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Maria Kostourkova

Graphic Designer | Branding & Social Media | Former Professional Basketball Player

ABOUT ME

Freelance graphic designer specialising in branding, visual identity, and social media. 4+ years of client work across sport, health, retail, and business.

Shaped by 13 years as a professional basketball player — 140+ international games with the Portuguese National Team. Discipline, precision, and performance mindset in every project.

EDUCATION

Washington State University Bachelor of Arts in Digital Technology
Minor in Spanish and Global Studies GPA: 3.69 | Graduated: 2019

SKILLS

- Skilled on Adobe Photoshop, Illustrator, CapCut, Wix.
- Skilled in AI content creation software: Nano Banana (image) and Kling (video).
- Presentation and Public Speaking; Teamwork; Written Communication.

LANGUAGES:

Fluent in Bulgarian, Portuguese, English and Spanish.

HONORS & AWARDS:

- European Championship MVP (2013)
- WSU All-Academic Team (2015-2019)
- Varsity Letter Award (2015-2018)
- All-Academic Pac-12 Honorable Mention (2016-2018)
- Portuguese National Team Selection (2012-2025)

Graphic Design & Branding

Freelance — Brand Development, Visual Identity & Social Media (2022–Present)

- Planeta Basket Store — Social media & brand development
  - Portugal's biggest basketball store. Built visual identity for Adidas, Nike, Anta, Puma, New Balance, New Era, Wilson for the Portuguese market.
  - Led all campaigns: planning, production and performance.
- Bulgarian Soccer National Team — Website banner, social media, and handbook design.
- Get Better Academy — Website, print, and social media for developmental basketball academy
- Susana Carvalheira — Premium personal brand identity development and logo design.
- Zsofi Simon Fitness — Full brand development, website design and social media content.
- + Travante Williams · All Star Camp · Fire Salut · 3 LAN · Sylwia Bujniak · Her World, Her Rules (FIBA)

Athletic Background

Professional Basketball Player (2012-2026)

13 years as a professional basketball player across five European countries. Discipline, adaptability, and cross-cultural communication built into every working relationship.

Slovenia · Spain · Germany · Poland · Portugal

- Quinta dos Lombos (2012-2015) · Washington State University (2015-2019) · Cinkarna Celje (2019/20) · Clarinos Tenerife / Cadi La Seu / Casademont Zaragoza (2020–22) · Saarlouis Royals (2022–24) · Sosnowiec (2024/25) · Sporting CP (2025/26)

Portuguese National Team

- Qualified for EuroBasket 2025 with Senior National Team · 9 European Championships (U14–U20) · 140+ international games played · 3rd place — World University Games (2019)