

Volvo Car Open



FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE August 21, 2019

TWO-TIME GRAND SLAM CHAMPION GARBIÑE MUGURUZA ENTERS VOLVO CAR OPEN PLAYER FIELD

Muguruza will compete in Charleston field for the first time since 2013

Social Media: Two-time Grand Slam champion @GarbiMuguruza has entered the @VolvoCarOpen's player field. Joins @madison_keys. The 2020 #VolvoCarOpen takes place April 4-12 in #Charleston, SC. More: https://bit.ly/2zf9Dmo. #CHS #WTA

DANIEL ISLAND, S.C. – Former World No. 1 and two-time Grand Slam champion Garbiñe Muguruza will compete in the Volvo Car Open for the first time since 2013. The WTA Premier tournament is scheduled for April 4 – 12, 2020 on Daniel Island in Charleston, SC. Muguruza joins 2019 champion Madison Keys in the growing player field.

Muguruza has captured seven career titles, including the 2017 Wimbledon title and 2016 Roland-Garros title.

"Hosting Garbiñe again has been a goal of the tournament's for several years now," said Eleanor Adams, Volvo Car Open Tournament Manager. "Her style of play is well-suited for the Volvo Car Open and we are looking forward to welcoming her back to Charleston... this time as a Grand Slam champion!"

So far, her 2019 season results include defending and winning the Monterrey title and reaching the quarterfinals in Indian Wells and fourth round of the Australian Open and Roland-Garros.

The 25-year-old's prowess on clay is undeniable. She holds a 27-6 record at Roland-Garros and has reached at least the fourth round in the Grand Slam tournament for the past six years.

"I've heard very nice things about the Volvo Car Open from other players on tour," said Muguruza. "Every tournament is special and I'm excited to play in front of a new crowd in a new city next year."

The Volvo Car Open will celebrate its 20th year in Charleston in 2020. The tournament relocated to Charleston from Hilton Head Island, where it was held from 1973 – 2000.

The nine-day Volvo Car Open is the largest women's-only tennis tournament in North America. The event attracts an average of 90,000 attendees and more than 100 of the top singles and doubles tennis players to Charleston every year.

Patrons have the option to choose from individual tickets, ticket packages and travel packages. Ticket prices range from \$25 for an individual session to \$540 for an all-inclusive weeklong package with complimentary access into a private hospitality suite. The Volvo Car Open also offers packages that include premium seats, ticket savings and membership into the tournament's Ace Club.

Tickets for the 2020 Volvo Car Open will go on sale on Monday, September 9.

For more information on the tournament and ticket options, visit <u>volvocaropen.com</u> or call 843.856.7900.

About the Volvo Car Open:

The Volvo Car Open is North America's largest women's-only tennis tournament. The event, formerly known as the Family Circle Cup, moved to Charleston, S.C., in 2001 from Hilton Head Island, S.C., and will celebrate its 48th tournament in 2020. The Volvo Car Open welcomes more than 90,000 spectators each year. The tournament features a singles draw of 56 players, a qualifying draw of 32 players and a doubles draw of 16 players. In conjunction with Tennis Channel and WTA Media, the Volvo Car Open is showcased from the first ball struck in main draw competition to the last ball played in finals, throughout the U.S. and 174 international partners. The tournament receives more than 100 hours of tennis coverage; live from Charleston, broadcast across the globe to millions of fans. The tournament is operated by Charleston Tennis, LLC. For more information on the Volvo Car Open, visit http://www.VolvoCarOpen.com, call (843) 856-7900, email info@volvocaropen.com, Facebook (Volvo Car Open), Twitter (@VolvoCarOpen) or Instagram (VolvoCarOpen).

Contact: Arielle Alpino Obviouslee Marketing (757) 810-3301 arielle@obviouslee.com

###