

Australia: 10 facts on the Sochi 2014 Paralympics

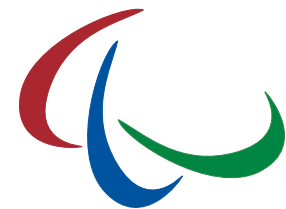
Better known for its sunny beaches, Australia will be heading to the slopes with a strong team.

- Australia has won all its 28 medals (G11-S6-B11) in one sport, Alpine Skiing, a record for all NPCs that have won medals in only one sport.
- 27 of Australia's total 28 medals have been won in men's events. Jessica Gallagher is the only woman to have won a medal, in alpine skiing's slalom visually impaired in 2010.
- Michael Milton has won six gold medals and 11 in total as Australia's most successful Winter Paralympian.
- Australia's last gold medal came in 2002, when it won six golds, their best result at the Winter Games.
- Australia will send 11 athletes to the Sochi
- Australia has won 1046 medals at the Summer Games, third on the all-time table behind USA (2067) and Great Britain (1642).
- It has won 150 gold medals and 442 total medals in athletics, its favourite sport in this respect.
- Matthew Cowdrey is Australia's most successful athlete with 12 gold medals and 20 total medals in swimming.
- Australia first participated in the Paralympic Winter Games in 1980.
- It has only competed in alpine skiing at the Paralympic Winter Games.
- You can follow the Australian Paralympic team on Twitter @AUSParalympics and Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/AUSParalympics> .

Athletes:

Alpine skiing

First Name	Last Name	Twitter	Facebook
Andrew	BOR (guide)		
Jessica	GALLAGHER	@JessGallagher86	https://www.facebook.com/athletejessicagallagher?ws&nr
Christian	GEIGER (guide)		
Mitchell	GOURLEY	@mitchgourley	



Toby	KANE	@Toby_Kane	
Victoria	PENDERGAST		
Melissa	PERRINE		
Cameron	RAHLES- RAHBULA		

Snowboard

First Name	Last Name	Twitter	Facebook
Joany	BADENHORST		https://www.facebook.com/joany.bad?ref=ts&fref=ts
Trent	MILTON		
Benjamin Andrew Basil	TUDHOPE		https://www.facebook.com/Ben.Tud?fref=ts

Paralympic Winter Games debut: 1980

Year	1976	1980	1984	1988	1992	1994	1998	2002	2006	2010
Athletes		2	3	5	5	6	4	6	10	11
Gold		0	0	0	1	3	1	6	0	0
Silver		0	0	0	1	2	0	1	1	1
Bronze		0	0	0	2	4	1	0	1	3
Total		0	0	0	4	9	2	7	2	4