



PREVIEW NOTES

Mubadala Abu Dhabi Open
presented by Abu Dhabi Sports Council
ABU DHABI, UNITED ARAB EMIRATES



Feb 3 – Feb 8, 2025 | WTA 500 | \$1,064,510

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Mubadala Abu Dhabi Open presented by Abu Dhabi Sports Council – Quick Facts

Main draw dates: Monday, Feb 3 – Sunday, Feb 8, 2025
Singles Final: Sunday, Feb 8, 5pm
Doubles Final: Sunday, Feb 8, 2:30pm
Venue: International Tennis Centre
Status: WTA 500
Staging: 3rd Edition
Draw sizes: 28 singles / 16 doubles teams / 24 singles qualifying
Surface: Hard / Outdoor - Laykold Hard Court
Tennis Ball: Dunlop – Fort All Court TS SS

| SINGLES | \$ | RANK POINTS | DOUBLES | \$ | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|---------|-------------|-----------------|--------|-------------|
| Winner | 164,000 | 500 | Winner | 54,300 | 500 |
| Runner-Up | 101,000 | 325 | Runner-Up | 33,000 | 325 |
| Semifinalist | 59,000 | 195 | Semifinalist | 19,160 | 195 |
| Quarterfinalist | 28,695 | 108 | Quarterfinalist | 9,840 | 108 |
| Round of 16 | 15,700 | 60 | Round of 16 | 1,960 | 1 |
| Round of 32 | 11,300 | 1 | | | |

TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

Wildcards: Belinda Bencic (SUI), Caroline Garcia (FRA), Emma Raducanu (GBR), Marketa Vondrousova (CZE)

Youngest singles player: Linda Noskova (20y, 83d)

Oldest singles player: Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova (33y, 220d)

- Tournament's third edition; Abu Dhabi previous winners include Elena Rybakina (2024) and Belinda Bencic (2023)
- This is the fourth WTA 500 event of the season after Brisbane, Adelaide and Linz.
- Defending champion Rybakina enters the tournament as the top seed; this is the third time in her career as the No.1 seed – also 2024 Abu Dhabi (Won) and 2024 Adelaide (QF)
- Daria Kasatkina (129) has won more matches at WTA 500 level events since the level was introduced in 2009. Next in line behind Kasatkina is Caroline Wozniacki (126), Petra Kvitova (124) and Karolina Pliskova (116)
- Kasatkina has won six titles at WTA 500 events, third most among active players behind only Karolina Pliskova (9) and Madison Keys (7)
- No.2 seed Paula Badosa recently returned to the PIF WTA Rankings Top 10 following her semifinal run at the Australian Open; the last time she was ranked in the Top 10 was October 2022
- Tunisia's Ons Jabeur, who has set women's tennis records for an Arab player, will begin her Middle East campaign in Abu Dhabi. Former World No. 2 Jabeur, a three-time Grand Slam finalist, is seeking her first title since 2023.



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- No.4 seed Yulia Putintseva made her Top 20 debut last week and is playing on a career-high ranking of No.20; following her first round bye, she will face the winner of Raducanu and Vondrousova
- Grand Slam singles champions in the field include Rybakina (2022 Wimbledon), Jelena Ostapenko (2017 Roland Garros), Emma Raducanu (2021 US Open) and Marketa Vondrousova (2023 Wimbledon). Raducanu and Vondrousova received main-draw wild cards.
- Other wildcard recipients include former World No. 4 Caroline Garcia and 2021 Olympic champion Belinda Bencic. Bencic made the Round of 16 at the Australian Open, which was her first Grand Slam back after her maternity leave

COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

Excluding qualifiers, a total of 14 countries and regions are represented in the main draw:

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|---------------------------|------------------------------------|
| Canada (1) | Leylah Fernandez |
| China (1) | Yuan Yue |
| Czech Republic (2) | Linda Noskova, Marketa Vondrousova |
| France (1) | Caroline Garcia |
| Great Britain (1) | Emma Raducanu |
| Kazakhstan (2) | Yulia Putintseva, Elena Rybakina |
| Latvia (1) | Jelena Ostapenko |
| New Zealand (1) | Lulu Sun |
| Poland (2) | Magdalena Frech, Magda Linette |
| Spain (1) | Paula Badosa |
| Slovakia (1) | Rebecca Sramkova |
| Switzerland (1) | Belinda Bencic |
| Tunisia (1) | Ons Jabeur |
| United States (1) | Ashlyn Krueger |

Ekaterina Alexandrova, Daria Kasatkina, Polina Kudermetova, Anastasia Pavlyukhena, Liudmila Samsonova

2025 WTA TOUR FINALS

| END DATE | TOURNAMENT | LEVEL | CHAMPION | RUNNER-UP |
|----------|-----------------|------------|---------------------------|-----------------------|
| Jan 5 | United Cup | WTA 500 | USA | Poland |
| Jan 5 | Brisbane | WTA 500 | [1] Aryna Sabalenka | Polina Kudermetova |
| Jan 5 | Auckland | WTA 250 | [5] Clara Tauson | [7] Naomi Osaka |
| Jan 11 | Adelaide | WTA 500 | Madison Keys | [1] Jessica Pegula |
| Jan 11 | Hobart | WTA 250 | McCartney Kessler | [2] Elise Mertens |
| Jan 26 | Australian Open | Grand Slam | [19] Madison Keys | [1] Aryna Sabalenka |
| Feb 2 | Linz | WTA 500 | [4] Ekaterina Alexandrova | [5] Dayana Yastremska |
| Feb 2 | Singapore | WTA 250 | [2] Elise Mertens | Ann Li |



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2025 SUMMARY

- **Most Aces – Season:** Clara Tauson (94), Madison Keys (88), Coco Gauff (54)
- **Most Match Wins – Season:** Madison Keys (14-1), Aryna Sabalenka (11-1), Coco Gauff (9-1) Iga Swiatek (9-2)
- **Most Singles Titles – Season:** Madison Keys, 2 (Adelaide, Australian Open)
- **PIF WTA World No.1 Ranking – Singles:** Aryna Sabalenka, 16 consecutive weeks (since Oct 21, 2024); Total Weeks at No.1 - 24
- **PIF WTA World No.1 Ranking – Doubles:** Katerina Siniakova, 22 consecutive weeks (since Sep 9, 2024); Total weeks at No.1 – 137 (tied for 4th most all-time)
- **PIF WTA Top 100 Debuts:** Polina Kudermetova (Jan 6), Eva Lys (Jan 27)
- **PIF WTA 50 Debuts:** McCartney Kessler (Jan 13), Ashlyn Krueger (Jan 27), Olga Danilovic (Jan 27)