



MATCH NOTES

HONG KONG TENNIS OPEN - HONG KONG, CHINA
2024-10-28 - 2024-11-03 | \$ 267,082



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91 **SUZAN LAMENS**
NETHERLANDS

CRISTINA (8) BUCSA **71**
SPAIN

1999-07-05	Date of Birth	1998-01-01
	Residence	Cantabria, Spain
Right-handed	Plays	Right-Handed
	Height	5' 9" (1.76m)
88	Career-High Ranking	56
\$441,573	Career Prize Money	\$2,598,331
\$219,663	Season Prize Money	\$1,135,486
1 / 1	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
0-0	Grand Slam W-L (best)	6-12 (Round of 32: 2023 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
1-0 / 1-0 (Round of 16: 2024)	YTD / Career HONG KONG 250 W-L (best)	1-0 / 1-1 (Round of 16: 2024)
9-5 / 10-8	YTD / Career W-L	15-21 / 30-55
6-2 / 6-2	YTD / Career Hard W-L	9-13 / 18-30
2-3 / 3-4	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	5-5 / 15-13
0-1 / 0-2	YTD / Career TB W-L	3-3 / 8-7
Champion: OSAKA	YTD Best Result	Quarter-Finalist: BOGOTA, ABU DHABI



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

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

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
88	-	2024	56	-
198	218	2023	65	83
161	213	2022	104	107
276	277	2021	149	159
479	480	2020	154	161
532	532	2019	164	164
889	989	2018	331	346
901	954	2017	398	415
987	1000	2016	747	798
-	-	2015	748	757



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. X. GAO (#170) 6-3 6-0 (1h 9m)

Total time on court: 1h 9m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 1st appearance at Hong Kong 250
- Has beaten Xinyu Gao so far this week to reach her first 2r since winning at Osaka in 2024 (d. Birrell in F)
- Faces No.71 Cristina Bucsa in 2r today
- Owns 0-1 career record against players from Spain, (l. Masarova in R32) at Prague in 2024
- Owns 4-2 career record against seeded players, with a record in 2024 standing at 3-1
- Best career result on hard court is Champion which she has reached once: Osaka in 2024 (d. Birrell in F)
- Only player from Netherlands to reach 2r
- First time a player from Netherlands reached 2r at Hong Kong 250
- Is currently ranked No.91; this time last year was ranked No.216
- Has won 7 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.101 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 5 three-set matches in 2024

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. H. WONG (#412) 6-3 6-3 (1h 28m)

Total time on court: 1h 28m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at Hong Kong 250, where her previous result was reaching 1r in 2023 (l. Trevisan)
- Has beaten Hong Yi Cody Wong so far this week to reach her first 2r since 4r at Beijing 2024 (l. Muchova)
- Faces No.91 Suzan Lamens in 2r today
- Has never competed against a player from the Netherlands
- Best career result on hard court is QF which she has reached once: Abu Dhabi in 2024 (as LL, l. Rybakina)
- Only player from Spain to reach 2r
- Best result by Spain at Hong Kong 250 was SF run by Garbiñe Muguruza in 2018
- Is currently ranked No.71; this time last year was ranked No.82
- During last year's Asian swing reached 1r at Hong Kong, 2r at Tokyo
- Has won 14 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.70 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 10 three-set matches in 2024



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

2023	Result	Rank: 78	Seed: -
1r	L	M. TREVISAN (#42)	7-5 6-2



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SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Contested 1r at Guangzhou (l. Bouzkova)
- Won at Osaka 250 (as qualifier, d. Birrell in final)
- Reached QF of Hong Kong 125 (l. Gracheva) and 2r of qualification at Wuhan (l. Baptiste)
- Was defeated in 1r at Monastir (l. Starodubtseva) and Beijing qualification (l. Hon)
- Fell in 1r of US Open qualification (l. Hartono)
- Reached QF at WTA 125 Barranquilla (l. eventual R-Up, Maria)
- Played 1r at Hamburg 125 (l. Rus)
- Contested 1r at Prague (l. Masarova)
- Posted best career result to date by reaching QF at Budapest (l. Sasnovich)
- Made 2r at Contrexeville WTA 125 (l. Janicijevic)
- Played qualifying at Wimbledon and Berlin
- Reached 2r at 's-Hertogenbosch (l. Osaka)
- Played qualifying at Roland Garros
- Won her first WTA career singles title at WTA 125 Oeiras, after defeating Tauson
- Contested QF at WTA 125 San Luis Potosi (l. Riera)
- After playing qualifying at Auckland and Australian Open, played 1r at WTA 125 Mumbai (l. Rodionova)

- Played 1r at Osaka (l. Bronzetti)
- Contested 1r at Wuhan (l. Anisimova)
- Reached R16 at Beijing (l. Muchova)
- Played 1r at US Open (l. Errani)
- Reached 2r at Cleveland in singles(l. Haddad Maia) and lifted doubles trophy (w/Xu)
- Played qualifying at Cincinnati
- Played 1r at Toronto (l. Yuan)
- Contested 2r in singles (l.Fernandez) and won bronze medal in women's doubles at Paris Olympics (w/Sorribes Tormo)
- Made 2r at Wimbledon (l. Bouzas Maneiro)
- Played qualifying at Eastbourne and Birmingham
- Failed 1r at Nottingham (l. Parry)
- Reached 2r at Roland Garros (l. Cocciaretto)
- Contested 1r at Strasbourg (l. Alexandrova) and won doubles title w/Niculescu
- Played 2r at WTA 125 Paris (l. Ferro)
- Fell in opening round at Rome (l. Avanesyan)
- Reached 2r at Madrid (l. Kasatkina); in doubles, captured 2nd title of season and third of career at Madrid playing alongside Sara Sorribes Tormo
- Made QF at Bogota (l. Rakhimova)
- Fell in opening round at Indian Wells (l. Dolehide) and Miami (l. Putintseva)
- Played R32 at Dubai (as a lucky loser, l. Kalinskaya)
- As a qualifier reached QF at Abu Dhabi (l. Rybakina)
- Fell in opening round at Australian Open (l. Blinkova)
- Made R16 at Adelaide (as qualifier, l. Rybakina)
- Opened the 2024 season making 2r at Brisbane (l. Linette)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
38	98	Aces	43	93
62.6%	0	First serve %	66.9%	16
64.2%	0	First Serve points won %	59.3%	78
44.2%	0	Second serve points won %	44.0%	63
56.7%	0	Overall service points won %	54.3%	77
68.1%	0	Service games won %	58.7%	79
53.6%	0	Break points saved %	56.2%	47
42.6%	0	First serve return points won %	38.0%	25
56.9%	0	Second serve return points won %	54.5%	58



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58.1% Break points converted % 47.5% 23

47.2% Return games won % 36.8% 35

4.6%

Best win by ranking: No.49 vs Tomova in OSAKA 1r
Longest match: 2h 35m vs Sasnovich in BUDAPEST QF
Shortest match: 54m vs Osaka in 'S-HERTOGENBOSCH 2r

Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 5 vs Bronzetti in OSAKA 2r
5 vs Tomova in OSAKA 1r

Best win by ranking: No.15 vs Samsonova in BEIJING 2r
Longest match: 3h 13m vs Bogdan in WIMBLEDON 1r
Shortest match: 56m vs Parry in NOTTINGHAM 4r

Match points saved:
Most aces in a match: 5 vs Samsonova in BEIJING 2r

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CRISTINA BUCSA

TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

Champion (1)
2024 - OSAKA

DOUBLES FINALS

Champion (5)
2024 - CLEVELAND (w/Xu), STRASBOURG (w/Niculescu), MADRID (w/Sorribes Tormo), BOGOTA (w/Rakhimova)
2023 - LYON (w/Schoofs)

Runner-Up (2)
2024 - OSAKA (w/Niculescu)
2022 - PORTOROZ (w/Mihalikova)

AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	
				2024	1r	2r	2r	1r
				2023	3r	1r	2r	1r
				2022	1r	1r		2r
				2021				1r



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Produced breakthrough performance in 2024 with QF at Budapest on clay (l. Sasnovich) and claiming WTA 125 Oeiras title (d. Tauson in F)
- Played first Tour level matches at 2022 Bogota reaching R16 as a qualifier (l. Bara)
- Won first ITF Circuit title at W15 tournament in Alkmaar, Netherlands in 2019
- Overall has won four titles in singles and 14 in doubles
- Made professional debut at W15 ITF Circuit event in Breda, Netherlands in 2015
- Made third round of Grand Slam for first time at 2023 Australian Open after qualifying (l. Swiatek). As a qualifier, notched first Top 20 victory over Belinda Bencic at 2023 Cincinnati (l. Paolini).
- Also in 2023, lifted maiden title at WTA 125 Limoges (d. Jacquemot)
- In 2022, made 2r at Lyon (as qualifier, l. Yastremska), Lausanne (as qualifier, l. Waltert), US Open (as qualifier, l. Collins) and Portoroz (as qualifier, l. Haddad Maia). Also made SF at WTA 125K Series events in Contrexeville and Andorra
- Appeared in main draw at a major for the first time at 2021 US Open, falling 1r (as qualifier, l. Teichmann)
- Scored first Tour-level win during 2r showing at 2021 Belgrade (d. Kovinic, l. Sasnovich)
- Fell 1r on WTA main-draw debut at 2021 Bogota (l. Parrizas Diaz)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2019 Wimbledon
- Won first ITF Circuit title in 2017, at W15 event in Santarem, Portugal
- Owns four titles in singles and seven in doubles on ITF Circuit

OTHER INFORMATION

- Started playing tennis aged six
- Favorite surface is hard
- Currently coached by Ion Bucsa (Father)
- Trains and lives in Cantabria, Spain
- Hobbies include reading books and enjoying walks through nature
- Idolizes Serena Williams and Kim Clijsters
- Favorite surface is grass

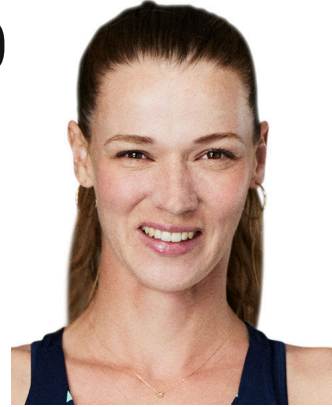


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FIRST MEETING



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SOFIA KENIN
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

JESSIKA PONCHET **106**
FRANCE

1998-11-14	Date of Birth	1996-09-26
Pembroke Pines, Florida, USA	Residence	Angresse, France
Right-Handed	Plays	Right-handed (one-handed backhand)
5' 7" (1.70m)	Height	
4	Career-High Ranking	104
\$10,192,467	Career Prize Money	\$1,320,905
\$1,268,252	Season Prize Money	\$410,138
0 / 5	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
38-25 (Champion: 2020 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	1-7 (Round of 32: 2024 US OPEN)
1-0 / 1-0 (Round of 16: 2024)	YTD / Career HONG KONG 250 W-L (best)	1-0 / 1-0 (Round of 16: 2024)
13-21 / 141-110	YTD / Career W-L	2-6 / 3-17
9-15 / 106-79	YTD / Career Hard W-L	2-4 / 3-11
5-6 / 55-37	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	1-3 / 1-6
2-10 / 34-38	YTD / Career TB W-L	1-2 / 1-3
Runner-Up: TOKYO	YTD Best Result	Round of 16: HONG KONG 250



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First career meeting

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
33	-	2024	104	-
30	33	2023	119	122
12	235	2022	152	166
4	12	2021	201	201
4	4	2020	187	244
12	14	2019	169	190
48	52	2018	211	239
110	113	2017	269	269
205	212	2016	490	526
620	620	2015	669	791



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. M. YAMAGUCHI (#362) 6-4 6-4 (1h 23m)

Total time on court: 1h 23m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 1st appearance at Hong Kong 250
- Has beaten Mei Yamaguchi so far this week to reach her first 2r since R-UP at Tokyo 2024 (as WC, l. Q. Zheng in F)
- Faces No.106 Jessika Ponchet in 2r today
- Best career result on hard court is Champion which she has reached 4 times: Lyon, Australian Open in 2020; Guangzhou, Hobart in 2019
- One of 2 players from the US to reach 2r (B. Pera)
- Best result by a US player at Hong Kong 250 was SF run by Jennifer Brady in 2017, Venus Williams in 2015
- Last time 2 players from the US reached 2r at Hong Kong 250 was 2017
- Is currently ranked No.88; this time last year was ranked No.32
- During last year's Asian swing reached 1r at Seoul, 1r at Beijing, 1r at Dubai, 2r at Doha
- Has won 13 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.74 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 11 three-set matches in 2024

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. X. WANG (#37) 4-6 7-5 6-2 (2h 4m)

Total time on court: 2h 4m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 1st appearance at Hong Kong 250
- Has beaten Xinyu Wang so far this week to reach her first 2r since 2r at Osaka 2023 (l. Krueger)
- Faces No.88 Sofia Kenin in 2r today
- Best career result on hard court is R16 which she has reached once: Osaka in 2023
- One of 2 players from France to reach 2r (V. Gracheva)
- Best result by a player from France at Hong Kong 250 was R-Up run by Kristina Mladenovic in 2016
- Last time 2 players from France reached 2r at Hong Kong 250 was 2016
- Is currently ranked No.106; this time last year was ranked No.159
- During last year's Asian swing reached 1r at Guangzhou, 2r at Osaka
- Has won 2 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.158 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 4 three-set matches in 2024



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles

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SEASON 2024 HISTORY


- Finalist at Tokyo (as WC, l. champion Q. Zheng)
- Contested 1r at Osaka (as WC, l. Ito)
Played 1r at Wuhan (l. Alexandrova)
- Reached 2r at Beijing (l. Shnaider)
- Made 2r at US Open (l. Pegula)
- Reached 2r at Cleveland (l. Burel)
- Played 1r at Toronto (l. Yafan Wang)
- Contested 1r at Washington DC (l. eventual champion Badosa)
- Failed 1r at Wimbledon (l. Swiatek)
- Contested 2r at Eastbourne (as LL, 1r Bye, l. Dart)
- Reached 3r at Roland Garros (l. Tauson)
- Played qualifying at Strasbourg
- Earned first back-to-back wins of 2024 season at Rome, reaching 3r (l. Sramkova)
- Made 2r at WTA 125 Lleida (l. Krueger)
- Suffered a string of opening round defeats at Madrid (l. Schmiedlova), Charleston (l. Townsend), Miami (l. Volynets), Indian Wells (l. Tomova), Dubai (l. Cirstea), Doha (l. Bouzkova) and Australian Open (l. Swiatek)
- Made R16 at Hobart (l. Saville)
- Opened the 2024 season playing 2r at Brisbane (l. Rodionova)

- Played 1r at Guangzhou (as qualifier, l. Shi)
- Contested 1r at Osaka (as LL, l. Cocciaretto)
- Reached 3r at US Open(as qualifier, l. Wozniacki)
- Played qualifying at Wimbledon
- Contested 1r at 's-Hertogenbosch (as qualifier, l. Krunic)
- Played 1r at Roland Garros as a wild card (l. Fernandez)
- Played qualifying at Strasbourg
- Made QF at WTA 125 Saint Malo (l. Cornet)
- Played qualifying at Madrid and Rouen
- Reached 1r at Austin as a qualifier (l. Parry)
- Played qualifying at Indian Wells
- Played qualifying at Australian Open and Auckland

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
55	82	Aces	35	102
67.8%	11	First serve %	57.1%	0
62.3%	59	First Serve points won %	68.9%	0
46.0%	45	Second serve points won %	39.3%	0
57.0%	45	Overall service points won %	56.2%	0
67.7%	42	Service games won %	62.8%	0
58.3%	28	Break points saved %	54.5%	0
33.4%	87	First serve return points won %	30.6%	0
53.7%	70	Second serve return points won %	48.1%	0
42.9%	73	Break points converted %	40.7%	0
28.9%	84	Return games won %	23.9%	0
41.0%	85	Return points won %	37.0%	0


Best win by ranking: No.9 vs Kasatkina in TOKYO QF
 No.9 vs Jabeur in ROME 2r
 Longest match: 2h 54m vs Bouzkova in DGHA 1r
 Shortest match: 1h 5m vs Zheng in US OPEN 1r

Best win by ranking: No.4 vs Rybakina in US OPEN 2r
 Longest match: 3h 3m vs Cocciaretto in OSAKA 1r
 Shortest match: 1h 5m vs Zheng in US OPEN 1r



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

- Champion (5)
- 2020 - LYON, AUSTRALIAN OPEN
- 2019 - GUANGZHOU, MALLORCA, HOBART
- Runner-Up (4)
- 2024 - TOKYO
- 2023 - SAN DIEGO
- 2020 - ROLAND GARROS
- 2019 - ACAPULCO

DOUBLES FINALS

- Champion (4)
- 2024 - MIAMI (w/Mattek-sands), ABU DHABI (w/Mattek-sands)
- 2019 - BEIJING (w/Mattek-sands), AUCKLAND (w/Bouchard)

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- Strongest result of 2023 was runner-up at San Diego (l. Krejčíková). Also reached SF at Hobart (l. Cocciaretto) and Guadalajara (l. Dolehide). As a qualifier, posted her best Wimbledon result with 3r (l. Svitolina). Moved 202 positions up the ranking from her 2022 year-end position (from No. 235 to No.33).
- Best results of 2022 were QF at Adelaide (l. eventual champion Barty) and Cleveland (l. Pera). Missed clay and grass swings w/right ankle injury
- Missed second half of 2021 season due to ongoing foot injury and then testing positive for COVID-19
- In opening half of the 2021 campaign, standout results were QFs at Abu Dhabi and Yarra Valley Classic, and a R16 showing at Roland Garros
- Ended 2020 at career high of No.4 which she first hit on March 9, 2020 and came away with the 2020 WTA Player of the Year Award
- In last tournament of the season, finished R-Up at Roland Garros (l. Swiatek) for her first final appearance on clay
- Reached R16 at US Open and was one of only two players (also Kvitová) to reach second week of all three Slams in 2020
- Lifted fifth WTA singles title at Lyon (d. Friedsam in F) becoming the first player in 2020 to win a second title
- Won maiden major at 2020 Australian Open (d. Muguruza in F) to become the youngest champion (21y, 80d) in Melbourne since Sharapova (20y, 283d) in 2008. Defeated No.1 Barty and home favorite in SF for third career win over a reigning World No.1
- Australian Open run helped her break into the Top 10 for the first time at No.7 on February 3, 2020
- Won 2019 WTA Most Improved Player of the Year award after winning three WTA titles at Hobart (d. Schmiedlova in F), Mallorca (d. Bencic in F) and Guangzhou (d. Stosur in F)
- Finished 2019 at No.14 as US No.2 (behind No.9 S.Williams) and leader in hard court wins (38-tied w/Barty)
- Registered back-to-back SF runs at Toronto (l. eventual champion Andreescu) and Cincinnati (l. eventual champion Keys), subsequently leading to Top 20 debut at No.20 on August 19, 2019
- During this run, defeated No.1 Barty (Toronto) and No.1 Osaka (Cincinnati) to become first player since October 2001 to defeat World No.1s in consecutive weeks (Davenport); also became
- Posted first Tour level main draw win of career in 2023, defeating Golubic at Osaka to reach 2r (l. Krueger). Also played fifth Slam main draw at 2023 Roland-Garros.
- Contested first Slam main draws in 2018, at Australian Open and Roland-Garros. Also contested these Slams again in 2019.
- Made Tour level debut at 2017 Roland-Garros qualifying

- youngest American to defeat reigning No.1 in eight years (after McHale)
- Advanced to R16 at 2019 Roland Garros (d. S.Williams, l. eventual champion Barty) - became first American to defeat Serena at the majors since Stephens at 2013 Australian Open QF
- Also won maiden doubles titles in 2019 at Auckland (w/Bouchard) and Beijing (w/Mattek-Sands)
- Broke into the Top 100 on March 19, 2018 and Top 50 on October 8, 2018
- Member of US Billie Jean King Cup team from 2018-20
- Made WTA main draw debut at 2015 US Open as a wildcard (l. Duque-Mariño in 1r)
- Owns four ITF singles titles and two doubles titles
- Played first matches of career on ITF Circuit in 2013, climbing to No.2 in ITF World Junior Rankings
- Represented the USA at the 2014 Youth Olympic Games and competed at the 2016 ITF Junior Masters, both held in China

OTHER INFORMATION

- Current coach is her father, Alex Kenin; Previously worked with Michael Joyce
 - Trains at at ProWorld Academy in Delray Beach, Florida
 - Father is Alex and mother is Lena
 - Born in Moscow, moved to New York as a baby before family settled in Florida. Now resides in Pembroke Pines, Florida, where she was home-schooled
 - Good friends with CiCi Bellis and Katie Swan
 - Likes rap music, especially Drake
 - Treat food is Froyo - cookies and cream with Hershey's on top
- Coached by Olivia Ponchet



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32 **LEYLAH FERNANDEZ (3)**
CANADA

KIMBERLY BIRRELL **115**
AUSTRALIA

2002-09-06	Date of Birth	1998-04-29
Boynton Beach, Florida, USA	Residence	Gold Coast, Australia
Left-Handed (two-handed backhand)	Plays	Right-handed (two-handed backhand)
5' 6" (1.68m)	Height	5' 7" (1.70m)
13	Career-High Ranking	100
\$5,645,588	Career Prize Money	\$1,323,214
\$1,326,623	Season Prize Money	\$378,336
0 / 3	Singles Titles YTD / Career	0 / 0
22-18 (Runner-Up: 2021 US OPEN)	Grand Slam W-L (best)	3-8 (Round of 32: 2019 AUSTRALIAN OPEN)
1-0 / 6-0 (Champion: 2023)	YTD / Career HONG KONG 250 W-L (best)	1-0 / 1-0 (Round of 16: 2024)
29-23 / 104-80	YTD / Career W-L	7-7 / 22-25
16-14 / 74-54	YTD / Career Hard W-L	5-6 / 18-21
13-11 / 38-31	YTD / Career 3-Set W-L	2-1 / 7-3
8-5 / 25-21	YTD / Career TB W-L	0-4 / 4-7
5-1 / 10-7	YTD / Career L Hand W-L	0-0 / 1-2
Runner-Up: EASTBOURNE	YTD Best Result	Runner-Up: OSAKA



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HEAD TO HEAD RECORD

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

RANKING HISTORY

TOP RANK	YEAR-END	YEAR	TOP RANK	YEAR-END
23	-	2024	110	-
32	35	2023	100	113
13	40	2022	167	167
24	24	2021	692	734
88	88	2020	242	735
209	209	2019	154	245
451	487	2018	259	285
727	728	2017	351	356
-	-	2016	275	506
-	-	2015	361	361



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TOURNAMENT HISTORY

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. H. WATSON (#139) 6-2 6-2 (1h 24m)

Total time on court: 1h 24m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 2nd appearance at Hong Kong 250, where her previous result was winning in 2023 (d. Siniakova in F)
- Has beaten Heather Watson so far this week to reach her first 2r since QF at Tokyo in 2024 (l. eventual champion Q. Zheng)
- Faces No.115 Kimberly Birrell in 2r today
- Owns 1-3 career record against players from Australia, with record in 2024 standing at 0-1 (l. Tomljanovic in QF) at Birmingham
- Best career result on hard court is Champion which she has reached 3 times: Hong Kong in 2023; Monterrey in 2022; Monterrey in 2021
- Only player from Canada to reach 2r
- Best result by a player from Canada at Hong Kong 250 was Champion run by Leylah Fernandez in 2023
- During last year's Asian swing reached SF at Nanchang, Champion at Hong Kong, 2r at Dubai, 1r at Abu Dhabi
- Has won 26 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.26 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 23 three-set matches in 2024; one of 12 players to contest more than 20

CURRENT TOURNAMENT

1r: d. A. BOGDAN (#112) 6-3 6-4 (1h 53m)

Total time on court: 1h 53m

PLAYER NOTES

- Making 1st appearance at Hong Kong 250
- Has beaten Ana Bogdan so far this week to reach her first 2r since R-UP at Osaka in 2024 (as qualifier, l. Lamens)
- Faces No.32 Leylah Fernandez in 2r today; owns 5 wins in career over Top 50 players, most recently No.27 Elise Mertens at Osaka 2024
- Owns 0-1 career record against players from Canada (l. Marino in SF)
- Owns 5-9 career record against seeded players, with a record in 2024 standing at 1-2
- Best career result on hard court is R-Up which she has reached once: Osaka in 2024
- One of 2 players from Australia to reach 2r (P. Hon)
- Best result by an Australian player at Hong Kong 250 was R-Up run by Daria Saville in 2017
- Last time 2 players from Australia reached 2r at Hong Kong 250 was 2017
- During last year's Asian swing reached 2r at Nanchang, QF at Seoul
- Has won 6 matches so far in 2024; she is ranked No.106 on tour for match wins
- Has been involved in 3 three-set matches in 2024



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RECENT TOURNAMENT HISTORY

2023	Result	Rank: 60	Seed: -
F	W	K. SINIAKOVA (#85)	3-6 6-4 6-4
SF	W	A. BLINKOVA (#37)	6-2 7-5
QF	W	L. FRUHVIRTOVA (#88)	7-6(2) 6-2
2r	W	M. ANDREEVA (#50)	3-6 6-1 6-3
1r	W	V. AZARENKA (#19)	2-6 6-3

- Making her tournament debut in Main Draw Singles



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SEASON 2024 HISTORY

- Made QF at Tokyo (l. eventual champion Qinwen Zheng)
- Reached 3r at Wuhan (l. Qinwen Zheng)
- Played 2r at Beijing (l. Stearns)
- Contested 1r at US Open (l. Potapova)
- Played 1r at Cleveland (l. Bogdan)
- Reached QF at Cincinnati (l. Pegula); also achieved R-Up in doubles w/Putintseva
- Made 2r at Toronto (l. Krueger)
- Reached 2r at Paris Olympics (l. Kerber)
- Reached 2r at Wimbledon (l. Wozniacki)
- Finished R-Up at Eastbourne (l. Kasatkina in F)
- Reached QF at Birmingham (l.Tomljanovic)
- Reached 2r at Strasbourg (l. Samsonova)
- Fell in 1r at Rome (l. Bogdan)
- Made 3r at Madrid (l. Jabeur)
- Played 2r at Charleston (l. Stephens)
- Contested 3r at Miami (l. Pegula)
- After a 1r bye, fell against Parry in 2r at Indian Wells
- Withdrew during opening round match against Tatjana Maria at San Diego with left shoulder injury
- Made 2r at Dubai (l. eventual champion Paolini)
- Reached QF at Doha (l. Rybakina)
- Played 2r at Australian Open (l. Parks)
- Started the 2024 season representing Canada at the United Cup, going 1-1 in singles play (d. Seguel) (l. Sakkari)

- Made final at Osaka (as qualifier, l. champion Lamens)
- Reached 2r at Hong Kong 125 (l. Navarro)
- Played 1r at Beijing (as qualifier, l. Rakhimova)
- Played 1r at Guadalajara 500 (as qualifier, l. Shibahara)
- Reached 2r at Guadalajara 125 (as qualifier, l. Schmiedlova)
- Played 1r at US Open (as qualifier, l. Vekic)
- Made QF at Nottingham (l. Parry)
- Played qualifying at Roland Garros
- Won ITF event W75 Fukuoka
- Played qualifying at Doha
- Contested 1r at Mumbai (l. Galfi)
- Fell in opening round at Australian Open (l. Ostapenko)
- Opened the 2024 season making 1r at Brisbane (l. Gadecki)

VALUE	WTA RANK	MATCH STATS	VALUE	WTA RANK
124	33	Aces	33	103
64.3%	33	First serve %	64.3%	0
64.4%	40	First Serve points won %	63.5%	0
45.7%	47	Second serve points won %	48.1%	0
57.7%	39	Overall service points won %	58.0%	0
68.7%	33	Service games won %	69.4%	0
57.0%	37	Break points saved %	59.8%	0
36.8%	44	First serve return points won %	35.8%	0
57.0%	16	Second serve return points won %	52.5%	0
44.5%	53	Break points converted %	46.0%	0
36.4%	37	Return games won %	31.1%	0


44.4%
35
Return points won %
42.1%
0



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TITLES & GRAND SLAMS

SINGLES FINALS

- Champion (3)
- 2023 - HONG KONG
- 2022 - MONTERREY
- 2021 - MONTERREY
- Runner-Up (3)
- 2024 - EASTBOURNE
- 2021 - US OPEN
- 2020 - ACAPULCO

DOUBLES FINALS

- Runner-Up (4)
- 2024 - CINCINNATI (w/Putintseva)
- 2023 - ROLAND GARROS (w/Townsend), MIAMI (w/Townsend), AUCKLAND (w/Mattek-sands)

SINGLES FINALS

- Runner-Up (1)
- 2024 - OSAKA

DOUBLES FINALS

- Runner-Up (2)
- 2023 - MONTERREY (w/Contreras)
- 2016 - HOBART (w/Wolfe)

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



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CAREER MILESTONES

- 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. Other notable results where quarterfinals at Guadalajara (l. Kenin), Cleveland (l. Maria) and Auckland (l. Bonaventure). 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)
- Also in 2020, earned first Top-100 win over No.5 Bencic in Billie Jean King Cup
- Owns one singles title and two doubles titles on ITF Circuit
- Won 2019 Roland Garros junior's title (d. Navarro) becoming first Canadian to win a junior 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)

- Advanced to maiden WTA QF at 2023 Merida (as qualifier, l. McNally). Also reached QF at Seoul (l. Bektas) and cracked into Top 100 for first time.
- Reached three ITF Circuit finals in 2022, including third title at this level at W60 event in Playford, Australia. At Tour level, reached 2r at Seoul (l. Maria) and contested qualifying on eight occasions
- Missed the second half of 2019 and entire 2020 season to undergo elbow surgery
- In only her second career Grand Slam main draw appearance, reached 3r at 2019 Australian Open upsetting No.29 Vekic in 2r (as WC, l. Kerber)
- Followed up Melbourne run by reaching a career-high ranking of No.154 on May 6, 2019
- Opened 2019 season with 2r showing at Brisbane (as WC, d. No.10 Kasatkina, l. eventual R-Up Tsurenko)
- Win over Kasatkina remains her best by-ranking win of her career and only victory over a Top 20 player
Posted career-best year-end finish of No.285 in 2018 (up from No.356 in 2017). During 2018 season, fell in qualifying at Brisbane, Hobart, Australian Open, Istanbul and Eastbourne
- Also won biggest ITF Circuit title of career in 2018, at \$60k/Darwin-AUS
- Posted a then career-high ranking of No.259 in week of October 1, 2018
- Reached 2r on WTA main draw debut as wildcard at 2016 Hobart (l. Cibulkova)
- Also at 2016 Hobart, finished R-Up in doubles w/Wolfe (l. Han/Mchale)
- Made WTA qualifying debut at 2014 Hobart
- On ITF Circuit, winner of four titles in singles and one in doubles
- Played first professional events of career on ITF Circuit in Australia in 2012

- Member of Canadian Billie Jean King Cup Team 2019, 2021-22
- 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
- 2020 Summer Olympic Games Participant for Canada and BJK Cup Team Member
- 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
- Mother is Ros; brother is Cade
- Started playing at age 4; baseliner whose favorite shot is forehand; favorite surface is hard
- Enjoys reading, watching movies, hanging out with friends, the beach and spending time with her dogs and fish