

## PREVIEW WOMEN'S SLALOM LEVI – 11-12 Nov 2023

### Mikaela Shiffrin

- Mikaela Shiffrin has won the slalom crystal globe seven times, including last season. This season, Shiffrin can equal Ingemar Stenmark (8) for most slalom crystal globes.
- Besides Shiffrin, Lindsey Vonn (8 in downhill) and Annemarie Moser-Pröll (7 in downhill) are the only other women to have won a specific World Cup classification at least seven times.
- Shiffrin missed out on a record-extending 89th World Cup victory in this season's WC opening event by finishing sixth in the Sölden giant slalom event on 28 October.
- Shiffrin finished on the podium in 10 of the 11 women's World Cup slalom events last season (including 6 wins). The exception was her fifth place on home snow in Killington on 27 November.
- In the past five seasons (since 2018/19), Shiffrin recorded only one DNF in 42 World Cup slalom starts: in Kranjska Gora on 9 January 2022.
- Only Vreni Schneider (6 in Maribor) has won as many women's World Cup slalom events at a single venue as Shiffrin in Levi (6).
- Only two skiers - male or female - have claimed more than six World Cup victories in a specific discipline at a single venue: Vonn in Lake Louise (14 in the downhill) and Moser-Pröll in Pfronten (7 in the downhill).
- Shiffrin took first place in both Levi slalom events in last season's World Cup (19 and 20 November 2022).

### Petra Vlhová

- Petra Vlhová claimed the slalom crystal globe in 2019/20 and 2021/22.
- Vlhová has claimed 19 World Cup slalom victories, ranking her sixth all-time in the women's ranking. Vlhová claimed five of her 19 wins in Levi.
- Vlhová could join five other women on at least 20 World Cup slalom wins: Shiffrin (53), Marlies Schild (35), Vreni Schneider (34), Erika Hess (21) and Janica Kostelic (20).
- Since 2016, all 10 women's World Cup slalom events in Levi were either won by Mikaela Shiffrin (5) or Vlhová (5).
- Vlhová won the 11th and final women's slalom of last season's World Cup: in Soldeu on 18 March. She could claim successive World Cup slalom victories for the first time since a streak of three from December 2021 to January 2022 (in Lienz, Zagreb and Kranjska Gora).

## Other contenders

- Mikaela Shiffrin (6), Petra Vlhová (2) **Wendy Holdener** (2), **Lena Dürr** (1) and **Anna Swenn-Larsson** were the five women to claim a World Cup slalom victory in 2022/23. Holdener and Swenn-Larsson shared first place in Killington on 27 November 2022.
- The last women other than Mikaela Shiffrin or Petra Vlhová to claim a World Cup slalom victory in Levi was Tina Maze in November 2014.
- **Laurence St-Germain** is the reigning world champion in the women's slalom. Shiffrin (silver) and Dürr (bronze) joined her on the podium in Méribel back in February.
- Remarkably, St-Germain's best result in a World Cup slalom event is a fifth place in Åre on 11 March, three weeks after becoming a world champion.
- Last season, **Zrinka Ljusic** (3rd in Špindlerův Mlýn) and **Leona Popovic** (2nd in Soldeu) recorded the first slalom podiums for Croatia in the women's World Cup since Ana Jelusic in 2007.
- Janica Kostelic (30), Ivica Kostelic (26) and Filip Zubcic (3) are the only three Croatian skiers to have triumphed at World Cup level.

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