF (L. Kvitova); had never won a major match in five previous Grand Slam appearances
- Scored first Top 5 win of her career against No.2 Kerber in R16 at 2019 Australian Open
- Rose to career-high No.23 following Melbourne run (January 28, 2019)
- Posted five Top 20 wins in 2019, over No.13 Goerges, No.19 Garcia and No.2 Kerber (all at Australian Open), No.12 Wozniacki (Rome) and No.12 Sevastova (Wimbledon)
- Season highlight in 2018 was at Miami where she became first qualifier to reach SF (L. Ostapenko), scoring first Top 10 win over No.8 V.Williams en route. Earned USD\$327,965 by reaching the last four in Miami, more than doubling her career earnings at the time
- Posted first tour-level wins during R16 run at 2018 Indian Wells (L. Suárez Navarro), including first Top 50 win over No.15 Keys in 2r
- Won first title at WTA125K event in Newport Beach in 2018 (d. Zhuk in F)

- Ascended to World No.1 after 2012 Australian Open and held top spot for a total of 51 weeks
- Began 2012 with 26-match win streak - best start since Hingis went 37-0 in 1997. Went on to win Tour-leading 69 matches in 2012, season highlighted by six titles, finishing as WTA's year-end No.1
- Belarusian Fed Cup Team, 2005, 2007, 2009-11, 2015-16, 2019; Belarusian Olympic Team, 2008, 2012
- Won two medals for Belarus at 2012 Olympics - bronze in singles and mixed doubles gold (w/Mirnyi)
- Made her Top 100 debut on July 10, 2006 (No.99) and Top 50 debut on May 14, 2007 (No.49)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2005 Kolkata
- ITF Junior World Champion for 2005 - reached first tour-level semifinal at Guangzhou the same year

- Fell 1r at WTA main draw debut at 2014 US Open (l. Halep)
- Owns four singles titles on ITF Circuit
- Part of US Billie Jean King Cup team in 2019
- Played collegiate tennis at the University of Virginia (transferred from the University of Florida after her freshman year) winning the NCAA singles title twice in 2014 and 2016

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Maxime Tchoutakian
- Mother's name is Alla; father's name is Fedor; has one brother, Max
- Introduced to tennis at age 7 by her mother. Favorite shot is her backhand; favorite surface is hardcourts
- Speaks Belarusian, English and Russian
- Enjoys music (rock, club hip-hop, R&B), seeing friends, surfing, paddle boarding, cooking, comedy and karaoke
- Has a young son named Leo
- Favorite cities are hometown of Minsk and New York City
- Admires Roger Federer for his professionalism on and off of the court

- Working part time with Ben Maxwell
- Played collegiate tennis at the University of Virginia (transferred from the University of Florida after her freshman year) winning the NCAA singles title twice in 2014 and 2016
- Parents are Walter and Cathy; older brother is Joel
- Started playing tennis at age 3; introduced to the sport by her dad (who played recreationally and used to coach her). Favorite surface is hard
- Enjoys going to the beach, fishing and running.