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AUSTRALIAN OPEN
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA
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DOUBLES FINAL NOTES - JANUARY 26

[1] KATERINA SINIAKOVA (CZE #1) / TAYLOR TOWNSEND (USA #5)

VS

[3] HSIEH SU-WEI (TPE #6) / [3] JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT #8)

SINIAKOVA / TOWNSEND:

- This is the third Grand Slam Siniakova / Townsend have teamed up; in addition to winning the 2024 Wimbledon title, the duo also reached the SF at 2024 US Open
- Currently the PIF WTA World No.1 in doubles, Siniakova will hold on to the top spot after the tournament; the week of Jan 27 will be her 136th week atop the WTA Doubles Rankings. She currently sits at No.5 on the all-time list for weeks at No.1; next on the list is Lisa Raymond (137 weeks)
- Siniakova has won a total of 28 titles throughout her career with 10 different partners, including 17 with Barbora Krejčíková; nine of her titles came at Grand Slams
- Siniakova has reached the SF or better at five-straight Grand Slams – SF at 2024 Australian Open, Won at 2024 Roland Garros, Won at 2024 Wimbledon and SF at 2024 US Open
- In addition to winning the Career Grand Slam, Siniakova has also won Olympic gold medals in doubles (2021) and mixed doubles (2024), while also winning the title at 2021 WTA Finals and helping her countrymates win the Billie Jean King Cup in 2018
- This is Siniakova's 11th Grand Slam doubles appearance at the Australian Open; this is also her fourth time reaching the event's final in doubles – won in 2022, 2023 and finished as runner-up in 2021
- This is Townsend's 7th Australian Open doubles appearance; her previous best finish was the R16 (2019, 2024)
- Playing in her 28th Grand Slam doubles draw, Townsend finished as runner-up twice – 2022 US Open (w/Caty McNally) and 2023 Roland Garros (w/Leylah Fernandez); she also won 2024 Wimbledon (w/Siniakova)

HSIEH / OSTAPENKO:



- Hsieh seeks an eighth Grand Slam doubles title with a fifth different partner, while Ostapenko bids for her second in a row after teaming with Lyudmyla Kichenok to win the US Open last summer
- Hsieh is competing in her 67th Grand Slam in doubles
- In eight Grand Slam doubles final appearances, Hsieh has won seven times with four different partners – Peng Shuai (2), Barbora Strycová (2), Elise Mertens (2) and Wang Xinyu (1)
- Hsieh has won titles at the Australian Open (2024), Roland Garros (2023, 2014) and Wimbledon (2023, 2021, 2019, 2013)
- Ostapenko is making her 34th Grand Slam doubles appearance; this is her third Grand Slam doubles final having finished as runner-up at 2024 Australian Open and winning at 2024 US Open (both w/Lyudmyla Kichenok)
- This is Ostapenko's 10th doubles draw appearance at the Australian Open

[1] KATERINA SINIAKOVA / TAYLOR TOWNSEND

RANKING

1

Singles Doubles

Katerina Siniakova Add to favorites ☆

CZECH REPUBLIC

Height **5' 9"** Age **28**
174m May 10 1996

Plays **Right-Handed** Birthplace **Hradec Kralove, Czech Republic**

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Current Ranking	Doubles Titles	Prize Money	W/L Doubles	Career High	Doubles Titles	Prize Money	W/L Doubles
1 <small>Jan 13 2025</small>	0 <small>YTD 2025</small>	\$19,770 <small>YTD 2025</small>	2 / 1 <small>YTD 2025</small>	1 <small>Oct 22 2018</small>	28 <small>Career</small>	\$12,649,651 <small>Career</small>	364 / 151 <small>Career</small>

More on Siniakova...

Coached by Peter Huber. Also works with father, Dmitri Siniakov (also a businessman), Formerly coached by Evgeniia Maniukova
 Mother's name is Hana Siniakova (accountant); younger brother is Daniel
 Mentored by WTA legend Helena Sukova, who is now a sports psychologist
 Started playing tennis at age 5. Favorite surface is hardcourt; favorite tournament is Australian Open
 Favorite city is Paris
 Tennis idol growing up was Maria Sharapova
 Enjoys listening to music and reading, especially detective books and sci-fi. Would like to meet the singer Taylor Swift

Career Highlights

SINGLES

Winner (5): 2023 - Bad Homburg, Nanchang; 2022 - Portoroz; 2017 - Shenzhen, Bastad.
 Finalist (5): 2023 - Hong Kong; 2021 - Bad Homburg; 2018 - Shenzhen; 2016 - Bastad, Tokyo (International).

DOUBLES

Winner (28): 2024 - Guangzhou (w/Zhang), Prague (w/Krejciakova), Wimbledon (w/Townsend), Roland Garros (w/ Gauff), Dubai (w/Hunter); 2023 - Australian Open, Indian Wells (w/Krejciakova), San Diego (w/Krejciakova); 2022 - Australian Open, Wimbledon, US Open (all w/Krejciakova), Melbourne 2 (w/Pera) Berlin (w/Sanders), Monastir (w/Mladenovic); 2021 - Gippsland Trophy, Madrid, Roland Garros, Olympics, WTA Finals (all w/Krejciakova), Moscow (w/Ostapenko); 2020 - Shenzhen (w/Krejciakova); 2019 - Sydney (w/Krunic), Toronto, Linz (both w/Krejciakova); 2018 - Roland Garros, Wimbledon (both w/Krejciakova); 2015 - Prague (w/Bencic); 2014 - Tashkent (w/Krunic),

Finalist (18): 2024 - WTA Finals (w/Townsend), Indian Wells (w/Hunter); 2023 - Adelaide 1 (w/Hunter), Berlin (w/Vondrousova); 2022 - WTA Finals Fort Worth (w/Krejciakova); 2021 - Australian Open (w/Krejciakova); 2020 - Linz (w/Hradecka); 2019 - Indian Wells (w/Krejciakova); 2018 - Shenzhen, Miami, WTA Finals (all w/Krejciakova); 2017 - Taipei City, Indian Wells, Charleston, Prague, US Open (all w/Hradecka); 2015 - Tashkent (w/Dushevina); 2014 - Stanford (w/Kania).

WTA 125 TITLES

SINGLES (1): 2024 - Lleida.

DOUBLES (1): 2014 - Limoges (w/Voracova).

ADDITIONAL

Gold medal in mixed doubles at Paris Olympics 2024 (w/Machac).

RANKING

5

Singles Doubles

Taylor Townsend

UNITED STATES

Height 5' 7" **Age** 28
170cm Apr 16 1996

Plays Left-Handed **Birthplace** Chicago, IL, USA

Current Coach
JOHN WILLIAMS

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Current Ranking	Doubles Titles	Prize Money	W/L Doubles	Career High	Doubles Titles	Prize Money	W/L Doubles
5	0	\$0	0 / 0	4	7	\$5,384,509	236 / 92
Jan 13 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2025	YTD 2025	Jan 6 2025	Career	Career	Career

More on Townsend...

Coached by John Williams
 Parents, Gary and Sheila, are both school administrators; older sister is Symone
 Gave birth to her son Adyn Aubrey on March 14, 2021
 Has a dog (Sochi) and a cat (Gilligan)
 Started playing right-handed for two years then switched to lefty
 Aggressive all-court player; strengths are forehand, net game, slice
 Loves music and dancing
 Played violin for two years
 Person she would most like to meet is Beyoncé
 Tennis idol was Martina Navratilova

Career Highlights

DOUBLES

Winner (7): 2024 - Washington DC (w/Muhammad), Wimbledon (w/Siniakova), Adelaide (w/Haddad Maia); 2023 - Cincinnati (w/Parks), Adelaide 1 (w/Muhammad), Adelaide 2 (w/Stefani); 2020 - Auckland (w/Muhammad)
 Finalist (7): 2024 - WTA Finals (w/Siniakova); 2023 - Miami (w/Fernandez), Roland Garros (w/Fernandez); 2022 - US Open (w/McNally); 2019 - Auckland (w/Hourigan), 125/Indian Wells (w/Wickmayer); 2013 - Washington DC (w/Bouchard).

WTA 125 TITLES

Doubles (2): 2020 - 125/Indian Wells (w/Muhammad); 2018 - 125/Indian Wells (w/Wickmayer).

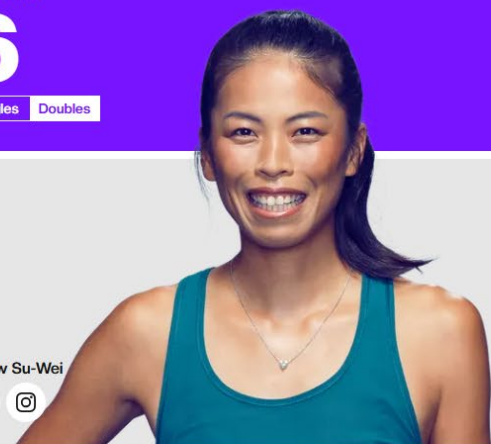
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[3] HSIEH SU-WEI (TPE) / JELENA OSTAPENKO (LAT)

RANKING

6

Singles Doubles



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Su-Wei Hsieh

CHINESE TAIPEI

Height: 5' 7" (169m) | Age: 39 (Jan 4 1986)

Plays: Right-Handed | Birthplace: Kaohsiung, Chinese Taipei

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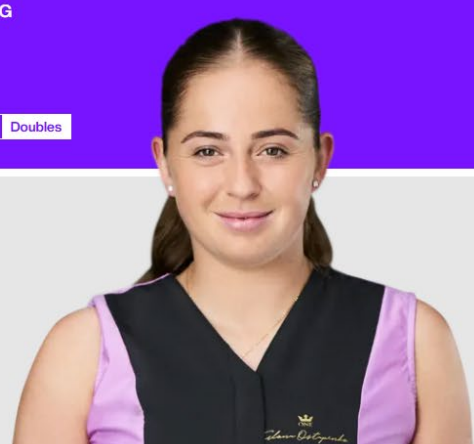
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Current Ranking 6 <small>Jan 13 2025</small>	Doubles Titles 0 <small>YTD 2025</small>	Prize Money \$3,000 <small>YTD 2025</small>	W/L Doubles 0 / 1 <small>YTD 2025</small>	Career High 1 <small>May 12 2014</small>	Doubles Titles 35 <small>Career</small>	Prize Money \$12,606,004 <small>Career</small>	W/L Doubles 577 / 292 <small>Career</small>
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RANKING

8

Singles Doubles



H2H

Jelena Ostapenko

LATVIA

Height: 5' 10" (177m) | Age: 27 (Jun 8 1997)

Plays: Right-Handed | Birthplace: Riga, Latvia

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Current Ranking 8 <small>Jan 13 2025</small>	Doubles Titles 0 <small>YTD 2025</small>	Prize Money \$35,235 <small>YTD 2025</small>	W/L Doubles 0 / 2 <small>YTD 2025</small>	Career High 4 <small>Oct 28 2024</small>	Doubles Titles 9 <small>Career</small>	Prize Money \$16,304,589 <small>Career</small>	W/L Doubles 236 / 158 <small>Career</small>
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More on Hsieh...

Currently coached by Frederic Aniere

Father Hsieh Tze-Lung sadly passed away in 2023; mother is Ho Fom-Ju; has six siblings

Born and grew up in Kaohsiung; introduced to tennis by father at age 5 in Hsin-Chu; now lives and trains in Taipei

Interests include listening to music, reading, writing, shopping, taking pictures and cooking

Favorite tournament is Roland Garros

Idolized Steffi Graf and Andre Agassi growing up

Career Highlights

SINGLES

Winner (3): 2018 - Hiroshima; 2012 - Kuala Lumpur, Guangzhou.

DOUBLES

Winner (35): 2024 - Australian Open (w/Mertens), Indian Wells (w/Mertens), Birmingham (w/Mertens); 2023 - Roland Garros (w/X.Wang), Wimbledon (w/Strycova); 2021 - Wimbledon, Indian Wells (both w/Mertens); 2020 - Brisbane, Dubai, Doha, Rome (all w/Strycova); 2019 - Dubai, Madrid, Birmingham, Wimbledon (all w/Strycova); 2018 - Indian Wells (w/Strycova); 2017 - Biel/Bienne (w/Niculescu), Budapest (w/Kalashnikova); 2014 - Doha, Indian Wells, Roland Garros (all w/Peng); 2013 - Rome, Wimbledon, Cincinnati, Guangzhou, WTA Finals (all w/Peng); 2012 - Birmingham (w/Babos); 2011 - Guangzhou (w/S.Zheng); 2009 - Sydney, Rome, Beijing (all w/Peng); 2008 - Bali (w/Peng), Seoul (w/Chuang); 2007 - Beijing, Seoul (both w/Chuang).
Finalist (14): 2020 - Australian Open (w/Strycova); 2019 - WTA Finals (w/Strycova); 2019 - Osaka (w/Y.Hsieh); 2018 - Dubai (w/Peng); 2017 - Cincinnati (w/Niculescu), New Haven (w/Siegemund), Seoul (w/Sh.Hsieh); 2015 - Doha (w/Mirza); 2014 - WTA Finals (w/Peng); 2008 - Pattaya City (w/King), Cincinnati (w/Shvedova); 2007 - Auckland (w/S.Uberoi), Bangalore (w/Kudryavtseva); 2004 - Seoul (w/Chuang).

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More on Ostapenko...

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

Career Highlights

SINGLES

Winner (8): 2024 - Linz, Adelaide; 2023 - Birmingham; 2022 - Dubai; 2021 - Eastbourne; 2019 - Luxembourg; 2017 - Roland Garros, Seoul.

Finalist (8): 2022 - Eastbourne, Seoul; 2021 - Luxembourg; 2019 - Linz; 2018 - Miami; 2017 - Charleston; 2016 - Doha; 2015 - Québec City.

DOUBLES

Winner (9): 2024 - US Open(w/L. Kichenok), Eastbourne (w/Kichenok), Brisbane (w/Kichenok); 2022 - Birmingham, Cincinnati (both w/L.Kichenok); 2021 - Moscow (w/Siniakova); 2018 - Doha (w/Dabrowski); 2017 - Stuttgart (w/Atawo), St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska).

Finalist (8): 2024 - Australian Open (w/Kichenok); 2023 - Doha (w/L.Kichenok); 2022 - Dubai, Eastbourne (both w/L.Kichenok); 2021 - Doha (w/Niculescu); 2020 - Doha (w/Dabrowski); 2019 - Jurmala (w/Voskoboeva), Beijing (w/Yastremska).