

PREVIEW MEN'S SPRINT FREESTYLE LAHTI – Sunday 3 Mar 2024

Johannes Høsflot Klæbo

- Johannes Høsflot Klæbo has won a record 46 individual World Cup sprint events. He won the most recent four sprint events (Goms, twice in Canmore and Minneapolis).
- Klæbo won 24 of the last 25 individual World Cup freestyle sprint events he competed in, with a second place behind Federico Pellegrino in Davos on 17 December 2022 as the only exception.
- Klæbo has won each of the last three individual sprint events in the World Cup in Lahti. Only Emil Jönsson (3) has won as many individual sprint events in Lahti as Klæbo (3).
- Klæbo has won a total of six individual sprint events in Finland. Only Klæbo himself (nine in both Switzerland and Norway) and Federico Pellegrino (seven in Switzerland) have won more individual sprint events in a specific country.
- Including team and relay events, Klæbo has won seven World Cup events in Lahti. He only recorded as many wins in Ruka (10).

Lucas Chanavat

- Lucas Chanavat has won four individual World Cup sprint events (all in freestyle).
- Chavanat is tied with Richard Jouve for most individual World Cup sprint podiums (20) and wins (4) among French men.
- Chanavat recorded podium finishes in four of the six individual World Cup freestyle sprint events this season, joint-most alongside Johannes Høsflot Klæbo (four, all wins).
- Chanavat (4) is one short of equalling his highest number of individual World Cup sprint podium finishes in a single season (5 in 2021/22).
- Chanavat can become the second French skier to win three individual World Cup events in a single season, after Vincent Vittoz in 2004/05 (3) and in 2007/08 (3).

Other contenders

- All three of Erik Valnes' career individual sprint victories in the World Cup came in the classic style, including in Ruka (24 November) and Oberhof (19 January) this season.
- Valnes' best result in freestyle sprint events are two second-place finishes: in Falun on 18 March 2023 and in Canmore on 10 February 2024.
- Håvard Solås Taugbøl has recorded seven individual World Cup sprint podium finishes, six of those came in freestyle events.
- Only Johannes Høsflot Klæbo (46) claimed as many men's individual World Cup sprint victories as **Federico Pellegrino** (17). Pellegrino's last





individual WC sprint victory dates from 17 December 2022 (in the freestyle in Davos).

- Sixteen of Pellegrino's 17 individual World Cup sprint wins came in freestyle events. The exception was his sprint classic style victory in Canmore on 8 March 2016.
- Edvin Anger (21 years old) could become the youngest male skier representing Sweden to win an individual World Cup sprint event. Emil Jönsson is the current record holder for Sweden. He was 22 years and 164 days old when he won the sprint freestyle in Canmore on 26 January 2008.
- Anger finished on the podium in two individual World Cup sprint events, in Davos (2nd) on 3 January and Canmore (3rd) on 10 February.

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