

PREVIEW MEN'S SLALOM LENZERHEIDE – Sunday 21 Mar 2021

Marco Schwarz

- Marco Schwarz has already secured the slalom World Cup, the first crystal globe in his career. Austria won the men's slalom globe for a record-extending 16th time.
- Schwarz finished on the podium in seven of the 10 slalom events this World Cup season, including wins in Adelboden and Schladming. No other man has claimed more than four slalom podiums this season.
- This century, only two men claimed at least eight slalom podiums in a single World Cup season: Marcel Hirscher (2012/13, 2015/16, 2017/18, 2018/19) and Henrik Kristoffersen (2015/16, 2017/18).
- Schwarz can become the first Austrian man other than Hirscher to win more than two slalom events in a World Cup season since Reinfried Herbst (4) in 2009/10.

Clément Noël

- Clément Noël has won two of the last three slalom events held in the men's World Cup, in Chamonix on 30 January and in Kranjska Gora on 14 March.
- Noël could claim back-to-back slalom wins in the World Cup for the second time, after January 2019 (Wengen, Kitzbühel).
- Noël has won eight World Cup slalom events, ranking him in joint-third place among Frenchmen alongside Jean-Baptiste Grange. Only Jean Noël Augert (13) and Patrick Russel (9) have claimed more.
- In the last two seasons, Noël claimed more than two World Cup wins in the slalom: three in 2018/19 and three in 2019/20.

Ramon Zenhäusern

- Ramon Zenhäusern finished on the podium in each of the last three slalom events in the World Cup: two second places in Chamonix and a third place in Kranjska Gora.
- No other Swiss man ever recorded a slalom podium run of more than two in the World Cup.
- Zenhäusern has won two slalom events in the World Cup: in Kranjska Gora on 10 March 2019 and in Alta Badia on 21 December 2020. Only Daniel Yule (4) has won more World Cup slalom events among Swiss men.
- Zenhäusern can become the fifth Swiss man to win a World Cup slalom event on home snow, after Dumeng Giovanoli (Wengen, 1967/68), Joel Gaspoz (Wengen, 1986/87), Marc Berthod (Adelboden, 2006/07) and Yule (Adelboden, 2019/20).

Other contenders

- **Alexis Pinturault** and **Marco Odermatt** are battling for the overall crystal globe at the World Cup Finals in Lenzerheide. Pinturault claimed two

- slalom podiums this World Cup season: third in Flachau and Schladming. Odermatt has never competed in a World Cup slalom event. **NOTE:** the overall could have already been decided in the giant slalom on 20 March.
- Pinturault is hoping to become the third Frenchman to win the overall globe, after Jean-Claude Killy (1966/67, 1967/68) and Luc Alphand (1996/97).
 - Odermatt could join Peter Lüscher (1978/79), Pirmin Zurbriggen (1983/84, 1986/87, 1987/88, 1989/90), Paul Accola (1991/92) and Carlo Janka (2009/10) as Swiss winners of the men's overall.
 - This season, **Sebastian Foss Solevåg** achieved his first career slalom wins at world level. He won the World Cup race in Flachau on 17 January and a gold medal at the world championships in Cortina d'Ampezzo.
 - Solevåg can become the fourth Norwegian man to claim multiple World Cup slalom wins in a single season, after Ole Christian Furuseth (1990/91), Finn Christian Jagge (1998/99) and Henrik Kristoffersen (2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2019/20 and 2020/21).
 - **Henrik Kristoffersen** has won 19 World Cup slalom events, ranking him fourth all-time among men behind Ingemar Stenmark (40), Alberto Tomba (35) and Marcel Hirscher (32).
 - Kristoffersen claimed four World Cup slalom wins in Switzerland. Only Marcel Hirscher (7), Ingemar Stenmark (5) and Ivica Kostelic (5) have won more men's World Cup slalom events on Swiss snow.
 - Kristoffersen collected 11 World Cup podiums in slalom events held in Switzerland, most for him in a single country. The Norwegian has only won more World Cup slaloms in Austria (6) than in Switzerland (4).
 - **Linus Straßer** can become the first German man to win multiple World Cup slalom events in a single season since Felix Neureuther (2) in 2014/15.
 - **Adrian Pertl** collected the silver medal in the slalom at the world championships in Cortina d'Ampezzo last month. It was only his second slalom podium at world level, after a third place in the Chamonix World Cup in 2020.
 - **Alex Vinatzer** is hoping to become the first Italian man to win a World Cup slalom event since Manfred Mölgg in Zagreb on 5 January 2017.
 - **Dave Ryding** could become the first skier from Great Britain, male or female, to claim a World Cup win in any discipline.
 - This season, seven different skiers have claimed a World Cup win in the slalom. Only in 1985/86 (9) and 1999/2000 (9) at least eight different male skiers won a World Cup slalom.

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