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FINAL – SUNDAY, APRIL 19

[1] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #2) vs. [7] Karolina Muchova (CZE #12)

Muchova leads 2-1

Rybakina:

- Making 4th appearance at Stuttgart, where she claimed the title in her most recent tournament showing in 2024 (d. Kostyuk in F)
- Rybakina has won her last 7 matches at Stuttgart
- Has reached her 25th career WTA singles final (12-12 record in WTA singles finals)
- Is into her 3rd final of the year - she won her 2nd career Grand Slam title at 2026 Australian Open (d. Sabalenka in F) and was runner-up at 2026 Indian Wells (l. Sabalenka in F)
- Holds an 8-4 record this year vs. Top 20 players, including two Top 20 wins this week over No.19 Shnaider and No.9 Andreeva (ended Andreeva's 7 match-winning streak in SF)
- Has won 24 matches so far in 2026 - she is tied with Pegula for the most match-wins on Tour this year
- Owns a total of five WTA 500 titles, including two last year at Strasbourg and Ningbo
- 4 of her 12 career WTA singles titles have come on clay; her most recent clay-court title is 2025 Strasbourg (d. Samsonova in F)
- Is currently ranked at a career-high of World No.2, which she reached for the first time on March 16 of this year
- No.1 seeds have won the last 5 singles titles on the WTA Tour - Sabalenka won Indian Wells and Miami; Pegula won Charleston; Bouzkova won Bogota; and M. Andreeva won Linz

Muchova:

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Stuttgart; she previously lost in 1r in 2021 (l. Alexandrova)
- Has reached her 8th career WTA singles final (2-5 record in WTA singles finals)
- This is her 2nd final of the year - she won her 2nd career WTA singles title at WTA 1000 Doha in February (d. Mboko in F)
- Owns 20 wins in career over Top 10 players, including two this week over No.3 Gauff and No.7 Svitolina
- If she defeats Rybakina, this week would be the first time that Muchova notches three Top 10 wins at a single edition of a tournament
- Holds a 5-6 career record vs. players ranked inside the Top 2 at the time of their meeting; her last match vs. a Top 2 player was a loss to then-No.2 Swiatek at 2026 Indian Wells
- Has won 22 matches so far in 2026, tied for 4th-most on Tour this year with Svitolina; trailing only Pegula (24), Rybakina (24) and Sabalenka (23)
- This is the first WTA 500 final of her career; she had previously been 0-4 in WTA 500 semifinals
- Seeking her first WTA Tour clay-court title; she has previously been a 3-time runner-up on this surface at 2024 Palermo, 2023 Roland Garros and 2019 Prague
- Best results by Czech Republic at this event are title runs by Karolina Pliskova in 2018 and Petra Kvitova in 2019



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WIN



2

**ELENA
RYBAKINA (1)**
KAZAKHSTAN

**KAROLINA
(7) MUCHOVA**
CZECH REPUBLIC

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1999-06-17	Date of Birth	1996-08-21
	Residence	Prague, Czech Republic
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (double-handed backhand)
6' 0" (1.84m)	Height	5' 11" (1.80m)
2	Career-High Ranking	8
\$28,216,009	Career Prize Money	\$11,904,663
\$3,777,292	Season Prize Money	\$1,482,633
1 / 12	Singles Titles YTD / Career	1 / 2
66-22 (Champion: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2022 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	51-26 (Runner-Up: 2023 ROLAND GARROS)
3-0 / 9-2 (Champion: 2024)	YTD / Career STUTTGART W-L (best)	4-0 / 4-1 (Runner-Up: 2026)
24-5 / 291-115	YTD / Career W-L	22-4 / 168-81



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2026	BRISBANE	HARD	QF	Karolina Muchova	6-2 2-6 6-4	2h 4m
2023	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	QF	Elena Rybakina	7-6(4) 2-6 6-4	2h 45m
2019	US OPEN	HARD	1r	Karolina Muchova	6-4 6-4	1h 25m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
2	-	2026	11	-
5	5	2025	12	19
3	6	2024	8	22
3	4	2023	8	8
12	22	2022	31	149
14	14	2021	19	32
17	19	2020	21	27
37	37	2019	21	21
182	191	2018	141	145
420	425	2017	210	272



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. D. SHNAIDER (#19) 6-3 6-4 (1h 13m)
QF: d. L. FERNANDEZ (#25) 6-7 6-4 7-6 (3h 0m)
SF: d. M. ANDREEVA (#9) 7-5 6-1 (1h 17m)

Total time on court: 5h 30m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th appearance at Stuttgart, where she claimed the title in her most recent appearance in 2024 (d. Kostyuk in F)
- Has won her last 7 matches at Stuttgart
- After 1r bye, defeated Diana Shnaider, Leylah Fernandez and No.6 seed Mirra Andreeva this week (saved 2 match points in QF win over Fernandez)
- She has reached her 25th career WTA singles final (12-12 record in WTA singles finals)
- This is her 3rd final of the year - she won her 2nd career Grand Slam title at 2026 Australian Open (d. Sabalenka in F) and was R-Up at 2026 Indian Wells (l. Sabalenka in F)
- Faces No.12 Karolina Muchova in today's final; Rybakina is 8-4 this year vs. Top 20 players, including two Top 20 wins this week over Shnaider and Andreeva
- Owns 26-13 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic (1-1 in 2026: l. today's opponent Muchova at Brisbane; d. Valentova at Australian Open)
- Owns a total of five WTA 500 titles; along with Stuttgart 2024, also won Brisbane and Abu Dhabi in 2024, and Strasbourg and Ningbo in 2025
- 4 of her 12 career WTA singles titles have come on clay: Strasbourg in 2025; Stuttgart in 2024; Rome in 2023; Bucharest in 2019
- Only player from Kazakhstan to feature in this week's main draw
- Best result by Kazakhstan at this event was Rybakina's title run in 2024
- Is currently ranked at a career-high of No.2 (reached for the first time on March 16 of this year); this time last year was ranked No.10
- Has won 24 matches so far in 2026 - she is tied with Pegula for the most match-wins on Tour this year
- No.1 seeds have won the last 5 titles on the WTA Tour - Sabalenka won Indian Wells and Miami; Pegula won Charleston; Bouzkova won Bogota; and M.Andreeva won Linz

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. SASNOVICH (#111) 6-2 6-4 (1h 21m)
2r: d. E. MERTENS (#20) 1-6 6-3 6-0 (1h 56m)
QF: d. C. GAUFF (#3) 6-3 5-7 6-3 (2h 23m)
SF: d. E. SVITOLINA (#7) 6-4 2-6 6-4 (2h 14m)

Total time on court: 7h 54m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Stuttgart, where she previously lost 1r in 2021 (l. Alexandrova)
- Defeated Aliaksandra Sasnovich, Elise Mertens, No.2 seed Coco Gauff and No.4 seed Elina Svitolina this week to make her 8th career WTA singles final (2-5 record in WTA singles finals)
- This is her 2nd final of the year - she won her 2nd career WTA singles title at WTA 1000 Doha in February (d. Mboko in F)
- Faces No.2 Elena Rybakina in today's final; Muchova owns 20 wins in career over Top 10 players, including two Top 10 wins this week over Gauff and Svitolina
- Holds a 5-6 career record vs. players ranked inside the Top 2 at the time of their meeting; her last match vs. a Top 2 player was a loss to No.2 Swiatek at 2026 Indian Wells
- Owns 3-1 career Tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan (1-0 in 2026, d. today's opponent Rybakina at Brisbane)
- This is her first WTA 500 final of career; she had previously been 0-4 in WTA 500 semifinals
- Seeking her first clay-court WTA title - she has previously been a 3-time R-Up on the surface at 2024 Palermo, 2023 Roland Garros and 2019 Prague
- 1 of 3 players from Czech Republic who contested this week's main draw (Noskova lost in QF; qualifier Knutson lost in 1r)
- Best results by Czech Republic at this event are title runs by Karolina Pliskova in 2018 and Petra Kvitova in 2019
- Is currently ranked No.12; this time last year was ranked No.12. Reached career high ranking of No.8 on 11 Sept 2023
- Has won 22 matches so far in 2026, tied for 4th-most on Tour this year with Svitolina; trailing only Pegula (24), Rybakina (24) and Sabalenka (23)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
F	W	M. KOSTYUK (#27) 6-2 6-2	
SF	W	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-3 4-6 6-3	
QF	W	J. PAOLINI (#14) 6-3 5-7 6-3	
2r	W	V. KUDERMETOVA (#19) 7-6(3) 1-6 6-4	

2023	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 6
2r	L	B. HADDAD MAIA (#14) 6-1 3-1	
1r	W	J. NIEMEIER (#65) 7-5 6-3	

2022	Result	Rank: 19	Seed: -
2r	L	P. BADOSA (#3) 6-2 4-6 7-6(4)	
1r	W	N. SCHUNK (#224) 7-6(3) 7-5	

2021	Result	Rank: 22	Seed: -
1r	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#34) 4-6 6-2 6-3	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- R-Up finish at Indian Wells (l. champion Sabalenka in F)
- Made 3r at Dubai (l. Ruzic, retired)
- Reached QF at Doha (l. eventual R-Up Mboko)
- Champion finish at Australian Open (d. R-Up Sabalenka in F)
- Made QF at Brisbane (l. Muchova)

- Reached SF at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Gauff)
- Made 4r at Indian Wells (l. Swiatek)
- Became champion at Doha (d. R-Up Mboko in F)
- 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
206	1	Aces	80	17
60.2%	59	First serve %	65.5%	27
73.3%	3	First Serve points won %	69.3%	11
52.9%	4	Second serve points won %	51.0%	9
65.2%	2	Overall service points won %	63.0%	7
83.5%	2	Service games won %	78.2%	6
69.4%	1	Break points saved %	60.9%	16
33.9%	67	First serve return points won %	38.2%	19
54.8%	41	Second serve return points won %	54.2%	48
51.5%	11	Break points converted %	41.6%	63
33.1%	47	Return games won %	35.5%	38
42.0%	56	Return points won %	43.9%	38



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (12)

- 2026 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN
 - 2025 - WTA FINALS, NINGBO, STRASBOURG
 - 2024 - STUTTGART, ABU DHABI, BRISBANE
 - 2023 - ROME, INDIAN WELLS
 - 2022 - WIMBLEDON
 - 2020 - HOBART
 - 2019 - BUCHAREST
- Runner-Up (12)
- 2026 - INDIAN WELLS
 - 2024 - MIAMI, DOHA
 - 2023 - MIAMI, AUSTRALIAN OPEN
 - 2022 - PORTOROZ, ADELAIDE 500
 - 2020 - STRASBOURG, DUBAI, ST. PETERSBURG, SHENZHEN
 - 2019 - NANCHANG

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

- 2023 - ADELAIDE #2 (w/Pavlyuchenkova)
- 2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Kudermetova)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)

- 2026 - DOHA
- 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
WON				2026	4r			
4r	4r	3r	4r	2025	2r	1r	1r	QF
2r	QF	SF	2r	2024			1r	SF
RUP	3r	QF	3r	2023	2r	RUP	1r	SF
2r	3r	WON	1r	2022		3r	1r	1r
2r	QF	4r	3r	2021	SF	3r	QF	1r
3r	2r		2r	2020	2r	1r		4r
	1r		1r	2019	1r	2r	QF	3r
				2018				3r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, won her first WTA Finals title, where she posted a perfect round robin record before topping World No.1 Sabalenka in the final; by going undefeated (5-0) at 2025 WTA Finals Riyadh, she earned \$5.235m, the biggest prize money payout in women's sporting history
- Overall, won three titles in 2025, adding Strasbourg and Ningbo crowns to her Riyadh triumph; finished at No.5 in the rankings and as the year's Tour leader in total aces (516)
- Won three titles from five finals in 2024, tasting success at Brisbane, Abu Dhabi and Stuttgart and finishing R-Up at Doha and Miami. Qualified for her second WTA Finals and defeated WTA World No.1 Sabalenka in the group stage
- Reached second Grand Slam final at 2023 Australian Open (l. Sabalenka in 3s); made Top-10 debut following tournament (January 30, 2023). Also in 2023 won first two WTA 1000 titles at Indian Wells and Rome and finished R-Up at Miami. Qualified for first WTA Finals, going 1-2 in group stage.
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam title at 2022 Wimbledon (d. Jabeur in F); also finished R-Up at Adelaide (l. Barty) and Portoroz (l. Siniakova)
- Best results of 2021 were SFs at Eastbourne, Olympics and Chicago [500], and QFs at Abu Dhabi, Roland Garros, San Jose and Ostrava
- Opened 2020 by reaching the championship match at four of her first five tournaments, including a title run at Hobart (d. Zhang in F), and made Top 20 debut at No.19 on February 17, after reaching St. Petersburg final. First Top-5 win came over No.3 Ka. Pliskova during R-Up finish at 2020 Dubai
- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2019 Bucharest (d. Tig in F), breaking into Top 100 for the first time in the following week's rankings at No.65 (July 22). Went on to make Top 50 debut on September 16 after reaching second career Tour final at Nanchang (l. Peterson)
- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (l. Goerges) and clinching title at \$15K ITF/Kazan. First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Begu in 1r)
- Professional debut came at \$10k ITF/Antalya-TUR in 2014
- 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.

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 Stefano Vukov
- Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina's former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
- Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
- Started playing tennis aged five and favorite surface is hard

- 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