

## PREVIEW WOMEN'S DOWNHILL COURCHEVEL – Wednesday 16 Mar 2022

### Downhill crystal globe

- Sofia Goggia (482 points) or Corinne Suter (407) will win this season's downhill crystal globe.
- Goggia previously won the downhill globe in 2017/18 and 2020/21. She could become the first woman since Lindsey Vonn (2014/15-2015/16) to claim the downhill crystal globe in successive seasons.
- Goggia could join Vonn (8), Annemarie Moser-Pröll (7), Renate Götschl (5), Katja Seizinger (4) and Michela Figini (4) as women to win the downhill crystal globe more than twice.
- Suter could claim her second crystal globe in the downhill, after 2019/20. She can become the fourth woman to hold the Olympic title (2022), world title (2021) and crystal globe in the downhill at the same time, after Olga Pall (1968), Michela Figini (1984-1985) and Lindsey Vonn (2009-2010).  
**NOTE:** Pall's win at the 1968 Winter Games also counted as a world title.

### Sofia Goggia

- Sofia Goggia won eight of the last 11 World Cup downhill events she participated in. The exceptions came in Zauchensee (DNF) on 15 January and in Crans-Montana (12th, 3rd) on 26 and 27 February.
- Goggia has equalled Isolde Kostner (both 12) on most World Cup downhill victories among Italian women. On the all-time women's list for most World Cup wins in this discipline, Goggia (12) is one shy of equalling Marie-Theres Nadig (13) in seventh place.
- Goggia (4) can become the first woman to claim more than four World Cup downhill wins in a single season since Lindsey Vonn (5 in 2015/16).
- Goggia won the two most recent World Cup downhill events held in France, in Val d'Isère on 19 December 2020 and 18 December 2021.

### Corinne Suter

- Corinne Suter claimed two major downhill wins this season, the World Cup event in Garmisch-Partenkirchen and at the Winter Games in Beijing.
- Suter is the only woman to have finished in the top-10 in all eight World Cup downhill events this season. The last woman to collect more than eight top-10 finishes in World Cup downhill events in a single season was Lindsey Vonn (9 in 2007/08).
- The most recent Swiss woman to win the downhill at the World Cup Finals was Lara Gut-Behrami in Lenzerheide in 2014.

## Other contenders

- **Mikaela Shiffrin** (1,245 points) and **Petra Vlhová** (1,189) are battling for this season's overall World Cup. Federica Brignone (931) and Sofia Goggia (851) could mathematically also still win the overall globe.
- The last five overall crystal globes were won by the current top-three in the standings: Shiffrin (2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19), Brignone (2019/20) and Vlhová (2020/21).
- Shiffrin (3) could become the third woman to win the overall crystal globe more than three times, after Annemarie Moser-Pröll (6) and Lindsey Vonn (4).
- Shiffrin finished on five downhill podiums in the World Cup, but not since her win in Bansko on 24 January 2020. This season, Shiffrin finished 26th and 38th in her World Cup downhill participations (both in Lake Louise).
- Vlhová's best World Cup result in the downhill is fourth, in Crans-Montana on 21 February 2020 and 22 January 2021.
- **Lara Gut-Behrami** is level with Sofia Goggia and Isolde Kostner (all 12) in eighth place on the women's list for most World Cup downhill wins. Marie-Theres Nadig (13) is seventh.
- One of Gut-Behrami's World Cup downhill wins came at the World Cup Finals, in Lenzerheide in 2014.
- **Ester Ledecká** finished on the podium in each of her last three World Cup downhill participations. The Czech claimed three podiums in her first 34 downhill participations in the World Cup.
- **Ragnhild Mowinckel** finished second in the Crans-Montana downhill on 26 February, her first World Cup podium in this discipline. A Norwegian woman has yet to claim a World Cup victory in the downhill.
- Both of **Mirjam Puchner's** World Cup victories came in the downhill at the World Cup Finals, in St. Moritz in 2016 and in Soldeu in 2019.
- **Nadia Delago** won the bronze medal in the women's downhill at the Olympic Winter Games in Beijing. The Italian has yet to reach a World Cup downhill podium, with her best result a fourth place in Zauchensee on 15 January 2022. Sister Nicol Delago achieved two World Cup downhill podiums, second places in Val Gardena (2018) and Zauchensee (2020).
- The most recent Italian woman other than Sofia Goggia to win a World Cup downhill event was **Elena Curtoni** in Bansko on 25 January 2020.
- **Kira Weidle** took fourth in the Olympic downhill race in Beijing, finishing 14 hundredths of a second behind bronze medallist Nadia Delago. The German claimed four World Cup downhill podiums, but has yet to win one.
- The last **German woman** to win a World Cup event in any discipline is Viktoria Rebensburg, who won the downhill in Garmisch-Partenkirchen on 8 February 2020.

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