

## PREVIEW WOMEN'S GIANT SLALOM COURCHEVEL – 12-13 Dec 2020

### Mikaela Shiffrin

- Mikaela Shiffrin will participate in a World Cup giant slalom event for the first time this season.
- Shiffrin won the giant slalom crystal globe in 2018/19. She finished third in the standings last season, despite ending the season prematurely.
- Shiffrin can become the second woman representing United States to win the giant slalom globe multiple times, after Tamara McKinney (2).
- None of the current active skiers has won the women's giant slalom World Cup multiple times.
- Shiffrin has claimed a podium finish in eight of the last nine World Cup giant slalom races in which she participated, with the only exception a 17th place in Courchevel last season.
- Shiffrin is the only female skier to have recorded multiple wins in Courchevel in the giant slalom as she won in both 2017/18 and 2018/19.
- Across all disciplines, no other skier (male or female) won more World Cup races in Courchevel than Shiffrin (4).
- Shiffrin has won 11 giant slalom events in the World Cup, second-most among all active women's skiers behind Tessa Worley (13).

### Petra Vlhová

- Petra Vlhová has recorded a podium finish in all four World Cup events held this season, including winning each of the last three.
- Vlhová can win the fourth and fifth consecutive women's World Cup race across all disciplines. The last female skier to win four and five in a row was Mikaela Shiffrin from 1 to 9 January 2018.
- Vlhová has finished on the podium in each of her last three World Cup giant slalom events, starting with a win in Sestriere followed by a second place in Kranjska Gora and a third place in Sölden in this season's opener.
- She has never recorded a podium finish in four consecutive World Cup giant slaloms.
- Vlhová already holds the records for most World Cup event wins (17) and World Cup event podiums (38) by a skier representing Slovakia.
- In three participations in the giant slalom in Courchevel, Vlhová always failed to reach the podium, with a fourth place last season as her best result.

### Marta Bassino

- Marta Bassino won the opening World Cup giant slalom race this season, in Sölden. She can become the first female skier to win back-to-back World Cup races in this discipline since Mikaela Shiffrin in Kronplatz and Maribor in January - February 2019.

- The last time a woman won the first two World Cup giant slalom races of a season was by Viktoria Rebensburg in 2017 (Sölden and Killington).
- The last female skier to win each of the first three World Cup giant slalom events in a season was Tina Maze in 2012/13.
- Already four of the seven Italian winners of a World Cup giant slalom event have won at least once on French snow. Bassino's best result on French snow in this discipline is a seventh place in Courchevel last season.

### Federica Brignone

- **Federica Brignone** won the World Cup giant slalom event in Courchevel last season. Only Mikaela Shiffrin (2) has won multiple World Cup women's giant slalom events in the French ski resort.
- Brignone finished second in the first giant slalom event in this World Cup season. She finished on the podium in four of the last six World Cup giant slalom events.
- Federica Brignone won the Overall and Giant Slalom globes last season. She became the first Italian women to claim the Overall globe.

### Other contenders

- The last female skier to win two World Cup giant slalom events in one weekend was Mikaela Shiffrin, when she won both World Cup giant slalom events in Semmering in December 2016.
- Brignone and **Alice Robinson** (both 2) were the only female skiers with multiple wins in World Cup giant slalom events last season.
- Robinson (19 years) can become the first woman to win three World Cup giant slalom events before turning 20 since Mateja Svet in 1988 (4 wins as teenager).
- Robinson can become the second alpine skier representing New Zealand to win at least three World Cup events, after Claudia Riegler (4, all slalom).
- **Wendy Holdener** recorded her first podium finish in this discipline in Courchevel last season when she finished third.
- The last Swiss skier to win a World Cup women's giant slalom event was Lara Gut-Behrami in Sölden on 22 October 2016.
- **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.
- Worley last won a giant slalom event in the World Cup on 27 October 2018 in Sölden.
- Worley never won on home snow in this event. The last French female skier to win a giant slalom World Cup event on French snow was Carole Merle in Morzine on 27 January 1992.

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