

# 2025 ITF WORLD TENNIS TOUR JUNIOR FINALS

## PREVIEW NOTES

### EVENT SUMMARY

The 2025 ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals will take place at the Sichuan International Tennis Center, Chengdu, China, P.R. for the 8th time. This is the 8th edition of the ITF's year-end competition for the top junior players aged 18 and under, which was launched in 2015 as the ITF Junior Masters. The event was rebranded as the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals in 2019.

In 2025, the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals are taking place from Wednesday 22 to Sunday 26 October 2025.

### FORMAT

Eight top-ranked players from each of the ITF boys' and girls' singles rankings will compete at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals. Qualification for the event is based on the rankings from Monday 8 September 2025, immediately following the US Open, which includes ranking points for the previous 12 months since the 2024 US Open.

#### 2025 ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals groups

Boys		Girls	
Group A	Group B	Group A	Group B
Aleksandar Vasilev	Andres Santamarta Roig	Kristina Penickova	Hannah Klugman
Jacopo Vasami	Max Schoenhaus	Jeline Vandromme	Mia Pohankova
Yannick Theodor Alexandrescu	Jack Kennedy	Julia Stusek	Jana Kovackova
Oskari Paldanius	Benjamin Willwerth	Charo Esquiva Banuls	Zhang Ruien
Alternate: Ryo Tabata		Alternate: Alena Kovackova	

In both the boys' and girls' event, the 8 players will be divided into 2 groups of 4 players and will compete a round-robin format from Wednesday 22 to Friday 24 October. The play-offs then take place from Saturday 25 to Sunday 26 October, with the top 2 finishers in each group competing in a 1st to 4th place play-off bracket, while the bottom 2 finishers from each group compete in a 5th to 8th place play-off bracket. All 16 competitors are guaranteed 5 matches – 3 round-robin matches followed by 2 play-off matches to determine standings.

### NATIONAL FIRSTS

Max Schoenhaus and Julia Stusek are, respectively, the first German boy and first German girl to compete in Chengdu.

### BILLIE JEAN KING CUP JUNIORS AND DAVIS CUP JUNIORS CHAMPIONS

Two players across the girls' and boys' events in Chengdu have won the Billie Jean King Cup Junior or Davis Cup Juniors title for their nations.

Kristina Penickova was part of the USA team that won their 6th title in 7 years at the 2024 Billie Jean King Cup Juniors Finals and Jack Kennedy was part of the USA team that won their first Davis Cup Juniors title since 2014 in 2024.

Yannick Theodor Alexandrescu was also part of the Romanian boys' team that finished as runners-up to USA last season, while Julia Stusek led Germany to a 4th place finish at the 2024 Billie Jean King Cup Junior Finals and in 2023 Hannah Klugman led Great Britain to a 3rd place finish over Charo Esquiva Banuls' Spain team's 4th place finish.

### NOTABLE FORMER COMPETITORS

Four current Top 10 players (Taylor Fritz, Lorenzo Musetti, Holger Rune and Elena Rybakina) have competed at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals, while other notable former competitors include Leylah Fernandez, Sofia Kenin, Lorenzo Musetti, Jelena Ostapenko, Casper Ruud, Marketa Vondrousova and Zheng Qinwen.

Kenin, Ostapenko, Rybakina and Vondrousova have all gone on to win Grand Slam singles titles, while Fernandez, Fritz, Ruud and Zheng have all reached Grand Slam finals.

Three former competitors at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals have become Olympic medallists in men's or women's singles – Musetti (Paris 2024 men's singles bronze), Vondrousova (Tokyo 2020 women's singles silver) and Zheng (Paris 2024 women's singles gold).

#### ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals champions

Year	Boys' Champion	Girls' Champion
2015	Andrey Rublev	Xu Shilin
2016	Hong Seongchan	Anna Blinkova
2017	Emil Ruusuvuori	Marta Kostyuk
2018	Brandon Nakashima	Clara Burel
2019	Holger Rune	Diane Parry
2020		
2021		cancelled due to Covid-19 restrictions
2022		
2023	Joel Schwaerzler	Alina Korneeva
2024	Mees Rottgering	Emerson Jones
<b>2025</b>	??	??

The full list of [ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals](#) champions and runners-up can be found on the ITF website.

Two players are competing at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals for the second time this year. Kristina Penickova and Jeline Vandromme both competed in the girls' event in 2023, finishing 3rd and 7th respectively.

#### GRAND SLAM CREDENTIALS

Seven of the 15 players to reach junior Grand Slam singles finals this year are competing in Chengdu, including Wimbledon girls' singles champion Mia Pohankova and US Open girls' singles champion Jeline Vandromme.

In the boys' event, Australian Open runner-up Benjamin Willwerth, Roland Garros runner-up Max Schoenhaus and US Open runner-up Aleksandar Vasilev are in the field. In the girls' event, Pohankova and Vandromme are joined by Australian Open runner-up Kristina Penickova and Roland Garros runner-up Hannah Klugman.

Three players have won at least one junior Grand Slam singles title and the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals in the same year – Marta Kostyuk, who won the Australian Open girls' singles and the Junior Finals in 2017, Holger Rune, who won the Roland Garros boys' singles and the Junior Finals in 2019, and Alina Korneeva, who won the girls' singles at both the Australian Open and Roland Garros, and the Junior Finals in 2023.

#### TOP-TIER JUNIOR EVENTS

The Grand Slam tournaments are the pinnacle of the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors, with J500 events representing the next-most prestigious level on tour. Five of the 16 players competing in Chengdu this week have won a singles title at either a Grand Slam tournament or a J500 event. (see table overleaf)

#### 2025 Grand Slam and J500 champions

Tournament	Surface	Date	Boys' singles champion	Girls' singles champion
Australian Open	Hard	18-25 Jan	Henrey Bernet	Wakana Sonobe
J500 Cairo (EGY)	Clay	10-15 Feb	<b>Jacopo Vasami</b>	Nellie Taraba Wallberg
J500 Gaspar (BRA)	Clay	24 Feb-2 Mar	<b>Andres Santamarta Roig</b>	Thea Frodin
J500 Offenbach (GER)	Clay	22-27 Apr	<b>Andres Santamarta Roig</b>	<b>Julia Stusek</b>
J500 Milan (ITA)	Clay	19-25 May	<b>Jacopo Vasami</b>	Luna Vujovic
Roland Garros	Clay	1-7 Jun	Niels McDonald	Lilli Tagger
Wimbledon	Grass	5-13 Jul	Ivan Ivanov	<b>Mia Pohankova</b>
US Open	Hard	31 Aug-6 Sep	Ivan Ivanov	<b>Jeline Vandromme</b>
J500 Osaka (JPN)	Hard	22-28 Sep	Egor Pleshivtsev	Ksenia Efremova
J500 Merida (MEX)	Clay	24-30 Nov	???	???
J500 Fort Lauderdale (USA)	Clay	8-14 Dec	???	???

Players competing at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals in **bold**

## PROFESSIONAL TITLE WINNERS

A number of the juniors competing in Chengdu have already made inroads at the professional level with title-wins in 2025. Two of the 8 players competing in the girls' event in Chengdu have won at least one ITF World Tennis Tour women's singles title this year – Jana Kovackova and Jeline Vandromme. Two more players have reached an ITF World Tennis Tour women's singles final this year – Kristina Penickova at W15 Monastir (TUN) on 11 May and Hannah Klugman at W35 Roehampton (GBR) on 10 August.

Mia Pohankova won W75 Bratislava (SVK) in October 2024 but has not reached a professional final since then.

### 2025 ITF World Tennis Tour girls' event competitors to have won a professional title in 2025

Player	Title(s)
Jana Kovackova	W35 Antalya (TUR), W15 Monastir (TUN)
Jeline Vandromme	W15 Manacor (ESP), W35 Roehampton (GBR), W15 Monastir (TUN) (10 Aug), W15 Monastir (TUN) (17 Aug)

In the boys' event, Max Schoenhaus won his first professional title at M15 Monastir (TUN) on 5 October. Two more players have reached an ITF World Tennis Tour men's singles final this year – Alexander Vasilev at M15 Sofia (BUL) on 10 August and Oskari Paldanius at M15 Sharm El Sheikh (EGY) on 23 March.

## 2025 LEADERS

Three of the 8 players competing in the girls' event at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals are among the Top 10 players by win-loss record at J300-level and above this year – Charo Esquiva Banuls, Hannah Klugman and Julia Stusek.

### 2025 girls' singles win-loss (J300-level and above) as of 20 October

Rank	Player	2025 win-loss
1.	Julieta Pareja	37-6
<b>2.</b>	<b>Charo Esquiva Banuls</b>	<b>31-9</b>
3.	Ksenia Efremova	30-7
4.	Laima Vladson	28-10
<b>5.</b>	<b>Hannah Klugman</b>	<b>27-6</b>
6.	Victoria Luiza Barros	26-11
7.	Allegra Korpanec Davies	25-21
8.	Lilli Tagger	24-5
<b>9=</b>	Luna Maria Cinalli Thea Frodin Kanon Sawashiro Shao Yushan <b>Julia Stusek</b>	23-11 23-11 23-14 23-11 <b>23-9</b>

Players competing at the ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals in **bold**

In the boys' event, 4 of the 8 players competing are among the Top 10 players by win-loss record at J300-level and above – Yannick Theodor Alexandrescu, Jack Kennedy, Jacopo Vasami and Alexander Vasilev.

### 2025 boys' singles win-loss (J300-level and above) as of 20 October

Rank	Player	2025 win-loss
1.	<b>Yannick Theodor Alexandrescu</b>	<b>44-12</b>
2.	Ivan Ivanov	42-8
<b>3.</b>	<b>Alexander Vasilev</b>	<b>34-8</b>
4.	Ryo Tabata*	31-13
<b>5=</b>	Nikita Bilozersec Keaton Hance Luis Goto Miguel	30-12 30-13 30-11
<b>8.</b>	<b>Jack Kennedy</b>	<b>28-9</b>
<b>9.</b>	<b>Jacopo Vasami</b>	<b>27-5</b>
10.	Egor Pleshivtsev	25-12

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\*alternate at ITF World Tennis Tour Junior Finals