

PREVIEW MEN'S INDIVIDUAL - SKI FLYING – 19-20 Mar 2022

Marius Lindvik

- Marius Lindvik won the individual world title in ski flying in Vikersund last week (11-12 March). Timi Zajc (silver) and Stefan Kraft (bronze) completed the podium.
- Lindvik became the third male ski jumper to claim the Olympic title in the individual large hill event and the ski flying world title in the same year. Kazuyoshi Funaki (1998) and Simon Ammann (2010) preceded him.
- Lindvik's best result in an individual ski flying World Cup event is a 10th place in Tauplitz/Bad Mitterndorf in February 2020.
- Lindvik could become the first Norwegian male ski jumper to win an individual ski flying World Cup event since Robert Johansson in Vikersund on 18 March 2018.
- Lindvik could become the third Norwegian male ski jumper to win an individual ski flying World Cup event in Oberstdorf, after Roar Ljøkelsøy (2004) and Anders Jacobsen (2010).

Ryoyu Kobayashi

- Ryoyu Kobayashi leads this season's overall World Cup standings on 1,478 points, 58 points ahead of Karl Geiger (1,420).
- Kobayashi (27) is one shy of equalling Martin Schmitt (28) in seventh place on the men's list for most individual World Cup wins.
- Kobayashi came only 13th in the individual event at the ski flying world championships in Vikersund.
- Kobayashi has celebrated three World Cup victories in individual ski flying events, including one in Oberstdorf (2 February 2019).
- Kobayashi won the ski flying World Cup in 2018/19. He became the first Japanese male ski jumper to win this specific World Cup.

Karl Geiger

- Karl Geiger won last season's ski flying World Cup. The only German ski jumpers to have won it twice are Sven Hannawald (1997/98, 1999/2000) and Martin Schmitt (1998/99, 2000/01).
- Geiger won the last two individual ski flying events held in the World Cup: in Planica in March 2021. Those marked his first wins in individual ski flying World Cup events.
- The last male ski jumper to achieve a winning streak of three in individual ski flying World Cup events is Peter Prevc: three from February-March 2016 (2 wins in Vikersund, 1 in Planica).
- The three German male ski jumpers to win an individual ski flying World Cup events in Oberstdorf are Hannawald (January 1998), Schmitt (March 2001) and Richard Freitag (February 2013).

- Geiger finished on the podium of individual World Cup events 11 times this season, joint-most with Ryoyu Kobayashi. The last German man to claim more individual podium finishes in a season was Andreas Wellinger (12 in 2016/17).

Other contenders

- **Peter Prevc** topped the ski flying World Cup standings three times (2013/14-2015/16), currently sharing the all-time record with Gregor Schlierenzauer (2008/09, 2010/11, 2012/13).
- Only Schlierenzauer (14) has won as many individual ski flying World Cup events as Peter Prevc (7).
- The last victory by Peter Prevc in an individual ski flying World Cup event dates back to 20 March 2016, when he triumphed in Planica.
- **Stefan Kraft** (24) can become the 10th male ski jumper to reach at least 25 individual World Cup victories. Peter Prevc (23) could also achieve this in Oberstdorf.
- Kraft (2016/17, 2019/20) could equal Prevc and Schlierenzauer (both 3) on most overall wins in the ski flying World Cup.
- Kraft won two individual ski flying World Cup events in Oberstdorf (4-5 February 2017), joint-most wins alongside Matti Nykänen (1984), Werner Rathmayer (1992) and Martin Koch (2011-2012).
- Kraft still holds the official record for the world's longest jump with 253.5m, set on the ski flying hill in Vikersund on 18 March 2017.
- **Kamil Stoch** is level with Adam Malysz (both 39) in third place on the men's list for most individual World Cup victories. Only Gregor Schlierenzauer (53) and Matti Nykänen (46) have at least 40 wins to their name.
- A Polish ski jumper has never won the ski flying World Cup trophy. Malysz (2nd in 2000/01) and Stoch (joint-second in 2017/18) came closest to the overall victory.
- **Timi Zajc** became the runner-up at the ski flying world championships in Vikersund last week. He has claimed one individual World Cup victory: the ski flying event in Oberstdorf on 1 February 2019.

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