

DWA HAWKEY **WOMEN'S TENNIS**

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Date Opponent Time/Result 1/12 vs. Florida Atlantic Noon / Cancelled 1/13 at Florida Gulf Coast 9 a.m. / W, 5-2 1/20 at Notre Dame 10 a.m. / L , 6-1 1/27 vs. Clemson 3 p.m. / L, 4-3 1/28 vs. Alabama 11 a.m. / L, 4-2
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2/2 vs. Kansas State 11 a.m. / L, 1-4
2/4 at Denver 11 a.m. / L, 1-4
2/9 Memphis 10 a.m. / W, 4-0
2/9 Northern Illinois 6 p.m. / W, 5-2
2/16 at Iowa State 5 p.m. / W, 5-2
2/18 Drake Noon / W, 6-1
2/23 Oregon 5 p.m. / L, 3-4
3/2 at Indiana 10 a.m. / W, 6-1
3/10 at Nebraska Noon / W, 4-2
3/22 Illinois 5 p.m. / W, 4-2
3/24 Northwestern Noon / L, 1-4
2/29 at Wisconsin 4 p.m.
2/31 at Minnesota Noon
4/6 Rutgers Noon / W, 5-2
4/12 Ohio State 5 p.m. / L, 1-5
4/14 Penn State 10 a.m. / W, 4-0
4/20 at Michigan 11 a.m.
4/21 at Michigan State 10 a.m.

4/24-28at Big Ten Tournament (Ann Arbor, Mich.)

vs Penn State 1 p.m.

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2024 ROSTER

Name	Yr.	<u>Hometown</u>
Chelsea Bluestein Fr.		Naples, Fla.
Daianne Hayashi	da So.	Lima, Peru
Pia Kranholdt	So.	Hilders, Germany
Jessica Matthews	Fr.	Hertforshire, England
Vipasha Mehra	Sr.	Calgary, Canada
Barbora Pokorna	Jr.	Ostrava, Czech Republic
Marisa Schmidt	Jr.	Karlsruhe, Germany
Nikita Vishwase	So.	Phoenix, Ariz.

Head Coach: Sasha Schmid (8th season) Assistant Coach: Elise van Heuvelen Treadwell (2nd season)

THIS WEEK

The seventh-seeded University of Iowa women's tennis team opens Big Ten Tournament play Thursday, facing 10th-seeded Penn State in the second round of the Big Ten Tournament at the Varsity Tennis Center in Ann Arbor, Michigan. The dual will begin at 1 p.m. (CT).

• With a victory, the Hawkeyes would advance to face second-seeded

Ohio State in the Big Ten quarterfinals.

FOLLOW LIVE

 Fans can follow all matches this week live via the Big Ten Women's Tennis Tournament Central at bigten.org.

• Fans can also follow the action live via the lowa women's X account (@ iowa_tennis).

LAST MATCH

The Hawkeyes split their final weekend of competition in Michigan, falling 4-0 to No. 2 Michigan on April 20 and downing Michigan State, 4-1, on April 21. lowa dropped the doubles point against the Spartans before stringing together four straight-set singles wins to clinch the team victory. Junior Nikita Vishwase earned her first singles win of the season, defeating Nicole Conard on court six, 6-4, 6-4.

SCHMIDT EARNS B1G HONOR

Junior Marisa Schmidt earned her first career Big Ten Player of the Week honor on March 27. She earned the distinction after going 2-0 in singles, which included a 6-0, 6-2 win over Northwestern's 88th-ranked Justine Leong. Schmidt has added one more win to her list after defeating Tara Chilton of Rutgers last week, 6-2, 6-2. The honor was lowa's first since 2021.

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lowa split a pair of duals at the 2023 Big Ten Tournament in West Lafayette, Indiana. The Hawkeyes downed No. 68 Indiana, 4-1, in their opening match before falling 4-2 to Illinois in the quarterfinals.

STRINGING Ws

• Junior Marisa Schmidt has a team-best 12 wins this season, including posting an 11-1 record at the No. 2 singles position.

Senior Vipasha Mehra has won six of her last eight matches with four being straight-set victories.

• Iowa is 26-21 in singles matches in Big Ten play this season.

A PERFECT PAIR

 Sophomore Pia Kranholdt and junior Barbora Pokorna have a teambest 11 doubles victories this season. The duo has played at every spot in the doubles lineup, posting a 1-0 record at No. 1, 4-5 at No. 2, and 6-1 at No. 3.

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Sophomore Daianne Hayashida has been lowa's No. 1 singles player

throughout the spring, posting an 11-6 singles record.

• During the fall, Hayashida advanced to the quarterfinals of the ITA Midwest Regionals and she competed in the main draw of the ITA Women's Alf-American Championships in September. She was the first Hawkeye to advance to the regional quarterfinals since Elise van Heuvelen in 2019.

SCOUTING PENN STATE

The Nittany Lions enter the postseason with a 5-16 overall record, including a 4-7 mark in Big Ten play.
Thursday's meeting will be the second in a two-week span, as the Hawkeyes downed Penn State, 4-0, on April 14 at the HTRC.

• Sofiya Chekhylstova leads the Nittany Lions with 13 singles victories.



