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## QATAR TOTALENERGIES OPEN 2026

### DOHA, QATAR



February 8-14, 2026 | WTA 1000 | \$4,088,211

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## SEMIFINALS – FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 13

**Jelena Ostapenko (LAT #24) vs. [10] Victoria Mboko (CAN #13)**

**First meeting**

### ***Ostapenko:***

- Making her 10th appearance at this tournament, where she has been a two-time runner-up in 2016 (tournament debut ranked No.88, l. Suarez Navarro in final) and last year (l. Anisimova in final)
- With 24 career victories at this tournament, she is the player with the most match-wins at Qatar TotalEnergies Open since the event began in 2001 (this is the only WTA-level event where she has claimed more than 20 wins)
- Contesting her 77th career WTA 1000 main draw; her best WTA 1000 results are 3 runner-up finishes, adding 2018 Miami (l. Stephens in final) to her two Doha finals
- This is her 9th career WTA 1000 semifinal – four of those have come here in Doha
- Seeking her 19th career WTA Tour singles final (she has won 9 titles and posted 9 additional runner-up finishes)
- This is her first Tour-level semifinal since her run to the 2025 Stuttgart title (d. Sabalenka in final)

### ***Mboko:***

- Making her tournament debut at Doha
- Contesting just her 6th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is seeking her 2nd career WTA 1000 final and has already won one WTA 1000 title (2025 Montreal, d. Osaka in final)
- She has reached her 4th career WTA Tour semifinal (she holds a 3-0 record in WTA Tour semifinals thus far)
- With victories over No.7 Andreeva and No.3 Rybakina in the last two rounds, this week marks the first time Mboko has posted multiple Top 10 wins at the same event
- She is the first teenager to reach the Doha WTA semifinals since her semifinal opponent Ostapenko made the 2016 final
- She has become the first Canadian woman to make the semifinals at this tournament (the previous best Doha result by Canada was Fernandez's run to the quarterfinals in 2024)
- Since Montreal last season, where she clinched her first WTA Tour singles title, only two players have claimed more WTA Tour-level match-wins than Victoria Mboko (28) – Elena Rybakina and Iga Swiatek

**Rankings Watch** – Victoria Mboko has a chance to make her PIF WTA Rankings Top 10 debut on Monday. She would book her Top 10 debut by:

- Reaching the final (regardless of any other results)
- Or if Muchova loses in the semifinals or in the final

She would become the fourth Canadian to reach the WTA Top 10, joining Carling Bassett-Seguso, Eugenie Bouchard and Bianca Andreescu.



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**Maria Sakkari (GRE #52) vs. [14] Karolina Muchova (CZE #19)**

**Muchova leads 4-1**

#### **Sakkari:**

- Making her 8th main draw appearance at Doha, and has matched her tournament-best result by reaching the semifinals for the 3rd time
- She also made Doha semifinals in 2022 (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and 2023 (l. eventual runner-up Pegula)
- Contesting her 59th career WTA 1000 main draw; she has won one WTA 1000 title at 2023 Guadalajara (d. Dolehide in final)
- She has reached her first WTA Tour semifinal since 2024 Charleston (l. eventual champion Collins in semifinals)
- Seeking a trip to her 11th WTA Tour singles final and 5th career final at WTA 1000-level
- Her most recent WTA Tour final came at WTA 1000 Indian Wells in 2024 (l. Swiatek in final)
- By defeating No.8 Paolini and No.2 Swiatek this week, Sakkari has claimed multiple Top 10 wins at a single event for the first time since the 2022 WTA Finals

#### **Muchova:**

- Making her 4th appearance at Doha and has reached the semifinals for the first time; her previous tournament-best result was making the 2019 quarterfinals as a qualifier ranked No.132 (l. Svitolina)
- Contesting her 27th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is a two-time WTA 1000 runner-up at 2023 Cincinnati and 2024 Beijing (l. Gauff in both finals)
- She has reached her 4th career WTA 1000 semifinal, and first since Dubai last year (l. Tauson in semifinals)
- Seeking her 7th career WTA singles final, and first since her 2024 Beijing runner-up finish
- Career-best Tour-level finish on hard court is her one WTA Tour singles title at 2019 Seoul (d. Linette in final)
- Since the start of 2025, Muchova has gone 18-5 vs. players ranked outside Top 50
- Best results by Czech Republic at Doha are title runs by Petra Kvitova in 2018 and 2021, Karolina Pliskova in 2017, and Lucie Safarova in 2015

### 2026 DOHA SEMIFINALIST FAST FACTS

SEMIFINALISTS	RANK	AGE	YTD W-L	YTD TITLES	CAREER TITLES	2026 PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$
[10] Victoria Mboko	13	19	12-3	0	2	\$621,978	\$2,128,577
[14] Karolina Muchova	19	29	10-2	0	1	\$395,691	\$10,817,721
Jelena Ostapenko	24	28	6-4	0	9	\$295,210	\$19,019,696
Maria Sakkari	52	30	7-3	0	2	\$300,369	\$14,001,685

### DOHA ROUND-BY-ROUND CAREER RESULTS

SEMIFINALISTS	R64	R32	R16	QF	SF	R-UP	WON	MAIN DRAW APPEARANCES*
[10] Victoria Mboko	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1*
[14] Karolina Muchova	-	1	1	1	-	-	-	4*
Jelena Ostapenko	-	1	5	-	1	2	-	10*
Maria Sakkari	1	2	1	1	2	-	-	8*

\*includes 2026



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**JELENA  
OSTAPENKO**  
LATVIA

**VICTORIA  
(10) MBOKO**  
CANADA

13

1997-06-08	<b>Date of Birth</b>	2006-08-26
Riga, Latvia	<b>Residence</b>	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 10" (1.77m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 8" (1.76)
5	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	13
\$19,019,696	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$2,128,577
\$295,210	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$621,978
0 / 9	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 2
60-39 (Champion: 2017 ROLAND GARROS)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	6-4 (Round of 16: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
4-0 / 24-9 (Runner-Up: 2025, 2016)	<b>YTD / Career DOHA W-L (best)</b>	4-0 / 4-0 (Semi-Finalist: 2026)
6-4 / 277-206	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	12-3 / 32-14



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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
23	-	2026	13	-
15	23	2025	18	18
9	15	2024	284	350
12	13	2023	316	323
11	18	2022	492	499
28	28	2021	-	-
40	44	2020	-	-
22	44	2019	-	-
5	22	2018	-	-
7	7	2017	-	-



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. ZAKHAROVA (#105) 6-7 6-3 6-4 (2h 38m)  
2r: d. E. ALEXANDROVA (#10) 6-4 6-2 (1h 21m)  
3r: d. C. OSORIO (#80) 6-3 6-1 (1h 8m)  
QF: d. E. COCCIARETTO (#57) 7-5 6-4 (1h 40m)

*Total time on court: 6h 47m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 10th appearance at this tournament
- She is a 2-time runner-up at this tournament, in 2016 (tournament debut ranked No.88, l. Suarez Navarro in F) and last year (l. Anisimova in F)
- With 24 career victories at this tournament, she is the player with the most match-wins at Qatar Open since the tournament began in 2001 - this is the only WTA-level event where she has claimed more than 20 wins
- Contesting her 77th career WTA 1000 main draw; her best WTA 1000 results are 3 runner-up finishes, adding 2018 Miami (l. Stephens in F) to her two Doha finals
- This is her 9th career WTA 1000 SF (4th at Doha)
- Seeking her 19th career WTA Tour singles final (owns 9 titles and 9 R-Ups)
- Defeated Anastasia Zakharova, Ekaterina Alexandrova, Camila Osorio and Elisabetta Cocciaretto this week, reaching her first QF and SF since she won the 2025 Stuttgart title (d. Sabalenka in F)
- Faces No.13 Victoria Mboko in SF today; owns 44 wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.10 Ekaterina Alexandrova earlier this week
- Owns 4-2 career Tour-level record against players from Canada; her last 2 meetings vs. Canadians were losses to Stakusic at Guadalajara in both 2024 and 2025
- 5 of her 9 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court; her most recent hard-court title is 2024 Linz (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Only player from Latvia in this week's main draw
- Best results by Latvia at Doha are Ostapenko's 2 finals
- Is currently ranked No.24; this time last year was ranked No.37. Reached career-high ranking of No.5 in March of 2018

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. M. BOUZKOVA (#37) 7-5 6-2 (1h 41m)  
2r: d. V. ZVONAREVA (#580) 6-4 6-4 (1h 37m)  
3r: d. M. ANDREEVA (#7) 6-3 3-6 7-6 (2h 10m)  
QF: d. E. RYBAKINA (#3) 7-5 4-6 6-4 (2h 23m)

*Total time on court: 7h 51m*

### PLAYER NOTES

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- Contesting just her 6th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is seeking her 2nd career WTA 1000 final and has already won one WTA 1000 title (2025 Montreal, d. Osaka in F)
- A semifinal win for Mboko would lead to her projected Top 10 debut on Monday; if she makes Top 10, she would become the 4th Canadian woman to reach that level (after Basset-Seguso, Bouchard and Andreescu)
- Is currently ranked a career-high No.13; this time last year was ranked No.211
- Defeated Marie Bouzkova, Vera Zvonareva, Mirra Andreeva and Elena Rybakina this week to make her 4th career WTA Tour SF (holds 3-0 record in WTA Tour SFs)
- With victories over No.7 Andreeva and No.3 Rybakina in the last two rounds, this week marks the first time Mboko has posted multiple Top 10 wins at the same event
- Seeking her 4th career WTA Tour singles final, and 2nd of the year (finished as R-Up at 2026 Adelaide, l. M.Andreeva in F)
- She is the first teenager to reach the Doha WTA SF since her semifinal opponent, Jelena Ostapenko, made the 2016 final
- Faces No.24 Jelena Ostapenko in SF today; Mboko owns 8 wins in career over Top 25 players
- First Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Latvia
- Both of her 2 career WTA singles titles were achieved on hard court: 2025 Hong Kong (d. Bucsa in F) and 2025 Montreal (as an 18-year-old wildcard, d. Osaka in F)
- 1 of 2 players from Canada in this week's main draw (Fernandez lost 1r)
- Has become first Canadian woman to make SF at this tournament (previous best Doha result by Canada was Fernandez's QF in 2024)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: -
F	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#41) 6-4 6-3	
SF	W	I. SWIATEK (#2) 6-3 6-1	
QF	W	O. JABEUR (#35) 6-2 6-2	
3r	W	J. PAOLINI (#4) 6-2 6-2	
2r	W	L. SAMSONOVA (#23) 7-6(5) 7-5	
1r	W	A. ITO (#120) 6-2 6-1	

  

2024	Result	Rank: 11	Seed: 8
3r	L	V. AZARENKA (#31) 6-0 6-3	
2r	W	A. KALININA (#30) 6-0 6-3	

  

2023	Result	Rank: 14	Seed: -
2r	L	J. PEGULA (#4) 6-2 2-6 7-5	
1r	W	M. KEYS (#23) 7-5 6-2	

  

2022	Result	Rank: 13	Seed: 15
SF	L	A. KONTAVEIT (#7) 6-1 6-4	
QF	W	G. MUGURUZA (#9) 6-2 6-2	
3r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#3) 6-3 6-2	
2r	W	A. ANISIMOVA (#40) 6-3 4-6 6-4	
1r	W	O. DODIN (#93) 6-4 6-2	

  

2021	Result	Rank: 51	Seed: -
2r	L	J. PEGULA (#44) 6-2 7-5	
1r	W	K. BERTENS (#11) 6-0 6-2	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 2r at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual champion Bejlek)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. X.Wang)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (l. Valentova, retired)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (l. Cirstea)

- Reached 4r at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)
- Reached final at Adelaide (l. champion Andreeva in F)
- Opened 2026 season going 1-1 in singles play at United Cup for Team Canada

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
31	24	<b>Aces</b>	67	4
58.3%	98	<b>First serve %</b>	67.3%	21
68.2%	27	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	65.7%	43
39.9%	92	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	46.6%	42
56.4%	65	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	59.4%	33
64.6%	60	<b>Service games won %</b>	71.6%	33
49.4%	89	<b>Break points saved %</b>	47.4%	95
36.1%	59	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	37.0%	49
59.4%	17	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	58.3%	27
54.0%	19	<b>Break points converted %</b>	49.0%	42
42.0%	25	<b>Return games won %</b>	38.9%	39
44.7%	38	<b>Return points won %</b>	44.5%	39



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (9)

2025 - STUTTGART  
2024 - LINZ, ADELAIDE  
2023 - BIRMINGHAM  
2022 - DUBAI  
2021 - EASTBOURNE  
2019 - LUXEMBOURG  
2017 - SEOUL, ROLAND GARROS

Runner-Up (9)

2025 - DOHA  
2022 - SEOUL, EASTBOURNE  
2021 - LUXEMBOURG  
2019 - LINZ  
2018 - MIAMI  
2017 - CHARLESTON  
2016 - DOHA  
2015 - QUEBEC CITY

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (12)

2026 - BRISBANE (w/Hsieh)  
2025 - CHARLESTON (w/Routliffe), ABU DHABI  
(w/Perez)  
2024 - US OPEN (w/Kichenok), EASTBOURNE  
(w/Kichenok), BRISBANE (w/Kichenok)  
2022 - CINCINNATI (w/Kichenok), BIRMINGHAM  
(w/Kichenok)  
2021 - MOSCOW (w/Siniakova)  
2018 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)  
2017 - STUTTGART (w/Atawo), ST. PETERSBURG  
(w/Rosolska)

Runner-Up (11)

2025 - WIMBLEDON (w/Hsieh), DUBAI (w/Hsieh),  
AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Hsieh)  
2024 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Kichenok)  
2023 - DOHA (w/Kichenok)  
2022 - EASTBOURNE (w/Kichenok), DUBAI  
(w/Kichenok)  
2021 - DOHA (w/Niculescu)  
2020 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)  
2019 - BEIJING (w/Yastremska), JURMALA  
(w/Voskoboeva)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2025 - HONG KONG, MONTREAL

Runner-Up (1)

2026 - ADELAIDE



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## GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r				<b>2026</b>	4r			
1r	3r	1r	2r	<b>2025</b>		3r	2r	1r
3r	2r	QF	1r	<b>2024</b>				
QF	2r	2r	QF	<b>2023</b>				
3r	2r	4r	1r	<b>2022</b>				
1r	1r	3r		<b>2021</b>				
2r	3r			<b>2020</b>				
1r	1r	1r	3r	<b>2019</b>				
3r	1r	SF	3r	<b>2018</b>				
3r	<b>WON</b>	QF	3r	<b>2017</b>				
1r	1r	1r	1r	<b>2016</b>				
		2r	2r	<b>2015</b>				



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- 2025 singles highlights include ninth career title at Stuttgart (d. World No.1 Sabalenka in final) and reaching WTA 1000 Doha final (l. Anisimova in final). In doubles, qualified for WTA Finals Riyadh w/Hsieh after making two Grand Slam finals (R-Up at Australian Open and Wimbledon). Also won doubles titles at Charleston (w/Routliffe) and Abu Dhabi (w/Perez)
- Won seventh and eighth titles of career in 2024 at Adelaide and Linz. In doubles won first Grand Slam title at 2024 Australian Open and qualified for 2024 WTA Finals Riyadh (both with Lyudmyla Kichenok)
- Won sixth career title at 2023 Birmingham (d. Krejčíková in F) and reached SF at Rome; in doubles achieved R-Up at Doha (w/L.Kichenok)
- In 2022, lifted fifth career singles title at Dubai (d. V. Kudrmetova in F) and finished R-Up at Eastbourne (l. Kvitová) and Seoul (l. Alexandrova); in doubles, won two titles w/L. Kichenok at Birmingham and Cincinnati and qualified for WTA Finals (reached SF)
- Lifted first grass court title at 2021 Eastbourne (as WC, d. Kontaveit in F); also that year, finished R-Up at Luxembourg (l. Tauson), represented Latvia at the Tokyo Olympics (l. Vesnina in 1r) and won doubles title at 2021 Moscow (w/Siniakova)
- Highlights of 2020 season included three Top 10 wins and reaching QF at Strasbourg
- 2019 season saw her capture third career title at Luxembourg (d. Goerges in F) right after finishing R-Up at Linz (l. Gauff). Also R-Up in mixed doubles at 2019 Wimbledon w/Lindstedt
- 2018 campaign highlighted by finishing R-Up at Miami (l. Stephens); beat No.9 Petra Kvitová and No.4 Elina Svitolina to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time
- Also in 2018, reached Wimbledon SF to become first Latvian woman to reach final four at All England Club (l. eventual champion Kerber) and achieved career-high ranking of No.5 on March 19
- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, making Top 10 debut on Sept. 11 and finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time (at No.7)
- Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F) becoming first woman to win first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open. Also became the first unseeded player to lift the trophy in the Open Era and the first Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam
- A breakthrough season in 2025 saw her lift her first WTA title during a fairytale run on home soil at Montreal as an 18-year-old wild card, registering her first Top 10 win over No.2 Gauff along the way. Three months later she was crowned champion of WTA 250 Hong Kong.
- Started 2025 ranked outside the Top 300 and closed the season with a year-end career high ranking of No.18
- 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

- Followed up Roland Garros title run with QF appearance at 2017 Wimbledon; also won title at Seoul (d. Haddad Maia in F) and reached final at Charleston (l. Kasatkina). Qualified for debut WTA Finals in 2017 and went 1-2 in group stage
- In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo)
- Breakthrough result of 2016 season was reaching final at Doha, launching her into Top 50 at No.40 (l. Suárez Navarro); also in 2016 reached SF at Katowice and QF at Birmingham and Florianopolis, ending year at No.44
- Ended 2015 at No.79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No.308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No.370 to No.72 (298 spots)
- Highlights of 2015 were reaching first career WTA final at Quebec City (l. Beck) and 2r at Wimbledon and US Open. Scored first Top 10 win over No.9 Carla Suárez Navarro in 1r at 2015 Wimbledon
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Tashkent as WC advancing to 2r (l. Pervak)
- Began professional career playing ITF in 2012 winning first career title at \$10k/ITF Stockholm, SWE; owns seven career ITF singles titles

## OTHER INFORMATION

- 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
- Coached by Nathalie Tauziat and Maxime Tchoutakian
- 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)



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**1**  
WIN

**5**  
MATCHES  
PLAYED

**4**  
WIN



**52**

**MARIA  
SAKKARI**  
GREECE

**KAROLINA  
(14) MUCHOVA**  
CZECH REPUBLIC

**19**

1995-07-25	<b>Date of Birth</b>	1996-08-21
Monte Carlo, Monaco	<b>Residence</b>	Prague, Czech Republic
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (double-handed backhand)
5' 8" (1.72m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 11" (1.80m)
3	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	8
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0 / 2	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 1
53-40 (Semi-Finalist: 2021 US OPEN, ROLAND-GARROS)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	51-26 (Runner-Up: 2023 ROLAND GARROS)
4-0 / 15-7 (Semi-Finalist: 2026, 2023, 2022)	<b>YTD / Career DOHA W-L (best)</b>	4-0 / 8-3 (Semi-Finalist: 2026)
7-3 / 258-199	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	10-2 / 156-79



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2023	CINCINNATI	HARD	3r	Karolina Muchova	6-3 2-6 6-3	1h 54m
2023	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY	1r	Karolina Muchova	7-6(5) 7-5	2h 6m
2022	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY	2r	Karolina Muchova	7-6(5) 7-6(4)	2h 28m
2021	MADRID	CLAY	3r	Karolina Muchova	6-0 6-7(9) 7-5	2h 36m
2016	SHARM EL SHEIKH 38	HARD	QF	Maria Sakkari	6-4 6-1	0m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
49	-	2026	19	-
29	52	2025	12	19
6	32	2024	8	22
6	9	2023	8	8
3	6	2022	31	149
6	6	2021	19	32
20	22	2020	21	27
22	23	2019	21	21
29	41	2018	141	145
48	52	2017	210	272



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. Z. SONMEZ (#85) 6-1 6-3 (1h 21m)  
2r: d. J. PAOLINI (#8) 6-4 6-2 (1h 23m)  
3r: d. V. GRACHEVA (#73) 7-6 6-0 (1h 30m)  
QF: d. I. SWIATEK (#2) 2-6 6-4 7-5 (2h 29m)

*Total time on court: 6h 43m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 8th main draw appearance at this tournament, and has matched her tournament-best result by reaching SF for 3rd time
- She also made SF here in 2022 (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and 2023 (l. eventual R-Up Pegula)
- Contesting her 59th career WTA 1000 main draw; she has won one WTA 1000 title at 2023 Guadalajara (d. Dolehide in F)
- Has reached her 11th career WTA 1000 semifinal, and first since she was 2024 Indian Wells R-Up (l. Swiatek in final)
- Seeking her 11th WTA Tour singles final (first since 2024 Indian Wells) and 5th final at WTA 1000-level
- Defeated Zeynep Sonmez, Jasmine Paolini, Varvara Gracheva and Iga Swiatek so far this week to reach her first SF since 2024 Charleston (l. eventual champion Collins in SF)
- By defeating Paolini and Swiatek this week, Sakkari has claimed multiple Top 10 wins at a single event for the first time since the 2022 WTA Finals
- Faces No.19 Karolina Muchova in SF today; Sakkari owns 56 wins in career over Top 20 players
- Owns 22-18 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic (1-0 last year, d. Noskova at 2025 Adelaide)
- Career-best Tour-level result on hard court is her WTA 1000 title at 2023 Guadalajara
- Only player from Greece competing in this year's main draw
- Sakkari's 3 SF runs are the best results by Greece at this tournament
- Is currently ranked No.52; this time last year was ranked No.29. Reached career-high ranking of No.3 for the first time in March of 2022

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. J. CRISTIAN (#36) 6-2 6-3 (1h 31m)  
2r: d. T. VALENTOVA (#48) 6-1 6-4 (1h 22m)  
3r: d. K. PLISKOVA (#418) 5-2 (38m)  
QF: d. A. KALINSKAYA (#28) 6-3 6-4 (1h 28m)

*Total time on court: 4h 59m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th appearance at Doha and has reached SF for the first time
- Before this week, her best Doha result was making the 2019 QF as a qualifier ranked No.132 (l. Svitolina)
- Contesting her 27th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is a 2-time WTA 1000 R-Up at 2023 Cincinnati and 2024 Beijing (l. Gauff in both finals)
- She has reached her 4th career WTA 1000 SF, and first since Dubai last year (l. Tauson in SF)
- Seeking her 7th career WTA Tour singles final, and first since 2024 Beijing R-Up
- Defeated Jaqueline Cristian, Tereza Valentova, Karolina Pliskova and Anna Kalinskaya this week to make her 2nd SF of the year (also made Brisbane SF, l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Faces No.52 Maria Sakkari in SF today; since the start of 2025, Muchova has gone 18-5 vs. players ranked outside Top 50
- Owns 4-0 career Tour-level record against players from Greece - those are her 4 Tour-level wins over Sakkari (Sakkari's 1 win over Muchova was at an ITF event)
- Career-best finish on hard court is her one career WTA singles title at 2019 Seoul (d. Linette in final)
- One of 6 players from Czech Republic to start this week's main draw, and the only one to make QF and beyond
- Best results by Czech Republic at Doha are title runs by Petra Kvitova in 2018 and 2021, Karolina Pliskova in 2017, and Lucie Safarova in 2015
- Aiming to become the first Czech finalist at Doha since Kvitova's 2021 title run
- Is currently ranked No.19; this time last year was ranked No.17. Reached career high ranking of No.8 in September 2023



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: -
2r	L	I. SWIATEK (#2)	6-3 6-2
1r	W	E. RUSE (#111)	4-6 6-3 4-0
2024	Result	Rank: 9	Seed: 7
2r	L	L. NOSKOVA (#28)	3-6 7-6(2) 7-5
2023	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 5
SF	L	J. PEGULA (#4)	6-2 4-6 6-1
QF	W	C. GARCIA (#5)	6-2 6-7(5) 7-6(5)
2r	W	E. ALEXANDROVA (#18)	6-3 6-2
1r	W	Q. ZHENG (#24)	6-2 3-6 6-3
2022	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 6
SF	L	I. SWIATEK (#8)	6-4 6-3
QF	W	C. GAUFF (#23)	6-3 6-3
3r	W	J. PEGULA (#17)	6-4 7-5
2r	W	A. LI (#58)	6-3 6-3
2021	Result	Rank: 25	Seed: -
QF	L	G. MUGURUZA (#16)	6-3 6-1
2r	W	M. KEYS (#19)	6-2 6-2
1r	W	M. SHERIF (#114)	6-0 6-3

2023	Result	Rank: 123	Seed: -
2r	L	C. GARCIA (#5)	6-7(3) 7-5 6-4
1r	W	M. TREVISAN (#25)	6-2 6-2
2020	Result	Rank: 27	Seed: -
2r	L	K. BERTENS (#6)	6-2 6-4
1r	W	M. LINETTE (#33)	6-3 6-1
2019	Result	Rank: 132	Seed: -
QF	L	E. SVITOLINA (#7)	6-4 6-2
2r	W	S. HSIEH (#31)	6-2 6-4
1r	W	S. STOSUR (#73)	6-4 6-2



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made 2r at Australian Open (L. M.Andreeva)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (as WC, L. Kasatkina)
- Opened 2026 with Team Greece at United Cup reaching QF (2-1 in singles)

- Reached 4r at Australian Open (L. Gauff)
- Opened 2026 season with SF finish at Brisbane (L. eventual champion Sabalenka)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
21	40	Aces	35	17
72.9%	6	First serve %	66.0%	30
61.0%	80	First Serve points won %	68.6%	24
49.2%	25	Second serve points won %	53.8%	6
57.8%	46	Overall service points won %	63.6%	9
68.7%	44	Service games won %	78.7%	8
60.3%	22	Break points saved %	63.9%	11
41.5%	12	First serve return points won %	37.9%	39
55.8%	53	Second serve return points won %	55.8%	54
52.6%	24	Break points converted %	39.1%	98
41.4%	29	Return games won %	36.3%	46
46.6%	21	Return points won %	44.4%	42



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2023 - GUADALAJARA

2019 - RABAT

Runner-Up (8)

2024 - INDIAN WELLS

2023 - WASHINGTON DC

2022 - GUADALAJARA, PARMA, INDIAN WELLS, ST.

PETERSBURG

2021 - OSTRAVA

2018 - SAN JOSE

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2019 - SEOUL

Runner-Up (5)

2024 - BEIJING, PALERMO

2023 - CINCINNATI, ROLAND GARROS

2019 - PRAGUE

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r				<b>2026</b>	4r			
1r	1r	2r	3r	<b>2025</b>	2r	1r	1r	QF
2r	1r	3r	1r	<b>2024</b>			1r	SF
3r	1r	1r	1r	<b>2023</b>	2r	RUP	1r	SF
4r	2r	3r	2r	<b>2022</b>		3r	1r	1r
1r	SF	2r	SF	<b>2021</b>	SF	3r	QF	1r
4r	3r		4r	<b>2020</b>	2r	1r		4r
3r	2r	3r	3r	<b>2019</b>	1r	2r	QF	3r
1r	3r	1r	2r	<b>2018</b>				3r
3r	1r	3r	3r	<b>2017</b>				
2r		2r	1r	<b>2016</b>				
			1r	<b>2015</b>				



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, reached QF at WTA 500 events in Linz and Washington D.C.; notched Top 10 win over No.6 Paolini to make R16 at WTA 1000 Madrid
- Key result of 2024 was reaching Indian Wells final for the second time, losing to Swiatek who also defeated her in 2022 final. Also reached SF at Charleston (l. Collins). Did not play after US Open
- In 2023, won first WTA 1000 title (2nd WTA Tour singles title overall) at Guadalajara (d. Dolehide in F). Also finished R-Up at Washington (l. Gauff). Contested WTA Finals for third consecutive season (was first alternate and went 0-3 in Group Stage following Muchova withdrawal)
- Finished 2022 ranked No.6 for the second consecutive year; a four-time finalist in 2022 including runs to the final at two WTA 1000 tournaments, Indian Wells and Guadalajara; returned to the WTA Finals and advanced to the semifinals, falling to eventual champion Garcia
- Climbed as high as No.3 in the rankings (reached that spot for the first time on March 21, 2022), the highest ranking ever achieved by a Greek woman
- Historic 2021 season was highlighted by her becoming first Greek woman to break into the Top 10 (at No.10, on September 27) as well as the first from her country to qualify for the WTA Finals
- In 2021, also reached third WTA final at Ostrava (l. Kontaveit), and advanced to SF at Roland Garros, US Open (defeating three Top 20-ranked opponents at both of those Grand Slam events), and WTA Finals in Guadalajara
- Posted a Tour-leading nine Top 10 wins in 2021, including two over the World No.2 (Osaka at Miami and Sabalenka at WTA Finals)
- Upset No.10 seed Keys at 2020 Australian Open, where she reached a Grand Slam R16 for the first time (l. Kvitova); made Top 20 debut on February 24, 2020, at No.20
- Scored third and fourth Top 5 wins of her career in 2020, over No.5 Svitolina at Ostrava and No.5 Bencic at St. Petersburg. Previous Top 5 wins came over No.5 Ka. Pliskova (2018 Rome) and No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome, via ret.)
- In 2019, won first WTA Tour singles title at Rabat (recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final); also qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (fell in round robin stage)
- Highlights of 2018 were reaching her first WTA Tour singles final at San Jose (l. Buzarnescu)
- Began the 2025 season reaching the semifinals at United Cup, Linz and Dubai as well as QFs at US Open (l. Osaka) and Tokyo (l. eventual champion Bencic). Also made first WTA 1000 semifinal in doubles at Beijing with Priscilla Hon
- Started 2024 season by reaching QF (l. Keys) at Eastbourne, her first event since US Open 2023. Reached two finals at Beijing (l. Gauff in F) and Palermo (l. Zheng in F). Made consecutive SF at US Open (l. Pegula) and reached another SF at Ningbo (l. M. Andreeva, retired in 2nd set).
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2023, reaching debut Slam final at Roland-Garros (l. Swiatek), debut WTA 1000 final at Cincinnati (l. Gauff) and made Top 10 debut in August. Also secured debut qualification for WTA Finals but did not compete due to injury
- Best result in 2022 was QF showing at Tallinn (l. Kanepi). Also made 3r at Roland Garros and 2r at Ostrava
- Back, abdominal and ankle injuries restricted her to just four tournaments in first half of 2022
- Broke into Top 20 for first time in career in 2021, peaking at No.19 (May 17)
- Posted best result at a Grand Slam in 2021 with SF run at Australian Open (l. Brady) and matched best return at Wimbledon by making QF (l. Kerber, made QF in 2019). Also made last eight at Madrid (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Defeated the World No.1 and No.2 during 2021, defeating No.1 Barty at Australian Open and No.2 Osaka at Madrid (only other player to manage this was Badosa)
- Broke into Top 20 for first time in career in 2021, peaking at No.19 (May 17)
- Posted best result at US Open by reaching R16 in 2020 - handed V.Williams her first-ever opening round loss in New York in 22 appearances, then saved three MPs vs. Cirstea in 3r, before falling to eventual R-Up Azarenka
- Finished 2019 season in rich vein of form, winning 18 of last 24 matches, including capturing maiden WTA title at Seoul (d. Linette in F), SFs at Zhuhai (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and Moscow (l. Pavlyuchenkova) and maiden major QF at Wimbledon (l. Svitolina)
- During run to last eight at 2019 Wimbledon upset No.3 Ka.Pliskova in R16 to record her first Top 10 victory; following the tournament, broke into Top 50 at No.43 on July 15, 2019
- First WTA final appearance came during R-Up finish on home soil at 2019 Prague (l.

- and scoring first career Top 5 win over No.5 Ka. Pliskova in Rome 2r
- Notched first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan; broke into Top 50 for first time at No.49 on October 9, 2017
- At 2016 Australian Open, by reaching 2r (d. Y.Wang, l. Suarez Navarro) became the first woman from Greece to win a main draw match at a Slam since Daniilidou d. Ka.Pliskova at 2013 Australian Open
- Reached first career WTA QF at 2016 Istanbul (as qualifier, l. Kovinic)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, l. Q.Wang)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2012 Palermo
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2010; owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles and five in doubles

- Teichmann) - made Top 100 debut at No.74 following the tournament (May 6, 2019)
- Advanced to maiden WTA QF at 2019 Doha (as qualifier, l. Svitolina)
- Billie Jean King Cup debut came during 4-0 World Group play-off win over Canada in 2019
- Reached 3r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 US Open (as qualifier, d. No.12 Muguruza in 2r, l. Barty in 3r)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2017 Seoul (as qualifier, l. Hon)
- Won second - and most recent - career ITF Circuit title in 2016 and posted 39-18 win-loss record; at Tour-level fell in qualifying at US Open
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Croatia in 2013

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Tom Hill
- Parents are Konstantinos and Angeliki; brother is Yannis (studies at Boston University) and sister is Amanda. Introduced to tennis by parents at age 6; mother played on WTA and achieved a Top 50 singles ranking
- Born and raised in Athens; moved to Barcelona at age 18 to train
- Favorite surfaces are hard and clay; favorite shot is serve
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams, Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer
- During free time enjoys going back to Greece and seeing friends

- Born in city of Olomouc in eastern Czech Republic, but moved to train in Prague in 2019
- Started playing tennis at aged seven with dad, a former professional footballer in Czech Republic
- Roger Federer was tennis idol growing up