

WTA

MATCH NOTES

TORAY PAN PACIFIC OPEN TENNIS - TOKYO, JPN

2026-10-26 - 2026-11-01 | \$ 1,206,446



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94

MAYA
JOINT (Q)
AUSTRALIA

(6)

SORANA
CIRSTEA 16
ROMANIA

2006-04-16	Date of Birth	1990-04-07
	Residence	Targoviste, Romania
Right-handed	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 5" (1.67m)	Height	5' 9" (1.76m)
28	Career-High Ranking	15
\$2,592,753	Career Prize Money	\$13,169,936
\$1,238,511	Season Prize Money	\$2,345,008
0 / 2	Singles Titles YTD / Career	1 / 4
4-9 (Round of 64: 2026 US OPEN, WIMBLEDON; 2025 US OPEN; 2024 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	77-69 (Quarter-Finalist: 2026 ROLAND GARROS; 2023 US OPEN; 2009 ROLAND GARROS)
0-0 / 1-1 (Round of 16: 2025)	YTD / Career TOKYO W-L (best)	0-0 / 2-3 (Round of 16: 2013)
12-23 / 45-45	YTD / Career W-L	38-16 / 377-352

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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2026	TORONTO	HARD	2r	Maya Joint	6-4 6-4	1h 33m
2025	INDIAN WELLS	HARD	1r	Sorana Cirstea	6-2 7-5	1h 41m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
28	-	2026	15	-
32	32	2025	44	44
110	119	2024	22	70
773	773	2023	25	26
-	-	2022	24	38
-	-	2021	37	38
-	-	2020	69	86
-	-	2019	72	72
-	-	2018	33	86
-	-	2017	37	37



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd main draw appearance at Tokyo, where her previous result was reaching 2r in 2025 (l. Muchova)
- Best career result at a WTA 500 event was semifinalist at Seoul 2025 (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Came through qualifying where she defeated Mai Hontama and Viktorija Golubic
- Faces No.16 Sorana Cirstea in 1r today; owns four wins (all on hard court) in Tour-level career over Top 20 players, most recently No.18 Cirstea in 2r at Toronto in August; all four victories came in straight sets
- Owns 2-2 career Tour-level record against players from Romania, with record in 2026 standing at 1-1 (d. Cirstea in 2r at Toronto, l. Cristian in 2r at Indian Wells)
- Holds an 11-19 career Tour-level record against seeds, with a record in 2026 standing at 2-7 (d. Tararudee in QF Seoul, d. Cirstea in 2r at Toronto)
- Best career Tour-level result on hard court is R-Up last month at Seoul (l. Birrell in all-Australia F)
- One of four players from Australia in the main draw, joining Kimberly Birrell, Talia Gibson and Daria Kasatkina; Gibson defeated Kasatkina in 1r
- One of five qualifiers remaining in the main draw, joining Alycia Parks, Yulia Putintseva, Aliaksandra Sasnovich and Tereza Valentova
- Is currently ranked No.94; this time last year was ranked No.32 (reached a career-high No.28 ranking on Feb. 16 this year)
- During last year's Asian swing reached SF at Hong Kong (l. eventual R-Up Bucsa), 2r at Tokyo, 2r at Wuhan (l. quarterfinalist Siniakova), 3r at Beijing (l. quarterfinalist Kartal) and SF at Seoul (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Has won 12 Tour-level matches so far in 2026, with 11 of the wins coming on hard court

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th main draw appearance at Tokyo, where her best result was reaching 3r in 2013 (l. Kuznetsova)
- Three-time semifinalist at WTA 500 events: Los Angeles in 2009 (l. eventual R-Up Stosur) and Stanford in 2012 (l. eventual champion Serena Williams) and 2013 (l. eventual champion Cibulkova)
- Faces No.94 Maya Joint in 1r today; since start of the 2026 season, she is 21-2 in Tour-level matches versus opponents ranked outside the top 50 (l. No.75 Joint in 2r at Toronto, l. No.240 Hanyu Guo in 2r at Wuhan)
- Owns 14-6 career Tour-level record against players from Australia, with record in 2026 standing at 2-1 (d. Inglis in 1r at Queen's, d. Birrell in 2r at Wimbledon)
- Owns 47-37 career Tour-level record against qualifiers, with a record in 2026 standing at 6-1 (l. Joint in 2r at Toronto)
- Best career Tour-level result on hard court is Champion which she has reached three times: Cluj-Napoca in 2026 (d. Raducanu in F), Cleveland in 2025 (d. Ann Li in F) and Tashkent in 2008 (d. Lisicki in F)
- Only player from Romania in the main draw
- Is currently ranked No.16; this time last year was ranked No.45 (reached a career-high No.15 ranking on Sept. 14 of this year)
- During last year's Asian swing reached QF at Hong Kong, SF at Osaka (l. eventual champion Fernandez), 2r at Wuhan, 2r at Beijing and 2r at Seoul (l. eventual champion Swiatek)
- Has won a career-high 38 Tour-level matches so far in 2026, with 21 of the wins coming on hard court; prior to this year, her career-high for Tour-level wins in a single season was 32 in 2013

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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 32	Seed: -
2r	L	K. MUCHOVA (#21) 6-3 7-5	
1r	W	V. GOLUBIC (#55) 1-6 7-6(5) 6-2	

2013	Result	Rank: 21	Seed: 15
3r	L	S. KUZNETSOVA (#27) 7-6(3) 6-1	
2r	W	M. DOI (#95) 6-1 6-2	
1r	W	J. GOERGES (#48) 6-4 6-4	

2012	Result	Rank: 31	Seed: -
1r	L	A. MORITA (#79) 6-2 3-6 6-2	

2009	Result	Rank: 28	Seed: -
1r	L	M. BARTOLI (#14) 6-3 6-0	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Fell 1r at Osaka (as qualifier, l. Sonmez)
- Played 1r at Beijing (l. Kraus)
- Achieved R-Up at Seoul (l. Birrell in F)
- Played 2r at US Open (l. Svitolina)
- Played 1r at Cincinnati (l. Korpatsch) and Monterrey (l. Udvardy)
- Reached 3r at Toronto (as qualifier, l. Samsonova)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Eala) and Prague (l. Valentova) and Memphis (l. Liutova)
- Played 1r at Nottingham (l. Starodubtseva) and Eastbourne (l. Arango)
- Fell 1r at Strasbourg (l. Li) and Roland Garros (l. Potapova)
- Played 2r at Indian Wells (l. Cristian) and Rome (l. Golubic)
- Played 1r at Dubai (l. Shnaider)
- Fell in 1r at Doha (l. Noskova)
- Played 1r at Abu Dhabi (l. Tjen)
- Fell in 1r at Australian Open (l. Valentova)
- Reached QF at Adelaide (l. eventual champion M.Andreeva)
- Opened 2026 with Team Australia at United Cup reaching QF (0-2 in singles)

- Reached 2r at Ningbo (l. Bejlek)
- Fell 1r at Wuhan (l. Guo)
- Made R16 at US Open (l. Pegula)
- Made R16 at Cincinnati (l. eventual Runner-Up Pegula)
- Played 2r at Toronto (l. Joint)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Noskova)
- Played 2r at London (l. Raducanu)
- Made QF at Roland Garros (l. eventual champion M.Andreeva)
- Reached SF at Rome (l. Gauff)
- Played 3r at Madrid (l. Gauff)
- Reached SF at Rouen (l. eventual R-Up Podrez)
- Made QF at Linz (l. eventual champion M.Andreeva)
- Reached 4r at Miami (l. eventual R-Up Gauff)
- Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Noskova)
- Reached 3r at Dubai (l. Eala)
- Became Champion at Cluj-Napoca (d. R-Up Raducanu in F)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. Osaka)
- Reached 3r at Brisbane (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)

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SEASON 2026 STATS

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
68	63	Aces	232	11
63.0%	38	First serve %	58.9%	67
56.7%	88	First Serve points won %	68.7%	15
46.9%	32	Second serve points won %	49.4%	10
53.1%	85	Overall service points won %	60.8%	14
57.6%	85	Service games won %	73.5%	17
55.3%	48	Break points saved %	56.0%	42
35.7%	52	First serve return points won %	38.7%	15
54.9%	44	Second serve return points won %	56.6%	22
48.4%	17	Break points converted %	45.7%	36
33.2%	55	Return games won %	40.2%	10
43.1%	50	Return points won %	45.6%	12



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (2)
2025 - EASTBOURNE, RABAT
Runner-Up (1)
2026 - SEOUL

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (3)
2026 - MONTERREY (w/Xu), ABU DHABI
(w/Alexandrova)
2025 - RABAT (w/Kalashnikova)

Runner-Up (3)
2026 - MEMPHIS (w/Chan)
2025 - SEOUL (w/Mcnally), EASTBOURNE (w/Hsieh)

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (4)
2026 - CLUJ-NAPOCA
2025 - CLEVELAND
2021 - ISTANBUL
2008 - TASHKENT

Runner-Up (4)
2021 - STRASBOURG
2019 - TASHKENT
2013 - TORONTO
2007 - BUDAPEST

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (7)
2026 - LINZ (w/Zhang)
2025 - MADRID (w/Kalinskaya)
2019 - LUGANO (w/Mitu)
2011 - DALLAS (w/Brianti)
2010 - ESTORIL (w/Medina Garrigues)
2008 - LUXEMBOURG (w/Erakovic), FES
(w/Pavlyuchenkova)

Runner-Up (5)
2014 - TIANJIN (w/Klepac)
2010 - BUDAPEST (w/Medina Garrigues)
2009 - FES (w/Kirilenko), BARCELONA (w/Klepac)
2008 - NEW HAVEN (w/Niculescu)

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GRAND SLAMS

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN		AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN
1r	1r	2r	2r	2026	2r	QF	3r	4r
1r	1r	1r	2r	2025	1r		1r	2r
			2r	2024	1r	1r	1r	
				2023	1r	1r	3r	QF
				2022	4r	2r	2r	2r
				2021	3r	4r	3r	2r
				2020	2r	1r		3r
				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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CAREER MILESTONES

- Won first two WTA Tour titles in 2025, at Rabat on clay (d. Cristian in final) and Eastbourne on grass (d. Eala in final); reached 3 additional Tour-level SFs, made Top 100 and Top 50 debuts, and finished season at career-high ranking of No.32. Also claimed first Tour doubles title at Rabat (w/Kalashnikova)
- Made Tour-level main draw debut as a qualifier at 2024 US Open (d. Siegemund for first career main draw win before falling to No.14 seed Keys); also played at Merida (lost in opening round); finished the season ranked No.119
- 2024 season also included six appearances at WTA 125 events, including a runner-up finish at 2024 Warsaw 125; made her first WTA 125 appearance in January at Canberra, advancing to QF (l. Tauson)
- Began on the ITF circuit in 2021 and 2022
- In 2025, won Cleveland title as qualifier (first WTA Tour singles final since 2021; d. Li in final) en route to tenth straight Top 100 year-end finish in singles; also won her biggest career doubles title at WTA 1000 Madrid (w/Kalinskaya)
- Highlights of 2024 came in the Middle East, making QF at Abu Dhabi and saving six match points in her Dubai QF match against Vondrousova to reach SF (l. eventual champion Paolini). Ended her 2024 season after Wimbledon to undergo foot surgery
- 2023 saw her best results achieved in the USA: advanced to Indian Wells QF for first time (l. Swiatek), then made SF at Miami (l. eventual champion Kvitova) and QF at US Open (l. Muchova)
- In 2022, reached SF on all three surfaces: hard court at Lyon (l. Yastremska), clay at Istanbul (l. Kudermetova), and grass at Birmingham (l. Zhang). Also enjoyed success at the Australian Open, where she fell in R16 (l. Swiatek)
- Highlight of 2021 was ending near-13-year wait for 2nd WTA Tour singles title, triumphing at Istanbul (d. Mertens in F). Also finished R-Up at Strasbourg (l. Krejciakova), reached QF at Grampians Trophy and Portoroz, and R16 at Roland Garros
- Ended 2020 by winning singles title at ITF/\$100K Dubai-UAE in December (d. Siniakova in F). Also in 2020, reached 3r at US Open and advanced to 2r at Australian Open
- In 2019, advanced to fourth career Tour singles final at Tashkent (l. Van Uytvanck); also captured fifth career Tour doubles title at 2019 Lugano (w/Mitu, d. Kudermetova/Voskoboeva in F)
- Reached R16 at 2017 Australian Open - first time advancing to that stage at a Slam since she made 2009 Roland Garros QF (l. Stosur)
- In 2016, played a mix of WTA and ITF events, improving ranking by 163 ranking places to No.81 on comeback from shoulder injury, with highlights being a SF run at Rio de Janeiro (l. Rogers) and making QF at Madrid (as wildcard, l. eventual R-Up Cibulkova) and Mallorca (as qualifier, l. Jankovic)
- Reached biggest singles final of career at 2013 Toronto - posted three Top 10 wins en route to final (No.10 Wozniacki, No.7 Kvitova and No.5 Li) before falling to No.1 S. Williams. Following Toronto run, posted career-high ranking of No.21 on August 21, 2013
- Won first WTA singles title at 2008 Tashkent (d. Lisicki in F)

- Fell 1r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2008 Australian Open (l. No.4 seed Ivanovic)
- Made first WTA singles final at 2007 Budapest (l. Dulko)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2006 Stockholm (l. Kanepi in 1r)
- Played first events of career on ITF Circuit in 2004

OTHER INFORMATION

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

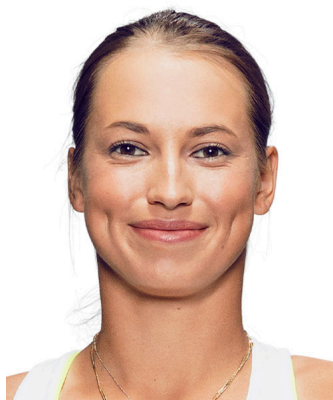
- Working with Adrian Cruciat
- Introduced to tennis at age 4 by mother, Liliana; father's name is Mihai; younger brother's name is Mihnea; full name is Sorana Mihaela Cirstea
- Speaks Romanian, English and Spanish and is studying French
- Likes all surfaces; favorite shot is forehand; most admires Steffi Graf
- Enjoys playing all ball sports, going shopping, watching movies, reading and doing crosswords
- Favorite cities are New York and London ("big cities with lots to do")
- Self-described as ambitious, stubborn and happy



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KAZAKHSTAN

**MARIA
SAKKARI**
GREECE

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1995-01-07	Date of Birth	1995-07-25
	Residence	Monte Carlo, Monaco
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 4" (1.63m)	Height	5' 8" (1.72m)
20	Career-High Ranking	3
\$10,655,960	Career Prize Money	\$15,372,199
\$1,091,644	Season Prize Money	\$1,670,883
0 / 3	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 2
57-51 (Quarter-Finalist: 2020 US OPEN; 2018 ROLAND GARROS; 2016 ROLAND GARROS)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	58-43 (Semi-Finalist: 2021 US OPEN, ROLAND-GARROS)
0-0 / 1-3 (Round of 16: 2016)	YTD / Career TOKYO W-L (best)	0-0 / 2-2 (Semi-Finalist: 2023)
15-18 / 268-267	YTD / Career W-L	26-21 / 278-218
7-8 / 92-92	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	8-7 / 79-85
4-6 / 65-68	YTD / Career TB W-L	4-6 / 60-54
Quarter-Finalist: IASI	YTD Best Result	Runner-Up: ATHENS

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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	BAD HOMBURG	GRASS	1r	Maria Sakkari	7-5 7-6(6)	2h 25m
2020	CINCINNATI (NYC)	HARD	2r	Maria Sakkari	6-4 7-6(9)	1h 44m
2017	WUHAN	HARD	1r	Maria Sakkari	1-6 6-4 6-2	2h 14m
2016	TOKYO INTERNATIONAL	HARD	1r	Yulia Putintseva	6-4 6-3	2h 0m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
66	-	2026	31	-
20	73	2025	29	52
28	29	2024	6	32
40	69	2023	6	9
32	51	2022	3	6
28	42	2021	6	6
27	28	2020	20	22
28	34	2019	22	23
45	45	2018	29	41
27	53	2017	48	52



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PLAYER NOTES

- Making 4th main draw appearance at Tokyo, where her best result was reaching 2r in 2016 (l. Linette)
- Best result at a WTA 500 event was a R-Up finish at St. Petersburg 2017 (l. Mladenovic in F)
- Faces No.30 Maria Sakkari in 1r today; owns 91 wins in Tour-level career over Top 50 players, most recently No.12 Belinda Bencic in 1r at US Open 2026
- Owns 1-3 career Tour-level record versus opponents from Greece, with all coming against Sakkari (d. in 1r at Tokyo International 2016)
- Best career Tour-level result on hard court is R-Up which she has reached three times: Nur-Sultan in 2021 (l. Van Uytvanck in F), Guangzhou in 2018 (l. Qiang Wang in F) and St.Petersburg in 2017 (l. Mladenovic in F)
- One of two players from Kazakhstan in the main draw, joining Elena Rybakina
- Best result by Kazakhstan at Tokyo was semifinalist run by Rybakina in 2025 (l. Noskova via W/O)
- One of five qualifiers remaining in the main draw, joining Maya Joint, Alycia Parks, Aliaksandra Sasnovich and Tereza Valentova
- Is currently ranked No.67; this time last year was ranked No.75 (reached a career-high No.20 ranking on Jan. 27 last year)
- During last year's Asian swing reached QF at Jiujiang (l. semifinalist Golubic), 2r at Guangzhou (l. quarterfinalist Seidel), 1r at Ningbo, 1r at Wuhan and 1r at Beijing
- Has won 15 Tour-level matches so far in 2026, with nine of the wins coming on hard court

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

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PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd main draw appearance at Tokyo, where her best result was reaching SF in 2023 (l. eventual R-Up Pegula)
- Four-time finalist at WTA 500 events: Washington D.C. 2023 (l. Gauff in F), St. Petersburg 2022 (l. Kontaveit in F), Ostrava 2021 (l. Kontaveit in F) and San Jose 2018 (l. Buzarnescu in F)
- Faces No.67 Yulia Putintseva in 1r today; since the start of the hard-court swing, she is 11-2 versus opponents ranked outside the Top 50 (l. eventual R-Up No.63 Gibson in QF at Singapore, l. No.58 Starodubtseva in 2r at US Open)
- Holds a 3-1 Tour-level record in head-to-heads with Putintseva, winning each of their last three meetings
- Owns 4-8 career Tour-level record against players from Kazakhstan, with record in 2026 standing at 0-1 (l. Rybakina in 2r at Rome)
- Owns 31-15 career Tour-level record against qualifiers, with a record in 2026 standing at 4-1 (l. Maria in 1r at Queen's)
- Best career Tour-level result on hard court is Champion which she has reached once: Guadalajara in 2023 (d. Dolehide in F)
- Only player from Greece in the main draw
- Is currently ranked No.30; this time last year was ranked No.52 (reached a career-high No.3 ranking on March 21, 2022)
- During last year's Asian swing reached 1r at Tokyo, 1r at Osaka and 2r at Beijing
- Has won 26 Tour-level matches so far in 2026 (including United Cup), with 21 of the wins coming on hard court; most victories she has had in a single season since winning 38 in 2023

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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2019	Result	Rank: 36	Seed: -
QF	L	N. OSAKA (#4) 6-4 6-4	
2r	W	V. FLINK (#149) 6-1 6-1	
1r	W	K. KAWA (#130) 6-4 7-6(4)	
2017	Result	Rank: 48	Seed: -
1r	L	K. NARA (#114) 2-6 6-4 6-2	
2016	Result	Rank: 38	Seed: -
2r	L	M. LINETTE (#109) 4-6 6-3 7-5	
1r	W	M. KEYS (#9) 6-3 3-6 7-6(7)	

2025	Result	Rank: 54	Seed: -
1r	L	L. FERNANDEZ (#22) 7-6(5) 6-4	
2023	Result	Rank: 6	Seed: 4
SF	L	J. PEGULA (#4) 6-2 6-3	
QF	W	C. GARCIA (#10) 6-2 6-2	
2r	W	M. DOI (#331) 6-3 6-1	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Fell 1r at Ningbo (as qualifier, l. Shnaider)
- Made 2r at US Open (l. Zheng) and Wuhan (as qualifier, l. Shnaider)
- Played 1r at Toronto (l. Zhang) and Cincinnati (l. Samsonova)
- Made 2r at Hamburg (l. Avanesyan)
- Reached QF at Iasi (l. Sherif)
- Played 1r at Wimbledon (l. Maria)
- Made 2r at Roland Garros (l. Osorio)
- Fell 1r at Rome (l. Valentova)
- Reached 2r at Madrid (l. Kostyuk)
- Made 2r at Charleston (l. eventual champion Pegula)
- Played 2r at Miami (l. Rybakina)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (l. Tauson)
- Fell in 1r at Merida (l. Jimenez Kasintseva)
- Reached 4r at Australian Open (l. Jovic)
- Made R16 at Adelaide (as qualifier, l. Navarro)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (as LL, l. Kostyuk)

- Reached QF at Wuhan (l. eventual champion Chwalinska)
- Made 3r at Beijing (l. Svitolina)
- Reached QF at Singapore (l. eventual R-Up Gibson)
- Played 2r at US Open (l. Starodubtseva)
- Made 3r at Cincinnati (l. Swiatek)
- Played 3r at Toronto (l. Gauff)
- Finished R-Up at Athens (l. Krejciikova in F)
- Reached 3r at Wimbledon (l. Paolini)
- Played 1r at Nottingham (l. Zheng)
- Fell 1r at London (l. Maria)
- Played 3r at Roland Garros (l. eventual R-Up Chwalinska)
- Made 1r at Strasbourg (l. Stearns)
- Played 2r at Madrid (l. Ka.Pliskova) and Rome (l. Rybakina)
- Made 2r at Charleston (l. Badosa)
- Played 2r at Miami (l. Parks)
- Made 3r at Indian Wells (l. Swiatek)
- Reached SF at Doha (l. eventual champion Muchova)
- Made 2r at Australian Open (l. M.Andreeva)
- Fell in 1r at Adelaide (as WC, l. Kasatkina)
- Opened 2026 with Team Greece at United Cup reaching QF (2-1 in singles)

YULIA
PUTINTSEVA (Q)

MARIA
SAKKARI

SEASON 2026 STATS

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
51	78	Aces	140	35
69.8%	7	First serve %	62.7%	40
59.6%	78	First Serve points won %	64.6%	47
45.6%	47	Second serve points won %	50.2%	8
55.4%	66	Overall service points won %	59.2%	22
62.0%	72	Service games won %	70.3%	28
53.7%	63	Break points saved %	58.0%	27
36.9%	37	First serve return points won %	35.6%	55
57.0%	17	Second serve return points won %	54.1%	57
43.4%	66	Break points converted %	46.6%	26
36.0%	37	Return games won %	33.7%	54
44.5%	31	Return points won %	42.6%	59

Best win by ranking: No.12 vs Bencic in US OPEN 1r
Longest match: 3h 30m vs Osorio in ROLAND GARROS 2r
Shortest match: 53m vs Jovic in AUSTRALIAN OPEN 4r
Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 5 vs Sun in CHARLESTON 1r

Best win by ranking: No.2 vs Swiatek in DOHA QF
Longest match: 2h 49m vs Rakhimova in CINCINNATI 2r
Shortest match: 1h 6m vs Paolini in WIMBLEDON 3r
Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 6 vs Hibino in SINGAPORE 2r
6 vs Rakhimova in CINCINNATI 2r
6 vs Zheng in NOTTINGHAM 1r
6 vs Gracheva in DOHA 3r

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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS	SINGLES FINALS
Champion (3)	Champion (2)
2024 - BIRMINGHAM	2023 - GUADALAJARA
2021 - BUDAPEST	2019 - RABAT
2019 - NÜRNBERG	
Runner-Up (3)	Runner-Up (9)
2021 - NUR-SULTAN	2026 - ATHENS
2018 - GUANGZHOU	2024 - INDIAN WELLS
2017 - ST. PETERSBURG	2023 - WASHINGTON DC
	2022 - GUADALAJARA, PARMA, INDIAN WELLS, ST. PETERSBURG
	2021 - OSTRAVA
	2018 - SAN JOSE

DOUBLES FINALS
Runner-Up (2)
2024 - CINCINNATI (w/Fernandez)
2023 - OSAKA (w/Kalinskaya)

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



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**YULIA
PUTINTSEVA (Q)**

**MARIA
SAKKARI**

CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, made her Top 20 debut shortly after her 30th birthday, hitting new career-high ranking of No.20 on January 27; other season highlights include Adelaide SF (l. Pegula) and Jiujiang QF (l. Golubic)
- During 2024, won her third career WTA Tour title at Birmingham (d. Tomljanovic in final). Also reached QF at Hobart (l. Yuan) and Ningbo (l. eventual champion Kasatkina); found success at Grand Slam level with R16 run at Wimbledon (d. World No.1 Swiatek in 3r; l. Ostapenko) and 3r run at US Open (l. Paolini)
- 2023 saw her reach SF at Guangzhou (l. Linette) and QF at Rabat (l. Riera) and Hobart (l. Blinkova)
- Reached two SFs in 2022, at Istanbul (l. eventual champion Potapova) and Budapest (l. Krunic), while also making QF at Toronto (l. Pegula)
- Highlight of 2021 campaign was lifting second career WTA title, at Budapest (d. Kalinina in F). Also was R-Up at Nur-Sultan (l. Van Uytvanck), advanced to SF at Portoroz and made QFs at Charleston [500], Strasbourg and San Jose
- Standout results of 2020 were QF runs at US Open (first Kazakh woman to reach last eight in New York; l. Brady) and Rome (l. Halep). Recorded 300th career win (at all levels) with 1r triumph over Flipkens at 2020 Roland Garros
- In 2019, won first career title at Nurnberg (d. Zidansek in F); also picked up a win over World No.1 Osaka on grass at Birmingham
- Best result of 2018 was QF run at Roland Garros (l. Keys), her 2nd trip to the quarters in Paris in the last three years. Also reached 2nd career WTA Tour singles final at Guangzhou (l. Wang Qiang in F)
- Reached first career WTA final at 2017 St. Petersburg (l. Mladenovic in F) after notching two Top 10 wins over No.8 Kuznetsova and No.5 Cibulkova (her first career Top 5 win); first woman from Kazakhstan to reach a WTA final since Shvedova at 2015 Bogota (l. Pereira)
- In 2016, reached her first Grand Slam QF at Roland Garros (l. S.Williams in 3 sets); became first Kazakh to reach a Grand Slam QF since Shvedova at 2012 Roland Garros (Shvedova made another QF at the very next Slam, 2016 Wimbledon). Also that year, defeated No.14 V.Williams en route to Charleston QF
- Progressed to maiden WTA SF at 2015 Bastad (l. eventual champion Larsson). First Top 10 win came over No.10 Petkovic at 2015 Nurnberg (via ret.)
- In 2025, reached QF at WTA 500 events in Linz and Washington D.C.; notched Top 10 win over No.6 Paolini to make R16 at WTA 1000 Madrid
- Key result of 2024 was reaching Indian Wells final for the second time, losing to Swiatek who also defeated her in 2022 final. Also reached SF at Charleston (l. Collins). Did not play after US Open
- In 2023, won first WTA 1000 title (2nd WTA Tour singles title overall) at Guadalajara (d. Dolehide in F). Also finished R-Up at Washington (l. Gauff). Contested WTA Finals for third consecutive season (was first alternate and went 0-3 in Group Stage following Muchova withdrawal)
- Finished 2022 ranked No.6 for the second consecutive year; a four-time finalist in 2022 including runs to the final at two WTA 1000 tournaments, Indian Wells and Guadalajara; returned to the WTA Finals and advanced to the semifinals, falling to eventual champion Garcia
- Climbed as high as No.3 in the rankings (reached that spot for the first time on March 21, 2022), the highest ranking ever achieved by a Greek woman
- Historic 2021 season was highlighted by her becoming first Greek woman to break into the Top 10 (at No.10, on September 27) as well as the first from her country to qualify for the WTA Finals
- In 2021, also reached third WTA final at Ostrava (l. Kontaveit), and advanced to SF at Roland Garros, US Open (defeating three Top 20-ranked opponents at both of those Grand Slam events), and WTA Finals in Guadalajara
- Posted a Tour-leading nine Top 10 wins in 2021, including two over the World No.2 (Osaka at Miami and Sabalenka at WTA Finals)
- Upset No.10 seed Keys at 2020 Australian Open, where she reached a Grand Slam R16 for the first time (l. Kvitova); made Top 20 debut on February 24, 2020, at No.20
- Scored third and fourth Top 5 wins of her career in 2020, over No.5 Svitolina at Ostrava and No.5 Bencic at St. Petersburg. Previous Top 5 wins came over No.5 Ka. Pliskova (2018 Rome) and No.5 Kvitova (2019 Rome, via ret.)
- In 2019, won first WTA Tour singles title at Rabat (recovering from a set and break down to defeat Konta in final); also qualified for WTA Elite Trophy Zhuhai (fell in round robin stage)
- Highlights of 2018 were reaching her first WTA Tour singles final at San Jose (l. Buzarnescu)

- In 2014, reached first two WTA QFs, first on clay at Bastad (as qualifier, l. Cepelova) and then on hard court at Osaka (l. eventual champion Stosur). Between these two results, scored first Top 20 win over No.14 Pennetta during 2r run at Montreal (as qualifier)
- Made it through to 2r on Grand Slam main draw debut at 2013 Australian Open (d. McHale, l. Suarez Navarro)
- Advanced to 2r on WTA main draw debut at 2012 Copenhagen (as WC, d. Barbat, l. Jankovic)
- On ITF Circuit, winner of six singles titles and six doubles titles
- Professional debut at 2009 Luxembourg ended with loss to Flipkens in final round of qualifying

- and scoring first career Top 5 win over No.5 Ka. Pliskova in Rome 2r
- Notched first Top 10 victory of career over No.6 Wozniacki en route to first WTA SF of career at 2017 Wuhan; broke into Top 50 for first time at No.49 on October 9, 2017
- At 2016 Australian Open, by reaching 2r (d. Y.Wang, l. Suarez Navarro) became the first woman from Greece to win a main draw match at a Slam since Daniilidou d. Ka.Pliskova at 2013 Australian Open
- Reached first career WTA QF at 2016 Istanbul (as qualifier, l. Kovinic)
- Fell 1r on WTA main draw debut at 2015 US Open (as qualifier, l. Q.Wang)
- WTA qualifying debut came at 2012 Palermo
- Made debut on ITF Circuit in 2010; owns seven ITF Circuit singles titles and five in doubles

OTHER INFORMATION

- Father's name is Anton; mother's name is Anna; younger brother's name is Ilya (plays ice hockey). Introduced to sport by father; liked it and was soon practicing at Spartak Club in Moscow
- Moved to Paris to attend Mouratoglou Academy after winning a big Under 14s event; has trained there ever since
- Baseline player whose favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is clay. Australian Open and US Open are favorite tournaments
- Tennis idols were Martina Hingis and Justine Henin - still watches videos of Henin on YouTube
- Also enjoys dancing, music, singing, Sudoku, playing cards and chess
- Person she would most like to meet is Eminem
- Changed representation from Russia to Kazakhstan in May 2012

- Coached by Tom Hill
- Parents are Konstantinos and Angeliki; brother is Yannis (studies at Boston University) and sister is Amanda. Introduced to tennis by parents at age 6; mother played on WTA and achieved a Top 50 singles ranking
- Born and raised in Athens; moved to Barcelona at age 18 to train
- Favorite surfaces are hard and clay; favorite shot is serve
- Tennis idols are Serena Williams, Rafael Nadal and Roger Federer
- During free time enjoys going back to Greece and seeing friends

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LEYLAH FERNANDEZ

CANADA

HIMENO SAKATSUME

114

JAPAN

2002-09-06	Date of Birth	2001-08-03
Boynton Beach, Florida, USA	Residence	
Left-Handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 6" (1.68m)	Height	
13	Career-High Ranking	114
\$9,162,555	Career Prize Money	\$787,972
\$1,804,416	Season Prize Money	\$468,348
1 / 6	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
29-26 (Runner-Up: 2021 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	1-2 (Round of 64: 2026 US OPEN)
0-0 / 3-2 (Quarter-Finalist: 2024)	YTD / Career TOKYO W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-1 (Round of 32: 2023)
28-25 / 165-130	YTD / Career W-L	2-6 / 5-10

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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

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

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
22	-	2026	115	-
22	22	2025	178	178
23	31	2024	172	271
32	35	2023	164	178
13	40	2022	294	294
24	24	2021	560	598
88	88	2020	627	646
209	209	2019	599	736
451	487	2018	696	696
727	728	2017	-	-



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 3rd appearance at Tokyo; in 2025, lost in second round to Elena Rybakina; in tournament debut in 2024, reached the QF
- Faces No.114 Himeno Sakatsume in 1r today
- Owns 5-3 career record against players from Japan
- Owns 14-8 career record against wildcards, with a record in 2026 standing at 2-3
- Has won 6 singles titles on hardcourts, most recently winning at Singapore 2026
- After reaching the final last week in Ningbo (R-Up), has won a Tour-leading 17 matches at the WTA 500 level
- Is currently ranked No.23; this time last year was ranked No.22
- Has won 28 matches this year; is trying to reach the 30+ win mark for the third consecutive season having won 31 matches in 2024 and 2025

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at Tokyo
- Faces No.23 Leylah Fernandez in 1r today; owns 1 wins in career over Top 50 players defeating No.28 Sofia Kenin at Hong Kong 2025
- Best career result on hardcourts is quarterfinal run at Hong Kong 2025
- One of 3 players from Japan in the draw
- Is currently ranked No.114; this time last year was ranked No.228
- Has won five matches at the Tour-level in main draws



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2025	Result	Rank: 22	Seed: -
2r	L	E. RYBAKINA (#7) 6-4 6-3	
1r	W	M. SAKKARI (#54) 7-6(5) 6-4	
2024	Result	Rank: 35	Seed: 8
QF	L	Q. ZHENG (#7) 6-0 1-6 6-3	
2r	W	V. GRACHEVA (#68) 6-0 3-6 7-5	
1r	W	A. SASNOVICH (#143) 5-7 6-2 5-2	

2023	Result	Rank: 181	Seed: -
1r	L	L. NOSKOVA (#44) 6-2 7-5	



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached the final at Ningbo (l. Rybakina)
- Made 3r at Wuhan (l. Ostapenko)
- Contested 2r at Beijing (after 1r bye, l. Rakhimova)
- Won the title at Singapore (d. Gibson in F)
- Reached 3r at US Open (l. Pegula)
- Played 2r at Cincinnati (l. Wang Xiyu)
- Reached 4r at Toronto (l. Osaka)
- Made 2r at Washington DC (l. Eala)
- Played 1r at Wimbledon (l. Tjen)
- Made 2r at Bad Homburg (l. Wang Xinyu)
- Played 1r at London (l. Boulter) and Nottingham (l. qualifier Sonmez)
- Fell 1r at Roland Garros (l. Parks)
- Reached QF at Strasbourg (l. Mboko)
- Fell 2r at Rome (l. Masarova)
- Made QF at Madrid (l. M.Andreeva)
- Reached QF at Stuttgart (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
- Made 3r at Charleston (l. Shnaider)
- Reached 3r at Miami (l. Pegula)
- Played 2r at Indian Wells (l. Siniakova)
- Made 2r at Dubai (l. Tjen)
- Fell in 1r at Doha (l. Li)
- Made 2r at Abu Dhabi (l. Kessler)
- Played 1r at Adelaide (l. Shnaider) and Australian Open (l. Tjen)
- Made 2r at Brisbane (l. Yastremska)

- Fell 1r at Osaka (as WC, l. Boulter)
- Contested 1r at Seoul (l. Preston)
- Played 2r at US Open (as qualifier, l. Bucsa)
- Played 1r at Nottingham (as qualifier, l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- Made 2r at Indian Wells (as qualifier, l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Fell in 1r at Australian Open (as qualifier, l. McNally)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
141	34	Aces	13	149
62.5%	41	First serve %	63.7%	0
65.5%	40	First Serve points won %	60.2%	0
47.0%	30	Second serve points won %	50.5%	0
58.5%	30	Overall service points won %	56.7%	0
70.9%	25	Service games won %	63.5%	0
62.9%	4	Break points saved %	50.8%	0
35.1%	64	First serve return points won %	33.1%	0
53.2%	70	Second serve return points won %	47.5%	0
45.6%	37	Break points converted %	33.9%	0
33.2%	56	Return games won %	22.9%	0
42.2%	63	Return points won %	38.3%	0

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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (6)
2026 - SINGAPORE
2025 - OSAKA, WASHINGTON DC
2023 - HONG KONG
2022 - MONTERREY
2021 - MONTERREY
Runner-Up (4)
2026 - NINGBO
2024 - EASTBOURNE
2021 - US OPEN
2020 - ACAPULCO

DOUBLES FINALS

Runner-Up (5)
2026 - QUEENS (w/Siegemund)
2024 - CINCINNATI (w/Putintseva)
2023 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Townsend), MIAMI
(w/Townsend), AUCKLAND (w/Mattek-sands)

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



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SAKATSUME**

CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025, won multiple Tour titles in a calendar year for the first time, finishing as champion at WTA 250 Osaka and WTA 500 Washington DC (her first title above WTA 250 level); also partnered Venus Williams to make US Open doubles QF as a wild card team
- 2024 season highlights were reaching first final on grass finishing R-Up at Eastbourne (l. Kasatkina) and as part of title defense made SF at Hong Kong. Also reached final of Cincinnati in doubles w/Putintseva
- In 2023, earned third career title at Hong Kong (d. Siniakova); prevented from a consecutive title run by Siniakova who defeated her in Nanchang SF. Also defeated Paolini at Billie Jean King Cup Finals to lift title with Canada
- Broke into the Top 20 in doubles in 2023, after reaching final at Roland Garros, Miami (both w/Townsend) and Auckland (w/Mattek-Sands) as well as QF at US Open (w/Townsend)
- In 2022 won her second title at Monterrey (d. Osorio in F; saved 5MP), and reached the QF at Roland Garros (l. Trevisan); missed grass-court season due to grade three stress fracture in her right foot suffered during match vs. Trevisan in Paris
- Enjoyed a memorable 2021 campaign, lifting first career title in Monterrey and advancing to maiden Grand Slam final, at US Open (l. Raducanu)
- En route to the final at Flushing Meadows in 2021, upset defending champion and No. 3 Osaka in 3r, 2016 winner Kerber in R16, No.5 Svitolina in QF and No. 2 Sabalenka in SF, becoming the youngest woman to beat multiple Top-5 opponents at the same major since S. Williams at 1999 US Open
- Breakout year in 2020 saw her crack Top 100 for the first time on September 14 and finish campaign by reaching 3r at Roland Garros. Earned first career Grand Slam win at 2020 US Open (d. Zvonareva, l. Kenin in 2r) and made Grand Slam debut at 2020 Australian Open as qualifier (l. Davis in 1r)
- Reached first career WTA final and notched first tour-level back-to-back wins at 2020 Acapulco as qualifier (l. Watson in F); at 17y, 177d, she was the youngest Canadian to reach a WTA singles final in 34 years (since Helen Kelesi at 1986 Tokyo [Japan Open] won at 16y, 338d)
- Owns one singles title and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Won 2019 Roland Garros junior singles title (d. Navarro) becoming first Canadian to win a junior

- Reached first Tour-level QF in 2025 at Hong Kong (l. Joint) and registered maiden Top 50 career win over No.28 Kenin in 1r; also reached SF at Porto 125 (l. Valentova). Reached a new career-high ranking of No.155 on November 24
- Won sixth ITF singles title in 2024 at W35 Taipei; played qualifying at Auckland, Australian Open, Hua Hin, Roland Garros and Osaka
- In 2023, won ITF Gifu \$80K by defeating Boulter in the final, taking her ranking into Top 200. Standout results came on home soil in Japan reaching 2r at Osaka (as qualifier, l. Wang Xinyu) and 1r at Tokyo (l. Noskova).
- Entered her first Grand Slam s in 2023, playing qualifying at Roland Garros (l. Arango), Wimbledon (l. Burel) and US Open where she reached Q3 (l. Juvan).

In 2022, played first WTA Tour level matches in at Granby reaching 1r of main draw (as qualifier, l. Paolini). Also played qualifying at Tokyo (l. Papamichail).

- Earned two further ITF titles in 2021, both at Monastir \$15K events.
- Played first full year on ITF circuit in 2019, earning her second title at Nonthaburi \$15K.
- Won ITF Kyoto \$15K in her debut season on the ITF circuit in 2018.

- Grand Slam since Bouchard in 2012
- Played first WTA main draw and earned first main draw win of career at 2018 Quebec City defeating countrywoman Dabrowski in 1r (l. Watson in 2r)
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in USA in 2016

OTHER INFORMATION

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

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NAOMI
OSAKA
JAPAN

JASMINE
PAOLINI

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ITALY

1997-10-16	Date of Birth	1996-01-04
Boca Raton, FL, USA	Residence	Bagni di Lucca, Italy
Right-handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-Handed
5' 11" (1.80 m)	Height	5' 4" (1.63m)
1	Career-High Ranking	4
\$27,198,526	Career Prize Money	\$16,709,849
\$2,595,194	Season Prize Money	\$2,418,857
0 / 7	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 3
81-29 (Champion: 2021 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2020 US OPEN; 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN; 2018 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	39-28 (Runner-Up: 2024 WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS)
0-0 / 12-4 (Champion: 2019)	YTD / Career TOKYO W-L (best)	0-0 / 0-0
30-12 / 248-131	YTD / Career W-L	20-17 / 181-144

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JASMINE
PAOLINI

HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

YEAR	TOURNAMENT	SURFACE	ROUND	WINNER	SCORE/ RESULT	TIME
2025	MIAMI	HARD	4r	Jasmine Paolini	3-6 6-4 6-4	2h 15m

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
13	-	2026	7	-
14	16	2025	4	8
56	59	2024	4	4
41	-	2023	29	30
13	42	2022	44	59
2	13	2021	51	53
3	3	2020	93	95
1	3	2019	114	117
4	5	2018	130	190
44	68	2017	130	137



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**NAOMI
OSAKA**

**JASMINE
PAOLINI**

TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 7th appearance at Tokyo; is a three-time finalist having finished as runner-up in 2016 and 2018 and winning the title in 2019
- Faces No.35 Jasmine Paolini in 1r today
- Owns 9-3 career record against players from Italy
- Has won 7 career hardcourt titles, most recently at Australian Open 2021
- One of 3 players from Japan in the draw
- Is currently ranked No.18; this time last year was ranked No.16
- Enters the tournament with 30 match wins at Tour-level events; has won 30+ matches each of the last 2 seasons; with a win today, will be her most wins in a season since 2019 (40)

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

Total time on court: 0m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making tournament debut; is also playing doubles this week (w/Errani) and is 1 of 5 teams battling for the final spot in the doubles field at the WTA Finals
- Faces No.18 Naomi Osaka in 1r today; seeking first Top 20 win of the season
- Owns 6-1 career record against players from Japan
- Is currently ranked No.35; this time last year was ranked No.8



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2022	Result	Rank: 48	Seed: -
1r	W	D. SAVILLE (#55) 1-0	

2019	Result	Rank: 4	Seed: 1
F	W	A. PAVLYUCHENKOVA (#41) 6-2 6-3	
SF	W	E. MERTENS (#24) 6-4 6-1	
QF	W	Y. PUTINTSEVA (#36) 6-4 6-4	
2r	W	V. TOMOVA (#181) 7-5 6-3	

2018	Result	Rank: 7	Seed: 3
F	L	K. PLISKOVA (#8) 6-4 6-4	
SF	W	C. GIORGI (#37) 6-2 6-3	
QF	W	B. STRYCOVA (#25) 6-3 6-4	
2r	W	D. CIBULKOVA (#30) 6-2 6-1	

2017	Result	Rank: 44	Seed: -
1r	L	A. KERBER (#14) 6-3 6-4	

2016	Result	Rank: 66	Seed: -
F	L	C. WOZNIACKI (#28) 7-5 6-3	
SF	W	E. SVITOLINA (#20) 1-6 6-3 6-2	
QF	W	A. SASNOVICH (#107) 6-3 7-6(6)	
2r	W	D. CIBULKOVA (#12) 6-2 6-1	
1r	W	M. DOI (#34) 6-4 6-4	

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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SEASON 2026 HISTORY

- Reached R16 at Beijing (l. Muchova)
- Made R16 at US Open (l. eventual champion Rybakina)
- Made QF at Toronto (l. Rybakina)
- Reached SF at Washington DC (l. Eala)
- Reached QF at Wimbledon (l. eventual finalist Muchova)
- Finished R-Up at Bad Homburg (ret. vs. Muchova in F)
- Reached 4r at Roland Garros (l. Sabalenka), Madrid (l. Sabalenka) and Rome (l. Swiatek)
- Made 2r at Miami (l. Gibson)
- Reached 4r at Indian Wells (l. eventual champion Sabalenka)
- Made 3r at Australian Open (walkover to Inglis)
- Went 1-1 in singles for Team Japan at United Cup (d. Swan, l. Sakkari)

- Reached 2r at Ningbo (l. Jovic)
- Made 3r at Wuhan (l. Kartal)
- Contested 2r at Beijing (after 1r bye, l. Snigur)
- Made 3r at US Open (l. Cirstea)
- Reached QF at Wimbledon (l. Kostyuk)
- Fell 1r at Eastbourne (l. eventual R-Up Maria)
- Played 2r at Roland Garros (l. Sierra)
- Made 3r at Madrid (l. Baptiste) and Rome (l. Mertens)
- Fell in 1r at Stuttgart (l. Sonmez)
- Played 3r at Miami (l. Ostapenko)
- Made 4r at Indian Wells (l. Gibson)
- Reached SF at Merida (as WC, l. eventual champion Bucsa)
- Played 2r at Dubai (l. Eala)
- Made 2r at Doha (l. Sakkari)
- Reached 3r at Australian Open (l. Jovic)
- Kicked off 2026 going 1-1 in singles for Team Italy at United Cup

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
250	9	Aces	60	70
59.4%	65	First serve %	66.1%	17
71.8%	4	First Serve points won %	60.3%	74
49.1%	12	Second serve points won %	46.4%	38
62.6%	6	Overall service points won %	55.6%	64
77.4%	6	Service games won %	63.7%	64
60.6%	12	Break points saved %	59.3%	19
36.2%	47	First serve return points won %	37.9%	23
53.8%	60	Second serve return points won %	55.4%	38
45.7%	35	Break points converted %	45.8%	34
32.8%	59	Return games won %	37.9%	24
42.8%	56	Return points won %	44.4%	33



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TITLES

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (7)

2021 - AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2020 - US OPEN

2019 - BEIJING, OSAKA, AUSTRALIAN OPEN

2018 - US OPEN, INDIAN WELLS

Runner-Up (7)

2026 - BAD HOMBURG

2025 - MONTREAL, AUCKLAND

2022 - MIAMI

2020 - CINCINNATI (NYC)

2018 - TOKYO

2016 - TOKYO

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (3)

2025 - ROME

2024 - DUBAI

2021 - PORTOROZ

Runner-Up (6)

2025 - CINCINNATI

2024 - WIMBLEDON, ROLAND GARROS

2023 - MONASTIR, PALERMO

2022 - CLUJ-NAPOCA

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (10)

2025 - BEIJING (w/Errani), ROLAND GARROS

(w/Errani), ROME (w/Errani), DOHA (w/Errani)

2024 - BEIJING (w/Errani), OLYMPICS (w/Errani),

ROME (w/Errani), LINZ (w/Errani)

2023 - MONASTIR (w/Errani)

2021 - HAMBURG (w/Teichmann)

Runner-Up (4)

2026 - MIAMI (w/Errani)

2025 - BERLIN (w/Errani)

2024 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Errani)

2022 - MELBOURNE 250 #1 (w/Errani)

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GRAND SLAMS

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- In 2025 reached her first WTA final since returning from maternity leave at Auckland. Made her sixth career WTA 1000 final at Montreal and reached semifinals at US Open which saw her back in the Top 20 for the first time since January 2022. Also won WTA 125 title at Saint Malo
- Returned to play in 2024 following maternity leave and reached the QF at Doha and 's-Hertogenbosch, as well as R16 at Rome and Beijing
- Played 2022 Tokyo in September before taking a 15 month break to give birth to daughter Shai in early July 2023
- In 2022 had success at Miami, where she fell to Swiatek in the final, her first final since the 2021 Australian Open. Also reached the semifinals at Melbourne 250 #1 (withdrew before semifinal with Kudermetova w/abdominal injury)
- Won 2021 Australian Open (d. Brady in F) to become first woman since Seles in the early 1990s to win each of her first four Grand Slam finals - became 16th woman to win four or more majors in the Open Era
- At 2020 US Open, came from a set and a break down to Azarenka and win third Grand Slam title of career; also finished R-Up at Western & Southern Open - withdrew w/left hamstring injury before final against Azarenka
- Won second Grand Slam at 2019 Australian Open (d. Kvitova in F); became first Japanese player to reach World No.1 ranking following the tournament
- In addition, won back-to-back titles for first time in her career at Osaka (d. Pavlyuchenkova in F) and Beijing (d. Barty in F); defeated No.1 Barty in Beijing final for second career victory over world No.1 (also beat Halep at 2018 Indian Wells)
- Enjoyed break-out season in 2018, posting a 40-20 record resulting in a No.5 (first Top 10 season), up from No.68 in 2017
- Won the first two titles of her career in 2018, at Indian Wells (d. Kasatkina in F) and debut Grand Slam crown at US Open (d. S.Williams in F)
- En route to the Indian Wells title, defeated five-time major champion Sharapova, and A.Radwanska, Ka.Pliskova and Halep. Only set dropped all fortnight was against Sakkari in R16
- Reached one further final in 2018, at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Ka.Pliskova)
- In reaching R16 at 2018 Australian Open, became youngest Japanese player to reach R16 at a Slam since Sugiyama at 1995 Roland Garros (19y,
- In 2025 earned second WTA 1000 title of her career on home soil at Rome, also winning the doubles title with Errani - became the first woman to sweep the Rome singles and doubles titles since Monica Seles in 1990
- Also in 2025 won her first Grand Slam title in any discipline, pairing with Errani to claim the Roland Garros women's doubles crown and qualified for the 2025 WTA Finals in both singles and doubles for the second time in her career after 2024
- Breakout 2024 season saw her win the biggest title of her career at WTA 1000 Dubai and also reach her first Grand Slam finals, finishing R-Up at Roland-Garros and Wimbledon. Qualified for her first WTA Finals in singles and doubles, broke into the Top 10 for the first time in her career and finished the season as the World No.4
- Finished 2023 by breaking into Top 30 for first time, achieving No. 29 on Oct 23, 2023 after becoming runner-up at Monastir (l. Mertens). Also achieved runner-up at Palermo and SF at Zhengzhou (l. Zheng both times) as well as QFs at Lyon (l. Garcia) and Cincinnati as a qualifier (l. eventual champion Gauff). Enjoyed two Top 10 wins (No.10 Garcia and No.4 Rybakina).
- In 2022, finished R-Up at Cluj-Napoca (l. Blinkova), while made back-to-back SF at Palermo (l. Bronzetti) and Warsaw (l. eventual champion Garcia); also reached QF at Lyon (l. Yastremska), Portoroz (l. eventual champion Siniakova) and Parma (l. Kovinic)
- Broke into Top 50 on January 31, 2021
- Posted near-Top 50 season finish in 2021 after capturing first WTA singles title of career at Portoroz (d. Riske in F)
- Strong season finish also brought SF run at Courmayeur (l. eventual champion Vekic) and QF effort at Linz (l. Halep); posted best win of season over No.18 Mertens en route to 3r at Indian Wells (l. Pegula)
- Also in 2021 won the WTA 125K event in Bol, Croatia (d. Rus in F) and was R-Up at the same level in Saint Malo (l. Golubic)
- Captured first WTA doubles title in 2021, at Hamburg (w/Teichmann)
- In 2021, for first time in career, contested the full suite of all four Grand Slam events; reached 2r at Roland Garros and US Open, equalling best previous Slam result
- In 2020, reached 2r four times at WTA tournaments, including Roland Garros (l. Kvitova)

- 342d) and the youngest player from Japan to reach R16 in Melbourne since Kimiko Date in 1990 (197, 122d)
- Book-ended 2017 season with QF showings at Auckland and Hong Kong; other highlights included 3r runs at Wimbledon and US Open
- Scored first Top 5 win of career when she defeated No.5 V.Williams at 2017 Hong Kong. Upset win over defending champion and No.6-ranked Kerber at 2017 US Open marked first career Top 10 win
- Voted 2016 WTA Newcomer of the Year; highlight was career-first WTA final at Tokyo [PPO] (l. Wozniacki). Also reached QF on three occasions and 3r at Australian Open, Roland Garros and US Open
- Ranked No.406, made WTA main draw debut at 2014 Stanford. As an alternate, won through qualifying (achieving first WTA qualifying wins), and came from match point down to shock No.19 Stosur in 1r of main draw, before losing to No.18 Petkovic in 2r
- Made WTA qualifying debut at Quebec City in 2013 (l. Dabrowski)

- Highlights of 2019 included QF showings at Guangzhou and Palermo, a SF run at the WTA 125K Series event at Karlsruhe, lifting seventh, eighth and ninth ITF Circuit titles of her career, at \$60KBrescia-ITA, \$25K ITF/Curtiba-BRA and \$100K ITF/Tokyo-JPN, and qualifying for maiden Grand Slam main draw at Roland Garros (l. Kasatkina in 1r)
- Ended 2018 ranked No.180, with season highlight a maiden WTA singles QF at Prague (d. No.15 Kasatkina, l. Zhang)
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2017 Bastad (l. Suarez Navarro in 1r) and also fell 1r at Guangzhou and in qualifying a further three times
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2015 Rome
- Made professional debut on ITF Circuit in Italy in 2011

OTHER INFORMATION

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

- Coached by Marc Lopez
- Resides in Bagni di Lucca and trains in Forte dei Marmi, Italy
- Father is Ugo Paolini, mother is Jacqueline Gardiner and brother is William Paolini. Grandmother lives in Lodz, Poland. Mother is of Ghanaian/Polish descent
- Idolizes Roger Federer
- Favorite shot is her forehand and favorite surface is clay
- Speaks Italian, English and Polish