



MATCH NOTES

Miami Open presented by Itaú
MIAMI, FL, UNITED STATES

MAR 19 – MAR 31, 2024 | WTA 1000 | \$8,770,480



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CLOSER LOOK AT THE SEMIFINALISTS

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$^	YTD W/L*	YTD TITLES	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER W/L*	CAREER TITLES
[4] Elena Rybakina	4	24	\$886,535	21-3	2	\$12,740,930	190-83	7
[14] Ekaterina Alexandrova	16	29	\$373,727	12-7	0	\$5,985,028	169-131	4
[27] Victoria Azarenka	32	34	\$462,635	14-5	0	\$37,113,354	555-229	21
Danielle Collins	53	30	\$290,403	14-7	0	\$6,992,276	134-95	2

*entering SF / ^Does not include current tournament

WTA 1000 TOURNAMENT HISTORY

PLAYER	R128	R64	R32	R16	QF	SF	R-UP	WON	TOTAL*
[4] Elena Rybakina	-	5	6	7	4	2	2	2	29*
[14] Ekaterina Alexandrova	1	15	7	6	1	1	-	-	32*
[27] Victoria Azarenka	-	12	28	15	13	8	5	10	92*
Danielle Collins	2	11	11	4	3	1	-	-	33*

* Includes 2024 Miami

- Already the Tour-leader in match wins at the WTA 1000 level, Azarenka is seeking her 200th career win at the WTA 1000 level today.
- This is only the seventh occasion with only one player in Top 10 player in among the Miami semifinalists (also 2022, 2018, 2017, 2010, 2007, 1994).
- Twice in tournament history has the Miami final featured no Top 10 ranked players (1998, 2016)
- Azarenka is making her 24th semifinal appearance at the WTA 1000 level, third most since the level was introduced in 2009. Rybakina is making her 7th WTA 1000 semifinal, while Alexandrova and Collins are both making their second WTA 1000 semifinal

PLAYERS	WTA 1000 SF APPEARANCES	PLAYERS	WTA 1000 FINAL APPEARANCES
HALEP, SIMONA ROU	29	WILLIAMS, SERENA USA	18
WILLIAMS, SERENA USA	26	HALEP, SIMONA ROU	18
>>AZARENKA, VICTORIA<<	24	SHARAPOVA, MARIA RUS	16
RADWANSKA, AGNIESZKA POL	23	AZARENKA, VICTORIA	15
SHARAPOVA, MARIA RUS	22	KVITOVA, PETRA CZE	13

- Rybakina is through to her Tour-leading fourth SF of 2024
- For the second consecutive year, the Miami semifinal includes two 30+ year olds



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- At 34 years old, Azarenka is the second oldest semifinalist in tournament history and is bidding to become the oldest finalist in Miami tournament history
- This is the fourth edition of Miami to feature two players 30+ years old – 1987 (Evert, Navratilova), 2014 (S.Williams, Li), 2023 (Kvitova, Cirstea) and 2024:

MIAMI SEMIFINALISTS AT 30+ YEARS OLD

YEAR	NAME	ROUND	AGE	DAYS
1985	EVERT, CHRIS USA	R-UP	30	59
1986	EVERT, CHRIS USA	WON	31	64
1987	EVERT, CHRIS USA	R-UP	32	77
1987	NAVRATILOVA, MARTINA USA	SF	30	141
1988	EVERT, CHRIS USA	R-UP	33	96
1989	EVERT, CHRIS USA	R-UP	34	102
2013	WILLIAMS, SERENA USA	WON	31	186
2014	LI, NA CHN	R-UP	32	31
2014	WILLIAMS, SERENA USA	WON	32	184
2015	WILLIAMS, SERENA USA	WON	33	191
2016	KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA RUS	R-UP	30	280
2017	WILLIAMS, VENUS USA	SF	36	289
2023	CIRSTEA, SORANA ROU	SF	32	360
2023	KVITOVA, PETRA CZE	WON	33	25
2024	AZARENKA, VICTORIA	??	34	243
2024	COLLINS, DANIELLE USA	??	30	108

- With a win, Collins would be the second lowest ranked Miami finalist behind only Osaka (No.77 in 2022)

LOWEST RANKED MIAMI SEMIFINALISTS

PLAYER	YEAR	RESULT	RANK
AZARENKA, VICTORIA	2018	SF	186
HABSUDOVA, KARINA SVK	1996	SF	98
COLLINS, DANIELLE USA	2018	SF	93
OSAKA, NAOMI JPN	2022	R-UP	77
CIRSTEA, SORANA ROU	2023	SF	74
COLLINS, DANIELLE USA	2024	??	53
CLIJSTERS, KIM BEL	2005	WON	38



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[14] Ekaterina Alexandrova (#16) vs. Danielle Collins (USA #53)

First meeting

Both players are bidding to reach their debut WTA 1000 singles final... Reaching the Miami Open title match would be the biggest final of Alexandrova's career... Collins has never reached a WTA 1000 final before but does own a R-Up finish at the 2022 Australian Open (I. Barty)... Collins would be the second-lowest Miami Open finalist after No.77 Osaka in 2022... Alexandrova has enjoyed a giant-killing fortnight, defeating the World No.1 Swiatek in addition to No.5 Jessica Pegula... Collins bidding to be first American Miami Open champion since Sloane Stephens in 2018... Alexandrova lost her one and only previous WTA 1000 SF at Madrid in 2022 (I. Jabeur)... Collins is bidding to become the third unseeded Miami finalists along with Kim Clijsters (2005, Won) and Naomi Osaka (2022, R-Up)... Alexandrova will reach a career-high ranking after Miami – No.15 (SF), No.13 (R-Up) or No.11 (Title)... Collins is projected to move to No.33 (SF), No.28 (R-Up) or No.22 / 23 (Title)

Miami is the 130th staging of a WTA 1000 tournament; Collins (30 years, 108 days) and Alexandrova (29 years, 136 days) will be among the oldest first-time finalists at the WTA 1000 level since it was introduced in 2009:

OLDEST FIRST-TIME WTA 1000 FINALISTS

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT	YRS	DAYS
PENNETTA, FLAVIA ITA	2014 INDIAN WELLS	32	19
VESNINA, ELENA	2017 INDIAN WELLS	30	230
PETROVA, NADIA	2012 TOKYO	30	113
LI, NA CHN	2012 ROME	30	83
GIORGI, CAMILA ITA	2021 MONTREAL	29	229
RISKE-AMRITRAJ, ALISON USA	2019 WUHAN	29	87

[4] E. Rybakina (KAZ #4) vs. [27] V. Azarenka (#32)

Rybakina leads 3-0

Rybakina holds all wins against Azarenka in their three previous encounters, most recently at Dubai in 2024... Finishing with 35 winners against Sakkari, Rybakina has hit 353 winners at WTA 1000 events in 2024, the most of any player so far this season... Rybakina is set to play her seventh WTA 1000 semifinal, all have come since the start of the 2023 season including Indian Wells, Miami, Rome, Montreal, Beijing in 2023, and Doha, Miami in 2024, with only Swiatek (9) reaching more in the same period... With 10 aces against Sakkari, Rybakina (83) became the second player to hit 75+ aces at WTA 1000 events this season, along with Pliskova (91), and followed by Osaka (70), Cirstea (51) and Gauff (51)... Rybakina will hold the No.4 ranking after Miami

Azarenka is making her fifth semifinal appearance at Miami Open, making it the WTA 1000 event where she has made the most semifinal appearances, eclipsing Indian Wells where she has made four SF appearances... Only Graf (11), S.Williams (10), V.Williams (8), Sharapova (6) have made more semifinal appearances in Miami than Azarenka; Evert, Sabatini, Seles and Hingis also have reached the SF in Miami five times... Since the format introduction in 2009, Azarenka is the fourth player to make the semifinals of a WTA 1000 event after turning 34, following the Williams sisters and Svetlana Kuznetsova... Only Halep (29) and S.Williams (26) have made more WTA 1000 semifinals than Azarenka (24) since the format introduction... At Miami, Azarenka is the third player to make the semifinals after turning 34, following Evert in 1989 and V.Williams in 2017... Azarenka holds 43 wins at Miami Open, she is the fifth player to hold most wins at the tournament after S.Williams (76), V.Williams (67), Graf (59) and Sabatini (45)... Azarenka will climb to No.25 (SF), No.21 (R-Up) or No.16 (title)



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16 EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA (14)

DANIELLE COLLINS **53**
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1994-11-15	Date of Birth	1993-12-13
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	St. Petersburg, FL, USA
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed
5' 9" (1.75m)	Height	5' 10" (1.78m)
16	Career-High Ranking	7
\$5,985,028	Career Prize Money	\$6,992,276
\$373,727	Season Prize Money	\$290,403
0 / 4	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 2
28-28 (Round of 16: 2023 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	35-25 (Runner-Up: 2022 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
4-0 / 9-4 (Semi-Finalist: 2024)	YTD / Career MIAMI W-L (best)	5-0 / 16-5 (Semi-Finalist: 2024, 2018)
12-7 / 169-131	YTD / Career W-L	14-7 / 134-95
12-7 / 110-83	YTD / Career Hard W-L	14-7 / 102-68
5-1 / 51-46	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	4-3 / 40-39
5-3 / 40-48	YTD / Career TB W-L	3-1 / 31-22
4-3 / 28-45	YTD / Career TOP 20 W-L	1-3 / 26-41
Runner-Up: LINZ	YTD Best Result	Semi-Finalist: MIAMI



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
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First career meeting

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
16	-	2024	46	-
16	21	2023	11	55
19	19	2022	7	14
30	33	2021	25	29
25	33	2020	25	45
35	35	2019	23	31
73	93	2018	35	36
69	73	2017	153	167
132	133	2016	299	299
228	269	2015	903	-



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. D. VEKIC (#34) 6-3 6-4 (1h 23m)
3r: d. A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#22) 6-4 3-6 6-3 (2h 5m)
4r: d. I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-4 6-2 (1h 24m)
QF: d. J. PEGULA (#5) 3-6 6-4 6-4 (1h 58m)

Total time on court: 6h 50m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 5th appearance at Miami, and has posted best result here with run to SF in 2024, improving on QF run in 2023 (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Overall this is her 32nd WTA 1000 tournament and is through to second WTA 1000 SF, after 2022 Madrid (l. eventual champion Jabeur)
- Has beaten Donna Vekic, No.21 seed Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, WTA World No.1 Iga Swiatek and No.5 Jessica Pegula so far this event to reach her third SF of the season (also Linz final and Adelaide SF)
- Defeat of No.1 Swiatek was first time defeating the reigning World No.1, having previously been 0-4
- Defeats of No.1 Swiatek and No.5 Pegula were 5th and 6th wins over Top 5 players (now 6-17 record) and marked back-to-back Top 5 wins for the first time in her career
- With three Top 5 wins she now has the most WTA top five wins of any player in 2024, and is one of three players to have multiple such victories so far this year along with Anna Blinkova and Anna Kalinskaya (two each). Alexandrova had three top-five wins for her career prior to 2024
- Faces No.53 Danielle Collins in SF today for the first time in career, and owns a 20-15 career record vs. USA players
- Record in WTA SF matches stands at 8-11. Bidding to reach her ninth WTA singles final today, and owns a 4-4 record in title matches
- Is a 2 time hard court champion, at Seoul in 2022 and Shenzhen in 2020. Other two titles both came at 's-Hertogenbosch in 2022 and 2023
- Is currently ranked No.16; this time last year was ranked No.18
- Is currently on a 4-match winning streak; longest winning streak of her career was 9 matches in 2022

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. B. PERA (#81) 3-6 6-1 6-1 (1h 46m)
2r: d. A. POTAPOVA (#29) 6-2 6-2 (1h 2m)
3r: d. E. AVANESYAN (#65) 6-1 6-2 (1h 11m)
4r: d. S. CIRSTEANU (#24) 6-3 6-2 (1h 29m)
QF: d. C. GARCIA (#27) 6-3 6-2 (1h 20m)

Total time on court: 6h 48m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making sixth main draw appearance at Miami, and is back in the SF for the first time since 2018 (as a qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Ostapenko)
- Also owns a further QF appearance here in 2022 (l. Osaka)
- Bidding today to make debut WTA 1000 final in what is her 33rd main draw appearance at this level
- Ranked No.53, would become the second-lowest ranked player after Naomi Osaka (No.77) in 2022 to reach the women's singles final at the Miami Open
- Has beaten Bernarda Pera, Anastasia Potapova, Elina Avanesyan, Sorana Cirstea and Caroline Garcia this fortnight to reach her first SF of the season, and first SF overall since 2023 San Diego
- Defeat of Garcia in SF improves career record vs. French players to impressive 8-1 winning her last six match-ups; sole loss came to Kristina Mladenovic at 2019 Beijing
- Faces No.16 Ekaterina Alexandrova in SF today; owns 25 wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently defeating No.18 Veronika Kudermetova at DOHA 2024
- Owns 31-52 career record against SEEDS, with a record in 2024 standing at 4-6
- Record in WTA SF matches stands at 3-10
- Owns one hard court title, at SAN JOSE in 2021. In other two finals won 2021 Palermo and was R-Up at 2022 Australian Open
- Only player from United States of America to reach SF
- Bidding to be first American woman to win Miami since Sloane Stephens in 2018
- Is currently ranked No.53; this time last year was ranked No.30
- Is currently on a 5-match winning streak; longest winning streak of her career was 13 matches in 2021

- Has won 11 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.16 on tour for match wins

- Has won 14 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.8 on tour for match wins



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 18	Seed: 18
QF	L	P. KVITOVA (#12) 6-4 3-6 6-3	
4r	W	B. ANDREESCU (#31) 7-6(0) 0-2	
3r	W	B. BENCIC (#9) 7-6(8) 6-3	
2r	W	T. TOWNSEND (#123) 6-3 5-7 6-4	
2022	Result	Rank: 54	Seed: -
2r	L	V. AZARENKA (#16) 6-4 2-6 7-6(5)	
1r	W	J. PAOLINI (#45) 6-1 6-2	
2021	Result	Rank: 34	Seed: 30
3r	L	E. SVITOLINA (#5) 7-6(1) 6-4	
2r	W	N. PODOROSKA (#48) 6-0 6-4	
2019	Result	Rank: 57	Seed: -
1r	L	D. YASTREMSKA (#37) 6-3 6-2	

2023	Result	Rank: 30	Seed: 30
3r	L	J. PEGULA (#3) 6-1 7-6(0)	
2r	W	V. TOMOVA (#96) 7-6(3) 6-2	
2022	Result	Rank: 11	Seed: 9
QF	L	N. OSAKA (#77) 6-2 6-1	
4r	W	O. JABEUR (#10) 6-2 6-4	
3r	W	V. ZVONAREVA (#117) 6-1 6-4	
2r	W	A. BONDAR (#76) 6-3 3-6 6-4	
2021	Result	Rank: 40	Seed: -
2r	L	V. KUDERMETOVA (#37) 6-3 6-2	
1r	W	K. MLADENOVIC (#56) 6-3 6-3	
2019	Result	Rank: 26	Seed: 25
3r	L	Y. WANG (#50) 7-5 6-1	
2r	W	W. OSUIGWE (#205) 7-6(5) 6-0	
2018	Result	Rank: 93	Seed: -
SF	L	J. OSTAPENKO (#5) 7-6(1) 6-3	
QF	W	V. WILLIAMS (#8) 6-2 6-3	
4r	W	M. PUIG (#82) 3-6 6-4 6-2	
3r	W	D. VEKIC (#55) 4-6 6-2 6-1	
2r	W	C. VANDEWEGHE (#16) 6-3 1-6 6-1	
1r	W	I. BEGU (#37) 6-1 6-1	



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SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Played 2r at WTA 1000 Indian Wells (l. Putintseva)
- Fell in opening round at Dubai (l. Frech)
- Contested R16 at Doha (l. Swiatek)
- Finished Runner-Up at Linz (l. Ostapenko)
- Fell in opening round at Australian Open (l. Siegemund)
- Reached SF at Adelaide (l. eventual champion, Ostapenko)
- Opened her season with 1r fall at Brisbane (l. Riera)

- Contested 2r at WTA1000 Indian Wells (l. Swiatek)
- Retired during QF against Wang Xiyu at Austin with low back injury
- Made QF at Doha (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Contested R16 at Abu Dhabi (l. Rybakina)
- Played 2r at Australian Open (l. Swiatek)
- Made 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
104	6	Aces	74	15
61.8%	69	First serve %	57.4%	92
71.2%	10	First Serve points won %	67.6%	27
40.1%	97	Second serve points won %	46.4%	38
59.3%	23	Overall service points won %	58.6%	35
71.9%	23	Service games won %	70.3%	29
59.3%	33	Break points saved %	58.2%	41
36.5%	46	First serve return points won %	38.1%	29
52.2%	85	Second serve return points won %	61.7%	2
43.3%	62	Break points converted %	51.4%	12
30.8%	66	Return games won %	41.7%	16
42.1%	64	Return points won %	46.1%	19

Best win by ranking: No.1 vs Swiatek in MIAMI 4r
 Longest match: 3h 1m vs Siegemund in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 1r
 Shortest match: 1h 4m vs Niemeier in LINZ 2r
 Match points saved:
 Most aces in a match: 9 vs Pavlyuchenkova in MIAMI 3r

Best win by ranking: No.18 vs Kudermetova in DOHA 1r
 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 (4)
2023 - S'HERTOGENBOSCH
2022 - SEOUL, S'HERTOGENBOSCH
2020 - SHENZHEN
Runner-Up (4)
2024 - LINZ
2023 - CLEVELAND
2021 - MOSCOW
2018 - LINZ

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)
2019 - BUDAPEST (w/Zvonareva)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)
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)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r				2024	2r			
3r	3r	4r	3r	2023	3r	1r	2r	2r
1r	2r		2r	2022	RUP	2r	1r	4r
3r	2r	2r	2r	2021	2r	3r	2r	3r
3r	3r		2r	2020	2r	QF		1r
1r	3r	1r	2r	2019	SF	2r	3r	2r
2r	1r	1r	1r	2018		1r	1r	1r
1r	2r	1r	2r	2017				
		2r		2016				1r
				2015				
				2014				1r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2023, won fourth career singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch, successfully defending the title and defeating top seed, Kudermetova in the final. A run of successful results followed with SF at Berlin (l. eventual champion, Kvitova), 4r at Wimbledon (l. Sabalenka) - a career best result at any of the majors and runner-up at Cleveland (l. Sorribes Tormo).
- Reached a 2023 peak ranking of No. 16 on February 20, 2023 following a 3r finish at Australian Open (l. Linette), before posting two QF results at Miami (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Charleston (l. Bencic). Another QF then came in the Asian Swing at Tokyo (l. Pavlyuchenkova).
- In 2022, won titles at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Sabalenka in F) and Seoul (d. Ostapenko in F). Also advanced to SF at Charleston, Madrid and Ostrava, making Top-20 debut on October 10, 2022
- Reached third WTA singles final in 2021, enjoying run to final at home tournament of Moscow (l. Kontaveit). Other key result was SF run at Gippsland Trophy (l. Kanepi)
- Posted two best wins-by-ranking of career in 2021, defeating No.2 Halep (Gippsland Trophy) and No.2 Sabalenka (Moscow)
- Reached 2r on Olympic debut at Tokyo 2020
- Opened 2020 season by lifting her maiden WTA singles title, at Shenzhen (d. Rybakina in F)
- Won both singles rubbers on Billie Jean King Cup debut in 3-2 win over Romania in February 2020
- Made Top-50 debut on June 17, 2019 after QF run at 's-Hertogenbosch
- Registered 30 Tour-level match wins during 2019, in which she reached SF at Budapest, Seoul and Linz and made QF at St. Petersburg, 's-Hertogenbosch, Eastbourne and Moscow. Also advanced to 3r at a major for the first time, at Roland Garros
- Won sole WTA doubles title at 2019 Budapest (w/Zvonareva)
- Came through qualifying to make maiden WTA final appearance at 2018 Linz (l. Giorgi)
- Advanced to first WTA QF at 2018 Seoul, scoring maiden Top 10 win of her career en route, over No.10 Ostapenko
- Made Top-100 debut at No.93 on March 20, 2017 after winning title at \$60K ITF/Shenzhen-CHN
- At 2016 Wimbledon, ranked No.223, won her way through qualifying on her maiden Slam
- 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)

- appearance, going on to reach 2r (upset No.23 seed Ivanovic in 1r)
- Won WTA 125K Series title at Limoges in 2016, 2018-19
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2016 Katowice (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Giorgi)
- Contested qualifying for the first time at a WTA-level tournament at 2014 Bad Gastein
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Europe in 2011

- 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 her father, Evgeny. Was previously coached by Vojta Flegl
- Mother is Julia, also has sister, Anna, and brother Jury. Began playing tennis at age 6
- Favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is hard
- Speaks Russian, English and Czech
- Likes to cook, especially making cakes
- Admires Serena Williams

- Coached by Jared Jacobs; 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.



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VICTORIA AZARENKA (27) **32**

1999-06-17	Date of Birth	1989-07-31
	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
6' 0" (1.84m)	Height	6' 0" (1.83m)
3	Career-High Ranking	1
\$12,740,930	Career Prize Money	\$37,113,354
\$886,535	Season Prize Money	\$462,635
2 / 7	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 21
38-16 (Champion: 2022 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	160-60 (Champion: 2013 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2012 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
4-0 / 11-3 (Runner-Up: 2023)	YTD / Career MIAMI W-L (best)	4-0 / 43-11 (Champion: 2016, 2011, 2009)
21-3 / 190-83	YTD / Career W-L	14-5 / 555-229
21-3 / 130-58	YTD / Career Hard W-L	14-5 / 389-143
8-1 / 53-40	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	6-2 / 115-94
2-5 / 51-43	YTD / Career TB W-L	3-1 / 89-60
1-1 / 10-12	YTD / Career TOP 5 W-L	0-3 / 33-51
Champion: ABU DHABI, BRISBANE	YTD Best Result	Semi-Finalist: BRISBANE, MIAMI



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	DUBAI	HARD	2r	Elena Rybakina	4-6 6-2	1h 18m
2023	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	SF	Elena Rybakina	7-6(4) 6-3	1h 41m
2022	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	3r	Elena Rybakina	6-3 6-4	1h 34m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
3	-	2024	22	-
3	4	2023	14	22
12	22	2022	15	27
14	14	2021	13	27
17	19	2020	13	13
37	37	2019	38	50
182	191	2018	51	51
420	425	2017	13	208
612	616	2016	5	13
-	-	2015	19	22



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. C. TAUSON (#92) 3-6 7-5 6-4 (2h 27m)
3r: d. T. TOWNSEND (#72) 6-3 6-7 6-4 (2h 24m)
4r: d. M. KEYS (#18) 6-3 7-5 (1h 24m)
QF: d. M. SAKKARI (#9) 7-5 6-7 6-4 (2h 48m)

Total time on court: 9h 3m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making fourth appearance at Miami, where her most recent and career-best result was reaching last year's final (l. Kvitova)
- After a 1r bye, beat qualifiers Clara Tauson, Taylor Townsend (both in 3 sets), and then seeds No.17 Madison Keys and No. 8 Maria Sakkari to reach her second consecutive SF at Miami
- Finishing with 35 winners against Maria Sakkari, Elena Rybakina has hit 353 winners at WTA-1000 events in 2024, the most of any player for the year so far; Swiatek (313) is the next best, then Pliskova (278), Pavlyuchenkova and Collins (261 each)
- Faces No.32 Victoria Azarenka in SF today, against whom she holds a 3-0 win record with the most recent meeting being at Dubai in 2024
- Owns 47-41 career record against seeds, with a record in 2024 standing at 8-1, only loss came in against No.1 Swiatek at Doha
- Career record in WTA SF matches stands at 17-8; while seasons' record stands at 3-0 (Brisbane, Abu Dhabi and Doha)
- Is set to play her seventh WTA 1000 SF - Indian Wells, Miami, Rome, Montreal, Beijing all in 2023, and Doha, Miami in 2024; Only Swiatek has reached more SF's (9)
- Four of her seven career titles have come on hard court (2020 Hobart, 2023 Indian Wells, 2024 Brisbane and 2024 Abu Dhabi)
- Is a two-time champion at WTA 1000 events (2023 Indian Wells and 2023 Rome)
- Is currently ranked No.4; this time last year was ranked No.7; reached her career-high No.3 ranking in June 12, 2023

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. P. STEARNS (#67) 7-5 3-6 6-4 (2h 46m)
3r: d. Q. ZHENG (#7) 6-4 7-5 (1h 57m)
4r: d. K. BOULTER (#30) 7-5 6-1 (1h 46m)
QF: d. Y. PUTINTSEVA (#68) 7-6 1-6 6-3 (2h 55m)

Total time on court: 9h 24m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 15th appearance at Miami, lifting the title on three occasions; in 2016 (d. Kuznetsova), 2011 (d. Sharapova) and 2009 (d. S.Williams)
- After 1r bye, has beaten Peyton Stearns, Zheng Qinwen, Katie Boulter and Yulia Putintseva so far this week to reach her fifth, and her first since 2018 (l. Stephens), SF at Miami
- Hold 43 wins at the Miami Open, she is the player with the fifth most wins at this tournament after S.Williams (76), V.Williams (67), Steffi Graf (59) and Gabriela Sabatini (45)
- Faces No.4 Elena Rybakina in SF today, against whom she has faced three losses in their three encounters
- Since the format was introduced in 2009, she is the fourth player to make the SF of a WTA 1000 event after turning 34 after the Williams sisters and Svetlana Kuznetsova, and only the third to do so at Miami after Evert in 1989 and V.Williams in 2017
- Owns 77 wins in career over Top 10 players
- Owns 8-4 career record against players from Kazakhstan
- Owns 181-135 career record against seeds, with a record in 2024 standing at 5-3
- Record in WTA SF matches stands at 40-22; has fallen at this stage in her three most recent appearances (l. Pegula at Guadalajara in 2022; Rybakina at Australian Open in 2023 and Sabalenka at Brisbane in 2024)
- Only Halep (29) and S.Williams (26) have made more WTA-1000 semi-finals than Azarenka (24) since format introduction
- 20 of her 21 career titles have come one hard court, most recently Cincinnati in 2020
- The former World No.1 is currently ranked No.32; this time last year was ranked No.16



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 10
F	L	P. KVITOVA (#12)	7-6(14) 6-2
SF	W	J. PEGULA (#3)	7-6(3) 6-4
QF	W	M. TREVISAN (#24)	6-3 6-0
4r	W	E. MERTENS (#39)	6-4 6-3
3r	W	P. BADOSA (#29)	3-6 7-5 6-3
2r	W	A. KALINSKAYA (#64)	7-5 4-6 6-3

2022	Result	Rank: 18	Seed: 17
3r	L	J. PEGULA (#21)	6-3 6-4
2r	W	E. RUSE (#57)	6-4 7-5

2021	Result	Rank: 23	Seed: 21
3r	L	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#58)	6-1 3-6 6-2
2r	W	K. KANEPI (#64)	6-4 6-0

2023	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: 14
3r	L	M. LINETTE (#19)	7-6(3) 2-6 6-4
2r	W	C. GIORGI (#44)	6-3 6-1

2022	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: 12
3r	L	L. FRUHVIRTOVA (#279)	6-2 3-0
2r	W	E. ALEXandroVA (#54)	6-4 2-6 7-6(5)

2021	Result	Rank: 15	Seed: 14
4r	L	A. BARTY (#1)	6-1 1-6 6-2
3r	W	A. KERBER (#26)	7-5 6-2

2019	Result	Rank: 46	Seed: -
2r	L	C. GARCIA (#21)	6-3 6-4
1r	W	D. CIBULKOVA (#35)	6-2 3-6 6-4

2018	Result	Rank: 186	Seed: -
SF	L	S. STEPHENS (#12)	3-6 6-2 6-1
QF	W	K. PLISKOVA (#6)	7-5 6-3
4r	W	A. RADWANSKA (#32)	6-2 6-2
3r	W	A. SEVASTOVA (#17)	3-6 6-4 6-1
2r	W	M. KEYS (#15)	7-6(5) 2-0
1r	W	C. BELLIS (#44)	6-3 6-0



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SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Contested QF at Dubai (l. Paolini)
- Finished Runner-Up at Doha after falling against No.1 seed I. Swiatek
- Won her second title of the 2024 season and her seventh title overall at Abu Dhabi after defeating D. Kasatkina in straight sets
- Played 2r at Australian Open (l. Blinkova)
- Made QF at Adelaide (l. Alexandrova)
- Won her first title of the 2024 season and her sixth title overall at Brisbane after defeating No.1 seed Aryna Sabalenka in the final

- After a first round bye, fell against C. Dolehide in 2r at WTA1000 Indian Wells
- Played 2r at Dubai (l. Rybakina)
- Contested QF at Doha (l. Swiatek)
- Made R16 at Australian Open (l. Yastremska)
- Reached her first SF of the 2024 season at Brisbane (l. Sabalenka)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
165	1	Aces	71	16
63.9%	53	First serve %	65.0%	43
72.7%	6	First Serve points won %	68.3%	25
49.3%	14	Second serve points won %	44.0%	66
64.3%	2	Overall service points won %	59.8%	19
81.7%	3	Service games won %	73.0%	19
61.9%	19	Break points saved %	62.6%	14
37.8%	32	First serve return points won %	37.2%	40
58.4%	17	Second serve return points won %	58.9%	13
44.7%	50	Break points converted %	43.9%	56
38.1%	25	Return games won %	36.4%	33
44.8%	25	Return points won %	44.9%	24

Best win by ranking: No.2 vs Sabalenka in BRISBANE F
 Longest match: 2h 48m vs Sakkari in MIAMI QF
 Shortest match: 32m vs Potapova in BRISBANE QF
 Match points saved:
 Most aces in a match: 16 vs Townsend in MIAMI 3r

Best win by ranking: No.7 vs Zheng in MIAMI 3r
 Longest match: 2h 55m vs Putintseva in MIAMI QF
 Shortest match: 1h 14m vs Swiatek in DOHA QF
 Match points saved:
 Most aces in a match: 16 vs Ostapenko in BRISBANE QF



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2024 - ABU DHABI, BRISBANE
2023 - ROME, INDIAN WELLS
2022 - WIMBLEDON
2020 - HOBART
2019 - BUCHAREST

Runner-Up (10)

2024 - DOHA
2023 - MIAMI, AUSTRALIAN OPEN
2022 - PORTOROZ, ADELAIDE 500
2020 - STRASBOURG, DUBAI, ST. PETERSBURG,
SHENZHEN
2019 - NANCHANG

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

2023 - ADELAIDE #2 (w/Pavlyuchenkova)
2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Kudermetova)

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)



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r				2024	4r			
RUP	3r	QF	3r	2023	SF	1r	4r	2r
2r	3r	WON	1r	2022	4r	3r		4r
2r	QF	4r	3r	2021	1r	4r	2r	3r
3r	2r		2r	2020		2r		RUP
	1r		1r	2019	1r	2r	3r	1r
				2018		1r	2r	3r
				2017			4r	
				2016	QF	1r		
				2015	4r	3r	QF	QF
				2014	QF		2r	QF
				2013	WON	SF	2r	RUP
				2012	WON	4r	SF	RUP
				2011	4r	QF	SF	3r
				2010	QF	1r	3r	2r
				2009	4r	QF	QF	3r
				2008	3r	4r	3r	3r
				2007	3r	1r	3r	4r
				2006	1r	1r	1r	3r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Reached second Grand Slam final at 2023 Australian Open (l. Sabalenka in 3s); made Top-10 debut following tournament (January 30, 2023). Also in 2023 won first two WTA 1000 title at Indian Wells and Rome and finished R-Up at Miami. Qualified for first WTA Finals, going 1-2 in Group Stage.
- Lifted maiden major at 2022 Wimbledon (d. Jabeur in F)
- In 2022 also finished R-Up at Adelaide (l. Barty) and Portoroz (l. Siniakova)
- Best result of 2021 were SFs at Eastbourne, Olympics and Chicago [500], and QFs at Abu Dhabi, Roland Garros, San Jose and Ostrava
- Opened 2020 season by reaching the championship match at four of her first five tournaments, including a title run at Hobart (d. Zhang in F)
- Made first final appearance at a Premier-level tournament with R-Up finish at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens); was rewarded with Top 20 debut at No.19 following run in Russia (February 17, 2020)
- First win over a Top-5 ranked opponent came over No.3 Ka.Pliskova during R-Up finish at 2020 Dubai
- Won back-to-back Slam matches for the first time during 3r showing at 2020 Australian Open (l. Barty)
- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2019 Bucharest (d. Tig in F), breaking into Top 100 for the first time in the following week's rankings at No.65 (July 22, 2019)
- Also in 2019, went on to make Top 50 debut on September 16, 2019, after reaching second career final at Nanchang (l. Peterson), produced SF appearances at Luxembourg and 's-Hertogenbosch, and made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2019 Roland Garros, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Siniakova)
- Finished 2019 campaign with 57-21 win-loss record (across all levels) to end season at No.37, up from 2018's final ranking of No.191. On the ITF Circuit in 2019, lifted silverware on three occasions: back-to-back at \$25k Moscow-RUS and \$25k Kazan-RUS, and at \$60k ITF/Launceston-AUS
- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching title at \$15k ITF/Kazan-RUS
- First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)
- 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)

- Professional debut came at \$10k ITF/Antalya-TUR in 2014

- 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

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Stefano Vukov
- Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina's former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
- Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
- Started playing tennis aged five and favorite surface is hard

- 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