

WOMEN – #13 Karla Borger / Julia Sude (GER)

- GER gained berth by finishing 14th in Qualifying (18th but four teams ahead of them ineligible due to country quota)
 - GER has played in 1 World Championship as a team (placed 9th in 2019)
 - Finishes during qualifying period (5, 9, 3, 5, 25, 17, 9, 25, 4, 17, 17, 4, 17, 1, 9, 4, 9, 5, 9, 25, 9)
 - Played 21 events, 5 semifinals, 2 medals (1 gold, 1 bronze)
 - 50-40 match record, 123-98 set record
 - 25-20 in pool play, 22-13 in bracket play, 1-4 in semifinals, 1-3 in Bronze medal match, 1-0 in Gold medal match
 - 40-16 when winning the first set, 10-24 when losing the first set, 18-23 in third sets (won first 5)
 - GER played together in the 2009 CEV U-23 European Championships in Yantarny, Russia when Borger was 20 years old and Sude 21, and they won the bronze medal... they played on FIVB event together in Berlin in August 2013 when Sude filled in for Britta Buthe, and the pair finished 9th after going undefeated in pool play... GER truly formed their partnership just as the Olympic qualification period began, with their first event in March 2019 in Sydney (5th place)
 - GER advanced to 4 semifinals in the 2019 calendar year, and in the first 3 lost to USA's Brooke Sweat and Kerri Walsh Jennings, including once in the bronze medal match... in the fourth one, in Qinzhou, China, GER swept Sweat and Walsh Jennings in the gold medal match
 - Entering Tokyo the duo has played 22 FIVB tournaments (1 gold, 1 bronze, 3 fourths)... the duo has been in the semifinals in 5 of their 22 FIVB events together (23%)
 - The country of Germany had 11 teams prior to this year compete in the Olympics, and the lowest seeded team among them was #12... this year both Germany teams are seeded lower (#13 and #18)... all previous 11 German teams finished 9th or better... GER had 1 team in the 1996 Olympics, but since then has had 2 teams each time
 - GER finished 4th in the 2019 test event in Tokyo (lost 3 matches to teams from U.S.A. and Canada)
 - GER has a 20-25 record against the field... against teams seeded #1 to #7, GER is 6-7; against teams seeded #8 to #12, GER is 2-14; against teams seeded #13 to #24, GER is 12-4
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- This is the 2nd Olympics for Borger (finished 9th in 2016 with Britta Buthe)... she becomes the 6th German woman who has played in multiple beach volleyball Olympics
 - Borger has played 110 FIVB tournaments prior to Tokyo... she played 65 times with Britta Buthe (1 gold, 2 silvers, 3 bronzes), 22 times with Sude, 15 times with Margareta Kozuch (1 bronze), and 8 times with Rieke Brink-Abeler (best of 17th twice)... 3 of her 4 partners have been Olympians, representing 102 of her 110 previous FIVB events
 - Borger started her FIVB career with a pair of 17ths, then lost in the country quota in 8 straight tournaments (including twice to Sude)
 - Borger has a 2-3 match record in Olympics, including 1-2 in pool play
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- This is the 1st Olympics for Sude... along with Margareta Kozuch, there are now 17 different women from Germany who have played in the Olympics (tied for the 2nd most with Brazil behind U.S.A.'s 19 different players)
 - Sude has played 133 FIVB tournaments prior to Tokyo... she played 59 times with Chantal Laboureur (2 golds, 5 silvers, 3 bronzes, 3 fourths), 27 times with Jana Kohler (best of 5th three times), 22 times with Borger, 18 times with Claudia Lehmann (best of 9th three times), 6 times with Laura Ludwig (1 silver) and once with Geeske Banck (25th)
 - Sude made her FIVB debut in July 2007 in Berlin at 19 years old, and her first two main draw matches were against Misty May-Treanor / Kerri Walsh Jennings and Jennifer Kessy / April Ross