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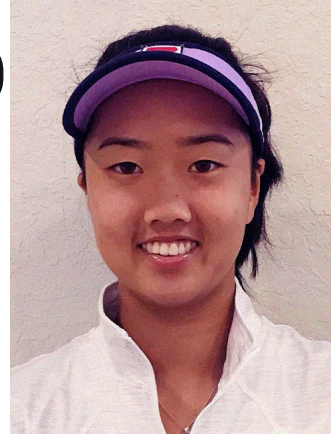
UPPER AUSTRIA LADIES LINZ - LINZ, AUT
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**DAYANA
YASTREMSKA**
UKRAINE

**ANN
(7) LI 36**

UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

2000-05-15	Date of Birth	2000-06-26
Odessa, Ukraine	Residence	Atlanta, Georgia, USA
Right-handed	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 7" (1.75m)	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)
21	Career-High Ranking	33
\$6,333,247	Career Prize Money	\$3,405,378
\$302,005	Season Prize Money	\$328,982
0 / 3	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 2
24-24 (Semi-Finalist: 2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	13-16 (Round of 16: 2025 US OPEN)
0-0 / 5-4 (Runner-Up: 2025)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-0
7-10 / 133-141	YTD / Career W-L	5-8 / 77-71



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	HOBART	HARD	2r	Dayana Yastremska	1-6 7-5 6-2	2h 9m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
27	-	2026	36	-
27	27	2025	33	38
25	33	2024	93	99
97	106	2023	129	174
74	102	2022	44	140
29	97	2021	47	47
21	29	2020	97	97
22	22	2019	146	148
60	60	2018	290	310
164	189	2017	583	583



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 5th appearance at Linz, where she was last year's runner-up (l. Alexandrova in F)
- She is a 2-time R-Up at WTA 500 events; along with Linz last year, she also made final at 2020 Adelaide (l. Barty in F)
- Faces No.36 Ann Li in 1r today; Yastremska is 1-8 this year vs. Top 50 players (the 1 win was over No.22 Fernandez at Brisbane)
- Owns 16-19 career Tour-level record against players from United States of America (1-1 in 2026: d. Krueger at Miami; l. Pegula at Brisbane)
- 1 of her 3 career WTA singles titles has come on clay: 2019 Strasbourg (d. Caroline Garcia in F, in 3rd-set TB)
- 1 of 2 players from Ukraine in this week's main draw (also lucky loser Kalinina)
- Best result by Ukraine at Linz was title run by Natalia Medvedeva in 1992
- Is currently ranked No.49; this time last year was ranked No.46. Reached career-high ranking of No.21 in January 2020
- Top results so far this year are R16 at Brisbane (l. Pegula) and Abu Dhabi (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Linz tournament debut
- Faces No.49 Dayana Yastremska in 1r today; Li is 1-3 this year vs. Top 50 players (the 1 win was over No.27 Fernandez at Doha)
- Owns 1-3 career Tour-level record against players from Ukraine; most recent match vs. Ukrainian is a win over Starodubtseva at 2025 Cleveland
- Career-best Tour-level results on clay are QF runs at 2024 Palermo (l. Begu) and 2025 Rabat (l. eventual champion Joint)
- 1 of 4 Americans in this week's main draw (also Stephens, Parks and qualifier Volynets)
- Most recent American to win the Linz title is Alison Riske-Amritraj in 2021 (d. Cristian in F)
- Is currently ranked No.36; this time last year was ranked No.63. Reached career-high ranking of No.33 in October 2025
- Career-best finish at a WTA 500 event was run to the final of the 2021 Grampians Trophy in Melbourne (final vs. Kontaveit was not played due to scheduling delays)
- Top results so far this year are R16 at Hobart (l. eventual champion Cocciaretto), Doha (l. Cocciaretto) and Merida (l. Sonmez)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 72	Seed: 5
F	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#30) 6-2 3-6 7-5	
SF	W	C. TAUSON (#39) 6-1 6-4	
QF	W	M. SAKKARI (#31) 7-5 6-0	
2r	W	A. RUZIC (#168) 7-5 6-1	
1r	W	L. BRONZETTI (#66) 7-6(6) 7-5	
2024	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: -
2r	L	D. VEKIC (#34) 6-1 6-1	
1r	W	E. ANDREEVA (#111) 7-6(4) 3-6 6-2	
2021	Result	Rank: 97	Seed: -
1r	L	J. PAOLINI (#51) 6-4 3-6 6-2	
2020	Result	Rank: 29	Seed: 3
1r	L	G. MINNEN (#110) 6-4 6-3	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made 2r at Charleston (l. Bencic)
 - Played 2r at Miami (l. Ostapenko)
 - Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Eala)
 - Played 1r at Merida (l. Stakusic)
 - Fell in 1r at Dubai (l. Tjen)
 - Played 2r at Doha (l. Svitolina)
 - Made 2r at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
 - Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Ruse)
 - Fell in 1r at Adelaide (l. Siniakova)
 - Made 3r at Brisbane (l. Pegula)
- Made 2r at Miami (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
 - Played 1r at Indian Wells (l. Gibson)
 - Made 2r at Merida (l. Sonmez)
 - Fell in 1r at Dubai (l. Noskova)
 - Made 3r at Doha (l. Cocciaretto)
 - Played 2r at Australian Open (l. Linette)
 - Made 2r at Hobart (l. eventual champion Cocciaretto)
 - Played 1r at Brisbane (l. Gadecki)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
43	34	Aces	69	20
58.8%	63	First serve %	58.9%	60
59.9%	67	First Serve points won %	68.7%	14
47.0%	31	Second serve points won %	45.5%	40
54.6%	65	Overall service points won %	59.2%	23
60.0%	65	Service games won %	71.4%	23
50.6%	65	Break points saved %	58.6%	25
35.6%	47	First serve return points won %	34.0%	60
51.9%	68	Second serve return points won %	52.3%	65
49.1%	19	Break points converted %	41.2%	61
30.6%	58	Return games won %	29.3%	65
41.5%	59	Return points won %	40.7%	66



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2019 - STRASBOURG, HUA HIN
2018 - HONG KONG
Runner-Up (4)
2025 - NOTTINGHAM, LINZ
2022 - LYON
2020 - ADELAIDE

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2019 - BEIJING (w/Ostapenko)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)
2025 - GUANGZHOU
2021 - TENERIFE
Runner-Up (4)
2025 - CLEVELAND, SINGAPORE
2024 - MÉRIDA
2021 - MELBOURNE 500 GRAMPIANS TROPHY

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

CAREER MILESTONES

- Reached a second career WTA 500 final in 2025 at Linz (after Adelaide 2020); also reached the final at Nottingham and reached 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- In 2024 enjoyed fairytale run to first Grand Slam semifinal at Australian Open (as qualifier), including defeat of No.7 Vondrousova and two-time major champion Azarenka. Posted highest ranking for almost four years, rising to No.25 in July.
- In 2023, achieved best results at WTA 125 series events, winning Kozzerki (d. Minnen) and SF finishes at Reus (l. Mandlik) and Angers (l. Burel).
- Best result of 2022 was R-Up finish at Lyon (as WC, l. Zhang). Also made QF at Dubai (as qualifier, l. Vondrousova), Bogota (l. Pigossi) and Birmingham (l. Zhang)
- In first tournament of 2021, reached SF at Hamburg (l. eventual champion Ruse). Also made QF at Courmayeur (l. Paolini)
- Highlight of 2020 was finishing R-Up at Adelaide (l. Barty); scored three consecutive Top 20 wins en route to final, over No.18 Kerber, No.20 Vekic and No.12 Sabalenka
- Captured two WTA singles titles in 2019 at Hua Hin (d. Tomljanovic in F after trailing 5-2 in third set) and Strasbourg (d. Garcia after saving 1mp)
- Advanced to QF at 2019 Wuhan, where she recorded maiden Top 5 win against No.2 Ka.Pliskova in R16 (l. Kvitova), and made Grand Slam breakthrough with R16 run at 2019 Wimbledon (l. Zhang)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2019, going 1-1 in RR stage (d. No.20 Vekic, l. eventual R-Up Bertens) and reached maiden doubles final, at Beijing (w/Ostapenko, l. Kenin/Mattek-Sands)
- During 2018 campaign, won first career WTA title at 2018 Hong Kong (d. Q.Wang in F) and scored first Top 20 win over No.13 Muguruza in SF showing at Luxembourg (l. Bencic)
- Became first woman born in the 2000s to crack the Top 100 on the WTA rankings, debuting at No.100 (July 16, 2018)
- Also in 2018, won third - and most recent - ITF singles title in at \$60k ITF/Rome-ITA and reached two further finals
- Won first WTA main draw match and reached first tour-level QF at 2017 Istanbul, defeating former World No.9 Petkovic en route (l. Cepelova)
- Made WTA main draw debut as a WC at 2016 Istanbul (l. Hibino in 1r)
- Won second career title in 2025 at Guangzhou (after Tenerife 2021) and reached further finals at Singapore (l. Mertens in F) and Cleveland (l. Cirstea in F). Made 4r at a Grand Slam for the first time at US Open (l. Pegula) and reached a peak ranking of No.33 in October before finishing the 2025 season ranked inside the Top 40 for the first time (No.38)
- Ended 2024 with her strongest result of the year at Merida with R-Up run taking her ranking back into the Top 100 for the first time since 2022. Through the season also made QF at Palermo and at WTA 125s, lifted the title at Valencia and reached the final at Bastad
- Reached four Tour-level main draws in 2023; 1r at Austin (as qualifier, l. Blinkova), 1r at Indian Wells (l. Blinkova), Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Sabalenka) and Guadalajara (as qualifier, l. Stephens). Also reached QF at WTA 125 Valencia on clay (l. Sherif) and R-Up at ITF \$100K Bonita Springs
- Her second semifinal appearance of 2022 came at Midland WTA 125 (l. Friedsam)
- Advanced to second round at Doha WTA 500 (l. Sakkari) and reached WTA 1000 Miami 3r (l. Riske-Amritraj)
- In 2022 reached Melbourne 2 (WTA 250) semifinal (l. Sasnovich)
- Ended 2021 season in fine form, winning first WTA title at Tenerife (d. Osorio in F) and making QF at Courmayeur (l. Tauson)
- Opened 2021 campaign by reaching maiden WTA final, at Grampains Trophy (final vs. Kontaveit was not played)
- Ended 2020 season with career-high ranking of No.97 (November 9, 2020) and first-ever Top 100 finish
- Best result in 2020 was 3r run at US Open (d. No.20 Riske in 2r, l. Kerber)
- Advanced to 2r on Grand Slam debut at 2020 Australian Open (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Kenin)
- Fell in 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2020 Auckland (as qualifier, l. McHale)
- Also captured third career ITF singles title at 80K ITF/Tyler-TX, USA (d. Kostyuk in F)
- Owns three ITF singles titles
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in US in 2016
- Was R-Up in girls' singles at 2017 Wimbledon (l. Liu)

- Played first matches of career on ITF Circuit in 2015
- In juniors, rose as high as No.6 in the ITF rankings and was R-up in 2016 Wimbledon girls' event (l. Potapova)

OTHER INFORMATION

- Previously worked with Sascha Bajin and Olivier Jeunehomme; physio and hitting partner is Jan Blecha
 - Born and resides in Odessa, Ukraine
 - Started playing tennis aged five and trained as a junior in Istanbul, at Koza WOS
 - Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year
- Coached by Carlos Boluda. Lives and trains in Atlanta; formerly trained at USTA in Orlando
 - Idolizes Roger Federer. Favorite surface to compete on is grass
 - Hobbies include listening to music, watching movies, and reading



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AUSTRIA

**(5) SORANA
CIRSTEA**
ROMANIA

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2002-04-29	Date of Birth	1990-04-07
	Residence	Targoviste, Romania
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
	Height	5' 9" (1.76m)
99	Career-High Ranking	21
\$653,826	Career Prize Money	\$11,270,559
\$81,031	Season Prize Money	\$445,631
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	1 / 4
0-0	Grand Slam W-L (best)	67-66 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023 US OPEN; 2009 FRENCH OPEN)
0-0 / 0-3 (Round of 32: 2025, 2024, 2021)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 7-10 (Quarter-Finalist: 2017, 2011)
1-3 / 3-10	YTD / Career W-L	15-5 / 352-340



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
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First career meeting

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
99	-	2026	29	-
105	105	2025	44	44
164	222	2024	22	70
151	192	2023	25	26
195	197	2022	24	38
454	459	2021	37	38
817	831	2020	69	86
717	842	2019	72	72
808	808	2018	33	86
-	-	2017	37	37



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

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PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th main draw appearance at Linz; seeking her 1st main draw win at the tournament after 1r losses in 2021 (as WC, l. van Uytvanck), 2024 (as WC, l. Burel) and 2025 (as qualifier, l. Blinkova)
- Faces No.29 Sorana Cirstea in 1r today; Kraus is seeking her first career Top 50 win (career-best win by opponent ranking is No.71 Selekhmeteva at WTA 125 Austin this year)
- First Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Romania
- Has notched 2 Tour-level match-wins on clay, reaching R16 at 2023 Bogota (d. Podoroska in 1r) and 2025 Hamburg (d. Cengiz in 1r)
- One of 4 players from Austria in this week's main draw (also Grabher, Potapova and Tagger)
- One of 4 main draw wild cards, alongside Lilli Tagger, Sloane Stephens and Paula Badosa
- Most recent wild card to win the Linz title is Jelena Ostapenko in 2024 (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Is currently ranked No.119; this time last year was ranked No.168
- Became the first player this year to make a Top 100 debut in the PIF WTA Rankings, doing so on February 23 at No.99 (which is her career-high ranking)
- Making her 3rd appearance in a WTA 500 main draw and seeking her first WTA 500 match-win; her previous WTA 500 main draw showings were here at Linz in 2024 and 2025

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 11th appearance at Linz; her best results at the tournament are QF runs in 2011 (l. Safarova) and 2017 (l. eventual R-Up Rybarikova)
- Faces No.119 Sinja Kraus in 1r today; Cirstea is 3-0 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 100
- Owns 7-3 career Tour-level record against players from Austria (1-0 in 2026, d. Potapova in Cluj-Napoca QF en route to title)
- 1 of her 4 career WTA singles titles has come on clay: 2021 Istanbul (d. Mertens in F)
- One of 3 players from Romania in this week's main draw (also No.6 seed Cristian and Ruse)
- Best result by Romania at Linz was Runner-Up finish by Jaqueline Cristian in 2021 (l. Riske-Amritraj in F)
- Is currently ranked No.29; this time last year was ranked No.117. Reached career-high ranking of No.21 in August 2013
- Holds 15-5 Tour-level win loss record this year, winning her 4th career WTA singles title at 2026 Cluj-Napoca (d. Raducanu in F) and reaching R16 at Brisbane, Dubai and Miami
- Career-best results at WTA 500 events are SF runs at 2009 Los Angeles (l. eventual R-Up Stosur), 2012 Stanford (l. eventual champion S.Williams) and 2013 Stanford (l. eventual champion Cibulkova)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 220	Seed: -
1r	L	A. BLINKOVA (#83) 7-6(3) 6-2	

2024	Result	Rank: 185	Seed: -
1r	L	C. BUREL (#52) 6-1 6-4	

2021	Result	Rank: 458	Seed: -
1r	L	A. VAN UYTVANCK (#69) 6-1 6-0	

2025	Result	Rank: 70	Seed: -
2r	L	C. TAUSON (#39) 6-2 6-4	
1r	W	A. RUS (#88) 5-7 6-2 6-3	

2020	Result	Rank: 87	Seed: -
2r	L	O. DODIN (#115) 6-4 6-4	
1r	W	J. GRABHER (#225) 2-3	

2018	Result	Rank: 80	Seed: -
1r	L	J. TEICHMANN (#158) 6-4 6-2	

2017	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: 5
QF	L	M. RYBARIKOVA (#28) 5-7 6-2 6-1	
2r	W	N. VIKHLYANTSEVA (#69) 7-6(14) 6-4	
1r	W	A. VAN UYTVANCK (#85) 6-3 7-5	

2016	Result	Rank: 83	Seed: -
2r	L	O. DODIN (#89) 6-2 6-4	
1r	W	K. BERTENS (#23) 6-4 6-2	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 1r at Miami (as qualifier, l. Parks)
- Opened the 2026 season with a 2r finish at Auckland (as qualifier, l. Jones)

- Reached 4r at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Gauff)
- Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Noskova)
- Reached 3r at Dubai (l. Eala)
- Became Champion at Cluj-Napoca (d. R-Up Raducanu in F)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. Osaka)
- Reached 3r at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
14	99	Aces	120	4
54.5%	0	First serve %	58.8%	62
69.7%	0	First Serve points won %	69.1%	11
39.4%	0	Second serve points won %	53.2%	3
55.9%	0	Overall service points won %	62.6%	6
60.7%	0	Service games won %	77.7%	7
51.1%	0	Break points saved %	62.2%	9
38.0%	0	First serve return points won %	36.3%	37
52.9%	0	Second serve return points won %	57.4%	13
48.9%	0	Break points converted %	44.7%	47
38.6%	0	Return games won %	36.4%	31
43.5%	0	Return points won %	44.3%	30



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)

2026 - CLUJ-NAPOCA
2025 - CLEVELAND
2021 - ISTANBUL
2008 - TASHKENT

Runner-Up (4)

2021 - STRASBOURG
2019 - TASHKENT
2013 - TORONTO
2007 - BUDAPEST

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (6)

2025 - MADRID (w/Kalinskaya)
2019 - LUGANO (w/Mitu)
2011 - DALLAS (w/Brianti)
2010 - ESTORIL (w/Medina Garrigues)
2008 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Erakovic), FES
(w/Pavlyuchenkova)

Runner-Up (5)

2014 - TIANJIN (w/Klepac)
2010 - BUDAPEST (w/Medina Garrigues)
2009 - FES (w/Kirilenko), BARCELONA (w/Klepac)
2008 - NEW HAVEN (w/Niculescu)



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
				2026	2r		
				2025	1r	1r	2r
				2024	1r	1r	1r
				2023	1r	1r	3r QF
				2022	4r	2r	2r
				2021	3r	4r	3r 2r
				2020	2r	1r	3r
				2019	1r	2r	1r 3r
				2018	2r	1r	2r 2r
				2017	4r	2r	3r 2r
				2016		1r	1r 1r
				2015	1r		
				2014	1r	3r	1r 2r
				2013	3r	3r	2r 2r
				2012	3r	1r	3r 2r
				2011	2r	3r	1r 1r
				2010	2r	1r	1r 1r
				2009	1r	QF	3r 3r
				2008	1r	2r	2r 2r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, reached 2r at WTA 250 Hamburg (d. Cengiz in 1r for first WTA Tour main draw win since 2023 Bogota) and won first WTA 125 title at Cali and four further titles on the ITF circuit
- At Tour level in 2024, played main draw at Linz and Cluj-Napoca. Posted her eighth ITF title at W35 Seville
- In 2023, posted strongest WTA result at Bogota reaching 2r (as qualifier, l. Brancaccio). Reached 3r of qualifying at Wimbledon (l. Juvan) and also won two more ITF titles at Mosquera \$25K and Heraklion \$40K
- In 2022, entered first Grand Slam qualifying event at US Open (l. Carle), played 1r at Prague (as LL, l. eventual champion Bouzkova) and broke into Top 200
- Contested first Tour-level match at 2021 Linz (as main draw WC, l. Van Uytvanck in 1r)
- Began on ITF circuit in 2018 at the age of 16, winning at Antalya \$15K
- In 2025, won Cleveland title as qualifier (first WTA Tour singles final since 2021; d. Li in final) en route to tenth straight Top 100 year-end finish in singles; also won her biggest career doubles title at WTA 1000 Madrid (w/Kalinskaya)
- Highlights of 2024 came in the Middle East, making QF at Abu Dhabi and saving six match points in her Dubai QF match against Vondrousova to reach SF (l. eventual champion Paolini). Ended her 2024 season after Wimbledon to undergo foot surgery
- 2023 saw her best results achieved in the USA: advanced to Indian Wells QF for first time (l. Swiatek), then made SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and QF at US Open (l. Muchova)
- In 2022, reached SF on all three surfaces: hard court at Lyon (l. Yastremska), clay at Istanbul (l. Kudermetova), and grass at Birmingham (l. Zhang). Also enjoyed success at the Australian Open, where she fell in R16 (l. Swiatek)
- Highlight of 2021 was ending near-13-year wait for 2nd WTA Tour singles title, triumphing at Istanbul (d. Mertens in F). Also finished R-Up at Strasbourg (l. Krejcikova), reached QF at Grampians Trophy and Portoroz, and R16 at Roland Garros
- Ended 2020 by winning singles title at ITF/\$100K Dubai-UAE in December (d. Siniakova in F). Also in 2020, reached 3r at US Open and advanced to 2r at Australian Open
- In 2019, advanced to fourth career Tour singles final at Tashkent (l. Van Uytvanck); also captured fifth career Tour doubles title at 2019 Lugano (w/Mitu, d. Kudermetova/Voskoboeva in F)
- Reached R16 at 2017 Australian Open - first time advancing to that stage at a Slam since she made 2009 Roland Garros QF (l. Stosur)
- In 2016, played a mix of WTA and ITF events, improving ranking by 163 ranking places to No.81 on comeback from shoulder injury, with highlights being a SF run at Rio de Janeiro (l. Rogers) and making QF at Madrid (as wildcard, l. eventual R-Up Cibulkova) and Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Jankovic)
- Reached biggest singles final of career at 2013 Toronto - posted three Top 10 wins en route to final (No.10 Wozniacki, No.7 Kvitova and No.5 Li) before falling to No.1 S. Williams. Following Toronto run, posted career-high ranking of No.21 on August 21, 2013
- Won first WTA singles title at 2008 Tashkent (d. Lisicki in F)

- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2008 Australian Open (l. No.4 seed Ivanovic)
- Made first WTA singles final at 2007 Budapest (l. Dulko)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Stockholm (l. Kanepi in 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004

OTHER INFORMATION

- Sponsored by Head and Lotto

- Working with Adrian Cruciat
- Introduced to tennis at age 4 by mother, Liliana; father's name is Mihai; younger brother's name is Mihnea; full name is Sorana Mihaela Cirstea
- Speaks Romanian, English and Spanish and is studying French
- Likes all surfaces; favorite shot is forehand; most admires Steffi Graf
- Enjoys playing all ball sports, going shopping, watching movies, reading and doing crosswords
- Favorite cities are New York and London ("big cities with lots to do")
- Self-described as ambitious, stubborn and happy



MATCH NOTES

UPPER AUSTRIA LADIES LINZ - LINZ, AUT
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102

**PAULA
BADOSA (WC)**
SPAIN

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**
AUSTRIA

117

1997-11-15	Date of Birth	2008-02-17
Dubai, UAE	Residence	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (one-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.80m)	Height	6' 1" (1.85m)
2	Career-High Ranking	108
\$9,590,061	Career Prize Money	\$215,206
\$311,138	Season Prize Money	\$142,324
0 / 4	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
41-23 (Semi-Finalist: 2025 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	0-0
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-0
6-8 / 171-107	YTD / Career W-L	2-2 / 6-3



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**PAULA
BADOSA (WC)**

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
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First career meeting

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
25	-	2026	108	-
9	25	2025	153	153
11	12	2024	961	977
11	66	2023	-	-
2	13	2022	-	-
8	8	2021	-	-
69	70	2020	-	-
86	97	2019	-	-
143	143	2018	-	-
242	247	2017	-	-



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**PAULA
BADOSA (WC)**

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Linz tournament debut
- Faces No.117 Lilli Tagger in 1r today; Badosa is 3-2 this year in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 100
- This is her first Tour-level meeting vs. an Austrian player
- 1 of her 4 career WTA singles titles was on clay: 2021 Belgrade (d. Konjuh in F via ret.)
- Best result by Spain at Linz was Runner-Up finish by Conchita Martínez in 1993 (l. Manuela Maleeva-Fragniere in F)
- One of 4 main draw wild cards, alongside today's opponent Lilli Tagger, Sloane Stephens and Sinja Kraus
- Most recent wild card to win the Linz title is Jelena Ostapenko in 2024 (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Is currently ranked No.102; this time last year was ranked No.9. Reached career-high ranking of No.2 in April 2022
- She is a 2-time champion at WTA 500 events, at 2022 Sydney (d. Krejčíková in F) and 2024 Washington DC (d. Bouzková in F)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Linz tournament debut
- Faces No.102 Paula Badosa in 1r today; Tagger is seeking her 3rd Tour-level win of the year after 1r victories at Indian Wells and Miami
- This is her first Tour-level meeting vs. a Spanish player
- Contesting her first Tour-level clay-court match of career
- One of 4 main draw wild cards, alongside today's opponent Paula Badosa, Sloane Stephens and Sinja Kraus
- Most recent wild card to win the Linz title is Jelena Ostapenko in 2024 (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Is currently ranked No.117; this time last year was ranked No.566. Reached career-high ranking of No.108 last month
- Making her first career appearance in a WTA 500 main draw
- 18-year-old is the youngest player in this week's main draw
- Made her 1st career WTA singles final last year in Jiujiang at age 17 (l. Blinkova in F)



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**PAULA
BADOSA (WC)**

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**

RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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**PAULA
BADOSA (WC)**

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached 3r at Charleston (as WC, l. Kalinskaya)
- Made 2r at Miami (l. Jovic)
- Played 1r at Indian Wells (l. Putintseva)
- Made 2r at Dubai (l. eventual R-Up Svitolina, retired)
- Fell in 1r at Abu Dhabi (l. Sasnovich)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. Selekheteva)
- Played 1r at Adelaide (l. Bouzkova)
- Reached 3r at Brisbane (l. Rybakina)

- Played 2r at Miami (as WC, l. Alexandrova)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (as WC, l. Sakkari)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
69	18	Aces	23	70
56.0%	76	First serve %	66.5%	0
70.8%	8	First Serve points won %	68.1%	0
38.5%	76	Second serve points won %	41.7%	0
56.6%	47	Overall service points won %	59.2%	0
65.0%	48	Service games won %	71.9%	0
54.1%	46	Break points saved %	56.8%	0
36.7%	36	First serve return points won %	34.5%	0
50.7%	70	Second serve return points won %	53.6%	0
35.8%	74	Break points converted %	44.7%	0
31.4%	53	Return games won %	29.3%	0
42.0%	55	Return points won %	42.1%	0



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BADOSA (WC)**

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)
2024 - WASHINGTON DC
2022 - SYDNEY
2021 - INDIAN WELLS, BELGRADE

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2025 - JIUJIANG

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



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BADOSA (WC)**

**LILLI
(WC) TAGGER**

CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, reached first Grand Slam SF at Australian Open (l. No.1 Sabalenka), which sent her into the Top 10 for the first time since October 2022; made 3 more QFs (Merida, Strasbourg and Berlin) but was affected by injuries, contesting only one event after Wimbledon (Beijing 3r)
 - Voted 2024 WTA Comeback Player of the Year after finishing the year at No.12 (after finishing 2023 at No.66); won 4th career title at Washington DC and also reached SF at Cincinnati, Beijing and Ningbo; also advanced to QF at US Open
 - In 2023, made SF at Adelaide #2, reached back-to-back QF at Charleston and Stuttgart and an additional QF at Rome, but withdrew from Roland Garros with a back injury. Her last match of the year was at Wimbledon, where she fell in R64 then ended her season due to continuing injury
 - In 2022, Badosa rose to career-high ranking of No.2 (April 25), won the title at Sydney, and advanced to SF at Indian Wells, Stuttgart and San Jose
 - Captured the first two WTA singles titles of her career in 2021 at Belgrade (d. Konjuh in F) and Indian Wells (d. Azarenka in F); qualified for 2021 WTA Finals in Guadalajara, where she advanced to the SF stage
 - Broke into the WTA Top 20 on October 18, 2021 after winning the Indian Wells title and reached the Top 10 on November 8, 2021; nominated for 2021 WTA Most Improved Player of the Year (won by Krejčíková), as voted on by members of the media
 - At 2020 Roland Garros, upset former finalist Stephens and 2017 champion Ostapenko en route to reaching R16 for the first time at a major. That year also reached SF at Istanbul (l. Bouchard)
 - Campaign in 2019 highlighted by SF run at Palermo (l. Bertens) and QF showing at Seoul (l. Y.Wang); also fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Birrell)
 - Finished 2018 inside Top 200 for the first time (at No.143); picked up three ITF titles at \$25k ITF/Glasgow-UK, ITF/\$25k Les Franqueses del Valles-FRA and ITF/\$60k Valencia-ESP
 - Claimed third title on ITF Circuit in 2017 at ITF/\$25k El Espinar; fell 1r at Miami and in qualifying at Madrid
 - In 2016, fell 1r at Miami, Madrid and Mallorca and in qualifying at Rio de Janeiro
 - Made Tour-level debut at 2025 Jiujiang, where she reached her first career WTA final (youngest WTA Tour finalist of the season; finished R-Up to Blinkova) Reached Top 200 for the first time and peaked at a career high of No.152 in November. Also won her first two ITF titles during the 2025 season
- In 2024, played her first WTA 125 event at Limoges (d. Jimenez Kasintseva in 1r, l. Parrizas Diaz in 2r)
- Began competing on the ITF circuit in 2022 at the age of 14
- Won the 2025 Junior Roland Garros singles title

- As wildcard, made breakthrough on WTA Tour with 3r run at 2015 Miami Open (l. Ka.Pliskova); also came through qualifying at 2015 Madrid, fell 1r to Errani via ret. w/left leg injury
- Continued at ITF Circuit level during 2013-2014 before playing second WTA qualifying draw at 2015 Antwerp, where she advanced to 2r (l. Bondarenko)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Palermo, winning one match via retirement before falling in 2r (l.Gatto-Monticone)
- Won first title on ITF Circuit at \$10k ITF/Sant Jordi-ESP in 2012; now owns seven singles titles at ITF level
- Played first professional tournament of career at \$10k ITF/Gexto-ESP in 2012 (l. 1r)
- Won girls' singles title at 2015 Roland Garros (d. Kalinskaya in F) and reached QF at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2014; finished 2015 as No.8 in ITF World Junior rankings

OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Pol Toledo; Previously worked with Jorge Garcia
- Born in New York City, often trains in Barcelona, near her hometown Begur in the Costa Brava, but lives in Dubai
- Aggressive baseliner whose favorite shot is serve. Favorite tournament is US Open
- Childhood idol was Maria Sharapova, whose dedication, work ethic and values inspired her to become a pro
- Enjoys reading, always travels with books and her favorite is Tuesdays with Morrie (Mitch Albom)
- Professional goals are to reach her full potential
- Speaks English, Spanish and Catalan, and would like to learn more languages

In 2025, won French Open girls singles title, becoming the first Austrian to win

Coached By Former Grand Slam Champion Francesca Schiavone
Switched to one-handed backhand at age 12

Away from tennis enjoys skiing and playing ice hockey whenever she's at home during the winter

Credits the development of her mental aspect of her game as the biggest area of improvement, transitioning from Juniors to Pros



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WIN



FIRST MEETING



WIN



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**JULIA
GRABHER**
AUSTRIA

**ALEXANDRA
EALA**
PHILIPPINES

46

1996-07-02	Date of Birth	2005-05-23
Dornbirn, Austria	Residence	
Right-Handed	Plays	Left-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.70m)	Height	5' 9" (1.75m)
54	Career-High Ranking	29
\$1,530,785	Career Prize Money	\$1,851,049
\$168,859	Season Prize Money	\$499,695
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
2-6 (Round of 64: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	1-4 (Round of 64: 2025 US OPEN)
0-0 / 0-5 (Round of 32: 2025, 2023, 2021, 2020, 2019)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-0
1-3 / 19-37	YTD / Career W-L	12-7 / 27-34



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**JULIA
GRABHER**

**ALEXANDRA
EALA**

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
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First career meeting

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
78	-	2026	29	-
91	92	2025	50	50
96	523	2024	143	158
54	91	2023	189	205
84	84	2022	214	219
186	192	2021	505	529
220	226	2020	-	-
228	231	2019	-	-
198	247	2018	-	-
261	261	2017	-	-



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GRABHER**

**ALEXANDRA
EALA**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th main draw appearance at Linz; seeking her first win at this event after 1r losses in 2019-21, 2023 and 2025
- Faces No.46 Alexandra Eala in 1r today; seeking her first Top 50 win since defeating No.26 Martina Trevisan en route to 2023 Rabat final (0-7 vs. Top 50 players since then)
- First Tour-level meeting vs. player from the Philippines
- Her 2023 Rabat R-Up finish on clay is her career-best Tour-level result (l. Bronzetti in F)
- One of 4 players from Austria in this week's main draw (also Kraus, Potapova and Tagger)
- Is currently ranked No.89; this time last year was ranked No.340. Reached career-high ranking of No.54 in June 2023
- Seeking her 2nd Tour-level win of the year (d. Cocciaretto in 2026 Australian Open 1r - her first Grand Slam main draw win since 2023 Roland Garros)
- Career-best finish at a WTA 500 event is R16 showing at 2023 Charleston (l. Alexandrova)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Linz tournament debut
- Faces No.89 Julia Grabher in 1r today; Eala is 7-2 in Tour-level matches this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- First player from the Philippines to contest the main draw at Linz
- First Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Austria
- At Tour-level, posted 2r clay-court finishes at 2021 Cluj-Napoca, 2024 Madrid and 2025 Madrid
- Is currently ranked No.46; this time last year was ranked No.73. Reached career-high ranking of No.29 last month
- Owns a 12-7 Tour-level win-loss record so far this year; her best results in 2026 include Auckland SF (l. eventual R-Up Wang Xinyu) and QFs at WTA 500 Abu Dhabi (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova) and WTA 1000 Dubai (l. Gauff)
- Career-best finish at a WTA 500 event was her 2026 Abu Dhabi QF run
- At Indian Wells last month, Eala became the first left-handed player in 2026 to notch 10 Tour-level wins this year



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GRABHER**

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EALA**

RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 393	Seed: -
1r	L	A. POTAPOVA (#33) 6-2 6-2	
2023	Result	Rank: 90	Seed: -
1r	L	M. BRENGLE (#82) 7-6(2) 6-2	
2021	Result	Rank: 194	Seed: -
1r	L	A. CORNET (#59) 7-6(7) 6-4	
2020	Result	Rank: 225	Seed: -
1r	L	S. CIRSTEVA (#87) 2-3	
2019	Result	Rank: 241	Seed: -
1r	L	V. HRUNCAKOVA (#53) 6-4 6-2	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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GRABHER**

**ALEXANDRA
EALA**

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Fell in 1r at Ostrava (l. Parks)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. Kalinskaya)
- Played 1r at Auckland (l. Kraus)

- Made 4r at Miami (l. Muchova)
- Reached 4r at Indian Wells (l. Noskova)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Gibson)
- Reached QF at Dubai (l. Gauff)
- Played 1r at Doha (l. Valentova)
- Made QF at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
- Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. Parks)
- Reached SF at Auckland (l. eventual R-Up, X.Wang)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
13	102	Aces	15	95
59.3%	0	First serve %	65.3%	27
60.4%	0	First Serve points won %	61.1%	61
37.9%	0	Second serve points won %	48.0%	24
51.2%	0	Overall service points won %	56.5%	48
58.1%	0	Service games won %	64.5%	54
56.1%	0	Break points saved %	46.2%	74
26.0%	0	First serve return points won %	36.8%	33
49.0%	0	Second serve return points won %	57.3%	14
45.5%	0	Break points converted %	39.3%	67
23.3%	0	Return games won %	36.7%	29
34.9%	0	Return points won %	44.7%	23



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GRABHER**

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EALA**

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2023 - RABAT

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2025 - EASTBOURNE

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r				2026	1r		
1r				2025	1r	1r	2r
			1r	2024			
1r	2r	1r		2023			



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GRABHER**

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EALA**

CAREER MILESTONES

- Started 2025 ranked No.470 and finished it back inside the Top 100, winning the WTA 125 Florianopolis title on clay as well as 3 additional ITF clay titles; notched 53 clay-court match-wins (at all levels) during the season
- Returned to action in March 2024 after six months away with injury. Played US Open main draw for the first time, represented Austria at the Paris Olympics and also won a W35 ITF title
- Reached first WTA final at 2023 Rabat (L. Bronzetti) and hit career-high ranking of No.54 on June 26, 2023
- In 2022, won WTA 125 event in Bari, making her Top 100 debut after the tournament on September 12; also reached maiden WTA QF at Istanbul (as qualifier, L. Cirstea) and won three ITF Circuit titles
- In 2021, won ITF Circuit title at W60 event in Bellinzona, Switzerland
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2019 Linz (as WC, L. Kuzmova)
- Posted 44-22 record (at all levels) in 2017, reaching five ITF Circuit titles, winning two titles
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Bad Gastein
- Owns 16 singles titles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut at W10 ITF Circuit event in Innsbruck, Austria in 2011
- Breakout 2025 season saw her break into the Top 100 after SF run at WTA 1000 Miami; as a wild card she registered back-to-back Top 10 wins over No.5 Keys and No.2 Swiatek. Went on to reach maiden Tour final at Eastbourne and then won her first WTA 125 title Guadalajara. Her year-end ranking was a career high No.50
- Following her Miami 2025 result, she made history by becoming the first player from the Philippines to reach a WTA 1000 semifinal and the first to enter the WTA World Top 100 ranking
- In 2024 made 2r at WTA 1000 Madrid (L. Cirstea) as well as playing main draw at Abu Dhabi, Guadalajara, Wuhan, Guangzhou and Jiujiang. Earned fourth ITF career title at W100 Vitoria-Gasteiz and reached a career high ranking of No.143 in July
- Entered first Grand Slam in 2023 at Australian Open qualifying (L. Doi in Q1). As a qualifier reached main draw at Hua Hin (L. Maria), Osaka (L. Sakatsume), Guangzhou (L. Maria) and Monastir (L. Mertens) taking her ranking into Top 200 for first time
- Claimed first ITF title in 2022 at Chiang Rai \$25K and also played WTA Miami opening main draw match (L. Brengle) and qualifying at Madrid (L. Bondar).
- In 2021 played first Tour level match at Miami qualifying (L. Kuzmova) and reached 2r at Cluj Napoca on clay (L. Sherif).
- Best result of 2021 was reaching QF at Grenoble \$25K
- Began on the ITF circuit in 2020 at the age of 14

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Gunter Bresnik
- Favorite surface is clay
- Started playing tennis aged six
- Coached by Joan Bosch
- Started playing tennis aged four
- Competed in the WTA Future Stars event in 2016 and 2017 in Singapore (first time at age 11 and won the Li Na Inspiration Award)
- Made WTA Tour debut at 2021 Miami in qualifying
- Trains at the Rafael Nadal Academy in Mallorca
- Preferred surface is hard
- Parents are Mike and Rizza (who was a professional swimmer who competed at the 1985 Southeast Asian Games); brother is also a budding tennis player



MATCH NOTES

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2
MATCHES
PLAYED

1
WIN



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**KAROLINA
PLISKOVA**
CZECH REPUBLIC

**ALIAKSANDRA
[Q] SASNOVICH** **115**

1992-03-21	Date of Birth	1994-03-22
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
6' 1" (1.86m)	Height	5' 9" (1.74m)
1	Career-High Ranking	29
\$26,405,037	Career Prize Money	\$6,587,942
\$264,507	Season Prize Money	\$190,007
0 / 17	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
90-49 (Runner-Up: 2021 WIMBLEDON; 2016 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	30-38 (Round of 16: 2022 ROLAND GARROS; 2018 WIMBLEDON)
0-0 / 5-1 (Champion: 2014)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 4-3 (Quarter-Finalist: 2020)
4-3 / 411-238	YTD / Career W-L	3-5 / 154-167



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**KAROLINA
PLISKOVA**

**ALIAKSANDRA
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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2018	BEIJING	HARD	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-3 6-4	1h 26m
2016	TOKYO	HARD	2r	Aliaksandra Sasnovich	6-4 6-2	1h 14m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
257	-	2026	102	-
41	1044	2025	92	111
36	41	2024	81	146
14	37	2023	30	88
4	32	2022	29	31
3	4	2021	84	91
2	6	2020	62	90
2	2	2019	30	67
4	8	2018	30	30
1	4	2017	85	87



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Returns to Linz for the first time since winning the title in 2014; overall this is her 3rd appearance at Linz
- Faces No.115 Aliaksandra Sasnovich in 1r today
- Owns 58-21 career record against qualifiers, with a record in 2026 standing at 1-0
- Owns 3 career clay-court titles: Rome 2019; Stuttgart 2018; Prague 2015
- Only player from Czech Republic to reach 1r
- Best result by Czech Republic at Linz was Champion run by Barbora Strycova in 2017, Karolina Pliskova in 2014, Petra Kvitova in 2011, Jana Novotna in 1998, Jana Novotna in 1995
- Is currently ranked No.258; this time last year was ranked No.174
- Seeking first clay-court win at a Tour-level event since April 2024 (Rouen, d. P.Kudermetova)
- In the WTA Match Stats Era (since 2008), Pliskova has hit more aces than any other player and is one of two players to serve up 4,000+ aces (along with Serena Williams)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th appearance at Linz with best result being a quarterfinal run in 2020; last year also reached main draw as a qualifier (2r)
- Reached main draw via qualifying; this is her 31st time reaching the main draw via qualifying since 2019; in that time only Cristina Bucsa, Magdalena Frech and Elena-Gabriela Ruse have reached the main draw more times via qualifying
- Faces No.258 Karolina Pliskova in 1r today
- Owns 6-12 career record against players from Czech Republic
- Has reached one clay-court final in career at the Tour-level: Budapest 2024
- Best result by qualifier at Linz was Runner-Up run by Ekaterina Alexandrova in 2018
- Is currently ranked No.115; this time last year was ranked No.109



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2014	Result	Rank: 30	Seed: 7
F	W	C. GIORGI (#42) 6-7(4) 6-3 7-6(4)	
SF	W	A. FRIEDSAM (#94) 2-6 6-3 6-3	
QF	W	M. BRENGLE (#96) 6-4 6-4	
2r	W	M. BARTHEL (#47) 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	K. FLIPKENS (#43) 6-2 6-4	
2013	Result	Rank: 68	Seed: -
1r	L	F. SCHIAVONE (#46) 7-5 6-2	

2025	Result	Rank: 149	Seed: -
2r	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#30) 6-3 6-2	
1r	W	A. ZAKHAROVA (#139) 6-3 7-6(3)	
2021	Result	Rank: 85	Seed: -
2r	L	S. HALEP (#22) 7-5 6-3	
1r	W	F. FERRO (#101) 6-2 3-6 6-2	
2020	Result	Rank: 92	Seed: -
QF	L	B. KREJCIKOVA (#74) 6-3 6-1	
2r	W	J. FETT (#236) 3-6 6-1 6-3	
1r	W	B. PERA (#61) 6-3 6-1	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made 3r at Doha (l. eventual champion Muchova, retired)
- Played 1r at Cluj-Napoca (as WC, l. Zakharova)
- Began 2026 season with 3r at Australian Open (l. Keys)

- Played 1r at Miami (as qualifier, l. Badosa)
- Fell in 1r at Dubai (as qualifier, l. Cirstea)
- Played 2r at Abu Dhabi (as LL, l. Eala)
- Fell in 1r at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Paolini)
- Opened 2026 reaching R16 at Brisbane as a qualifier (l. Samsonova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
25	68	Aces	11	104
65.1%	0	First serve %	60.7%	0
64.0%	0	First Serve points won %	63.0%	0
45.2%	0	Second serve points won %	45.9%	0
57.5%	0	Overall service points won %	56.3%	0
69.1%	0	Service games won %	64.6%	0
59.6%	0	Break points saved %	58.0%	0
37.0%	0	First serve return points won %	38.0%	0
52.6%	0	Second serve return points won %	53.5%	0
52.4%	0	Break points converted %	45.6%	0
32.8%	0	Return games won %	35.6%	0
42.4%	0	Return points won %	43.5%	0



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (17)

2024 - CLUJ-NAPOCA
2020 - BRISBANE
2019 - ZHENGZHOU, EASTBOURNE, ROME,
BRISBANE
2018 - TOKYO, STUTTGART
2017 - EASTBOURNE, DOHA, BRISBANE
2016 - CINCINNATI, NOTTINGHAM
2015 - PRAGUE
2014 - LINZ, SEOUL
2013 - KUALA LUMPUR

Runner-Up (17)

2024 - NOTTINGHAM
2021 - MONTREAL, WIMBLEDON, ROME
2020 - ROME
2019 - MIAMI
2018 - TIANJIN
2016 - US OPEN, EASTBOURNE
2015 - ZHUHAI, STANFORD, BIRMINGHAM, DUBAI,
SYDNEY
2014 - HONG KONG, NÜRNBERG, PATTAYA CITY

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (5)

2016 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Strycova)
2014 - HONG KONG (w/Pliskova), BAD GASTEIN
(w/Pliskova), NÜRNBERG (w/Krajicek)
2013 - LINZ (w/Pliskova)

Runner-Up (2)

2016 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Goerges)
2013 - PALERMO (w/Pliskova)

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (5)

2024 - BUDAPEST
2022 - CLEVELAND, MELBOURNE 250 #2
2018 - BRISBANE
2015 - SEOUL

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)

2023 - HONG KONG (w/Kalashnikova)



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
3r				2026	1r			
				2025			2r	1r
1r	1r	1r	2r	2024	1r			1r
QF	1r	1r	2r	2023	2r	1r	2r	1r
	2r	2r	QF	2022	1r	4r		2r
3r	2r	RUP	QF	2021	1r	2r	3r	1r
3r	2r		2r	2020	1r	2r		3r
SF	3r	4r	4r	2019	3r	1r	1r	2r
QF	3r	4r	QF	2018	3r	2r	4r	3r
QF	SF	2r	QF	2017	1r	2r	1r	2r
3r	1r	2r	RUP	2016	2r	1r	2r	1r
3r	2r	2r	1r	2015			2r	1r
2r	2r	2r	3r	2014				2r
1r	1r	2r	1r	2013				
	1r	1r		2012				



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Took the majority of the 2025 season off to recover from the ankle surgery she endured at the end of the 2024 season. Played two WTA 125 events in September at Caldas Da Rainha 125 (as a wildcard, reached the 2r) and Samsun 125 (as a wildcard, l. in 1r)
- Lifted her 17th career title in 2024 at Cluj-Napoca and followed with SF at WTA 1000 Doha (ret. in SF); also reached the final at Nottingham on grass (l. Boulter). Ended the season following her 2r run at the US Open (l. Paolini via ret.), due to a left ankle injury for which she underwent surgery in September
- In 2023, made only quarterfinals which she reached three times; Australian Open (l. Linette), Dubai (withdrew from match against Swiatek w/viral illness) and Stuttgart (l. Swiatek). Ended her 2023 season at Guadalajara due to left wrist injury.
- Best results of 2022 were SF runs at Strasbourg (l. Juvan) and Toronto (l. Haddad Maia) and QF showings at Berlin (l. Gauff) and US Open (l. Sabalenka). Was first time she failed to reach a Tour-level final since 2012
- Reached three finals across 2021, at Rome (l. Swiatek), her second Slam final at Wimbledon (l. Barty) and Montreal (l. Giorgi)
- Ended 2021 season by qualifying for WTA Finals for the fifth consecutive year - only four active players have qualified more than her
- Made Olympic debut, reaching R16 at Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games (l. Giorgi)
- Lifted a WTA-leading four titles across the 2019 season (tied with Barty) - triumphed at Brisbane, Rome, Eastbourne and Zhengzhou. Dropped 19 games across five matches during Eastbourne title win (d. Kerber in F) - most economic title run in 2019
- Also reached first Premier Mandatory final at 2019 Miami, losing to Barty in straight sets, and produced best Australian Open performance of career, reaching SF (l. eventual champion Osaka in 3s); saved four match points to beat S.Williams in QF
- Lost to twin sister Kr.Pliskova in 2r at Birmingham, in what was their first career main-draw encounter
- Helped the Czech Republic lift Billie Jean King Cup in 2015-16 and 2018
- Claimed No.1 ranking on July 17, 2017 despite making 2r exit at Wimbledon (l. Rybarikova). Was the first Czech woman to achieve the No.1 ranking since the computer rankings were
- Top 2025 result was Cluj-Napoca SF (l. eventual champion Potapova); also made SF at WTA 125 events in Paris and Vic, and reached Wimbledon 2r as a qualifier (d. Gracheva in 1r for first Grand Slam main draw win since 2023 Wimbledon)
- Reached fifth WTA singles final of career at 2024 Budapest (l. Shnaider); season also highlighted by run to 3r at Rome as a qualifier (l. Kerber). In doubles, reached SF at Dubai (w/Siegemund)
- 2023 Tour highlights include a SF run at sī Hertogenbosch (l. Alexandrova) and QF at Nanchang (l. Fernandez)
- Highlights in 2022 were R-Up finishes at Melbourne Summer Set 2 (l. Anisimova) and Cleveland (l. Samsonova); also made QF at St. Petersburg, Berlin and Hamburg, leading to career-high ranking of No.29 on September 19
- Best results in 2021 were runs to QFs at Belgrade and Cleveland and R16 at Indian Wells
- Reached first WTA QF in 18 months at 2020 Palermo (as qualifier, l. Martic) and also advanced to QF stage at Istanbul and Linz; made 3r at 2020 US Open (d. No.19 Vondrousova en route for first Top 20 win in over a year)
- Made strong start to 2019 season, recording first career Top 5 victory over No.4 Svitolina en route to Brisbane QF (l. Vekic), followed by Sydney SF (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Australian Open 3r (l. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Reached first Grand Slam SF in doubles at 2019 US Open (w/Kuzmova, l. Azarenka/Barty)
- In 2018, reached second career WTA final at Brisbane (as qualifier, d. No.11 Mladenovic and No.16 Sevastova en route, finished R-Up to No.6 Svitolina). Also made SF at Moscow River Cup and first Grand Slam R16 at Wimbledon. First broke into Top 50 on January 29
- Highlight of 2016 was run through qualifying to QF at Tokyo Pan Pacific Open; defeated No.6 Ka.Pliskova en route for first career Top 10 win
- Reached first career WTA Tour singles final at 2015 Seoul (as qualifier, l. Begu); made Top 100 debut on September 8, 2015 (after US Open; rose from No.120 to No.97)
- In 2014, won 11th and most recent singles title on ITF Circuit. Also owns seven ITF Circuit doubles titles
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2013 Brussels; made WTA main draw debut at 2014 US Open
- Played first event of career at 2009 ITF/Minsk 2

- introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)
- Is a Grand Slam finalist, reaching the title match at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber) and also 2021 Wimbledon (l. Barty)
 - Made Top-10 debut after 2015 Stanford R-Up finish; was first time in WTA history that three Czech women ranked inside Top 10 at the same time (also Kvitova and Safarova)
 - Scored first Top-20 win of her career over No.16 Petrova in 1r at 2013 Wimbledon
 - Won first career WTA title at 2013 Kuala Lumpur (d. Mattek-Sands in F)
 - At 2013 Linz, with sister Kristyna, became first set of twins to ever win a tour-level doubles title
 - Reached first WTA QF as WC at 2008 Prague (l. Azarenka)
 - Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in 2006

OTHER INFORMATION

- Formerly worked with Sascha Bajin; fitness coach is Martin Nosko and Ivan Trebatickica; trains at and plays for Sparta Praha tennis club
- Married Michal Hrdlicka after 2018 Wimbledon
- Away from the court, enjoys fresh-water fishing, as well as contributing to her foundation which benefits various causes, including pediatric oncology and children battling cancer in her native Czech Republic
- Enjoys listening to Czech pop music and watching movies (favorites is Public Enemies). Favorite author is Paulo Coelho
- Currently coached by Dzmitry Klimenko
- Mother is Natalia; younger sister is Polina
- Started playing at age 9; introduced to sport by father
- Favorite shot is backhand down the line; favorite surface is indoor hardcourt; favorite tournaments are US Open and Stuttgart
- Studying for a physical culture degree at university in Minsk
- Speaks English, Belarusian, Russian and a little bit of French
- Dream is to win Wimbledon one day