

PREVIEW MEN'S INDIVIDUAL LARGE HILL WISLA – Saturday 5 Nov 2022

Ryoyu Kobayashi

- Ryoyu Kobayashi won the overall World Cup in the 2021/22 season. He is the only non-European winner of the overall World Cup, lifting the globe in 2018/19 and last season.
- Kobayashi can become the fourth man to win the overall World Cup at least three times, after Matti Nykänen (4), Adam Malysz (4) and Andreas Goldberger (3).
- The most recent man to win the overall World Cup in successive seasons was Janne Ahonen in 2003/04 and 2004/05.
- Kobayashi has won 27 World Cup events, one short of moving into joint-11th all-time alongside Severin Freund (28) among men.
- Kobayashi (27) is one shy of equalling Martin Schmitt (28) in seventh place on the men's list for most individual World Cup wins
- Kobayashi has recorded one World Cup win in Poland, the large hill event in Zakopane on 13 February 2021. His best result in Wisla is a third-place finish in the individual large hill event on 18 November 2018.
- Junshiro Kobayashi, older brother of Ryoyu Kobayashi, claimed his only World Cup victory in Wisla: the individual large hill event on 19 November 2017. It was the opening event of the 2017/18 World Cup.
- Kobayashi has won an individual World Cup event at 15 different resorts, as many as Severin Freund and Andreas Goldberger (both 15). Six jumpers have recorded individual World Cup victories in more different host cities, with Gregor Schlierenzauer on top of that list (21).

Karl Geiger

- Karl Geiger recorded his second runner-up finish in the overall World Cup standings last season, after his second-place finish in 2019/20.
- In the last seven seasons, the runner-up of the previous season won the overall World Cup standings in the following season three times: Peter Prevc in 2015/16, Kamil Stoch in 2017/18 and Stefan Kraft in 2019/20.
- Geiger (18) is in fifth on the all-time list of World Cup event wins among German ski jumpers (including East and West Germany). He is one short of equalling Sven Hannawald (19) in fourth.
- Geiger won the opening event of last year's World Cup season, in Nizhny Tagil. The last man to win the opening individual event in successive World Cup seasons was Andreas Kofler in 2010/11 and 2011/12 (both in Ruka).

Kamil Stoch

- Kamil Stoch won the overall World Cup on two previous occasions, in 2013/14 and 2017/18. Only Matti Nykänen (4), Adam Malysz (4) and Andreas Goldberger (3) have won the men's overall title more than twice.

- Stoch has won 46 World Cup events in his career, joint-second on the all-time list alongside Janne Ahonen and Matti Nykänen, behind only Gregor Schlierenzauer (70).
- Stoch (10) could join Ahonen and Jens Weißflog on winning an individual World Cup event in a record 11 seasons.
- Stoch's last World Cup event win was the individual large hill event in Titisee-Neustadt on 9 January 2021. His last individual podium result was a third place in the large hill event in Klingenthal on 11 December 2021.
- Stoch (2) is the only ski jumper with multiple individual World Cup event wins in Wisla. Stoch has recorded the most individual World Cup event victories (7) and podium finishes (11) on Polish soil out of all ski jumpers.

Other contenders

- The most recent winner of the opening individual event who went on to win the overall World Cup was Thomas Morgenstern (2007/08). The Austrian started that season with a win in Ruka.
- **Stefan Kraft** (2016/17, 2019/20) could win the men's overall for a third time. Only Matti Nykänen (4), Adam Malysz (4) and Andreas Goldberg (3) have won the men's overall title more than twice.
- Kraft is the only man to have recorded at least one individual World Cup podium in each of the last 10 seasons.
- Kraft has recorded three individual World Cup victories on Polish soil, of which one in Wisla, on 15 January 2015. He can join Stoch as the only ski jumpers on multiple individual World Cup wins at the resort.
- The last **Austrian** ski jumper to win the first individual event of the World Cup season was Andreas Kofler in 2011/12 (individual large hill in Ruka).
- **Marius Lindvik** won five individual World Cup events last season, only trailing Ryoyu Kobayashi (8) for most. Lindvik recorded all of those five wins in 2022, most of all male ski jumpers.
- Lindvik won the last individual World Cup event of last season, the individual ski flying event in Planica on 27 March. Last season, Karl Geiger became the first man to win the first individual event of a World Cup season after winning the last of the season prior since Matti Hautamäki in 2002/03-2003/04.
- **Halvor Egner Granerud** can become the first Norwegian man to win the overall World Cup more than once. No Norwegian ski jumper has recorded as many individual World Cup wins as him (13).
- **Daniel-André Tande** won the opening individual event in two of the previous seven seasons, in Klingenthal in 2015/16 and in Wisla in 2019/20. Only Dieter Thoma (4), Anton Innauer (3) and Martin Schmitt (3) won the individual season opener more often.
- **Markus Eisenbichler** (6) recorded the most individual World Cup podium finishes without claiming a win in 2021/22. Eisenbichler's last individual World Cup event triumphs came in November 2020, when he won both of the two opening events of the 2020/21 season, in Wisla and Ruka.



- **Jan Hörl** won the last individual World Cup event held in Wisla, the men's individual large hill event on 5 December 2021. The only male ski jumper to have recorded multiple World Cup wins at the resort is Stoch, who won back-to-back events in January 2017.

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