



# MATCH NOTES

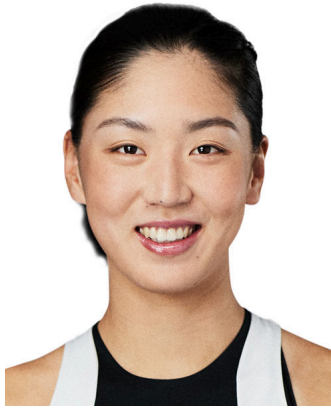
TENNIS IN THE LAND POWERED BY ROCKET -  
CLEVELAND, OH, USA  
2025-08-17 - 2025-08-23 | \$ 275,094



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**69** **ANN  
LI**  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

**(2)** **XINYU  
WANG** **37**  
CHINA

2000-06-26	Date of Birth		2001-09-26
Atlanta, Georgia, USA	Residence		
Right-Handed	Plays	Right-Handed (Two-handed backhand)	
5' 7" (1.70m)	Height	5' 11" (1.82m)	
44	Career-High Ranking		32
\$2,531,963	Career Prize Money		\$4,324,195
\$602,378	Season Prize Money		\$762,051
0 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career		0 / 0
9-14 (Round of 32: 2021 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2020 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	15-17 (Round of 16: 2024 WIMBLEDON; 2023 US OPEN)	
3-0 / 3-0 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)	YTD / Career CLEVELAND W-L (best)	3-0 / 6-2 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)	
20-18 / 61-57	YTD / Career W-L		18-17 / 89-101



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2022	MONTERREY	HARD	1r	Xinyu Wang	6-2 6-1	57m
2022	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	1r	Xinyu Wang	7-6(5) 6-3	1h 36m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
93	99	2024	32	37
129	174	2023	32	32
44	140	2022	68	97
47	47	2021	99	99
97	97	2020	135	153
146	148	2019	142	150
290	310	2018	306	306
583	583	2017	975	983



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### 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)

Total time on court: 5h 54m

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her debut appearance at CLEVELAND
- Has beaten Yuliia Starodubtseva, Iva Jovic and Elsa Jacquemot so far this week to reach her first SF since finishing as R-Up at SINGAPORE at the beginning of the season
- Today bidding to reach her fifth WTA singles final - aside from 2025 Singapore reached the title match at 2021 Tenerife (WON) 2024 Merida (RUP) and 2021 Grampians Trophy in Melbourne (RUP)
- Faces No.37 Xinyu Wang in SF today; owns 10 wins in career over Top 50 players, most recently over No.40 Anastasia Potapova at 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH 2025
- Owns 2-2 career record against players from China, first time facing such an opponent in 2025
- Owns 11-27 career record against SEEDS, with a record in 2025 standing at 3-10
- Best career result on hard court is being crowned champion at TENERIFE in 2021
- Best result by USA at CLEVELAND was title run by McCartney Kessler in 2024
- Is currently ranked No.69; this time last year was ranked No.131
- During last year's summer NORTH AMERICAN swing reached RUP at MÉRIDA, 1r at US OPEN
- Has won 19 matches so far in 2025; she is ranked No.25 on tour for match wins

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. LAMENS (#63) 6-2 6-7 6-2 (2h 14m)  
2r: d. T. GIBSON (#107) 1-6 6-2 6-3 (1h 43m)  
QF: d. V. GOLUBIC (#77) 4-6 6-4 6-4 (2h 10m)

Total time on court: 6h 7m

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 3rd appearance at CLEVELAND and is through to her first SF here, having made QF in 2023 (as qualifier) and falling 2r in 2024
- Has beaten Suzan Lamens, Talia Gibson and Viktorija Golubic so far this week to reach her first SF since also making the last four at PRAGUE 2025
- Faces No.69 Ann Li in SF today, bidding to reach her second career singles final after 2025 Berlin (I. Vondrousova)
- Owns 11-15 career record against players from United States of America, with record in 2025 standing at 1-3
- Best result on hard court is making the SF eight times - in addition to Cleveland, also PRAGUE, SINGAPORE in 2025; WUHAN, HUA HIN in 2024; OSAKA, HUA HIN in 2023; PRAGUE in 2021
- Only player from China to reach SF
- Has matched best result by China at CLEVELAND, with Lin Zhu in 2023 also making the SF
- Is currently ranked No.37; this time last year was also ranked No.37
- During last year's summer NORTH AMERICAN swing reached 2r at US OPEN, 2r at CLEVELAND, 1r at CINCINNATI
- Is currently on a 3-match winning streak; longest winning streak of her career was 5 matches in 2025 (at Berlin)
- Has won 17 matches so far in 2025; she is ranked No.37 on tour for match wins



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

2024	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: 4
2r	L	M. KESSLER (#98) 3-6 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	A. BLINKOVA (#79) 6-1 6-1	
2023	Result	Rank: 56	Seed: -
QF	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#22) 5-7 6-0 7-5	
2r	W	J. PAOLINI (#35) 6-4 6-3	
1r	W	C. BUREL (#62) 7-6(5) 4-6 7-5	



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SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- 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)

- Played 2r at Cincinnati (l. Gauff)
- Reached SF at Prague (l. eventual R-Up Noskova)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Sonmez)
- Finished R-Up at Berlin (as qualifier, l. champion Vondrousova in F)
- Fell in 1r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Birrell)
- Played 1r at Roland Garros (l. Raducanu)
- Made 2r at Strasbourg (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
- Reached QF at Parma 125 (as WC, l. eventual R-Up Mboko)
- Fell in 1r at Rome (l. Rakhimova)
- Played 1r at Madrid (l. Sakkari)
- Fell in 1r at Miami (l. Kudermetova)
- Reached 3r at Indian Wells (l. Pegula)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. Parks)
- Played 1r at Doha (l. Avanesyan)
- Reached SF at Singapore (l. eventual champion Mertens)
- Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Badosa)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (as qualifier, l. Jones)
- Opened 2025 playing 1r at Brisbane (l. Kudermetova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
148	17	Aces	110	33
58.0%	70	First serve %	61.5%	45
65.0%	36	First Serve points won %	67.7%	18
47.1%	30	Second serve points won %	45.6%	44
57.5%	37	Overall service points won %	59.2%	20
66.7%	47	Service games won %	70.7%	19
53.0%	54	Break points saved %	57.6%	32
38.9%	15	First serve return points won %	33.6%	76
52.8%	69	Second serve return points won %	53.8%	60
45.0%	42	Break points converted %	42.2%	67
34.8%	36	Return games won %	28.6%	81
43.8%	34	Return points won %	41.2%	74

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

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

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)  
2025 - BERLIN

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (4)  
2024 - BERLIN (w/Zheng)  
2023 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Hsieh)  
2021 - COURMAYEUR (w/Zheng)  
2019 - NANCHANG (w/Zhu)  
  
Runner-Up (5)  
2025 - SINGAPORE (w/Zheng)  
2023 - MÉRIDA (w/Wu), HUA HIN (w/Zhu)  
2022 - GUADALAJARA (w/Zhu)  
2021 - LINZ (w/Zheng)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r	2r	2r		2025	1r	1r	2r	
			1r	2024	1r	3r	4r	2r
				2023	2r	3r	2r	4r
1r	1r	2r	1r	2022	2r	1r		1r
3r	2r	1r	1r	2021			1r	
2r			3r	2020				
				2019				1r
				2018	1r			

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- 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 Grampains 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)

- In 2024, made her best to date run at a Grand Slam by reaching R16 at Wimbledon; also made her first WTA 1000 semifinal at Wuhan and a second semifinal at WTA 250 Hua Hin
- Dramatically improved her ranking across 2023 season, making Top 50 debut in September and hitting No.32 in October. Posted best result at three of the four Slams, including R16 run at Roland Garros. Also reached semifinals at Hua Hin and Osaka (l. Zhu both times).

In doubles, claimed Roland Garros title (w/Hsieh) and runner-up at Hua Hin (w/Zhu) and Merida (w/Wu), with her doubles ranking peaking at No. 18 on September 11, 2023.

- Reached 2r on six occasions in 2022, including at Australian Open (l. Sabalenka). Also won sixth career ITF Circuit title, at W60 event in Tokyo in November
- Made Top 100 debut on November 15, 2021
- Highlight of 2021 was SF at Prague (l. eventual champion Krejčíková). Also advanced to QF at Courmayeur (l. Vekic) and Linz (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Riske)
- In 2020, fell 1r at Shenzhen (l. Muguruza) and Hua Hin (l. Liang)
- Opened 2019 season with maiden Tour-level main draw win at Shenzhen Open (d. F.Xun, l. Sharapova), went on to post two more 2r runs at Nanchang (l. Rybakina) and Tianjin (as qualifier, l. Peterson)
- Lifted maiden WTA doubles title at 2019 Nanchang w/L.Zhu (d. Peng/Zhang in F)
- Won three consecutive ITF titles in 2019, at \$25K ITF/Shenzhen 2-CHN (d. F.Xun in F), \$25K ITF/Hengyang-CHN (d. Z.Sun in F) and \$25K ITF/Tianjin-CHN (d. Jovic in F)
- In 2018, won maiden title of career at \$25K ITF/Nonhaburi 4-THA (d. Wang Xiyu in F)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 Australian Open (l. Cornet in 1r)
- Also in 2018, contested qualifying on WTA Tour for the first time at Shenzhen Open and competed in maiden WTA main draw at Guangzhou (l. Khazaniuk)
- Advanced to 2r on professional debut at \$10K ITF/Prokuplje 2-SRB in 2016 (as qualifier, l. Zakarlyuk)

# OTHER INFORMATION

- 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
- Father, Peng Wang, is a former professional player and Fed Cup captain, mother is Jinghui Zhou
  - Started playing tennis with father at the age of six. Describes her game as "aggressive and decisive"
  - Best moment in tennis to date was playing Maria Sharapova at Shenzhen in 2019
  - Favorite surface is hard and favorite tournaments are the Australian and US Opens
  - Li Na was her role model growing up
  - Long-term goal is to win a Grand Slam
  - Passions away from the court are yoga and food. Favorite book is Little Women, movie is The Hunger Games and musician is Jay Chou
  - Words she would use to describe herself are "peace and love".





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SORANA  
CIRSTEA  
ROMANIA

ANASTASIA  
ZAKHAROVA

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1990-04-07	Date of Birth		2002-01-18
Targoviste, Romania	Residence		
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed	
5' 9" (1.76m)	Height	5' 7" (1.70 m)	
21	Career-High Ranking	82	
\$10,491,158	Career Prize Money	\$960,647	
\$769,328	Season Prize Money	\$295,984	
0 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career		0 / 0
65-64 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023 US OPEN; 2009 FRENCH OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	3-2 (Round of 32: 2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	
3-0 / 4-1 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)	YTD / Career CLEVELAND W-L (best)	2-0 / 2-0 (Quarter-Finalist: 2025)	
17-12 / 326-329	YTD / Career W-L		4-4 / 9-15



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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
22	70	2024	106	109
25	26	2023	166	194
24	38	2022	156	165
37	38	2021	198	198
69	86	2020	242	252
72	72	2019	357	358
33	86	2018	973	975
37	37	2017	-	-
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)

Total time on court: 3h 41m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Cleveland, where her previous result was reaching 2r in 2022
- Has beaten Moyuka Uchijima, Jil Teichmann and Liudmila Samsonova so far this week to reach her second SF of the year
- Reached her first SF of the season at Iasi, where she also lifted the title
- Faces No.100 Anastasia Zakharova in SF today
- Record in WTA SF matches stands at 6-20
- Best career result on hard court is Champion which she has reached once: Tashkent in 2008
- Only player from Romania to reach SF
- Best result by Romanian at Cleveland was Runner-Up run by Irina-Camelia Begu in 2021
- Last time a player from Romania reached SF at Cleveland was 2021
- Lowest ranked player (No.98) to reach SF at Cleveland was McCartney Kessler in 2024
- Is currently ranked No.112; this time last year was ranked No.39

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

QF: d. E. LYS (#60) 0-0 (0m)  
1r: d. K. BIRRELL (#80) 5-7 6-4 6-3 (3h 8m)  
2r: d. H. BAPTISTE (#49) 6-4 6-3 (1h 29m)

Total time on court: 4h 37m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 1st appearance at Cleveland
- Has beaten Kimberly Birrell, Hailey Baptiste and Eva Lys (via. W/O) so far this week to reach her first career SF on the WTA Tour
- Faces No.112 Sorana Cirstea in SF today
- Is facing a Romanian player in a Tour level main draw for the first time
- Owns 0-3 career record against qualifiers, with a record in 2025 standing at 0-1 (L. Sasnovich at Linz)
- Best career result on hard court has been a QF run at Hong Kong in 2024 (L. Boulter)
- Lowest ranked player (No.98) to reach SF at Cleveland was McCartney Kessler in 2024
- Is currently ranked No.100; this time last year was ranked No.129
- Is currently on a 3-match winning streak; longest winning streak of her career was 3 matches in 2024



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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)

- Made 2r at Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Yastremska)
- Played 2r at London (l. Keys)
- Made 2r at Paris 125 (l. eventual R-Up Paquet)
- Fell in 1r at Saint Malo 125 (l. Volynets)
- Played 1r at Antalya 125 #3 (l. Zidansek)
- Played 1r at Antalya 125 #1 (l. Rus)
- Played qualifying at Indian Wells
- Played 1r at Austin (as qualifier, l. Dolehide)
- Opened 2025 with 1r at Linz (as qualifier, l. Sasnovich)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
90	42	Aces	21	112
60.8%	48	First serve %	55.3%	0
65.6%	32	First Serve points won %	63.5%	0
49.8%	7	Second serve points won %	46.9%	0
59.4%	15	Overall service points won %	56.1%	0
69.9%	23	Service games won %	70.1%	0
53.3%	50	Break points saved %	56.1%	0
36.7%	33	First serve return points won %	32.6%	0
51.9%	79	Second serve return points won %	54.4%	0
43.5%	55	Break points converted %	47.8%	0
32.2%	56	Return games won %	32.7%	0
42.5%	56	Return points won %	41.0%	0



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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)

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (3)  
2024 - MONASTIR (w/Korneeva)  
2022 - PRAGUE (w/Gabueva)  
2021 - NUR-SULTAN (w/Gabueva)



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r		1r		2025			2r	
1r	1r	1r		2024	3r			
1r	1r	3r	QF	2023				
4r	2r	2r	2r	2022				
3r	4r	3r	2r	2021				
2r	1r		3r	2020				
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

- Opened the 2024 season with her first Grand Slam main draw at Australian Open making third round, and closed out the season by posting her best career Tour-level result with QF at Hong Kong.
- Played mainly ITF in 2023 with strongest Tour level appearance at Hua Hin reaching 2r (l. Andreescu).
- Moved into Top 200 for first time in 2022 with best result of the season making main draw in Prague (as qualifier, l. Cornet) and Portoroz (as qualifier, l. Zidansek).
- Had doubles success in 2021 reaching Nur-Sultan final and also 2022 with final at Prague (both w/Gabueva).
- In 2021 reached first Tour level main draw at Gdynia (as lucky loser, l. Gorgodze), also making 1r at Luxembourg (as qualifier, l. Dodin) Ostrava (as qualifier, l. Sorribes Tormo) and Nur-Sultan (as qualifier, l. Diyas).

Made first ITF final in 2019 on hard court at Shymkent W15 and earned first ITF title the next month at the same location on clay. Later the same year, played first WTA matches in qualifying at Moscow (l. Cepelova in Q2).

Played first ITF match at Minsk W15 in 2017 at the age of 15.



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

- Currently coached by father Vladimir Zakharov
- Started playing tennis at the age of eight
- Mother is Alexandra Zakharova