

Semi Finals - Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst, Germany vs. Marta Menegatti/Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy

Laura Ludwig



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Personal Info

Birth Date:	January 13, 1986 (29 yrs old)
Home Town:	Berlin
Resides:	Hamburg
Height:	181 cm (5'11")
Weight:	70 kg (155 lbs.)
Seasons:	13
Tournaments:	122
Best Finish:	1st (3 times)
Best WT Finish:	1st (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$662,050

Kira Walkenhorst



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Personal Info

Birth Date:	November 18, 1990 (24 yrs old)
Home Town:	Essen
Resides:	Hamburg
Height:	184 cm (6'0")
Weight:	75 kg (167 lbs.)
Seasons:	6
Tournaments:	34
Best Finish:	1st (3 times)
Best WT Finish:	1st (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$236,450

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	26	2	3	3	2	5	0	5	0	4	1	US\$443,400.00

Previous Results Neither player has played in this venue before

Puerto Vallarta Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool A	Claudia Rios / Gloria Santoyo, Mexico (32)	Won 21-14, 21-14	0:32
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool A	Victoria Kjolberg / Janne Kongshavn, Norway (17)	Won 21-10, 21-9	0:29
Fri, 10/9/2015	Pool A	Lane Carico / Summer Ross, United States (16)	Won 25-23, 21-16	0:39
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 2	Nina Betschart / Nicole Eiholzer, Switzerland (21)	Won 21-17, 21-18	0:35
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 3	Linline Matauatu / Pata Miller, Vanuatu (6)	Won 21-11, 21-16	0:33
Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Marta Menegatti / Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy (4)		

- Laura Ludwig and Kira Walkenhorst have been playing together since 2013. They are playing in their 26th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Laura is playing in her 27th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold, 11 silver, eight bronze medals and five 4th place finishes.
- Kira is playing in her 11th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold, three silver, three bronze medals and two 4th place finishes.
- Laura's and Kira's last Final Four was a Silver at the Swatch FIVB World Tour Finals in Fort Lauderdale last week.
- Laura finished 9th in the Olympic Games in 2008 (Beijing) and 5th in 2012 (London), both with Sara Goller Niedrig.
- Laura and Kira finished 5th in the FIVB World Championships in 2013 (Stare Jablonki) and 17th in 2015 (The Hague).
- Laura finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2005 (Berlin), 17th in 2007 (Gstaad), 9th in 2009 (Stavanger), and 9th in 2011 (Rome), all with Sara Goller Niedrig.
- Laura and Kira finished 8th in FIVB World Tour points in 2015 with 4,200 points and 3rd in winnings with \$239,000.
- Laura and Kira rank 25th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with two, 126th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 26, and 28th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$443,400.
- Laura and Kira have a career 99-46 (68.3%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 5-0 (100.0%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 5-0 (100.0%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Laura (2) and Kira (2) each ranks 35th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Laura (119) ranks 22nd and Kira (32) ranks 281st in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Laura (\$661,200) ranks 17th and Kira (\$231,250) ranks 68th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Laura and Kira won the gold medal at the 2015 CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship Final in 2015 (Klagenfurt, Austria).
- Laura won gold medals at the European Championship Final with Sara Goller Niedrig in 2008 (Hamburg, Germany) and 2010 (Berlin, Germany).
- Laura won the gold medal at the U18 World Championships with Jana Kohler in 2003 (Pattaya, Thailand).
- Laura was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2007, Best Offensive Player in 2011, Best Defensive Player in 2013, and Most Inspirational in 2013.
- Kira was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2013 and Top Rookie in 2013.

Marta Menegatti



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	August 16, 1990 (25 yrs old)
Home Town:	Ariano Polesine
Resides:	Ariano Polesine
Height:	180 cm (5'11")
Weight:	67 kg (149 lbs.)
Seasons:	11
Tournaments:	80
Best Finish:	1st (Sochi 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$372,788

Viktoria Orsi Toth



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Personal Info

Birth Date:	August 14, 1990 (25 yrs old)
Home Town:	Santeramo in Colle
Resides:	Santeramo
Height:	185 cm (6'1")
Weight:	75 kg (167 lbs.)
Seasons:	7
Tournaments:	40
Best Finish:	1st (Sochi 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$161,463

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	28	1	1	1	3	3	0	9	0	4	5	US\$306,925.00
FIVB Age Group WC	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	US\$0.00
Overall	29	1	2	1	3	3	0	9	0	4	5	US\$306,925.00

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Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 2	Lane Carico / Summer Ross, United States (16)	Won 21-17, 20-22, 15-13	0:59
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 3	Alexandra Jupiter / Laura Longuet, France (19)	Won 21-15, 21-15	0:39
Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Laura Ludwig / Kira Walkenhorst, Germany (1)		

- Marta Menegatti and Viktoria Orsi Toth have been playing together since 2013. They are playing in their 28th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Marta is playing in her 19th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold, five silver, five bronze medals and seven 4th place finishes.
- Viktoria is playing in her 7th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold, one silver, one bronze medals and three 4th place finishes.
- Marta's and Viktoria's last Final Four was a Gold at Sochi in September, 2015.
- Marta finished 5th in the Olympic Games with Greta Cicolari in 2012 (London).
- Marta and Viktoria finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships in 2015 (The Hague).
- Marta finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships in 2011 (Rome) and 5th in 2013 (Stare Jablonki), both with Greta Cicolari.
- Viktoria finished 37th in the FIVB World Championships with Giada Benazzi in 2011 (Rome) 37th.
- Marta and Viktoria finished 14th in FIVB World Tour points in 2015 with 3,680 points and 10th in winnings with \$118,000.
- Marta and Viktoria rank 41st on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with one, 112th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 28, and 49th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$306,925.
- Marta and Viktoria have a career 85-55 (60.7%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 5-0 (100.0%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 5-0 (100.0%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Marta (1) and Viktoria (1) each ranks 54th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Marta (70) ranks 108th and Viktoria (39) ranks 234th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Marta (\$372,137) ranks 38th and Viktoria (\$161,462) ranks 109th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Marta and Viktoria won the silver medal at the U21 World Championship in 2010 (Alanya, Turkey).
- Marta won the silver medal at the U19 World Championships with Gilda Lombardo in 2007 (Myslowice, Poland).
- Marta won the gold medal at the CEV European Championship Final with Greta Cicolari in 2011 (Kristiansand, Norway).
- Marta was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2011.

Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst lead the series 3-1

Date	Tournament	Round	Winning Team	Score	Time
4/26/2014	Fuzhou Open	Winner 2	Marta Menegatti/Viktoria Orsi Toth	27-29, 21-19, 19-17	1:06
10/9/2013	São Paulo Grand Slam	Pool N	Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst	21-16, 21-17	0:34
8/25/2013	Moscow Grand Slam	Semi Finals	Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst	21-16, 21-10	0:33
8/22/2013	Moscow Grand Slam	Pool G	Laura Ludwig/Kira Walkenhorst	21-13, 21-16	0:33

Eduarda Santos Lisboa



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	August 1, 1998 (17 yrs old)
Home Town:	Espinosa
Resides:	Belém
Height:	182 cm (6'0")
Weight:	78 kg (173 lbs.)
Seasons:	5
Tournaments:	13
Best Finish:	1st (3 times)
Best WT Finish:	3rd (Prague 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$11,188

Elize Maia Secomandi



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	October 20, 1984 (30 yrs old)
Home Town:	Vitória
Resides:	Rio de Janeiro
Height:	184 cm (6'0")
Weight:	70 kg (155 lbs.)
Seasons:	8
Tournaments:	12
Best Finish:	3rd (Prague 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$16,213

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	US\$15,875.00

Previous Results Neither player has played in this venue before

Puerto Vallarta Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool E	Nina Betschart / Nicole Eiholzer, Switzerland (21)	Won 21-17, 21-14	0:32
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool E	Irene Hester Pollock / Caitlin Ledoux, United States (28, Q9)	Won 16-21, 21-12, 15-8	0:45
Fri, 10/9/2015	Pool E	Ana Gallay / Georgina Klug, Argentina (5)	Lost 22-20, 17-21, 11-15	0:55
Fri, 10/9/2015	Winner 1	Katrin Holtwick / Ilka Semmler, Germany (2)	Won By Forfeit	
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 2	Isabelle Forrer / Anouk Verge-Depre, Switzerland (3)	Won 21-13, 17-21, 15-12	0:47
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 3	Ana Gallay / Georgina Klug, Argentina (5)	Won 21-18, 21-15	0:38
Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Sophie van Gestel / Jantine van der Vlist, Netherlands (10)		

- Eduarda Lisboa and Elize Maia have been playing together since 2015. They are playing in their 4th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Eduarda is playing in her 2nd FIVB World Tour final four with one bronze medal.
- Elize is playing in her 2nd FIVB World Tour final four with one bronze medal.
- Eduarda's and Elize's last Final Four was a Bronze at Prague in May, 2015.
- Eduarda and Elize finished 47th in FIVB World Tour points in 2015 with 940 points and 45th in winnings with \$11,375.
- Eduarda and Elize rank 639th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with four and 367th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$15,875.
- Eduarda and Elize have a career 21-7 (75.0%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 5-1 (83.3%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 5-1 (83.3%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Eduarda (5) ranks 787th and Elize (12) ranks 517th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Eduarda (\$11,187) ranks 384th and Elize (\$16,212) ranks 349th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Eduarda won the silver medal at the U23 World Championships with Thais Rodrigues Ferreira in 2013 (Myslowice, Poland).
- Eduarda won gold medals at the U19 World Championships with Taina Silva in 2013 (Porto, Portugal) and with Andressa Cavalcanti in 2014 (Porto, Portugal).
- Eduarda won the gold medal at the Nanjing Youth Olympic Games with Ana Patricia Silva in 2014 (Nanjing, China).

Jantine van der Vlist



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	October 30, 1985 (29 yrs old)
Home Town:	Den Haag
Resides:	Amsterdam
Height:	183 cm (6'0")
Weight:	73 kg (162 lbs.)
Seasons:	9
Tournaments:	67
Best Finish:	4th (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$88,250

Sophie van Gestel



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	June 29, 1991 (24 yrs old)
Home Town:	Den Haag
Resides:	The Hague
Height:	180 cm (5'11")
Weight:	67 kg (149 lbs.)
Seasons:	9
Tournaments:	43
Best Finish:	1st (Corrientes 2013)
Career Winnings:	\$121,875

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	33	Money
FIVB	7	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	3	US\$39,500.00

Previous Results Neither player has played in this venue before

Puerto Vallarta Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool G	Sayaka Mizoe / Takemi Nishibori, Japan (23)	Won 21-17, 21-18	0:42
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool G	Olaya Pazo / Rebeca Pazo, Venezuela (26, Q6)	Won 21-13, 21-12	0:41
Fri, 10/9/2015	Pool G	Chantal Laboureur / Julia Sude, Germany (7)	Lost 21-12, 19-21, 9-15	0:51
Fri, 10/9/2015	Winner 1	Lena Plesiutchnig / Katharina Schutzenhofer, Austria (20)	Won 21-19, 21-14	0:37
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 2	Rimke Braakman / Jolien Sinnema, Netherlands (24, Q3)	Won 21-10, 21-10	0:29
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 3	Sayaka Mizoe / Takemi Nishibori, Japan (23)	Won 21-19, 21-12	0:34
Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Eduarda Lisboa / Elize Maia, Brazil (12)		

- Jantine van der Vlist and Sophie van Gestel have been playing together since 2015. They are playing in their 7th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Jantine is playing in her 3rd FIVB World Tour final four with two 4th place finishes.
- Sophie is playing in her 6th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold medal, one silver medal and three 4th place finishes.
- Jantine's and Sophie's last Final Four was a 4th Place Finish at Olsztyn in August, 2015.
- Sophie finished 9th in the Olympic Games with Madelein Meppelink in 2012 (London).
- Jantine and Sophie finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2015 (The Hague).
- Jantine finished 37th in the FIVB World Championships with Roos Van der Hoeven in 2011 (Rome) and 33rd with Marloes Wesselink in 2013 (Stare Jablonki).
- Sophie finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships with Madelein Meppelink in 2013 (Stare Jablonki).
- Jantine and Sophie finished 39th in FIVB World Tour points in 2015 with 1,320 points and 33rd in winnings with \$35,000.
- Jantine and Sophie rank 437th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with seven and 232nd on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$39,500.
- Jantine and Sophie have a career 18-12 (60.0%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 5-1 (83.3%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 5-1 (83.3%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Sophie (1) ranks 54th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Jantine (67) ranks 117th and Sophie (38) ranks 239th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Jantine (\$88,250) ranks 173rd and Sophie (\$121,875) ranks 142nd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Sophie won the silver medal at the U19 World Championships with Rimke Braakman in 2008 (The Hague, Netherlands).
- Sophie won the silver medal at the U21 World Championships with Michelle Stiekema in 2008 (Brighton, England).
- Sophie won the bronze medal at the U21 World Championships with Rimke Braakman in 2011 (Halifax, Canada).
- Sophie was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2012.

Teams have not played each other in an FIVB event

Marta Menegatti



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Personal Info

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Height:	180 cm (5'11")
Weight:	67 kg (149 lbs.)
Seasons:	11
Tournaments:	80
Best Finish:	1st (Sochi 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$372,788

Viktoria Orsi Toth



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Personal Info

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Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Laura Ludwig / Kira Walkenhorst, Germany (1)	Lost 12-21, 18-21	0:38
Sun, 10/11/2015	Bronze Medal	Sophie van Gestel / Jantine van der Vlist, Netherlands (10)		

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- Marta is playing in her 19th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold, five silver, five bronze medals and seven 4th place finishes.
- Viktoria is playing in her 7th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold, one silver, one bronze medals and three 4th place finishes.
- Marta's and Viktoria's last Final Four was a Gold at Sochi in September, 2015.
- Marta finished 5th in the Olympic Games with Greta Cicolari in 2012 (London).
- Marta and Viktoria finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships in 2015 (The Hague).
- Marta finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships in 2011 (Rome) and 5th in 2013 (Stare Jablonki), both with Greta Cicolari.
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- Marta and Viktoria have a career 85-56 (60.3%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 5-1 (83.3%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 5-1 (83.3%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Marta (1) and Viktoria (1) each ranks 54th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Marta (70) ranks 108th and Viktoria (39) ranks 234th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Marta (\$372,137) ranks 38th and Viktoria (\$161,462) ranks 109th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Marta and Viktoria won the silver medal at the U21 World Championship in 2010 (Alanya, Turkey).
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Jantine van der Vlist



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Home Town:	Den Haag
Resides:	Amsterdam
Height:	183 cm (6'0")
Weight:	73 kg (162 lbs.)
Seasons:	9
Tournaments:	67
Best Finish:	4th (2 times)
Career Winnings:	\$88,250

Sophie van Gestel



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- Sophie is playing in her 6th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold medal, one silver medal and three 4th place finishes.
- Jantine's and Sophie's last Final Four was a 4th Place Finish at Olsztyn in August, 2015.
- Sophie finished 9th in the Olympic Games with Madelein Meppelink in 2012 (London).
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Kira Walkenhorst



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FIVB	26	2	3	3	2	5	0	5	0	4	1	US\$446,900.00

Previous Results Neither player has played in this venue before

Puerto Vallarta Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool A	Claudia Rios / Gloria Santoyo, Mexico (32)	Won 21-14, 21-14	0:32
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool A	Victoria Kjolberg / Janne Kongshavn, Norway (17)	Won 21-10, 21-9	0:29
Fri, 10/9/2015	Pool A	Lane Carico / Summer Ross, United States (16)	Won 25-23, 21-16	0:39
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 2	Nina Betschart / Nicole Eiholzer, Switzerland (21)	Won 21-17, 21-18	0:35
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 3	Linline Matauatu / Pata Miller, Vanuatu (6)	Won 21-11, 21-16	0:33
Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Marta Menegatti / Viktoria Orsi Toth, Italy (4)	Won 21-12, 21-18	0:38
Sun, 10/11/2015	Gold Medal	Eduarda Lisboa / Elize Maia, Brazil (12)		

- Laura Ludwig and Kira Walkenhorst have been playing together since 2013. They are playing in their 26th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Laura is playing in her 27th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold, 11 silver, eight bronze medals and five 4th place finishes.
- Kira is playing in her 11th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold, three silver, three bronze medals and two 4th place finishes.
- Laura's and Kira's last Final Four was a Silver at the Swatch FIVB World Tour Finals in Fort Lauderdale last week.
- German women have won just two out of 15 previous gold-medal matches against Brazil. Laura and Kira have one of those wins in July at the Yokohama event and two losses (Moscow 2013, Ft. Lauderdale last week).
- Laura finished 9th in the Olympic Games in 2008 (Beijing) and 5th in 2012 (London), both with Sara Goller Niedrig.
- Laura and Kira finished 5th in the FIVB World Championships in 2013 (Stare Jablonki) and 17th in 2015 (The Hague).
- Laura finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2005 (Berlin), 17th in 2007 (Gstaad), 9th in 2009 (Stavanger), and 9th in 2011 (Rome), all with Sara Goller Niedrig.
- Laura and Kira finished 8th in FIVB World Tour points in 2015 with 4,200 points and 3rd in winnings with \$239,000.
- Laura and Kira rank 25th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with two, 126th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 26, and 28th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$446,900.
- Laura and Kira have a career 100-46 (68.5%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 6-0 (100.0%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 6-0 (100.0%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Laura (2) and Kira (2) each ranks 35th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Laura (119) ranks 22nd and Kira (32) ranks 281st in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Laura (\$662,950) ranks 17th and Kira (\$233,000) ranks 67th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Laura and Kira won the gold medal at the 2015 CEV Beach Volleyball European Championship Final in 2015 (Klagenfurt, Austria).
- Laura won gold medals at the European Championship Final with Sara Goller Niedrig in 2008 (Hamburg, Germany) and 2010 (Berlin, Germany).
- Laura won the gold medal at the U18 World Championships with Jana Kohler in 2003 (Pattaya, Thailand).
- Laura was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2007, Best Offensive Player in 2011, Best Defensive Player in 2013, and Most Inspirational in 2013.
- Kira was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2013 and Top Rookie in 2013.

Eduarda Santos Lisboa



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Personal Info

Birth Date:	August 1, 1998 (17 yrs old)
Home Town:	Espinosa
Resides:	Belém
Height:	182 cm (6'0")
Weight:	78 kg (173 lbs.)
Seasons:	5
Tournaments:	13
Best Finish:	1st (3 times)
Best WT Finish:	3rd (Prague 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$12,938

Elize Maia Secomandi



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date:	October 20, 1984 (30 yrs old)
Home Town:	Vitória
Resides:	Rio de Janeiro
Height:	184 cm (6'0")
Weight:	70 kg (155 lbs.)
Seasons:	8
Tournaments:	12
Best Finish:	3rd (Prague 2015)
Career Winnings:	\$17,963

Team Career Summary

Tour	Played	1	2	3	4	5	7	9	13	17	25	Money
FIVB	4	0	0	1	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	US\$19,375.00

Previous Results Neither player has played in this venue before

Puerto Vallarta Matches

Date	Bracket	Opponent	Score	Time
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool E	Nina Betschart / Nicole Eiholzer, Switzerland (21)	Won 21-17, 21-14	0:32
Thu, 10/8/2015	Pool E	Irene Hester Pollock / Caitlin Ledoux, United States (28, Q9)	Won 16-21, 21-12, 15-8	0:45
Fri, 10/9/2015	Pool E	Ana Gallay / Georgina Klug, Argentina (5)	Lost 22-20, 17-21, 11-15	0:55
Fri, 10/9/2015	Winner 1	Katrin Holtwick / Ilka Semmler, Germany (2)	Won By Forfeit	
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 2	Isabelle Forrer / Anouk Verge-Depre, Switzerland (3)	Won 21-13, 17-21, 15-12	0:47
Sat, 10/10/2015	Winner 3	Ana Gallay / Georgina Klug, Argentina (5)	Won 21-18, 21-15	0:38
Sat, 10/10/2015	Semi-Finals	Sophie van Gestel / Jantine van der Vlist, Netherlands (10)	Won 19-21, 21-17, 15-12	0:47
Sun, 10/11/2015	Gold Medal	Laura Ludwig / Kira Walkenhorst, Germany (1)		

- Eduarda Lisboa and Elize Maia have been playing together since 2015. They are playing in their 4th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Eduarda is playing in her 2nd FIVB World Tour final four with one bronze medal.
- Elize is playing in her 2nd FIVB World Tour final four with one bronze medal.
- Eduarda's and Elize's last Final Four was a Bronze at Prague in May, 2015.
- Eduarda and Elize finished 47th in FIVB World Tour points in 2015 with 940 points and 45th in winnings with \$11,375.
- Eduarda and Elize rank 639th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with four and 335th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$19,375.
- Eduarda and Elize have a career 22-7 (75.9%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 6-1 (85.7%) record in 2016, and an all-time record of 6-1 (85.7%) in Puerto Vallarta.
- Eduarda (5) ranks 787th and Elize (12) ranks 517th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Eduarda (\$12,937) ranks 376th and Elize (\$17,962) ranks 341st in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Eduarda won the silver medal at the U23 World Championships with Thais Rodrigues Ferreira in 2013 (Myslowice, Poland).
- Eduarda won gold medals at the U19 World Championships with Taina Silva in 2013 (Porto, Portugal) and with Andressa Cavalcanti in 2014 (Porto, Portugal).
- Eduarda won the gold medal at the Nanjing Youth Olympic Games with Ana Patricia Silva in 2014 (Nanjing, China).

Teams have not played each other in an FIVB event