Women's Tennis 2017 Big 10 Tournament Central



BIG TEN WOMEN'S TENNIS RECORDS & HISTORY STANDINGS



2017 Big Ten Women's Tennis Tournament

Hosted by the University of Illinois

All matches will be played at the Atkins Tennis Center THURSDAY, APRIL 27 SATURDAY, APRIL 29 **SUNDAY, APRIL 20** FRIDAY, APRIL 28 #1 Ohio State Match 3 #8 Minnesota #1 Ohio State 10 a.m. Match 1 #8 Minnesota 10 a.m. #9 Nebraska Match 7 #1 Ohio State 10 a.m. #4 Illinois Match 4 #4 Illinois 10 a.m. #5 Maryland Match 9 #1 Ohio State CHAMPIONSHIP MATCH 2017 Noon TOURNAMENT CHAMPION #2 Michigan Match 5 #2 Michigan #7 lowa 2 p.m. #10 Indiana Match 2 2 p.m. Match 8 #10 Indiana #2 Michigan 2 p.m. #3 Northwestern Match 6 #3 Northwestern 2 p.m.



All Times are CT

BIG TEN WOMEN'S TENNIS TOURNAMENT PREVIEW

2017 Big Ten Tournament Release

Big Ten conference teams travel to Champaign-Urbana, III., for the 2017 Big Ten Women's Tennis Tournament. The tournament, hosted by the University of Illinois, will begin on Thursday and conclude with the championship match on Sunday.

Matches begin at 10 a.m. CT Thursday with eighth-seeded Minnesota taking on ninth-seeded Nebraska. At 2 p.m., seventh-seeded lowa will square off with 10th-seeded Indiana. Friday's quarterfinals will begin at 10 a.m., with top-seeded Ohio State facing the winner of Minnesota-Nebraska and fourth-seeded Illinois taking on fifth-seeded Maryland. Secondseeded Michigan will take on Iowa or Indiana, while third-seeded Northwestern will face sixth-seeded Michigan State at 2 p.m.

The tournament semifinals are scheduled for Saturday at 10 a.m. and 2 p.m. The championship match will be played at noon on Sunday and will be broadcast live on BTN. Last season, Ohio State won its first Big Ten Tournament title.

Ohio State Wins Women's Tennis Tourney Top-seeded Buckeyes claim second consecutive conference tournament title

Champaign, III. - With a 4-0 victory over No. 2 seed Michigan, top-seeded Ohio State won the 2017 Big Ten Women's Tennis Tournament Championship on Sunday afternoon at the Atkins Tennis Center on the campus of the University of Illinois in Champaign-Urbana, Ill. The Buckeyes earned their second consecutive conference tournament crown and second overall.

In doubles play, Ohio State's Anna Sanford and Sandy Niehaus defeated Michigan's Chiara Lommer and Brienne Minor, 6-3, on court two, while the Buckeyes' Gabriella De Santis and Ferny Angeles Paz topped Wolverines' Mira Ruder-Hook and Valeria Patiuk, 6-2 to give Ohio State the doubles point and a 1-0 advantage.

Picking up singles wins for Ohio State were Miho Kowase, Angeles Paz and De Santis. Kowase secured a 6-2, 6-2 win over Alex Najarian at No. 4 singles, while Angeles Paz posted a 6-0, 6-1 win over Patiuk at the No. 6 position. At No. 3 singles, De Santis defeated Lommer, 6-4, 6-1, to clinch the 4-0 team victory.

With the win, Ohio State earns the conference's automatic berth to the NCAA Championships, which will take place May 18-29. The complete match results are included below.

#6 Michigan State

#4 Ohio State 4, #10 Michigan 0

Singles competition

1. #1 Francesca Di Lorenzo (OSU) vs. #25 Kate Fahey (MICH) 7-5, 3-0, unfinished

2. #60 Anna Sanford (OSU) vs. #24 Brienne Minor (MICH) 7-5, 1-6, 2-1, unfinished

3. #94 Gabriella De Santis (OSU) def. Chiara Lommer (MICH) 6-4, 6-1 4. #95 Miho Kowase (OSU) def. Alex Najarian (MICH) 6-2, 6-2

5. #102 Sandy Niehaus (OSU) vs. Mira Ruder-Hook (MICH) 6-3, 4-6, unfinished 6. #117 Ferny Angeles Paz (OSU) def. Valeria Patiuk (MICH) 6-0, 6-1

Doubles competition

1. #19 Francesca Di Lorenzo/Miho Kowase (OSU) vs. #9 Kate Fahey/Alex Najarian (MICH) 5-4, unfinished

2. Anna Sanford/Sandy Niehaus (OSU) def. Chiara Lommer/Brienne Minor (MICH) 6-2

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3. Gabriella De Santis/Ferny Angeles Paz (OSU) def. Mira Ruder-Hook/Valeria Patiuk (MICH) 6-3

Match Notes:

Michigan 21-5; National ranking #10 Ohio State 28-2; National ranking #4

Order of finish: Doubles (3,2); Singles (6,4,3)

Played on indoor courts at Atkins Tennis Center T-2:05

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