

PREVIEW MEN'S TEAM LARGE HILL ZAKOPANE - Saturday 25 Jan 2020

Poland

- Poland (Piotr Zyla, Jakub Wolny, Kamil Stoch, Dawid Kubacki) won the most recent World Cup team event, in Klingenthal on 14 December 2019.
- Poland could win back-to-back World Cup team events for the first time ever. Last season, no country managed to win successive World Cup team events. The last nation to do this was Norway in March 2018.
- Poland came in third place in the season opening World Cup team event in Wisla. On one previous occasion, Poland started their World Cup team campaign with three podium finishes - in 2016/17, when they reached the podium in all six events.
- Poland claimed all seven of its World Cup team wins with Kamil Stoch and Dawid Kubacki in its line-up.
- Poland have won one World Cup team event in front of a home crowd in Zakopane. On 27 January 2018, Maciej Kot, Stefana Hula, Dawid Kubacki and Kamil Stoch jumped to first place. They also won in Wisla in November 2018.
- Kamil Stoch has reached the podium in eight World Cup team events on Polish snow, more than any other jumper.

Austria

- Austria (Daniel Huber, Jan Hörl, Philipp Aschenwald, Stefan Kraft) won the first World Cup team event of the season in Wisla on 23 November. In each of the last three seasons, the winner of the opening World Cup team event went on to win the Nations Cup.
- Austria (Philipp Aschenwald, Gregor Schlierenzauer, Michael Hayböck, Stefan Kraft) came in second place in the second World Cup team event of the season, in Klingenthal.
- Austria could now win multiple World Cup team events in a World Cup season for the first time since 2013/14, when they won back-to-back in Lahti and Planica (March 2014).
- Austria have failed to claim multiple World Cup team event victories in each of the last six World Cup seasons (incl. 2019/20). They had won multiple World Cup team events in six of the eight seasons preceding this span.
- Austria (30) have won the most World Cup team events, five ahead of Norway (25).
- Austria have claimed eight podiums in 10 previous World Cup team events on Polish snow, a record alongside Poland. Only one of Austria's eight podiums was a win, in Wisla earlier this season.

Other contenders

- **Germany** have won three World Cup team events on Polish snow, more than any other nation.
- Germany could now become the second nation to win back-to-back World Cup team events in Zakopane, after Slovenia in 2012/13 and 2013/14.
- Richard Freitag has claimed 30 podium finishes in World Cup team events and could surpass Thomas Morgenstern (30) for outright second place all-time. Only Gregor Schlierenzauer (35) has recorded more top-three finishes.
- **Norway** came in second in the team season opener in Wisla. They could already surpass their number of podium finishes of last season (1), when they won the large hill in Oslo on 9 March.
- **Japan** came in third place in Klingenthal, could equal their number of World Cup team event podiums of last season (2). Japan have won four team events in the World Cup, but not since Salt Lake City on 19 January 2001.
- **Slovenia** are still without a podium finish in 2019/20. Last season, they failed to jump to the podium in their first three World Cup events, before claiming one win and two third places in the last four events.

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