

PREVIEW Men TEAM - LARGE HILL – Saturday 9 Feb 2019

Germany

- Germany won the most recent team event in the World Cup, in the large hill in Zakopane on 19 January. It was Germany's first victory in a team event in the World Cup since 3 March 2018, when they won in Lahti (large hill).
- Germany could win successive World Cup team events for the first time since November 2015 to January 2016, when they won in Klingenthal and Willingen.
- Germany could become the first country to win successive World Cup team events in Lahti since Austria in 2011 (large hill) and 2012 (normal hill).
- Germany (9) are one shy of claiming their 10th World Cup podium in a team event in Lahti. They have only claimed more podium finishes in Willingen (12).

Poland

- Poland's last two World Cup team event victories have come in front of a home crowd: in Wisla on 17 November 2018 and in Zakopane on 27 January 2018. Poland's last victory in a team event outside Poland came in Willingen on 28 January 2017.
- Poland's best result in a World Cup team event in Finland was a second place in Lahti last season (3 March 2018).
- Since the start of 2016/17, Poland have finished on the podium in 11 of the 12 men's team large hill events, more than any other team. The only exception was the event in Ruka on 25 November 2017, when Poland finished in sixth place.

Norway

- Norway finished in 10th place and eighth place respectively in the two team events this World Cup season, in Wisla and Zakopane. Norway had finished on the podium in 10 consecutive World Cup team events prior to this season, including eight victories.
- The last time Norway failed to claim a top-three finish in three successive World Cup team events was in 2016/17, when Norway missed out on a podium spot in each of the first four events of the season (Klingenthal, Zakopane, Willingen, Oslo).
- Norway have won three of the last four World Cup team events in Finland, at three different venues (Lahti, Kuopio, Ruka).
- Norway are level with Austria on a record 13 podium finishes in World Cup team events in Lahti. That also is the record for most podium spots in World Cup team events at a single venue, together with Norway in Planica (13) and Austria in Willingen (13).

Austria

- Austria have failed to win the last 12 World Cup team events, since a victory in Oslo (large hill) on 11 March 2017.
- Austria have had only one longer winless run in World Cup team events: 14 between 2014 and 2017. That run was ended by the victory in Oslo in March 2017.
- This season, Austria finished third in Wisla and second in Zakopane. They could claim three successive podium finishes in World Cup team events for the first time since January-March 2017 (Willingen, Oslo, Vikersund).
- Austria have won seven World Cup team events in Lahti. No other team has won more than five times at a specific venue.

Other contenders

- **Japan** could claim their first podium finish in a World Cup team event since a third-place finish in Ruka (large hill) on 25 November 2017.
- Japan have claimed nine podium finishes in World Cup team events in Finland, at least five more than in any other country.
- **Slovenia** have claimed two podium finishes in team events in Finland, a second place in Lahti in 2002 and a third place in Ruka in 2012. Finland (2) is the only host country where Slovenia has claimed multiple podium finishes without ever winning.
- **Finland** (9) are one shy of claiming their 10th World Cup podium in a team event in Lahti. They have not claimed more than seven podiums at any other venue.
- Finland's last podium finish in a team World Cup event was a third place in Oberstdorf on 30 January 2010.

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