

Elena Thomsen-Milakova

WATERSKI CAREER HIGHLIGHTS



**5 times world champion
6 times European champion
18 World and European Medals
16 World and European Records
IWWF Hall of Fame member (2023)**

Elena Thomsen-Milakova was born on 26th of january 1973 in Rybinsk, USSR.

Clubs: Rybinsk Club Ski Nautique (Russie)
Club Nautique de Versoix, Section Ski nautique (Switzerland)

Trainer: Xavi Mill (Spain) 1994-2009
Igor Lichatchev (URSS) 1982-1991

Best performances :

Jump	56.60 meters
Tricks	7550 points
Slalom	2 buoys à 11.25 m. 55km/h
Overall	2854pts
Ski Flying	69.40 mètres

History :

Having grown up in Rybinsk, a military town surrounded by wooden villages and falling just outside the periphery of the greater region of Moscow, Elena has always pursued her ambition.

"Waterskiing plays such a big role in my life. I've been skiing since I was ten. In Russia we ski in a swimming pool during the winter. That's how I started. In my heart I was always competitive and my dream was to be involved in sport at a serious level."

Her goal was to become a World Champion. 14 years later the dream became reality and she won her first World Championship title in Colombia, 1997. She defended her title two years later in Milano.

At the age of 28, Elena is travelling as a professional athlete and has made Switzerland her home since 1991. She spends most of her time doing competitions around the globe and trains in Spain with Xavi Mill, one of the most talented coaches in Europe today.

She takes pride in being an example for the younger generation. Her optimism and fearlessness is well respected by the up-and-coming talent.

She stopped her professional waterski career in 2009 participating in her last European Championship in Copenhagen, Denmark.

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8 World Medals : 5 gold, 2 silver, 1 bronze
 10 Europeans Medals : 6 gold, 4 silver

Titles:

2023 Members of IWWF Waterski Hall of Fame

2007 World Jump Vice-champion
World Overall Bronze Medal
European Overall Vice-champion

Linz, AUT
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 Recetto, ITA

2006 European Jump Bronze Medal
European Overall Bronze Medal

Marathon, GRE
 Marathon, GRE

2002 IWSF Skier of the year
European Trick Champion
European Jump Champion
European Overall Vice-Champion

Roquebrune, FRA
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1st place in Tricks World Elite Ranking List
 2nd place in Jump World Elite Ranking List
 1st place in Jump World Ranking List
 US Master : 1st in Tricks, 1st in Ski flying
 Big Air : 1st in Ski Fly
 Malibu Open : 1st in Tricks, Jump and Overall
 French Masters : 1st in Jump and Overall, 2nd in Tricks
 Danish Open : 1st in Jump

2001 World Jump Champion
World Overall Champion
World Tricks Vice-Champion
European Tricks Champion
European Jump Champion
European Overall Champion

Recetto, ITA
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 Lincoln, GBR
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 Lincoln, GBR

1st place in Tricks World Ranking List
 1st place in Jump World Ranking List
 1st place in Overall World Ranking List
 US Masters : 1st in Tricks
 British Masters : 1st in Overall
 French Masters : 1st in Overall
 Moomba Masters : 1st in Overall

Melbourne, AUS

2000 Knee Injury first half of season
 British Masters : 1st in Tricks
 Italian Masters : 1st in Tricks

1999 World Overall Champion
 US Master : 1st in Jump, 1st in Overall
 Moomba Masters : 1st in Jump

Milan, ITA
 Melbourne, AUS

1998 US Master : 1st in Jump, 2^{ème} in Overall
 Austrian Master : 1st in Jump
 Moscou Open : 1st in Jump

1997 World Overall Champion

Medellin, Colombia,

World Jump Champion
European Jump Champion
 British Masters : 1st in Tricks

Medellin, Colombia.
 Olympia, Greece.

1996 European Bronze Medal in jump, Copenhagen, Danemark.
 1st place in Overall World Ranking List

1995 European Overall Vice-Champion, Bourg-en-Bresse, France
 European Bronze Medal in jump, Broug-en-Bresse
 5th place in jump in World Championnship, Fréjus, France
 1st in Jump at Continental Tour '95, France.
 1st in Overall an tricks, 3rd in jump at Lacanau Ski Classic '95, Lacanau, France

1994 Elena enter in Russian waterski national team.
 Under 21 European Champion in tricks, Avigliana, Italie.

1993 Under 21 European Tricks Champion, Casteldefels, Spain
 Under 21 European Overall Champion, Casteldefels, Spain
 Under 21 European Jump Vice-Champion, Casteldefels, Spain
 Under 21 European Tricks Champion, Casteldefels, Spain

1992 Under 21 European Jump Bronze, Bourg-en-Bresse, France

1991 USSR Overall Vice-Champion.
 Russian Overall Vice-Champion

16 World and European Records :

21.07.2002 Jump World record of 56.60, Malibu Open, California, USA
 (new WR by J.Flatborg 24.08.2010, 57.1)

26.02.2002 Ski flying World Record 69.4m, US Masters, Pine Mountains USA (actual record)

25.02.2002 Ski flying World Record 67.5m., US Masters, Pine Mountains USA

27.07.2001 Jump World Record 55.1m., E&A Champ, Lincoln, GBR

27.07.2001 Jump European Championnship Record 55.1m., E&A Champ, Lincoln, GBR

02.05.2001 Jump World Record 53.3m., McCormick, Florida USA

29.07.2001 Overall World Record 2854pts, E&A Champ, Lincoln, GBR

27.07.2001 Overall World record 2688.5pts, E&A Champ, Lincoln, GBR

02.05.2001 Overall World record 2683pts, McCormick, Florida USA

30.09.2001 Jump World Championship Record 51.1m., Recetto, ITA

28.09.2001 Jump World Championship Record 50.0m., Recetto, ITA

30.09.2001 Overall World Championship Record 2597pts, Recetto, ITA

19.09.1999 Overall World Championship Record 2374pts, Milan, ITA

19.09.1997 Jump World Championship Record 45m., Medellin, COL

30.08.1997 Jump European Record 46.30m., Tockton, GBR

20.06.1997 Jump European Record 45.40m., Lacanau, FRA