















JIENI SHAO

AGE
EU RANKING
NATION
CHINESE, PORTUGUESE
PLAYING STYLE
PLAYING HAND
LEFT
CLUB
WALDNER'S ELITE PING PONG CLUB

DATE OF BIRTH
HEIGHT
PLACE OF BIRTH
GRIP STYLE
COACH
WORLD RANKING
CLUBS AS THE ACTIVE PLAYER(S)

24 JANUARY 1994 169 CM ANSHAN, LIAONING, CHINA SHAKEHAND LIANG LIHUA 53 WALDNER'S ELITE PING PONG CLUB

MEDALS AND TITLES

December 13, 2024:

• Secured a victory against Maria Fazekas in the European Champions League Women, winning the match 3-0.

November 17, 2024:

Advanced in the European Champions League Women due to a walkover against Silvia Erdelyi
 De Souza.

October 27, 2024:

• Achieved a 3-0 win over Maria Fazekas in the European Champions League Women. October 18, 2024: Secured a hard-fought victory against Mateja Jeger with a 4-3 scoreline in the European Championships Women.

October 17, 2024:

• Dominated Ramona Maarit Betz with a 4-0 win in the European Championships Women.

July 27, 2024:

• Triumphed over Sarah De Nutte with a 4-2 victory in the Women's Singles event at the 2024 Summer Olympics.

2019:

November:

- Clinched the Women's Singles title at the ITTF Challenge Indonesia Open, defeating Thailand's Suthasini Sawettabut in a seven-game final.
- Secured the Women's Doubles title at the same tournament, partnering with Luo Xue.

The double title win at the Indonesia Open highlighted her continued prominence in international table tennis.

2016:

August:

• Represented Portugal in the Women's Singles event at the Rio de Janeiro Summer Olympics; advanced to the second round before losing to American Lily Zhang.

May:

 Won the Women's Doubles at the ITTF World Tour Nigeria Open. Her participation in the Rio Olympics was a significant milestone, representing Portugal on the world's biggest sporting stage.

2015:

May:

• Achieved a double victory at the ITTF World Tour Nigeria Open, securing Gold in both Women's Singles and Women's Doubles events.

Winning Gold in both Singles and Doubles at the Nigeria Open marked her emergence as a formidable player on the ITTF World Tour.

PLAYING STYLE AND PERSONALITY

Shao is a left-handed player known for her attacking style and shakehand grip. Her lefthanded play is considered advantageous, allowing her to position strikes and backhands effectively, often catching opponents off-guard.

BREAKTHROUGH MOMENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

October 19, 2024:

 Faced Yuan Wan in the European Championships Women but was defeated with a 1-4 score.

October 6, 2024:

 Competed against Maria Xiao in the European Champions League Women, resulting in a 0-3 loss.

September 28, 2024:

• Participated in the China Smash Women's Singles, where she was narrowly defeated by Britt Eerland with a 2-3 score.

September 9, 2024:

 Contested against Nayeong Kim in the WTT Champions Macao Women, ending with a 1-3 loss.

July 29, 2024:

• In the Women's Singles event at the 2024 Summer Olympics, she faced Sofia Polcanova and was defeated with a 2-4 score.

June 22, 2024:

• Competed in the WTT Contender Lagos Women against Yijie Ding, resulting in a 1-3 loss.

CAREER

Born in Anshan, China, Shao began her table tennis career in Beijing. In 2010, at 16, she moved to Portugal to join the Ala de Nun'Álvares de Gondomar club, despite language barriers. She registered with the Portugal Table Tennis Federation in April 2013 and became a Portuguese citizen in August 2015. Since then, she has represented Portugal in various international competitions, including the 2016 and 2020 Summer Olympics.

LEGACY AND FUTURE GOALS

As of December 2024, Shao remains a key figure in Portuguese table tennis, inspiring many with her journey from China to becoming a prominent international player. Her participation in multiple Olympic Games and international tournaments underscores her dedication and impact on the sport

