

PREVIEW MEN'S SLALOM SCHLADMING– Wednesday 24 Jan 2024

Manuel Feller

- Manuel Feller won three out of five World Cup slalom events this season. He finished fifth (Madonna di Campiglio) and fourth (Kitzbühel) in the other events.
- Feller can become the first man to win four World Cup slalom events in a single season since compatriot Marcel Hirscher won five in 2018/19.
- Feller's five career wins in slalom World Cup events came in Switzerland (3) and Austria (2), but not yet in Schladming. His best result at the resort is a third place in January 2022.

Linus Straßer

- Linus Straßer won the most recent World Cup slalom event, in Kitzbühel on 21 January. The last German (including West Germany) man to record back-to-back slalom World Cup wins was Armin Bittner, in January 1990. His second of those victories came in Schladming.
- Straßer has recorded three slalom World Cup wins, fourth-most among German skiers (incl. West and East Germany) behind Felix Neureuther (11), Bittner (7) and Christian Neureuther (6).
- Straßer won the slalom World Cup event in Schladming in January 2022. A fifth place in 2015 is his only other top-12 result at the resort.

Other contenders

- **Henrik Kristoffersen** has won the Schladming World Cup slalom four times, a joint record at the resort alongside Benjamin Raich (4).
- Since his most recent victory in Schladming in January 2020, Kristoffersen has recorded 11th-4th-11th places respectively at the resort.
- Kristoffersen is the reigning world champion in the slalom discipline. He failed to win any slalom event in the World Cup since that world title (5th, 3rd, 7th, 6th, DSQ, 3rd, 21st).
- **Clément Noël**'s most recent World Cup slalom victory came in Schladming last season on 24 January. It marks his only slalom World Cup triumph since he became Olympic slalom champion in February 2022.
- Noël has only claimed multiple World Cup wins in Wengen (2) and Chamonix (2). He can record as many as three podium finishes at a single resort for the first time (also finished second in Schladming in 2021).
- **Atle Lie McGrath** has claimed two second places in slalom events in this season's World Cup. The last skier to finish second in at least three slalom events was Clément Noël (3) in 2020/21.
- **Dave Ryding** (37 years and 50 days) can become the oldest skier to record a podium finish in a World Cup slalom event, surpassing Giuliano Razzoli's third place at age 37 years and 29 days old in Wengen on 16 January 2022.



- **Kristoffer Jakobsen** finished second in the slalom in Kitzbühel on 21 January, which marked his first podium finish since his only other two career podium finishes (second and third in December 2021).
- The last Swede to claim a slalom World Cup victory was André Myhrer, in Aspen in March 2017.

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