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DAY 1 – SUNDAY, AUGUST 2

Kamilla Rakhimova (UZB #82) vs. [WC] Venus Williams (USA #664)

First meeting

Rakhimova:

- Making 2nd appearance at the Canadian Open, on her debut in 2025 she made 2r (as a qualifier, d. Cross in 1r, l. Svitolina in 2r)
- Her Tour-level record in opening round matches this season stands at 7-5; most recent was 1r win at Wimbledon (d. Kalinina in 1r, l. Sakkari in 2r)
- She has won 7 Tour-level main draw matches so far this season; with her best result coming at London, where she reached the quarterfinals (as a lucky loser, l. Raducanu)
- Owns 9-6 career record against wild cards; she is 2-0 in 2026 with wins over Dart at London and Andreescu at Indian Wells
- Best career results on hard court are QF finishes at 2024 Jiujiang, 2024 Guadalajara and 2022 Melbourne

Williams:

- Making her 13th main draw appearance at the Canadian Open; only Nathalie Tauziat (14) has more Canadian Open appearances in the Open Era
- She is a former Canadian Open finalist, finishing runner-up here in 2014 (l. Radwanska in F)
- Owns three WTA 1000 titles (2009 & 2010 Dubai, 2015 Wuhan) and reached a further three finals (2010 Madrid, 2010 Miami, 2014 Montreal)
- Contesting her 10th singles main draw of the 2026 season; and is seeking her first singles win since 2025 Washington (d. Stearns in 1r)
- 31 of her 49 career singles titles have come on hard court, including two Grand Slam hard court trophies at 2000 & 2001 US Open

[Q] Aoi Ito (JPN #235) vs. [WC] Katherine Sebov (CAN #231)

First meeting

Ito:

- Making 2nd appearance at the Canadian Open, where she reached 3r last year (l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- She earned her first career Top 10 win by defeating No.9 Paolini in 2r here last year
- Seeking her first Tour-level win of the year after opening round losses at Wimbledon and Athens
- Career-best Tour-level result on hard court is SF at 2024 Osaka (l. eventual R-Up Birrell)
- This is her 6th career WTA 1000 main draw; her best WTA 1000 performances are R32 finishes at 2025 Montreal and 2025 Cincinnati

Sebov:

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at this tournament; she fell 1r in 2022 (l. Putintseva)
- Played her first Tour-level match of the year last week at Memphis (as qualifier, l. Kalieva in 1r)
- This is her 3rd career WTA 1000 main draw; she owns one career WTA 1000 main draw match win, having defeated L.Fruhvirtova in 2023 Miami 1r (l. Pegula in 2r)
- Two Canadians have won this tournament in the last 7 years: Bianca Andreescu in 2019 (d. S.Williams in F via ret.) and Victoria Mboko last year (d. Osaka in F)

Nikola Bartunkova (CZE #41) vs. [WC] Bianca Andreescu (CAN #174)

First meeting

Bartunkova:

- Making her debut at the National Bank Open
- Contesting just the second WTA 1000 main draw of her career; made her WTA 1000 debut earlier this season in Rome, where she advanced to the R16 as a lucky loser and notched her second career Top 20 victory by defeating No.19 Keys in the R32
- She is 7-2 so far this season in Tour-level main draw opening matches, most recent 1r win was over Yuan Yue at Prague
- Owns 1-2 Tour-level record against former Grand Slam champions, with a win over Keys at 2026 Rome, and losses to Krejčíková at 2026 Wimbledon and Sabalenka at 2026 Berlin
- Best career result on hard court is SF at 2025 Guadalajara (as a WC, l. eventual champion Jovic)
- Is currently ranked at a new career-high of No.41; this time last year was ranked No.328
- Bartunkova has won 12 Tour-level main draw matches this season (six on hard court); her best results are QF runs at Ostrava (l. Parry) and Berlin (l. Sabalenka)

Andreescu:

- Making 8th appearance at the Canadian Open; she is a former champion, winning the title here in 2019 (d. S. Williams via ret. in F)
- Has recorded 10 main draw wins at the Canadian Open, her third-most at any Tour-level event behind the US Open (12) and Miami (11); eight of those 10 main draw wins have come here in Toronto
- Owns two WTA 1000 titles, the first coming at 2019 Indian Wells (as a WC, d. Kerber in F) and the second here at Toronto also in 2019
- Following her title run here in 2019, she captured the 2019 US Open crown (d. S. Williams in F), claiming what remains the first and only Grand Slam title of her career
- Has won two Tour-level matches so far this season, defeating Galfi in 1r at Charleston and Kenin in 1r at Rome
- Is one of the three Canadians that have claimed the title at the Canadian Open in the Open Era, alongside Faye Urban in 1969 and Victoria Mboko last season

Yulia Putintseva (KAZ #81) vs. Zhang Shuai (CHN #57)

Putintseva leads 7-2

Putintseva:

- Making 9th main draw appearance at this tournament with her best result posted in 2022 with QF (l. Pegula)
- Holds a 12-5 record at Tour-level this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Her best WTA 1000 results are 4 QF runs at 2020 Rome, 2022 Toronto, 2024 Miami and 2024 Madrid
- Her top Tour-level result of the year is QF at Iasi (l. eventual champion Sherif); she also reached R16 at this year's Australian Open (l. Jovic)
- Has won her last 7 meetings vs. today's opponent Zhang, most recently at 2025 Charleston

Zhang:

- Making 9th main draw appearance at this tournament with best of R32 in 2018, 2019 and 2022
- All of her 3 career titles have come on hard court: 2013 Guangzhou (d. V.King in F), 2017 Guangzhou (d. Krunić in F) and 2022 Lyon (d. Yastremska in F)
- Her best WTA 1000 results are 5 QFs at 2014 Rome, 2016 Beijing, 2018 Beijing, 2022 Cincinnati and 2024 Beijing
- Her top Tour-level result of the year is SF run at Merida (l. eventual R-Up Frech)



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UZBEKISTAN

**VENUS
(WC) WILLIAMS**
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

664

2001-08-28	Date of Birth	1980-06-17
	Residence	Palm Beach Gardens, FL, USA
Right-handed (double-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 6" (1.70m)	Height	6' 1" (1.85m)
60	Career-High Ranking	1
\$3,706,203	Career Prize Money	\$43,095,580
\$679,193	Season Prize Money	\$228,216
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 49
11-18 (Round of 32: 2025 WIMBLEDON; 2023 ROLAND GARROS; 2021 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	271-87 (Champion: 2008 WIMBLEDON; 2007 WIMBLEDON; 2005 WIMBLEDON; 2001 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON; 2000 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON)
0-0 / 1-1 (Round of 64: 2025)	YTD / Career TORONTO W-L (best)	0-0 / 10-12 (Runner-Up: 2014)
7-12 / 55-85	YTD / Career W-L	0-8 / 781-286



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

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

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
65	-	2026	458	-
60	110	2025	564	572
61	64	2024	406	970
65	95	2023	404	407
90	93	2022	312	1010
104	117	2021	76	313
152	155	2020	52	78
201	201	2019	34	53
888	890	2018	5	40
-	-	2017	5	5



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

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Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at the Canadian Open, on her debut in 2025 she made 2r (as a qualifier, d. Cross in the 1r, l. Svitolina in 2r) Contesting
- 15th WTA 1000 main draw of her career; she is yet to reach the 3r at the WTA 1000 level
- Her Tour-level record in opening round matches this season stands at 7-5, most recent was 1r win at Wimbledon (d. Kalinina in 1r, l. Sakkari in 2r)
- Faces No.664 Venus Williams in 1r today; she's 3-1 so far this season in Tour-level main draw matches against opponents ranked outside the Top 100, most recent was a win over No.160 Dart at London. Her sole loss came against No.110 Kalinina at Madrid
- Owns 6-12 career record against players from United States of America, 1-4 this season with sole win coming over Kalieva at Rouen
- Owns 9-6 career record against wild cards, 2-0 in 2026 with wins over Dart at London and Andreescu at Indian Wells
- Best career results on hard court are QF finishes at 2024 Jiujiang, 2024 Guadalajara and 2022 Melbourne
- Is currently ranked No.82; this time last year was ranked No.62. Reached a career-high ranking of No.60 in December 2024
- She's won 7 Tour-level main draw matches so far this season; with her best result coming at London where she reached quarterfinals (as a LL, l. Raducanu)
- Her best results on hard court this season are 2r runs at Miami and Indian Wells

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 13th main draw appearance at the Canadian Open, only Nathalie Tauziat (14) has more appearances in the Open Era
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- Contesting her 10th singles main draw of the 2026 season; and is seeking her first singles win since 2025 Washington (d. Stearns in 1r)
- As a wild card, faces No.82 Kamilla Rakhimova in 1r today
- Owns 1-0 career record against players representing Uzbekistan, after defeating Akgul Amanmuradova at 2011 Wimbledon
- 31 of her 49 career singles titles have come on hard court, including two Grand Slam hard court trophies at 2000 & 2001 US Open
- The most recent American to win the title here at the Canadian Open was Jessica Pegula in 2024
- One of 8 players to receive a wild card into this year's draw alongside Arseneault, Andreescu, Brace, Sebov, Zhao, Marino and Cross Best
- results by wild cards at the Canadian Open are Champion runs by Victoria Mboko in 2025 and Monica Seles in 1997 and 1995
- The former World No.1 who turned 46 in June is currently ranked No.664; this time last year was ranked No.643
- Reached World No.1 ranking for the first time on February 25, 2002, and held the top spot for a total of 11 weeks



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 62	Seed: -
2r	L	E. SVITOLINA (#13) 7-5 6-2	
1r	W	K. CROSS (#262) 4-6 6-3 6-2	

2023	Result	Rank: 527	Seed: -
1r	L	M. KEYS (#15) 6-2 7-5	
2022	Result	Rank: 1556	Seed: -
1r	L	J. TEICHMANN (#21) 6-2 6-3	
2019	Result	Rank: 56	Seed: -
1r	L	C. SUÁREZ NAVARRO (#26) 6-4 6-2	
2018	Result	Rank: 14	Seed: 13
3r	L	S. HALEP (#1) 6-2 6-2	
2r	W	S. CIRSTEA (#54) 7-6(4) 6-4	
1r	W	C. DOLEHIDE (#124) 7-5 6-1	
2017	Result	Rank: 9	Seed: 9
3r	L	E. SVITOLINA (#5) 6-2 6-1	
2r	W	K. SINIAKOVA (#40) 7-5 7-5	
1r	W	I. BEGU (#59) 6-1 3-6 6-3	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 2r at Wimbledon (l. Sakkari)
 - Reached QF at London (as LL, l. eventual R-Up Raducanu)
 - Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Muchova)
 - Fell in 1r at Madrid (l. Kalinina) and Rome (l. Ruzic)
 - Made 2r at Rouen (l. Li)
 - Played 2r at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. Gauff)
 - Made 2r at Austin (l. Selekhtmeteva)
 - Fell in 1r at Dubai (as LL, l. Jovic)
 - Played 1r at Cluj-Napoca (l. eventual champion Cirstea)
 - Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. Gauff)
- Played 1r at Washington DC (as a WC, l. Potapova)
 - Fell 1r at Bad Homburg (as WC, l. Begu in 3rd-set TB)
 - Played 1r at Madrid (as WC, l. Quevedo)
 - Fell in 1r at Miami (as WC, l. Jones)
 - Played 1r at Indian Wells (as WC, l. Parry)
 - Fell in 1r at Austin (as WC, l. Tomljanovic)
 - Played 1r at Australian Open (as WC, l. Danilovic)
 - Fell in 1r at Hobart (as WC, l. Maria)
 - Played 1r at Auckland (as WC, l. Linette)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
25	100	Aces	34	84
58.2%	80	First serve %	60.8%	0
61.6%	65	First Serve points won %	66.8%	0
43.0%	73	Second serve points won %	36.0%	0
53.8%	84	Overall service points won %	54.7%	0
59.3%	81	Service games won %	61.0%	0
52.4%	71	Break points saved %	56.4%	0
34.7%	70	First serve return points won %	30.4%	0
60.0%	5	Second serve return points won %	46.7%	0
50.0%	12	Break points converted %	40.4%	0
37.0%	33	Return games won %	17.6%	0
44.6%	34	Return points won %	36.3%	0



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TITLES

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (4)

2026 - CLUJ-NAPOCA (w/Sorribes Tormo)
2024 - BOGOTA (w/Bucsa)
2021 - LINZ (w/Dzalamidze), MELBOURNE 250
(w/Raina)

Runner-Up (4)

2024 - GUADALAJARA 500 (w/Kalashnikova)
2022 - CLUJ-NAPOCA (w/Sizikova), ISTANBUL
(w/Dzalamidze)
2021 - PALERMO (w/Dzalamidze)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (49)

2016 - KAOHSIUNG
2015 - ZHUHAI, WUHAN, AUCKLAND
2014 - DUBAI
2012 - LUXEMBOURG
2010 - ACAPULCO, DUBAI
2009 - ACAPULCO, DUBAI
2008 - TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS, ZURICH,
WIMBLEDON
2007 - SEOUL, WIMBLEDON, MEMPHIS
2005 - WIMBLEDON, ISTANBUL
2004 - WARSAW, CHARLESTON
2003 - ANTWERP
2002 - NEW HAVEN, SAN DIEGO, STANFORD,
AMELIA ISLAND, ANTWERP, PARIS, GOLD COAST
2001 - US OPEN, NEW HAVEN, SAN DIEGO,
WIMBLEDON, HAMBURG, MIAMI
2000 - OLYMPICS, US OPEN, NEW HAVEN, SAN
DIEGO, STANFORD, WIMBLEDON
1999 - ZURICH, NEW HAVEN, ROME, HAMBURG,
MIAMI, OKLAHOMA CITY
1998 - MUNICH - GRAND SLAM CUP, MIAMI,
OKLAHOMA CITY

Runner-Up (34)

2017 - WTA FINALS, WIMBLEDON, AUSTRALIAN
OPEN
2016 - STANFORD
2014 - QUEBEC CITY, MONTREAL, AUCKLAND
2010 - MADRID, MIAMI
2009 - TOUR CHAMPIONSHIPS, STANFORD,
WIMBLEDON
2007 - TOKYO - JAPAN OPEN
2005 - STANFORD, ANTWERP
2004 - STANFORD, BERLIN
2003 - WIMBLEDON, WARSAW, AUSTRALIAN OPEN
2002 - US OPEN, WIMBLEDON, FRENCH OPEN,
HAMBURG
2000 - LINZ
1999 - MUNICH - GRAND SLAM CUP, SAN DIEGO,
STANFORD, HANNOVER
1998 - ZURICH, STANFORD, ROME, SYDNEY
1997 - US OPEN



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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r	2r	2r		2026	1r			
1r	1r	3r	2r	2025				1r
2r	1r		1r	2024				
1r	3r	1r	1r	2023			1r	1r
	1r		1r	2022				1r
			3r	2021	2r	1r	2r	
	2r			2020	1r	1r		1r
				2019	3r	1r	1r	2r
				2018	1r	1r	3r	3r
				2017	RUP	4r	RUP	SF
				2016	1r	4r	SF	4r
				2015	QF	1r	4r	QF
				2014	1r	2r	3r	3r
				2013	3r	1r		2r
				2012		2r	1r	2r
				2011	3r		4r	2r
				2010	QF	4r	QF	SF
				2009	2r	3r	RUP	4r
				2008	QF	3r	WON	QF
				2007		3r	WON	SF
				2006	1r	QF	3r	
				2005	4r	3r	WON	QF
				2004	3r	QF	2r	4r
				2003	RUP	4r	RUP	
				2002	QF	RUP	RUP	RUP
				2001	SF	1r	WON	WON
				2000		QF	WON	WON
				1999	QF	4r	QF	SF
				1998	QF	QF	QF	SF
				1997		2r	1r	RUP



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlights in 2025 include achieving her best career result on grass with QF at Eastbourne (as a qualifier, l. Pavlyuchenkova), defeating No.5 Paolini to reach 3r at Wimbledon for her first Top 10 win and closing out the season with a WTA 125 title at Angers
- Strong 2024 saw her lift WTA 125 title at Guadalajara and breakthrough performances at Bogota and Rabat with semifinals; also made quarterfinals at WTA 500 Guadalajara and Jiujiang reaching a career high of No.61 in October
- Best results of 2023 were SF at Bogota (l. Stearns) and 3r at Roland Garros (l. Sabalenka). Achieved R-Up at WTA 125 Stanford and SF at WTA 125 Tampico in singles and champion in doubles (w/Tikhonova).
- Opened 2022 season by reaching maiden WTA QF at Melbourne Summer Set 2 (as qualifier, l. Li). On clay, reached SF at Bogota (l. eventual champion Maria), while won two ITF Circuit hard-court titles in second half of season
- Broke into Top 100 for the first time on August 22, 2022, following title run at W60 ITF Circuit event at the Bronx
- Advanced to 3r at 2021 US Open (as qualifier, l. Krejčíková). Also made 2r at St. Petersburg, Belgrade and Lausanne
- Won two doubles title in 2021 at Phillip Island Trophy (w/Raina, d. Blinkova/Potapova in F) and Linz (w/Dzalamidze, d. Wang/Zheng)
- Reached 2r on Grand Slam debut at 2020 Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Sakkari); 1r win over No.55 Rogers was both the best-by-ranking of her career and also first at Tour level
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2019 Jurmala (as WC, l. Marcinkėvica)
- Owns seven singles and six doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Kazakhstan in 2016
- Played three WTA events in 2025, at Washington DC, Cincinnati and US Open; went 1-3 with a win over No.35 Peyton Stearns at Washington DC. In doubles, reached the quarterfinals at the US Open (w/Fernandez)
In the 2024 season, played 1r at Indian Wells and Miami
- In the 2023 season, made 2r at Auckland, Birmingham and WTA 1000 Cincinnati
- In 2022, fell 1r at Washington DC, Toronto, Cincinnati and US Open
- Reached four QFs across 2019, including Auckland (l. eventual R-Up Andreescu), Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Kerber), Birmingham (l. eventual champion Barty) and Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Keys)
- Scored her best win of the 2019 season at Indian Wells, ousting No.3 Kvitová in 3s. Also defeated defending champion and then-ranked No.5 Bertens in Cincinnati
- Season highlights in 2018 were SF run at Indian Wells (d. S.Williams in 3r, l. eventual R-Up Kasatkina) and QF effort at Miami (l. Collins)
- Winnings at Indian Wells took her career total past \$40 million - S.Williams (\$92 million) is the only other player to pass this milestone
- Teamed up in Fed Cup for Serena's first competitive match back since giving birth in September 2017 (played dead doubles rubber, l. Kerkhove/Schuurs)
- Ended 2017 season as runner-up at WTA Finals (l. Wozniacki) - the oldest player to ever reach the title bout at the season finale
- Reached two other finals in 2017, at Australian Open (l. S.Williams) and Wimbledon (l. Muguruza) - only player in 2017 to reach two Grand Slam finals
- Shortly after her 37th birthday, returned to Top 10 by reaching 2017 Wimbledon final, becoming (at the time) the third oldest player to rank in Top 10 in WTA history behind Billie Jean King (September 26, 1983 - 39 years, 322 days) and Martina Navratilova (December 26, 1994 - 38 years, 75 days); also surpassed by 37-year-old Serena in February 2019
During 2016 season won 49th career singles title at Kaohsiung (d. Doi). Is sixth-oldest player to win a WTA singles title, after Billie Jean King (39) at 1983 Birmingham, Kimiko Date (38) at 2009 Seoul, Serena Williams (38) at 2020 Auckland, Martina Navratilova (37) at 1994 Paris [Indoor] and Francesca Schiavone (36) at 2017 Bogotá

- With 49 titles, currently 11th on list of Open Era titleholders, chasing Monica Seles (53 titles)
- At Grand Slam level in 2016, advanced to SF at Wimbledon (l. Kerber) which was first time reaching that stage at a major since 2010 US Open
- At 2016 Rio Olympics won silver medal in the mixed doubles (w/Ram, L. Mattek-Sands/Sock)
- Returned to Top 10 for first time since March 2011 following victory in final of the 2015 WTA Elite Trophy
- Was diagnosed with Sjögrens Syndrome in 2011, missing the end of that season and start of 2012
- Won singles gold medal at 2000 Sydney Olympics (d. Dementieva in F); won doubles gold three times with sister Serena, at Sydney, Beijing and London
- Lifted four titles - including first two majors at Wimbledon and US Open, beating Davenport in both finals - in 2000
- Spent 11 weeks at World No.1 in singles (first ascended to top spot week of February 25, 2002) and topped the doubles rankings for eight weeks in 2010
- Lifted maiden WTA title at 1998 Memphis (d. Kruger in F)
- First career final came at 1997 US Open (l. Hingis)
- Made WTA main draw debut at Oakland in 1994; as unranked WC, defeated Stafford in 1r before falling to then-world No.2 Sánchez Vicario in three sets

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Yulia Pilchikova
- Started playing tennis aged five
- Favorite surface is hard

- Currently coached by Hugo Armando; Previously coached by Eric Hechtman
- Sisters are Serena, Isha (lawyer, singer), Lyndrea (actress, singer, stylist, computer science major) and Yetunde (deceased September 14, 2003); is a Jehovah's Witness, along with sisters and mother
- Full name is Venus Ebony Starr Williams
- After being diagnosed with Sjögren's Syndrome in 2011, adopted a vegan/raw foods diet to help decrease inflammation in her body and reduce energy-sapping symptoms of the disease (is a self-described "cheagan")
- Interior design company is V Starr Interiors (www.vstarrinteriors.com); clothing line is EleVen; has written several books, most recently "Come To Win" in 2010
- Favorite tennis players growing up included Pete Sampras, Boris Becker and Monica Seles; favorite players now include Serena Williams, Roger Federer, Rafael Nadal, Gael Monfils and Bernard Tomic
- Loves karaoke (favorite songs to sing are 6 Underground by the Sneaker Pimps, Stupid Girl by Garbage, Call Me by Blondie, Gold Dust Woman by Fleetwood Mac, Tom Sawyer by Rush and Barracuda by Heart)
- Favorite books include "I Am Number Four" by Pittacus Lore, the Fablehaven series by Brandon Mull, the Harry Potter series by JK Rowling, comic books (especially DC) and the Bible
- Favorite cities are Palm Beach Gardens, Rome, Hong Kong and Paris
- Favorite designers are Ralph Lauren, Armani, Matthew Williamson and Dolce & Gabbana
- Also enjoys art, Asian antiques, dancing, writing poetry, sewing, studying new subjects, getting the mail and receiving packages, being at home and playing the guitar



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KATHERINE
(WC) SEBOV **231**
CANADA

2004-05-21	Date of Birth		1999-01-05
	Residence		
Right-Handed	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	
	Height		
82	Career-High Ranking		136
\$689,273	Career Prize Money		\$648,444
\$187,076	Season Prize Money		\$122,997
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career		0 / 0
0-2 (Round of 128: 2026 WIMBLEDON; 2025 WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	0-1 (Round of 128: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	
0-0 / 2-1 (Round of 32: 2025)	YTD / Career TORONTO W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-1 (Round of 64: 2022)	
0-2 / 7-11	YTD / Career W-L		0-1 / 3-8



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ITO (Q)

KATHERINE
(WC) SEBOV

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

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

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
118	-	2026	212	-
82	115	2025	266	268
151	157	2024	141	360
386	417	2023	136	146
724	724	2022	222	222
-	-	2021	250	344
-	-	2020	229	270
-	-	2019	192	256
-	-	2018	217	219
-	-	2017	242	270



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at this tournament, where she reached 3r last year (l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- Last year at this tournament, she earned her first career Top 10 win by defeating No.9 Paolini in 2r
- Qualified for this year's main draw with a three-set victory over Selekhmeteva
- Faces No.231 Katherine Sebov in 1r today; Ito is seeking her first Tour-level win of the year after opening-round losses at Wimbledon and Athens
- First Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Canada
- Career-best Tour-level result on hard court is SF run at 2024 Osaka (l. eventual R-Up Birrell)
- This is her 6th career WTA 1000 main draw; her best WTA 1000 performances are R32 finishes at 2025 Montreal and 2025 Cincinnati
- One of 3 players from Japan in the main draw (also No.11 seed Osaka and Uchijima)
- Best result by Japan at this tournament was Naomi Osaka's R-Up finish last year (l. Mboko in F)
- Is currently ranked No.235; this time last year was ranked No.110. Reached career-high ranking of No.82 in August 2025
- Did not play in 2025 after the US Open (withdrew from events in September 2025 due to injury); returned to action in March of 2026

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at this tournament; she fell 1r in 2022 (l. Putintseva)
- Faces No.235 Aoi Ito in 1r today; this is Sebov's 2nd Tour-level match of the year
- Sebov played her first Tour-level match of the year last week at Memphis (as qualifier, l. Kalieva in 1r)
- First Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Japan
- Career-best Tour-level result on hard court is a R16 showing at 2022 Granby (l. eventual R-Up Saville)
- This is her 3rd career WTA 1000 main draw; she owns one career WTA 1000 main draw match-win, having defeated L.Fruhvirtova in 2023 Miami 1r (l. Pegula in 2r)
- One of 8 players from Canada in the main draw
- Two Canadians have won this tournament in the last 7 years: Bianca Andreescu in 2019 (d. S.Williams in F via ret.) and Victoria Mboko last year (d. Osaka in F)
- Most recent wild card to win this tournament was Mboko last year
- Is currently ranked No.231; this time last year was ranked No.296. Reached career-high ranking of No.136 in April 2023
- Winner of this match will face No.10 seed Marta Kostyuk in 2r



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 110	Seed: -
3r	L	J. BOUZAS MANEIRO (#51) 4-6 7-5 6-3	
2r	W	J. PAOLINI (#9) 2-6 7-5 7-6(5)	
1r	W	K. VOLYNETS (#108) 6-2 2-6 6-2	

2022	Result	Rank: 299	Seed: -
1r	L	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#46) 3-6 6-2 7-5	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Fell 1r at Athens (as a qualifier, L. Korneeva)
 - Played 1r at Wimbledon (L. Yastremska)
- Fell in 1r at Memphis (as a qualifier, L. Kalieva)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
3	206	Aces	0	0
67.4%	0	First serve %	67.6%	0
45.0%	0	First Serve points won %	52.0%	0
53.4%	0	Second serve points won %	37.5%	0
47.8%	0	Overall service points won %	47.3%	0
44.0%	0	Service games won %	50.0%	0
54.8%	0	Break points saved %	37.5%	0
34.6%	0	First serve return points won %	22.6%	0
55.0%	0	Second serve return points won %	45.0%	0
56.3%	0	Break points converted %	40.0%	0
37.5%	0	Return games won %	22.2%	0
43.3%	0	Return points won %	31.4%	0



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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, reached 3r at WTA 1000 events in Montreal and Cincinnati (d. No.9 Paolini in Montreal for first career Top 10 win); also made Grand Slam main draw debut at Wimbledon and won first career WTA 125 title at Canberra
 - Made Top 100 debut on May 5, 2025, and reached career-high ranking of No.82 on August 18, 2025
 - In 2024, produced a breakthrough performance at Osaka, reaching SF as a qualifier. Her ranking climbed into the Top 150 for the first time and peaked at No.127 in December after earning her fourth career ITF title at W100 Takasaki
 - Claimed first ITF title in 2023 at W15 Kashiwa and played qualifying at Tour event in Osaka
 - Began on the ITF circuit in 2021 at 17 years old
- During 2025, won two World Tennis/ITF titles at W35 Monastir and W35 Naples, FL; qualified for WTA 500 Charleston (l. Volynets in 1r); improved ranking from No.367 to No.248 by year end
 - In 2024, qualified for WTA 125s Canberra and Oeiras and reached Q3 at Australian Open (l. Marino)
 - In 2023, made Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Garcia); also qualified at Miami (l. Pegula in 2r) and Charleston (l. Bencic in 2r); won two singles titles on ITF Circuit and reached peak ranking of No.136 on April 10, 2023
 - Ended 2022 just outside Top 200 after winning 13 of last 15 matches, including a title run at W25 ITF Circuit tournament in Tauranga and QF at WTA 125K Series event in Midland
 - Also in 2022, made 2r at Granby (as WC, l. Saville) and fell 1r at Toronto (as WC, l. Putintseva)
 - Best result in 2021 was QF run at W25 ITFCircuit event in Boca Raton
 - Fell 1r on WTA main-draw debut at 2021 Chicago[250] (as WC, l. Kostyuk)
 - Made WTA qualifying debut at 2015 Toronto
 - Owns three titles in singles and one in doubles on ITF Circuit

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by mother Oksana Petrovska
- Born in Toronto of Ukrainian descent



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41 **NIKOLA
BARTUNKOVA**
CZECH REPUBLIC

**BIANCA
(WC) ANDREESCU** **174**
CANADA

2006-02-25	Date of Birth	2000-06-16
	Residence	Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)
41	Career-High Ranking	4
\$978,785	Career Prize Money	\$10,045,016
\$772,160	Season Prize Money	\$253,736
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 3
4-3 (Round of 32: 2026 WIMBLEDON, AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	26-16 (Champion: 2019 US OPEN)
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / Career TORONTO W-L (best)	0-0 / 10-5 (Champion: 2019)
12-9 / 16-14	YTD / Career W-L	2-6 / 109-75



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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
41	-	2026	127	-
130	130	2025	99	227
226	488	2024	91	132
263	270	2023	27	92
283	283	2022	43	45
751	784	2021	5	46
-	-	2020	4	7
-	-	2019	4	5
-	-	2018	173	178
-	-	2017	143	182



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her debut at the National Bank Open
- Contesting just the second WTA 1000 main draw of her career. Made her WTA 1000 debut earlier this season in Rome, where she advanced to the R16 as a lucky loser and notched her second career Top 20 victory by defeating No.19 Keys in the R32
- Made her Grand Slam main draw debut at this year's Australian Open, where she advanced to the 3r as a qualifier and recorded her maiden Top 10 victory with a 2r win over No.10 Bencic
- She's 7-2 so far this season in Tour-level main draw opening matches, most recent 1r win was over Yuan Yue at Prague
- Faces No.174 Bianca Andreescu in 1r today; Bartunkova is 3-2 so far this season at Tour-level against opponents ranked outside the Top 100, most recent was a win over No.121 Yuan Yue at Prague
- Owns 0-1 career Tour-level main draw record against players from Canada, with a loss to Mboko at this year's Roland Garros
- Owns 1-2 career Tour-level record against wild cards, with a win over Grant at 2026 Rome, and losses to Townsend at 2026 Austin and Sonobe at 2025 Tokyo
- Best career result on hard court is SF run at 2025 Guadalajara (as a WC, l. eventual champion Jovic)
- Best result by Czech Republic at the Canadian Open was Champion run by Petra Kvitova in 2012
- Is currently ranked at a new career-high of No.41; this time last year was ranked No.328
- She's won 12 Tour-level main draw matches so far this season (6 on hard court), her best results so far this season are QF showings at Ostrava on hard court (l. Parry), and at Berlin on the grass (l. Sabalenka)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 8th appearance at the Candadian Open, she is a former champion, winning the title here in 2019 (d. S. Williams via ret. in F)
- Andreescu owns two WTA 1000 titles, the first coming at 2019 Indian Wells (as a WC, d. Kerber in F) and the second here at Toronto also in 2019
- Following her title run here in 2019, she captured the 2019 US Open crown (d. S. Williams in F), claiming what remains the first and only Grand Slam singles title of her career
- She owns two Tour-level wins so far this season, defeating Galfi in 1r at Charleston and Kenin in 1r at Rome
- Faces No.41 Nikola Bartunkova in 1r today; Andreescu's most recent Top 50 win came over No.43 Sun at 2025 s'Hertogenbosch
- Owns 8-7 career Tour-level main draw record against players from Czech Republic, most recent was a win over Krejcikova here at the Canadian Open last year
- All three of her Tour-level titles have come on hard court at US Open, Toronto and Indian Wells in 2019
- Andreescu is one of the three Canadians that have claimed the title at the Canadian Open in the Open Era, alongside Faye Urban in 1969 and Victoria Mboko last season
- One of 8 players to recieve a wild card into this year's draw alongside Arseneault, V. Williams, Brace, Sebov, Zhao, Marino and Cross
- Best results by wild cards at the Canadian Open are Champion runs by Victoria Mboko in 2025 and Monica Seles in 1997 and 1995
- Is currently ranked No.174; this time last year was ranked No.187. Reached a career-high ranking of World No.4 in October 2019
- Andreescu has recorded 10 main draw wins at the Canadian Open, her third-most at any Tour-level event behind the US Open (12) and Miami (11)
- Eight of her 10 main draw wins at the Canadian Open have come in Toronto



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

2025	Result	Rank: 187	Seed: -
1r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#80) 6-3 6-4	
2024	Result	Rank: 175	Seed: -
1r	L	L. TSURENKO (#85) 0-6 6-3 6-4	
2023	Result	Rank: 41	Seed: -
1r	L	C. GIORGI (#51) 6-3 6-2	
2022	Result	Rank: 53	Seed: -
3r	L	Q. ZHENG (#51) 7-5 5-7 6-2	
2r	W	A. CORNET (#40) 6-3 4-6 6-3	
1r	W	D. KASATKINA (#9) 7-6(5) 6-4	
2021	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 2
3r	L	O. JABEUR (#22) 6-7(5) 6-4 6-1	
2r	W	H. DART (#172) 6-1 3-6 6-3	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made 2r at Prague (l. Tatarudee)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Krejčíková)
- Reached QF at Berlin (as a WC, l. Sabalenka)
- Played 1r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. qualifier Vandewinkel)
- Finished R-Up at WTA 125 Birmingham (l. Eala in F)
- Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Mboko)
- Reached first career WTA 1000 4r at Rome (as a lucky loser, l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Made 2r at Austin (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Townsend)
- Reached QF at Ostrava (l. Parry)
- Opened 2026 season with 3r at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens)

- Played 1r at Wimbledon (as qualifier, l. Zhang)
- Fell in 1r at 's-Hertogenbosch (as WC, l. Mertens)
- Made 2r at Charleston (as WC, l. Kenin) and Rome (as WC, l. Bencic)
- Played 1r at Indian Wells (as WC, l. Rakhimova)
- Fell in 1r at Austin (as WC, l. Galfi)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
90	40	Aces	36	82
53.4%	91	First serve %	64.2%	0
67.9%	19	First Serve points won %	62.0%	0
43.5%	68	Second serve points won %	42.6%	0
56.5%	54	Overall service points won %	55.1%	0
65.5%	52	Service games won %	61.8%	0
53.5%	64	Break points saved %	51.4%	0
34.9%	68	First serve return points won %	34.1%	0
58.0%	12	Second serve return points won %	44.7%	0
46.1%	39	Break points converted %	37.7%	0
33.7%	50	Return games won %	22.5%	0
42.8%	54	Return points won %	37.8%	0



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2019 - US OPEN, TORONTO, INDIAN WELLS

Runner-Up (4)
2024 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH
2022 - BAD HOMBURG
2021 - MIAMI
2019 - AUCKLAND

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)
2017 - QUEBEC CITY (w/Branstine)

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted a breakthrough performance in 2025 by reaching SF at WTA 500 Guadalajara (l. eventual champion Jovic) which saw her break into the Top 200 for the first time. Made a WTA 125 final for the first time at Samsun and rose to a career-high ranking of No.129 in December
- Played all matches on the ITF circuit in 2024; up to end of 2025 won six ITF singles titles
- Earned first career tour-level match-win at 2023 Cluj-Napoca as a wild card (d. Yastremska, l. Bogdan)
- Made WTA main-draw debut as wild card at 2022 Istanbul (l. Potapova)
- Played first tournament of the 2025 season at Rouen after coming back from injury, season highlights include QF run at 's-Hertogenbosch and R16 run at Rome (d. No.12 Rybakina and No.19 Vekic en route). As a wildcard at Montreal, defeated Krejcikova to reach 2r
- Following a nine-month absence through back injury, she returned in May 2024 at Roland Garros reaching third round (l. Paolini). She then achieved runner-up at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Samsonova) and went on to make QF at Tokyo (l. Boulter) and 3r at Wimbledon (l. Paolini)
- Her 2023 season highlight was a SF run at Hua Hin (l. Tsurenko)
- In 2022 reached the final at Bad Homburg (l. Garcia) and QF at Rome (l. Swiatek); finished in the Top 50 for the fourth consecutive season
- Finished R-Up at 2021 Miami (l. Barty via ret. w/right foot injury)
- Advanced to R16 at US Open and QF at Strasbourg last year
- Opened 2021 with 2r exit at Australian Open (l. Hsieh) and SF showing at Philip Island Trophy (l. Bouzkova). Tournaments were her first since 2019 WTA Finals in Shenzhen
- Skipped entirety of 2020 season due to injury and opting out after return to play
- Ended 2019 ranked at No.5 jumping a total of 173 spots from her 2018 year-end ranking of No.178
- Won WTA's 2019 Newcomer of the Year Award
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam title at 2019 US Open (d. S.Williams in F), becoming the first Canadian woman to win a major singles title in the Open Era and breaking into the Top 5 for the first time after the tournament on Sept. 9 - had not advanced past 2r at a Slam before then
- Was the first home representative to lift the women's singles title at 2019 Rogers Cup since 1969 when Urban d. Berner in all-Canadian final (d. S.Williams in F; ret. w/ upper back injury)
- Shoulder injury forced her to miss entire 2019 grass swing
- Won maiden career title at 2019 Indian Wells (d. No.6 Svitolina in SF and No.8 Kerber in F) - was fourth unseeded woman and first wildcard to lift the title at Indian Wells
- Made first WTA final at 2019 at Auckland finishing R-Up as a qualifier (d. Wozniacki and V.Williams, l. Goerges)
- Produced first WTA QF run at 2017 Washington DC (l. Petkovic). As wildcard, defeated Giorgi and world No.13 Mladenovic in 2r to become first

player born in 21st century to register a Top 20 win

- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Wimbledon coming through qualifying (l. Kucova in 1r) - later that year, earned first WTA win in 1r of Quebec City (d. Brady, l. Hradecka)
- Broke into Top 100 on January 28, 2019 and Top 20 on August 12, 2019
- Career best wins occurred over No.3 Wozniacki at 2019 Auckland and No.3 Ka.Pliskova at 2019 Toronto - win over No.3 Wozniacki was first Top 10 win of career
- Has qualified for WTA Finals on one occasion in 2019, went 0-2 in group play retiring from her final match with a knee injury
- Canadian Fed Cup Team 2017-20
- Made professional debut by finishing R-Up at \$25k ITF/Gatineau-CAN (l. Glatch in F); owns five singles and three doubles titles on ITF Circuit

OTHER INFORMATION

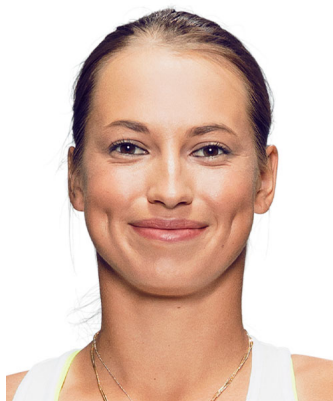
- 2023 Junior Wimbledon singles finalist (l. Ngounoue) and 2022 Junior Roland Garros doubles finalist (w/Naef; l. Bejlek/Havlickova)

- Coached by James Nishimura. Previously worked with Sylvain Bruneau and Sven Groeneveld
- Parents are Nicu and Maria Andreescu
- Born in Mississauga, Ontario, but moved to her parents' native country of Romania as a child and started playing tennis at age seven. On her return to Canada at 11, joined the Ontario Racquet Club before joining Tennis Canada's U14 National Training Centre in Toronto for the 2011-2012 season
- Credits meditation and visualization in addition to hard work in the gym and on the court as the recipe for her success
- Nicknamed Bibi
- Owns one dog named Coco. Loves music and notes hip-hop/rap as her favorite genre. Favorite sports team is the NBA's Toronto Raptors. Enjoys fashion and beauty.



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81 **YULIA
PUTINTSEVA**
KAZAKHSTAN

**SHUAI
ZHANG** **57**
CHINA

1995-01-07	Date of Birth		1989-01-21
	Residence		Tianjin, China
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	
5' 4" (1.63m)	Height	5' 10" (1.77m)	
20	Career-High Ranking	22	
\$10,380,580	Career Prize Money	\$13,136,512	
\$816,264	Season Prize Money	\$1,232,845	
0 / 3	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 3	
56-50 (Quarter-Finalist: 2020 US OPEN; 2018 ROLAND GARROS; 2016 FRENCH OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	41-52 (Quarter-Finalist: 2019 WIMBLEDON; 2016 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	
0-0 / 5-8 (Quarter-Finalist: 2022)	YTD / Career TORONTO W-L (best)	0-0 / 3-8 (Round of 32: 2022, 2019, 2018)	
13-13 / 266-262	YTD / Career W-L	8-15 / 228-288	



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YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	CHARLESTON	CLAY	2r	Yulia Putintseva	7-6(5) 6-1	1h 28m
2025	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	2r	Yulia Putintseva	6-2 6-1	1h 2m
2024	WUHAN	HARD	1r	Yulia Putintseva	6-4 6-4	1h 12m
2022	DUBAI	HARD	Q	Yulia Putintseva	6-1 6-3	1h 12m
2021	OSTRAVA	HARD	1r	Yulia Putintseva	5-7 7-6(7) 6-4	3h 24m
2021	CINCINNATI	HARD	1r	Yulia Putintseva	6-2 6-0	45m
2020	CINCINNATI (NYC)	HARD	1r	Yulia Putintseva	6-4 6-3	1h 40m
2019	FED CUP WEEK 1	HARD	1r	Shuai Zhang	6-3 3-6 6-4	0m
2017	BEIJING	HARD	1r	Shuai Zhang	6-4 6-4	1h 33m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
70	-	2026	54	-
20	73	2025	102	102
28	29	2024	206	219
40	69	2023	22	208
32	51	2022	24	24
28	42	2021	35	63
27	28	2020	30	35
28	34	2019	31	46
45	45	2018	27	35
27	53	2017	23	36



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PUTINTSEVA**

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ZHANG**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 9th main draw appearance at this tournament; her best tournament result is reaching QF in 2022 (l. Pegula)
- Faces No.57 Zhang Shuai in 1r today; Putintseva is 12-5 at Tour-level this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 17-10 career Tour-level record against players from China (0-0 in 2026)
- Career-best Tour-level results on hard court are 3 R-Up finishes at 2017 St. Petersburg (l. Mladenovic in F), 2018 Guangzhou (l. Wang Qiang in F) and 2021 Nur-Sultan (l. Van Uytvanck in F)
- Her career-best WTA 1000 results are 4 QF runs at 2020 Rome, 2022 Toronto, 2024 Miami and 2024 Madrid
- One of 2 players from Kazakhstan in the main draw (also No.2 seed Rybakina)
- Best results by Kazakhstan at this tournament were SF runs by Elena Rybakina in 2023 and 2025
- Her top Tour-level result of the year is QF at Iasi (l. eventual champion Sherif); she also reached R16 at this year's Australian Open (l. Jovic)
- Is currently ranked No.81; this time last year was ranked No.46. Reached career-high ranking of No.20 in January 2025
- Has won her last 7 meetings vs. today's opponent Zhang, most recently at 2025 Charleston

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 9th main draw appearance at this tournament; her best tournament results are R32 finishes in 2018, 2019 and 2022
- Faces No.81 Yulia Putintseva in 1r today; Zhang is 5-6 at Tour-level this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 7-12 career Tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan (0-1 in 2026, l. Rybakina at Brisbane)
- All of her 3 career WTA titles have come on hard court: 2013 Guangzhou (d. V.King in F), 2017 Guangzhou (d. Krunic in F) and 2022 Lyon (d. Yastremska in F)
- Her career-best WTA 1000 results are 5 QF runs at 2014 Rome, 2016 Beijing, 2018 Beijing, 2022 Cincinnati and 2024 Beijing
- One of 3 players from China in the main draw (also Wang Xiyu and Wang Xinyu)
- Best result by China at this tournament was R-Up finish by Li Na in 2012 (l. Kvitova in F)
- Her top Tour-level result of the year is SF run at Merida (l. eventual R-Up Frech)
- Is currently ranked No.57; this time last year was ranked No.113. Reached career-high ranking of No.22 in January 2023
- Winner of this match will face No.26 seed Jelena Ostapenko in 2r



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 46	Seed: -
1r	L	H. GUO (#259) 6-3 6-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 61	Seed: -
2r	L	J. PEGULA (#3) 6-4 6-4	
1r	W	B. PERA (#53) 6-3 6-4	
2022	Result	Rank: 46	Seed: -
QF	L	J. PEGULA (#7) 6-3 6-3	
3r	W	A. RISKE-AMRITRAJ (#35) 6-3 7-5	
2r	W	P. BADOSA (#3) 7-5 1-0	
1r	W	K. SEBOV (#299) 3-6 6-2 7-5	
2021	Result	Rank: 36	Seed: -
1r	L	V. KUDERMETOVA (#33) 1-6 6-2 6-4	
2019	Result	Rank: 42	Seed: -
1r	L	C. WOZNIACKI (#18) 6-4 6-2	

2023	Result	Rank: 43	Seed: -
1r	L	A. BLINKOVA (#34) 4-6 6-2 6-3	
2022	Result	Rank: 45	Seed: -
2r	L	S. HALEP (#15) 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	C. BUCSA (#122) 6-1 6-3	
2021	Result	Rank: 51	Seed: -
1r	L	J. KONTA (#41) 4-6 5-2	
2019	Result	Rank: 35	Seed: -
2r	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#48) 6-4 6-3	
1r	W	A. SEVASTOVA (#11) 7-6(5) 6-2	
2018	Result	Rank: 32	Seed: -
2r	L	E. MERTENS (#15) 6-2 6-7(2) 6-0	
1r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#232) 7-5 7-5	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made 2r at Hamburg (l. Avanesyan)
 - Reached QF at Iasi (l. Sherif)
 - Played 1r at Wimbledon (l. Maria)
 - Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Osorio)
 - Fell 1r at Rome (l. Valentova)
 - Reached 2r at Madrid (l. Kostyuk)
 - Made 2r at Charleston (l. eventual champion Pegula)
 - Played 2r at Miami (l. Rybakina)
 - Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Tauson)
 - Fell in 1r at Merida (l. Jimenez Kasintseva)
 - Reached 4r at Australian Open (l. Jovic)
 - Made R16 at Adelaide (as qualifier, l. Navarro)
 - Made 2r at Brisbane (as LL, l. Kostyuk)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Muchova)
 - Played 1r at Berlin (as a qualifier, l. Muchova)
 - Played 1r at London (as a qualifier, l. Eala)
 - Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Li)
 - Reached QF at Strasbourg (as LL, l. eventual champion Navarro)
 - Fell 1r at Rome (l. Li)
 - Made 2r at Madrid (l. Potapova)
 - Played 1r at Stuttgart (l. Noskova)
 - Fell in 1r at Linz (l. Potapova)
 - Played 1r at Charleston (l. eventual R-Up Starodubtseva)
 - Fell in 1r at Miami (l. Cirstea)
 - Played 1r at Indian Wells (l. Yastremska)
 - Reached SF at Merida (as qualifier, l. eventual R-Up Frech)
 - Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. Preston)
 - Made 2r at Brisbane (l. Rybakina)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
38	79	Aces	44	73
71.0%	7	First serve %	69.2%	10
59.7%	77	First Serve points won %	59.0%	81
44.2%	60	Second serve points won %	45.6%	48
55.2%	67	Overall service points won %	54.9%	72
62.5%	68	Service games won %	62.4%	69
55.5%	48	Break points saved %	59.9%	18
37.5%	30	First serve return points won %	32.4%	86
57.0%	25	Second serve return points won %	53.5%	67
43.3%	64	Break points converted %	41.9%	74
36.9%	33	Return games won %	28.1%	84
44.6%	32	Return points won %	40.4%	83



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2024 - BIRMINGHAM
2021 - BUDAPEST
2019 - NÜRNBERG
Runner-Up (3)
2021 - NUR-SULTAN
2018 - GUANGZHOU
2017 - ST. PETERSBURG

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)
2024 - CINCINNATI (w/Fernandez)
2023 - OSAKA (w/Kalinskaya)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2022 - LYON
2017 - GUANGZHOU
2013 - GUANGZHOU

Runner-Up (3)
2022 - BIRMINGHAM
2021 - NOTTINGHAM
2020 - HOBART

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (18)
2026 - LINZ (w/Cirstea), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Mertens), ADELAIDE (w/Siniakova)
2025 - WASHINGTON DC (w/Townsend)
2024 - GUANGZHOU (w/Siniakova)
2023 - ABU DHABI (w/Stefani)
2022 - NOTTINGHAM (w/Haddad Maia)
2021 - OSTRAVA (w/Mirza), US OPEN (w/Stosur), CINCINNATI (w/Stosur)
2019 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Stosur)
2018 - HONG KONG (w/Stosur), HIROSHIMA (w/Hozumi), ISTANBUL (w/Liang)
2014 - PATTAYA CITY (w/Peng)
2012 - GUANGZHOU (w/Tanasugarn), ESTORIL (w/Chuang)
2011 - OSAKA (w/Date)

Runner-Up (21)
2026 - STUTTGART (w/Ostapenko)
2025 - MONTREAL (w/Townsend), STUTTGART (w/Alexandrova), AUSTIN (w/Kessler), ABU DHABI (w/Mladenovic)
2024 - SEOUL (w/Kato), US OPEN (w/Mladenovic), BIRMINGHAM (w/Kato)
2022 - WIMBLEDON (w/Mertens), BIRMINGHAM (w/Mertens), STUTTGART (w/Gauff)
2021 - COURMAYEUR (w/Hozumi)
2020 - HOBART (w/Peng)
2019 - NANCHANG (w/Peng), MIAMI (w/Stosur)
2017 - ZHUHAI (w/Lu), BIRMINGHAM (w/Chan)
2014 - HOBART (w/Raymond)
2013 - OSAKA (w/Stosur), KUALA LUMPUR (w/Husarova)
2012 - MONTERREY (w/Date)



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GRAND SLAMS

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, made her Top 20 debut shortly after her 30th birthday, hitting new career-high ranking of No.20 on January 27; other season highlights include Adelaide SF (l. Pegula) and Jiujiang QF (l. Golubic)
- During 2024, won her third career WTA Tour title at Birmingham (d. Tomljanovic in final). Also reached QF at Hobart (l. Yuan) and Ningbo (l. eventual champion Kasatkina); found success at Grand Slam level with R16 run at Wimbledon (d. World No.1 Swiatek in 3r; l. Ostapenko) and 3r run at US Open (l. Paolini)
- 2023 saw her reach SF at Guangzhou (l. Linette) and QF at Rabat (l. Riera) and Hobart (l. Blinkova)
- Reached two SFs in 2022, at Istanbul (l. eventual champion Potapova) and Budapest (l. Krunic), while also making QF at Toronto (l. Pegula)
- Highlight of 2021 campaign was lifting second career WTA title, at Budapest (d. Kalinina in F). Also was R-Up at Nur-Sultan (l. Van Uytvanck), advanced to SF at Portoroz and made QFs at Charleston [500], Strasbourg and San Jose
- Standout results of 2020 were QF runs at US Open (first Kazakh woman to reach last eight in New York; l. Brady) and Rome (l. Halep). Recorded 300th career win (at all levels) with 1r triumph over Flipkens at 2020 Roland Garros
- In 2019, won first career title at Nurnberg (d. Zidansek in F); also picked up a win over World No.1 Osaka on grass at Birmingham
- Best result of 2018 was QF run at Roland Garros (l. Keys), her 2nd trip to the quarters in Paris in the last three years. Also reached 2nd career WTA Tour singles final at Guangzhou (l. Wang Qiang in F)
- Reached first career WTA final at 2017 St. Petersburg (l. Mladenovic in F) after notching two Top 10 wins over No.8 Kuznetsova and No.5 Cibulkova (her first career Top 5 win); first woman from Kazakhstan to reach a WTA final since Shvedova at 2015 Bogota (l. Pereira)
- In 2016, reached her first Grand Slam QF at Roland Garros (l. S.Williams in 3 sets); became first Kazakh to reach a Grand Slam QF since Shvedova at 2012 Roland Garros (Shvedova made another QF at the very next Slam, 2016 Wimbledon). Also that year, defeated No.14 V.Williams en route to Charleston QF
- Progressed to maiden WTA SF at 2015 Bastad (l. eventual champion Larsson). First Top 10 win
- Strong singles results on Tour in home nation of China in 2025, making Guangzhou SF (first WTA Tour SF since 2022; l. eventual champion Li) and defeating No.14 Navarro to make Wuhan R16 (l. eventual champion Gauff)
- Also in 2025, posted Top 20 year-end ranking in doubles, winning Washington D.C. title (w/Townsend) and making four additional WTA Tour doubles finals
- In 2024, broke a streak of 24 losses to reach WTA 1000 quarterfinal at Beijing. In doubles, won her 14th career title at Guangzhou, paired with Katerina Siniakova for the first time
- Reached R16 at 2023 Australian Open (l. Pliskova) taking her ranking to a career-high of No.22; failed to win a singles match after Lyon in January and ended her season early after Montreal (l. Blinkova)
- In doubles, won the 2023 title at Abu Dhabi (w/Stefani) and reached semifinals at Doha (w/Olmos) and Wimbledon (w/Dolehide)
- In 2022, won third career singles title at Lyon (d. Yastremska in F) and 12th doubles title at Nottingham (w/Haddad Maia). Finished the season at No.24, very close to previous best career ranking of No.23 (Nov 14, 2016); in doubles climbed as high as No.2 on July 11, 2022
- Reached fourth singles final of career in 2021, finishing R-Up at Nottingham (l. Konta). Also advanced to SF at Palermo and QF at San Jose
- Enjoyed strong campaign in doubles in 2021, winning her 2nd Grand Slam title at US Open (w/Stosur), as well as additional titles at Cincinnati (w/Stosur) and Ostrava (w/Mirza). Qualified for WTA Finals (w/Stosur), however failed to progress from group stage
- Season highlight in 2020 was reaching third career WTA singles final (l. Rybakina in F) and finishing R-Up in doubles at Hobart (w/Peng), which marks the first time she made it through to the championship match in both singles and doubles at the same Tour-level event
- Also in 2020, made R16 at Roland Garros for the first time; now has advanced to second week at Grand Slams across hard, grass and clay
- Standout singles results of 2019 season were reaching second Grand Slam singles QF of career at Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep), finishing R-Up at WTA 125 event in Anning (l. S.Zheng) and closing out season by winning \$100k ITF/Tokyo-JPN (d.Paolini in F)
- Won first Grand Slam doubles title at 2019 Australian Open (w/Stosur; d. Babos/Mladenovic)

came over No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Nurnberg (via ret.)

- In 2014, reached first two WTA QFs, first on clay at Bastad (as qualifier, l. Cepelova) and then on hard court at Osaka (l. eventual champion Stosur). Between these two results, scored first Top 20 win over No.14 Pennetta during 2r run at Montreal (as qualifier)
- Made it through to 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2013 Australian Open (d. McHale, l. Suarez Navarro)
- Advanced to 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2012 Copenhagen (as WC, d. Barbat, l. Jankovic)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and six doubles titles
- Professional debut at 2009 Luxembourg ended with loss to Flipkens in final round of qualifying

in F); also reached final at Miami w/Stosur (l. Mertens/Sabalenka). Team qualified for WTA Finals in Shenzhen (Zhang's debut at the season finale) where they advanced to SF (l. eventual champions Babos/Mladenovic)

- Won her 2nd WTA Tour singles title at 2017 Guangzhou (d. Krunic in final)
- Enjoyed Grand Slam breakthrough at 2016 Australian Open, where she advanced to QF as qualifier (l. Konta). Run also marked first time winning back-to-back main draw matches since semifinal run at 2014 Birmingham
- In that 2016 Australian Open run, defeated No.2 Halep in 1r and No.17 Keys in R16; ranked No.133, became lowest-ranked player to advance to last eight at Australian Open since unranked Henin reached final in 2010, and first qualifier to do so since Gavaldon in 1990
- Contemplated retirement after ending 2015 ranked No.186, her lowest year-end finish since 2008 (No.212) and down from No.62 in 2014
- Won her 1st WTA Tour singles title at 2013 Guangzhou (d. King in final)
- First broke into Top 100 on August 9, 2010 and Top 50 on February 3, 2014
- Scored first Top 10 win over then No.1-ranked Safina in 1r at 2009 Beijing; at No.226, was the lowest-ranked player ever to beat a World No.1
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2006 Beijing; made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Guangzhou
- Winner of 23 singles titles and eight doubles titles on ITF Circuit

OTHER INFORMATION

- Father's name is Anton; mother's name is Anna; younger brother's name is Ilya (plays ice hockey). Introduced to sport by father; liked it and was soon practicing at Spartak Club in Moscow
- Moved to Paris to attend Mouratoglou Academy after winning a big Under 14s event; has trained there ever since
- Baseline player whose favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is clay. Australian Open and US Open are favorite tournaments
- Tennis idols were Martina Hingis and Justine Henin - still watches videos of Henin on YouTube
- Also enjoys dancing, music, singing, Sudoku, playing cards and chess
- Person she would most like to meet is Eminem
- Changed representation from Russia to Kazakhstan in May 2012

- Coached by Liu Shuo
- Father, Zhang Zhi Qiang, was a soccer player; mother, Wang Feng Qin, was a basketball player. Started playing tennis aged five when parents took her to local club
- Started working with Chinese Tennis Association at age 12
- Idolized Roger Federer and Rafael Nadal
- Best tennis memory was playing mixed doubles with Pete Sampras in 2011, winning Australian Open doubles championship in 2019 with best friend Sam Stosur, and quarterfinals at 2016 Australian Open and 2019 Wimbledon
- Relaxes by listening to music, taking photos and exploring the places she travels to