

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

Sweden

- Swedish skiers have won eight of the 10 individual sprint events this World Cup season, with Kristine Stavås Skistad's triumphs in Trondheim and Canmore as the exceptions (both freestyle).
- **Linn Svahn** (5) has won half of the individual sprints this World Cup season. She missed the podium in only one event, the season opener in Ruka on 25 November (5th).
- The last woman to record more than five triumphs in individual sprint events was Stina Nilsson (6 in 2018/19). Svahn has won three freestyle sprints this season. Nilsson's six victories in 2018/19 were all in the freestyle (World Cup record).
- Svahn (12) is level with Kikkan Randall (12) on sixth-most individual World Cup sprint victories. Bente Skari (17) is in fifth place.
- Svahn (5), Emma Ribom (2) and Jonna Sundling (1) have won an individual sprint World Cup this season. No country has had four different winners in World Cup sprint events in a single season.
- **Jonna Sundling** (27) and **Maja Dahlqvist** (26) are in fifth and sixth place respectively for most podium finishes in women's individual sprint World Cups. Stina Nilsson (31) is next on the list.
- Sundling has recorded seven of her nine individual World Cup event wins in the freestyle sprint, including the most recent sprint, in Minneapolis on 18 February.
- Since the start of the 2021/22 World Cup season, Sundling finished on the podium in 16 of her 19 individual World Cup sprint starts (5 victories).
- Dahlqvist finished on the podium in 10 individual World Cup sprint events since her last individual sprint victory in Dresden on 18 December 2021.

Other contenders

- Each of the last 18 individual sprint events in the World Cup were won by athletes from either Sweden (10) or Norway (8). The three individual sprints prior to this run were all won by **Nadine Fähndrich** (of which two in the freestyle).
- Fähndrich has recorded only one sprint podium finish since those three wins, a third place in the freestyle sprint in Talinn on 21 March 2023.
- **Kristine Stavås Skistad** (2) is the only non-Swedish woman to have won an individual sprint event in the 2023/24 World Cup. Both of her triumphs came in freestyle events, in Trondheim on 15 December and in Canmore on 10 February.

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