

PREVIEW WOMEN'S DOWNHILL CRANS-MONTANA – Friday 21 Feb 2020-Saturday 22 Feb 2020

Corinne Suter

- Corinne Suter will win the downhill globe if she wins both races in Crans-Montana, regardless of the results of her competitors.
- The last Swiss woman who won the downhill crystal globe was Chantal Bournissen in 1991.
- Suter's only World Cup win in the downhill came in Altenmarkt-Zauchensee on 11 January 2020.
- Marie-Theres Nadig (1981) is the only Swiss woman to win a World Cup downhill event in Crans-Montana.
- The last Swiss woman to win multiple downhill events in a World Cup season was Lara Gut-Behrami (2) in 2015/16.

Federica Brignone

- Federica Brignone finished on the podium in each of the last three downhill races in the World Cup: a second and third place in Bansko, and a second place in Garmisch-Partenkirchen.
- The only Italian woman to reach at least four successive World Cup downhill podiums is Isolde Kostner: five from March 2001 to January 2002.
- Brignone has yet to win her first World Cup downhill race. She claimed three second and one third place in this discipline.
- Brignone (giant slalom, super-G, Alpine combined) can become the second Italian skier to win a World Cup event in four different disciplines, after Gustav Thöni (giant slalom, slalom, combination, city event).
- Only Deborah Compagnoni (16) and Kostner (15) have won more World Cup events among Italian women than Brignone (14).
- Brignone (4) can become the fourth Italian woman to win at least five World Cup events in one season, after Denise Karbon (5) in 2007/08, Karen Putzer (5) in 2002/03 and Compagnoni (5) in 1996/97.
- Coming into Crans-Montana, Brignone is ranked second in the overall, first in the giant slalom, first in the Alpine combined, second in the super-G and fourth in the downhill. The only time Brignone finished first in a World Cup standings at the end of the season was in the Alpine combined in 2019.

Ester Ledecká

- Ester Ledecká is third in the downhill standings. She won the first race in Lake Louise and finished third in Garmisch-Partenkirchen this season.
- Ledecká can become the first Czech skier, male or female, to win a World Cup standings. The best result was a second place by Šárka Strachová in the 2009 slalom standings.
- Ledecká already won seven season titles in Snowboard: four in the parallel overall and three in the parallel giant slalom.

- Ledecká can become the third Czech skier to win multiple World Cup races, after Olga Charvátová (2 for Czechoslovakia) and Strachová (2).
- Ledecká claimed both of her major Alpine Skiing victories wearing bib 26: Olympic gold in the super-G in 2018 and the Lake Louise downhill win in 2019.

Other contenders

- **Viktoria Rebensburg** won the most recent downhill in the World Cup, in Garmisch-Partenkirchen to become the 10th different woman in a row to win a World Cup downhill event. Regensburg is out for the rest of the season due to injury.
- The women's World Cup downhill event could now get 11 different women in a row to claim the victory in this discipline, for the first time in World Cup history.
- **Italian women** have only won more World Cup events in 1996/97 (10) than in this current season (7).
- **Nicole Schmidhofer** has claimed three downhill wins in the World Cup, all in Lake Louise.
- **Ilika Štuhec** has won nine World Cup events, including five in the downhill. Only Tina Maze (26) has won at least 10 among skiers representing Slovenia.
- Only Manuela Mölgg (14) has claimed more World Cup podiums in all disciplines without winning a single race than **Michelle Gisin** (8).

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