





Prithika Pavade

Nickname:	Priti
Nation:	French 
Date of birth:	2 August 2004
Height:	161 cm
Place of birth:	Villepinte, France
Playing hand:	 left
Style of play:	Shakehand grip
Coach:	Liu Guodong
Current world ranking (week 51 - 2024):	19
Current European ranking (December 2024):	8
Clubs as the active player(s):	Saint-Denis Union Sports

Senior Career Highlights

October 2024:

- Secured a bronze medal in mixed doubles at the European Table Tennis Championships in Linz, Austria, partnering with Simon Gauzy. This achievement marked a significant milestone for French table tennis.

July 2024:

- Represented France at the Paris 2024 Summer Olympics, advancing to the round of 32 in women's singles and contributing to the team's overall performance.

July 2024:

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- Achieved runner-up position in women's singles at the WTT Star Contender Ljubljana, showcasing her competitive prowess on the international stage.

2021:

- Contributed to France's bronze medal in the women's team event at the European Table Tennis Championships in Cluj, Romania, marking the first podium finish for the French women's team since 1962.

2020:

- Clinched the women's singles title at the European Under-21 Table Tennis Championships in Varazdin, Croatia, at the age of 15, demonstrating exceptional talent and potential.

2020:

- Triumphed at the European Youth Top-10 tournament in Berlin, winning all her matches and solidifying her status as a rising star in European table tennis.

Breakthrough Moments and Achievements

2024:

- European Championships
Mixed Doubles 3rd
- WTT Star Contender Ljubljana
Women's Singles 2nd
- World Championships
Women's Team 3rd

2023:

- WTT Contender Amman
Women's Doubles Runner-up
- WTT Youth Star Contender Tunis
U19 Girls' Doubles 3rd

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- WTT Contender Durban
Mixed Doubles 3rd
- ITTF World Youth Championships
U19 Girls' Doubles Runner-up
U19 Mixed Doubles 3rd
- WTT Youth Star Contender Vila Nova de Gaia
U19 Girls' Singles Winner
U19 Mixed Doubles Winner
- French National Championships
Women's Singles Champion
Women's Doubles Champion

2022:

- European U21 Championships
Women's Singles 3rd
Women's Doubles 3rd
Mixed Doubles Runner-up
- WTT Youth Star Contender Skopje
U19 Girls' Doubles Runner-up
- WTT Feeder Panagyurishte
Women's Doubles Winner
- WTT Youth Contender Agadir
U19 Girls' Singles Winner
- WTT Star Contender European Summer Series
Mixed Doubles 3rd

2021:

- European Championships
Mixed Doubles 3rd

Medals and Titles

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World Championships:

2024 Busa, Bronze medal – third place, Team

European Championships:

2020 Warsaw, Bronze medal – third place, Mixed doubles

2021 Cluj-Napoca, Bronze medal – third place, Team

2023 Malmö, Bronze medal – third place, Team

2024 Linz, Bronze medal – third place, Mixed doubles

Junior Career and Early Achievements

Medals and Titles

2019:

- Pavade secured gold medals in the cadet girls' doubles, partnering with Elena Zaharia, and in the cadet mixed doubles, partnering with Thibault Poret.
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Breakthrough Moments and Achievements

2020:

- European U21 Championships
Women's singles champion

- Europe Youth Top10
Junior girl's singles winner

- ITTF World Junior Circuit, Swedish Junior & Cadet Open
Junior girl's singles winner

2019:

- ITTF Challenge, Thailand Open

U21 women's singles winner

- ITTF Junior Circuit Premium, French Junior & Cadet Open
Junior girl's singles winner Cadet girl's singles runner-up
- ITTF Junior Circuit Premium, Czech Junior & Cadet Open
Junior girl's singles runner-up

2018:

- Spanish Junior & Cadet Open - ITTF Junior Circuit
Junior girl's singles runner-up Cadet girl's singles runner-up
- Swedish Junior & Cadet Open - ITTF Junior Circuit
Cadet girl's singles winner

2024: Detailed Overview and Achievements

Medals and Titles

October 2024:

- Bronze medal in mixed doubles at the European Championships in Linz with Simon Gauzy.

July 2024:

- Runner-up in women's singles at the WTT Star Contender Ljubljana.
- Advanced to the round of 32 in women's singles at the Paris 2024 Olympics, reflecting her growth and experience since her Olympic debut in Tokyo 2020.

Breakthrough Moments and Achievements

- WTT Contender Antalya
Mixed Doubles Runner-up
- WTT Contender Lima
Women's Doubles 3rd

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● WTT Youth Star Contender Podgorica U19 Girls' Doubles 3rd

Biography and Career

Prithika Pavade was introduced to table tennis at the age of six by her father, Vijayan Pavade, a former regional-level player from Pondicherry, India. She began her training at the Bourget Table Tennis Club in Le Bourget, France, quickly gaining recognition for her speed and intelligence on the table. Her dedication and talent propelled her through the national ranks, leading to her international debut and subsequent successes. Balancing her athletic career with academics, Prithika pursued natural sciences studies at Sorbonne Université, benefiting from the institution's support for high-level athletes.

Early Life and Background

Born to Indian parents from Pondicherry, Prithika's family moved to France before her birth. Her father, passionate about table tennis, introduced her to the sport to maintain physical fitness. She started playing at the Bourget Club and quickly showcased her potential by winning her first French national title at the age of nine, competing in the under-12 category.

Playing Style and Personality

As a left-handed player, Prithika is known for her aggressive attacking style, quick reflexes, and strategic gameplay. Her ability to adapt and her mental resilience have been pivotal in her rapid ascent in the international arena. Off the table, she is described as focused, disciplined, and humble, qualities that endear her to fans and peers alike.

Legacy and Future Goals

By the end of December 2024, Prithika Pavade has firmly established herself as a leading figure in French table tennis, inspiring a new generation of players with her achievements and dedication. Looking ahead, she aims to continue her upward trajectory, with aspirations to secure higher world rankings, achieve podium finishes in major international tournaments, and contribute to France's success in team events.

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Conclusions

Prithika Pavade's journey from a young enthusiast introduced to table tennis by her father to becoming France's top female player by the age of 20 is a testament to her talent, hard work, and determination. Her accomplishments in 2024, including a bronze medal at the European Championships and a strong showing at the Paris Olympics, underscore her status as a formidable competitor on the international stage. As she continues to develop her skills and gain experience, Prithika is poised to achieve even greater heights in the world of table tennis.

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