

### PREVIEW WOMEN'S SLALOM KRANJSKA GORA – Sunday 7 Jan 2024

# Mikaela Shiffrin

- Mikaela Shiffrin won the World Cup slalom event in Lienz on 29 December to extend her record number of World Cup slalom wins to 56 (Ingemar Stenmark follows on 40). It also resulted in United States (89) surpassing Austria (88) as the country to record the most victories in women's World Cup slalom events.
- Shiffrin (80) is one short of equalling Ingemar Stenmark (81) for most podium finishes in World Cup slalom events.
- Shiffrin has finished on the podium in 12 of her last 13 participations in World Cup slalom events. The only exception in that run was a fourth place in Levi on 11 November 2023.
- Shiffrin won the World Cup slalom in Kranjska Gora on 7 January 2018.
   The only female to win multiple World Cup slalom events in Kranjska Gora is Petra Vlhová (2020 and 2022).
- Shiffrin's only DNF in her last 49 participations in World Cup slalom events was in Kranjska Gora on 9 January 2022.

### Petra Vlhová

- Petra Vlhová is joint-fourth alongside Erika Hess (both 21) for most wins in women's World Cup slalom events, behind Mikaela Shiffrin (56), Marlies Schild (35) and Vreni Schneider (34).
- Vlhová has won both of the last two women's World Cup slalom events in Kranjska Gora (2020 and 2022). She is the only female to win multiple World Cup slalom events in Kranjska Gora.
- Vlhová has finished second in 14 World Cup slalom events: the first was behind Veronika Velez-Zuzulová (in Zagreb on 3 January 2017) and all 13 since were behind Mikaela Shiffrin.

#### Shiffrin versus Vlhová

- Eleven of the last 12 women's World Cup slalom events were won by Mikaela Shiffrin (7) and Petra Vlhová (4). The only exception in that run was a victory for Lena Dürr in Špindleruv Mlýn on 29 January 2023.
- The five women's World Cup slalom events this season were won by Shiffrin (3) and Vlhová (2).
- At least one of Shiffrin and Vlhová has finished on the podium in each of the last 13 women's World Cup slalom events, since Vlhová was fourth and Shiffrin was fifth in Killington on 27 November 2022.
- Each of the last three women's World Cup slalom events in Kranjska Gora were won by Shiffrin (2018) or Vlhová (2020 and 2022), a run stretching back to a victory for Frida Hansdotter in 2014.





## Other contenders

- Lena Dürr (3) is the only female other than Mikaela Shiffrin (4) and Petra Vlhová (3) to record multiple podium finishes in World Cup slalom events this season.
- Only two females have won a World Cup slalom event after their 32nd birthday: Marlies Schild (two at age 32) and Veronika Velez-Zuzulová (one at age 32).
- **Michelle Gisin** recorded her first World Cup podium since March 2022 courtesy of a third place in the slalom in Lienz on 29 December.
- Anna Swenn-Larsson was third in the World Cup slalom in Kranjska Gora on 9 January 2022. She recorded her best World Cup slalom finish of this season by taking fourth in Lienz on 29 December.
- This race takes place 57 years to the day since the first women's World Cup event in alpine skiing. Canada's Nancy Greene took victory in the slalom in Oberstaufen on 7 January 1967.

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