

Osaka and Kvitova battle for Melbourne title

Naomi Osaka, aiming for her second straight Grand Slam title, takes on Petra Kvitova, who is appearing in her first Slam final since a potentially career-ending injury, for the Australian Open title

Naomi Osaka JPN

Petra Kvitova CZE

HEAD-TO-HEAD

First meeting

ROUTE TO FINAL

M. Linette	R1	M. Rybarikova
T. Zidanseck	R2	I. Begu
S. Hsieh	R3	B. Bencic
A. Sevastova	R4	A. Anisimova
E. Svitolina	QF	A. Barty
K. Pliskova	SF	D. Collins
6-2, 4-6, 6-4		7-6, 6-0

MELBOURNE RECORD

2018 17 16 15

R4 **R2** **R3** **-**

First Japanese woman to reach Australian Open final

GRAND SLAM BEST

R4	Australian Open*
R3	Roland Garros
R3	Wimbledon
Won 2018	U.S. Open
2	WTA titles

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R1 **-** **R2** **R3**

Unbeaten in 11 matches, winning title in Sydney