



SEMIFINALS

DOHA, QATAR

DAY-5 MATCH-1 CENTER COURT

SEED	SINGLES	RANK	NAT	SET-1	SET-2	SET-3
[2]	JESSICA PEGULA	4	USA	6	4	6
[5/WC]	MARIA SAKKARI	7	GRE	2	6	1

* WIND: ABSOLUTE BRUTAL CONDITIONS. NO CHANCE TO ESTABLISH ANY FORM OF RHYTHM.

MATCH TIME 1:59

S	ET 1	
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	1-0
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	2-0
MARIA SAKKARI	HOLD	2-1
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	3-1
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	4-1
MARIA SAKKARI	BREAK	4-2
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	5-2
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	6-2

S	ET 2	
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	1-0
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	2-0
MARIA SAKKARI	HOLD	2-1
MARIA SAKKARI	BREAK	2-2
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	3-2
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	4-2
MARIA SAKKARI	HOLD	4-3
MARIA SAKKARI	BREAK	4-4
MARIA SAKKARI	HOLD	4-5
MARIA SAKKARI	BREAK	4-6

	SET 3	
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	1-0
MARIA SAKKARI	BREAK	1-1
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	2-1
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	3-1
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	4-1
JESSICA PEGULA	HOLD	5-1
JESSICA PEGULA	BREAK	6-1

HEAD TO	HEAD					
YEAR	RNK WINNING PLAYER	RNK LOSING PLAYER	ROUND	EVENT	CATEGORY	RESULT
2023	4 JESICA PEGULA	7 MARIA SAKKARI	SF	DOHA	WTA-500	6-2 4-6 6-1
2022	5 MARIA SAKKARI	3 JESSICA PEGULA	RR	WTA FINALS	WTA FINALS	7-6(6) 7-6(4)
2022	5 JESSICA PEGULA	6 MARIA SAKKARI	FF	GUADALAJARA	WTA-1000	6-2 6-3
2022	6 MARIA SAKKARI	17 JESSICA PEGULA	R16	DOHA	WTA-1000	6-4 7-5
2022	21 JESSICA PEGULA	8 MARIA SAKKARI	R16	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	GRAND SLAM	7-6(0) 6-3
2021	25 MARIA SAKKARI	33 JESSICA PEGULA	R16	MIAMI	WTA-1000	6-4 2-6 7-6(6)
2019	32 MARIA SAKKARI	74 JESSICA PEGULA	R1	EASTBOURNE	WTA-500	6-2 6-1

FANS, TONIGHT'S SEMIFINAL IS THE 7TH MEETING BETWEEN THESE TWO TOP-TALENTS SINCE 2019, SECOND HERE IN DOHA.

MARIA SAKKARI HOLDS THE EDGE WITH FOUR VICTORIES. LAST YEAR - JESSICA PEGULA WON THEIR CLASHES AT THE AUSTRALIAN

OPEN AND IN THE GUADALAJARA FINAL. MARIA SAKKARI EMERGED THE VICTOR HERE IN DOHA, AND IN THE GROUP STAGE OF THE

WTA FINALS.

[2] JESSICA PEGULA -04- (USA)				2023 QATAR TOTALENERGIES OPEN	
ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
FINAL	[1]	IGA SWIATEK	1	POL	TBD
SEMIFINAL	[5/WC]	MARIA SAKKARI	7	GRE	6-2 4-6 6-1 1:59
QUARTERFINAL		BEATRIZ HADDAD MAIA	12	BRA	6-3 6-2 1:25
ROUND 2		JELENA OSTAPENKO	14	LAT	6-2 2-6 7-5 1:52
ROUND I BYE					
DIRECT ENTRY					

[5/WC] MARIA SAKKARI -07- (GRE)					2023 QATAR TOTALENERGIES OPEN
ROUND	SEED	OPPONENT	RANK	NAT	RESULT
SEMIFINAL	[2]	JESSICA PEGULA	4	USA	2-6 6-4 1-6 1:59
QUARTERFINAL	[3]	CAROLINE GARCIA	5	FRA	6-2 6-7(5) 7-6(5) 2:41
ROUND 2		EKATERINA ALEXANDROVA	18		6-3 6-2 1:21
ROUND I		QINWEN ZHENG	24	CHN	6-2 3-6 6-3 2:09
DIRECT ENTRY					

PLAYER BIOGRAPHY

WEDNESDAY NIGHT, SHE SAVED MATCH POINTS AGAINST 2016 DOHA FINALIST JELENA OSTAPENKO - AND SOMEHOW, SOMEWAY - CAME BACK FROM BEING DOWN 2-5 IN THE DECIDING-SET TO EARN THE VICTORY. LAST NIGHT - SHE DISPATCHED BRAZIL'S BEATRIZ HADDAD MAIA IN STRAIGHT-SETS, AND FINDS HERSLEF BACK IN DOHA'S SEMIFINALS - WHERE TWO YEARS AGO, SHE REACHED THE FINAL FOUR AS A QUALIFIER, WINNING SIX CONSECUTIVE MATCHES IN HER DOHA DEBUT. LAST YEAR, SHE CAPTURED HER FIRST WTA-1000 SINGLES TITLE IN GUADALAJARA, WON FIVE DOUBLES TITLES, REACHED THE ROLAND GARROS DOUBLES FINAL, AND COMPLETED THE SEASON WITH A WTA FINALS APPEARANCE IN BOTH SINGLES AND DOUBLES. FIGHTING FOR A SPOT IN HER 6TH CAREER SINGLES FINAL, FROM THE UNITED STATES - PLEASE WELCOME WORLD #4, JESSICA PEGULA.

CURRENT RANK	CAREER-HIGH	DETAIL
4	3	 Oct-2022 After capturing first WTA-1000 title in Guadalajara DOUBLES: Also reached career-high of World #3 in Doubles (Oct-22) Captured 5 doubles titles in 2022 Currently World #4 in Doubles

QATAR TOTAL OPEN DEFENDING DOUBLES CHAMPIO			DEFENDING DOUBLES CHAMPION V	// COCO GAUFF SINGLES RESULTS: 8-2
YEAR	RANK	RESULT	DETAIL	
2023	4	FF	•	
2022	17	R16	 Maria Sakkari (6) 4-6, 5-7 	* DOUBLES CHAMPION WITH COCO GAUFF / 1st career WTA-1000 title
2021	44	SF	 Petra Kvitova (10) 4-6, 4 	6 * As a Qualifier, 6 victories, including QF win over Karolina Pliskova (6)

GRAND SLAM SINGLES: 5-TIME QUARTERFINALIST					DOUBLES: 2022 RG FINALIST, 2023 AO SEMIFINALIST
YEAR	AUSTRALIAN OPEN	ROLAND GARROS	WIMBLEDON	US OPEN	DETAILS
2023	QF				•
2022	QF	QF	R3	QF	First Grand Slam Doubles Final in 2022 (RG-Gauff)
2021	QF	R3	R2	R3	•
2020	R1	R1	Not Held	R3	•

WTA TOUR OWNS 2 SINGLES TITLES, INCLUDING 1 WTA-1000 TITLE | OWNS 5 DOUBLES TITLES, INCLUDING 2 WTA-1000 TITLES TITLES: 2 FINALS: 5 WTA FINALS (1): 2022-RR DEBUT IN FORT WORTH | ALSO QUALIFIED IN DOUBLES

YEAR	TITLE	FINAL	DETAIL		
2023	0	0	• Helped lift Team USA to inaugural United Cup title (week-1 of season) including upset over World #1 Sviatek in SF		
2022	1	1	• Title: Guadalajara-1000, Final: Madrid 5 Doubles titles, first Grand Slam Doubles Final at Roland Garros		
2021	0	0	•		
2020	0	1	Final: Auckland-500		
2019	1	0	Title: Washington DC-250 (Captured first WTA title as the World #79)		
2018	0	1	• Title: Guadalajara-1000, Final: Quebec City-250		

TEAM EVENTS	HELPED LIFT TEAM USA TO INAUGURAL UNITED CUP TITLE
EVENT	DETAIL
OLYMPICS	• Debut Tokyo 2020 ('21) Singles: R1 fell to Gold Medalist Belinda Bencic. Doubles: QF with Bethanie Mattek-Sands
BILLIE JEAN KING CUP	• 2 Ties for Team USA Teamed with Asia Muhammed to clinch Qualifying Tie over Ukraine last April
UNITED CUP	• Champion Went 4-1 for Team USA. Included straight-sets upset of World #1 Iga Swiatek in the Semifinals

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS / ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS		
LIFE	DETAIL	
FAMILY	They own the Buffalo Bills NFL Team and the Buffalo Sables NHL Team	
COLLEGE	Played Division-1 tennis at the University of Pittsburg	
BUSINESS	Owns her own skincare company called 'Ready 24'	
OUTREACH	Passionate about new charity with her husband called A Lending Paw	
☺	Wins over Top-10 opponents: 11 BEST: Defeated World #1 Iga Swiatek in the Semifinals of United Cup	

PLAYER BIOGRAPHY

THROUGH TO THE DOHA SEMIFINALS FOR THE SECOND CONSECUTIVE YEAR - LAST NIGHT'S LATE-NIGHT VICTORY OVER CAROLINE GARCIA...WAS AN ENORMOUS ACCOMPLISHMENT. SHE'D NEVER BEATEN THE WORLD #5 BEFORE - AND AFTER WINNING THE FIRST SET 6-2, SHE AND CAROLINE WERE LOCKED IN A RELENTLESS STALEMATE. BOTH HELD SERVE THE REST OF THE WAY - SOMETHING RARELY SEEN ON THE WTA TOUR - BUT IN THE DECIDING SET TIEBREAK, SHE COURAGEOUSLY HIT HER MARKS, AND EMERGED THE VICTOR. A 4-TIME FINALIST LAST YEAR - INCLUDING RUNS TO THE CHAMPIONSHIP MATCHES OF THE WTA-1000 EVENTS IN INDIAN WELLS AND GUADALAJARA - TONIGHT, SHE BATTLES FOR A SPOT IN HER 8TH CAREER FINAL. FROM GREECE, PLEASE WELCOME THE WORLD #7, MARIA SAKKARI.

CURRENT RANK	CAREER-HIGH	DETAIL
7	3	Mar-2022 After reaching first WTA-1000 Final at Indian Wells

QATAR TOTAL OPEN		N	BEST RESULTS SINGLES RESULTS: 8-4
YEAR	RANK	RESULT	DETAIL
2023	7	SF	Accepted Wild Card days before start of the tournament. Came in as the 5-seed, reached her second SF
2022	6	SF	• R1 Bye, defeated American Ann Li, Jessica Pegula (17), Coco Gauff (23) Fell to Iga Swiatek (8) in straight sets
2021	25	QF	Defeated Mayar Sherif, Madison Keys Fell to eventual Finalist Garbine Muguruza (16) 3-6, 1-6
2018	60	R1	• Fell Sorana Cirstea (38) 2-6, 3-6
2013	633	QR1	As a 17-year-old qualifying wild card Fell to Anastasia Rodionova (131) - 2-6, 2-6

2023 SEASON	SINGLES RESULTS: 11-4
EVENT	RESULTS
DOHA-500	• #7 SF - earned first career win over Caroline Garcia in the QF. No breaks in the last two sets: 6-2 6-7(5) 7-6(5)
LINZ-250	• #7 SF - fell to Petra Martic (34) 6-3, 3-6, 4-6
AUSTRALIAN OPEN	• #6 R3 - fell to Lin Zhu (87) 6-7(3), 6-1, 4-6
UNITED CUP-500	• #6 SF - Helped lead Greece to the Semifinals
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YEAR AUSTRALIAN OPEN ROLAND GARROS WIMBLEDON US OPEN DETAILS 2022 • • First 2 Grand Slam Semifinals 2020 • • First 2 Grand Slam Semifinals 2021 • • • First 2 Grand Slam Semifinals 2020 • • • First 2 Grand Slam Semifinals

WTA FINALS: 2021 SEMIFINALIST, 2022 SEMIFINALIST FINALS: 7 TITLES: 1 **YEAR** TITLE FINAL 2022 0 4 • St Petersburg-500, Indian Wells-1000, Parma-250, Guadalajara-1000 0 • 3rd career Fzinal in Ostrava-500 2021 1 2020 0 0 2019 1 0 • Debut Singles title in Rabat-250 0 • Debut Singles Final in San Jose-250 1 2018

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EVENT	DETAIL			
OLYMPICS	• Tokyo-2021 R3 - Fell to eventual Broze medalist Elina Svitolina 7-5, 3-6, 4-6			
BILLIE JEAN KING CUP	• Team Greece since 2021			
UNITED CUP	 Helped lift Greece to Semifinals of the inaugural United Cup in January Fell to Trevisan (27) 3-6, 7-6(4), 5-7 			

NOTABLE ACCOMPLISHMENTS / ADDITIONAL HIGHLIGHTS			
YEAR	DETAIL		
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0	Wins over Top-10 opponents: 23		