



MATCH NOTES

ATX OPEN - AUSTIN, TX, USA
2026-02-23 - 2026-03-01 | \$ 283,347



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119

**TAYLOR
TOWNSEND (WC)**
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

62

**PEYTON
(4) STEARNS**
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

1996-04-16	Date of Birth	2001-10-08
Atlanta, GA, USA	Residence	
Left-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 7" (1.70m)	Height	5' 8" (1.73m)
46	Career-High Ranking	28
\$7,741,948	Career Prize Money	\$3,557,774
\$148,259	Season Prize Money	\$293,623
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 1
19-32 (Round of 16: 2025 US OPEN; 2019 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	12-13 (Round of 16: 2023 US OPEN)
4-0 / 5-2 (Runner-Up: 2026)	YTD / Career AUSTIN W-L (best)	4-0 / 6-3 (Runner-Up: 2026)
4-1 / 64-78	YTD / Career W-L	8-5 / 62-63



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2022	CINCINNATI	HARD	Q	Taylor Townsend	3-6 6-3 6-3	2h 7m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
111	-	2026	50	-
68	119	2025	28	63
46	69	2024	46	48
66	80	2023	43	53
131	131	2022	209	209
89	293	2021	347	392
67	89	2020	473	478
80	84	2019	520	520
61	74	2018	885	887
102	105	2017	-	-



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. L. FRUHVIRTOVA (#121) 4-6 7-6 7-5 (2h 57m)
2r: d. N. BARTUNKOVA (#107) 6-1 6-4 (1h 19m)
QF: d. R. MASAROVA (#120) 5-7 6-2 6-2 (2h 20m)
SF: d. A. KRUEGER (#103) 7-6 6-3 (1h 49m)

Total time on court: 8h 25m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd appearance at Austin, and has reached QF and beyond at this tournament for the first time
- This week, she has reached her first career Tour-level SF and final in singles
- Defeated lucky loser Linda Fruhvirtova, qualifier Nikola Bartunkova, qualifier Rebeka Masarova and Ashlyn Krueger en route to her 1st final
- Faces No.62 Peyton Stearns in today's all-American final; Townsend is 4-1 this year at Tour-level vs. players ranked outside Top 50 (all 4 of those wins came this week)
- Owns 15-13 career Tour-level record against her fellow Americans (1-1 this year: d. Krueger yesterday; l. Baptiste at Australian Open)
- Before her run this week, she had reached 2 Tour-level QFs (both on hard court) at WTA 1000 Toronto in 2024 (l. Navarro) and WTA 500 Washington DC in 2025 (l. eventual champion Fernandez)
- Is competing in her second tournament of the 2026 season after a 1r loss at Australian Open (as a LL, l. Baptiste)
- The winner of this match will be the 2nd American champion at Austin (Pegula won the title last year)
- This is the first all-American WTA singles final since WTA 1000 Wuhan last October (Gauff d. Pegula in F)
- This is also the 2nd straight all-American final in Austin (Pegula d. Kessler in last year's final)
- Townsend is the first wild card to reach the final at Austin
- She is now the lowest-ranked player to reach an Austin final, surpassing No.88 Varvara Gracheva who was the 2023 R-Up
- Is currently ranked No.119; this time last year was ranked No.82. Reached career-high ranking of No.46 in August 2024
- She is also into this week's doubles final (w/Hunter); Townsend spent 8 weeks last year holding the WTA Doubles World No.1 ranking

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. F. JONES (#73) 3-6 6-3 6-2 (2h 1m)
2r: d. K. JUVAN (#93) 6-0 6-2 (1h 11m)
QF: d. O. SELEKHMETEVA (#76) 6-1 5-7 7-5 (2h 31m)
SF: d. K. BIRRELL (#80) 6-3 3-6 6-2 (2h 8m)

Total time on court: 7h 51m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 4th appearance at Austin (has contested every edition of this event)
- Before this year, her best tournament result was QF in 2023 (l. Volynets)
- Has reached her 3rd career WTA singles final and first since 2024; she holds a 1-1 record in WTA singles finals
- Her one career WTA singles title came at 2024 Rabat (d. Sherif in F), and she was also R-Up at 2023 Bogota (l. Maria in F)
- This week also marks her 1st Tour-level SF and final on hard court; her two previous WTA finals were on clay
- Defeated Francesca Jones, Kaja Juvan, Oksana Selekhmeteva and Kimberly Birrell so far this week - all Top 100 wins
- Faces No.119 Taylor Townsend in today's all-American final; Stearns is 0-2 this year in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 100 (l. No.141 Quevedo at Auckland; l. No.580 Zvonareva at Doha)
- Owns 5-13 career Tour-level record against her fellow Americans (1-1 this year: d. Kenin in Australian Open 1r; l. Anisimova in Australian Open 3r)
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- Is currently ranked No.62; this time last year was ranked No.43. Reached career-high ranking of No.28 in May of last year
- Stearns has won three 3-set matches this week; overall, she is 4-1 in 3-set matches at Tour level this year (the one 3-set loss this year was to Zvonareva at Doha)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 83	Seed: -
2r	L	Y. YUAN (#68) 6-3 7-6(5)	
1r	W	F. CONTRERAS (#366) 3-6 6-2 6-3	

2023	Result	Rank: 125	Seed: -
1r	L	S. STEPHENS (#51) 6-3 6-3	

2025	Result	Rank: 43	Seed: 3
1r	L	V. GRACHEVA (#72) 6-2 6-3	

2024	Result	Rank: 61	Seed: 7
1r	L	A. SCHMIEDLOVA (#76) 6-2 4-6 7-5	

2023	Result	Rank: 137	Seed: -
QF	L	K. VOLYNETS (#92) 7-5 6-3	
2r	W	M. BJORKLUND (#151) 6-3 7-5	
1r	W	K. BOULTER (#142) 7-6(5) 6-7(2) 7-6(5)	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Opened 2026 season with 1r at Australian Open (as LL, l. Baptiste)

- Made 2r at Dubai (as LL, l. Tauson)
- Played 1r at Doha (as WC, l. Zvonareva)
- Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Anisimova)
- Made 2r at Hobart (l. Danilovic)
- Played 1r at Auckland (l. Quevedo)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
28	32	Aces	66	9
70.3%	10	First serve %	58.4%	103
68.1%	28	First Serve points won %	67.1%	33
52.4%	10	Second serve points won %	44.9%	59
63.4%	9	Overall service points won %	57.9%	50
79.7%	7	Service games won %	67.4%	58
73.5%	3	Break points saved %	51.6%	86
31.0%	110	First serve return points won %	32.9%	100
57.5%	35	Second serve return points won %	61.1%	5
39.6%	101	Break points converted %	46.8%	59
28.8%	98	Return games won %	36.7%	49
42.5%	76	Return points won %	43.7%	56



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (11)

2025 - OSAKA (w/Mladenovic), WASHINGTON DC (w/Zhang), DUBAI (w/Siniakova), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Siniakova)
2024 - WASHINGTON DC (w/Muhammad), WIMBLEDON (w/Siniakova), ADELAIDE (w/Haddad Maia)
2023 - CINCINNATI (w/Parks), ADELAIDE #2 (w/Stefani), ADELAIDE #1 (w/Muhammad)
2020 - AUCKLAND (w/Muhammad)

Runner-Up (8)

2025 - US OPEN (w/Siniakova), MONTREAL (w/Zhang)
2024 - WTA FINALS (w/Siniakova)
2023 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Fernandez), MIAMI (w/Fernandez)
2022 - US OPEN (w/Mcnally)
2019 - AUCKLAND (w/Hourigan)
2013 - WASHINGTON, DC (w/Bouchard)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2024 - RABAT

Runner-Up (1)

2023 - BOGOTA

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r				2026	3r			
1r	1r	1r	4r	2025	1r	1r	1r	2r
1r		1r	2r	2024	1r	3r	1r	3r
2r	1r		3r	2023		3r	1r	4r
	1r		1r	2022				1r
				2021				
2r			1r	2020				
1r	1r	2r	4r	2019				
1r	2r	2r	2r	2018				
	2r		1r	2017				
	2r		1r	2016				
1r	1r			2015				
	3r	1r	1r	2014				



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Singles highlights in 2025 include QF run at Washington DC (as a qualifier), and R16 at US Open - her 2nd career Grand Slam R16, defeating No.5 M.Andreeva in R32
- In doubles in 2025, won second Grand Slam title at Australian Open (w/Siniakova) and picked up trophies at Dubai (w/Siniakova), Washington DC (w/Zhang) and Osaka (w/Mladenovic). Rose to PIF World No.1 in doubles on July 28 and spent a total of 8 weeks in the top spot
- Standout singles result of 2024 was reaching QF at WTA 1000 Toronto as a lucky loser (l. Navarro). In doubles earned titles at WTA 500 Adelaide w/ Haddad Maia, Wimbledon w/Siniakova, WTA 500 Washington DC w/Muhammad, as well as achieving runner-up at the WTA Finals Riyadh w/ Siniakova
- Reached third round at 2023 US Open for the second time in her career and first since becoming a mother (l. Muchova). Also in 2023 advanced to R16 at Guadalajara (l. Arango in 3r).
- Finished R-Up in doubles at 2022 US Open (w/McNally, l. Krejckikova/Siniakova)
- Last season in singles, made 2r at San Jose (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Kasatkina) and fell 1r at Roland Garros, Cincinnati and US Open. Won 11th and 12th ITF Circuit titles of her career in 2022, at W100 Charleston and W80 Tyler
- Returned from maternity leave in April 2022 with QF runs at ITF Circuit clay-court tournaments in Palm Harbor and Charlottesville Enjoyed doubles success in 2020, advancing to SF at US Open and winning titles at both Auckland and WTA 125K Series event in Indian Wells (all w/ Muhammad)
- In 2019, produced best singles performance at a major by reaching R16 at US Open (as qualifier, l. Andreescu); in 2r saved 1MP to upset No.4 seed Halep
- Posted best year-end finish at No.74 in 2018, up from No.105 in 2017; reached career-high No.61 ranking on July 16, 2018
- First broke into the Top 100 the week of January 19, 2015 at No.99
- Highlights of 2018 were winning her ninth ITF singles title at \$25k ITF/Sumter, SC-USA (d. Lim in F)
- Advanced to 3r to 2017 Miami after coming through qualifying. Upset No.30 Vinci in 2r before losing to No.7 Kuznetsova
- Reached 3r at 2014 Roland Garros (l. Suárez Navarro); at 18 years, one month was the youngest woman to reach 3r in Paris since 2009 (Pavlyuchenkova)
- In 2025, made first WTA 1000 SF of career at Rome and hit career-high ranking of No.28 on May 19; earned first Top 10 wins of career over No.8 Zheng Qinwen at Dubai and No.6 Keys at Rome
- Posted first Top 50 season finish in 2024 (No.48), having won maiden title at Rabat (d. Sherif in F). Advanced to QF at Toronto (l. eventual champion Pegula) and Cleveland (l. Siniakova); reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. M.Andreeva) and US Open (l. Vekic)
- In 2023, advanced to first career WTA singles final at Bogota (l. Maria). Reached R16 at her home Slam, US Open (l. Vondrousova). Also reached 3r at Roland Garros (d. former champion Ostapenko in 2r, l. Kasatkina). Broke into Top 50 for first time in September following the US Open
- Finished 2022 season with 33-15 win-loss record (across all levels), reaching three ITF Circuit finals, including W25 titles at Austin and Florence
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main-draw debut at 2022 US Open (as wild card, l. Alexandrova in 3s)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2022 Cleveland as wild card (l. Begu in 1r)
- In 2021, contested qualifying at Cincinnati, US Open and Indian Wells
- Played college tennis at the University of Texas at Austin, where she became the first Longhorn to win the NCAA Division I Women's Singles National Championship

- Made WTA main draw debut as wildcard at 2013 Indian Wells; in first match posted career first Top-100 win over No.57 Hradecka
- Advanced to first WTA doubles final at 2013 Washington DC (w/Bouchard)
- Won the junior singles and doubles titles at 2012 Australian Open; became first American to hold year-end No.1 junior world ranking since Gretchen Rush in 1982
- Turned professional at end of 2012 season

OTHER INFORMATION

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

- Previously worked with Tom Hill and Eric Hechtman
- Started playing tennis aged eight
- Majored in Applied Movement Science at the University of Texas
- Three-time All-American while playing for the University of Texas, helping the Longhorns capture back-to-back NCAA team titles; she became the first player in the program's history to win an NCAA Singles crown
- Favorite surface is hard