## Ligety caps stellar season with win at Squaw

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OLYMPIC VALLEY – Triple World Champion Ted Ligety (Park City) capped a career best season Saturday with massive 1.48 second wire-to-wire slalom victory to close men's competition at the Nature Valley U.S. Alpine Championships in Squaw Valley.



Ted Ligety

A week ago, Ligety won the final Audi FIS Alpine World Cup giant slalom of the season to add to his record season that resulted in a fourth World Cup giant slalom title. It was his seventh U.S. Championship gold and first since 2007 when he won both the giant slalom and combined titles.

Earlier in the season Ligety won three gold medals at the FIS Alpine World Ski Championships to become the first man since Jean Claude Killy 45 years ago in 1968 to win three or more gold in one World Championships.

Will Brandenburg (Spokane) nabbed silver to clinch the combined title with 2011 slalom champion Colby Granstrom (Lake Stevens, Wash.) in bronze.

Brandenburg was also crowned the U.S. combined champion which pairs the fastest combined time from both super G and slalom. Super G podium finisher Mark Engel (Truckee) and Robert Cone (Killington, Vt.) earned combined silver and bronze respectively.