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for "Lindsey Vonn: The Climb"



Documenting her remarkable comeback from two devastating injuries, "Lindsey Vonn: The Climb" goes inside the operating room and follows Vonn's race to compete at the 2015 World Championships in Vail, Colorado.

Produced by Red Bull Media House, in association with NFL Films and NBC Olympics, the one-hour film will give viewers an inside look into the past 22 months of Vonn's career.

"Lindsey Vonn: The Climb" chronicles Vonn's journey as she overcame two major knee surgeries, and remarkably returned to the top of the podium at a 2014 World Cup downhill race in Alberta, Canada.

On February 5, 2013, Vonn crashed in a super-G, her first race of the 2013 World Championships in Schladming, Austria. After being airlifted off the mountain to a nearby hospital, doctors discovered that the Olympic champion had suffered complete tears of the MCL and ACL in her right knee, which required season-ending and career-threatening surgery.

Nine months later, with the 2014 Olympic Winter Games in sight, Vonn crashed again during a training run, re-tearing her right ACL, and she ultimately was forced to withdraw from the Sochi Olympics.

"Lindsey Vonn: The Climb" features never-before-seen video of Vonn's second crash. Cameras take viewers into the operating room as renowned orthopedic surgeon Dr. James Andrews repairs the superstar athlete's knee. The film then follows Vonn's physical and emotional struggles as she attempts to return to the top of her sport, while remaining in the spotlight as her sport's biggest star.

Vonn is one of six women to have won World Cup races in all five disciplines of alpine skiing – downhill, super-G, giant slalom, slalom, and super combined – and has won 67 World Cup races in her career through March 2015. The 67 World Cup victories are an all-time women's record, passing Annemarie Moser-Pröll of Austria who had held the record since the 1970s.

With her Olympic gold and bronze medals, two World Championship gold medals in 2009 (plus three silver medals in 2007 and 2011), and four overall World Cup titles, Vonn has become the most successful American ski racer in history.

The one-hour film debuted in the U.S. on Sunday, Jan. 25, 2015 at 3:00 p.m. ET on NBC. Worldwide availability is available through Red Bull TV (<http://www.redbull.tv/videos/AP-1GH81DB191W11/lindsey-vonn-the-climb>).

