



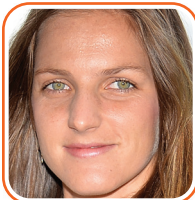
Roland Garros 2017: Women's preview

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Angelique Kerber Karolina Pliskova Simona Halep Garbine Muguruza



Regained No.1 spot in Madrid despite struggling for form which led her to two Slams in 2016



U.S. Open finalist at career-high No.3. Focused on improving second-round best in Paris



Strong clay court season – Madrid winner, runner-up in Rome. Finalist at Roland Garros in 2014



Hoping to recover from neck injury in bid to emulate **Justine Henin** as last player to defend Paris title

PLAYER RECORD*	Kerber	Pliskova	Halep	Muguruza
2017 win-loss	19-12	27-8	18-6	17-10
2017 titles	0	2	1	0
Career titles (total)	10	8	15	3
Career titles (clay)	3	1	6	1
Grand Slams	2	0	0	1

RECENT FINALS: Field wide open for new champion with **Serena Williams** and **Maria Sharapova** – winners of four of last five finals – both absent

2016	Garbine Muguruza ESP Serena Williams USA	7-5, 6-4
2015	Serena Williams USA Lucie Safarova CZE	6-3, 6-7, 6-2
2014	Maria Sharapova RUS Simona Halep ROM	6-4, 6-7, 6-4
2013	Serena Williams USA Maria Sharapova RUS	6-4, 6-4
2012	Maria Sharapova RUS Sara Errani ITA	6-3, 6-2

