

## Preview Swimming 2018 Budapest

### General

- This is the first time a FINA Swimming World Cup is held in Hungary.
- In 2017, Budapest was the host city of the 2017 FINA World Aquatics Championships.
- The World Cup races will be held in a short course pool, whereas at the World Championships in 2017 the events were held in the long course format.
- Hungary won eight medals at the 2017 World Championships in swimming, including two gold medals, both for Katinka Hosszú in the women's 200 and 400 individual medleys.

### Women

- Katinka Hosszú has won 16 individual women's events in the 2018 World Cup, two more than Sarah Sjöström.
- Hosszú won the 200m and 400 individual medleys at each of the three meets this World Cup season (LC in Kazan and Doha, and SC in Eindhoven).
- Hosszú has won 63 of the last 65 women's individual medley races at the World Cup. The only other female swimmer to win an individual medley event at the World Cup was Spain's Mireia Belmonte.
- Sarah Sjöström has won eight of the last nine women's 100m freestyle races in the World Cup, including all three in 2018.
- Sjöström finished second behind Cate Campbell at the World Cup in Singapore in November 2017.
- Sjöström has won 12 World Cup races in the women's 100m freestyle in total, joint-most in this century together with Jeanette Ottesen (12) and Martina Moravcova (12).
- Sjöström swam world records in the women's 100m freestyle (opening leg of the relay event) and 50m freestyle (semifinals) (both long course) in Budapest at the World Championships in 2017. She has two world records in short course, in the women's 100m butterfly and the women's 200m freestyle.
- Sjöström has won the women's 100m butterfly event at each of the last seven World Cup meets.
- Hosszú and Kira Toussaint have each won three backstroke events in this year's World Cup, but both have won these in the long course meets in Kazan and Doha.
- Kathleen Baker won the women's 100m and 200m backstroke short course in Eindhoven, while Etiene Medeiros claimed the 50m backstroke in the Netherlands.
- The last US women to win more than two World Cup races in a single year were Molly Hannis (breaststroke events) and Felicia Lee (butterfly events), both in 2015.
- In 2011, Missy Franklin (4) was the last US woman to win more than four World Cup races in backstroke events in a single year.
- Yuliya Efimova won seven of the nine women's breaststroke events in the World Cup in 2018. She won eight breaststroke events in 2007. Alia Atkinson won 13 breaststroke events in 2017.

### Men

- Nicholas Santos (38 years old) became the oldest winner of a World Cup race in this century when he won the men's 50m butterfly in Eindhoven on 30 September. He surpassed Lars Frölander who was 36 when he won the 100m butterfly in Stockholm in 2010.
- Chad Le Clos has won 96 men's butterfly races in the World Cup, most of all swimmers in a specific stroke in this century.
- Mitch Larkin has won nine World Cup races this season, one more than his previous best campaign of eight wins in 2016. The best performance by a male Australian swimmer in individual events this century is 14 by Thomas Fraser-Holmes in 2014.
- Vladimir Morozov has claimed 14 medals in the three meets this year. He holds the record for most podium finishes in a World Cup season - 37 in 2016.

- Morozov (50.26) swam a short course world record in the men's 100m individual medley in Eindhoven on 28 September.
- Michael Andrew (13 medals) is the only man to have finished on the podium in all four strokes in this year's World Cup - freestyle (2), butterfly (4), backstroke (4), breaststroke (2). He also won one medal in the 100m individual medley.
- Blake Pieroni has won 10 medals in men's freestyle events in 2018, including three wins in the men's 200m freestyle. In 2017 Chad Le Clos won the men's 200m freestyle four times.
- The last US man to win the 200m freestyle more than three times in a season was Darian Townsend in 2012 (4).

#### **Mixed**

- Netherlands has won all six mixed relays in this year's World Cup.
- Femke Heemskerk formed part of five of these gold medal winning relays.
- In 2017, Netherlands won eight mixed relays. Australia (5), Russia (2) and China (1) won the other relay medals.