



# MATCH NOTES

## MIAMI OPEN presented by Itaú

### MIAMI, FL, USA



March 17-29, 2026 | WTA 1000 | \$9,415,725

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## DAY 9 – QUARTERFINALS – WEDNESDAY, MARCH 25

TODAY'S QUARTERFINALISTS	RANK	MIAMI W-L	YTD W-L	CAREER W-L	YTD TITLES	CAREER TITLES	2026 PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	1	17-6	20-1	388-137	2	23	\$2,699,517	\$47,875,138
[3] Elena Rybakina	2	15-5	20-4	287-114	1	12	\$3,437,102	\$27,875,819
[5] Jessica Pegula	5	21-6	19-3	274-131	1	10	\$1,742,943	\$23,610,578
Hailey Baptiste	45	6-5	10-6	48-56	0	0	\$381,921	\$2,903,972

### [3] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #2) vs. [5] Jessica Pegula (USA #5)

Rybakina leads 5-3

#### **Rybakina:**

- Making 6th Miami appearance, where she is a 2-time runner-up in 2023 (l. Kvitova in F) and 2024 (l. Collins in F)
- Contesting her 45th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is a 2-time WTA 1000 champion at 2023 Indian Wells (d. Sabalenka in final) and 2023 Rome (d. Kalinina in final via retirement)
- This fortnight marks her 20th career WTA 1000 quarterfinal (third time in the Miami quarterfinals); she is seeking her 13th career WTA 1000 semifinal
- Coming off a run to her 6th career WTA 1000 final earlier this month at Indian Wells (l. Sabalenka in 3rd-set tiebreak) - that was her first WTA 1000 final since 2024 Miami
- Rybakina is the only player to have made the Round of 16 or better at each of the four WTA 1000 events in 2026 (Doha, Dubai, Indian Wells and Miami)
- Reached a new career-high ranking of World No.2 on Monday, March 16, following her Indian Wells performance
- Rybakina has won her last 4 meetings with today's opponent Pegula, including twice this year in Australian Open semifinals and Indian Wells quarterfinals

#### **Pegula:**

- Making 7th appearance at Miami, where her tournament-best result is finishing runner-up last year (l. Sabalenka in final)
- This is her 5th Miami quarterfinal, all consecutively – she also reached the Miami semifinals in 2022 (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and 2023 (l. eventual runner-up Rybakina), and made quarterfinals in 2024 (l. Alexandrova)
- Pegula is the first woman to make the Miami quarterfinals for 5 years in a row (2022-2026) since Agnieszka Radwanska (2010-2014)
- She is also the third American woman to make 5 consecutive Miami quarterfinals since the tournament's inception in 1985, joining Chris Evert (1985-1989) and Serena Williams (2001-2005)
- Pegula is a 4-time WTA 1000 champion at 2022 Guadalajara (d. Sakkari in final), 2023 Montreal (d. Samsonova in final), 2024 Toronto (d. Anisimova in final) and 2026 Dubai (d. Svitolina in final)
- Seeking her 31st career Top 10 win; her most recent Top 10 win was over No.9 Elina Svitolina in 2026 Dubai final
- Holds a 7-12 career win-loss record vs. players ranked inside the Top 2 at the time of their meeting



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#### [1] Aryna Sabalenka (#1) vs. Hailey Baptiste (USA #45)

First meeting

##### **Sabalenka:**

- The defending champion is making her 8th appearance at Miami (defeated Pegula in last year's final)
- Sabalenka has reached her 32nd career WTA 1000 quarterfinal, trailing only Victoria Azarenka (38) for the most of any currently active player
- Won her 10th career WTA 1000 title earlier this month at Indian Wells (d. Rybakina in final; saved a match point in the final-set tiebreak)
- Since 1989, Sabalenka (2025-2026) has become just the second WTA World No.1 to reach back-to-back quarterfinals at both Indian Wells and Miami, joining Martina Hingis (1998-2001)
- Seeking her 27th consecutive match win vs. opponents ranked outside the Top 10, with her last loss coming to No.12 Anisimova at Wimbledon (SF) last season
- She is the first player to claim nine consecutive wins at the Miami Open without dropping a set since Serena Williams (11 between 2002 and 2003)
- The week of March 23 marks Sabalenka's 75th consecutive week at World No.1 (83 total weeks)

##### **Baptiste:**

- Making 6th appearance at Miami; before this year, her best tournament result was 3rd round last year (l. Osaka)
- Contesting her 21st career WTA 1000 main draw, and this is her first WTA 1000 quarterfinal – she had previously posted two WTA 1000 Round of 16 finishes at 2023 Guadalajara (l. Garcia) and 2024 Wuhan (l. Alexandrova)
- Attempting to equal her career-best Tour-level result on hard court, her semifinal run at Abu Dhabi last month (which was her first career WTA semifinal)
- This is her first meeting vs. a reigning WTA World No.1
- Seeking her 3rd career Top 10 win – her two Top 10 wins came over No.8 Elina Svitolina in the 3rd round of this fortnight, and over No.10 Barbora Krejčíková at 2024 Wuhan
- Has played 9 Tour-level matches decided in three sets this year; only Magda Linette (11) has played more in 2026 (Victoria Mboko has also played 9 three-set matches)
- Prior to this year, the last time 3 women from United States of America reached quarterfinals at Miami was 2018 (Stephens won title, Collins made SF, V. Williams made QF)



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**5**  
WIN

**8**  
MATCHES  
PLAYED

**3**  
WIN



**2** **ELENA RYBAKINA (3)**  
KAZAKHSTAN

**JESSICA (5) PEGULA** **5**  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

1999-06-17	<b>Date of Birth</b>	1994-02-24
	<b>Residence</b>	Boca Raton, FL, USA
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
6' 0" (1.84m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 7" (1.70m)
2	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	3
\$27,875,819	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$23,610,578
\$3,437,102	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$1,742,943
1 / 12	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	1 / 10
66-22 (Champion: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2022 WIMBLEDON)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	62-28 (Runner-Up: 2024 US OPEN)
3-0 / 15-5 (Runner-Up: 2024, 2023)	<b>YTD / Career MIAMI W-L (best)</b>	3-0 / 21-6 (Runner-Up: 2025)
20-4 / 287-114	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	19-3 / 274-131



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2026	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	QF	Elena Rybakina	6-1 7-6(4)	1h 28m
2026	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	SF	Elena Rybakina	6-3 7-6(7)	1h 40m
2025	WTA FINALS	HARD	SF	Elena Rybakina	4-6 6-4 6-3	2h 5m
2025	BJK CUP - R1	HARD	1r	Elena Rybakina	6-4 6-1	0m
2023	WTA FINALS	HARD	1r	Jessica Pegula	7-5 6-2	1h 23m
2023	MIAMI	HARD	SF	Elena Rybakina	7-6(3) 6-4	1h 51m
2022	GUADALAJARA	HARD	2r	Jessica Pegula	2-6 6-3 7-6(8)	2h 5m
2022	MIAMI	HARD	3r	Jessica Pegula	6-3 6-4	1h 21m

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
3	-	2026	5	-
5	5	2025	3	6
3	6	2024	3	7
3	4	2023	3	5
12	22	2022	3	3
14	14	2021	18	18
17	19	2020	59	62
37	37	2019	55	76
182	191	2018	124	125
420	425	2017	165	632



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. Y. PUTINTSEVA (#75) 6-3 6-3 (1h 17m)  
3r: d. M. KOSTYUK (#28) 6-3 6-4 (1h 21m)  
4r: d. T. GIBSON (#68) 6-2 6-2 (1h 4m)

*Total time on court: 3h 42m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th appearance at Miami, where she is a 2-time R-Up in 2023 (l. Kvitova in F) and 2024 (l. Collins in F)
- Contesting her 45th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is a 2-time WTA 1000 champion at 2023 Indian Wells (d. Sabalenka in F) and 2023 Rome (d. Kalinina in F via ret.)
- This is her 20th career WTA 1000 QF (3rd time in the Miami QF); she is seeking her 13th career WTA 1000 SF
- Coming off a run to her 6th career WTA 1000 final earlier this month at Indian Wells (l. Sabalenka in 3rd-set TB) - that was her first WTA 1000 final since 2024 Miami
- After 1r bye, defeated Yulia Putintseva, No.27 seed Marta Kostyuk and Talia Gibson to make her 5th QF of the year
- Faces No.5 Jessica Pegula in QF today; Rybakina owns 35 Tour-level wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.9 Elina Svitolina in the Indian Wells SF earlier this month
- Rybakina has won her last 4 meetings with Pegula, including twice this year in Australian Open SF and Indian Wells QF
- Holds a 5-1 record vs. Top 10 players in 2026 (the 1 loss was to Sabalenka in Indian Wells F)
- Owns 41-14 career Tour-level record against players from United States of America (3-0 in 2026, 2 wins over Pegula and 1 win over Baptiste)
- 7 of her 12 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently her 2nd career Grand Slam title at 2026 Australian Open (d. Sabalenka in F)
- Best results by Kazakhstan at Miami were the R-Up finishes by Rybakina in 2023 and 2024
- Reached a new career-high ranking of No.2 this week; this time last year was ranked No.8
- Currently holds the No.1 position on the Race to the WTA Finals Leaderboard, based on points earned in 2026
- Leads the Tour in total aces this year (166)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. F. JONES (#93) 6-1 3-0 (38m)  
3r: d. L. FERNANDEZ (#25) 6-2 6-2 (1h 6m)  
4r: d. J. CRISTIAN (#36) 6-4 6-1 (1h 8m)

*Total time on court: 2h 52m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Miami, where her tournament-best result is finishing R-Up last year (l. Sabalenka in F)
- This is her 5th career Miami QF, all consecutively - she also reached Miami SFs in 2022 (l. eventual champion Swiatek) and 2023 (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina), and made QF in 2024 (l. Alexandrova)
- Pegula is the first woman to make the Miami QF for 5 years in a row (2022-2026) since Agnieszka Radwanska (2010-2014)
- She is also the 3rd American woman to make 5 consecutive Miami QFs since the tournament's inception in 1985, joining Chris Evert (1985-1989) and Serena Williams (2001-2005)
- Contesting her 49th career WTA 1000 main draw; she is a 4-time WTA 1000 champion: 2022 Guadalajara (d. Sakkari in F), 2023 Montreal (d. Samsonova in F), 2024 Toronto (d. Anisimova in F) and 2026 Dubai (d. Svitolina in F)
- This is her 24th career WTA 1000 QF; she is seeking her 15th career WTA 1000 SF
- After 1r bye, defeated Francesca Jones, No.26 seed Leylah Fernandez and No.34 seed Jaqueline Cristian to make 5th QF of the year
- Faces No.2 Elena Rybakina in QF today; owns 30 wins in career over Top 10 players, most recently No.9 Elina Svitolina in the 2026 Dubai final
- Holds a 7-12 career win-loss record vs. players ranked inside the Top 2 at the time of their meeting
- Owns 8-5 career Tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan (0-2 in 2026, her 2 losses to Rybakina this year)
- 7 of her 10 career WTA singles titles have come on hard court, most recently WTA 1000 Dubai last month
- Most recent American woman to win the Miami title is Danielle Collins in 2024
- Is currently ranked No.5; this time last year was ranked No.4. Reached career-high ranking of No.3 for the first time in October 2022



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 7
2r	L	A. KRUEGER (#40) 6-4 2-6 6-4	

2024	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
F	L	D. COLLINS (#53) 7-5 6-3	
SF	W	V. AZARENKA (#32) 6-4 0-6 7-6(2)	
QF	W	M. SAKKARI (#9) 7-5 6-7(4) 6-4	
4r	W	M. KEYS (#18) 6-3 7-5	
3r	W	T. TOWNSEND (#72) 6-3 6-7(3) 6-4	
2r	W	C. TAUSON (#92) 3-6 7-5 6-4	

2023	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 10
F	L	P. KVITOVA (#12) 7-6(14) 6-2	
SF	W	J. PEGULA (#3) 7-6(3) 6-4	
QF	W	M. TREVISAN (#24) 6-3 6-0	
4r	W	E. MERTENS (#39) 6-4 6-3	
3r	W	P. BADOSA (#29) 3-6 7-5 6-3	
2r	W	A. KALINSKAYA (#64) 7-5 4-6 6-3	

2022	Result	Rank: 18	Seed: 17
3r	L	J. PEGULA (#21) 6-3 6-4	
2r	W	E. RUSE (#57) 6-4 7-5	

2021	Result	Rank: 23	Seed: 21
3r	L	S. SORRIBES TORMO (#58) 6-1 3-6 6-2	
2r	W	K. KANEPI (#64) 6-4 6-0	

2025	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
F	L	A. SABALENKA (#1) 7-5 6-2	
SF	W	A. EALA (#140) 7-6(3) 5-7 6-3	
QF	W	E. RADUCANU (#60) 6-4 6-7(3) 6-2	
4r	W	M. KOSTYUK (#29) 6-2 6-3	
3r	W	A. KALINSKAYA (#33) 6-7(3) 6-2 7-6(2)	
2r	W	B. PERA (#84) 6-4 6-4	

2024	Result	Rank: 5	Seed: 5
QF	L	E. ALEXANDROVA (#16) 3-6 6-4 6-4	
4r	W	E. NAVARRO (#20) 7-6(1) 6-3	
3r	W	L. FERNANDEZ (#35) 7-5 6-4	
2r	W	L. ZHU (#63) 6-4 4-1	

2023	Result	Rank: 3	Seed: 3
SF	L	E. RYBAKINA (#7) 7-6(3) 6-4	
QF	W	A. POTAPOVA (#26) 4-6 6-3 7-6(2)	
4r	W	M. LINETTE (#19) 6-1 7-5	
3r	W	D. COLLINS (#30) 6-1 7-6(0)	
2r	W	K. SEBOV (#172) 6-3 6-1	

2022	Result	Rank: 21	Seed: 16
SF	L	I. SWIATEK (#2) 6-2 7-5	
QF	W	P. BADOSA (#6) 4-1	
4r	W	A. KALININA (#51) 6-0	
3r	W	E. RYBAKINA (#18) 6-3 6-4	
2r	W	S. STEPHENS (#38) 6-1 6-4	

2021	Result	Rank: 33	Seed: 29
4r	L	M. SAKKARI (#25) 6-4 2-6 7-6(6)	
3r	W	K. PLISKOVA (#6) 6-1 4-6 6-4	
2r	W	S. HUNTER (#203) 6-3 6-4	



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- R-Up finish at Indian Wells (l. champion Sabalenka in F)
- Made 3r at Dubai (l. Ruzic, retired)
- Reached QF at Doha (l. eventual R-Up Mboko)
- Champion finish at Australian Open (d. R-Up Sabalenka in F)
- Made QF at Brisbane (l. Muchova)

- Reached QF at Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina)
- Champion run at Dubai (d. R-Up Svitolina in F)
- Reached SF at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
- Reached SF at Brisbane (l. eventual R-Up Kostyuk)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
166	1	<b>Aces</b>	107	6
59.2%	82	<b>First serve %</b>	62.8%	58
73.5%	4	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	71.5%	10
53.0%	4	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	52.5%	7
65.1%	2	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	64.4%	4
83.5%	2	<b>Service games won %</b>	80.6%	5
69.3%	2	<b>Break points saved %</b>	58.0%	34
34.8%	70	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	38.2%	23
55.6%	40	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	57.8%	15
53.0%	12	<b>Break points converted %</b>	45.3%	56
35.2%	48	<b>Return games won %</b>	39.2%	18
42.9%	54	<b>Return points won %</b>	45.5%	17



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (12)

2026 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
2025 - WTA FINALS, NINGBO, STRASBOURG  
2024 - STUTTGART, ABU DHABI, BRISBANE  
2023 - ROME, INDIAN WELLS  
2022 - WIMBLEDON  
2020 - HOBART  
2019 - BUCHAREST

Runner-Up (12)

2026 - INDIAN WELLS  
2024 - MIAMI, DOHA  
2023 - MIAMI, AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
2022 - PORTOROZ, ADELAIDE 500  
2020 - STRASBOURG, DUBAI, ST. PETERSBURG,  
SHENZHEN  
2019 - NANCHANG

### DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (2)

2023 - ADELAIDE #2 (w/Pavlyuchenkova)  
2021 - INDIAN WELLS (w/Kudermetova)

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (10)

2026 - DUBAI  
2025 - BAD HOMBURG, CHARLESTON, AUSTIN  
2024 - TORONTO, BERLIN  
2023 - SEOUL, MONTREAL  
2022 - GUADALAJARA  
2019 - WASHINGTON DC

Runner-Up (11)

2025 - WUHAN, MIAMI, ADELAIDE  
2024 - US OPEN, CINCINNATI  
2023 - WTA FINALS, TOKYO, DOHA  
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
WON				2026	SF			
4r	4r	3r	4r	2025	3r	4r	1r	SF
2r	QF	SF	2r	2024	2r		2r	RUP
RUP	3r	QF	3r	2023	QF	3r	QF	4r
2r	3r	WON	1r	2022	QF	QF	3r	QF
2r	QF	4r	3r	2021	QF	3r	2r	3r
3r	2r		2r	2020	1r	1r		3r
	1r		1r	2019		1r	1r	1r
				2018				
				2017				
				2016				1r
				2015				2r



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## CAREER MILESTONES

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

- 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
- 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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**1** **ARYNA  
SABALENKA (1)**

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BAPTISTE** **45**  
UNITED STATES OF  
AMERICA

1998-05-05	<b>Date of Birth</b>	2001-11-03
	<b>Residence</b>	
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	<b>Plays</b>	Right-Handed
5' 11" (1.82m)	<b>Height</b>	5' 5" (1.69m)
1	<b>Career-High Ranking</b>	39
\$47,875,138	<b>Career Prize Money</b>	\$2,903,972
\$2,699,517	<b>Season Prize Money</b>	\$381,921
2 / 23	<b>Singles Titles YTD / Career</b>	0 / 0
106-27 (Champion: 2025 US OPEN; 2024 US OPEN, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	<b>Grand Slam W-L (best)</b>	11-11 (Round of 16: 2025 ROLAND GARROS)
3-0 / 17-6 (Champion: 2025)	<b>YTD / Career MIAMI W-L (best)</b>	4-0 / 6-5 (Quarter-Finalist: 2026)
20-1 / 388-137	<b>YTD / Career W-L</b>	10-6 / 48-56



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## HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

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

## RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
1	-	2026	39	-
1	1	2025	47	61
1	1	2024	80	93
1	2	2023	131	131
2	5	2022	119	181
2	2	2021	160	160
10	10	2020	229	231
9	11	2019	244	285
11	11	2018	452	457
76	78	2017	-	-



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## TOURNAMENT HISTORY

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

2r: d. A. LI (#39) 7-6 6-4 (1h 42m)  
3r: d. C. MCNALLY (#72) 6-4 6-2 (1h 25m)  
4r: d. Q. ZHENG (#26) 6-3 6-4 (1h 25m)

*Total time on court: 4h 32m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Returns to Miami as defending champion and is making 8th appearance at the tournament
- Has reached the QF stage three times previously in Miami (also QF in 2023 and 2021 in addition to last year's title run)
- Following 1r bye, has defeated Ann Li, Caty McNally and Qinwen Zheng so far this fortnight - all in straight-sets
- Sabalenka is the first player to claim nine consecutive wins at the Miami Open without dropping a set since Serena Williams (11 between 2002 and 2003)
- Faces No.45 Hailey Baptiste in QF today
- Through to 32nd career WTA 1000 quarterfinal, trailing only Victoria Azarenka (38) for the most of any currently active player
- Owns 76-22 career record against players from United States of America, with record in 2026 standing at 4-0
- 20 of 23 career titles have come on hardcourts, including two in 2026 - Brisbane and Indian Wells
- Is No. 1 seed this week; has been top seed at 40 tournaments in her career
- Is currently ranked No.1; this week marks her 75th consecutive week at No.1
- Is currently on a 9-match winning streak
- Since 1989, Sabalenka (2025-26) is the second WTA #1 to reach back-to-back quarter-finals at both Sunshine Double events (Indian Wells and Miami) after Martina Hingis (1998-2001)
- Sabalenka is through to her 15th consecutive quarterfinal at a WTA-level event (excluding WTA Finals), the first player to reach 15+ consecutive quarterfinals since Justine Henin (25 in a row, Charleston 2006-Miami 2008)

### CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. T. MARIA (#59) 7-5 6-2 (1h 18m)  
2r: d. L. SAMSONOVA (#22) 6-3 7-5 (2h 4m)  
3r: d. E. SVITOLINA (#8) 6-3 7-5 (1h 38m)  
4r: d. J. OSTAPENKO (#24) 6-3 6-4 (1h 23m)

*Total time on court: 6h 23m*

### PLAYER NOTES

- Making 6th appearance at Miami; 4 of 5 previous appearances came as a wildcard, the other as a qualifier
- Last year (2025) was her first year advancing past the first round in Miami, advancing to R32
- Contesting her 21st career WTA 1000 main draw, and this is her first career WTA 1000 QF
- Defeated Tatjana Maria, Liudmila Samsonova, Elina Svitolina and Jelena Ostapenko so far this week - the first time in her career winning 4-straight main draw matches at Tour level
- Is the third American to defeat three Top 30 opponents en route to the quarterfinals at Miami (Samsonova #22, Svitolina #8 and Ostapenko #24) since the tournament's inception in 1985 after Terry Phelps (1986) and Serena Williams (1998)
- Faces No.1 Aryna Sabalenka in QF today, her first time facing a World No.1
- Recorded her 2nd career Top 10 win this week by defeating No.8 Elina Svitolina in R32
- Since the tournament's inception in 1985, four Americans have defeated the World No. 1 at the Miami Open: Jennifer Capriati, Marianne Werdel Witmeyer, Serena Williams and Venus Williams - the last to achieve the feat defeating Angelique Kerber in quarterfinals in 2017
- Bidding to equal career-best result on hard court; previously made SF at Abu Dhabi in 2026
- Last time 3 players from United States of America reached QF at Miami was 2018
- Is currently ranked No.45; this time last year was ranked No.98
- Has won 10 matches so far in 2026 after winning a career-best 20 matches in 2025
- Has played 9 matches decided in 3-sets; only Magda Linette (11) has played more this year (Victoria Mboko has also played 9)



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## RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 1	Seed: 1
F	W	J. PEGULA (#4) 7-5 6-2	
SF	W	J. PAOLINI (#7) 6-2 6-2	
QF	W	Q. ZHENG (#9) 6-2 7-5	
4r	W	D. COLLINS (#15) 6-4 6-4	
3r	W	E. RUSE (#102) 6-1	
2r	W	V. TOMOVA (#64) 6-3 6-0	

2024	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
3r	L	A. KALININA (#36) 6-4 1-6 6-1	
2r	W	P. BADOSA (#80) 6-4 6-3	

2023	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
QF	L	S. CIRSTEANU (#74) 6-4 6-4	
4r	W	B. KREJCIKOVA (#13) 6-3 6-2	
3r	W	M. BOUZKOVA (#36) 6-1 6-2	
2r	W	S. ROGERS (#42) 6-4 6-3	

2022	Result	Rank: 5	Seed: 1
2r	L	I. BEGU (#70) 6-4 6-4	

2021	Result	Rank: 8	Seed: 7
QF	L	A. BARTY (#1) 6-4 6-7(5) 6-3	
4r	W	M. VONDROUSOVA (#20) 6-1 6-2	
3r	W	V. KUDERMETOVA (#37) 7-6(4) 6-4	
2r	W	T. PIRONKOVA (#131) 0-6 6-3 7-6(9)	

2025	Result	Rank: 98	Seed: -
3r	L	N. OSAKA (#61) 7-6(6) 3-6 6-4	
2r	W	D. KASATKINA (#12) 3-6 6-4 7-5	
1r	W	O. DANILOVIC (#41) 6-3 6-7(5) 6-1	

2024	Result	Rank: 96	Seed: -
1r	L	X. WANG (#43) 7-6(1) 6-3	

2023	Result	Rank: 280	Seed: -
1r	L	V. GOLUBIC (#116) 7-6(3) 6-1	

2022	Result	Rank: 122	Seed: -
1r	L	I. BEGU (#70) 6-7(6) 6-1 6-1	

2021	Result	Rank: 236	Seed: -
1r	L	K. KUCOVA (#149) 6-4 2-6 7-5	



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## SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Became Champion at Indian Wells (d. R-Up Rybakina in F)
- R-Up finish at Australian Open (l. champion Rybakina in F)
- Claimed Brisbane title in her 2026 season opener (d. eventual R-Up Kostyuk in F)

- Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. eventual R-Up Rybakina)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. Eala)
- Reached SF at Abu Dhabi (as WC, l. eventual R-Up Alexandrova)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (l. Gauff)
- Fell in 1r at Hobart (l. Zarazua)
- Played 1r at Brisbane (l. Putintseva)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
103	7	<b>Aces</b>	66	17
66.1%	25	<b>First serve %</b>	58.7%	89
72.8%	5	<b>First Serve points won %</b>	66.2%	39
56.2%	1	<b>Second serve points won %</b>	51.2%	10
67.2%	1	<b>Overall service points won %</b>	60.0%	25
87.6%	1	<b>Service games won %</b>	73.4%	22
69.8%	1	<b>Break points saved %</b>	57.1%	42
37.4%	36	<b>First serve return points won %</b>	36.1%	49
56.5%	31	<b>Second serve return points won %</b>	54.0%	58
40.7%	83	<b>Break points converted %</b>	42.8%	68
37.2%	28	<b>Return games won %</b>	32.1%	66
45.3%	19	<b>Return points won %</b>	42.3%	67



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## TITLES

### SINGLES FINALS

Champion (23)

2026 - INDIAN WELLS, BRISBANE  
2025 - US OPEN, MADRID, MIAMI, BRISBANE  
2024 - WUHAN, US OPEN, CINCINNATI,  
AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
2023 - MADRID, AUSTRALIAN OPEN, ADELAIDE #1  
2021 - MADRID, ABU DHABI  
2020 - LINZ, OSTRAVA, DOHA  
2019 - ZHUHAI, WUHAN, SHENZHEN  
2018 - WUHAN, NEW HAVEN

Runner-Up (20)

2026 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
2025 - WTA FINALS, ROLAND GARROS,  
STUTTGART, INDIAN WELLS, AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
2024 - ROME, MADRID, BRISBANE  
2023 - US OPEN, STUTTGART, INDIAN WELLS  
2022 - WTA FINALS, 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH,  
STUTTGART  
2021 - STUTTGART  
2019 - SAN JOSE  
2018 - EASTBOURNE, LUGANO  
2017 - TIANJIN

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (6)

2021 - BERLIN (w/Azarenka), AUSTRALIAN OPEN  
(w/Mertens)  
2020 - OSTRAVA (w/Mertens)  
2019 - US OPEN (w/Mertens), MIAMI (w/Mertens),  
INDIAN WELLS (w/Mertens)

Runner-Up (2)

2019 - WUHAN (w/Mertens)  
2018 - LUGANO (w/Lapko)

### DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (1)

2021 - CHARLESTON 250 (w/Mcnally)



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## GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
RUP				<b>2026</b>	3r			
RUP	RUP	SF	WON	<b>2025</b>	1r	4r	3r	2r
WON	QF		WON	<b>2024</b>		2r		
WON	SF	SF	RUP	<b>2023</b>				
4r	3r		SF	<b>2022</b>	2r	1r		
4r	3r	SF	SF	<b>2021</b>		2r		1r
1r	3r		2r	<b>2020</b>				1r
3r	2r	1r	2r	<b>2019</b>				
1r	1r	1r	4r	<b>2018</b>				
		2r		<b>2017</b>				



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## CAREER MILESTONES

- Won a Tour leading four titles in 2025, including her 4th career Grand Slam title at US Open (d. Anisimova in final) as well as Madrid, Miami and Brisbane; also finished runner-up at WTA Finals, Australian Open, Roland Garros, Indian Wells and Stuttgart for a Tour leading nine finals overall
- Ended 2025 by finishing at World No.1 for the second straight year, posting the most Tour match wins of any player with 63 and setting a new WTA single-season record in prize money with \$15,008,519
- Reached seven finals across 2024, defending her Australian Open crown, winning the US Open and also won titles at Cincinnati and Wuhan. Recaptured the No.1 ranking in October and finished the season as the WTA Year-End No.1 for the first time in her career
- Outstanding 2023 saw her win debut Grand Slam title at Australian Open (d. Rybakina in F), reach second Major final at US Open (l. Gauff in F) and become the WTA World No.1 player for the first time in career (after US Open). In addition won titles at Adelaide and Madrid
- Highlight of 2022 season was R-Up finish at WTA Finals in Fort Worth (l. Garcia in F); upset No.1 Swiatek, No.2 Jabeur and No.3 Pegula en route to final - only the fourth woman in history to beat the No.1, No.2 and No.3 at the same tournament
- Lifted two titles during 2021 campaign, at Abu Dhabi and Madrid, while was R-Up at Stuttgart. Also reached a further three SFs, including at Wimbledon and US Open
- In doubles, lifted second major at 2021 Australian Open (w/Mertens, d. Krejčíková/Siniakova in F)
- Won final nine matches of 2020 to end the year with back-to-back titles - at Ostrava (d. Azarenka in F) and Linz (d. Mertens in F) - and ranked at No.10. Having also taken home the silverware at Doha (d. Kvitová in F), was one of two players (also Halep) to lift three singles titles during disrupted 2020 season
- Ended as World No.11 for the second straight year in 2019 after capturing three WTA singles titles at Shenzhen (d. Riske in F), Wuhan (d. Riske in F) and Zhuhai (d. Bertens in F)
- Made Top-10 debut on January 28, 2019 following 3r run at 2019 Australian Open
- Ended 2019 at No.2 in WTA doubles rankings after capturing first Grand Slam doubles trophy at US Open (w/Mertens, d. Azarenka/Barty in F)
- In 2025, reached first WTA Tour QF of career at Auckland (l. Osaka) and first Grand Slam R16 of career at Roland Garros (l. Keys); made Top 50 debut, peaking at a career-high ranking of No.47 on August 25
- During 2024, made Tour-level R16 at Bogota, Seoul and Wuhan as well as reaching 2r at Roland Garros. Also made semifinal at WTA 125 Puerto Vallarta and broke into the Top 100 for the first time, achieving a career high ranking of No.80 in October
- Won back-to-back Tour main draw matches for the first time at 2023 Guadalajara 1000 reaching R16 (l. Garcia)
- During 2022 season, reached 2r at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. Inglis), Guadalajara 250 (as qualifier, l. Osorio) and Charleston (l. Cornet)
- In 2021, made 2r at Roland Garros as qualifier (l. Kenin), and also reached 2r at Chicago 500 (as WC, l. Azarenka) and Charleston (as WC, l. Jabeur); won first WTA Tour doubles title at Charleston 250 w/McNally (d. Perez/Sanders in F)
- In 2020, made Grand Slam main draw debut as wild card at US Open (l. Mladenovic in 1r); also contested qualifying at Australian Open and Lexington
- Highlight of 2019 was 2r showing on WTA main draw debut at Washington DC (as wild card, d. No.17 Keys, l. Mladenovic); also contested qualifying at US Open, and on ITF Circuit won \$25K titles at Tucson, Sumter and Plantation
- As a junior reached career-high ranking of No.38 in 2018
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in Florida in 2017

- Earlier in the season, the pair claimed the 'Sunshine Double' by winning back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejčíková/Siniaková in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/ Zhang in F)
- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2018, lifting two titles, at New Haven (d. Suárez Navarro in F) and Wuhan (d. Kontaveit in F), winning 46 matches and finishing at No.11 in the rankings. Entered Top 50 on April 16 after run to Lugano final, and Top 20 on August 27 following New Haven title
  - Broke into Top 100 at No.76 on October 16, 2017 after reaching first Tour-level final at Tianjin (l. Sharapova). Also in 2017 made SF at Tashkent (l. Babos) and lifted WTA 125k Series title at Mumbai (d. Jakupović)
  - Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoef)
  - Fell 1r on main draw debut at 2017 Dubai (as qualifier, l. Ka.Bondarenko). WTA qualifying debut came at 2016 Rabat
  - Lifted first three ITF Circuit titles in 2015, including a 13-match win streak towards the year's end, winning back-to-back trophies in Antalya, Turkey
  - Made debut on ITF Circuit in Minsk in 2012

## OTHER INFORMATION

- Coached by Anton Dubrov
  - Previously coached by Dmitry Tursunov and Didi Kindlmann
  - Started playing tennis when she was 6 by an accident when her father Sergey drove by the tennis courts and decided to give it a try
  - Has a sweet tooth and considers something sweet as a perfect present
  - Loves her grandmother's cooking, and looks forward to her pancakes when she is away from home
  - Has a tiger tattoo on her left arm, which earned her the nickname "The Tiger"
  - She spends her time off with family, catching up with friends, or reading; her favorite book is "The Count of Monte Cristo"
- Assistant coach is Will Woodall
  - Formerly coached by Peter Lucassen at the USTA National Campus in Orlando
  - Met Williams sisters as a kid when they were playing World Team Tennis and managed to hit with both
  - Pet dog, a half-Shar Pei, half-Pug named Tsonga