

PREVIEW WOMEN'S GIANT SLALOM LIENZ – Tuesday 28 Dec 2021

Sara Hector

- Sara Hector won the most recent World Cup giant slalom event, in Courchevel on 22 December. It was her second win in a World Cup event, after a giant slalom victory in Kühtai on 28 December 2014.
- Hector can become the second Swedish woman to win consecutive World Cup giant slalom events, after Anja Pärson (three in a row in 2003, five in a row in 2004).
- Sweden's only World Cup giant slalom win in Lienz was achieved by Pärson on 28 December 2005.
- The most recent Swedish woman to record a top-three finish in the Lienz giant slalom in the World Cup was Jessica Lindell Vikarby, who finished second on 28 December 2013.

Other contenders

- **Federica Brignone** won the World Cup giant slalom in Lienz on 29 December 2017. Brignone could join Anna Veith (2) as only women who won multiple World Cup giant slalom events in Lienz.
- **Marta Bassino**, last season's winner of the giant slalom crystal globe, claimed third place in the most recent World Cup giant slalom event in Courchevel on 22 December. She recorded a DNF in both of the opening two giant slalom events this season.
- Bassino finished second in the most recent World Cup giant slalom event held in Lienz on 28 December 2019.
- **Petra Vlhová** finished respectively third, fourth and fifth in the opening three World Cup giant slalom events this season. Vlhová won five World Cup giant slalom events, most recently in Jasná on 7 March 2021.
- **Tessa Worley** (14) can become the third woman to claim 15 World Cup wins in the giant slalom, after Vreni Schneider (20) and Annemarie Moser-Pröll (16). Mikaela Shiffrin (14) could also achieve this.
- Worley's only World Cup podium finish in Lienz was a third place on 28 December 2011.
- **Lara Gut-Behrami**, the 2021 world champion in giant slalom, last won a World Cup giant slalom event on 22 October 2016 in Sölden. That victory also marks the last World Cup giant slalom win by a Swiss woman.
- **Katharina Liensberger** is the most recent Austrian woman to finish on a World Cup giant slalom podium: third in Lienz on 28 December 2019.
- Austria's last World Cup win in the giant slalom was achieved by Eva-Maria Brem in Jasná on 7 March 2016. Anna Veith is the last Austrian woman to claim a World Cup giant slalom win on Austrian snow (2014 Sölden) and in Lienz (2013).

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