Women's team profiles and biographies – Sydney





ALL-TIME WOMEN'S HSBC WORLD RUGBY SEVENS SERIES SCORING STATISTICS

<u>2012-20</u>

POINTS: 45,929

TRIES: 7,509

CONVERSIONS: 4,169

PENALTIES: 12

DROP GOALS: 0

TOP POINT SCORER: GHISLAINE LANDRY (CANADA) - 1,329

TOP TRY SCORER: PORTIA WOODMAN (NEW ZEALAND) - 195



WOMEN'S HSBC WORLD RUGBY SEVENS SERIES 2020 SCORING STATISTICS

POINTS: 4,329

TRIES: 687

CONVERSIONS: 446

PENALTIES: 0

DROP GOALS: 0

TOP POINT SCORER: ALEV KELTER (USA) - 153

TOP TRY SCORER: STACEY FLUHLER (NEW ZEALAND) - 25



DID YOU KNOW...?

THE HSBC SYDNEY SEVENS HAS CROWNED A DIFFERENT CHAMPION EVERY YEAR TO DATE

2017 – CANADA

2018 – AUSTRALIA

2019 – NEW ZEALAND

AUSTRALIA'S SUCCESS IN 2018 MADE THEM THE FIRST TO WIN A TITLE ON HOME SOIL AND WAS ALSO THE FIRST TIME ON THE MEN'S OR WOMEN'S SERIES THAT A TEAM WON THE TITLE WITHOUT CONCEDING A SINGLE POINT

29-0 v SPAIN

50-0 v PAPUA NEW GUINEA

43-0 v FRANCE

QF: 29-0 v SPAIN

SF: 31-0 v RUSSIA

FINAL: 31-0 v NEW ZEALAND

THEY HAVEN'T WON A TITLE SINCE THAT RECORD-BREAKING SUCCESS (14 EVENTS)

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AUSTRALIA

Head coach: John Manenti Co-captains: Sharni Williams and Shannon Parry

World Series record: 2012-13 – Fifth / 2013-14 – Runners-up / 2014-15 – Third / 2015-16 – Champions / 2016-17 – Runners-up / 2018 – Champions / 2019 – Fourth

2020 Series standing: 2

- Australia reached the final in Glendale (losing 26-7 to USA) and Cape Town (losing to New Zealand 17-7)
- Sydney 2018 was the last Cup title won by Australia on the series, two years and 14 events ago (28 January, 2018)
- Australia created world series history in Sydney in 2018 when they became the first team men's or women's not to concede a try (or point) in a tournament
- Australia have won two series titles 2015-16 as part of golden double with the Rio 2016 Olympic Games glory and 2018
- Australia qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by finishing fourth on the 2019 Series

Shirt	Full name	DOB (Age)	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#			(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	John	29/03/71			Head				- Second full season as head coach
	Manenti	(48)			coach				- Took over in April 2018 after Commonwealth Games as interim coach
									- Officially handed role in June 2018
									- Former Australia women's 15s head coach and Australia U20 assistant coach
1	Shannon	27/10/89	170	72	QLD	33	100	20	- Returns after missing Hamilton round due to a five-week (match) suspension
	Parry (co-	(30)							from Cape Town
	captain)								- Joint second-most capped Australian player with Alicia Lucas (behind Sharni
									Williams, 34)
									- In Biarritz became the third Australian to play in 30 tournaments – along with
									Sharni Williams – after Charlotte Caslick was first in Langford
									- Led Australia to second HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series title in 2018
									- Made Australia debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013
									- Rio 2016 Olympic Games gold-medal winning co-captain
									- Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018
									- Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018
									- Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020



									 Captained Australia at Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 and 2017 (15s) Played 19 tests for Australia (15s) Mother is American, father New Zealander Qualified secondary school teacher
2	Sharni Williams (co-captain)	02/03/88 (31)	165	79	ACT	34	425	47	 Needs three tries to reach 50 on series Australia's most-capped player with Sydney her 35th event Named in HSBC Dream Team in Dubai Became the third Australian to play in 30 tournaments in Biarritz – along with Sharni Williams – after Charlotte Caslick was first in Langford Led Australia to second HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series title in 2018 Made Australia debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Rio 2016 Olympic Games gold-medal winning co-captain Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020 Captained Australia at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Played 12 tests for Australia (15s) Former car mechanic
3	Faith Nathan	27/07/00 (19)	164	62	NSW	3	35	7	 Called up as injury replacement in Hamilton last weekend Made Australia debut on series in Dubai in 2019 Played in Oceania Rugby Women's Championship title success in November Played for University of Technology Sydney on Aon University Sevens Series
4	Cassandra Staples	16/10/92 (27)	172	62	NSW	11	135	27	 Glendale was her first tournament on series since the same event in 2018 HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champions in 2018 Former netballer who came to attention of former coach Tim Walsh after posting training videos online and working on skills to earn contract Made Australia debut on series six months later in 2017 Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018
5	Emma Tonegato	20/03/95 (24)	165	66	NSW	30	620	124	 Joined Emilee Cherry in becoming latest Australians to play in 30 series events in Hamilton (after Caslick, Williams, Parry and Lucas) Named in HSBC Dream Team in both Glendale and Dubai Top point and try scorer in R1 in Glendale (9/45) Scored her 100th try in Langford to become third Australian to score 100 series tries after Emilee Cherry and Ellia Green



									 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2018 world series Joint third-highest try scorer on 2018 series with 26 Made Australia debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Won gold at Rio 2016 Olympic Games, scoring try in gold medal match Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020
6	Demi Hayes	25/05/98 (21)	172	63	QLD	11	70	14	 Played in Dubai after being called up as injury replacement for Evania Pelite in Dubai in 2019, before then had last played on series in Glendale in 2018 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion Made debut for Australia on series in Langford in 2016 Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 on home soil Gold medallist at Commonwealth Youth Games 2015
7	Charlotte Caslick	09/03/95 (24)	170	64	QLD	32	462	92	 Needs eight tries to be fourth Australian to score 100 series tries after Emilee Cherry, Ellia Green and Emma Tonegato Missed Dubai, Cape Town and Hamilton rounds due to hamstring injury Named DHL Impact Player in Glendale in 2019 Named in HSBC Dream Team in Glendale in 2019 Became first Australian to play in 30 events on series in Langford in 2019 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of Year 2016 Made Australia debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013 Won gold at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020 Brother Sam played for Australia in two series events in 2016-17 Engaged to Australia men's sevens player Lewis Holland
8	Madison Ashby	22/01/01 (19)	165	65	NSW	4	20	4	 Made Australia debut on series in Glendale in 2018 Caught eye playing for University of Technology Sydney in Aon University Sevens Series
9	Dominique du Toit	19/05/97 (22)	167	56	QLD	14	145	29	- Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton after recovering from broken collarbone



									 Before Hamilton had last played on series in Sydney in 2019 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion Made Australia debut on series in Atlanta in 2016 Scored two tries in Dubai 2017 final defeat of USA Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Missed RWC Sevens with broken collarbone Gold medallist Youth Olympic Games 2014
10	Alicia Lucas (nee Quirk)	28/03/92 (27)	172	67	NSW	33	190	38	 Joint second-most capped Australian player with Shannon Parry (behind Sharni Williams, 34) Married former Australia U20 and sevens player Matt Lucas in August 2019 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion Missed Glendale 2018 with recovery from knee injury suffered at RWC Sevens Became the fourth Australian to play in 30 series tournaments in Glendale after Caslick, Parry and Williams Made Australia debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013 Won gold at Rio 2016 Olympic Games, playing every minute of the campaign Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020 A qualified physiotherapist Former touch footballer
11	Emilee Cherry	02/11/92 (27)	167	70	QLD	30	719	131	 Joined Emma Tonegato in becoming latest Australians to play in 30 series events in Hamilton (after Caslick, Williams, Parry and Lucas) Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton last weekend, having last played on series in Paris in 2018 Missed 2019 series while pregnant with daughter Alice, who was born in June 2019 Received UL Mark of Excellence for her on return, scoring two tries in first match back Was Australia's top try-scorer in series history until surpassed by Ellia Green in Cape Town Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of Year 2014 Made Australia debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Won gold at Rio 2016 Olympic Games



									 Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020
12	Ellia Green	20/02/93 (26)	171	73	VIC	29	704	136	 Becomes the seventh Australian to play in 30 series events in Sydney this weekend (after Caslick, Williams, Parry, Lucas, Cherry and Tonegato) Named in HSBC Dream Team in Cape Town and Hamilton on 2020 series Surpassed Emiliee Cherry's record of 128 tries to become Australia's all-time leading try scorer in series history in Cape Town Named RUPA Players' Sevens Player of the Year 2019 Became sixth player – and second Australian – to score 100 series tries in Kitakyushu in 2018 Australia's top try-scorer on 2019 series with 27 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series champion Made Australia debut on series in Houston in 2013 Won gold at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Bronze medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Signed with Australian Sevens programme until end of 2020 Former sprinter who represented Australia at World School Games in Qatar in 2009 Attended 'Pathway to Gold' talent ID camp in Melbourne with her cousin but was persuaded to try out herself
13	Sariah Paki	12/10/01 (18)	172	65	NSW	9	25	5	- Called up as injury replacement in Cape Town in December - Made Australia debut on series in Dubai in 2018 - Played in Oceania Rugby Sevens Championship success in November 2018



BRAZIL

Head coach: Reuben Samuel Captain: Raquel Kochhann

World Series record: 2012-13 – 10th / 2013-14 – Ninth / 2014-15 – 10th / 2015-16 – 10th (non-core team) / 2016-17 – 11th / 2018 – 14th (non-core team) / 2019 – 15th (non-core team) / 2019 – 15th (non-core team)

2020 Series standing: 11

- Brazil won the Challenge Trophy on their only previous visit to Sydney event, in 2017
- Brazil ended a 12-game series losing streak with victory against Japan in the 11th place play-off in Dubai
- Brazil re-join the series as a core team in 2020 after winning the Hong Kong qualifier in April
- Brazil qualified for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by winning the Sudamerica Rugby title for a 15th time since first held in 2004

Shirt	Full name	DOB (Age)	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#			(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	Reuben Samuel	26/03/81 (38)			Head coach				 Appointed Brazil coach following the Rio 2016 Olympic Games Coached Brazil at RWC Sevens 2018 Coached Brazil in series qualifier in Hong Kong in 2018 and 2019 Coached Brazil on series in 2016-17 and in Langford in 2018 and 2019 Nationality: New Zealand
1	Mariana Nicolau	16/11/97 (22)	160	70	Sao Jose (Sao Jose dos Campos)	11	25	5	 Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2016 Did not play in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Introduced to rugby in 2012 through social project at Sao Jose RC
2	Luiza Campos	30/07/90 (29)	165	68	Charrua (Porto Alegre)	22	40	8	 One of only two Brazil players to take part in more than 20 series events Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Made Brazil debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Started playing rugby in 2010 after girl in a skate park in Porto Alegre invited her to a practice



3	Rafaela Zanellato Leila dos	25/11/99 (20) 23/10/96	162	70	CRC (Curitiba)	4	5	1	 Not used as a 13th player in R2 in Dubai Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2018 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played in series qualifier in Hong Kong in 2018 Started playing rugby in 2015 in Curitiba Named Best Young Player by Brazilian union in 2017 Made her Brazil debut in Sudamérica Rugby Sevens 2017 aged 17 Played in Dubai and Cape Town but not Glendale
	Santos Silva	(23)			Paraisopolis / Sao Paul				 Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Made Brazil debut on series in Clermont-Ferrand in 2017 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
5	Thalia Costa	30/05/97 (22)	153	54	Delta (Teresina)	5	45	9	 Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2019 Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Scored a last-gasp try in the Sudamerica Rugby Sevens final against Argentina in 2018 to secure a 14th regional title for Brazil Twin sister of Thalita da Silva Costa
6	Isadora Cerullo	24/03/91 (28)	158	61	Niteroi (Niteroi)	13	47	5	 Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2015 Glendale was first series event since Langford in 2018 Played in series qualifier in Hong Kong in 2018 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Born in USA to Brazilian parents Started playing rugby at Columbia University Moved to Brazil in 2014 to join Olympic rugby programme Her now wife Marjorie proposed to her in the Deodoro Stadium after the Rio 2016 Olympic Games
7	Andressa Alves	09/12/00 (19)	167	61	Guanabara (Rio de Janeiro)	3	0	0	 Returns after missing Hamilton round Made Brazil debut on series in Glendale in 2019
8	Eshyllen Coimbra	18/08/00 (19)	175	69	Guanabara (Rio de Janeiro)	4	0	0	 Returns after missing Hamilton round Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2018 Inspired to take rugby seriously by Rio 2016
9	Haline Scatrut	09/08/92 (27)	169	66	CRC (Curitiba)	16	57	11	- Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton, having previously last played in Langford in 2019



	Derved	00/10/02	172	70	Charmen (Da. i	24	216		 Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong last month Made Brazil debut on series in Amsterdam in 2014 Played in 14 series tournaments, the last in Langford in 2018 Played in series qualifier in Hong Kong in 2018 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
10	Raquel Kochhann (captain)	06/10/92 (27)	172	72	Charrua (Porto Alegre)	24	216	20	 Captained Brazil to victory in series qualifier in Hong Kong in April Brazil's most experienced player in series history with 24 events Made Brazil debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Played in series qualifier in Hong Kong in 2018 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Started playing rugby in 2011 aged 19 Made Brazil debut at University Games in Russia in 2013
11	Bianca Silva	22/07/98 (21)	174	63	Leoas de Paraisopolis (Sao Paulo)	14	110	22	 <u>One of the Unstoppables in World Rugby's 'Women in Rugby' @Try</u> and Stop Us' campaign in May 2019 Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Made Brazil debut on series in 2015 in Dubai Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Scored five tries in Langford in 2018 and four in 2019 when Brazil played as invitational team Played in series qualifier in Hong Kong in 2018 Started playing rugby aged 11 through the Rugby Para Todos (Rugby for all) social project in Paraisopolis
12	Aline Bednarski	24/04/96 (23)	165	63	SPAC (Sao Paulo)	3	0	0	 Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2019
13	Franciele Martins	08/05/95 (24)	170	80	Melina (Cuiba)	3	0	0	 Returns after missing Hamilton round Played in series qualifier victory in Hong Kong in April Made Brazil debut on series in Langford in 2019



CANADA

Head coach: John Tait Captain: Ghislaine Landry

World Series record: 2012-13 – Third / 2013-14 – Third / 2014-15 – Runners-up / 2015-16 – Third / 2016-17 – Third / 2018 – Fourth / 2019 – Third

2020 Series standing: 3

- Canada won the inaugural Sydney title in 2017 but have only lifted the silverware once since in Kitakyushu in 2019
- Canada have reached two Cup finals on the 2020 series, losing to New Zealand in Dubai and Hamilton
- Canada captain Ghislaine Landry is the all-time leading point scorer in series history on 1,329 breaking through the 1,000-point barrier in Glendale in 2018
- Canada qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by finishing third on the 2019 Series

Shirt	Name	DOB	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#		(Age)	(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	John Tait	14/08/73			Head coach				- Appointed Canada women's sevens coach in 2011
		(46)							- Ninth year as Canada women's sevens coach
									- Coached Canada to bronze medal at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Coached Canada to silver medal at RWC Sevens 2013
									- Played 15s for Canada
									- Played at Rugby World Cup 1999 (15s) among his 37 tests
1	Brittany Benn	23/04/89	170	71	Guelph Red	27	335	67	- Named in HSBC Dream Team in Dubai, Cape Town and Hamilton on
		(30)			Coats, ON				2020 series
									- Missed Glendale round through injury
									- Scored her 50th series try in Glendale in 2018
									- Made Canada debut on series in Atlanta in 2015
									- Bronze medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
									- Gold medallist at Pan American Games 2015
									- Silver medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 (15s)
									- Training to be a firefighter



2	Kayla Moleschi	25/10/90 (29)	160	65.5	Williams Lake Rustlers, BC	37	246	48	 Needs two tries to reach 50 on series Named in HSBC Dream Team in Hamilton in 2020 In Cape Town became joint-most capped player on women's series as she and Bianca Farella drew level with Sarah Hirini on 36 events In Sydney in 2019, along with team-mate Bianca Farella, became second/third players to play in 30 events (after Sarah Hirini, NZL) Made Canada debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Silver medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 Bronze medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Gold medallist at Pan American Games 2015
3	Karen Paquin	03/08/87 (32)	172	70	Club de Rugby Quebec	27	325	65	 Kitakyushu was her first series event since Clermont-Ferrand in 2016 Named in HSBC Dream Team for Kitakyushu and Langford in 2019 Made Canada debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Returned to Canada programme during development tour in March Bronze medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games – her last sevens appearance for Canada Silver medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 Silver medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 (15s) Also played at WRWC 2017 (15s)
4	Elissa Alarie	31/01/86 (34)	168	63	Westshore RFC	10	65	13	 Turned 34 on Friday of Sydney week Glendale was first sevens event since 2016 Made Canada debut on series in Guangzhou in 2013 Silver medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 (15s) Also played at WRWC 2017, scoring six tries (15s) Started all four tests in Women's Rugby Super Series in 2019 (15s)
5	Julia Greenshields	12/02/92 (27)	165	62	Sarnia Saints	29	281	51	 Becomes fourth Canadian player to reach 30 series events in Sydney this weekend (after Moleschi, Farella and Landry) Scored her 50th series try with winner v USA in Cape Town QF Made Canada debut on series in Houston in 2013 Played her 25th series event in Biarritz in 2019 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
6	Charity Williams	20/10/96 (23)	164	68	Markham Irish, ON	23	335	67	 Made Canada debut on world series in Sao Paulo in 2015 Bronze medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Youth Olympic Games 2014



7	Sara Kaljuvee	07/02/93 (26)	165	77	Toronto Scottish, ON	20	40	8	 Made Canada debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Pan American Games 2015 Made test debut for Canada in Women's Rugby Super Series in June 2019 v New Zealand as centre. Also started v England (15s)
8	Bianca Farella	10/04/92 (27)	173	74	Town of Mont Royal, QC	37	750	150	 Became second player to score 150 tries on series after Portia Woodman in Hamilton In Cape Town became joint-most capped player on women's series as she and Kayla Moleschi drew level with Sarah Hirini on 36 events Second highest try scorer on 2019 series with 34 tries Canada's top try-scorer on last two series (17 in 2018 and 34 in 2019) Studying part-time for psychology major at University of Victoria In Sydney in 2019, along with team-mate Kayla Moleschi, became second and third players to play in 30 tournaments (after Sarah Hirini, NZL) Made Canada debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Bronze medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Silver medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
9	Ghislaine Landry (captain)	27/04/88 (31)	163	64	Toronto Scottish	36	1,329	140	 Named in HSBC Dream Team in Dubai and Cape Town in 2019 Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2019 series In Kitakyushu in 2019 became the third Canadian to play 30 series tournaments (after Farella and Moleschi) All-time leading point scorer in world series history (1,286) Second highest points scorer on 2019 Series with 202 Made Canada debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Nominated for World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year 2017 Bronze medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Silver medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 Captained Canada at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Pan American Games 2015
10	Kaili Lukan	28/06/94 (25)	177	81	Unattached, ON	11	105	21	- Made Canada debut on series in Clermont-Ferrand in 2017



									- Older sister Megan played for Canada on series from 2015-18, including at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
11	Pam Buisa	28/12/96 (23)	180	84	Ottawa Irish	7	20	4	 - Unused 13th player in Hamilton round - Before Glendale had last played on series in Dubai in 2018 - Made Canada debut on series in Langford in 2018 - Played at RWC Sevens 2018 - Played two tests v England in 2017 in back-row (15s)
12	Keyara Wardley	27/01/00 (20)	167	67	Okotoks Lions, AB	4	10	2	 Turned 20 on Monday of Sydney week Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton last weekend Made Canada debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2019 Bronze medallist at Youth Olympic Games 2018 in Buenos Aires 14 years of tap dancing before turning to rugby
13	Asia Hogan	20/04/99 (20)	163	64	Toronto Nomads	0	0	0	 Will make Canada debut on series if called upon as injury replacement in Sydney this weekend Gold medallist at Pan American Games in 2019 Crossover track athlete Hamilton/Sydney first tour with Canada sevens team



ENGLAND

Head coach: Charlie Hayter Captain: Abbie Brown

World Series record: 2012-13 – Runners-up / 2013-14 – Fourth / 2014-15 – Fourth / 2015-16 – Fourth / 2016-17 – Eighth / 2018 – Eighth / 2019 – Sixth

2020 Series standing: 7

- England have not finished higher than ninth in the three previous rounds in Sydney
- In Kitakyushu in 2019, England reached their first Cup final since Langford in 2016, losing 7-5 to Canada after a last-gasp try from Ghislaine Landry
- This was the first time England had reached the semi-final stage since the opening round of the 2016-17 series in Dubai
- England are one of only five nations to have won titles on the world series (Houston 2012-13, Langford 2015-16)
- England qualified Great Britain for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by winning the Rugby Europe regional qualifier in Kazan in July

Shirt	Full name	DOB (Age)	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#			(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	Charlie	10/12/88			Head coach				- Succeeded James Bailey as England coach for 2019-20 season
	Hayter	(31)							- Named GB Women's Sevens assistant coach last month
									- Had coaching role with England Sevens teams in 2018-19 season
									- Former England Sevens player from 2014-18, played in 30 series
									tournaments
									- Last series tournament as player was Paris in 2018
									- Played at Commonwealth Games 2014
									- Celebrated his 31st birthday on Tuesday of Cape Town week
1	Ellie	08/09/99	176	68	England	6	85	15	- Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton
	Kildunne	(20)			Sevens				- Made England debut on series in Glendale in 2018
									- Awarded England Sevens contract for 2018-19
									- Played eight tests for England (15s), incl five starts in Women's Six
									Nations
2	Abbie Brown	10/04/96	176	71	England	21	192	38	- Made England debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2016
	(captain)	(23)			Sevens				- Fourth season as England captain
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018



									 Bronze medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Played for GB at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
3	Abi Burton	09/03/00	171	78	Finaland	10	5	1	 Played five tests for England in 2015 Women's Six Nations (15s) Made England debut on series in Glendale in 2018
5	ADI BUILON	(19)	1/1	78	England Sevens	10	5	1	- First awarded an England Sevens contract for 2018-19
4	Heather	13/06/84	166	70	England	25	207	41	- Did not play on series from Paris in 2018 until Langford 2019
4	Fisher	(35)	100	70	Sevens	25	207	41	- Made England debut on series in Houston in 2013
	FISHEI	(55)			Sevens				- Played for GB at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2009, 2013 and 2018
									- Bronze medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018
									- Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 winner (15s)
									- Studying for Masters in S&C at University of Gloucestershire
									- Has represented Great Britain in bobsleigh
									- Appeared in Celebrity SAS: Who Dares Wins TV show in 2019
5	Helena	19/09/99	168	66	England	9	72	10	- Called up as injury replacement in Cape Town in R3
5	Rowland	(20)	100	00	Sevens	5	12	10	- Made England debut on series in Glendale in 2018
	Nowiana	(20)			Sevens				- First awarded an England Sevens contract for 2018-19
6	Deborah	10/06/91	172	73	England	19	245	49	- Needs one try to become second England player to 50 on series after
Ŭ	Fleming	(28)	172	/3	Sevens	15	245	-15	Joanne Watmore
	i ieiiiig	(20)			Sevens				- Made England debut on series in Dubai in 2016
									- England's top try-scorer on last two series (18 in 2018 and 15 in 2019)
									- Bronze medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
7	Jodie	17/01/01	170	72	England	3	5	1	- Unused 13th player in Hamilton round
	Ounsley	(19)			Sevens				- Made England debut on series in Glendale in 2019
	/	(-)							- First deaf female rugby player to be selected for full international
									sevens squad
									- Represented Great Britain in sprinting at Deaflympics
									- Won the World Deaf Rugby Sevens in Sydney
									- Former British jui-jitsu champions
									- Was the youngest person in England to be fitted with cochlear
									implant just after her first birthday
8	Beth Wilcock	03/01/01	168	75	England	4	10	2	- Called up as injury replacement in Dubai in 2019
		(18)			Sevens				- Made England debut on series in Biarritz in 2019



9	Alex Matthews	03/08/93 (26)	173	81	England Sevens	17	90	18	 Named RPA (Rugby Players' Association) England Women's Rugby Sevens Player of the Year 2018-19 – second year running has won award Made England debut on series in Houston in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Bronze medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 winner (15s) Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 runner-up (15s)
10	Megan Jones	23/10/96 (22)	165	67	England Sevens	11	58	4	 Made England debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2017 Played nine tests for England from 2015-17 (15s) Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 runner-up (15s)
11	Sydney Gregson	20/01/96 (24)	165	70	England Sevens	2	0	0	 Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton Made England debut on series in Biarritz in 2019 Played three tests for England in 2015 (15s) Played for Barbarians v British Army in 2018 (15s)
12	Amy Wilson- Hardy	13/09/91 (28)	168	70	England Sevens	30	225	45	 Needs five tries to reach 50 on series Became first England player to reach 30 series events in Hamilton Scored try in Kitakyushu 2019 final loss to Canada Made England debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Played for GB at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Bronze medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 runner-up (15s) Started playing rugby as prop at U15 level before moving to wing
13	Georgie Lingham	20/08/95 (24)	180	64	Saracens	1	5	1	- Made England debut on series in Hamilton in 2020 - Released by Saracens from Tyrrells Premier 15s to travel to Hamilton



<u>FIJI</u>

Head coach: Saiasi Fuli Captain: Tokasa Seniyasi Nickname: Fijiana

World Series record: 2012-13 –15th (non-core team) / 2013-14 – 10th (non-core team) / 2014-15 – Eighth / 2015-16 – Eighth / 2016-17 – Fourth / 2018 – Ninth / 2019 – 10th

2020 Series standing: 8

- Fiji's appearance in the Cup quarter-finals in Dubai was their first on the women's series since the Paris round in 2018
- Fiji finished on the same points as China last season but avoided relegation from core team status by virtue of their better point difference
- Fiji qualified for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

Shirt	Full name	DOB (Age)	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#			(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	Saiasi Fuli	16/03/78 (41)			Head coach				 Appointed in December 2018, replacing Alifereti Doviverata who returned to Fiji 15s head coach role Sydney was his first series event as Fijiana head coach Assistant coach of Fiji Drua who won Australia's NRC title in 2018 (15s) Played seven series events for Fiji across 2001-02 and 2004-05 seasons Played at Commonwealth Games in 2002
1	Vasiti Solikoviti	02/08/93 (26)	170	76	Nadia Blazers	12	55	11	 Played one test for Fiji in 2004 (15s) Assistant coach of Fiji for World Rugby U20 Championship in 2013 (15s) Made Fiji debut on series in Dubai in 2017 Played at Commonwealth Games 2018
2	Pricilla Siata	(33)	170	70	DId2E13	17	115	23	 First appearance on 2020 series Last played on series in Paris in 2018 Made Fiji debut on series in Guangzhou in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Played for Fijiana 15s in November in 41-13 win over Samoa that secured their place at Rugby World Cup 2021 for the first time, scoring try in win just as she had done in pool meeting between sides earlier in tournament (15s)



									- First meeting with Samoa was her test debut (15s)
3	Ana Maria Roqica	02/02/88 (31)	153	54	Marist Seahawks	30	165	33	 Celebrates her 32nd birthday on finals day in Sydney Became first Fijian to play in 30 series events in Hamilton in 2020 Hamilton was her first appearance since opening round in Glendale Fiji captain for four years before 2019 series Made Fiji debut on series in China in 2013 Captained Fiji at RWC Sevens 2018 Captained Fiji at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Oceania Rugby Women's Championship winner in 2018 (15s) Made test debut and played three tests for Fiji in 2018 (15s)
4	Rusila Nagasau (captain)	04/08/87 (32)	175	84	Marist Seahawks	29	163	21	 Becomes second Fijian woman to play in 30 series events in Sydney after Ana Maria Roqica in Hamilton last weekend Co-captained Fijiana 15s team in November in 41-13 win over Samoa that secured their place at Rugby World Cup 2021 in New Zealand – first time qualified for RWC in 15s Played her 25th series event Biarritz in 2019 series Made Fiji debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Captained Fiji to Oceania Rugby Women's Championship title in 2018 (15s) Played for Fiji in Oceania Rugby Women's Championship 2019, doubling as RWC 2021 qualifier (15s)
5	Alowesi Nakoci	18/08/91 (28)	169	70		4	15	3	 Called up as an injury replacement in Hamilton, her first appearance since Sydney in 2018 Played twice for Fijiana 15s in November, including the 41-13 win over Samoa that secured their place at Rugby World Cup 2021 for the first time. Scored two tries in that decisive win over Samoa. (15s)
6	Lavenia Tinai	07/09/90 (29)	165	57	Marist Seahawks	26	291	35	 Played for Fijiana 15s in November in 41-13 win over Samoa that secured their place at Rugby World Cup 2021 for the first time, scoring try in win just as she had done in pool meeting between sides earlier in tournament (15s) Made Fiji debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Oceania Rugby Women's Championship winner in 2018 (15s) Made test debut and played three tests for Fiji in 2018 (15s)
7	Roela Radiniyavuni	07/04/90 (29)	167	69	Seahawks	7	41	7	 Played in Hamilton, having last played in Dubai in 2019 Made Fiji debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2015



8	Mereseini Leivere	15/08/92 (27)	172	77	Southern Districts,	2	0	0	 Played in Glendale 2019, her previous appearance on series was in 2015 Played two tests for Fiji in 2016 as part of WRWC 2017 qualifying process (15s) Made Fiji debut on series in Dubai in 2019 Did not play in Cape Town
9	Viniana Riwai	06/06/91 (28)	165	70	AUS Seahawks	21	173	19	 Made Fiji debut on series in China in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played football (soccer) for 15 years and played for Fiji at Pacific Games before switching to rugby
10	Luisa Tisolo	02/09/91 (28)	167	61	Striders	21	275	31	 Captained Fiji in Dubai in 2019 Made Fiji debut on series in China in 2014 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
11	Ana Maria Naimasi	21/02/94 (25)	158	69	Striders	21	221	43	 Needs seven tries to be second Fijian to score 50 tries on series Fiji's top try-scorer on 2018 series with 14 Made Fiji debut on series in Dubai in 2016 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
12	Tokasa Seniyasi (captain)	10/07/99 (20)	160	60	Nadi Aviators	8	73	11	 Captains Fiji for the first time in Sydney this weekend Made Fiji debut on series in Sydney in 2019



FRANCE

Head coach: David Courteix Captain: Shannon Izar Nickname: Les Bleues

World Series record: 2012-13 – 12th (non-core team) / 2013-14 – Eighth (non-core team) / 2014-15 – Sixth / 2015-16 – Fifth / 2016-17 – Seventh / 2018 – Third / 2019 – Fifth

2020 Series ranking: 5

- France finally ended a run of 14 defeats in the bronze medal match by beating Australia in Hamilton last weekend to win only their second ever medal in series history
- France reached their first Cup final in series history in Kitakyushu in 2018
- France will contest the Olympic repechage at end of 2020 series in bid to qualify for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

Shirt	Full name	DOB (Age)	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#			(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	David Courteix				Head coach				- Fourth year as France women's sevens coach
									- Coached France at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Guided France to best finish on HSBC World Rugby Women's
									Sevens Series with third in 2018
									- Named Coach of the Tournament at RWC Sevens 2018
1	Marjorie	17/11/90	171	68	Blagnac	33	65	13	- With Fanny Horta named 13th player, she becomes most-capped
	Mayans	(29)			Rugby				French player in Sydney this weekend with her 34th event
					Feminin				- Became second Frenchwoman to play 30 series events in Glendale
									in 2019 (after Fanny Horta)
									- Made France debut on series in Dubai in 2012
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018
									- Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
									- Women's Six Nations Grand Slam winner in 2018 (15s)
2	Séraphine	03/12/95	177	78	Stade	14	130	26	- Named DHL Impact Player in Cape Town
	Okemba	(24)			Français Paris				- Made France debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2017
					/ FFR				- Played in RWC Sevens 2018



3	Chloé Pelle	14/11/89 (30)	162	70	Stade Français Paris / FFR	31	225	45	 Needs five tries to become fourth French player to 50 series tries Became third French player to reach 30 series events in Cape Town (after Mayans and Horta) Named in HSBC Dream Team for R1 in Glendale Made France debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Played in Women's Six Nations 2019 (15s)
4	Jade Ulutule (nee Le Pesq)	12/10/92 (27)	163	63		14	245	33	 Made first appearance on 2020 series in Hamilton, having last played in Biarritz in 2019 Made France debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at RWC Sevens 2013 Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Women's Six Nations Grand Slam winner in 2018 (15s)
5	Yolaine Yengo	24/04/93 (26)	160	52	Stade Rennais Rugby / FFR	4	19	3	 Called up as injury replacement in Hamilton last weekend Made France debut on series in Glendale in 2019
6	Carla Neisen	08/03/96 (23)	164	67	Blagnac Rugby Feminin	14	105	21	 Returns after missing Dubai and Cape Town rounds Made France debut on series in Dubai in 2016 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played for France in first-ever win over New Zealand on 17 November, 2018 (15s) Also played in first test loss to New Zealand in November (15s) Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Women's Six Nations Grand Slam winner in 2018 (15s)
7	Coralie Bertrand	10/04/94 (25)	173	66	RC Chilly Marzarin / FFR	13	105	21	 Made France debut on series in Dubai in 2017 Named 2018 Series Rookie of the Year Played at RWC Sevens 2018
8	Camille Grassineau	10/09/90 (29)	165	58	FFR	29	300	60	 Becomes fourth France player to reach 30 series events in Sydney this weekend after Horta, Mayans, Pelle) Named in HSBC Dream Team in Hamilton Became first France player to score 50 series tries in Langford in 2019 Made France debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018



									- Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games – scoring first ever sevens Olympic try
0		05/40/06	4.05	50	AC Dahiana	6	45	0	- Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
9	Joanna Grisez	05/10/96	165	56	AC Bobigny	6	45	9	- Made France debut on series in Sydney in 2019
		(23)	170		93	45	200		- Played in Fast Four invitational tournament in Hamilton
10	Caroline	07/07/96	172	71	Stade Rennais	15	206	16	- Glendale was her first series event as France captain
	Drouin	(23)			Rugby / FFR				- Made France debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2017
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
									- Played for France in first-ever win over New Zealand on 17
									November, 2018 scoring 15 points in 30-27 victory (15s)
									- Also played in first test loss to New Zealand in November (15s)
									- Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
									- Women's Six Nations Grand Slam winner in 2018 (15s)
11	Shannon Izar	08/05/93	172	68	FFR	24	380	52	- Scored her 50th series try in Hamilton (third French player)
	(captain)	(26)							- Returned in Dubai and Cape Town after missing R1 in Glendale
									- Made France debut on series in Dubai in 2012
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018
									- Bronze medallist at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
12	Lina Guerin	16/04/91	173	64	RC Chilly	20	180	36	- Returned in Dubai after missing R1 in Glendale
		(28)			Marzarin				- Made France debut on series in China in 2014
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
									- Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
`13	Fanny Horta	22/01/86	166	63	FFR	33	255	51	- Became second France player to score 50 series tries in Cape Town
		(34)							- Returned in Dubai and Cape Town after missing R1 in Glendale
									- Made France debut on series in Dubai in 2012
									- Captained France in every tournament she had played until
									Glendale in 2018
									- Captained France at RWC Sevens 2009, 2013 and 2018



IRELAND

Head coach: Stan McDowell Co-captains: Lucy Mulhall

World Series record: 2012-13 –11th (non-core team) / 2013-14 – 13th / 2014-15 – DNP / 2015-16 – 12th (non-core team) / 2016-17 – Ninth / 2018 – 10th

2020 Series standing: 10

- Ireland reached their first Cup semi-final in Sydney 12 months ago, losing to Australia and then USA to finish fourth
- Ireland have reached the Cup quarter-finals only once this series, in Glendale, and only once in the last six series events
- This is the fourth season that Ireland have been a core team on the HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series

Shirt #	Name	DOB (Age)	Height (cm)	Weight (kg)	Club / Province	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
	Stan McDowell				Head coach				 Been professional sevens coach with IRFU for seven years – identifying and attracting players for men's and women's programmes Coached Ireland men's team to bronze medal in London in 2018 European Cup winner as a player with Ulster in 1999 (15s)
1	Anna McGann	04/06/98 (21)	180	75	UCD / Old Belvedere	5	20	4	 Will make first appearance of 2020 series having been an unused 13th player in Hamilton Last played on series in Langford in 2019 Made Ireland debut on series in Clermont-Ferrand in 2017 Also played in Dubai and Sydney on 2019 series Played hockey for Connacht at U16, U18 and U21 level
2	Hannah Tyrrell	10/08/90 (29)	180	66	Old Belvedere	24	99	19	 Made Ireland debut on series in Amsterdam in 2014 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Former goalkeeper in Gaelic football (GAA) with Dublin Women's Six Nations winner in 2015 (15s)
3	Stacey Flood	05/08/96 (23)	172	69	Railway Union RFC	21	125	25	 Returned in Hamilton after missing Dubai and Cape Town rounds Made Ireland debut on series in Dubai in 2015 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played Gaelic football in Dublin before switching to rugby



									- Spent time in Australia in 2017, playing for Bond University in the Aon University Sevens Series
4	Brittany Hogan	19/09/98 (21)	169	72	Railway Union RFC	8	5	1	 Returned in Dubai after missing Glendale Made Ireland debut on series in Dubai in 2019
5	Amee-Leigh Murphy Crowe	26/04/95 (24)	168	64	Railway Union RFC	27	470	94	 Needs six tries to become first Irish player and potentially ninth in series history to score 100 tries Co-captain in Dubai and Cape Town in absence of Lucy Mulhall Top try scorer on 2019 series with 35 – first northern hemisphere player to claim accolade Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2019 Series Captained Ireland in final two rounds of 2019 series with Lucy Mulhall injury Shared captaincy with Katie Fitzhenry in Dubai and Cape Town with Mulhall injured Made Ireland debut on series in Guangzhou in 2014 Ireland's top try-scorer on 2018 series with 18 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
6	Kathy Baker	23/06/98 (21)	169	68	Blackrock	8	10	2	 Made Ireland debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2018 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played in Aon University Sevens 2018 for Bond University as part of development placement Grandfather played for Ireland (15s)
7	Katie Fitzhenry	23/04/89 (29)	165	70	Blackrock	19	40	8	 Co-captain in Dubai and Cape Town in absence of Lucy Mulhall Made Ireland debut on series in Guangzhou in 2014 Glendale was first series event since same round in 2018 Shared captaincy with Amee-Leigh Murphy Crowe in Dubai and Cape Town with Lucy Mulhall injured Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Played camogie for Wexford before switching to rugby
8	Megan Burns	09/04/00 (19)	168	61	Tullamore	7	15	3	- Made Ireland debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2018
9	Lucy Mulhall (captain)	29/09/93 (26)	163	61	Rathdrum	21	360	21	- Returned in Hamilton after missing Dubai and Cape Town rounds with thumb injury



									 Missed final two rounds of 2019 series with leg injury Made Ireland debut on series in Dubai in 2015 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played Gaelic football for Ireland before switching to rugby sevens in 2015 Anna Doyle is her first cousin
10	Eve Higgins	23/06/99 (20)	173	70	Railway Union	15	151	23	 Made Ireland debut on series in Dubai in 2017 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played in Aon University Sevens 2018 for Bond University as part of development placement
11	Louise Galvin	03/04/87 (32)	172	66	UL Bohemians	19	110	22	 Made Ireland debut on series in Dubai in 2015 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Former Gaelic footballer with Kerry Played age-grade basketball for Ireland, captaining at U18 level
12	Emily Lane	10/01/99 (21)	164	60	Mallow RFC / Ballincollig RFC	8	15	3	 Made Ireland debut on series in Sydney in 2019 Captained Ireland U18 sevens team in 2017
13	Deirbhile Nic a Bhaird	22/09/95 (24)	162	70	Old Belvedere	15	25	5	 Called up as an injury replacement in Dubai, played in Cape Town and Hamilton in starting squad Made Ireland debut on series in Dubai 2017 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Competed in Ju-Jitsu and Mixed Martial Arts Played in the Women's Six Nations 2019 (15s)



JAPAN (Invitational team in Glendale, Dubai and Sydney)

Coach: Hitoshi Inada Captain: Honoka Tsutsumi Nickname: Sakura Sevens

World Series record: 2012-13 – 13th (non-core team) / 2013-14 – 11th (non-core team) / 2014-15 – DNP / 2015-16 – 11th (non-core team) / 2016-17 – 13th (non-core team) / 2018 – 11th (relegated) / 2019 – 17th (non-core team)

2020 Series standing: 13

- Japan are again the invitational team for round five in Sydney, having finished 10th in Glendale and 12th in Dubai
- Japan have automatically qualified for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games as host nation
- Japan won the Asia Rugby Women's Sevens Series 2019 title in October

Shirt	Name	DOB	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#		(Age)	(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	Hitoshi Inada	22/01/83 (37)			Head coach				- Fourth season as Japan head coach - Replaced Keiko Asami in Nov 2016 on an interim basis before getting the job full-time
1	Chiharu Nakamura	25/04/88 (31)	162	64	Arukas Queen Kumagaya	18	127	19	 Only member of Japan squad this weekend with more than 10 tournaments on series (18) Captained Japan at series qualifier in 2019 in Hong Kong Captained Japan at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Captained Japan to first ever Asian Games gold in 2018 Captained Japan to qualifier success in 2017 in Hong Kong Made Japan debut on series in Houston in 2013 Second in DHL Performance Tracker for 2018 series Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played basketball for 12 years but wanted to try a contact sport after leaving university and picked rugby



2	Mele Yua Havili Kagawa	29/09/01 (18)	168	68	Arukas Queen Kumagaya	3	0	0	 Played in series qualifier in 2019 in Hong Kong Made Japan debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2019
3	Raichel Bativakalolo	18/09/97 (22)	161	71	Arukas Queen Kumagaya	9	60	12	 Made Japan debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2016 Scored seven tries in HSBC Paris Sevens to make HSBC Dream Team Gold medallist at Asian Games in 2018 Father is Fijian, mother Japanese, sister of Ateca Yumi
4	Fumiko Otake	02/02/99 (20)	170	64	Nippon Sport Science University	6	30	6	 - Celebrates her 21st birthday on finals day in Sydney - Played at RWC Sevens 2018 - Made Japan debut on series in Sydney in 2018 - Had only been playing rugby then for 18 months, ran with the ball in a basketball session and was recommended to try playing rugby - Gold medallist at Asian Games in 2018 - Her father is Nigerian
5	Hana Nagata	19/05/00 (19)	166	60	Nippon Sport Science University	2	6	0	- Made Japan debut on series in Glendale in 2019
6	Sayaka Suzuki	19/05/97 (22)	164	60		5	4	20	 First appearance on 2020 series Last played on series in Paris in 2018 Made Japan debut on series in Dubai in 2017 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 in Ireland (15s) Played seven tests for Japan in 2017 (15s)
7	Honoka Tsutsumi (captain)	19/06/97 (22)	154	56	Nippon Sport Science University	4	25	5	 Played in series qualifier in 2019 in Hong Kong Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Made Japan debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2017 Played in victorious team in 2017 series qualifier Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) She is a twin and her brother plays rugby for the same university
8	Haruka Hirotsu	20/10/00 (19)	168	63	Waseda University	1	5	1	- Made Japan debut on series in Dubai in 2019
9	Ayumi Yabuuchi	12/09/96 (23)	155	58		DEBUT			- Will make Japan debut on series in Sydney this weekend
10	Emii Tanaka	19/10/99 (20)	166	65		7	4	30	 First appearance on 2020 series Last played on series in Paris in 2018



									 Made Japan debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2017 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
11	Wakaba Hara	06/01/00 (20)	160	60	Tokyo Sankyu Phoenix	DEBUT			- Will make Japan debut on series in Sydney this weekend
12	Yuki Ito	24/10/96 (23)	160	60	Mie Paels	4	10	2	 Played in series qualifier in 2019 in Hong Kong Made Japan debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2017, also played in 2019 Played in victorious team in 2017 series qualifier Played test rugby for Japan in 2015-16, including two WRWC 2017 qualifiers (15s)



NEW ZEALAND

Co-coaches: Allan Bunting and Cory Sweeney Captain: Sarah Hirini Nickname: Black Ferns Sevens

World Series record: 2012-13 – Champions / 2013-14 – Champions / 2014-15 – Champions / 2015-16 – Runners-up / 2016-17 – Champions / 2018 – Runners-up / 2019 – Champions

2020 Series standing: 1

- New Zealand have the most experienced squad in Sydney with 273 events
- New Zealand became the third team to win a title on home soil with success in Hamilton last weekend
- The Black Ferns Sevens were named New Zealand Team of the Year 2019 (ahead of All Blacks and Black Ferns) at New Zealand's rugby awards in December
- New Zealand became the first team to successfully defend the title in Dubai in round two, beating Canada for the second year running in the final
- New Zealand qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by finishing first on the 2019 Series
- New Zealand have twice won 37 matches in a row on the series (April 2014-May 2015 and April 2018-April 2019)
- They went 38 matches unbeaten in the latter run, drawing the 38th match with Russia before losing to France in Kitakyushu
- New Zealand's Portia Woodman, Kelly Brazier, Sarah Hirini, Stacey Waaka and Theresa Fitzpatrick are five of nine players (men's and women's) to have won Rugby World Cups in sevens and 15s

Shirt	Name	DOB	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#		(Age)	(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	Allan Bunting				Co-coach				- Named New Zealand Coach of the Year 2019 with Cory Sweeney in
									December as Black Ferns Sevens coaches
									- Returned in Glendale after missing final rounds of 2019 series
									- Fourth season in charge, appointed after Rio 2016
									- Assistant coach for four years previously
									- Former All Blacks Sevens player
									- Named Coach of the Series at the World Rugby Sevens Awards in 2018
									- Nominated as Coach of the Year at the Halberg Awards
	Cory Sweeney				Co-coach				- Named New Zealand Coach of the Year 2019 with Allan Bunting in
									December as Black Ferns Sevens coaches



									- Stepped up from assistant coach in Kitakyushu with Allan Bunting granted leave, in charge for final three tournaments - Named co-coach for 2020 series
1	Ruby Tui	13/12/91 (28)	177	71	Canterbury	32	275	55	 Named HSBC Player of the Final in Cape Town Named World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year 2019 in association with HSBC in Japan in November Became the third Black Ferns Sevens player to play in 30 tournaments after Sarah Hirini and Tyla Nathan-Wong in Dubai Named in HSBC Dream Team in Dubai Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2019 series Named HSBC Player of the Final in Glendale in 2018 Five-time HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series title winner Nominated for World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year 2017 Named Black Ferns Sevens Player of the Year 2017 Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Silver medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Commentates for SKY NZ
2	Tenika Willison	07/12/97 (22)	167	69	Waikato	8	52	2	 Unused injury replacement in Cape Town and Hamilton on 2020 series Made New Zealand debut on series in Dubai in 2016 Won two HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series titles Started training with Black Ferns Sevens squad as a 16-year-old Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Played touch for New Zealand at senior and age-grade level
3	Stacey Fluhler (nee Waaka)	03/11/95 (24)	173	73	Waikato	14	210	42	 Needs eight tries to reach 50 on series One of the Unstoppables in World Rugby's 'Women in Rugby' 'Try and Stop Us' campaign in May 2019 Named in HSBC Dream Team for Glendale, Dubai and Hamilton Named HSBC Player of the Final in Hamilton (second time in 2020 series) Top try scorer on 2020 series with 25 after four rounds Named HSBC Player of the Final in Dubai after two tries in the final Named DHL Impact Player in Dubai and leads the DHL Performance Tracker after three rounds with 220 points (21 points clear)



		21/04/00	474	76	Anglebrand	25	105	27	 First player to win DHL Impact Player and HSBC Player of the Final in same event Top try scorer in Dubai with nine and joint top with Blyde in Hamilton with nine Returned in Glendale after surgery for wrist injury suffered in Sydney in 2019 Scored two hat-tricks v France in Fast Four tournament in Hamilton in January Made New Zealand debut on series in Atlanta in 2016 Two-time HSBC World Rugby Sevens Series title winner Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 winner (15s)
4	Niall Williams	21/04/88 (31)	174	76	Auckland	25	185	37	 Named in HSBC Dream Team in Cape Town in 2019 Made New Zealand debut on series in Dubai in 2015 Won two HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series titles Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Sister of All Black Sonny Bill Williams, currently competing at RWC 2019
5	Sarah Hirini (nee Goss) (captain)	09/12/92 (28)	177	76	Manawatu	37	330	66	 Named Tom French Memorial Maori Player of the Year 2019 – first female to receive the award Missed Dubai and Cape Town rounds with leg injury, only third and fourth events missed in series history (had played first 24 tournaments in row before missing final two rounds of 2016-17 season to prepare for WRWC 2017) Became a Member of the New Zealand Order of Merit in Queen's Birthday Honours list for services to rugby Became first woman to play 200 matches on series in Biarritz in 2019 Nominated for World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year in association with HSBC in both 2018 and 2019 Named as nominee for Black Ferns Sevens Player of the Year 2019 Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2019 Series Became fifth NZL player to reach 50 tries in Dubai in 2018 Made New Zealand debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Appointed captain for start of 2014-15 series



									 Five-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series title winner Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Silver medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 winner (15s)
6	Michaela Blyde	29/12/95 (25)	165	65	Bay of Plenty	26	675	135	 Returned in Hamilton after missing Dubai and Cape Town through injury Named in HSBC Dream Team in Hamilton Named DHL Impact Player in Hamilton Joint top try-scorer in Hamilton with Fluhler with nine Named World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year in both 2017 and 2018 Nominated for High Performance Sport New Zealand Sportswoman of Year at Halberg Awards alongside team-mate Sarah Hirini Named in HSBC Dream Team for R1 in Glendale in 2018 New Zealand's try scorer on 2019 Series with 30 Four-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series title winner Second highest try-scorer on 2018 series with 37 DHL Impact Player for 2016-17 and 2018 series Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2018 world series Made New Zealand debut on series in Atlanta in 2014 Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Top try-scorer at RWC Sevens 2018 with nine Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018
7	Tyla Nathan- Wong (captain)	01/07/94 (25)	165	59	Auckland	34	982	38	 Needs 18 points to become second player to score 1,000 points in series history after Ghislaine Landry Needs four conversions to become first to reach 400 in series history Become New Zealand's all-time leading point scorer in Hamilton after overtaking Portia Woodman (975) Named Black Ferns Sevens Player of the Year 2019 in December Captained to titles in Dubai and Cape Town in absence of Sarah Hirini Reached her 27th Cup final in Cape Town – surpassing the record held by Sarah Hirini In Dubai became third player to score 900 series points after Ghislaine Landry (CAN) and team-mate Portia Woodman



8	Kelly Brazier	28/10/89 (30)	173	68	Bay of Plenty	30	506	84	 Nominated for World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year 2019 award in association with HSBC Made New Zealand debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Five-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series title winner Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Silver medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Became the fourth Black Ferns Sevens player to play in 30 tournaments after Sarah Hirini, Tyla Nathan-Wong and Ruby Tui in Hamilton Named in HSBC Dream Team in Cape Town in 2019 Went through 500 points on series in Cape Town Nominated for Black Ferns Sevens Player of the Year 2019 Named in HSBC Dream Team for R1 in Glendale in 2018 and 2019 Made New Zealand debut on series in Houston in 2013
									 Five-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series title winner Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Silver medallist at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 – scored winning try in extra-time in final v Australia Women's Rugby World Cup 2010 and 2017 winner (15s) Played three matches in the Women's Rugby Super Series in 2019 as New Zealand won the title (15s)
9	Gayle Broughton	05/06/96 (23)	174	70	Taranaki	21	310	62	 Scored winning try in Dubai final v Canada in 2019 Made New Zealand debut on series in Atlanta in 2014 Four-time HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series title winner Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018
10	Theresa Fitzpatrick	25/02/95 (24)	168	75	Auckland	19	65	13	 Won two HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series titles Made New Zealand debut on series in Atlanta in 2016 Gold medallist at RWC Sevens 2018 Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 winner (15s) Played two matches in the Women's Rugby Super Series in 2019 as New Zealand won the title (15s)



11	Shiray Kaka	26/03/95 (24)	168	68	Tasman	11	125	25	 Returns after missing Hamilton round Before Dubai had last played on series in Paris in 2018 Made New Zealand debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Won two HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series titles Married to former All Blacks Sevens player Gillies Kaka
12	Alena Saili	13/12/98 (21)	180	75	Southland	16	140	28	 Returned in Dubai after missing Glendale Won two HSBC World Rugby Women's Sevens Series titles Made series debut for New Zealand in Sydney in 2017 Gold medallist at Commonwealth Games 2018 Played two tests against Australia on wing in August 2018 and three in Women's Rugby Super Series title success in 2019 (15s)
13	Jazmin Hotham	02/07/00 (19)	172	67		0	0	0	 Will make New Zealand debut on series if called upon as injury replacement in Sydney this weekend Last weekend was dressed as a beekeeper in stands cheering on the team to title in Hamilton Shakira Baker used to be her maths teacher in Year 10 Youngest member of current Black Ferns Sevens squad Led Hamilton Girls' sevens team to national title in 2017 Played for New Zealand U17 team that won the World School Sevens title in 2017 Was due to captain New Zealand at Youth Olympic Games in 2018 but was injured weeks out from event in Argentina and required shoulder reconstruction



RUSSIA

Head coach: Andrey Kuzin Captain: Alena Mikhaltsova

World Series record: 2012-13 – Sixth / 2013-14 – Fifth / 2014-15 – Seventh / 2015-16 – Seventh / 2016-17 – Fifth / 2018 – Sixth / 2019 – Seventh

2020 Series standing: 6

Did you know ...?

- Russia ended New Zealand's 37-match winning run on series with a 17-17 draw in Kitakyushu in 2019
- Alena Mikhaltsova was the DHL Impact Player for 2019 series
- Russia will contest the Olympic repechage at end of 2020 series in bid to qualify for Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games

Shirt	Name	DOB	Height	Weight	Club /	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
#		(Age)	(cm)	(kg)	Province				
	Andrey Kuzin	29/10/78			Head coach				- Third year as Russia women's sevens coach
		(41)							- Former Russia sevens player, playing on series 2001-08
									- Played RWC Sevens 2001 and 2005
									- Former Russia captain in 15s, captaining eight of his 78 tests from 1997-
									2011
									- Played at RWC 2011 (15s)
1	Daria	20/07/96	166	65	Rgustis-	21	85	17	- Made Russia debut on series in Clermont-Ferrand in 2016
	Noritsina	(23)			Podmoskovie				- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
2	Daria Lushina	01/11/96	170	68	Rgustis-	23	241	14	- Returned in Hamilton after missing Cape Town
		(23)			Podmoskovie				- Made Russia debut on series in Langford, Canada, in 2015
									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
3	Diana	27/08/98	166	66	Enisei-STM	5	5	1	- Returned in Hamilton after missing Cape Town
	Glushenko	(21)							- Made Russia debut on series in Langford in 2018
4	Kristina	24/12/94	170	70	CSP	28	206	28	- Captains team for second event with Alena Mikhaltsova sidelined
	Seredina	(25)			Krilatskoe				- Made Russia debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2014
	(captain)								- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
5	Baizat	31/08/90	184	70	Krasniy Yar	33	530	106	- Became first Russian to play in 30 tournaments on series in Glendale
	Khamidova	(29)							- Became the first Russian to score 100 series tries in Biarritz in 2019



		07/05/06	170	70	Denstin	10	25		 Top try-scorer for Russia on 2019 series with 20 tries Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2018 series DHL Impact Player for Sydney 2018 Made Russia debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Russia's top point (415) and try (83) scorer in women's series history Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018
6	lana Danilova	07/05/96 (23)	170	70	Rgustis- Podmoskovie	10	35	7	 Only change to starting 12 from Hamilton, swapping with Anna Gavrilyuk Unused 13th player in Hamilton round Made Russia debut on series in Langford in 2018
7	Nadezhda Sozonova (nee Kudinova)	14/08/91 (28)	165	65	RC Krasnodar Kuban	20	361	35	 Before Dubai had last played on series in same round in 2016 Captained Russia in first four world series Made Russia debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Nominated for World Rugby Women's Sevens Player of the Year in 2015 Played three tests for Russia in 2016 (15s)
8	Marina Kukina	22/08/93 (26)	172	68	Rgustis- Podmoskovie	26	84	10	 Returned in Hamilton after missing Cape Town Called upon as an injury replacement in Dubai in 2019 Made Russia debut on series in China in 2014 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
9	Marina Myasnikova (nee Petrova)	17/01/89 (31)	168	68	Rgustis- Podmoskovie	21	190	38	 Before Dubai had last played on series in Langford in 2017 Made Russia debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Played at RWC Sevens 203 Played four tests for Russia in 2011 (15s)
10	Elena Zdrokova	26/12/96 (23)	175	75	Enisei-STM	22	434	86	- Made Russia debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2016
11	Anastasia Prokudina	17/12/95 (24)	169	60	RCSP Krasnodarskiy region	5	5	1	 Made first appearance of 2020 series in Hamilton, having last played on series in Dubai in 2018 Made Russia debut on series in Langford, Canada, in 2015 Played at RWC Sevens 2018
12	Anna Baranchuk	18/12/93 (26)	169	69	RCSP Krasnodarskiy region	13	20	4	- Made Russia debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2018 - Played at RWC Sevens 2018
13	Anna Gavrilyuk	02/03/91 (28)	170	70	Rgustis- Podmoskovie	20	15	3	 Played in Glendale and Hamilton but not Dubai or Cape Town Made Russia debut on series in Amsterdam in 2015



	- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
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SPAIN

Head coach: Pedro de Matías Captain: Marina Bravo Nickname: Las Leonas

World Series record: 2012-13 – Ninth (non-core team) / 2013-14 – Sixth / 2014-15 – Ninth / 2015-16 – Ninth / 2016-17 – 10th / 2018 – Seventh / 2019 – Ninth

2020 Series standing: 9

Did you know...?

- Spain finished fifth in the opening round in Glendale and eighth in Dubai but missed out on quarter-finals in Cape Town to finish ninth
- Spain reached their third Cup semi-final in series history in Biarritz, after Kitakyushu in 2018 and Dubai in 2012

Shirt #	Name	DOB (Age)	Height (cm)	Weight (kg)	Club / Province	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
	Pedro de Matías				Head coach				- Second season as Spain head coach
1	Eva Aguirre	22/01/95 (25)	173	65	Olímpico Pozuelo	6	15	3	 Made Spain debut on series in Sydney in 2018 Played test rugby for Spain from 2018-19 (15s) Played in Spain's 29-15 win over Wales on 3 November (15s)
2	Beatriz Dominguez Sanchez	09/01/95 (25)	167	63	XV Sanse Scrum	7	25	5	 Also played in Dubai and Hamilton but not Cape Town Made Spain debut on series in Glendale in 2018 Played in Spain's 29-15 win over Wales on 3 November, scoring a try (15s)
3	Amaia Erbina	13/03/97 (22)	171	68	CR Cisneros	25	110	22	 Made Spain debut on series in Atlanta in 2015 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at Nanjing 2014 Youth Olympic Games Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) Played in Spain's 29-15 win over Wales on 3 November (15s) Played in Spain's 29-12 victory over South Africa in September (15s) Older sister of Lide Erbina, the Rookie of the Year in 2019 Series
4	Patricia García	02/12/89 (30)	163	64	FER	36	667	58	 Played in Spain's 36-12 loss to Scotland on 19 January before flying to New Zealand for Hamilton event (15s)



									 Holds Spanish record for tournaments played on series (36 events) Played her 30th series tournament in Kitakyushu in 2019 Became first Spaniard to score 50 tries on series in Langford in 2019 Made Spain debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Named in HSBC Dream Team for 2018 world series Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played test rugby for Spain from 2011-19 (15s) Scored hat-trick of tries in 22-point haul as Spain won Rugby Europe Women's Championship title on 30 March with 54-0 defeat of the Netherlands in final (15s) Played in Spain's 29-12 victory over South Africa in September, kicking nine points (15s) Player of Match and double try scorer in Spain's win over Scotland on 20 January (15s) Runs Rugby Libre, a non-profit organisation which uses rugby to spread values and education – toured Chile in August 2019 but also visited Morocco and hopes to go to Kenya in 2020
5	Marina Bravo (captain)	02/07/89 (30)	173	68	CR Cisneros	26	87	17	 Made Spain debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Played at RWC Sevens 2009, 2013 and 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 and 2017 (15s) Played test rugby for Spain from 2009-19 (15s) Played in win over Scotland on 20 January (15s)
6	Maria Garcia	15/04/00 (19)	168	57	CR Majadahonda	8	55	11	 Made Spain debut on series in Glendale in 2018 Played three tests for Spain in 2018 and also in wins over Scotland and Russia in 2019 (15s)
7	Bárbara Plà	17/07/83 (36)	162	61	Gexto RT	30	205	41	 Joined Iera Echebarria in becoming latest Spaniards to play in 30 series events in Hamilton (after Patricia Garcia and Maria Casado) Made Spain debut on series in Dubai in 2013 Brother Pol plays for Spain's men's team Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)



8	Olivia Fresneda	04/01/99 (21)	168	58	Industriales RC	16	40	8	 Made Spain debut on series in Dubai in 2016 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played in Rugby Europe Women's Championship 2019 final v Netherlands (won 54-0) on 30 March , scoring one try (15s)
9	Maria Casado	25/12/85 (34)	167	63	INEF Barcelona	33	114	18	 Made first appearance on 2020 series in Hamilton, having last played in Biarritz Became second Spaniard to play in 30 tournaments, after Patricia Garcia, in Langford in 2019 Made Spain debut on series in Amsterdam in 2013 Played at RWC Sevens 2013 and 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
10	Paula Requena	05/02/97 (22)	170	75	CR Cisneros	4	25	5	 Called up as injury replacement in Hamilton last weekend Played in Spain's 36-12 loss to Scotland on 19 January before flying to New Zealand for Hamilton event (15s) First appearance of 2020 series Last played on series in Biarritz in 2019 Made Spain debut on series in Kitakyushu in 2019 Played in Rugby Europe Women's Championship 2019 final v Netherlands (won 54-0) on 30 March (15s)
11	lera Echebarria	20/10/92 (27)	162	58	Olímpico Pozuelo	30	125	25	 Joined Barbara Pla in becoming latest Spaniards to play in 30 series events in Hamilton (after Patricia Garcia and Maria Casado) Played in Spain's 36-12 loss to Scotland on 19 January before flying to New Zealand for Hamilton event (15s) Made Spain debut on series in Amsterdam in 2014 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2014 and 2017 (15s) Scored a try in Spain's 29-12 victory over South Africa in September (15s) Played in win over Scotland in January 2019 (15s)
12	Lide Erbina	19/12/00 (19)	177	70	Cisneros	8	70	14	 Played in Spain's 36-12 loss to Scotland on 19 January before flying to New Zealand for Hamilton event (15s) Returned in Dubai and Cape Town after missing R1 in Glendale Named for World Rugby Rookie of the Year for 2019 series Made Spain debut on series in Glendale in 2018



									 Played four tests for Spain at centre/winger in 2018-19, scoring try on debut v Germany (15s) Younger sister of Amaia Erbina
13	Clara Piquero	11/02/99 (20)	165	55	ASS Bayonnaise, FRA	1	0	0	- Made Spain debut on series in Hamilton last weekend



<u>USA</u>

Head coach: Chris Brown Co-captains: Abby Gustaitis and Kris Thomas Nickname: Women's Sevens Eagles

World Series record: 2012-13 - Fourth / 2013-14 - Seventh / 2014-15 - Fifth / 2015-16 - Sixth / 2016-17 - Sixth / 2018 - Fifth / 2019 - Runners-up

2020 Series Standings: 4

Did you know ...?

- USA reached the first HSBC Sydney Sevens final in 2017, losing 21-17 to Canada
- Cape Town saw USA's record of reaching every Cup semi-final since start of 2019 series come to an end as they finished fifth
- Until Cape Town USA had won medals in six straight events dating back to Sydney last season it took them 33 events to earn their first six medals
- USA became only second team to win a Cup title on home soil (after Australia in Sydney in 2018) by beating Australia in the Glendale final in October
- USA won their first ever Cup title in Biarritz, beating New Zealand in the final
- USA enjoyed their most successful season in series history in 2019 reaching every semi-final, winning five medals, a first title and series runner-up ranking
- USA qualified for the Tokyo 2020 Olympic Games by finishing second on the 2019 Series
- Four of USA's seven appearances in a Cup final have been on home soil in Houston in 2013, Atlanta in 2015 and Glendale in 2018 and 2019

Shirt #	Name	DOB (Age)	Height (cm)	Weight (kg)	Club / Province	Events	Points	Tries	Notes
	Chris Brown	26/09/85 (34)	()	(*8/	Head coach				 Named Capgemini Coach of the Series 2019 Appointed interim head coach in August 2018, before named permanent head coach on eve of Glendale round Reached Cup final in his first event as head coach in Glendale Has worked with USA men's and women's sevens programmes
1	Steph Rovetti	10/02/91 (28)	162	63	USA Sevens	5	15	3	 Played in Glendale and Hamilton but not in Dubai or Cape Town Made USA debut on series in Glendale in 2018 Biarritz is her first appearance on 2019 series since Dubai Came to rugby from a basketball and athletics (100m, 200m) background
2	llona Maher	12/08/96 (23)	177	90	USA Sevens	11	115	23	 Named in HSBC Dream Team in Glendale in 2018 Made USA debut on series in Paris in 2018



									- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
3	Abby	09/05/91	180	79	USA Sevens	12	45	9	- Appointed co-captain for 2020 series
	Gustaitis (co-	(28)							- Made USA debut on series in Dubai in 2017
	captain)								- Played at RWC Sevens 2018
	. ,								- Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
									- Started playing rugby in 2010 at university
4	Nicole	25/02/95	165	65	USA Sevens	23	331	21	- Made USA debut on series in Atlanta in 2016
	Heavirland	(24)							- Appointed captain for final round of 2016-17 series – was co-captain in
									2019 series with Lauren Doyle
									- Captained USA at RWC Sevens 2018
									- A travelling reserve for Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
									- Started playing rugby at age of 15
5	Alev Kelter	21/03/91	170	76	USA Sevens	33	784	91	- Needs 16 points to become fourth player to score 800 series points
		(28)							- Needs nine tries to become first USA player to score 100 tries on
									series
									- Named in HSBC Dream Team in Cape Town in 2019
									- Top point scorer on series with 153 after four rounds
									- USA's all-time leading try-scorer in series history with 91 (five more
									than Naya Tapper)
									- Became first USA player to reach 30 series tournaments in Glendale
									- Became first USA player to score 500 points in series history in
									Glendale in 2018 (503)
									- Surpassed 700 points in Dubai in 2019
									- Made USA debut on series in China in 2014 and has not missed a
									tournament since, playing 25 consecutive series rounds
									- Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games
									- Missed RWC Sevens 2018 through injury
									- Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
									- Started all four tests in the Women's Rugby Super Series in June/July
									2019, scoring tries v Canada and France (15s)
									- Captained USA U18 women's ice hockey team to gold medal at world
									championship in 2009
									- Missed out on Winter Olympic selection and invited to join rugby
									programme by former USA coach Ric Suggitt



6	Lauren Doyle	23/02/91 (28)	170	65	USA Sevens	29	325	65	 Becomes second USA player to reach 30 series events in Sydney (after Kelter) Co-captain of USA for 2019 series, including first ever Cup title in Biarritz Made USA debut on series in Dubai in 2012 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Silver medallist at Pan American Games in 2015
7	Joanne Fa'avesi	05/02/92 (27)	170	71	USA Sevens	18	65	13	 First appearance of 2020 series, having last played in Langford in 2019 Made USA debut on series in Dubai in 2014 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Rio 2016 Olympic Games Served her country as member of USA Army world-class athlete programme Silver medallist at Pan American Games in 2015 Youngest of seven children
8	Cheta Emba	16/07/93 (26)	182	80	USA Sevens	16	130	26	 - Unused 13th player in Hamilton round - Named in HSBC Dream Team in Glendale in 2019 - Made USA debut on series in Dubai in 2016 - Played at RWC Sevens 2018 - Was a travelling reserve for Rio 2016 Olympic Games - Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
9	Eti Haungatu	25/09/00 (19)	180	93	USA Sevens	4	15	3	 Made USA debut on series in Glendale in 2019 Made test debut v England in Women's Rugby Super Series 2019, also played against New Zealand and Canada (15s) Played for USA v Barbarians Women in April (15s)
10	Kayla Canett	29/04/98 (21)	160	63	USA Sevens	9	17	3	 Played in Dubai and Hamilton but not Glendale and was an unused injury replacement in Cape Town in 2019 Made USA debut on series in Dubai in 2016 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)
11	Kris Thomas (co-captain)	01/07/93 (26)	173	70	USA Sevens	25	350	70	 Appointed co-captain for 2020 series Second highest try-scorer in series history for USA behind Naya Tapper Made USA debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2015 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s)



									- Former track and basketball player in high school, started to play rugby in freshman year at University of Central Florida
12	Kristi Kirshe	14/10/94 (25)	160	65	USA Sevens	8	150	30	 Named in HSBC Dream Team in Dubai in 2019 Nominated for World Rugby Rookie of the Year 2019 Named in HSBC Dream Team in Langford in 2019 Made USA debut on series in Sydney in 2019, scoring five tries Only been playing rugby for a year when made debut
13	Naya Tapper	03/08/94 (25)	175	79	USA Sevens	21	430	86	 Made USA debut on series in Sao Paulo in 2016 Overtook Victoria Folayan (64) to become USA's all-time leading try scorer in Sydney in 2019 but now sits five behind Alev Kelter Top try-scorer for USA on 2019 series with 18 Joint third-highest try scorer on 2018 series with 26 Played at RWC Sevens 2018 Played at Women's Rugby World Cup 2017 (15s) All-American athlete before switching to rugby