

Preview 2021/2022 World Cup - Men

Alexis Pinturault

- Alexis Pinturault won the overall crystal globe for the first time in the 2020/21 season. He had finished in the top-three of the overall standings in five previous seasons.
- Pinturault became the third Frenchman to win the overall globe, after Jean-Claude Killy (1966/67, 1967/68) and Luc Alphand (1996/97).
- Since the turn of the century (2000), three male skiers successfully defended their overall crystal globe: Hermann Maier (1999/2000-2000/01), Stephan Eberharter (2001/02-2002/03) and Marcel Hirscher (8 in a row, 2011/12-2018/19).
- Pinturault also secured the giant slalom crystal globe in the 2020/21 World Cup. He became the fourth Frenchman to win this globe, after Killy (1966/67, 1967/68), Patrick Russel (shared win in 1970/71) and Frederic Covili (2001/02).
- Pinturault has won 34 World Cup events, ranking him in ninth place on the all-time men's list. Aksel Lund Svindal and Benjamin Raich (36 wins each) share seventh place.
- Pinturault can become the second male skier to win a World Cup event in 11 successive seasons, after Alberto Tomba from 1987/88 to 1997/98.

Beat Feuz

- Beat Feuz won the downhill crystal globe in each of the last four World Cup seasons. He became the second male skier to win four successive downhill globes, after Franz Klammer from 1974/75 to 1977/78.
- Feuz can become the third man to win a specific crystal globe in at least five successive seasons, after Marcel Hirscher (8 in overall, 5 in giant slalom) and Ingemar Stenmark (7 in giant slalom, 7 in slalom)
- Only Klammer (5) and Didier Cuche (4) have won the men's downhill globe as many times as Feuz (4).
- Feuz (40) is one shy of equalling the men's record for most World Cup podiums in the downhill, held by Klammer and Peter Müller (both 41).

Aleksander Aamodt Kilde

- Aleksander Aamodt Kilde has won two World Cup standings: the super-G in 2015/16 and the overall in 2019/20. He had to cut the 2020/21 World Cup season short after suffering a knee injury in training in January 2021.
- Kilde could join Lasse Kjus (1995/96, 1998/99) and Aksel Lund Svindal (2006/07, 2008/09) as the only Norwegian men to win the overall globe multiple times. Svindal missed the majority of the season in-between his two overall globe wins due to a major crash.
- Kilde has won six World Cup events, three in the super-G and three in the downhill.

Miscellaneous

- **Marco Odermatt** finished in second place in the overall, super-G and giant slalom standings in the 2020/21 World Cup, his best placings in a season standings.
- 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.
- Swiss skiers have won the men's giant slalom globe 11 times, only trailing Austrian skiers (15) for most. Didier Cuche was in 2008/09 the most recent Swiss man to win the giant slalom standings.
- **Dominik Paris** is hoping to become the second Italian man to win the downhill crystal globe, after Peter Fill (2015/16, 2016/17). Paris already claimed the super-G crystal globe, in 2018/19.
- Paris has claimed 15 World Cup victories in the downhill, ranking him in joint-fourth place alongside Franz Heinzer and Hermann Maier (both 15). Stephan Eberharter (18) is in third place.
- **Vincent Kriechmayr** won the super-G crystal globe in the 2020/21 World Cup, after having recorded a second place in this standings in each of the previous three seasons.
- Kriechmayr can become the third Austrian man to win the super-G globe in successive seasons, after Maier (4 in a row, 1997/98-2000/01) and Eberharter (2001/02-2002/03).
- Kriechmayr completed the speed double at the 2021 World Championships in Cortina d'Ampezzo. He became the third male skier to achieve this after Maier (1999) and Bode Miller (2005).
- **Marco Schwarz** claimed the slalom crystal globe in the 2020/21 World Cup. It marked a record-extending 16th win for Austria in this globe, and the seventh in the last 10 years (6 by Hirscher).
- The most recent man, other than Hirscher, to successfully defend the slalom globe was Thomas Sykora in 1996/97 and 1997/98.
- **Henrik Kristoffersen** is one of three male skiers to have claimed at least one World Cup win in each of the last eight seasons, alongside Alexis Pinturault (last 10 seasons) and Paris (last nine seasons).

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