



MATCH NOTES

Australian Open
MELBOURNE, AUSTRALIA



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DAY 7 – SATURDAY, JANUARY 24

[31] Anna Kalinskaya (#33) vs. [2] Iga Swiatek (POL #2)

Swiatek leads 2-1

Kalinskaya:

- This is her 21st career Grand Slam main draw appearance and fifth time reaching the R32
- With a win would advance to the R16 for third time in career – previously QF at 2024 Australian Open and R16 at 2024 Wimbledon
- Owns 5-7 record against Top 5 ranked opponents; defeated two Top 5 opponents on hardcourts at 2024 Dubai (def. No.3 Gauff in QF and No.1 Swiatek in SF)

Swiatek:

- Bidding to reach R16 at a Slam for the 21st time in career; since 2019 (when she made her R16 debut) has reached more R16 than any other player on Tour – followed by Gauff and Sabalenka (with 16 each entering this year's Australian Open)
- Making her eighth main draw appearance at the Australian Open, where she is a two-time semifinalist, making the last four in 2022 (I. Collins) and 2025 (I. eventual champion Keys)
- Is a six-time Grand Slam champion, with four titles at Roland Garros (2020, 2022-24), one US Open crown (2022) and most recently winning Wimbledon 2025
- Bidding to be the third youngest player in the Open Era to complete a career Grand Slam

Peyton Stearns (USA #68) vs. [4] Amanda Anisimova (USA #4)

Stearns leads 1-0

Stearns:

- Making 3rd appearance at Australian Open, she is through to the 3r here for the first time after 1r exits on her two previous appearances
- With a win would equal career-best result at a Grand Slam (also R16 at 2023 US Open (I. No.9 Vondrousova)
- Owns 1-0 head-to-head record against Anisimova, defeating her in three sets at Madrid 2025
- Defeated fellow American and the 2020 Australian Open champion Sofia Kenin in the 1r here this week
- Owns 2-12 career record vs. Top 10 players, with wins over No.6 Madison Keys at Rome 2025 and No.8 Zheng Qinwen at Dubai 2025

Anisimova:

- Has reached the R16 at a Slam nine times, including three times at the Australian Open, in 2019 (I. eventual R-Up Kvitova), 2022 (I. eventual champion Barty) and 2024 (I. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Overall, this is her 24th Grand Slam main draw appearance, and she has contested two Slam finals, finishing R-Up in 2025 at Wimbledon (I. Swiatek) and US Open (I. Sabalenka)
- Contesting this year's Australian Open as No.4 seed; this is the highest she has been seeded at a Grand Slam
- Owns 9-2 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (3-0 here at Australian Open)
- This time last year was ranked No.35. Reached a career-high ranking of No.3 earlier this month
- Has won her last 17 Grand Slam matches after taking the first set - last losing to Qinwen Zheng (US Open 2024)



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[5] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #5) vs. Tereza Valentova (CZE #54)

Rybakina leads 1-0

Rybakina:

- Contested the title match here in 2023, finishing as R-Up (I. Sabalenka)
- Overall this is her 26th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Won lone Tour-level meeting against Valentova in 2r at US Open 2025
- Holds a record of 9-2 at Australian Open when facing players ranked outside the Top 50
- Since 2022, only Aryna Sabalenka, Iga Swiatek (76 each) and Coco Gauff (58) have claimed more wins than Elena Rybakina (47) in Women's Singles at Grand Slams
- Has won 15 of her last 16 matches - only losing to Karolina Muchova in Brisbane's quarter-final this season
- Won her last 19 matches when she has won the first set, last losing to Victoria Mboko at Montreal 2025

Valentova:

- Making third career Grand Slam appearance (Australian Open main draw debut)
- Win over No.31 ranked Maya Jant in opening round was third highest ranked opponent she has defeated having previously won over No.21 Mertens (2025 Osaka) and No.24 Ostapenko (2026 Adelaide)
- One of five teenagers through to the R32 – the most at the Australian Open since 2009 (also five)
- Seeking first Tour-level win against a Top 10 player (0-3 in previous such matches)
- Is currently ranked No.54; this time last year was ranked No.242

[6] Jessica Pegula (USA #6) vs. Oksana Selekhmeteva (#101)

First meeting

Pegula:

- Is a three-time Australian Open quarterfinalist, reaching the QFs here in 2021 (I. eventual finalist Brady), 2022 (I. eventual champion Barty) and 2023 (I. Azarenka)
- Has reached at least the QF stage at all four Slams, with QF runs also at Roland Garros 2022 (I. eventual champion Swiatek), Wimbledon 2023 (I. eventual champion Vondrousova), and finishing R-Up at US Open 2024 (I. Sabalenka)
- Record in 3r matches at Grand Slams is 10-6; 3-1 at Australian Open with her only 3r loss here coming last year (I. Danilovic)
- Six of her 9 WTA titles have come on hard court
- Is currently ranked No.6 (career high at No.3 in 2022)
- Bidding to reach R16 for 11th time in career (would be her 4th time through to R16 at the Australian Open) having previously reached the QF three times (2021, 2022, 2023)

Selekhmeteva:

- Making 2nd appearance at Australian Open, where her previous result was reaching 1r in 2023 (I. Vekic)
- Playing in 5th Grand Slam main draw with best coming this week by reaching 2r for the first time in her career
- First time appearing in Grand Slam main draw without going through the qualifying draw
- Win over No. 26 Badosa in R64 was the highest ranked opponent she has defeated in her career; this is her second meeting against a Top 30 ranked opponent
- Best career result on hardcourt is QF at Prague 2022
- This time last year was ranked No.168. Broke into the Top 100 for the first time in November 2025



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Karolina Pliskova (CZE #1057) vs. [9] Madison Keys (USA #9)

Pliskova leads 1-0

Pliskova:

- Since WTA Match Stats began being recorded in 2008, has served more aces than any player (4,327 – entering Australian Open); Keys sits at 6th most in that time (2,713)
- 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
- Her best Australian Open result is 2019 SF (l. eventual champion Osaka); also made QF in 2017, 2018 and 2023
- 2-time Grand Slam singles runner-up: 2016 US Open (l. Kerber in 3 sets) and 2021 Wimbledon (l. Barty in 3 sets)
- Reached World No.1 for the first time on July 17, 2017 and held that spot for a total of 8 weeks
- Owns 1-0 head-to-head against Keys, defeating her in the final at Brisbane 2020

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 is her 50th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Since the start of 2025, Keys has gone 18-5 vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 6-3 record in 3r matches at Australian Open; her last 3r loss here came in 2023 (l. Azarenka)
- Now owns 36 match wins at the Australian Open – this is her most wins at both a single Grand Slam event and WTA level event overall

[13] Linda Noskova (CZE #13) vs. Wang Xinyu (CHN #46)

Noskova leads 1-0

Noskova:

- Achieved best career Grand Slam result at 2024 Australian Open reaching QF; this is her 14th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- Owns 1-0 head-to-head record against Wang Xinyu, defeating her in the SF at Prague 2025
- Seeded No.13 at this year's Australian Open, this is the highest she has ever been seeded at a Grand Slam
- Owns 35 career wins over Top 50 players, most recently defeated No.7 Rybakina at Tokyo 2025
- Owns one career WTA title which came on hard court at Monterrey 2024 (d. Sun in F)
- Has a chance to make Top 10 debut after the Australian Open; will need to reach the QF to have a chance

Wang:

- Making 19th Grand Slam main draw appearance (6th at Australian Open; through to R32 for first time)
- With a win would equal career-best Grand Slam result, having previously reached R16 at 2023 US Open and 2024 Wimbledon
- Kicked off her 2026 season with a run to her second career Tour-level final at Auckland (l. Svitolina in F)
- Best result by a player from China at Australian Open was title run by Li Na in 2014
- Currently No.2 ranked Chinese woman behind only No.25 Qinwen Zheng



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[16] Naomi Osaka (JPN #17) vs. [Q] Maddison Inglis (AUS #168)

First meeting

Osaka:

- Making 10th appearance at Australian Open
- Two-time Australian Open champion, winning tournament in 2019 (d. Kvitova in final) and 2021 (d. Brady in final)
- 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)
- One of three mothers currently ranked inside the Top 20 alongside No.12 Svitolina and No.10 Bencic
- Osaka (72) is now the second Japanese woman in the Open Era to claim 70+ Grand Slam main draw match-wins, joining Ai Sugiyama (84)
- In Grand Slam main draws, Osaka holds an 11-3 career record vs. players ranked outside the Top 100

Inglis:

- Successfully came through qualifying to reach her 4th Australian Open main draw (first since 2022)
- Has equaled her best result at Australian Open (also 3r in 2022 as WC, d. Fernandez and Baptiste, l. Kanepi)
- Contesting her 7th career Grand Slam main draw; her Melbourne 3r runs in 2022 and this year are the only times she has won main draw matches at Grand Slam events
- Her two career Top 50 wins have been at the Australian Open, defeating No.24 Fernandez in 2022 and No.48 Siegemund in R64 this week
- Currently holds an 0-4 record vs. Top 20 players in her career

[21] Elise Mertens (BEL #21) vs. [Q] Nikola Bartunkova (CZE #126)

First meeting

Mertens:

- Making 9th consecutive appearance at Australian Open, where her best result was making SF run in 2018 (l. eventual champion Caroline Wozniacki); also made R16 run three consecutive years: in 2022, 2021, 2020
- Contesting her 36th Grand Slam main draw; her best Grand Slam performance is SF at Australian Open 2018
- Is the first player to reach nine consecutive 2r at the Australian Open (2018-2026) since Svitolina (2014-2022)
- Looking to advance to her first Round of 16 at Australian since 2022
- Seven of her 12 career singles titles have come on hardcourt: Singapore in 2025, Monastir in 2023 & 2022, Melbourne 500 2021, Doha in 2019, Hobart in 2018 & 2017
- Has never lost to a Qualifier or Lucky Loser at a Grand Slam (9-0 in such matches)
- So far this season, went 3-1 in singles at United Cup (Belgium made SF, l. Switzerland)

Bartunkova:

- Successfully came through qualifying to make her Grand Slam main draw debut
- Seeking her third win of the tournament against a Top 50 player (had one such win prior)
- 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
- Is competing in her sixth Tour-level main draw event at this year's Australian Open (5-5 career match record)
- One of five teenagers through to the R32 – the most at the Australian Open since 2009 (also five)
- One of three Qualifiers to advance to 3r, joining Maddison Inglis and Zeynep Sonmez
- Last time a qualifier reached R16 at the Australian Open was 2024 – Yastremska (SF) and Timofeeva (R16)
- One of five players from Czech Republic to reach 3r, joining Karolina Muchova, Linda Noskova, Karolina Pliskova and Tereza Valentova; Third time 5-plus Czech players have made the Third Round in a Women's Singles Grand Slam event in the Open Era (six at the US Open 2018 and five in Wimbledon 2021)



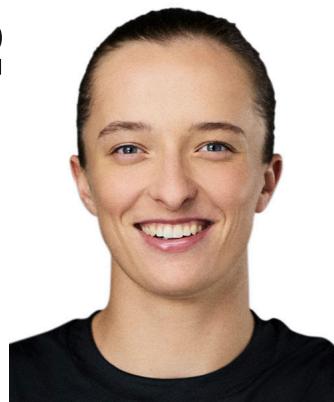
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33 ANNA KALINSKAYA (31)

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POLAND

1998-12-02	Date of Birth	2001-05-31
	Residence	Raszyn, Poland
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.75m)	Height	5' 9" (1.76m)
11	Career-High Ranking	1
\$5,845,744	Career Prize Money	\$44,127,390
\$31,530	Season Prize Money	\$486,900
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 25
19-20 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	106-21 (Champion: 2025 WIMBLEDON; 2024 ROLAND GARROS; 2023 ROLAND GARROS; 2022 US OPEN, ROLAND GARROS; 2020 ROLAND GARROS)
2-0 / 6-5 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN	2-0 / 24-7 (Semi-Finalist: 2025, 2022)
4-2 / 118-109	W-L (best)	5-2 / 322-79
	YTD / Career W-L	



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	US OPEN	HARD	3r	Iga Swiatek	7-6(2) 6-4	1h 56m
2025	CINCINNATI	HARD	QF	Iga Swiatek	6-3 6-4	1h 34m
2024	DUBAI	HARD	SF	Anna Kalinskaya	6-4 6-4	1h 41m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
33	-	2026	2	-
14	33	2025	2	2
11	14	2024	1	2
53	77	2023	1	1
51	58	2022	1	1
104	110	2021	4	9
101	114	2020	17	17
96	100	2019	49	61
132	169	2018	174	175
127	146	2017	587	690



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. KARTAL (#66) 7-6 6-1 (1h 38m)
2r: d. J. GRABHER (#95) 6-3 6-3 (1h 13m)

Total time on court: 2h 51m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th main draw appearance at Australian Open
- After 1r losses in her first 4 Australian Open main draw appearances, broke through with QF run at Melbourne in 2024, which is her career-best Grand Slam result (l. eventual finalist Zheng Qinwen)
- Contesting her 21st career Grand Slam main draw, and is attempting to make her 3rd career Grand Slam R16 (also made R16 at 2024 Wimbledon, l. Rybakina)
- Holds 2-2 record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-0 in Australian Open 3r matches)
- Has beaten Sonay Kartal and Julia Grabher so far this week, improving her 2026 win-loss record to 4-2 (earlier this month, reached 2r at both Brisbane and Adelaide)
- Seeking her 20th career Grand Slam main draw match-win today
- Faces No.2 Iga Swiatek in 3r today; owns 13 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.8 Amanda Anisimova at 2025 Cincinnati
- Holds 1-1 career record vs. players ranked in the Top 2 at the time of their meeting (d. No.1 Swiatek in 2024 Dubai SF; l. No.2 Swiatek in 2025 US Open 3r)
- Owns 2-4 career Tour-level record against players from Poland (1-2 vs. Swiatek; 1-1 vs. Linette; 0-1 vs. Frech via retirement)
- Career-best Tour-level finishes on hard court are R-Up showings at 2024 Dubai (l. Paolini) and 2025 Washington DC (l. Fernandez)
- Is currently ranked No.33; this time last year was ranked No.16. Reached career-high No.11 in October 2024

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. Y. YUAN (#130) 7-6 6-3 (2h 0m)
2r: d. M. BOUZKOVA (#44) 6-2 6-3 (1h 19m)

Total time on court: 3h 19m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 8th appearance at the Australian Open
- Career-best Australian Open results are semifinals in 2022 (l. eventual R-Up Collins) and 2025 (l. eventual champion Keys)
- Is a six-time Grand Slam champion, with four titles at Roland Garros (2020, 2022-24), one US Open crown (2022) and most recently winning Wimbledon 2025
- Contesting her 28th career Grand Slam main draw, and seeking her 21st appearance in a Grand Slam R16
- Holds a 20-4 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (5-1 in Australian Open 3r matches)
- Swiatek has made at least the 3r in all of the last 24 Grand Slam events; the last time she lost before the 3r of a Grand Slam event was 2019 US Open (l. Sevastova)
- Has beaten Yuan Yue and Marie Bouzkova so far this week, moving to 5-2 on the year (went 3-2 in singles during Team Poland's run to the 2026 United Cup title)
- Faces No.33 Anna Kalinskaya in 3r today; the last time Swiatek lost to an opponent outside Top 20 at Grand Slams was to No.35 Putintseva at Wimbledon 2024
- 14 of her 25 WTA Tour-level titles have come on hard court, most recently Seoul and Cincinnati in 2025
- One of 2 players from Poland to reach 3r (also Linette)
- Best results by Poland at Australian Open were SF runs by Swiatek in 2022 and 2025, Magda Linette in 2023, and Agnieszka Radwanska in 2014 and 2016
- Is currently ranked No.2; this time last year was ranked No.2
- Reached World No.1 for the first time on April 4, 2022, and held the top ranking for 125 weeks during her career (7th-most all time)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2024	Result	Rank: 75	Seed: -
QF	L	Q. ZHENG (#15) 6-7(4) 6-3 6-1	
4r	W	J. PAOLINI (#31) 6-4 6-2	
3r	W	S. STEPHENS (#44) 6-7(8) 6-1 6-4	
2r	W	A. RUS (#45) 6-1 7-5	
1r	W	K. VOLYNETS (#103) 6-3 3-6 6-2	

2023	Result	Rank: 59	Seed: -
1r	L	D. COLLINS (#11) 7-5 5-7 6-4	

2020	Result	Rank: 109	Seed: -
1r	L	S. ZHENG (#42) 6-3 6-2	

2019	Result	Rank: 146	Seed: -
1r	L	A. SABALENKA (#11) 6-1 6-4	

2018	Result	Rank: 160	Seed: -
1r	L	C. GIORGI (#71) 6-4 6-3	

2025	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
SF	L	M. KEYS (#14) 5-7 6-1 7-6(8)	
QF	W	E. NAVARRO (#8) 6-1 6-2	
4r	W	E. LYS (#128) 6-0 6-1	
3r	W	E. RADUCANU (#61) 6-1 6-0	
2r	W	R. SRAMKOVA (#49) 6-0 6-2	
1r	W	K. SINIATKOVA (#50) 6-3 6-4	

2024	Result	Rank: 1	Seed: 1
3r	L	L. NOSKOVA (#50) 3-6 6-3 6-4	
2r	W	D. COLLINS (#62) 6-4 3-6 6-4	
1r	W	S. KENIN (#41) 7-6(2) 6-2	

2023	Result	Rank: 1	Seed: 1
4r	L	E. RYBAKINA (#25) 6-4 6-4	
3r	W	C. BUCSA (#100) 6-0 6-1	
2r	W	C. OSORIO (#84) 6-2 6-3	
1r	W	J. NIEMEIER (#69) 6-4 7-5	

2022	Result	Rank: 9	Seed: 7
SF	L	D. COLLINS (#30) 6-4 6-1	
QF	W	K. KANEPI (#115) 4-6 7-6(2) 6-3	
4r	W	S. CIRSTEA (#38) 5-7 6-3 6-3	
3r	W	D. KASATKINA (#23) 6-2 6-3	
2r	W	R. PETERSON (#82) 6-2 6-2	
1r	W	H. DART (#123) 6-3 6-0	

2021	Result	Rank: 17	Seed: 15
4r	L	S. HALEP (#2) 3-6 6-1 6-4	
3r	W	F. FERRO (#46) 6-4 6-3	
2r	W	C. GIORGI (#79) 6-2 6-4	
1r	W	A. RUS (#77) 6-1 6-3	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made 2r at Adelaide (l. eventual R-Up Mboko)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (l. Pegula)

- Opened season by winning United Cup with Team Poland (3-2 in singles)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
6	60	Aces	17	21
69.8%	12	First serve %	64.9%	40
60.7%	68	First Serve points won %	61.1%	65
44.4%	48	Second serve points won %	50.4%	17
55.8%	54	Overall service points won %	57.4%	41
63.0%	55	Service games won %	62.7%	56
61.4%	23	Break points saved %	50.0%	66
38.2%	36	First serve return points won %	38.6%	34
62.2%	10	Second serve return points won %	62.9%	8
61.8%	10	Break points converted %	46.8%	48
47.7%	11	Return games won %	44.0%	21
47.5%	15	Return points won %	46.6%	20



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SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (3)

2025 - WASHINGTON DC

2024 - BERLIN, DUBAI

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (4)

2025 - MADRID (w/Cirstea)

2022 - ST. PETERSBURG (w/Mcnally)

2021 - PORTOROZ (w/Mihalikova)

2019 - PRAGUE (w/Hruncakova)

Runner-Up (5)

2025 - BRISBANE (w/Hon)

2023 - OSAKA (w/Putintseva)

2022 - WASHINGTON DC (w/Mcnally)

2021 - MELBOURNE 500 YARRA VALLEY
(w/Hruncakova)

2019 - ST. PETERSBURG (w/Hruncakova)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (25)

2025 - SEOUL, CINCINNATI, WIMBLEDON

2024 - ROLAND GARROS, ROME, MADRID, INDIAN
WELLS, DOHA

2023 - WTA FINALS, BEIJING, WARSAW, ROLAND
GARROS, STUTTGART, DOHA

2022 - SAN DIEGO, US OPEN, ROLAND GARROS,
ROME, STUTTGART, MIAMI, INDIAN WELLS, DOHA

2021 - ROME, ADELAIDE 500

2020 - ROLAND GARROS

Runner-Up (5)

2025 - BAD HOMBURG

2023 - MADRID, DUBAI

2022 - OSTRAVA

2019 - LUGANO

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)

2021 - ROLAND-GARROS (w/Mattek-sands)

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Best results of 2025 included reaching a third career final at Washington DC (l. Fernandez), SF at Singapore, and 5 additional QFs including WTA 1000 Cincinnati. In doubles, won biggest title of her career at WTA 1000 Madrid (w/Cirstea)
- Reached two finals in 2024 at Dubai and Berlin; Dubai was first time reaching a WTA 1000 final; made best career round at each Grand Slam in 2024 including first major quarterfinal at Australian Open and R16 at Wimbledon
- Made Top 20 debut on June 24, 2024 finishing the year at World No.14; hit career-high ranking of No.11 on October 28, 2024
- Made three Tour-level QF runs across 2023 at Austin (l. Collins), Charleston (l. Jabeur), and Osaka (l. Krueger); also won WTA 125 title at Midland
- Highlight of 2022 was SF run at Guadalajara 250 (l. eventual champion Stephens) and also made QFs at Washington DC (l. Kanepi) and Guadalajara 1000 (l. Bouzkova); won 3rd WTA doubles title in 2022 at St. Petersburg (w/McNally)
- In 2021, made Tour QFs at Monterrey and Courmayeur; lifted 2nd WTA doubles title at Portoroz (w/Mihalikova)
- In 2019, reached maiden WTA SF at 2019 Washington DC (l. eventual champion Pegula), scored first Top 10 win over No.10 Stephens at US Open, and broke into Top 100 on September 30 following QF run at Tashkent. Also won 1st Tour doubles title at Prague (w/Kuzmova)
- Season highlights in 2018 were making Grand Slam main draw debuts at Australian Open (l. Giorgi) and US Open (l. Goerges), coming through qualifying but falling in 1r at each
- Advanced through qualifying to reach the 2r for the first time at a Tour-level event at 2017 Kuala Lumpur (l. Han). Backed that performance up with two more 2r finishes that year at Istanbul and Gstaad, both times as qualifier
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2016 Moscow (as WC, l. Mladenovic in 1r). Also won a career-high four ITF titles in 2016
- Made professional debut in the qualifying rounds at 2014 Moscow (l. Monova)
- R-Up in junior singles at 2015 Roland Garros (l. Badosa) and won junior doubles at 2016 Australian Open (w/Mihalikova)

- Won three singles titles in 2025, including her first Wimbledon title (her 6th Grand Slam title overall), Cincinnati and Seoul; finished at World No.2 for the second straight season
- Posted 62 Tour match wins in 2025, becoming the first player to achieve four consecutive 60-win seasons at Tour level since Martina Hingis (1997-2001) and Lindsay Davenport (1998-2001)
- Claimed five titles in 2024, making it a three-peat at Roland-Garros and also winning Doha, Indian Wells, Madrid and Rome. Crossed \$30m in prize money and qualified for her fourth WTA Finals
- Won six titles across 2023, including winning fourth Grand Slam title at Roland-Garros (d. Muchova in F) and going undefeated at the WTA Finals in Cancun (d. Pegula in F). Finished season as WTA World No.1 player for second consecutive year.
- In 2022, lifted second and third Grand Slam titles, at Roland-Garros (d. Gauff in F) and US Open (d. Jabeur in F). Triumph in Paris was the last of six straight titles during 37-match winning streak - joint-longest unbeaten run on Tour since 1990
- Won two titles in 2021, at Adelaide and Rome. Other highlights included QF at Roland-Garros and SF at Ostrava and qualifying for WTA Finals Guadalajara (fell in group stage). Also finished doubles R-Up at 2021 Roland-Garros (w/Mattek-Sands, l. Krejcikova/Siniakova)
- Won her maiden Tour-level title at 2020 Roland-Garros without dropping a set, becoming the first player from Poland - man or woman - to win a Grand Slam singles title and first from her country to reach a major final since Agnieszka Radwanska at 2012 Wimbledon
- Ranked No.54, she became the lowest-ranked woman to win the Roland-Garros title in the Open Era and the lowest-ranked finalist since 1977 (No.56 Mihai). At 19y 132d, is the youngest champion in Paris since Monica Seles (18y 187d) in 1992
- Also became the first player to win her debut Tour-level title at a Grand Slam since Jelena Ostapenko at 2017 Roland-Garros
- Won WTA Most Improved Player of the Year for 2020, as voted on by members of the media. Also won the 2020 WTA Fan Favorite Award
- Ended 2019 season ranked No.61 after a campaign highlighted by R-Up finish at Lugano (l. Hercog) and R16 run at Roland-Garros (l. Halep). That year also reached 3r at Toronto (l.

Osaka) and made 2r five times (incl. Australian and US Open)

- Broke into Top 100 at No.88 after R-Up finish at 2019 Lugano. Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Auckland
- Ended 2018 season ranked No.175 (up from No.690 in 2017), after posting 42-6 record and winning four titles on ITF Circuit
- On professional debut, came through qualifying to win title at \$10k ITF/Stockholm-SWE in 2016
- Enjoyed stellar junior career, including winning girls' singles at 2018 Wimbledon (d. Kung in F) and leading Poland to Junior Fed Cup in 2016

OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Patricia Tarabini
- Both parents are former professional badminton players - father now works at the Federation and mother coached junior players; brother is a soccer player in Russia
- Started playing tennis when she was five after watching cousin play while spending summer at her grandmother's house
- Thinks she has a good reading of the game and likes to mix up her shot selection; favorite surface is hard
- Did not have a tennis idol when growing up but watched a lot of Justine Henin, Rafael Nadal, Roger Federer and Kim Clijsters
- Best tennis memories are playing in the Fed Cup for the first time and also the amazing atmosphere when she beat Sloane Stephens in the Arthur Ashe Stadium at the 2019 US Open
- Away from the court likes to watch basketball, cook and go shopping; describes her perfect day as spending time with her closest friends
- Has two dogs; first was given for her 13th birthday and stays in Moscow with her parents, while the second is a Pomsky called Kobe and travels with her most of the time on tour
- Loves documentaries and romantic movies; favorite musicians are Dua Lipa, Post Malone, Rihanna, Justin Bieber and DJ Khaled

- Coached by Wim Fissette
- Previously worked with Tomasz Wiktorowski and Piotr Sierzputowski
- Father is former Olympic rower Tomasz Swiatek, who competed in the men's quadruple sculls event at the 1988 Summer Olympics in Seoul
- In summer 2022 organised 'Iga Swiatek and friends for Ukraine' event in Krakow, which featured a mixed doubles match between Agnieszka Radwanska, Sergiy Stakhovsky, Polish junior Martyn Pawelski and herself, and was attended by Poland's First Lady, Agata Kornhauser-Duda, Elina Svitolina and Andriy Shevchenko. The occasion was watched by almost 15,000 people live and a further one million on television, raising more than half a million Euros for Ukrainian children and teenagers affected by the war
- Started playing tennis because her older sister was playing and wanted to beat her
- Enjoys rock music, including AC/DC and Pink Floyd
- Includes PZU, On, Tecnifibre, Rolex and Xiaomi in her endorsement portfolio



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ANISIMOVA (4)**
UNITED STATES OF
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**PEYTON
STEARNS** 68
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

2001-08-31	Date of Birth	2001-10-08
Miami Beach, FL, USA	Residence	
Right-handed	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 11" (1.80m)	Height	5' 8" (1.73m)
3	Career-High Ranking	28
\$12,406,945	Career Prize Money	\$3,271,501
\$19,909	Season Prize Money	\$7,350
0 / 4	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 1
46-23 (Runner-Up: 2025 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	12-12 (Round of 16: 2023 US OPEN)
2-0 / 12-6 (Round of 16: 2024, 2022, 2019)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	2-0 / 2-2 (Round of 32: 2026)
3-1 / 159-93	YTD / Career W-L	3-2 / 57-60



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YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	MADRID	CLAY	2r	Peyton Stearns	6-2 2-6 7-5	2h 15m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
3	-	2026	63	-
4	4	2025	28	63
36	36	2024	46	48
23	359	2023	43	53
22	23	2022	209	209
30	78	2021	347	392
22	30	2020	473	478
21	24	2019	520	520
92	95	2018	885	887
182	192	2017	-	-



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. WALTERT (#87) 6-3 6-2 (1h 0m)
2r: d. K. SINIAKOVA (#45) 6-1 6-4 (1h 43m)

Total time on court: 2h 43m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her seventh main draw appearance at the Australian Open, and has reached the R16 here three times, in 2019 (l. eventual R-Up Kvitova), 2022 (l. eventual champion Barty) and 2024 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Overall this is her 24th Grand Slam main draw appearance, and has contested two Slam finals, finishing R-Up in 2025 at Wimbledon (l. Swiatek) and US Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Contesting this year's Australian Open as the fourth seed; this is the highest she has been seeded at a Grand Slam
- Owns 9-2 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (3-0 here at Australian Open)
- Faces No.68 Peyton Stearns in 3r today; since the start of the 2025 season, owns 17-6 record vs. players ranked outside the Top 50
- Owns 22-17 career record against fellow players from United States of America, most recent was win over Madison Keys at WTA Finals 2025
- Three of her 4 WTA titles have come on hard court: Beijing 2025, Doha 2025 and Melbourne 250 2022
- One of 7 players from United States of America to reach this year's third round
- Nine players from the United States of America have won the title here in Melbourne, most recent was Madison Keys in 2025
- Is currently ranked No.4; this time last year was ranked No.35. Reached a career-high ranking of No.3 earlier this month
- Has won her last 17 Grand Slam matches after taking the first set - last losing to Qinwen Zheng (US Open 2024)
- Entered 2026 Australian Open following R16 run at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. KENIN (#30) 6-3 6-2 (1h 14m)
2r: d. P. MARCINKO (#81) 6-2 7-5 (1h 20m)

Total time on court: 2h 34m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd appearance at Australian Open, she is through to the 3r here for the first time after falling in the 1r in 2025 (l. No.8 Navarro) and 2024 (l. No.13 Kasatkina)
- Best career result at a Grand Slam is a 4r run at US Open 2023 (l. No.9 Vondrousova)
- Contesting a 13th Grand Slam main draw; owns 1-3 career record in Grand Slam third rounds
- Defeated the 2020 Australian Open champion Sofia Kenin in the 1r here
- Faces No.4 Amanda Anisimova in 3r today; owns 2-12 career record vs. Top 10 players, with wins over No.6 Madison Keys at Rome 2025 and No.8 Zheng Qinwen at Dubai 2025
- Owns 5-12 career record against players from United States of America, 1-0 in 2026 with a win over Sofia Kenin in the 1r here
- Best career result on hard court is QF three times: Cleveland and Toronto in 2024 and Austin in 2023
- One of 7 players from United States of America to reach the 3r
- Nine players from the United States of America have won the title here in Melbourne, most recent was Madison Keys in 2025
- Last time 7 players from United States of America reached the 3r at Australian Open was 2015
- Is currently ranked No.68; this time last year was ranked No.46. Reached a career-high ranking of No.28 in May 2025
- Prior to this year's Australian Open, played 1r at Auckland and 2r at Hobart



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 35	Seed: -
2r	L	E. RADUCANU (#61)	6-3 7-5
1r	W	M. CARLE (#89)	6-2 6-3
2024			
4r	L	A. SABALENKA (#2)	6-3 6-2
3r	W	P. BADOSA (#100)	7-5 6-4
2r	W	N. PODOROSKA (#65)	6-2 6-3
1r	W	L. SAMSONOVA (#14)	6-3 6-4
2023			
1r	L	M. KOSTYUK (#61)	6-3 6-4
2022			
4r	L	A. BARTY (#1)	6-4 6-3
3r	W	N. OSAKA (#14)	4-6 6-3 7-6(5)
2r	W	B. BENCIC (#22)	6-2 7-5
1r	W	A. HARTONO (#189)	2-6 6-4 6-3
2020			
1r	L	Z. DIYAS (#73)	6-3 4-6 6-3

2025	Result	Rank: 46	Seed: -
1r	L	E. NAVARRO (#8)	6-7(5) 7-6(5) 7-5
2024			
1r	L	D. KASATKINA (#13)	6-2 3-6 6-2



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Opened 2026 with a 3r at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)
- Reached 2r at Hobart (l. Danilovic)
- Played 1r at Auckland (l. Quevedo)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
6	61	Aces	16	23
61.8%	66	First serve %	59.2%	85
69.1%	19	First Serve points won %	68.3%	23
45.2%	42	Second serve points won %	32.7%	99
60.0%	26	Overall service points won %	53.8%	70
72.2%	27	Service games won %	52.9%	89
54.5%	50	Break points saved %	40.7%	88
33.8%	68	First serve return points won %	29.3%	85
66.7%	4	Second serve return points won %	55.6%	54
50.0%	41	Break points converted %	39.1%	72
35.3%	43	Return games won %	26.5%	78
44.5%	37	Return points won %	39.2%	79



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)

2025 - BEIJING, DOHA

2022 - MELBOURNE 250 #2

2019 - BOGOTA

Runner-Up (5)

2025 - US OPEN, WIMBLEDON, QUEENS

2024 - TORONTO

2018 - HIROSHIMA

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2024 - RABAT

Runner-Up (1)

2023 - BOGOTA

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

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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, won first two WTA 1000 titles of her career at Doha (d. Ostapenko in final) and Beijing (d. Noskova in final), and reached her first two Grand Slam finals at Wimbledon (l. Swiatek) and US Open (l. Sabalenka)
- Made Top 20, Top 10 and Top 5 debuts during 2025, finishing the season at a career-high No.4 ranking
- In 2024 made first WTA 1000 final of career at Toronto, finishing R-Up to Pegula (defeated No.3 Sabalenka en route). Also enjoyed run to R16 at Australian Open, her third time reaching that stage in Melbourne
- Played a small number of tournaments in 2023 before taking a break away from the sport after Madrid in April
- Lifted second career title at Melbourne Summer Set 2 (d. Sasnovich in F) in January 2022. Also in 2022, made SF at Charleston (l. Jabeur) and five further QFs, including at Wimbledon (l. Halep)
- Ended 2021 season with 3r run at Indian Wells to secure her fourth consecutive Top-100 finish. Best results were QF runs at Parma and Bad Homburg
- Opened 2020 with SF showing at Auckland, going on to reach 3r at US Open, Roland Garros and Doha; during Doha run, earned third career Top 10 win over No.7 Svitolina (l. Kuznetsova in 3r due to walkover)
- Posted career best Grand Slam result with SF run at 2019 Roland Garros - first player (man or woman) born in 2000s to advance to this stage of a major. Scored maiden win over a Top 5 player during 2019 Roland Garros, upsetting No.3 and defending champion Halep in QF
- Won maiden title at 2019 Bogota (d. Sharma in F); at 17y 222d was the youngest American to win a title since S. Williams at 1999 Indian Wells (17y 169d)
- Made Top 100 debut at No.95 on September 17, 2018, after reaching first WTA final at Hiroshima (as qualifier, l. Hsieh)
- Also in 2018, upset No.9 Kvitova to become the joint-youngest player to reach R16 at Indian Wells, along with Majoli, who made SF in 1994 (both aged 16 years, 199 days)
- Played only two ITF tournaments before making WTA main draw debut at 2017 Miami (l. Townsend in 3s), with Grand Slam bow coming at 2017 Roland Garros (l. Nara in 1r)
- In juniors, won US Open girls' singles in 2017 (d. Gauff in F) and was R-Up at 2016 Roland Garros; reached No.2 in junior world rankings

- In 2025, made first WTA 1000 SF of career at Rome and hit career-high ranking of No.28 on May 19; earned first Top 10 wins of career over No.8 Zheng Qinwen at Dubai and No.6 Keys at Rome
- Posted first Top 50 season finish in 2024 (No.48), having won maiden title at Rabat (d. Sherif in F). Advanced to QF at Toronto (l. eventual champion Pegula) and Cleveland (l. Siniakova); reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. M.Andreeva) and US Open (l. Vekic)
- In 2023, advanced to first career WTA singles final at Bogota (l. Maria). Reached R16 at her home Slam, US Open (l. Vondrousova). Also reached 3r at Roland Garros (d. former champion Ostapenko in 2r, l. Kasatkina). Broke into Top 50 for first time in September following the US Open
- Finished 2022 season with 33-15 win-loss record (across all levels), reaching three ITF Circuit finals, including W25 titles at Austin and Florence
- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main-draw debut at 2022 US Open (as wild card, l. Alexandrova in 3s)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2022 Cleveland as wild card (l. Begu in 1r)
- In 2021, contested qualifying at Cincinnati, US Open and Indian Wells
- Played college tennis at the University of Texas at Austin, where she became the first Longhorn to win the NCAA Division I Women's Singles National Championship

- Made professional debut at 2016 US Open qualifying (l. Hozumi in 2r)

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Rob Brandsma and Rick Vleeshouwers
- Mother is Olga, who was born and raised in Moscow; sister is Maria Anisimova-Egee and lives in New York. Speaks English and Russian
- Born in New Jersey but moved to Miami at age 3. Started playing tennis after going to her sister's practices every day and eventually developed a passion for the sport
- Tennis idols growing up were Serena Williams and Maria Sharapova
- Off the court enjoys music, running, writing, jet skiing and going to the beach. Has one dog named Miley

- Previously worked with Tom Hill and Eric Hechtman
- Started playing tennis aged eight
- Majored in Applied Movement Science at the University of Texas
- Three-time All-American while playing for the University of Texas, helping the Longhorns capture back-to-back NCAA team titles; she became the first player in the program's history to win an NCAA Singles crown
- Favorite surface is hard



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54 **TEREZA VALETOVA**
CZECH REPUBLIC

ELENA RYBAKINA 5
KAZAKHSTAN

2007-02-20	Date of Birth	1999-06-17
Prague, Czech Republic	Residence	
Right-Handed	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
	Height	6' 0" (1.84m)
54	Career-High Ranking	3
\$526,619	Career Prize Money	\$24,476,357
\$33,115	Season Prize Money	\$37,640
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 11
4-2 (Round of 32: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	61-22 (Champion: 2022 WIMBLEDON)
2-0 / 2-0 (Round of 32: 2026)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	2-0 / 16-6 (Runner-Up: 2023)
3-2 / 12-6	YTD / Career W-L	4-1 / 271-111



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YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	US OPEN	HARD	2r	Elena Rybakina	6-3 7-6(7)	1h 39m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
56	-	2026	5	-
55	56	2025	5	5
258	261	2024	3	6
646	680	2023	3	4
1357	1357	2022	12	22
-	-	2021	14	14
-	-	2020	17	19
-	-	2019	37	37
-	-	2018	182	191
-	-	2017	420	425



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. M. JOINT (#31) 6-4 6-4 (1h 32m)
2r: d. L. FRUHVIRTOVA (#132) 7-5 2-6 6-3 (2h 41m)

Total time on court: 4h 13m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making main draw debut at Australian Open; third main draw appearance at a Grand Slam (US Open and Roland Garros in 2025)
- Has beaten Maya Joint and Linda Fruhvirtova so far this week to reach her first 3r since her Runner-Up finish at Osaka 2025 (L. Leylah Fernandez in F)
- Her Runner-Up finish at Osaka 2025 is her best career Tour-level result on hard court
- Faces No.5 Elena Rybakina in 3r today; seeking first Tour-level win against a Top 10 player (0-3 in previous such matches)
- Owns 0-1 career record against players from Kazakhstan (L. Rybakina at US Open 2025)
- One of five players from Czech Republic to reach 3r, joining Nikola Bartunkova, Karolina Muchova, Linda Noskova and Karolina Pliskova
- Third time 5-plus Czech players have made the Third Round in a Women's Singles Grand Slam event in the Open Era (six at the US Open 2018 and five in Wimbledon 2021)
- Best result by Czech Republic at Australian Open were Runner-Up runs by Petra Kvitova in 2019, Jana Novotna in 1991 and Helena Sukova in 1989 and 1984
- Is currently ranked No.54; this time last year was ranked No.242
- Has won three Tour-level matches so far in 2026

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. JUVAN (#100) 6-4 6-3 (1h 12m)
2r: d. V. GRACHEVA (#77) 7-5 6-2 (1h 15m)

Total time on court: 2h 27m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th main draw appearance at Australian Open, where her best result was a Runner-Up finish in 2023 (L. No.5 Aryna Sabalenka in F)
- Her Runner-Up finish in 2023 is the best result by Kazakhstan at Australian Open
- Has beaten Kaja Juvan and Varvara Gracheva so far this week to reach her first 3r since QF at Brisbane 2026 (L. Karolina Muchova)
- Faces No.54 Tereza Valentova in 3r today; has won four consecutive matches (all in straight sets) when facing players ranked outside the Top 50 at Australian Open (overall, 9-2 in such matches)
- Owns 25-13 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic, with record in 2026 standing at 0-1 (L. Muchova at Brisbane)
- Best career result on hard court is Champion which she has reached six times: WTA Finals and Ningbo in 2025, Abu Dhabi and Brisbane in 2024, Indian Wells in 2023 and Hobart in 2020
- One of two players from Kazakhstan to reach 3r, joining Yulia Putintseva
- Last time at least two players from Kazakhstan reached 3r at Australian Open was 2025 (Putintseva and Rybakina)
- Is currently ranked No.5; this time last year was ranked No.7
- Has won four Tour-level matches so far in 2026



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

Year	Result	Rank: #	Seed: #
2025		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		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		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		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		Rank: 21	Seed: 17
2r	L	F. FERRO (#46)	6-4 6-4
1r	W	V. ZVONAREVA (#145)	4-6 6-4 6-4



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Played 1r at Brisbane (l. Kalinskaya)
- Made QF at Brisbane (l. Muchova)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
11	38	Aces	28	3
58.0%	91	First serve %	53.3%	105
66.3%	34	First Serve points won %	74.5%	9
36.7%	86	Second serve points won %	51.6%	10
53.8%	69	Overall service points won %	63.8%	8
53.8%	85	Service games won %	81.3%	7
25.0%	99	Break points saved %	72.7%	3
33.9%	67	First serve return points won %	34.4%	62
58.1%	32	Second serve return points won %	56.6%	41
45.0%	58	Break points converted %	55.0%	26
32.1%	57	Return games won %	34.4%	47
43.7%	44	Return points won %	42.5%	59



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RYBAKINA

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (1)

2025 - OSAKA

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)

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



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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

- 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

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
- 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



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FIRST
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SELEKHMETEVA

JESSICA
(6) PEGULA 6
UNITED STATES OF
AMERICA

2003-01-13	Date of Birth	1994-02-24
Barcelona, Spain	Residence	Boca Raton, FL, USA
Left-Handed	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 8" (1.72 m)	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)
96	Career-High Ranking	3
\$815,773	Career Prize Money	\$21,944,750
\$8,180	Season Prize Money	\$77,115
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 9
2-4 (Round of 32: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	59-27 (Runner-Up: 2024 US OPEN)
2-0 / 2-1 (Round of 32: 2026)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	2-0 / 17-6 (Quarter-Finalist: 2023, 2022, 2021)
2-1 / 7-10	YTD / Career W-L	5-1 / 260-129



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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
97	-	2026	6	-
96	97	2025	3	6
172	176	2024	3	7
149	419	2023	3	5
138	174	2022	3	3
226	226	2021	18	18
683	683	2020	59	62
668	781	2019	55	76
-	-	2018	124	125
-	-	2017	165	632



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. E. SEIDEL (#82) 6-3 3-6 6-0 (1h 47m)
2r: d. P. BADOSA (#26) 6-4 6-4 (1h 39m)

Total time on court: 3h 26m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at Australian Open, where her previous result was reaching 1r in 2023 (as a qualifier, I. Vekic)
- Playing in 5th Grand Slam main draw with her best result coming here this week by reaching 3r for the first time in her career
- First time appearing in a Grand Slam main draw without going through the qualifying draw
- Defeated No.26 Paula Badosa in the previous round to register her first Top 30 career win
- Faces No.6 Jessica Pegula in 3r today; this is her first career meeting against a Top 10 player
- First career meeting against a player from the United States of America
- Best career result on hard court are two QF runs at Prague 2024, (as a qualifier, I. Samson) and 2022 (as a qualifier, I. eventual champion Bouzkova)
- Is currently ranked No.101; this time last year was ranked No.168. Broke into the Top 100 for the first time in November 2025
- Prior to this year's Australian Open, came through qualifying at Hobart but fell in the 1r (I. Linette), and fell in Q1 at Brisbane (I. WC Preston)
- Today's winner will face either defending champion Madison Keys or former World No.1 Karolina Pliskova in the 4r

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. ZAKHAROVA (#105) 6-2 6-1 (1h 6m)
2r: d. M. KESSLER (#37) 6-0 6-2 (58m)

Total time on court: 2h 4m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her seventh main draw appearance at the Australian Open, and has made the QF here three times, in 2021 (I. eventual finalist Brady), 2022 (I. eventual champion Party) and 2023 (I. Azarenka)
- Has reached at least the QF stage at all four Slams, with QF runs also at Roland Garros 2022 (I. eventual champion Swiatek), Wimbledon 2023 (I. eventual champion Vondrousova), and finishing R-Up at US Open 2024 (I. Sabalenka)
- Owns 10-6 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches; 3-1 here at Australian Open, with her only 3r loss coming last year (I. Danilovic)
- Faces No.101 Oksana Selekmeteva in 3r today; went 7-3 in 2025 vs. players ranked outside the Top 100, and is 1-0 in 2026 with a win over No.105 Zakhrova in the 1r here
- Six of her 9 WTA titles have come on hard court: Austin 2025; Toronto 2024; Seoul and Montreal in 2023; Guadalajara 2022; Washington DC 2019
- Of the 18 that began in this year's field, Pegula is one of 7 players from United States of America to reach the 3r
- 9 players from the United States of America have won the title here in Melbourne, the most recent was Madison Keys in 2025
- Is currently ranked No.6; this time last year was ranked No.6. Reached a career-high ranking of No.3 in 2022)
- Prior to this year's Australian Open, reached SF at Brisbane (I. Kostyuk)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023 **Result** **Rank: 179** **Seed: -**

1r L D. VEKIC (#64) 6-2 2-6 7-6(7)

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

3r L O. DANILOVIC (#55) 7-6(3) 6-1
2r W E. MERTENS (#34) 6-4 6-2
1r W M. JOINT (#105) 6-3 6-0

2024 **Result** **Rank: 5** **Seed: 5**

2r L C. BUREL (#51) 6-4 6-2
1r W R. MARINO (#182) 6-2 6-4

2023 **Result** **Rank: 3** **Seed: 3**

QF L V. AZARENKA (#24) 6-4 6-1
4r W B. KREJCIKOVA (#23) 7-5 6-2
3r W M. KOSTYUK (#61) 6-0 6-2
2r W A. SASNOVICH (#38) 6-2 7-6(5)
1r W J. CRISTIAN (#161) 6-0 6-1

2022 **Result** **Rank: 21** **Seed: 21**

QF L A. BARTY (#1) 6-2 6-0
4r W M. SAKKARI (#8) 7-6(0) 6-3
3r W N. PARRIZAS DIAZ (#63) 7-6(3) 6-2
2r W B. PERA (#105) 6-4 6-4
1r W A. KALININA (#49) 4-6 7-6(1) 7-5

2021 **Result** **Rank: 61** **Seed: -**

QF L J. BRADY (#24) 4-6 6-2 6-1
4r W E. SVITOLINA (#5) 6-4 3-6 6-3
3r W K. MLADENOVIC (#52) 6-2 6-1
2r W S. STOSUR (#112) 6-0 6-1
1r W V. AZARENKA (#13) 7-5 6-4



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Kicked off 2026 playing qualifying at Brisbane and then reaching main draw at Hobart (as a qualifier, l. Linette in 1r)
- Reached SF at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
2	97	Aces	15	26
71.1%	8	First serve %	60.5%	76
57.6%	90	First Serve points won %	67.7%	26
41.7%	68	Second serve points won %	46.7%	37
53.0%	74	Overall service points won %	59.4%	31
54.5%	83	Service games won %	70.5%	32
58.3%	38	Break points saved %	53.6%	53
34.0%	65	First serve return points won %	36.4%	48
53.8%	69	Second serve return points won %	52.5%	74
57.1%	18	Break points converted %	35.7%	85
33.3%	50	Return games won %	31.9%	58
41.1%	72	Return points won %	42.4%	60



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (9)

2025 - BAD HOMBURG, CHARLESTON, AUSTIN
2024 - TORONTO, BERLIN
2023 - SEOUL, MONTREAL
2022 - GUADALAJARA
2019 - WASHINGTON DC

Runner-Up (12)

2025 - WUHAN, MIAMI, ADELAIDE
2024 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI
2023 - WTA FINALS, TOKYO, DOHA, UNITED CUP
2022 - MADRID
2020 - AUCKLAND
2018 - QUEBEC CITY

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2023 - MIAMI (w/Gauff), DOHA (w/Gauff)
2022 - SAN DIEGO (w/Gauff), TORONTO (w/Gauff),
WASHINGTON DC (w/Routliffe), DOHA (w/Gauff),
MELBOURNE 250 #1 (w/Muhammad)

Runner-Up (5)

2024 - WUHAN (w/Muhammad), SAN DIEGO
(w/Krawczyk)
2023 - ROME (w/Gauff), MADRID (w/Gauff)
2022 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Gauff)



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GRAND SLAMS

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Best Tour results of 2025 were reaching main draw as a qualifier at both Roland Garros and US Open (l. Vondrousova in 1r at both). Earned WTA 125 titles at San Sebastien and Rovereto and broke into the Top 100 for the first time in November. Also won a WTA 125 doubles title at WTA Montreux 125 (w/Waltert)
- In 2024, made second career QF, having done so in 2022, both at Prague. Reached QF at WTA 125 La Bisbal (l. eventual winner Carle). Won ITF singles title at W75 Rome
- In 2023 made a Grand Slam main draw for the second time at Australian Open and achieved best ITF circuit result with SF at 60K Andrezieux-Boutheon and 60K Grenoble
- Made Top 200 debut on May 6, 2022
- Fell in 1r on WTA debut, at 2021 Moscow (as qualifier, l. Kudermetova)
- Last season, reached two ITF Circuit finals, winning title at W15 tournament in Manacor, Spain
- On ITF Circuit, owns three titles in singles and eight in doubles

**Won two junior Grand Slam titles in doubles:
2019 US Open (w/Bartone) and 2021 Roland-Garros (w/Eala)**

- Won three singles titles in 2025 across all three surfaces - Bad Homburg (grass), Charleston (clay) and Austin (hard); also had runner-up finishes at Wuhan, Miami and Adelaide
- Qualified for the 2025 WTA Finals for a fourth consecutive year and reached the semifinals for the second time after 2023
- In 2024, won two singles titles - Toronto (WTA 1000) and Berlin - en route to year-end ranking of No.7, her third-straight year-end Top 10 finish; two-time runner-up at Cincinnati and US Open; joined Rosie Casals (1970), Evonne Goolagong Cawley (1973) and Serena Williams (2013) as the only women in the Open Era to make the final at the Canadian Open, Cincinnati Open and US Open in the same season
- Also qualified for the 2024 WTA Finals (withdrew during round-robin play due to left knee injury)
- Won two titles in 2023, her second WTA 1000 tournament at Montreal and also WTA 250 Seoul. Also finished R-Up at Doha, Tokyo and at the WTA Finals in Cancun

In doubles ascended to No.1 ranking (co-ranked with Coco Gauff) after 2023 US Open

- Achieved career-high No.3 in October 2022 after defeating four Grand Slam champions at Guadalajara, en route to ending three-year wait for second WTA title (d. Sakkari in F)
- Qualified for WTA Finals in both singles and doubles (w/Gauff), thus becoming the first Americans to debut in singles and doubles at the season-ending showpiece since Davenport in 1994
- Reached QF at three of the four majors in 2022, breaking into Top 10 after doing so at Roland Garros (June 6, 2022)
- One of seven players to win 40 or more matches in 2022, alongside Swiatek, Jabeur, Garcia, Sakkari, Kasatkina and Bencic
- In 2021, reached the QF or better on seven occasions, including at the Australian Open
- Broke into Top 20 on November 1, 2021
- Began 2020 with runner-up finish at Auckland (l. S.Williams), other standout results were a QF at Western & Southern Open (as qualifier, l. Mertens) and a 3r showing at US Open (l. Kvitova)
- On the doubles court in 2020, reached QFs of Roland Garros (w/Muhammad) and Cincinnati (w/Rogers)
- Won her first WTA title at 2019 Washington DC (d. Giorgi in F)

- Also in 2019, fell in 1r on main draw debut at Roland-Garros (l. eventual champion Barty) and Wimbledon (l. Buzarnescu) and Miami (as a qualifier, l. Konta)
- Broke into Top 100 for the first time on February 4, 2019 following back-to-back R-Up finishes at WTA 125K Series event at Newport Beach and W100 ITF Circuit tournament in Midland-MI, USA
- Highlights of 2018 included finishing R-Up as a qualifier at Quebec City (l. Parmentier in F), recording SF finish at Houston WTA 125K Series tournament (l. S.Peng) and reaching QF or better at 10 ITF events
- Did not play between January and August 2017 after undergoing hip surgery. Primarily played at ITF Circuit events for the rest of the year, winning two doubles titles with Townsend
- Played a mixture of WTA and ITF Circuit events in 2016 with highlight coming at Washington DC, where she defeated No.14 Stosur for first Top 20 win of career on her way to a SF finish (l. Davis)
- Reached 2r in Grand Slam main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, d. Van Uytvanck, l. Cibulkova)
- Sidelined from tennis for a year and a half between 2013 and 2015 due to a right knee injury
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2009 Ponte Vedra Beach and WTA main draw debut at 2012 Indian Wells

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Ana Alcazar
- Sponsored by Wilson
- Started playing tennis aged six
- Favorite surface is clay
- Parents are Natalia Selekhmeteva and Oleg Selekhmetev

- Working with the coaching team of Mark Knowles and Mark Merklein
- Recently parted ways with coach David Witt; formerly with Michael Joyce
- Parents are Terrence (works in oil and gas) and Kim (business owner); her parents are principal owners of the Buffalo Bills (NFL), while Terry Pegula also owns hockey team the Buffalo Sabres (NHL)
- Brothers are Michael and Matthew, sisters are Laura and Kelly; also has three pets - Laura played Division I college tennis at the University of Pittsburgh
- Introduced to tennis by family at age 7
- Nickname is JP
- Favorite shot is backhand down the line; favorite tournament is the US Open
- Tennis idol was Martina Hingis
- One word to describe her would be "Determined"
- Owns her own skincare company called 'Ready 24'
- Also enjoys golf, sports, and design
- Married Taylor Gahagen in October 2021
- Passionate about new charity with her husband called A Lending Paw



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

**KAROLINA
PLISKOVÁ 1057**
CZECH REPUBLIC

1995-02-17	Date of Birth	1992-03-21
Orlando, FL, USA	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 10" (1.78m)	Height	6' 1" (1.86m)
5	Career-High Ranking	1
\$23,358,670	Career Prize Money	\$26,140,530
\$71,115	Season Prize Money	\$0
0 / 10	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 17
124-48 (Champion: 2025 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	90-48 (Runner-Up: 2021 WIMBLEDON; 2016 US OPEN)
2-0 / 36-10 (Champion: 2025)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN	2-0 / 28-11 (Semi-Finalist: 2019)
5-2 / 351-200	YTD / Career W-L	2-0 / 409-235



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MADISON
KEYS

KAROLINA
PLISKOVÁ

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2020	BRISBANE	HARD	F	Karolina Pliskova	6-4 4-6 7-5	2h 8m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
7	-	2026	1052	-
5	7	2025	41	1044
12	21	2024	36	41
10	12	2023	14	37
11	11	2022	4	32
16	56	2021	3	4
11	16	2020	2	6
9	13	2019	2	2
10	17	2018	4	8
8	19	2017	1	4



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MADISON
KEYS

KAROLINA
PLISKOVÁ

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. O. OLIYNYKOVA (#92) 7-6 6-1 (1h 40m)
2r: d. A. KRUEGER (#62) 6-1 7-5 (1h 13m)

Total time on court: 2h 53m

PLAYER NOTES

- Returns to the Australian Open to make her 12th appearance, this time as the defending champion (d. Sabalenka for 1st career Grand Slam title)
- This is Keys' 50th Grand Slam main draw appearance of her career
- Faces No.1057 Karolina Pliskova in 3r today; went 4-3 in 2025 vs. players ranked outside the Top 100 (0-0 in 2026), most recent was win over No.116 McNally at Montreal 2025
- Owes 6-3 record in 3r matches at Australian Open; her last 3r loss here came in 2023 (l. Azarenka)
- Owes 24-11 career record against players from Czech Republic, 1-0 in 2026 with a win over Tereza Valentova at Brisbane
- Has won 5 career hard court titles, including two in 2025 (Adelaide, Australian Open). Also won at 2022 Adelaide 250, 2019 Cincinnati and 2017 Stanford
- One of 7 players from United States of America to reach the 3r (18 began in the field)
- Nine players from the United States of America have won the title here, most recent was Madison Keys herself in 2025
- 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)
- Only two active players (V. Williams and Azarenka) have claimed more match wins at Grand Slam events than Madison Keys (124)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. S. STEPHENS (#1102) 7-6 6-2 (1h 33m)
2r: d. J. TJEN (#59) 6-4 6-4 (1h 38m)

Total time on court: 3h 11m

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
- Contesting her 49th Grand Slam main draw of career
- 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)
- Holds a 4-4 record in Australian Open 3r matches (14-7 in Grand Slam 3r matches overall)
- Faces No.9 Madison Keys in 3r today; owns 38 career wins over Top 10 players, most recently defeated No.10 Ons Jabeur at Nottingham 2024
- Owes 54-30 career record against players from United States of America, 1-0 in 2026 with a win over Sloane Stephens in the 1r here
- 11 of her 17 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently 2024 Cluj-Napoca
- Best results by players from Czech Republic at Australian Open are R-Up runs by Petra Kvitova in 2019, Jana Novotna in 1991 and Helena Sukova in 1989 & 1984
- 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
- Her 1r win here over Sloane Stephens was her first Tour-level match win since 2024 US Open 1r (d. Sherif)



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**MADISON
KEYS**

**KAROLINA
PLISKOVÁ**

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	

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	

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. MUCHOVA (#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. MUCHOVA (#139) 6-3 6-2	



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KEYS

KAROLINA
PLISKOVA

SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Opened 2026 with a QF finish (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
27	4	Aces	0	0
63.1%	52	First serve %	0.0%	0
64.7%	43	First Serve points won %	0.0%	0
43.9%	50	Second serve points won %	0.0%	0
57.0%	42	Overall service points won %	0.0%	0
70.0%	34	Service games won %	0.0%	0
60.9%	26	Break points saved %	0.0%	0
37.3%	40	First serve return points won %	0.0%	0
53.8%	70	Second serve return points won %	0.0%	0
54.5%	27	Break points converted %	0.0%	0
31.0%	64	Return games won %	0.0%	0
43.0%	51	Return points won %	0.0%	0



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TITLES

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 (6)

2023 - UNITED CUP

2020 - BRISBANE

2017 - US OPEN

2016 - MONTREAL, ROME

2015 - CHARLESTON

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
WON	QF	3r	1r	2025			
	3r	4r	3r	2024	1r	1r	2r
3r	2r	QF	SF	2023	QF	1r	2r
SF	4r		3r	2022	2r	2r	QF
	3r	4r	1r	2021	3r	2r	QF
3r	1r		3r	2020	3r	2r	2r
4r	QF	2r	4r	2019	SF	4r	4r
QF	SF	3r	SF	2018	QF	4r	QF
	2r	2r	RUP	2017	QF	SF	2r
4r	4r	4r	4r	2016	3r	1r	RUP
SF	3r	QF	4r	2015	3r	2r	1r
2r	1r	3r	2r	2014	2r	2r	3r
3r	2r	3r	1r	2013	1r	1r	2r
1r				2012		1r	1r
		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)

- 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

- 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

- 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

- 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

- 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

- 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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13 **LINDA NOSKOVA (13)**
CZECH REPUBLIC

XINYU WANG **46**
CHINA

2004-11-17	Date of Birth	2001-09-26
Prerov, Czech Republic	Residence	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed (Two-handed backhand)
5' 10" (1.79m)	Height	5' 11" (1.82m)
12	Career-High Ranking	32
\$4,585,823	Career Prize Money	\$4,683,532
\$25,204	Season Prize Money	\$28,730
0 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
15-13 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	18-18 (Round of 16: 2024 WIMBLEDON; 2023 US OPEN)
2-0 / 6-2 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	2-0 / 4-5 (Round of 32: 2026)
3-1 / 93-63	YTD / Career W-L	7-2 / 97-109



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	PRAGUE	HARD	SF	Linda Noskova	6-4 6-1	1h 10m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
12	-	2026	43	-
13	13	2025	32	57
25	26	2024	32	37
40	41	2023	32	32
87	91	2022	68	97
315	317	2021	99	99
1019	1027	2020	135	153
-	-	2019	142	150
-	-	2018	306	306
-	-	2017	975	983



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. D. SEMENISTAJA (#98) 6-3 6-0 (58m)
2r: d. T. PRESTON (#161) 6-2 4-6 6-2 (1h 44m)

Total time on court: 2h 42m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd appearance at Australian Open; she reached the QFs here in 2024. En route to the QF in 2024, defeated World No.1 Iga Swiatek (ranked No.50 herself)
- Contesting in 14th Grand Slam main draw, her Australian Open QF result in 2024 is her best result at a major to date; her next best is R16 run at 2025 Wimbledon (L. eventual finalist Anisimova)
- Owns 2-1 record in 3r matches at Grand Slams, with 3r wins at Australian Open 2024 and Wimbledon 2024, and a 3r loss at US Open 2025 (L. Muchova)
- Seeded No.13 at this year's Australian Open, this is the highest she has ever been seeded at a Grand Slam
- Faces No.46 Xinyu Wang in 3r today; owns 35 career wins over Top 50 players, most recently defeated No.7 Rybakina at Tokyo 2025
- Owns 5-2 career record against players from China, most recent was win over Zheng Qinwen at Beijing 2025
- Owns one career WTA title which came on hard court at Monterrey 2024 (d. Sun in F)
- One of five players from Czech Republic through to the 3r alongside Karolina Muchova, Karolina Pliskova, Tereza Valentova and Nikola Bartonkova
- Best results by players from Czech Republic at Australian Open are Runner-Up runs by Petra Kvitova (2019), Jana Novotna (1991) and Helena Sukova (1984, 1989)
- Is currently ranked No.13; this time last year was ranked No.28. Reached a career-high ranking of No.12 last week
- Kicked off the season by reaching 2r at Brisbane (L. M. Andreeva)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. KALININA (#179) 6-3 6-3 (1h 33m)
2r: d. J. OSTAPENKO (#24) 4-6 6-4 6-4 (2h 19m)

Total time on court: 3h 52m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th appearance at Australian Open, she is through to the 3r for the first time here
- Contesting her 19th Grand Slam main draw, her best results are 4r runs at Wimbledon 2024 (L. Svitolina) and US Open 2023 (L. Muchova)
- Faces No.13 Linda Noskova in 3r today; owns 12 career wins over Top 20 players, most recently defeated No.14 Karolina Muchova at Wimbledon 2025
- Owns 4-9 career record against players from Czech Republic, most recent was loss against today's opponent Noskova at Prague 2025
- Best career result on hard court is Runner-Up run earlier this month at Auckland 2026 (L. Svitolina in F)
- Only player from China to reach the 3r after 1r losses for Zhang Shuai and Yuan Yue, and a 2r loss for Bai Zhouxuan
- Best result by a player from China at Australian Open was title run by Li Na in 2014
- Is currently ranked No.46; this time last year was ranked No.37. Reached a career-high ranking of No.32 in October 2023
- Kicked off her 2026 season with a run to her second career Tour-level final at Auckland (L. Svitolina in F). First final reached was Berlin 2025 (L. Vondrousova in F)



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 28	Seed: 29
1r	L	C. TAUSON (#42)	5-7 6-3 6-4
2024	Result	Rank: 50	Seed: -
QF	L	D. YASTREMSKA (#93)	6-3 6-4
4r	W	E. SVITOLINA (#23)	3-0
3r	W	I. SWIATEK (#1)	3-6 6-3 6-4
2r	W	M. KESSLER (#206)	6-3 1-6 6-4
1r	W	M. BOUZKOVA (#34)	6-1 7-5

2025	Result	Rank: 37	Seed: -
1r	L	P. BADOSA (#12)	6-3 7-6(5)
2024	Result	Rank: 36	Seed: 30
1r	L	D. PARRY (#72)	6-3 2-6 6-3
2023	Result	Rank: 79	Seed: -
2r	L	M. KEYS (#13)	6-3 6-2
1r	W	S. HUNTER (#239)	7-6(2) 6-4
2022	Result	Rank: 100	Seed: -
2r	L	A. SABALENKA (#2)	1-6 6-4 6-2
1r	W	A. LI (#56)	7-6(5) 6-3
2018	Result	Rank: 641	Seed: -
1r	L	A. CORNET (#42)	6-4 6-2



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Opened season at Brisbane reaching 2r (L. M.Andreeva)
- Reached 2r at Hobart (L. Linette)
- Reached the final in her 2026 season opener at Auckland (L. Svitolina in F)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
17	18	Aces	33	2
54.7%	104	First serve %	68.1%	22
73.8%	11	First Serve points won %	65.6%	37
51.5%	11	Second serve points won %	45.2%	43
63.7%	9	Overall service points won %	59.1%	34
81.8%	5	Service games won %	72.5%	26
68.4%	9	Break points saved %	60.0%	32
28.4%	89	First serve return points won %	38.1%	37
51.4%	78	Second serve return points won %	56.3%	43
36.8%	80	Break points converted %	36.1%	83
21.2%	88	Return games won %	32.5%	55
36.3%	88	Return points won %	43.8%	42



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2024 - MONTERREY

Runner-Up (5)

2025 - TOKYO, BEIJING, PRAGUE

2023 - PRAGUE, ADELAIDE #1

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (3)

2025 - ROUEN (w/Khromacheva)

2024 - OLYMPICS (w/Muchova), ABU DHABI
(w/Watson)

SINGLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

2026 - AUCKLAND

2025 - BERLIN

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (4)

2024 - BERLIN (w/Zheng)

2023 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Hsieh)

2021 - COURMAYEUR (w/Zheng)

2019 - NANCHANG (w/Zhu)

Runner-Up (5)

2025 - SINGAPORE (w/Zheng)

2023 - MÉRIDA (w/Wu), HUA HIN (w/Zhu)

2022 - GUADALAJARA (w/Zhu)

2021 - LINZ (w/Zheng)

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

LINDA
NOSKOVAXINYU
WANG

CAREER MILESTONES

- Reached three Tour finals in 2025, including her first career WTA 1000 final at Beijing (l. Anisimova), as well as runner-up showings at Prague and Tokyo; made her Top 20 debut and finished at a career-high No.13 in the year-end rankings
- In 2024, achieved first Grand Slam singles quarterfinal at the Australian Open (l. Yastremska), where she also defeated then-World No.1 Iga Swiatek in the 3r; won her first singles title at Monterrey (d. Sun in F); reached SF at Prague (l. eventual champion Linette) and Brisbane (l. eventual champion Rybakina); earned a new career-high ranking of No.25 on August 26, 2024
- Breakthrough year in 2023, achieving runner-up twice; Adelaide 1 (as qualifier, l. Sabalenka) and Prague (l. Hibino). Also reached quarterfinals at Lyon (l. Osorio) and 3r at Indian Wells (l. Gauff) and Cincinnati (as qualifier, l. Gauff). Broke into Top 40 on October 9, 2023.
- Made Top 100 debut on August 1, 2022, following SF run at Prague (l. eventual champion Bouzkova); overtook Gauff at the youngest player in Top 100
- Also reached 2r at Tallinn (as qualifier, l. Haddad Maia) and fell 1r at both Roland Garros (as qualifier, l. Raducanu) and US Open (as qualifier, l. Bouzkova). On ITF Circuit, lifted fifth and sixth titles at this level, winning W60 tournament in Croissy-Beaubourg, France and W100 event in Versmold, Germany
- Finished 2021 campaign with 38-9 win-loss record, winning four ITF Circuit titles, including at W60 event in Prerov, Czech Republic
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2020 Prague
- On ITF Circuit, owns six titles in singles and one in doubles
- As a junior, won 2021 girls' singles at Roland Garros

- In 2025 reached a Tour-level final for the first time at Berlin as a qualifier, defeating four Top 20 players en route (No.16 Kasatkina in R32, No.2 Gauff in R16, No.10 Badosa in QF [via retirement], No.20 Samsonova in SF); also reached SFs at Singapore, Prague and Cleveland. In doubles, reached a ninth Tour final at Singapore (w/S.Zheng)
- In 2024, made her best to date run at a Grand Slam by reaching R16 at Wimbledon; also made her first WTA 1000 semifinal at Wuhan and a second semifinal at WTA 250 Hua Hin
- Dramatically improved her ranking across 2023 season, making Top 50 debut in September and hitting No.32 in October. Posted best result at three of the four Slams, including R16 run at Roland Garros. Also reached semifinals at Hua Hin and Osaka (l. Zhu both times)

In doubles, claimed Roland Garros title (w/Hsieh) and runner-up at Hua Hin (w/Zhu) and Merida (w/Wu), with her doubles ranking peaking at No.18 on September 11, 2023

- Reached 2r on six occasions in 2022, including at Australian Open (l. Sabalenka). Also won sixth career ITF Circuit title, at W60 event in Tokyo in November
- Made Top 100 debut on November 15, 2021
- Highlight of 2021 was SF at Prague (l. eventual champion Krejcikova). Also advanced to QF at Courmayeur (l. Vekic) and Linz (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Riske)
- In 2020, fell in 1r at Shenzhen (l. Muguruza) and Hua Hin (l. Liang)
- Opened 2019 season with maiden Tour-level main draw win at Shenzhen Open (d. F.Xun, l. Sharapova), went on to post two more 2r runs at Nanchang (l. Rybakina) and Tianjin (as qualifier, l. Peterson)
- Lifted maiden WTA doubles title at 2019 Nanchang w/L.Zhu (d.Peng/Zhang in F)
- Won three consecutive ITF titles in 2019, at \$25K ITF/Shenzhen 2-CHN (d. F.Xun in F), \$25K ITF/Hengyang-CHN (d. Z.Sun in F) and \$25K ITF/Tianjin-CHN (d. Jovic in F)
- In 2018, won maiden title of career at \$25K ITF/Nonthaburi 4-THA (d. Wang Xiyu in F)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2018 Australian Open (l. Cornet in 1r)
- Also in 2018, contested qualifying on WTA Tour for the first time at Shenzhen Open and competed in maiden WTA main draw at Guangzhou (l.Khazaniuk)

- Advanced to 2r on professional debut at \$10K ITF/Prokuplje 2-SRB in 2016 (as qualifier, L. Zakarlyuk)

OTHER INFORMATION

- Currently coached by Tomas Krupa
- Mother's name is Ivana Noskova; Father's name is Drahos Nosek
- Like listening to Maneskin, Lil Nas X, Lizzo
- Enjoys watching Wrestling and streaming Netflix
- Also likes to swim, run, and spend time with pets
- Favorite player is Serena Williams

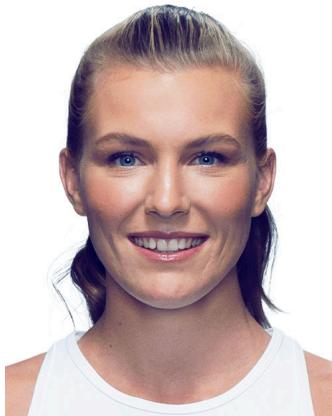
- Coached by Goran Tasic
- Father, Peng Wang, is a former professional player and Fed Cup captain, mother is Jinghui Zhou
- Started playing tennis with father at the age of six. Describes her game as "aggressive and decisive"
- Best moment in tennis to date was playing Maria Sharapova at Shenzhen in 2019
- Favorite surface is hard and favorite tournaments are the Australian and US Opens
- Li Na was her role model growing up
- Long-term goal is to win a Grand Slam
- Passions away from the court are yoga and food. Favorite book is Little Women, movie is The Hunger Games and musician is Jay Chou
- Words she would use to describe herself are "peace and love"



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168 **MADDISON
INGLIS (Q)**
AUSTRALIA

**NAOMI
(16) OSAKA** 17
JAPAN

1998-01-14	Date of Birth	1997-10-16
Perth, Australia	Residence	Boca Raton, FL, USA
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.71 m)	Height	5' 11" (1.80 m)
112	Career-High Ranking	1
\$1,444,322	Career Prize Money	\$24,773,332
\$0	Season Prize Money	\$170,000
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 7
4-6 (Round of 32: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2022 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	71-26 (Champion: 2021 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2020 US OPEN; 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2018 US OPEN)
2-0 / 4-3 (Round of 32: 2026, 2022)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	2-0 / 28-7 (Champion: 2021, 2019)
2-0 / 9-25	YTD / Career W-L	3-1 / 221-120



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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
164	-	2026	16	-
128	175	2025	14	16
158	161	2024	56	59
177	277	2023	41	-
115	177	2022	13	42
123	136	2021	2	13
112	129	2020	3	3
134	134	2019	1	3
378	389	2018	4	5
541	771	2017	44	68



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. K. BIRRELL (#76) 7-6 6-7 6-4 (3h 0m)
2r: d. L. SIEGEMUND (#48) 6-4 6-7 7-6 (3h 20m)

Total time on court: 6h 20m

PLAYER NOTES

- Successfully came through qualifying to contest her 4th Australian Open main draw (first since 2022)
- By reaching 3r, she has equaled her tournament-best result, when she made 3r in 2022 as a wild card (d. Fernandez and Baptiste, l. Kanepi)
- This is her 1st Grand Slam main draw since 2022 Wimbledon (7th Grand Slam main draw overall)
- Her Melbourne 3r runs in 2022 and this year are the only times she has won main draw matches at Grand Slam events
- Has beaten Kimberly Birrell and Laura Siegemund so far this week; victory over No.48 Siegemund was her 2nd Top 50 win of career
- Faces No.17 Naomi Osaka in 3r today; Inglis is 0-4 vs. Top 20 players in her career
- Her career-best win by ranking came over No.24 Fernandez at 2022 Australian Open
- This is her first Tour-level meeting vs. a player from Japan
- Career-best Tour-level finishes on hard court are R16 showings at events in Adelaide in 2021 and 2022
- One of 10 Australian women to start the main draw; Inglis is the only one to reach the 3rd round
- Most recent Australian to win the Australian Open 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 March of 2020
- The Australian Open is her first event of the 2026 season

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. RUZIC (#65) 6-3 3-6 6-4 (2h 22m)
2r: d. S. CIRSTEA (#41) 6-3 4-6 6-2 (2h 0m)

Total time on court: 4h 22m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making her 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, triumphing at US Open in 2018 (d. Serena Williams in F) and 2020 (d. Azarenka in F)
- Contesting her 32nd career Grand Slam main draw, and seeking a trip to her 8th career Grand Slam R16
- Holds a 7-13 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (3-4 in Australian Open 3r matches)
- Has beaten Antonia Ruzic and Sorana Cirstea so far this week, improving to 3-1 on the season (went 1-1 in singles matches at 2026 United Cup)
- Faces No.168 Maddison Inglis in 3r today; in Grand Slam main draws, Osaka holds an 11-3 career record vs. players ranked outside the Top 100
- All of her 7 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court (including all 4 of her Grand Slam titles), most recently the 2021 Australian Open
- One of 3 Japanese women to start the main draw (also Sakatsume and Uchijima) and the only one to reach 3r
- Former World No.1 Osaka is currently ranked No.17; this time last year was ranked No.51
- Osaka reached World No.1 for the first time on January 28, 2019 (directly following her 2019 Australian Open title) and has held the top ranking for a total of 25 weeks in her career
- One of three mothers currently ranked inside the Top 20 alongside No.12 Elina Svitolina and No.10 Belinda Bencic



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2022 Result Rank: 133 Seed: -

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

2021 Result Rank: 133 Seed: -

1r	L	S. KENIN (#4) 7-5 6-4
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2016 Result Rank: 779 Seed: -

1r	L	E. MAKAROVA (#24) 6-3 6-0
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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



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Contesting her first event of the year
- Went 1-1 in singles for Team Japan at United Cup (d. Swan, l. Sakkari)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
0	0	Aces	7	51
0.0%	0	First serve %	62.9%	54
0.0%	0	First Serve points won %	64.4%	45
0.0%	0	Second serve points won %	58.1%	2
0.0%	0	Overall service points won %	62.1%	18
0.0%	0	Service games won %	66.7%	43
0.0%	0	Break points saved %	50.0%	58
0.0%	0	First serve return points won %	38.5%	35
0.0%	0	Second serve return points won %	56.0%	47
0.0%	0	Break points converted %	31.6%	91
0.0%	0	Return games won %	31.6%	63
0.0%	0	Return points won %	44.7%	34



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

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

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

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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 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

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] (l. 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 (l. Dabrowski)

OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Andrew Roberts
- Parents are Stuart and Linda; brother is James, sister is Georgia; also has two dogs (Bally 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

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

ELISE (21) MERTENS 21
BELGIUM

2006-02-25	Date of Birth	1995-11-17
	Residence	Hamont-Achel, Belgium
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (Two-handed backhand)
	Height	5' 10" (1.79m)
126	Career-High Ranking	12
\$208,880	Career Prize Money	\$18,107,463
\$0	Season Prize Money	\$312,500
0 / 0	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 10
2-0 (Round of 32: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	76-35 (Semi-Finalist: 2018 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
2-0 / 2-0 (Round of 32: 2026)	YTD / Career AUSTRALIAN OPEN W-L (best)	2-0 / 22-8 (Semi-Finalist: 2018)
2-0 / 6-5	YTD / Career W-L	5-1 / 296-190



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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
126	-	2026	19	-
130	130	2025	20	20
226	488	2024	24	34
263	270	2023	26	29
283	283	2022	20	29
751	784	2021	14	21
-	-	2020	17	20
-	-	2019	12	17
-	-	2018	13	13
-	-	2017	35	35



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. D. KASATKINA (#43) 7-6 0-6 6-3 (2h 3m)
2r: d. B. BENCIC (#10) 6-3 0-6 6-4 (2h 12m)

Total time on court: 4h 15m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making main draw debut at Australian Open (first main draw appearance at a Grand Slam)
- Has beaten Daria Kasatkina and Belinda Bencic so far this week to reach her first 3r since SF at Guadalajara 2025 (l. eventual champion Iva Jovic)
- Her Semi-Finalist run at Guadalajara 2025 is her best career Tour-level result on hard court
- One of three Qualifiers to advance to 3r, joining Maddison Inglis and Zeynep Sonmez
- Faces No.21 Elise Mertens in 3r today; owns three wins in Tour-level career over Top 50 players, most recently No.10 Belinda Bencic at Australian Open 2026
- First career Tour-level match against an opponent from Belgium
- One of five players from Czech Republic to reach 3r, joining Karolina Muchova, Linda Noskova, Karolina Pliskova and Tereza Valentova
- Third time 5-plus Czech players have made the Third Round in a Women's Singles Grand Slam event in the Open Era (six at the US Open 2018 and five in Wimbledon 2021)
- Best result by Czech Republic at Australian Open were Runner-Up runs by Petra Kvitova in 2019, Jana Novotna in 1991, Helena Sukova in 1989 and 1984
- Is currently ranked No.126; this time last year was ranked No.493
- Is currently on a two-match winning streak; longest winning streak of her Tour-level career is three matches in 2025 (all three wins came at Guadalajara)
- Has won two Tour-level matches so far in 2026

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. L. TARARUDEE (#131) 7-5 7-1 (1h 32m)
2r: d. M. UCHIJIMA (#88) 6-3 6-1 (1h 16m)

Total time on court: 2h 48m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 9th consecutive main draw appearance at Australian Open, where her best result was reaching SF in 2018 (l. eventual champion No.2 Caroline Wozniacki)
- Has beaten Lanelana Tararudee and Moyuka Uchijima so far this week to reach her first 3r since SF at United Cup 2026
- Faces No.126 Nikola Bartunkova in 3r today; is 3-0 against players ranked outside the Top 100 at Australian Open (20-3 in such matches at Grand Slams)
- Owns 16-11 career Tour-level record against players from Czech Republic, with record in 2026 standing at 1-0 (d. Barbora Krejcikova at United Cup)
- Best career result on hard court is Champion which she has reached seven times: Singapore in 2025, Monastir in 2023 and 2022, Melbourne 500 in 2021, Doha in 2019 and Hobart in 2018 and 2017
- Only player from Belgium to appear in the main draw in this year's edition
- Last time a player from Belgium reached 3r at Australian Open was Mertens in 2023 (l. eventual champion No.5 Aryna Sabalenka)
- Best result by Belgium at Australian Open were Champion runs by Kim Clijsters in 2011 and Justine Henin in 2004
- Is currently ranked No.21; this time last year was ranked No.34
- Has won two Tour-level matches so far in 2026, not including United Cup



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

Year	Result	Rank	Seed
2025		34	-
2r	L	J. PEGULA (#6) 6-4 6-2	
1r	W	V. GOLUBIC (#95) 4-6 7-6(8) 6-4	
2024		28	25
2r	L	M. KOSTYUK (#37) 5-7 6-1 7-6(6)	
1r	W	M. SHERIF (#58) 6-2 2-0	
2023		32	26
3r	L	A. SABALENKA (#5) 6-2 6-3	
2r	W	L. DAVIS (#57) 6-4 6-3	
1r	W	G. MUGURUZA (#73) 3-6 7-6(3) 6-1	
2022		26	19
4r	L	D. COLLINS (#30) 4-6 6-4 6-4	
3r	W	S. ZHANG (#74) 6-2 6-2	
2r	W	I. BEGU (#64) 6-3 6-2	
1r	W	V. ZVONAREVA (#91) 6-4 7-5	
2021		16	18
4r	L	K. MUCHOVA (#27) 7-6(5) 7-5	
3r	W	B. BENCIC (#12) 6-2 6-1	
2r	W	L. ZHU (#94) 7-6(8) 6-1	
1r	W	L. FERNANDEZ (#86) 6-1 6-3	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Appeared in first career Grand Slam main draw at Australian Open
- Opened 2026 with Team Belgium at United Cup reaching SF (went 3-1 in singles)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
0	0	Aces	26	5
0.0%	0	First serve %	58.1%	90
0.0%	0	First Serve points won %	75.7%	7
0.0%	0	Second serve points won %	54.4%	5
0.0%	0	Overall service points won %	66.8%	3
0.0%	0	Service games won %	81.1%	9
0.0%	0	Break points saved %	50.0%	64
0.0%	0	First serve return points won %	32.5%	74
0.0%	0	Second serve return points won %	55.4%	57
0.0%	0	Break points converted %	56.7%	21
0.0%	0	Return games won %	32.7%	53
0.0%	0	Return points won %	41.7%	66



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (10)

2025 - 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH, SINGAPORE
2023 - MONASTIR
2022 - MONASTIR
2021 - MELBOURNE 500 GIPPSLAND TROPHY
2019 - DOHA
2018 - RABAT, LUGANO, HOBART
2017 - HOBART

Runner-Up (6)

2025 - HOBART
2024 - HOBART
2021 - ISTANBUL
2020 - LINZ, PRAGUE
2017 - ISTANBUL

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (23)

2025 - WTA FINALS (w/Kudermetova),
WIMBLEDON (w/Kudermetova)
2024 - BIRMINGHAM (w/Hsieh), INDIAN WELLS
(w/Hsieh), AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Hsieh)
2023 - GUADALAJARA (w/Hunter), ROME
(w/Hunter)
2022 - WTA FINALS (w/Kudermetova), DUBAI
(w/Kudermetova)
2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Hsieh), WIMBLEDON
(w/Hsieh), ISTANBUL (w/Kudermetova),
AUSTRALIAN OPEN (w/Sabalenka)
2020 - OSTRAVA (w/Sabalenka)
2019 - US OPEN (w/Sabalenka), MIAMI
(w/Sabalenka), INDIAN WELLS (w/Sabalenka)
2018 - WUHAN (w/Schuurs), 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH
(w/Schuurs), LUGANO (w/Flipkens), HOBART
(w/Schuurs)
2017 - GUANGZHOU (w/Schuurs)
2016 - AUCKLAND (w/Mestach)

Runner-Up (14)

2025 - ROME (w/Kudermetova), MADRID
(w/Kudermetova)
2023 - WIMBLEDON (w/Hunter)
2022 - WIMBLEDON (w/Zhang), BIRMINGHAM
(w/Zhang), 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH (w/Kudermetova),
MIAMI (w/Kudermetova), DOHA (w/Kudermetova)
2021 - WTA FINALS (w/Hsieh)
2019 - WUHAN (w/Sabalenka)
2018 - CINCINNATI (w/Schuurs), BIRMINGHAM
(w/Schuurs)



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GRAND SLAMS

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Posted a breakthrough performance in 2025 by reaching SF at WTA 500 Guadalajara (l. eventual champion Jovic) which saw her break into the Top 200 for the first time. Made a WTA 125 final for the first time at Samsun and rose to a career-high ranking of No.129 in December
- Played all matches on the ITF circuit in 2024; up to end of 2025 won six ITF singles titles
- Earned first career tour-level match-win at 2023 Cluj-Napoca as a wild card (d. Yastremska, l. Bogdan)
- Made WTA main-draw debut as wild card at 2022 Istanbul (l. Potapova)

- Won two singles titles in 2025 at Singapore and 's-Hertogenbosch; also reached the final at Hobart for second consecutive year and finished the 2025 season ranked inside the singles Top 20 for a fifth year (2018, 2019, 2020, 2021) and inside the doubles Top 5
- Lifted a fifth Grand Slam doubles trophy in 2025 at Wimbledon with Veronika Kudermetova; the pair then went on to win the year-end WTA Finals title for a second time together after 2022
- Kicked off 2024 season with R-Up finish at Hobart (l. Navarro) which marked her 13th WTA singles final. In doubles won Australian Open, Indian Wells and Birmingham all w/ Hsieh Su-Wei and qualified for WTA Finals for sixth consecutive time
- Ended 2023 as only Top 100 player to finish year exactly where she started, at No.29. Strongest singles results came at Monastir, successfully defending her title (d. Paolini), and SF at Monterrey (l. Garcia). Achieved a year-end doubles ranking of No.2 after lifting two titles at Guadalajara and Rome (w/Hunter) and SF at WTA Finals Cancun (l. eventual champions Siegemund/Zvonareva).
- Finished 2022 ranked No.29 in singles, her sixth consecutive Top 50 finish; also finished No.5 in doubles for her fourth consecutive Top 10 finish in doubles and second consecutive Top 5 finish
- Lifted seventh WTA title, at 2022 Monastir (d. Cornet in F), while in doubles alongside partner V.Kudermetova won Dubai and WTA Finals, as well as finished R-Up at Wimbledon
- Enjoyed a productive start to 2021 season in Melbourne, triumphing at the Gippsland Trophy (d. Kanepi in F) to lift sixth WTA singles title, then teamed up w/Sabalenka at Australian Open to claim second Grand Slam doubles title (d. Krejcikova/Siniakova in F). Later in the year, won third career Grand Slam doubles title, at Wimbledon w/Hsieh
- Won the most matches on Tour in 2020, going 34-13 across the season and finishing as R-Up at both Prague (l. Halep) and Linz (l. Sabalenka)
- Earned her milestone 200th career main draw win with victory over Kalinina in 1r at 2020 Linz
- Singles highlights in 2019 were winning biggest title of career at Doha (d. No.3 Halep in final) and advancing to QF at US Open for the first time (l. eventual champion Andreescu in 3 sets)
- Enjoyed standout season in doubles in 2019 - won maiden major doubles title at US Open w/Sabalenka (d. Azarenka/Barty in F). Also Completed 'Sunshine Double' in doubles

(w/Sabalenka), lifting the back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejcikova/Siniakova) and Miami (d. Stosur/Zhang), and qualified for Shiseido WTA Finals Shenzhen (went 1-2 in RR)

- Advanced to first Grand Slam SF of career at 2018 Australian Open (l. eventual champion Wozniacki)
- During 2018, lifted titles at Hobart, Rabat and Lugano, finishing with 46 main draw match wins across the campaign - only Ka.Pliskova (49) and Kvitova (47) registered more. By contrast, prior to 2018 season owned only 36 wins at this level across entire career
- In doubles in 2018, won four titles and reached QF at WTA Finals (w/Schuurs)
- Finished 2017 season at No.35, up from No.120 in 2016 - first Top 50 and Top 100 year-end finish. Season highlighted by first career singles title at Hobart (as a qualifier, d. Niculescu in F)
- Registered first Top 10 win of career over No.10 Cibulkova in 1r at 2017 Beijing
- Made WTA singles main draw debut at 2016 's-Hertogenbosch - made QF (as qualifier, l. Mladenovic)
- Won first WTA title of any kind in doubles at 2016 Auckland (w/Mestach)
- Played first Tour-level event of career at 2015 Antwerp (fell in qualifying)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in Belgium in 2010; owns 11 singles and 14 doubles titles on ITF Circuit

OTHER INFORMATION

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

- Currently working with Christopher Heyman
- Formerly worked with Alexander Kneepkens, Robbie Ceyssens, Dieter Kindlmann, Daniel Goffin and Philippe Dehaes
- Previously trained under Belgian Federation until early teens, also spent a year at the Mouratoglou Academy in Paris
- Mother is Liliane Barbe (teaches languages and history); father is Guido Mertens (makes furniture for churches). Began playing tennis at age 4, introduced to game by older sister Lauren, an airline pilot with KLM
- First tennis memory is watching Kim Clijsters playing live
- Was home schooled, enjoyed studying languages; speaks English, Dutch/Flemish and French
- Loves animals and has lots of pets at home
- In 2021, launched a charitable initiative to support the Virunga National Park's efforts to save the gorilla population in the Democratic Republic of Congo. During 2021 season she will be wearing a Virunga Ranger necklace and sporting a badge on her bag to help raise awareness