



## Val di Fassa, the Italian team's stepping stone to the Cortina World Championships

The Italian hopes for the medals pass through the Val di Fassa. The Italian ski team, in particular the athletes taking part in the technical competitions, is currently refining the training in view of the World Championships in Cortina, on the tried-and-tested slope Aloch, that has been hosting the training sessions of the Italian Team for years, thanks to the project "Piste Azzurre".

An important support for the Italian National Team, which can count on the hospitality offered by a top quality ski resort, in addition to the possibility of doing profitable training sessions in total tranquillity, with dedicated tracks, ideal to simulate the races.

The first to arrive in Val di Fassa, last Sunday, have been the slalom skiers Irene Curtoni, Lara Della Mea, Martina Peterlini and Anita Gulli, reached on the following day by Alex Vinatzer (who on the Aloch itself won the Junior World Championships in 2019), Manfred Moelgg and Giuliano Razzoli. With them, the "master of the house" Stefano Gross, who has grown up on the Aloch, next to his house. The two groups are guided by the coaches Matteo Guadagnini and Jaques Theolier.

The ladies will stay in Pozza di Fassa until February 15th, the men until Thursday, 11th February. Together with the World Cup athletes, also the athletes of the junior team take part in the training scheduled until next Friday, namely Tommaso Saccardi, Manuel Ploner and Filippo Della Vite, who will soon make his debut in a World Ski Championships. With them, finally, there are also the Europe Cup giant slalom skiers Asia Zenere and Ilaria Ghisalberty, who will be here until next Friday. They all have the possibility to train at their best here, while the mountain lift company Val di Fassa – Carezza eagerly awaits the decisions of the government for what concerns the reopening of the ski lifts.



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