

PREVIEW MEN'S SLALOM ADELBODEN – Sunday 10 Jan 2021

Henrik Kristoffersen

- Henrik Kristoffersen won the World Cup slalom event in Madonna di Campiglio this season.
- Kristoffersen has won 10 World Cup slalom events in January, more than half of his total 18.
- Only Ingemar Stenmark (40), Alberto Tomba (35) and Marcel Hirscher (32) have won more World Cup slalom events than Kristoffersen (18).
- Kristoffersen has won slalom World Cup events in seven different years. Stenmark (13), Tomba (12), Hirscher (10), Ivica Kostelic (8) and Mario Matt (8) are the only men to have won a slalom in more years.
- Kristoffersen has won the Adelboden slalom twice in the World Cup (2016 and 2017). Hirscher is the only other man to have multiple slalom wins in the Swiss city (5).

Manuel Feller

- Manuel Feller is leading the World Cup slalom standings this season.
- Feller hopes to win a World Cup slalom race for the first time. He finished runner up on four occasions and claimed one third-place finish.
- Last season, Austria failed to win a single men's slalom event for the first time since the 1991/92 season. The last Austrian other than Marcel Hirscher to win a men's slalom in the World Cup was Michael Matt in Kranjska Gora on 5 March 2017.
- Austrian men have won eight World Cup slalom events in Adelboden. They only won more slalom events in Kitzbühel (14), Schladming (13), Kranjska Gora (9) and Wengen (9).
- Austria's eight World Cup slalom wins in Adelboden are almost as many as all other countries combined (10).

Linus Straßer

- Linus Straßer won the World Cup slalom event in Zagreb on 6 January. It was his first podium finish in a slalom, and his second World Cup victory after the city event in Stockholm in January 2017.
- Straßer can become the fourth German skier (including West Germany) to win multiple slalom World Cup events, after Felix Neureuther (11), Armin Bittner (7) and Christian Neureuther (6).
- Felix Neureuther was the most recent German man to win multiple World Cup slalom events in a single season: two in 2014/15.
- The last German skier to win back-to-back World Cup slalom events was Bittner, when he won in Kranjska Gora and Schladming in January 1990.
- No German skier has ever won a World Cup slalom in Adelboden. Its best result here was a second place for Fritz Dopfer on 11 January 2015.

Other contenders

- **Marco Schwarz** finished third in Zagreb on 6 January. He has claimed seven World Cup podiums in the slalom without ever winning. Only Paolo De Chiesa (12) and Hubert Strolz (7) have as many men's slalom podiums without a victory.
- **Daniel Yule** won the slalom World Cup event in Adelboden last year. The previous two winners here each won two seasons in a row: Marcel Hirscher (2017/18, 2018/19) and Henrik Kristoffersen (2015/16, 2016/17).
- Yule (2020) and Marc Berthod (2007) are the only Swiss men to have won a World Cup slalom in Adelboden.
- **Alexis Pinturault** has won three World Cup slalom events and claimed eight podium finishes. His only podium finish in a slalom on Swiss snow was a victory in Wengen on 19 January 2014.
- **Sebastian Foss Solevaag** finished second in Madonna di Campiglio. The last Norwegian man other than Henrik Kristoffersen to win a World Cup slalom was Truls Ove Karlsen in Kranjska Gora in February 2004.
- **Alex Vinatzer** can become the first Italian man to win a World Cup slalom race since Manfred Mölgg was victorious in Zagreb on 5 January 2017.
- Coming into the events in Adelboden this week, **Dave Ryding** could become the first skier from Great Britain, male or female, to win a World Cup event.
- **Clément Noël** has won six World Cup slalom races, most recently in Chamonix on 8 February 2020.
- Only Jean Noël Augert (13), Patrick Russel (9), and Jean-Baptiste Grange (8) have won more World Cup slalom races among French male skiers.
- **Michael Matt** (1) and his older brother **Mario Matt** (3) are the only Austrian skiers other than Hirscher to have won a men's slalom event in the World Cup since the start of 2010/11.

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