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SEMIFINALS – SATURDAY, APRIL 11

[1] Mirra Andreeva (#10) vs. Elena-Gabriela Ruse (ROU #87)

Andreeva leads 1-0

Andreeva:

- Making her Linz tournament debut this week
- Seeking a spot in the 6th WTA singles final of her career, and her 2nd of the year after her title run at Adelaide
- Won her first career WTA 500 title this season at Adelaide (d. Mboko in F); reached a further WTA 500 final at 2024 Ningbo (l. Kasatkina)
- She is a perfect 7-0 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Holds a 3-0 record vs. Romanians this year, having beaten today's opponent Ruse at the Australian Open, Cristian at Dubai, and Cirstea in her previous match this week
- Attempting to become the first Top 10 player to make the Linz final since No.10 Dominika Cibulkova won the 2016 title

Ruse:

- Making her Linz tournament debut this week
- Has reached her first SF since her runner-up finish at 2025 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Mertens in F)
- This week marks her first career WTA 500 QF and SF; she had previously reached R16 at WTA 500 events on 3 occasions, most recently 2022 Dubai (l. fellow Romanian Halep)
- Seeking her 3rd career Top 10 win; her two prior Top 10 wins were over No.5 Badosa at 2022 Dubai and No.8 Krejckova at 2024 US Open (0-4 vs. Top 10 players since 2024 US Open)
- Her one career WTA singles title came on clay, at Hamburg in July 2021 (d. Petkovic in F); she reached another WTA clay-court final later that month at Palermo (l. Collins in F)

Anastasia Potapova (AUT #97) vs. [Q] Donna Vekic (CRO #104)

Vekic leads 2-0

Potapova:

- Making her 4th appearance at Linz; she won the title here in her tournament debut in 2023 (d. Martic in F)
- She has made the quarterfinals or better in all four of her Linz appearances, having also posted QF finishes in 2024 (l. eventual runner-up Alexandrova) and 2025 (l. Muchova) – owns a 12-2 career win-loss record at Linz
- Attempting to become the first player representing Austria to reach the Linz final since the tournament joined the WTA Tour calendar in 1991 (Potapova was not representing Austria when she won this title in 2023)
- Has made her first SF since her title run at 2025 Cluj-Napoca (d. Bronzetti in F)
- Seeking her 7th career WTA singles final
- This week equals her career-best WTA 500 result, which was her SF run at 2023 Stuttgart (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)



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Vekic:

- Making her 7th main draw appearance at Linz, where her best previous result was reaching SF in 2024 (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
- Seeking a spot in her 15th career Tour-level singles final, and her 5th final at WTA 500-level
- Her career-best results at WTA 500 events are 4 runner-up finishes, most recently at 2024 Bad Homburg (l. Shnaider in final)
- Has reached her first Tour-level SF since making the 2024 Paris Olympics final (won silver medal, l. Zheng Qinwen in gold-medal final)
- Best result by Croatia at Linz was Petra Martic's runner-up finish in 2023 (l. Potapova in F)
- One of 4 qualifiers in this week's main draw and the only one to reach QF and beyond



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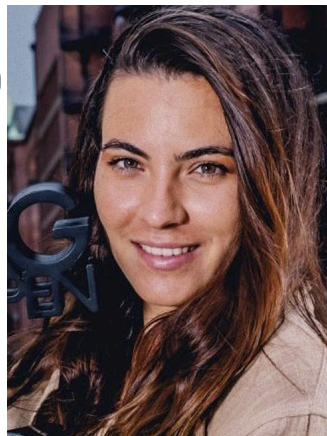
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**MIRRA
ANDREEVA (1)**

**ELENA-GABRIELA
RUSE**
ROMANIA

87

2007-04-29	Date of Birth	1997-11-06
	Residence	Bucharest, Romania
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed (double-handed backhand)
5' 9" (1.75m)	Height	5' 8" (1.73m)
5	Career-High Ranking	51
\$8,432,493	Career Prize Money	\$3,346,784
\$887,361	Season Prize Money	\$351,392
1 / 4	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 1
31-12 (Semi-Finalist: 2024 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	8-15 (Round of 32: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2024 US OPEN)
2-0 / 2-0 (Semi-Finalist: 2026)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	3-0 / 3-0 (Semi-Finalist: 2026)
16-6 / 104-47	YTD / Career W-L	6-7 / 54-73



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2026	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	3r	Mirra Andreeva	6-3 6-4	1h 35m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
7	-	2026	72	-
5	9	2025	56	99
16	16	2024	90	128
46	46	2023	103	125
405	405	2022	51	104
-	-	2021	83	85
-	-	2020	166	177
-	-	2019	171	182
-	-	2018	182	243
-	-	2017	209	265



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. S. STEPHENS (#552) 6-4 6-2 (1h 21m)
QF: d. S. CIRSTEAN (#29) 7-6 4-6 6-2 (2h 17m)

Total time on court: 3h 38m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making debut appearance at Linz
- The 18-year-old has posted a 16-6 win-loss record to start the year, including winning her 4th career WTA singles title at 2026 Adelaide
- Earned her first WTA 500 title this season at Adelaide (d. Mboko in F); reached a further WTA 500 final at Ningbo 2024 (l. Kasatkina)
- After 1r bye, defeated Sloane Stephens and No.5 seed Sorana Cirstea so far this week to make her 2nd SF of the year, after Adelaide title run
- Faces No.87 Elena-Gabriela Ruse in SF today; Andreeva is 7-0 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 4-0 career Tour-level record against players from Romania (3-0 in 2026: d. Cirstea in previous round; d. today's opponent Ruse at Australian Open; d. Cristian at Dubai)
- Seeking a spot in her 6th WTA singles final of career
- Best career result on clay is winning the WTA 250 Iasi title in 2024 (d. Avanesyan in F via ret.)
- Is No.1 seed this week; this is her third WTA tournament as No.1 seed after Iasi 2024 (won the title) and Ningbo 2025 (R16)
- Is currently ranked No.10; this time last year was ranked No.7. Reached a career-high ranking of No.5 on 14 July 2025
- One of 2 teenagers currently ranked inside the Top 10 of the PIF WTA Rankings (also 19-year-old Victoria Mboko, ranked No.9)
- Andreeva is attempting to become the first Top 10 player to make the Linz final since No.10 Dominika Cibulkova won the 2016 title

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. BOULTER (#62) 7-6 7-6 (2h 10m)
2r: d. D. YASTREMSKA (#49) 4-6 6-4 6-4 (2h 27m)
QF: d. J. OSTAPENKO (#23) 4-6 6-4 6-1 (2h 21m)

Total time on court: 6h 58m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Linz tournament debut
- Defeated Katie Boulter, Dayana Yastremska and No.4 seed Jelena Ostapenko to reach her first SF since R-Up finish at 2025 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Mertens in F)
- This week marks her first career WTA 500 QF and SF; she had previously reached R16 at WTA 500 events on 3 occasions, most recently 2022 Dubai (l. fellow Romanian Halep)
- Faces No.10 Mirra Andreeva in SF today; Ruse owns 2 wins in career over Top 10 players, defeating No.5 Badosa at 2022 Dubai and No.8 Krejcikova at 2024 US Open (0-4 vs. Top 10 players since 2024 US Open)
- Seeking a spot in her 5th career WTA singles final
- Her 1 career WTA singles title came on clay, at Hamburg in July 2021 (d. Petkovic in F); she reached another WTA clay-court final later that month at Palermo (l. Collins in F)
- Best result by Romania at Linz was R-Up finish by Jaqueline Cristian in 2021 (l. Riske-Amritraj in F)
- Before this year, 2021 was the last time Romanians reached the Linz SF: both Cristian (R-Up) and Simona Halep (SF)
- Is currently ranked No.87; this time last year was ranked No.90. Reached career-high ranking of No.51 in May 2022



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

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RUSE**

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached 4r at Miami (l. Mboko)
- Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Siniakova)
- Reached QF at Dubai (l. Anisimova)
- Made 3r at Doha (l. eventual R-Up Mboko)
- Reached 4r at Australian Open (l. Svitolina)
- Claimed Adelaide title (d. R-Up Mboko in F)
- Opened 2026 season at Brisbane with QF (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)

- Made 2r at Miami (l. Keys)
- Played 1r at Indian Wells (l. Tomljanovic)
- Fell in 1r at Dubai (as qualifier, l. Navarro)
- Played 1r at Cluj-Napoca (l. Masarova)
- Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. M.Andreeva)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (as qualifier, l. Kalinskaya)
- Played 1r at Brisbane (as qualifier, l. Kenin)



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RUSE**

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)
2026 - ADELAIDE
2025 - INDIAN WELLS, DUBAI
2024 - IASI 250
Runner-Up (1)
2024 - NINGBO

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)
2025 - MIAMI (w/Shnaider), BRISBANE
(w/Shnaider)

Runner-Up (1)
2024 - OLYMPICS (w/Shnaider)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)
2021 - HAMBURG

Runner-Up (3)
2025 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH
2023 - CLUJ-NAPOCA
2021 - PALERMO

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2019 - BUCHAREST (w/Cristian)

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



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RUSE**

CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025 won two WTA 1000 titles back-to-back at Dubai and Indian Wells - becoming the youngest WTA 1000 champion since the tournament tier began in 2009 at 17-years-old. Made her Top 10 debut in February before breaking into the Top 5 for the first time in July
- Won maiden WTA doubles title in 2025 with Diana Shnaider at Brisbane, followed by a second title at Miami and finished the 2025 season making her WTA Finals debut in doubles with Shnaider
- Reached first two WTA finals of career in 2024 winning the title at Iasi and finishing runner-up at Ningbo
- Made first Grand Slam semifinal at 2024 Roland Garros beating World No.2 Aryna Sabalenka in the quarterfinals
- Made Top 20 debut on October 8, 2024 finishing the year at World No.16; also won 2024 Paris Olympic silver medal in women's doubles with Diana Shnaider
- Opened 2023 season in April by winning 13 matches straight to claim back-to-back ITF titles in Switzerland; as WC, advanced to R16 at Madrid with wins over Fernandez, Haddad Maia and Linette (l. Sabalenka); subsequently made debut at Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Gauff in 3r), Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Keys in R16) and US Open (l. eventual champion Gauff in 2r)
- Also in 2023 reached R16 at Beijing (l. Rybakina), leading to Top 50 debut (started season just inside Top 300); voted WTA Newcomer of the Year
- In 2022, posted 39-9 win-loss record on ITF Circuit, winning first four titles at this level
- Fell in 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2022 Monastir (as WC, l. Potapova)
- Made professional debut at W15 ITF Circuit event at Sharm El-Sheikh in February 2022
- Owns six ITF Circuit singles titles
- As a junior, finished R-Up at 2023 Australian Open (l. Korneeva)
- Reached fourth career WTA final in 2025 at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Mertens); also reached SF at Rouen. Made a 3r run as a qualifier at Miami before losing to eventual champion Sabalenka. Registered first Roland Garros main draw win by defeating Kessler in the 1r (l. Badosa in 2r)
- Highlight of 2024 season was reaching first career Grand Slam third round at US Open earning second Top 10 win of career by beating No.8 Barbora Krejčíková in the second round; also reached quarterfinals at Rouen and semifinals at WTA 125 Paris and WTA 125 Hamburg
- 2023 highlight was reaching third WTA singles final of career, on home soil at Cluj-Napoca (l. Korpatsch)
- In 2022, reached 2r on nine occasions, including Australian Open (l. Kudermetova) and US Open (l. Gauff)
- During 2021 season, captured maiden WTA title at Hamburg (d. Petkovic in F) and finished R-Up at Palermo (l. Collins) - entered both tournaments as a qualifier
- Made Top 100 debut at No.99 on September 20, 2021
- Ended 2020 with her deepest ITF Circuit run of the season, at \$100k Dubai-UAE. Also reached two QFs at this level and fell in final round of qualifying at both Australian Open and Roland Garros
- Advanced to maiden WTA QF at 2019 Nottingham (as qualifier, l. Garcia)
- Fell in 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. A.Radwanska in 3s)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2016 Bucharest and scored first Tour-level win of career at 2017 Bucharest (d. Shinikova, l. Suarez Navarro)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2015 Bucharest
- Owner of six singles and 11 doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Played first professional events of career in Romania on ITF circuit in 2012

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Conchita Martinez
- Sister Erika is also a professional player
- Coached by Andrei Cociasu
- Formerly worked with Andrei Lulian Vespan
- Currently lives in Bucharest

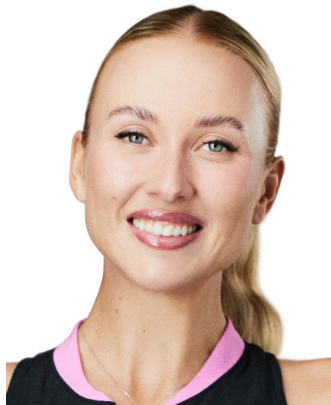
- Originally from Krasnoyarsk and began playing aged six, but moved to Sochi and then Cannes, France, with sister to set up training base with coaches Jean-Rene Lisnard and Jean-Christophe Faurel
- Favorite surface is clay
- Represented by IMG

- Her father has been a football player and her mom is a former gymnast
- Enjoys reading, movies, some times cooking desserts, listening to music on her phone handsets is relaxing
- Considers herself to be very ambitious



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**ANASTASIA
POTAPOVA**
AUSTRIA

**DONNA
(Q) VEKIC**
CROATIA

104

2001-03-30	Date of Birth	1996-06-28
Dubai, United Arab Emirates	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-Handed	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.75m)	Height	5' 10" (1.79m)
21	Career-High Ranking	17
\$5,622,772	Career Prize Money	\$10,411,628
\$311,124	Season Prize Money	\$194,593
0 / 3	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 4
21-24 (Round of 16: 2024 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	54-49 (Semi-Finalist: 2024 WIMBLEDON)
3-0 / 12-2 (Champion: 2023)	YTD / Career LINZ W-L (best)	2-0 / 7-6 (Semi-Finalist: 2026, 2024)
9-6 / 151-124	YTD / Career W-L	4-5 / 239-233



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(Q) VEKIC**

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2022	PARIS 125	CLAY	1r	Donna Vekic	6-2 6-4	1m
2021	WIMBLEDON	GRASS	1r	Donna Vekic	6-1 6-4	1h 9m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
50	-	2026	69	-
31	51	2025	17	72
27	35	2024	18	19
21	28	2023	20	23
43	43	2022	47	69
67	69	2021	29	67
81	100	2020	19	32
64	93	2019	19	19
93	94	2018	34	34
231	237	2017	45	56



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POTAPOVA**

**DONNA
(Q) VEKIC**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. ZHANG (#64) 6-4 6-4 (1h 43m)
2r: d. T. KORPATSCH (#109) 6-2 6-1 (1h 31m)
QF: d. L. TAGGER (#117) 7-6 6-0 (1h 35m)

Total time on court: 4h 49m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th appearance at Linz; she won the title here in her tournament debut in 2023 (d. Martic in F)
- Potapova has reached QF or better in all 4 of her Linz appearances - she posted QF finishes in 2024 (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova) and 2025 (l. Muchova)
- Holds a 12-2 career win-loss record at Linz
- This week equals her career-best WTA 500 result, which was her SF run at 2023 Stuttgart (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)
- Defeated Zhang Shuai, Tamara Korpatsch and Lilli Tagger to make her first SF since her title run at 2025 Cluj-Napoca (d. Bronzetti in F)
- Seeking her 7th career WTA singles final
- Faces No.104 Donna Vekic in SF today; Potapova is 5-1 in Tour-level matches this year vs. players ranked outside Top 100 (the 1 loss was to No.107 Birrell at Adelaide)
- Attempting to become the first player representing Austria to reach the Linz final since the tournament joined the WTA Tour calendar in 1991 (Potapova was not representing Austria when she won the title in 2023)
- Owns 3-3 career Tour-level record against players from Croatia (first meeting vs. a Croatian this year)
- Career-best result on clay is winning the 2022 Istanbul title (d. V.Kudermetova in F)
- Is currently ranked No.97; this time last year was ranked No.38. Reached career-high ranking of No.21 in June 2023

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. VOLYNETS (#88) 6-3 3-6 6-4 (2h 13m)
2r: d. A. KALININA (#120) walkover (0m)
QF: d. K. PLISKOVA (#258) 7-5 6-4 (1h 26m)

Total time on court: 3h 39m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th main draw appearance at Linz, where her best previous result was reaching SF in 2024 (l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
- Seeking a spot in her 15th career WTA singles final, and her 5th final at WTA 500-level
- She has been a WTA 500 runner-up on 4 occasions: 2019 St. Petersburg (l. Bertens in F), 2022 San Diego (l. Swiatek in F), 2023 Berlin (l. Kvitova in F) and 2024 Bad Homburg (l. Shnaider in F)
- Advanced past Katie Volynets, Anhelina Kalinina (via walkover) and Karolina Pliskova to reach her first Tour-level SF since making the 2024 Paris Olympics final (won silver medal, l. Zheng Qinwen in gold-medal final)
- Faces No.97 Anastasia Potapova in SF today; Vekic is 3-2 in Tour-level matches this year vs. players ranked outside Top 50
- Owns 2-0 career Tour-level record against players from Austria (first meeting vs. an Austrian this year)
- Career-best Tour-level result on clay is her R-Up finish at the 2024 Paris Olympics
- Best result by Croatia at Linz was Petra Martic's R-Up finish in 2023 (l. Potapova in F)
- One of 4 main draw qualifiers this week and the only one to reach the QF and beyond
- Best result by a qualifier at Linz was R-Up finish by Ekaterina Alexandrova in 2018 (additionally, 2019 champion Coco Gauff and 2021 R-Up Jaqueline Cristian were both lucky losers)
- Is currently ranked No.104; this time last year was ranked No.20. Reached career-high ranking of No.17 in January 2025



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

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

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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**ANASTASIA
POTAPOVA**

**DONNA
(Q) VEKIC**

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- 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)

- 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
40	40	Aces	35	45
57.8%	69	First serve %	59.4%	0
62.8%	53	First Serve points won %	64.9%	0
42.9%	65	Second serve points won %	40.7%	0
54.4%	69	Overall service points won %	55.1%	0
62.7%	60	Service games won %	65.7%	0
61.8%	10	Break points saved %	54.3%	0
39.7%	8	First serve return points won %	31.4%	0
53.0%	58	Second serve return points won %	55.2%	0
45.8%	39	Break points converted %	38.6%	0
39.5%	14	Return games won %	25.2%	0
44.8%	22	Return points won %	39.7%	0



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

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)

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

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- 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. Krejckikova), 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
- 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), equaling 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

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

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

- 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