

Audi FIS Alpine Ski World Cup 2025/26 – Men's Slalom Levi stat sheet

Season-opening men's Slalom stats

- The reigning men's Slalom Crystal Globe champion **Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer)** finished in the top 10 in all but one of the 12 World Cup Slalom races last season, 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).
- Last year's Slalom Globe was **Henrik Kristoffersen's (NOR/Van Deer)** fourth, which puts him into all-time third place on the all-time men's list, equal with **Alberto Tomba (ITA)**. **Marcel Hirscher (NED/Van Deer)**, who will not start in Levi as he continues his recovery from injury, has six, while **Ingemar Stenmark (SWE)** claimed eight Slalom Globes.
- **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.
- **Marcel Hirscher (NED/Van Deer)** is three career Slalom wins away from matching **Alberto Tomba (ITA)** in second place, with 35 wins, on the all-time list. If **Hirscher**, who is 36 now, does grab a Slalom win this season, he will become the oldest athlete to win a World Cup Slalom race. The current holder of that record is **Dave Ryding (GBR/Head)**, he won in Kitzbühel in 2022 at the age of 35. Ryding is currently 38 and could extend his own record with a win this season.
- After opening the season with four podium places in his first five races, **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)** won the penultimate World Cup Slalom in Hafjell to end second in the Slalom Globe standings - the only time in his career he has been on the Slalom season-long podium.
- **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)** also won Slalom World Championship gold last season - the best individual result of his career - and finished third in the Big Globe race.
- Despite having only two Slalom World Cup wins in his career, **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)** is the second all-time Swiss men's racer in terms of top-10 finishes, with 40. The most successful Swiss Slalom racer is **Daniel Yule (SUI/Fischer)** with seven victories, 17 podium finishes and 52 top 10s.

- A career-best Slalom season including three victories (Alta Badia, Schladming and the World Cup Finals in Sun Valley) and five podium places helped **Timon Haugan (NOR/Van Deer)** to third in last season's Slalom Globe standings - the equal best finish of his career.
- **Clement Noel (FRA/Dynastar)** claimed a career-high four Slalom wins last season, yet he didn't manage to finish on the Slalom Globe podium, ending just three points shy of the third-placed **Timon Haugan (NOR/Van Deer)** and four points shy of the second-placed **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)**.
- Last season **Clement Noel (FRA/Dynastar)** became the most successful French Slalom racer, gaining his 14th win and overtaking **Jean Noel Augert** who has 13. This also put him in the top 10 of all-time World Cup Slalom victories list - he's now in equal eighth spot alongside **Mario Matt (AUT)** and **Benjamin Raich (AUT)**.
- **Albert Popov (BUL/Head)** won his first World Cup Slalom race last season, in Madonna di Campiglio in January - 45 years to the day after compatriot Petar Popangelov claimed Bulgaria's only other World Cup win, in the men's Slalom in Lenggries, Germany.
- Team Norway claimed six Slalom wins in the 2024/25 season, France four (all to Noel), while the remaining two were claimed by Switzerland (Meillard) and Bulgaria (Popov).
- With Noel's four wins, France now have 72 men's Slalom victories in total and are just two behind Italy (74) in the all-time rankings. Austria leads the way with 133 wins.
- Norwegians also had a podium clean sweep last season, with winner **Atle Lie McGrath (NOR/Head)** joined by second-placed **Timon Haugan (NOR/Van Deer)** and third-placed **Henrik Kristoffersen (NOR/Van Deer)** in the Wengen Slalom.
- Season 2024/25 saw **Lucas Pinheiro Braathen (BRA/Atomic)** record a first-ever World Cup Slalom podium for Brazil, finishing second in Adelboden. **Pinheiro Braathen** already had three Slalom wins and a Slalom Globe (2022/2023) when racing for Norway. **Pinheiro Braathen** finished sixth in both the Slalom and Overall rankings last season, which is also a best ever result for Brazil.
- 2023/24 Slalom Globe winner **Manuel Feller (AUT/Atomic)** finished equal ninth alongside **Linus Strasser GER/Rossignol)** in last season's rankings. He had just two podium finishes - second place in Schladming and third in Kranjska Gora - after winning four times in his Globe-winning season.
- **Fabio Gstrein (AUT/Atomic)** enjoyed a breakout season in 2024/25, making it to his first career World Cup podium finish in Schladming. He was third again five Slalom races later in Sun Valley. This helped him to a career-high seventh place in the Slalom season-long rankings.

Men's Slalom Levi-specific stats

- The men raced a World Cup Slalom in Levi, Finland 12 times since the 2006/07 season. The race went on a hiatus for four seasons, missing from the men's World Cup calendar 2019-2024.
- Reigning Crystal Globe champion **Henrik Kristoffersen (NED/Van Deer)** has a great record in Levi, winning twice, in 2014/15 and 2019/20, finishing second three times and third once. He is leading the field with six career Levi podiums.
- **Henrik Kristoffersen (NED/Van Deer)** has only missed the podium once in his seven Levi races, when he finished 11th in his first ever Levi start in the 2012/13 season.
- By winning the 2025/26 Levi race **Henrik Kristoffersen (NED/Van Deer)** can match **Marcel Hirscher (NED/Van Deer)**, who has the best modern record in Levi, having won three times – in 2013/14, 2016/17 and 2018/19. Only one other modern racer has won more than once in Levi; **Jean-Baptiste Grange (FRA)** in 2008/09 and 2010/11.
- Reigning Slalom World Champion **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)** has only one podium place in his five Levi races, which came when he finished third last season behind **Clement Noel (FRA/Dynastar)** and **Henrik Kristoffersen (NED/Van Deer)**.
- But **Loic Meillard (SUI/Rossignol)** is one of only two skiers in the field to have finished in the top 20 in all four preceding Levi Slalom World Cup races – **Henrik Kristoffersen (NED/Van Deer)** is the other one.
- Last season's Levi winner **Clement Noel (FRA/Dynastar)** can become the first skier to defend his title in Levi.
- Austria is the most successful nation in Levi, having claimed five wins in the 12 men's races so far.
- No Finnish athlete ever finished in the top 10 in Levi. The best result in the home event was achieved in the first ever 2006/07 Levi race by **Kalle Palander (FIN)**, who finished 11th.
- None of the winners of the Olympic-year Levi Slalom race season-openers went on to win Slalom Olympic gold that season. Although, the 2013/14 Levi podium (Hirscher-Matt-Kristoffersen) was replicated in the Sochi 2014 Olympic Winter Games Slalom in a slightly different order (Matt-Hirscher-Kristoffersen).