

FACTS & FIGURES – Women’s Super G in Beaver Creek

Slope info:

Historically, the Birds of Prey events have been held on the Golden Eagle ski trail, with a short section of the Red Tail trail below the final jump. The Raptor course, used for women’s speed events, incorporates sections of three trails: Peregrine, Kestrel, and a small part of Red Tail.

Past Events in Beaver Creek Women’s World Cup:

- December 7, 2011: Women’s Super G, a replacement race for Val d’Isère, held on the Golden Eagle trail of the Birds of Prey course. The course was rerouted to avoid the Golden Eagle Jump and Abyss compression, which were considered too severe at the time.
- December 1, 2013: Women’s Giant Slalom, part of the test events leading up to the 2015 World Ski Championships (WSC). This GS was held on the Birds of Prey course/Golden Eagle trail as the lower part of Raptor was deemed too flat for technical events. The downhill and Super G events that year were held on the Raptor course, giving the women a chance to test the new speed venue ahead of the 2015 WSC.

2015 World Ski Championships:

During the 2015 WSC, women’s speed events were held on the Raptor course. Women’s Giant Slalom, Slalom, and Combined slalom were conducted on the lower Golden Eagle section of the Birds of Prey course, while all men’s events were held on the full Birds of Prey course.

Historical Firsts:

- This will be the first time the entire Birds of Prey course, including the Golden Eagle Jump and Abyss, is used by women for Super G.
- It will also mark the first women’s World Cup downhill on the Birds of Prey course, making next week a significant moment in skiing history.

- **Lara Gut-Behrami (SUI)** has won three of the past four Super G Crystal Globe titles, including both the past two seasons.
 - The 33-year-old won three times last season and came second once and third twice in her nine Super G World Cup races. Only once did she finish outside the top seven, when she failed to finish in the second race of the season in Val D'Isere (FRA).
 - Gut-Behrami is also the reigning Olympic Super G champion and 2021 super-G world champion.
 - She also won the World Super G the last time the women raced in Beaver Creek, in 2013 (not done the Birds of Prey piste).
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- **Federica Brignone (ITA)** once again came second in the Super G standings last season. It was the fourth time in five seasons that the Italian has finished runner-up, the only season to break this run was when she won the Crystal Globe in 2021-22.
 - Brignone won twice last season to take her overall World Cup Super G victory tally to 10.
 - Those wins helped extend her status as Italy's most successful female World Cup skier. Her career total of 28 wins puts her four clear of Sofia Goggia (ITA).
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- **Conny Hütter (AUT)** had a win and three second place finishes in Super G last season enroute to her best ever finish of third in the season rankings.
 - The Austrian found a new-level of consistency, finishing inside the top-seven in eight out of nine races.
 - Bronze medallist in the 2023 World Championships, Hütter will be looking to go better in Saalbach in February 2024.
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- Twice **Stephanie Venier (AUT)** ended close to breaking into the top-three of the Crystal Globe rankings. Just like in the downhill, she ended the Super G season in fourth, securing her first ever World Cup win in the discipline in Crans Montana in early February.
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- **Ester Ledecka (CZE)** is the last woman to have triumphed in a World Cup Super G race, having triumphed in the season-ender in Saalbach (AUT) in March.
 - That was the 2018 Olympic Super G champion's second World Cup super-G victory, four years after her first.