

PREVIEW NORDIC COMBINED 2023/2024 WORLD CUP - WOMEN

Gyda Westvold Hansen

- Gyda Westvold Hansen has won two of the three women's overall World Cup Crystal Globes (2021/22, 2022/23), she finished runner-up in the 2020/21 season (which consisted of just one event).
- Westvold Hansen has won 17 out of a possible 19 women's individual World Cup events, only failing to win the inaugural event in Ramsau on 18 December 2020 (won by Tara Geraghty-Moats) and the event in Schonach on 12 March 2022 (won by Anju Nakamura).
- Last season, Westvold Hansen became the first Nordic combined athlete (men or women) to win all individual events of a season (Olympic Winter Games, world championships, World Cup). **Note:** there has never been a women's Nordic combined event at the Winter Games.
- Westvold Hansen (17) is fourth in the all-time ranking of Norwegian Nordic combined athletes with the most individual World Cup event wins. Jarl Magnus Riiber (57, as of 16 November 2023), Bjarte Engen Vik (26) and Magnus Moan (25) make up the top-3.
- Westvold Hansen has won the last 11 women's individual World Cup events, marking the longest run of successive World Cup wins by a Nordic combined athlete (men or women).

Nathalie Armbruster

- Only Westvold Hansen (18) has as many women's individual World Cup podium finishes as Nathalie Armbruster (7). The 17-year old amassed all seven podium finishes in the 2022/23 season.
- At the age of 17, Armbruster finished second in last season's overall World Cup standings. She joined Samppa Lajunen (17 when he finished 1st in 1996/97) as the youngest Nordic combined athlete (men or women) to finish in the top-3 of the overall World Cup standings of a season.
- Armbruster will turn 18 years old on 2 January. She already is the Nordic combined athlete (male or female) with the most podium finishes (7) before turning 18.
- Armbruster needs six more podium finishes to equal Samppa Lajunen (13) as the Nordic combined athlete with the most podium finishes as a teenager. Armbruster has more than two years left to achieve this feat.
- Armbruster can become the youngest individual World Cup event winner (male or female) since Lajunen won as a 17-year old in Val di Fiemme in January 1997.

Other contenders

- There are 14 women's individual World Cup events scheduled in this Nordic combined seasons. In the previous seasons one (2020/21), eight (2021/22) and 10 (2022/23) events were held.
- **Ida Marie Hagen** won the best skier trophy in the 2022/23 individual World Cup season, Hagen won all 10 ski events.
- Besides Westvold Hansen, Hagen is the only woman to finish on the podium more than once in the women's overall World Cup (runner-up in 2021/22 and third in 2022/23).
- **Anju Nakamura** is the last woman other than Westvold Hansen to win an individual World Cup event. She won in Schonach on 12 March 2022. Westvold Hansen gave up in that event shortly after being overtaken by Nakamura in the 5km.
- Only Norwegian women (27) have amassed as many individual World Cup event podium finishes as Japanese women (9). Nakamura (4) and twin sisters **Yuna Kasai** (3) and **Haruka Kasai** (2) are the Japanese women who have amassed podium finishes.
- **Annika Sieff** can become the second Italian Nordic combined athlete to claim an individual World Cup win (men/women), after Alessandro Pittin won all three events in Chaux-Neuve in January 2012.
- **Ema Volavšek** hopes to win her first individual World Cup event and complete her podium set, after a second place in 2021 and a third place in 2022.

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