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DAY 6 – FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 4

[1] Aryna Sabalenka (#1) vs. Kamilla Rakhimova (UZB #92)

Sabalenka leads 3-0

2025 ROLAND GARROS CLAY R128 SABALENKA 6-1 6-0
2024 WASHINGTON DC HARD R16 SABALENKA 7-5 4-6 6-4
2023 ROLAND GARROS CLAY R32 SABALENKA 6-2 6-2

SABALENKA

RAKHIMOVA

Right-Handed	PLAYS	Right-Handed
May 5, 1998 (28)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	August 28, 2001 (25)
115-29 (x4 titles)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	13-18 (x4 3r)
36-6 (x2 titles)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	5-5 (x2 3r)
42-8 (x3 titles)	2026 RECORD (best result)	12-14 (x1 QF)

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

Sabalenka:

- The two-time defending champion returns for her ninth main draw appearance at the US Open, having reached the final in each of her last three visits; she won back-to-back titles in 2024 (d. Pegula in F) and 2025 (d. Anisimova in F), after finishing runner-up in 2023 (l. Gauff in F)
- Looking to become the first player to win three consecutive titles at the US Open since Serena Williams (2012-2014)
- Contesting her 34th career Grand Slam main draw; along with her two US Open titles, she also won back-to-back Australian Open titles in 2023 (d. Rybakina in F) and 2024 (d. Zheng Qinwen in F)
- Since the start of the decade, only Swiatek (110) has claimed more main draw match-wins at Grand Slam events than Sabalenka (107)
- Since her US Open main draw debut in 2018, Sabalenka (36) has claimed the most US Open main draw match wins of any player



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- Won all three of her previous meetings against Rakhimova, with their only meeting on hard court going to a third set (Washington DC 2024)
- Her last loss to a player ranked outside the Top 50 was at Berlin last year to No.164 Vondrousova; her last such loss on hard court was to No.132 Anisimova at 2024 Toronto
- Is one of only two players on Tour to have won three titles this season (Brisbane, Indian Wells, Miami), alongside M. Andrejeva (Adelaide, Linz, Roland Garros)
- 21 of her 24 career WTA titles have come on hard court, including her three titles this year at Brisbane (d. Kostyuk in F), Indian Wells (d. Rybakina in F) and Miami (d. Gauff in F)
- She has held the No.1 ranking since October 21, 2024; including the upcoming weeks at the US Open, she will hold the No.1 ranking for 99 consecutive weeks, bringing her career total to 107 weeks atop the rankings
- Sabalenka must win the title in order to have a chance of retaining the No.1 ranking after the US Open

Rakhimova:

- Making her sixth main draw appearance at the US Open and reached 3r once before on her debut in 2021 (as a lucky loser, I. Krejčíková)
- This is now the fourth time she has reached 3r at a Slam after also reaching this stage at 2025 Wimbledon (I. Noskova) and 2023 Roland Garros (I. Sabalenka); at Australian Open, her best result is 2r in 2024 (I. Parry)
- Overall this is her 19th Grand Slam main draw appearance and has a 13-18 record across the majors
- Owns one career win over a Top 10 player, defeating No.5 Paolini at 2025 Wimbledon
- This is her third meeting against the current World No.1 after falling to Swiatek at 2024 US Open and Sabalenka at 2025 Roland Garros
- Her stand-out result of the season is reaching quarterfinal at Queen's, London after entering the main draw as a lucky loser (I. eventual runner-up Raducanu)
- Her best Tour results have been achieved on clay, reaching SFs at Bogota (2022, 2023 & 2024) and Rabat (2024)
- Reached career-high ranking of No.60 in December 2024



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[3] Jessica Pegula (USA #3) vs. [31] Leylah Fernandez (CAN #33)

Pegula leads 3-1

2026 MIAMI	HARD	3r	PEGULA	6-2 6-2
2025 WASHINGTON DC	HARD	2r	FERNANDEZ	6-3 1-6 7-5
2024 CINCINNATI	HARD	QF	PEGULA	7-5 6-7(1) 7-6(3)
2024 MIAMI	HARD	3r	PEGULA	7-5 6-4

PEGULA

FERNANDEZ

Right-Handed	PLAYS	Left-Handed
February 24, 1994 (32)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	September 6, 2002 (23)
68-30 (x1 R-UP)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	29-25 (x1 R-Up)
25-9 (x1 R-UP)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	12-6 (x1 R-Up)
47-12 (x2 titles)	2026 RECORD (best result)	17-21 (x3 QF)

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

Pegula:

- Making her 10th main draw appearance at US Open (31st Grand Slam main draw appearance)
- Her best result at the event is R-Up finish in 2024 (l. Sabalenka); this is also her best result across all Slams
- She has a 12-6 record in 3r matches at Grand Slam events (4-2 in US Open 3r matches, winning her last four)
- 7 of her 11 career WTA titles have come on hard court; her most recent hard court title is 2026 Dubai (d. Svitolina in F for her 4th career WTA 1000 title)
- In addition to her Dubai title this season, she also won the title on clay at Charleston (d. Starodubtseva in F)
- Has reached three additional finals this season at Cincinnati, Washington DC and Berlin – she has the most Tour-level finals among all players in 2026
- At Grand Slams this year, made SF at Australian Open (l. eventual champion Rybakina), fell in 1r at Roland Garros (l. Birrell) and reached QF at Wimbledon (l. Gauff)



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- Has claimed the most wins (47), hard court wins (31, level with Elena Rybakina) and wins on American soil (21) at WTA-level events this season
- She is 30-4 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 20; her most recent loss to a player ranked outside the Top 20 was to No.28 Eala in the 2026 Washington DC final
- Currently at her career-high ranking of No.3, which she reached for the first time in October 2022
- Remains in contention for the World No.1 ranking if she wins the title at the US Open

Fernandez:

- Making 7th appearance at the US Open, where she finished runner-up in 2021 for her best career Grand Slam result (I. Raducanu in all-teenage final)
- Defeated three Top 5 players en route to 2021 US Open final (No.3 Osaka in 3r, No.5 Svitolina in QF and No.2 Sabalenka in SF)
- She has reached one additional Grand Slam quarterfinal at 2022 Roland Garros (I. Trevisan) – Fernandez is seeking her first Grand Slam 4r since that event
- After falling in the opening round of the first three Grand Slam events this year, claimed her first Grand Slam wins of 2026 this week with victories over Zhang Shuai and Mananchaya Sawangkaew
- Earned her 10th career Top 10 win last month when she defeated No.5 Andreeva at 2026 Toronto – Fernandez was 0-4 vs. Top 10 players this year before that victory
- Her top Tour-level results this year are three QFs, all on clay at WTA 1000 Madrid, Stuttgart and Strasbourg
- Has won 5 career WTA titles and they have all been on hard court, including two last year at Washington DC (d. Kalinskaya in final) and Osaka (d. Valentova in final)
- During her 2025 Washington DC title run, she posted her one win over today's opponent Pegula in their four career meetings
- Reached career-high ranking of No.13 in August 2022



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[29] Ann Li (USA #28) vs. [6] Linda Noskova (CZE #6)
2026 DUBAI HARD R64 NOSKOVA 6-3 5-7 6-4

Noskova leads 1-0

LI				NOSKOVA			
Right-Handed		PLAYS		Right-Handed			
June 26, 2000 (26)		BIRTHDAY (AGE)		November 17, 2004 (21)			
16-18 (x1 4r)		CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)		24-15 (x1 title)			
7-5 (x1 4r)		US OPEN RECORD (best result)		5-4 (x2 3r)			
23-22 (x2 SF)		2026 RECORD (best result)		31-13 (x2 titles)			
AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
2r	2r	1r	2026	3r	1r	WON	
1r	2r	2r	4r	2025	1r	1r	4r 3r
			1r	2024	QF	2r	2r 1r
			2023		2r	1r	2r
1r	1r	2r	1r	2022	1r		1r
3r	2r	1r	1r	2021			
2r			3r	2020			

Li:

- Making 6th main draw appearance at the US Open; her best tournament result is reaching 4r last year (l. fellow American Pegula) which is also her best results across all Slams
- Has won two career WTA titles, both won on hard court at 2021 Tenerife (d. Osorio in F) and 2025 Guangzhou (d. Sun in F)
- She has reached 4 additional WTA finals which were all achieved on hard court
- Her top Tour-level results this season are SFs at Strasbourg on clay (l. eventual champion Navarro) and Monterrey last week on hard court (l. eventual champion Parry)
- Looking for her first Top 10 completed match win of the season after defeating No.4 Swiatek via retirement at Madrid; her other career Top 10 win was over No.7 Kontaveit at 2022 Miami
- Has a record of 1-1 against players from Czech Republic this season, falling to Noskova at Dubai and defeating Bouzkova at Strasbourg
- Posted her new career-high ranking of No.28 this week



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Noskova:

- In her 5th US Open main draw, she has equaled her best performance of 3r last year (I. Muchova)
- Won her first career Grand Slam title at 2026 Wimbledon (d. Muchova in all-Czech final), becoming the youngest Wimbledon champion since her fellow Czech player Petra Kvitova in 2011
- She is 11-2 at Grand Slam events this year – this is her most Grand Slam match wins in a calendar year (previous best was 6 in 2024)
- Her best result at a hard court Grand Slam is quarterfinal at 2024 Australian Open (I. Yastremska)
- Has won two titles this year, both on grass at Berlin (d. Pegula in F) and Wimbledon
- Holds a 13-8 record on hard court this year, with her best hard court result SF at Indian Wells (I. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Has won 8 of her last 9 matches against Top 50 players, with her one loss in that span to No.10 Anisimova at Cincinnati
- She is 5-2 against players from United States of America this season, including defeating Li at Dubai in their only previous career meeting
- Made her Top 10 debut in the PIF WTA Rankings on June 22 of this year (following her 2026 Berlin title), and reached career-high ranking of No.6 on August 24
- Remains in contention to qualify for the WTA Finals as she is closing in on the Top 7; also as a Grand Slam champion is in position to secure the No.8 spot if she is not among the Top 7



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[26] Emma Navarro (USA #27) vs. [7] Karolina Muchova (CZE #7)

First meeting

NAVARRO

MUCHOVA

Right-Handed	PLAYS	Right-Handed
May 18, 2001 (25)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	August 21, 1996 (30)
29-15 (x1 SF)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	61-28 (x2 R-Up)
9-4 (x1 SF)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	23-8 (x2 SF)
22-17 (x1 title)	2026 RECORD (best result)	37-9 (x2 titles)

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

Navarro:

- Making her fifth main draw appearance at the US Open, with her best result across the Slams coming here when she made SF in 2024 (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut here at US Open in 2021 as a wild card – lost to McHale in 1r
- Contested qualifying here in 2019, falling to Rybakina in 1r
- This is her 16th Grand Slam main draw appearance – has made the QF stage at both Australian Open (2025, l. Swiatek) and Wimbledon (2024, l. eventual R-Up Paolini); at Roland Garros, made R16 in 2024 (l. Sabalenka)
- Holds a 5-3 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-1 in US Open 3r matches)
- Seeking her first trip to a Grand Slam 4r since 2025 Wimbledon (l. M.Andreeva in 4r)
- She is 2-1 vs. Top 10 players this year, with wins over No.9 Mboko in the Strasbourg final and No.3 Swiatek in Bad Homburg R16, and a loss to No.3 Pegula in 2026 Cincinnati 3r
- Has posted 8 total wins over Top 10 players in her career (3 of those at Grand Slam events, including a win over defending champion Gauff at 2024 US Open)
- Owns two hard court WTA titles, at 2025 Merida and 2024 Hobart; won her third career title earlier this year on clay at Strasbourg (d. Mboko in F). Also reached the final on the grass of Nottingham this year (l. Bouzkova in F)
- Entered US Open mixed doubles event with Paul, reaching QF (l. eventual champions Muchova/Mensik)
- Reached career-high ranking of No.8 in September 2024



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Muchova:

- Making her 9th main draw appearance at the US Open, and 29th Grand Slam main draw appearance
- She is a two-time US Open semifinalist in 2023 (l. eventual champion Gauff) and 2024 (l. eventual runner-up Pegula), and also reached US Open quarterfinals last year (l. Osaka)
- She is a two-time Grand Slam runner-up at 2023 Roland Garros (l. Swiatek in final) and 2026 Wimbledon (l. Noskova in all-Czech final)
- Won the 2026 US Open mixed doubles title last week (w/fellow Czech Mensik, d. Bencic/Cobolli in final) – her first Grand Slam title in any discipline
- This season marks the first time she has made the 3rd round at all four Grand Slam events in a calendar year
- Holds a 10-5 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (4-2 in US Open 3r matches)
- Has won two WTA titles this year at WTA 1000 Doha on hard court (her first WTA 1000 title, d. Mboko in final) and Bad Homburg on grass (d. Osaka in final via retirement)
- Reached two additional finals this year at Stuttgart (l. Rybakina in final) and Wimbledon (l. Noskova in final)
- Holds a 20-4 record on hard court in 2026 – she has only lost to Top 5 players on hard court this year
- This is her first hard court event since Miami in March (made SF, l. eventual R-Up Gauff), and her first event overall since 2026 Wimbledon
- Posted career-high ranking of No.6 following her run to this year's Wimbledon final



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[9] Elina Svitolina (UKR #9) vs. [21] Anna Kalinskaya (#23)

Svitolina leads 4-1

2026 BERLIN	GRASS	R32	SVITOLINA	6-1 4-1 RET.
2026 DOHA	HARD	R16	KALINSKAYA	6-4 6-3
2025 MONTREAL	HARD	R32	SVITOLINA	6-1 6-1
2025 DUBAI	HARD	R64	SVITOLINA	6-1 6-2
2024 ROME	CLAY	R32	SVITOLINA	6-3 6-3

SVITOLINA

KALINSKAYA

Right-Handed	PLAYS	Right-Handed
September 12, 1994 (31)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	December 2, 1998 (27)
119-50 (x4 SF)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	27-23 (x2 QF)
26-12 (x1 SF)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	10-7 (x3 3r)
43-12 (x2 titles)	2026 RECORD (best result)	26-17 (x4 QF)

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



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Svitolina:

- Making her 13th appearance at US Open, with best result coming in 2019 with SF run (l. eventual R-Up S. Williams)
- Made her US Open main draw debut in 2012, winning through qualifying and falling to Ivanovic in 1r
- Overall this is her 51st Grand Slam main draw appearance, and in addition to SF run here in 2019 has reached three other Grand Slam SFs – 2019 (l. eventual champion Halep) and 2023 Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Vondrousova), and 2026 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Sabalenka)
- Currently on 11 Grand Slam match wins this year; she has claimed 10+ Slam wins for the 4th consecutive year
- Holds a 22-13 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (4-4 in US Open 3r matches)
- Among active players, has the most Grand Slam main draw wins without having reached a final
- She is 31-6 this year vs. players ranked outside the Top 20 (walkovers are not included as losses); her most recent loss to a player ranked outside the Top 20 was to eventual champion No.28 Eala at 2026 Washington DC
- Has won two WTA titles this year at Rome (d. Gauff in F) and Auckland (d. Wang Xinyu in F)
- Reached career-high ranking of No.3 for the first time in 2017
- This year, she returned to the Top 10 of the PIF WTA Rankings for the first time since 2021

Kalinskaya:

- Making her 8th main draw appearance at US Open and has reached the 3r here for the 3rd consecutive year
- She is seeking her first trip to the US Open 4r – her best results here are her 3r runs in 2024 (l. Haddad Maia) and 2025 (l. Swiatek), as well as this year
- Contesting her 24th career Grand Slam main draw; she is a two-time Major quarterfinalist, with QF finishes at 2026 Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Chwalinska) and 2024 Australian Open (l. eventual R-Up Q. Zheng)
- Holds a 3-4 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (0-2 in US Open 3r matches)
- Has posted 14 Top 10 wins in her career, one of which has been at a Grand Slam event – d. No.10 Sloane Stephens in 2019 US Open 1r (Kalinskaya was ranked No.127 at the time)
- Holds a 1-6 record vs. Top 10 players in 2026 – her one Top 10 win this year was over today's opponent No.9 Svitolina at Doha (her one victory in five career meetings vs. Svitolina)
- Her best career results on hard court are runner-up finishes at 2025 Washington DC (l. Fernandez in F) and 2024 Dubai (l. Paolini in F)
- She is 15-10 so far this season on hard court, her best results on the surface this year have been QF showings at Washington DC (l. eventual runner-up Pegula) and Doha (l. eventual champion Muchova)
- During this year's North American summer hard court swing, reached QF at Washington DC (l. eventual R-Up Pegula), and 3r runs at Toronto (l. Shnaider) and Cincinnati (l. Cirstea)
- Reached a career-high ranking of No.11 in October 2024



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[11] Marta Kostyuk (UKR #11) vs. [18] Ekaterina Alexandrova (#19)

Alexandrova leads 2-0

2022 PORTOROZ HARD R32 ALEXANDROVA 7-6(5) 5-7 7-5

2021 ROME CLAY R64 ALEXANDROVA 6-3 6-1

KOSTYUK

ALEXANDROVA

Right-Handed	PLAYS	Right-Handed
June 28, 2002 (24)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	November 15, 1994 (31)
42-26 (x2 SF)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	43-37 (x4 4r)
10-6 (x1 4r)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	14-9 (x1 4r)
34-8 (x2 titles)	2026 RECORD (best result)	17-21 (x1 final)

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

Kostyuk:

- Making her 7th main draw appearance at the US Open; a win today would equal her best result with 4r last year (I. Muchova)
- She reached her first two Grand Slam semifinals this year, on the clay of Roland Garros (l. eventual champion M.Andreeva) and the grass of Wimbledon (l. eventual champion Noskova)
- Has a 5-8 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-2 in US Open 3r matches)
- Has won two WTA titles this year, both on clay at Rouen (d. Podrez in first-ever all-Ukrainian WTA final) and WTA 1000 Madrid (her first career WTA 1000 title, d. M.Andreeva in final)
- Opened the 2026 clay court swing by winning 17 consecutive matches on that surface (at Tour-level and Billie Jean King Cup events) before her streak was ended by M.Andreeva in the Roland Garros semifinals
- One of 3 career WTA titles has come on hard court – first career WTA title at 2023 Austin (d. Gracheva in final)
- This is her 18th meeting against a Top 20 player this season with a record of 10-7; her most recent such meeting was a loss to No.4 Gauff at Cincinnati
- Currently competing at a career-high ranking of No.11 which she reached after her run to the 2026 Wimbledon semifinals



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Alexandrova:

- Making her tenth main draw appearance at US Open; a win today would equal her best result with 4r in 2025 (I. Swiatek)
- She has not progressed further than 4r at any Grand Slam, also reaching that stage at 2025 Roland Garros (I. eventual champion Gauff) and Wimbledon in 2023 (I. Sabalenka) and 2025 (I. Bencic)
- Overall this is her 38th Grand Slam main draw appearance, and owns a 43-37 record across the majors
- Holds a 4-9 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-2 in US Open 3r matches)
- Has reached one hard court final this season finishing R-Up at Abu Dhabi (I. Bejlek); she also claimed the doubles trophy at the same event w/Joint
- Posted two Top 20 wins this season over No.5 M.Andreeva at Bad Homburg and World No.1 Sabalenka at Toronto
- Won both previous meetings against Kostyuk, but this is their first meeting since 2022 Potoroz
- Broke into the Top 10 for the first time in October 2025 with her peak ranking of No.10



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Taylor Townsend (USA #96) vs. [15] Diana Shnaider (#16)

First meeting

TOWNSEND

SHNAIDER

Left-Handed	PLAYS	Left-Handed
April 16, 1996 (30)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	April 2, 2004 (22)
21-34 (x2 4r)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	21-13 (x1 SF)
12-10 (x2 4r)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	5-2 (x1 4r)
13-10 (x1 R-Up)	2026 RECORD (best result)	28-18 (x3 SF)

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

Townsend:

- This is her 11th US Open main draw appearance, her best Grand Slam results were achieved here at the US Open with 4r finishes in 2025 (l. Krejčíková) and 2019 (l. eventual champion Andreescu)
- On her US Open main draw debut in 2014, she fell to World No.1 Serena Williams in the 1r as a wild card
- Two of her three career Top 10 wins were achieved at US Open (d. No.5 M. Andreescu in 2025; d. No.4 Halep in 2019)
- Overall this is her 35th Grand Slam main draw; she made her first Grand Slam main draw appearances in 2014
- Holds a 2-2 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (2-1 in US Open 3r matches)
- Won her first Grand Slam main draw matches of the year this week, after falling in 1r at each of the previous Slams in 2026 (l. Baptiste at Australian Open as lucky loser; l. Gauff at Roland Garros; l. Swiatek at Wimbledon)
- Looking for her first Top 20 win of the season (0-6); her most recent Top 20 victory was here at US Open last year over No.5 Andreescu in 3r
- Made the first Tour-level final of her career this season at Austin (as a WC, l. Stearns in F)
- Reached career-high ranking of No.46 in August 2024
- In doubles, is currently ranked No.2 and along with partner Siniakova were the first doubles pair to qualify for the 2026 WTA Finals Indian Wells



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Shnaider:

- Making her 3rd main draw appearance at US Open; in her US Open main draw debut in 2024, she made her first career Grand Slam R16 (l. eventual R-Up Pegula)
- Contesting her 14th career Grand Slam main draw; she reached her maiden Grand Slam SF at this year's Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Chwalinska)
- Holds a 2-3 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-0 in US Open 3r matches)
- Three of her 5 career WTA titles were won on hard court, most recently 2025 Monterrey (d. Alexandrova in F)
- She is 17-10 so far this season on hard court with her best results on the surface SFs at Washington DC (l. eventual R-Up Pegula) and Adelaide (l. eventual champion Andreeva)
- Has a record of 13-3 against players ranked outside the Top 50 this season, with only one of the losses on hard court (l. No.77 Parks at Doha)
- She is 5-5 against players from United States of America this year, with her most recent meeting a win over No.3 Pegula at Toronto last month
- Reached a career-high ranking of No.11 in May 2025



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[19] Jasmine Paolini (ITA #21) vs. [16] Sorana Cirstea (ROU #17)

Paolini leads 3-0

2024 DUBAI HARD SF PAOLINI 6-2 7-6(6)
2023 ROLAND GARROS CLAY 1r PAOLINI 7-5 2-6 6-2
2021 PORTOROZ HARD QF PAOLINI 6-4 4-6 6-1

PAOLINI

CIRSTEA

Right-Handed	PLAYS	Right-Handed
January 4, 1996 (30)	BIRTHDAY (AGE)	April 7, 1990 (36)
39-27 (x2 R-UP)	CAREER GRAND SLAM RECORD (best result)	75-68 (x3 QF)
8-6 (x1 4r)	US OPEN RECORD (best result)	21-16 (x1 QF)
17-13 (x1 SF)	2026 RECORD (best result)	36-13 (x1 title)

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



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Paolini:

- Making her 7th main draw appearance at US Open; her best result at the event is 4r in 2024 (l. Muchova)
- Contesting her 28th Grand Slam main draw; she has reached two Grand Slam finals in her career, finishing runner-up at 2024 Wimbledon (l. Krejčíková in F) and 2024 Roland Garros (l. Świątek in F)
- Has won 17 Tour-level matches so far this season, with her best results being SF at Merida (l. eventual champion Bucsa) and QF at Wimbledon (l. Kostyuk)
- Returned to competition at the US Open after taking time away after her QF at Wimbledon with a foot injury
- Owns 22 Tour-level wins in career over Top 20 players, most recently No.14 Belinda Bencic at 2025 Ningbo
- She is 0-2 vs. Top 20 players in 2026, losing to No.8 Bencic at United Cup and No.13 Kostyuk at Wimbledon
- At Grand Slams this year, made 3r at Australian Open (l. Jovic), 2r at Roland Garros (l. Sierra) and QF at Wimbledon (l. Kostyuk)
- Holds a 6-3 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-1 in US Open 3r matches)
- Two of her three career WTA titles have come on hard court, at 2024 Dubai (d. Kalinskaya in F) and 2021 Portoroz (d. Riske-Amritraj in F)
- Reached a career-high ranking of No.4 in October 2024
- In 2015, fellow Italian Flavia Pennetta won the US Open title in an all-Italian final (d. Vinci in F)

Cirstea:

- Making her 17th main draw appearance at US Open (made her US Open main draw debut in 2008)
- Her best result at the US Open is QF finish in 2023 (l. Muchova)
- Contesting her 69th career Grand Slam main draw; she trails only Venus Williams (96) and Serena Williams (82) and is tied with Victoria Azarenka (69) for most Grand Slam main draw appearances among active players
- Her best result across the Grand Slams are three QF finishes, at US Open in 2023, and at Roland Garros in 2026 (l. eventual champion Andreeva) and 2009 (l. Stosur)
- She holds a 6-15 career record in Grand Slam 3r matches (1-3 in US Open 3r matches)
- Three of her four career WTA titles have come on hard court, most recently on home soil at Cluj-Napoca earlier this season (d. Raducanu in F), becoming the oldest player to win a title this season
- She is 19-7 so far this season on hard court at Tour-level - as well as her title run at Cluj-Napoca, other highlights include 4r runs at Miami (l. eventual runner-up Gauff) and Cincinnati (l. eventual runner-up Pegula)
- In her two events prior to US Open, she played 2r at Toronto (l. qualifier Joint after 1r bye), and made 4r at Cincinnati (l. eventual runner-up Pegula)
- In May of this year, she made her PIF WTA Rankings Top 20 debut after a semifinal run at Rome – at 36 years old, she became the oldest player to make a Top 20 debut in WTA Rankings history
- She is currently at her career-high ranking of No.17, reached for the first time on July 13 of this year



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[WC] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) /
VENUS WILLIAMS (USA)

VS.

[14] CHAN HAO-CHING (TPE) /
MAYA JOINT (AUS)

FIRST MEETING

[WC] SERENA WILLIAMS (USA) / VENUS WILLIAMS (USA)

	SERENA WILLIAMS	VENUS WILLIAMS
Plays	Right-Handed	Right-Handed
Height	5' 9" (1.75m)	6' 1" (1.85m)
Date of Birth (Age)	September 26, 1981 (44)	June 17, 1980 (46)
YTD / Career Doubles Titles	0 / 23	0 / 22
YTD Prize Money	\$131,932	\$327,076
Career Prize Money	\$94,948,662	\$43,194,440
Career-High / Current Rank in Doubles	No.1 (June 7, 2010) / No.579	No.1 (June 7, 2010) / No.101
Career W-L in Doubles (all levels)	193-37	192-49
Career Highlights in Doubles	Won 23 titles in women's doubles, including 14 Grand Slams (most recently 2016 Wimbledon)	Won 22 titles in women's doubles, including 14 Grand Slams (most recently 2016 Wimbledon)

S.WILLIAMS/V.WILLIAMS QUICK HITS:

- The Williams sisters have won 22 Tour-level doubles titles as a team, spanning from 1998 Oklahoma City (d. C.Cristea/Kunce in F) to 2016 Wimbledon (d. Babos/Shvedova in F)
- Among their team titles are 14 Grand Slams (winning at least 2 titles at each Grand Slam tournament) and 3 Olympic gold medals in women's doubles (2000, 2008 and 2012)
- Their two US Open women's doubles titles came 10 years apart in 1999 (d. Rubin/Testud in F) and 2009 (d. Black/Huber in F)
- They are an undefeated 14-0 in Grand Slam women's doubles finals
- Last month at Cincinnati, they played their first match as a duo since the 2022 US Open, falling to Kostyuk/Stearns 6-2, 1-6, [10-8]
- This is their first Grand Slam appearance as a duo since the 2022 US Open (l. Hradecka/Noskova in 1r)
- Their team record in Tour-level events stands at 172-32 (22-1 in Tour-level doubles finals)
- Co-ranked World No.1 in the WTA Doubles Rankings for 8 weeks in 2010



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SERENA WILLIAMS:

- Serena Williams has won 23 career Tour-level doubles titles – 22 with her sister Venus, and one with Alexandra Stevenson (2002 Leipzig)
- She has won 14 Grand Slam women's doubles titles and 3 Olympic gold medals in women's doubles, all with Venus
- Returned to doubles action this year for the first time since 2022 US Open – so far in 2026, she made London QF (w/Mboko, d. Melichar-Martinez/Routliffe before walkover vs. Fernandez/Siegemund) and contested Berlin 1r (w/Muchova, l. Olmos/Routliffe) and Cincinnati 1r (w/V.Williams, l. Kostyuk/Stearns)
- Currently ranked No.579 in doubles; she reached the World No.1 doubles ranking in June 2010 and held the top spot for a total of 8 weeks (all alongside Venus at co-No.1)
- Holds a 183-36 career win-loss record in Tour-level doubles matches
- In singles, she has won 73 Tour-level titles (including 23 Grand Slam titles) and has spent a total of 319 weeks at World No.1 (third-most all time behind Graf and Navratilova)
- At 2026 Wimbledon, she contested her first singles match since 2022 US Open, falling 1r to Maya Joint in three sets – Joint is one of her opponents tonight

VENUS WILLIAMS:

- Venus Williams has won 22 career Tour-level doubles titles – all with her sister Serena
- She has won 14 Grand Slam women's doubles titles and 3 Olympic gold medals in women's doubles, all with Serena
- Returned to doubles play at 2025 Washington DC last July – that was her first doubles action since 2022 US Open
- Has contested 11 doubles events in the past 15 months, with her top finishes being four QFs, including a Grand Slam quarterfinal at 2025 US Open (w/Fernandez, l. eventual R-Up Siniakova/Townsend)
- Currently ranked No.101 in doubles; she reached the World No.1 doubles ranking in June 2010 and held the top spot for a total of 8 weeks (all alongside Serena at co-No.1)
- Holds a 182-47 career win-loss record in Tour-level doubles matches
- In singles, she has won 49 Tour-level titles (including 7 Grand Slam titles) and has spent a total of 11 weeks at World No.1



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[14] CHAN HAO-CHING (TPE) / MAYA JOINT (AUS)

	CHAN	JOINT
Plays	Right-Handed	Right-Handed
Height	5' 9" (1.75m)	5' 5" (1.67m)
Date of Birth (Age)	September 19, 1993 (32)	April 16, 2006 (20)
YTD / Career Doubles Titles	1 / 22	2 / 3
YTD Prize Money	\$237,756	\$936,551
Career Prize Money	\$4,267,537	\$2,290,793
Career-High / Current Rank in Doubles	No.5 (June 27, 2016) / No.48	No.30 (August 31, 2026) / No.30
Career W-L in Doubles (all levels)	484-339	76-49
Career Highlights in Doubles	22 WTA titles (incl. 2 WTA 1000 titles) 2017 Wimbledon R-Up (w/Niculescu)	3 WTA titles

CHAN/JOINT QUICK HITS:

- This is their 4th tournament as a duo – they paired up for the first time at 2026 Memphis last month, and finished as runners-up (l. Kozyreva/Lumsden in final)
- Following that, they made R16 at Toronto (l. Hunter/Krawczyk) and QF at Cincinnati (l. eventual runners-up Kempen/Panova)
- Seeded No.14 at this year's US Open

CHAN:

- Chan has won 22 career WTA doubles titles, including one this year at Athens, Greece on hard court (w/Kato, d. Lumsden/Tang in F)
- Her best women's doubles Grand Slam finish is reaching the 2017 Wimbledon final with Monica Niculescu (l. Makarova/Vesnina in F); she has reached 3 further Grand Slam semifinals in women's doubles
- Best US Open result is SF in 2024 (w/V.Kudermetova, l. eventual champions L.Kichenok/Ostapenko)
- Also a 3-time mixed doubles Grand Slam runner-up (twice at the US Open in 2017 and 2019)
- Has won two WTA 1000 titles at 2015 Cincinnati and 2016 Doha, both with her older sister Latisha Chan
- Reached career-high doubles ranking of No.5 in 2016
- Holds a 408-302 career win-loss record in Tour-level doubles matches
- Chan has played and defeated the Williams sisters tandem in a doubles match before – Chan paired with Liezel Huber to defeat Serena Williams/Venus Williams in 2013 Beijing 1r, 6-7(3), 6-4, [11-9]



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JOINT:

- Joint has won 3 career WTA doubles titles, including 2 this year at Abu Dhabi (w/Alexandrova) and Monterrey just last week (w/Xu) – both of her 2026 titles have come on hard court
- Best Grand Slam results in women's doubles are R16 finishes at 2025 Wimbledon (w/Birrell) and 2026 Australian Open (w/Hunter)
- Seeking her first career US Open women's doubles match-win – she fell 1r last year (w/McNally, I. Haddad Maia/Siegemund)
- Posted a new career-high doubles ranking of No.30 just this week
- Holds a 36-25 career win-loss record in Tour-level doubles matches
- Faced Serena Williams in singles at 2026 Wimbledon, in Williams' first singles match since 2022 US Open – Joint won that match 6-3, 6-7(6), 6-3



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ADDITIONAL HEAD-TO-HEADS

Alexa Guarachi (CHI) / Mayar Sherif (EGY) vs.
[3] Anna Danilina (KAZ) / Aleksandra Krunic (SRB)

First meeting

Daria Kasatkina (AUS) / Yuliia Starodubtseva (UKR) vs.
Eudice Chong (HKG) / Yang Zhaoxuan (CHN)

First meeting

[4] Hsieh Su-wei (TPE) / Jelena Ostapenko (LAT) vs.
Darija Jurak Schreiber (CRO) / Antonia Ruzic (CRO)

First meeting