

2018 Australian Open Main Draw Wild Card

WOMEN'S FACT SHEET

Details:	<p>The USTA will be awarding one (1) women's singles main draw wild card into the 2018 Australian Open based on performance in specific outdoor hard court professional events taking place in the United States. The wild card will be awarded to the American player with the highest total of cumulative WTA singles ranking points (points earned in main draw only from select \$80K USTA Pro Circuit events) from their best two (2) results during the below weeks:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Players' best two (2) cumulative singles main draw results only for specific \$80K USTA Pro Circuit outdoor hard court events in the US (listed below) during a three (3) week time period (weeks of October 23, October 30, and November 6) will be used and combined to calculate the point total. • In the event of a tie, the player with the best WTA singles ranking in the published WTA rankings on Monday, November 13, 2017 will be awarded the wild card. • Should the player with the highest total of cumulative WTA singles points from their best two (2) results become a Direct Acceptance into the Australian Open, the next eligible American player with the highest cumulative WTA singles points from their best two (2) results will be awarded the wild card (ties will be broken as described above). • In the event that issues arise that are not covered by these rules, USTA Player Development will be the final arbiter. 						
Eligibility:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Players who are USA passport holders and are eligible to represent the United States in Fed Cup competition in 2017 are eligible to be considered for the main draw wild card. • The minimum age for eligibility is 14. There is no maximum age restriction. 						
Events:	<p><u>Week of October 23</u> – \$80K Macon, GA (main draw points only) <u>Week of October 30</u> – \$80K Tyler, TX (main draw points only) <u>Week of November 6</u> – \$80K Waco, TX (main draw points only)</p>						
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