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AGE	41
EU RANKING	13
NATION	CHINESE, GERMAN
PLAYING STYLE	DEFFENSIVE
PLAYING HAND	RIGHT
CLUB	-

DATE OF BIRTH	29 APRIL 1983
HEIGHT	170 CM
PLACE OF BIRTH	SHENYANG, LIAONING, CHINA
GRIP STYLE	SHAKEHAND
COACH	-
WORLD RANKING	94
CLUBS AS THE ACTIVE PLAYER(S)	-

MEDALS AND TITLES

2024:

July:

- Represented Germany at the Paris 2024 Summer Olympics, advancing to the Round of 16 in Women's Singles.

Olympic Games:

- 2016 Rio de Janeiro, Silver medal – second place, Team

World Championships:

- 2022 Chengdu, Bronze medal – third place, Team

European Games:

- 2015 Baku, Gold medal – first place, Team
- 2019 Minsk, Gold medal – first place, Team
- 2019 Minsk, Silver medal – second place, Singles
- 2023 Kraków-Małopolska, Silver medal – second place, Team

European Championships:

- 2013 Schwechat, Gold medal – first place, Team
- 2014 Lisbon, Gold medal – first place, Team
- 2015 Yekaterinburg, Gold medal – first place, Team
- 2018 Alicante, Gold medal – first place, Mixed doubles
- 2023 Malmö, Gold medal – first place, Team
- 2017 Luxembourg City, Silver medal – second place, Team
- 2013 Schwechat, Bronze medal – third place, Singles
- 2015 Yekaterinburg, Bronze medal – third place, Doubles

Europe Top-16:

- 2022 Montreux, Gold medal – first place, Singles
- 2023 Montreux, Gold medal – first place, Singles

Han Ying primarily played at the provincial level during her early years in China, where she honed her defensive chopping style. Although she did not achieve significant junior international accolades due to limited opportunities, her technical foundation was laid during this period.

PLAYING STYLE AND PERSONALITY

Han Ying is renowned for her defensive chopping style, which involves creating heavy underspin to force errors from opponents. Her ability to read the game and adapt to aggressive attackers has made her a formidable competitor. In addition to her chopping, she incorporates precise counter-attacks, making her style a blend of defense and opportunistic offense. Off the table, Han Ying is known for her humility, discipline, and commitment to the sport. She serves as an inspiration to players who aim to succeed with unconventional playing styles.

BREAKTHROUGH MOMENTS AND ACHIEVEMENTS

2024:

July:

- Despite her age, Han Ying showcased her enduring skill and competitiveness at the 2024 Olympics, remaining one of the few elite defensive players in the sport.

2017:

- Achieved a career-high ITTF world ranking of 6 in March, underscoring her consistency and excellence in international competitions.

2010:

- After gaining German citizenship, she became eligible to represent Germany in international competitions, marking a new chapter in her career.

CAREER

Han Ying began her table tennis journey in Shenyang, China, where her father, a table tennis coach, introduced her to the sport. Initially trained as an attacker, she transitioned to a defensive chopping style under her father's guidance. Although less common in modern table tennis, this style became her trademark and a key factor in her success. In the early 2000s, Han Ying moved to Germany to compete in the Bundesliga, where she quickly established herself as one of the league's standout players. After gaining German citizenship in 2010, she became a core member of the German national team, contributing to numerous European and global successes.

LEGACY AND FUTURE GOALS

As of December 2024, Han Ying's career is a testament to the success of defensive players in a predominantly offensive era. Her achievements, including an Olympic silver medal and multiple European Championships, have cemented her status as one of the greatest defensive players in modern table tennis. Looking ahead, Han Ying aspires to mentor younger players and promote table tennis globally, emphasizing the importance of diverse playing styles. She also aims to continue competing in select tournaments, leveraging her experience and skill.

SOCIAL MEDIA

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