



MATCH NOTES

US OPEN

NEW YORK, NY, UNITED STATES

AUGUST 30-SEPTEMBER 12, 2026 | GRAND SLAM | \$108,000,000



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FINAL – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 12

[1] Aryna Sabalenka (#1) vs. [2] Elena Rybakina (KAZ #2)

Sabalenka leads 10-7

- Sabalenka and Rybakina will be contesting their 15th meeting on hard court, with their hard court head-to-head tied at 7-7*
- This is the third US Open women's singles final between World No.1 and World No.2 since 2000*
- Sabalenka aims to become the third woman in the Open Era to win 3+ consecutive US Open titles*
- Regardless of the final result, Rybakina will claim the World No.1 ranking on Monday*

A CLOSER LOOK AT THE FINALISTS

FINALISTS	RANK	US OPEN W-L	YTD W-L	CAREER W-L	YTD TITLES	CAREER TITLES	2026 PRIZE \$	CAREER PRIZE \$
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	1	40-6	46-8	414-144	3	24	\$5,247,378	\$50,422,999
[2] Elena Rybakina	2	14-6	48-13	315-123	2	13	\$5,379,335	\$29,818,052

GRAND SLAMS – ROUND BY ROUND RESULTS

FINALISTS	R128	R64	R32	R16	QF	SF	R-UP	WON	APPEARANCES*
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	5	4	4	4	2	6	4	4	34*
[2] Elena Rybakina	3	7	7	4	3	1	1	2	29*

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FINALISTS	R128	R64	R32	R16	QF	SF	R-UP	WON	APPEARANCES*
[1] Aryna Sabalenka	-	2	-	1	-	2	1	2	9*
[2] Elena Rybakina	2	2	2	1	-	-	-	-	8*

*Includes 2026 US Open

WORLD NO.1 VERSUS WORLD NO.2 IN THE FINAL

This is the third time since 2000 where the World No.1 will face the World No.2 in the US Open women's singles final. The other times this has happened during this century were 2002 (No.1 Serena Williams d. No.2 Venus Williams in the final) and 2013 (No.1 Serena Williams d. No.2 Victoria Azarenka in the final).

Regardless of the final result, the World No.1 ranking will change hands after the US Open. Elena Rybakina is guaranteed to make her debut appearance at World No.1 in the updated rankings on Monday, Sept. 14. She will take over from Aryna Sabalenka, who has held the top ranking for 99 consecutive weeks (107 total weeks in her career).



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SABALENKA SEEKING THE HAT TRICK

Aryna Sabalenka is bidding to become just the third woman in the Open Era (since 1968) to win three consecutive US Open singles titles. The two players who have done this are Serena Williams (three consecutive US Open titles from 2012 to 2014) and Chris Evert (four consecutive US Open titles from 1975 to 1978).

Sabalenka is already the sixth player in the Open Era to reach 4+ consecutive women's singles finals at the US Open (2023-2026), after Evonne Goolagong (1973-1976), Chris Evert (1975-1980), Martina Navratilova (1983-1987), Stefanie Graf (1987-1990 and 1993-1996) and Serena Williams (2011-2014).

MORE SINGLES FINAL QUICK HITS

Since the Australian Open became a hard court event in 1988, this will be the second time the same pair of women's singles finalists will meet in the finals of both the Australian Open and US Open in a calendar year, after Arantxa Sanchez Vicario and Stefanie Graf in 1994. Rybakina defeated Sabalenka in this year's Australian Open final.

This is the fourth time Sabalenka and Rybakina will meet this year (all on hard court), with Sabalenka leading 2-1 in 2026. Rybakina won their first 2026 meeting in the Australian Open final, but Sabalenka beat Rybakina in the Indian Wells final and Miami semifinals, en route to claiming both of those titles and completing the Sunshine Double.

Sabalenka leads Rybakina 10-7 overall in their head-to-head. They have contested 14 of their 17 previous meetings on hard court, and on that surface, they have a deadlocked 7-7 head-to-head. (Sabalenka won both of their two meetings on grass, as well as their lone meeting on clay.)

PIF RACE TO THE WTA FINALS LEADERBOARD

The US Open champion is projected to be No.1 in the PIF Race to the WTA Finals Indian Wells on Monday. The US Open runner-up is projected to be No.2 in the Race.

Projected PIF Race to the WTA Finals Leaderboard on Monday, September 14 (following US Open):

1. US Open champion (Rybakina** 7492 with title, OR Sabalenka 7185 with title)
2. US Open runner-up (Rybakina** 6792 with R-Up, OR Sabalenka 6485 with R-Up)
3. Pegula 5825
4. Gauff 5654
5. Andreeva** 5614
6. Svitolina 4809
7. Muchova 4400
8. Noskova** 4234
9. Kostyuk 3850
10. Swiatek 3584

***Denotes a 2026 Grand Slam champion (Rybakina won Australian Open, Andreeva won Roland Garros, Noskova won Wimbledon)*



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Sabalenka:

- The two-time defending champion is making her 9th main draw appearance at the US Open
- She has now reached four straight US Open finals, winning back-to-back US Open titles in 2024 (d. Pegula in F) and 2025 (d. Anisimova in F), and finishing runner-up in 2023 (l. Gauff in F)
- Looking to become the first woman to win 3 consecutive titles at the US Open since Serena Williams (2012-2014)
- Sabalenka has become the first player in the Open Era to reach eight consecutive Grand Slam finals on hard court (including women and men), surpassing the seven consecutive reached by Stefanie Graf (US Open 1987-90), Martina Hingis (Australian Open 1997-00) and Novak Djokovic (US Open 2010-13)
- Sabalenka could become the fourth woman since 2000 to win a single Grand Slam event in three consecutive years, along with Justine Henin (3 – Roland Garros from 2005-2007), Serena Williams (3 – US Open from 2012-2014) and Iga Swiatek (3 – Roland Garros from 2022-2024)
- Contesting her 34th career Grand Slam main draw and has won four Grand Slam titles (all on hard court) – she holds a 4-4 career record in Grand Slam finals
- Along with her two US Open titles, she also won back-to-back Australian Open titles in 2023 (d. today's opponent Rybakina in F) and 2024 (d. Zheng Qinwen in F)
- Sabalenka could become the first player in the Open Era to claim her first five Grand Slam women's singles titles all on hard court
- Bidding to become the fourth active player to win five or more Grand Slam titles in women's singles, along with Serena Williams (23), Venus Williams (7) and Iga Swiatek (6)
- This is her 9th career Grand Slam final, and second of 2026 after R-Up finish at Australian Open (l. today's opponent Rybakina in F)
- She is 7-2 so far this season against Top 10 opponents, including wins this week over No.6 Linda Noskova in the quarterfinals (in third-set match-tiebreak) and No.3 Jessica Pegula in the semifinals
- A win today would give her a Tour-leading fourth title of the year – she is one of only two players on Tour to have won three titles this year (Brisbane, Indian Wells, Miami), along with M.Andreeva (Adelaide, Linz, Roland Garros)
- Seeking her 25th career Tour-level title – 21 of her 24 career Tour-level 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)
- Attempting to claim her 11th win against Elena Rybakina, which would equal her most wins against a single opponent at Tour-level (already has 11 wins vs. Elise Mertens)
- She has held the World No.1 ranking since October 21, 2024; including the weeks of the 2026 US Open, she has been at the No.1 ranking for 99 consecutive weeks, bringing her career total to 107 weeks atop the rankings
- Regardless of the final result, Sabalenka will be replaced by Rybakina at World No.1 following the US Open



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Rybakina:

- By reaching this week's semifinals, Rybakina guaranteed her rise to World No.1 in Monday's updated rankings for the first time in her career – she will be the 30th player to reach World No.1 in WTA Rankings history
- Making her 8th main draw appearance at US Open; this week, she advanced past 4r here for the first time in her career (she has now reached QF or better at all four Grand Slam events)
- She owns two Grand Slam titles, winning 2022 Wimbledon (d. Jabeur in F) and 2026 Australian Open (d. Sabalenka in F); also finished runner-up at 2023 Australian Open (l. Sabalenka in F)
- This is her 4th career Grand Slam final (3rd on hard court), holding a 2-1 career record in Grand Slam finals
- She is the fifth woman in the past two decades to reach both the Australian Open and US Open finals in a calendar year, along with Henin (2006), Azarenka (2012-13), Kerber (2016) and Sabalenka (2023-26)
- Bidding to become the third woman since 2000 to win the Australian Open and US Open in a calendar year, along with Angelique Kerber in 2016 and today's opponent Aryna Sabalenka in 2024
- Has a 9-5 record this year vs. Top 10 players, including her semifinal victory over No.4 Coco Gauff this week
- Aiming to become the first player to defeat former US Open women's singles champions in both the semifinal (Gauff) and final (Sabalenka) of the US Open since Henin in 2007 (d. V.Williams in SF and Kuznetsova in F)
- Holds a 9-8 career record vs. players ranked World No.1 at the time of their meeting, including her win over Sabalenka in this year's Australian Open final (0-2 vs. Sabalenka since, losing in Indian Wells F and Miami SF)
- Since the WTA Rankings were introduced in 1975, only Serena Williams (58.6%), Stefanie Graf (57.8%) and Elena Rybakina (52.9%) have a win rate of above 50% against reigning World No.1 players
- Rybakina is seeking her 10th career win over a reigning World No.1 – among active players, only Serena Williams and Venus Williams have claimed 10+ wins against reigning World No.1 players
- With a win today, Rybakina would become the second woman to defeat a World No.1 player in two Grand Slam finals in one calendar year. The only other player to complete that feat was Stefanie Graf in 1995
- Seeking her 14th career Tour-level title – 7 of her 13 career Tour-level titles have come on hard court; her most recent hard court title is her 2026 Australian Open crown
- Along with her 2026 Australian Open title, she won her 2nd title of the year on clay at Stuttgart (d. Muchova in F)
- If she wins her 3rd title of the year today, it would tie her with Sabalenka and M.Andreeva for the most Tour-level titles won in 2026
- First time a player from Kazakhstan reached the semifinals and final in women's singles at the US Open
- Only Jessica Pegula (50) has claimed more match-wins at Tour-level than Rybakina (48) so far this season



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US OPEN HONOR ROLL (OPEN ERA)

YEAR	[SEED] CHAMPION	[SEED] RUNNER-UP	SCORE
1968	(6) VIRGINIA WADE (GBR)	(1) BILLIE JEAN KING (USA)	64 62
1969	(2) MARGARET COURT (AUS)	(6) NANCY RICHEY (USA)	62 62
1970	(1) MARGARET COURT (AUS)	(2) ROSIE CASALS (USA)	62 26 61
1971	(1) BILLIE JEAN KING (USA)	(2) ROSIE CASALS (USA)	64 76(5-2)
1972	(1) BILLIE JEAN KING (USA)	(9) KERRY MELVILLE-REID (AUS)	63 75
1973	(2) MARGARET COURT (AUS)	(4) EVONNE GOOLAGONG (AUS)	76(5-2) 57 62
1974	(2) BILLIE JEAN KING (USA)	(5) EVONNE GOOLAGONG (AUS)	36 63 75
1975	(1) CHRIS EVERT (USA)	(2) EVONNE GOOLAGONG (AUS)	57 64 62
1976	(1) CHRIS EVERT (USA #1)	(2) EVONNE GOOLAGONG CAWLEY (AUS #2)	63 60
1977	(1) CHRIS EVERT (USA #1)	(12) WENDY TURNBULL (AUS #12)	76(3) 62
1978	(2) CHRIS EVERT (USA #2)	(16) PAM SHRIVER (USA #20)	75 64
1979	(3) TRACY AUSTIN (USA #3)	(1) CHRIS EVERT (USA #1)	64 63
1980	(3) CHRIS EVERT (USA #3)	(9) HANA MANDLIKOVA (TCH #10)	57 61 61
1981	(3) TRACY AUSTIN (USA #3)	(4) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #4)	16 76(4) 76(1)
1982	(2) CHRIS EVERT (USA #2)	(5) HANA MANDLIKOVA (TCH #5)	63 61
1983	(1) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #1)	(2) CHRIS EVERT (USA #2)	61 63
1984	(1) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #1)	(2) CHRIS EVERT (USA #2)	46 64 64
1985	(3) HANA MANDLIKOVA (TCH #4)	(2) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #2)	76(3) 16 76(2)
1986	(1) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #1)	(7) HELENA SUKOVA (CZE #7)	63 62
1987	(2) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #2)	(1) STEFANIE GRAF (GER #1)	76(4) 61
1988	(1) STEFANIE GRAF (GER #1)	(5) GABRIELA SABATINI (ARG #4)	63 36 61
1989	(1) STEFANIE GRAF (GER #1)	(2) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #2)	36 75 61
1990	(5) GABRIELA SABATINI (ARG #5)	(1) STEFANIE GRAF (GER #1)	62 76(4)
1991	(2) MONICA SELES (YUG #1)	(6) MARTINA NAVRATILOVA (USA #6)	76(1) 61
1992	(1) MONICA SELES (YUG #1)	(5) ARANTXA SÁNCHEZ VICARIO (ESP #5)	63 63
1993	(1) STEFFI GRAF (GER #1)	(12) HELENA SUKOVA (CZE #13)	63 63
1994	(2) ARANTXA SÁNCHEZ VICARIO (ESP #2)	(1) STEFFI GRAF (GER #1)	16 76(3) 64
1995	(1) STEFFI GRAF (GER CO-#1)	(2) MONICA SELES (USA CO-#1)	76(6) 06 63
1996	(1) STEFFI GRAF (GER CO-#1)	(2) MONICA SELES (USA CO-#1)	75 64
1997	(1) MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #1)	VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #66)	60 64
1998	(2) LINDSAY DAVENPORT (USA #3)	(1) MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #1)	63 75
1999	(7) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #7)	(1) MARTINA HINGIS (SUI #1)	63 76(4)
2000	(3) VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #3)	(2) LINDSAY DAVENPORT (USA #2)	64 75
2001	(4) VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #4)	(10) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #10)	62 64
2002	(1) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	(2) VENUS WILLIAMS (USA #2)	64 63
2003	(2) JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #3)	(1) KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #1)	75 61



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2004	(9) SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (#9)	(6) ELENA DEMENTIEVA (#6)	63 75
2005	(4) KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #4)	(12) MARY PIERCE (FRA #12)	63 61
2006	(3) MARIA SHARAPOVA (#4)	(2) JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #2)	64 64
2007	(1) JUSTINE HENIN (BEL #1)	(4) SVETLANA KUZNETSOVA (#4)	61 63
2008	(4) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #3)	(2) JELENA JANKOVIC (SRB #2)	64 75
2009	(WC) KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL NR)	(9) CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #8)	75 63
2010	(2) KIM CLIJSTERS (BEL #3)	(7) VERA ZVONAREVA (#8)	62 61
2011	(9) SAMANTHA STOSUR (AUS #10)	(28) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #27)	62 63
2012	(4) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #4)	(1) VICTORIA AZARENKA (#1)	62 26 75
2013	(1) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	(2) VICTORIA AZARENKA (#2)	75 67(6) 61
2014	(1) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #1)	(10) CAROLINE WOZNIACKI (DEN #11)	63 63
2015	(26) FLAVIA PENNETTA (ITA (#26)	ROBERTA VINCI (ITA #43)	76(4) 62
2016	(2) ANGELIQUE KERBER (GER #2)	(10) KAROLINA PLISKOVA (CZE #11)	63 46 64
2017	(SR) SLOANE STEPHENS (USA #83)	(15) MADISON KEYS (USA #16)	63 60
2018	(20) NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #19)	(17) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #26)	62 64
2019	(15) BIANCA ANDREESCU (CAN #15)	(8) SERENA WILLIAMS (USA #8)	63 75
2020	(4) NAOMI OSAKA (JPN #9)	VICTORIA AZARENKA (#27)	16 63 63
2021	(Q) EMMA RADUCANU (GBR #150)	LEYLAH FERNANDEZ (CAN #73)	64 63
2022	(1) IGA SWIATEK (POL #1)	(5) ONS JABEUR (TUN #5)	62 76(5)
2023	(6) COCO GAUFF (USA #6)	(2) ARYNA SABALENKA (#2)	2-6 6-3 6-2
2024	(2) ARYNA SABALENKA (#2)	(6) JESSICA PEGULA (USA #6)	7-5 7-5
2025	(1) ARYNA SABALENKA (#1)	(8) AMANDA ANISIMOVA (USA #9)	6-3 7-6(3)

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SABALENKA (1)

ELENA
(2) RYBAKINA

KAZAKHSTAN

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1998-05-05	Date of Birth	1999-06-17
Residence		
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 11" (1.82m)	Height	6' 0" (1.84m)
1	Career-High Ranking	2
\$50,422,999	Career Prize Money	\$29,818,052
\$5,247,378	Season Prize Money	\$5,379,335
3 / 24	Singles Titles YTD / Career	2 / 13
119-29 (Champion: 2025 US OPEN; 2024 US OPEN, AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	75-24 (Champion: 2026 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2022 WIMBLEDON)
6-0 / 40-6 (Champion: 2025, 2024)	YTD / Career US OPEN W-L (best)	6-0 / 14-6 (Runner-Up: 2026)
46-8 / 414-144	YTD / Career W-L	48-13 / 315-123

ARYNA
SABALENKA

ELENA
RYBAKINA

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2026	MIAMI	HARD	SF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 6-3	1h 19m
2026	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	F	Aryna Sabalenka	3-6 6-3 7-6(6)	2h 31m
2026	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	F	Elena Rybakina	6-4 4-6 6-4	2h 18m
2025	WTA FINALS	HARD	F	Elena Rybakina	6-3 7-6(0)	1h 47m
2025	WUHAN	HARD	QF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-3 6-3	1h 25m
2025	CINCINNATI	HARD	QF	Elena Rybakina	6-1 6-4	1h 15m
2025	BERLIN	GRASS	QF	Aryna Sabalenka	7-6(6) 3-6 7-6(6)	2h 42m
2024	WTA FINALS	HARD	GRP	Elena Rybakina	6-4 3-6 6-1	1h 41m
2024	MADRID	CLAY	SF	Aryna Sabalenka	1-6 7-5 7-6(5)	2h 17m
2024	BRISBANE	HARD	F	Elena Rybakina	6-0 6-3	1h 13m
2023	WTA FINALS	HARD	1r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-2 3-6 6-3	2h 27m
2023	BEIJING	HARD	QF	Elena Rybakina	7-5 6-2	1h 34m
2023	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	F	Elena Rybakina	7-6(11) 6-4	2h 3m
2023	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	HARD	F	Aryna Sabalenka	4-6 6-3 6-4	2h 28m
2021	WIMBLEDON	GRASS	4r	Aryna Sabalenka	6-3 4-6 6-3	1h 49m
2021	ABU DHABI	HARD	QF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-4 4-6 6-3	1h 58m
2019	WUHAN	HARD	QF	Aryna Sabalenka	6-3 1-6 6-1	1h 42m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
1	-	2026	2	-
1	1	2025	5	5
1	1	2024	3	6
1	2	2023	3	4
2	5	2022	12	22
2	2	2021	14	14
10	10	2020	17	19
9	11	2019	37	37



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. C. OSORIO (#59) 6-2 6-4 (1h 27m)
2r: d. P. IATCENKO (#160) 6-1 6-1 (54m)
3r: d. K. RAKHIMOVA (#92) 6-3 6-4 (1h 29m)
4r: d. T. TOWNSEND (#96) 6-4 6-3 (1h 15m)
QF: d. L. NOSKOVA (#6) 7-6 3-6 7-6 (2h 22m)
SF: d. J. PEGULA (#3) 7-5 6-2 (1h 20m)

Total time on court: 8h 47m

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- The 2-time defending champion returns for her 9th main draw appearance at the US Open, and has now made her 4th straight US Open final
- She won back-to-back US Open titles in 2024 (d. Pegula in F) and 2025 (d. Anisimova in F), after finishing runner-up in 2023 (l. Gauff in F)
- Contesting her 34th career Grand Slam main draw and is seeking her 5th career Grand Slam title (4-4 career record in Grand Slam finals)
- 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)
- This is her 9th career Grand Slam final, and 2nd of the year after runner-up finish at 2026 Australian Open (l. today's opponent Rybakina in F)
- Faces No.2 Elena Rybakina in today's final; Sabalenka is 7-2 this year vs. Top 10 players, including two Top 10 wins this week over No.6 Noskova in QF and No.3 Pegula in SF
- Owns 12-8 career Tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan (2-1 in 2026, encompassing her record vs. Rybakina this year)
- Bidding for her Tour-leading 4th title of the year - she is one of only two players on Tour to have won 3 titles this season (Brisbane, Indian Wells, Miami), along with M.Andreeva (Adelaide, Linz, Roland Garros)
- Seeking her 25th career Tour-level title today
- 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 weeks of the 2026 US Open, she has been at the No.1 ranking for 99 consecutive weeks, bringing her career total to 107 weeks atop the rankings
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1r: d. T. FRODIN (#585) 6-3 6-2 (1h 14m)
2r: d. J. BOUZAS MANEIRO (#105) 6-2 6-4 (1h 8m)
3r: d. Y. STARODUBTSEVA (#58) 7-6 6-3 (1h 52m)
4r: d. N. OSAKA (#13) 6-1 6-4 (1h 6m)
QF: d. Q. ZHENG (#121) 3-6 6-1 6-4 (2h 14m)
SF: d. C. GAUFF (#4) 3-6 6-4 6-4 (2h 9m)

Total time on court: 9h 43m

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- Making her 8th main draw appearance at US Open; this year marks the first time she has gone beyond 4r at this tournament
- By making the semifinals, she guaranteed her rise to World No.1 for the first time in her career in Monday's updated rankings (currently ranked career-high No.2, which she reached for the first time on March 16 of this year)
- This is her 4th career Grand Slam final, and her 2nd of the year after winning 2026 Australian Open (d. today's opponent Sabalenka in F)
- Has won two Grand Slam titles, winning 2022 Wimbledon (d. Jabeur in F) and 2026 Australian Open (d. Sabalenka in F); also finished runner-up at 2023 Australian Open (l. Sabalenka in F)
- Faces No.1 Aryna Sabalenka in today's final; Rybakina is 9-5 this year vs. Top 10 players, including a win over No.4 Gauff in this week's SF
- Holds a 9-8 career record vs. players ranked World No.1 at the time of their meeting, including her win over Sabalenka in this year's Australian Open final (0-2 vs. Sabalenka since then, with losses in Indian Wells F and Miami SF)
- Seeking her 14th career Tour-level title, and 3rd of this year after Australian Open on hard court (d. Sabalenka in F) and Stuttgart on clay (d. Muchova in F)
- If she wins her 3rd title of the year today, it would tie her with Sabalenka and M.Andreeva for the most Tour-level titles won in 2026
- 7 of her 13 career Tour-level titles have come on hard court; her most recent hard court title is her 2026 Australian Open title
- First time a player from Kazakhstan reached the semifinals and final in women's singles at the US Open
- Has won 48 Tour-level matches this year, trailing only Pegula (50) in total match-wins on Tour in 2026

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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 1	Seed: 1
F	W	A. ANISIMOVA (#9) 6-3 7-6(3)	
SF	W	J. PEGULA (#4) 4-6 6-3 6-4	
4r	W	C. BUCSA (#95) 6-1 6-4	
3r	W	L. FERNANDEZ (#30) 6-3 7-6(2)	
2r	W	P. KUDERMETOVA (#67) 7-6(4) 6-2	
1r	W	R. MASAROVA (#108) 7-5 6-1	
2024	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
F	W	J. PEGULA (#6) 7-5 7-5	
SF	W	E. NAVARRO (#12) 6-3 7-6(2)	
QF	W	Q. ZHENG (#7) 6-1 6-2	
4r	W	E. MERTENS (#35) 6-2 6-4	
3r	W	E. ALEXANDROVA (#31) 2-6 6-1 6-2	
2r	W	L. BRONZETTI (#76) 6-3 6-1	
1r	W	P. HON (#203) 6-3 6-3	
2023	Result	Rank: 2	Seed: 2
F	L	C. GAUFF (#6) 2-6 6-3 6-2	
SF	W	M. KEYS (#17) 0-6 7-6(1) 7-6(5)	
QF	W	Q. ZHENG (#23) 6-1 6-4	
4r	W	D. KASATKINA (#14) 6-1 6-3	
3r	W	C. BUREL (#62) 6-1 6-1	
2r	W	J. BURRAGE (#96) 6-3 6-2	
1r	W	M. ZANEVSKA (#112) 6-3 6-2	
2022	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 6
SF	L	I. SWIATEK (#1) 3-6 6-1 6-4	
QF	W	K. PLISKOVA (#22) 6-1 7-6(4)	
4r	W	D. COLLINS (#19) 3-6 6-3 6-2	
3r	W	C. BUREL (#131) 6-0 6-2	
2r	W	K. KANEPI (#34) 2-6 7-6(8) 6-4	
1r	W	C. HARRISON (#243) 6-1 6-3	

2025	Result	Rank: 10	Seed: 9
4r	L	M. VONDROUSOVA (#60) 6-4 5-7 6-2	
3r	W	E. RADUCANU (#36) 6-1 6-2	
2r	W	T. VALENTOVA (#96) 6-3 7-6(7)	
1r	W	J. PAREJA (#335) 6-3 6-0	
2024	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
1r	W	D. AIAVA (#194) 6-1 7-6(1)	
2023	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 4
3r	L	S. CIRSTEA (#30) 6-3 6-7(6) 6-4	
1r	W	M. KOSTYUK (#39) 6-2 6-1	
2022	Result	Rank: 25	Seed: 25
1r	L	C. BUREL (#131) 6-4 6-4	
2021	Result	Rank: 20	Seed: 19
3r	L	S. HALEP (#13) 7-6(11) 4-6 6-3	
2r	W	C. GARCIA (#62) 6-1 6-4	
1r	W	A. SASNOVICH (#90) 6-2 6-3	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Made R16 at Cincinnati (l. Bejlek)
- Reached R16 at Toronto (l. Alexandrova)
- Reached R16 at Wimbledon (l. Osaka)
- Made SF at Berlin (l. Pegula)
- Reached QF at Roland Garros (l. Shnaider)
- Played 3r at Rome (l. Cirstea)
- Made QF at Madrid (l. Baptiste)
- Won back-to-back titles at Miami(d. Gauff in F) and Indian Wells (d. 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)

- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Swiatek, via retirement)
- Made R-Up at Toronto (l. Swiatek in F)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Mertens)
- Played 2r at Berlin (l. WC Eala)
- Reached QF at London (l. Boulter)
- Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Starodubtseva)
- Reached QF at Rome (l. eventual champion Svitolina)
- Made 4r at Madrid (l. Potapova)
- Won the title at Stuttgart (d. Muchova in F)
- Reached SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- R-Up finish at Indian Wells (l. 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. Sabalenka in F)
- Made QF at Brisbane (l. Muchova)



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (24)

2026 - MIAMI, 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)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (13)

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

Runner-Up (13)

2026 - TORONTO, 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)

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GRAND SLAMS

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



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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). Earlier in the season, the pair claimed the
- 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

- 'Sunshine Double' by winning back-to-back titles at Indian Wells (d. Krejčíková/Siniakova in F) and Miami (d. Stosur/ Zhang in F)
- Enjoyed breakthrough season in 2018, lifting two titles, at New Haven (d. Suarez 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. Jakupovic)
- Made Grand Slam main draw debut at 2017 Wimbledon, falling in 2r (as qualifier, d. Khromacheva, l. Witthoeft)
- 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"

- Coached by Stefano Vukov
- 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