



2022 WIMBLEDON GIRLS' SINGLES SEMIFINAL NOTES Friday 8 July

No. 1 Liv Hovde (USA) v No. 5 Victoria Mboko (CAN)
No. 7 Luca Udvardy (HUN) v No. 16 Linda Klimovicova (CZE)

On court today...

- Having equalled her best Grand Slam result by reaching the semifinals here, No. 1 seed Liv Hovde will see if she can go one better than she managed at the Australian Open this year, when she fell to eventual champion Petra Marcinko in the last 4. Hovde faces Victoria Mboko – a player she has beaten twice before without dropping a set, including in the 3rd round at Roland Garros last month. Another victory for Hovde today would see her become the 22nd American player to reach the Wimbledon girls' singles final. For Mboko, a first win over Hovde would see her become just the 2nd Canadian player to reach the girls' singles final here, after 2013 Wimbledon girls' singles champion Eugenie Bouchard.
- Luca Udvardy has been among the most consistent performers on the ITF World Tennis Tour Juniors in 2022 – and the Hungarian is now within a victory of becoming the first Hungarian player to reach the girls' singles final at Wimbledon. Her opponent today, Linda Klimovicova, is bidding for yet more success for Czech Republic in this year's junior Grand Slam events – after her compatriot, Lucie Havlickova, won the girls' singles title at Roland Garros last month. Klimovicova would become just the 2nd Czech player to reach the girls' singles final at Wimbledon in the last 3 decades if she wins today, just the 2nd in the last 30 years, after 2010 Wimbledon girls' singles champion Kristyna Pliskova.

NO. 1 LIV HOVDE (USA) v NO. 5 VICTORIA MBOKO (CAN)

Head-to-head: Hovde leads 2-0

2021	JB1 Nicholasville (USA)	Hard (I)	SF	Hovde	62 64
2022	Roland Garros	Clay (O)	R16	Hovde	63 63

A 3rd meeting for Hovde and Mboko – and their 2nd at back-to-back Grand Slam events. Hovde has won both of their previous meetings in straight sets, including their 3rd round match at Roland Garros last month.

Road to the Semifinals

HOVDE	Time		Time	MBOKO
d. (LL) Ana Candiotta 64 61	1:02	1st round	1:58	d. (Q) Sofia Johnson 36 75 61
d. Anastasiya Lopata 61 60	0:55	2nd round	1:35	d. (WC) Ella McDonald 64 36 60
d. No. 13 Kayla Cross 46 75 64	2:11	3rd round	2:10	d. Olivia Lincer 60 67(8) 64
d. Ella Seidel 63 62	0:55	Quarterfinals	1:50	d. Isabella Kruger 06 75 64
total time on court	5:03	IBM time	7:33	total time on court

Possible final head-to-heads

	Udvardy	Klimovicova
Hovde	0-0	0-0
Mboko	1-0	0-0

HOVDE	v	MBOKO
16	Age	15
4	ITF Junior Ranking	16
1000	WTA Ranking	768
20-6	Career Grade A Record (Junior)	14-7
4-0	Wimbledon Record (Junior)	4-0
61-13	Career Record (Junior)	18-6
31-4	2022 Record (Junior)	92-31

- **HOVDE** is bidding to become the 22nd American player to reach the Wimbledon girls' singles final – and the 5th in the last decade after Taylor Townsend (2013), Claire Liu and Ann Li (both 2017), and Alexa Noel (2019).
- By reaching the semifinals here, Hovde has equalled her **best Grand Slam performance**. She also reached the semifinals at the Australian Open this year (l. Petra Marcinko).
- Hovde is making her **4th Grand Slam appearance here**. In addition to her semifinal finish at the Australian Open this year, she fell in the 1st round as a wild card at the 2021 US Open (l. Jana Kolodynska) and reached the quarterfinals as No. 6 seed at Roland Garros this year (l. Solana Sierra).
- Hovde's **best results at junior-level in 2022** are winning the title at J1 San Diego (USA) (d. Mayu Crossley) and on grass at J1 Roehampton (GBR) (d. Johanne Christine Svendsen). She also reached the final at JA Milan (ITA) (l. Celine Naef).
- Hovde has **contested one professional event in 2022**. She reached the quarterfinals as a wild card at W60 Arcadia (USA), defeating Harriet Dart and Kalya Cross before falling to Alycia Parks.
- Hovde reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 4 this week. She is also currently at a career-high WTA ranking of No. 1000.
- Hovde is coached by Phil Dent, who reached the men's singles quarterfinals here in 1977.

- **MBOKO** is bidding to become the 2nd Canadian player to reach the Wimbledon girls' singles final – after Eugenie Bouchard, who won the girls' title here in 2012.
- Mboko is also bidding to become the **4th Canadian player, boy or girl, to reach a Wimbledon junior singles final**. In addition to 2013 girls' champion Bouchard, Filip Peliwo and Denis Shapovalov also reached the boys' singles final here, winning the titles in 2012 and 2016 respectively.
- Mboko is bidding to become the **4th Canadian player to reach a Grand Slam girls' singles final** – after Sonya Jeyaseelan (1994 Roland Garros runner-up), Bouchard (2013 Wimbledon champion) and Leylah Fernandez (2019 Roland Garros champion).
- By reaching the semifinals here, Mboko has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. Her previous best performance at the Grand Slams was reaching the 3rd round at Roland Garros this year, where she defeated Alice Soulie and Ranah Akua Stoiber before falling to Hovde.
- Mboko is making her **3rd Grand Slam appearance here**. In addition to her 3rd round finish at Roland Garros this year, she also reached the 2nd round on her Grand Slam debut at the Australian Open this year (d. Elena Micic, l. Qavia Lopez).
- Mboko's **best result at junior-level in 2022** is winning the title at J1 Porto Alegre (BRA) (d. Mia Kupres) – her first title at Grade 1-level. She also reached the quarterfinals at JA Criciuma (BRA) (l. Ahmani Guichard).
- **Prior to Wimbledon**, Mboko reached the 3rd round at J1 Roehampton (GBR) – she defeated Hannah Klugman and Renata Jamrichova before falling to Stoiber.
- Mboko has **contested 3 professional events in 2022**. Her best result is reaching her first professional final at W25 Monastir (TUN) (l. Zhu Lin).
- Mboko reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 11 in March this year but plays here 5 places lower at No. 16. She is also currently at a career-high WTA ranking of No. 768.
- Mboko is coached by Rob Steckley.

NO. 7 LUCA UDVARDY (HUN) v NO. 16 LINDA KLIMOVICOVA (CZE)

Head-to-head: first meeting

Road to the Semifinals

UDVARDY	Time		Time	KLIMOVICOVA
d. (Q) Daniela Piani 62 26 62	1:29	1st round	1:26	d. Michaela Laki 62 75
d. Alexis Blokhina 62 36 63	1:35	2nd round	1:06	d. (WC) Isabelle Lacy 60 62
d. No. 10 Annabelle Xu 64 76(3)	1:47	3rd round	1:25	d. No. 2 Celine Naef 62 16 63
d. No. 3 Nikola Bartunkova 63 62	1:17	Quarterfinals	1:42	d. (WC) Jasmine Conway 26 62 61
total time on court	6:08	IBM time	5:39	total time on court

Possible final head-to-heads

	Hovde	Mboko
Udvardy	0-0	0-1
Klimovicova	0-0	0-0

UDVARDY	v	KLIMOVICOVA
16	Age	15
19	ITF Junior Ranking	45
-	WTA Ranking	881
11-7	Career Grade A Record (Junior)	6-4
4-0	Wimbledon Record (Junior)	6-1
86-52	Career Record (Junior)	89-37
32-13	2022 Record (Junior)	10-2

- **UDVARDY** is bidding to first Hungarian player to reach the Wimbledon girls' singles final.
- Udvardy is also bidding to become the **3rd Hungarian player to reach a Wimbledon junior singles final** – after Dezso Vad, who finished runner-up in the boys' singles here in 1948, and Marton Fucsovics, who won the boys' singles title here in 2010.
- Udvardy is bidding to become the 4th Hungarian player to reach a Grand Slam girls' singles final – after Aniko Kapros (2000 Australian Open champion), Agnes Szavay (2005 Australian Open runner-up and 2005 Roland Garros champion) and Dalma Galfi (2015 US Open champion).
- Udvardy is making her **2nd Grand Slam appearance here**. On her only previous Grand Slam appearance, at Roland Garros this year, she reached the 2nd round (d. Alevtina Ibragimova, I. Lucie Havlickova).
- Udvardy's **best result at junior-level in 2022** is winning the title at J1 Salinas (ECU) (d. Madeleine Jessup). She also reached the semifinals at J1 Lambare (PAR) (I. Luciana Moyano), J1 Charleroi-Marcinelle (I. Alina Korneeva) and on grass at J1 Nottingham (GBR) (I. Taylah Preston).
- **Prior to Wimbledon**, in addition to her semifinal finish at J1 Nottingham, Udvardy also reached the 3rd round at J1 Roehampton (GBR) – she defeated Amelie van Impe and Kristyna Tomajkova before falling to Lucija Ciric Bagaric.
- Udvardy made her **professional debut in April this year**. She entered W25 Oeiras (POR) as a wild card, but fell to Diana Shnaider in the 1st round.
- Udvardy reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 18 in May this year but plays here one place lower at No. 19. She does not currently have a WTA ranking.
- Udvardy is coached by her mother, Edit Udvardy.

- **KLIMOVICOVA** is bidding to become the 10th Czech player to reach the Wimbledon girls' singles final – but just the 2nd in the last 30 years, after 2010 champion Kristyna Pliskova.
- Klimovicova is bidding to ensure **Czech representation in consecutive Grand Slam girls' singles finals** – after Lucie Havlickova won the girls' singles title at Roland Garros last month.
- By reaching the semifinals here, Klimovicova has recorded her **best Grand Slam performance**. Her previous best performance at the Grand Slams was reaching the 3rd round at Wimbledon last year, when she defeated Laura Hietaranta and Alexandra Yepifanova before falling to Alicia Dudeney.
- Klimovicova is making her **4th Grand Slam appearance here**. In addition to her 3rd round finish here last year, she fell in the 1st round on her other 2 Grand Slam appearances – at the 2021 US Open (l. Katja Wiersholm) and at Roland Garros this year (l. Luciana Moyano).
- Klimovicova's **best result at junior-level in 2022** is winning the title at J1 Svyatopetrivske Village (UKR) (d. Kristyna Tomajkova). She is contesting her 4th junior event of the season here.
- **Prior to Wimbledon**, Mboko reached the 2nd round at J1 Roehampton (GBR) (d. Theadora Rabman, l. Ranah Akua Stoiber).
- Klimovicova **made her professional debut in September 2018 and has contested 14 professional events**. Her best results in 2022 are reaching the semifinals at 3 W15 tournaments in Sharm El Sheikh (EGY).
- Klimovicova reached a **career-high junior ranking** of No. 11 in January this year but plays here at No. 45. She is also currently at a career-high WTA ranking of No. 881.
- Klimovicova is coached by Tomas Josefus.