

PREVIEW Women GIANT SLALOM SÖLDEN – Saturday 17 Oct 2020

Federica Brignone

- Last season, Federica Brignone became the third Italian woman to win the giant slalom crystal globe, after Deborah Compagnoni (1996/97) and Denise Karbon (2007/08).
- Brignone can become the first woman to win the giant slalom globe in successive seasons since Anna Veith in 2013/14 and 2014/15.
- None of the current active skiers has won the women's giant slalom World Cup multiple times.
- Brignone will be 30 years and 250 days old on the day of the last scheduled giant slalom event of the 2020/21 season, in Lenzerheide on 20 March 2021. She could break the women's record for oldest giant slalom crystal globe winner, set by Vreni Schneider (30y-113d) in 1994/95.
- Brignone's first career win in a World Cup event came in the Sölden giant slalom on 24 October 2015. It was her first of 15 World Cup wins, including seven in the giant slalom.
- Brignone could become the sixth woman to win the Sölden giant slalom multiple times. The only active skier to have already achieved this is Lara Gut-Behrami (2).
- Brignone (15) is one shy of equalling the record for most World Cup race wins by an Italian woman, held by Deborah Compagnoni (16). Brignone now shares second place with Isolde Kostner (15).

Alice Robinson

- Alice Robinson (2) was one of two women who won multiple giant slalom event last season, alongside Federica Brignone (2).
- Robinson won the giant slalom in Sölden on 26 October 2019 and in Kranjska Gora on 15 February 2020, her only career World Cup wins.
- Robinson can become the first woman to win the giant slalom in Sölden in successive seasons.
- Robinson could become the sixth woman to win the Sölden giant slalom multiple times. The only active skier to have already achieved this is Lara Gut-Behrami (2).
- Robinson (18 years) can become the first woman to win three World Cup giant slalom events before turning 19 since Tamara McKinney in 1981.
- Robinson can become the second alpine skier representing New Zealand to win at least three World Cup events, after Claudia Riegler (4, all slalom).

Other contenders

- **Petra Vlhová** finished in the top-six in 10 of her last 11 World Cup appearances in the giant slalom (4 wins), with the only exception a 14th-place finish in Sölden last season.
- Vlhová already holds the records for most World Cup event wins (14) and World Cup event podiums (34) by a skier representing Slovakia.
- Vlhová is one of three women to have won at least one World Cup event in each of the last five seasons, alongside Mikaela Shiffrin and Federica Brignone.
- **Marta Bassino** won the Killington giant slalom last season, her first career World Cup win. Bassino collected her first career World Cup podium in the giant slalom in Sölden on 22 October 2016 (3rd).
- **Wendy Holdener** finished third in the Courchevel and Kranjska Gora giant slaloms last World Cup season, her first podiums in this discipline.
- The last Swiss woman to win a World Cup giant slalom event was Lara Gut-Behrami when she won in Sölden on 22 October 2016.
- **Lara Gut-Behrami** won the Sölden giant slalom twice, on 26 October 2013 and on 22 October 2016. Only Tina Maze (3) achieved more World Cup events in this specific event.
- **Tessa Worley** has won 13 giant slalom events in the World Cup, one shy of Anita Wachter, Viktoria Rebensburg, Tina Maze and Lise-Marie Morerod (all 14) in third place on the all-time women's list.
- **Austrian women** have won a record 93 giant slalom races in the World Cup, but not since Eva-Maria Brem won in Jasná in March 2016.
- Austria has failed to win the last 32 women's World Cup giant slalom events, its second-longest winning drought in this discipline after 1978 to 1989 (84 events).

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