



# MATCH NOTES

Mutua Madrid Open  
MADRID, SPAIN

APRIL 22 – MAY 4, 2025 | WTA 1000 | \$7,854,000

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**WTA TOUR**

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## MATCH NOTES – DAY 6 – SUNDAY, APRIL 27

### [1] Aryna Sabalenka (#1) vs. Elise Mertens (BEL #26)

**Sabalenka leads 9-2**

#### ***Sabalenka:***

- Owns more wins over Mertens (9) than any other opponent; has won last 8 meetings vs Mertens
- Two-time Madrid champion (2021 & 2023), also reached the final in 2024 (l. Swiatek)
- Since start of the 2020 season, only Iga Swiatek (84) has claimed more match wins on clay than Sabalenka (60)
- Has won 26 matches so far in 2025, only Pegula has more (27)
- Making 56th appearance at a WTA 1000 event; has won 8 titles at WTA 1000s
- Five of her six doubles titles came with Mertens
- Sabalenka (72.0%, 121-47) only trails Iga Swiatek (81.5%) and Mirra Andrejeva (74.3%) among active players with the best win percentage at WTA 1000 (min of 10 matches)
- Bidding for 8th straight win at WTA 1000 level (would equal her career-best at the WTA 1000 level)
- Since the introduction of Madrid in 2009, the WTA World No.1 has not been eliminated prior to the R16 at the tournament

#### ***Mertens:***

- Mertens only wins over Sabalenka came in 2018 – at Lugano (F) and at Montreal (R16)
- Making 59th appearance at WTA 1000; best WTA 1000 result has been semifinals at 2020 Cincinnati (NYC) and 2021 Dubai
- Facing a PIF WTA World No.1 for fifth time in career (previously 0-4 – all four matches on clay); yet to take a set vs. a reigning World No.1
- Has lost her last 13 matches vs. Top 10 ranked opponents
- Making 6th appearance at Madrid, where her previous best result was QF run in 2021 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka), which is also Belgium's best result at Madrid

### [10] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #11) vs. [17] Elina Svitolina (UKR #17)

**Rybakina leads 3-2**

#### ***Rybakina:***

- Making her 5th appearance at Madrid, previously making semifinal in 2024 (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)
- Owns three clay court titles: Stuttgart in 2024, Rome in 2023 and Bucharest in 2019
- Making 36th WTA 1000 appearance having won two titles – 2023 Indian Wells and 2023 Rome

#### ***Svitolina:***

- Making 82nd appearance at a WTA 1000 event; has won four WTA 1000 titles, including two on clay – both at Rome (2017, 2018)
- Making 10th appearance at Madrid; seeking first R16 appearance at the tournament; previous best result in Madrid has been R32 (2015, 2016, 2018)



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## Maria Sakkari (GRE #82) vs. [6] Jasmine Paolini (ITA #6)

**Tied 1-1**

### ***Sakkari:***

- Won only previous meeting on clay – 2021 Roland Garros (R64)
- Lost her last eight matches against opponents ranked in the WTA Top 10, with her last victory coming against Coco Gauff in Indian Wells (SF) last year
- Owns 5-6 record against Top 10 opponents on clay; last win coming at 2021 Roland Garros (QF, d. Swiatek)
- Contesting her 54th WTA 1000 main draw of career; she has won 1 WTA 1000 title (2023 Guadalajara) and reached 3 other WTA 1000 finals

### ***Paolini:***

- Making 4th appearance at Madrid, where her previous and best result was reaching 4r in 2024 (l. M.Andreeva)
- 1 of 3 players to reach R16 at each of the previous four WTA 1000 events in 2025 (along with Swiatek, Pegula)
- Best result by an Italian player at Madrid was semifinal by Sara Errani in 2013
- Is 26-2 at WTA 1000 events after claiming the first set (in complete matches)
- Is 11-1 in 2025 against opponents ranked outside Top 50

## [3] Jessica Pegula (USA #3) vs. Moyuka Uchijima (JPN #56)

**First meeting**

### ***Pegula:***

- Making fourth main draw appearance at Madrid, where her best result was reaching the final in 2022 (l. Jabeur)
- Recently achieved her first clay court title at Charleston (d. Kenin)
- Leads the Tour in 2025 for match wins with 27
- Along with Gauff, has a chance to move to No.2 after the tournament, depending on Swiatek's results
- With 10 wins in Madrid, among Americans only Serena Williams (20) and Sloane Stephens (13) have won more here
- Record against opponents outside Top 50 stands at 13-1 in 2025, with the only loss coming against No.55 Danilovic at Australian Open

### ***Uchijima:***

- Seeking first career Top 10 win (previously 0-6)
- Could become the first Japanese woman to win a match against a Top 10 opponent at Madrid
- With a win, would become the third Japanese woman to reach the R16 at Madrid along with Misaki Doi and Naomi Osaka
- Owns 1-18 career record against seeded opponents



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**[21] Ekaterina Alexandrova (#22) vs. [14] Daria Kasatkina (AUS #14)**

**Kasatkina leads 3-2**

## ***Alexandrova:***

- Making 5th main-draw appearance at Madrid; her career-best tournament result was making the 2022 SF as a qualifier (l. eventual champion Jabeur)
- Has already won 7 clay-court matches this year after going 1-7 on the surface last year (her only 2024 clay-court win was over Bucsa in Strasbourg 1r)
- Contesting her 42nd career WTA 1000 main draw; her career-best WTA 1000 showings are 3 SFs (2022 Madrid, 2024 Miami and 2025 Doha)

## ***Kasatkina:***

- Won most recent match-up at 2024 Cincinnati in straight sets
- Making 9th appearance at Madrid; career-best tournament result was 2018 QF (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- Has lost her last three matches against Top 25 ranked opponents
- Contesting her 76th WTA 1000 main draw; her career-best WTA 1000 showing is reaching the final at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Osaka)

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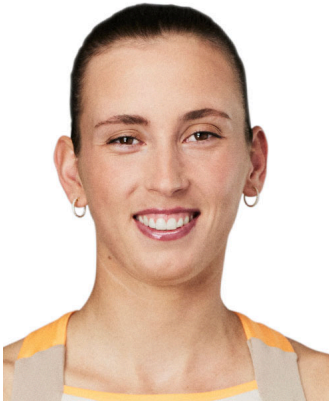
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SABALENKA (1)

ELISE  
(28) MERTENS 26  
BELGIUM

1998-05-05	Date of Birth	1995-11-17
	Residence	Hamont-Achel, Belgium
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (Two-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.82m)	Height	5' 10" (1.79m)
1	Career-High Ranking	12
\$33,375,458	Career Prize Money	\$16,067,505
\$3,268,635	Season Prize Money	\$487,134
2 / 19	Singles Titles YTD / Career	1 / 9
83-24 (Champion: 2024 US OPEN, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	69-32 (Semi-Finalist: 2018 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
1-0 / 18-4 (Champion: 2023, 2021)	YTD / Career MADRID W-L (best)	1-0 / 7-5 (Quarter-Finalist: 2021)
26-5 / 331-129	YTD / Career W-L	19-8 / 275-178

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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	STUTTGART	CLAY	QF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 6-1	1h 19m
2024	US OPEN	HARD	4r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-2 6-4	1h 37m
2023	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	3r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-2 6-3	1h 14m
2021	US OPEN	HARD	4r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 6-1	1h 11m
2021	MADRID	CLAY	QF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-1 4-0	58m
2020	LINZ	HARD	F	Aryna Sabalenka	7-5 6-2	1h 43m
2020	DUBAI	HARD	2r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 6-3	1h 31m
2019	ZHUHAI	HARD	1r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 3-6 7-5	2h 20m
2018	MONTREAL	HARD	3r	Elise Mertens	2-6 7-6(1) 6-0	2h 13m
2018	EASTBOURNE	GRASS	3r	Aryna Sabalenka	7-5 2-6 7-6(4)	2h 41m
2018	LUGANO	CLAY	F	Elise Mertens	7-5 6-2	1h 25m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
1	1	2024	24	34
1	2	2023	26	29
2	5	2022	20	29
2	2	2021	14	21
10	10	2020	17	20
9	11	2019	12	17
11	11	2018	13	13
76	78	2017	35	35
154	159	2016	120	120
539	548	2015	157	157

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. A. BLINKOVA (#76) 6-3 6-4 (1h 37m)

*Total time on court: 1h 37m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Madrid; she is a two-time champion claiming the title in 2021 (d. Barty) and 2023 (d. Swiatek); also made R-Up in 2024 (l. Swiatek)
- This is her 56th WTA 1000 main draw appearance
- Owns 8 singels titles at WTA-1000 events, most recently Miami 2025
- After 1r bye, has beaten Anna Blinkova in opening match
- Faces No.26 Elise Mertens in 3r today; record against opponents outside Top 20 stands at 18-3 in 2025, with the three losses coming against No.24 Ostapenko at Stuttgart (in F), No. 38 Tauson at Dubai and No.26 Alexandrova at Doha
- Owns 12-4 career record against players from Belgium (1-0 in 2025), having a record of 11-2 against today's opponent Mertens and won all of their last 8 meetings
- Owns 121-60 career record against seeded opponents (12-2 in 2025)
- Achieved her career best clay result here in Madrid with her 2023 and 2021 title runs
- Is No. 1 seed this week; has been top seed at 28 tournaments in her career
- During last year's European clay swing reached QF at Roland Garros, R-Up at Rome, R-Up at Madrid, QF at Stuttgart
- Has won 26 matches so far in 2025; she is ranked No.2 on tour for match wins, behind Jessica Pegula (27)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. C. OSORIO (#51) 6-3 6-3 (1h 35m)

*Total time on court: 1h 35m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th appearance at Madrid, where her previous best result was QF run in 2021 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka), which is also Belgium's best result at Madrid
- Career best result at a WTA-1000 event was winning Doha in 2019 (d. Halep in F)
- After 1r bye, has beaten Camila Osorio in her opening match
- Faces No.1 Aryna Sabalenka in 3r today; this is her 5th time playing world No.1, having failed all of her previous four meetings
- Owns 11 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.3 Jessica Pegula at Roland Garros 2023
- Owns 49-89 career record against seeded opponents (3-6 in 2025)
- Owns two singles titles on clay at Rabat and Lugano in 2018
- Only player from Belgium to reach 3r
- Is currently ranked No.26; this time last year was ranked No.29
- During last year's European Clay swing reached 3r at Roland Garros and Rome, 2r at Madrid and Stuttgart
- Has won 19 matches so far in 2025

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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
F	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 7-5 4-6 7-6(7)	
SF	W	E. RYBAKINA (#4) 1-6 7-5 7-6(5)	
QF	W	M. ANDREEVA (#43) 6-1 6-4	
4r	W	D. COLLINS (#15) 4-6 6-4 6-3	
3r	W	R. MONTGOMERY (#183) 6-1 6-7(5) 6-4	
2r	W	M. LINETTE (#48) 6-4 3-6 6-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
F	W	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-3 3-6 6-3	
SF	W	M. SAKKARI (#9) 6-4 6-1	
QF	W	M. SHERIF (#59) 2-6 6-2 6-1	
4r	W	M. ANDREEVA (#194) 6-3 6-1	
3r	W	C. OSORIO (#115) 6-4 7-5	
2r	W	S. CIRSTEA (#44) 6-4 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 3
1r	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#33) 6-2 3-6 6-4	
2021	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 5
F	W	A. BARTY (#1) 6-0 3-6 6-4	
SF	W	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#41) 6-2 6-3	
QF	W	E. MERTENS (#16) 6-1 4-0	
3r	W	J. PEGULA (#33) 6-1 6-2	
2r	W	D. KASATKINA (#37) 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	V. ZVONAREVA (#114) 6-1 6-2	
2019	Result	Rank: 10	Seed: 10
1r	L	S. KUZNETSOVA (#101) 7-5 6-4	

2024	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: 28
2r	L	S. STEPHENS (#33) 3-6 6-3 6-1	
2023	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: 24
4r	L	M. SHERIF (#59) 6-4 0-6 6-4	
3r	W	J. NIEMEIER (#67) 6-3 6-4	
2r	W	R. MARINO (#79) 6-3 6-1	
2021	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: 13
QF	L	A. SABALENKA (#7) 6-1 4-0	
3r	W	S. HALEP (#3) 4-6 7-5 7-5	
2r	W	E. RYBAKINA (#22) 7-6(4) 7-5	
1r	W	S. ZHANG (#44) 6-3 6-3	
2019	Result	Rank: 20	Seed: -
1r	L	A. SCHMIEDLOVA (#109) 7-5 7-6(5)	
2018	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: -
2r	L	S. HALEP (#1) 6-0 6-3	
1r	W	A. VAN UYTVANCK (#47) 6-4 6-4	

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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Finished R-Up at Stuttgart (l. Ostapenko in F)
  - Won at Miami (d. Pegula in F)
  - Finished as R-Up at Indian Wells (l. champion Mirra Andreeva in F)
  - Reached R16 at Dubai (l. Tauson)
  - Played 2r at Doha (after 1r bye, l. Alexandrova)
  - Finished R-Up at Australian Open (l. champion Keys in F)
  - Opened 2025 as champion at Brisbane (d. R-Up Kudermetova)
- Made QF at Stuttgart (l. Sabalenka)
  - Reached 3r at Charleston (l. Q. Zheng)
  - Played 3r at Miami (l. Swiatek)
  - Reached 3r at Indian Wells (l. Keys)
  - Made 2r at Dubai (l. Badosa)
  - Reached 3r at Doha (l. Alexandrova)
  - Champion run at Singapore (d. A. Li in F)
  - Made 2r at Australian Open (l. Pegula)
  - Opened 2025 with a R-Up finish at Hobart (l. champion Kessler)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
100	9	Aces	119	5
64.0%	20	First serve %	58.7%	63
68.0%	15	First Serve points won %	70.0%	8
51.5%	4	Second serve points won %	45.8%	43
62.0%	4	Overall service points won %	60.0%	15
77.5%	3	Service games won %	72.5%	16
64.2%	1	Break points saved %	59.6%	19
40.4%	8	First serve return points won %	39.5%	13
62.2%	1	Second serve return points won %	54.4%	47
52.0%	8	Break points converted %	44.1%	48
45.2%	3	Return games won %	39.8%	15
48.1%	2	Return points won %	45.1%	21



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (19)

2025 - MIAMI, BRISBANE  
2024 - WUHAN, US OPEN, CINCINNATI,  
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 (17)

2025 - STUTTGART, INDIAN WELLS, AUSTRALIAN  
OPEN  
2024 - ROME, 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)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (9)

2025 - SINGAPORE  
2023 - MONASTIR  
2022 - MONASTIR  
2021 - MELBOURNE 500 GIPPSLAND TROPHY  
2019 - DOHA  
2018 - RABAT, LUGANO, HOBART  
2017 - HOBART

Runner-Up (6)

2025 - HOBART  
2024 - HOBART  
2021 - ISTANBUL  
2020 - LINZ, PRAGUE  
2017 - ISTANBUL

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (21)

2024 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Hsieh), INDIAN WELLS  
(w/Hsieh), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Hsieh)  
2023 - GUADALAJARA (w/Hunter), ROME  
(w/Hunter)  
2022 - WTA FINALS (w/Kudermetova), DUBAI  
(w/Kudermetova)  
2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Hsieh), WIMBLEDON  
(w/Hsieh), ISTANBUL (w/Kudermetova),  
AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Sabalenka)  
2020 - OSTRAVA (w/Sabalenka)  
2019 - US OPEN (w/Sabalenka), MIAMI  
(w/Sabalenka), INDIAN WELLS (w/Sabalenka)  
2018 - WUHAN (w/Schuurs), 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH  
(w/Schuurs), LUGANO (w/Flipkens), HOBART  
(w/Schuurs)  
2017 - GUANGZHOU (w/Schuurs)  
2016 - AUCKLAND (w/Mestach)

Runner-Up (12)

2023 - WIMBLEDON (w/Hunter)  
2022 - WIMBLEDON (w/Zhang), BIRMINGHAM  
(w/Zhang), 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH (w/Kudermetova),  
MIAMI (w/Kudermetova), DOHA (w/Kudermetova)  
2021 - WTA FINALS (w/Hsieh)  
2019 - WUHAN (w/Sabalenka)  
2018 - CINCINNATI (w/Schuurs), BIRMINGHAM  
(w/Schuurs)  
2017 - BUCHAREST (w/Schuurs), ISTANBUL  
(w/Melichar-martinez)

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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
RUP				2025	2r			
WON	QF		WON	2024	2r	3r	2r	4r
WON	SF	SF	RUP	2023	3r	4r	2r	3r
4r	3r		SF	2022	4r	4r	4r	1r
4r	3r	SF	SF	2021	4r	3r	3r	4r
1r	3r		2r	2020	4r	3r		QF
3r	2r	1r	2r	2019	3r	3r	4r	QF
1r	1r	1r	4r	2018	SF	4r	3r	4r
		2r		2017		3r	1r	1r
				2016				1r

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Reached seven finals across 2024, defending her Australian Open crown, winning the US Open and also won titles at Cincinnati and Wuhan. Recaptured the No.1 ranking in October and finished the season as the WTA Year-End No.1 for the first time in her career
- 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 Swiatek, 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. Suarez Navarro in F) and Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings
- Kicked off 2024 season with R-Up finish at Hobart (l. Navarro) which marked her 13th WTA singles final. In doubles won Australian Open, Indian Wells and Birmingham all w/ Hsieh Su-Wei and qualified for WTA Finals for sixth consecutive time
- Ended 2023 as only Top 100 player to finish year exactly where she started, at No. 29. Strongest singles results came at Monastir, successfully defending her title (d. Paolini), and SF at Monterrey (l. Garcia). Achieved a year-end doubles ranking of No. 2 after lifting two titles at Guadalajara and Rome (w/Hunter) and SF at WTA Finals Cancun (l. eventual champions Siegemund/Zvonareva).
- Finished 2022 ranked No.29 in singles, her sixth consecutive Top 50 finish; also finished No.5 in doubles for her fourth consecutive Top 10 finish in doubles and second consecutive Top 5 finish
- Lifted seventh WTA title, at 2022 Monastir (d. Cornet in F), while in doubles alongside partner Kudermetova won Dubai and WTA Finals, as well as finished R-Up at Wimbledon
- Enjoyed a productive start to 2021 season in Melbourne, triumphing at the Gippsland Trophy (d. Kanepi in F) to lift sixth WTA singles title, then teamed up w/Sabalenka at Australian Open to claim second Grand Slam doubles title (d. Krejčíková/Siniakova in F). Later in the year, won third career Grand Slam doubles title, at Wimbledon w/Hsieh
- Won the most matches on Tour in 2020, going 34-13 across the season and finishing as R-Up at both Prague (l. Halep) and Linz (l. Sabalenka)
- Earned her milestone 200th career main draw win with victory over Kalinina in 1r at 2020 Linz
- Singles highlights in 2019 were winning biggest title of career at Doha (d. No.3 Halep in final) and advancing to QF at US Open for the first time (l. eventual champion Andreescu in 3s)
- Enjoyed standout season in doubles in 2019 - won maiden major doubles title at US Open w/Sabalenka (d. Azarenka/Barty in F). Also Completed 'Sunshine Double' in doubles (w/Sabalenka), lifting the back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejčíková/Siniakova) and Miami (d. Stosur/Zhang), and qualified for Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen (went 1-2 in RR)
- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF of career at 2018 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- During 2018, lifted titles at Hobart, Rabat and Lugano, finishing with 46 main-draw match wins across the campaign - only Ka.Pliskova (49) and

- 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, 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

Kvitova (47) registered more. By contrast, prior to 2018 season owned only 36 wins at this level across entire career

- In doubles in 2018, won four titles and reached QF at WTA Finals (w/Schuurs)
- Finished 2017 season at No.35, up from No.120 in 2016 - first Top 50 and Top 100 year-end finish. Season highlighted by first career singles title at Hobart (as a qualifier, d. Niculescu in F)
- Registered first Top-10 win of career over No.10 Cibulkova in 1r at 2017 Beijing
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2016 's-Hertogenbosch - made QF (as qualifier, l. Mladenovic)
- Won first WTA title of any kind in doubles at 2016 Auckland (w/Mestach)
- Played first Tour-level event of career at 2015 Antwerp (fell in qualifying)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Belgium in 2010; owns 11 singles and 14 doubles titles on ITF Circuit

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by 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"

- Formerly worked with Alexander Kneepkens, Robbie Ceyssens, Dieter Kindlmann, Daniel Goffin and Philippe Dehaes
- Previously trained under Belgian Federation until early teens, also spent a year at the Mouratoglou Academy in Paris
- Mother is Liliane Barbe (teaches languages and history); father is Guido Mertens (makes furniture for churches). Began playing tennis at age 4, introduced to game by older sister Lauren, an airline pilot with KLM
- First tennis memory is watching Kim Clijsters playing live
- Was home schooled, enjoyed studying languages; speaks English, Dutch/Flemish and French
- Loves animals and has lots of pets at home
- In 2021, launched a charitable initiative to support the Virunga National Park's efforts to save the gorilla population in the Democratic Republic of Congo. During 2021 season she will be wearing a Virunga Ranger necklace and sporting a badge on her bag to help raise awareness

MATCH NOTES

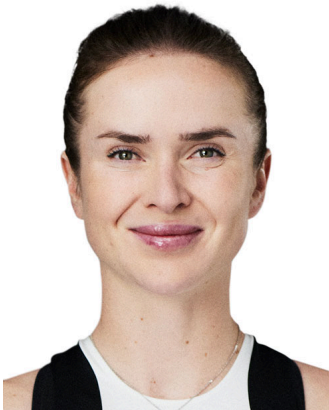
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RYBAKINA (10)  
KAZAKHSTAN

ELINA SVITOLINA 17  
UKRAINE

1999-06-17	Date of Birth	1994-09-12
	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
6' 0" (1.84m)	Height	5' 9" (1.74m)
3	Career-High Ranking	3
\$16,884,088	Career Prize Money	\$25,114,409
\$1,570,448	Season Prize Money	\$804,797
0 / 8	Singles Titles YTD / Career	1 / 18
51-19 (Champion: 2022 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	102-44 (Semi-Finalist: 2023 WIMBLEDON; 2019 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON)
1-0 / 8-4 (Semi-Finalist: 2024)	YTD / Career MADRID W-L (best)	1-0 / 4-9 (Round of 32: 2025, 2018, 2016, 2015)
16-7 / 227-98	YTD / Career W-L	17-6 / 388-210

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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	WIMBLEDON	GRASS	QF	Elena Rybakina	6-3 6-2	1h 1m
2024	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY	4r	Elena Rybakina	6-4 6-3	1h 9m
2021	OLYMPICS	HARD		Elina Svitolina	1-6 7-6(5) 6-4	0m
2021	EASTBOURNE	GRASS	2r	Elena Rybakina	6-4 7-6(3)	1h 38m
2020	STRASBOURG	CLAY	F	Elina Svitolina	6-4 1-6 6-2	1h 52m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
3	6	2024	17	23
3	4	2023	24	25
12	22	2022	15	236
14	14	2021	4	15
17	19	2020	4	5
37	37	2019	3	6
182	191	2018	3	4
420	425	2017	3	6
612	616	2016	14	14
-	-	2015	15	19

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. B. ANDREESCU (#132) 6-3 6-2 (1h 17m)

*Total time on court: 1h 17m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 5th appearance at Madrid, where her previous result was SF run in 2024 (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka), which is also Kazakhstan's best result at Madrid
- Owns two singles titles at WTA-1000 events at Rome 2023 and Indian Wells 2023
- After 1r bye, has beaten Bianca Andreescu in opening match
- Faces No.17 Elina Svitolina in 3r today; owns 46 wins in career over Top 20 players (1-5 in 2025), with the only win in 2025 season coming against No.10 Paula Badosa at Dubai 2025
- Owns 8-5 career record against players from Ukraine (1-0 in 2025), having played today's opponent Svitolina 5 times before and won 3 times including the most recent two meetings in 2024 at Wimbledon and Roland Garros
- Owns 62-51 career record against seeded opponents (6-5 in 2025)
- Owns three singles titles on clay at Stuttgart 2024, Rome 2023 and Bucharest 2019
- Only player from Kazakhstan to reach 3r
- Is currently ranked No.11; this time last year was ranked No.4

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. S. KARTAL (#60) 6-3 6-1 (53m)

*Total time on court: 53m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 10th appearance at Madrid; seeking first R16 appearance at the tournament; previous best result in Madrid has been R32 (2015, 2016, 2018)
- Owns 4 singles titles at WTA-1000 events at Rome 2018-2017, Dubai 2018 and Toronto 2017
- After 1r bye, has beaten Sonay Kartal in her opening match
- Faces No.11 Elena Rybakina in 3r today; owns 78 wins in career over Top 20 players (5-4 in 2025), most recently No.14 Karolina Muchova at Miami 2025
- Owns 12-5 career record against players from Kazakhstan (0-0 in 2025)
- Owns 108-105 career record against seeded opponents (6-4 in 2025)
- Owns 7 singles title on clay, most recently at Rouen 2025
- One of 3 players from Ukraine to reach 3r (along with Kostyuk and Starodubtseva)
- Best result by Ukraine at Madrid was QF run by Anhelina Kalinina in 2022, Alona Bondarenko in 2009
- Is currently ranked No.17; this time last year was ranked No.18

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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
SF	L	A. SABALENKA (#2) 1-6 7-5 7-6(5)	
QF	W	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#50) 4-6 7-6(4) 7-5	
4r	W	S. BEJLEK (#136) 6-1 6-3	
3r	W	M. SHERIF (#72) 6-1 6-4	
2r	W	L. BRONZETTI (#46) 6-4 6-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 7
2r	L	A. KALINSKAYA (#62) 7-5 4-6 6-2	
2022	Result	Rank: 18	Seed: 16
3r	L	J. TEICHMANN (#35) 6-3 6-1	
2r	W	K. SINIAKOVA (#51) 6-0 1-0	
1r	W	O. DODIN (#93) 6-2 7-5	
2021	Result	Rank: 22	Seed: -
2r	L	E. MERTENS (#16) 7-6(4) 7-5	
1r	W	A. TOMLJANOVIC (#78) 6-4 6-0	

2024	Result	Rank: 18	Seed: 16
2r	L	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#55) 6-3 7-5	
2023	Result	Rank: 1088	Seed: -
1r	L	A. SASNOVICH (#47) 6-4 7-5	
2021	Result	Rank: 5	Seed: 4
1r	L	J. TEICHMANN (#40) 2-6 6-4 7-6(5)	
2019	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 6
1r	L	P. PARMENTIER (#69) 6-4 7-6(6)	
2018	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
2r	L	C. SUÁREZ NAVARRO (#25) 2-6 7-6(3) 6-4	
1r	W	A. CORNET (#35) 6-2 6-2	



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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Played 2r at Miami (l. Krueger)
  - Made 4r at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Mirra Andreeva)
  - Reached SF at Dubai (l. eventual champion M. Andreeva)
  - Made QF at Doha (l. Swiatek)
  - As defending champion and No.1 seed, reached SF at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual champion Bencic)
  - Reached 4r at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Keys)
  - Opened 2025 representing Kazakhstan at United Cup, with a 3-1 result in singles (l. Swiatek)
- Won her career 18th singles title at Rouen (d. Danilovic in F)
  - Made 4r at Miami (l. Swiatek)
  - Reached QF at Indian Wells (l. Mirra Andreeva)
  - Made 2r at Dubai (l. Tauson)
  - Played 2r at Doha (l. Pegula)
  - Reached 2r at Linz (l. Blinkova)
  - Opened 2025 with a QF finish at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Keys)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
123	3	Aces	80	18
60.0%	54	First serve %	57.7%	69
73.1%	1	First Serve points won %	69.6%	11
47.4%	26	Second serve points won %	47.3%	27
62.8%	2	Overall service points won %	60.2%	13
79.0%	2	Service games won %	76.6%	4
64.1%	2	Break points saved %	61.6%	10
37.0%	34	First serve return points won %	39.8%	11
53.7%	57	Second serve return points won %	57.1%	15
43.4%	54	Break points converted %	48.8%	24
33.1%	47	Return games won %	42.9%	6
43.5%	36	Return points won %	46.4%	10

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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)

2024 - STUTTGART, ABU DHABI, BRISBANE

2023 - ROME, INDIAN WELLS

2022 - WIMBLEDON

2020 - HOBART

2019 - BUCHAREST

Runner-Up (11)

2024 - MIAMI, 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 (18)

2025 - ROUEN

2023 - STRASBOURG

2021 - CHICAGO 250

2020 - STRASBOURG, MONTERREY

2018 - WTA FINALS, ROME, DUBAI, BRISBANE

2017 - TORONTO, ROME, ISTANBUL, DUBAI, TAIPEI  
CITY

2016 - KUALA LUMPUR

2015 - MARRAKECH

2014 - BAKU

2013 - BAKU

Runner-Up (5)

2024 - AUCKLAND

2019 - WTA FINALS

2016 - ZHUHAI, NEW HAVEN

2015 - ZHUHAI

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2015 - ISTANBUL (w/Saville)

2014 - ISTANBUL (w/Doi)

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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
4r				2025	QF			
2r	QF	SF	2r	2024	4r	4r	QF	3r
RUP	3r	QF	3r	2023		QF	SF	3r
2r	3r	WON	1r	2022	3r			
2r	QF	4r	3r	2021	4r	3r	2r	QF
3r	2r		2r	2020	3r	QF		
	1r		1r	2019	QF	3r	SF	SF
				2018	QF	3r	1r	4r
				2017	3r	QF	4r	4r
				2016	2r	4r	2r	3r
				2015	3r	QF	2r	3r
				2014	3r	2r	1r	1r
				2013	1r	2r	1r	2r
				2012				1r

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won three titles from five finals in 2024, tasting success at Brisbane, Abu Dhabi and Stuttgart and finishing R-Up at Doha and Miami. Qualified for her second WTA Finals and defeated WTA World No.1 Sabalenka in the group stage
- 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
- Achieved runner-up in her opening tournament of 2024 at Auckland (l. Gauff in F) before finishing R16 at Australian Open (l. Noskova, retired due to low back injury). Reached QF at Wimbledon (l. Rybakina), 4r at Roland Garros (l. Rybakina) and 3r at US Open (l. Gauff). Ended season after US Open
- Returned to the Tour in April 2023, following birth of daughter Skai. Won Strasbourg (d. Blinkova) for a second time (also in 2020) before achieving Grand Slam results of QF at Roland Garros (l. Sabalenka) and SF at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Vondrousova)
- 2022 season reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Azarenka) and QF at Monterrey (l. Osorio), before going on maternity leave in spring
- Highlight of 2021 was lifting 16th career title at Chicago [250]. Also made SF at Miami, Stuttgart and the Olympics (won bronze medal)
- Won her 14th and 15th titles in 2020, firstly at Monterrey (d. Bouzkova in F) and then Strasbourg (d. Rybakina in F)
- Contested her 30th consecutive major at 2020 Australian Open (streak broke by skipping 2020 US Open). Is a two-time semifinalist at Grand Slam level, at 2019 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep) and 2019 US Open (l. S.Williams). Became the first woman from Ukraine to reach a major SF; on the men's, Medvedev made that stage at Roland Garros in 1993 (SF) and 1999 (R-Up)
- Highlight of 2019 was reaching the title match as defending champion at the Shiseido WTA Finals (l. Barty)
- In 2018, won 13th - and most prestigious - career title at 2018 WTA Finals (d. Stephens in F), after going 3-0 during round robin stage. Ended year ranked No.4. Also won titles at Rome (as defending champion, d. No.1 Halep in F), Dubai (as defending champion, d. Kasatkina in F) and Brisbane (d. Sasnovich in F)
- Enjoyed standout 2017, finishing year at No.6, winning a tour-leading five titles and posting second-most wins (53, behind Wozniacki with 60). Season culminated by qualifying for WTA Finals in Singapore, becoming first Ukrainian woman to qualify for the season-ending tournament in singles (fell at round robin stage with 1-2 record)
- In 2017, became first player to win three Premier 5 titles in a single season (Dubai, Rome, Toronto), since such tournaments were introduced in 2009

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

- One of five players to make Top 10 debut in 2017, after winning Dubai in February (also Ostapenko, Garcia, Mladenovic and Vandeweghe). Peaked in rankings at No.3 on September 11, 2017
- On four occasions could have reached World No.1 - at 2017 US Open, then needed to win 2017 Beijing (fell QF), then needed to triumph at 2017 WTA Finals (fell in group stage), or reach final at 2018 Australian Open (fell in QF)
- End to 2016 season also saw her reach first SF at Premier Mandatory level at Beijing (l. A.Radwanska) Qualified for 2016 WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai for the second time (l. Kvitova in F)
- Reached three finals in 2016, winning Kuala Lumpur (d. Bouchard in F) and R-Up at New Haven (l. A.Radwanska) and Zhuhai (l. Kvitova)
- Other 2016 season highlight was QF at Rio Olympics
- Owns two career doubles titles: 2014 Istanbul (w/Doi) and 2015 Istanbul (w/Gavrilova)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2012 Baku (lost in 1r but went on to win title there in both 2013 and 2014)
- Ukrainian Fed Cup Team, 2012-15, 2017, 2020
- Played first ITF Circuit events of career in 2008
- Junior highlights include winning 2010 Roland Garros girls' title at age 15 (d. Jabeur in F)

## OTHER INFORMATION

- 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 Andrew Bettles
- Parents are Mykhaylo and Olena; brother is Yulian. Introduced to tennis at age 5 by family
- Married to ATP tennis player Gael Monfils on July 16, 2021. Daughter Skai Monfils was born on October 15, 2022
- Tennis idol growing up was Andre Agassi
- Speaks English, Russian and French
- Hobbies are learning about business and economics, studies nutrition
- Extremely passionate about her foundation, created in 2019, and spends a lot of time continuing to expand the programming of the Elina Svitolina Foundation
- Enjoys cooking, reading and hiking. Favorite food is Mom's and Grandma's Ukrainian dishes
- People most admire are Kobe Bryant and Nik Vujicic; Favorite artists are Eminem, AC/DC and Okean Elzy

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ITALY

1995-07-25	Date of Birth	1996-01-04
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Bagni di Lucca, Italy
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 8" (1.72m)	Height	5' 4" (1.63m)
3	Career-High Ranking	4
\$12,878,891	Career Prize Money	\$9,687,524
\$474,873	Season Prize Money	\$1,544,337
0 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 2
49-36 (Semi-Finalist: 2021 US OPEN, ROLAND-GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	24-21 (Runner-Up: 2024 WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS)
2-0 / 11-6 (Semi-Finalist: 2023)	YTD / Career MADRID W-L (best)	1-0 / 3-3 (Round of 16: 2024)
8-12 / 242-182	YTD / Career W-L	16-7 / 134-114

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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	DUBAI	HARD	3r	Jasmine Paolini	6-4 6-2	1h 21m
2021	ROLAND-GARROS	CLAY	2r	Maria Sakkari	6-2 6-3	1h 8m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
6	32	2024	4	4
6	9	2023	29	30
3	6	2022	44	59
6	6	2021	51	53
20	22	2020	93	95
22	23	2019	114	117
29	41	2018	130	190
48	52	2017	130	137
89	89	2016	244	245
184	188	2015	309	581

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. X. WANG (#41) 6-4 6-6 (2h 8m)  
2r: d. M. LINETTE (#33) 7-6 6-3 (1h 50m)

*Total time on court: 3h 58m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th main-draw appearance at Madrid; her career-best result at the event was the 2023 SF (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- So far this week, defeated Wang Xinyu and No.29 seed Magda Linette, reaching the Madrid 3r for the 3rd straight year
- Faces No.6 Jasmine Paolini in 3r today; owns 27 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.3 Coco Gauff at 2024 Indian Wells (Sakkari has lost her last 8 matches vs. Top 10 players)
- Owns 5-5 career tour-level record against players from Italy (1-0 in 2025, d. Bronzetti in Miami 2r)
- Contesting her 54th WTA 1000 main draw of career; she has won 1 WTA 1000 title (2023 Guadalajara) and reached 3 other WTA 1000 finals
- 1 of her 2 career WTA titles has come on clay, 2019 Rabat
- Only player from Greece in this week's main draw
- Is currently ranked No.82; this time last year was ranked No.6. Reached career-high No.3 in 2022

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. K. BOULTER (#40) 6-1 6-2 (1h 0m)

*Total time on court: 1h 0m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th main-draw appearance at Madrid; her career-best tournament result was making last year's R16 (l. M. Andreeva)
- After 1r bye, defeated Katie Boulter in 2r for her 16th match-win of the year; tied for 10th-most match-wins on tour in 2025
- Faces No.82 Maria Sakkari in 3r today; since the start of 2024, Paolini has gone 16-0 vs. players ranked below No.80 (lowest-ranked player Paolini lost to in that span is No.80 Sherif in Rome last year)
- Owns 2-1 career tour-level record against players from Greece (0-0 in 2025)
- Is contesting her 32nd WTA 1000 main draw of career; she has won 1 WTA 1000 title (2024 Dubai)
- Career-best results on clay are 2 finals: 2023 Palermo and 2024 Roland Garros
- 1 of 3 Italians in this week's main draw (also Bronzetti and Cocciaretto) and the only one to make 3r
- Best result by an Italian woman at Madrid was SF by Sara Errani in 2013
- Is currently ranked No.6; this time last year was ranked No.13. Reached career-high No.4 for the first time last year



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 5
4r	L	B. HADDAD MAIA (#14)	6-4 6-4
3r	W	S. STEPHENS (#33)	6-1 6-3
2r	W	D. VEKIC (#38)	6-3 6-2
2023	Result	Rank: 9	Seed: 9
SF	L	A. SABALENKA (#2)	6-4 6-1
QF	W	I. BEGU (#35)	6-7(3) 6-4 6-2
4r	W	P. BADOSA (#42)	6-4 6-4
3r	W	R. MASAROVA (#74)	3-6 6-3 6-3
2r	W	A. RUS (#107)	6-4 6-4
2022	Result	Rank: 5	Seed: 4
2r	L	D. KASATKINA (#23)	3-6 6-3 6-1
1r	W	M. KEYS (#22)	6-7(8) 6-3 6-4
2021	Result	Rank: 19	Seed: 16
3r	L	K. MUCHOVA (#20)	6-0 6-7(9) 7-5
2r	W	A. KONTAVEIT (#29)	6-3 6-1
1r	W	A. ANISIMOVA (#38)	0-6 6-1 6-4
2019	Result	Rank: 39	Seed: -
1r	L	C. SUÁREZ NAVARRO (#27)	6-3 6-3

2024	Result	Rank: 13	Seed: 12
4r	L	M. ANDREEVA (#43)	7-6(2) 6-4
3r	W	C. GARCIA (#24)	6-3 6-2
2r	W	V. JIMENEZ KASINTSEVA (#335)	6-0 6-1
2023	Result	Rank: 68	Seed: -
1r	L	M. FRECH (#100)	6-2 6-3
2022	Result	Rank: 46	Seed: -
1r	L	O. JABEUR (#10)	7-6(9) 6-1

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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Played 1r at Rouen(l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- Played 2r at Charleston (l. Q. Zheng)
- Made 3r at Miami (l. Gauff)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells (l. Gauff)
- Fell in 1r at Merida (l. Sonmez)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. Radcanu)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Swiatek)
- Reached QF at Linz (l. eventual R-Up Yastremska)
- Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Osorio)
- Made 2r at Adelaide (as LL, l. eventual R-Up Pegula)
- Represented Greece at United Cup, with a 0-2 result in singles (l. Rybakina & Bouzas Maneiro)

- Made SF at Stuttgart (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Reached 4r at Indian Wells (l. Samsonova)
- Played 3r at Dubai (l. Kenin)
- Made 3r at Doha (l. Ostapenko)
- Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Svitolina)
- Opened 2025 representing Italy at United Cup with a 2-1 result in singles play (l. Muchova)

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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2023 - GUADALAJARA  
2019 - RABAT  
Runner-Up (8)  
2024 - INDIAN WELLS  
2023 - WASHINGTON DC  
2022 - GUADALAJARA, PARMA, INDIAN WELLS, ST. PETERSBURG  
2021 - OSTRAVA  
2018 - SAN JOSE

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2024 - DUBAI  
2021 - PORTOROZ  
  
Runner-Up (5)  
2024 - WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS  
2023 - MONASTIR, PALERMO  
2022 - CLUJ-NAPOCA

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)  
2025 - DOHA (w/Errani)  
2024 - BEIJING (w/Errani), OLYMPICS (w/Errani), ROME (w/Errani), LINZ (w/Errani)  
2023 - MONASTIR (w/Errani)  
2021 - HAMBURG (w/Teichmann)  
  
Runner-Up (2)  
2024 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Errani)  
2022 - MELBOURNE 250 #1 (w/Errani)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r				2025	3r			
2r	1r	3r	1r	2024	4r	RUP	RUP	4r
3r	1r	1r	1r	2023	1r	2r	1r	1r
4r	2r	3r	2r	2022	1r	1r	1r	1r
1r	SF	2r	SF	2021	1r	2r	1r	2r
4r	3r		4r	2020	1r	2r		1r
3r	2r	3r	3r	2019		1r		
1r	3r	1r	2r	2018				
3r	1r	3r	3r	2017				
2r		2r	1r	2016				
			1r	2015				

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Key result of 2024 was reaching Indian Wells final for the second time, losing to Swiatek who also defeated her in 2022 final. Also reached SF at Charleston (l. Collins). Did not play after US Open
- Won first WTA 1000 title in 2023 at Guadalajara (d. Dolehide in F). Also finished R-Up at Washington (l. Gauff). Contested WTA Finals for third consecutive season (was first alternate and went 0-3 in Group Stage following Muchova withdrawal).
- Finished 2022 ranked No.6 for the second consecutive year; a four-time finalist in 2022 including runs to the final at two WTA 1000 tournaments – Indian Wells and Guadalajara [1000]; returned to the WTA Finals advancing to the semifinals, falling to eventual champion Caroline Garcia.
- Climbed as high as No.3 in the rankings (March 21, 2022), the highest ranking every achieved by a Greek woman.
- Historic 2021 season was highlighted by her becoming first Greek woman to break into the Top 10 (at No.10, September 27) as well as the first from her country to qualify for the WTA Finals.
- In 2021, also reached third WTA final at Ostrava (l. Kontaveit), while advanced to SF at Roland-Garros, US Open - defeating three Top-20 ranked opponents at both events - and WTA Finals in Guadalajara
- Posted a Tour-leading nine Top-10 wins in 2021, including two over the World No.2 (Osaka at Miami and No.2 Sabalenka at WTA Finals)
- Broke into Top 20 on February 24, 2020 for first time, at No.20
- Scored third and fourth Top-5 wins of her career in 2020, over No.5 Svitolina at Ostrava and No.5 Bencic at St. Petersburg. Previous wins came over No.5 Ka.Pliskova (2018 Rome) and No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome, via ret.)
- Upset No.10 seed Keys to reach the R16 for the first time at one of the four Slams, at 2020 Australian Open (l. Kvitova)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2019 for first time in career (fell in RR stage). That season won maiden WTA title at Rabat, recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final
- Highlights of 2018 were reaching her first tour-level final at San Jose (l. Buzarnescu) and scoring maiden Top-5 win over No.5 Ka.Pliskova in 2r at Rome
- Breakout 2024 season saw her win the biggest title of her career at WTA 1000 Dubai and also reach her first Grand Slam finals, finishing R-Up at Roland-Garros and Wimbledon. Qualified for her first WTA Finals in singles and doubles, broke into the Top 10 for the first time in her career and finished the season as the World No.4
- Finished 2023 by breaking into Top 30 for first time, achieving No. 29 on Oct 23, 2023 after becoming runner-up at Monastir (l. Mertens). Also achieved runner-up at Palermo and SF at Zhengzhou (l. Zheng both times) as well as QFs at Lyon (l. Garcia) and Cincinnati as a qualifier (l. eventual champion Gauff). Enjoyed two Top 10 wins (No.10 Garcia and No.4 Rybakina).
- In 2022, finished R-Up at Cluj-Napoca (l. Blinkova), while made back-to-back SF at Palermo (l. Bronzetti) and Warsaw (l. eventual champion Garcia)
- Also reached QF at Lyon (l. Yastremska), Portoroz (l. eventual champion Siniakova) and Parma (l. Kovinic)
- Broke into Top 50 on January 31, 2021
- Posted near-Top 50 season finish in 2021 after capturing first WTA singles title of career at Portoroz (d. Riske in F)
- Strong season finish also brought SF run at Courmayeur (l. eventual champion Vekic) and QF effort at Linz (l. Halep); posted best win of season over No.18 Mertens en route to 3r at Indian Wells (l. Pegula)
- Also in 2021 won the WTA 125K event in Bol, Croatia (d. Rus in F) and was R-Up at the same level in Saint Malo (l. Golubic) Captured first WTA doubles title in 2021, at Hamburg(w/Teichmann)
- In 2021, for first time in career, contested the full suite of all four Grand Slam events; reached 2r at Roland Garros and US Open, equalling best previous Slam result
- In 2020, reached 2r four times at WTA tournaments, including Roland Garros (l. Kvitova)
- Highlights of 2019 included QF showings at Guangzhou and Palermo, a SF run at the WTA 125K Series event at Karlsruhe, lifting seventh, eighth and ninth ITF Circuit titles of her career, at \$60KBrescia-ITA, \$25K ITF/Curtiba-BRA and \$100K ITF/Tokyo-JPN, and qualifying for maiden Grand Slam main draw at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina in 1r)
- Ended 2018 ranked No.180, with season highlight a maiden WTA singles QF at Prague (d. No.15

- Notched first Top-10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan
- Broke into Top 50 for first time at No.49 on October 9, 2017
- At 2016 Australian Open, by reaching 2r (d. Y.Wang, l. Suarez Navarro) became the first woman from Greece to win a main draw match at a Slam since Daniilidou d. Ka.Pliskova at 2013 Australian Open
- Reached first career WTA QF at 2016 Istanbul (as qualifier, l. Kovinic)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, l. Q.Wang)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2012 Palermo
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2010; owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles and five in doubles

- Kasatkina, I. Zhang)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Bastad (l. Suarez Navarro in 1r) and also fell 1r at Guangzhou and in qualifying a further three times
  - Part of Italy's Billie Jean King Cup team 2017-19
  - Made WTA qualifying debut at 2015 Rome
  - Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Italy in 2011

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Parents are Konstantinos and Angeliki; brother is Yannis (studies at Boston University) and sister is Amanda. Introduced to tennis by parents at age 6; mother played on WTA; achieved a Top 50 singles ranking
- Born and raised in Athens; moved to Barcelona at age 18 to train
- Favorite surfaces are hard and clay; favorite shot is serve
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams, Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer
- During free time enjoys going back to Greece and seeing friends.

- Resides in Bagni di Lucca and trains in Forte dei Marmi, Italy
- Father is Ugo Paolini, mother is Jacqueline Gardiner and brother is William Paolini. Grandmother lives in Lodz, Poland. Mother is of Ghanaian/Polish descent
- Idolizes Roger Federer
- Favorite shot is her forehand and favorite surface is clay
- Speaks Italian, English and Polish

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MEETING



**3** JESSICA  
PEGULA (3)  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

MOYUKA  
UCHIJIMA **56**  
JAPAN

1994-02-24	Date of Birth	2001-08-11
Boca Raton, FL, USA	Residence	Japan
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.70m)	Height	5' 9" (1.74m)
3	Career-High Ranking	51
\$17,945,524	Career Prize Money	\$1,371,973
\$1,375,473	Season Prize Money	\$297,424
2 / 8	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
49-24 (Runner-Up: 2024 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	3-5 (Round of 64: 2025 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2024 US OPEN, ROLAND GARROS)
1-0 / 10-3 (Runner-Up: 2022)	YTD / Career MADRID W-L (best)	2-0 / 2-0 (Round of 32: 2025)
27-7 / 234-115	YTD / Career W-L	8-10 / 17-33

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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
3	7	2024	55	56
3	5	2023	104	181
3	3	2022	105	105
18	18	2021	493	499
59	62	2020	474	492
55	76	2019	357	583
124	125	2018	368	394
165	632	2017	800	807
135	165	2016	-	-
150	151	2015	-	-

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. E. LYS (#68) 6-2 6-2 (1h 12m)

*Total time on court: 1h 12m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th main draw appearance at Madrid, where her best previous result was reaching the final in 2022 (l.Jabeur)
- Best result at WTA-1000 events was title run at Toronto 2024 (d. Anisimova in F) and Montreal 2023 (d. Samsonova in F)
- After 1r bye, has beaten Eva Lys in her opening match
- Faces No.56 Moyuka Uchijima in 3r today; record against opponents outside Top 50 stands at 13-1 in 2025, with the only loss coming against No.55 Danilovic at Australian Open
- Owns 2-1 career record against players from Japan (0-0 in 2025), playing today's opponent Uchijima for the first time
- Owns one singles title on clay at Charleston 2025
- One of 7 players from United States of America to reach 3r, same as in 2024
- Best result by United States of America at Madrid was Champion run by Serena Williams in 2013 and 2012
- Is currently ranked No.3 (career best first achieved in Oct 2024); this time last year was ranked No.5
- Has won 27 matches so far in 2025; she is ranked No.1 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 9 three-set matches in 2025

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. R. MONTGOMERY (#100) 1-6 6-4 6-3 (1h 36m)  
2r: d. O. JABEUR (#28) 4-6 6-3 6-4 (1h 52m)

*Total time on court: 3h 28m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making tournament debut
- Has beaten Robin Montgomery and Ons Jabeur to reach 3r, equaling her previous best results at WTA-1000 events, having done so at Dubai 2025 (l. Rybakina) and Toronto 2024 (l. Samsonova)
- Faces No.3 Jessica Pegula in 3r today, having failed in all of her previous six meetings against Top 10 opponents; career best win by ranking was defeating No.26 Ostapenko at Dubai 2025
- Owns 1-5 career record against players from United States of America (1-2 in 2025), playing today's opponent Pegula for the first time
- Owns 1-18 career record against seeded opponents (1-6 in 2025)
- Best career result on clay is QF run at Rouen 2025
- Only player from Japan to reach 3r
- Best result by Japan at Madrid was QF run by Naomi Osaka in 2019
- Is currently ranked No.56 (career best at No.51 on April 7, 2025); she is the second ranked Japan player, after Naomi Osaka (No.55); this time last year was ranked No.130
- During last year's European clay swing reached 2r at Roland Garros, 1r at Budapest
- Has won 8 matches so far in 2025
- Has been involved in 12 three-set matches in 2025



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 3	Seed: 3
QF	L	V. KUDERMETOVA (#13) 6-4 0-6 6-4	
4r	W	M. TREVISAN (#20) 6-3 2-6 6-3	
3r	W	M. BOUZKOVA (#31) 6-4 7-6(2)	
2r	W	M. FRECH (#100) 7-6(5) 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 14	Seed: 12
F	L	O. JABEUR (#10) 7-5 0-6 6-2	
SF	W	J. TEICHMANN (#35) 6-3 6-4	
QF	W	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#47) 6-4 6-2	
3r	W	B. ANDREESCU (#111) 7-5 6-1	
2r	W	K. KANEPI (#55) 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	C. GIORGI (#31) 7-5 2-6 7-5	
2021	Result	Rank: 33	Seed: -
3r	L	A. SABALENKA (#7) 6-1 6-2	
1r	W	S. CIRSTEAN (#58) 7-6(5) 6-3	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. Alexandrova)
  - Won at Charleston (d. Kenin in F)
  - R-Up finish at Miami (l. Sabalenka in F)
  - Reached 4r at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina)
  - Won at Austin (d. Kessler in F)
  - Reached R16 at Dubai (l. Noskova)
  - Made QF at Doha (l. Alexandrova)
  - Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Danilovic)
  - Opened 2025 with a R-Up finish at Adelaide (l. Keys in F)
- Reached QF at Rouen (l. Danilovic)
  - Made 2r at Miami (l. Kalinskaya)
  - Played 2r at Indian Wells (l. Gauff)
  - Fell in 1r at Austin (l. Blinkova)
  - Made 2r at Dubai (as qualifier, l. Rybakina)
  - Played 1r at Doha (as qualifier, l. Putintseva)
  - Played 1r at Abu Dhabi (as LL, l. Fernandez)
  - Played 1r at Singapore (l. Gadecki)
  - Made 2r at Australian Open (l. M. Andreeva)
  - Opened 2025 with 1r at Brisbane (l. Kreuger)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
79	19	Aces	43	45
63.3%	30	First serve %	58.6%	64
66.9%	20	First Serve points won %	62.5%	56
52.2%	2	Second serve points won %	47.6%	24
61.5%	5	Overall service points won %	56.3%	52
75.1%	9	Service games won %	64.3%	57
60.6%	14	Break points saved %	52.7%	60
40.7%	6	First serve return points won %	34.8%	56
55.4%	32	Second serve return points won %	55.6%	28
47.5%	29	Break points converted %	41.0%	64
41.8%	9	Return games won %	32.7%	48
46.3%	11	Return points won %	42.3%	50

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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)  
2025 - CHARLESTON, AUSTIN  
2024 - TORONTO, BERLIN  
2023 - SEOUL, MONTREAL  
2022 - GUADALAJARA  
2019 - WASHINGTON DC  
Runner-Up (11)  
2025 - MIAMI, ADELAIDE  
2024 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI  
2023 - WTA FINALS, TOKYO, DOHA, UNITED CUP  
2022 - MADRID  
2020 - AUCKLAND  
2018 - QUEBEC CITY

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)  
2023 - MIAMI (w/Gauff), DOHA (w/Gauff)  
2022 - SAN DIEGO (w/Gauff), TORONTO (w/Gauff),  
WASHINGTON DC (w/Routliffe), DOHA (w/Gauff),  
MELBOURNE 250 #1 (w/Muhammad)  
Runner-Up (5)  
2024 - WUHAN (w/Muhammad), SAN DIEGO  
(w/Krawczyk)  
2023 - ROME (w/Gauff), MADRID (w/Gauff)  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Gauff)

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)  
2024 - JIUJIANG (w/Guo)  
Runner-Up (1)  
2024 - HUA HIN #2 (w/Chong)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
3r				2025	2r			
2r		2r	RUP	2024		2r	1r	2r
QF	3r	QF	4r	2023	1r			
QF	QF	3r	QF	2022				
QF	3r	2r	3r	2021				
1r	1r		3r	2020				
	1r	1r	1r	2019				
				2018				
				2017				
			1r	2016				
			2r	2015				

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2024, won two singles titles - Toronto (WTA 1000) and Berlin - en route to year-end ranking of No.7, her third-straight year-end Top 10 finish; two-time runner-up at Cincinnati and US Open; joined Rosie Casals (1970), Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1973) and Serena Williams (2013) as the only women in the Open Era to make the final at the Canadian Open, Cincinnati Open and US Open in the same season
- Also qualified for the 2024 WTA Finals (withdrew during round-robin play due to left knee injury)
- Won two titles in 2023, her second WTA 1000 tournament at Montreal and also WTA 250 Seoul. Also finished R-Up at Doha, Tokyo and at the WTA Finals in Cancun.

In doubles ascended to No.1 ranking (co-ranked with Coco Gauff) after 2023 US Open.

- Achieved career-high No. 3 in October 2022 after defeating four Grand Slam champions at Guadalajara, en route to ending three-year wait for second WTA title (d. Sakkari in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals Fort Worth in both singles and doubles (w/Gauff), thus becoming the first Americans to debut in singles and doubles at the season-ending showpiece since Davenport in 1994
- Reached QF at three of the four majors in 2022, breaking into Top 10 after doing so at Roland Garros (June 6, 2022)
- One of seven players to win 40 or more matches in 2022, alongside Swiatek, Jabeur, Garcia, Sakkari, Kasatkina and Bencic
- In 2021, reached the QF or better on seven occasions, including at the Australian Open
- Broke into Top 20 on November 1, 2021
- Began 2020 with runner-up finish at Auckland (l. S.Williams), other standout results were a QF at Western & Southern Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens) and a 3r showing at US Open (l. Kvitova)
- On the doubles court in 2020, reached QFs of Roland-Garros (w/Muhammad) and Cincinnati (w/Rogers)
- Won her first WTA title at 2019 Washington DC (d. Giorgi in F)
- Also in 2019, fell 1r on main draw debut at Roland-Garros (l. eventual champion Barty) and Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu) and Miami (as a qualifier, l. Konta)
- Broke into Top 100 for the first time on February 4, 2019 following back-to-back R-Up finishes at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and W100 ITF Circuit tournament in Midland-MI, USA

- In 2024 won first main draw Grand Slam matches of her career at Roland Garros (as a qualifier l. Sabalenka in 2r) and US Open (l. Niemeier in 2r), breaking into the Top 100 for the first time and reaching a career high of No.55 in October. In doubles claimed first career title at Jiujiang with Guo Hanyu and also reached final at Hua Hin 2 with Eudice Chong
- Best result of 2023 was R16 at Guangzhou (l. Bronzetti). Also entered directly into main draw at Australian Open (l. Pera), Hua Hin (l. Yastremska), Osaka (l. Zhu Lin) and Tokyo (l. Day).
- Enjoyed breakthrough year in 2022, playing first WTA 250 main draw match at Chennai (l. Linette). Entered first Grand Slam s, reaching Q3 at both Roland Garros (l. Niemeier) and US Open (l. Avanesyan).
- Beat first Top 50 player at Monastir (No. 41, Martic) reaching Tour-level QF for first time (l. Mertens). Began 2022 ranked No. 499 and ended at No. 105.
- Won first ITF tournament at Hua Hin W15 in 2019, also winning first ITF doubles title at Kyoto W60 (w/Hozumi).
- Played first professional tournaments in 2017, entering Tokyo (Japan Open, WTA 250) qualifying (l. Sema in Q1) and Tokyo (Toray Pan Pacific Open, WTA 500) qualifying (l. Linette in Q2).

- Highlights of 2018 included finishing R-up as a qualifier at Quebec City (L. Parmentier in F), recording SF finish at Houston WTA 125K Series tournament (L. S.Peng) and reaching QF or better at 10 ITF events
- Did not play between January and August 2017 after undergoing hip surgery. Primarily played at ITF Circuit events for the rest of the year, winning two doubles titles with Townsend
- Played a mixture of WTA and ITF Circuit events in 2016 with highlight coming at Washington DC, where she defeated No.14 Stosur for first Top-20 win of career on her way to a SF finish (L. Davis)
- Reached 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, d. Van Uytvanck, L. Cibulkova)
- Sidelined from tennis for a year and a half between 2013 and 2015 due to a right knee injury
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Indian Wells

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Working with the coaching team of Mark Knowles and Mark Merklein
- Recently parted ways with coach David Witt; formerly with Michael Joyce
- Parents are Terrence (works in oil and gas) and Kim (business owner); her parents are principal owners of the Buffalo Bills (NFL), while Terry Pegula also owns hockey team the Buffalo Sabres (NHL)
- Brothers are Michael and Matthew, sisters are Laura and Kelly; also has three pets - Laura played Division I college tennis at the University of Pittsburgh
- Introduced to tennis by family at age 7
- Nickname is JP
- Favorite shot is backhand down the line; favorite tournament is the US Open
- Tennis idol was Martina Hingis
- One word to describe her would be "Determined"
- Owns her own skincare company called 'Ready 24'
- Also enjoys golf, sports, and design
- Married Taylor Gahagen in October 2021
- Passionate about new charity with her husband called A Lending Paw

- Coached by Alan Ma
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- Fitness coach is Mario Jelcic
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- Started playing tennis at the age of nine
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- Favorite surface is clay
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- Favorite players growing up were Roger Federer and Kei Nishikori
- Likes to listen to BTS
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**2**  
WIN

**5**  
MATCHES  
PLAYED

**3**  
WIN



**22**

**EKATERINA  
ALEXANDROVA (21)**

**DARIA  
(14) KASATKINA 14**  
AUSTRALIA

1994-11-15	Date of Birth		1997-05-07
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence		
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	
5' 9" (1.75m)	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)	
15	Career-High Ranking	8	
\$7,715,929	Career Prize Money	\$13,196,962	
\$727,566	Season Prize Money	\$493,721	
1 / 5	Singles Titles YTD / Career		0 / 8
30-31 (Round of 16: 2023 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	55-36 (Semi-Finalist: 2022 ROLAND GARROS)	
1-0 / 7-4 (Semi-Finalist: 2022)	YTD / Career MADRID W-L (best)	1-0 / 11-8 (Quarter-Finalist: 2018)	
16-9 / 199-157	YTD / Career W-L	11-9 / 299-203	

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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	CINCINNATI	HARD	1r	Daria Kasatkina	6-4 6-2	1h 11m
2022	OSTRAVA	HARD	2r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-1 7-6(1)	1h 37m
2022	BERLIN	GRASS	2r	Daria Kasatkina	5-7 6-1 6-1	1h 54m
2020	ST. PETERSBURG	HARD	1r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-4 3-6 6-4	2h 0m
2019	BEIJING	HARD	3r	Daria Kasatkina	6-4 6-3	1h 35m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
15	28	2024	9	9
16	21	2023	8	18
19	19	2022	8	8
30	33	2021	24	26
25	33	2020	66	71
35	35	2019	10	69
73	93	2018	10	10
69	73	2017	24	24
132	133	2016	24	27
228	269	2015	71	72

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. O. DANILOVIC (#34) 6-3 6-4 (1h 24m)

*Total time on court: 1h 24m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 5th main-draw appearance at Madrid; her career-best tournament result was making the 2022 SF as a qualifier (l. eventual champion Jabeur)
- After 1r bye, defeated Olga Danilovic in 2r for her 16th match-win of the year; tied for 10th-most match-wins on tour in 2025
- Faces No.14 Daria Kasatkina in 3r today; owns 38 wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.3 Jessica Pegula in last week's Stuttgart QF
- Her career-best tour-level results on clay are 4 SFs: 2022 Charleston, 2022 Madrid, 2025 Charleston and 2025 Stuttgart
- Has already won 7 clay-court matches this year after going 1-7 on the surface last year (her only 2024 clay-court win was over Bucsa in Strasbourg 1r)
- Contesting her 42nd career WTA 1000 main draw; her career-best WTA 1000 showings are 3 SFs (2022 Madrid, 2024 Miami and 2025 Doha)
- Is currently ranked No.22; this time last year was ranked No.16. Reached career-high ranking of No.15 just over one year ago

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. A. PARKS (#53) 6-2 7-5 (1h 31m)

*Total time on court: 1h 31m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 9th appearance at Madrid; her career-best tournament result was 2018 QF (l. eventual champion Kvitova)
- After 1r bye, defeated Alycia Parks in 2r for her 11th match-win of the year
- Faces No.22 Ekaterina Alexandrova in 3r today; owns 64 wins in career over Top 25 players, most recently No.23 Yulia Putintseva at 2025 Australian Open (Kasatkina is 0-3 vs. Top 25 players since then)
- Contesting her 76th WTA 1000 main draw; her career-best WTA 1000 showing is reaching the final at 2018 Indian Wells (l. Osaka)
- 1 of her 8 career WTA titles has come on clay: 2017 Charleston (which was her first-ever WTA title)
- During last year's European clay swing reached 4r at Madrid, 3r at Rome and 2r at Roland Garros
- Is currently ranked No.14; this time last year was ranked No.11. Reached career-high of No.8 for first time in 2022



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: 14
2r	L	A. KRUEGER (#70) 6-3 6-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 17	Seed: 16
4r	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-4 6-7(3) 6-3	
3r	W	Q. ZHENG (#24) 5-7 6-4 6-2	
2r	W	A. CORNET (#71) 7-6(2) 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 45	Seed: -
SF	L	O. JABEUR (#10) 6-2 6-3	
QF	W	A. ANISIMOVA (#33) 6-4 6-3	
3r	W	M. BOUZKOVA (#77) 6-7(4) 6-0 7-5	
2r	W	N. PARRIZAS DIAZ (#52) 6-4 7-5	
1r	W	J. OSTAPENKO (#12) 6-2 4-6 6-4	
2021	Result	Rank: 32	Seed: -
1r	L	V. AZARENKA (#15) 7-5 3-6 6-1	

2024	Result	Rank: 11	Seed: 10
4r	L	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#50) 3-6 6-2 6-2	
3r	W	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#22) 7-6(5) 7-5	
2r	W	C. BUCSA (#75) 5-7 7-6(5) 6-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 8
4r	L	V. KUDERMETOVA (#13) 7-5 1-6 7-6(2)	
3r	W	L. TSURENKO (#77) 6-4 6-2	
2r	W	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#599) 6-4 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 23	Seed: -
3r	L	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#47) 6-4 1-6 6-3	
2r	W	M. SAKKARI (#5) 3-6 6-3 6-1	
1r	W	A. BONDAR (#68) 4-6 6-4 6-3	
2021	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: -
2r	L	A. SABALENKA (#7) 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	I. BEGU (#75) 4-6 6-4 7-6(1)	
2019	Result	Rank: 21	Seed: -
1r	L	V. AZARENKA (#52) 7-5 6-4	

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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Made SF at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Ostapenko)
- Reached SF at Charleston (l. eventual champion Pegula)
- Played 2r at Miami (l. Linette)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Kudermetova)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. V. Kudermetova)
- Reached SF at Doha (l. eventual champion Anisimova)
- Champion run at Linz (d. Yastremska in F)
- Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Raducanu)
- Opened 2025 with 2r at Brisbane (l. Jabeur) and also made 2r at Adelaide (l. Navarro)

- Reached 3r at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Kenin)
- Made 2r at Miami (l. Baptiste)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells (l. Samsonova)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. Cirstea)
- Made 3r at Doha (l. Pegula)
- Reached 2r at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual R-Up Krueger)
- Made 4r at Australian Open (l. Navarro)
- Reached QF at Adelaide (l. eventual champion Keys)
- Opened 2025 with R16 finish at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up P. Kudermetova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
116	6	Aces	43	46
63.1%	34	First serve %	68.3%	6
68.1%	14	First Serve points won %	61.6%	64
44.6%	59	Second serve points won %	44.7%	56
59.4%	19	Overall service points won %	56.2%	53
73.4%	14	Service games won %	64.3%	56
62.8%	8	Break points saved %	56.8%	34
38.9%	17	First serve return points won %	41.2%	4
55.2%	34	Second serve return points won %	58.6%	10
43.8%	51	Break points converted %	46.0%	37
38.4%	21	Return games won %	46.2%	2
45.5%	17	Return points won %	47.9%	3

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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (5)  
2025 - LINZ  
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)  
  
Runner-Up (1)  
2025 - STUTTGART (w/Zhang)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)  
2024 - NINGBO, EASTBOURNE  
2022 - GRANBY, SAN JOSE  
2021 - ST. PETERSBURG, MELBOURNE 250  
2018 - MOSCOW  
2017 - CHARLESTON  
  
Runner-Up (11)  
2024 - SEOUL, CHARLESTON, ABU DHABI, ADELAIDE  
2023 - EASTBOURNE, ADELAIDE #2  
2021 - SAN JOSE, BIRMINGHAM  
2018 - INDIAN WELLS, DUBAI  
2017 - MOSCOW

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)  
2015 - MOSCOW (w/Vesnina)  
  
Runner-Up (2)  
2017 - TOKYO (w/Saville)  
2016 - MOSCOW (w/Saville)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r				2025	4r			
1r	1r		3r	2024	2r	2r	3r	2r
3r	3r	4r	3r	2023	1r	4r	3r	4r
1r	2r		2r	2022	3r	SF		1r
3r	2r	2r	2r	2021	2r	3r	2r	3r
3r	3r		2r	2020	1r	2r		1r
1r	3r	1r	2r	2019	1r	2r	1r	1r
2r	1r	1r	1r	2018	2r	QF	QF	2r
1r	2r	1r	2r	2017	1r	3r	2r	4r
		2r		2016	3r	3r	3r	1r
				2015				3r

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2024, highlights included reaching the final at Linz (l. Ostapenko in Final) and semifinals at Adelaide (l. eventual champion Ostapenko), Miami (l. eventual champion Collins), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Samsonova) and Monterrey (l. Sun); also made quarterfinals at Wuhan (l. Xin. Wang) and her best Grand Slam result of the season came during a 3r run at US Open (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- In 2023, won fourth career singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch, successfully defending the title and defeating top seed, Kudrmetova 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)
- Finished the 2024 season ranked No.9 (2nd career Top 10 finish) in a season highlighted by winning titles at Ningbo and Eastbourne, while also finishing as runner-up at Seoul, Adelaide, Abu Dhabi and Charleston; won a Tour-best 26 matches at the WTA 500 level (next most was 15 (Rybakina); as an alternate at WTA Finals, lost one match in group play (l. Swiatek)
- Finished R-Up at two tournaments in 2023 at Adelaide 2 (l. Bencic) and Eastbourne (l. Keys); reached SFs at Charleston, Zhengzhou, and WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai
- In 2022, reached maiden Grand Slam SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and won titles at San Jose (d. Rogers in F) and Granby (d. Saville in F); returned to Top 10 on August 8, after San Jose run
- Qualified for WTA Finals for the first time at Fort Worth in 2022 going 1-2 in group play
- Broke back into Top 50 in early 2021, after lifting first titles since 2018, at the Phillip Island Trophy in Melbourne (d. Bouzkova in F) and then St. Petersburg (d. Gasparyan in F)
- Reached two additional finals in 2021, at Birmingham (l. Jabeur) and San Jose (l. Collins)
- Highlight of truncated 2020 season was SF showing at Lyon (l. Friedsam) - her first run to the last four at a WTA event since lifting title at 2018 Moscow [500]
- Won consecutive matches only twice in difficult 2019 campaign, with best result a QF run at Beijing (l. Wozniacki) and St. Petersburg (l. Zvonareva)
- Ended 2018 season by lifting her second WTA singles title at Moscow [500] (d. Jabeur in F); broke into Top 10 following the tournament, on October 22, 2018
- Also finished R-Up at 2018 Dubai (l. Svitolina) and 2018 Indian Wells (l. Osaka); Indian Wells was biggest final of career having upset No.2 Caroline Wozniacki, No.10 Angelique Kerber and No.8 Venus Williams en route
- Made Top 20 debut on February 26, 2018, following R-Up finish at Dubai (d. No.3 Muguruza, l. Svitolina)
- Made first Grand Slam QFs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Kerber) and qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai going 1-1 in group play
- Upset No.1 Caroline Wozniacki during SF run at 2018 St. Petersburg
- Captured maiden WTA singles title in debut final at 2017 Charleston, defeating fellow teenager Jelena Ostapenko in the final - the first all-

- 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 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

teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)

- Also in 2017 reached final at Moscow (l. Goerges) and QF at Sydney, Doha and Beijing
- Ended 2016 as the highest-ranked teenager on tour, at No.27, after a campaign in which she reached SF, at St. Petersburg and QF at Indian Wells, Charleston, Montreal, Rio Olympics and Moscow. Made Top 50 debut on February 15, 2016 following St. Petersburg run
- Upset No.7 Venus Williams in opening match of 2016 season at Auckland to register first Top 10 win of career
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Pavlyuchenkova) recorded first Top-20 win over No.14 Suarez Navarro in QF; following the tournament made Top-100 debut at No.73 (October 26, 2015)
- Reached 3r at 2015 US Open (as LL, l. Mladenovic) on Grand Slam debut (main draw and qualifying). reached QF at Bad Gastein (as qualifier, l. Errani)
- Also in 2015, won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Moscow (w/Vesnina), lifted five singles titles on ITF Circuit and was nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2015
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2014 Moscow (as WC, l. Riske)
- Made professional debut at in qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow
- Owns seven titles on ITF circuit

## 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 Flavio Cipolla
- Parents are Sergey and Tatiana; brother is Aleksandr, who also serves as her fitness trainer; introduced to tennis by brother at age 6
- Baseline player whose favorite surface is clay; favorite shot is forehand
- Loves soccer (favorite team is FC Barcelona)
- Best tennis memory is winning Roland Garros juniors and 2015 US Open run