

PREVIEW WOMEN'S EVENT OSLO – 9-11 Mar 2023

Gyda Westvold Hansen

- Gyda Westvold Hansen comes into Oslo as the winner of all events (World Cup and world championships) she competed in this season. At the 2023 world championships in Planica she won the individual women's event and she helped Norway win the mixed team event.
- Westvold Hansen can become the first Nordic combined athlete (men or women) to win all individual events of a season (World Cup, Olympic Winter Games and world championships).
- In 2020/21, Tara Geraghty-Moats won the inaugural women's Nordic combined World Cup which consisted of just one event. Westvold Hansen won the inaugural women's event at the world championships in that 2020/21 season.
- Westvold Hansen won 16 out of the 18 women's Nordic combined World Cup events that have taken place. The exceptions are a second place at the inaugural women's Nordic combined World Cup event and a DNF on 12 March 2022 in Schonach.
- Gyda Westvold Hansen is the first Nordic combined athlete (men and women) to win 10 successive individual World Cup events. The previous record was set by Hannu Manninen when he won seven consecutive events in January 2006.

Nathalie Armbruster

- After Westvold Hansen (9), Nathalie Armbruster (7) has the most women's individual World Cup podium finishes this season. Armbruster's only non-podium finishes this season were fourth places in Lillehammer and Schonach.
- Armbruster (17 years and 68 days old on 11 March) is defending her second place in the women's overall World Cup standings. She can become the youngest Nordic combined athlete (men or women) to finish in the top-3 of the overall World Cup standings of a season.
- Looking at all Nordic combined athletes, male or female, Armbruster (7) already is the athlete to have the most individual World Cup podium finishes before turning 18 years old. The previous record was set by Samppa Lajunen (6 in 1996/97).
- Armbruster (17-068) can become the second youngest Nordic combined athlete (men or women) to win an individual World Cup event after Mario Stecher (16-182) won in Oslo on 15 January 1994.

Other contenders

- The individual women's World Cup competition visits Oslo for the first time. It will be the seventh venue to host a women's individual World Cup event.
- **Haruka Kasai** comes into Oslo as bronze medal winner in the individual event at the world championships in Planica. It was the first medal for a Japanese woman in a Nordic combined event at the world championships.
- Kasai finished second in her first two appearances in individual World Cup events (March 2022), but she is yet to finish on the podium in this World Cup season.
- **Yuna Kasai**, sister of Haruka, did claim a podium spot in this World Cup season: a third place in Schonach (11 February). Yuna Kasai (3) is tied with Anju Nakamura (3) on most podium finishes among Japanese women.
- **Anju Nakamura** is the only woman other than Westvold Hansen to win an individual World Cup event since the start of the 2021/22 World Cup season. Nakamura won in Schonach on 12 March 2022. Westvold Hansen abandoned the contest in that event shortly after being overtaken by Nakamura in the 5km.
- Ida Marie Hagen is winner of the 'Best Skier' trophy this women's World Cup season. Marie Hagen is the athlete to finish second behind Gyda Westvold Hansen in the most individual World Cup events (4).
- Annika Sieff successfully defended her women's junior world title this year (won in 2022 and 2023). Sieff finished on the podium in three individual World Cups this season (all 2nd places). Before this season, Sieff had only recorded two podium finishes (both 3rd places).
- **Lisa Hirner** finished on the podium in three of the first five individual women's World Cup events this season, but failed to finish on the podium in the four events since.
- **Mari Leinan Lund** finished second in two of the four individual women's World Cup events that have been held in Norway (Lillehammer), the best result for any woman behind only Westvold Hansen.

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