



# ISTANBUL AND THE ARENA

Istanbul: a metropolis of 15 million people, a city divided by Bosphorus, an urban giant on two continents. Shaped by more than 2,600 years of history, Istanbul is regarded as one of the most famous cities in the world. It was the capital of Romans, Byzantines and Ottomans for more than 1,400 years.

It has not been the Turkish capital since 1923, but Istanbul is perhaps the most important city in Turkey in terms of finance, business, culture and sports. It is also a popular destination for international tourists as it is not only a modern European city, but one with oriental mystic elements as well. Both oriental and mystic because within a 2,000-year-old historic peninsula, Covered Bazaar, Hagia Sophia, Blue Mosque and Basilica Cistern offer a unique perspective of the glorious past. Arguably, there are very few places in the world where so many huge monuments are within walking distance.

At the same time, it is modern with its glittering shopping malls, business districts and high streets. You can spend a whole day in the largest shopping malls of Europe, take your Turkish coffee in the Nisantasi neighbourhood or Bagdat Street.

Above all, its uniqueness lies in the fact that it is located on two separate continents. The Bosphorus strait separates the European and Asian parts of the city. Every day, millions of people cross the Bosphorus in a variety of transport modes, including an underwater train. You can travel between Karakoy in Europe and Kadikoy in Asia in just 20 minutes, then sip your Turkish tea and feed the seagulls with 'simit' - a traditional circular bread with sesame seeds. Isn't it magical?

Istanbul is also considered the sports capital of Turkey. The 'big three' are Besiktas, Fenerbahce and Galatasaray - all of which are multi-sport clubs with a deep-rooted history and based in Istanbul. While soccer may be considered the number one sport, basketball has a huge following within the city. Various teams from across the city have won numerous titles both in women's and men's basketball Including top honors in men's and women's European club competitions.

Istanbul's love affair with basketball cannot be limited to just the local clubs. The city has also hosted a multitude of premium basketball events in recent years, such as the FIBA Basketball World Cup and FIBA Euro-Basket amongst others. Modern, recently built arenas have enabled Istanbul to host the very best of European and world basketball.

The Volkswagen Arena is one of these state-of-the-art arenas that was constructed in 2014 with the multi-purpose facility accommodating almost 5,000 fans in normal times. The arena has also been the home of the Darussafaka Tekfen basketball team since 2015 and has hosted the many great moments the club has enjoyed in European club competitions.

### ISTANBUL AS A HOST OF BASKETBALL EVENTS

2017	FIBA EuroBasket
2016	EuroLeague Women Final Four
2014	FIBA Women's Basketball World Cup
2012	EuroLeague Women Final Eight
2010	FIBA Basketball World Cup

# EuroLeague Women 2020/21 Competition System

The 2020-21 EuroLeague Women season was played in a different format in order to protect the health and guarantee the safety of players, coaches and officials, but also to safeguard a fair competition as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic.

To allow for minimal travel, the Regular Season was organized with a shorter competition system with teams split into four groups of four teams, rather than two groups of eight teams and the games were played in single-venue hubs.

Only the top two teams in each of the four groups qualified for the Quarter-Finals, with no teams joining EuroCup Women due to calendar restraints.

Each of the Regular Season groups was played in two hubs, with the cities of Istanbul, Girona and Sopron hosting the games that were played in December and the remaining games played in the cities of Bourges, Prague, Salamanca and Schio, in January.



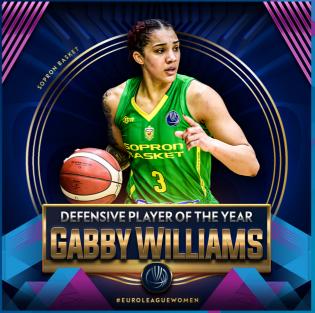


The eight best teams left in the competition then headed to Salamanca and Sopron for the Quarter-Finals hubs in March, with two pairings per hub. The last eight ties were played in aggregate format across two legs as opposed to the usual three-game series.

Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo, Perfumerias Avenida, Sopron Basket and UMMC Ekaterinburg all advanced to the Final Four. The exciting season finale is to be played at the Volkswagen Arena in Istanbul on April 16-18 with no changes made to the traditional format as games are decided in single-leg system.

# EuroLeague Women Awards 2020-21















# **FENERBAHCE OZNUR KABLO**





1907 Istanbul, DOMESTIC Turkey CHAMPIONSHIPS 14x



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APRIL 16, 2021 | CET 16.00 **VOLKSWAGEN ARENA** 

Number	Name	Age	Height(cm)	Country	Points	Rebounds	Assists
0	Satou Sabally	22	190		12.6	7.9	1.6
1	Kia Vaughn	34	193		9.1	3.7	1.6
4	Olcay Çakır Turgut	27	182	C*	3.0	1.5	2.3
5	Jasmine Thomas	31	171		8.0	2.3	2.8
10	Sevgi Uzun	23	175	C*	1.2	0.3	0.2
12	Tuğçe Canıtez	30	188	C	3.6	1.1	0.4
21	Kayla McBride	28	180		16.6	3.4	3.5
23	Alina lagupova	29	186		20.6	7.6	4.4
24	Cecilia Zandalasini	25	185		9.6	2.0	1.9
41	Kiah Stokes	28	190	C	6.4	9.4	1.5
47	Laura Nicholls	32	190	i i i	2.4	1.0	1.0
25	Duygu Özen	20	168	C*	0.0	0.0	0.0
30	Ayşe Yılmaz	17	171	C*	0.0	0.0	0.0
9	İdil Saçalır	19	180	C*	0.0	0.0	0.0
8	İrem Sözen	22	190	C*	0.0	0.0	0.0

# ROAD TO FINAL FOUR

#### **REGULAR SEASON**

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### **QUARTER-FINAL**





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### SEMI-FINAL





Did you know?

opta This will be the sixth game between Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo and UMMC Ekaterinburg in the EuroLeague Women since 2011 with the Turkish side winning the last three encounters; four of those five games have ended with a single-digit differential.

opto Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo have won 14 of their last 17 games in the EuroLeague Women, with nine of those wins by a margin of 15+ points.

opto Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo have 68 steals in the EuroLeague Women 2020-21, while only Sopron Basket had more than them in the competition this season; Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo average 18.8 points off turnovers per game in the last four games in the competition.

Opto UMMC Ekaterinburg (38.3%) and Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo (35.7%) are two of the three teams with the highest shooting percentage from the 3P line in the EuroLeague Women this season: only LDLC ASVEL Feminin have a better ratio than them from behind the arc (39.5%).



## **ALINA IAGUPOVA**

lagupova made it back-to-back EuroLeague Women MVP awards after another impressive campaign to repeat the accolade she claimed in 2019-20 with the season unable to be completed due to the pandemic. The Ukrainian international returned to the club after re-signing in December and wasted little time in producing more standout performances.

lagupova is the only player in the competition to average 20+ points per game this season and enters the Final Four in fine form with averages of 22.3 points, 7.6 rebounds, 5.0 assists and 3.0 steals per game over her last three games in EuroLeague Women action.



# UMMC **EKATERINBURG**











F4 15x T 5x DOMESTIC THAMPIONSHIPS 14x







**APRIL 16, 2021 | CET 15.00 VOLKSWAGEN ARENA** 

Number	Name	Age	Height(cm) Country	Points	Rebounds	Assists
1	Viktoriia Zavialova	22	170	8.0	1.5	1.8
5	Evgeniia Beliakova	34	184	2.4	2.2	2.2
7	Alba Torrens	31	192	10.8	4.6	4.8
13	Elena Beglova	33	175	3.6	1.1	1.8
14	Allie Quigley	34	178	12.6	1.9	2.9
21	Tatiana Petrushina	31	185	2.0	0.3	1.3
22	Courtney Vandersloot	32	173	8.3	2.7	7.2
30	Breanna Stewart	26	191	11.8	5.9	2.5
31	Maryia Papova	26	188	2.4	0.8	0.0
33	Emma Meesseman	27	193	11.4	4.6	4.2
35	Jonquel Jones	27	198 🗽	13.3	7.8	0.5
42	Brittney Griner	30	203	13.8	6.8	1.2
77 🕵	Maria Vadeeva	22	193	12.1	4.4	0.5

Coach Miguel Mendez



# ROAD TO FINAL FOUR

### **REGULAR SEASON**

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### **QUARTER-FINAL**



80 - 67 94 <sub>-</sub> 59 SEMI-FINAL





Did you know?

UMMC Ekaterinburg have won 28 of their last 29 games in the EuroLeague Women, including their last 17 — if they win against Fenerbahce Oznur Kablo they will tally 18 consecutive wins for the first time in the competition.

UMMC Ekaterinburg average 88.6 points per game, the highest scoring average in the EuroLeague Women 2020-21; they have scored 80+ points in seven of their eight games in the competition this season.

UMMC Ekaterinburg's Allie Quigley has made 17 shots from behind the arc, a joint-high in the EuroLeague Women this season, alongside Fenerbahce's Kayla McBride; Quigley has scored 53.1% of her attempted 3-pointers, the highest scoring ratio among all players with 15+ attempts in the league in 2020-21.

Alba Torrens is the only player to have dished 10+ assists in multiple games in the EuroLeague Women this season; her teammate Courtney Vandersloot has dished out 43 assists, the most of any player in the EuroLeague Women this term.



### **BREANNA STEWART**

Stewart first signed with UMMC Ekaterinburg in the middle of last season after a lengthy absence through injury, but was not able to play as the 2019-20 campaign was cancelled due to the coronavirus pandemic.

The 26-year-old made a very impressive comeback in the 2020 WNBA season by leading Seattle Storm to another Championship in the shortened season and added the Finals MVP award to her growing list of individual accolades. A month later, and Stewart was back in action and continued her strong form in Russia.

Stewart was on the floor for 29.1 minutes per game this season with averages of 11.8 points, 5.9 rebounds, 1.3 steals and 1.1 blocks. When the USA international is on court, that is usually good news for her team with Stewart leading the league in the +/- category with +20.8.



# PERFUMERIAS **AVENIDA**

















**APRIL 16, 2021 | CET 20.00 VOLKSWAGEN ARENA** 

Number	Name	Age	Height(cm)	Country	Points	Rebounds	Assists
4	Leonor Rodriguez	29	180		4.1	2.0	1.5
5	Maria Teresa Cazorla Medina	23	178		8.3	1.9	3.4
6	Silvia Dominguez	34	165		7.9	2.9	5.1
7	Paula Suarez Azcarate	17			0.0	0.0	2.0
10	Marica Gajic	25	185	<b>FARR</b>	1.5	3.5	1.5
12	Tiffany Hayes	31	178		15.8	4.0	2.1
13	Andrea Vilaro Aragones	27	179		3.5	1.8	0.9
15	Umo Diallo Diallo Dieng	23	193	iš.	14.0	5.5	1.0
21	Emese Hof	24	190		8.1	7.0	1.4
22	Nikolina Milic	26	189	<b>***</b>	10.1	5.3	0.9
31	Isabella Augustine Alarie	22	193		5.0	3.0	1.0
33	Katie Lou Samuelson	23	192	4F	16.6	5.3	1.5
44	Karlie Samuelson	25	183	75	6.7	2.7	1.4

Coach Roberto Iniguez

# FINAL FOUR

### **REGULAR SEASON**

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70 - 42 93 - 38



101 - 80 98 - 72

### **QUARTER-FINAL**





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Did you know?

This will be the 9th encounter between the two teams in EuroLeague Women since 2011, with Perfumerias Avenida winning five of those games; the two teams have alternated between wins and losses in their last seven matchups in the competition.

Opto Perfumerias Avenida have won their last nine games in the EuroLeague Women, their longest winning sequence over the last 10 seasons; they have won those nine games by an average differential of 21.3 points.

Opto Perfumerias Avenida have scored more than 90 points in three different EuroLeague Women games in 2020-21, a joint-high alongside UMMC Ekaterinburg; they have had as many games with more than 90 points this season as in their previous 10 seasons in the competition combined.

opto Silvia Dominguez has dished out 5.1 assists per game for Perfumerias Avenida, the most among all players with 25 or fewer minutes per game in the EuroLeague Women 2020-21; however, she made more turnovers (5) than assists (4) in the quarter finals.



### KATIE LOU SAMUELSON

Samuelson brings a calming influence on the floor for her team with the ability to play multiple positions.

The USA international has the potential to cause matchup issues for Avenida's opponents and her versatility has been a major strength for Roberto Iniguez and his team throughout the campaign.

Samuelson is the only player to score 25+ points on three separate occasions in EuroLeague Women this season, but was held to a best of 11 points in her last three games in the competition.



# SOPRON **BASKET**





1921 Sopron, DOMESTIC TINE 13x















APRIL 16, 2021 | CET 20.00 **VOLKSWAGEN ARENA** 

Number	Name	Age	Height(cm) (	Country	Points	Rebounds	Assists
3	Gabby Williams	24	180		16.8	4.3	3.0
4	Zsofia Fegyverneky	36	178		8.0	2.5	4.3
6	Virag Pfeiffer	16	168		0.0	0.0	0.0
8	Aliz Varga	20	186		1.0	0.0	0.0
12	Dalma Czukor	22	182		2.2	2.8	0.8
13	Kamilla Varga	21	182		0.0	0.0	0.0
14	Bernadett Hatar	26	208		8.3	3.3	0.5
15	Tina Krajisnik	30	190		10.9	8.0	0.5
20 🥼	Briann January	34	173		8.1	2.6	4.0
22	Megan Walker	22	185		6.5	2.0	0.9
32	Jelena Brooks	31	190	H	15.3	5.9	1.5
44	Sara Varga	20	164		0.0	0.0	0.0



Coach David Gaspar

# ROAD TO FINAL FOUR

### **REGULAR SEASON**



2. 69 - 66 70 - 58

3. TANGO 70 - 60 74 - 67

4. 59 84 - 54

### **QUARTER-FINAL**



LDLC ASVEL FÉMININ

94 - 66 62 - 75 SEMI-FINAL





Did you know?

Sopron Basket (63.1) and Perfumerias Avenida (63.4) are two of the three teams to have conceded the fewest points per game in the EuroLeague Women 2020-21, with the Hungarians being the team with the fewest points conceded per game in the league this season.

Sopron Basket have grabbed 8.4 offensive rebounds per game, the fewest of any team in the EuroLeague Women 2020-21; however, they had 20 offensive rebounds in their most recent game in the competition, a joint-high for a team in a single game in the league this season.

opto Sopron Basket have lost their most recent EuroLeague Women game putting an end to their longest winning run over the past 10 seasons .(W7)

Jelena Brooks has scored 19+ points in three of her last four appearances with Sopron Basket in the EuroLeague Women; she has made 53.1% of her attempted field goals, 58.3% from behind the arc and 91.7% from the FT line in that four-game span.



### **GABBY WILLIAMS**

The 24-year-old forward has been a constant threat for Sopron by filling up the stat-sheet on any given night. So, it is no surprise to see Williams' name amongst the top of the EuroLeague Women charts in multiple categories.

The American-French dual national ranks fifth in scoring with 16.8 points per game with Alina lagupova the only other player amongst the Final Four teams in the top five. Williams is the joint-leader in steals with 2.3 per game alongside Sarah Michel as well as featuring in the top 10 for average efficiency rating.

Williams collected a total of 18 steals in eight EuroLeague Women games this season, with no other player collecting more, whilst registering two steals in six of those eight encounters.

### **LOOKING BACK**

### History

EuroLeague Women is the premier women's basketball competition in Europe, featuring the top 16 teams from the continent and the world's best players.

It has a long and illustrious history, having originally been launched in 1958 as the European Cup for Women's Champion Clubs. It was subsequently dominated by the famous Daugava Riga club, now known as TTT Riga. They made 18 appearances in the finals between 1960 and 1982 - winning all of them.

During the the modern era of the competition, which started after the rebranding of the tournament as EuroLeague Women in 1996, we have witnessed 12 different clubs lifting the precious silverware.

### **Former Champions**

2019-20	Season cancelled
2018-19	UMMC Ekaterinburg (Russia)
2017-18	UMMC Ekaterinburg (Russia)
2016-17	Dynamo Kursk (Russia)
2015-16	UMMC Ekaterinburg (Russia)
2014-15	ZVVZ USK Praha (Czech Republic)
2013-14	Galatasaray Odeabank (Turkey)
2012-13	UMMC Ekaterinburg (Russia)
2011-12	Ros Casares (Spain)
2010-11	Halcon Avenida (Spain)
2009-10	Spartak Moscow Region (Russia)
2008-09	Spartak Moscow Region (Russia)
2007-08	Spartak Moscow Region (Russia)
2006-07	Spartak Moscow Region (Russia)
2005-06	Gambrinus Brno (Czech Republic)
2004-05	VBM-SGAU (Russia)
2003-04	US Valenciennes Olympic (France)
2002-03	UMMC Ekaterinburg (Russia)
2001-02	US Valenciennes Olympic (France)
2000-01	CJM Bourges Basket (France)
1999-00	SCP Ruzomberok (Slovakia)
1998-99	SCP Ruzomberok (Slovakia)
1997-98	CJM Bourges Basket (France)
1996-97	CIM Bourges Basket (France)



### 2020-21 Season Stats Leaders

	Points					Rebo	unds						As	sists			
Rank	Player	Cou	ntry Games	Points Per Game	Rank	Player		Co	untry	Games	Rebounds Per Game	Rank	Player		Country	Games	Assists Per Game
1.	Alina lagupova		5	20.6	1.	Clariss	a Dos Santo	s	6	6	12.3	1.	Cour	ney Vanderslo	of 😑	6	7.2
2.	Alice Kunek	6	6	18.7	2.	Kiah S	tokes		C	8	9.4	2.	Barb	ora Balintova	<u> </u>	6	6.2
3.	Brionna Jones	4	6	17.7	3.	Laura	Miskiniene	(		6	9.3	3.	Teja (	Oblak	<u> </u>	6	6.0
4.	Sandrine Gruda		6	17.3	4.	Anete	Steinberga	•	•	8	9.3	4.	Silvia	Dominguez	<u> </u>	7	5.1
5.	Gabby Williams		8	16.8	5.	Brionn	a Jones	4	<b>=</b>	6	9.0	5.	Mari	ne Johannes		8	5.1
6.	Kayla McBride	4	8	16.6	6.	Stepho	anie Mavung	ja (		6	8.8	6.	Erica	Wheeler	<b>=</b>	7	4.9
=	Katie Lou Samuelson	. 4	<b>8</b>	16.6	7.	Tina K	rajisnik		1	8	8.0	7.	Alba	Torrens	<u></u>	8	4.8
8.	Clarissa Dos Santos	•	6	16.3	_	Ksenii	a Tikhonenk	•		6	8.0	8.	Laia I	Palau	<u>&amp;</u>	9	4.7
9.	Erica Wheeler	4	7	16.1	9.	Satou	Sabally	•	•	7	7.9	9.	Alina	lagupova	•	5	4.4
10.	Epiphanny Prince		6	15.8	10.	Jonque	el Jones			8	7.8	10.	Zsofi	a Fegyverneky	•	8	4.3
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	Re	ank	Player		Country	Games	Steals Per Game	Rank	Play	er	_	Country	Games	Blocks Per Game			
		1.	Sarah Mi	chel		6	2.3	1.	Ste	phanie	Mavunga	<b>=</b>	6	1.70			
		2.	Gabby W			8	2.3	2.		h Stok		<u>©</u>	8	1.60			
		3.	Erica Wh		<b>=</b>	7	2.0	3.	Brie	onna Jo	ones	<b>=</b>	6	1.50			
			Clarissa [	Dos Santos	0	6	2.0	4.	Ma	rija Re:	zan	*	6	1.30			
			Katerina	Elhotova	-	6	2.0	5.		ena Ci			8	1.10			
		_	Epiphann	y Prince		6	2.0		Em	ese Ho	f		8	1.10			
		_	Alina lag	upova	<u> </u>	5	2.0	_	Bre	anna S	tewart		8	1.10			
		8.	Magali M	lendy		6	1.8	8.	Mir	anda A	lyim	•	6	1.00			
		9.	Brionna J	ones	-	6	1.7	9.	Ver	onika \	Vorackova	-	6	0.80			
		_	Kitija Lak	csa	-	6	1.7	10.	Gie	dre La	buckiene	_	9	0.80			
		=	Jasmine 7	Thomas	-	6	1.7										
		=	Veronika	Vorackova	<b>-</b>	6	1.7										

### **All-Time Stats Leaders**

	Points					Rebou	ınds						Assi	sts			
Rank	Player	Coun	try Games	Total Points	Rank	Player		Cou	ıntry	Games	Total Rebounds	Rank	Player		Country	Games	Total Assist
1.	Ann Wauters	•	271	3,771	1.	Ann W	auters			271	1,876	1.	Laia Pa	alau	<u></u>	260	1,26
2.	Diana Taurasi	=	178	3,200	2.	Maria S	Stepanova			226	1,801	2.	Dalma	Ivanyi	•	176	957
3.	Sandrine Gruda		232	3,070	3.	Margo	Dydek			167	1,483	3.	Celine	Dumerc		216	858
4.	Jurgita Streimikyte		194	2,802	4.	Elodie (	Godin	(		219	1,445	4.	Birsel V	ardarli Demirmer	<u>©</u>	208	820
5.	Delisha Milton-Jones	-	166	2,699	5.	Sandri	ne Gruda	(		232	1,443	5.	Silvia E	Dominguez	<u> </u>	202	753
6.	Maria Stepanova		226	2,528	6.	Jurgita	Streimikyte	e (		194	1,340	6.	Diana	Taurasi		178	688
7.	Agnieszka Bibrzycka	-	212	2,503	7.	Delisho	a Milton-Jor	nes 🤚	₽	166	1,325	7.	Audrey	Sauret-Gillespi	e 🕕	173	683
8.	Eva Viteckova	-	251	2,490	8.	DeWan	na Bonner	4	€	131	1,105	8.	Zsofia	Fegyverneky	<u></u>	229	638
9.	Zuzana Zirkova	<u> </u>	227	2,405	9.	Sonja \	/asic	4		198	1,057	9.	Anna (	ruz	<u> </u>	164	604
10.	Gordana Kovacevic	1	151	2,306	10.	Alena l	Kovacova	Į.	<u> </u>	211	1,043	10.	Jelena	Skerovic		147	586
			Steals						В	locks							
	Ro	ank l	Player	_	Country	Games	Total Steals	Rank	Play	rer		Country	Games	Total Blocks			
		<b>1.</b>	Hana Horo	akova	-	209	501	1.	And	astasia \	/erameyenl	(a 🛑	147	293			
		2.	Dalma Iva	nyi	•	176	478	2.	Ma	ıria Step	anova		226	281			
		3. (	Celine Dur	nerc		216	420	3.	Ma	ırgo Dyo	lek	<del>-</del>	167	258			
		4.	Laia Palau		<u> </u>	260	416	4.	Bri	ttney G	riner	<b>=</b>	88	172			
		5.	Cathy Mel	ain		185	385	5.	Pef	tra Kulic	hova	-	146	170			
		6	Jurgita Str	eimikyte		194	373	6.	Elo	die God	lin		219	155			
		7.	Amaya Va	ldemoro	<u> </u>	172	369	7.	Em	meline l	Ndongue		160	153			
		<b>8.</b>	Romana H	amzova	-	124	350	8.	An	n Waute	ers		271	149			

10. Irina Osipova

10. Audrey Sauret-Gillespie

