



Katerina Siniakova is the winner of the Porsche supported Bad Homburg Open

02/07/2023 Perfect Wimbledon dress rehearsal for Katerina Siniakova: the seven-time Grand Slam doubles champion won her fourth career WTA singles title at the Bad Homburg Open.

In the final, the Czech overcame Italy's Lucia Bronzetti in two straight sets, 6-2, 7-6 (5). Porsche Deutschland GmbH was the official automotive partner for the third time. In addition to the exhibition of vehicles where the focus was on "75 Years Porsche Sports Cars", Porsche provided the exclusive shuttle service together with the Porsche Center Bad Homburg/Oberursel.

Katerina Siniakova has managed to win the tournament at her second attempt. In her first, she was the runner-up at the premiere of the Bad Homburg Open in 2021 after being defeated by Porsche Brand Ambassador and co-tournament organiser Angelique Kerber. This time around, the doubles world No. 1 took her chance. When beating Lucia Bronzetti in the final in front of a sell-out 3,500 Centre Court crowd in Bad Homburg's Kurpark, the match was interrupted for almost three hours due to rain – she

duly celebrated her fourth WTA singles tournament success after previous victories in Portoroz (2022), Shenzhen (2017) and Bastad (2017). In doubles, her collection already totals 21 titles.

"I love this tournament. It's something special playing on this Centre Court with the big crowd. I enjoyed every minute," said the 27-year-old Czech who has moved up the singles rankings to No. 32 after the victory. "I'm so happy to be able to take the winner's trophy back home this time."

Katerina Siniakova is far more successful in doubles than singles. In addition to the Grand Slams in Melbourne (2023, 2022), Paris (2021, 2018), Wimbledon (2022, 2018) and New York (2022), she and her Czech countrywoman Barbora Krejčíková also won the 2021 WTA Finals and the Olympic Games gold medal in the same year in Tokyo.

After defeating Porsche Team Germany's Tatjana Maria in the first round, the tournament favourite and "Porsche Friend" in Poland Iga Świątek was forced to end her first Bad Homburg appearance prematurely. The world No. 1 and two-time winner of the Porsche Tennis Grand Prix was unable to play her semifinal match against Lucia Bronzetti due to illness.

Visitors experienced "75 Years Porsche Sports Cars"

Porsche has been the exclusive automotive partner and sponsor of the Bad Homburg Open, which was again sold out virtually every day this year, since its successful premiere in 2021. The shuttle service jointly provided again this year by Porsche Deutschland GmbH and the Porsche Center Bad Homburg/Oberursel comprised of a total of 12 vehicles. The electric fleet of Taycan, Cayenne and Panamera models was available to both players and VIP guests during the tournament week. Taycans with eye-catching liveries were also on display in the Baloise Park Village for the general public. Questions posed by interested visitors were answered by highly qualified Porsche instructors. The whole exhibition was dedicated to the "75 Jahre Porsche Sports Cars" anniversary.

"Our tournament has the best possible vehicle partner in Porsche. It's definitely one of the reasons why it goes down so well with the players," says Tournament Ambassador Angelique Kerber, who is also a Porsche Brand Ambassador. She won the premiere of the Bad Homburg Open in 2021 and is currently taking a break from tennis after giving birth. "It was very exciting being involved in the tournament to a greater degree this year. I'm nevertheless looking forward to getting back out onto court and trying to win titles."

Andrea Petkovic's emotional farewell

One of the tournament's emotional highlights was Andrea Petkovic's on-court appearance. The Porsche Team Germany player bid farewell to the big tennis stage after a very successful career in which she won seven WTA titles at an exhibition match. Angelique Kerber, her long-time friend and Porsche Team Germany teammate, naturally could not resist teaming up with her for the memorable finale. Much to

the pleasure of the crowd, they took on Porsche Team Germany player Anna-Lena Friedsam and team captain Rainer Schüttler in a fun doubles.

Three Porsche Team Germany players in Wimbledon

The line-up at The Championships scheduled to begin in Wimbledon on Monday will include three Porsche Team Germany players – Tatjana Maria, Jule Niemeier and Anna-Lena Friedsam. In her first round match Tatjana Maria, who celebrated her biggest career success when reaching the semifinal last year, will face Sorana Cirstea (Romania). Jule Niemeier, the 2022 quarterfinalist, will kick-off against the No. 16 seed and French Open finalist Karolina Muchova from the Czech Republic. Anna-Lena Friedsam's opening opponent is Alycia Parks from USA.

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