

Semi Finals - Mariafe Artacho/Taliqua Clancy, Australia vs. Kelly Claes/Brittany Hochevar, United States

Mariafe Artacho

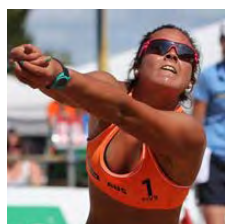


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Personal Info

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| Birth Date: | October 24, 1993 (24 yrs old) |
| Home Town: | Peru |
| Resides: | Adelaide |
| Height: | 175 cm (5'9") |
| Weight: | 67 kg (149 lbs.) |
| Seasons: | 11 |
| Tournaments: | 44 |
| Best Finish: | 1st (3 times) |
| Best WT Finish: | 1st (2 times) |
| Career Winnings: | \$48,775 |

Taliqua Clancy



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Personal Info

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| Birth Date: | June 25, 1992 (25 yrs old) |
| Home Town: | Kingaroy |
| Resides: | Adelaide |
| Height: | 184 cm (6'0") |
| Weight: | 68 kg (151 lbs.) |
| Seasons: | 10 |
| Tournaments: | 61 |
| Best Finish: | 1st (2 times) |
| Career Winnings: | \$218,363 |

Team Career Summary

| Tour | Played | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 25 | Money |
|-------------------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|---------------|
| FIVB | 5 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | US\$32,250.00 |
| FIVB Age Group WC | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | US\$0.00 |
| FIVB C&S | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | US\$1,100.00 |
| Overall | 7 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | US\$33,350.00 |

Previous Xiamen Results

| Year | Partner - Result | Partner - Result |
|------|-------------------------|----------------------|
| 2013 | Did not play | Louise Bawden - 25th |
| 2015 | Nicole Laird - 25th | Did not play |
| 2017 | Brittany Kendall - 17th | Did not play |

Xiamen Matches

| Date | Bracket | Opponent | Score | Time |
|----------------|-------------|---|-------------------------|------|
| Thu, 4/19/2018 | Pool F | Kelly Claes / Brittany Hochevar, United States (22, Q2) | Won 21-18, 21-16 | 0:34 |
| Fri, 4/20/2018 | Pool F | Carolina Horta / Taiana Lima, Brazil (6) | Won 18-21, 23-21, 15-10 | 0:50 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 2 | Nicole Branagh / Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States (17) | Won 19-21, 21-16, 20-18 | 0:53 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 3 | Chantal Laboureur / Julia Sude, Germany (2) | Won 21-16, 21-10 | 0:29 |
| Sun, 4/22/2018 | Semi-Finals | Kelly Claes / Brittany Hochevar, United States (22, Q2) | | |

- Mariafe Artacho and Taliqua Clancy first played in 2012 before reuniting in 2018. They are playing in their 5th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Mariafe is playing in her 4th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold medals and one silver medal.
- Taliqua is playing in her 6th FIVB World Tour final four with two gold medals, one bronze medal, and two 4th place finishes.
- This is Mariafe's and Taliqua's 3rd Final Four of 2018 (Gold Qinzhou Three Star, Gold Sydney Two Star).
- Mariafe finished 19th in the Olympic Games with Nicole Laird in 2016 (Rio de Janeiro).
- Taliqua finished 5th in the Olympic Games with Louise Bawden in 2016 (Rio de Janeiro).
- Mariafe finished 37th in the FIVB World Championships with Jessyka Ngauamo in 2013 (Stare Jablonki) and 17th with Nicole Laird in 2015 (The Hague).
- Taliqua finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2013 (Stare Jablonki), 5th in 2015 (The Hague), and 17th in 2017 (Vienna), all with Louise Bawden.
- Mariafe and Taliqua are currently ranked 17th in the FIVB World Tour Rankings with 2,336 points and 4th in 2018 World Tour winnings with \$28,000. They have two wins in 2018 (Qinzhou Open, Sydney Open).
- Mariafe and Taliqua rank 26th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with two, 630th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with five, and 285th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$32,250.
- Mariafe and Taliqua have a career 19-3 (86.4%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 17-1 (94.4%) record in 2018, and an all-time record of 4-0 (100.0%) in Xiamen.
- Mariafe (2) and Taliqua (2) each ranks 42nd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Mariafe (34) ranks 286th and Taliqua (55) ranks 183rd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Mariafe (\$48,225) ranks 256th and Taliqua (\$217,737) ranks 88th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.

- Mariafe and Taliqia won the bronze medal at the Under 21 World Championships in 2012 (Halifax, Canada).
- Mariafe won the gold medal at the Under 23 World Championships with Nicole Laird in 2014 (Myslowice, Poland).
- Taliqia won the bronze medal at the Under 19 World Championships with Eliza Hynes in 2010 (Porto, Portugal).
- Mariafe and Nicole Laird won the silver medal at the AVC Beach Volleyball Championships in 2016 (Australia).
- Taliqia and Louise Bawden won gold medals at the AVC Beach Volleyball Championships in 2014 (China), 2015 (Hong Kong) and 2017 (Thailand).
- Mariafe and Nicole Laird won the silver medal at the Commonwealth Games earlier this month (Gold Coast, Australia).

Kelly Claes



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Personal Info

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| Birth Date: | September 18, 1995 (22 yrs old) |
| Home Town: | Placentia, CA |
| Resides: | Fullerton, CA |
| Height: | 188 cm (6'2") |
| Weight: | 64 kg (142 lbs.) |
| Seasons: | 6 |
| Tournaments: | 16 |
| Best Finish: | 3rd (2 times) |
| Best WT Finish: | 5th (2 times) |
| Career Winnings: | \$43,500 |

Brittany Hochevar



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Personal Info

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| Birth Date: | May 26, 1981 (36 yrs old) |
| Home Town: | Fowler, CO |
| Resides: | Knoxville, TN |
| Height: | 184 cm (6'0") |
| Weight: | 68 kg (151 lbs.) |
| Seasons: | 10 |
| Tournaments: | 76 |
| Best Finish: | 5th (4 times) |
| Career Winnings: | \$104,775 |

Team Career Summary

| Tour | Played | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 25 | Money |
|------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|--------------|
| FIVB | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | US\$8,000.00 |

Previous Xiamen Results

| Year | Partner - Result | Partner - Result |
|------|------------------|------------------------|
| 2013 | Did not play | Lauren Fendrick - 25th |
| 2014 | Did not play | Emily Day - 9th |
| 2016 | Did not play | Jennifer Fopma - 25th |
| 2017 | Did not play | Emily Day - 5th |

Xiamen Matches

| Date | Bracket | Opponent | Score | Time |
|----------------|-------------|---|-------------------------|------|
| Wed, 4/18/2018 | Qualifier 1 | Noy Chorin / Sofia Starikov, Israel (Q31) | Won 21-13, 21-9 | 0:26 |
| Wed, 4/18/2018 | Qualifier 2 | Andressa Cavalcanti / Juliana Felisberta, Brazil (Q18) | Won 21-18, 16-21, 15-11 | 0:47 |
| Thu, 4/19/2018 | Pool F | Mariafe Artacho / Taliqia Clancy, Australia (11) | Lost 18-21, 16-21 | 0:34 |
| Fri, 4/20/2018 | Pool F | Ieva Dumbaускаite / Monika Povilaityte, Lithuania (27, Q12) | Won 22-20, 21-12 | 0:32 |
| Fri, 4/20/2018 | Winner 1 | Nina Betschart / Tanja Huberli, Switzerland (4) | Won 21-17, 18-21, 32-30 | 1:07 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 2 | Joana Heidrich / Anouk Verge-Depre, Switzerland (9) | Won 17-21, 21-18, 20-18 | 0:56 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 3 | Joy Stubbe / Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands (23) | Won 21-15, 21-16 | 0:31 |
| Sun, 4/22/2018 | Semi-Finals | Mariafe Artacho / Taliqia Clancy, Australia (11) | | |

- Kelly Claes and Brittany Hochevar are playing in their 1st FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Kelly is playing in her 1st FIVB World Tour final four.
- Brittany is playing in her 1st FIVB World Tour final four.
- Kelly finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships with Sara Hughes in 2017 (Vienna).
- Brittany finished 5th in the FIVB World Championships with Lauren Fendrick in 2013 (Stare Jablonki).
- Kelly and Brittany are not currently ranked in the FIVB World Tour Rankings and are ranked 28th in 2018 World Tour winnings with \$8,000.
- Kelly and Brittany rank 566th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$8,000.
- Kelly and Brittany have a career 6-1 (85.7%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 6-1 (85.7%) record in 2018, and an all-time record of 6-1 (85.7%) in Xiamen.
- Kelly (14) ranks 536th and Brittany (75) ranks 120th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Kelly (\$43,500) ranks 268th and Brittany (\$104,625) ranks 166th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Kelly won the bronze medal at the Under 19 World Championships with Sara Hughes in 2013 (Porto, Portugal).
- Kelly won the bronze medal at the Under 21 World Championships with Sara Hughes in 2014 (Larnaca, Cyprus).
- Kelly won a gold medal on the Norceca Beach Volleyball Circuit Cuba in 2015 (Varadero, Cuba) and two gold medals in 2016 (North Bay, Canada and Boqueron, Puerto Rico), both with Sara Hughes.
- Brittany won the bronze medal at the Norceca Beach Volleyball Circuit Guatemala with Emily Day in 2013 (Guatemala City, Guatemala).
- Brittany won the silver medal at the Norceca Beach Volleyball Circuit Dominican Republic with Summer Ross in 2013 (Boca Chica, Dominican Republic).

Mariafe Artacho/Taliqia Clancy lead the series 1-0

| Date | Tournament | Round | Winning Team | Score | Time |
|-----------|------------------|--------|--------------------------------|--------------|------|
| 4/19/2018 | Xiamen Four Star | Pool F | Mariafe Artacho/Taliqia Clancy | 21-18, 21-16 | 0:34 |

Semi Finals - Agatha Bednarczuk/Eduarda "Duda" Lisboa, Brazil vs. Melissa Humana-Paredes/Sarah Pavan, Canada

Agatha Bednarczuk



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Personal Info

Birth Date: June 22, 1983 (34 yrs old)
 Home Town: Curitiba
 Resides: Rio de Janeiro
 Height: 182 cm (6'0")
 Weight: 70 kg (155 lbs.)
 Seasons: 12
 Tournaments: 108
 Best Finish: 1st (5 times)
 Career Winnings: \$570,300

Eduarda "Duda" Santos Lisboa



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

Birth Date: August 1, 1998 (19 yrs old)
 Home Town: Sao Cristovao
 Resides: Rio de Janeiro
 Height: 182 cm (6'0")
 Weight: 78 kg (173 lbs.)
 Seasons: 7
 Tournaments: 38
 Best Finish: 1st (9 times)
 Best WT Finish: 1st (3 times)
 Career Winnings: \$161,938

Team Career Summary

| Tour | Played | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 25 | Money |
|------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----------------|
| FIVB | 12 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | US\$196,000.00 |

Previous Xiamen Results

| Year | Partner - Result | Partner - Result |
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| 2013 | Maria Antonelli - 5th | Did not play |

Xiamen Matches

| Date | Bracket | Opponent | Score | Time |
|----------------|-------------|---|-------------------------|------|
| Thu, 4/19/2018 | Pool G | Kelley Larsen / Emily Stockman, United States (26, Q10) | Won 21-16, 21-16 | 0:31 |
| Fri, 4/20/2018 | Pool G | Joy Stubbe / Marleen Van Iersel, Netherlands (23) | Won 21-17, 21-16 | 0:32 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 2 | Fan Wang / Xinyi Xia, China (8) | Won 21-18, 22-20 | 0:37 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 3 | Alix Klineman / April Ross, United States (13) | Won 21-18, 27-29, 15-13 | 0:59 |
| Sun, 4/22/2018 | Semi-Finals | Melissa Humana-Paredes / Sarah Pavan, Canada (1) | | |

- Agatha Bednarczuk and Eduarda "Duda" Lisboa have been playing together since 2017. They are playing in their 12th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Agatha is playing in her 27th FIVB World Tour final four with five gold, 10 silver, nine bronze medals and two 4th place finishes.
- Duda is playing in her 12th FIVB World Tour final four with three gold, three silver, four bronze medals and one 4th place finish.
- This is Agatha's and Duda's 1st Final Four of 2018. Their last Final Four was a Silver at Hamburg in August, 2017.
- Agatha won the silver medal in the Olympic Games with Barbara Seixas in 2016 (Rio de Janeiro).
- Agatha and Duda finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2017 (Vienna).
- Agatha finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships with Sandra Pires in 2005 (Berlin), 17th with Maria Antonelli in 2013 (Stare Jablonki), and won the gold medal with Barbara Seixas in 2015 (The Hague).
- Agatha and Duda are currently ranked 6th in the FIVB World Tour Rankings with 3,920 points and 7th in 2018 World Tour winnings with \$24,000.
- Agatha and Duda rank 48th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with one, 308th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 12, and 86th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$196,000.
- Agatha and Duda have a career 46-18 (71.9%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 9-4 (69.2%) record in 2018, and an all-time record of 4-0 (100.0%) in Xiamen.
- Agatha (5) ranks 27th and Duda (3) ranks 33rd in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Agatha (108) ranks 48th and Duda (27) ranks 346th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Agatha (\$570,300) ranks 20th and Duda (\$161,937) ranks 126th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Duda won the silver medal at the Under 23 World Championships with Thais Rodrigues Ferreira in 2013 (Myslowice, Poland).
- Duda won gold medals at the Under 21 World Championships with Ana Patricia Silva in 2016 (Lucerne, Switzerland) and 2017 (Nanjing, China).
- Duda won gold medals at the Under 19 World Championships with Taina Silva in 2013 (Porto, Portugal), with Andressa Cavalcanti in 2014 (Porto, Portugal), and with Victoria Lopes in 2016 (Larnaka, Cyprus).
- Duda won the gold medal at the Nanjing Youth Olympic Games with Ana Patricia Silva in 2014 (Nanjing, China).
- Duda was named the FIVB World Tour Top Rookie in 2016.

Melissa Humana-Paredes

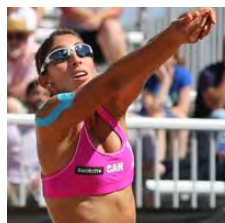


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Personal Info

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| Birth Date: | October 10, 1992 (25 yrs old) |
| Home Town: | Toronto, ON |
| Resides: | Toronto, ON |
| Height: | 175 cm (5'9") |
| Weight: | 63 kg (140 lbs.) |
| Seasons: | 10 |
| Tournaments: | 46 |
| Best Finish: | 1st (Porec 2017) |
| Career Winnings: | \$168,825 |

Sarah Pavan



Photo:FIVB

Personal Info

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|------------------|------------------------------|
| Birth Date: | August 16, 1986 (31 yrs old) |
| Home Town: | Kitchener, ON |
| Resides: | Kitchener, ON |
| Height: | 196 cm (6'5") |
| Weight: | 75 kg (167 lbs.) |
| Seasons: | 6 |
| Tournaments: | 49 |
| Best Finish: | 1st (Porec 2017) |
| Career Winnings: | \$318,725 |

Team Career Summary

| Tour | Played | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 7 | 9 | 13 | 17 | 25 | CQ | Money |
|------|--------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|----|----|----|----|----------------|
| FIVB | 11 | 1 | 2 | 1 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | US\$181,000.00 |

Previous Xiamen Results

| Year | Partner - Result | Partner - Result |
|------|----------------------|------------------|
| 2016 | Taylor Pischke - 5th | Did not play |

Xiamen Matches

| Date | Bracket | Opponent | Score | Time |
|----------------|-------------|---|-------------------------|------|
| Thu, 4/19/2018 | Pool A | Shuting Cao / Jinjin Zeng, China (32) | Won 21-18, 21-8 | 0:31 |
| Fri, 4/20/2018 | Pool A | Nicole Branagh / Kerri Walsh Jennings, United States (17) | Won 21-15, 22-24, 18-16 | 0:54 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 2 | Victoria Bieneck / Isabel Schneider, Germany (15) | Won 21-13, 21-18 | 0:31 |
| Sat, 4/21/2018 | Winner 3 | Sara Hughes / Summer Ross, United States (5) | Won 20-22, 21-19, 16-14 | 0:53 |
| Sun, 4/22/2018 | Semi-Finals | Agatha Bednarczuk / Eduarda "Duda" Lisboa, Brazil (7) | | |

- Melissa Humana-Paredes and Sarah Pavan have been playing together since 2016. They are playing in their 11th FIVB Beach Volleyball World Tour tournament together.
- Melissa is playing in her 8th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold, two silver, one bronze medal and three 4th place finishes.
- Sarah is playing in her 15th FIVB World Tour final four with one gold, five silver, four bronze medals and four 4th place finishes.
- This is Melissa's and Sarah's 1st Final Four of 2018. Their last Final Four was a 4th Place Finish at Hamburg in August, 2017.
- Sarah finished 5th in the Olympic Games with Heather Bansley in 2016 (Rio de Janeiro).
- Melissa and Sarah finished 4th in the FIVB World Championships in 2017 (Vienna).
- Melissa finished 9th in the FIVB World Championships with Taylor Pischke in 2015 (The Hague).
- Sarah finished 17th in the FIVB World Championships in 2013 (Stare Jablonki) and 5th in 2015 (The Hague), both with Heather Bansley.
- Melissa and Sarah are currently ranked 1st in the FIVB World Tour Rankings with 5,260 points and 9th in 2018 World Tour winnings with \$20,000.
- Melissa and Sarah rank 48th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team gold medal list with one, 335th on the all-time FIVB World Tour team tournament list with 11, and 91st on the all-time FIVB World Tour team winnings list with \$181,000.
- Melissa and Sarah have a career 45-12 (78.9%) match record in FIVB World Tour Events, a 7-1 (87.5%) record in 2018, and an all-time record of 4-0 (100.0%) in Xiamen.
- Melissa (1) and Sarah (1) each ranks 69th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual gold medals.
- Melissa (40) ranks 257th and Sarah (49) ranks 219th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual tournaments.
- Melissa (\$168,825) ranks 118th and Sarah (\$318,725) ranks 55th in all-time FIVB World Tour individual earnings.
- Melissa won the silver medal at the Under 21 World Championships with Victoria Altomare in 2011 (Halifax, Canada).
- Melissa won bronze medals at the Under 23 World Championships in 2013 (Myslowice, Poland) and 2014 (Myslowice, Poland), both with Taylor Pischke.
- Melissa won the gold medal at the Norceca Beach Volleyball Circuit Trinidad & Tobago with Jamie Broder in 2016 (Tobago, Trinidad and Tobago).
- Melissa won three gold medals in the Norceca Beach Volleyball Circuit with Taylor Pischke (Varadero, Cuba 2013, Turtle Beach, Trinidad and Tobago 2014, and Manzanillo, Mexico, 2014).
- Melissa was named the FIVB World Tour Most Improved Player in 2017 and Top Rookie in 2014.
- Sarah was named the FIVB World Tour Best Blocker in 2015 and 2017.

Agatha Bednarczuk/Eduarda "Duda" Lisboa lead the series 2-1

| Date | Tournament | Round | Winning Team | Score | Time |
|-----------|--------------------------|--------------|---|---------------------|------|
| 7/7/2017 | Gstaad Major Five Star | Winner 3 | Melissa Humana-Paredes/Sarah Pavan | 21-17, 21-17 | 0:34 |
| 6/18/2017 | The Hague Three Star | Bronze Medal | Agatha Bednarczuk/Eduarda "Duda" Lisboa | 16-21, 21-13, 15-11 | 0:47 |
| 5/21/2017 | Rio de Janeiro Four Star | Gold Medal | Agatha Bednarczuk/Eduarda "Duda" Lisboa | 21-14, 13-21, 15-13 | 0:50 |