

Audi FIS Alpine Ski World Cup 2025/26 - Men's Slalom Gurgl stat sheet

- Gurgl has been on the Audi FIS World Cup circuit for two years now, hosting men's Slalom races in 2023 and 2024. So far, no athlete has been on the podium in both races.
- Only four athletes managed to make it to top 10 in both previous Gurgl Slaloms: Dave Ryding (GBR/Head, 4th and 7th), Timon Haugan (NOR/Van Deer, 6th and 9th), Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer, 7th and 7th) and Fabio Gstrein (AUT/Atomic, 8th and 9th).
- The first Gurgl Slalom World Cup in 2023 saw team Austria sweep the podium, with Manuel Feller (Atomic) winning the race, ahead of Marco Schwarz (Atomic) and Michael Matt (Blizzard). It remains the most recent Austrian World Cup podium clean sweep in any Alpine skiing discipline.
- Team Austria has not won a World Cup race on home snow in any men's Alpine ski discipline since that clean sweep in the inaugural men's Slalom in Gurgl in 2023.
- Team Austria hasn't recorded a win in men's Slalom for 15 consecutive races. It's the second longest winless streak for the Austrian men this century. The previous streak ended at 17 with **Manuel Feller (Atomic)** winning in Gurgl in 2023.
- Lucas Pinheiro Braathen (BRA/Atomic) currently leads the men's Slalom standings after winning the season-opener in Levi on Sunday, November 16. Pinheiro Braathen secured the win ahead of Clément Noël (FRA/Dynastar) in second and Eduard Hallberg (FIN/Fischer), who finished third.
- Lucas Pinheiro Braathen (BRA/Atomic) became the first ever Brazilian Alpine skier to top a World Cup podium. Pinheiro Braathen started representing Brazil in the 2024/25 season after one year out of the sport. A five-time World Cup winner when representing Norway, he was the 2022/23 Slalom World Cup Crystal Globe title holder.
- The most recent nations to record first-time winners on the Alpine Ski World Cup tour also did it in the men's Slalom: **Kalle Palander** for Finland (Kitzbühel, January 2003) and **Dave Ryding** for Great Britain (Kitzbühel, January 2022).
- Eduard Hallberg (FIN/Fischer) became the first-ever Finnish skier to reach a podium at a home World Cup race by finishing third in Levi. It is the first Finnish World Cup podium since Kalle Palander's win in 2007/08 in the Alta Badia Giant Slalom. Hallberg, who was named FIS Longines Rising Star last season, recorded three top-15 finishes in 2024/25 with a best result of 8th place in Gurgl.
- The reigning men's Slalom Crystal Globe champion Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer) started the new season outside of the top 10, finishing in 13th place. Last season Kristoffersen finished in the top 10 in all but one of the 12 World Cup Slalom races, winning twice, claiming three other podium places and four further top-fives with just one sixth (Gurgl), an eighth (Schladming) and one DNF (Kitzbühel).



- Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer) needs only four victories to overtake Aksel-Lund Svindal (NOR) and become the all-time most successful Norwegian World Cup skier, male or female. Kristofferen currently has 33 World Cup wins to his name and is chasing Svindal (36).
- Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer) needs nine more podium places to overtake Marcel Hirscher (NED/Van Deer) and go into second place on the all-time World Cup Slalom podiums list. Currently Kristoffersen is in the joint-third with Alberto Tomba (ITA) on 57 podium places.
- Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer) needs one more World Cup podium in all disciplines to tie Hermann Maier (AUT) in equal fourth place on the men's all-time list with 96 podiums.
- The reigning Slalom world champion **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)**, who finished second in the Slalom World Cup standings last season, finished right behind Kristoffersen in 14th place in Levi last week. Meillard finished fifth in Gurgl last season, to equal the best result for a Swiss men's skier in the resort so far (Daniel Yule also finished fifth, in 2023).
- Timon Haugan (NOR/Van Deer), who had a career-best Slalom season in 2024/25, (three victories and five podium places) was fifth in Levi, the fifth time in succession he has finished inside the top-five of a Slalom World Cup races (two wins, a second place, a fourth and a fifth).
- Clément Noël (FRA/Dynastar), last season's Gurgl winner, started the new Slalom season with a second place finish in Levi. Noël can become the most successful French Slalom athlete this season, men and women. He has claimed 14 World Cup Slalom victories to date, only Perrine Pelen has more 15. Last season Noël became the most successful male French Slalom racer, overtaking Jean Noel Augert who won 13 times.
- Steven Amiez (FRA/Rossignol) is looking to add another podium finish to the Amiez family legacy. His father, Sébastien Amiez (FRA), achieved 10 Slalom World Cup podiums during his career. Steven came close twice in the 2024/25 season, finishing fourth in Gurgl and fourth in Madonna di Campiglio.
- Team USA is currently on its two longest streaks without a podium (142) or a win (208) in men's Slalom. Nolan Kasper was the last USA skier on a Slalom podium, in 2010/11 in Kranjska Gora, while their last win came from Bode Miller in 2004/05 in Sestriere.