

## PREVIEW WOMEN'S GIANT SLALOM LENZERHEIDE – Sunday 21 Mar 2021

### Overall crystal globe

- Petra Vlhová and Lara Gut-Behrami are battling for the overall crystal globe at the World Cup Finals. The overall could have been decided in the slalom event on 20 March.
- Vlhová can become the first skier representing Slovakia, male or female, to win the overall crystal globe.
- Slovakia can become the 15th country to win the overall crystal globe on the men's or women's side (West-Germany and Germany are counted as separate countries).
- The last new country to win the overall crystal globe was Slovenia when Tina Maze won the women's overall in 2012/13.
- Gut-Behrami won the overall World Cup in 2015/16. She could join Vreni Schneider (3), Erika Hess (2), Maria Walliser (2) and Michela Figini (2) as Swiss women on multiple overall wins.
- Switzerland has won the women's overall 12 times, only trailing Austria (17) for most.

### Marta Bassino

- Marta Bassino has already secured this season's giant slalom crystal globe. She joined Deborah Compagnoni (1996/97), Denise Karbon (2007/08) and Federica Brignone (2019/20) as Italian women to have won the giant slalom crystal globe.
- Bassino (4) is the only woman to have won multiple giant slalom events this World Cup season.
- Bassino can become the first woman to win more than four giant slalom events in a World Cup season since Tina Maze (5) in 2012/13.
- The only Italian woman to claim at least five World Cup wins in the giant slalom in one season is Denise Karbon (5) in 2007/08.

### Tessa Worley

- Tessa Worley has claimed 14 World Cup wins in the giant slalom, ranking her in third place among women alongside Anita Wachter, Lise-Marie Morerod, Tina Maze and Viktoria Rebensburg (all 14). Only Vreni Schneider (20) and Annemarie Moser-Pröll (16) have won more.
- Worley has claimed 32 World Cup podiums in the giant slalom. Among women, only Schneider (46), Anita Wachter (45) and Rebensburg (34) have collected more.
- Worley has won three World Cup giant slalom events in Switzerland, including in Lenzerheide on 27 January 2018 (most recent in Switzerland). Among women, only Tina Maze (3) and Moser-Pröll (3) have won as many on Swiss snow.

## Federica Brignone

- Coming into Lenzerheide, Federica Brignone (16) and Deborah Compagnoni (16) share the record for most World Cup wins among Italian women (all disciplines).
- Brignone has won seven giant slalom events in the World Cup, only trailing Compagnoni (13) for most among Italian women. Brignone's last World Cup giant slalom win came in Sestriere on 18 January 2020 (shared win with Petra Vlhová).
- Brignone has claimed a World Cup victory in the giant slalom in each of the previous five seasons (2015/16 to 2019/20). Her best result this season is a second place, achieved in both Sölden and Courchevel.
- Brignone can become the first woman to win a giant slalom event in six successive World Cup seasons.

## Other contenders

- **Lara Gut-Behrami** won the women's giant slalom at the world championships in Cortina d'Ampezzo last month. It was her first world-level victory in this discipline since a World Cup win in Sölden on 22 October 2016.
- Gut-Behrami's win in Sölden on 22 October 2016 is the last World Cup giant slalom win by a Swiss woman.
- Earlier this season, **Michelle Gisin** achieved her first World Cup career win by winning the slalom event in Semmering on 29 December. She can become the first Swiss woman to win both a slalom and giant slalom event in a World Cup season since Sonja Nef in 2000/01.
- The last Swiss woman to win a World Cup giant slalom on home snow was Vreni Schneider who claimed two wins in Schwarzenberg in January 1989.
- **Petra Vlhová** won the most recent women's giant slalom event in the World Cup, in Jasná on 7 March. She can win consecutive World Cup giant slalom events for the second time, after wins in Maribor (shared win with Shiffrin) and Špindleruv Mlýn from February to March 2019.
- **Katharina Liensberger** collected the bronze medal in the giant slalom at the world championships in Cortina d'Ampezzo last month. The last Austrian woman to win a World Cup giant slalom event was Eva-Maria Brem in Jasná on 7 March 2016.
- Liensberger can become the first Austrian woman to win a slalom and giant slalom event in one World Cup season since Kathrin Zettel in 2009/10.
- **Alice Robinson** finished second in the most recent giant slalom event in the World Cup, in Jasná on 7 March. She has now claimed four World Cup podiums in the giant slalom: two wins and two second places.
- Robinson (19 years) can become the first woman to claim three World Cup giant slalom wins before turning 20 years old since Mateja Svet in the late 1980s.

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