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DAY 4 – THURSDAY, APRIL 9

(LL) Anhelina Kalinina (UKR #120) vs. Donna Vekic (CRO #104)

First meeting

Kalinina:

- Making 5th appearance at Linz, where her best previous result was R16 in 2021 (l. V.Kudermetova) and 2023 (l. Friedsam)
- Achieved her best WTA 500 results at 2025 Brisbane and 2024 Strasbourg with semifinals
- Best career result on clay is runner-up which she has reached twice: Rome in 2023 and Budapest in 2021
- Best result by Ukraine at Linz was by Natalia Medvedeva who won the title in 1992; Yastremska also made R-Up here last year
- Since returning from injury in December 2025, she has claimed three WTA 125 titles at Limoges, Antalya #2 and Antalya #3
- Her 1r win over Panna Udvardy was her first Tour level main draw match win since 2025 Roland Garros (made 2r)

Vekic:

- Making 7th appearance at Linz, where her best previous result was reaching SF in 2024 (l. Alexandrova)
- Additionally made QF at Linz in 2023 (l. Sakkari)
- She is a 4-time WTA 500 R-Up after 2024 Bad Homburg (l. Shnaider), 2023 Berlin (l. Kvitova), 2022 San Diego (l. Swiatek) and 2019 St. Petersburg (l. Bertens)
- Best career result on clay is winning silver medal at the 2024 Paris Olympics (l. Q.Zheng in F)
- A win today would be her first Tour quarterfinal since 2025 Chennai (l. Birrell)

[WC] Lilli Tagger (AUT #117) vs. [3] Liudmila Samsonova (#21)

First meeting

Tagger:

- Making her Linz tournament debut and also first time appearing at a Tour level clay court event
- Defeated No.102 and fellow wild card entrant Paula Badosa in 1r marking her third Tour-level win of the year after 1r victories at Indian Wells and Miami
- Has faced a Top 50 opponent only twice before, falling to No.11 Alexandrova at Miami and No.34 at Indian Wells, both this year
- Best win of career came over No.53 Golubic at 2025 Jiujiang

Samsonova:

- Making main draw debut at Linz after falling in qualifying in 2019 to Coco Gauff
- Owns two WTA 500 titles at 2022 Tokyo (d. Q.Zheng) and 2021 Berlin (d. Bencic)
- Has won her last three meetings with players outside the Top 100, last losing to No.126 Hon at 2025 US Open
- Looking to snap a five-match losing streak after falling in QF at Abu Dhabi then opening match losses at Doha, Dubai, Indian Wells and Miami

Karolina Pliskova (CZE #258) vs. [2] Ekaterina Alexandrova (#13)

Tied 2-2

Pliskova:

- Won the Linz title in her most recent appearance here in 2014 (d. Giorgi in F)
- Her 2014 title was the second of her career, and has gone on to win 17 singles titles overall, most recently Cluj-Napoca in 2024
- Owns a total of nine WTA 500 titles, most recently Brisbane 2020 (d. Keys in F)
- Looking for her first Top 20 win in a completed match since defeating No.10 Jabeur at 2024 Nottingham
- Three-time clay court champion - Rome in 2019; Stuttgart in 2018; Prague in 2015
- Is a former WTA World No.1 and Grand Slam finalist

Alexandrova:

- Making her 8th main draw appearance at Linz, where she returns as defending champion and overall has made the final here three times
- Defeated Yastremska in 2025 final, fell to Ostapenko in 2024 final and lost to Giorgi in 2018 final (as a qualifier)
- Has also made the semifinals here twice in 2019 and 2020
- Her 2025 Linz title is her only WTA 500 career title
- Win today would be her second QF of the season after reaching the final at Abu Dhabi (l. Bejlek in F)
- Including qualifying owns a 20-7 record here at Linz

[Q] Tamara Korpatsch (GER #109) vs. Anastasia Potapova (AUT #97)

Korpatsch leads 1-0

Korpatsch:

- Making 3rd main draw appearance at Linz and has made R16 for the first time after playing 1r in 2019 (l. Ostapenko) and 2023 (l. Vekic)
- By reaching R16 has equalled her best WTA 500 result, also making R16 at Ningbo 2024 (l. M.Andreeva) and Stuttgart 2022 (l. Raducanu)
- Best career result on clay is SF which she reached at Gdynia 2021 and Lausanne 2019
- So far this season she reached the second Tour final of her career at Ostrava (l. Boulter in F)
- Looking to reach the 10th QF of her career

Potapova:

- Making 4th appearance at Linz, she claimed the title here in 2023 (d. Martic in F)
- Also reached quarterfinals here a further two times in 2024 (l. Alexandrova) and 2025 (l. Muchova)
- Her best WTA 500 result was achieved at 2023 Stuttgart when she reached semifinal (l. Sabalenka)
- Owns one clay court title: Istanbul in 2022
- Looking to reach the second quarterfinal of her 2026 season after Cluj-Napoca (l. Cirstea in QF)
- First main draw meeting against a player from Germany this season (fell to Ella Seidel in qualifying at Dubai)



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**ANHELINA
KALININA (LL)**
UKRAINE

**DONNA
(Q) VEKIC** 104
CROATIA

1997-02-07	Date of Birth	1996-06-28
Kyiv, Ukraine	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-Handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.80m)	Height	5' 10" (1.79m)
25	Career-High Ranking	17
\$4,520,315	Career Prize Money	\$10,411,628
\$154,008	Season Prize Money	\$194,593
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 4
11-18 (Round of 32: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	54-49 (Semi-Finalist: 2024 WIMBLEDON)
1-0 / 3-4 (Round of 16: 2026, 2023, 2021)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	1-0 / 6-6 (Semi-Finalist: 2024)
1-1 / 89-95	YTD / Career W-L	3-5 / 238-233



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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
119	-	2026	69	-
48	157	2025	17	72
27	57	2024	18	19
25	27	2023	20	23
34	52	2022	47	69
52	52	2021	29	67
136	162	2020	19	32
107	181	2019	19	19
108	110	2018	34	34
154	157	2017	45	56



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. P. UDVARDY (#71) 5-7 6-1 5-0 (1h 45m)

Total time on court: 1h 45m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 5th appearance at Linz, where her best result was R16 in 2021 (l. V.Kudermetova) and 2023 (l. Friedsam)
- Achieved her best WTA 500 results at 2025 Brisbane and 2024 Strasbourg with SF
- Enters the main draw as lucky loser following the withdrawal of Sara Bejlek and has defeated No.71 Panna Udvardy for her first Tour level main draw match win since 2025 Roland Garros (made 2r)
- Faces No.104 Donna Vekic in 2r today
- Owns 0-1 main draw Tour career record against players from Croatia, falling to Petra Martic at 2022 Istanbul
- First main draw Tour meeting against a qualifier this season
- Best career result on clay is R-Up which she has reached twice: Rome in 2023; Budapest in 2021
- One of 2 players from Ukraine to feature in the main draw along with Yastremska who reached 2r
- Best result by Ukraine at Linz was champion by Natalia Medvedeva in 1992; Yastremska also made R-Up here last year
- Is currently ranked No.120; this time last year was ranked No.65. Reached a peak ranking of No.25 on 22 May 2023
- Since returning from injury in December 2025, she has claimed three WTA 125 titles at Limoges, Antalya #2 and Antalya #3
- A win today would be her first Tour QF since Cluj-Napoca in 2025 (l. Sasnovich)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. VOLYNETS (#88) 6-3 3-6 6-4 (2h 13m)

Total time on court: 2h 13m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Linz, where her best previous result was reaching SF in 2024 (l. Alexandrova)
- Additionally made QF at Linz in 2023 (l. Sakkari)
- She is a 4-time WTA 500 R-Up after 2024 Bad Homburg (l. Shnaider), 2023 Berlin (l. Kvitova), 2022 San Diego (l. Swiatek) and 2019 St. Petersburg (l. Bertens)
- Has beaten Katie Volynets so far this week to post her third main draw Tour match win of the season after Indian Wells and Charleston where she defeated Top 20 player Madison Keys in 1r
- Faces No.120 Anhelina Kalinina in 2r today
- First Tour main draw meeting against a player from Ukraine this season
- Best career result on clay is winning silver medal at the 2024 Paris Olympics (l. Q.Zheng in F)
- Only player from Croatia to feature in the main draw
- Best result by a qualifier at Linz was R-Up by Ekaterina Alexandrova in 2018
- Is currently ranked No.104; this time last year was ranked No.20. Reached a peak ranking of No.17 on 27 January 2025
- A win today would be her first Tour QF since 2025 Chennai (l. Birrell)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 48	Seed: -
1r	L	C. TAUSON (#39) 6-3 6-3	

2023	Result	Rank: 31	Seed: 4
2r	L	A. FRIEDSAM (#124) 6-3 7-5	
1r	W	A. PARKS (#51) 6-2 7-5	

2021	Result	Rank: 52	Seed: -
2r	L	V. KUDERMETOVA (#32) 4-6 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	M. TREVISAN (#113) 6-3 6-4	

2020	Result	Rank: 163	Seed: -
1r	L	E. MERTENS (#21) 2-6 6-1 6-2	

2024	Result	Rank: 34	Seed: 3
SF	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#21) 5-7 7-6(4) 7-6(6)	
QF	W	C. BUREL (#52) 6-0 7-6(3)	
2r	W	D. YASTREMSKA (#29) 6-1 6-1	

2023	Result	Rank: 33	Seed: 5
QF	L	M. SAKKARI (#7) 6-3 7-6(8)	
2r	W	M. BRENGLE (#82) 6-3 6-1	
1r	W	T. KORPATSCH (#81) 7-6(4) 6-1	

2019	Result	Rank: 21	Seed: 4
2r	L	K. MLADENOVIC (#46) 3-6 6-1 6-2	
1r	W	P. HERCOG (#48) 6-1 6-1	

2018	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: 8
1r	L	T. BABOS (#64) 6-1 6-1	

2014	Result	Rank: 83	Seed: -
1r	L	O. JABEUR (#162) 7-5 6-1	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Competed in 1r at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Wang Xinyu)

- Played 2r at Charleston (as qualifier, l. Keys)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (as WC, l. Pegula)
- Played 1r at Merida (l. eventual champion Bucsa)
- Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. M.Andreeva)
- Played 1r at Auckland (l. Eala)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
4	145	Aces	33	47
72.7%	0	First serve %	59.2%	0
63.4%	0	First Serve points won %	63.3%	0
51.4%	0	Second serve points won %	39.5%	0
60.2%	0	Overall service points won %	53.6%	0
71.4%	0	Service games won %	62.9%	0
40.0%	0	Break points saved %	53.2%	0
34.9%	0	First serve return points won %	31.8%	0
52.0%	0	Second serve return points won %	55.5%	0
46.7%	0	Break points converted %	37.3%	0
31.8%	0	Return games won %	25.8%	0
41.2%	0	Return points won %	40.0%	0



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)
2023 - ROME
2021 - BUDAPEST

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)
2023 - MONTERREY
2021 - COURMAYEUR
2017 - NOTTINGHAM
2014 - KUALA LUMPUR

Runner-Up (10)
2024 - OLYMPICS, BAD HOMBURG
2023 - BERLIN
2022 - SAN DIEGO
2019 - NOTTINGHAM, ST. PETERSBURG
2018 - WASHINGTON DC
2015 - TASHKENT
2013 - BIRMINGHAM
2012 - TASHKENT



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GRAND SLAMS

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

**ANHELINA
KALININA (LL)****DONNA
(Q) VEKIC****CAREER MILESTONES**

- 2025 highlights included reaching semifinal at Brisbane (l. P.Kudermetova) and quarterfinal at Cluj-Napoca (l. Sasnovich). Took six months away from the Tour following injury before returning to claim the WTA 125 Limoges title in December
- In 2024, reached the semifinal stage on three occasions; Austin (l. Wang Xiyu), Rouen (l. Linette) and Strasbourg (l. Collins)
- In 2023, made 3r at Australian Open, achieving best Grand Slam result (l. Krejčíková). Finished runner-up at Rome (l. Rybakina via ret. w/left leg injury), equalling her best Tour result (also runner-up at Budapest in 2021). 2023 ranking peaked at No. 25 on May 22 and closed out the season with QF at Zhengzhou (l. eventual champion Zheng).
- In 2022, reached four QF, at Charleston (l. Jabeur), Madrid (l. Teichmann), Eastbourne (l. Ostapenko) and Cluj-Napoca (l. eventual champion Blinkova). Also won WTA 125 tournament at Limoges in December
- Posted first Top 100 season in 2021, finishing on a career-high ranking of No.52
- Reached first WTA singles final at 2021 Budapest (l. Putintseva) and was a quarterfinalist at the Transylvania Open (l. eventual champion Kontaveit)
- Ranking was further boosted in 2021 by five ITF Circuit titles, taking career haul to 15 at that level
- Upset Kerber in 1r at 2021 Roland Garros to advance to 2r (l. Collins); also reached 2r at the US Open, where she was defeated by Kerber
- Broke into Top 100 on July 12, 2021, following title run at \$100k ITF/Contrexeville-FRA
- Best result of 2020 was R-Up finish at \$100k ITF/Midland-MI, USA. At WTA level, fell 1r twice (including US Open) and in qualifying three times (including the year's other two majors)
- Highlight of 2019 was reaching 2r at Jurmala (d. Siniakova, l. Tig) and winning ITF Circuit title at \$25k Perov-CZE
- Made her Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 US Open - came through qualifying to make 2r (l. Stephens)
- Also in 2018 made second tour-level appearance of her career, falling 1r at Washington DC (as qualifier, l. Bonaventure)
- Sidelined for 10 months at the end of 2015 w/shoulder injury, playing only 12 matches in 2016 season
- As a junior was runner-up in girls' singles at 2014 US Open (l. Bouzkova) and doubles
- In 2025, hit new career-high ranking of No.17 on January 27, after R16 run at Australian Open (l. Pavlyuchenkova); also made Chennai QF (l. eventual R-Up Birrell) and posted R16 finishes at WTA 1000 events in Indian Wells and Madrid (l. Keys at both)
- During 2024, achieved best Grand Slam result reaching SF at Wimbledon (l. Paolini), and won silver medal at Paris Olympics (l. Zheng in F), the first Olympic medal in women's singles for Croatia. Finished R-Up at Bad Homburg (l. Shnaider in F) and made Linz SF (l. Alexandrova). Reached new career-high ranking of No.18 on Oct. 7
- In 2023, posted best Australian Open result with QF (l. eventual champion Sabalenka), equalling best Grand Slam result (QF finish at 2019 US Open). Won 4th career title at Monterrey (d. Garcia) and was R-Up at Berlin (l. Kvitova). Returned to Top 20 for first time since 2019 and qualified for Zhuhai Elite Trophy
- 2022's highlight was R-Up finish at San Diego (as qualifier, l. Swiatek). Elsewhere, made QF at Birmingham and Tallinn
- Lifted third WTA title of her career at Courmayeur in October 2021 (d. Tauson in F)
- Underwent knee surgery at start of 2021, and experienced setbacks in her return to Tour afterwards, tearing plantar fascia and suffering from knee and foot injuries in spring 2022
- In 2020, contested the first match of the WTA Tour's resumption following the hiatus, defeating Rus in the Palermo 1r
- Reached first Grand Slam QF at 2019 US Open (l. Bencic); ended 2019 ranked No.19 for career-best year-end finish (up from No.34 in 2018), having cracked the Top 20 for the first time on October 21
- Also in 2019, finished R-Up at St. Petersburg (l. Bertens); en route to final, posted best win of career by ranking (third over a Top 5 opponent) with defeat of No.2 Kvitova in QF. Also made final at Nottingham (l. Garcia in third set tie-break) and ended 2019 by qualifying for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (fell RR)
- Ended 2018 at then-career-high ranking of No.34, after registering 31 Tour-level wins. Campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Washington, DC (l. Kuznetsova after holding 4mp), SF showings at Nottingham and Tokyo [PPO], and first Grand Slam R16 at Wimbledon (l. Goerges)
- Enjoyed a resurgent year in 2017, breaking the Top 50 on July 24 and finishing campaign ranked

champion at 2014 Australian Open
(w/Kulichkova)

No.54. Grass court season saw her lift a second WTA singles title of career, at Nottingham (d. No.8 Konta in final) - prior to this run had not posted back-to-back main draw wins since September 2015 (R-Up at Tashkent)

- Posted just four tour-level wins across 2016, but closed the campaign by reaching two ITF finals, winning her fifth and most recent title at this level at \$100k ITF/Sharm El Sheikh-EGY
- Highlights in 2015 included reaching final at Tashkent (l. Hibino) and QF at Baku
- Ranked No.95, lifted maiden WTA singles title at 2014 Kuala Lumpur (d. No.10 Cibulkova in final); aged 17 y 10 m, became youngest player to win a WTA singles title since 2006 Bangkok (Vania King)
- Reached first career WTA Tour final at 2012 Tashkent (l. Begu) on her WTA main draw debut, and in doing so became youngest WTA finalist since 15-year-old Paszek won Portoroz in 2005
- Broke into Top 100 (at No.93) on January 28, 2013
- On the ITF Circuit, has won five singles titles and one doubles title

OTHER INFORMATION

- Working with Anton Korchevskiy
- Formerly trained in Trnava, Slovakia at the Empire Academy, under the tutelage of Vladimir Platenik
- Started playing tennis aged six
- Favorite surface is hard

- Coached by Biljana Veselinovic
- Both parents played professional sports: mother, Brankica (track hurdler) and father, Igor (soccer goalkeeper)
- Favorite surface is hard
- Speaks Croatian, English and Italian
- Self-described as strong-willed, determined and extremely competitive



MATCH NOTES

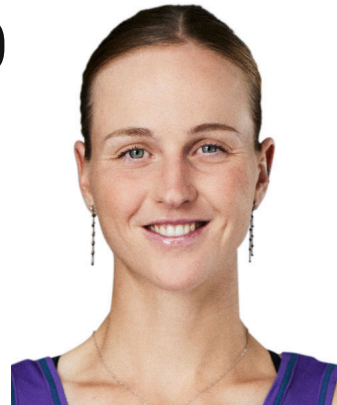
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117 **LILLI TAGGER (WC)**
AUSTRIA

LIUDMILA (3) SAMSONOVA **21**

2008-02-17	Date of Birth	1998-11-11
	Residence	
Right-handed (one-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
6' 1" (1.85m)	Height	5' 11" (1.82m)
108	Career-High Ranking	12
\$215,206	Career Prize Money	\$8,304,125
\$142,324	Season Prize Money	\$354,141
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 5
0-0	Grand Slam W-L (best)	29-23 (Quarter-Finalist: 2025 WIMBLEDON)
1-0 / 1-0 (Round of 16: 2026)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-0
4-2 / 8-3	YTD / Career W-L	4-8 / 151-123



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**LIUDMILA
SAMSONOVA**

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RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
108	-	2026	17	-
153	153	2025	16	17
961	977	2024	13	27
-	-	2023	12	16
-	-	2022	19	20
-	-	2021	39	39
-	-	2020	114	127
-	-	2019	123	139
-	-	2018	177	180
-	-	2017	520	552



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**LILLI
TAGGER (WC)**

**LIUDMILA
SAMSONOVA**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. P. BADOSA (#102) 6-4 7-6 (2h 7m)

Total time on court: 2h 7m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Linz tournament debut and also first time appearing at a Tour level clay court event
- Defeated No.102 and fellow WC entrant Paula Badosa in 1r on Tuesday; marked her 3rd Tour-level win of the year after 1r victories at Indian Wells and Miami
- One of 4 main draw wild cards, alongside Paula Badosa, Sloane Stephens and Sinja Kraus Faces
- No.21 Liudmila Samsonova in 2r today. Has faced a Top 20 opposition once before, falling to No.11 Alexandrova at Miami
- Best win of career came over over No.53 Golubic at 2025 Jiujiang
- Most recent wild card to win the Linz title is Jelena Ostapenko in 2024 (d. Alexandrova in F)
- Reached career-high ranking of No.108 last month. This time last year was ranked No.566
- Making her first career appearance in a WTA 500 main draw
- At 18 years old is the youngest player in this week's main draw
- Made her first career WTA singles final last year in Jiujiang at age 17 (l. Blinkova in F)
- Has fallen twice to seeds in 2026, at Indian Wells to No.32 Sakkari and No.11 Alexandrova at Miami

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making main draw debut at Linz (fell in 2019 qualifying to Coco Gauff)
- Owns two WTA 500 titles at 2022 Tokyo (d. Q.Zheng) and 2021 Berlin (d. Bencic)
- After 1r bye, faces No.117 Lilli Tagger in 2r today
- Has won her last three meetings with players outside the Top 100, last tasting defeat to No.126 Hon at 2025 US Open
- Is 1-1 against wild cards this season (d. E.Jones at Brisbane; l. Baptiste at Abu Dhabi)
- Looking to snap a five-match losing streak today, falling in QF at Abu Dhabi then opening match losses at Doha, Dubai, Indian Wells and Miami
- Best career result on clay is finishing as R-Up at Strasbourg in 2025
- Is currently ranked No.21; this time last year was ranked No.19. Reached a career high of No.12 on 27 Feb 2023
- Looking to reach her third QF of the season after Brisbane (l. Pegula) and Abu Dhabi (l. Baptiste)
- During last year's European clay swing reached 4r at Roland Garros, R-Up at Strasbourg, 2r at Rome, 3r at Madrid and 1r at Stuttgart



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

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TAGGER (WC)**

**LIUDMILA
SAMSONOVA**

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

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

- Played 2r at Miami (l. Baptiste)
- Played 2r at Indian Wells (l. Krueger)
- Fell in 1r at Dubai (l. Fernandez)
- Played 1r at Doha (l. Frech)
- Reached QF at Abu Dhabi (l. Baptiste)
- Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Siegemund)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (l. Vondrousova)
- Began 2026 season with QF at Brisbane (l. Pegula)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
25	69	Aces	28	59
68.5%	0	First serve %	57.7%	67
67.1%	0	First Serve points won %	63.6%	47
42.3%	0	Second serve points won %	47.2%	31
59.3%	0	Overall service points won %	56.6%	47
70.6%	0	Service games won %	64.5%	54
58.3%	0	Break points saved %	51.5%	64
36.1%	0	First serve return points won %	37.6%	23
53.4%	0	Second serve return points won %	52.6%	60
44.9%	0	Break points converted %	49.1%	20
31.9%	0	Return games won %	36.8%	27
43.1%	0	Return points won %	43.3%	40



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**LILLI
TAGGER (WC)**

**LIUDMILA
SAMSONOVA**

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2025 - JIUJIANG

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (5)
2024 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH
2022 - TOKYO, CLEVELAND, WASHINGTON DC
2021 - BERLIN

Runner-Up (4)
2025 - STRASBOURG
2023 - BEIJING, MONTREAL, ABU DHABI

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2025 - NINGBO (w/Melichar-martinez)
2024 - SEOUL (w/Melichar-martinez)
2023 - DUBAI (w/Kudermetova)

Runner-Up (1)
2025 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH (w/Melichar-martinez)

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



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TAGGER (WC)**

**LIUDMILA
SAMSONOVA**

CAREER MILESTONES

- 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
- Reached ninth career final in 2025 with runner-up finish at Strasbourg, as well as SF at Adelaide and Berlin and reached QF at a Grand Slam for the first time at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Swiatek). Ended the year ranked inside the Top 20 for a third consecutive year (No.17)
- Won third career WTA doubles title in 2025 at Ningbo (w/Melichar-Martinez) and reached a further doubles finals at 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Melichar-Martinez)
- In 2024, won one title at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Andreescu in final); also reached SF at Abu Dhabi (l. eventual champion Rybakina); notably reached the QF at Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and 4r at US Open (l. Swiatek)
- Won one doubles title in 2024 at Seoul (w/Melichar-Martinez)
- Ended 2023 ranked No.16; reached three finals at Abu Dhabi (l. Bencic in F), Montreal (l. Pegula in F) and Beijing (l. Swiatek)
- Also in 2023, reached SF at Washington DC and qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai going 1-1 in group play
- In doubles in 2023, won title at Dubai (w/Veronika Kudermetova)
- Lifted three titles in 2022, at Washington DC (d. Kanepi in F), Cleveland (d. Sasnovich in F) and Tokyo (d. Q.Zheng in F) ending year at No.20, her first Top 20 year-end ranking
- Also made SF at 2022 Stuttgart, QF at Adelaide 250, R16 at US Open and made Top 20 debut on October 24; earned first Top 10 win of career over No.7 Karolina Pliskova at Stuttgart
- Highlight of 2021 was coming through qualifying to lift maiden WTA title at Berlin (d. Bencic in F) and breaking into Top 50 on September 13 finishing the year at No.39, her first year-end Top 100 ranking
- Reached two further SFs in 2021, at Luxembourg and Courmayeur and reached R16 at Wimbledon
- Earned first Top 20 win of career over No.11 Kiki Bertens at 2021 Miami
- In 2020 reached 2r at Brisbane (as qualifier, d.No.24 Stephens, l. No.7 Kvitova) and Palermo (as qualifier, l. Martic), and fell 1r four times (including Australian Open, US Open and Roland Garros)
- Appeared in the first WTA main draws of her career in 2019, highlighted by SF run at Palermo (as LL, l. eventual champion Teichmann), 2r showing at Lausanne (l. Han) and falling 1r on

Grand Slam main draw debut at Roland Garros (as qualifier, I. Vekic)

- Contested qualifying at a WTA event for the first time at 2019 Australian Open
- Made professional debut on ITF circuit in 2013; owns four singles titles on the ITF Circuit

OTHER INFORMATION

- In 2025, won French Open girls' singles title, becoming the first Austrian to win a Roland Garros junior singles title defeating Great Britain's Hannah Klugman in the final, 6-2, 6-0
- 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

- Previously trained in Rome with Alessandro Dumitrache and worked with Alessandro Piccari
- Parents are Dmitry Samsonov and Svetlana Samsonova
- Hobbies include listening to and playing music, attending concerts and watching films
- Idolizes Maria Sharapova
- Favorite shot is her forehand and favorite surface to play on is hard court



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**KAROLINA
PLSKOVA**
CZECH REPUBLIC

**EKATERINA
(2) ALEXANDROVA** **13**

1992-03-21	Date of Birth	1994-11-15
Monte Carlo, Monaco	Residence	Prague, Czech Republic
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
6' 1" (1.86m)	Height	5' 9" (1.75m)
1	Career-High Ranking	10
\$26,405,037	Career Prize Money	\$10,159,428
\$264,507	Season Prize Money	\$469,425
0 / 17	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 5
90-49 (Runner-Up: 2021 WIMBLEDON; 2016 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	39-35 (Round of 16: 2025 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS; 2023 WIMBLEDON)
1-0 / 6-1 (Champion: 2014)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	0-0 / 17-6 (Champion: 2025)
5-3 / 412-238	YTD / Career W-L	5-8 / 235-182



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PLISKOVA**

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ALEXANDROVA**

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2023	DOHA	HARD	1r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-1 6-2	52m
2022	CHARLESTON	CLAY	3r	Ekaterina Alexandrova	6-3 6-1	1h 2m
2019	EASTBOURNE	GRASS	QF	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 6-0	53m
2017	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY	2r	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 4-6 6-3	1h 41m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
257	-	2026	10	-
41	1044	2025	10	10
36	41	2024	15	28
14	37	2023	16	21
4	32	2022	19	19
3	4	2021	30	33
2	6	2020	25	33
2	2	2019	35	35
4	8	2018	73	93
1	4	2017	69	73



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ALEXANDROVA**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. SASNOVICH (#115) 6-4 6-4 (1h 24m)

Total time on court: 1h 24m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 3rd appearance at Linz, and is a former champion here, lifting the title in 2014 (d. Giorgi in F)
- 2014 title was second of her career, and has gone on to win 17 singles titles overall, most recently Cluj-Napoca in 2024
- 2014 was the last time she contested Linz
- Owns nine WTA 500 titles, most recently Brisbane 2020 (d. Keys in F)
- Defeat of Sasnovich in 1r was fifth win of 2026 season
- Faces No.13 Ekaterina Alexandrova in 2r today; is 1-2 against Top 20 players in 2026 with the win over No.4 Amanda Anisimova (via ret.) at Doha 2026 (fell to No.9 Keys at Australian Open and No.19 Muchova at Doha via ret.)
- Last win in a completed match over a Top 20 player came over No.10 Jabeur at 2024 Nottingham
- Three-time clay court champion - Rome in 2019; Stuttgart in 2018; Prague in 2015
- Most recent Linz champion from Czech Republic was Barbora Strycova in 2017
- Is currently ranked No.258; this time last year was ranked No.174
- Is a former WTA World No.1 and Grand Slam finalist. Stepped away from the court for one year from 2024 US Open until the Fall of 2025 due to ankle issues

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her main draw 8th appearance at Linz, where she returns as defending champion and overall has made the final here three times
- Her 2025 Linz title is her only WTA 500 career title
- Defeated Yastremska in 2025 final, fell to Ostapenko in 2024 final and lost to Giorgi in 2018 final (as a qualifier)
- Has also made the SF here twice in 2019 and 2020
- Including qualifying, owns a 20-7 record at Linz
- Has defended one title in her career, at Den Bosch from 2022 to 2023
- Following 1r bye, faces No.258 Karolina Pliskova in 2r today. Loss would be worst since falling to No.493 Zhu Lin at 2025 Montreal
- Four-time semifinalist on clay: Stuttgart, Charleston in 2025; Madrid, Charleston in 2022
- Is currently ranked No.13; this time last year was ranked No.22. Made Top 10 debut in October 2025
- Win today would be her second QF of the season after reaching the final at Abu Dhabi (L. Bejlek in F)



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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: 30	Seed: 4
F	W	D. YASTREMSKA (#72) 6-2 3-6 7-5	
SF	W	K. MUCHOVA (#19) 6-0 6-4	
QF	W	P. MARTIC (#125) 3-6 6-2 6-2	
2r	W	A. SASNOVICH (#149) 6-3 6-2	
2024	Result	Rank: 21	Seed: 2
F	L	J. OSTAPENKO (#12) 6-2 6-3	
SF	W	D. VEKIC (#34) 5-7 7-6(4) 7-6(6)	
QF	W	A. POTAPOVA (#27) 6-2 7-6(8)	
2r	W	J. NIEMEIER (#159) 6-3 6-0	
2023	Result	Rank: 17	Seed: 2
1r	L	R. MASAROVA (#99) 4-6 6-1 7-6(6)	
2021	Result	Rank: 30	Seed: 5
1r	L	L. TSURENKO (#132) 6-4 7-6(2)	
2020	Result	Rank: 33	Seed: 4
SF	L	E. MERTENS (#21) 2-6 6-1 7-5	
QF	W	N. PODOROSKA (#48) 6-2 6-1	
2r	W	V. GRACHEVA (#95) 7-5 6-1	
1r	W	K. SINIAKOVA (#64) 6-3 6-4	



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ALEXANDROVA**

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)

- Reached 3r at Miami (l. Cristian)
- Played 2r at Dubai (l. Linette)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Ostapenko)
- Finished R-Up at Abu Dhabi (l. champion Bejlek in F)
- Played 1r at Australian Open (l. Sonmez)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (l. Cristian)
- Opened season with 3r at Brisbane (l. Muchova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
41	38	Aces	56	25
66.1%	0	First serve %	61.4%	48
64.0%	0	First Serve points won %	65.8%	34
43.9%	0	Second serve points won %	44.6%	49
57.2%	0	Overall service points won %	57.6%	37
67.9%	0	Service games won %	66.9%	40
62.1%	0	Break points saved %	52.5%	55
36.7%	0	First serve return points won %	36.1%	39
54.6%	0	Second serve return points won %	52.6%	61
55.1%	0	Break points converted %	45.7%	39
35.1%	0	Return games won %	29.7%	62
43.0%	0	Return points won %	42.4%	47



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ALEXANDROVA**

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

Champion (5)

2025 - LINZ
2023 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH
2022 - SEOUL, 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH
2020 - SHENZHEN

Runner-Up (8)

2026 - ABU DHABI
2025 - NINGBO, SEOUL, MONTERREY
2024 - LINZ
2023 - CLEVELAND
2021 - MOSCOW
2018 - LINZ

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)

2026 - ABU DHABI (w/Joint)
2019 - BUDAPEST (w/Zvonareva)

Runner-Up (1)

2025 - STUTTGART (w/Zhang)



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ALEXANDROVA**

GRAND SLAMS

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

**KAROLINA
PLISKOVA****EKATERINA
ALEXANDROVA****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
- In 2025 claimed first career WTA 500 title at Linz and reached three additional finals all at 500 events; Monterrey, Seoul and Ningbo. Made her Top 10 debut on October 13 and finished the season inside the Top 10
- Played WTA Finals debut match at the 2025 WTA Finals as an alternate in the round robin stage, lost to eventual champion Elena Rybakina
- In 2024, highlights included reaching the final at Linz (l. Ostapenko in Final) and semifinals at Adelaide (l. eventual champion Ostapenko), Miami (l. eventual champion Collins), 's-Hertogenbosch (l. eventual champion Samsonova) and Monterrey (l. Sun); also made quarterfinals at Wuhan (l. Xin. Wang) and her best Grand Slam result of the season came during a 3r run at US Open (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- In 2023, won fourth career singles title at 's-Hertogenbosch, successfully defending the title and defeating top seed, Kudrmetova in the final. A run of successful results followed with SF at Berlin (l. eventual champion, Kvitova), 4r at Wimbledon (l. Sabalenka) - a career best result at any of the majors and runner-up at Cleveland (l. Sorribes Tormo).
- Reached a 2023 peak ranking of No. 16 on February 20 following a 3r finish at Australian Open (l. Linette), before posting two QF results at Miami (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and Charleston (l. Bencic). Another QF then came in the Asian Swing at Tokyo (l. Pavlyuchenkova).
- In 2022, won titles at 's-Hertogenbosch (d. Sabalenka in F) and Seoul (d. Ostapenko in F). Also advanced to SF at Charleston, Madrid and Ostrava, making Top 20 debut on October 10, 2022
- Reached third WTA singles final in 2021, enjoying run to final at home tournament of Moscow (l. Kontaveit). Other key result was SF run at Gippsland Trophy (l. Kanepi)
- Posted two best wins-by-ranking of career in 2021, defeating No.2 Halep (Gippsland Trophy) and No.2 Sabalenka (Moscow)
- Reached 2r on Olympic debut at Tokyo 2020
- Opened 2020 season by lifting her maiden WTA singles title, at Shenzhen (d. Rybakina in F)
- Made Top 50 debut on June 17, 2019 after QF run at 's-Hertogenbosch
- Registered 30 Tour-level match wins during 2019, in which she reached SF at Budapest, Seoul and Linz and made QF at St. Petersburg, 's-Hertogenbosch, Eastbourne and Moscow. Also

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

advanced to 3r at a major for the first time, at Roland Garros

- Won sole WTA doubles title at 2019 Budapest (w/Zvonareva)
- Came through qualifying to make maiden WTA final appearance at 2018 Linz (l. Giorgi)
- Advanced to first WTA QF at 2018 Seoul, scoring maiden Top 10 win of her career en route, over No.10 Ostapenko
- Made Top 100 debut at No.93 on March 20, 2017 after winning title at \$60K ITF/Shenzhen-CHN
- At 2016 Wimbledon, ranked No.223, won her way through qualifying on her maiden Slam appearance, going on to reach 2r (upset No.23 seed Ivanovic in 1r)
- Won WTA 125K Series title at Limoges in 2016, 2018-19
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2016 Katowice (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Giorgi)
- Contested qualifying for the first time at a WTA-level tournament at 2014 Bad Gastein
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Europe in 2011

OTHER INFORMATION

- Formerly worked with Sascha Bajin; fitness coach is Martin Nosko and Ivan Trebaticka; 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

- Coached by Igor Andreev
- Worked with her father, Evgeny. Was previously coached by Vojta Flegl
- Mother is Julia, also has sister, Anna, and brother Jury. Began playing tennis at age 6
- Favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is hard
- Speaks Russian, English and Czech
- Likes to cook, especially making cakes
- Admires Serena Williams



MATCH NOTES

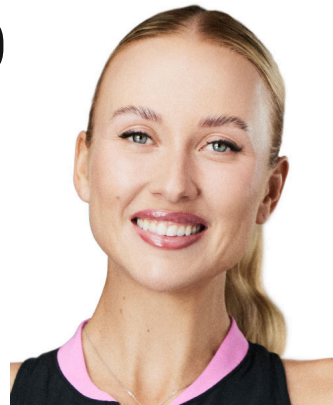
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**TAMARA
KORPATSCH (Q)**
GERMANY

**ANASTASIA
POTAPOVA**
AUSTRIA

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1995-05-12	Date of Birth	2001-03-30
Hamburg, Germany	Residence	Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 6" (1.68m)	Height	5' 7" (1.75m)
71	Career-High Ranking	21
\$2,197,281	Career Prize Money	\$5,622,772
\$83,334	Season Prize Money	\$311,124
0 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 3
4-11 (Round of 64: 2024 ROLAND GARROS, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	21-24 (Round of 16: 2024 ROLAND GARROS)
1-0 / 1-2 (Round of 16: 2026)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	1-0 / 10-2 (Champion: 2023)
5-1 / 44-65	YTD / Career W-L	7-6 / 149-124



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2019	LAUSANNE	CLAY	2r	Tamara Korpatsch	6-3 3-6 6-1	1h 57m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
102	-	2026	50	-
140	151	2025	31	51
73	185	2024	27	35
71	73	2023	21	28
89	89	2022	43	43
126	176	2021	67	69
108	126	2020	81	100
107	113	2019	64	93
121	121	2018	93	94
124	145	2017	231	237



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. J. CRISTIAN (#33) 4-6 6-1 6-4 (2h 16m)

Total time on court: 2h 16m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd main draw appearance at Linz and has made R16 for the first time after playing 1r in 2019 (l. Ostapenko) and 2023 (l. Vekic)
- By reaching R16 has equalled her best WTA 500 result, also making R16 at Ningbo 2024 (l. M.Andreeva) and Stuttgart 2022 (l. Raducanu)
- Has beaten Jaqueline Cristian so far this week in the main draw to reach 2r
- Faces No.97 Anastasia Potapova in 2r today
- Her last meeting against a player from Austria was in the 2025 Jiujiang QF when she fell to Lilli Tagger
- Best career result on clay is SF which she reached at Gdynia 2021 and Lausanne 2019
- Only player from Germany to reach 2r after Maria fell in 1r
- Best result by a qualifier at Linz was R-Up by Ekaterina Alexandrova in 2018
- Is currently ranked No.109; this time last year was ranked No.187. Reached a career high of No.71 on 23 Oct 2023
- So far this season she reached the second Tour final of her career at Ostrava (l. Boulter in F)
- Looking to reach the 10th QF of her career

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. ZHANG (#64) 6-4 6-4 (1h 43m)

Total time on court: 1h 43m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th appearance at Linz, she claimed the title here in 2023 (d. Martic in F)
- Also reached QF here a further two times in 2024 (l. Alexandrova) and 2025 (l. Muchova)
- Her best WTA 500 result was achieved at 2023 Stuttgart when she reached SF (l. Sabalenka)
- Has beaten Shuai Zhang so far this week to reach 2r
- Faces No.109 Tamara Korpatsch in 2r today
- First main draw meeting against a player from Germany this season (fell to Ella Seidel in qualifying at Dubai)
- Has defeated a qualifier once this season, with a win over Marina Stakusic at Indian Wells
- Owns one clay court title: Istanbul in 2022
- One of 2 players from Austria to reach 2r along with Tagger
- Austria claimed the Linz title in 1987 (Barbara Paulus) and 1990 (Marion Maruska)
- Is currently ranked No.97; this time last year was ranked No.38. Reached a peak ranking of No.21 on 19 June 2023
- Looking to reach the second QF of her 2026 season after Cluj-Napoca (l. Cirstea in QF)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 81	Seed: -
1r	L	D. VEKIC (#33) 7-6(4) 6-1	

2019	Result	Rank: 130	Seed: -
1r	L	J. OSTAPENKO (#72) 6-1 6-3	

2025	Result	Rank: 33	Seed: 6
QF	L	K. MUCHOVA (#19) 6-3 3-6 6-3	
2r	W	R. SRAMKOVA (#44) 7-6(1) 6-4	
1r	W	J. GRABHER (#393) 6-2 6-2	

2024	Result	Rank: 27	Seed: 5
QF	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#21) 6-2 7-6(8)	
2r	W	E. COCCIARETTO (#60) 2-6 7-6(9) 7-5	
1r	W	S. ERRANI (#99) 6-4 6-3	

2023	Result	Rank: 44	Seed: 8
F	W	P. MARTIC (#34) 6-3 6-1	
SF	W	M. VONDROUSOVA (#89) 6-1 6-7(4) 6-3	
QF	W	A. FRIEDSAM (#124) 2-6 6-4 6-1	
2r	W	J. NIEMEIER (#71) 7-5 3-6 6-3	
1r	W	L. BRONZETTI (#66) 2-6 6-3 6-4	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- R-Up finish at Ostrava (l. champion Boulter in F)
- Played 2r at Indian Wells (l. Paolini)
- Fell in 1r at Merida (l. Arango)
- Made QF at Cluj-Napoca (l. eventual champion Cirstea)
- Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)
- Played 1r at Adelaide (as LL, l. Birrell)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (l. Shnaider)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
12	105	Aces	37	41
66.3%	0	First serve %	57.7%	69
63.3%	0	First Serve points won %	61.9%	58
51.0%	0	Second serve points won %	42.1%	66
59.2%	0	Overall service points won %	53.5%	70
70.1%	0	Service games won %	60.9%	68
55.6%	0	Break points saved %	61.3%	14
38.7%	0	First serve return points won %	38.6%	15
58.1%	0	Second serve return points won %	52.1%	67
45.8%	0	Break points converted %	44.4%	45
42.2%	0	Return games won %	36.9%	25
45.0%	0	Return points won %	43.8%	34



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)
2023 - CLUJ-NAPOCA
Runner-Up (1)
2026 - OSTRAVA

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2021 - BUDAPEST (w/Bolsova)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2025 - CLUJ-NAPOCA
2023 - LINZ
2022 - ISTANBUL

Runner-Up (3)
2022 - PRAGUE
2018 - TASHKENT, MOSCOW INTERNATIONAL

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2022 - PRAGUE (w/Sizikova)
2019 - LAUSANNE (w/Sizikova)
2018 - MOSCOW INTERNATIONAL (w/Zvonareva)

Runner-Up (1)
2021 - MELBOURNE 250 (w/Blinkova)

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, best Tour-level result was Jiujiang QF (l. eventual finalist Tagger); also won two ITF Circuit titles (W75 Trnava and W50 Funchal) and made WTA 125 SF at San Sebastian
- At Tour-level in 2024, scored main draw match-wins at Australian Open, Roland Garros, Ningbo and Jiujiang; also made quarterfinals at WTA 125s Hamburg and Bastad
- In 2023, won first WTA Tour singles title at Cluj-Napoca (d. Ruse in F); also reached SF at Prague (l. Noskova) and WTA 125 Valencia (l. Bassols Ribera) and hit a career-high ranking of No.71 on October 23
- Top results in 2022 include first WTA 125 title at Budapest (made Top 100 debut afterwards on September 26), WTA 125 R-Up at Marbella, and ITF/W25 title at Le Havre-FRA; best Tour-level results were 2r at Lyon and Stuttgart
- Singles highlight in 2021 was SF run at Gdynia (l. Kucova) and also reached 2r at Bad Homburg and Hamburg; in doubles that year, advanced to first WTA final at Budapest (w/Bolsova, l. Buzarnescu/Stollar)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2020 US Open and played another Grand Slam main draw at 2020 Roland Garros (in autumn), falling 1r on both occasions
- Reached maiden WTA SF at 2019 Lausanne (l. Cornet)
- Reached QF at 2018 Lugano (l. Voegele)
- In 2017, made 2r in Tour-level debut at Budapest (as qualifier, l. Dodin); later in year, reached first career WTA Tour QF at Gstaad (l. Sorribes Tormo)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2016 Gstaad
- Lifted first ITF Circuit title in 2015 at Brno-CZE
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in Braunschweig, Germany in 2011
- Top 2025 finishes came indoors, winning third career WTA Tour title at Cluj-Napoca (d. Bronzetti in final) and reaching Linz QF (l. Muchova); in doubles, made Roland Garros QF (w/Danilovic)
- Posted best Grand Slam result in 2024 by reaching R16 at Roland Garros; also made SF of Birmingham and Cleveland and her first WTA 1000 QF at Indian Wells
- In 2023, won 2nd career WTA Tour singles title in Linz (d. Martic); also made SF at Stuttgart and Birmingham, and QF at Lyon, Miami and San Diego. Equaled her best Grand Slam result with 3r at Roland Garros and moved up ranking to peak at No. 21 on June 19
- Had a breakthrough year in 2022, where she won her first WTA Tour singles title at Istanbul (d. V. Kudermetova) and finished R-Up at Prague (l. Bouzkova); broke into Top 50 following Prague (August 1)
- In 2021, reached QFs at Dubai (l. Krejciikova), Birmingham (l. Jabeur) and Nur-Sultan (l. Peterson)
- Posted three straight QFs in 2020, at Acapulco, St. Petersburg and Monterrey; did not play after the tour's resumption in August
- Finished 2019 season ranked No.93 after a season highlighted by SF at Budapest (l. Vondrousova) and Jurmala (l. Sevastova), as well as her first Top 10 win over No.5 Kerber in Roland Garros 1r; also won 2nd career WTA Tour doubles title at Lausanne (w/Sizikova)
- In 2018, made her first two WTA Tour singles finals, finishing R-Up at Tashkent (as qualifier, l. Gasparyan) and Moscow River Cup (l. Danilovic); in doubles, won first WTA Tour title at 2018 Moscow River Cup (w/Zvonareva)
- Earned her first WTA Tour-level singles win at 2018 St. Petersburg (d. Maria in 1r, l. Wozniacki in 2r)
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Maria); at 16 years and three months, became youngest player to successfully navigate Slam qualifying since Ana Konjuh, who had just turned 16 when she did it at 2014 Australian Open
- On ITF Circuit owns one singles and two doubles titles
- Captured 2016 Wimbledon junior singles title, having to win final point three separate times after two challenge overrules - title lifted her to Junior World No.1. In junior doubles, posted two runner-up finishes at 2015 US Open and 2016 Roland Garros

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by father, Thomas
- Mother is Birgit. Brothers Tom and Richie are regular hitting partners
- Represents Hamburg's Club an der Alster in German tennis league
- Began playing tennis at age five

- Trains at Alexander Ostrovsky Academy in Khimki
- Grandmother, and former Russian national team coach, inspired her to start playing tennis
- Enjoys playing basketball