

- **Ruka** has hosted a Cross-Country World Cup stage in each season since 2002/03, and has hosted the World Cup season opener since the 2013/14 season onwards.
- **Jessie Diggins (USA)** is the only active athlete with more than 20 World Cup wins, as she has won 25 individual World Cup races. The record is held by **Marit Bjoergen (NOR)** who won 60 World Cup races during her career, between 2002/03 and 2017/18.
- **Jessie Diggins (USA)** has won the last two Overall titles. If she wins the Overall title again this season, it would be her fourth Overall title, placing her just behind **Elena Vaelbe Trubitsina (RUS)**, who has won five titles between 1988/89 and 1996/97.
- **Jessie Diggins (USA)** has also won the last two Distance titles. If she wins the Distance title again this season, it would be her fourth Distance title, placing her just behind **Therese Johaug (NOR)**, who has won five titles, and tied with **Justyna Kowalczyk (POL)**.
- **Jasmi Joensuu (FIN)** won the Sprint World Cup title in 2024/25; this was her first World Cup title. She did not win an individual race across the season and was on the podium in just one Sprint race, a second place in Toblach.
- **Frida Karlsson (SWE)** won the 10km Interval Start Classic race last year in Ruka, ahead of **Therese Johaug (NOR)** and **Astrid Oeyre Slind (NOR)**. This was one of Karlsson's two wins last season, the other one coming in the Les Rousses' 20km Mass Start Classic.
- **Johanna Hagstroem (SWE)** won the Sprint Classic race last year in Ruka, ahead of **Julie Myhre (NOR)** and **Maja Dahlqvist (SWE)**. This was Hagstroem's first World Cup win in her career. It was the first ever World Cup individual podium also for Myhre, and that second place is her best World Cup result in her career so far.
- **Jessie Diggins (USA)** won the 20km Mass Start Free last year in Ruka, ahead of **Jonna Sundling (SWE)** and **Heidi Weng (NOR)**. This was Diggins' first out of six World Cup wins last season.
- **Anne Kyllonen (FIN)** will compete in the 19th World Cup season of her career, having debuted in 2007/08. She has 367 starts in World Cup races, with 17 podiums and two wins, both in Team Sprint.