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Helsingborgs IF



Celtic FC

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

None

Helsingborgs IF - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

None

Celtic FC - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

None

Match background

Two clubs with a common hero will compete for a place in the UEFA Champions League when Helsingborgs IF host Celtic FC in the first leg of their play-off.

- Henrik Larsson remains an icon to both Helsingborg and Celtic supporters and his sea-front statue in the town, his birthplace, will doubtless be a must-see for the travelling Scottish fans.
- Helsingborg have got this far thanks to victories over The New Saints FC (3-0 agg) and WKS Śląsk Wrocław (6-1 agg) while Celtic beat HJK Helsinki 4-1 in their third qualifying round tie.

Match background

- Helsingborg are hoping to roll back the years to the turn of the millennium and their only previous qualification for the group stage, achieved following a shock victory over FC Internazionale Milano.
- Helsingborg claimed Inter's scalp in the 2000/01 third qualifying round after Michael Hansson's solitary goal in the first leg in Sweden settled the tie. Today's Helsingborg squad includes four players who featured against Inter – Christoffer Andersson, Álvaro and Erik Wahlstedt, who started both matches, and Mattias Lindström, a late substitute at San Siro.
- Helsingborg have had less luck in qualifiers recently, missing out on the UEFA Europa League group stage in 2009/10 and 2011/12. Their last run in Europe of note was to the last 32 of the UEFA Cup in 2007/08.
- Celtic are looking to return to the UEFA Champions League for the first time since the 2008/09 season, since when they have lost to Arsenal FC in the 2009/10 play-offs and SC Braga in the 2010/11 third qualifying round.
- European Cup winners in 1967, Celtic have contested six campaigns in the modern UEFA Champions League but they have never faced Swedish opposition before.
- This will be Helsingborg's first competitive meeting with Scottish opponents.

Team ties

- Henrik Larsson hit 242 goals in 315 competitive appearances for Celtic between 1997 and 2004 during a career which featured two spells with Helsingborg – first from 1992-93 and then from 2006-09. When Larsson hung up his boots, Helsingborg retired his No17 shirt.
- As Norway coach, Helsingborg boss Åge Hareide oversaw a 0-0 draw in Scotland in 2010 FIFA World Cup qualifying, in which Celtic's Scott Brown featured for the home side.
- Celtic's Mikael Lustig was in Sweden's UEFA EURO 2012 squad with Helsingborg's Pär Hansson and is a former Under-21 colleague of Walid Atta. Atta, meanwhile, was briefly a team-mate of Celtic's Mohamed Bangura at AIK Solna in 2010.
- Helsingborg's Erik Edman played for Sweden alongside Celtic's assistant coach Johan Mjällby – both were in their country's UEFA EURO 2004 squad.
- Celtic's Giorgos Samaras was in the Greece side beaten 2-0 by Sweden at UEFA EURO 2008.
- Helsingborg reserve goalkeeper Daniel Andersson played in Scotland for Hibernian FC from 2003-04. He appeared in five matches against Celtic, losing four of them – including a 6-0 drubbing at Celtic Park.
- Helsingborg's new recruit Alejandro Bedoya spent last season with Celtic's rivals Rangers FC.
- Alfred Finnbogason, who ended his loan spell at Helsingborg when joining sc Heerenveen on 16 August, spent part of his childhood in Edinburgh while his father studied in the city and played football for the reputed boys' club Hutchison Vale as well as regularly attending matches at Hibs' Easter Road stadium.

Squad list

Helsingborgs IF

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						QUAL		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Daniel Andersson	SWE	18/12/72	39	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	23	-
22	Andreas Linde	SWE	24/07/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30	Pär Hansson	SWE	22/06/86	26	-	4	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	14	-
Defenders															
4	Walid Atta	SWE	28/08/86	25	-	4	1	-	-	12	2	-	-	7	1
14	Erik Edman	SWE	11/11/78	33	-	1	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	28	1
15	Emil Kraft	SWE	02/08/94	18	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
16	Joseph Baffo	SWE	07/11/92	19	-	-	-	-	-	9	-	-	-	2	-
21	Christoffer Andersson	SWE	22/10/78	33	-	4	1	-	-	13	-	5	-	53	6
23	Erik Wahlstedt	SWE	16/04/76	36	-	3	-	-	-	6	-	12	1	55	3
24	Erlend Hanstveit	NOR	28/01/81	31	-	1	-	-	-	15	-	-	-	40	2
28	Jere Uronen	FIN	13/07/94	18	-	3	-	-	-	9	1	-	-	4	-
29	Jesper Björkman	SWE	29/04/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
3	Loret Sadiku	SWE	28/07/91	21	-	4	-	-	-	18	-	-	-	4	-
5	Daniel Nordmark	SWE	04/01/88	24	-	4	1	-	-	18	5	-	-	22	2
6	May Mahlangu	RSA	01/05/89	23	-	4	-	-	-	19	-	-	-	9	-
7	Mattias Lindström	SWE	18/04/80	32	-	3	-	-	-	14	-	1	-	26	5
8	Ardian Gashi	NOR	20/06/81	31	-	4	-	-	-	17	-	-	-	24	3
13	Rachid Bouaouzan	ANT	20/02/84	28	-	1	-	-	-	15	1	-	-	6	-
20	Alejandro Bedoya	USA	29/04/87	25	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	-	-
25	David Accam	GHA	28/09/90	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
27	William Kvist	SWE	25/05/94	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Rasmus Lindgren	SWE	17/06/94	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	David Svensson	SWE	04/08/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
9	Erik Sundin	SWE	01/03/79	33	-	3	-	-	-	15	3	-	-	11	2
10	Álvaro	BRA	30/01/80	32	-	3	1	-	-	12	2	6	1	36	9
11	Thomas Sørum	NOR	17/11/82	29	-	4	4	-	-	17	2	-	-	4	4
18	Nikola Djurdic	SRB	01/04/86	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	Lucas Ohlander	SWE	19/02/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	Åge Hareide	NOR	23/09/53	58	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	38	-

Celtic FC

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						QUAL		UCL		League		UCL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Fraser Forster	ENG	17/03/88	24	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	9	-
24	Lukasz Zaluska	POL	16/06/82	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
35	Robbie Thomson	SCO	07/03/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
2	Adam Matthews	WAL	13/01/92	20	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	7	-
3	Emilio Izaguirre	HON	10/05/86	26	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-
6	Kelvin Wilson	ENG	03/09/85	26	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	2	-
21	Charlie Mulgrew	SCO	06/03/86	26	-	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	13	3
23	Mikael Lustig	SWE	13/12/86	25	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	30	3
25	Thomas Rogne	NOR	29/06/90	22	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	5	-
43	Joseph Chalmers	SCO	03/01/94	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	Marcus Fraser	SCO	23/06/94	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Midfielders															
8	Scott Brown	SCO	25/06/85	27	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	13	-	36	1
15	Kris Commons	SCO	30/08/83	28	-	2	-	-	-	2	2	-	-	6	-
16	Joe Ledley	WAL	23/01/87	25	-	2	1	-	-	2	-	-	-	12	2
18	Ki Sung-Yong	KOR	24/01/89	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	1
20	Pat McCourt	NIR	16/12/83	28	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	12	-
30	Paul Slane	SCO	25/11/91	20	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	6	1
33	Beram Kayal	ISR	02/05/88	24	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	4	-	22	-
42	Callum McGregor	SCO	14/06/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
56	Filip Twardzik	CZE	10/02/93	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
67	Victor Wanyama	KEN	25/06/91	21	S	2	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	7	-
Forwards															
9	Giorgos Samaras	GRE	21/02/85	27	-	2	1	-	-	2	-	6	-	43	8
10	Anthony Stokes	IRL	25/07/88	24	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	8	2
14	Mohamed Bangura	SLE	27/07/89	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	1
27	Daryl Murphy	IRL	15/03/83	29	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-
28	James Keatings	SCO	20/01/92	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	Anthony Watt	SCO	29/12/93	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
49	James Forrest	SCO	07/07/91	21	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
88	Gary Hooper	ENG	26/01/88	24	-	2	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	9	4
Coach															
-	Neil Lennon	NIR	25/06/71	41	-	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	-

Match officials

Referee	Olegário Benquerença (POR)
Assistant referees	Bertino Miranda (POR), João Santos (POR)
Additional assistant referees	Artur Soares (POR), Carlos Xistra (POR)
Fourth official	Ricardo Santos (POR)
UEFA Delegate	Roland Tis (BEL)
UEFA Referee observer	Peter Mikkelsen (DEN)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Champions League matches	UEFA matches
Olegário Benquerença	18/10/1969	24	74

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

Date	Competition	Stage	Home	Away	Result	Venue
14/09/10	UCL	GS	Manchester United FC	Rangers FC	0-0	Manchester

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

Date	Competition	Stage	Home	Away	Result	Venue
27/10/03	U19	QR1	Scotland	Turkey	1-1	Dumbarton
25/11/04	UCUP	GS	Rangers FC	Grazer AK	3-0	Glasgow
08/06/05	WC	QR	Belarus	Scotland	0-0	Minsk

Fixtures and results

Helsingborgs IF

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
02/04/12	League	IFK Norrköping (A)	L 0-1	
08/04/12	League	IF Elfsborg (H)	W 2-1	Finnbogason 15, 77
11/04/12	League	Örebro SK (A)	D 0-0	
16/04/12	League	GAIS Göteborg (H)	D 1-1	Angus 11 (og)
21/04/12	League	Åtvidabergs FF (A)	W 2-1	Sundin 65, 70
27/04/12	League	Mjällby AIF (H)	D 1-1	Finnbogason 13
02/05/12	League	AIK Solna (H)	D 0-0	
05/05/12	League	GIF Sundsvall (A)	W 1-0	Sørum 82
10/05/12	League	Malmö FF (A)	L 0-3	
13/05/12	League	BK Häcken (H)	W 3-2	Finnbogason 32, Nordmark 45+1, 62
16/05/12	League	Kalmar FF (A)	D 1-1	Finnbogason 41
23/05/12	League	Djurgårdens IF (H)	D 1-1	Nordmark 2
02/07/12	League	Gefle IF (H)	W 4-1	Atta 10, Finnbogason 49, 50, 80
09/07/12	League	IFK Göteborg (A)	D 1-1	Finnbogason 85
14/07/12	League	Syrianska FC (H)	W 1-0	Atta 90+5
17/07/12	UCL	The New Saints FC (A)	D 0-0	
21/07/12	League	Syrianska FC (A)	W 3-1	Sundin 6, Álvaro 19 (p), Nordmark 90+3
25/07/12	UCL	The New Saints FC (H)	W 3-0	Atta 8, Sørum 27, Álvaro 89
28/07/12	League	IFK Norrköping (H)	L 1-2	Finnbogason 68
01/08/12	UCL	WKS Śląsk Wrocław (A)	W 3-0	Finnbogason 36, C. Andersson 72, Nordmark 85
08/08/12	UCL	WKS Śląsk Wrocław (H)	W 3-1	Sørum 43, 49, 68
12/08/12	League	Kalmar FF (H)	W 7-2	Finnbogason 3, 40, Sørum 14, Uronen 45, Bouaouzan 57, Nordmark 72, Álvaro 82
18/08/12	League	IF Elfsborg (A)	L 1-2	Bedoya 37
21/08/12	UCL	Celtic FC (H)		
25/08/12	League	Djurgårdens IF (A)		
29/08/12	UCL	Celtic FC (A)		
02/09/12	League	AIK Solna (A)		
15/09/12	League	GIF Sundsvall (H)		
24/09/12	League	Malmö FF (H)		
27/09/12	League	BK Häcken (A)		
30/09/12	League	Åtvidabergs FF (H)		
07/10/12	League	Mjällby AIF (A)		
21/10/12	League	Örebro SK (H)		
28/10/12	League	GAIS Göteborg (A)		
31/10/12	League	IFK Göteborg (H)		
04/11/12	League	Gefle IF (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	IF Elfsborg	19	13	2	4	33	16	41
2	Malmö FF	19	10	5	4	33	24	35
3	BK Häcken	19	10	3	6	39	23	33
4	AIK Solna	19	9	6	4	24	18	33
5	Helsingborgs IF	19	8	7	4	30	21	31
6	IFK Norrköping	19	8	5	6	27	32	29
7	Åtvidabergs FF	19	7	6	6	37	29	27
8	Djurgårdens IF	19	5	11	3	23	21	26
9	GIF Sundsvall	19	6	6	7	24	22	24
10	IFK Göteborg	19	5	9	5	25	27	24
11	Mjällby AIF	19	5	8	6	22	26	23
12	Kalmar FF	19	6	5	8	23	31	23
13	Syrianska FC	19	6	3	10	19	29	21
14	Gefle IF	19	3	7	9	14	26	16
15	GAIS Göteborg	19	1	8	10	16	28	11
16	Örebro SK	19	2	5	12	16	32	11

Celtic FC

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result		Goalscorers
01/08/12	UCL	HJK Helsinki (H)	W	2-1	Hooper 54, Mulgrew 61
04/08/12	League	Aberdeen FC (H)	W	1-0	Commons 79
08/08/12	UCL	HJK Helsinki (A)	W	2-0	Ledley 67, Samaras 86
18/08/12	League	Ross County (A)	D	1-1	Commons 90+3
21/08/12	UCL	Helsingborgs IF (A)			
25/08/12	League	Inverness Caledonian Thistle FC (A)			
29/08/12	UCL	Helsingborgs IF (H)			
01/09/12	League	Hibernian FC (H)			
15/09/12	League	Saint Johnstone FC (A)			
22/09/12	League	Dundee FC (H)			
29/09/12	League	Motherwell FC (A)			
06/10/12	League	Heart of Midlothian FC (H)			
20/10/12	League	Saint Mirren FC (A)			
27/10/12	League	Kilmarnock FC (H)			
03/11/12	League	Dundee United FC (A)			
10/11/12	League	Saint Johnstone FC (H)			
17/11/12	League	Aberdeen FC (A)			
24/11/12	League	Inverness Caledonian Thistle FC (H)			
28/11/12	League	Heart of Midlothian FC (A)			
08/12/12	League	Kilmarnock FC (A)			
15/12/12	League	Saint Mirren FC (H)			
22/12/12	League	Ross County (H)			
26/12/12	League	Dundee FC (A)			
29/12/12	League	Hibernian FC (A)			

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Dundee United FC	2	2	0	0	6	0	6
2	Heart of Midlothian FC	3	1	2	0	5	3	5
3	Motherwell FC	3	1	2	0	3	2	5
4	Saint Mirren FC	3	1	1	1	5	4	4
5	Celtic FC	2	1	1	0	2	1	4
6	Aberdeen FC	3	1	1	1	2	2	4
7	Hibernian FC	3	1	1	1	3	5	4
8	Inverness Caledonian Thistle FC	3	0	3	0	5	5	3
9	Ross County	3	0	3	0	1	1	3
10	Kilmarnock FC	3	0	2	1	2	3	2
11	Saint Johnstone FC	3	0	1	2	2	5	1
12	Dundee FC	3	0	1	2	0	5	1

Match-by-match lineups

Helsingborgs IF

Second qualifying round

(17/07/12)

TNS 0-0 Helsingborg

Helsingborgs IF: Hansson, Sadiku, Atta, Mahlangu, Gashi, Sørum (Sundin 79), Bouaouzan (Nordmark 46), Edman, Finnbogason, C. Andersson, Hanstveit

(25/07/12)

Helsingborg 3-0 TNS (agg: 3-0)

Goals: 1-0 Atta 8, 2-0 Sørum 27, 3-0 Álvaro 89

Helsingborgs IF: Hansson, Sadiku, Atta, Nordmark, Mahlangu, Lindström, Gashi (Wahlstedt 85), Sørum (Sundin 46), Finnbogason (Álvaro 70), C. Andersson, Uronen

Third qualifying round

(01/08/12)

Śląsk 0-3 Helsingborg

Goals: 0-1 Finnbogason 36, 0-2 C. Andersson 72, 0-3 Nordmark 85

Helsingborgs IF: Hansson, Sadiku, Atta, Mahlangu, Lindström, Gashi, Sørum (Álvaro 66), Finnbogason (Sundin 90+1), C. Andersson, Wahlstedt (Nordmark 81), Uronen

(08/08/12)

Helsingborg 3-1 Śląsk (agg: 6-1)

Goals: 0-1 Díaz 31, 1-1 Sørum 43, 2-1 Sørum 49, 3-1 Sørum 68

Helsingborgs IF: Hansson, Sadiku, Atta, Mahlangu, Lindström (Nordmark 28), Gashi, Sørum (Álvaro 71), Finnbogason, C. Andersson, Wahlstedt (Bergholtz 84), Uronen

Play-offs

(21/08/12)

Helsingborg v Celtic

(29/08/12)

Celtic v Helsingborg

Celtic FC

Third qualifying round

(01/08/12)

Celtic 2-1 HJK

Goals: 0-1 Schüller 48, 1-1 Hooper 54, 2-1 Mulgrew 61

Celtic FC: Forster, Matthews, Izaguirre, Brown, Samaras (Lustig 87), Commons (Stokes 65), Ledley, Mulgrew, Forrest, Wanyama, Hooper (McCourt 87)

(08/08/12)

HJK 0-2 Celtic (agg: 1-4)

Goals: 0-1 Ledley 67, 0-2 Samaras 86

Celtic FC: Forster, Matthews, Izaguirre, Brown, Samaras (D. Murphy 88), Commons (Forrest 75), Ledley, Mulgrew, Rogne, Wanyama, Hooper (Kayal 75)

Play-offs

(21/08/12)

Helsingborg v Celtic

(29/08/12)

Celtic v Helsingborg

Team facts

Helsingborgs IF

Formed: 1907

Nickname: Di Röe (The Reds)

UEFA club competition honours

- none

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 5 (2011)

Swedish Cup: 5 (2011)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Champions League unless indicated otherwise)

2011/12: UEFA Europa League play-offs

2010/11: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2009/10: UEFA Europa League third qualifying round

2008/09: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2007/08: UEFA Cup round of 32

2006/07: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2005/06: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2004/05: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2003/04: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2002/03: UEFA Intertoto Cup second round

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

6-0: Helsingborg v JK Trans Narva

19/07/2007, UEFA Cup first qualifying round first leg

- Biggest away win

0-3 on four occasions, most recently v WKS Śląsk Wrocław

01/08/2012, UEFA Champions League third qualifying round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

1-3 on four occasions, most recently v R. Standard de Liège

25/08/2011, UEFA Europa League play-off second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

6-1: Rosenborg BK v Helsingborg

26/09/2000, UEFA Champions League first group stage

UEFA Champions League

- Biggest home win

2-0: Helsingborg v Rosenborg BK

18/10/2000, group stage

- Biggest away win

N/A

- Heaviest home defeat

1-3: Helsingborg v FC Bayern München

13/09/2000, group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

6-1: Rosenborg BK v Helsingborg (see above for details)

Celtic FC

Formed: 1888

Nickname: The Hoops, The Bhoys

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- European Champion Clubs' Cup (1): 1967, (1970)
- UEFA Cup: (2003)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 43 (2012)

Scottish Cup: 35 (2011)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Champions League unless indicated otherwise)

2011/12: UEFA Europa League group stage

2010/11: UEFA Europa League play-offs (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2009/10: UEFA Europa League group stage (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League play-offs)

2008/09: group stage

2007/08: first knockout round

2006/07: first knockout round

2005/06: second qualifying round

2004/05: group stage

2003/04: UEFA Cup quarter-finals (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League group stage)

2002/03: UEFA Cup runners-up (having transferred from the UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

9-0: Celtic v KPV Kokkola

16/09/70, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round first leg

- Biggest away win

0-7: Waterford AFC v Celtic

21/10/70, European Champion Clubs' Cup second round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

0-3: Celtic v Paris Saint-Germain FC

02/11/95, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

5-0: FC Artmedia Petržalka v Celtic

27/07/05, UEFA Champions League second qualifying round first leg

UEFA Champions League(group stage to final only)

- Biggest home win

3-0: Celtic FC v SL Benfica

17/10/2006, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Biggest away win

N/A

- Heaviest home defeat

1-3: Celtic v FC Barcelona

14/09/2004, group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

3-0 on four occasions, most recently v Manchester United FC

21/10/2008, group stage

Competition format

Qualifying

In matches in the three qualifying rounds and the play-off stage, clubs play two matches against each other on a home-and-away basis. The club which scores the greater aggregate of goals qualifies for the next round, with away goals and then penalties used to determine the winner in the event of a draw.

Group stage

The ten winners in the play-off round ties – five from the best-placed path and five from the champions path – join 22 automatic entrants in the 32-team group stage. The clubs are split into eight groups of four teams, who play home and away against each of their pool opponents between September and December to decide which two teams from each section advance to the first knockout round. The third-place finishers in each group enter the UEFA Europa League round of 32.

Knockout phase

From the last 16 until the semi-finals, clubs play two matches against each other on a home-and-away basis with the same rules as the qualifying and play-off rounds applied. In the last 16, group winners play runners-up other than teams from their own pool or nation, while from the quarter-finals on the draw is free.

Final

The final is decided by a single match, which this season will be played at Wembley Stadium on Saturday 25 May 2013.

Further details, including the criteria for separating teams that finish level on points in a group, can be found in the official competition regulations.

Draw schedule		
Time, date	Location	Draw details
12.00CET, 25/06/12	Nyon	First and second qualifying rounds
12.00CET, 20/07/12	Nyon	Third qualifying round
12.00CET, 10/08/12	Nyon	Play-offs
18.00CET, 30/08/12	Monaco	Group stage
12.00CET, 14/12/12	Nyon	Round of 16
12.00CET, 15/03/13	Nyon	Quarter-finals, semi-finals, final
Match calendar		
Stage	Dates	
First qualifying round, 1st leg	03-04/07/12	
First qualifying round, 2nd leg	10-11/07/12	
Second qualifying round, 1st leg	17-18/07/12	
Second qualifying round, 2nd leg	24-25/07/12	
Third qualifying round, 1st leg	31/07-01/08/12	
Third qualifying round, 2nd leg	07/08/08/12	
Play-off, 1st leg	21-22/08/12	
Play-off, 2nd leg	28-29/08/12	
Group stage, Matchday 1	18-19/09/12	
Group stage, Matchday 2	02-03/10/12	
Group stage, Matchday 3	23-24/10/12	
Group stage, Matchday 4	06-07/11/12	
Group stage, Matchday 5	20-21/11/12	
Group stage, Matchday 6	04-05/12/12	
Round of 16, 1st leg	12-13/02/13 & 19-20/02/13	
Round of 16, 2nd leg	05-06/03/13 & 12-13/03/13	
Quarter-finals, 1st leg	02-03/04/13	
Quarter-finals, 2nd leg	09-10/04/13	
Semi-finals, 1st leg	23-24/04/13	
Semi-finals, 2nd leg	30/04-01/05/13	
Final (Wembley Stadium)	25/05/13	

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 Europa League, the UEFA Cup, the UEFA Super Cup (1973-to date), 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.

:: 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

UCL: UEFA Champions League/UEFA Champions League

Tournament: UEFA Europa League/UEFA Champions League

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:** FIFA Confederations 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

WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup • **WCHAMP:** UEFA European Women's 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

ELITE: Elite round

3rdPO: Third-place play-off

GS-FT: Group stage – final tournament

3QR: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

R16: round of 16

R32: Round of 32

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

PO: Play-off

(Rep): Replay

PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament

Prom/rel PO: Promotion/relegation play-off

:: Other abbreviations

(aet): Match decided after extra time

No.: Number

aetps: Match decided after extra time

o.g.: Own goal

and penalty shoot-out

ag: Match decided on away goals

agg: Aggregate

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

gg: Match decided by golden goal

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not applicable

(P): Penalty

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (straight red card)

Res.: Result

sg: Match decided by silver goal

t: Match decided by toss of a coin

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)

:: Statistics

(-): Denotes player substituted

(*): Denotes player sent off

(+): Denotes player introduced

(+/-): Denotes player introduced and substituted

:: Squad list

D: Disciplinary

S: Suspended

*: Misses next match if booked

#: Suspended for at least one match

UCLQ: Current season total UEFA Champions League appearances in the qualifying rounds and play-offs only

UCL: Current season total UEFA Champions League appearances from group stage onwards prior to current matchday

UCL: Total appearances in the UEFA Champions League from 1992/93 season, group stage to final only

UEFA: All-time total appearances in UEFA club competition including qualifying

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