



# PREVIEW NOTES

## QATAR TOTALENERGIES OPEN

### Doha, Qatar



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

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## QATAR TOTALENERGIES OPEN 2026 – QUICK FACTS

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|-------------------------|---|
| <b>Main draw dates:</b> | Sunday, Feb 8 – Saturday, Feb 14, 2026                              |
| <b>Singles Final:</b>   | Saturday, Feb 14  |
| <b>Doubles Final:</b>   | Saturday, Feb 14  |
| <b>Venue:</b>           | Khalifa International Tennis & Squash Complex                       |
| <b>Status:</b>          | WTA 1000  |
| <b>Staging:</b>         | 24th Edition (10th as WTA 1000)                                     |
| <b>Draw sizes:</b>      | 56 singles (with 8 byes) / 28 doubles teams / 32 singles qualifying |
| <b>Surface:</b>         | Hard / Outdoor – Plexicushion Prestige                              |
| <b>Tennis Ball:</b>     | Dunlop Australian Open  |

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| SINGLES         | \$        | RANK POINTS | DOUBLES         | \$        | RANK POINTS |
|-----------------|-----------|-------------|-----------------|-----------|-------------|
| Winner          | \$665,000 | 1000        | Winner          | \$195,000 | 1000        |
| Runner-Up       | 385,001   | 650         | Runner-Up       | 110,010   | 650         |
| Semifinalist    | 197,000   | 390         | Semifinalist    | 59,000    | 390         |
| Quarterfinalist | 98,500    | 215         | Quarterfinalist | 30,400    | 215         |
| Round of 16     | 49,250    | 120         | Round of 16     | 17,200    | 120         |
| Round of 32     | 26,000    | 65          | Round of 32     | 11,500    | 10          |
| Round of 64     | 18,300    | 10          |                 |           |             |

## TOURNAMENT TALKING POINTS

**Wildcards:** Zeynep Sonmez (TUR), Peyton Stearns (USA), Elsa Jacquemot (FRA), Janice Tjen (INA)  
**Youngest singles player:** Mirra Andreeva (18)      **Oldest singles player:** Tatjana Maria (38)

- This year’s event will be the 24th edition, dating back to the inaugural tournament in 2001.
- This is the first WTA 1000 tournament of the 2026 season. In 2026 the WTA calendar includes 10 WTA 1000s. This is the second consecutive year that both Doha and Dubai will be WTA 1000 events.
- In addition to the tournament, the venue also hosted the WTA Finals for three years (2008-10)
- Since event’s inception in 2001, Iga Swiatek has won the most titles at Qatar Open, winning three times (2022-2024).
- Victoria Azarenka and Petra Kvitova (22 each) have won the equal-most main draw matches at the tournament
- Among players in this year’s main draw at the Qatar Open, Jelena Ostapenko (29) has appeared in the most main draw matches at the event, while Svetlana Kuznetsova (31) has the most overall.
- Petra Kvitova and Victoria Azarenka (22 each) have claimed the equal-most Women’s Singles match wins at the Qatar Open since the event’s inauguration in 2001.



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- Claiming tournament victory last season, Amanda Anisimova (#41) is the lowest-ranked player to win the Women's Singles at the Qatar Open since 2001.
- Last year's final in Doha was one of two WTA-1000 finals in 2025 between two unseeded players, along with Montreal – it was the first time with multiple such finals in a season at Tier I/WTA-1000 level since 1990.
- Victoria Azarenka (2013) remains the last player to win the Women's Singles at the Australian Open and then win the next WTA-1000 event they appeared in.
- In 2023, Iga Swiatek dropped only five games to win Qatar Open - the fewest a player conceded en route to a WTA title since 2000, besting the previous record of 10 for Martina Hingis (Filderstadt 2000) and Aravane Rezai (Bali 2009).
- Since the event's inception in 2001, Maria Sharapova (17 years and 313 days, 2005) is the youngest player to win the Qatar Open and Petra Kvitova (30 years and 363 days, 2021) is the oldest - she is one of three players aged 28+ to win the event along with Monica Seles (2002) and Lucie Safarova (2015).
- Since the event's inauguration in 2001, Victoria Azarenka is the only wildcard to reach the Women's Singles Final at the Qatar Open, eventually losing to Lucie Safarova in 2015.
- Since the rankings were first published in 1975, Elena Rybakina is the first player to defeat the WTA's top two in consecutive events they both appeared in (WTA Finals 2025, Australian Open 2026).
- Victoria Azarenka has won (209) and appeared in (291) the most WTA-1000 matches of any player, since the introduction of the format in 2009.

## TOURNAMENT RECORDS

### MOST MATCH WINS DOHA TOURNAMENT

|                     | W  | L  |
|---------------------|----|----|
| VICTORIA AZARENKA   | 22 | 5  |
| PETRA KVITOVA       | 22 | 7  |
| JELENA OSTAPENKO    | 20 | 9  |
| CAROLINE WOZNIACKI  | 19 | 9  |
| SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA | 19 | 12 |
| AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA | 17 | 9  |

### MOST SINGLES TITLES DOHA TOURNAMENT

|                   | TITLES |
|-------------------|--------|
| IGA SWIATEK       | 3      |
| ANASTASIA MYSKINA | 2      |
| VICTORIA AZARENKA | 2      |
| PETRA KVITOVA     | 2      |
| MARIA SHARAPOVA   | 2      |

## WTA 1000 LEADERS

### MOST MATCH WINS WTA 1000 LEVEL

|                     | W   | L  |
|---------------------|-----|----|
| VICTORIA AZARENKA   | 209 | 82 |
| SIMONA HALEP        | 186 | 71 |
| CAROLINE WOZNIACKI  | 183 | 91 |
| PETRA KVITOVA       | 181 | 97 |
| AGNIESZKA RADWANSKA | 175 | 74 |

### MOST SINGLES TITLES WTA 1000 LEVEL

|                   | TITLES |
|-------------------|--------|
| SERENA WILLIAMS   | 13     |
| IGA SWIATEK       | 11     |
| VICTORIA AZARENKA | 10     |
| SIMONA HALEP      | 9      |
| PETRA KVITOVA     | 9      |
| ARYNA SABALENKA   | 9      |



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## COUNTRY & REGION BREAKDOWN

|                          |  |
|--------------------------|--|
| <b>Australia (2)</b>     | Maya Joint, Daria Kasatkina  |
| <b>Belgium (1)</b>       | Elise Mertens  |
| <b>Canada (2)</b>        | Leylah Fernandez, Victoria Mboko   |
| <b>China (2)</b>         | Wang Xinyu, Zheng Qinwen   |
| <b>Colombia (1)</b>      | Emiliana Arango  |
| <b>Czechia (6)</b>       | Marie Bouzkova, Barbora Krejčíková, Karolina Muchova, Linda Noskova, Karolina Pliskova, Katerina Siniakova |
| <b>Denmark (1)</b>       | Clara Tauson   |
| <b>France (1)</b>        | Elsa Jacquemot   |
| <b>Germany (2)</b>       | Tatjana Maria, Laura Siegemund   |
| <b>Great Britain (1)</b> | Emma Raducanu  |
| <b>Greece (1)</b>        | Maria Sakkari  |
| <b>Indonesia (1)</b>     | Janice Tjen  |
| <b>Italy (1)</b>         | Jasmine Paolini  |
| <b>Kazakhstan (1)</b>    | Elena Rybakina   |
| <b>Latvia (1)</b>        | Jelena Ostapenko   |
| <b>Philippines (1)</b>   | Alexandra Eala   |
| <b>Poland (2)</b>        | Magda Linette, Iga Swiatek   |
| <b>Romania (2)</b>       | Sorana Cirstea, Jacqueline Cristian  |
| <b>Spain (3)</b>         | Paula Badosa, Jessica Bouzas Maneiro, Cristina Bucsa   |
| <b>Turkey (1)</b>        | Zeynep Sonmez  |
| <b>Ukraine (2)</b>       | Elina Svitolina, Dayana Yastremska   |
| <b>United States (7)</b> | Amanda Anisimova, Coco Gauff, Sofia Kenin, McCartney Kessler, Ann Li, Emma Navarro, Peyton Stearns         |

Ekaterina Alexandrova, Mirra Andreeva, Anna Kalinskaya, Anastasia Pavlyuchenkova, Liudmila Samsonova, Diana Shnaider



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## 2026 WTA TOUR SINGLES FINALS

| END DATE | TOURNAMENT      | LEVEL      | CHAMPION   | RUNNER-UP           |
|----------|-----------------|------------|--|---------------------|
| Jan 11   | United Cup      | WTA 500    | Poland   | Switzerland         |
| Jan 11   | Brisbane        | WTA 500    | [1] Aryna Sabalenka                              | [16] Marta Kostyuk  |
| Jan 11   | Auckland        | WTA 250    | [1] Elina Svitolina                              | [7] Wang Xinyu      |
| Jan 17   | Adelaide        | WTA 500    | [3] Mirra Andreeva                               | [8] Victoria Mboko  |
| Jan 17   | Hobart          | WTA 250    | Elisabetta Cocciaretto                           | [3] Iva Jovic       |
| Feb 1    | Australian Open | Grand Slam | [5] Elena Rybakina                               | [1] Aryna Sabalenka |
| Feb 7    | Abu Dhabi       | WTA 500    | FINAL: Sara Bejlek vs. [2] Ekaterina Alexandrova |                     |
| Feb 7    | Ostrava         | WTA 250    | FINAL: Katie Boulter vs Tamara Korpatsch         |                     |
| Feb 7    | Cluj-Napoca     | WTA 250    | FINAL: [1] Emma Raducanu vs [3] Sorana Cirstea   |                     |

## 2026 SUMMARY

- **Most Aces – Season:** Elena Rybakina (75), Xinyu Wang (60), Victoria Mboko (52), Aryna Sabalenka (48), Elise Mertens (41), Linda Noskova (41)
- **Most Match Wins – Season:** Aryna Sabalenka (11-1), Iva Jovic (11-3), Elina Svitolina (10-1)
- **Most Singles Titles – Season:** Five players with one title
- **PIF WTA World No.1 Ranking – Singles:** Aryna Sabalenka, 68 consecutive weeks (since Oct 21, 2024); Total Weeks at No.1 - 76
- **PIF WTA World No.1 Ranking – Doubles:** Elise Mertens, returned to No.1 on February 2; total weeks at No.1 - 40
- **PIF WTA Top 100 Debuts:** --
- **PIF WTA Top 50 Debuts:** Cristina Bucsa (Jan 5), Janice Tjen (Feb 2), Tereza Valentova (Feb 2)
- **PIF WTA Top 10 Debuts:** --



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## TOURNAMENT HONOR ROLL

| YEAR | CHAMPION                          | RUNNER-UP                        | LEVEL    |
|------|-----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------|
| 2001 | [1] HINGIS, MARTINA SUI #1        | [3] TESTUD, SANDRINE FRA #18     | III      |
| 2002 | [1] SELES, MONICA USA #7          | [4] TANASUGARN, TAMARINE THA #21 | III      |
| 2003 | [2] MYSKINA, ANASTASIA #11        | [5] LIKHOVTSEVA, ELENA #36       | III      |
| 2004 | [3] MYSKINA, ANASTASIA #7         | KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA #20         | II       |
| 2005 | [2] SHARAPOVA, MARIA #4           | [4] MOLIK, ALICIA AUS #9         | II       |
| 2006 | [2] PETROVA, NADIA #8             | [1] MAURESMO, AMÉLIE FRA #2      | II       |
| 2007 | [1] HENIN, JUSTINE BEL #2         | [2] KUZNETSOVA, SVETLANA #5      | II       |
| 2008 | [4] SHARAPOVA, MARIA #5           | ZVONAREVA, VERA #27              | I        |
| 2011 | [2] ZVONAREVA, VERA #3            | [1] WOZNIACKI, CAROLINE DEN #1   | WTA 500  |
| 2012 | [1] AZARENKA, VICTORIA #1         | [3] STOSUR, SAMANTHA AUS #5      | WTA 1000 |
| 2013 | [1] AZARENKA, VICTORIA #1         | [2] WILLIAMS, SERENA USA #2      | WTA 1000 |
| 2014 | [7] HALEP, SIMONA ROU #10         | [6] KERBER, ANGELIQUE GER #9     | WTA 1000 |
| 2015 | SAFAROVA, LUCIE CZE #15           | [WC] AZARENKA, VICTORIA #48      | WTA 500  |
| 2016 | [8] SUÁREZ NAVARRO, CARLA ESP #11 | OSTAPENKO, JELENA LAT #88        | WTA 1000 |
| 2017 | [2] PLISKOVA, KAROLINA CZE #3     | WOZNIACKI, CAROLINE DEN #18      | WTA 500  |
| 2018 | [16] KVITOVA, PETRA CZE #21       | [4] MUGURUZA, GARBIÑE ESP #4     | WTA 1000 |
| 2019 | MERTENS, ELISE BEL #21            | [1] HALEP, SIMONA ROU #3         | WTA 500  |
| 2020 | [9] SABALENKA, ARYNA #13          | [8] KVITOVA, PETRA CZE #11       | WTA 1000 |
| 2021 | [4] KVITOVA, PETRA CZE #10        | MUGURUZA, GARBIÑE ESP #16        | WTA 500  |
| 2022 | [7] SWIATEK, IGA POL #8           | [4] KONTAVEIT, ANETT EST #7      | WTA 1000 |
| 2023 | [1] SWIATEK, IGA POL #1           | [2] PEGULA, JESSICA USA #4       | WTA 500  |
| 2024 | [1] SWIATEK, IGA POL #1           | [3] RYBAKINA, ELENA KAZ #4       | WTA 1000 |
| 2025 | ANISIMOVA, AMANDA USA #41         | OSTAPENKO, JELENA LAT #37        | WTA 1000 |