



# MATCH NOTES

## CINCINNATI OPEN

### CINCINNATI, USA



AUGUST 13-23, 2026 | WTA 1000 | \$7,433,076

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## SEMIFINALS – SATURDAY, AUGUST 22

### CLOSER LOOK AT THE SEMIFINALISTS

| SEMIFINALISTS      | RANK | CINCINNATI<br>W-L | YTD<br>W-L | CAREER<br>W-L | YTD<br>TITLES | CAREER<br>TITLES | 2026<br>PRIZE \$ | CAREER<br>PRIZE \$ |
|--------------------|------|-------------------|------------|---------------|---------------|------------------|------------------|--------------------|
| [3] Jessica Pegula | 3    | 16-7              | 44-11      | 299-139       | 2             | 11               | \$3,718,549      | \$25,586,184       |
| [4] Coco Gauff     | 4    | 12-5              | 38-13      | 283-113       | 0             | 11               | \$4,436,556      | \$34,195,677       |
| [7] Iga Swiatek    | 5    | 17-6              | 33-12      | 350-89        | 1             | 26               | \$3,331,279      | \$46,971,769       |
| Sara Bejlek        | 35   | 5-0               | 20-13      | 26-24         | 1             | 1                | \$729,121        | \$1,729,312        |

### WTA 1000 TOURNAMENTS – ROUND BY ROUND RESULTS

| SEMIFINALISTS      | R128 | R64 | R32 | R16 | QF | SF | R-UP | WON | APPEARANCES* |
|--------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|--------------|
| [3] Jessica Pegula | 2    | 7   | 5   | 13  | 11 | 6  | 4    | 4   | 53*          |
| [4] Coco Gauff     | -    | 5   | 13  | 10  | 9  | 9  | 4    | 3   | 54*          |
| [7] Iga Swiatek    | -    | 3   | 6   | 9   | 6  | 9  | 2    | 12  | 48*          |
| Sara Bejlek        | 2    | 1   | 1   | 1   | -  | -  | -    | -   | 6*           |

### CINCINNATI ROUND BY ROUND RESULTS

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|--------------------|------|-----|-----|-----|----|----|------|-----|--------------|
| [3] Jessica Pegula | -    | 1   | 1   | 2   | 2  | -  | 1    | -   | 8*           |
| [4] Coco Gauff     | -    | 2   | 2   | -   | 1  | -  | -    | 1   | 7*           |
| [7] Iga Swiatek    | -    | 1   | 2   | 1   | -  | 2  | -    | 1   | 8*           |
| Sara Bejlek        | -    | -   | -   | -   | -  | -  | -    | -   | 1*           |

\*Includes 2026 Cincinnati

### SEMIFINAL QUICK HITS

- Iga Swiatek leads Jessica Pegula 7-5 in their head-to-head, and Swiatek won their most recent meeting in 2026 Rome QF on clay. Pegula, though, won their most recent hard-court meeting in 2024 US Open QF
- Swiatek could become just the second defending champion in the Open Era to reach the final at Cincinnati, joining Serena Williams, who won back-to-back titles in 2014 and 2015
- Swiatek is also attempting to become the 7th player in the Open Era to reach the final at both the Canadian Open and Cincinnati in the same season – the most recent player to do this was Pegula in 2024
- With both Coco Gauff and Pegula in the semifinals, this is the first time two Americans have made the Cincinnati semifinals in a single year since 2019, when Keys won the title and Kenin made SF (l. Keys)
- 20-year-old Sara Bejlek is the youngest of this year's semifinalists; additionally, since the event's re-inauguration in 2004, she has become the youngest left-handed player to reach the semifinals at Cincinnati



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## PIF WTA RANKINGS UPDATES

- Jessica Pegula is projected to remain at No.3 following Cincinnati, regardless of further results
- Coco Gauff is projected to remain at No.4 following Cincinnati, regardless of further results
- Defending champion Iga Swiatek is projected to be ranked No.8 after Cincinnati with a SF finish, and No.6 if she reaches the final or wins the title
- Sara Bejlek will post a new career-high ranking following Cincinnati. She is projected to reach No.29 with a SF finish, No.23 as runner-up, or No.18 with the title

### [3] Jessica Pegula (USA #3) vs. [7] Iga Swiatek (POL #5)

**Swiatek leads 7-5**

#### ***Pegula:***

- Making 8th main draw appearance at Cincinnati, with her best result in 2024 as R-Up (l. Sabalenka in F)
- Through to the SFs here for the second time in her career after 2024; she is the third player in the Open Era to reach multiple semifinals at Cincinnati after turning 30 alongside Serena Williams and Li Na
- Owns 4 WTA 1000 titles, capturing her fourth this year at Dubai (d. Svitolina in F)
- Has won 44 matches in 2026, leading the WTA in Tour-level match-wins so far this year
- Seeking her 300th career Tour-level win in today's semifinals
- Holds a 28-6 record on hard court in 2026, highlighted by the title at Dubai, a runner-up finish at Washington DC, and semifinal appearances at Brisbane, Australian Open and now Cincinnati
- Contesting her 15th career WTA 1000 SF today, and second of the season after title run at Dubai
- This is her 7th Tour SF of the season, she's equaled Svitolina for the most Tour-level SF appearances in 2026
- Pegula is the oldest semifinalist at Cincinnati since Angelique Kerber in 2021, and the second-oldest American in the Open Era, younger only than Serena Williams (2014, 2015)
- She is the second American to claim 100 WTA 1000 hard court wins since the format's introduction in 2009, the only other American to achieve this is Serena Williams (104)
- Owns 6-5 record this season against Top 10 opponents; her most recent Top 10 win came over No.10 Anisimova in the QFs here
- Looking to reach her 9th career WTA 1000 final today (2nd this season after Dubai title run); seven of her previous eight WTA 1000 finals have been played on hard court, with 2022 Madrid (R-Up) the only exception

#### ***Swiatek:***

- Defending Cincinnati champion (d. Paolini in F) is competing in her 8th main draw here
- Swiatek is through to the SFs here for the fourth consecutive year after her title run last year and SF finishes in 2024 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and 2023 (l. eventual champion Gauff)
- She has become the player with the joint-most consecutive semifinals reached at Cincinnati in the Open Era (four, 2023-2026), equaling Simona Halep (2015-2018)
- Has won 12 WTA 1000 titles in her career, most recently earlier this month at Toronto (d. Rybakina in F)
- Following her recent tournament victory in Toronto, she has now won eight of the 10 current WTA 1000 events on the calendar, with Dubai and Wuhan the only exceptions
- Contesting her 24th WTA 1000 SF today, and her third this year after title run at Toronto and SF finish at Rome
- Her recent title run at Toronto marked her first Tour-level final appearance of 2026. This is her third Tour-level SF of the season today after Toronto title and SF finish at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- She is 4-5 so far this season against Top 10 players, with her most recent completed match being a win over No.2 Rybakina in the final at Toronto (also advanced past Rybakina via retirement in the QF this week)
- Looking to reach her 15th career WTA 1000 final today, and a 10th WTA 1000 final on hard court



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**Sara Bejlek (CZE #35) vs. [4] Coco Gauff (USA #4)**

**First meeting**

#### ***Bejlek:***

- On her Cincinnati debut, Bejlek is through to her first career WTA 1000 SF, with her previous best result at this level being R16 at 2024 Madrid (as qualifier, l. Rybakina)
- This is her 2nd career Tour-level SF, following her run to her first career WTA title as a qualifier at Abu Dhabi earlier this season (ranked No.101, d. Alexandrova in F)
- Has become just the second player since 2009 to defeat four WTA 1000 champions en route to a WTA 1000 semifinal (Pliskova, Krejčíková, Sabalenka and Keys), after compatriot Karolina Pliskova at 2018 Madrid
- She is now attempting to become the first player since the Tier I/WTA 1000 format's introduction in 1990 to defeat five former Tier I/WTA 1000 champions in a single such event
- Holds a 1-3 record in her career vs. Top 10 players, with her first career Top 10 win coming over World No.1 Aryna Sabalenka earlier this week
- She is the first player to reach the Cincinnati SF in their maiden main draw appearance at the event since Sofia Kenin in 2019, and she could become the first to make the final since Maria Sharapova in 2010
- Has become the first left-handed player to reach SF at this event since eventual R-Up Petra Kvitová in 2022
- Last time a player from Czech Republic made SF at Cincinnati was 2023 (eventual R-Up Muchova, l. Gauff in F)
- Made her Top 50 debut in the PIF WTA Rankings on February 9 of this year, following her Abu Dhabi title

#### ***Gauff:***

- Making 7th appearance at Cincinnati, where she won the tournament in 2023 (d. Muchova in F)
- Owns three WTA 1000 titles: 2023 Cincinnati (d. Muchova in F), 2024 Beijing (d. Muchova in F) and 2025 Wuhan (d. Pegula in F)
- Seeking her 8th career WTA 1000 final, and third of this year following R-Up finishes at 2026 Miami (l. Sabalenka in F) and 2026 Rome (l. Svitolina in F)
- She holds a 23-7 record on hard court so far this season, with her best result on the surface being her Miami R-Up finish
- This is her 17th career WTA 1000 SF, and fifth of this year – she is the player with the most WTA 1000 semifinals reached in 2026
- Only Elena Rybakina (25) has won more WTA 1000 main draw matches than Coco Gauff (23) this year
- Has become the second-youngest player since the format's introduction in 2009 to reach 5+ WTA 1000 semifinals in a single season (Dubai, Miami, Rome, Toronto and Cincinnati), older only than Iga Świątek in 2023
- Among Americans, only Serena Williams (26) has made more WTA 1000 semifinals than Coco Gauff (17) since the format was introduced in 2009
- 9 of her 11 career WTA titles have come on hard court, most recently 2025 Wuhan (d. Pegula in F)
- Gauff is 29-5 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 20 (and has won her last 9 such matches)

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|------------------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| 1994-02-24                         | Date of Birth                         | 2001-05-31                                                                                                                          |
| Boca Raton, FL, USA                | Residence                             | Raszyn, Poland                                                                                                                      |
| Right-handed (two-handed backhand) | Plays                                 | Right-handed (two-handed backhand)                                                                                                  |
| 5' 7" (1.70m)                      | Height                                | 5' 9" (1.76m)                                                                                                                       |
| 3                                  | Career-High Ranking                   | 1                                                                                                                                   |
| \$25,586,184                       | Career Prize Money                    | \$46,971,769                                                                                                                        |
| \$3,718,549                        | Season Prize Money                    | \$3,331,279                                                                                                                         |
| 2 / 11                             | Singles Titles YTD / Career           | 1 / 26                                                                                                                              |
| 66-30 (Runner-Up: 2024 US OPEN)    | Grand Slam W-L (best)                 | 113-24 (Champion: 2025 WIMBLEDON;<br>2024 ROLAND GARROS; 2023 ROLAND<br>GARROS; 2022 US OPEN, ROLAND<br>GARROS; 2020 ROLAND GARROS) |
| 4-0 / 16-7 (Runner-Up: 2024)       | YTD / Career CINCINNATI W-L<br>(best) | 4-0 / 17-6 (Champion: 2025)                                                                                                         |
| 44-11 / 299-139                    | YTD / Career W-L                      | 33-12 / 350-89                                                                                                                      |

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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT    | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER         | SCORE/ RESULT  | TIME   |
|------|---------------|---------|-------|----------------|----------------|--------|
| 2026 | ROME          | CLAY    | QF    | Iga Swiatek    | 6-1 6-2        | 1h 7m  |
| 2025 | BAD HOMBURG   | GRASS   | F     | Jessica Pegula | 6-4 7-5        | 1h 46m |
| 2024 | US OPEN       | HARD    | QF    | Jessica Pegula | 6-2 6-4        | 1h 28m |
| 2023 | WTA FINALS    | HARD    | SF    | Iga Swiatek    | 6-1 6-0        | 59m    |
| 2023 | MONTREAL      | HARD    | SF    | Jessica Pegula | 6-2 6-7(4) 6-4 | 2h 30m |
| 2023 | DOHA          | HARD    | F     | Iga Swiatek    | 6-3 6-0        | 1h 9m  |
| 2023 | UNITED CUP    | HARD    | 3r    | Jessica Pegula | 6-2 6-2        | 1h 12m |
| 2022 | SAN DIEGO     | HARD    | SF    | Iga Swiatek    | 4-6 6-2 6-2    | 2h 6m  |
| 2022 | US OPEN       | HARD    | QF    | Iga Swiatek    | 6-3 7-6(4)     | 1h 53m |
| 2022 | ROLAND GARROS | CLAY    | QF    | Iga Swiatek    | 6-3 6-2        | 1h 29m |
| 2022 | MIAMI         | HARD    | SF    | Iga Swiatek    | 6-2 7-5        | 1h 48m |
| 2019 | WASHINGTON DC | HARD    | 2r    | Jessica Pegula | 5-7 6-4 6-1    | 2h 20m |

RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 3        | -        | 2026 | 2        | -        |
| 3        | 6        | 2025 | 2        | 2        |
| 3        | 7        | 2024 | 1        | 2        |
| 3        | 5        | 2023 | 1        | 1        |
| 3        | 3        | 2022 | 1        | 1        |
| 18       | 18       | 2021 | 4        | 9        |
| 59       | 62       | 2020 | 17       | 17       |
| 55       | 76       | 2019 | 49       | 61       |
| 124      | 125      | 2018 | 174      | 175      |
| 165      | 632      | 2017 | 587      | 690      |



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. S. WALTERT (#87) 6-3 6-2 (1h 31m)  
3r: d. E. NAVARRO (#28) 7-5 6-2 (1h 41m)  
4r: d. S. CIRSTEA (#19) 6-2 4-6 7-5 (2h 5m)  
QF: d. A. ANISIMOVA (#10) 6-4 2-6 7-6 (2h 15m)

*Total time on court: 7h 32m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 8th main draw appearance at Cincinnati, her best result is runner-up finish in 2024 (l. Sabalenka in F)
- Pegula owns 4 WTA 1000 titles; capturing her fourth this year at Dubai (d. Svitolina in F)
- She has won 44 Tour-level matches in 2026, leading the WTA in Tour-level match-wins so far this year
- She is 28-6 on hard court in 2026, highlighted by the title at Dubai, a runner-up finish at Washington DC, and semifinal appearances at Brisbane, Australian Open and now Cincinnati
- This is her 7th Tour SF of the season, she's equaled Svitolina for the most Tour-level SF appearances in 2026
- Faces No.5 Iga Swiatek in SF today; Pegula is 6-5 so far this season against Top 10 players, most recent was her win over No.10 Anisimova in the QF here
- Owns 13-9 career record against players from Poland, 2-1 in 2026 with two wins over Frech at Toronto and Washington, and a loss to Swiatek at Rome
- 7 of her 11 career titles have come on hard court: Dubai 2026, Austin 2025, Toronto 2024, Seoul 2023, Montreal 2023, Guadalajara 2022 and Washington DC 2019
- The most recent American to win the Cincinnati title is Coco Gauff in 2023
- Has won 2 WTA titles this year, one on clay at WTA 500 Charleston (d. Starodubtseva in F) and one on hard court at WTA 1000 Dubai (d. Svitolina in F)
- Is currently ranked at a career-high of No.3 (first achieved in October 2022); this time last year was ranked No.4
- Looking to reach her 9th career WTA 1000 final today (2nd this season); seven of her previous eight WTA 1000 finals have been played on hard court

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. E. ARANGO (#95) 6-3 6-0 (1h 12m)  
3r: d. M. SAKKARI (#32) 4-6 6-1 6-1 (1h 58m)  
4r: d. D. PARRY (#66) 6-3 6-3 (1h 28m)  
QF: d. E. RYBAKINA (#2) 4-1 (31m)

*Total time on court: 5h 9m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 8th appearance at Cincinnati, she returns this year as the defending champion after winning the title last year (d. Paolini in F)
- She's through to the SFs here for the fourth time in her career after title run last year and SF finishes in 2024 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and 2023 (l. eventual champion Gauff)
- Swiatek is undefeated in Cincinnati quarterfinals (2023 vs Marketa Vondrousova, 2024 vs Mirra Andrejeva, 2025 vs Anna Kalinskaya and 2026 vs Elena Rybakina)
- Has won 12 WTA 1000 titles in her career, most recently last week at Toronto (d. Rybakina in F)
- Her recent title run at Toronto marked her first Tour-level final appearance of the season. She's contesting her third Tour-level SF of the season today after Toronto title and SF finish at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Contesting her 24th WTA 1000 SF today, and her third this season after title run at Toronto and SF finish at Rome
- Faces No.3 Jessica Pegula in SF today; she's 4-5 so far this season against Top 10 players, most recent completed match was her win over No.2 Rybakina in the final at Toronto
- Owns 4-3 record this season against players from United States of America, most recent was her win over Townsend at Wimbledon
- 15 of her 26 career WTA titles have come on hard court, most recently 2026 Toronto (d. Rybakina in F)
- Best result by Poland at Cincinnati was champion run by Iga Swiatek in 2025
- Is currently ranked No.5; this time last year was ranked No.3
- Reached World No.1 for the first time on April 4, 2022, and spent 125 weeks holding the top ranking
- Looking to reach her 15th career WTA 1000 final today, and a 10th on hard court



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

| 2025 | Result | Rank: 4                              | Seed: 4 |
|------|--------|--------------------------------------|---------|
| 3r   | L      | M. LINETTE (#40) 7-6(5) 3-6 6-3      |         |
| 2r   | W      | K. BIRRELL (#82) 6-4 6-3             |         |
| 2024 | Result | Rank: 6                              | Seed: 6 |
| F    | L      | A. SABALENKA (#3) 6-3 7-5            |         |
| SF   | W      | P. BADOSA (#36) 6-2 3-6 6-3          |         |
| QF   | W      | L. FERNANDEZ (#26) 7-5 6-7(1) 7-6(3) |         |
| 3r   | W      | T. TOWNSEND (#51) 6-2 6-3            |         |
| 2r   | W      | K. MUCHOVA (#35) 5-7 6-4 6-2         |         |
| 2023 | Result | Rank: 3                              | Seed: 3 |
| 3r   | L      | M. BOUZKOVA (#35) 6-4 6-0            |         |
| 2r   | W      | M. TREVISAN (#63) 6-7(2) 6-2 6-3     |         |
| 2022 | Result | Rank: 8                              | Seed: 7 |
| QF   | L      | C. GARCIA (#35) 6-1 7-5              |         |
| 3r   | W      | E. RADUCANU (#13) 7-5 6-4            |         |
| 2r   | W      | M. KOSTYUK (#74) 6-7(5) 6-1 6-2      |         |
| 2021 | Result | Rank: 25                             | Seed: - |
| 3r   | L      | K. PLISKOVA (#4) 6-4 7-6(5)          |         |
| 1r   | W      | C. GIORGI (#33) 6-2 6-2              |         |

| 2025 | Result | Rank: 3                          | Seed: 3 |
|------|--------|----------------------------------|---------|
| F    | W      | J. PAOLINI (#9) 7-5 6-4          |         |
| SF   | W      | E. RYBAKINA (#10) 7-5 6-3        |         |
| QF   | W      | A. KALINSKAYA (#34) 6-3 6-4      |         |
| 4r   | W      | S. CIRSTE A (#138) 6-4 6-3       |         |
| 2r   | W      | A. POTAPOVA (#45) 6-1 6-4        |         |
| 2024 | Result | Rank: 1                          | Seed: 1 |
| SF   | L      | A. SABALENKA (#3) 6-3 6-3        |         |
| QF   | W      | M. ANDREEVA (#24) 4-6 6-3 7-5    |         |
| 3r   | W      | M. KOSTYUK (#21) 6-2 6-2         |         |
| 2r   | W      | V. GRACHEVA (#69) 6-0 6-7(8) 6-2 |         |
| 2023 | Result | Rank: 1                          | Seed: 1 |
| SF   | L      | C. GAUFF (#7) 7-6(2) 3-6 6-4     |         |
| QF   | W      | M. VONDROUSOVA (#10) 7-6(3) 6-1  |         |
| 3r   | W      | Q. ZHENG (#24) 3-6 6-1 6-1       |         |
| 2r   | W      | D. COLLINS (#34) 6-1 6-0         |         |
| 2022 | Result | Rank: 1                          | Seed: 1 |
| 3r   | L      | M. KEYS (#24) 6-3 6-4            |         |
| 2r   | W      | S. STEPHENS (#57) 6-4 7-5        |         |
| 2021 | Result | Rank: 8                          | Seed: 6 |
| 2r   | L      | O. JABEUR (#20) 6-3 6-3          |         |

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 4r at Toronto (l. Shnaider)
  - Finished Runner-Up at Washington DC (l. Eala)
  - Reached QF at Wimbledon (l. Gauff)
  - Finished Runner-Up at Berlin (l. Noskova)
  - Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Birrell)
  - Reached QF at Rome (l. Swiatek)
  - Made 3r at Madrid (l. Kostyuk)
  - Won the title at Charleston (d. Starodubtseva in F)
  - Made QF at Miami (l. Rybakina)
  - Reached QF at Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina)
  - Champion run at Dubai (d. Svitolina in F)
  - Reached SF at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
  - Reached SF at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)
- Earned first title of 2026 at WTA 1000 Toronto (d. Rybakina in F)
  - Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Eala)
  - Played 2r at Bad Homburg (l. Navarro)
  - Made 4r at Roland Garros (l. Kostyuk)
  - Reached SF at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
  - Made 3r at Madrid (l. Li, retired through illness)
  - Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. M.Andreeva)
  - Played 2r at Miami (l. Linette)
  - Reached QF at Indian Wells (l. Svitolina), Doha (l. Sakkari) and Australian Open (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
  - Opened season by winning United Cup with Team Poland (3-2 in singles)

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                      | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|----------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 237   | 3        | Aces                             | 94    | 42       |
| 62.6% | 48       | First serve %                    | 65.0% | 28       |
| 69.9% | 11       | First Serve points won %         | 67.0% | 29       |
| 50.7% | 5        | Second serve points won %        | 50.1% | 8        |
| 62.7% | 6        | Overall service points won %     | 61.1% | 13       |
| 77.0% | 9        | Service games won %              | 73.2% | 16       |
| 58.5% | 25       | Break points saved %             | 58.9% | 22       |
| 38.6% | 18       | First serve return points won %  | 41.7% | 4        |
| 55.9% | 35       | Second serve return points won % | 61.7% | 1        |
| 43.4% | 66       | Break points converted %         | 51.4% | 6        |
| 38.0% | 23       | Return games won %               | 48.9% | 1        |
| 45.2% | 22       | Return points won %              | 49.2% | 1        |



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (11)

2026 - CHARLESTON, DUBAI  
2025 - BAD HOMBURG, CHARLESTON, AUSTIN  
2024 - TORONTO, BERLIN  
2023 - SEOUL, MONTREAL  
2022 - GUADALAJARA  
2019 - WASHINGTON DC

Runner-Up (13)

2026 - WASHINGTON DC, BERLIN  
2025 - WUHAN, MIAMI, ADELAIDE  
2024 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI  
2023 - WTA FINALS, TOKYO, DOHA  
2022 - MADRID  
2020 - AUCKLAND  
2018 - QUEBEC CITY

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2023 - MIAMI (w/Gauff), DOHA (w/Gauff)  
2022 - SAN DIEGO (w/Gauff), TORONTO (w/Gauff),  
WASHINGTON DC (w/Routliffe), DOHA (w/Gauff),  
MELBOURNE 250 #1 (w/Muhammad)

Runner-Up (5)

2024 - WUHAN (w/Muhammad), SAN DIEGO  
(w/Krawczyk)  
2023 - ROME (w/Gauff), MADRID (w/Gauff)  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Gauff)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (26)

2026 - TORONTO  
2025 - SEOUL, CINCINNATI, WIMBLEDON  
2024 - ROLAND GARROS, ROME, MADRID, INDIAN  
WELLS, DOHA  
2023 - WTA FINALS, BEIJING, WARSAW, ROLAND  
GARROS, STUTTGART, DOHA  
2022 - SAN DIEGO, US OPEN, ROLAND GARROS,  
ROME, STUTTGART, MIAMI, INDIAN WELLS, DOHA  
2021 - ROME, ADELAIDE 500  
2020 - ROLAND GARROS

Runner-Up (5)

2025 - BAD HOMBURG  
2023 - MADRID, DUBAI  
2022 - OSTRAVA  
2019 - LUGANO

### DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)

2021 - ROLAND-GARROS (w/Mattek-sands)



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## GRAND SLAMS

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



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won three singles titles in 2025 across all three surfaces - Bad Homburg (grass), Charleston (clay) and Austin (hard); also had runner-up finishes at Wuhan, Miami and Adelaide
- Qualified for the 2025 WTA Finals for a fourth consecutive year and reached the semifinals for the second time after 2023
- In 2024, won two singles titles - Toronto (WTA 1000) and Berlin - en route to year-end ranking of No.7, her third-straight year-end Top 10 finish; two-time runner-up at Cincinnati and US Open; joined Rosie Casals (1970), Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1973) and Serena Williams (2013) as the only women in the Open Era to make the final at the Canadian Open, Cincinnati Open and US Open in the same season
- Also qualified for the 2024 WTA Finals (withdrew during round-robin play due to left knee injury)
- Won two titles in 2023, her second WTA 1000 tournament at Montreal and also WTA 250 Seoul. Also finished R-Up at Doha, Tokyo and at the WTA Finals in Cancun
- In doubles ascended to No.1 ranking (co-ranked with Coco Gauff) after 2023 US Open
- Achieved career-high No.3 in October 2022 after defeating four Grand Slam champions at Guadalajara, en route to ending three-year wait for second WTA title (d. Sakkari in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals in both singles and doubles (w/Gauff), thus becoming the first Americans to debut in singles and doubles at the season-ending showpiece since Davenport in 1994
- Reached QF at three of the four majors in 2022, breaking into Top 10 after doing so at Roland Garros (June 6, 2022)
- One of seven players to win 40 or more matches in 2022, alongside Swiatek, Jabeur, Garcia, Sakkari, Kasatkina and Bencic
- In 2021, reached the QF or better on seven occasions, including at the Australian Open
- Broke into Top 20 on November 1, 2021
- Began 2020 with runner-up finish at Auckland (l. S.Williams), other standout results were a QF at Western & Southern Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens) and a 3r showing at US Open (l. Kvitova)
- On the doubles court in 2020, reached QFs of Roland Garros (w/Muhammad) and Cincinnati (w/Rogers)
- Won her first WTA title at 2019 Washington DC (d. Giorgi in F)
- Also in 2019, fell in 1r on main draw debut at Roland-Garros (l. eventual champion Barty) and
- Won three singles titles in 2025, including her first Wimbledon title (her 6th Grand Slam title overall), Cincinnati and Seoul; finished at World No.2 for the second straight season
- Posted 62 Tour match wins in 2025, becoming the first player to achieve four consecutive 60-win seasons at Tour level since Martina Hingis (1997-2001) and Lindsay Davenport (1998-2001)
- Claimed five titles in 2024, making it a three-peat at Roland-Garros and also winning Doha, Indian Wells, Madrid and Rome. Crossed \$30m in prize money and qualified for her fourth WTA Finals
- Won six titles across 2023, including winning fourth Grand Slam title at Roland-Garros (d. Muchova in F) and going undefeated at the WTA Finals in Cancun (d. Pegula in F). Finished season as WTA World No.1 player for second consecutive year.
- In 2022, lifted second and third Grand Slam titles, at Roland-Garros (d. Gauff in F) and US Open (d. Jabeur in F). Triumph in Paris was the last of six straight titles during 37-match winning streak - joint-longest unbeaten run on Tour since 1990
- Won two titles in 2021, at Adelaide and Rome. Other highlights included QF at Roland-Garros and SF at Ostrava and qualifying for WTA Finals Guadalajara (fell in group stage). Also finished doubles R-Up at 2021 Roland-Garros (w/Mattek-Sands, l. Krejčíková/Siniaková)
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland-Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland - man or woman - to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland-Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017 Roland-Garros
- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (l. Herczeg) and R16 run at Roland-Garros (l. Halep). That year also reached 3r at Toronto (l.

- Wimbledon (I. Buzarnescu) and Miami (as a qualifier, I. Konta)
- Broke into Top 100 for the first time on February 4, 2019 following back-to-back R-Up finishes at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and W100 ITF Circuit tournament in Midland-MI, USA
- Highlights of 2018 included finishing R-Up as a qualifier at Quebec City (I. Parmentier in F), recording SF finish at Houston WTA 125K Series tournament (I. S.Peng) and reaching QF or better at 10 ITF events
- Did not play between January and August 2017 after undergoing hip surgery. Primarily played at ITF Circuit events for the rest of the year, winning two doubles titles with Townsend
- Played a mixture of WTA and ITF Circuit events in 2016 with highlight coming at Washington DC, where she defeated No.14 Stosur for first Top 20 win of career on her way to a SF finish (I. Davis)
- Reached 2r in Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, d. Van Uytvanck, I. Cibulkova)
- Sidelined from tennis for a year and a half between 2013 and 2015 due to a right knee injury
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Indian Wells

- Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)
- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano. Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record and winning four titles on ITF Circuit
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016
- Enjoyed stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Kung in F) and leading Poland to Junior Fed Cup in 2016

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Working with the coaching team of Mark Knowles and Mark Merklein
- Recently parted ways with coach David Witt; formerly with Michael Joyce
- Parents are Terrence (works in oil and gas) and Kim (business owner); her parents are principal owners of the Buffalo Bills (NFL), while Terry Pegula also owns hockey team the Buffalo Sabres (NHL)
- Brothers are Michael and Matthew, sisters are Laura and Kelly; also has three pets - Laura played Division I college tennis at the University of Pittsburgh
- Introduced to tennis by family at age 7
- Nickname is JP
- Favorite shot is backhand down the line; favorite tournament is the US Open
- Tennis idol was Martina Hingis
- One word to describe her would be "Determined"
- Owens her own skincare company called 'Ready 24'
- Also enjoys golf, sports, and design
- Married Taylor Gahagen in October 2021
- Passionate about new charity with her husband called A Lending Paw

- Coached by Francisco Roig
- Previously worked with Wim Fissette, Tomasz Wiktorowski and Piotr Sierzputowski
- Father is former Olympic rower Tomasz Swiatek, who competed in the men's quadruple sculls event at the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul
- In summer 2022 organised 'Iga Swiatek and friends for Ukraine' event in Krakow, which featured a mixed doubles match between Agnieszka Radwanska, Sergiy Stakhovsky, Polish junior Martyn Pawelski and herself, and was attended by Poland's First Lady, Agata Kornhauser-Duda, Elina Svitolina and Andriy Shevchenko. The occasion was watched by almost 15,000 people live and a further one million on television, raising more than half a million Euros for Ukrainian children and teenagers affected by the war
- Started playing tennis because her older sister was playing and wanted to beat her
- Enjoys rock music, including AC/DC and Pink Floyd
- Includes PZU, On, Tecnifibre, Rolex and Xiaomi in her endorsement portfolio



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|                                                           |                                    |                                                    |
|-----------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------|
| 2006-01-31                                                | Date of Birth                      | 2004-03-13                                         |
|                                                           | Residence                          | Delray Beach, FL. USA                              |
| Left-handed (two-handed backhand)                         | Plays                              | Right-handed (two-handed backhand)                 |
| 5' 3" (1.63 m)                                            | Height                             | 5' 9" (1.75m)                                      |
| 34                                                        | Career-High Ranking                | 2                                                  |
| \$1,729,312                                               | Career Prize Money                 | \$34,195,677                                       |
| \$729,121                                                 | Season Prize Money                 | \$4,436,556                                        |
| 1 / 1                                                     | Singles Titles YTD / Career        | 0 / 11                                             |
| 2-9 (Round of 64: 2026 ROLAND GARROS; 2025 ROLAND GARROS) | Grand Slam W-L (best)              | 85-26 (Champion: 2025 ROLAND GARROS; 2023 US OPEN) |
| 5-0 / 5-0 (Semi-Finalist: 2026)                           | YTD / Career CINCINNATI W-L (best) | 4-0 / 12-5 (Champion: 2023)                        |
| 20-13 / 26-24                                             | YTD / Career W-L                   | 38-13 / 283-113                                    |



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

| YEAR | TOURNAMENT | SURFACE | ROUND | WINNER | SCORE/ RESULT | TIME |
|------|------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------|------|
|------|------------|---------|-------|--------|---------------|------|

First career meeting

## RANKING HISTORY

| TOP RANK | YEAR-END | YEAR | TOP RANK | YEAR-END |
|----------|----------|------|----------|----------|
| 34       | -        | 2026 | 3        | -        |
| 75       | 76       | 2025 | 2        | 3        |
| 114      | 142      | 2024 | 2        | 3        |
| 155      | 190      | 2023 | 3        | 3        |
| 181      | 189      | 2022 | 4        | 7        |
| 375      | 380      | 2021 | 19       | 22       |
| -        | -        | 2020 | 47       | 48       |
| -        | -        | 2019 | 68       | 68       |
| -        | -        | 2018 | 874      | 875      |



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. PLISKOVA (#57) 6-0 6-2 (1h 5m)  
2r: d. B. KREJCIKOVA (#26) 7-6 6-4 (1h 50m)  
3r: d. E. ALEXANDROVA (#18) 4-6 6-1 6-2 (1h 55m)  
4r: d. A. SABALENKA (#1) 7-6 6-4 (1h 55m)  
QF: d. M. KEYS (#24) 3-6 6-4 7-6 (2h 37m)

*Total time on court: 9h 22m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making Cincinnati debut
- Contesting her 6th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is through to her first SF at this level after her previous best being R16 at 2024 Madrid (l. Rybakina)
- This is her 2nd career Tour-level SF, after her run to her maiden WTA title as a qualifier at Abu Dhabi earlier this season
- Defeated Karolina Pliskova, No.23 seed Barbora Krejckova, No.16 seed Ekaterina Alexandrova, No.1 seed Aryna Sabalenka and No.20 seed Madison Keys to reach her first WTA 1000 SF
- Since this tournament tier began in 2009, Bejlek is just the second player to defeat four WTA 1000 champions (Pliskova, Krejckova, Sabalenka and Keys) en route to a WTA 1000 SF, after compatriot Karolina Pliskova (Madrid 2018)
- Her win over No.1 Sabalenka in the R16 marked her first career win over a Top 10 player, and was her first time facing the current World No.1
- Faces No.4 Coco Gauff in SF today; Bejlek is 1-3 in her career vs. Top 10 players, with the one win coming over Sabalenka earlier this week
- Owns 6-4 career Tour-level record against players from United States (4-3 in 2026, including her win over Keys in the previous round)
- Best career hard court result is winning her first WTA title earlier this year at Abu Dhabi, as a qualifier ranked No.101 (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Best result by Czech Republic at Cincinnati is by Karolina Pliskova who won the title in 2016 (d. Kerber in F)
- Last time a player from Czech Republic reached SF at Cincinnati was 2023 (Muchova was R-Up, l. Gauff in F)
- Is currently ranked No.35 (career high of No.34 in April 2026); this time last year was ranked No.109
- Made her Top 50 debut in the PIF WTA Rankings on February 9 of this year, following her Abu Dhabi title

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. L. SAMSONOVA (#43) 2-6 6-4 6-1 (2h 6m)  
3r: d. A. LI (#29) 6-1 7-6 (1h 33m)  
4r: d. M. BOUZKOVA (#27) 6-3 5-2 (1h 33m)  
QF: d. M. KOSTYUK (#11) 6-2 6-2 (1h 10m)

*Total time on court: 6h 22m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Cincinnati, where she won the tournament in 2023 (d. Muchova in F)
- Owns three WTA 1000 titles, winning 2023 Cincinnati (d. Muchova in F), 2024 Beijing (d. Muchova in F) and 2025 Wuhan (d. Pegula in F)
- Seeking her 8th career WTA 1000 final, and third of this year following R-Up finishes at 2026 Miami (l. Sabalenka in F) and 2026 Rome (l. Svitolina in F)
- After 1r bye, defeated Liudmila Samsonova, No.28 seed Ann Li, No.22 seed Marie Bouzkova and No.10 seed Marta Kostyuk so far this fortnight to reach her 17th career WTA 1000 SF, and fifth of this year
- Among Americans, only Serena Williams (26) has made more WTA 1000 semifinals than Coco Gauff (17) since the format was introduced in 2009
- Has become the second-youngest player since 2009 to reach 5+ WTA 1000 semifinals in a single season (Dubai, Miami, Rome, Toronto and Cincinnati), older only than Iga Swiatek in 2023
- Faces No.35 Sara Bejlek in SF today; Gauff is 29-5 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 20 (and has won her last 9 such matches)
- Owns 25-9 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic (4-3 in 2026, including a win over Bouzkova this fortnight)
- Holds a 23-7 record on hard court so far this season, with her best result on the surface being her Miami R-Up finish (l. Sabalenka in F)
- 9 of her 11 career WTA titles have come on hard court, most recently 2025 Wuhan (d. Pegula in F)
- 1 of 2 players from United States to make SF (also Pegula) - the last time 2 players from United States reached SF at Cincinnati was 2019 (Keys won title, Kenin made SF)
- Most recent American to win this title is Gauff herself in 2023 (d. Muchova in F)
- Is currently ranked No.4; this time last year was ranked at her career-high of No.2 (first reached in June 2024)

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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

| 2025 | Result | Rank: 2            | Seed: 2     |
|------|--------|--------------------|-------------|
| QF   | L      | J. PAOLINI (#9)    | 2-6 6-4 6-3 |
| 4r   | W      | L. BRONZETTI (#61) | 6-2 6-4     |
| 2r   | W      | X. WANG (#37)      | 6-3 6-2     |

| 2024 | Result | Rank: 2             | Seed: 2     |
|------|--------|---------------------|-------------|
| 2r   | L      | Y. PUTINTSEVA (#34) | 6-4 2-6 6-4 |

| 2023 | Result | Rank: 7          | Seed: 7        |
|------|--------|------------------|----------------|
| F    | W      | K. MUCHOVA (#17) | 6-3 6-4        |
| SF   | W      | I. SWIATEK (#1)  | 7-6(2) 3-6 6-4 |
| QF   | W      | J. PAOLINI (#43) | 6-3 6-2        |
| 3r   | W      | L. NOSKOVA (#50) | 6-4 6-0        |
| 2r   | W      | M. SHERIF (#33)  | 6-2 6-2        |

| 2022 | Result | Rank: 12          | Seed: 11 |
|------|--------|-------------------|----------|
| 1r   | L      | M. BOUZKOVA (#46) | 7-5 1-0  |

| 2021 | Result | Rank: 24       | Seed: -     |
|------|--------|----------------|-------------|
| 2r   | L      | N. OSAKA (#2)  | 4-6 6-3 6-4 |
| 1r   | W      | S. HSIEH (#86) | 6-1 6-2     |

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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 2r at Toronto (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
  - Reached QF at Athens (l. Tauson) and Prague (l. eventual champion Tagger)
  - Played 1r at Wimbledon (l. Cirstea)
  - Made 2r at Eastbourne (gave w/o to Sonmez)
  - Played 1r at Nottingham (l. Ka. Pliskova)
  - Fell in 1r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Yastremska)
  - Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Swiatek)
  - Played 1r at Strasbourg(l. eventual champion Navarro)
  - Made 1r at Rome (l. Siegemund)
  - Reached 3r at Charleston (l. Bencic)
  - Played 1r at Miami (l. Gibson)
  - Made 2r at Dubai (as WC, l. Bencic via walkover)
  - Champion run at Abu Dhabi (as qualifier, d. R-Up Alexandrova in F)
  - Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. Krueger)
  - Opened the 2026 season with a 2r finish at Auckland (l. Jovic)
- Made SF at Toronto (l. Rybakina)
  - Reached SF at Wimbledon (l. Muchova)
  - Played 2r at Berlin (l. WC Badosa)
  - Made 3r at Roland Garros (as defending champion, l. Potapova)
  - Finished R-Up at Rome (l. Svitolina)
  - Made 4r at Madrid (l. Noskova)
  - Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. eventual R-Up Muchova)
  - Achieved R-Up at Miami (l. Sabalenka in F)
  - Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Eala, retired due to left arm injury)
  - Reached SF at Dubai (l. eventual R-Up Svitolina)
  - Played 2r at Doha (l. Cocciaretto)
  - Reached QF at Australian Open (l. Svitolina)
  - Went 3-1 in singles during Team USA's run to the 2026 United Cup SF

| VALUE | WTA RANK | MATCH STATS                      | VALUE | WTA RANK |
|-------|----------|----------------------------------|-------|----------|
| 40    | 82       | Aces                             | 155   | 19       |
| 62.8% | 46       | First serve %                    | 63.3% | 41       |
| 61.1% | 68       | First Serve points won %         | 68.3% | 15       |
| 47.3% | 28       | Second serve points won %        | 42.1% | 84       |
| 56.0% | 63       | Overall service points won %     | 58.7% | 26       |
| 63.9% | 64       | Service games won %              | 69.4% | 29       |
| 53.7% | 65       | Break points saved %             | 54.5% | 53       |
| 41.4% | 5        | First serve return points won %  | 41.8% | 1        |
| 55.3% | 43       | Second serve return points won % | 56.6% | 29       |
| 45.6% | 36       | Break points converted %         | 45.0% | 44       |
| 41.2% | 8        | Return games won %               | 44.3% | 3        |
| 46.4% | 7        | Return points won %              | 47.5% | 3        |

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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)  
2026 - ABU DHABI

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (11)  
2025 - WUHAN, ROLAND GARROS  
2024 - WTA FINALS, BEIJING, AUCKLAND  
2023 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI, WASHINGTON DC, AUCKLAND  
2021 - PARMA  
2019 - LINZ

Runner-Up (5)  
2026 - ROME, MIAMI  
2025 - ROME, MADRID  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (10)  
2025 - MONTREAL (w/Kessler)  
2024 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Siniakova)  
2023 - MIAMI (w/Pegula), DOHA (w/Pegula)  
2022 - SAN DIEGO (w/Pegula), TORONTO (w/Pegula), DOHA (w/Pegula)  
2021 - PARMA (w/Mcnally)  
2019 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Mcnally), WASHINGTON DC (w/Mcnally)

Runner-Up (6)  
2024 - ROME (w/Routliffe)  
2023 - ROME (w/Pegula), MADRID (w/Pegula)  
2022 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Pegula), STUTTGART (w/Zhang)  
2021 - US OPEN (w/Mcnally)

| AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |      | AUSTRALIAN OPEN | ROLAND GARROS | WIMBLEDON | US OPEN |
|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|------|-----------------|---------------|-----------|---------|
| 1r              | 2r            | 1r        |         | 2026 | QF              | 3r            | SF        |         |
| 1r              | 2r            |           |         | 2025 | QF              | WON           | 1r        | 4r      |
| 1r              |               |           |         | 2024 | SF              | SF            | 4r        | 4r      |
| 1r              | 1r            |           |         | 2023 | 4r              | QF            | 1r        | WON     |
|                 |               |           | 1r      | 2022 | 1r              | RUP           | 3r        | QF      |
|                 |               |           |         | 2021 | 2r              | QF            | 4r        | 2r      |
|                 |               |           |         | 2020 | 4r              | 2r            |           | 1r      |
|                 |               |           |         | 2019 |                 |               | 4r        | 3r      |



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025 reached QF at Tour level for the first time at Prague (l. Wang Xinyu) and registered her first Grand Slam main draw match win by reaching 2r at Roland Garros as a qualifier (defeated No.25 Marta Kostyuk in 1r)
- Also in 2025 won three WTA 125 titles at Makarska, Rende and Queretaro, and broke into the Top 100 for the first time reaching a career-high of No.75 in November
- 2024 breakthrough performance saw her reach R16 at WTA 1000 Madrid as a qualifier. Also reached main draw as a qualifying at Australian Open and made two WTA 125 SFs at Colina and Buenos Aires and achieve a career high ranking of No.114 in May
- In 2023, played main draw at Australian Open (l. Krejčíková) and Roland Garros (l. Rakhimova) both as a qualifier; also played qualifying at Austin, Rome, Wimbledon and US Open
- Also in 2023, won title at WTA 125K event at Colina, Chile and two titles on ITF circuit at W25 Santa Margherita di Pula, ITA and W25 Parnu, EST
- Made Tour-level qualifying debut at 2022 Wimbledon and made WTA main draw debut at 2022 US Open coming through qualifying where she fell to No.35 Liudmila Samsonova in 1r
- Also in 2022, won three ITF titles at W60 Olomouc, CZE; W60 Ceska Lipa, CZE; and W25 Santa Margherita di Pula, ITA
- Standout junior results came at 2022 Roland Garros (l. Havlickova), when she reached SF in singles and won girls' doubles title w/Havlickova
- Made professional debut in 2021 on ITF circuit winning first title at W60 Olomouc, CZE
- In 2025, won her second Grand Slam title of career at Roland Garros (d. Sabalenka in final) and her third career WTA 1000 title at Wuhan; also made WTA 1000 finals at Madrid and Rome, becoming the first American to reach three WTA 1000 finals in a calendar year since Serena Williams in 2014
- Went three for three in finals in 2024, winning Auckland, Beijing and a historic first WTA Finals Riyadh title. Success in Saudi Arabia saw her win a record \$4.8m in prize money, the most ever awarded in women's professional sports, and defeat the World No.1 and No.2 at the same event. Posted a new career-high of No.2 in June
- Won debut Grand Slam singles crown in 2023 lifting title on home soil at US Open (d. Sabalenka in F). Picked up another three titles in 2023, marking first WTA 1000 title at Cincinnati and debut WTA 500 title at Washington DC, in addition to WTA 250 Auckland. In doubles was co-ranked No.1 with Pegula after US Open.
- In 2022, reached maiden Grand Slam final at Roland-Garros (l. Swiatek); was the youngest major finalist since Sharapova won 2004 Wimbledon
- Made Top 10 debut on September 12, 2022, following QF run at US Open (l. Garcia)
- Highlight of 2021 campaign was completing singles-doubles title sweep at Parma; defeated Wang Qiang in singles final and teamed up w/McNally to win doubles
- In 2021 also reached SF at Adelaide and Rome, while at the Slams made QF at Roland-Garros and R16 at Wimbledon. Finished R-Up in doubles at 2021 US Open (w/McNally, l. Stosur/Zhang)
- First cracked the Top 50 on February 24, 2020 at No.49, following a R16 appearance at Australian Open to tie her career best Grand Slam result - during run, defeated V.Williams in 1r and her first Top-5 opponent in No.4 Osaka in 3r (l. eventual champion Kenin in 3s)
- Enjoyed breakout season in 2019, highlighted by maiden WTA singles title at Linz (as lucky loser, d. Ostapenko in F) - earned her first Top-10 win en route to title over No.8 Bertens in QF. At 15y 214d, her title run in Linz made her youngest to win a Tour-level title since Vaidisova (15y 177d) won Tashkent in 2004
- Also claimed maiden WTA doubles titles at Washington, DC (w/McNally, d. Sanchez/Stollar in F) and Luxembourg (w/McNally, d. Christian/Guarachi in F). By winning the doubles title at Washington, DC at 15y 144d, became the

youngest player to win a doubles title since May 1995 (Hingis won Hamburg at 14y 219d)

- Reached R16 at 2019 Wimbledon on Grand Slam main draw debut defeating V.Williams in 1r (l. eventual champion Halep) - followed with 3r showing at US Open (as WC, l. Osaka)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a wildcard at 2019 Miami where she earned her first WTA main draw win over good friend McNally (l. Kasatkina in 2r)
- Made professional debut in May 2018 as a qualifier into the \$25K ITF/Osprey, FL-USA
- Former Junior World No.1 (July 2018); won 2018 Roland-Garros girls' title (d. McNally in F) and 2018 US Open doubles title (w/McNally), while finished R-Up at 2017 US Open girls' event (l. Anisimova) becoming the youngest girls' singles finalist in tournament history at 13-years-old

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Jakub Kahoun
- Standing under 5-foot-3, Bejlek relies on tennis IQ, variety, left-handed angles, slice and defensive skill to outmaneuver bigger opponents, using craft and feel to disrupt baseline power players
- Part of a strong Czech tennis tradition, she draws inspiration from compatriot Petra Kvitová and childhood idol Rafael Nadal

- Coached by Jean Christophe Faurel
- Father, Corey, played basketball at Georgia State; mother, Candi, excelled in gymnastics before competing in track and field at Florida State University
- Previously worked with Diego Moyano
- Started playing tennis at six
- Favorite surface is hard, describes her playing style as aggressive as possible with a big serve; depends on her quickness and athleticism to keep her in any point - describes herself as a "fighter"
- Tennis idols growing up were the Williams sisters whose tenacity and fearlessness made her want to become a professional tennis player
- Enjoys hanging out with her brother and family, watching superhero movies and making TikTok videos
- Does not have any pets but has been trying to convince her mom to get a dog
- Favorite city is Paris because of the history, food and architecture. Favorite celebrity is Beyoncé because she is an incredible performer