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## IFSC CLIMBING WORLD CUPS CHONGQING & WUJIANG 2019

# CHINA TOUR 2019: CLIMBING IN THE LAND OF THE RISING SUN

With the IFSC season in full swing we head to China for some boulder and speed competitions. We'll start first in Chongqing April 26-28 and a week later in Wujiang May 3-5.

### Speed Starting Blocks

With only one speed competition under their belts, this weekend athletes are anxious to hit the wall again in a display of precision and speed. Following an exciting contest in Moscow we saw a very strong performance from Bassa MAWEM (FRA), the 2018 Men's Speed Champion, as he duelled with the local favourite Vladislav DEULIN (RUS), who finished 10<sup>th</sup> following the 2018 season. Aspar JAELOLO (INA) trailed right behind with a 3<sup>rd</sup> place finish but was eager to do better. After finishing 6<sup>th</sup> overall in 2018 he is looking to improve his worldwide ranking by making his way up the wall.

YiLing SONG (CHN) is also making a name for herself after finishing in 16<sup>th</sup> last year she has come back with more determination than before. With 4 impressive times in Moscow, including one of her personal best times of 7.389 seconds in the finals, she easily captured the gold ahead of Anouck JAUBERT (FRA). What also makes her an interesting candidate to keep an eye on her bouldering results, placing 4<sup>th</sup> in her most recent Hong Kong Asian Cup. We will see what she can do with this strong momentum and home court advantage.

### Best of Bouldering

Already with a 1<sup>st</sup> place finish in Meiringen and a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in Moscow, Adam ONDRA (CZE) is showing his strength and focus as he makes his way

to qualify for the Olympics. With an already impressive record in Lead, Adam has upped his game to include some bouldering and especially speed climbing into his repertoire. Finishing in 2<sup>nd</sup> overall at the IFSC Combined event in Innsbruck last year we have seen some improvements within his bouldering discipline. But after missing the Meiringen Finals, the 2018 Boulder winner, Jernej KRUDER (SLO) demonstrated both his strength and willingness to continue to dominate the Boulder rankings with a Gold medal in Moscow.

His compatriot, Janja GARNBRET, will certainly have her crosshairs on her third consecutive Gold medal this season; however, the task won't be easy with Shauna COXSEY (GBR) who is back to the top, Fanny GIBERT (FRA) who was very impressive during the past two competitions and other thirsty young climbers such as Lucka RAKOVEC (SLO), Futaba ITO (JPN), Emily PHILLIPS (GBR) or Oceania MACKENZIE (AUS) who have all challenged even the best climbers pushing each other into the finals.

### Live Streaming

Tune-in to the IFSC homepage on to watch the live streaming of semi-finals and finals:

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All starters, results, replays and more can be found on the dedicated event pages. For the complete 2019 IFSC Climbing World Cup calendar, please click [here](#). Don't forget to chat with us on Twitter during the event, by using the hashtag [#IFSCwc!](#)

## IFSC WORLD CUP (B,S) CHONGQING (CHN)

Provisional Program (GMT +8)

Friday, 26<sup>th</sup>

12:45-15:15 Speed Qualifications

19:00-20:00 Speed Finals (Live)

After Awards ceremony for Speed

Saturday, 27<sup>th</sup>

10:00-15:00 Bouldering Qualifications (Men)

16:30-20:00 Bouldering Qualifications (Women)

Sunday, 28<sup>th</sup>

9:30-11:45 Bouldering Semi-Finals (live)

17:00-20:00 Bouldering Finals (live)

After award ceremony

## IFSC WOLD CUP (B,S) WUJIANG (CHN)

Provisional Program (GMT +8)

Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>

12:45-15:15 Speed Qualifications

19:00-20:00 Speed Finals (Live)

After Award Ceremony for Speed

Saturday, May 4<sup>th</sup>

10:00-13:30 Bouldering Qualifications (Women)

15:00-20:00 Bouldering Qualifications (Men)

Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>

9:30-11:45 Bouldering Semi-Finals (Live)

17:00-20:00 Bouldering Finals (Live)

After Award Ceremony

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