



MATCH NOTES

TENNIS IN THE LAND POWERED BY ROCKET -
CLEVELAND, OH, USA
2025-08-17 - 2025-08-23 | \$ 275,094



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SORANA
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ROMANIA

ANN
LI

69

UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

1990-04-07	Date of Birth	2000-06-26
Targoviste, Romania	Residence	Atlanta, Georgia, USA
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 9" (1.76m)	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)
21	Career-High Ranking	44
\$10,491,158	Career Prize Money	\$2,531,963
\$769,328	Season Prize Money	\$602,378
0 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 1
65-64 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023 US OPEN; 2009 FRENCH OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	9-14 (Round of 32: 2021 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2020 US OPEN)
4-0 / 5-1 (Runner-Up: 2025)	YTD / Career CLEVELAND W-L (best)	4-0 / 4-0 (Runner-Up: 2025)
18-12 / 327-329	YTD / Career W-L	21-18 / 62-57



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2021	MELBOURNE 500 GRAMPIANS TROPHY	HARD	QF	Ann Li	6-3 6-1	1h 1m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
22	70	2024	93	99
25	26	2023	129	174
24	38	2022	44	140
37	38	2021	47	47
69	86	2020	97	97
72	72	2019	146	148
33	86	2018	290	310
37	37	2017	583	583
81	81	2016	-	-
90	244	2015	-	-



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. M. UCHIJIMA (#92) 6-4 6-1 (1h 18m)
2r: d. J. TEICHMANN (#85) 6-1 (1h 1m)
QF: d. L. SAMSONOVA (#19) 6-4 6-1 (1h 22m)
SF: d. A. ZAKHAROVA (#100) 6-1 7-5 (1h 18m)

Total time on court: 4h 59m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Cleveland, where her previous result was reaching 2r in 2022 (l. Linette)
- Has beaten Moyuka Uchijima, Jil Teichmann, Liudmila Samsonova and Anastasia Zakharova so far this week to reach her first final of the season
- Her first Tour level final since 2021 Strasbourg (l. Krejčíková) and first Tour level final on hard courts since 2019 Tashkent (d. Uytvanck)
- Faces No.69 Ann Li in F today
- Owns 41-36 career record against players from United States of America, with record in 2025 standing at 2-5 (d. Alycia Parks and Emma Navarro at Dubai)
- Record in WTA F matches stands at 2-4; most recently lifted a title in 2021 Istanbul (d. Mertens)
- Best career result on hard has been a Champions run at Tashkent in 2008
- Best result by Romania at Cleveland was a Runner-Up run by Irina-Camelia Begu in 2021
- Best result by qualifier at Cleveland was a QF run by Ana Bogdan in 2024, Xinyu Wang in 2023
- Lowest ranked player (No.98) to reach F at Cleveland was McCartney Kessler in 2024
- Is currently ranked No.112; this time last year was ranked No.39

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. Y. STARODUBTSEVA (#66) 7-5 6-3 (1h 52m)
2r: d. I. JOVIC (#76) 6-3 2-6 6-3 (2h 13m)
QF: d. E. JACQUEMOT (#98) 6-1 5-7 6-1 (1h 49m)
SF: d. X. WANG (#37) 6-3 5-7 6-4 (2h 23m)

Total time on court: 8h 17m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her debut appearance at Cleveland
- Has beaten Yuliia Starodubtseva, Iva Jovic, Elsa Jacquemot and Xinyu Wang so far this week to reach her first second final of the season
- Also made Singapore final this year (l. Mertens)
- Faces No.112 Sorana Cirstea in F today
- Owns 2-2 career record against players from Romania, with record in 2025 standing at 0-1 (l. Begu at Indian Wells)
- Owns 5-6 career record against qualifiers, with a record in 2025 standing at 4-3
- Record in WTA F matches stands at 1-2
- Her one and only career title to date came in on hard courts at 2021 Tenereife (d. Osorio in F)
- Further made R-Up runs at 2024 Merida (l. Sonmez) and 2025 Singapore (l. Mertens), all on hard courts
- Best result by a player from the United States of America at Cleveland was Champion run by McCartney Kessler in 2024
- Is currently ranked No.69; this time last year was ranked No.131



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2022	Result	Rank: 38	Seed: -
2r	L	M. LINETTE (#67) 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	M. ZACARIAS (#212) 6-2 6-3	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Reached 4r at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
 - Fell in 1r at Montreal (l. Sun)
 - Reached SF at Iasi (l. eventual R-Up Teichmann)
 - Fell in 1r at Wimbledon (l. Baptiste)
 - Played 1r at Madrid (l. Baptiste)
 - Made 2r at Miami (l. Collins)
 - Played 2r at Indian Wells (l. Navarro)
 - Made QF at Austin (l. eventual R-Up Kessler)
 - Reached QF at Dubai (l. Muchova)
 - Played 1r at Cluj-Napoca (l. Stakusic)
 - Reached 2r at Linz (l. Tauson)
 - Opened 2025 with 1r at Australian Open (l. Svitolina)
- Played 1r at Cincinnati (l. Tomova)
 - Fell in 1r at Montreal (l. Kalinskaya)
 - Reached QF at Prague (l. eventual champion Bouzkova)
 - Played 2r at Iasi (l. Siskova)
 - Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Mertens)
 - Fell in 1r at Eastbourne (l. Raducanu)
 - Played 2r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Lamens)
 - Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Pegula)
 - Reached QF at Rabat (l. eventual champion Joint)
 - Played 1r at Rome (l. Bouzas Maneiro)
 - Reached 3r at Madrid (l. eventual R-Up Gauff)
 - Made 2r at Charleston (l. Alexandrova)
 - Played 1r at Miami (l. Townsend)
 - Fell in 1r at Indian Wells (l. Begu)
 - Finished with R-Up at Singapore (l. champion Mertens in F)
 - Played 1r at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Keys)
 - Reached R16 at Hobart (as qualifier, l. Yastremska)
 - Opened 2025 with R16 at Auckland (l. Volynets)



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SEASON 2025 STATS

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
95	39	Aces	151	17
60.7%	48	First serve %	58.0%	70
66.0%	29	First Serve points won %	65.3%	34
49.8%	7	Second serve points won %	46.9%	32
59.6%	15	Overall service points won %	57.6%	36
70.2%	23	Service games won %	66.7%	46
53.0%	52	Break points saved %	52.6%	61
36.9%	33	First serve return points won %	38.8%	15
52.4%	77	Second serve return points won %	53.1%	69
44.3%	50	Break points converted %	44.6%	47
32.8%	50	Return games won %	35.0%	36
42.8%	52	Return points won %	43.9%	34



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

- Champion (2)
- 2021 - ISTANBUL
- 2008 - TASHKENT
- Runner-Up (4)
- 2021 - STRASBOURG
- 2019 - TASHKENT
- 2013 - TORONTO
- 2007 - BUDAPEST

DOUBLES FINALS

- Champion (6)
- 2025 - MADRID (w/Kalinskaya)
- 2019 - LUGANO (w/Mitu)
- 2011 - DALLAS (w/Brianti)
- 2010 - ESTORIL (w/Medina Garrigues)
- 2008 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Erakovic), FES (w/Pavlyuchenkova)
- Runner-Up (5)
- 2014 - TIANJIN (w/Klepac)
- 2010 - BUDAPEST (w/Medina Garrigues)
- 2009 - FES (w/Kirilenko), BARCELONA (w/Klepac)
- 2008 - NEW HAVEN (w/Niculescu)

SINGLES FINALS

- Champion (1)
- 2021 - TENERIFE
- Runner-Up (3)
- 2025 - SINGAPORE
- 2024 - MÉRIDA
- 2021 - MELBOURNE 500 GRAMPIANS TROPHY



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r		1r		2025	1r	2r	2r	
1r	1r	1r		2024				1r
1r	1r	3r	QF	2023				
4r	2r	2r	2r	2022	1r	1r	2r	1r
3r	4r	3r	2r	2021	3r	2r	1r	1r
2r	1r		3r	2020	2r			3r
1r	2r	1r	3r	2019				
2r	1r	2r	2r	2018				
4r	2r	3r	2r	2017				
	1r	1r	1r	2016				
1r				2015				
1r	3r	1r	2r	2014				
3r	3r	2r	2r	2013				
3r	1r	3r	2r	2012				
2r	3r	1r	1r	2011				
2r	1r	1r	1r	2010				
1r	QF	3r	3r	2009				
1r	2r	2r	2r	2008				

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CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlights of 2024 came in the middle east making QF at Abu Dhabi and saving six match points in her Dubai QF match against Vondrousova to reach the semifinal (l. eventual champion Paolini). Ended her 2024 season after Wimbledon to undergo foot surgery.
- 2023 saw her best results achieved in the US. Advanced to Indian Wells QF for first time (l. Swiatek), then made SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and QF at US Open (l. Muchova)
- In 2022, reached SF on all three surfaces: hard court at Lyon (l. Yastremska), clay at Istanbul (l. Kudermetova), and grass at Birmingham (l. Zhang). Also enjoyed success at the Australian Open, where she fell in R16 (l. Swiatek)
- Highlight of 2021 was ending near-13-year wait for second WTA singles title, triumphing at Istanbul (d. Mertens in F)
- Also in 2021, finished R-Up at Strasbourg (l. Krejčíková), reached QFs at Grampians Trophy and Portoroz and R16 at Roland Garros
- Ended 2020 on a high, winning singles title at ITF/\$100k Dubai-UAE in December (d. Siniakova in F). Also in 2020, reached 3r at US Open and advanced to 2r at Australian Open
- Advanced to fourth career singles final in 2019 at Tashkent (l. Van Uytvanck) as a former champion in 2008
- Captured fifth career doubles title at 2019 Lugano (w/Mitu, d. Kudermetova/Voskoboeva in F)
- Other season highlights in 2019 were SF run at Nurnberg; previous appearance in last four at a WTA-level event came at the same tournament two years earlier. Also reached 3r at 2019 US Open (l. Townsend)
- Ended 2018 season at No.86, after a year highlighted by clay court QF runs at Nurnberg and Bucharest
- Reached R16 at 2017 Australian Open - first time advancing to that stage at a Slam since 2009 Roland Garros (QF, l. Stosur), her best Slam singles result
- In 2016 played a mix of WTA and ITF events, improving ranking by 163 ranking places to No.81 in 2016 on comeback from shoulder injury, with highlights being a SF run at Rio de Janeiro (l. Rogers) and making QF at Premier Mandatory Madrid (as wildcard, l. eventual R-Up Cibulkova) and Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Jankovic)
- Reached biggest singles final of career at 2013 Toronto - posted three Top 10 wins en route to

- Ended 2024 with her strongest result of the year at Merida with R-Up taking her ranking back into the Top 100 for the first time since 2022. Through the season also made QF at Palermo and at WTA 125s, lifted the title at Valencia and reached the final at Bastad.
- Reached four Tour-level main draws in 2023; 1r at Austin (as qualifier, l. Blinkova), 1r at Indian Wells (l. Blinkova), Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Sabalenka) and Guadalajara (as qualifier, l. Stephens). Also reached QF at WTA 125 Valencia on clay (l. Sherif) and R-Up at ITF \$100K Bonita Springs.

Her second semifinal appearance of 2022 came at Midland WTA 125 (l. Friedsam)

- Advanced to second round in Doha WTA 500 (l. Sakkari) and reached WTA 1000 Miami 3r (l. Riske-Amritraj)
- In 2022 reached Melbourne 2 (WTA 250) semifinal (l. Sasnovich)
- Ended 2021 season in fine form, winning first WTA title at Tenerife (d. Osorio in F) and making QF at Courmayeur (l. Tauson)
- Opened 2021 campaign by reaching maiden WTA final, at Grampians Trophy (final vs. Kontaveit was not played)
- Ended 2020 season with career-high ranking of No.97 (November 9, 2020) and first-ever Top 100 finish
- Best result of campaign was 3r run at US Open (d. No.20 Riske in 2r, l. Kerber)
- Advanced to 2r on Grand Slam debut at 2020 Australian Open (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2020 Auckland (as qualifier, l. McHale)
- Also, captured third career ITF singles title at 80K ITF/Tyler-TX, USA (d. Kostyuk in F)
- Owns three ITF singles titles
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in US in 2016
- Was R-Up in girls' singles at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Liu)

final (No.10 Wozniacki, No.7 Kvitova and No.5 Li) before falling to No.1 S.Williams

- Following Toronto run, posted career-high ranking of No.21 on August 21, 2013
- Won only WTA singles title at 2008 Tashkent (d. Lisicki in F) having previously been R-Up at 2007 Budapest (l. Dulko)
- Owns four Top 5 victories: No.5 Jankovic (2009 Roland Garros), No.5 Stosur (2012 Australian Open), No.5 Li Na (2013 Toronto) and No.4 Ka.Pliskova (2017 Beijing)
- Member of Romania's Fed Cup team 2006, 2008-09, 2013-14 and 2017-18; also part of Romanian Olympic Team 2008 and 2012
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2008 Australian Open (l. No.4 seed Ivanovic)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Stockholm (l. Kanepi in 1r)
- On ITF Circuit owns eight singles and nine doubles titles
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004

OTHER INFORMATION

- Working with Adrian Cruciat
- Introduced to tennis at age 4 by mother, Liliana; father's name is Mihai; younger brother's name is Mihnea; full name is Sorana Mihaela Cirstea
- Speaks Romanian, English and Spanish and is studying French
- Likes all surfaces; favorite shot is forehand; most admires Steffi Graf
- Enjoys playing all ball sports, going shopping, watching movies, reading and doing crosswords
- Favorite cities are New York and London ("big cities with lots to do")
- Self-described as ambitious, stubborn and happy

- Previously coached by Henner Nehles. Lives and trains in Atlanta; formerly trained at USTA in Orlando.
- Idolizes Roger Federer. Favorite surface to compete on is grass
- Hobbies include listening to music, watching movies, and reading