

# MATCH NOTES

## OMNIUM BANQUE NATIONALE PRESENTE PAR ROGERS

MONTREAL, CANADA | JUL 27 – AUG 7 | WTA 1000 | \$5,152,599

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### SEMIFINALS – WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 6, 2025

SEMIFINALISTS	RANK	AGE	YTD W-L	YTD TITLES	CAREER TITLES	2025 PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$
[9] Elena Rybakina	12	26	35-14	1	9	\$1,969,642	\$17,704,632
[16] Clara Tauson	19	22	32-15	1	3	\$1,475,935	\$3,771,754
Naomi Osaka	49	27	21-11	0	7	\$725,727	\$22,772,890
[WC] Victoria Mboko	85	18	11-5	0	0	\$396,293	\$458,001

[WC] Victoria Mboko (CAN #85) vs. [9] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #12)

Rybakina leads 1-0

#### *Mboko:*

- Making main-draw debut at this tournament
- Has reached the first tour-level SF of her career, in just her 3rd career WTA 1000 main-draw appearance
- Her fourth-round victory over World No.2 Coco Gauff was her first career Top 10 win in 3 attempts
- 18-year-old Mboko is the youngest woman to reach this tournament's SF since Belinda Bencic's title run in 2015
- She is the 8th player to reach a WTA 1000 at 18 years old or younger
- Through 5 matches, has served 37 aces, the most at the tournament since 2022 (Karolina Pliskova, 43)
- Mboko is the first Canadian semifinalist at the Canadian Open after Bianca Andreescu in 2019
- She could become the fourth Canadian finalist at the tournament after Faye Urban (1968 and 1969), Vicky Berner (1969) and Bianca Andreescu (2019)
- Mboko (18 years) is the fourth-youngest semi-finalist at the Canadian Open since 2000, older only than Belinda Bencic (2015), Ana Ivanovic (2006) and Serena Williams (2000) - they all reached the final
- Has equaled the best result achieved by her coach, Nathalie Tauziat at the Canadian Open (semi-final in 1990, lost to Steffi Graf)

#### *Rybakina:*

- Making 4th appearance at this tournament; her previous and career-best tournament showing is the 2023 SF
- So far, Rybakina is 6-1 during this year's North American summer hard-court swing (also made Washington SF, l. eventual champion Fernandez in 3rd-set tiebreak)
- Is playing in 10th WTA 1000 semifinal. Since 2023 when she reached her first WTA 1000 semifinal, only Iga Swiatek (15) has reached more WTA 1000 semifinals, while Aryna Sabalenka has also reached 10 in that time frame
- Contesting her 38th career WTA 1000 main draw; has won 2 WTA 1000 titles (2023 Indian Wells and 2023 Rome)
- 4 of 9 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court (2020 Hobart, 2023 Indian Wells, 2024 Brisbane and 2024 Abu Dhabi)
- Leads the Tour in Aces served (302) this year, including 26 aces this week
- Has a chance to return to the Top 10 this week; could secure return with a win today; also could return to Top 10 with her SF run if Tauson does not win the title

### 18-YEAR OLDS (AND YOUNGER) TO REACH WTA 1000 SEMIFINALS

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT	ROUND	AGE YRS	AGE DAYS
ANASTASIA PAVLYUCHENKOVA	2009 - INDIAN WELLS	SF	17	263
BELINDA BENCIC	2015 - TORONTO	WON	18	159
BIANCA ANDREESCU	2019 - INDIAN WELLS	WON	18	274
CAROLINE WOZNIACKI	2009 - MADRID	R-UP	18	310
COCO GAUFF	2023 - DUBAI	SF	18	349
COCO GAUFF	2021 - ROME	SF	17	64
JELENA OSTAPENKO	2016 - DOHA	R-UP	18	264
MIRRA ANDREEVA	2025 - INDIAN WELLS	WON	17	321
MIRRA ANDREEVA	2025 - DUBAI	WON	17	299
VICTORIA MBOKO	2025 - MONTREAL	???	18	346

#### [16] Clara Tauson (DEN #19) vs. Naomi Osaka (JPN #49)

Tauson leads 1-0

##### *Tauson:*

- Tauson has won the only previous career meeting against Naomi Osaka, in Auckland's final this year via retirement
- Has advanced to the semifinal without dropping a set
- Making 2nd semifinal appearance at WTA 1000 having previously finishing as R-Up at 2025 Dubai (I. M. Andreeva)
- Would become the fourth player to reach multiple WTA 1000 finals in 2025, after Sabalenka, M. Andreeva and Gauff
- Through to seventh career WTA level SF - all the previous six have been on hard court
- Through to 4th WTA level semifinal of the year (Auckland, Linz, Dubai and Montréal): already more than in her entire career prior to this season (three in total)
- Has won 32 WTA-level main draw matches in 2025, more than in the previous three entire calendar years combined (2022, 2023 and 2024)
- Tauson is the second Danish player to reach the semifinals at the Canadian Open in the Open Era after Caroline Wozniacki (Won in 2010, SF in 2012 and R-Up in 2017)
- Is currently ranked at a career-high No.19 (achieved on July 14, 2025); by reaching the SF is projected to move to No.15 after the tournament; she could move to No.13 if she reaches the final and could possibly make her Top 10 debut if she wins the title (also dependent on Rybakina's results)

##### *Osaka:*

- Through to this tournament's semifinals for the first time in her career
- Making sixth career semifinal appearance at a WTA 1000 event, having previously finished as semifinalist at 2018 Beijing, as a runner-up at 2020 Cincinnati (NYC) and 2022 Miami, and title runs at 2018 Indian Wells and 2018 Beijing
- Owns 80-41 record at WTA 1000 events
- There have been three unseeded finalists at a WTA 1000 tournament in 2025 - Amanda Anisimova (Won, 2025 Doha), Jelena Ostapenko (R-Up, 2025 Doha) and Clara Tauson (R-Up, 2025 Dubai); Osaka and/or Mboko could join the list
- Is the third Japanese player to reach the semifinals at the tournament, equaling semifinal runs at the Canadian Open in the Open Era by Kazuko Sawamatsu in 1974 and Kimiko Date Krumm in 1994
- Has won five-straight matches for the first time reaching the Miami final in 2022 (I. Swiatek)
- Has won 21 WTA main draw matches in 2025: she only had more in 2018 and 2019 (40 each) in a calendar year
- Seeking 43rd career win over a Top 20 player today; she has already beaten two Top 20 players during this event (Samsonova in 2r and Svitolina in QF)

### WTA 1000 SEMIFINALISTS RANKED No.85+

PLAYER	TOURNAMENT	ROUND	RANK
LUCIE HRADECKA	2012 - MADRID	SF	105
JELENA OSTAPENKO	2016 - DOHA	R-UP	88
LOUISA CHIRICO	2016 - MADRID	SF	130
KRISTINA KUCOVA	2016 - MONTREAL	SF	121
SLOANE STEPHENS	2017 - TORONTO	SF	934
SLOANE STEPHENS	2017 - CINCINNATI	SF	151
VICTORIA AZARENKA	2018 - MIAMI	SF	186
DANIELLE COLLINS	2018 - MIAMI	SF	93
MARIE BOUZKOVA	2019 - TORONTO	SF	91
SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA	2019 - CINCINNATI	R-UP	153
CAROLINE DOLEHIDE	2023 - GUADALAJARA	R-UP	111
AMANDA ANISIMOVA	2024 - TORONTO	R-UP	132
ALEXANDRA EALA	2025 - MIAMI	SF	140
VICTORIA MBOKO	2025 – MONTREAL	??	85

### SUMMARY OF PERFORMANCE BYE & SPECIAL EXEMPT SPOT

Looking ahead to Cincinnati, if Naomi Osaka advances to the final in Montreal, Osaka will receive a performance bye at Cincinnati in the opening round.

As Victoria Mboko was a direct entry into the Cincinnati qualifying draw, she will receive "Special Exempt Spot" into the main draw at Cincinnati.

A "Special Exempt Spot" is a singles Main Draw spot reserved for a singles player who is unable to compete in the Qualifying of a WTA Tournament in which she has been accepted as a direct acceptance by the Qualifying Sign-In Deadline because she is still competing in the singles main draw of a Tournament in the week before the Special Exempt Tournament.

In addition, if Mboko advances to the final, she will eligible to receive a performance bye in the opening round of Cincinnati.

If it is deemed that the performance bye are not needed they will be replaced by either the next player to move in off of the main draw alternate list or by a lucky loser, depended on the timing.

A performance bye would be awarded in addition to the Top 32 seeds at the tournament, yielding 33 or possibly 34 byes at Cincinnati.



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### ABOUT THE UPCOMING PIF WTA RANKINGS

With a Thursday final in Montreal, the PIF WTA Rankings will be updated at the conclusion of the tournament's championship matches. At that time, any ranking points earned at 2024 Washington DC and 2024 Toronto will drop off the Rankings with 2025 Montreal points being added. These will be the rankings for August 11, for historical and record purposes.

Further, the August 11 Rankings will update on Sunday evening at the conclusion of the ITF events allowing for points to be applied to the respective players' Ranking points.

The PIF WTA Rankings will next be updated on Monday, August 18 at the conclusion of the Cincinnati final at which point the 2024 Cincinnati points will drop off with 2025 Cincinnati points being added, accordingly. These rankings will serve as the basis for US Open seeding.

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85 VICTORIA  
MBOKO (WC)  
CANADA

ELENA 12  
(9) RYBAKINA  
KAZAKHSTAN

2006-08-26	Date of Birth		1999-06-17
	Residence		
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	
	Height	6' 0" (1.84m)	
85	Career-High Ranking		3
\$458,001	Career Prize Money		\$17,704,632
\$396,293	Season Prize Money		\$2,390,992
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career		1 / 9
3-2 (Round of 32: 2025 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	56-21 (Champion: 2022 WIMBLEDON)	
5-0 / 5-0 (Semi-Finalist: 2025)	YTD / Career MONTREAL W-L (best)	4-0 / 8-3 (Semi-Finalist: 2023, 2025)	
11-5 / 11-6	YTD / Career W-L		35-14 / 246-105



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	WASHINGTON DC	HARD	2r	Elena Rybakina	6-3 7-5	1h 25m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
284	350	2024	3	6
316	323	2023	3	4
492	499	2022	12	22
-	-	2021	14	14
-	-	2020	17	19
-	-	2019	37	37
-	-	2018	182	191
-	-	2017	420	425
-	-	2016	612	616

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**ELENA  
RYBAKINA**

## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. BIRRELL (#79) 7-5 6-3 (1h 34m)  
2r: d. S. KENIN (#27) 6-2 6-3 (1h 19m)  
3r: d. M. BOUZKOVA (#39) 1-6 6-3 6-0 (1h 56m)  
4r: d. C. GAUFF (#2) 6-1 6-4 (1h 2m)  
QF: d. J. BOUZAS MANEIRO (#51) 6-4 6-2 (1h 17m)

*Total time on court: 7h 8m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her tournament main-draw debut; the 18-year-old is the youngest Canadian player in the Open Era (since 1968) to reach SF at this tournament
- Has become the youngest player to reach SF at this tournament since Belinda Bencic's title-winning run in 2015
- Has defeated Kimberly Birrell, No.23 seed Sofia Kenin, Marie Bouzkova, No.1 seed Coco Gauff and Jessica Bouzas Maneiro so far this week, reaching her 1st career tour-level QF and SF
- Contesting just her 3rd career WTA 1000 main draw; posted 2r finishes at WTA 1000 Miami and Rome earlier this year
- Faces No.12 Elena Rybakina in SF today; Mboko's R16 win over World No.2 Gauff was her first Top 20 win in 5 attempts
- Owns 0-1 career tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan (l. Rybakina at Washington last month)
- This is her career-best tour-level result on hard court, surpassing her Washington R16 showing last month
- 1 of 9 Canadian women contesting this year's main draw, and the only one to reach the 3r and beyond
- 2 Canadian women have won this event in the Open Era (since 1968): Faye Urban (1969) and Bianca Andreescu (2019)
- Before this year, the most recent Canadian woman to make QF and SF at this tournament was Bianca Andreescu during her 2019 title run
- Is currently ranked a career-high No.85; this time last year was ranked No.358

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. H. BAPTISTE (#50) 6-4 6-3 (1h 12m)  
3r: d. J. CRISTIAN (#52) 6-0 7-6 (1h 23m)  
4r: d. D. YASTREMSKA (#35) 5-7 6-2 7-5 (2h 31m)  
QF: d. M. KOSTYUK (#28) 6-1 2-1 (54m)

*Total time on court: 6h 0m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th appearance at this tournament; she has matched her previous and career-best tournament showing (2023 SF)
- After 1r bye, defeated Hailey Baptiste, Jaqueline Cristian, No.30 seed Dayana Yastremska and No.24 seed Marta Kostyuk (via ret.) to make her 5th SF of the year
- So far, Rybakina is 6-1 during this year's North American summer hard-court swing (also made Washington SF, l. eventual champion Fernandez in 3rd-set tiebreak)
- Contesting her 38th career WTA 1000 main draw; she has won 2 WTA 1000 titles (2023 Indian Wells and 2023 Rome)
- Aiming to reach her 6th WTA 1000 singles final, and her 21st singles final on the Hologic WTA Tour overall
- Faces No.85 Victoria Mboko in SF today; Rybakina is 10-3 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 75
- Owns 5-3 career tour-level record against players from Canada (2-2 in 2025, including a win over Mboko last month in Washington)
- 4 of her 9 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court (2020 Hobart, 2023 Indian Wells, 2024 Brisbane and 2024 Abu Dhabi)
- 1 of 2 players from Kazakhstan in the main draw (Putintseva lost 1r)
- Best results by Kazakhstan at this tournament were Rybakina's SF runs in 2023 and this year
- Is currently ranked No.12; this time last year was ranked No.4. Reached career-high of No.3 for the first time in 2023



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

2023	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 3
SF	L	L. SAMSONOVA (#18) 1-6 6-1 6-2	
QF	W	D. KASATKINA (#14) 5-7 7-5 7-6(8)	
3r	W	S. STEPHENS (#38) 6-3 6-3	
2r	W	J. BRADY (#584) 6-7(3) 7-6(5) 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 27	Seed: -
2r	L	C. GAUFF (#11) 6-4 6-7(8) 7-6(3)	
1r	W	M. BOUZKOVA (#47) 7-5 6-7(3) 6-1	
2021	Result	Rank: 19	Seed: 12
1r	L	L. SAMSONOVA (#52) 6-4 5-7 6-4	



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## SEASON 2025 HISTORY

- Made 2r at Washington DC (as WC, l. Rybakina)
- Played 2r at Wimbledon (as LL, l. Baptiste)
- Made 3r at Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Zheng)
- Achieved R-Up at WTA 125 Parma (l. Sherif in final)
- Made 2r at Rome as a qualifier (l. eventual R-Up Gauff)
- Competed in opening round at WTA 125 Saint Malo (l. Gadecki)
- Played her second WTA Tour level main draw, reaching 2r at Miami (as WC, l. Badosa)
- Claimed back-to-back ITF titles at W35 Le Lamentin, W35 Petit-Bourg, W75 Rome and W35 Manchester as well as a fifth at W75 Porto, taking her ranking into the Top 200 for the first time

- Reached SF at Washington DC (l. eventual champion Fernandez)
- Made 3r at Wimbledon (l. Tauson)
- Made QF at Berlin (l. Sabalenka)
- Reached QF at London (l. eventual champion Maria)
- Made 4r at Roland Garros (l. Swiatek)
- Won at Strasbourg (d. Samsonova in F)
- Made 3r at Rome (l. Andreescu)
- Reached 3r at Madrid (l. Svitolina)
- 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)



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SEASON 2025 STATS

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
62	56	Aces	295	1
63.9%	0	First serve %	58.9%	66
66.5%	0	First Serve points won %	73.8%	2
40.6%	0	Second serve points won %	49.3%	7
57.2%	0	Overall service points won %	63.8%	1
69.3%	0	Service games won %	81.7%	1
51.1%	0	Break points saved %	65.8%	1
38.0%	0	First serve return points won %	35.7%	54
55.3%	0	Second serve return points won %	54.5%	53
47.0%	0	Break points converted %	42.1%	67
41.3%	0	Return games won %	32.1%	58
44.9%	0	Return points won %	43.0%	52

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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

- Champion (9)
- 2025 - STRASBOURG
- 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)

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

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Played only at ITF level in 2024 earning a further title at W35 Darmstadt (Germany) and broke into the Top 300 for the first time  
In 2023 secured her second ITF career title at W60 Saskatoon  
In 2022 played qualifying at WTA 1000 Toronto and main draw at WTA 250 Granby in her first WTA Tour level appearances  
Claimed her first ITF title in 2022 at W25 Saskatoon (Canada)  
Played first ITF tournament at W15 Prokuplje (Serbia) in 2021 at the age of 14

- 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
- 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

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Nathalie Tauziat and Noelle van Lottum
- Born in North Carolina in United States, but moved to Toronto as a small child
- Grew up watching tennis at Sobeys Stadium (Toronto, WTA 1000)

- 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



**NAOMI** (JPN)

# OSAKA

**HEIGHT:** 5'11" (1.80m)  
**PLAYS:** Right-handed  
**BIRTHDATE:** Oct 16 1997  
**BIRTHPLACE:** Osaka, JPN

**2025**  
**PRIZE MONEY:** \$725,727  
**SINGLES TITLES:** 0  
**DOUBLES TITLES:** 0

**CAREER**  
**PRIZE MONEY:** \$22,772,890  
**SINGLES TITLES:** 7  
**DOUBLES TITLES:** 0

**CAREER-HIGH RANKINGS**  
**SINGLES:** No.1 (Jan 28 2019)  
**DOUBLES:** No.324 (Apr 3 2017)

## YEAR-END SINGLES RANKINGS

2024	59	2017	68
2023	--	2016	40
2022	42	2015	203
2021	13	2014	250
2020	3	2013	430
2019	3	2012	1028
2018	5		

## GRAND SLAM RESULTS (64-25)

W/L	26/7 AO	8/7 RG	7/5 WIM	23/6 USO
2024	R32	R128	R32	
2024	R128	R64	R64	R64
2023	-	-	-	-
2022	R32	R128	-	R128
2021	W	R64	-	R32
2020	R32	-	-	W
2019	W	R32	R128	R16
2018	R16	R32	R32	W
2017	R64	R128	R32	R32
2016	R32	R32	-	R32

## TITLES & FINALS

### SINGLES

Winner (7): 2021 - Australian Open; 2020 - US Open; 2019 - Australian Open, Osaka, Beijing; 2018 - Indian Wells, US Open.

Finalist (5): 2025 - Auckland; 2022 - Miami; 2020 - New York [Western & Southern Open]; 2018 - Tokyo; 2016 - Tokyo.

### WTA 125 TITLES

SINGLES (1): 2025 - Saint Malo

## CAREER HIGHLIGHTS

Reached first final since 2022 at 2025 Auckland (l. Tauson in final via ret.); also won a WTA 125 title at Saint Malo (France)

Returned to play in 2024 following maternity leave and reached the QF at Doha and 's-Hertogenbosch, as well as R16 at Rome and Beijing

Played 2022 Tokyo in September before taking a 15 month break to give birth to daughter Shai in early July 2023

In 2022 had success at Miami, where she fell to Swiatek in the final, her first final since the 2021 Australian Open. Also reached the semifinals at Melbourne 250 #1 (withdrew before semifinal with Kudermetova w/abdominal injury)

Won 2021 Australian Open (d. Brady in F) to become first woman since Seles in the early 1990s to win each of her first four Grand Slam finals - is the 16th woman to win four or more majors in the Open Era

At 2020 US Open, came from a set and a break down to Azarenka and win third Grand Slam title of career

Also last season was R-Up at Western & Southern Open - withdrew w/left hamstring injury before final against Azarenka

Won second Grand Slam at Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament

In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)

Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017

Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)

En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep. Only set dropped all fortnight was against Sakkari in R16

Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)

In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Date in 1990 (197, 122d)

Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open

Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win

Voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year; highlight was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open

Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r

Made WTA qualifying debut at Québec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

## OTHER INFORMATION

Father is from Haiti, mother is from Japan; older sister is Mari (also played tennis)

Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old

Hobbies include fashion, gaming and photography



CLARA (DEN)  
**TAUSON**

**HEIGHT:** 6'0" (1.82 m)  
**PLAYS:** Right-handed  
**BIRTHDATE:** Dec 21 2002 (22 y/o)  
**BIRTHPLACE:** Copenhagen, DEN

**2025**  
**PRIZE MONEY:** \$1,475,935  
**SINGLES TITLES:** 1  
**DOUBLES TITLES:** 0

**CAREER**  
**PRIZE MONEY:** \$3,771,754  
**SINGLES TITLES:** 3  
**DOUBLES TITLES:** 0

**CAREER-HIGH RANKINGS**  
**SINGLES:** No.19 (Jul 14 2025)  
**DOUBLES:** No.94 (Jul 14 2025)

**YEAR-END SINGLES RANKINGS**

2024	52	2019	267
2023	85	2018	863
2022	128	2017	938
2021	44		
2020	152		

**GRAND SLAM RESULTS (20-16)**

W/L	5/3 AO	9/5 RG	3/4 WIM	3/4 USO
2025	R32	R32	R16	
2024	R64	R16	R128	R64
2023	-	R32	-	R64
2022	R32	-	R128	R128
2021	-	R64	R128	R64
2020	-	R64	-	-

**TITLES & FINALS**

**SINGLES**

Winner (3): 2025 - Auckland 2021 - Lyon, Luxembourg.

Finalist (2): 2025 - Dubai; 2021 - Courmayeur.

**WTA 125 TITLES**

Singles (1): 2021 - Seoul

**CAREER HIGHLIGHTS**

Has reached two singles finals in 2025 winning at Auckland and finishing as runner-up at Dubai; climbed to a career-high ranking of No.19 on July 14

Highlight of 2024 season was posting best Grand Slam result by reaching R16 at Roland Garros for the first time in her career. Also achieved R-Up at two WTA 125s, Hong Kong and Oeiras

In 2023 matched her career best Grand Slam result at Roland Garros where she reached the 3r as a qualifier (I. Avanesyan); contested qualifying at Wimbledon (I. Q3 Hruncakova) and at US Open (I. Q2 Stearns).

Best tour result in 2023 was reaching the QF's at Linz (I. Martic)

In 2023 season, won the ITF \$60K Altenkirschen (d. Minnen in f) and further reached the final at ITF \$40K (I. Hontama)

Ended her 2023 season ranked at No.85

Back injury restricted her to just 11 WTA main-draw outings in 2022, with best result a QF showing at Melbourne Summer Set 2 (I. Sasnovich). Also finished R-Up in her last event of the year at WTA 125 event in Limoges and won one ITF Circuit title at W25 Selva Gardener

Came through qualifying to win maiden WTA title in Lyon in March 2021; in final, beat fellow qualifier Golubic - last time two qualifiers met in a WTA final was at 2017 Tokyo [Japan Open], when Diyas beat Kato

Won over 40 matches in 2020 (all levels) to finish inside Top 50

Ended 2020 season ranked No.152 (up from No.267 at the end of 2019) after posting 30-7 win-loss record. Best results were 2r at Roland Garros (as qualifier, d.No.25 Brady, I. Collins) and lifting two titles on ITF Circuit

Made Tour-level debut (main draw and qualifying) with 1r exit at 2019 Lugano (as wildcard qualifier, I. Rodina)

Lifted four ITF Circuit singles titles in 2019

Won maiden ITF Circuit title in just her second tournament, at \$15k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2017

Reached SF on professional debut at \$15k ITF/Antalya-TUR in 2017

On ITF Junior Circuit has lifted nine singles titles, including at 2019 Australian Open (d. Fernandez in F). In 2019 she became the first Dane to top the junior world rankings

**OTHER INFORMATION**

Coached by Kasper Elsvad

Started playing tennis aged six