



# MATCH NOTES

## Porsche Tennis Grand Prix STUTTGART, GERMANY

APRIL 14-21, 2025 | WTA 500 | \$925,661



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### MATCH NOTES – SEMIFINALS – SUNDAY, APRIL 20

PLAYER	RANK	AGE	YTD PRIZE \$^	YTD W/L*	YTD TITLES	CAREER PRIZE \$^	CAREER W/L*	CAREER TITLES
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	1	26	\$3,180,810	24-4	2	\$33,287,633	329-1281	19
[5] Jasmine Paolini	6	29	\$1,161,957	15-6	0	\$9,631,944	133-113	2
Ekaterina Alexandrova	22	30	\$661,911	15-8	1	\$7,650,274	198-156	5
Jelena Ostapenko	24	27	\$879,629	10-9	0	\$17,148,983	263-191	8

PLAYER	CLAY COURT SF APPEARANCES*	BEST RESULT ON CLAY COURT
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	13	Won (2): 2021 Madrid, 2023 Madrid
[5] Jasmine Paolini	5	R-Up (2): 2023 Palermo, 2024 Roland Garros
Ekaterina Alexandrova	4	SF (4): 2022 Charleston, 2022 Madrid, 2025 Charleston, 2025 Stuttgart**
Jelena Ostapenko	5	Won (1): 2017 Roland Garros

\*Main draw including 2025 Stuttgart / ^does not include 2025 Charleston SF

#### Ekaterina Alexandrova (#22) vs. Jelena Ostapenko (LAT #24)

**Tied 5-5**

*For the first time since 2017, two players ranked outside the Top 20 have reached the SF at the tournament... This is their 11th meeting head-to-head... Ostapenko has won the last three meetings – 2023 San Diego (R32), 2024 Adelaide (SF) and 2024 Linz (Final)... For Alexandrova, this is the opponent she has faced the most, while Ostapenko has also faced Karolina Pliskova 11 times throughout her career... In their only previous clay-court meeting at the Tour-level, Alexandrova defeated Ostapenko in 1R at 2022 Madrid in 3-sets (they also met on clay at ITF level, also won by Alexandrova)*

#### Alexandrova:

- Has equalled career-best clay-court result, having previously reach the SF stage on clay three other times – 2022 and 2025 Charleston and 2022 Madrid
- Through to second clay-court SF this year (also SF at Charleston); last year won only one match on clay
- At 30 years, 157 days old, is oldest semifinalist at Stuttgart since Li Na (2013, Won at 31 years, 61 years old)
- Held the No.12 spot on PIF Race to WTA Finals Leaderboard entering this week; by reaching SF will move to No.8 or No.9 (depending on Paolini); could climb to No.6 in the Race with a win today

#### Ostapenko:

- Best results at WTA-500 events are four titles, most recently Linz 2024 (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Through to fifth career clay-court semifinal
- Best career result on clay was title run at 2017 Roland Garros, also reached final at 2017 Charleston
- Last round, defeated Iga Swiatek for the sixth time in her career (6-0), more wins than any other player against the former WTA World No.1
- Currently ranked a career-high in doubles at No.4, having won two doubles titles this year – 2025 Charleston (w/Routliffe) and Abu Dhabi (w/Perez)



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### [1] Aryna Sabalenka (#1) vs. [5] Jasmine Paolini (ITA #6)

**Sabalenka leads 4-2**

*Seventh meeting... Sabalenka has won the last three meetings, most recently at 2025 Miami (SF) 6-2 6-2... this is their first meeting on clay*

#### **Sabalenka:**

- Since start of 2017, Sabalenka (13) is tied for most semifinals on clay (along with Swiatek); Sabalenka has reached eight clay-court finals, winning two titles – Madrid twice (2021, 2023)
- The No.1 seed has reached the SF in the last nine WTA 500 tournaments (not including United Cup)
- Making fifth appearance as a three-time finalist finishing R-Up in 2021, 2022 and 2023
- Started the week with a 1r bye and a walkover against Potapova
- Won 12 of her last 13 matches reaching the final at both Indian Wells (l. Andreeva) and Miami (d. Pegula)
- Held the PIF WTA World No.1 ranking since October 21, 2024 – 26 consecutive weeks (34 overall)

#### **Paolini:**

- Seeking first career win over the reigning PIF WTA World No.1 (previously 0-5)
- The last time an Italian defeated the WTA World No.1 was at 2015 US Open (Roberta Vinci def. No.1 Serena Williams) and the last time an Italian defeated the World No.1 was in 2006 in Billie Jean King Cup (Francesca Schiavone def. Amelie Mauresmo)
- The last time an Italian woman reached a WTA 500 final was at 2016 Dubai (Sara Errani)
- Making 2nd appearance at Stuttgart, where her previous result was reaching QF in 2024 (l. eventual champion Rybakina) on tournament debut
- Through to fifth clay-court semifinal; best result on clay has been runner-up finishes at 2023 Palermo and 2024 Roland Garros

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JELENA  
OSTAPENKO  
LATVIA

24

1994-11-15	Date of Birth	1997-06-08
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	Riga, Latvia
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 9" (1.75m)	Height	5' 10" (1.77m)
15	Career-High Ranking	5
\$7,650,274	Career Prize Money	\$17,148,983
\$661,911	Season Prize Money	\$879,629
1 / 5	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 8
30-31 (Round of 16: 2023 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	56-35 (Champion: 2017 ROLAND GARROS)
3-0 / 6-4 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)	YTD / Career STUTTGART W-L (best)	3-0 / 6-6 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)
15-8 / 198-156	YTD / Career W-L	10-9 / 263-191

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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	LINZ	HARD	F	Jelena Ostapenko	6-2 6-3	1h 10m
2024	ADELAIDE	HARD	SF	Jelena Ostapenko	6-2 7-6(3)	1h 41m
2023	SAN DIEGO	HARD	1r	Jelena Ostapenko	7-6(3) 6-7(6) 7-5	2h 47m
2022	SEOUL	HARD	F	Ekaterina Alexandrova	7-6(4) 6-0	1h 25m
2022	MADRID	CLAY	1r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-2 4-6 6-4	1h 48m
2019	LINZ	HARD	SF	Jelena Ostapenko	1-6 7-6(5) 7-5	2h 21m
2019	EASTBOURNE	GRASS	3r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-3 2-1	56m
2018	SEOUL	HARD	2r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-3 6-2	1h 12m
2015	OLOMOUC	CLAY	1r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	7-5 3-2	0m
2015	KREUZLINGEN	CARPET	QF	Jelena Ostapenko	6-3 6-3	0m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
15	28	2024	9	15
16	21	2023	12	13
19	19	2022	11	18
30	33	2021	28	28
25	33	2020	40	44
35	35	2019	22	44
73	93	2018	5	22
69	73	2017	7	7
132	133	2016	34	44
228	269	2015	77	79

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. L. SAMSONOVA (#19) 6-3 6-3 (1h 16m)  
2r: d. M. ANDREEVA (#7) 6-3 6-2 (1h 5m)  
QF: d. J. PEGULA (#3) 6-0 6-4 (1h 21m)

*Total time on court: 3h 42m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 5th main-draw appearance at Stuttgart and is into the SF for 1st time; prior best tournament result was 2021 QF (l. Halep)
- Has beaten Liudmila Samsonova, No.6 seed Mirra Andreeva and No.3 seed Jessica Pegula so far this week to reach her 4th SF of year
- Faces No.24 Jelena Ostapenko in SF today; owns 50 wins in career over Top 25 players, including 3 this week
- This is her 4th tour-level SF on clay (also 2022 Charleston, 2022 Madrid and 2025 Charleston); she is seeking her first-ever clay-court final
- Into 2nd clay-court SF of season; last year won only 1 match on clay
- Won her first WTA 500 title earlier this year in Linz; has also reached 2 other WTA 500 finals
- Is currently ranked No.22; this time last year was ranked No.16. Peaked at career-high No.15 last April
- Has won 15 tour-level matches so far in 2025, tied for 9th-most on tour

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. D. YASTREMSKA (#46) 6-3 3-0 (1h 4m)  
2r: d. E. NAVARRO (#11) 7-5 3-6 6-2 (2h 18m)  
QF: d. I. SWIATEK (#2) 6-3 3-6 6-2 (2h 7m)

*Total time on court: 5h 29m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Stuttgart and is into SF for the first time; her previous tournament-best showing was the 2018 QF (l. Ka. Pliskova)
- Has beaten qualifier Dayana Yastremska, No.7 seed Emma Navarro and No.2 seed Iga Swiatek so far this week to reach her 2nd SF of season
- Is now 6-0 vs. Swiatek; owns more wins than any other player against Swiatek
- Faces No.22 Ekaterina Alexandrova in SF today; owns 64 wins in career over Top 25 players, including 2 this week
- Has won 1 tour-level clay-court title: her 1st Grand Slam title at 2017 Roland Garros; also reached the final at 2017 Charleston (l. Kasatkina)
- 4 of her 8 career titles have come at WTA 500-level, most recently 2024 Linz (d. Alexandrova in final)
- Is currently ranked No.24; this time last year was ranked No.10. Reached career-high No.5 in 2018

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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 16	Seed: -
1r	L	O. JABEUR (#9) 2-6 6-3 7-6(1)	
2023	Result	Rank: 18	Seed: -
1r	L	D. VEKIC (#23) 7-6(7) 7-6(5)	
2022	Result	Rank: 39	Seed: -
2r	L	A. KONTAVEIT (#6) 2-6 6-3 7-6(5)	
1r	W	S. ZHANG (#40) 7-6(5) 7-6(6)	
2021	Result	Rank: 34	Seed: -
QF	L	S. HALEP (#3) 6-1 6-4	
2r	W	B. BENCIC (#12) 6-1 7-5	
1r	W	K. MUCHOVA (#22) 4-6 6-2 6-3	

2024	Result	Rank: 10	Seed: 8
1r	L	L. NOSKOVA (#31) 6-3 6-1	
2023	Result	Rank: 22	Seed: -
2r	L	O. JABEUR (#4) 1-6 7-5 6-3	
1r	W	E. RADUCANU (#68) 6-2 6-1	
2021	Result	Rank: 52	Seed: -
2r	L	K. PLISKOVA (#9) 6-7(7) 6-4 6-3	
1r	W	S. VOEGELE (#129) 6-4 7-5	
2019	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: -
1r	L	A. SEVASTOVA (#13) 6-2 4-6 6-0	
2018	Result	Rank: 5	Seed: 4
QF	L	K. PLISKOVA (#6) 5-7 7-5 6-4	
2r	W	Z. DIYAS (#52) 6-3 6-0	

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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- 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. Collins)
- Played 2r at Miami (l. Eala)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Xinyu Wang)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. Uchijima)
- Finished R-Up at Doha (l. Anisimova in F)
- Played 1r at Abu Dhabi (l. Jabeur)
- Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Bencic)
- Made R16 at Adelaide (l. eventual champion Keys)
- Opened 2025 playing R32 at Brisbane (l. Bouzkova)

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## TITLES

### 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)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)  
2024 - LINZ, ADELAIDE  
2023 - BIRMINGHAM  
2022 - DUBAI  
2021 - EASTBOURNE  
2019 - LUXEMBOURG  
2017 - SEOUL, ROLAND GARROS

Runner-Up (9)  
2025 - DOHA  
2022 - SEOUL, EASTBOURNE  
2021 - LUXEMBOURG  
2019 - LINZ  
2018 - MIAMI  
2017 - CHARLESTON  
2016 - DOHA  
2015 - QUEBEC CITY

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (11)  
2025 - CHARLESTON (w/Routliffe), ABU DHABI (w/Perez)  
2024 - US OPEN (w/Kichenok), EASTBOURNE (w/Kichenok), BRISBANE (w/Kichenok)  
2022 - CINCINNATI (w/Kichenok), BIRMINGHAM (w/Kichenok)  
2021 - MOSCOW (w/Siniakova)  
2018 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)  
2017 - STUTTGART (w/Atawo), ST. PETERSBURG (w/Rosolska)

Runner-Up (10)  
2025 - DUBAI (w/Hsieh), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Hsieh)  
2024 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Kichenok)  
2023 - DOHA (w/Kichenok)  
2022 - EASTBOURNE (w/Kichenok), DUBAI (w/Kichenok)  
2021 - DOHA (w/Niculescu)  
2020 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)  
2019 - BEIJING (w/Yastremska), JURMALA (w/Voskoboeva)



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GRAND SLAMS

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

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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, 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)
- Won seventh and eighth titles of career in 2024 at Adelaide and Linz. In doubles won first Grand Slam title at 2024 Australian Open and qualified for 2024 WTA Finals Riyadh (both with Lyudmyla Kichenok)
- Won sixth career title at 2023 Birmingham (d. Krejčíková in F) and reached SF at Rome; in doubles achieved R-Up at Doha (w/L.Kichenok)
- At 2022 Dubai, lifted fifth career singles title (d. Kudermetova in F); finished R-Up at Eastbourne (l. Kvitova) and Seoul (l. Alexandrova) as well as SF at St. Petersburg and Doha
- Won two doubles titles in 2022 at Birmingham and Cincinnati (both w/L.Kichenok); qualified for WTA Finals reaching SF Lifted first grass court title at 2021 Eastbourne (as WC, d. Kontaveit in F)
- In 2021, also finished R-Up at Luxembourg (l. Tauson), made SF at Indian Wells (l. Azarenka), reached QF at Rome and represented Latvia at the Tokyo Olympics (l. Vesnina in 1r)
- Won doubles title at 2021 Moscow (w/Siniakova)
- Highlights of 2020 season included three Top 10 wins and reaching QF at Strasbourg
- Finished R-Up in doubles w/Dabrowski at 2020 Doha (l. Hsieh/Strycova)
- 2019 season saw her capture third career title at Luxembourg (d. Goerges in F) right after finishing R-Up at Linz (l. Gauff)
- Also R-Up in mixed doubles at 2019 Wimbledon w/Lindstedt
- 2018 campaign highlighted by finishing R-Up at Miami (l. Stephens); beat No.9 Petra Kvitova and No.4 Elina Svitolina to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time
- Reached SF at 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber) to become first Latvian woman to reach final four at All England Club
- Achieved career-high ranking of No.5 on March 19, 2018
- In doubles won title at 2018 Doha (w/Dabrowski)
- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time (at No.7); was No.44 at end of 2016 (first Top 50 finish) and No.79 at end of 2015 (first Top 100 finish)
- Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F) becoming first woman to win first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open. Also became the first unseeded player to lift the trophy in the Open Era and the first Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam

- 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

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

## 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

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

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1 ARYNA  
SABALENKA (1)

JASMINE  
(5) PAOLINI 6  
ITALY

1998-05-05	Date of Birth		1996-01-04
	Residence		Bagni di Lucca, Italy
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays		Right-Handed
5' 11" (1.82m)	Height		5' 4" (1.63m)
1	Career-High Ranking		4
\$33,287,633	Career Prize Money		\$9,631,944
\$3,180,810	Season Prize Money		\$1,488,757
2 / 19	Singles Titles YTD / Career		0 / 2
83-24 (Champion: 2024 US OPEN, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	24-21 (Runner-Up: 2024 WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS)	
1-0 / 12-4 (Runner-Up: 2023, 2022, 2021)	YTD / Career STUTTGART W-L (best)	3-0 / 5-1 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)	
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2025	MIAMI	HARD	SF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-2 6-2	1h 11m
2024	WTA FINALS	HARD	GRP	Aryna Sabalenka	6-3 7-5	1h 30m
2023	BEIJING	HARD	3r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 7-6(4)	1h 37m
2022	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	2r	Jasmine Paolini	2-6 6-3 6-3	1h 47m
2020	LINZ	HARD	1r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 6-4	1h 26m
2017	ILKLEY	GRASS	1r	Jasmine Paolini	4-6 7-5 7-6(2)	0m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
1	1	2024	4	4
1	2	2023	29	30
2	5	2022	44	59
2	2	2021	51	53
10	10	2020	93	95
9	11	2019	114	117
11	11	2018	130	190
76	78	2017	130	137
154	159	2016	244	245
539	548	2015	309	581

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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. A. POTAPOVA (#38) 0-0 (0m)  
QF: d. E. MERTENS (#29) 6-4 6-1 (1h 19m)

*Total time on court: 1h 19m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 5th appearance at Stuttgart, where she has reached the final 3 times: 2021 (l. Barty), 2022 (l. Swiatek) and 2023 (l. Swiatek); fell QF in most recent appearance in 2024 (l. Vondrousova)
- After 1r bye and 2r walkover over Anastasia Potapova, defeated Elise Mertens in QF; Sabalenka played her 1st match of week on Saturday night
- Faces No.6 Jasmine Paolini in SF today; owns 44 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.4 Jessica Pegula in last month's Miami final
- Owns 10-3 career tour-level record against players from Italy (2-0 in 2025)
- Has won 2 tour-level titles on clay, both at Madrid in 2021 and 2023
- Playing 1st clay-court event of this year; last year on the surface finished R-Up at Madrid and Rome, and made QF at Stuttgart and Roland Garros
- Has won 5 WTA 500 titles in her career, most recently Brisbane in January
- Is No. 1 seed this week; has been top seed at 27 tournaments in her career
- Is currently ranked No.1; this time last year was ranked No.2. Has spent 34 weeks ranked World No.1 throughout her career
- Has won 24 matches so far in 2025; she is ranked No.2 on tour for match-wins this year, only trailing Jessica Pegula (26)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. E. LYS (#68) 6-2 6-1 (1h 4m)  
2r: d. J. NIEMEIER (#121) 6-1 7-5 (1h 26m)  
QF: d. C. GAUFF (#4) 6-4 6-3 (1h 28m)

*Total time on court: 3h 58m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at Stuttgart and is into SF for 1st time; previously made last year's QF (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
- Has beaten Eva Lys, Jule Niemeier and No.4 seed Coco Gauff so far this week to make her 2nd SF of the year (l. in Miami SF to Sabalenka)
- Faces No.1 Aryna Sabalenka in SF today; owns 7 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.4 Gauff yesterday
- Seeking 1st career win over a reigning PIF WTA World No.1 (0-5 so far); the last time an Italian defeated the WTA World No.1 was 2015 US Open (Roberta Vinci d. No.1 Serena Williams)
- Career-best tour-level results on clay are 2 finals: 2023 Palermo and 2024 Roland Garros
- Aiming to become the first Italian to make the Stuttgart final
- Is currently ranked No.6; this time last year was ranked No.14. Hit career-high ranking of No.4 for the first time last autumn
- Has won 15 tour-level matches so far in 2025, tied for 9th-most on tour



MATCH NOTES

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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
QF	L	M. VONDROUSOVA (#8) 3-6 6-3 7-5	
2r	W	P. BADOSA (#93) 7-6(4) 4-6 3-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
F	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-3 6-4	
SF	W	A. POTAPOVA (#24) 6-1 6-2	
QF	W	P. BADOSA (#31) 4-6 6-4 6-4	
2r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#12) 6-2 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 3
F	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-2 6-2	
SF	W	P. BADOSA (#3) 7-6(5) 6-4	
QF	W	A. KONTAVEIT (#6) 6-4 3-6 6-1	
2r	W	B. ANDREESCU (#121) 6-1 3-6 6-2	
2021	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 5
F	L	A. BARTY (#1) 3-6 6-0 6-3	
SF	W	S. HALEP (#3) 6-3 6-2	
QF	W	A. KONTAVEIT (#27) 7-5 4-6 6-1	
2r	W	A. FRIEDSAM (#125) 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	S. ZHANG (#40) 6-2 6-2	

2024	Result	Rank: 14	Seed: -
QF	L	E. RYBAKINA (#4) 6-3 5-7 6-3	
2r	W	O. JABEUR (#9) 7-6(8) 6-4	
1r	W	S. ERRANI (#102) 6-1 6-0	

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SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- 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)

- 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)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
91	12	Aces	30	68
65.3%	13	First serve %	65.9%	10
68.1%	13	First Serve points won %	62.4%	58
53.3%	1	Second serve points won %	46.7%	32
63.0%	2	Overall service points won %	57.0%	44
79.0%	2	Service games won %	67.5%	38
65.3%	1	Break points saved %	54.9%	45
41.0%	5	First serve return points won %	40.4%	9
61.8%	2	Second serve return points won %	53.2%	58
51.3%	9	Break points converted %	50.0%	16
45.8%	3	Return games won %	41.1%	10
48.5%	2	Return points won %	45.3%	16



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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 (16)

2025 - 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 (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)



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GRAND SLAMS

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

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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
- 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. Kvitová)
- 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)

- Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings
- Also in 2018, was R-Up at Lugano (l. Mertens) and Eastbourne (l. Wozniacki), made SF at Cincinnati, reached five QFs and produced a career-best Grand Slam run to R16 at US Open
- Entered Top 50 on April 16, 2018, after Lugano run, and Top 20 on August 27 of the same year, 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

- Ended 2018 ranked No.180, with season highlight a maiden WTA singles QF at Prague (d. No.15 Kasatkina, l. 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

- 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"

- 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