



## 2023 ROLAND GARROS GIRLS' SINGLES SEMIFINAL NOTES Friday 9 June

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### On court today...

- 15-year-old Alina Korneeva takes on 14-year-old Alisa Oktiabreva on Court 14 today, with Australian Open champion Korneeva bidding to get one match closer to becoming the first player to win the girls' titles at the opening 2 Grand Slam events of the year since Magdalena Maleeva. Korneeva dropped the first set she played here this week, but has been in impressive form since then and will hope for a victory to maintain her perfect record at junior Grand Slam events today. Standing in her way is Oktiabreva, who is the first qualifier to reach the semifinals of the girls' singles here in more than a decade. Oktiabreva is ranked No. 74 in the world and had won just 3 matches on the junior tour prior to Roland Garros, but certainly seems to have found her best form in Paris.
- On Court 6, Lucciana Perez Alarcon faces Anastasiia Gureva, with Perez Alarcon bidding to become the first Peruvian player to reach a Grand Slam girls' singles final today. She would follow in the footsteps of compatriots Jaime Yzaga and Luis Horna, who reached the boys' final here in 1985 and 1997 respectively. But, having needed a final-set tiebreak to get past Alevtina Ibragimova on Thursday, she is likely to face another tough battle against Gureva today. Gureva has finished runner-up at junior clay court events in Cairo and Casablanca this season and also enjoyed a strong first year as a professional on the ITF World Tennis Tour in 2022, winning a title at W15 Sharm El Sheikh.

# NO. 3 ALINA KORNEEVA v (Q) ALISA OKTIABREVA

## Head-to-head: first meeting

### Road to the semifinals

KORNEEVA	Time		Time	OKTIABREVA
d. Ella Seidel 36 76(4) 75	2:33	1st round	2:07	d. Aya El Aouni 62 76(3)
d. (Q) Jenny Lim 62 61	0:49	2nd round	1:54	d. (WC) Sarah Rakotomanga 64 76(2)
d. Emerson Jones 61 61	0:51	3rd round	2:05	d. Teodora Kostovic 46 62 63
d. No. 8 Mayu Crossley 63 63	1:14	Quarterfinals	1:38	d. No. 2 Clervie Ngounoue 75 61
total time on court	5:27	(Infosys time)	7:44	total time on court

### Possible final head-to-heads

	Perez Alarcon	Gureva
Korneeva	0-0	0-2
Oktiabreva	0-0	0-0

KORNEEVA	v	OKTIABREVA
15	Age	14
3	ITF Junior Ranking	74
331	WTA Ranking	-
10-0	Grand Slam Record (Junior)	4-0
4-0	Roland Garros Record (Junior)	4-0
91-12	Career Record (Junior)	43-13
14-1	2023 Record (Junior)	9-6

- Australian Open girls' singles champion **KORNEEVA** is bidding to reach her 2nd Grand Slam final.
- Korneeva is bidding to become the **first player to reach the girls' singles finals at the Australian Open and Roland Garros in the same season since 2019**, when Leylah Fernandez finished runner-up at the Australian Open and won the title at Roland Garros. If she wins the title here, she will become the first player to win the girls' singles titles at the opening 2 Grand Slam events of the year since Magdalena Maleeva in 1990.
- Korneeva is making her **2nd junior Grand Slam appearance here**. She is bidding to extend her perfect record in junior Grand Slam matches, having made her junior Grand Slam debut at the Australian Open this year.
- Korneeva is contesting her **3rd junior event of 2023**. In addition to her title victory at the Australian Open and her appearance here, she also reached the semifinals at J300 Traralgon (AUS) (l. Melisa Ercan).
- Korneeva **won her biggest event on the ITF World Tennis Tour** in March this year, defeating Timea Babos to win the title as a qualifier at W60 Pretoria (RSA). She has won one other professional title, at 2022 W15 Casablanca (MAR) (d. Laura Hietaranta).
- Korneeva's **other highlights at professional-level in 2022** are reaching the quarterfinals at W60 Grado (ITA) (l. Irene Burillo Escorihuela) and W25 Pretoria (RSA) (l. Lulu Sun).
- Korneeva reached the **junior No. 1 ranking** in May this year and plays here two places lower at No. 3. She is also currently at a career-high WTA ranking of No. 331.
- Korneeva entered the **girls' doubles here** as No. 1 seeds with Sara Saito. The pair face No. 3 seeds Renata Jamrichova/Federica Urgesi in the semifinals later on Friday.
- Korneeva is coached by Andrey Savin.

- Qualifier **OKTIABREVA** is bidding to reach her first junior Grand Slam final on her Grand Slam debut.
- Oktiabreva is bidding to become the **first qualifier to reach a Grand Slam girls' singles final since the 2019 US Open**, when Alexandra Yepifanova finished runner-up.
- Oktiabreva is bidding to become the **first qualifier to reach the Roland Garros girls' singles final**. By reaching the semifinals here, she has become the first qualifier to reach the Roland Garros girls' singles semifinals since Antonia Lottner in 2012.
- Prior to competing here, Oktiabreva had **won just 3 matches at junior tournaments in 2023** – in 2nd round finishes at J200 Oberhaching (GER) (d. Tamina Kochta, I. Nao Nishino), J300 Vrsar (CRO) (d. Dora Miskovic, I. Emma Ottavia Ghirardato) and J500 Milan (ITA) (d. Lilli Tagger, I. Ena Koike).
- Oktiabreva's **career-best junior results** are winning the titles at 2022 J2 Basel (SUI) (d. Malwina Rowinska) and 2022 J3 Prague (CZE) (d. Alena Kovackova) and reaching the semifinals at 2022 J1 Bamberg (GER) (I. Nina Vargova).
- Oktiabreva has **lost both matches she has contested as a professional** – as a wild card in the main draw at a W60 Trnava (SVK) event in October last year (I. Wang Xinyu) and as a wild card in the qualifying draw at the second W60 Trnava (SVK) event the following week (I. Bojana Klincov).
- Oktiabreva reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 50 in January this year and is currently ranked at No. 74. She does not have a WTA ranking.
- Oktiabreva entered the **girls' doubles here** with Renata Dencheva. The pair fell to Anastasiia Gureva/Hayato Kinoshita in the 2nd round.
- Oktiabreva is currently without a permanent coach.

# NO. 6 LUCCIANA PEREZ ALARCON (PER) v ANASTASIIA GUREVA

## Head-to-head: first meeting

Perez Alarcon and Gureva have met in the girls' doubles here this year. Gureva and Hayato Kinoshita defeated Perez Alarcon and Luciana Moyano in the 1st round. Gureva/Kinoshita fell to Sayaka Ishii/Ena Koike in the quarterfinals.

### Road to the semifinals

PEREZ ALARCON	Time		Time	GUREVA
d. Nikola Daubnerova 60 63	1:01	1st round	1:01	d. (WC) Sarah Iliev 64 62
d. (Q) Alena Kovackova 63 61	1:05	2nd round	2:07	d. No. 12 Ena Koike 06 76(5) 63
d. (WC) Astrid Lew Yan Foon 64 75	1:42	3rd round	1:09	d. No. 7 Renata Jamrichova 62 64
d. Alevtina Ibragimova 26 64 76(5)	2:21	Quarterfinals	2:07	d. Rebecca Munk Mortensen 63 46 75
total time on court	6:09	(Infosys time)	6:24	total time on court

### Possible final head-to-heads

	Korneeva	Oktiabreva
Perez Alarcon	0-0	0-0
Gureva	2-0	0-0

PEREZ ALARCON	v	GUREVA
18	Age	18
9	ITF Junior Ranking	52
-	WTA Ranking	615
4-3	Grand Slam Record (Junior)	6-3
4-0	Roland Garros Record (Junior)	4-1
106-37	Career Record (Junior)	87-42
30-5	2023 Record (Junior)	14-4

- **PEREZ ALARCON** is bidding to become the first Peruvian player to reach a Grand Slam girls' singles final.
- Perez Alarcon is bidding to become the **3rd Peruvian player to reach a Grand Slam junior singles final** – after 1985 Roland Garros boys' singles champion Jaime Yzaga and 1997 Roland Garros boys' singles runner-up Luis Horna.
- Perez Alarcon is also bidding to become the **first South American player to reach the Roland Garros girls' singles final** since Colombia's Mariana Duque Marino, who finished runner-up here in 2007. Should she win the title, she will become the first South American girls' singles champion here since Paraguay's Rossana de los Rios in 1992.
- Perez Alarcon is contesting her **4th junior Grand Slam event**. She has lost in the 1st round on her 3 other junior Grand Slam appearances – at 2022 Roland Garros (l. Yaroslava Bartashevich), 2022 Wimbledon (l. Ella Seidel) and the 2022 US Open (l. Sofia Costoulas).
- Perez Alarcon has **won 3 junior titles in 2023** – at J300 Barranquilla (COL) (d. Iva Jovic), J300 Lima (PER) (d. Kaitlin Quevedo) and J300 Santa Cruz (BOL) (South American Championships) (d. Luciana Moyano). She also reached the final at J300 Porto Alegre (BRA) (l. Sara Saito) and the quarterfinals at J500 Criciuma (BRA) (l. Emma Ottavia Ghirardato)
- Perez Alarcon **made her professional debut in October 2021** and has contested 5 events as a professional. She has won 2 matches on the ITF World Tennis Tour – in 2nd round finishes at 2021 W25 Lima (PER) (d. Caterina Salas, l. Panna Udvardy) and 2022 W15 Lima (PER) (d. Wakana Sonobe, l. Noelia Zeballos Melgar).
- Perez Alarcon made her **Billie Jean King Cup debut for Peru** at the Americas Group I event in Colombia this year. She won all 5 singles matches she contested as Peru maintained their status in Group I.

- Perez Alarcon reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 6 in May this year and plays here 3 places lower at No. 9. She does not have a WTA ranking.
- Perez Alarcon is coached by Sergio Morez.
- **GUREVA** is bidding to reach her first Grand Slam final.
- By reaching the semifinals here, Gureva has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. Her previous best result at the Grand Slam junior events was a 3rd round finish at the US Open last year, when she defeated Denislava Glushkova and Anastasiya Lopata before falling to Celine Naef.
- Gureva is making her **4th junior Grand Slam appearance**. In addition to her 3rd round finish at the US Open last year, she fell in the 1st round of the girls' singles at both 2021 Roland Garros (l. Alexis Blohina) and the 2022 Australian Open (l. Kayla Cross).
- Gureva's **best junior results in 2023** are finishing runner-up at both J300 Cairo (EGY) (l. Federica Urgesi) and J300 Casablanca (MAR) (l. Mara Gae).
- Gureva **made her professional debut in June 2022** and has contested 19 events as a professional. She won her first title on the ITF World Tennis Tour in October last year at W15 Sharm El Sheikh (EGY) (d. Andre Lukosiute). She has reached the final at 4 other W15-level events.
- Gureva reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 25 in May this year. She plays here at No. 52. She also reached a career-high WTA ranking of No. 610 in May and is currently ranked 5 places lower at No. 615.
- Gureva is coached by Marouane Mani.