

Brittany Augustine

#1 Junior in U.S. in Girls' 12s and 14s



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Turned pro: 2007

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

Basic facts about Brittany

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Year learned to play tennis: 2001

Year turned pro: 2007

Hometown: Los Angeles, CA

Current training facilities:

- USTA High Performance Center at Home Depot Center in Carson, CA
- John Newcombe Tennis Academy in Texas

Sponsored by: Adidas and Head

Interests:

- Hanging out with friends
- Reading, music, games
- Shopping



Brittany's Strengths

Coach's analysis

- Very aggressive all court player
- Extremely athletic, strong, and energetic player
- Mentally tough
- Loves to compete
- Goal oriented
- Great personality that makes her easy to get along with
- Very humble
- Young woman with honesty and integrity

Professional Tour



Professional Career Record

As of March 13, 2008

- Career wins-losses: 8-15
- Current professional ranking: 728
- Highest professional ranking: 721
- Tournament results (most recent 25 tournaments): 8-15

She has broke into the top 800 in less than 1 year on the pro tour

Brittany's Goals

- "My goal is to be #1 in the world."
- "My views on how to get there:
 - By the end of 2008 at the age of 17, I plan to be in the top 200 in the world
 - By the end of 2009 at the age of 18, my projected ranking is to be in the top 50
 - In 2010 at the age of 19, I hope to be in the top 10 and on my way to #1 in the world"

WTA Acura Classic

Carlsbad, CA

July 28 - August 5, 2007

Total tournament prize money: \$1.34 MM

Featured Maria Sharapova, Serena and Venus Williams, and Justine Henin

Brittany's Result: First round (Round of 32)

Earned a spot in the main draw as the Winner of the Acura Classic Opportunity Tournament

\$50,000 Pro Circuit

Start date	Location	Result
June 3, 2007	Carson, CA	First round (Round of 32) <i>Won 3 Qualifying rounds</i>
November 18, 2007	La Quinta, CA	First round (Round of 32)

Tournament Performance

\$25,000 Pro Circuit

Start date	Location	Result
March 18, 2007	Orange, CA	First round (Round of 32)
July 8, 2007	Southlake, CA	First round (Round of 32)
October 14, 2007	Great Britain	Second round (Round of 16)
October 17, 2007	Scotland	First round (Round of 32)
January 14, 2008	La Quinta, CA	Second round (Round of 16)

Tournament Performance

\$10,000 Pro Circuit

Start date	Location	Result
September 16, 2007	Italy	First round (Round of 32)
September 23, 2007	Great Britain	Quarterfinals
September 30, 2007	Great Britain	Second round (Round of 16)
October 7, 2007	France	First round (Round of 32)

Junior Tennis

Brittany was the top junior in the U.S.

She has won the most prestigious junior tournaments
in the U.S.

Performance in Junior Tennis

#1 JUNIOR in U.S. in GIRLS' 12s and 14s

- Moved onto the ITF international junior circuit at the age of 14
- Turned pro at the age of 15

U.S. Open Junior Championships

2005 & 2006

- Youngest player in the U.S. Open Junior Championships in Singles and Doubles
- Received a wild card based on her outstanding junior record for both years

Winning National Championships

Copper Bowl National Champion

Gold Medalist Winter National Championships

National Open (2) Girls' 14s

Gold Medalist Girls' 16s Nationals

Winning National Championships

Gold Medalist Clay Court Nationals Girls' 16s Doubles

Gold Medalist Easter Bowl Girls' 16s Doubles

Gold Medalist Clay Court Nationals Girls' 18s Doubles

SPORTSMANSHIP AWARD at Winter Nationals

By the age of 15, she was ranked top 10 in the nation
in Girls' 18s

Brittany's Rapid Rise to the Top

Age: Year:	10 2001	12 2003	13 2004
		Wins Copper Bowl National Championships	Gold Medalist Winter National Championships
	Learns to play tennis		National Open Champion (2) Girls' 14s
		Receives Sportsmanship Award at Winter National Championships	Begins competing in Easter Bowl every year until she turns pro

Brittany's Rapid Rise to the Top

Age: Year:	14 2006	15 / 16 2007 - 2008	
	Gold Medalist Girls' 16s Nationals	Gold Medalist Clay Court Nationals Girls' 18s Doubles	Turns Pro
	Gold Medalist Clay Court Nationals Girls' 16s Doubles		Wins Acura Classic Opportunity Tournament
	Gold Medalist Easter Bowl Girls' 16s Doubles	Competes on ITF International Junior Circuit	Competes in main draw of WTA Acura Classic

The Building of a Champion:

Getting to know Brittany Augustine



Shopping

- Brittany enjoys shopping and particularly likes the brand “Baby Phat”
- She is interested in shopping for a wide variety of items, but is “not a big shoe person”
 - Instead, she prefers wearing sandals
 - Could she be any more of a California girl? 😊

Growing Up

Athleticism at an elite level may be in her genes

Dad was a pro soccer player in Trinidad & Tobago

- As a young kid, she was involved in many sports and activities
- Beauty pageants, gymnastics, ice skating, dancing and softball were among her activities
- She stopped ice skating after she broke her wrist, and didn't get a chance to continue dancing when her dance school closed

Travel

Competing in junior tennis at the international level has led her to travel extensively

- Her first major trip abroad to Europe was representing the U.S. as a member of the Junior Fed Cup Team
- One of her more extended trips was traveling across four countries in South America for two months playing in ITF international junior tournaments
- She gained perspective by visiting less developed countries:

The lack of basic housing for residents in Paraguay showed her “how spoiled we Americans are.”

Travel

- During this extended trip to South America at the age of 13, she went to:
 - Chile
 - Argentina
 - Paraguay
 - Brazil
- Argentina was her favorite country
- To experience first-hand the extreme destitution many people suffer around the world contributed to her understanding of conditions abroad

Success in Junior Tennis

- Winning the Les Petit As tournament in France was a highlight in her junior tennis career
 - It's one of the most **PRESTIGIOUS** junior tennis tournaments in the world
 - She **WON** the Girls' 14s Doubles
 - She reached the semifinals in singles in the warm-up tournament

U.S. Junior Fed Cup Team

- Played on the U.S. Junior Fed Cup Team
 - While the team won in Mexico, it didn't enjoy as much success in the Czech Republic
 - The team ended up placing 6th or 7th in the world that year

U.S. Junior Fed Cup Team

- As a member of the U.S. Junior Fed Cup Team, Brittany had the opportunity to ...

Meet and practice with Venus and Serena Williams, and Lindsay Davenport when she was 13 years old

- It was exciting to play with them
 - Venus and Serena were her idols growing up
- She also got to enjoy a dinner with Venus, Serena, Lindsay, her teammates and Donald Trump at his house

Rising to the top quickly

- When she was **10** years old, she learned to play tennis
- At **11** she went to train at the John Newcombe Tennis Academy in Texas
- By **13**, she was traveling around the world playing in major junior tennis tournaments

Financial Burden of Competing at an Elite Level

- Traveling around the world consistently from an early age and paying for training would cut steeply into anyone's funds
- Having already spent such high expenses developing her talents and working hard to reach the top of junior tennis in the U.S.,

should she be limited by financial constraints now that she has joined the pro tour?

Financial Burden of Competing at an Elite Level

- Starting out on the pro tour means playing in smaller tournaments, where the prize money is significantly less than the major tournaments that she aspires to compete in soon
 - This means that her ability to pay for travel, training, and tournament fees depends on her performance from tournament to tournament
- To put it more simply, doing well in a series of consecutive tournaments enables her to continue playing in more tournaments and to play in tournaments located farther away that would incur higher travel costs
 - However, a couple of early round losses could prevent her from competing in all the tournaments that she would like to

Financial Burden of Competing at an Elite Level

- The lack of adequate funds causes great inconvenience and creates additional pressure
 - She cannot plan her tournament schedule too far in advance, given that her performance at her earlier tournaments determines her ability to continue to playing in the other tournaments
- Having enough funds produces more than just monetary benefits, allowing her to:
 - Compete in all the tournaments she would like to
 - Plan her tournament schedule in advance
 - Pay for training, coaching and travel expenses without concern

Training

- Excelling in junior tennis required a commitment to a strenuous training schedule
- Trains at the John Newcombe Tennis Academy in Texas
- Trains at the USTA High Performance Center at the Home Depot Center in Carson, CA
 - As a member of the U.S. Junior Fed Cup Team, she was invited to train there with a select group of top juniors

Making her way through the pros

- Nearly defeated a player ranked #230 in the world in November 2007
 - She lost 6-3 in the 3rd set in a \$25,000 Pro Circuit tournament in California
- Played strong against a player ranked #90 in the world in August 2007
 - First round in the main draw of the Acura Classic

Favorite moments in tennis

- Winning the Easter Bowl in Girls' 16 Doubles
 - She had been competing in the Easter Bowl every year since she was 13 years old
- Winning the Les Petit As tournament in France in Doubles
 - Past winners of the tournament have gone on to do very well on the pro tour
 - At Les Petit As, she got a chance to play against top players from many nations
 - Her victory at this tournament showed she could execute strong play against opponents she had never met before, and whom represented the best juniors in their respective countries

Looking ahead as her
pro career develops...

The Pro Tour

- According to Brittany, playing on the pro tour will be both fun and challenging
 - She's already gotten a taste of the blend of excitement and challenge of being a professional tennis player
- "It's not going to be easy," explained Brittany
- Earning the top spot on the tour won't be easy, but Brittany seems to have a special combination of athletic talent and inner drive
- The opportunity for Brittany to prove her abilities on the pro tour has arrived

Thank you

- Sponsoring Brittany can help her in her path toward becoming the champion that she aspires to be
- Brittany would like to thank you for your consideration
- We hope that you will continue to follow her progress on the pro tour in the years to come