

Chelsea FC - FC Barcelona

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Match background

FC Barcelona visit Chelsea FC for the second leg of their UEFA Champions League semi-final looking to avoid the fate they suffered on the last two occasions they played on English soil.

- In both 2007 and 2008, the Spanish side saw their UEFA Champions League hopes go up in smoke in second-leg ties away to Premier League opposition – against Manchester United FC at this stage last season and against Liverpool FC in the last 16 the year before.
- Indeed, Barça will be hoping that history does not repeat itself given that they drew 0-0 at home with United in the first leg in 2007/08 before suffering a 1-0 defeat in the return at Old Trafford.
- Both teams had chances to take a first-leg advantage at the Camp Nou, Barcelona goalkeeper Victor Valdés making a fine double block to deny Didier Drogba in the first half and his opposite number Petr Čech producing splendid stops from Samuel Eto'o and substitute Aleksandr Hleb, although another replacement, Bojan Krkić, might have won it for Barcelona in added time, heading over from point-blank range.
- It was the first time Barcelona had failed to score at home this season in 28 matches in the Camp Nou; indeed, perhaps ominously for the Spanish side, the last team to leave their ground with a clean sheet were United in last season's semi-finals.
- Excluding a 1-0 defeat at Wisła Kraków in the third qualifying round second leg Josep Guardiola's side are unbeaten on their UEFA Champions League travels this season – scoring 14 goals in five games so far – yet they can expect a daunting examination at Stamford Bridge, where Chelsea have a formidable record in the competition.
- As Chelsea bid to reach a second successive final, they can draw encouragement from their 17-match unbeaten run at Stamford Bridge, dating back to February 2006. They also know that in Guus Hiddink they have a manager well acquainted with this stage of the competition, having both won and lost semi-finals with PSV Eindhoven.
- Guardiola won a semi-final as a player in 1994 and intriguingly, his team were actually the last to win here in the competition when they prevailed 2-1 in the first leg of the clubs' first knockout round tie in 2005/06, courtesy of a John Terry own goal and an Eto'o header. It was Chelsea's first home reverse against Spanish opponents and the ensuing 3-2 aggregate defeat was the last time they were eliminated by non-English opposition in the UEFA Champions League.
- Chelsea emerged victorious from a thrilling quarter-final against Liverpool, winning 7-5 on aggregate (3-1 away, 4-4 home). They had earlier beaten Juventus 3-2 on aggregate (1-0 home, 2-2 away) after finishing second in Group A with a record of W3 D2 L1.



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- Barcelona advanced to their third semi-final in four seasons with an impressive 5-1 aggregate quarter-final win against FC Bayern München (4-0 home, 1-1 away). They had previously defeated Olympique Lyonnais 6-3 on aggregate (1-1 away, 5-2 home) having topped Group C with a record of W4 D1 L1.
- Chelsea have won one of their four previous semi-finals:
 - 2007/08 Liverpool 4-3 won (1-1 away, 3-2 home)
 - 2006/07 Liverpool 1-1, lost 1-4 on pens (1-0 home, 0-1 away)
 - 2004/05 Liverpool 0-1 lost (0-0 home, 0-1 away)
 - 2003/04 AS Monaco FC 3-5 lost (1-3 away, 2-2 home)
- Barcelona have won four of the nine previous semi-finals they have contested.
 - 2007/08 Manchester United 0-1 lost (0-0 home, 0-1 away)
 - 2005/06 AC Milan 1-0 won (1-0 away, 0-0 home)
 - 2001/02 Real Madrid CF 1-3 lost (0-2 home, 1-1 away)
 - 1999/00 Valencia CF 3-5 lost (1-4 away, 2-1 home)
 - 1993/94 FC Porto 3-0 won (home)
 - 1985/86 IFK Göteborg 3-3, won 5-4 on pens (0-3 away, 3-0 home)
 - 1974/75 Leeds United AFC 2-3 lost (1-2 away, 1-1 home)
 - 1960/61 Hamburger SV 1-0 won (replay) (1-0 home, 1-2 away)
 - 1959/60 Real Madrid CF 2-6 lost (1-3 away, 1-3 home)The Spanish side advanced to the 1991/92 final as group winners.
- The clubs have met three times previously in knockout ties in the UEFA Champions League, Barcelona coming out on top twice – although on each occasion the side with home advantage in the second leg has prevailed.
- The full breakdown of results is:
 - 2005/06 first knockout round
 - Chelsea 1-2 Barcelona
 - Barcelona 1-1 Chelsea
 - Barcelona win 3-2 on aggregate
 - 2004/05 first knockout round
 - Barcelona 2-1 Chelsea
 - Chelsea 4-2 Barcelona
 - Chelsea win 5-4 on aggregate
 - 1999/00 quarter-finals
 - Chelsea 3-1 Barcelona
 - Barcelona 5-1 Chelsea (after extra time)
 - Barcelona win 6-4 on aggregate
- The only survivors of the sides' first UEFA Champions League meetings in 1999/00 are Barcelona's Carles Puyol and Xavi Hernández and their coach Guardiola. Puyol played in both matches while Xavi featured in the first leg in London and Guardiola in the return – when Chelsea suffered their heaviest defeat in European competition.
- The clubs also met in the 2006/07 group stage. Chelsea won 1-0 at Stamford Bridge through Didier Drogba's 47th-minute goal before the Ivory Coast striker earned his side a 2-2 draw at the Camp Nou with an equaliser three minutes into added time. Prior to Drogba's late intervention, Deco – now a Chelsea player – had given Barcelona the lead after three minutes before Frank Lampard (52) and former Blues' forward Eidur Gudjohnsen (58) traded goals.
- The full lineups for that most recent encounter in London on 18 October 2006 were:
 - Chelsea:** Henrique Hilário, Khalid Boulahrouz (Joe Cole), Ricardo Carvalho, John Terry, Ashley Cole, Michael Essien, Claude Makelele, Michael Ballack (Paulo Ferreira), Frank Lampard, Didier Drogba (Salomon Kalou), Andriy Shevchenko (Arjen Robben).
 - Barcelona:** Víctor Valdés, Gianluca Zambrotta, Rafael Márquez, Carles Puyol (Oleguer Presas), Giovanni van Bronckhorst (Andrés Iniesta), Xavi Hernández, Edmílson, Deco, Lionel Messi, Eidur Gudjohnsen (Ludovic Giuly), Ronaldinho.
- Chelsea's full record against Spanish clubs is: W11 D7 L6.
- Their home record is W6 D3 L1.

- In two-legged ties with Spanish clubs, their record is W3 L4.
- The London club have drawn their last two meetings with Spanish opposition at Stamford Bridge – held 1-1 by Valencia in the 2006/07 quarter-final first leg and 0-0 by the same side in last season's group stage.
- Chelsea beat Real Madrid to win their first European honour – the 1970/71 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup. The London club won a replay 2-1 after a 1-1 draw in Athens.
- Barcelona's full record against English clubs is: W20 D16 L15.
- Their away record is: W6 D6 L12.
- Their record in two-legged knockout ties against English clubs is: W7 L7.
- Barcelona have a poor record in semi-finals against opponents from England, having lost four out of five in UEFA club competition:
2007/08 UEFA Champions League, Manchester United 0-1 lost (0-0 home, 0-1 away)
2000/01 UEFA Cup, Liverpool 0-1 lost (0-0 home, 0-1 away)
1981/82 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup, Tottenham Hotspur FC 2-1 won (1-1 away, 1-0 home)
1975/76 UEFA Cup, Liverpool 1-2 lost (0-1 home, 1-1 away)
1974/75 European Champion Clubs' Cup, Leeds United AFC 2-3 lost (1-2 away, 1-1 home)
- Barcelona have had mixed fortunes in finals against English clubs. They lost the 1991 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup final 2-1 to Manchester United but defeated Arsenal by the same score in the UEFA Champions League final in 2006.
- Barcelona have played out a 0-0 home draw in the first leg of a European tie only twice previously; against United in the semi-finals of last season's competition and against Liverpool FC in the 2000/01 UEFA Cup semi-final. On each occasion, the Spanish outfit lost the return 1-0.
- Score draws included, however, on four of the nine previous occasions Barcelona drew the first leg at home, they went on to win the tie in the away leg.
- Chelsea have earned a 0-0 away draw in the first leg of a UEFA club competition tie twice previously, winning through once. The victory came against Olympiacos CFP in last season's UEFA Champions League first knockout round thanks to a 3-0 home win at Stamford Bridge. Chelsea lost to Swedish side Ätvidabergs FF in the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round in 1971/72, bowing out on away goals after a 1-1 draw in London that ended their defence of the trophy.
- Overall, that Ätvidaberg defeat is the only time in five occasions Chelsea have lost a tie having drawn the first leg away from home. That statistic includes recent UEFA Champions League victories against Liverpool (2007/08 semi-finals, 1-1 away, 3-2 home after extra time) and FC Porto (2006/07 quarter-finals, 1-1 away, 2-1 home).
- Chelsea manager Hiddink took his former club, PSV, past Spanish opposition in Real Madrid at this stage of the European Champion Clubs' Cup in 1988. PSV drew 1-1 in Spain before a goalless draw in the Netherlands secured an away-goals win for the eventual champions.
- During his second spell with PSV, however, Hiddink saw his charges lose narrowly to Milan in the 2004/05 semi-finals – suffering an away-goals defeat after they followed a 2-0 away reverse with a 3-1 home win.
- Hiddink experienced a semi-final defeat by Spanish opponents only last summer when his Russia side lost in the last four of UEFA EURO 2008™ against Spain, going down 3-0 to a team that included the Barcelona trio of Andrés Iniesta, Puyol and Xavi, with the latter scoring the first goal.
- Puyol and Xavi were in the Spain team beaten on penalties by Hiddink's Korea Republic in the quarter-finals of the 2002 FIFA World Cup, Xavi scoring in the 5-3 shoot-out defeat following a goalless 120 minutes.
- Hiddink has had spells in charge of Valencia (1991-93), Real Madrid (1998-99) and Real Betis Balompié (2000). He suffered five Liga defeats in six matches against Barça while with Valencia, though enjoyed a 1-0 victory at the Mestalla in 1991/92. Hiddink fared little better at Madrid, with a 2-2 home draw and a 3-0 reverse at the Camp Nou. The Dutchman celebrated victory in his first match in charge of Betis, however, masterminding a 2-1 home win against Barcelona on 13 February 2000.
- Hiddink led Valencia to victory against Barcelona in the 1991/92 Copa del Rey Round of 16. Valencia won their home leg 4-2 and although they lost the return 2-0, they prevailed 5-4 in the penalty shoot-out.

- Barcelona coach Guardiola may have won the European Cup as a player at Wembley but his record playing away against English sides was W1 D1 L3:
2-2 v Manchester United FC, UEFA Champions League 1993/94
4-2 v Arsenal FC, UEFA Champions League 1999/00
1-3 v Chelsea, UEFA Champions League 1999/00
0-3 v England, friendly 2000/01
0-1 v Liverpool, UEFA Cup 2000/01
- Chelsea pair Deco and Juliano Belletti were in the Barcelona team that defeated Arsenal in the 2006 UEFA Champions League final – Belletti stepping off the bench to score the winning goal. Chelsea's Ashley Cole plus Thierry Henry and Hleb, both now Barcelona players, were on the losing Arsenal side that day.
- Belletti actually scored an own goal when playing for Barcelona against Chelsea at the Camp Nou in the clubs' first knockout round tie in 2004/05.
- During his eight years with Arsenal (1999-07), Henry scored ten goals in 19 appearances against Chelsea – winning nine of those games and losing only four.
- Hleb, meanwhile, was at Arsenal between 2005 and 2008, playing eight times against Chelsea but tasting victory only once and suffering five defeats.
- Barcelona forward Gudjohnsen spent six seasons with Chelsea between 2000 and 2006, winning two Premier League titles and the League Cup.
- Nicolas Anelka scored against Barcelona in February 2000 during his season-long stint at Real Madrid in a 3-0 Liga win at the Santiago Bernabéu.
- The tie reunites several international colleagues: Barcelona's Eric Abidal and Henry with their France team-mates Florent Malouda and Anelka, while Yaya Touré plays alongside Chelsea strikers Drogba and Salomon Kalou for the Ivory Coast.
- The winners will advance to a final against Manchester United or Arsenal at Rome's Stadio Olimpico on 27 May.

Match facts

Chelsea

UEFA milestones

- Michael Essien made his 50th UEFA club competition appearance in Barcelona, all in the UEFA Champions League.

UEFA Champions League statistics

- Petr Čech and Nicolas Anelka have featured in all eleven games, Čech playing every minute.
- Chelsea have won 51 corners, the lowest total among the teams remaining.
- Chelsea have had 62 shots on goal, the joint-lowest total among the last four teams with Arsenal FC.
- Chelsea have conceded 12 goals, the joint-highest total of the semi-finalists along with Barcelona.
- Chelsea have committed more fouls (193) and collected more yellow cards (26) than any other side still involved.

Disciplinary information

- Ashley Cole is available again after serving a one-match ban on Matchday 11. Michael Ballack, Alex and Anelka will incur a suspension with their next bookings.

Latest domestic information

- **Saturday 2 May: Chelsea FC 3-1 Fulham FC (Anelka 1, Malouda 10, Drogba 53; Nevland 4)**
Anelka and Didier Drogba were in fine fettle as Chelsea stretched their unbeaten run to nine matches in all competitions. Paired in a two-man attack, the duo were involved in all three goals, the first coming after just 51 seconds when Drogba cushioned Florent Malouda's cross for Anelka to fire in. Erik Nevland swiftly equalised but Malouda restored the home side's advantage following good build-up play from Chelsea's strikers. Drogba sealed the points when he slotted in Anelka's pass.

- "We needed the points today, but we are always trying to look ahead as well, especially with such a big game coming up," said Hiddink. "We wanted to give Nicolas Anelka and Didier Drogba the chance to play up front together, to increase our options in the future. If we ever need another gear in another game we must be able to adjust, to play differently."
- Hiddink made two changes to the side that lined up at the Camp Nou, Anelka and Ashley Cole – suspended in Spain – coming in as Branislav Ivanović and Ballack dropped to the bench. Ivanović and Ballack were introduced at half-time after Alex and Essien went off with niggles.
- Drogba has scored 12 goals in his last 15 appearances for club and country, all since Hiddink's arrival at Stamford Bridge.
- John Terry received a silver boot from club chairman Bruce Buck before kick-off in recognition of his 400th appearance for Chelsea. Centre-back partner Alex played his 50th league game in the club's colours.
- Chelsea have won 20 of the 22 league games this season in which they have opened the scoring, losing just once; 2-1 at home to Arsenal on 30 November.
- Chelsea have recorded six wins and three draws since a 1-0 defeat at Tottenham Hotspur FC on 21 March – Hiddink's only reverse in 17 games in charge. The Dutchman has overseen 12 victories.
- Frank Lampard is the only Chelsea player to have featured in all 35 league games this season.
- Chelsea are unbeaten in 15 home matches in all competitions, winning eleven. They have lost only two of their last 100 league games at Stamford Bridge, against Liverpool FC (0-1) on 26 October and Arsenal FC (1-2) on 30 November.
- The Blues have the best defensive record in the Premier League having conceded 21 goals in 35 games.
- The west London club have registered 25 shutouts in their last 42 league fixtures.
- Chelsea will take on Everton FC in the FA Cup final on 30 May, Hiddink's last match in charge at Stamford Bridge.

Injury news

- José Bosingwa – out 28 March to 25 April (calf)
- Ricardo Carvalho – out 29 October to 28 December and 24 January to 10 March (hamstring), 15-28 March (ankle) and since 20 April (hamstring)
- Joe Cole – out since 14 January (knee)
- Paulo Ferreira – out since 5 March (knee)
- Deco – out since 11 April (hamstring)
- Carvalho aggravated a long-standing hamstring injury in action for Chelsea's reserve side on 20 April.
- Joe Cole and Ferreira will both miss the rest of the campaign after suffering serious knee injuries.

Miscellaneous

- Anelka is the only Chelsea player named in the Professional Footballers' Association's Premier League Team of the Year.
- Chelsea have signed Ricardo Quaresma on loan from FC Internazionale Milano for the rest of the season, although the Portuguese international is ineligible for the UEFA Champions League.
- Chelsea will play Inter, AC Milan and Mexico's Club América in a friendly tournament in the United States from 19-26 July.

Barcelona

UEFA milestones

- Barcelona have conceded 196 goals in the European Champion Clubs' Cup.

UEFA Champions League statistics

- Lionel Messi is the competition's top scorer with eight goals this season.
- Xavi Hernández has provided six assists, the joint-highest total in the competition along with Franck Ribéry.
- Daniel Alves has committed 26 fouls, more than any other player left in the competition.

- Barcelona have scored more goals (29), had more shots on target (82) and wide (82), won more corners (76) and suffered more fouls (203) than any other semi-finalist.
- Barça have been caught offside only 22 times and committed 121 fouls, fewer than any other side in the last four.
- The Spanish side have conceded 12 goals, the joint-highest total of the semi-finalists along with Chelsea.

Disciplinary information

- Carles Puyol serves a one-game ban following his yellow card on Matchday 11. Sergio Busquets and Alves will incur a suspension with their next booking.

Latest domestic information

• Saturday 2 May: Real Madrid CF 2-6 FC Barcelona

(Higuaín 14, Sergio Ramos 56; Henry 18 58, Puyol 20, Messi 35 75, Piqué 83)

Barcelona have one hand on the Liga trophy after sweeping aside their closest rivals in 'El Clásico', despite falling behind when Gonzalo Higuaín rose unmarked to head in Sergio Ramos's cross. The Barça response was devastating, with Messi lofting over the Madrid defence for Henry to level before Puyol headed them in front. It was 3-1 by half-time, Messi firing in after Lassana Diarra had been caught in possession by Xavi. Ramos reduced the arrears but further goals from Henry and Messi, both created by Xavi, made it 5-2 before Gerard Piqué scored the visitors' 100th league goal of the season to complete a rout that leaves Barça seven points clear at the summit with four games to go.

- "It's one of the happiest nights of my life," said Josep Guardiola, who made one change to the team held by Chelsea, Puyol replacing the injured Rafael Márquez. "It's marvellous because to win at this stadium against a club like that is huge. The fact we've come so far is excellent. It's the players who put ideas into practice and with our lot everything is easier. This result will do us a lot of good going into the Chelsea game."
- The win completed Barça's first Liga double over Madrid since 1997/98 and their biggest victory in 'El Clásico' since Romario struck a hat-trick in a 5-0 victory at the Camp Nou in January 1994. Not since a Johan Cruyff-inspired 5-0 triumph in February 1974 have the Catalan club won by a bigger margin at the Santiano Bernabéu in the league.
- Victory at the Bernabéu extended Barcelona's unbeaten run to 14 matches in all competitions.
- The Madrid triumph was the fifth time Guardiola's side have scored six goals in a Liga game this season, following previous wins against Real Sporting de Gijón (1-6), Club Atlético de Madrid (6-1), Real Valladolid CF (6-0), Málaga CF (6-0).
- Piqué's goal was his first in the Liga for Barcelona, but fifth in all competitions this season for club and country.
- Messi has scored eleven goals in his last 14 appearances in all competitions for Barcelona, Henry eleven in 12.
- Henry has scored 45 goals in 87 games in all competitions for Barcelona.
- Barcelona have won 13 times away from home in the Liga this term, a club record for wins in one campaign with two trips still to come.
- Barcelona have won 27 league games this term, a record for a 38-game campaign. The highest ever number of victories, set when the Liga was made up of 22 sides, stands at 28 jointly achieved by Bobby Robson's Barcelona team of 1996/97 and Real Madrid in 1987/88.
- Hedwiges Maduro's goal in the 2-2 draw with Valencia CF on 26 April was the first Barcelona had conceded in eight Liga games. The Catalan club possess the best defensive record in the Spanish top flight, shipping only 28 goals all season.
- Barça's only ever-present in the league this season, Victor Valdés fell short of the club record for going unbeaten in the Liga as Maduro's goal ended his 674-minute run without conceding. Miguel Reina, father of Liverpool FC goalkeeper Pepe, went 824 minutes unbeaten for Barcelona in the 1972/73 season.
- Barcelona ended a run of five games without a win in all competitions on 7 March when they beat Athletic Club Bilbao, and have since won ten in 13 outings.
- The second-leg draw with FC Bayern München marked 50 games since Guardiola took over at the Barcelona helm. In that time he oversaw 37 wins, eight draws and five defeats, falling just short of the best start at the club made by Helenio Herrera in 1957/58. Herrera managed 40 wins, five draws and five defeats.

- Eto'o has scored 27 goals in the Liga this season, equalling his best haul in 12 campaigns in Spain. That was set in his second term at the Camp Nou in 2005/06, the last time Barcelona won the title.
- Eto'o has 126 goals for the club in all competitions, and is fourth on Barcelona's all-time top-scorers' list. Rivaldo (130) is next in his sights, then Ladislao Kubala (196) and César Rodríguez (235).
- Barcelona ended the first half of the season with 50 points from 19 games, more than any other team has ever achieved at the midway point.
- The 6-0 victory against Málaga CF on 22 March took Barcelona to 69 points, two more than they mustered in the whole of last season with ten games still to play.
- Barcelona have lost five times in 55 matches in all competitions this season, always by a solitary goal.
- The most successful side in Copa del Rey history with 24 titles, Barcelona will play 23-time winners Athletic in this season's final in Valencia on 13 May.

Injury news

- Gabriel Milito – out since 29 April 2008 (knee)
- Martín Cáceres – out since 22 April (tonsillitis)
- Rafael Márquez – out since 28 April (knee)
- Márquez will not play against this season after tearing the meniscus in his left knee during the first leg against Chelsea.
- Having recovered from tonsillitis, Cáceres was an unused substitute at the Bernabéu.

Miscellaneous

- Aleksandr Hleb celebrated his 28th birthday on 1 May, while Alves is 26 on the day of the second leg. David Córcoles turns 24 on 8 May and Andrés Iniesta is 25 three days later.
- Xavi has made 467 appearances for the Catalan club and is second on their all-time list. Migueli leads the way on 548 games.

Squad list

Chelsea

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	BL	Current season						All-time			
						UCLQ		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Petr Čech	CZE	20.05.1982	26	-	-	-	11	-	32	-	58	-	62	-
30	Rhys Taylor	WAL	07.04.1990	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
40	Henrique Hilário	POR	21.10.1975	33	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	15	-	17	-
Defenders															
2	Branislav Ivanović	SRB	22.02.1984	25	-	-	-	4	2	14	-	4	2	20	5
3	Ashley Cole	ENG	20.12.1980	28	-	-	-	7	-	31	-	71	1	71	1
6	Ricardo Carvalho	POR	18.05.1978	30	-	-	-	4	-	12	1	63	3	73	3
17	José Bosingwa	POR	24.08.1982	26	-	-	-	9	-	31	2	48	-	61	-
19	Paulo Ferreira	POR	18.01.1979	30	-	-	-	2	-	7	-	39	-	52	-
26	John Terry	ENG	07.12.1980	28	-	-	-	10	2	32	1	60	6	68	8
33	Alex	BRA	17.06.1982	26	*	-	-	8	1	22	1	40	6	42	6
35	Juliano Belletti	BRA	20.06.1976	32	-	-	-	7	-	19	3	34	1	56	1
41	Sam Hutchinson	ENG	03.08.1989	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	Michael Mancienne	ENG	08.01.1988	21	-	-	-	1	-	3	-	1	-	1	-
Midfielders															
5	Michael Essien	GHA	03.12.1982	26	-	-	-	4	1	8	1	50	8	50	8
8	Frank Lampard	ENG	20.06.1978	30	-	-	-	10	3	35	12	64	18	82	24
10	Joe Cole	ENG	08.11.1981	27	-	-	-	4	1	14	2	46	6	53	6
12	John Mikel Obi	NGA	22.04.1987	22	-	-	-	9	-	31	-	22	-	22	-
13	Michael Ballack	GER	26.09.1976	32	*	-	-	9	-	27	1	80	15	85	18
15	Florent Malouda	FRA	13.06.1980	28	-	-	-	9	1	28	4	56	7	56	7
20	Deco	POR	27.08.1977	31	-	-	-	4	-	24	3	71	13	98	18
27	Mineiro	BRA	02.08.1975	33	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
9	Franco Di Santo	ARG	07.04.1989	20	-	-	-	3	-	8	-	3	-	3	-
11	Didier Drogba	CIV	11.03.1978	31	-	-	-	9	5	21	5	54	28	64	34
21	Salomon Kalou	CIV	05.08.1985	23	-	-	-	8	1	26	5	30	2	39	6
39	Nicolas Anelka	FRA	14.03.1979	30	*	-	-	11	2	34	16	46	10	70	18
43	Miroslav Stoch	SVK	19.10.1989	19	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	Guus Hiddink	NED	08.11.1946	62	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	43	-	82	-

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Goalkeepers															
1	Víctor Valdés	ESP	14.01.1982	27	-	2	-	10	-	34	-	53	-	63	-
13	José Pinto	ESP	08.11.1975	33	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	29	-
25	Albert Jorquera	ESP	03.03.1979	30	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-	3	-
26	Oier Olazábal	ESP	14.09.1989	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Rubén	ESP	18.02.1989	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
2	Martín Cáceres	URU	07.04.1987	22	-	-	-	3	-	10	-	3	-	3	-
3	Gerard Piqué	ESP	02.02.1987	22	-	2	-	10	1	23	1	14	3	16	3
4	Rafael Márquez	MEX	13.02.1979	30	-	1	-	9	1	23	1	41	1	52	1
5	Carles Puyol	ESP	13.04.1978	31	S	2	-	8	-	27	1	83	2	98	2
16	Sylvinho	BRA	12.04.1974	35	-	-	-	5	1	11	-	30	3	46	3
18	Gabriel Milito	ARG	07.09.1980	28	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	19	-
20	Daniel Alves	BRA	06.05.1983	26	*	2	-	9	-	32	4	17	2	57	4
22	Eric Abidal	FRA	11.09.1979	29	-	2	-	2	-	22	-	33	-	35	-
29	Víctor Sánchez	ESP	08.09.1987	21	-	-	-	3	-	6	-	3	-	3	-
33	David Córcoles	ESP	08.05.1985	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
34	Xavi Torres	ESP	21.11.1986	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36	Alberto Botia	ESP	27.01.1989	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
6	Xavi Hernández	ESP	25.01.1980	29	-	2	1	10	2	33	6	86	5	106	7
8	Andrés Iniesta	ESP	11.05.1984	24	-	2	-	7	-	25	4	48	4	54	4
15	Seydou Keita	MLI	16.01.1980	29	-	2	-	8	2	26	3	23	4	59	6
21	Aleksandr Hleb	BLR	01.05.1981	28	-	2	-	7	-	16	-	40	2	70	7
24	Yaya Touré	CIV	13.05.1983	25	-	2	-	8	-	23	2	23	1	29	2
28	Sergio Busquets	ESP	16.07.1988	20	*	-	-	6	2	23	1	6	2	6	2
30	Víctor Vázquez	ESP	20.01.1987	22	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
31	Jeffren	ESP	20.01.1988	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	Abraham González	ESP	16.07.1985	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
7	Eidur Gudjohnsen	ISL	15.09.1978	30	-	1	-	3	-	20	3	44	7	57	11
9	Samuel Eto'o	CMR	10.03.1981	28	-	2	2	8	3	32	27	44	16	58	24
10	Lionel Messi	ARG	24.06.1987	21	-	-	-	10	8	30	23	31	16	32	16
11	Bojan Krkić	ESP	28.08.1990	18	-	1	-	8	3	20	2	17	4	18	4
14	Thierry Henry	FRA	17.08.1977	31	-	2	1	9	5	29	19	104	50	131	59
27	Pedro Rodríguez	ESP	28.07.1987	21	-	1	-	3	-	4	-	3	-	4	-
Coach															
-	Josep Guardiola	ESP	18.01.1971	38	-	2	-	10	-	-	-	10	-	12	-

Head coach

Chelsea FC: Guus Hiddink

Date of birth: 8 November 1946

Nationality: Dutch

Playing career: SC Varsseveld, De Graafschap, PSV Eindhoven, De Graafschap, NEC Nijmegen, Washington Diplomats, San Jose Earthquakes, De Graafschap

Coaching career: De Graafschap, PSV Eindhoven (assistant), PSV, Fenerbahçe SK, Valencia CF, Netherlands, Real Madrid CF, Real Betis Balompíe, Korea Republic, PSV, Australia, Russia, Chelsea FC

The Russian press had dubbed Guus Hiddink a coaching wizard long before a magical sequence of results conspired to send his side to UEFA EURO 2008™. He further enhanced his reputation by guiding Russia to the last four in Austria/Switzerland, and oversaw a solid start to qualifying for the 2010 FIFA World Cup before agreeing, in February 2009, to also take charge of Chelsea FC until the end of the season.

Hired by Russia in April 2006 after winning another Dutch title with PSV Eindhoven and before taking unfancied Australia to the knockout stages of the World Cup, the Dutchman had previously steered the Netherlands and Korea Republic to World Cup semi-finals in 1998 and 2002 respectively. He returned to Eindhoven for 2002/03 and proved his Midas touch had not deserted him at club level either, winning the championship in his first term back at the PSV Stadion, adding a Dutch double in 2004/05 and running AC Milan all the way in an enthralling UEFA Champions League semi-final. The domestic crown was successfully defended in 2005/06, by which time Hiddink was also working with Australia, who he guided to the World Cup last 16 before a last-gasp penalty against Italy ended their hopes.

It was all a far cry from his undistinguished playing career, encompassing spells at SC Varsseveld, De Graafschap, PSV, NEC Nijmegen, Washington Diplomats and San Jose Earthquakes. As a coach, Hiddink joined the PSV setup under Jan Reker and Hans Kraay, taking sole charge in March 1987 and piloting the club to three Dutch titles and a defeat of SL Benfica in the 1988 European Champion Clubs' Cup final. Stints with some of Europe's leading teams – Fenerbahçe SK, Valencia CF, Real Madrid CF and Real Betis Balompíe, with the Netherlands job in between – further enhanced his reputation before he accepted the Korean challenge in 2001.

FC Barcelona: Josep Guardiola

Date of birth: 18 January 1971

Nationality: Spanish

Playing career: FC Barcelona, Brescia Calcio (twice), AS Roma, Al-Ahly Club, Dorados de Sinaloa

Coaching career: FC Barcelona B, FC Barcelona

A playing legend at FC Barcelona, Josep Guardiola was given the task of returning the club to the top of the domestic and European scenes when he took over from previous coach Frank Rijkaard in the summer of 2008. After two trophyless terms at the Camp Nou, a gamble was taken by the Barça board who decided to promote the largely untried Guardiola from the club's youth team.

'Pep,' as he was affectionately referred to as a player, won a host of honours with the Azulgrana between the years of 1990 and 2001 including six Spanish Liga titles, one European Champion Clubs' Cup, a UEFA Cup Winners' Cup and two Copa del Rey trophies. Having had an initial period at Brescia Calcio disrupted due to a four-month doping ban, Guardiola went on to play a handful of games for Fabio Capello's AS Roma before returning to Brescia. He subsequently finished his club career in Mexico with Dorados de Sinola in 2006 after a spell at Al-Ahli Club of Doha. A 1992 Olympic gold medallist in Barcelona with Spain, with whom he won 40 senior caps, Guardiola missed out on the 1998 and 2002 FIFA World Cup tournaments through injury.

Given the opportunity to take up the reigns at Barcelona's B team in June 2007 with the objective of returning the team to the Segunda División B, the 37-year-old succeeded in style while relying on a style of play that placed an emphasis on wide attackers and pressing defenders. His youngsters went on to win 28 games while remaining unbeaten and he gained a promotion himself to become the 15th Catalan-born coach to take the helm of the Barcelona first team.

Match officials

Referee	Tom Henning Øvrebø (NOR)
Assistant referees	Geir Åge Holen (NOR), Dag-Roger Nebben (NOR)
Fourth official	Brage Sandmoen (NOR)
UEFA Delegate	Janis Mežeckis (LVA)
UEFA Referee observer	Francesco Bianchi (SUI)

Referee

Name	Nat.	Date of birth	UCL	UEFA
Tom Henning Øvrebø	NOR	26.06.1966	20	47

Tom Henning Øvrebø is the latest referee from Norway to establish himself among the European élite and is hoping to emulate his compatriot and good friend Terje Hauge in reaching the highest levels of the UEFA referee sector. He has twice acted as fourth official when Hauge has refereed major showpiece events, namely the 2004 UEFA Super Cup and the 2005/06 UEFA Champions League final.

Øvrebø, based in the Norwegian capital Oslo and a fan of motorcycling and boating, decided that the whistle and notebook were for him at the age of 14, and progressed through the leagues in Norway. His first top-flight appearance came on 20 September 1992 in the match between Ham-Kam Fotball and Sogndal IL and he was considered ready to receive his FIFA badge at the start of 1994, making his European bow in the UEFA European Women's Championship later that year and progressing into the European youth and club competitions, where he has been a regular ever since. In 2000, he took part in the UEFA European Under-18 Championship in Germany and, in 2002, he refereed the UEFA European U21 Championship final between France and the Czech Republic.

In between, in 2001, he made his first appearance in the UEFA Champions League and has been a regular since in that competition and the UEFA Cup, taking charge of the semi-final second leg between FC Zenit St. Petersburg and FC Bayern München at the end of 2007/08. A psychologist by profession, who is married with three children, he also took charge of three 2006 FIFA World Cup qualifiers and four UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying fixtures and was also in the middle for two matches at the final tournament in Austria and Switzerland.

UEFA Champions League matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res.	Venue
12.11.2002	UCL	GS1	Arsenal FC - PSV Eindhoven	0-0	London
24.11.2004	UCL	GS	RSC Anderlecht - Valencia CF	1-2	Brussels
09.08.2005	UCL	QR3	Everton FC - Villarreal CF	1-2	Liverpool
09.08.2006	UCL	QR3	Hamburger SV - CA Osasuna	0-0	Hamburg
18.10.2006	UCL	GS	FC Girondins de Bordeaux - Liverpool FC	0-1	Bordeaux
20.02.2007	UCL	1/8	PSV Eindhoven - Arsenal FC	1-0	Eindhoven
24.10.2007	UCL	GS	Real Madrid CF - Olympiacos CFP	4-2	Madrid
11.03.2008	UCL	1/8	FC Internazionale Milano - Liverpool FC	0-1	Milan
09.04.2008	UCL	QF	Manchester United FC - AS Roma	1-0	Manchester
13.08.2008	UCL	QR3	R. Standard de Liège - Liverpool FC	0-0	Liege
01.10.2008	UCL	GS	Club Atlético de Madrid - Olympique de Marseille	2-1	Madrid
05.11.2008	UCL	GS	Celtic FC - Manchester United FC	1-1	Glasgow
11.03.2009	UCL	1/8	FC Barcelona - Olympique Lyonnais	5-2	Barcelona
07.04.2009	UCL	QF	Villarreal CF - Arsenal FC	1-1	Villarreal

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Other matches - Matches involving teams from either of the two countries involved in this match

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res.	Venue
19.10.1994	U18	PR	Finland - Spain	3-5	
13.11.1994	U18	PR	England - Slovenia	3-0	
23.10.1995	U16	QR	England - Belgium	1-0	
04.06.1999	U21	QR	Spain - Netherlands	4-1	Soria
14.09.2000	UCUP	R1	Leicester City FC - FK Crvena Zvezda	1-1	Leicester
07.08.2001	UIC	F	ES Troyes Aube Champagne - Newcastle United FC	0-0	Troyes
01.11.2001	UCUP	R2	Valencia CF - Legia Warszawa	6-1	Valencia
06.11.2003	UCUP	R2	FC Basel 1893 - Newcastle United FC	2-3	Basel
11.03.2004	UCUP	R4	Gençlerbirliği SK - Valencia CF	1-0	Ankara
30.09.2004	UCUP	R1	Athletic Club Bilbao - Trabzonspor	2-0	Bilbao
24.02.2005	UCUP	1/16	Sevilla FC - Panathinaikos FC	2-0	Sevilla
23.02.2006	UCUP	1/16	RCD Espanyol - FC Schalke 04	0-3	Barcelona
15.03.2006	UCUP	1/8	AS Roma - Middlesbrough FC	2-1	Rome
20.04.2006	UCUP	SF	FC Schalke 04 - Sevilla FC	0-0	Gelsenkirchen
24.03.2007	EURO	QR	Israel - England	0-0	Tel Aviv
26.04.2007	UCUP	SF	RCD Espanyol - Werder Bremen	3-0	Barcelona
15.10.2008	WC	QR	Belgium - Spain	1-2	Brussels

Domestic information

Chelsea FC (Premier League)

Comp.	Date	Opponent	Res.	Goalscorers
League	17/08/08	Portsmouth FC (H)	4-0	J. Cole 12, Anelka 26, Lampard 45(pen), Deco 89
League	24/08/08	Wigan Athletic FC (A)	1-0	Deco 4
League	31/08/08	Tottenham Hotspur FC (H)	1-1	Belletti 28
League	13/09/08	Manchester City FC (A)	3-1	Carvalho 16, Lampard 53, Anelka 69
League	21/09/08	Manchester United FC (H)	1-1	Kalou 80
Cup	24/09/08	Portsmouth FC (A)	4-0	Lampard 36(pen), 49, Malouda 45, Kalou 64
League	27/09/08	Stoke City FC (A)	2-0	Bosingwa 36, Anelka 76
League	05/10/08	Aston Villa FC (H)	2-0	J. Cole 21, Anelka 44
League	18/10/08	Middlesbrough FC (A)	5-0	Kalou 14, Belletti 51, Own goal 53, Lampard 63, Malouda 67
League	26/10/08	Liverpool FC (H)	0-1	
League	29/10/08	Hull City AFC (A)	3-0	Lampard 3, Anelka 50, Malouda 75
League	01/11/08	Sunderland AFC (H)	5-0	Alex 27, Anelka 30, 45, 53, Lampard 51
League	09/11/08	Blackburn Rovers FC (A)	2-0	Anelka 40, 68
Cup	12/11/08	Burnley (H)	1-1	Drogba 27
League	15/11/08	West Bromwich Albion FC (A)	3-0	Bosingwa 34, Anelka 38, 45
League	22/11/08	Newcastle United FC (H)	0-0	
League	30/11/08	Arsenal FC (H)	1-2	Own goal 31
League	06/12/08	Bolton Wanderers FC (A)	2-0	Anelka 9, Deco 21
League	14/12/08	West Ham United FC (H)	1-1	Anelka 51
League	22/12/08	Everton FC (A)	0-0	
League	26/12/08	West Bromwich Albion FC (H)	2-0	Drogba 3, Lampard 45
League	28/12/08	Fulham FC (A)	2-2	Lampard 50, 72
Cup	03/01/09	Southend (H)	1-1	Kalou 31
League	11/01/09	Manchester United FC (A)	0-3	
Cup	14/01/09	Southend (A)	4-1	Ballack 45, Kalou 60, Anelka 78, Lampard 90
League	17/01/09	Stoke City FC (H)	2-1	Belletti 88, Lampard 90
Cup	24/01/09	Ipswich Town FC (H)	3-1	Ballack 16, 59, Lampard 85
League	28/01/09	Middlesbrough FC (H)	2-0	Kalou 58, 81
League	01/02/09	Liverpool FC (A)	0-2	
League	07/02/09	Hull City AFC (H)	0-0	
Cup	14/02/09	Watford FC (A)	3-1	Anelka 75, 77, 90
League	21/02/09	Aston Villa FC (A)	1-0	Anelka 19
League	28/02/09	Wigan Athletic FC (H)	2-1	Terry 25, Lampard 90
League	03/03/09	Portsmouth FC (A)	1-0	Drogba 79
Cup	07/03/09	Coventry (A)	2-0	Drogba 15, Alex 72
League	15/03/09	Manchester City FC (H)	1-0	Essien 18
League	21/03/09	Tottenham Hotspur FC (A)	0-1	
League	04/04/09	Newcastle United FC (A)	2-0	Lampard 56, Malouda 65
League	11/04/09	Bolton Wanderers FC (H)	4-3	Ballack 40, Drogba 48, 63, Lampard 60(pen)
Cup	18/04/09	Arsenal FC (A)	2-1	Malouda 33, Drogba 84
League	22/04/09	Everton FC (H)	0-0	

Lineups: Čech, Ivanović, Alex, Terry, A. Cole, Ballack, Essien (Mikel Obi 60), Lampard, Drogba, Anelka (Kalou 60), Malouda (Di Santo 77)

League 25/04/09 West Ham United FC (A) 1-0 Kalou 55

Lineups: Čech, Mancienne (Ballack 83), Ivanović, Terry, Bosingwa (A. Cole 58), Mikel Obi, Belletti, Kalou (Essien 73), Lampard, Malouda, Anelka

League 02/05/09 Fulham FC (H) 3-1 Anelka 1, Malouda 10, Drogba 53

Lineups: Čech, Bosingwa, Alex (Ivanović 46), Terry, A. Cole, Lampard, Essien (Ballack 46), Mikel Obi, Malouda, Anelka, Drogba (Di Santo 84)

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Comp.	Date	Opponent	Res.	Goalscorers
League	10/05/09	Arsenal FC (A)		
League	17/05/09	Blackburn Rovers FC (H)		
League	24/05/09	Sunderland AFC (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Manchester United FC	34	25	5	4	63	23	80
2	Liverpool FC	35	22	11	2	69	26	77
3	Chelsea FC	35	22	8	5	59	21	74
4	Arsenal FC	35	19	11	5	63	32	68
5	Aston Villa FC	35	16	10	9	51	44	58
6	Everton FC	35	15	11	9	50	36	56
7	West Ham United FC	35	13	9	13	39	38	48
8	Manchester City FC	35	14	5	16	56	46	47
9	Fulham FC	35	12	11	12	35	31	47
10	Tottenham Hotspur FC	35	13	8	14	42	41	47
11	Wigan Athletic FC	34	11	9	14	31	38	42
12	Bolton Wanderers FC	35	11	6	18	40	51	39
13	Stoke City FC	35	10	9	16	33	50	39
14	Portsmouth FC	35	9	11	15	35	53	38
15	Blackburn Rovers FC	35	9	10	16	38	58	37
16	Sunderland AFC	35	9	8	18	31	48	35
17	Hull City AFC	35	8	10	17	37	60	34
18	Newcastle United FC	35	6	13	16	37	56	31
19	Middlesbrough FC	35	7	10	18	25	51	31
20	West Bromwich Albion FC	35	7	7	21	33	64	28

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FC Barcelona (Liga)

Comp.	Date	Opponent	Res.	Goalscorers
League	31/08/08	CD Numancia (A)	0-1	
League	13/09/08	Real Racing Club (H)	1-1	Messi 71(pen)
League	21/09/08	Real Sporting de Gijón (A)	6-1	Xavi Hernández 27, Eto'o 33, Own goal 50, Iniesta 70, Messi 85, 89
League	24/09/08	Real Betis Balompié (H)	3-2	Eto'o 17, 23, Gudjohnsen 79
League	27/09/08	RCD Espanyol (A)	2-1	Henry 84, Messi 90(pen)
League	04/10/08	Club Atlético de Madrid (H)	6-1	Márquez 3, Eto'o 6(pen), 18, Messi 9, Gudjohnsen 28, Henry 73
League	19/10/08	Athletic Club Bilbao (A)	1-0	Eto'o 63
League	25/10/08	UD Almería (H)	5-0	Eto'o 5, 21, 24, Henry 14, Daniel Alves 37
Cup	28/10/08	Benidorm (A)	1-0	Krkić 55
League	01/11/08	Málaga CF (A)	4-1	Xavi Hernández 5, 53, Messi 19, Own goal 82
League	08/11/08	Real Valladolid CF (H)	6-0	Eto'o 12, 30, 43, 44, Gudjohnsen 71, Henry 83
Cup	12/11/08	Benidorm (H)	1-0	Messi 84
League	16/11/08	RC Recreativo de Huelva (A)	2-0	Messi 51, Keita 86
League	23/11/08	Getafe CF (H)	1-1	Keita 72
League	29/11/08	Sevilla FC (A)	3-0	Eto'o 20, Messi 78, 90
League	06/12/08	Valencia CF (H)	4-0	Henry 20, 28, 79, Daniel Alves 46
League	13/12/08	Real Madrid CF (H)	2-0	Eto'o 83, Messi 90
League	21/12/08	Villarreal CF (A)	2-1	Keita 54, Henry 66
League	03/01/09	RCD Mallorca (H)	3-1	Henry 32, Iniesta 76, Touré 90
Cup	06/01/09	Club Atlético de Madrid (A)	3-1	Messi 12, 57(pen), 79
League	11/01/09	CA Osasuna (A)	3-2	Eto'o 45, Xavi Hernández 80, Messi 85
Cup	14/01/09	Club Atlético de Madrid (H)	2-1	Krkić 28, Gudjohnsen 75
League	17/01/09	RC Deportivo La Coruña (H)	5-0	Messi 21, Henry 27, 82, Eto'o 42, 87(pen)
Cup	21/01/09	RCD Espanyol (A)	0-0	
League	24/01/09	CD Numancia (H)	4-1	Messi 49, 76, Eto'o 53, Henry 71
Cup	29/01/09	RCD Espanyol (H)	3-2	Krkić 34, 48, Piqué 56
League	01/02/09	Real Racing Club (A)	2-1	Messi 65, 80
Cup	05/02/09	RCD Mallorca (H)	2-0	Henry 34, Márquez 74
League	08/02/09	Real Sporting de Gijón (H)	3-1	Eto'o 23, 40, Daniel Alves 66
League	14/02/09	Real Betis Balompié (A)	2-2	Eto'o 45, 84
League	21/02/09	RCD Espanyol (H)	1-2	Touré 63
League	01/03/09	Club Atlético de Madrid (A)	3-4	Henry 19, 74, Messi 30
Cup	04/03/09	RCD Mallorca (A)	1-1	Messi 81
League	07/03/09	Athletic Club Bilbao (H)	2-0	Busquets 18, Messi 32(pen)
League	15/03/09	UD Almería (A)	2-0	Krkić 53, 56
League	22/03/09	Málaga CF (H)	6-0	Xavi Hernández 19, Messi 25, Henry 32, Eto'o 43, 57, Daniel Alves 51
League	04/04/09	Real Valladolid CF (A)	1-0	Eto'o 40
League	11/04/09	RC Recreativo de Huelva (H)	2-0	Iniesta 1, Own goal 68
League	18/04/09	Getafe CF (A)	1-0	Messi 19
League	22/04/09	Sevilla FC (H)	4-0	Iniesta 3, Eto'o 17, Xavi Hernández 49, Henry 54
Lineups:	Víctor Valdés, Daniel Alves, Piqué, Márquez (Sylvinho 82), Abidal, Touré, Keita, Iniesta (Hleb 60), Xavi Hernández (Krkić 75), Eto'o, Henry			
League	25/04/09	Valencia CF (A)	2-2	Messi 24, Henry 86
Lineups:	Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Daniel Alves, Abidal, Puyol, Xavi Hernández (Gudjohnsen 76), Iniesta, Messi, Keita (Henry 63), Busquets, Eto'o			
League	02/05/09	Real Madrid CF (A)	6-2	Henry 18, 58, Puyol 20, Messi 35, 75, Piqué 83
Lineups:	Víctor Valdés, Daniel Alves, Piqué, Puyol, Abidal, Touré (Busquets 85), Xavi Hernández, Iniesta (Krkić 85), Henry (Keita 61), Eto'o, Messi			
League	10/05/09	Villarreal CF (H)		
League	17/05/09	RCD Mallorca (A)		

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League	31/05/09	RC Deportivo La Coruña (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Barcelona	34	27	4	3	100	28	85
2	Real Madrid CF	34	25	3	6	79	41	78
3	Sevilla FC	34	18	6	10	48	38	60
4	Valencia CF	34	16	8	10	62	50	56
5	Club Atlético de Madrid	34	16	7	11	69	54	55
6	Villarreal CF	34	15	10	9	49	46	55
7	RC Deportivo La Coruña	34	15	8	11	44	43	53
8	Málaga CF	34	14	9	11	52	53	51
9	RCD Mallorca	34	12	9	13	45	52	45
10	UD Almería	34	12	7	15	42	52	43
11	Athletic Club Bilbao	34	11	8	15	45	55	41
12	Real Valladolid CF	34	12	5	17	42	52	41
13	Real Racing Club	34	10	9	15	44	44	39
14	RCD Espanyol	34	9	11	14	37	46	38
15	Real Betis Balompíe	34	9	10	15	47	55	37
16	CA Osasuna	34	8	12	14	38	43	36
17	Getafe CF	34	8	10	16	44	54	34
18	Real Sporting de Gijón	34	11	1	22	40	73	34
19	RC Recreativo de Huelva	34	8	9	17	32	51	33
20	CD Numancia	34	9	4	21	37	66	31

UEFA information

Sir Bobby Charlton honoured

Michel Platini praised Sir Bobby Charlton's impact on the world of football last Wednesday when he presented him with the UEFA President's Award. The UEFA President made the presentation to the legendary Manchester United FC and England player at a lunch at Old Trafford ahead of the UEFA Champions League semi-final first leg between holders United and Arsenal FC. A survivor of the 1958 Munich air disaster, Sir Bobby was voted European Footballer of the Year after helping inspire England to the 1966 FIFA World Cup. Two years later he scored two of United's goals in the 4-1 defeat of SL Benfica at Wembley as they became the first English winners of the European Champion Clubs' Cup. "Around Europe, Bobby Charlton's name means respect," said Michel Platini. "He showed great respect for his opponents and for the public in his conduct."

"This is a beautiful trophy and it flatters me no end," said Sir Bobby. "I appreciate that the first trophy was given to Alfredo Di Stéfano, who happened to be my favourite footballer." Sir Alex Ferguson added to the plaudits, saying: "It is well-deserved for his fantastic career and life in football. As a person he has never changed. He has kept his humility, he has kept his dignity at all times and if you ally that to his playing career, he is a very special man."

UEFA EURO 2012™ host cities

The host cities for UEFA EURO 2012™ will be chosen at the UEFA Executive Committee's meeting in Bucharest on 12 and 13 May. The committee, chaired by UEFA President Michel Platini, will take its decision following a final evaluation of the host city candidates, undertaken after a recent visit to Poland and Ukraine by a senior UEFA delegation. The visit enabled UEFA officials to receive updates from the host associations and host countries about the ongoing preparations for UEFA EURO 2012™. Preparations are ongoing for the final tournament in three summers' time, and the committee will hear a report on the work being done. The recent visit to Poland and Ukraine included a tour of both the Kiev Olympic Stadium and the Warsaw National Stadium. Topics discussed during the visit included the political and economic situation and outlook in the host countries, the latest developments undertaken by the host city candidates and discussions on open issues concerning the stadia and infrastructure in Poland and Ukraine.

UEFA EURO 2016™ candidates

The road to UEFA EURO 2016™ has taken an important step forward with the first workshop for the four bidding candidates who have signalled their interest in staging the event. Representatives of the associations of France, Italy, joint bidders Sweden/Norway and Turkey were present at UEFA headquarters in Nyon to hear UEFA give a general overview of the organisation of a UEFA European Championship final tournament, and to learn more about bid requirements. The four candidates expressed their interest in hosting the 2016 tournament – the first to feature 24 teams following a UEFA Executive Committee decision last autumn – by the deadline of 9 March.

Discussions took place on a one-to-one basis and in plenary sessions, with UEFA experts providing the bidders with initial information on areas such as the bid process, stadiums, safety and security, accommodation, ground transport and airports, host city promotion and fan zones, legal matters, information technology and broadcasting matters. Further briefings will be held, and the candidates will be able to develop their bid dossiers, which they will have to present to UEFA by 15 February 2010. This will be followed by an evaluation phase, during which UEFA will conduct a series of official visits to the various bidders. The UEFA administration, and experts appointed by UEFA, will then examine the bid dossiers and prepare written evaluation reports for submission to the UEFA National Team Competitions Committee. UEFA's Executive Committee will take a final decision on or about 27 May 2010.

Only A Game? exhibition ends

The UEFA-driven Only A Game? exhibition ended its successful run at the World Museum Liverpool on 26 April. The interactive exhibition had been in residence in Liverpool since 11 October. With admission free, Only A Game? invited its many visitors to plunge into the emotions of football, inspired by a selection of prestigious artefacts, trophies and memorabilia, covering in particular the last 50 years of European football. Only A Game? first showed in Brussels in 2007, and explores the links between the development of European society and the growth of its most popular sport.

Accreditation information

The deadline for media accreditation applications for the UEFA Champions League and UEFA Cup finals is 8 May. Non-broadcast media who are already registered with UEFA via the FAME portal on uefa.com must apply using <http://media.fame.uefa.com>. Non-rights holding radio and non-rights holding television applicants must use the <http://broadcasters.fame.uefa.com> portal. Media representatives who are not yet familiar with UEFA's FAME portals are welcome to contact the media accreditation team via the email: fame_accreditations@uefa.ch.

Match-by-match lineups - Chelsea FC

Group stage

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
AS Roma	6	4	0	2	12	6	12
Chelsea FC	6	3	2	1	9	5	11
FC Girondins de Bordeaux	6	2	1	3	5	11	7
CFR 1907 Cluj	6	1	1	4	5	9	4

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
16.09.2008	Chelsea - Bordeaux	4-0	Stamford Bridge, London
Goals: 1-0 Lampard 14, 2-0 J. Cole 30, 3-0 Malouda 82, 4-0 Anelka 90+2			
Chelsea: Čech, A. Cole, Carvalho, Lampard, J. Cole (Belletti 74), Mikel Obi, Malouda (Kalou 84), Bosingwa, Deco (Ballack 61), Terry, Anelka			
01.10.2008	CFR Cluj - Chelsea	0-0	CFR, Cluj-Napoca
Goals: -			
Chelsea: Čech, Lampard, Drogba (Belletti 58), Mikel Obi, Ballack, Malouda (Di Santo 74), Bosingwa, Bridge, Kalou (Anelka 46), Terry, Alex			
22.10.2008	Chelsea - Roma	1-0	Stamford Bridge, London
Goals: 1-0 Terry 77			
Chelsea: Čech, Carvalho, Lampard, Mikel Obi, Malouda (Belletti 46), Bosingwa, Bridge, Deco, Kalou (Di Santo 77), Terry, Anelka (Ferreira 90+3)			
04.11.2008	Roma - Chelsea	3-1	Stadio Olimpico, Rome
Goals: 1-0 Panucci 34, 2-0 Vučinić 48, 3-0 Vučinić 58, 3-1 Terry 75			
Chelsea: Čech, Lampard, J. Cole (Belletti 46), Mikel Obi, Malouda (Drogba 46), Bosingwa (Kalou 63), Bridge, Deco, Terry, Alex, Anelka			
26.11.2008	Bordeaux - Chelsea	1-1	Stade Chaban-Delmas, Bordeaux
Goals: 0-1 Anelka 60, 1-1 Diarra 83			
Chelsea: Čech, Ivanović, A. Cole, Lampard, J. Cole (Ferreira 85), Mikel Obi, Ballack, Malouda, Bosingwa, Terry, Anelka (Drogba 63)			
09.12.2008	Chelsea - CFR Cluj	2-1	Stamford Bridge, London
Goals: 1-0 Kalou 40, 1-1 Y. Koné 55, 2-1 Drogba 71			
Chelsea: Čech, A. Cole, J. Cole (Belletti 74), Mikel Obi (Bridge 88), Ballack, Bosingwa, Deco, Kalou (Drogba 65), Terry, Alex, Anelka			

First knockout round, first leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
25/02/09	Chelsea - Juventus	1-0	Stamford Bridge, London
Goals: 1-0 Drogba 12			
Chelsea: Čech, A. Cole, Lampard, Drogba, Mikel Obi, Ballack (Mancienne 81), Bosingwa, Kalou (Malouda 72), Terry, Alex, Anelka			

First knockout round, second leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
10/03/09	Juventus - Chelsea	2-2	Stadio Olimpico, Turin
Goals: 1-0 Iaquinta 19, 1-1 Essien 45+1, 2-1 Del Piero 74 (pen) , 2-2 Drogba 83			
Chelsea: Čech, A. Cole, Essien (Belletti 66), Lampard, Drogba, Mikel Obi, Ballack, Bosingwa, Terry, Alex (Carvalho 89), Anelka			

Quarter-finals, first leg

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Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
08/04/09	Liverpool - Chelsea	1-3	Anfield, Liverpool

Goals: 1-0 Torres 6, 1-1 Ivanović 39, 1-2 Ivanović 62, 1-3 Drogba 67

Chelsea: Čech, Ivanović, A. Cole, Essien, Lampard, Drogba (Anelka 80), Ballack, Malouda, Kalou, Terry, Alex

Quarter-finals, second leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
14/04/09	Chelsea - Liverpool	4-4	Stamford Bridge, London

Goals: 0-1 Fábio Aurélio 19, 0-2 Xabi Alonso 28 (pen) , 1-2 Drogba 51, 2-2 Alex 57, 3-2 Lampard 76, 3-3 Lucas 81, 3-4 Kuyt 83, 4-4 Lampard 89

Chelsea: Čech, Ivanović, A. Cole, Essien, Carvalho, Lampard, Drogba (Di Santo 90+4), Ballack, Malouda, Kalou (Anelka 36), Alex

Semi-finals, first leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
28/04/09	Barcelona - Chelsea	0-0	Camp Nou, Barcelona

Goals: -

Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez (Puyol 52), Xavi Hernández, Iniesta, Eto'o (Krkić 82), Messi, Henry (Hleb 87), Daniel Alves, Abidal, Touré

Chelsea: Čech, Ivanović, Essien, Lampard (Belletti 71), Drogba, Mikel Obi, Ballack (Anelka 90+5), Malouda, Bosingwa, Terry, Alex

Match-by-match lineups - FC Barcelona

Group stage

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
FC Barcelona	6	4	1	1	18	8	13
Sporting Clube de Portugal	6	4	0	2	8	8	12
FC Shakhtar Donetsk	6	3	0	3	11	7	9
FC Basel 1893	6	0	1	5	2	16	1

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
16.09.2008	Barcelona - Sporting	3-1	Camp Nou, Barcelona
Goals: 1-0 Márquez 21, 2-0 Eto'o 60 (pen) , 2-1 Tonel 72, 3-1 Xavi Hernández 87			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez, Puyol (Sylvinho 89), Xavi Hernández, Iniesta, Eto'o (Touré 66), Messi, Henry (Pedro Rodríguez 75), Keita, Daniel Alves			
01.10.2008	Shakhtar - Barcelona	1-2	RSC Olympiyskiy Stadium, Donetsk
Goals: 1-0 Ilinho 45, 1-1 Messi 87, 1-2 Messi 90+4			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez, Puyol, Xavi Hernández, Iniesta, Eto'o (Krkić 74), Henry (Messi 60), Keita (Gudjohnsen 81), Daniel Alves, Touré			
22.10.2008	Basel - Barcelona	0-5	St. Jakob-Park, Basel
Goals: 0-1 Messi 4, 0-2 Busquets 15, 0-3 Krkić 22, 0-4 Krkić 46, 0-5 Xavi Hernández 48			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Márquez (Martín Cáceres 53), Puyol, Xavi Hernández (Henry 57), Messi, Krkić, Sylvinho, Daniel Alves, Hleb, Touré (Víctor Sánchez 67), Busquets			
04.11.2008	Barcelona - Basel	1-1	Camp Nou, Barcelona
Goals: 1-0 Messi 62, 1-1 Derdiyok 82			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez, Puyol, Iniesta (Eto'o 67), Krkić (Messi 60), Henry, Sylvinho, Hleb, Busquets, Víctor Sánchez (Xavi Hernández 60)			
26.11.2008	Sporting - Barcelona	2-5	José Alvalade, Lisbon
Goals: 0-1 Henry 14, 0-2 Piqué 17, 0-3 Messi 49, 1-3 Miguel Veloso 65, 2-3 Liedson 66, 2-4 Marco Caneira 67 (o.g.) , 2-5 Krkić 73 (pen)			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Martín Cáceres, Piqué, Márquez, Xavi Hernández (Keita 74), Gudjohnsen, Messi (Pedro Rodríguez 57), Henry (Krkić 46), Daniel Alves, Hleb, Busquets			
09.12.2008	Barcelona - Shakhtar	2-3	Camp Nou, Barcelona
Goals: 0-1 Gladkiy 31, 0-2 Gladkiy 58, 1-2 Sylvinho 59, 1-3 Fernandinho 76, 2-3 Busquets 83			
Barcelona: Jorquera, Martín Cáceres, Piqué, Krkić, Keita, Sylvinho, Hleb, Pedro Rodríguez (Gudjohnsen 76), Busquets, Víctor Sánchez, Víctor Vázquez			

First knockout round, first leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
24/02/09	Lyon - Barcelona	1-1	Stade de Gerland, Lyon
Goals: 1-0 Juninho 7, 1-1 Henry 67			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez, Puyol, Xavi Hernández, Eto'o, Messi, Henry, Daniel Alves, Touré, Busquets (Keita 77)			

First knockout round, second leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
11/03/09	Barcelona - Lyon	5-2	Camp Nou, Barcelona
Goals: 1-0 Henry 25, 2-0 Henry 27, 3-0 Messi 40, 4-0 Eto'o 43, 4-1 Makoun 44, 4-2 Juninho 48, 5-2 Keita 90+5			
Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez, Xavi Hernández, Iniesta (Hleb 90+2), Eto'o (Krkić 87), Messi, Henry (Keita 75), Sylvinho, Daniel Alves, Touré			

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Quarter-finals, first leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
08/04/09	Barcelona - Bayern	4-0	Camp Nou, Barcelona

Goals: 1-0 Messi 9, 2-0 Eto'o 12, 3-0 Messi 38, 4-0 Henry 43

Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez, Puyol, Xavi Hernández, Iniesta, Eto'o (Krkić 89), Messi, Henry (Keita 74), Daniel Alves, Touré (Busquets 81)

Quarter-finals, second leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
14/04/09	Bayern - Barcelona	1-1	Fußball Arena München, Munich

Goals: 1-0 Ribéry 47, 1-1 Keita 73

Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Puyol, Xavi Hernández, Iniesta (Hleb 78), Eto'o, Messi, Keita, Daniel Alves, Abidal, Touré

Semi-finals, first leg

Date	Match	Result	Stadium, Venue
28/04/09	Barcelona - Chelsea	0-0	Camp Nou, Barcelona

Goals: -

Barcelona: Víctor Valdés, Piqué, Márquez (Puyol 52), Xavi Hernández, Iniesta, Eto'o (Krkić 82), Messi, Henry (Hleb 87), Daniel Alves, Abidal, Touré

Chelsea: Čech, Ivanović, Essien, Lampard (Belletti 71), Drogba, Mikel Obi, Ballack (Anelka 90+5), Malouda, Bosingwa, Terry, Alex

Competition facts

UEFA Champions League knockout stage: Did you know?

- Teams have recovered from a first-leg deficit to go through to the next stage on 21 occasions, although only once – AFC Ajax's defeat of Panathinaikos FC in the 1995/96 semi-finals – has a side gone through after losing the first leg at home. The biggest losing margin a side has overturned was achieved by RC Deportivo La Coruña in the 2003/04 quarter-finals when they fought back from a 4-1 defeat at AC Milan to win 4-0 at home.
- Sixteen ties have been decided on the away goals rule, including five where the triumphant team lost the first leg.
- FC Bayern München hold the record for the biggest first-leg lead with a 5-0 success at Sporting Clube de Portugal in this season's first knockout round, eventually going through 12-1 after a 7-1 home victory in the second leg.
- Ten ties have now gone to penalties, including the game between Arsenal FC and AS Roma in the 2008/09 first knockout round. Five of these were finals – 1996, 2001, 2003, 2005 and 2008. The first two-legged tie decided on spot-kicks was PSV Eindhoven's 4-2 win against Olympique Lyonnais on 13 April 2005 after a 2-2 aggregate draw.
- In all, 17 ties have required extra time. So far seven ties have been decided by extra time alone: four quarter-finals, two first knockout round encounters and last season's semi-final between Chelsea FC and Liverpool FC.
- The 2008/09 first knockout round encounter between Bayern and Sporting featured more goals (13) over its two legs than any previous UEFA Champions League knockout tie, Bayern prevailing 12-1.
- There has never been a knockout tie ending goalless after two legs. Nine have finished 1-0 on aggregate, most recently Manchester United's narrow victory against FC Barcelona in the 2007/08 semi-finals.
- England has three teams in the semi-finals for the third year in a row, the fourth time one country has provided three of the last four in European football's premier club competition since 1992/93.

The full breakdown is:

1999/00: Spain (Valencia CF, Barcelona, Real Madrid)

2002/03: Italy (Milan, FC Internazionale Milano, Juventus)

2006/07: England (Manchester United, Liverpool and Chelsea; winners Milan)

2007/08: England (Manchester United, Liverpool and Chelsea)

- Teams from the same country have contested the final on three previous occasions. Madrid overcame Valencia 3-0 in Paris in 2000, three years later Milan defeated Juventus 3-2 on penalties after a goalless draw at Old Trafford, and United beat Chelsea, also on spot-kicks, after a 1-1 draw in Moscow last May.
- The biggest winning margin in a semi-final game is three goals. AFC Ajax beat Bayern 5-2 in the 1994/95 second leg, while there have been three 4-1 victories. Juventus did it twice at home against Ajax (second leg) and AS Monaco FC (first leg) in 1996/97 and 1997/98 respectively, and Valencia at home to Barcelona (first leg) in 1999/00. Five teams have won 3-0, most recently Milan's defeat of Manchester United in the 2006/07 semi-final second leg.
- That 4-1 win for Juventus against Monaco in 1997/98 was part of the biggest aggregate semi-final score. The principality club won 3-2 in their home return to make it ten goals in the tie.
- Madrid's 6-0 second-leg win against FC Zürich in 1963/64 is the biggest win in a European Champion Clubs' Cup semi-final. Eintracht Frankfurt's 12-4 aggregate defeat of Rangers FC in 1959/60 is the biggest two-leg total.
- Clarence Seedorf is the only player to win the European Champion Clubs' Cup with three clubs (AFC Ajax 1995, Madrid 1998, Milan 2003, 2007). Liverpool's Bob Paisley (1977, 1978, 1981) is the only coach to win three times.
- Ottmar Hitzfeld (BV Borussia Dortmund 1997, Bayern 2001) and Ernst Happel (Feyenoord 1970, Hamburger SV 1983) are the only coaches to win the trophy with two clubs.
- Only five capital cities have been home to teams that have won the European Cup: Madrid (Real Madrid), Belgrade (FK Crvena Zvezda), Bucharest (FC Steaua Bucureşti), Amsterdam (Ajax) and Lisbon (SL Benfica).
- Rome was awarded the 2009 UEFA Champions League final after a decision by the UEFA Executive Committee at its meeting in Ljubljana, Slovenia in October 2006. The Stadio Olimpico, home of AS Roma and S.S. Lazio, previously held European Cup finals in 1977, 1984 and 1996 and was also the venue for the 1990 FIFA World Cup final between West Germany and Argentina.

Team facts

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UEFA club competition milestones

- Two UEFA Cup Winners' Cup successes remain the stand-out achievements although Chelsea did lose on penalties in the 2007/08 UEFA Champions League final to Manchester United FC.

UEFA Champions League milestones

- Chelsea lost their only final appearance to Manchester United FC on penalties in 2007/08, after a 1-1 draw over 120 minutes. They had previously come close to reaching the final in 2003/04, 2004/05 and 2006/07 only to lose at the semi-final stage.

UEFA club competition honours

- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup: 1970/71, 1997/98
- UEFA Super Cup: 1998

Ten-year record

2007/08: UEFA Champions League – finalists

2006/07: UEFA Champions League – semi-finals

2005/06: UEFA Champions League – first knockout round

2004/05: UEFA Champions League – semi-finals

2003/04: UEFA Champions League – semi-finals

2002/03: UEFA Cup – first round

2001/02: UEFA Cup – second round

2000/01: UEFA Cup – first round

1999/00: UEFA Champions League – quarter-finals

1998/99: UEFA Cup Winners' Cup – semi-finals

2007/08 season

Domestic record: Chelsea once again finished as Premier League runners-up two points behind Manchester United FC, having finished six points behind them the previous campaign. They reached the final of the English League Cup for the second successive season but could not defend the trophy, losing 2-1 to Tottenham Hotspur FC after extra time, and were knocked out of the FA Cup 1-0 in the quarter-final by second-tier side Barnsley FC.

European record: Drawn in Group B with FC Schalke 04, Rosenborg BK and Valencia CF, Chelsea won three and drew three of their matches to finish top of the section. Olympiacos CFP were dispatched 3-0 on aggregate in the first knockout round, before Chelsea recovered from losing the quarter-final first leg at Fenerbahçe SK to advance 3-2 overall. Awaiting in the semi-final for the third time in four seasons were Liverpool FC, and having lost the previous two, Chelsea gained their revenge with a 4-3 aggregate triumph after extra time. Frank Lampard cancelled out Cristiano Ronaldo's goal in the final for Manchester United, but with nothing separating the teams after 120 minutes United prevailed 6-5 in the penalty shoot-out.

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest win

13-0: Chelsea FC v FC Jeunesse Hautcharage

29.09.1971, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup first round second leg

- Biggest home win

13-0: Chelsea FC v FC Jeunesse Hautcharage (see above for details)

- Biggest away win

0-8: FC Jeunesse Hautcharage v Chelsea FC

15.09.1971, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup first round first leg

- Heaviest defeat

5-1: FC Barcelona v Chelsea FC (aet)

18.04.2000, UEFA Champions League quarter-final second leg

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- Heaviest home defeat

0-2: Chelsea FC v Beşiktaş JK

01.10.2003, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

5-1: FC Barcelona v Chelsea FC (see above for details)

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest win

0-5: Galatasaray SK v Chelsea FC

20.10.1999, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Biggest home win

4-0: Chelsea FC v Real Betis Balompíe

19.10.2005, UEFA Champions League group stage

4-0: Chelsea FC v FC Girondins de Bordeaux

16.09.2008, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Biggest away win

0-5: Galatasaray SK v Chelsea FC (see above for details)

- Heaviest defeat

5-1: FC Barcelona v Chelsea FC (see above for details)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-2: Chelsea FC v Beşiktaş JK (see above for details)

- Heaviest away defeat

5-1: FC Barcelona v Chelsea FC (see above for details)

FC Barcelona

UEFA club competition milestones

• In total, Barcelona have appeared in five European Champion Clubs' Cup finals, winning the 1991/92 competition against UC Sampdoria thanks to a 112th-minute Ronald Koeman free-kick before their triumph in the 2005/06 campaign.

• They lost on penalties to FC Steaua Bucureşti in the 1985/86 season, 3-2 to SL Benfica in 1960/61 and 4-0 to AC Milan in 1993/94. Four-time UEFA Cup Winners' Cup winners, they lost in the 1968/69 and 1990/91 finals.

UEFA Champions League milestones

• With Barcelona now in their 13th campaign, the highlight remains the 2-1 win against Arsenal FC in Paris that made them European champions in 2006. Only Manchester United FC and FC Porto (14) have taken part on more occasions.

UEFA club competition honours

• European Champion Clubs' Cup: 1991/92, 2005/06

• UEFA Cup Winners' Cup: 1978/79, 1981/82, 1988/89, 1996/97

• UEFA Super Cup: 1992, 1997

Ten-year record

2007/08: UEFA Champions League – semi-finals

2006/07: UEFA Champions League – first knockout round

2005/06: UEFA Champions League – winners

2004/05: UEFA Champions League – first knockout round

2003/04: UEFA Cup – fourth round

2002/03: UEFA Champions League – quarter-finals

2001/02: UEFA Champions League – semi-finals

2000/01: UEFA Cup – semi-finals (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

1999/00: UEFA Champions League – semi-finals

1998/99: UEFA Champions League – group stage

2007/08 season

Domestic record: Barça finished third in Spain last term, ten points behind runners-up Villarreal CF with champions Real Madrid CF a further eight ahead. It was a far cry from the season before where the Catalan side had only lost the title by virtue of a poorer head to head against their rivals from the capital. Barcelona reached the semi-finals of the Copa del Rey before being knocked out by eventual winners Valencia CF 4-3 on aggregate.

European record: UEFA Champions League Group E was a happy hunting ground for Barcelona last season and they went through undefeated, recording four victories and two draws to finish top. They faced Celtic FC in the first knockout round, a 3-2 first-leg win in Glasgow setting up an aggregate success and a quarter-final tie with FC Schalke 04. A pair of 1-0 triumphs earned a last-four spot but there they met Manchester United FC who won through 1-0 overall. United went on to become European champions.

Records

UEFA club competition

• Biggest win

8-0: FC Barcelona v ŠKM Púchov

15.10.2003, UEFA Cup first round second leg

8-0: FC Barcelona v Apollon Limassol FC

15.09.1982, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup first round first leg

• Biggest home win

8-0: FC Barcelona v ŠKM Púchov (see above for details)

8-0: FC Barcelona v Apollon Limassol FC (see above for details)

• Biggest away win

0-7: Hapoel Beer-Sheva FC v FC Barcelona

12.09.1995, UEFA Cup first round first leg

• Heaviest defeat

0-4: FC Barcelona v FC Dynamo Kyiv

05.11.1997, UEFA Champions League group stage

4-0: AC Milan v FC Barcelona

18.05.1994, European Champion Clubs' Cup final

0-4: FC Barcelona v 1. FC Köln

05.11.1980, UEFA Cup second round second leg

• Heaviest home defeat

0-4: FC Barcelona v FC Dynamo Kyiv (see above for details)

0-4: FC Barcelona v 1. FC Köln (see above for details)

- Heaviest away defeat

0-3: FC Barcelona v Sevilla FC

25.08.2006, UEFA Super Cup (played at a neutral venue, included here for information purposes)

3-0: AS Roma v FC Barcelona

26.02.2002, UEFA Champions League second group stage

3-0: Beşiktaş JK v FC Barcelona

19.09.2000, UEFA Champions League first group stage

4-1: Valencia CF v FC Barcelona

02.05.2000, UEFA Champions League semi-final first leg

3-0: FC Dynamo Kyiv v FC Barcelona

22.10.1997, UEFA Champions League group stage

3-0: Manchester United FC v FC Barcelona

21.03.1984, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup quarter-final second leg

3-0: Aston Villa FC v FC Barcelona

26.01.1983, UEFA Super Cup final second leg

3-0: RSC Anderlecht v FC Barcelona

18.10.1978, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round first leg

3-0: PSV Eindhoven v FC Barcelona

29.03.1978, UEFA Cup semi-finals first leg

3-0: Ipswich Town FC v FC Barcelona

23.11.1977, UEFA Cup third round first leg

3-0: OGC Nice v FC Barcelona

19.09.1973, UEFA Cup first round first leg

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest win

0-5: FC Basel 1893 v FC Barcelona

22.10.2008, UEFA Champions League group stage

5-0: FC Barcelona v PFC Levski Sofia

12.09.2006, UEFA Champions League group stage

5-0: FC Barcelona v Panathinaikos FC

02.11.2005, UEFA Champions League group stage

5-0: FC Barcelona v Beşiktaş JK

08.11.2000, UEFA Champions League first group stage

5-0: FC Barcelona v AC Sparta Praha

08.12.1999, UEFA Champions League second group stage

5-0: FC Barcelona v AIK Solna

27.10.1999, UEFA Champions League first group stage

- Biggest home win

5-0: FC Barcelona v PFC Levski Sofia (see above for details)

5-0: FC Barcelona v Panathinaikos FC (see above for details)

5-0: FC Barcelona v Beşiktaş JK (see above for details)

5-0: FC Barcelona v AC Sparta Praha (see above for details)

5-0: FC Barcelona v AIK Solna (see above for details)

- Biggest away win

0-5: FC Basel 1893 v FC Barcelona (see above for details)

- Heaviest defeat

0-4: FC Barcelona v FC Dynamo Kyiv (see above for details)

4-0: AC Milan v FC Barcelona (see above for details)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-4: FC Barcelona v FC Dynamo Kyiv (see above for details)

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- Heaviest away defeat
- 3-0:** AS Roma v FC Barcelona (see above for details)
- 3-0:** Beşiktaş JK v FC Barcelona (see above for details)
- 4-1:** Valencia CF v FC Barcelona (see above for details)
- 3-0:** FC Dynamo Kyiv v FC Barcelona (see above for details)

Legend

:: All-time statistics

The all-time record of the competing clubs in UEFA club competition.

UEFA club competition: These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in UEFA club competition defined as the European Champion Clubs' Cup, the UEFA Champions League, the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (1960-1999), the UEFA Cup, the UEFA Super Cup (1973 -), the UEFA Intertoto Cup and the European/South American Cup (1960-2004). Matches in the Inter-Cities' Fairs Cup and the 1972 Super Cup are included only for information as these were not held under UEFA auspices, while the FIFA Club World Cup is excluded.

:: Squad list

The eligible list of players ordered first by playing position and then numeric order.

Current season - UCLQ: Total UEFA Champions League appearances in qualifying rounds only.

Current season - UCL: Total UEFA Champions League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday.

Current season - League: Total league appearances based on the date press kit was last updated

All-time - UCL: Total appearances in the UEFA Champions League from the 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

All-time - UEFA: Total appearances in UEFA club competition (as defined above) including all qualifying round matches. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records in the competition.

Age: based on the date press kit was last updated

BL: Booking list (*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended, #: suspended for at least one match)

:: Match officials

The match officials appointed to officiate the fixture.

UCL: Total matches officiated in the UEFA Champions League from 1992/93 season, group stage to final only. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records.

UEFA: Total matches officiated in UEFA club competition including all qualifying round matches. Matches where the official has acted as the fourth official are not included in these statistics. These are the official statistics considered valid for communicating official records.

:: Competitions

Club competitions

ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League

UCUP: UEFA Cup • **UCWC:** UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

SCUP: UEFA Super Cup • **UIC:** UEFA Intertoto Cup

ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship

WC: FIFA World Cup • **CONFCUP:** Confederation Cup

FRIE: Friendly internationals • **U21FRIE:** Under-21 friendly internationals

U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship

U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship • **U16:** UEFA European Under-16 Championship

U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship • **U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship

:: Competition stages

F: Final

GS: Group stage

GS1: First group stage

GS2: Second group stage

KO1: First knockout round

PR: Preliminary round

QF: Quarter-finals

QR: Qualifying round

QR1: First qualifying round

QR2: Second qualifying round

FT: Final tournament

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

1/8: Eighth-finals

1/16: Sixteenth-finals

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

P-O: Play-off

:: Other Abbreviations

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not Applicable

No.: Number

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res.: Result

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

:: Statistics

(-) : Denotes player substituted

(*) : Denotes player dismissed/sent off

(+) : Denotes player introduced

(+/-) : Denotes player introduced and substituted

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