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Semi Finals - April Ross/Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States vs. Madelein Meppelink/Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands

April Ross

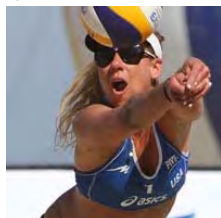


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Personal Info

Birth Date: June 20, 1982 (31 yrs old)
 Home Town: Newport Beach, CA
 Resides: Costa Mesa, CA
 Height: 185 cm (6'1")
 Weight: 76 kg (169 lbs.)
 Seasons: 9
 Tournaments: 89
 Best Finish: 1st (13 times)
 Career Winnings: \$682,225

Kerri Walsh Jennings



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date: August 15, 1978 (35 yrs old)
 Home Town: San Jose, CA
 Resides: Manhattan Beach, CA
 Height: 188 cm (6'2")
 Weight: 70 kg (155 lbs.)
 Seasons: 13
 Tournaments: 92
 Best Finish: 1st (47 times)
 Career Winnings: \$1,130,670

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	6	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	US\$123,500.00

Previous Moscow Results

Year	Partner - Result	Partner - Result
2008	Jennifer Kessy - 9th	Did not play
2009	Jennifer Kessy - 9th	Did not play
2010	Jennifer Kessy - 2nd	Did not play
2011	Did not play	Misty May-Treanor - 1st
2012	Jennifer Kessy - 5th	Misty May-Treanor - 2nd

Moscow Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool B	Martina Bonnerova / Barbora Hermannova, Czech Republic (31, Q14)	Won 21-7, 21-9	0:26
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool B	Joana Heidrich / Nadine Zumkehr, Switzerland (18)	Won 21-13, 21-16	0:34
Fri, 6/13/2014	Pool B	Marta Menegatti / Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy (15)	Won 21-18, 21-10	0:31
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 2	Lauren Fendrick / Brooke Sweat, United States (11)	Won 21-15, 21-15	0:34
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 3	Karla Borger / Britta Buthe, Germany (6)	Won 19-21, 21-17, 15-13	0:49
Sun, 6/15/2014	Semi-Finals	Madelein Meppelink / Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands (13)		

- April Ross and Kerri Walsh Jennings have been playing together since 2013. They are playing in their 6th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- April is playing in her 40th FIVB World Tour final four with 13 gold, 12 silver, nine bronze medals and five 4th place finishes.
- Kerri is playing in her 73rd FIVB World Tour final four with 47 gold, 15 silver, seven bronze medals and three 4th place finishes.
- This is April's and Kerri's 2nd Final Four of 2014 (Gold Fuzhou Open).
- April won the silver medal with Jennifer Kessy at the Olympic Games in 2012 (London).
- Kerri is a three-time defending Olympic games gold medalist, winning with Misty May-Treanor in 2004 (Athens), 2008 (Beijing), and 2012 (London).
- April finished 37th in the FIVB World Championships in 2007 (Gstaad), won gold in 2009 (Stavanger), and finished 5th in 2011 (Rome), all with Jennifer Kessy and finished 5th in 2013 (Stare Jablonki) with Whitney Pavlik.
- Kerri finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships in 2001 (Klagenfurt), won gold in 2003 (Rio de Janeiro), 2005 (Berlin), and 2007 (Gstaad), and won the silver medal in 2011 (Rome), all with Misty May-Treanor.
- April and Kerri are currently ranked 6th in FIVB World Tour points in 2014 with 1,540 points and 5th in winnings with \$52,000. They have one win in 2014 (Fuzhou Open).
- April and Kerri rank 14th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with three.
- April and Kerri rank 454th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with six.
- April and Kerri rank 96th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$123,500.
- April (13) ranks 12th and Kerri (47) ranks 1st in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- April (88) ranks 65th and Kerri (92) ranks 56th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- April (\$681,675) ranks 12th and Kerri (\$1,130,670) ranks 5th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- April was named the FIVB World Tour Top Rookie in 2007, Best Hitter in 2009 and 2011, Best Offensive Player in 2009, and Best Server in 2011 and 2012.
- Kerri was named the FIVB World Tour Best Blocker in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2011, and 2012, Best Hitter in 2005, 2006, 2007, and 2012, Best Offensive Player in 2007, Most Inspirational in 2011 and 2012, Most Outstanding in 2007, 2012, and 2013, Sportsperson in 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, and 2012, and was the FIVB World Tour Points Champion in 2002 with Misty May-Treanor.

Madelein Meppelink



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Personal Info

Birth Date:	November 29, 1989 (24 yrs old)
Home Town:	Rhenen
Resides:	The Hague
Height:	184 cm (6'0")
Weight:	75 kg (167 lbs.)
Seasons:	8
Tournaments:	54
Best Finish:	1st (Corrientes 2013)
Career Winnings:	\$152,350

Marleen Van Iersel



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	January 7, 1988 (26 yrs old)
Home Town:	Breda
Resides:	Amsterdam
Height:	178 cm (5'10")
Weight:	70 kg (155 lbs.)
Seasons:	12
Tournaments:	89
Best Finish:	1st (4 times)
Best WT Finish:	1st (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$305,150

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	US\$43,000.00

Previous Moscow Results

Year	Partner - Result	Partner - Result
2008	Did not play	Marloes Wesselink - 33rd
2010	Marloes Wesselink - 41st	Sanne Keizer - 9th
2011	Marloes Wesselink - 25th	Sanne Keizer - 9th
2012	Sophie van Gestel - 5th	Sanne Keizer - 5th

Moscow Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool D	Maria Antonelli / Juliana Felisberta, Brazil (20, Q2)	Lost 17-21, 21-19, 12-15	0:52
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool D	Monika Brzostek / Kinga Kolosinska, Poland (29, Q10)	Won 21-17, 21-18	0:36
Fri, 6/13/2014	Pool D	Carolina Salgado / Maria Clara Salgado, Brazil (4)	Won 21-14, 21-15	0:33
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 1	Alexandra Shiryayeva Moiseeva / Ekaterina Syrtseva, Russia (10)	Won 19-21, 21-19, 15-7	0:49
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 2	Maria Prokopeva / Evgeniya Ukolova, Russia (9)	Won 21-17, 21-12	0:39
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 3	Maria Antonelli / Juliana Felisberta, Brazil (20, Q2)	Won 21-11, 23-21	0:37
Sun, 6/15/2014	Semi-Finals	April Ross / Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States (2)		

- Madelein Meppelink and Marleen Van Iersel are a new team this season. They are playing in their 3rd FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Madelein is playing in her 5th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold and one silver medal and two 4th place finishes.
- Marleen is playing in her 13th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold, one silver, three bronze medals and six 4th place finishes.
- This is Madelein's and Marleen's 1st Final Four of 2014.
- Madelein finished 9th in the Olympic Games with Sophie van Gestel in 2012 (London).
- Marleen finished 9th in the Olympic Games with Sanne Keizer in 2012 (London).
- Madelein finished 37th in the FIVB World Championships with Marloes Wesselink in 2011 (Rome) and 17th in 2013 (Stare Jablonki) with Sophie van Gestel.
- Marleen finished 5th in the FIVB World Championships in 2009 (Stavanger), 9th in 2011 (Rome), and 9th in 2013 (Stare Jablonki), all with Sanne Keizer.
- Madelein and Marleen are currently ranked 9th in FIVB World Tour points in 2014 with 1,280 points and 7th in winnings with \$43,000.
- Madelein and Marleen rank 685th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with three.
- Madelein and Marleen rank 206th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$43,000.
- Madelein (1) ranks 46th and Marleen (2) ranks 32nd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Madelein (49) ranks 179th and Marleen (78) ranks 86th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Madelein (\$151,350) ranks 103rd and Marleen (\$302,400) ranks 42nd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Madelein and Marleen won the gold medal at the 2014 CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship Final in 2014 (Cagliari, Italy).
- Marleen won the gold medal at the 2012 CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship Final with Sanne Keizer in 2012 (The Hague, Netherlands).
- Marleen won the gold medal at the U21 World Championships with Danielle Remmers in 2008 (Brighton, England).
- Marleen bronze medals at the U21 World Championships with Marloes Wesselink in 2006 (Myslowice, Poland) and in 2007 (Modena, Italy).
- Marleen won the silver medal at the U19 World Championships with Danielle Remmers in 2006 (Bermuda, Bermuda).
- Marleen was named the FIVB World Tour Best Server in 2010 and Most Improved Player in 2009.

Teams have not played each other in an FIVB event

Liliana Fernández Steiner



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Personal Info

Birth Date:	January 4, 1987 (27 yrs old)
Home Town:	Alicante
Resides:	Alicante
Height:	178 cm (5'10")
Weight:	74 kg (164 lbs.)
Seasons:	10
Tournaments:	71
Best Finish:	2nd (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$193,775

Elsa Baquerizo McMillan



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	June 25, 1987 (26 yrs old)
Home Town:	New York, NY
Resides:	Santa Cruz de Tenerife
Height:	182 cm (6'0")
Weight:	68 kg (151 lbs.)
Seasons:	8
Tournaments:	67
Best Finish:	2nd (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$192,675

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	33	41	57	Money
FIVB	65	0	2	1	1	9	1	12	3	14	10	7	3	1	US\$385,350.00
FIVB Jr/Youth	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	US\$0.00
Overall	66	0	2	1	2	9	1	12	3	14	10	7	3	1	US\$385,350.00

Previous Moscow Results

Year	Partner - Result	Partner - Result
2008	Elsa Baquerizo - 41st	Liliana Fernandez - 41st
2010	Elsa Baquerizo - 33rd	Liliana Fernandez - 33rd
2011	Elsa Baquerizo - 9th	Liliana Fernandez - 9th
2012	Elsa Baquerizo - 17th	Liliana Fernandez - 17th
2013	Elsa Baquerizo - 3rd	Liliana Fernandez - 3rd

Moscow Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool G	Teresa Mersmann / Isabel Schneider, Germany (26, Q4)	Won 21-15, 21-16	0:33
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool G	Isabelle Forrer / Anouk Verge-Depre, Switzerland (23)	Won 21-19, 20-22, 16-14	0:53
Fri, 6/13/2014	Pool G	Alexandra Shiryayeva Moiseeva / Ekaterina Syrtseva, Russia (10)	Won 21-17, 21-15	0:34
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 2	Marta Menegatti / Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy (15)	Won 23-21, 20-22, 15-12	0:52
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 3	Xinyi Xia / Chen Xue, China (14)	Won 21-19, 21-14	0:35
Sun, 6/15/2014	Semi-Finals	Taiana Lima / Talita Rocha, Brazil (1)		

- Liliana Fernandez and Elsa Baquerizo have been playing together since 2008. They are playing in their 65th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Liliana is playing in her 5th FIVB World Tour final four with two silver medals and one bronze medal and one 4th place finish.
- Elsa is playing in her 5th FIVB World Tour final four with two silver medals and one bronze medal and one 4th place finish.
- This is Liliana's and Elsa's 1st Final Four of 2014. Their last Final Four was a Bronze in Moscow 2013.
- Liliana and Elsa finished 9th in the Olympic Games in 2012 (London).
- Liliana and Elsa finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships in 2011 (Rome).
- Liliana and Elsa are currently ranked 15th in FIVB World Tour points in 2014 with 1,040 points and 9th in winnings with \$41,000.
- Liliana and Elsa rank 25th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 65.
- Liliana and Elsa rank 26th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$385,350.
- Liliana (66) ranks 105th and Elsa (65) ranks 109th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Liliana (\$193,675) ranks 72nd and Elsa (\$192,675) ranks 74th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Elsa and Liliana won the bronze medal at the 2012 CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship Final in 2012 (The Hague, Netherlands)
- Elsa and Liliana won the silver medal at the 2013 CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship Final in 2013 (Klagenfurt, Austria).
- Liliana and Elsa won the silver medal at the 2014 CEV Beach Volleyball European Baden Masters in 2014 (Baden, Austria).

Talita Antunes da Rocha



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	August 29, 1982 (31 yrs old)
Home Town:	Riatio Grosso Do Sul
Resides:	Rio de Janeiro
Height:	181 cm (5'11")
Weight:	63 kg (140 lbs.)
Seasons:	12
Tournaments:	130
Best Finish:	1st (18 times)
Career Winnings:	\$947,725

Taiana de Souza Lima



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	May 27, 1984 (30 yrs old)
Home Town:	Fortaleza - CE
Resides:	Rio de Janeiro
Height:	175 cm (5'9")
Weight:	66 kg (147 lbs.)
Seasons:	12
Tournaments:	53
Best Finish:	1st (7 times)
Best WT Finish:	1st (5 times)
Career Winnings:	\$229,300

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	16	5	1	1	1	2	0	4	0	1	0	US\$285,750.00

Previous Moscow Results

Year	Partner - Result	Partner - Result
2008	Renata Ribeiro - 4th	Did not play
2009	Maria Antonelli - 5th	Did not play
2010	Maria Antonelli - 4th	Vivian Cunha - 33rd
2011	Maria Antonelli - 5th	Vivian Cunha - Country Quota
2012	Maria Antonelli - 4th	Vivian Cunha - 17th
2013	Taiana Lima - 9th	Talita Rocha - 9th

Moscow Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool A	Nadezda Makroguzova / Daria Rudykh, Russia (32)	Won 21-14, 21-13	0:31
Thu, 6/12/2014	Pool A	Natalia Dubovcova / Dominika Nestarcova, Slovak Republic (17)	Won 21-13, 21-13	0:33
Fri, 6/13/2014	Pool A	Louise Bawden / Taliqua Clancy, Australia (16)	Won 16-21, 21-16, 15-11	0:48
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 2	Fan Wang / Yuan Yue, China (22)	Won 18-21, 21-18, 15-13	0:52
Sat, 6/14/2014	Winner 3	Monika Brzostek / Kinga Kolosinska, Poland (29, Q10)	Won 21-10, 21-16	0:32
Sun, 6/15/2014	Semi-Finals	Elsa Baquerizo / Liliana Fernandez, Spain (7)		

- Talita Rocha and Taiana Lima have been playing together since 2013. They are playing in their 16th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Talita is playing in her 62nd FIVB World Tour final four with 18 gold, 13 silver, 14 bronze medals and 16 4th place finishes.
- Taiana is playing in her 12th FIVB World Tour final four with five gold, two silver, two bronze medals and two 4th place finishes.
- This is Talita's and Taiana's 2nd Final Four of 2014 (4th Shanghai Grand Slam).
- Talita finished 4th in the Olympic Games with Renata Ribeiro in 2008 (Beijing) and finished 9th with Maria Antonelli in 2012 (London).
- Taiana and Talita finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2013 (Stare Jablonki).
- Taiana finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships with Vivian Cunha in 2011 (Rome).
- Talita finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships with Renata Ribeiro in 2007 (Gstaad), won the bronze medal in 2009 (Stavanger), and finished 5th in 2011 (Rome), both with Maria Antonelli.
- Talita and Taiana are currently ranked 5th in FIVB World Tour points in 2014 with 1,720 points and 4th in winnings with \$54,750.
- Talita and Taiana rank 10th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with five.
- Talita and Taiana rank 189th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 16.
- Talita and Taiana rank 45th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$285,750.
- Talita (18) ranks 9th and Taiana (5) ranks 23rd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Talita (128) ranks 13th and Taiana (48) ranks 180th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Talita (\$945,675) ranks 7th and Taiana (\$226,950) ranks 56th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Taiana won gold medals at the U21 World Championships with Juliana Felisberta in 2002 (Catania, Italy) and with Carolina Salgado in 2004 (Porto Santo, Portugal).
- Talita won the bronze medal at the U21 World Championships with Maria Clara Salgado in 2002 (Catania, Italy).
- Talita was named the FIVB World Tour Top Rookie in 2005, Best Blocker in 2013, Best Hitter in 2013, and Best Offensive Player in 2013.
- Taiana was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2010 and Sportsperson in 2013.
- Talita and Taiana are the current World Tour Points champions and were named Team of the Year in 2013.

Talita Rocha/Taiana Lima lead the series 2-1

Date	Tournament	Round	Winning Team	Score	Time
5/3/2014	Shanghai Grand Slam	Winner 3	Talita Rocha/Taiana Lima	21-14, 21-16	0:37
6/13/2013	The Hague Grand Slam	Pool H	Talita Rocha/Taiana Lima	21-14, 14-21, 15-8	0:42
5/24/2013	Corrientes Grand Slam	Winner 2	Liliana Fernandez/Elsa Baquerizo	21-18, 27-29, 15-13	1:00