

FACTS & FIGURES – Women’s Slalom in Gurgl

Debut event – Last season, 2023-24, saw the debut men’s Audi FIS World Cup slalom race at the high altitude venue known as the ‘Diamond of the Alps’. 2024-25 is the first time a women’s Audi FIS World Cup slalom has been contested at the venue.

- **Mikaela Shiffrin (USA)** currently leads the women’s slalom standings, after one event, in Levi, on Saturday 16 November. She has 100 points. Shiffrin finished ahead of **Katharina Liensberger (AUT)**, who came second and has 80 points, and **Lena Duerr (GER)**, who came third and has 60 points.

Shiffrin’s win in Levi was her 98th Audi FIS World Cup victory – an individual record, and her 61st title in slalom. A win in Gurgl would keep her on track to win her 100th title in her homeland, at the next in Killington.

The slalom World Cup Crystal Globe Shiffrin won last season was the eighth of her career, extending her record as the most successful female World Cup slalom skier.

- **Lena Duerr (GER)** enjoyed the best season of her career last season, with four podium finishes in her first six races helping her to second in the slalom standings.

She finished third at the season’s opening slalom in Levi.

Duerr has won one World Cup slalom race, in Spindleruv Mlyn (CZE) in January 2023.

- **Katharina Liensberger (AUT)**, the 2021 slalom world champion, finished second at the season’s opening slalom in Levi.

The last time an Austrian female skier won at home soil was in Lienz in 2013 with Marlies Schild.

The last Austrian female skier to win in Slalom was Katharina Liensberger in Are in 2022.

- **For Wendy Holdener (SUI), the first race of the season took place in Soelden, and the first slalom following her injury was held in Levi**

Wendy fractured her ankle in December 2023. She has two World Cup slalom wins and 33 podium finishes to her name.

- **Michelle Gisin (SUI)** finished inside the top-10 nine times in slalom last season. Michelle Gisin is the second active athlete to hold the highest number of top-10 finishes in a single season, with 22 top-10 results in 31 races during the 2021 season. The first active athlete is Mikaela Shiffrin (USA), with 29 top-10 finishes in 38 races. The all-time record belongs to Hanni Wenzel (LIE), who achieved 27 top-10 finishes in 29 races.

- **Anna Swenn Larsson (SWE)** ended last season with a win (Soldeu) two podiums and two fifth place finishes in her final five races.

- **Zrinka Ljutic (CRO)** has yet to win a World Cup slalom but the 20-year-old was second three races in a row last season.

The last time a Croatian female skier won the World Cup was in Are in 2006 with Janica Kostelic.