

## PREVIEW Men SLALOM – Sunday 17 Mar 2019

### Marcel Hirscher

- Marcel Hirscher equalled Lindsey Vonn on a record 20 World Cup classification wins by winning the slalom, giant slalom and overall crystal globe this season.
- Hirscher won the slalom crystal globe for the sixth time, after winning it from 2013 to 2015 and from 2017 to 2018. Only Ingemar Stenmark (8), Vreni Schneider (6) and Mikaela Shiffrin (6, including 2018/19) have won the slalom classification at least six times.
- Hirscher has won 12 of the last 17 slalom races in the World Cup, but only one of the last four.
- Hirscher could win six World Cup slalom events in a single season for the second time after 2017/18 (7).
- Hirscher (8) could equal the men's record for most World Cup slalom podiums in one season, set by Ingemar Stenmark in 1976/77 and equalled by Alberto Tomba (1991/92), Hirscher himself (2012/13) and Henrik Kristoffersen (2017/18).
- Hirscher has won 32 World Cup slalom races, third-most among men behind Stenmark (40) and Tomba (35).

### Daniel Yule and Ramon Zenhäusern

- Switzerland's Daniel Yule (Madonna di Campiglio) and Ramon Zenhäusern (Kranjska Gora) both won their first World Cup slalom race this season.
- It was Yule's first World Cup race win in any event. Zenhäusern had already won two city events in the World Cup.
- Yule and Zenhäusern can join Dumeng Giovanoli (2), Pirmin Zurbriggen (2) and Didier Plaschy (2) as the only Swiss men with multiple slalom race wins in the World Cup.
- Switzerland could claim three men's World Cup slalom victories in a single season for the first time.

### Other contenders

- **Henrik Kristoffersen** (15) is one World Cup slalom victory short of equalling Marc Girardelli (16) in fourth place all-time among men.
- Kristoffersen has yet to win his first World Cup slalom race this season. He won at least one in each of the previous five seasons.
- Kristoffersen (4) can become the fourth man to claim at least five World Cup slalom podiums in a season without winning a race, after Paul Frommelt (5 in 1984/85), Phil Mahre (5 in 1982/83) and Piero Gros (5 in 1975/76).
- Coming into Soldeu, Kristoffersen has claimed 18 World Cup race wins in all events, equal to Lasse Kjus (18) in fourth place all-time among Norwegian alpine skiers.

- **Clément Noël** could become the first Frenchman to win three World Cup slalom races in one season since Jean-Baptiste Grange in 2010/11 (3).
- Michael Matt (1) and his older brother Mario Matt (3) are the only **Austrian skiers** other than Hirscher to have won a men's World Cup race in the slalom since the start of 2010/11.
- **Alexis Pinturault** (3) has claimed multiple slalom podiums in a World Cup season for the first time. He finished second in Zagreb, third in Kitzbühel and second in Schladming.
- Pinturault has won two World Cup slalom events: in Wengen on 19 January 2014 and in Val d'Isère on 8 December 2012.
- Coming into Soldeu, Pinturault has won 22 World Cup races, equal to Carole Merle (22) for most among French alpine skiers.
- **Dave Ryding** can become the first alpine skier from Great Britain, male or female, to win a World Cup race in any discipline.

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