



## PLAYER PROFILE

### Kgothatso “KG” Montjane

Full Name: Kgothatso Montjane

Age: 37

Category: Women's Division SA

Ranking: #1 (2007- current)

Highest Career Singles Ranking Achieved: #4

Highest Career Doubles Ranking Achieved: #1

### Best Accolades

- First Black South African woman to ever play at the Wimbledon championships
- First Black South African woman to win a Wimbledon Grand Slam
- Paralympics Rio 2016, London 2012 & Beijing 2008
- NEC Wheelchair Tennis Masters 2012, 2013, 2014, 2015, 2019
- 1<sup>st</sup> Black African to compete at all 4 grand slams in one calendar in 2019
- Singles & Doubles Finalist Wimbledon 2023
- Doubles Finalist at the 2019&2022 US Open
- Doubles Finalist at 2021 Australian Open
- Doubles finalist Roland Garros 2022
- 1<sup>st</sup> Black South African to win a Roland Garros Grand Slam in 2023
- 1<sup>st</sup> South African woman to win a French Open title in 2023 since 1981
- 2<sup>nd</sup> South African to clinch a US Open title in 2023 after Lucas Sithole achieved the feat in 2013.
- 1<sup>st</sup> African to ever win year end championship at ITF Doubles Master 2023

### Awards

- Sportswoman of the Year with a Disability, **Limpopo Sports Awards 2024**
- Sportswoman of the Year with a disability, **Gauteng Sports and Recreation** (2019, 2015, 2014, 2013, 2021,2023)
- Sports Personality of the Year award, **Gauteng Sports and Recreation** (2019, 2023)
- Sportswoman of the Year with a disability, **G Sports Spar Awards** (2020,2019, 2016, 2013)
- Glamour Magazine Sports personality award (2018)
- **SA Sports and Recreation** department sportswoman of the year award (2015, 2014, 2013)
- **Charllote Maxeke Sport Excellence Award 2022**



### **Momentum Gsport Awards**

- 2023 – News Maker of the year
- 2023 – Brand SA Para Sport Star of the year
- 2021 – Brand SA Para Sport Star Sasol Global Woman in Sport
- 2020 – Athlete with Disability
- 2019 – SABC Foundation Athlete with Disability Award
- 2018 – Albertina Sisulu Special Recognition Award
- 2017 – Athlete with Disability
- 2016 – Athlete of the Year with Disability
- 2013 – Gsport Athlete with Disability

Disability: Congenital birth defect – single amputation below the knee

Born: 3 June 1986

Home: Seshego, Polokwane

Resides: Pretoria

Plays: Left-handed

Hobbies: Watching movies, listening to music and reading

Aspirations: To reach the top 3 of the world rankings

Kgothatso Montjane remains SA's number 1 and an instrumental player in the South African wheelchair tennis scene having established herself as an anchor player and a national key point leading the SA team to the Invacare World Team Cups in Kenya and Israel as a player/captain and assisted the team to obtain a top 4 finish for the first time at an international World Team Cup event.

Montjane started playing tennis at the age of 19 whilst studying at Helen Franz School in her home province of Limpopo, she continued on to study a BSC degree in Recreation and Leisure whilst pursuing prospects of a full-time career in tennis.

Montjane currently practices at the University of Pretoria and also runs the Montjane Sports Development NGO which seeks to establish sporting facilities in rural areas for the disadvantaged.

### **Sponsors**

- Discovery
- Air Liquide
- Nike
- Avon
- Dunlop
- Ottobock
- Syensqo
- Macsteel
- Optimize Agency
- Mahindra
- Casaletti INC Attorneys



## Key International Tennis Results

### 2025

- Doubles Quarterfinalist at Australian Open
- Singles Quarterfinalist at Australian Open

### 2024

- Doubles Winner at Wimbledon
- Singles Quarterfinalist at Wimbledon
- Doubles finalist at French Riviera, France
- Doubles finalist at Australian Open
- Singles Semi-finalist at Australian Open
- Singles Semi-finalist at Victorian Open, Australia
- Doubles Winner at Victorian Open
- Singles Quarterfinalist Melbourne Open, Australia
- Doubles Finalist at Melbourne Open, Australia

### 2023

- Doubles Semifinalist at Australian Open, Australia
- Doubles Winner at Roland Garros
- Singles Quarter Finalist at Roland Garros
- Doubles Winner at the French Open
- Singles Winner at Emilio Sanchez Open, Spain
- Doubles Winner at Emilio Sanchez Open, Spain
- Doubles Finalist at Wimbledon
- Doubles Winner at Barcelona Open
- Doubles Winner at Japan Open
- Singles Quarterfinalist at US Open, New York
- Doubles Winner at US Open, New York
- Doubles Winner at ITF NEC Doubles Masters

### 2022

- Singles Semifinalist at Australian Open , Australia
- Doubles Semifinalist at Australian Open, Australia
- Singles Finalist at Barcelona Open, Spain
- Doubles Winner at Barcelona Open, Spain
- Doubles Winner at Anecy Open
- Singles Semifinalist at Roland Garros
- Doubles Finalist at Roland Garros
- Singles Semifinalist at French Riviera
- Singles Semifinalist at Eastbourne
- Singles Quarterfinalist at Wimbledon



- Doubles Semifinalist at Wimbledon
- Singles Semifinalist at Melbourne Open
- Singles Semifinalist at Victorian Open

## **2021**

- Singles Semifinalist at Victorian Open, Australia
- Doubles Finalist at Victorian Open, Australia
- Singles Semifinalist at Melbourne Open, Australia
- Doubles Finalist at Melbourne Open, Australia
- Singles Semifinalist at Australian Open
- Doubles Finalist at Australian Open
- Singles Semi finalist at Roland Garros, France
- Doubles Semifinalist at Roland Garros, France
- Singles Quarter Finals at French Riviera
- Doubles Semifinalist at French Riviera
- Singles Semifinalist at Viking Classic, Birmingham
- Doubles Finalist at Viking Classic, Birmingham
- Singles and Doubles Finalist at Wimbledon, Britain
- Singles Round of 16 at Tokyo Paralympics
- Doubles Quarter Finals at Tokyo Paralympics
- Singles Quarter Finals at US Open
- Doubles Semifinalist at US Open

## **2020**

- Singles and Doubles Semi-finalist at the Australian Open
- Doubles Finalist at the Melbourne Open
- Singles Quarterfinalist and Doubles Semifinalist at Roland Garros

## **2019**

- Beat world #3 and Wimbledon champion at the Uniqlo Wheelchair Tennis Masters
- Doubles Finalist at the US Open grand slam

## **2018**

- Doubles semi-finalist at Sydney Open
- Singles and Doubles at Melbourne Open
- Singles quarter-finals and doubles semi-finals at the Australian Open grand slam

## **2017**

- Winner of singles and doubles Busan Open
- Winner of singles and doubles Joburg Open
- Winner of singles Swiss Open and doubles finalist
- Doubles finalist at British Open



- Doubles semi-finalist at US Open grand slam
- Singles finals at North West Challenge, Great Britain
- Doubles semi-final at USN Bolton Arena, Britain
- Doubles finalist at the Arizona Open
- Doubles semi-finalist at UNIQLO Doubles Master

## **2016**

- Singles and doubles winner at the Czech Open
- Doubles finalist at Queensland Open
- Doubles winner at the Apia International, Sydney
- Singles finalist and doubles winner at the Melbourne Open
- Doubles winner at Cajun Classic Open

