

PREVIEW WOMEN'S SLALOM SOLDEU – Sunday 11 Feb 2024

Crystal globe for Shiffrin?

- **Mikaela Shiffrin** can claim this season's slalom crystal globe, even if she won't compete in Soldeu. Shiffrin (630) leads Petra Vlhová (out for the rest of the season) by 125 points and has an advantage of 228 points on Lena Dürr (402). There are a maximum 200 points up for grabs after this event.
- If Shiffrin does not participate in Soldeu, Dürr needs to score at least 29 points (ninth place or higher) to still have a shot of winning the crystal globe.
- Shiffrin could claim her 16th crystal globe, and a record-extending eighth in the women's slalom. She can equal the record for most crystal globes in a specific discipline: eight by Ingemar Stenmark (slalom and giant slalom) and Lindsey Vonn (downhill). Marcel Hirscher won the men's overall World Cup standings eight times.
- If Shiffrin participates in Soldeu, she can become the first woman to win three consecutive slaloms in the World Cup since Vlhová won three in a row in December 2021-January 2022.

Lena Dürr

- Each of the last 10 women's World Cup slalom events were either won by Mikaela Shiffrin (6) or Petra Vlhová (4). This streak began after a victory by Lena Dürr in Špindleruv Mlýn on 29 January 2023.
- Dürr (three second places, one third place) is the only female skier other than Shiffrin (6) and Vlhová (5) to have recorded multiple podium finishes in World Cup slalom events this season.
- Dürr (12) ranks third among women representing Germany (including East and West) for World Cup slalom podium finishes, behind Maria Höfl-Riesch (25) and Rosi Mittermaier (22).
- Dürr recorded World Cup podium finishes at nine different resorts. Her best result in Soldeu is a 7th place in the slalom back in February 2012.

Other contenders

- The last slalom in the women's World Cup to not feature neither Mikaela Shiffrin nor Petra Vlhová was in Lenzerheide on 18 March 2011 (won by Tina Maze).
- **Michelle Gisin** aims to become the first Swiss woman to win a slalom World Cup since Wendy Holdener won two in a row in November-December 2022.
- **Sara Hector** can become the first woman representing Sweden to win a World Cup slalom since **Anna Swenn-Larsson's** victory in Killington on 27 November 2022 (shared win with Wendy Holdener).
- Swenn-Larsson finished third in the most recent slalom event in the World Cup in Jasná on 21 January. She can record successive slalom podium finishes at World Cup level for the first time.
- **Camille Rast** recorded a top 10 finish in each of her last three World Cup slalom participations, one fewer than in her entire career prior to this streak (4). However, Rast is still chasing her first career World Cup podium finish (all disciplines).
- Croatia's **Zrinka Ljusic** and **Leona Popovic** seek to become the first Croatian woman to win a World Cup event since Janica Kostelic on 18 March 2006 (Åre giant slalom).
- Popovic finished runner-up to Vlhová (+0.43) in the slalom at the 2022/23 World Cup Season Final in Soldeu. Shiffrin (+0.86) completed the podium.
- Latvia's **Dzenifera Germane** became the women's junior world champion in the slalom in Avoriaz (France) on Saturday 3 February. Switzerland's Anuk Braendli (+1:42) and Sweden's **Cornelia Öhlund** (+1:59) joined Germane on the podium.
- Germane finished eighth in each of the last two women's World Cup slalom events: in Flachau (16 January) and Jasná (21 January). These two eighth places are her best career World Cup results.

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