



# MATCH NOTES

Australian Open  
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA



JANUARY 18 – FEBRUARY 1, 2026 | GRAND SLAM | \$111,500,000 AUD

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## DAY 3 – TUESDAY, JANUARY 20

**[5] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #5) vs. Kaja Juvan (SLO #100)**

**Rybakina leads 1-0**

**Rybakina:**

- Making her 7th main draw appearance at the Australian Open, where she was the 2023 runner-up (I. Sabalenka)
- Has reached at least the R16 at all the Slams, winning the 2022 Wimbledon title, making two QF appearances at Roland Garros and reaching the R16 at the 2025 US Open
- Owns a 22-3 record in Grand Slam 1r matches (a perfect 6-0 here in Melbourne 1r matches) and has won her last 12 Slam openers in a row
- 6 of her 11 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently her undefeated run through the 2025 WTA Finals Riyadh
- Had the highest percentage of first-serve points won at major events last season (74.9%)

**Juvan:**

- Making her sixth main draw appearance at the Australian Open; her joint-best Grand Slam result came here with a run to 3r in 2021 (I. eventual runner-up Brady)
- This is her 19th Grand Slam main draw appearance, and she owns a 12-6 record in Grand Slam 1r matches
- Holds a 2-5 career record vs. Top 10 players, with wins over No.2 Sabalenka at 2022 Adelaide and No.8 Ka.Pliskova at 2022 Strasbourg (win over Pliskova was en route to 1st career WTA singles final)
- Her sole previous meeting vs. Rybakina also came at this event (Rybakina d. Juvan in 2r during Rybakina's run to the 2023 Australian Open final)

**Oleksandra Oliynykova (UKR #92) vs. [9] Madison Keys (USA #9)**

**First meeting**

**Oliynykova:**

- Making her Grand Slam and Tour-level main draw debut today, which is also her 2026 season opener
- This is her first time facing a Top 50-ranked opponent in her career
- Seeking her first match-win at a Grand Slam event, including qualifying rounds; in 2025, she lost in the first qualifying round at both Wimbledon (to Diane Parry) and US Open (to Lizette Cabrera)
- Currently ranked just shy of her career-high No.90; this time last year was ranked No.285
- Won three WTA 125 titles last year (Tolentino, Tucuman and Colina), joint-most of any player in 2025

**Keys:**

- Returns to the Australian Open to make her 12th appearance, this time as the defending champion (defeated Sabalenka in 2025 final for 1st career Grand Slam title)
- This will be Keys' 50th Grand Slam main draw appearance of her career
- Since the start of 2025, Keys has gone 17-5 vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Keys lost her first-ever main draw match at the Australian Open (as a wild card, I. Zheng Jie in 2012 1r), but she has won all of her first-round matches at this event since then (now 10-1 overall in Australian Open 1r matches)
- Only one women's singles defending champion has lost their opening match at this tournament during the Open Era: Jennifer Capriati in 2003 (I. to Marlene Weingartner)



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## Katie Boulter (GBR #113) vs. [10] Belinda Bencic (SUI #10)

Bencic leads 1-0

### **Boulter:**

- Making 6th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- Has reached the Australian Open 2r on 3 occasions (including each of the last 2 years) but has yet to advance beyond that round in Melbourne
- Career-best Grand Slam showings are three 3r finishes (2022 and 2023 Wimbledon; 2023 US Open)
- Has posted 4 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.9 Paula Badosa at 2025 Wimbledon
- Most recent woman from the United Kingdom to win the Australian Open title was Virginia Wade in 1972

### **Bencic:**

- Making 12th appearance at Australian Open
- Career-best Grand Slam showings are semifinals at 2019 US Open (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and 2025 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Currently on an 11-match winning streak (not including walkovers), which features a 5-0 singles record at United Cup to start the 2026 season
- Since her return from maternity leave at the end of 2024, Bencic is 11-0 in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 100
- Most recent Swiss woman to win the Australian Open title was Martina Hingis; she reached six straight finals from 1997 to 2002, winning three straight titles during that stretch (1997-1999)

## [16] Naomi Osaka (JPN #17) vs. Antonia Ruzic (CRO #65)

First meeting

### **Osaka:**

- Making 10th appearance at Australian Open
- 2-time Australian Open champion, winning the tournament in 2019 (d. Kvitova in final) and 2021 (d. Brady in final)
- She has won a total of four Grand Slam titles, also prevailing at the US Open in 2018 (d. S.Williams in final) and 2020 (d. Azarenka in final)
- At Grand Slam events, Osaka is 38-9 vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Her record in Australian Open 1r matches stands at 8-1, with the one loss to Caroline Garcia in 2024 – a result she reversed by defeating Garcia in the 2025 Australian Open 1r
- Osaka is one win away from becoming the second Japanese woman in the Open Era to claim 70 Grand Slam main draw match-wins, joining Ai Sugiyama (84)

### **Ruzic:**

- Making her Australian Open main draw debut this year (lost in qualifying last year)
- This is her 2nd Grand Slam main draw appearance; she made her Grand Slam main draw debut at last year's US Open (l. Townsend in 1r)
- Comes into this event having just made the Hobart semifinals last week (l. eventual champion Coccialetto) – this was her first career Tour-level SF, as well as her career-best Tour-level result on hard court
- Has lost all of her three previous meetings against Top 20 opponents
- Reached a new career-high ranking of No.65 in Monday, January 19's updated rankings



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**Laura Siegemund (GER #48) vs. [18] Liudmila Samsonova (#18)**

**Tied 2-2**

**Siegemund:**

- Making 9th main draw appearance at Australian Open, where she has reached 3r on three occasions, including last year (I. Pavlyuchenkova)
- Career-best Grand Slam results are quarterfinal runs at 2020 Roland Garros (I. Kvitova) and last year's Wimbledon (I. Sabalenka)
- By defeating Zheng Qinwen in the 2r at Melbourne last year, Siegemund became the first German woman to claim a Top 5 win at the Australian Open since Angelique Kerber defeated Serena Williams in the 2016 final
- Owns 23 wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.5 Mirra Andreeva at 2025 Wuhan

**Samsonova:**

- Making 7th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- Has reached 2r here on four occasions, but is yet to advance beyond that round in Melbourne
- Posted best Grand Slam result last year by making first Slam QF at Wimbledon (I. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Three out of her five career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, all in 2022, at Tokyo, Cleveland and Washington DC
- Won nine Grand Slam main draw matches in 2025, her highest career tally in an entire calendar year

**[22] Leylah Fernandez (CAN #23) vs. Janice Tjen (INA #59)**

**First meeting**

**Fernandez:**

- Making 7th appearance at Australian Open; posted her best tournament result last year by making 3r (I. Gauff)
- Career-best Grand Slam showing is runner-up at 2021 US Open (I. qualifier Raducanu in all-teenage final)
- In 2025, Fernandez went 20-6 in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- This will be her 50th Grand Slam main draw match, becoming 5th Canadian woman in Open Era to contest 50+ Grand Slam matches after Patricia Hy-Boulais, Eugenie Bouchard, Carling Bassett-Seguso and Helen Kelesi
- All of her 5 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, including 2 last year (Washington DC and Osaka)

**Tjen:**

- First Indonesian woman to play the Australian Open main draw since Angelique Widjaja in 2004
- Seeking to become the first Indonesian woman to win a round at this event since Yayuk Basuki made 1998 R16
- Has faced only one Top 25 player previously in her career (d. No.25 V. Kudermetova in her Grand Slam main draw debut at 2025 US Open)
- Is currently ranked No.59 (near her career-high of No.53); this time last year was ranked No.413
- Won her first career WTA singles title last year at Chennai (d. Birrell in final), becoming the first Indonesian to win a Tour singles title since Angelique Widjaja at 2002 Pattaya City



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## Rebecca Sramkova (SVK #73) vs. [24] Jelena Ostapenko (LAT #24)

Ostapenko leads 3-1

### **Sramkova:**

- Making 3rd main draw appearance at Australian Open, where her previous best result was 2r in 2025 (I. Swiatek)
- Her 1r win over Volynets here last year is her only main-draw victory at a Grand Slam event (1-8 record)
- Best result by Slovakia at Australian Open was runner-up finish by Dominika Cibulkova in 2014 (I. Li Na in final)
- Among players who started their careers in the Open Era, only Tracy Austin (13 years between 1981 and 1994) has a bigger gap than Sramkova (eight years, 2017 and 2025) between their first two main draw appearances at the Australian Open

### **Ostapenko:**

- Making 11th appearance at Australian Open, where her best tournament result was reaching QF in 2023 (I. eventual finalist Rybakina)
- Owns one Grand Slam singles title, triumphing at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in final)
- Currently one win away from claiming her 60th career Grand Slam main draw match-win in singles
- Reached consecutive Australian Open women's doubles finals in 2024 (w/L. Kichenok) and 2025 (w/Hsieh); finished runner-up on both occasions

## Tereza Valentova (CZE #54) vs. [30] Maya Joint (AUS #31)

First meeting

### **Valentova:**

- Making her debut appearance at the Australian Open
- Contesting her 3rd career Grand Slam main draw; reached 2r at Roland Garros and US Open last year, both times as a qualifier (2-0 in Grand Slam 1r matches)
- Owns 5 wins over Top 50 players, most recently over No.24 Jelena Ostapenko (via ret.) at Adelaide this year
- Was the fourth-youngest player to reach a Tour-level final in 2025 (runner-up in Osaka) - older only than Lilli Tagger (Jiujiang runner-up), Iva Jovic (Guadalajara winner) and Mirra Andreeva (Dubai and Indian Wells winner)
- Currently ranked at a new career-high of No.54; this time last year was ranked No.242

### **Joint:**

- The Australian No.1 is making her 2nd main draw appearance at the Australian Open, where her previous result was 1r in 2025 (I. No.7 seed Pegula)
- Contesting her 6th career Grand Slam main draw; best Grand Slam results are 2r finishes at US Open 2024 (I. Keys) and 2025 (I. eventual finalist Anisimova)
- First time being seeded at a Grand Slam event (as No.30 seed); she is also the first Australian woman to be seeded at this tournament since No.1 seed Barty won the 2022 title
- In 2025, Joint became the first teenager competing for Australia to claim 30+ Tour-level wins in a single calendar year since Jelena Dokic in 2000
- Is currently ranked at a new career-high of No.31; this time last year was ranked No.105



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## Daria Kasatkina (AUS #43) vs. [Q] Nikola Bartunkova (CZE #126)

First meeting

### **Kasatkina:**

- Making 11th appearance at Australian Open (all consecutive since 2016), and is contesting the 40th Grand Slam main draw of her career
- Has won her last 11 first-round matches at Grand Slam events (30-9 record in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- Career-best showing at the tournament is her R16 run last year (l. Navarro in a meeting between Top 10 players)
- Best Grand Slam performance is SF at 2022 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Swiatek); also made QFs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. eventual finalist Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Since the start of 2023, Kasatkina has won 19 of 25 matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 100

### **Bartunkova:**

- Successfully came through qualifying to make her Grand Slam main draw debut
- Seeking her 2nd career Top 50 win (d. No.30 Magdalena Frech at WTA 500 Guadalajara last year)
- Career-best Tour-level result on hard court is reaching SF at WTA 500 Guadalajara last year as a wild card (l. eventual champion Jovic); she made her Top 200 debut following that breakthrough run
- 19-year-old Bartunkova is one of eight teenagers to start this fortnight's main draw (one of the eight, her fellow Czech Sara Bejlek, will turn 20 just before the end of the tournament)

## Zhang Shuai (CHN #75) vs. [WC] Taylah Preston (AUS #161)

Zhang leads 1-0

### **Zhang:**

- Making 14th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- Her best Australian Open singles result is reaching the quarterfinals as a qualifier in 2016 (l. Konta); before that breakthrough run, she had been 0-14 in Grand Slam main draw matches
- Reached her second career Grand Slam quarterfinal at 2019 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Halep)
- Only 2014 Australian Open champion Li Na (34) has won more main draw matches at the Australian Open than Zhang Shuai (16) among Chinese players in the Open Era
- Won 2019 Australian Open women's doubles title alongside Australia's Samantha Stosur; they also teamed up to win the 2021 US Open women's doubles title

### **Preston:**

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Australian Open; her previous main draw result was 1r in 2024 (l. Svitolina)
- Contested another Grand Slam main draw at 2024 US Open (as wild card, l. Pavlyuchenkova in 1r); still seeking her first Grand Slam main draw match-win
- Last week, had breakthrough run to first career Tour-level semifinal in Hobart, where she posted her career-best win by ranking over No.29 Raducanu in QF (l. Jovic in SF)
- Earlier this month, lost to today's opponent Zhang Shuai in three sets in Brisbane qualifying



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## [Q] Maddison Inglis (AUS #168) vs. Kimberly Birrell (AUS #76)

Birrell leads 5-2

### *Inglis:*

- Successfully came through qualifying to reach her 4th Australian Open main draw (first since 2022)
- Best result at Australian Open was reaching 3r in 2022 as a wild card (d. Fernandez and Baptiste, I. Kanepi)
- Contesting her 7th career Grand Slam main draw; her 2022 run in Melbourne is the only time she has won Grand Slam main draw matches
- Most recent Tour-level main draw win over a Top 100 player was over No.24 Fernandez at 2022 Australian Open

### *Birrell:*

- Making 7th main draw appearance at Australian Open; her tournament-best result is reaching 3r in 2019 as a wild card ranked No.240 (d. Badosa and Vekic, I. Kerber)
- That 2019 run in Melbourne is also her career-best Grand Slam finish; she also made 2r here in 2023 but has yet to win a main-draw match at any of the other Slams
- Just last week, made her first career WTA 500 SF in Adelaide (I. Mboko), returning to Top 100 in the process
- Career-best Tour-level showings on hard court are her runner-up finishes at 2024 Osaka (I. Lamens in final) and 2025 Chennai (I. Tjen in final)

## Karolina Pliskova (CZE #1057) vs. [Q] Sloane Stephens (USA #1102)

Stephens leads 6-1

### *Pliskova:*

- Former World No.1 is making her 12th main draw appearance at Australian Open, and first since 2024 (missed the majority of 2025 season following ankle surgery in September 2024)
- Contesting her first Tour-level event since 2024 US Open, where she obtained her most recent Tour-level match-win (d. Sheriff in 1r) before suffering injury vs. Paolini in 2r
- Her best Australian Open result is 2019 SF (I. eventual champion Osaka); also made QF in 2017, 2018 and 2023
- 2-time Grand Slam singles runner-up: 2016 US Open (I. Kerber in 3 sets) and 2021 Wimbledon (I. Barty in 3 sets)
- Holds a 9-2 record in Australian Open 1r matches (36-12 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)

### *Stephens:*

- Successfully came through qualifying to make her 14th main draw appearance at Australian Open (9th consecutive) – that was her first appearance in Grand Slam qualifying since 2011 Wimbledon
- Her best Australian Open result is making the 2013 semifinals – she reached her first career Grand Slam QF and SF during that run (I. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Best Grand Slam result is winning 2017 US Open title ranked No.83 (d. Keys in all-American final); also finished runner-up at 2018 Roland Garros (I. Halep in final)
- Seeking her first Tour-level match-win since 2024 Wimbledon (d. Jacquemot in 1r)
- This is only the second Australian Open main draw match since 1990 to feature both players ranked outside the Top 300 (No.317 Marino d. No.739 Birrell in 2021 Australian Open 1r)



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5 **ELENA RYBAKINA (5)**  
KAZAKHSTAN

**KAJA JUVAN 100**  
SLOVENIA

1999-06-17	<b>Date of Birth</b>	2000-11-25
	<b>Residence</b>	Ljubljana, Slovenia
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-Handed (two-handed backhand)
6' 0" (1.84m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 6" (1.70m)
3	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	58
\$24,476,357	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$2,539,831
\$37,640	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$0
0 / 11	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 0
59-22 (Champion: 2022 WIMBLEDON)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	16-18 (Round of 32: 2023 US OPEN; 2022 WIMBLEDON; 2021 WIMBLEDON, AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
0-0 / 14-6 (Runner-Up: 2023)	<b>YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)</b>	0-0 / 4-5 (Round of 32: 2021)
2-1 / 269-111	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	0-0 / 44-52



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2023	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	2r	Elena Rybakina	6-2 6-1	58m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
5	-	2026	97	-
5	5	2025	97	98
3	6	2024	103	599
3	4	2023	88	104
12	22	2022	58	88
14	14	2021	90	98
17	19	2020	100	104
37	37	2019	106	133
182	191	2018	174	174
420	425	2017	541	555



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her seventh main draw appearance at the Australian Open, where she finished R-Up in 2023 (L. Sabalenka)
- Has reached at least the R16 at all the Slams, winning the 2022 Wimbledon title, two QF appearances at Roland-Garros and making the R16 at the US Open in 2025
- Overall this is her 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance, and owns a 59-22 record across the majors
- Owns a 22-3 record in Grand Slam 1r matches (perfect 6-0 here in Melbourne) and has won her last 12 Slam openers in a row
- Faces No.100 Kaja Juvan in 1r - last lost a 1r Slam match at 2022 US Open (L. qualifier Burel)
- Enters 2026 Australian Open following QF run at Brisbane (L. Muchova)
- Owns 2-0 career Tour-level record against players from Slovenia (d. Zidansek at 2020 Hobart; d. Juvan at 2023 Australian Open)
- 6 of her 11 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently her undefeated run through the 2025 WTA Finals Riyadh
- One of 3 players from Kazakhstan in the main draw (also Putintseva and wild card Diyas)
- Is currently ranked No.5; this time last year was ranked No.7. Reached career-high ranking of No.3 for the first time in 2023

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her sixth main draw appearance at the Australian Open
- Her joint-best Grand Slam result came here with run to 3r in 2021 (L. eventual R-Up Brady)
- Has also made 3r at Wimbledon (2021-22) and US Open (2023). At Roland-Garros, has made the 2r twice
- Overall this is her 19th Grand Slam main draw appearance, and she owns a 12-6 record in Slam 1r matches
- Faces No.5 Elena Rybakina in 1r today; Juvan has a 2-5 career record vs. Top 10 players, with wins over No.2 Sabalenka at 2022 Adelaide and No.8 Ka.Pliskova at 2022 Strasbourg
- Owns 0-3 career Tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan (1 loss to Rybakina and 2 losses to Putintseva)
- Has made one hard court Tour-level SF, at 2021 Portoroz
- One of 2 players from Slovenia in the main draw (also Erjavec)
- Is currently ranked No.100; this time last year was ranked No.594. Reached career-high ranking of No.58 in 2022



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

**2025      Result      Rank: 7      Seed: 6**

4r	L	M. KEYS (#14) 6-3 1-6 6-3
3r	W	D. YASTREMSKA (#33) 6-3 6-4
2r	W	I. JOVIC (#191) 6-0 6-3
1r	W	E. JONES (#293) 6-1 6-1

**2024      Result      Rank: 3      Seed: 3**

2r	L	A. BLINKOVA (#57) 6-4 4-6 7-6(20)
1r	W	K. PLISKOVA (#38) 7-6(6) 6-4

**2023      Result      Rank: 25      Seed: 22**

F	L	A. SABALENKA (#5) 4-6 6-3 6-4
SF	W	V. AZARENKA (#24) 7-6(4) 6-3
QF	W	J. OSTAPENKO (#17) 6-2 6-4
4r	W	I. SWIATEK (#1) 6-4 6-4
3r	W	D. COLLINS (#11) 6-2 5-7 6-2
2r	W	K. JUVAN (#104) 6-2 6-1
1r	W	E. COCCIARETTO (#48) 7-5 6-3

**2022      Result      Rank: 12      Seed: 12**

2r	L	S. ZHANG (#74) 6-4 1-0
1r	W	Z. DIYAS (#104) 6-7(3) 7-6(3) 6-1

**2021      Result      Rank: 21      Seed: 17**

2r	L	F. FERRO (#46) 6-4 6-4
1r	W	V. ZVONAREVA (#145) 4-6 6-4 6-4

**2024      Result      Rank: 109      Seed: -**

2r	L	A. ZAKHAROVA (#190) 6-1 6-1
1r	W	A. POTAPOVA (#29) 6-1 6-4

**2023      Result      Rank: 104      Seed: -**

2r	L	E. RYBAKINA (#25) 6-2 6-1
1r	W	S. JANICIJEVIC (#185) 7-5 6-1

**2022      Result      Rank: 89      Seed: -**

1r	L	M. ZANEVSKA (#80) 7-6(7) 7-6(4)
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**2021      Result      Rank: 104      Seed: -**

3r	L	J. BRADY (#24) 6-1 6-3
2r	W	M. SHERIF (#131) 3-6 7-6(2) 6-3
1r	W	J. KONTA (#15) 4-6 2-0

**2020      Result      Rank: 127      Seed: -**

1r	L	D. YASTREMSKA (#21) 6-1 6-1
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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made Brisbane QF (l. Muchova)

- Fell in Hobart qualifying (l. McNally)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
28	3	<b>Aces</b>	0	0
53.3%	105	<b>First serve %</b>	0.0%	0
74.5%	9	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	0.0%	0
51.6%	10	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	0.0%	0
63.8%	8	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	0.0%	0
81.3%	7	<b>Service games won %</b>	0.0%	0
72.7%	4	<b>Break points saved %</b>	0.0%	0
34.4%	63	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	0.0%	0
56.6%	44	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	0.0%	0
55.0%	24	<b>Break points converted %</b>	0.0%	0
34.4%	49	<b>Return games won %</b>	0.0%	0
42.5%	60	<b>Return points won %</b>	0.0%	0



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (11)

2025 - WTA FINALS, NINGBO, STRASBOURG

2024 - STUTTGART, ABU DHABI, BRISBANE

2023 - ROME, INDIAN WELLS

2022 - WIMBLEDON

2020 - HOBART

2019 - BUCHAREST

Runner-Up (11)

2024 - MIAMI, DOHA

2023 - MIAMI, AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2022 - PORTOROZ, ADELAIDE 500

2020 - STRASBOURG, DUBAI, ST. PETERSBURG,  
SHENZHEN

2019 - NANCHANG

### DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

2023 - ADELAIDE #2 (w/Pavlyuchenkova)

2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Kudermetova)

### SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)

2022 - STRASBOURG

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2021 - CLUJ-NAPOCA (w/Dzalamidze)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
4r	4r	3r	4r	<b>2025</b>		1r	
2r	QF	SF	2r	<b>2024</b>	2r		
RUP	3r	QF	3r	<b>2023</b>	2r	2r	3r
2r	3r	WON	1r	<b>2022</b>	1r	2r	1r
2r	QF	4r	3r	<b>2021</b>	3r	1r	3r
3r	2r		2r	<b>2020</b>	1r	2r	2r
	1r		1r	<b>2019</b>		1r	2r

ELENA  
RYBAKINAKAJA  
JUVAN

## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, won her first WTA Finals title, where she posted a perfect round robin record before topping World No.1 Sabalenka in the final; by going undefeated (5-0) at 2025 WTA Finals Riyadh, she earned \$5.235m, the biggest prize money payout in women's sporting history
- Overall, won three titles in 2025, adding Strasbourg and Ningbo crowns to her Riyadh triumph; finished at No.5 in the rankings and as the year's Tour leader in total aces (516)
- Won three titles from five finals in 2024, tasting success at Brisbane, Abu Dhabi and Stuttgart and finishing R-Up at Doha and Miami. Qualified for her second WTA Finals and defeated WTA World No.1 Sabalenka in the group stage
- Reached second Grand Slam final at 2023 Australian Open (L. Sabalenka in 3s); made Top-10 debut following tournament (January 30, 2023). Also in 2023 won first two WTA 1000 titles at Indian Wells and Rome and finished R-Up at Miami. Qualified for first WTA Finals, going 1-2 in group stage.
- Lifted maiden Grand Slam title at 2022 Wimbledon (d. Jabeur in F); also finished R-Up at Adelaide (L. Barty) and Portoroz (L. Siniakova)
- Best results of 2021 were SFs at Eastbourne, Olympics and Chicago [500], and QFs at Abu Dhabi, Roland Garros, San Jose and Ostrava
- Opened 2020 by reaching the championship match at four of her first five tournaments, including a title run at Hobart (d. Zhang in F), and made Top 20 debut at No.19 on February 17, after reaching St. Petersburg final. First Top-5 win came over No.3 Ka. Pliskova during R-Up finish at 2020 Dubai
- Won maiden WTA singles title at 2019 Bucharest (d. Tig in F), breaking into Top 100 for the first time in the following week's rankings at No.65 (July 22). Went on to make Top 50 debut on September 16 after reaching second career Tour final at Nanchang (L. Peterson)
- Highlights of 2018 included reaching maiden WTA QF at St. Petersburg (L. Goerges) and clinching title at \$15K ITF/Kazan. First Top 10 win came over No.7 Garcia at 2018 St. Petersburg
- Made WTA qualifying and main draw debut at 2017 Moscow (as qualifier, L. Begu in 1r)
- Professional debut came at \$10k ITF/Antalya-TUR in 2014

- Comeback year in 2025 saw her reach SF at Hamburg (L. Bondar) earn two WTA 125 titles at Samsun and Ljubljana, as well as a further WTA 125 final at Saint-Malo (L. Osaka). Started the season unranked and finished the year back inside the Top 100.
- Played only Australian Open in 2024 before taking the rest of the season away from competition
- Best result of 2023 season was QF at Budapest (as qualifier, L. eventual champion, Timofeeva); also went 2-1 at Billie Jean King Cup Finals representing Slovenia and reached SF at WTA 125 San Luis Potosi (L. Errani)
- Strongest Grand Slam result of 2023 came at US Open with 3r (as qualifier, L. Swiatek)
- In 2022, reached maiden WTA final at Strasbourg (L. Kerber - longest final of the season at 3h 16m)
- Other highlights of the 2022 season were QF at Adelaide [500] (L. Doi) and 3r showing at Wimbledon (L. Watson); scored first Top 10 win over No.2 Sabalenka during Adelaide run
- Posted career-high ranking of No.58 on June 6, 2022
- Reached first WTA SF on home soil at 2021 Portoroz (L. Riske)
- Performed well at the majors in 2021, reaching 3r at Australian Open (as qualifier, L. Brady) and Wimbledon (L. Gauff)
- Broke into the Top 100 on October 26, 2020 at No.100
- Claimed maiden Top 20 win over No.18 Vondrousova at 2020 Palermo
- In 2019, made Grand Slam and Tour-level debut as a lucky loser at Roland Garros, falling in 1r (L. Cirstea) and won first Grand Slam match as qualifier at Wimbledon (d. Kr. Pliskova) before losing to S. Williams on Centre Court in 2r
- Rose nearly 400 places in the rankings to finish 2018 at No.174
- Ended 2018 campaign with 42-10 record and four titles on ITF Circuit. Also fell at the first hurdle on WTA qualifying debut at Budapest (L. Schnyder)
- Made Billie Jean King Cup debut for Slovenia in 2017
- Owns eight singles and one doubles title on ITF Circuit
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Slovenia in 2015, losing in the 2r at \$25K Velenje
- On the junior tour, achieved a career-high ranking of No.5 in January 2017 and won the Wimbledon doubles title in 2017 (w/Danilovic).

Also won gold in singles and doubles (w/Swiatek), at the Youth Olympics in Buenos Aires in 2018

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Trained at Spartak Club in Moscow as a junior; previous coaches included Andrei Cheshnokov (Elena Vesnina's former coach) and Evgenia Kulikovskaya
- Nominated for 2019 WTA Newcomer of the Year Award
- Started playing tennis aged five and favorite surface is hard
- Coached by Nik Razborsek. Previously worked with Oscar Serrano, Philippe Dehaes, and Antonio Baldellou Esteva
- Parents are Katja Azman Juvan and Robert Juvan
- Started playing tennis at the age of five; favorite surface is clay
- Loves to paint and read philosophy
- Enjoys the company of her dog Blue



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9 **MADISON  
KEYS (9)**  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

**OLEKSANDRA  
OLIYNYKOVA** 92  
UKRAINE

1995-02-17	Date of Birth	2001-01-03
Orlando, FL, USA	Residence	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 10" (1.78m)	Height	
5	Career-High Ranking	90
\$23,325,195	Career Prize Money	\$233,095
\$37,640	Season Prize Money	\$0
0 / 10	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
122-48 (Champion: 2025 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	0-0
0-0 / 34-10 (Champion: 2025)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-0
3-2 / 349-200	YTD / Career W-L	0-0 / 0-0



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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
7	-	2026	90	-
5	7	2025	109	109
12	21	2024	284	305
10	12	2023	397	397
11	11	2022	600	683
16	56	2021	551	600
11	16	2020	614	636
9	13	2019	632	642
10	17	2018	803	835
8	19	2017	-	-



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Returns to the Australian Open to make her 12th appearance, this time as the defending champion (d. Sabalenka in 2025 final for 1st career Grand Slam title)
- Only once in the Open Era has the Women's Singles defending champion lost their opening match at the Australian Open (Jennifer Capriati in 2003, l. to Marlene Weingartner)
- This will be Keys' 50th Grand Slam main draw appearance of her career
- Faces No.92 Oleksandra Oliynykova in 1r; since the start of 2025, Keys has gone 17-5 vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- After losing her opening main draw match at the 2012 Australian Open (l. Zheng Jie), Keys has won all of her 1r matches at the event since then (10-1 overall)
- Owes 13-5 career Tour-level record against players from Ukraine; her last match vs. a Ukrainian was a win over Svitolina in the QF here last year
- Has won 5 career hardcourt titles, including two in 2025 (Adelaide, Australian Open). Also won at 2022 Adelaide 250, 2019 Cincinnati and 2017 Stanford
- One of 19 players from USA in the draw, the most of any country
- Is currently ranked No.9; this time last year was ranked No.14. Reached career-high ranking of No.5 last February
- So far this season, made QFs at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and Adelaide (l. eventual finalist Mboko)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her Grand Slam and Tour-level main draw debut today, which is also her 2026 season opener
- Faces No.9 Madison Keys in 1r today; this is her first time facing a Top 50-ranked opponent in her career
- The highest ranked opponent Oliynykova has defeated is No.67 Solana Sierra (2025 Tucuman WTA 125, on clay)
- Seeking first career match-win at a Grand Slam event, including qualifying rounds; she lost in the first qualifying round at Wimbledon (vs. Diane Parry) and US Open (vs. Lizette Cabrera) last season
- One of 6 players from Ukraine in main draw
- Best result by Ukraine at Australian Open was Semi-Finalist run by Dayana Yastremska in 2024 (as a qualifier)
- Currently ranked No.92 (just shy of career-high No.90); this time last year was ranked No.285
- Won three WTA 125 titles last year (Tolentino, Tucuman and Colina), joint-most of any player in 2025



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

**2025      Result      Rank: 14      Seed: 19**

F	W	A. SABALENKA (#1) 6-3 2-6 7-5
SF	W	I. SWIATEK (#2) 5-7 6-1 7-6(8)
QF	W	E. SVITOLINA (#27) 3-6 6-3 6-4
4r	W	E. RYBAKINA (#7) 6-3 1-6 6-3
3r	W	D. COLLINS (#11) 6-4 6-4
2r	W	E. RUSE (#125) 7-6(1) 2-6 7-5
1r	W	A. LI (#84) 6-4 7-5

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

**2023      Result      Rank: 13      Seed: 10**

3r	L	V. AZARENKA (#24) 1-6 6-2 6-1
2r	W	X. WANG (#79) 6-3 6-2
1r	W	A. BLINKOVA (#60) 6-4 3-6 6-2

**2022      Result      Rank: 51      Seed: -**

SF	L	A. BARTY (#1) 6-1 6-3
QF	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#4) 6-3 6-2
4r	W	P. BADOSA (#6) 6-3 6-1
3r	W	Q. WANG (#110) 4-6 6-3 7-6(2)
2r	W	J. CRISTIAN (#69) 6-2 7-5
1r	W	S. KENIN (#13) 7-6(2) 7-5

**2020      Result      Rank: 11      Seed: 10**

3r	L	M. SAKKARI (#23) 6-4 6-4
2r	W	A. RUS (#93) 7-6(3) 6-2
1r	W	D. KASATKINA (#69) 6-3 6-1

**2019      Result      Rank: 17      Seed: 17**

4r	L	E. SVITOLINA (#7) 6-2 1-6 6-1
3r	W	E. MERTENS (#14) 6-3 6-2
2r	W	A. POTAPOVA (#89) 6-3 6-4
1r	W	D. AIAVA (#191) 6-2 6-2



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached back-to-back quarterfinals to start 2026 season - Brisbane (l. Sabalenka) and Adelaide (l. Mboko)
- Playing in first event of 2026 season

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
27	4	<b>Aces</b>	0	0
63.1%	53	<b>First serve %</b>	0.0%	0
64.7%	44	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	0.0%	0
43.9%	50	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	0.0%	0
57.0%	42	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	0.0%	0
70.0%	35	<b>Service games won %</b>	0.0%	0
60.9%	28	<b>Break points saved %</b>	0.0%	0
37.3%	42	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	0.0%	0
53.8%	69	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	0.0%	0
54.5%	27	<b>Break points converted %</b>	0.0%	0
31.0%	64	<b>Return games won %</b>	0.0%	0
43.0%	54	<b>Return points won %</b>	0.0%	0



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (10)

2025 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN, ADELAIDE  
2024 - STRASBOURG  
2023 - EASTBOURNE  
2022 - ADELAIDE 250  
2019 - CINCINNATI, CHARLESTON  
2017 - STANFORD  
2016 - BIRMINGHAM  
2014 - EASTBOURNE

Runner-Up (5)

2020 - BRISBANE  
2017 - US OPEN  
2016 - MONTREAL, ROME  
2015 - CHARLESTON

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
WON	QF	3r	1r	2025			
	3r	4r	3r	2024			
3r	2r	QF	SF	2023			
SF	4r		3r	2022			
	3r	4r	1r	2021			
3r	1r		3r	2020			
4r	QF	2r	4r	2019			
QF	SF	3r	SF	2018			
	2r	2r	RUP	2017			
4r	4r	4r	4r	2016			
SF	3r	QF	4r	2015			
2r	1r	3r	2r	2014			
3r	2r	3r	1r	2013			
1r				2012			
		2r		2011			



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won two singles titles in 2025, including maiden Grand Slam title at Australian Open becoming the oldest first-time Australian Open champion at 29 years old, and the player with the longest gap between their first two major finals in the Open Era (US Open 2017). Returned to a career-high ranking of No.7, then broke into the Top 5 for the first time in February
- In 2025 also qualified for the WTA Finals for the second time in her career after 2016
- In 2024, won eighth career title at Strasbourg (d. Collins in F dropping only three games). Reached SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and Eastbourne (l. Fernandez), and another QF at Rome (l. eventual champion Swiatek). At Grand Slams, reached 4r at Wimbledon (l. Paolini, retired in 3r set due to left thigh injury), made 3r at Roland Garros (l. Navarro) and US Open (l. Mertens)
- In 2023, won seventh career title at Eastbourne (d. Kasatkina in F), reached SF at US Open and reached four QFs including Wimbledon; also qualified for WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai (0-2 in group play)
- At 2022 Adelaide, won first title in over two years (d. Riske in F), followed by SF run at Australian Open - best Slam showing since 2018
- Other highlights in 2022 were SF at Cincinnati and two further QF runs, including at Indian Wells
- In Grand Slam play, 2021 season was highlighted by R16 run at Wimbledon (l. Golubic). Finished campaign inside Top 100 for ninth successive year, but outside Top 20 for first time since 2014
- Ended 2020 ranked No.16, with best result being R-Up finish at Brisbane (l. Ka. Pliskova)
- Lifted biggest title of career during 2019 season at WTA 1000 Cincinnati (d. Kuznetsova in F); afterwards returned to Top 10 for first time since week of June 25, 2018
- Also won title at Charleston (d. Wozniacki) and reached QF at 2019 Roland Garros (l. Barty), one of three Americans to make last eight (also Anisimova and Stephens) - the first time since 2004 (Capriati, S.Williams and V.Williams)  
Reached three SFs in 2018 at Charleston, Roland Garros and US Open
- Reached first Grand Slam final in 2017 at US Open, losing to Sloane Stephens in 10th all-American final in the Open Era. At 22, became the youngest Flushing Meadows finalist since 19-year-old Caroline Wozniacki lost to Kim Clijsters in 2009 Also in 2017, won third WTA title at Stanford (d. Vandeweghe)

- In 2025 won her first WTA 125 titles at Tolentino, followed by Tucuman where she registered her first Top 100 win over No.67 Solana Sierra and Colina leading to her Top 100 debut at No.95 on November 24
- Made Grand Slam qualifying debut in 2025 at Wimbledon (l. Parry in Q1), also played Q1 at US Open (l. Cabrera)
- Broke in to the Top 200 for the first time in July 2025
- Played on the ITF circuit from 2017-2025 and won ten singles and two doubles titles during this time
- Lifted first ITF Circuit title at \$15k Herakloin in 2018
- Played first tournament on ITF Circuit in October 2017

- Enjoyed first Top 10 year-end finish in 2016 (at No.8), was youngest player in Top 20; won second title at Birmingham (d. Strycova) and reached final at Rome (l. S.Williams) and Montreal (l. Halep)
- Broke into Top 10 on June 20 as first American to make Top 10 debut since S.Williams in 1999
- Made WTA Finals debut at Singapore in 2016, going 1-2 in round-robin play
- Represented USA at 2016 Rio Olympics, reaching SF (l. Bronze medal match to Petra Kvitova)
- Qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai in 2015, 2018-19; went 1-1 in round-robin stage on all three appearances, with best result SF run in 2018 (withdrew before match vs. Muguruza w/left knee injury)
- Advanced to maiden major SF at 2015 Australian Open (l. eventual champion S.Williams); broke into Top 20 following conclusion of tournament, on February 2
- Also in 2015, won second career title at Charleston and reached QF at Wimbledon
- Won first career title at 2014 Eastbourne (d. No.9 Kerber in F); was second-youngest player to win a WTA title in 2014, (after Vekic at Kuala Lumpur); also, youngest American to win a title since Vania King in October 2006 (17y 254d at Bangkok)
- Made Billie Jean King Cup debut for USA in 2014
- Broke into Top 100 at beginning of 2013 season and finished the year No.39; highlights were SF at Osaka, QFs at Sydney, Charleston and Birmingham and 3r at Australian Open and Wimbledon
- Earned first Top 20 win over No.17 Lucie Safarova while ranked No.135 at 2013 Sydney; then earned first Top 10 win over No.5 Na Li as LL at Madrid
- In 2012, reached 2r at Miami and played main draw at Australian Open, Memphis and Cincinnati; also won two titles on ITF circuit
- Earned first Grand Slam win at 2011 US Open (d. Craybas, l. Safarova in 2r), also played main draw at Miami and contested qualifying at Indian Wells
- Won first title on ITF circuit at 2010 \$10k/ITF Cleveland, OH, USA; also contested qualifying at US Open in 2010
- Made professional debut in 2009 and Tour-level debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach (as WC, d. Kudryavtseva, l. No.10 Nadia Petrova); was seventh youngest player to win a WTA main draw match at 14y 48d and youngest since Hingis in 1994

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by husband Bjorn Fratangelo
- Mother is Christine; siblings are Sydney, Montana and Hunter. Was introduced to tennis by watching it on television as a little girl
- Favorite shot is serve; favorite surface is hard court
- Favorite food is tacos; favorite movie is Imitation Game; favorite singer is Beyonce; favorite types of music are hip-hop, pop, rap and country
- Favorite places are Charleston and Rome
- Also enjoys interior design, plants, baking, friends and family, watching TV and shopping
- Most memorable experience is playing a match in an earthquake in Costa Rica

- Born in Kyiv and now trains there with her main coach, her father Denis. Her younger brother Nazar also plays tennis
- Likes to play with a defensive style
- Favourite surface is clay
- Growing up looked up to Roger Federer

- Goal is to work hard and be the best she can be
- Very passionate about her charity, Kindness Wins, which is a platform for kindness, with special emphasis on kindness to self, kindness to youth and kindness to others in times of struggle



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113 **KATIE  
BOULTER**  
UNITED KINGDOM

**BELINDA  
(10) BENCIC** 10  
SWITZERLAND

1996-08-01	<b>Date of Birth</b>	1997-03-10
Leicester, Great Britain	<b>Residence</b>	Wollerau, Switzerland
Right-handed (double-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.82m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 9" (1.75m)
23	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	4
\$3,957,679	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$15,643,039
\$4,285	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$786,700
0 / 3	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 10
15-18 (Round of 32: 2023 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON; 2022 WIMBLEDON)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	66-36 (Semi-Finalist: 2025 WIMBLEDON; 2019 US OPEN)
0-0 / 3-5 (Round of 64: 2025, 2024, 2019)	<b>YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN</b>	0-0 / 18-11 (Round of 16: 2025, 2023, 2016)
1-1 / 82-82	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	5-0 / 292-179



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BOULTER

BELINDA  
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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2022	TALLINN	HARD	2r	Belinda Bencic	6-4 6-7(2) 6-3	2h 44m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
100	-	2026	10	-
23	100	2025	11	11
23	24	2024	17	913
50	58	2023	9	17
118	124	2022	11	12
148	148	2021	9	23
315	365	2020	4	12
82	352	2019	7	8
92	100	2018	37	37
199	199	2017	42	165



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- Has reached the Australian Open 2r on 3 occasions (including each of the last 2 years) but has yet to advance beyond that round
- Holds a 3-2 record in Australian Open 1r matches (12-6 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- Career-best Grand Slam showings are three 3r finishes (2022-2023 Wimbledon, 2023 US Open)
- Contesting her 19th career Grand Slam main draw
- Faces No.10 Belinda Bencic in 1r today; owns 4 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.9 Paula Badosa at 2025 Wimbledon
- Owns 1-2 career Tour-level record against players from Switzerland (0-1 in 2025, l. Golubic at Cleveland)
- One of her 3 career WTA singles titles has come on hard court (2024 San Diego)
- One of 4 players from United Kingdom in main draw (also No.28 seed Raducanu, Kartal and F.Jones)
- Most recent woman from United Kingdom to win Australian Open title was Virginia Wade in 1972
- Is currently ranked No.113; this time last year was ranked No.25. Reached career-high ranking of No.23 in November of 2024
- So far this season, made Auckland 2r (l. eventual champion Svitolina)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 12th appearance at Australian Open
- Her best Australian Open performances are R16 showings in 2016 (l. Sharapova), 2023 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka) and 2025 (l. Gauff)
- Holds a 9-2 record in Australian Open 1r matches (29-7 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- Career-best Grand Slam showings are SF finishes at 2019 US Open (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and 2025 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Contesting her 37th career Grand Slam main draw
- Is currently on a 11-match winning streak, including a 5-0 singles record at United Cup to start this season (walkover to Bucsa in 2025 Hong Kong QF does not count as a loss)
- Faces No.113 Katie Boulter in 1r today; since her return from maternity leave at the end of 2024, Bencic is 11-0 in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 100
- Owns 6-4 career Tour-level record against players from United Kingdom; this will be her first Tour-level meeting vs. a United Kingdom player since 2023
- 8 of her 10 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, including 2 hard-court titles last year (Abu Dhabi and Tokyo)
- One of 3 players from Switzerland in main draw (also Golubic and Waltert)
- Most recent Swiss woman to win Australian Open title was Martina Hingis, who won 3 straight titles between 1997 and 1999 (Hingis made 6 straight finals, finishing R-Up from 2000 to 2002)
- On January 12 of this year, she returned to the Top 10 for the first time since March 20, 2023
- Is currently ranked No.10; this time last year was ranked No.294. Reached career-high ranking of No.4 in 2020



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BENCIC**

## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 25	Seed: 22
2r	L	V. KUDERMETOVA (#75)	7-6(3) 2-6 6-2
1r	W	R. MARINO (#98)	6-4 3-6 7-5
2024	Result	Rank: 54	Seed: -
2r	L	Q. ZHENG (#15)	6-3 6-3
1r	W	Y. YUAN (#61)	7-5 7-6(1)
2021	Result	Rank: 315	Seed: -
1r	L	D. KASATKINA (#75)	6-1 6-4
2020	Result	Rank: 315	Seed: -
1r	L	E. SVITOLINA (#5)	6-4 7-5
2019	Result	Rank: 97	Seed: -
2r	L	A. SABALENKA (#11)	6-3 6-4
1r	W	E. MAKAROVA (#60)	6-0 4-6 7-6(6)

2025	Result	Rank: 294	Seed: -
4r	L	C. GAUFF (#3)	5-7 6-2 6-1
3r	W	N. OSAKA (#51)	7-6(3)
2r	W	S. LAMENS (#77)	6-1 7-6(3)
1r	W	J. OSTAPENKO (#22)	6-3 7-6(6)
2023	Result	Rank: 10	Seed: 12
4r	L	A. SABALENKA (#5)	7-5 6-2
3r	W	C. GIORGI (#70)	6-2 7-5
2r	W	C. LIU (#62)	7-6(3) 6-3
1r	W	V. TOMOVA (#91)	6-1 6-2
2022	Result	Rank: 22	Seed: 22
2r	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#60)	6-2 7-5
1r	W	K. MLADENOVIC (#88)	6-4 6-3
2021	Result	Rank: 12	Seed: 11
3r	L	E. MERTENS (#16)	6-2 6-1
2r	W	S. KUZNETSOVA (#37)	7-5 2-6 6-4
1r	W	L. DAVIS (#80)	6-3 4-6 6-1
2020	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 6
3r	L	A. KONTAVEIT (#31)	6-0 6-1
2r	W	J. OSTAPENKO (#45)	7-5 7-5
1r	W	A. SCHMIEDLOVA (#203)	6-3 7-5



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made Auckland 2r (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Went 5-0 in singles during Team Switzerland's R-Up finish at United Cup (l. Poland in final, but Bencic d. Swiatek in that tie)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
3	81	<b>Aces</b>	6	58
56.9%	95	<b>First serve %</b>	70.9%	9
58.5%	85	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	72.2%	13
45.2%	43	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	47.9%	27
52.8%	77	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	65.2%	6
60.0%	70	<b>Service games won %</b>	77.8%	16
66.7%	12	<b>Break points saved %</b>	55.6%	44
42.5%	11	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	42.9%	10
52.9%	72	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	60.7%	16
56.3%	22	<b>Break points converted %</b>	51.0%	32
45.0%	16	<b>Return games won %</b>	46.3%	13
46.6%	19	<b>Return points won %</b>	49.5%	6



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)  
2024 - NOTTINGHAM, SAN DIEGO  
2023 - NOTTINGHAM  
Runner-Up (1)  
2024 - HONG KONG 250

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (10)  
2025 - TOKYO, ABU DHABI  
2023 - ABU DHABI, ADELAIDE #2  
2022 - CHARLESTON  
2021 - OLYMPICS  
2019 - MOSCOW, DUBAI  
2015 - TORONTO, EASTBOURNE

Runner-Up (10)

2023 - CHARLESTON  
2022 - BERLIN  
2021 - BERLIN, ADELAIDE 500  
2019 - MALLORCA  
2018 - LUXEMBOURG  
2016 - ST. PETERSBURG  
2015 - TOKYO, 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH  
2014 - TIANJIN

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2015 - WASHINGTON DC (w/Mladenovic), PRAGUE  
(w/Siniakova)

Runner-Up (1)

2021 - OLYMPICS (w/Golubic)



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## GRAND SLAMS

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



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlights of 2025 were reaching QF on home grass at Nottingham (l. Kessler) and making QF with the Great Britain team at the United Cup (won two round robin matches and lost to Swiatek in QF). Also won a WTA 125 title at Paris
- 2024 season saw Boulter rise to a career high ranking of No.23, achieved on Nov 4, 2024. Successfully defended title at Nottingham (d. Ka. Pliskova in F) and won San Diego (d. Kostyuk in F). Made SF at Tokyo (l. Kenin) and wrapped up the year with a final run at Hong Kong (l. champion Shnaider)
- In 2023 captured first WTA singles title of career on home soil at Nottingham; made Top 50 debut at No.50 the week of September 11; advanced to 3r at Wimbledon for second year in a row (l. Rybakina), and at US Open for first time (l. Stearns)
- Also in 2023, reached 2r as qualifier at both Montreal and Beijing; on ITF Circuit won one singles title at Canberra and reached two finals in Japan; went 2-0 in singles in November's Billie Jean King Cup play-offs against Sweden
- During the 2022 grass court season, advanced to QF at Nottingham (ret. vs. Davis w/right elbow injury) and 2r at Wimbledon (l. Sabalenka)
- Opened 2021 season by reaching 3r at the Gippsland Trophy in Melbourne (l. Osaka); upset No.14 seed Gauff in 2r
- Ended 2020 by finishing R-Up at \$15k ITF/Sharm El-Sheikh-EGY. Earlier in the year, made 2r at Acapulco (l. Zhu) and fell 1r at Australian Open (l. Svitolina) in only Tour-level outings
- Suffered a stress fracture in her back which forced her out for much of 2019. Best results prior to injury were 2r showing at Australian Open and SF run at \$25K ITF/Solapur-IND (l. Raina)
- Won the WTA's first-ever 10-point match tie-break at a Slam to see off Makarova in 1r at 2019 Australian Open
- Reached career-high No.82 on February 18, 2019
- Broke into the Top 100 the week of October 15, 2018
- Made significant strides in 2018, reaching first WTA QF of career at Nottingham (l. eventual champion Barty) - defeated Stosur en route for her first win over a Grand Slam winner. Also enjoyed QF run at Tianjin (d. No.432 Sakkari, l. Ka. Pliskova) and R-Up finish at \$100K ITF/Southsea-GBR (l. Flipkens)
- Also in 2018, reached 2r for the first time at a major, at Wimbledon (d. Cepede Royg, l. Osaka)

- During 2025, skyrocketed from No.421 at the start of January to No.11 year-end ranking, in her first full season after maternity leave; went 2-0 in Tour finals, winning titles at WTA 500 events at Abu Dhabi and Tokyo, and also reached her second career Grand Slam SF at Wimbledon
- After giving birth to daughter Bella, returned to the courts in October 2024 to play a handful of ITF matches, as well as winning her Billie Jean King Cup Playoff match for Switzerland over Serbia's Lola Radivojevic in November
- Played last tournament of 2023 at San Diego before taking maternity leave
- In 2023, won two titles at Adelaide 2 (d. Kasatkina in F) and Abu Dhabi (d. Samsonova in F); also finished R-Up at Charleston (l. Jabeur)
- Won sixth career title in 2022, triumphing at Charleston, while finishing R-Up at Berlin (l. Jabeur) and helped Switzerland lift Billie Jean King Cup Finals in Glasgow; also reached SF at Miami (l. Osaka) and Tallinn (l. Krejcikova)
- Captured gold medal for Switzerland at Tokyo Olympics in 2021 (d. Vondrousova in F); also claimed silver in doubles (w/Golubic)
- Other 2021 highlights included R-Up finish at Adelaide (l. Swiatek) and Berlin (l. Samsonova), and six further QFs (including US Open)
- Across a disrupted 2020 reached three QFs, at Adelaide, St. Petersburg and Doha
- Was voted WTA Comeback Player of the Year in 2019 - lifted two titles at Dubai (d. Kvitova in F) and Moscow (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and posted a career-best 49 Tour-level match wins in 2019 fourth most among all players and breaking back into Top 10 on September 9
- Earned spot at 2019 WTA Finals in Shenzhen, becoming first Swiss player to compete in singles at the WTA Finals since Hingis in 2006, going on to reach SF at the season-ending showpiece (l. defending champion Svitolina)
- Also in 2019, marked 20th Grand Slam main draw by reaching her maiden major SF at US Open (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and finished R-Up at Mallorca (l. Kenin)
- Led the WTA with six victories over Top 5 players in 2019, including upsets over No.1 Naomi Osaka at Indian Wells, Madrid and US Open
- Standout result in 2018 was R-Up finish at Luxembourg (as qualifier, l. Goerges)
- In first round at 2018 Australian Open, defeated No.5 Venus Williams. Having also upset then-No.1 Serena Williams in SF at 2015 Toronto is one of seven women to defeat both Williams sisters before their 21st birthday (also Hingis,

- Fell in 1r on Tour-level main draw singles debut at 2017 Wimbledon (as WC, L. McHale)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of seven singles titles and four doubles titles
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Great Britain in 2011
- Appeared in girls' singles at all four Slams, reaching 3r at Australian Open, Wimbledon and US Open, and was R-Up in doubles at 2014 Australian Open (w/Jorovic, L. Kalinina/Kulichkova). Other junior highlights include winning Lemon Bowl in Rome at age of 11, and reaching final at Junior Orange Bowl in Florida at age 14

- Sharapova, Clijsters, Henin, Chakvetadze and Osaka)
- Underwent left wrist surgery in spring 2017, missing five months - ranking fell outside Top 300; reached QF at Linz as WC in first WTA event back after surgery
- Run to 2016 St. Petersburg final (L. Vinci in F) saw her break into Top 10 at No.9 for the first time in her career. Also in 2016, reached SF at Sydney and ~~1~~ s-Hertogenbosch
- Won first career titles in 2015 at Eastbourne (d. Radwanska in F) and Toronto (d. Halep in F); also reached final at ~~1~~ s-Hertogenbosch (L. Giorgi) and Tokyo (L. Radwanska)
- At Toronto, beat four Top 10 players en route to the title including World No.1 Serena Williams
- Qualified for 2015 WTA Elite Trophy in Zhuhai however withdrew due to hand injury
- Won second WTA doubles title of career in 2015 at Washington, DC (w/Mladenovic), the first coming earlier in the year at Prague(w/Siniakova)
- Voted 2014 WTA Newcomer of the Year after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Tianjin (L. Riske), SF at Charleston and QF run at 2014 US Open (defeated No.7 Kerber in 3r, No.10 Jankovic in R16); at 17 years of age, was youngest player through to last eight at Flushing Meadows since 1997 when Hingis won the title and broke into Top 50 on Sept 8, 2014
- Won junior singles titles at Roland Garros and Wimbledon in 2013; was named ITF Junior World Champion for 2013
- Played first WTA qualifying event at Luxembourg in October 2011, and first WTA main draw 12 months later at same event as WC (L. V.Williams, 1r); only 15 years, 7 months at the time
- Made professional debut on ITF circuit in 2011

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Michael Joyce
- Formerly worked with Biljana Veselinovic
- Receives support from the LTA via their Pro Scholarship Programme and trains at National Tennis Centre in London
- Mother is Sue (ex-tennis coach), Father is David
- Began playing tennis aged 5; tennis idol is Serena Williams
- Hobbies include hockey, cycling, shopping and cooking; supports Leicester City football club

- Coached by Iain Hughes
- Father, Ivan, sometimes serves as her tennis coach, and Martin Hromkovic as her fitness coach. Mother is Dana; younger brother is Brian who also plays and coaches tennis; father emigrated to Switzerland from then-Czechoslovakia in 1968
- Started playing at Melanie Molitor's (mother of Martina Hingis) tennis school at age 3 until age 19 (started daily training with her from age 6 for eight years)
- Also visited the Nick Bollettieri and Evert Tennis Academy as a Junior
- Enjoys watching movies, reading, playing with dogs, baking, painting, and seeing friends



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17 **NAOMI  
OSAKA (16)**  
JAPAN

**ANTONIA  
RUZIC** 65  
CROATIA

1997-10-16	<b>Date of Birth</b>	2003-01-20
Boca Raton, FL, USA	<b>Residence</b>	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-Handed
5' 11" (1.80 m)	<b>Height</b>	
1	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	65
\$24,773,332	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$672,011
\$170,000	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$0
0 / 7	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 0
69-26 (Champion: 2021 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2020 US OPEN; 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2018 US OPEN)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	0-1 (Round of 128: 2025 US OPEN)
0-0 / 26-7 (Champion: 2021, 2019)	<b>YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)</b>	0-0 / 0-0
1-1 / 219-120	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	3-1 / 14-13



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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
16	-	2026	70	-
14	16	2025	69	75
56	59	2024	145	145
41	-	2023	206	268
13	42	2022	184	268
2	13	2021	350	350
3	3	2020	1123	1158
1	3	2019	-	-
4	5	2018	-	-
44	68	2017	-	-



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 10th appearance at Australian Open
- 2-time Australian Open champion, winning the tournament in 2019 (d. Kvitova in F) and 2021 (d. Brady in F), which are Japan's best results at the tournament
- Osaka also owns another two Grand Slam titles at US Open in 2018 (d. Serena Williams in F) and 2020 (d. Azarenka in F)
- Faces No.65 Antonia Ruzic in 1r today; at Grand Slam events, Osaka is 38-9 vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 4-1 career Tour-level record against players from Croatia (0-0 in 2026), playing today's opponent Ruzic for the first time
- Record in Australian Open 1r matches stands at 8-1, with the one loss to Garcia in 2024 - a result she reversed in last year's 1r
- Osaka is contesting her 32nd career Grand Slam main draw; she is 25-6 in 1r matches across all Grand Slams
- All of her seven career Tour-level singles titles have come on hard court, most recently Australian Open 2021
- One of 3 players from Japan in the starting field (also Uchijima and Sakatsume), same number as last year
- Former World No.1 Osaka is currently ranked No.17; this time last year was ranked No.51. Osaka has spent 25 weeks in her career holding the World No.1 ranking
- So far this year, went 1-1 at United Cup (d. Swan, l. Sakkari)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making Australian Open main draw debut this year; fell in qualifying in 2025
- This is her 2nd Grand Slam main draw appearance, having made Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open 2025 (l. Townsend in 1r)
- Faces No.17 Naomi Osaka in 1r today; Ruzic has lost all of her previous three meetings against Top 20 opponents
- Career best win by ranking was defeating No.40 Linette at Wuhan 2025
- First Tour-level meeting vs. an opponent from Japan
- Comes into this event having just reached 2026 Hobart SF last week (l. eventual champion Coccialetto); that was her career-best Tour-level result on hard court, and also her first Tour-level SF of career
- One of 3 players from Croatia in the starting field (also Marcinko and Vekic)
- Is currently ranked a new career-high No.65; this time last year was ranked No.169
- Was one of the four Croatian players to reach a WTA QF in 2025 (in Monterrey) along with Petra Martic (Linz), Lea Boskovic (Bogota) and Donna Vekic (Chennai)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

**2025      Result      Rank: 51      Seed: -**

3r	L	B. BENCIC (#294) 7-6(3)
2r	W	K. MUCHOVA (#20) 1-6 6-1 6-3
1r	W	C. GARCIA (#67) 6-3 3-6 6-3

**2024      Result      Rank: 831      Seed: -**

1r	L	C. GARCIA (#19) 6-4 7-6(2)
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**2022      Result      Rank: 14      Seed: 13**

3r	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#60) 4-6 6-3 7-6(5)
2r	W	M. BRENGLE (#54) 6-0 6-4
1r	W	C. OSORIO (#50) 6-3 6-3

**2021      Result      Rank: 3      Seed: 3**

F	W	J. BRADY (#24) 6-4 6-3
SF	W	S. WILLIAMS (#11) 6-3 6-4
QF	W	S. HSIEH (#71) 6-2 6-2
4r	W	G. MUGURUZA (#14) 4-6 6-4 7-5
3r	W	O. JABEUR (#30) 6-3 6-2
2r	W	C. GARCIA (#43) 6-2 6-3
1r	W	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#39) 6-1 6-2

**2020      Result      Rank: 4      Seed: 3**

3r	L	C. GAUFF (#67) 6-3 6-4
2r	W	S. ZHENG (#42) 6-2 6-4
1r	W	M. BOUZKOVA (#59) 6-2 6-4

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played group stage at United Cup (d. Swan, L. Sakkari)
- Reached first career SF at Hobart (l. eventual champion Cocciaretto)
- Played qualifying at Brisbane

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7	50	<b>Aces</b>	3	85
62.9%	55	<b>First serve %</b>	65.3%	35
64.4%	47	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	59.9%	73
58.1%	2	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	43.6%	55
62.1%	18	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	54.2%	64
66.7%	43	<b>Service games won %</b>	64.1%	51
50.0%	57	<b>Break points saved %</b>	66.7%	13
38.5%	34	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	47.3%	2
56.0%	50	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	52.4%	75
31.6%	90	<b>Break points converted %</b>	60.0%	16
31.6%	63	<b>Return games won %</b>	48.6%	9
44.7%	35	<b>Return points won %</b>	49.1%	8



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2021 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2020 - US OPEN

2019 - BEIJING, OSAKA, AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2018 - US OPEN, INDIAN WELLS

Runner-Up (6)

2025 - MONTREAL, AUCKLAND

2022 - MIAMI

2020 - CINCINNATI (NYC)

2018 - TOKYO

2016 - TOKYO



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## GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
3r	1r	3r	SF	2025			1r
1r	2r	2r	2r	2024			
				2023			
3r	1r		1r	2022			
WON	2r		3r	2021			
3r			WON	2020			
WON	3r	1r	4r	2019			
4r	3r	3r	WON	2018			
2r	1r	3r	3r	2017			
3r	3r		3r	2016			



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025 reached her first WTA final since returning from maternity leave at Auckland. Made her sixth career WTA 1000 final at Montreal and reached semifinals at US Open which saw her back in the Top 20 for the first time since January 2022. Also won WTA 125 title at Saint Malo
- Returned to play in 2024 following maternity leave and reached the QF at Doha and 's-Hertogenbosch, as well as R16 at Rome and Beijing
- Played 2022 Tokyo in September before taking a 15 month break to give birth to daughter Shai in early July 2023

In 2022 had success at Miami, where she fell to Swiatek in the final, her first final since the 2021 Australian Open. Also reached the semifinals at Melbourne 250 #1 (withdrew before semifinal with Kudermetova w/abdominal injury)

- Won 2021 Australian Open (d. Brady in F) to become first woman since Seles in the early 1990s to win each of her first four Grand Slam finals - became 16th woman to win four or more majors in the Open Era
- At 2020 US Open, came from a set and a break down to Azarenka and win third Grand Slam title of career; also finished R-Up at Western & Southern Open - withdrew w/left hamstring injury before final against Azarenka
- Won second Grand Slam at 2019 Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep. Only set dropped all fortnight was against Sakkari in R16
- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a

- In 2025, reached 2nd career WTA Tour QF at Monterrey (first QF at WTA 500-level; l. Bouzkova) and made Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open (l. Townsend in 1r). Made Top 100 debut on June 9 and peaked at career-high No.69 on August 25, finishing season at No.75
- First Top 150 year-end finish in 2024; made WTA main draw debut as a qualifier at Monastir, where she reached her first career WTA Tour QF (l. Bronzetti). Fell in qualifying at three of the four Grand Slams, but reached four finals on ITF Circuit, winning three titles
- Won two ITF Circuit titles from three finals in 2023; also played first Grand Slam qualifying match this season at Roland Garros (l. B.Fruhvirtova)
- Reached three ITF Circuit finals in 2022, winning two titles; also contested WTA qualifying at Portoroz (d. Abduraimova, l. Bucsa)
- In 2021, won first three ITF Circuit titles; also played first WTA qualifying match at Ostrava (l. Sharma)
- Played first professional events on ITF Circuit in 2019

Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y, 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Kimiko Date in 1990 (197, 122d)

- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win
- Voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year; highlight was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (I. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at Quebec City in 2013 (I. Dabrowski)

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Working with Tomasz Wiktorowski
- Father is from Haiti, mother is from Japan; older sister is Mari (also played tennis)
- Was born in Osaka, Japan, and moved to USA when she was three years old
- Hobbies include fashion, gaming and photography



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48 **LAURA SIEGEMUND**  
GERMANY

**LIUDMILA (18) SAMSONOVA** 18

1988-03-04	Date of Birth	1998-11-11
Stuttgart, Germany	Residence	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 6" (1.68m)	Height	5' 11" (1.82m)
27	Career-High Ranking	12
\$8,030,304	Career Prize Money	\$7,992,919
\$0	Season Prize Money	\$42,935
0 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 5
25-30 (Quarter-Finalist: 2025 WIMBLEDON; 2020 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	29-22 (Quarter-Finalist: 2025 WIMBLEDON)
0-0 / 9-8 (Round of 32: 2025, 2023, 2016)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	0-0 / 4-6 (Round of 64: 2025, 2023, 2022, 2021)
0-0 / 137-144	YTD / Career W-L	2-2 / 149-116



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	ADELAIDE	HARD	1r	Laura Siegemund	6-7(1) 6-4 6-4	2h 53m
2023	ZHENGZHOU	HARD	2r	Laura Siegemund	3-6 6-2 6-1	2h 18m
2022	CLEVELAND	HARD	2r	Liudmila Samsonova	6-2 6-1	1h 14m
2022	STUTTGART	CLAY	QF	Liudmila Samsonova	7-5 6-3	1h 48m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
45	-	2026	17	-
39	46	2025	16	17
64	84	2024	13	27
84	86	2023	12	16
124	169	2022	19	20
49	124	2021	39	39
50	50	2020	114	127
72	73	2019	123	139
68	117	2018	177	180
29	69	2017	520	552



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 9th main draw appearance at Australian Open, where her previous best results were reaching 3r in 2025 (L. Pavlyuchenkova), 2023 (L. Garcia), 2016 (L. Beck)
- Best results at Grand Slams were QF runs at Wimbledon 2025 (L. Sabalenka) and Roland Garros 2020 (L. Kvitova)
- The Australian Open could become the second WTA-level tournament in which Laura Siegemund claims 10 main draw wins (currently nine), after Stuttgart (14)
- By defeating Zheng Qinwen in 2r last year, Siegemund became the first German to claim a Top 5 win at the Australian Open since Kerber d. S. Williams in the 2016 final
- Faces No.18 Liudmila Samsonova in 1r today; owns 23 wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.5 Mirra Andreeva at Wuhan 2025
- Record in 1r matches at Grand Slams stands at 14-16 (6-2 at Australian Open)
- Best career Tour-level result on hard court is R-Up at Hua Hin #2 in 2024, Warsaw in 2023
- One of 4 players from Germany in the starting field (also Seidel, Maria and Lys)
- Is currently ranked No.48 (peak rank No.27 in 2016); this time last year was ranked No.97
- One of the five players over 35 years old in the field, along with Venus Williams, Tatjana Maria, Zhang Shuai and Sorana Cirstea

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- Has reached 2r here on 4 occasions, but is yet to advance beyond that round in Melbourne
- Career-best result at Grand Slams was QF run at Wimbledon 2025 (L. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Faces No.48 Laura Siegemund in 1r today; owns 70 wins in career over Top 50 players, most recently No.28 Sofia Kenin at Wuhan 2025
- Owns 7-3 career Tour-level record against players from Germany (0-0 in 2026)
- Has split 4 previous meetings with today's opponent Siegemund (Samsonova won the first two, but Siegemund has leveled the H2H since)
- Record in 1r matches at Grand Slams stands at 15-7 (4-2 at Australian Open)
- 3 out of her 5 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court at Tokyo, Cleveland and Washington DC in 2022
- Is currently ranked No.18 (career best at No.12 in 2023); this time last year was ranked No.21
- Won nine Grand Slam main draw matches in 2025, her highest career tally in an entire calendar year
- So far this season, made Brisbane QF (L. Pegula) and fell 1r at Adelaide (L. Vondrousova)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 97	Seed: -
3r	L	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#32) 6-1 6-2	
2r	W	Q. ZHENG (#5) 7-6(3) 6-3	
1r	W	H. BAPTISTE (#88) 4-6 7-5 6-4	

2024	Result	Rank: 78	Seed: -
2r	L	S. HUNTER (#180) 6-4 3-6 6-3	
1r	W	E. ALEXANDROVA (#20) 6-2 3-6 7-6(9)	

2023	Result	Rank: 158	Seed: -
3r	L	C. GARCIA (#4) 1-6 6-3 6-3	
2r	W	I. BEGU (#30) 5-7 7-5 6-3	
1r	W	L. BRONZETTI (#52) 2-6 6-4 6-3	

2021	Result	Rank: 49	Seed: -
1r	L	S. WILLIAMS (#11) 6-1 6-1	

2020	Result	Rank: 72	Seed: -
2r	L	K. PLISKOVÁ (#2) 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	C. VANDEWEGHE (#226) 6-1 6-4	

2025	Result	Rank: 21	Seed: 25
2r	L	O. DANILOVIC (#55) 6-1 6-2	
1r	W	K. RAKHIMOVA (#62) 6-2 6-4	

2024	Result	Rank: 14	Seed: 13
1r	L	A. ANISIMOVA (#442) 6-3 6-4	

2023	Result	Rank: 20	Seed: 18
2r	L	D. VEKIC (#64) 6-3 6-0	
1r	W	J. PAOLINI (#66) 6-2 6-4	

2022	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: -
2r	L	M. VONDROUŠOVÁ (#41) 6-2 7-5	
1r	W	E. BEKTAS (#212) 7-5 6-4	

2021	Result	Rank: 130	Seed: -
2r	L	G. MUGURUZA (#14) 6-3 6-1	
1r	W	P. BADOSA (#70) 6-7(4) 7-6(4) 7-5	



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played qualifying at Adelaide (ret. vs. Zvonareva)
- Played 1r at Adelaide (L. Vondrousova)
- Began 2026 season with QF at Brisbane (L. Pegula)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
0	0	<b>Aces</b>	15	23
0.0%	0	<b>First serve %</b>	60.9%	73
0.0%	0	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	60.6%	69
0.0%	0	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	47.7%	31
0.0%	0	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	55.6%	53
0.0%	0	<b>Service games won %</b>	61.9%	58
0.0%	0	<b>Break points saved %</b>	63.6%	18
0.0%	0	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	32.9%	73
0.0%	0	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	59.6%	24
0.0%	0	<b>Break points converted %</b>	53.3%	28
0.0%	0	<b>Return games won %</b>	39.0%	33
0.0%	0	<b>Return points won %</b>	43.2%	50



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2017 - STUTTGART  
2016 - BASTAD  
Runner-Up (3)  
2024 - HUA HIN #2  
2023 - WARSAW  
2016 - STUTTGART

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (16)  
2025 - NOTTINGHAM (w/Haddad Maia)  
2024 - OSAKA (w/Shibahara)  
2023 - WTA FINALS (w/Zvonareva), NANCHANG  
(w/Zvonareva), NINGBO (w/Zvonareva),  
WASHINGTON DC (w/Zvonareva), HOBART  
(w/Flipkens)  
2022 - CLUJ-NAPOCA (w/Flipkens), MIAMI  
(w/Zvonareva), LYON (w/Zvonareva)  
2020 - US OPEN (w/Zvonareva)  
2019 - GUANGZHOU (w/Peng)  
2018 - MOSCOW (w/Panova)  
2015 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Barthel), FLORIANOPOLIS  
(w/Beck), 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH (w/Muhammad)

### Runner-Up (9)

2025 - ADELAIDE (w/Haddad Maia)  
2024 - TOKYO (w/Shibahara), MADRID  
(w/Krejcikova)  
2023 - US OPEN (w/Zvonareva), INDIAN WELLS  
(w/Haddad Maia)  
2022 - TALLINN (w/Melichar-martinez)  
2018 - NEW HAVEN (w/Hsieh)  
2016 - MALLORCA (w/Friedsam)  
2015 - MARRAKECH (w/Zanevska)

### 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)



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## GRAND SLAMS

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3r	1r	QF	3r	<b>2025</b>	2r	4r	2r
2r	1r	2r	1r	<b>2024</b>	1r	3r	4r
3r			1r	<b>2023</b>	2r	2r	1r
			1r	<b>2022</b>	2r	1r	4r
1r	1r	1r		<b>2021</b>	2r	4r	2r
2r	QF		1r	<b>2020</b>	1r	1r	1r
2r	2r	2r	2r	<b>2019</b>		1r	
	1r		1r	<b>2018</b>			
1r				<b>2017</b>			
3r	1r	1r	3r	<b>2016</b>			
		1r	1r	<b>2015</b>			

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Highlights of 2025 included reaching second Grand Slam QF of her career at Wimbledon (l. Sabalenka) and posting her best career WTA 1000 result with QF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Gauff). In doubles, won 16th Tour title at Nottingham with Haddad Maia
- Best results of 2024 came in the second half of the season achieving runner-up at Hua Hin 2 and reaching semifinal at Jiujiang. Also made quarterfinals across the season at Adelaide, Bogota and Rabat
- 2023 season highlights include a final in Warsaw (l. Swiatek) and a QF at Zhengzhou (l. Paolini) and Nanchang (l. Siniakova)
- Ended her 2023 singles season ranked at No.86
- In the 2023 season reached a doubles career-high of No.5 and lifted doubles title at the WTA Finals (w/Zvonareva)
- Best result of 2022 was QF run at Stuttgart (as WC, l. Samsonova)
- Reached first career QF on grass, at 2021 Bad Homburg (l. Siniakova). Also made 3r at Gippsland Trophy (l. Halep) and 2r on four occasions in 2021
- Advanced to first Grand Slam singles quarterfinal of career at 2020 Roland Garros (l. Kvitova); previous best results at a Slam were 3r runs at 2016 Australian Open (l. Beck) and 2016 US Open (l. V.Williams)
- Captured first Grand Slam doubles title at 2020 US Open (w/Zvonareva)
- Opened 2020 season by reaching QF at Auckland (l. eventual champion S.Williams)
- Standout results of 2019 season included SF run at Bucharest (l. Tig) and QF showings at Hiroshima and Luxembourg
- After 10 months sidelined by knee injury, returned to Tour-level action at 2018 Charleston; went on to reach two QF later that summer, at Bucharest and Moscow [River Cup]; also reached three finals on the ITF Circuit, including a title run at \$25K Bad Saulgau-GER
- Won second (and biggest title) of career to date on home soil at 2017 Stuttgart (d. Mladenovic in F). Scored three wins over Top 10 opponents en route (No.9 Kuznetsova, No.3 Ka.Pliskova and No.5 Halep) but promising season halted by serious right knee injury (tore right anterior cruciate ligament) sustained a few weeks later at Nürnberg (ret. vs. Krejčíková)
- Enjoyed Tour-level breakthrough in 2016, registering 30 Tour-level match wins and first WTA singles title on clay at Bastad (d. Siniakova in F)

- 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

- Earlier in 2016, reached maiden WTA final as a qualifier at 2016 Stuttgart (as qualifier, L. Kerber); result led to Top 50 debut at No.42 (week of April 25)
- Quarterfinalist at Rio Olympics (L. eventual gold medalist Puig)
- Won 2016 US Open mixed doubles title (w/Pavic)
- Advanced to first two QF at WTA level in 2015, at Florianopolis and Luxembourg
- Won first WTA doubles title at 2015 's-Hertogenbosch (w/Muhammad)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2003 Leipzig and finally main draw debut seven years later, at 2010 Bastad
- Played first pro events of career on ITF Circuit in 2002

- Grand Slam main draw debut at Roland Garros (as qualifier, L. 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

- Coached by Antonio Zucca
- Mother's name is Brigitta, father's name is Harro (engineer); sister's name is Satu, brother's name is Arlen
- Introduced to tennis by family at age 3
- Lived in Riyadh, Saudi Arabia from age 4 to 7 and in Jakarta, Indonesia from age 9 to 10
- Speaks German, English and French
- Tennis idol growing up was Steffi Graf
- Favorite tennis memories include winning the match point at the 2016 Mixed US Open Final and winning the 2017 Porsche Tennis Grandprix at her hometown in Stuttgart
- Completed bachelor's degree in psychology from University of Hagen in 2016

- Previously trained in Rome with Alessandro Dumitache 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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CANADA

2002-05-06	Date of Birth	2002-09-06
	Residence	Boynton Beach, Florida, USA
Right-Handed	Plays	Left-Handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 6" (1.71m)	Height	5' 6" (1.68m)
53	Career-High Ranking	13
\$359,881	Career Prize Money	\$7,371,874
\$5,260	Season Prize Money	\$13,735
0 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 5
1-1 (Round of 64: 2025 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	27-22 (Runner-Up: 2021 US OPEN)
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	0-0 / 4-6 (Round of 32: 2025)
0-2 / 10-5	YTD / Career W-L	0-2 / 137-107



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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
53	-	2026	22	-
53	53	2025	22	22
570	578	2024	23	31
960	-	2023	32	35
966	966	2022	13	40
-	-	2021	24	24
-	-	2020	88	88
-	-	2019	209	209
-	-	2018	451	487
-	-	2017	727	728



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making her first appearance at Australian Open
- First Indonesian woman to play Australian Open main draw since Angelique Widjaja in 2004
- Contesting her 2nd Grand Slam main draw; she played her first Grand Slam main draw at last year's US Open (as qualifier, d. V.Kudermetova in 1r, L. Raducanu in 2r)
- Faces No.23 Leylah Fernandez in 1r today; she is the highest-ranked opponent Tjen has faced in her career thus far
- Tjen has faced one Top 25 player in her career (d. No.25 V.Kudermetova at 2025 US Open)
- This is her first Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Canada
- Won her first career WTA singles title on hard court last year at Chennai (d. Birrell in final - became first Indonesian to win a Tour singles title since Widjaja at 2002 Pattaya City)
- Is currently ranked No.59; this time last year was ranked No.413. Reached career-high No.53 last November
- So far this year, lost opening matches at Auckland (L. Kartal) and Hobart (L. eventual finalist Jovic)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Australian Open; posted best tournament result last year by making 3r (L. Gauff)
- Holds a 3-3 record in Australian Open 1r matches (15-7 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- Career-best Grand Slam showing is finishing as runner-up at 2021 US Open (L. qualifier Raducanu in all-teenage final)
- Contesting her 23rd career Grand Slam main draw
- Faces No.59 Janice Tjen in 1r today; last year, Fernandez was 20-6 in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside Top 50
- This is her first Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Indonesia
- All of her 5 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, including 2 last year (Washington DC and Osaka)
- One of 3 players from Canada in main draw (also No.17 seed Mboko and qualifier Stakusic)
- Best result by Canada at Australian Open was SF run by Eugenie Bouchard in 2014
- Is currently ranked No.23; this time last year was ranked No.29. Reached career-high ranking of No.13 in August of 2022
- So far this season, lost opening matches at Brisbane (L. Yastremska) and Adelaide (L. Shnaider)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

Year	Result	Rank	Seed
2025		Rank: 29	Seed: 30
3r	L	C. GAUFF (#3)	6-4 6-2
2r	W	C. BUCSA (#110)	3-6 6-4 6-4
1r	W	Y. STARODUBTSEVA (#100)	7-5 6-4
2024		Rank: 35	Seed: 32
2r	L	A. PARKS (#82)	7-5 6-4
1r	W	S. BEJLEK (#133)	7-6(5) 6-2
2023		Rank: 40	Seed: -
2r	L	C. GARCIA (#4)	7-6(5) 7-5
1r	W	A. CORNET (#34)	7-5 6-2
2022		Rank: 24	Seed: 23
1r	L	M. INGLIS (#133)	6-4 6-2
2021		Rank: 86	Seed: -
1r	L	E. MERTENS (#16)	6-1 6-3



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 1r at Hobart (l. eventual finalist Jovic)
- Played 1r at Auckland (l. Kartal)

- Played 1r at Adelaide (l. Shnaider)
- Played 2r at Brisbane (after 1r bye, l. Yastremska)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
6	64	<b>Aces</b>	1	98
57.9%	92	<b>First serve %</b>	62.6%	61
60.5%	71	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	61.2%	63
42.4%	62	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	42.5%	59
52.9%	76	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	54.2%	65
52.6%	88	<b>Service games won %</b>	62.5%	56
65.4%	15	<b>Break points saved %</b>	66.7%	11
24.2%	98	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	16.2%	105
45.9%	97	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	45.7%	98
25.0%	101	<b>Break points converted %</b>	0.0%	0
4.5%	104	<b>Return games won %</b>	0.0%	0
30.3%	102	<b>Return points won %</b>	28.1%	104



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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)  
2025 - CHENNAI  
Runner-Up (1)  
2025 - SAO PAULO

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2025 - CHENNAI (w/Sutjiadi), GUANGZHOU  
(w/Piter)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (5)  
2025 - OSAKA, WASHINGTON DC  
2023 - HONG KONG  
2022 - MONTERREY  
2021 - MONTERREY

Runner-Up (3)  
2024 - EASTBOURNE  
2021 - US OPEN  
2020 - ACAPULCO

### DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (4)  
2024 - CINCINNATI (w/Putintseva)  
2023 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Townsend), MIAMI  
(w/Townsend), AUCKLAND (w/Mattek-sands)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
		2r	<b>2025</b>	3r	1r	2r	3r
			<b>2024</b>	2r	3r	2r	1r
			<b>2023</b>	2r	2r	2r	1r
			<b>2022</b>	1r	QF		2r
			<b>2021</b>	1r	2r	1r	RUP
			<b>2020</b>	1r	3r		2r



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In a breakthrough 2025, made first WTA Tour final at Sao Paulo (in her 2nd career Tour main draw; I. Rakotomanga Rajaonah in final), then won first Tour title at Chennai (4th career Tour main draw; d. Birrell in final), becoming the first Indonesian to win a Tour singles title since Angelique Widjaja at 2002 Pattaya City. Skyrocketed from No.411 to a career-high No.53 during the season
- Also in 2025, won her first two doubles titles at Guangzhou (w/Piter) and Chennai (w/Sutjiadi); made Tour-level and Grand Slam main draw debut at US Open (as qualifier, d. No.24 seed V. Kudermetova in 1r, I. Raducanu in 2r); won WTA 125 Jinan title and claimed six ITF singles titles in the first half of the year
- In 2024, won her first of 7 ITF singles and 2 ITF doubles titles that year at W15 Monastir; has a W-L record of 39-3 that year, twice winning 15 matches consecutively

Also in 2024, ended her collegiate career ranked No.1 in doubles and No.35 in singles in the ITA rankings

In 2019, dominated the Indonesian junior circuit, earning nine titles; also in 2019 made ITF circuit debut as a wildcard at W25 Jakarta, fell in first round

Won gold in singles (and silver in doubles) at the 2019 ASEAN School Games in Semarang

- In 2025, won multiple Tour titles in a calendar year for the first time, finishing as champion at WTA 250 Osaka and WTA 500 Washington DC (her first title above WTA 250 level); also partnered Venus Williams to make US Open doubles QF as a wild card team
- 2024 season highlights were reaching first final on grass finishing R-Up at Eastbourne (I. Kasatkina) and as part of title defense made SF at Hong Kong. Also reached final of Cincinnati in doubles w/Putintseva
- In 2023, earned third career title at Hong Kong (d. Siniakova); prevented from a consecutive title run by Siniakova who defeated her in Nanchang SF. Also defeated Paolini at Billie Jean King Cup Finals to lift title with Canada
- Broke into the Top 20 in doubles in 2023, after reaching final at Roland Garros, Miami (both w/Townsend) and Auckland (w/Mattek-Sands) as well as QF at US Open (w/Townsend)

In 2022 won her second title at Monterrey (d. Osorio in F; saved 5MP), and reached the QF at Roland Garros (I. Trevisan); missed grass-court season due to grade three stress fracture in her right foot suffered during match vs. Trevisan in Paris

- Enjoyed a memorable 2021 campaign, lifting first career title in Monterrey and advancing to maiden Grand Slam final, at US Open (I. Raducanu)
- En route to the final at Flushing Meadows in 2021, upset defending champion and No. 3 Osaka in 3r, 2016 winner Kerber in R16, No.5 Svitolina in QF and No. 2 Sabalenka in SF, becoming the youngest woman to beat multiple Top-5 opponents at the same major since S. Williams at 1999 US Open
- Breakout year in 2020 saw her crack Top 100 for the first time on September 14 and finish campaign by reaching 3r at Roland Garros. Earned first career Grand Slam win at 2020 US Open (d. Zvonareva, I. Kenin in 2r) and made Grand Slam debut at 2020 Australian Open as qualifier (I. Davis in 1r)
- Reached first career WTA final and notched first tour-level back-to-back wins at 2020 Acapulco as qualifier (I. Watson in F); at 17y, 177d, she was the youngest Canadian to reach a WTA singles final in 34 years (since Helen Kelesi at 1986 Tokyo [Japan Open] won at 16y, 338d)
- Owns one singles title and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit

- Won 2019 Roland Garros junior singles title (d. Navarro) becoming first Canadian to win a junior Grand Slam since Bouchard in 2012
- Played first WTA main draw and earned first main draw win of career at 2018 Quebec City defeating countrywoman Dabrowski in 1r (L. Watson in 2r)
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in USA in 2016

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Chris Bint

- Coached by Jorge Fernandez  
Born in Montréal, and resides and trains in Miami, FL with mother, Irene, father, Jorge and younger sister, Bianca Jolie who also plays tennis. Older sister, Jodeci and husband Jacques live in Ohio
- Current sponsors are: lululemon, Easy Post, Morgan Stanley, Google Canada, Gatorade Canada, Babolat and Youth Athletes United
- Trilingual: French, Spanish and English
- Hobbies include: taking dancing lessons, currently learning Salsa with her younger sister; loves to solve puzzles and Rubiks Cubes during match rain delays or in her free time at the hotel
- Loves dessert but specifically enjoys molten lava chocolate cake



# MATCH NOTES

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SLOVAKIA

JELENA  
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LATVIA

1996-10-19	Date of Birth	1997-06-08
Bratislava, Slovakia	Residence	Riga, Latvia
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 10" (1.79 m)	Height	5' 10" (1.77m)
33	Career-High Ranking	5
\$2,211,032	Career Prize Money	\$18,780,986
\$11,920	Season Prize Money	\$56,500
0 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 9
1-8 (Round of 64: 2025 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	59-38 (Champion: 2017 ROLAND GARROS)
0-0 / 1-2 (Round of 64: 2025)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	0-0 / 13-10 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023)
1-2 / 47-44	YTD / Career W-L	0-2 / 271-204



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	ROME	CLAY	2r	Jelena Ostapenko	1-6 6-4 6-3	1h 46m
2024	ROME	CLAY	4r	Jelena Ostapenko	4-6 6-4 7-6(3)	2h 46m
2019	FED CUP WEEK 1	HARD	QF	Jelena Ostapenko	7-5 6-7(5) 6-1	0m
2015	KREUZLINGEN	CARPET	SF	Rebecca Sramkova	7-6(2) 7-6(7)	0m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
71	-	2026	23	-
33	74	2025	15	23
43	43	2024	9	15
121	129	2023	12	13
163	316	2022	11	18
167	167	2021	28	28
170	203	2020	40	44
140	171	2019	22	44
227	233	2018	5	22
111	324	2017	7	7



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd main draw appearance at Australian Open, where her previous best result was reaching 2r in 2025 (L. Swiatek)
- Her 1r win over Volynets here last year is her sole win across all majors so far, having lost all other seven opening matches at Grand Slams
- Among players who started their careers during the Open Era, only Tracy Austin (13 years between 1981 and 1994) has a bigger gap than Sramkova (eight years, 2017 and 2025) between their first two main draw appearances at the Australian Open
- Faces No.24 Jelena Ostapenko in 1r today; owns 19 wins in career over Top 50 players, most recently No.42 Ann Li at Osaka 2025
- Owns 0-2 career WTA-level record against players from Latvia, with both losses to today's opponent Ostapenko at Rome 2024 and 2025
- They also met at 2019 Fed Cup (now Billie Jean King Cup) and ITF event in Kreuzlingen 2015, with Sramkova grabbing the win at Kreuzlingen - overall Sramkova is 1-3 against Ostapenko
- Her 1 WTA singles title has come on hard court at Hua Hin #2 in 2024
- Only player from Slovakia in the field
- Best result by Slovakia at Australian Open was Runner-Up run by Dominika Cibulkova in 2014
- Is currently ranked No.73 (career peak at No.33 in July 2025); this time last year was ranked No.49

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 11th appearance at Australian Open, where her best tournament result was reaching QF in 2023 (L. eventual finalist Rybakina)
- One of the 16 active Grand Slam champions, lifting trophy at Roland Garros 2017 (d. Halep in final); in addition, reached SF at Wimbledon in 2018 (L. eventual champion Kerber)
- Faces No.73 Rebecca Sramkova in 1r today; record against opponents outside Top 50 stands at 6-11 since the start of 2025, having lost her most recent meeting against such opponents at Adelaide 2026 (retired vs. No.60 Valentova)
- Record in 1r matches at Grand Slams stands at 25-14 (6-4 at Australian Open)
- Owns 7-3 career Tour-level record against players from Slovakia (1-0 in 2025, d. Sramkova at Rome)
- Owns 5 WTA singles titles on hard court: Linz, Adelaide in 2024; Dubai in 2022; Luxembourg in 2019; Seoul in 2017
- One of 2 players from Latvia in the starting field (also Semenistaja)
- Is currently ranked No.24 (peak rank No.5 in 2018); this time last year was ranked No.22
- Reached consecutive doubles finals at Australian Open in 2024 (w/L. Kichenok) and 2025 (w/Hsieh)
- One win away from claiming her 60th career Grand Slam main draw match-win in singles



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

**2025      Result      Rank: 49      Seed: -**

2r      L      I. SWIATEK (#2) 6-0 6-2  
1r      W      K. VOLYNETS (#60) 3-6 6-2 6-2

**2017      Result      Rank: 120      Seed: -**

1r      L      Y. DUAN (#87) 6-3 6-4

**2025      Result      Rank: 22      Seed: 16**

1r      L      B. BENCIC (#294) 6-3 7-6(6)

**2024      Result      Rank: 10      Seed: 11**

3r      L      V. AZARENKA (#22) 6-1 7-5  
2r      W      A. TOMLJANOVIC (#271) 6-0 3-6 6-4  
1r      W      K. BIRRELL (#116) 7-6(5) 6-1

**2023      Result      Rank: 17      Seed: 17**

QF      L      E. RYBAKINA (#25) 6-2 6-4  
4r      W      C. GAUFF (#7) 7-5 6-3  
3r      W      K. BAINDL (#95) 6-3 6-0  
2r      W      A. BONDAR (#81) 7-6(5) 5-7 6-0  
1r      W      D. YASTREMSKA (#101) 6-4 6-2

**2022      Result      Rank: 27      Seed: 26**

3r      L      B. KREJCIKOVA (#4) 2-6 6-4 6-4  
2r      W      A. RISKE-AMRITRAJ (#46) 4-6 6-2 6-4  
1r      W      A. SCHMIEDLOVA (#87) 6-7(7) 6-4 6-1

**2021      Result      Rank: 47      Seed: -**

1r      L      K. MUCHOVA (#27) 7-5 6-2



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached R16 at Hobart (L. Preston)
- Played 1r at Brisbane (as qualifier, L. Birrell)

- Played 1r at Adelaide (ret. vs. Valentova)
- Played 2r at Brisbane (after 1r bye, L. Cirstea)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
18	16	<b>Aces</b>	3	78
60.3%	79	<b>First serve %</b>	56.7%	98
63.9%	50	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	66.7%	32
37.9%	82	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	40.0%	77
53.6%	69	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	55.1%	56
55.6%	76	<b>Service games won %</b>	63.2%	52
50.0%	60	<b>Break points saved %</b>	12.5%	106
35.8%	56	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	19.7%	100
58.0%	35	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	49.1%	84
50.0%	35	<b>Break points converted %</b>	37.5%	74
33.3%	49	<b>Return games won %</b>	16.7%	93
43.7%	47	<b>Return points won %</b>	33.3%	99



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2024 - HUA HIN #2

Runner-Up (2)

2024 - JIUJIANG, MONASTIR

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (9)

2025 - STUTTGART

2024 - LINZ, ADELAIDE

2023 - BIRMINGHAM

2022 - DUBAI

2021 - EASTBOURNE

2019 - LUXEMBOURG

2017 - SEOUL, ROLAND GARROS

Runner-Up (9)

2025 - DOHA

2022 - SEOUL, EASTBOURNE

2021 - LUXEMBOURG

2019 - LINZ

2018 - MIAMI

2017 - CHARLESTON

2016 - DOHA

2015 - QUEBEC CITY

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (12)

2026 - BRISBANE (w/Hsieh)

2025 - CHARLESTON (w/Routliffe), ABU DHABI (w/Perez)

2024 - US OPEN (w/Kichenok), EASTBOURNE (w/Kichenok), BRISBANE (w/Kichenok)

2022 - CINCINNATI (w/Kichenok), BIRMINGHAM (w/Kichenok)

2021 - MOSCOW (w/Siniakova)

2018 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)

2017 - STUTTGART (w/Atawo), ST. PETERSBURG (w/Rosolska)

Runner-Up (11)

2025 - WIMBLEDON (w/Hsieh), DUBAI (w/Hsieh), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Hsieh)

2024 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Kichenok)

2023 - DOHA (w/Kichenok)

2022 - EASTBOURNE (w/Kichenok), DUBAI (w/Kichenok)

2021 - DOHA (w/Niculescu)

2020 - DOHA (w/Dabrowski)

2019 - BEIJING (w/Yastremska), JURMALA (w/Voskoboeva)



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## GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r	1r	1r	1r	<b>2025</b>	1r	3r	2r
	1r	1r		<b>2024</b>	3r	2r	QF
				<b>2023</b>	QF	2r	QF
	1r			<b>2022</b>	3r	2r	4r
				<b>2021</b>	1r	1r	3r
				<b>2020</b>	2r	3r	
				<b>2019</b>	1r	1r	3r
				<b>2018</b>	3r	1r	SF
1r				<b>2017</b>	3r	WON	QF
				<b>2016</b>	1r	1r	1r
				<b>2015</b>		2r	2r



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- 2025 highlights include Nottingham SF (l. eventual champion Kessler) and QFs at Merida, Monterrey and Osaka; notched first Grand Slam main draw win of career at Australian Open (d. Volynets, l. No.2 seed Swiatek in 2r); reached career-high ranking of No.33 on July 14
- Reached first three WTA finals of career in 2024, at Monastir (R-Up, l. Kartal), Hua Hin #2 (d. Siegemund for maiden title) and Jiujiang (R-Up, l. Golubic); ended year in Top 50 for first time
- Standout performance of 2023 was reaching QF at Warsaw (l. Maria). Also achieved R-Up at WTA 125 Bari on clay (l. Zidansek)
- In 2022, made Roland Garros main draw as lucky loser (l. Kasatkina in 1r)
- Continued on ITF Circuit from 2019 through 2021, also making 2r at Tour level at 2020 Prague (l. Jones) and again at 2021 Prague (as qualifier, l. Kuzmova)
- In 2017, made Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Duan) and won first WTA main draw match at Gstaad (d. Stojanovic)
- During 2016, broke into Top 200 for first time following title run at ITF Rome \$25K; also played Grand Slam qualifying for first time at US Open (l. Karatantcheva in Q1)
- Played first WTA qualifying match at 2015 Nottingham (l. Zhu)
- Won first ITF title in 2013 on clay at Vrnjacka Banja \$10K
- Began on professional circuit in 2012 at Velenje \$10K at the age of 15

- 2025 singles highlights include ninth career title at Stuttgart (d. World No.1 Sabalenka in final) and reaching WTA 1000 Doha final (l. Anisimova in final). In doubles, qualified for WTA Finals Riyadh w/Hsieh after making two Grand Slam finals (R-Up at Australian Open and Wimbledon). Also won doubles titles at Charleston (w/Routliffe) and Abu Dhabi (w/Perez)
- Won seventh and eighth titles of career in 2024 at Adelaide and Linz. In doubles won first Grand Slam title at 2024 Australian Open and qualified for 2024 WTA Finals Riyadh (both with Lyudmyla Kichenok)
- Won sixth career title at 2023 Birmingham (d. Krejcikova in F) and reached SF at Rome; in doubles achieved R-Up at Doha (w/L.Kichenok)
- In 2022, lifted fifth career singles title at Dubai (d. V. Kudermetova in F) and finished R-Up at Eastbourne (l. Kvitova) and Seoul (l. Alexandrova); in doubles, won two titles w/L. Kichenok at Birmingham and Cincinnati and qualified for WTA Finals (reached SF)
- Lifted first grass court title at 2021 Eastbourne (as WC, d. Kontaveit in F); also that year, finished R-Up at Luxembourg (l. Tauson), represented Latvia at the Tokyo Olympics (l. Vesnina in 1r) and won doubles title at 2021 Moscow (w/Siniakova)
- Highlights of 2020 season included three Top 10 wins and reaching QF at Strasbourg
- 2019 season saw her capture third career title at Luxembourg (d. Goerges in F) right after finishing R-Up at Linz (l. Gauff). Also R-Up in mixed doubles at 2019 Wimbledon w/Lindstedt
- 2018 campaign highlighted by finishing R-Up at Miami (l. Stephens); beat No.9 Petra Kvitova and No.4 Elina Svitolina to register multiple Top 10 wins in the same tournament for the first time
- Also in 2018, reached Wimbledon SF to become first Latvian woman to reach final four at All England Club (l. eventual champion Kerber) and achieved career-high ranking of No.5 on March 19
- Enjoyed career-best season in 2017, making Top 10 debut on Sept. 11 and finishing the year in the Top 10 for the first time (at No.7)
- Champion at 2017 Roland Garros (d. Halep in F) becoming first woman to win first tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Barbara Jordan at 1979 Australian Open. Also became the first unseeded player to lift the trophy in the Open Era and the first Latvian player to reach the championship match at a Grand Slam

- Followed up Roland Garros title run with QF appearance at 2017 Wimbledon; also won title at Seoul (d. Haddad Maia in F) and reached final at Charleston (l. Kasatkina). Qualified for debut WTA Finals in 2017 and went 1-2 in group stage
- In doubles, won first and second career titles in 2017, at St. Petersburg (w/Rosolska) and Stuttgart (w/Atawo)
- Breakthrough result of 2016 season was reaching final at Doha, launching her into Top 50 at No.40 (l. Suárez Navarro); also in 2016 reached SF at Katowice and QF at Birmingham and Florianopolis, ending year at No.44
- Ended 2015 at No.79 for first Top 100 finish (up from No.308 in 2014). Having leapt 229 spots, was second highest year-end rankings jump, after Kasatkina who went from No.370 to No.72 (298 spots)
- Highlights of 2015 were reaching first career WTA final at Quebec City (l. Beck) and 2r at Wimbledon and US Open. Scored first Top 10 win over No.9 Carla Suárez Navarro in 1r at 2015 Wimbledon
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Tashkent as WC advancing to 2r (l. Pervak)
- Began professional career playing ITF in 2012 winning first career title at \$10k/ITF Stockholm, SWE; owns seven career ITF singles titles

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Milan Martinec
- Formerly worked with David Taylor, Glen Schaap and Marion Bartoli
- Mother is Jelena Jakovleva, while father, Jevgenijs Ostapenko, is a former football player; half-brother's name is Maksim Ostapenko (graduated from art academy in California and lives there now); also has a dog named Juljeta
- Introduced to tennis at age 5 by mother (who was also her first coach)
- Favorite shots are serve and backhand; favorite surfaces are grass and hard; favorite tournament is Wimbledon
- Speaks Russian, Latvian and English
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams
- Enjoys spending time with parents and dog, listening to music and going out with friends. Was a ballroom dancer for seven years



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54 TEREZA  
VALETOVA  
CZECH REPUBLIC

MAYA  
(30) JOINT 31  
AUSTRALIA

2007-02-20	Date of Birth	2006-04-16
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	
Right-Handed	Plays	Right-handed
	Height	
54	Career-High Ranking	31
\$505,424	Career Prize Money	\$1,426,241
\$11,920	Season Prize Money	\$72,000
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 2
2-2 (Round of 64: 2025 US OPEN, ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	2-5 (Round of 64: 2025 US OPEN; 2024 US OPEN)
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-1 (Round of 128: 2025)
1-2 / 10-6	YTD / Career W-L	2-3 / 35-25



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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
56	-	2026	32	-
55	56	2025	32	32
258	261	2024	110	119
646	680	2023	773	773
1357	1357	2022	-	-



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making debut appearance at Australian Open
- Contesting her 3rd career Grand Slam main draw; holds 2-0 record in Grand Slam 1r matches
- Best result at Grand Slams was 2r run at Roland Garros 2025 (d. Paquet in 1r, L. Gauff) and US Open 2025 (d. Bronzetti in 1r, L. Rybakina)
- Faces No.31 Maya Joint in 1r today; owns 5 wins in career over Top 50 players, most recently over No.24 Jelena Ostapenko (via ret.) at Adelaide this year
- First Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Australia
- Best career Tour-level result on hard court is R-Up at Osaka 2025 (l. Leylah Fernandez in final)
- Was the fourth-youngest player to reach a WTA level final in 2025 (in Osaka) - older only than Lilli Tagger (Jiujiang), Iva Jovic (Guadalajara) and Mirra Andreeva (Dubai and Indian Wells)
- One of 10 players from Czech Republic in the starting field
- Is currently ranked at a new career-high of No.54; this time last year was ranked No.242
- So far this season, fell 1r at Brisbane (l. Kalinskaya) and made Adelaide R16 as qualifier (l. Keys)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Australian Open, where her previous result was reaching 1r in 2025 (l. Pegula)
- Contesting her 6th career Grand Slam main draw; best result at Grand Slams was reaching 2r at US Open 2024 (l. Keys) and 2025 (l. Anisimova)
- First time being seeded at a Grand Slam (as No.30 seed); she is the first Australian woman to be seeded at Australian Open since No.1 seed Barty won the 2022 title
- In 2025, Joint was the first teenager competing for Australia to claim 30+ WTA-level wins in a single calendar year since Jelena Dokic in 2000
- Faces No.54 Tereza Valentova in 1r today; since the start of 2025, Joint is 26-7 in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 1-3 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic (0-1 in 2026, l. Krejcikova at United Cup)
- Best career Tour-level results on hard court are SF runs at Hong Kong, Seoul and Hobart in 2025
- One of 10 players from Australia in the starting field
- The most recent Australian to win this title was Ashleigh Barty in 2022
- Is currently ranked at a new career-high of No.31; this time last year was ranked No.105
- So far this year, went 0-2 at United Cup (l. Grand Slam champions Swiatek and Krejcikova), then made Adelaide QF (l. eventual champion M.Andreeva)



# MATCH NOTES

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TEREZA  
VALETOVA

MAYA  
JOINT

## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

2025      Result      Rank: 105    Seed: -

1r            L            J. PEGULA (#6) 6-3 6-0



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TEREZA  
VALETOVA

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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made Adelaide R16 as qualifier (l. Keys)
- Played 1r at Brisbane (l. Kalinskaya)

- Made Adelaide QF (l. eventual champion M.Andreeva)
- Went 0-2 at United Cup (l. Grand Slam champions Swiatek and Krejčíková)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
11	38	<b>Aces</b>	6	56
58.0%	91	<b>First serve %</b>	61.2%	70
66.3%	36	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	49.6%	104
36.7%	86	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	44.6%	47
53.8%	68	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	47.7%	101
53.8%	83	<b>Service games won %</b>	47.1%	95
25.0%	99	<b>Break points saved %</b>	48.6%	71
33.9%	67	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	28.7%	86
58.1%	33	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	49.3%	83
45.0%	59	<b>Break points converted %</b>	45.5%	54
32.1%	59	<b>Return games won %</b>	15.2%	95
43.7%	48	<b>Return points won %</b>	35.0%	92



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TEREZA  
VALETOVA

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## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)  
2025 - OSAKA

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)  
2025 - EASTBOURNE, RABAT

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)  
2025 - RABAT (w/Kalashnikova)

Runner-Up (2)  
2025 - SEOUL (w/Mcnally), EASTBOURNE (w/Hsieh)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r		2r	<b>2025</b>	1r	1r	1r	2r
			<b>2024</b>				



# MATCH NOTES

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TEREZA  
VALETOVA

MAYA  
JOINT

## CAREER MILESTONES

- Breakout 2025 season saw her reach her maiden Tour-level final at Osaka as a qualifier (l. Fernandez in F), as well as SF on home soil at Prague (l. eventual champion Bouzkova). Also made her Grand Slam main draw debuts reaching 2r at both Roland Garros (l. Gauff) and US Open (l. Rybakina). Claimed WTA 125 titles at Grado and Porto, made her Top 100 debut and posted a year-end ranking of No.56

In 2024 won the French Open junior title in both singles and doubles w/Renata Jamrichova

- Played a handful of tournaments from 2021 to 2023 before a breakout year on the circuit in 2024 winning five ITF titles
- In 2023 reached the final at the US Open girl's singles (l. Katherine Hui)
- Began her professional career in 2021 playing on ITF circuit and also received a qualification wild card at WTA 250 Prague

- Won first two WTA Tour titles in 2025, at Rabat on clay (d. Cristian in final) and Eastbourne on grass (d. Eala in final); reached 3 additional Tour-level SFs, made Top 100 and Top 50 debuts, and finished season at career-high ranking of No.32. Also claimed first Tour doubles title at Rabat (w/Kalashnikova)
- Made Tour-level main draw debut as a qualifier at 2024 US Open (d. Siegemund for first career main draw win before falling to No.14 seed Keys); also played at Merida (lost in opening round); finished the season ranked No.119
- 2024 season also included six appearances at WTA 125 events, including a runner-up finish at 2024 Warsaw 125; made her first WTA 125 appearance in January at Canberra, advancing to QF (l. Tauson)
- Began on the ITF circuit in 2021 and 2022

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Salaba Libor
- Trains in Prague at TK Sparta Praha
- Likes playing basketball
- Studying economics
- Tennis idols: Novak Djokovic and Jannik Sinner

- Currently coached by Chris Mahony
- Started playing in kindergarten, her local playground was next to the tennis courts. Dad, Michael Joint, was a pro squash player, so they used to take squash rackets to hit on the tennis courts
- Preferred surfaces are hard court and clay. Believes her game suits hard courts, and likes to slide on clay courts
- Looks up to Roger Federer and Ash Barty. Has met Ash, but not Roger
- Hobbies include reading, drawing and watching Netflix. Favorite TV shows are Friends, Seinfeld, Psych, How to Get Away with Murder, The Good Place



# MATCH NOTES

AUSTRALIAN OPEN - MELBOURNE, AUS

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126 **NIKOLA BARTUNKOVA (Q)**  
CZECH REPUBLIC

**DARIA KASATKINA** 43  
AUSTRALIA

2006-02-25	Date of Birth	1997-05-07
Residence		
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)
126	Career-High Ranking	8
\$208,880	Career Prize Money	\$14,251,664
\$0	Season Prize Money	\$11,920
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 8
0-0	Grand Slam W-L (best)	62-39 (Semi-Finalist: 2022 ROLAND GARROS)
0-0 / 0-0	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	0-0 / 10-10 (Round of 16: 2025)
0-0 / 4-5	YTD / Career W-L	1-2 / 308-218



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NIKOLA  
BARTUNKOVA (Q)

DARIA  
KASATKINA

## 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
126	-	2026	37	-
130	130	2025	9	37
226	488	2024	9	9
263	270	2023	8	18
283	283	2022	8	8
751	784	2021	24	26
-	-	2020	66	71
-	-	2019	10	69
-	-	2018	10	10
-	-	2017	24	24



# MATCH NOTES

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NIKOLA  
BARTUNKOVA (Q)

DARIA  
KASATKINA

## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Successfully came through qualifying to make her Grand Slam main draw debut
- 19-year-old is one of eight teenagers to start this fortnight's main draw (one of them, Sara Bejlek, will turn 20 before the end of the tournament)
- Faces No.43 Daria Kasatkina in 1r today; Bartunkova is seeking her 2nd career Top 50 win (d. No.30 Magdalena Frech at WTA 500 Guadalajara last year)
- Owns 0-1 career Tour-level record against players from Australia (l. eventual finalist Birrell at 2025 Chennai)
- Career-best Tour-level result on hard court is reaching SF at WTA 500 Guadalajara last year as a wild card (l. eventual champion Jovic); made Top 200 debut following that run
- One of 10 players from Czech Republic in the main draw
- Is currently ranked at a career-high No.126; this time last year was ranked No.493
- So far this year, fell in opening match at WTA 125 event in Canberra (l. Prozorova)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 11th appearance at Australian Open (all consecutive since 2016)
- Career-best showing at the tournament is her R16 run last year (l. Navarro in a meeting between Top 10 players)
- Holds a 6-4 record in Australian Open 1r matches (30-9 in Grand Slam 1r matches, incl. wins in her last 11 Grand Slam 1r matches)
- Best Grand Slam performance is SF at 2022 Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Swiatek); also made QFs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. eventual finalist Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Kerber)
- Contesting her 40th Grand Slam main draw of career
- Faces No.126 Nikola Bartunkova in 1r today; since the start of 2023, Kasatkina has won 19 of 25 matches vs. players ranked outside Top 100
- Owns 20-15 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic (1-1 last year, both vs. Siniakova)
- 6 of her 8 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently 2024 Ningbo (d. M.Andreeva in final)
- One of 10 players from Australia in the main draw
- Most recent Australian to win this title is Ashleigh Barty in 2022
- Is currently ranked No.43; this time last year was ranked No.10. Reached career-high ranking of No.8 for the first time in 2022
- So far this season, fell in Brisbane 1r (l. Potapova) and made Adelaide R16 (d. Sakkari, l. Cristian)



# MATCH NOTES

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NIKOLA  
BARTUNKOVA (Q)

DARIA  
KASATKINA

## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

Year	Result	Rank: 10	Seed: 9
4r	L	E. NAVARRO (#8) 6-4 5-7 7-5	
3r	W	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#23) 7-5 6-1	
2r	W	Y. WANG (#64) 6-2 6-0	
1r	W	V. TOMOVA (#58) 6-1 6-3	
Year	Result	Rank: 13	Seed: 14
2r	L	S. STEPHENS (#44) 4-6 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	P. STEARNS (#48) 6-2 3-6 6-2	
Year	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 8
1r	L	V. GRACHEVA (#97) 6-1 6-1	
Year	Result	Rank: 23	Seed: 25
3r	L	I. SWIATEK (#9) 6-2 6-3	
2r	W	M. LINETTE (#53) 6-2 6-3	
1r	W	S. VOEGELE (#145) 6-3 6-1	
Year	Result	Rank: 75	Seed: -
2r	L	A. SABALENKA (#7) 7-6(5) 6-3	
1r	W	K. BOULTER (#315) 6-1 6-4	



# MATCH NOTES

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NIKOLA  
BARTUNKOVA (Q)

DARIA  
KASATKINA

## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 1r at WTA 125 event in Canberra (L. Prozorova)
- Made Adelaide R16 (L. Cristian)
- Played 1r at Brisbane (L. Potapova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
0	0	<b>Aces</b>	7	48
0.0%	0	<b>First serve %</b>	62.9%	56
0.0%	0	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	56.4%	95
0.0%	0	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	34.8%	92
0.0%	0	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	48.4%	98
0.0%	0	<b>Service games won %</b>	45.7%	96
0.0%	0	<b>Break points saved %</b>	54.8%	46
0.0%	0	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	39.8%	25
0.0%	0	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	61.7%	15
0.0%	0	<b>Break points converted %</b>	46.9%	47
0.0%	0	<b>Return games won %</b>	42.9%	21
0.0%	0	<b>Return points won %</b>	47.0%	17



# MATCH NOTES

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NIKOLA  
BARTUNKOVA (Q)

DARIA  
KASATKINA

## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)

2024 - NINGBO, EASTBOURNE  
2022 - GRANBY, SAN JOSE  
2021 - ST. PETERSBURG, MELBOURNE 250  
2018 - MOSCOW  
2017 - CHARLESTON

Runner-Up (11)

2024 - SEOUL, CHARLESTON, ABU DHABI,  
ADELAIDE  
2023 - EASTBOURNE, ADELAIDE #2  
2021 - SAN JOSE, BIRMINGHAM  
2018 - INDIAN WELLS, DUBAI  
2017 - MOSCOW

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2015 - MOSCOW (w/Vesnina)

Runner-Up (2)

2017 - TOKYO (w/Saville)  
2016 - MOSCOW (w/Saville)

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

NIKOLA  
BARTUNKOVA (Q)DARIA  
KASATKINA

## 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)

- Best results in 2025 were 4r runs at Australian Open and Roland Garros; ended her season early after Beijing to take mental health break. Ended the season ranked inside the Top 40 (No.37) for a fifth consecutive year
- In March 2025, Kasatkina announced that she would represent Australia at all tennis events in the future after being granted permanent residency
- Finished the 2024 season ranked No.9 (2nd career Top 10 finish) in a season highlighted by winning titles at Ningbo and Eastbourne, while also finishing as runner-up at Seoul, Adelaide, Abu Dhabi and Charleston; won a Tour-best 26 matches at the WTA 500 level (next most was 15 (Rybakina); as an alternate at WTA Finals, lost one match in group play (l. Swiatek)
- Finished R-Up at two tournaments in 2023 at Adelaide 2 (l. Bencic) and Eastbourne (l. Keys); reached SFs at Charleston, Zhengzhou, and WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai
- In 2022, reached maiden Grand Slam SF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and won titles at San Jose (d. Rogers in F) and Granby (d. Saville in F); returned to Top 10 on August 8, after San Jose run
- Qualified for WTA Finals for the first time in 2022 going 1-2 in group play
- Broke back into Top 50 in early 2021, after lifting first titles since 2018, at the Phillip Island Trophy in Melbourne (d. Bouzkova in F) and then St. Petersburg (d. Gasparyan in F)
- Reached two additional finals in 2021, at Birmingham (l. Jabeur) and San Jose (l. Collins)
- Highlight of truncated 2020 season was SF showing at Lyon (l. Friedsam) - her first run to the last four at a WTA event since lifting title at 2018 Moscow
- Won consecutive matches only twice in difficult 2019 campaign, with best result a QF run at Beijing (l. Wozniacki) and St. Petersburg (l. Zvonareva)
- Ended 2018 season by lifting her second WTA singles title at Moscow (d. Jabeur in F); broke into Top 10 following the tournament, on October 22, 2018
- Also finished R-Up at 2018 Dubai (l. Svitolina) and 2018 Indian Wells (l. Osaka); Indian Wells was biggest final of career having upset No.2 Caroline Wozniacki, No.10 Angelique Kerber and No.8 Venus Williams en route
- Made Top 20 debut on February 26, 2018, following R-Up finish at Dubai (d. No.3 Muguruza, l. Svitolina)

- Made first Grand Slam QFs at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Stephens) and 2018 Wimbledon (l. Kerber) and qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai going 1-1 in group play
- Upset No.1 Caroline Wozniacki during SF run at 2018 St. Petersburg
- Captured maiden WTA singles title in debut final at 2017 Charleston, defeating fellow teenager Jelena Ostapenko in the final - the first all-teenage final on tour since 2009 Linz (Wickmayer d. Kvitova)
- Also in 2017 reached final at Moscow (l. Goerges) and QF at Sydney, Doha and Beijing
- Ended 2016 as the highest-ranked teenager on tour (No.27), after a campaign in which she reached SF, at St. Petersburg and QF at Indian Wells, Charleston, Montreal, Rio Olympics and Moscow. Made Top 50 debut on February 15, 2016 following St. Petersburg run
- Upset No.7 Venus Williams in opening match of 2016 season at Auckland to register first Top 10 win of career
- Reached first WTA SF at 2015 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Pavlyuchenkova) recorded first Top 20 win over No.14 Suarez Navarro in QF; following the tournament made Top 100 debut at No.73 (October 26, 2015)
- Reached 3r at 2015 US Open (as LL, l. Mladenovic) on Grand Slam debut (main draw and qualifying); reached QF at Bad Gastein (as qualifier, l. Errani)
- Also in 2015, won maiden WTA doubles title at 2015 Moscow (w/Vesnina), lifted five singles titles on ITF Circuit and was nominated for WTA Newcomer of the Year in 2015
- Fell in 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2014 Moscow (as WC, l. Riske)
- Made professional debut at in qualifying debut at 2013 Moscow
- Owns seven 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 Flavio Cipolla
- Parents are Sergey and Tatiana; brother is Aleksandr, who also serves as her fitness trainer; introduced to tennis by brother at age 6
- Baseline player whose favorite surface is clay; favorite shot is forehand
- Loves soccer (favorite team is FC Barcelona)
- Best tennis memory is winning Roland Garros juniors and 2015 US Open run



# MATCH NOTES

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**161** **TAYLAH PRESTON (WC)**  
AUSTRALIA

**SHUAI ZHANG** **75**  
CHINA

2005-10-27	<b>Date of Birth</b>	1989-01-21
	<b>Residence</b>	Tianjin, China
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
	<b>Height</b>	5' 10" (1.77m)
134	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	22
\$572,667	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$11,922,696
\$0	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$19,030
0 / 0	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 3
0-2 (Round of 128: 2024 US OPEN, AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	40-49 (Quarter-Finalist: 2019 WIMBLEDON; 2016 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
0-0 / 0-1 (Round of 128: 2024)	<b>YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)</b>	0-0 / 16-13 (Quarter-Finalist: 2016)
3-1 / 4-8	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	1-1 / 221-274



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**TAYLAH  
PRESTON (WC)**

**SHUAI  
ZHANG**

## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2026	BRISBANE	HARD	Q	Shuai Zhang	6-1 4-6 6-3	1h 35m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
195	-	2026	73	-
156	219	2025	102	102
134	156	2024	206	219
244	244	2023	22	208
606	606	2022	24	24
-	-	2021	35	63
-	-	2020	30	35
-	-	2019	31	46
-	-	2018	27	35
-	-	2017	23	36



# MATCH NOTES

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**TAYLAH  
PRESTON (WC)**

**SHUAI  
ZHANG**

## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Australian Open; her previous main draw result was 1r in 2024 (L. Svitolina)
- Played another Grand Slam main draw at US Open 2024 (as WC, L. Pavlyuchenkova in 1r); still seeking first Grand Slam main draw match-win
- Faces No.75 Zhang Shuai in 1r today; Preston lost to Zhang earlier this month in Brisbane qualifying
- Last week, had breakthrough run to first career Tour-level SF in Hobart (L. Jovic), which is also her career-best Tour-level hard-court result
- Posted career-best win by ranking in Hobart last week, beating No.29 Raducanu in QF
- Owes 0-1 career Tour-level main draw record against players from China (L. Zhu Lin at 2024 Hua Hin)
- One of 10 players from Australia in the starting field
- Most recent Australian to win this title is Ashleigh Barty in 2022
- Is currently ranked No.161 (peak rank at No.134 in 2024); this time last year was ranked No.172

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 14th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- Her tournament-best result is reaching QF as a qualifier in 2016 (L. Konta); before that breakthrough run, she had been 0-14 in Grand Slam main draw matches
- She matched her career-best Grand Slam result with run to 2019 Wimbledon QF (L. eventual champion Halep)
- Only Li Na (34) has won more main draw matches at the Australian Open than Zhang (16) among Chinese players in the Open Era
- Faces No.161 Taylah Preston in 1r today; Zhang defeated Preston earlier this month in Brisbane qualifying
- Owes 12-10 career Tour-level record against players from Australia; her most recent Tour-level main draw match vs. an Australian was a loss to Saville at 2024 Miami
- All of her three WTA singles titles have come on hard court at Lyon 2022, Guangzhou 2017 and 2013
- One of 4 players from China in the starting field (also Wang Xinyu, Bai Zhuoxuan and Yuan Yue), same number as in 2025
- Best result by China at Australian Open was Li Na's run to the title in 2014 (d. Cibulkova in final)
- Is currently ranked No.75 (peak rank at No.22 in 2023); this time last year was ranked No.204
- Won last week's doubles title at Adelaide (w/ Siniakova)



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**TAYLAH  
PRESTON (WC)**

**SHUAI  
ZHANG**

## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

**2024**      **Result**      **Rank: 201**      **Seed: -**

1r              L              E. SVITOLINA (#23) 6-2 6-2

**2025**      **Result**      **Rank: 204**      **Seed: -**

2r              L              Y. PUTINTSEVA (#23) 6-2 6-1  
1r              W              M. KESSLER (#47) 6-3 6-4

**2023**      **Result**      **Rank: 22**      **Seed: 23**

4r              L              K. PLISKOVA (#31) 6-0 6-4  
3r              W              K. VOLYNETS (#113) 6-3 6-2  
2r              W              P. MARTIC (#37) 6-3 6-3  
1r              W              P. TIG (#777) 6-1 4-6 6-0

**2022**      **Result**      **Rank: 74**      **Seed: -**

3r              L              E. MERTENS (#26) 6-2 6-2  
2r              W              E. RYBAKINA (#12) 6-4 1-0  
1r              W              V. GOLUBIC (#40) 6-3 6-4

**2021**      **Result**      **Rank: 35**      **Seed: 31**

1r              L              A. LI (#69) 6-2 6-0

**2020**      **Result**      **Rank: 35**      **Seed: -**

3r              L              S. KENIN (#15) 7-5 7-6(7)  
2r              W              C. MCNALLY (#116) 6-2 6-4  
1r              W              S. STEPHENS (#27) 2-6 7-5 6-2



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PRESTON (WC)**

**SHUAI  
ZHANG**

## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached SF at Hobart (L. Jovic)
- Opened the 2026 season competing in qualifying at Brisbane (L. Zhang Shuai)
- Fell in Adelaide qualifying (L. Rakhimova)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (L. Rybakina)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
5	67	<b>Aces</b>	6	55
67.9%	23	<b>First serve %</b>	72.3%	4
59.0%	82	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	68.8%	21
39.1%	80	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	48.8%	21
52.6%	80	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	63.2%	12
53.5%	85	<b>Service games won %</b>	76.9%	18
47.4%	74	<b>Break points saved %</b>	62.5%	19
45.8%	4	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	25.0%	96
61.6%	15	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	54.2%	66
61.5%	11	<b>Break points converted %</b>	33.3%	86
58.5%	3	<b>Return games won %</b>	18.5%	90
51.7%	2	<b>Return points won %</b>	35.3%	90



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)

2022 - LYON  
2017 - GUANGZHOU  
2013 - GUANGZHOU

Runner-Up (4)

2022 - BIRMINGHAM  
2021 - NOTTINGHAM  
2020 - HOBART  
2016 - ZHUHAI

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (15)

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 (20)

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
				<b>2025</b>	2r		1r
1r		1r		<b>2024</b>		1r	1r
				<b>2023</b>	4r	1r	1r
				<b>2022</b>	3r	1r	3r
				<b>2021</b>	1r	1r	2r
				<b>2020</b>	3r	4r	
				<b>2019</b>	3r	2r	QF
				<b>2018</b>	2r	2r	1r
				<b>2017</b>	2r	3r	1r
				<b>2016</b>	QF	2r	1r
				<b>2015</b>	1r	1r	
				<b>2014</b>	1r	1r	1r
				<b>2013</b>			
				<b>2012</b>	1r	1r	
				<b>2011</b>	1r	1r	1r
				<b>2010</b>		1r	
				<b>2009</b>			
				<b>2008</b>			1r



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025 made QF at WTA 125 Canberra and played qualifying at Australian Open, Roland Garros and Wimbledon
- Breakthrough performances in 2024 included reaching her first WTA 125 final at Puerto Vallarta (l. Kessler), winning her first Tour level main draw match at San Diego over No.42 Magdalena Frech (her first Top 50 career win) and making her Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open and US Open. Her career-high ranking of No.134 was achieved in March 2024
- Won a further three ITF titles in 2023 at Perth \$25K, Cairns \$25K and Brisbane \$60K, to close out the year with a total of four
- Reached first ITF final at Nottingham \$25K in 2023 and claimed her first ITF title in the same month at Monastir \$25K
- Made first main draw in 2022 at Sint Maarten Hertogenbosch (as qualifier, l. Hartono)
- Entered Australian Open qualifying as a wild card in 2022, reaching 2r of qualifying
- In only her third professional tournament, played qualifying at WTA 250 Melbourne as a wild card in 2022, winning her first qualifying match over Sara Errani
- Made ITF debut at Perth \$25K in 2020 at the age of 14

- 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

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

- 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

**WTA**

# MATCH NOTES

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WIN**5**  
WIN**168** **MADDISON INGLIS (Q)**  
AUSTRALIA**KIMBERLY BIRRELL** **76**  
AUSTRALIA

1998-01-14	<b>Date of Birth</b>	1998-04-29
Perth, Australia	<b>Residence</b>	Gold Coast, Australia
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.71 m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 7" (1.70m)
112	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	60
\$1,444,322	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$2,226,466
\$0	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$88,433
0 / 0	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 0
2-6 (Round of 32: 2022 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	3-12 (Round of 32: 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
0-0 / 2-3 (Round of 32: 2022)	<b>YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)</b>	0-0 / 3-6 (Round of 32: 2019)
0-0 / 7-25	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	3-2 / 40-47



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INGLIS (Q)**

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BIRRELL**

## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	BIRMINGHAM 125	GRASS	1r	Kimberly Birrell	6-1 6-4	1h 4m
2025	BRISBANE 2	HARD	F	Kimberly Birrell	6-2 4-6 7-6(2)	0m
2024	TOKYO	HARD	QF	Maddison Inglis	7-6(4) 6-2	0m
2022	PLAYFORD	HARD	F	Kimberly Birrell	3-6 7-5 6-4	0m
2018	CAIRNS	HARD	2r	Kimberly Birrell	6-2 6-2	0m
2018	VANCOUVER	HARD	Q	Maddison Inglis	3-6 6-3 7-6(3)	0m
2015	BRISBANE	HARD	2r	Kimberly Birrell	6-4 6-7(5) 6-4	0m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
164	-	2026	94	-
128	175	2025	60	95
158	161	2024	110	115
177	277	2023	100	113
115	177	2022	167	167
123	136	2021	692	734
112	129	2020	242	735
134	134	2019	154	245
378	389	2018	259	285
541	771	2017	351	356



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Successfully came through qualifying to contest her 4th Australian Open main draw (first since 2022)
- Tournament-best result was reaching 3r in 2022 as a wild card (d. Fernandez and Baptiste, L. Kanepi)
- Contesting her 7th career Grand Slam main draw; her 2022 run in Melbourne is the only time she has won Grand Slam main draw matches
- Faces No.76 Kimberly Birrell in 1r today; Inglis' most recent Tour-level main draw win over a Top 100 player was over No.24 Fernandez at 2022 Australian Open
- Contesting her first event of the 2026 season
- Owes 1-1 career Tour-level record against her fellow Australian players (d. Stosur at 2021 Adelaide; l. Joint at 2025 Brisbane)
- Career-best Tour-level results on hard court are R16 finishes at events in Adelaide in 2021 and 2022
- One of 10 players from Australia in the main draw
- Most recent Australian to win this title is Ashleigh Barty in 2022
- Is currently ranked No.168; this time last year was ranked No.147. Reached career-high ranking of No.112 in 2020

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th main draw appearance at Australian Open; her tournament-best result is reaching 3r in 2019 as a wild card ranked No.240 (d. Badosa and Vekic, l. Kerber)
- That 2019 run in Melbourne is also her career-best Grand Slam finish; she also made 2r here in 2023 but has yet to win a main-draw match at any of the other Slams
- Holds 2-4 record in Australian Open 1r matches (2-10 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- Faces No.168 Maddison Inglis in 1r today; last year, Birrell went 5-3 in Tour-level matches vs. players ranked outside the Top 100
- Owes 2-1 career Tour-level record against her fellow Australian players; her last Tour-level meeting vs. an Australian was a win over Hon at 2025 Brisbane
- Career-best Tour-level showings on hard court are her R-Up finishes at 2024 Osaka (l. Lamens in F) and 2025 Chennai (l. Tjen in final)
- One of 10 players from Australia in main draw
- Most recent Australian to win this title is Ashleigh Barty in 2022
- Is currently ranked No.76; this time last year was ranked No.101. Reached career-high ranking of No.60 in May of last year
- Just last week, made her first WTA 500 SF on hard court in Adelaide (l. Mboko); earlier in the month, made R16 at Brisbane (l. Anisimova)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

<b>2022</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 133</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
3r	L	K. KANEPI (#115)	2-6 6-2 6-0
2r	W	H. BAPTISTE (#165)	7-6(4) 2-6 6-2
1r	W	L. FERNANDEZ (#24)	6-4 6-2
<b>2021</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 133</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
1r	L	S. KENIN (#4)	7-5 6-4
<b>2016</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 779</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
1r	L	E. MAKAROVA (#24)	6-3 6-0

<b>2025</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 101</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
1r	L	E. LYS (#128)	6-2 6-2
<b>2024</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 116</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
1r	L	J. OSTAPENKO (#10)	7-6(5) 6-1
<b>2023</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 167</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
2r	L	L. FRUHVIRTOVA (#82)	6-3 6-2
1r	W	K. KANEPI (#29)	3-6 7-6(4) 6-1
<b>2021</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 739</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
1r	L	R. MARINO (#317)	6-0 7-6(9)
<b>2019</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Rank: 240</b>	<b>Seed: -</b>
3r	L	A. KERBER (#2)	6-1 6-0
2r	W	D. VEKIC (#29)	6-4 4-6 6-1
1r	W	P. BADOSA (#141)	6-4 6-2



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Contesting her first event of the year
- Reached first career WTA 500 SF at Adelaide (L. Mboko)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (as WC, I. Anisimova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
0	0	<b>Aces</b>	7	53
0.0%	0	<b>First serve %</b>	66.3%	33
0.0%	0	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	61.5%	62
0.0%	0	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	40.9%	74
0.0%	0	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	54.5%	62
0.0%	0	<b>Service games won %</b>	58.9%	72
0.0%	0	<b>Break points saved %</b>	36.1%	94
0.0%	0	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	41.4%	14
0.0%	0	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	48.4%	87
0.0%	0	<b>Break points converted %</b>	45.2%	56
0.0%	0	<b>Return games won %</b>	35.2%	44
0.0%	0	<b>Return points won %</b>	43.7%	43



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BIRRELL**

## TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

### SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

2025 - CHENNAI

2024 - OSAKA

### DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

2023 - MONTERREY (w/Contreras)

2016 - HOBART (w/Wolfe)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
				<b>2025</b>	1r	1r	1r
				<b>2024</b>	1r		1r
				<b>2023</b>	2r	1r	1r
3r		1r		<b>2022</b>			
1r				<b>2021</b>	1r		
	1r		1r	<b>2020</b>			
				<b>2019</b>	3r		
				<b>2018</b>			
				<b>2017</b>			
1r				<b>2016</b>	1r		



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025 made it through qualifying at Brisbane, Indian Wells, London, Cincinnati, Beijing and Hong Kong (fell in 1r at all events). Won ninth ITF title at W50 Brisbane
- Played mainly on the ITF circuit in 2024 and 2023 earning a further four titles and bringing her ITF title career total to nine as of the end of 2024

In 2022 posted her best Grand Slam result with 3r at Australian Open (L. Kanepi); also made QF at WTA 125 Vancouver (L. Peterson)

- Came through qualifying to reach 2r twice last season, first at Adelaide and then at Chicago [500]. Also reached SF at W60 ITF Circuit event at Caldas da Rainha, Portugal
- Set career high ranking of No.112 the week of March 2, 2020 after winning back-to-back titles on ITF Circuit in Australia in February - d. Vickery in final at Burnie and Aiava in final at Perth
- Posted second Top 100 win en route to title at Burnie - d. No.97 Badosa in SF; previously, d. No.63 Van Uytvanck at \$100K ITF/Vancouver-CAN in 2019 (via ret.)
- Won first three singles titles on ITF Circuit in 2019
- Winner of two ITF Circuit doubles titles, at \$25K ITF/Brisbane-AUS in 2018 and \$60K ITF/Bendigo-AUS in 2019
- At 2018 Hopman Cup, aged 19 and ranked No.771, subbed in at last minute for Team Japan's Naomi Osaka to play a singles rubber against CoCo Vandeweghe - pushed the No.10-ranked American to 75 62
- Made WTA singles main draw debut as WC at 2016 Hobart (L. Gasparyan in 1r) and the following week made Grand Slam main draw debut at Australian Open, having won Tennis Australia's WC play-off (L. Makarova in 1r)
- Made doubles Grand Slam debut at 2015 Australian Open as WC (w/Nancarrow)
- Contested qualifying at Australian Open for first time in 2014
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2013

- In 2025, notched second career Tour final at Chennai (L. Tjen). In Brisbane made her first WTA 500 quarterfinal and won ITF/W75 title in that city before hitting a career-high ranking of No.60 on May 5. Went on to post a season-ending ranking inside Top 100 for the first time
- In mixed doubles reached her first Grand Slam final on home soil at the 2025 Australian Open, finishing R-Up (w/Smith; L. Gadecki/Peers in all-Australian final)
- Highlight of 2024 season was reaching first Tour level singles final, finishing R-Up at Osaka (as qualifier). Also enjoyed QF run at Nottingham
- In 2023, reached first WTA QF at Merida (as qualifier, L. McNally); also made QF at Seoul (L. Bektas) and cracked Top 100 for first time. Additionally reached 2nd Tour doubles final at Monterrey (w/Contreras Gomez; L. Lizarazo/M.P.Perez)
- Reached three ITF Circuit finals in 2022, including third title at this level at W60 event in Playford, Australia. At Tour level, reached 2r at Seoul (L. Maria) and contested qualifying on eight occasions
- Missed the second half of 2019 and entire 2020 season to undergo elbow surgery
- In only her second career Grand Slam main draw appearance, reached 3r at 2019 Australian Open upsetting No.29 Vekic in 2r (as WC, L. Kerber). Earlier in the Australian Swing, opened 2019 with 2r showing at Brisbane (as WC, d. No.10 Kasatkina, L. eventual R-Up Tsurenko)
- Posted year-end finish of No.285 in 2018 (up from No.356 in 2017); that year, won ITF/60K title at Darwin-AUS
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut as wildcard at 2016 Hobart (L. Cibulkova); at that same event, finished R-Up in doubles w/Wolfe (L. Han/McHale)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Hobart
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 2012

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Andrew Roberts
- Parents are Stuart and Linda; brother is James, sister is Georgia; also has two dogs (Balley and Simba)
- Started playing at age 5; favorite surface is hard; favorite shot is drive volley; favorite player is Sam Stosur; goals are to win a Grand Slam and reach Top 10
- Perfect day would be a day out with family at the beach or by the pool
- If weren't a tennis player, would have been a netballer

- Coached by Nicole Pratt and Chris Mahony
- Mother is Ros; brother is Cade
- Started playing at age 4; baseliner whose favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is hard
- Enjoys reading, watching movies, hanging out with friends, the beach and spending time with her dogs and fish



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**6**  
WIN



**1**  
WIN



**1102** **SLOANE STEPHENS (Q)**  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

**KAROLINA PLISKOVÁ** **1057**  
CZECH REPUBLIC

1993-03-20	<b>Date of Birth</b>	1992-03-21
Ft. Lauderdale, FL, USA	<b>Residence</b>	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.70m)	<b>Height</b>	6' 1" (1.86m)
3	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	1
\$19,024,196	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$26,140,530
\$3,065	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$0
0 / 8	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 17
89-50 (Champion: 2017 US OPEN)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	88-48 (Runner-Up: 2021 WIMBLEDON; 2016 US OPEN)
0-0 / 14-13 (Semi-Finalist: 2013)	<b>YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)</b>	0-0 / 26-11 (Semi-Finalist: 2019)
0-1 / 293-238	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	0-0 / 407-235



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2024	ROUEN	CLAY	2r	Sloane Stephens	6-3 6-2	1h 10m
2023	ROLAND GARROS	CLAY	1r	Sloane Stephens	6-0 6-4	1h 24m
2021	ROLAND-GARROS	CLAY	2r	Sloane Stephens	7-5 6-1	1h 31m
2018	WTA FINALS	HARD	SF	Sloane Stephens	0-6 6-4 6-1	1h 55m
2018	MADRID	CLAY	3r	Karolina Pliskova	6-2 6-3	1h 4m
2015	BEIJING	HARD	1r	Sloane Stephens	6-3 6-2	1h 18m
2012	WIMBLEDON	GRASS	1r	Sloane Stephens	6-2 6-2	50m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
1071	-	2026	1052	-
74	1062	2025	41	1044
33	79	2024	36	41
30	48	2023	14	37
36	37	2022	4	32
39	64	2021	3	4
24	39	2020	2	6
3	25	2019	2	2
3	6	2018	4	8
13	13	2017	1	4



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 14th main draw appearance at Australian Open (9th consecutive)
- Successfully came through qualifying to make main draw -- her first appearance in Grand Slam qualifying since 2011 Wimbledon
- Best Australian Open result is 2013 SF - she reached her first career Grand Slam QF and SF that fortnight (l. eventual champion Azarenka)
- Holds a 5-8 record in Australian Open 1r matches (33-18 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- Best Grand Slam result is winning 2017 US Open title ranked No.83 (d. Keys in all-American final); also finished R-Up at 2018 Roland Garros (l. Halep in final)
- Contesting her 52nd career Grand Slam main draw (first since last year's Australian Open, l. 1r to World No.1 Sabalenka)
- Seeking her first Tour-level main draw match-win since 2024 Wimbledon (d. Jacquemot in 1r)
- Faces No.1057 Karolina Pliskova in 1r today; Stephens went 0-2 at Tour-level vs. players ranked outside Top 100 last year
- Owns 24-11 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic; her last Tour-level main draw meeting vs. a Czech was a win over today's opponent Pliskova at 2024 Rouen
- 6 of her 8 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court; her most recent hard-court title was WTA 250 Guadalajara in 2022
- One of 19 players from United States in the main draw
- Most recent American to win Australian Open title is Madison Keys last year (d. Sabalenka in final)
- Is currently ranked No.1102; this time last year was ranked No.81. Reached career-high ranking of No.3 in 2018

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

*Total time on court: 0m*

#### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 12th main draw appearance at Australian Open, and first since 2024 (missed majority of 2025 season following ankle surgery in late 2024)
- Entered on protected ranking to contest her first Tour-level event since 2024 US Open (played two WTA 125 events in 2025)
- Career-best Australian Open result is reaching 2019 SF (l. eventual champion Osaka); also made QF in 2017, 2018 and 2023
- Holds a 9-2 record in Australian Open 1r matches (36-12 in Grand Slam 1r matches overall)
- 2-time Grand Slam runner-up in singles, at 2016 US Open (l. Kerber in 3 sets) and 2021 Wimbledon (l. Barty in 3 sets)
- Contesting her 49th Grand Slam main draw of career
- Faces No.1102 Sloane Stephens in 1r today; Pliskova is seeking her first Tour-level match-win since 2024 US Open 1r (d. Sherif)
- Owns 52-31 career Tour-level record against players from United States; most recent meeting vs. an American was 2r loss to eventual champion Pegula at 2024 Toronto
- 11 of her 17 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently 2024 Cluj-Napoca
- One of 10 players from Czech Republic in the main draw
- Is currently ranked No.1057; this time last year was ranked No.45
- Reached World No.1 for the first time on July 17, 2017 and held that spot for a total of 8 weeks



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 81	Seed: -
1r	L	A. SABALENKA (#1) 6-3 6-2	
2024	Result	Rank: 44	Seed: -
3r	L	A. KALINSKAYA (#75) 6-7(8) 6-1 6-4	
2r	W	D. KASATKINA (#13) 4-6 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	O. GADECKI (#120) 6-3 6-1	
2023	Result	Rank: 36	Seed: -
1r	L	A. POTAPOVA (#44) 7-6(2) 6-4	
2022	Result	Rank: 67	Seed: -
1r	L	E. RADUCANU (#18) 6-0 2-6 6-1	
2021	Result	Rank: 41	Seed: -
1r	L	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#28) 4-6 6-2 6-3	

2024	Result	Rank: 38	Seed: -
1r	L	E. RYBAKINA (#3) 7-6(6) 6-4	
2023	Result	Rank: 31	Seed: 30
QF	L	M. LINETTE (#45) 6-3 7-5	
4r	W	S. ZHANG (#22) 6-0 6-4	
3r	W	V. GRACHEVA (#97) 6-4 6-2	
2r	W	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#47) 6-0 7-5	
1r	W	X. WANG (#53) 6-1 6-3	
2021	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 6
3r	L	K. MUCHOVÁ (#27) 7-5 7-5	
2r	W	D. COLLINS (#40) 7-5 6-2	
1r	W	J. PAOLINI (#95) 6-0 6-2	
2020	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
3r	L	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#30) 7-6(4) 7-6(3)	
2r	W	L. SIEGEMUND (#72) 6-3 6-3	
1r	W	K. MLADENOVIC (#41) 6-1 7-5	
2019	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 7
SF	L	N. OSAKA (#4) 6-2 4-6 6-4	
QF	W	S. WILLIAMS (#16) 6-4 4-6 7-5	
4r	W	G. MUGURUZA (#18) 6-3 6-1	
3r	W	C. GIORGI (#28) 6-4 3-6 6-2	
2r	W	M. BRENGLE (#88) 4-6 6-1 6-0	
1r	W	K. MUCHOVÁ (#139) 6-3 6-2	



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 1r at Auckland (as WC, I. Zarazua)

- Contesting first event of the season

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
1	100	<b>Aces</b>	0	0
69.5%	13	<b>First serve %</b>	0.0%	0
57.5%	90	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	0.0%	0
43.8%	53	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	0.0%	0
53.3%	73	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	0.0%	0
60.0%	69	<b>Service games won %</b>	0.0%	0
50.0%	58	<b>Break points saved %</b>	0.0%	0
35.1%	59	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	0.0%	0
45.0%	101	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	0.0%	0
66.7%	7	<b>Break points converted %</b>	0.0%	0
26.7%	76	<b>Return games won %</b>	0.0%	0
37.7%	84	<b>Return points won %</b>	0.0%	0



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (8)

2024 - ROUEN

2022 - GUADALAJARA

2018 - MIAMI

2017 - US OPEN

2016 - CHARLESTON, ACAPULCO, AUCKLAND

2015 - WASHINGTON DC

Runner-Up (3)

2018 - WTA FINALS, MONTREAL, ROLAND GARROS

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2024 - CHARLESTON (w/Krueger)

Runner-Up (1)

2017 - WASHINGTON DC (w/Bouchard)

### 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)



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## GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN			
1r				<b>2025</b>						
3r	1r	2r	1r	<b>2024</b>	1r	1r	1r	2r		
1r	4r	2r	1r	<b>2023</b>	QF	1r	1r	2r		
1r	QF	1r	2r	<b>2022</b>		2r	2r	QF		
1r	4r	3r	3r	<b>2021</b>	3r	2r	RUP	QF		
1r	2r		3r	<b>2020</b>	3r	2r		2r		
4r	QF	3r	1r	<b>2019</b>	SF	3r	4r	4r		
1r	RUP	1r	QF	<b>2018</b>	QF	3r	4r	QF		
		1r	WON	<b>2017</b>	QF	SF	2r	QF		
1r	3r	3r		<b>2016</b>	3r	1r	2r	RUP		
1r	4r	3r	1r	<b>2015</b>	3r	2r	2r	1r		
4r	4r	1r	2r	<b>2014</b>	2r	2r	2r	3r		
SF	4r	QF	4r	<b>2013</b>	1r	1r	2r	1r		
2r	4r	3r	3r	<b>2012</b>		1r	1r			
	1r		3r	<b>2011</b>						

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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Contested only six events in 2025; made Auckland doubles SF (w/Tauson)
- In 2024, earned eighth career title at Rouen and also claimed first career doubles title at Charleston w/Ashlyn Krueger
- In 2023, reached R16 at Roland Garros (l. Sabalenka), in best Grand Slam showing of the season. Advanced to SF at Rabat (l. eventual champion Bronzetti). Also won WTA 125k title at Saint Malo in May (d. Minnen in F).
- In 2022, won her seventh career title - and first since 2018 - at Guadalajara 250 (d. Bouzkova in F), and also reached QF at Roland Garros (l. Gauff)
- In 2021, produced SF showing at Parma (l. Q.Wang) - her deepest run since 2019 Madrid - then reached R16 at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion Krejcikova)
- Best result of disrupted 2020 campaign was 3r appearance at US Open (l. S.Williams in 3s)
- Finished 2019 season ranked No.25; season was highlighted by SF at Madrid (l. eventual champion Bertens) and QF at Roland Garros (l. Konta)
- In 2018 posted best year-end finish of career to date, at No.6; reached career-high No.3 ranking on July 16, 2018
- Season highlights in 2018 included capturing first Premier Mandatory title at Miami - subsequently made Top 10 debut at No.9. Also reached her second Grand Slam final, at Roland Garros and posted R-Up finishes at Montréal and WTA Finals
- Won her maiden Grand Slam title at 2017 US Open, d. Keys 6-3 6-0 to become the fifth unseeded player to win a major in the Open Era
- Voted 2017 WTA Comeback Player of the Year. Returned to action ranked No.957 at Wimbledon after 11 months on sidelines w/foot injury (had surgery in the January) and rose to No.12 following her US Open triumph two months later
- After 1r loss at 2017 Washington DC, went 15-2 through US Open title run, including back-to-back SF at Toronto and Cincinnati
- Won three titles in 2016, at Auckland, Acapulco and Premier-level Charleston. Won maiden singles title in first final contested at 2015 Washington, DC
- Made Top 20 debut on January 29, 2013
- At No.97 was youngest player in year-end Top 100 in 2011; and after a phenomenal sophomore season, reached No.38 and was the youngest

- 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

player, and the only teenager, in the year-end Top 50 in 2012

introduced in 1975 (Martina Navratilova became No.1 on July 10, 1978 while representing USA)

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

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Chris Tontz and Kamau Murray; Also previously worked with Francisco Roig, Paul Annacone and Nick Saviano
- Mother is Sybil Smith, a collegiate swimmer; brother is Shawn Farrell
- Favorite surface is clay
- Started playing at age 9 when mother introduced her to the sport in Fresno, CA
- Extremely passionate about her foundation, created in 2013, and spends a lot of time continuing to expand the programming of the Sloane Stephens Foundation
- Loves fashion, beauty, music, and spending time with her family

- 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