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RSC Anderlecht

(first leg: 1-2)



AEL Limassol FC

Play-offs, second leg

Constant Vanden Stock Stadium, Brussels

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
22/08/12	PO	AEL Limassol FC - RSC Anderlecht	2-1	Nicosia	Dosa Júnior 34, Rui Miguel 72; Mbokani 62

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
RSC Anderlecht	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	1	2
AEL Limassol FC	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	1

RSC Anderlecht - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
02/08/00	QR2	Anorthosis Famagusta FC - RSC Anderlecht	0-0 agg: 2-4	Nicosia	
26/07/00	QR2	RSC Anderlecht - Anorthosis Famagusta FC	4-2	Brussels	Baseggio 4, Koller 15, 28, 59; Pavlovic 10, Papavasiliou 90

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/11/90	R2	RSC Anderlecht - AC Omonia	3-0 agg: 4-1	Brussels	Verheyen 6, Oliveira Barroso 38, Rutjes 60(p)
24/10/90	R2	AC Omonia - RSC Anderlecht	1-1	Nicosia	Charilaou 83; Christofi 51(og)

European Champion Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/11/85	R2	AC Omonia - RSC Anderlecht	1-3 agg: 1-4	Nicosia	Andreou 24; Frimann 16, 35, Grün 69
23/10/85	R2	RSC Anderlecht - AC Omonia	1-0	Brussels	Vandenbergh 42

AEL Limassol FC - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

None

Record versus clubs from opponents' country

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
RSC Anderlecht	3	3	0	0	4	1	2	1	0	0	0	0	7	4	2	1	13	6
AEL Limassol FC	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	2	1

Match background

AEL Limassol FC are just one step away from a first appearance in the UEFA Champions League as they take a 2-1 advantage to RSC Anderlecht for the second leg of their play-off tie.

- AEL earned their first-leg victory through goals from Dosa Júnior and Rui Miguel, either side of Dieudonné Mbokani's strike for Anderlecht. On their first trip to Belgium, the Cypriot underdogs will be determined to defend that lead but Anderlecht will have other ideas.

Match background

- John van den Brom's Anderlecht can take heart from a run of four wins from their last five European fixtures at the Constant Vanden Stock Stadium – including a 5-0 defeat of FK Ekranas in the third qualifying round.

- Anderlecht last overturned a first-leg deficit in Europe in the third qualifying round of the 2004/05 UEFA Champions League when they recovered from a 1-0 loss in Lisbon by beating SL Benfica 3-0 at home. Since then, however, they have lost seven successive knockout ties after defeat in the first leg.

- AEL are hoping to follow the lead of compatriots APOEL FC who sprang a succession of surprises en route to last season's UEFA Champions League quarter-finals and they can draw encouragement from their defensive resilience on their travels so far – having earned a 0-0 draw at Linfield FC and a 1-0 victory at FK Partizan.

- The Cypriot champions' progress is all the more impressive bearing in mind that before this season they had lost all five UEFA competition ties they had contested – starting with a 12-0 aggregate defeat by Real Madrid CF in the 1968/69 European Champion Clubs' Cup first round.

- While AEL are looking to make history, Anderlecht's goal is to breathe new life into theirs. The Brussels club have competed in the UEFA Champions League eight times but not since 2006/07, recording four successive failures in qualifying between 2007 and 2010.

- This is AEL's first meeting with Belgian opposition but Anderlecht have played three previous knockout ties against teams from Cyprus, winning them all. In the 2000/01 UEFA Champions League second qualifying round they beat Anorthosis Famagusta FC 4-2 at home with the help of a Jan Koller hat-trick, then drew 0-0 in Cyprus.

- Anderlecht also posted 4-1 aggregate wins against AC Omonia in the 1985/86 European Cup second round and the 1990/91 UEFA Cup second round.

- Anderlecht forward Milan Jovanović is suspended for the second leg following his dismissal in the play-off opener.

Team ties

- Edwin Ouon played in Belgium between 2002 and 2007 where he made a combined 81 appearances for R. Antwerp FC, KV Oostende and K. Beerschot AC. Ouon played five times against Anderlecht, experiencing four defeats before a 2-1 win with Beerschot in his last appearance against them.

- Gilberto made 33 league appearances for K. Lierse SK between 2010 and 2012 before joining AEL. He faced Anderlecht twice during his time in Belgium – a 1-1 home draw and a 4-0 away defeat.

- During his loan spell at Cercle Brugge KSV during the 2010/11 season, Reynaldo suffered a 3-2 aggregate defeat by AEL's domestic rivals Anorthosis Famagusta FC in the third qualifying round of the UEFA Europa League – appearing as a substitute in the first leg and starting the second leg in Cyprus.

- There are two players who have represented both clubs. Former Romanian international defender Tibor Selymes was with Anderlecht (1996–99), and later played for AEL in 2004/05. Ex-Rwanda defender Hamad Ndikumana was with Anderlecht between 2000 and 2002 and also made 36 appearances for AEL during the 2009/10 and 2010/11 seasons.

Squad list

RSC Anderlecht

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	Silvio Proto	BEL	23/05/83	29	-	3	-	-	-	4	-	4	-	44	-
13	Thomas Kaminski	BEL	13/10/92	19	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
3	Olivier Deschacht	BEL	16/02/81	31	-	2	-	-	-	3	1	23	-	67	-
4	Osama Hawsawi	KSA	31/03/84	28	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
8	Denis Odoi	BEL	27/05/88	24	-	3	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	8	-
16	Cheikhou Kouyaté	SEN	21/12/89	22	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	27	-
20	Behrang Safari	SWE	09/02/85	27	-	3	-	-	-	4	-	11	-	45	-
23	Roland Juhász	HUN	01/07/83	29	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	8	1	62	6
27	Marcin Wasilewski	POL	09/06/80	32	-	2	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	31	1
Midfielders															
5	Lucas Biglia	ARG	30/01/86	26	-	3	-	-	-	4	-	6	-	48	3
6	Bedi Mbenza	COD	11/09/86	25	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-
7	Guillermo Molins	SWE	26/09/88	23	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1
19	Sacha Kljestan	USA	09/09/85	26	-	3	1	-	-	4	-	-	-	19	3
30	Guillaume Gillet	BEL	09/03/84	28	-	3	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	50	8
70	Ronald Vargas	VEN	02/12/86	25	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	17	1
77	Reynaldo	BRA	24/08/89	23	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	6	1
Forwards															
10	Kanu	BRA	23/09/87	24	-	2	1	-	-	4	1	-	-	21	2
11	Milan Jovanović	SRB	18/04/81	31	S	2	1	-	-	5	1	5	2	42	11
17	Olexandr Yakovenko	UKR	23/07/87	25	-	3	1	-	-	4	2	-	-	5	2
21	Tom De Sutter	BEL	03/07/85	27	-	2	2	-	-	5	-	-	-	24	7
25	Dieudonné Mbokani	COD	22/11/85	26	-	2	3	-	-	4	3	6	1	32	11
45	Massimo Bruno	BEL	17/09/93	18	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	John van den Brom	NED	04/10/66	45	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-

AEL Limassol 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															
22	Islı Hıdı	ALB	15/10/80	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	15	-
32	Matias Degra	ARG	18/06/83	29	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
40	Vangelis Georgiou	CYP	01/01/95	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
2	Dosa Júnior	CYP	28/07/86	26	*	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
3	Maykon	BRA	20/04/84	28	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
5	Stelios Parpas	CYP	25/07/85	27	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
12	Marios Nikolaou	CYP	04/10/83	28	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
15	Christis Theophilou	CYP	30/04/80	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
21	Marcos Airosa	ANG	06/08/84	28	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
23	Carlitos	POR	23/04/85	27	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
29	Edwin Ouon	RWA	26/01/81	31	-	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1
45	Andreas Kyriakou	CYP	05/02/94	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
7	Monteiro	POR	15/08/88	24	-	3	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
10	Rui Miguel	POR	15/11/83	28	-	4	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	1
11	Edmar	BRA	19/04/82	30	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
17	Paulo Sérgio	POR	24/01/84	28	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-
20	Luciano Bebê	BRA	11/03/81	31	*	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
70	Gilberto	ANG	21/09/82	29	-	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	4	-
77	Dédé	ANG	04/07/81	31	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	-
Forwards															
9	Orlando Sá	POR	26/05/88	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	9	-
19	Michalis Konstantinou	CYP	19/02/78	34	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	35	11	63	21
84	Chris Dickson	GHA	28/12/84	27	-	5	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	1
99	Vouho	CIV	25/06/87	25	-	5	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	2
Coach															
-	Charalampos Christodoulou	CYP	17/10/67	44	-	5	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-

Match officials

Referee	Marcin Borski (POL)
Assistant referees	Rafal Rostkowski (POL), Tomasz Listkiewicz (POL)
Additional assistant referees	Dawid Piasecki (POL), Daniel Stefanski (POL)
Fourth official	Maciej Wierzbowski (POL)
UEFA Delegate	David Findlay (SCO)
UEFA Referee observer	Kyros Vassaras (GRE)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Champions League matches	UEFA matches
Marcin Borski	13/04/1973	0	42

UEFA Champions League matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match
No matches found

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

Date	Competition	Stage	Home	Away	Result	Venue
13/07/06	UCUP	QR1	HNK Rijeka	AC Omonia	2-2	Rijeka
19/08/10	UCUP	PO	Club Brugge KV	FC Dinamo Minsk	2-1	Bruges
08/10/10	EURO	QR	Kazakhstan	Belgium	0-2	Astana
01/12/10	UCUP	GS	FC Zenit St Petersburg	RSC Anderlecht	3-1	St Petersburg
03/11/11	UCUP	GS	Birmingham City FC	Club Brugge KV	2-2	Birmingham

Fixtures and results

RSC Anderlecht

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result		Goalscorers
28/07/12	League	KV Kortrijk (A)	D	1-1	Deschacht 81
01/08/12	UCL	FK Ekranas (H)	W	5-0	De Sutter 2, Kanu 21, Mbokani 41, 52, Jovanović 87
04/08/12	League	K. Beerschot AC (H)	W	1-0	Kanu 22
08/08/12	UCL	FK Ekranas (A)	W	6-0	Kljestan 9, Praet 31, Yakovenko 45+3, De Sutter 47, Molins 62, Fernando 87
12/08/12	League	Cercle Brugge KSV (A)	W	3-0	Mbokani 6, 25, 76
18/08/12	League	RAEC Mons (H)	W	2-1	Jovanović 45, Yakovenko 70
22/08/12	UCL	AEL Limassol FC (A)	L	1-2	Mbokani 62
25/08/12	League	Oud-Heverlee Leuven (A)	D	1-1	Yakovenko 10
28/08/12	UCL	AEL Limassol FC (H)			
02/09/12	League	KRC Genk (H)			
15/09/12	League	K. Lierse SK (A)			
22/09/12	League	SV Zulte Waregem (A)			
29/09/12	League	KSC Lokeren OV (H)			
06/10/12	League	R. Standard de Liège (A)			
20/10/12	League	Waasland Beveren (H)			
27/10/12	League	R. Charleroi SC (A)			
31/10/12	League	KAA Gent (H)			
03/11/12	League	KV Mechelen (A)			
10/11/12	League	Club Brugge KV (H)			
17/11/12	League	KV Kortrijk (H)			
24/11/12	League	K. Beerschot AC (A)			
01/12/12	League	Cercle Brugge KSV (H)			
08/12/12	League	RAEC Mons (A)			
15/12/12	League	Oud-Heverlee Leuven (H)			
22/12/12	League	KRC Genk (A)			
26/12/12	League	K. Lierse SK (H)			
19/01/13	League	SV Zulte Waregem (H)			
26/01/13	League	KSC Lokeren OV (A)			

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Club Brugge KV	5	4	1	0	13	6	13
2	RSC Anderlecht	5	3	2	0	8	3	11
3	R. Standard de Liège	5	3	1	1	12	6	10
4	KAA Gent	5	3	1	1	8	5	10
5	SV Zulte Waregem	5	3	1	1	7	4	10
6	KRC Genk	5	2	3	0	9	6	9
7	KSC Lokeren OV	5	2	1	2	9	8	7
8	KV Kortrijk	5	2	1	2	5	6	7
9	K. Lierse SK	5	1	3	1	5	4	6
10	Oud-Heverlee Leuven	5	1	3	1	9	11	6
11	KV Mechelen	5	1	2	2	10	10	5
12	RAEC Mons	5	1	2	2	10	10	5
13	K. Beerschot AC	5	1	1	3	6	9	4
14	R. Charleroi SC	5	1	0	4	5	13	3
15	Waasland Beveren	5	0	1	4	3	10	1
16	Cercle Brugge KSV	5	0	1	4	6	14	1

AEL Limassol FC

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
18/07/12	UCL	Linfield FC (H)	W 3-0	Vouho 16, Ouon 29, Dickson 54
25/07/12	UCL	Linfield FC (A)	D 0-0	
01/08/12	UCL	FK Partizan (H)	W 1-0	Vouho 13
08/08/12	UCL	FK Partizan (A)	W 1-0	Dosa Júnior 23
22/08/12	UCL	RSC Anderlecht (H)	W 2-1	Dosa Júnior 34, Rui Miguel 72
28/08/12	UCL	RSC Anderlecht (A)		
03/09/12	League	Doxa Katokopia FC (A)		
15/09/12	League	Alki Larnaca FC (H)		
22/09/12	League	Apollon Limassol FC (A)		
29/09/12	League	AC Omonia (H)		
06/10/12	League	Olympiakos Nicosia FC (A)		
20/10/12	League	Nea Salamis Famagusta FC (H)		
27/10/12	League	Ayia Napa FC (A)		
03/11/12	League	Ethnikos Achnas FC (H)		
11/11/12	League	AEK Larnaca FC (A)		
17/11/12	League	AEP Paphos FC (A)		
24/11/12	League	APOEL FC (H)		
01/12/12	League	Anorthosis Famagusta FC (A)		
08/12/12	League	Enosis Neon Paralimni FC (H)		
15/12/12	League	Doxa Katokopia FC (H)		
06/01/13	League	Alki Larnaca FC (A)		
12/01/13	League	Apollon Limassol FC (H)		
20/01/13	League	AC Omonia (A)		
26/01/13	League	Olympiakos Nicosia FC (H)		
02/02/13	League	Nea Salamis Famagusta FC (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	AEP Paphos FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	AEK Larnaca FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	AEL Limassol FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	Alki Larnaca FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	Anorthosis Famagusta FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	APOEL FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	Apollon Limassol FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	Ayia Napa FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	Doxa Katokopia FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	Enosis Neon Paralimni FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	Ethnikos Achnas FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	Nea Salamis Famagusta FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	Olympiakos Nicosia FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	AC Omonia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Match-by-match lineups

RSC Anderlecht

Third qualifying round

(01/08/12)

Anderlecht 5-0 Ekranas

Goals: 1-0 De Sutter 2, 2-0 Kanu 21, 3-0 Mbokani 41, 4-0 Mbokani 52, 5-0 Jovanović 87

RSC Anderlecht: Proto, Deschacht, Biglia, Odoi, Kanu (Kljestan 62), Jovanović, Safari, De Sutter (Yakovenko 80), Mbokani, Wasilewski, Gillet (Fernando 69)

(08/08/12)

Ekranas 0-6 Anderlecht (agg: 0-11)

Goals: 0-1 Kljestan 9, 0-2 Praet 31, 0-3 Yakovenko 45+3, 0-4 De Sutter 47, 0-5 Molins 62, 0-6 Fernando 87

RSC Anderlecht: Proto, Deschacht, Biglia (Mareček 46), Mbenza, Odoi, Yakovenko, Kljestan, Safari, De Sutter (Fernando 59), Praet, Gillet (Molins 46)

Play-offs

(22/08/12)

AEL 2-1 Anderlecht

Goals: 1-0 Dosa Júnior 34, 1-1 Mbokani 62, 2-1 Rui Miguel 72

AEL Limassol FC: Degra, Dosa Júnior, Edmar (Gilberto 85), M. P. Nikolaou, Paulo Sérgio (Dickson 65), Luciano Bebê (Rui Miguel 50), Marcos Airoso, Carlitos, Ouon, Dédé, Vouho

RSC Anderlecht: Proto, Biglia, Odoi, Kanu, Jovanović (Yakovenko 74), Kouyaté, Kljestan, Safari, Mbokani, Wasilewski, Gillet

(28/08/12)

Anderlecht v AEL

AEL Limassol FC

Second qualifying round

(18/07/12)

AEL 3-0 Linfield

Goals: 1-0 Vouho 16, 2-0 Ouon 29, 3-0 Dickson 54

AEL Limassol FC: Degra, Dosa Júnior, Monteiro (Paulo Sérgio 54), Luciano Bebê (Rui Miguel 59), Marcos Airoso, Carlitos, Ouon, Gilberto, Dédé (M. P. Nikolaou 75), Dickson, Vouho

(25/07/12)

Linfield 0-0 AEL (agg: 0-3)

AEL Limassol FC: Degra, Dosa Júnior, Maykon, Rui Miguel (Dédé 70), Edmar (Dickson 60), M. P. Nikolaou (Konstantinou 77), Paulo Sérgio, Luciano Bebê, Carlitos, Ouon, Vouho

Third qualifying round

(01/08/12)

AEL 1-0 Partizan

Goals: 1-0 Vouho 13

AEL Limassol FC: Degra, Dosa Júnior, Monteiro (Edmar 67), Luciano Bebê (Rui Miguel 60), Marcos Airoso, Carlitos, Ouon, Gilberto, Dédé, Dickson, Vouho (M. P. Nikolaou 80)

(08/08/12)

Partizan 0-1 AEL (agg: 0-2)

Goals: 0-1 Dosa Júnior 23

AEL Limassol FC: Degra, Dosa Júnior, Monteiro, Edmar (Paulo Sérgio 85), M. P. Nikolaou, Luciano Bebê (Gilberto 60), Marcos Airoso, Carlitos, Ouon, Dédé, Vouho (Dickson 72)

Play-offs

(22/08/12)

AEL 2-1 Anderlecht

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RSC Anderlecht: Proto, Biglia, Odoi, Kanu, Jovanović (Yakovenko 74), Kouyaté, Kljestan, Safari, Mbokani, Wasilewski, Gillet

(28/08/12)

Anderlecht v AEL

Team facts

RSC Anderlecht

Formed: 1908

Nicknames: Paars-wit (Purple and Whites, Dutch), Les Mauves et Blancs (Purple and Whites, French)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (2): 1976, (1977), 1978, (1990)
- UEFA Cup (1): 1983, (1984)
- UEFA Super Cup (2): 1976, 1978

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 31 (2012)

Belgian Cup: 9 (2008)

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

2011/12: UEFA Europa League round of 32

2010/11: UEFA Europa League round of 32

2009/10: UEFA Europa League round of 16 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League play-off round)

2008/09: second qualifying round

2007/08: UEFA Cup round of 16 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2006/07: group stage

2005/06: group stage

2004/05: group stage

2003/04: group stage

2002/03: UEFA Cup fourth round

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

9-0: Anderlecht v Derry City FC

23/11/65, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round first leg

- Biggest away win

1-10: FC Haka v Anderlecht

14/09/66, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

0-5: Anderlecht v FC Bayern München

06/03/08, UEFA Cup round of 16 first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

10-0: Manchester United FC v Anderlecht

26/09/56, European Champion Clubs' Cup preliminary round second leg

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest home win

3-0: Anderlecht v HJK Helsinki

29/09/1993, first round second leg

- Biggest away win

0-3: HJK Helsinki v Anderlecht

15/09/1993, first round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

1-5: Anderlecht v FC Lokomotiv Moskva

24/10/2001, first group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

5-1 twice, most recently v SV Werder Bremen

02/11/2004, group stage

4-0: FC Dynamo Kyiv v Anderlecht

26/09/2000, first group stage

AEL Limassol FC

Formed: 1930

Nickname: Leontes (Lions)

UEFA club competition honours

- none

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 6 (2012)

Cypriot Cup: 6 (1989)

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

2011/12: did not take part in UEFA competition

2010/11: did not take part in UEFA competition

2009/10: did not take part in UEFA competition

2008/09: did not take part in UEFA competition

2007/08: did not take part in UEFA competition

2006/07: did not take part in UEFA competition

2005/06: did not take part in UEFA competition

2004/05: did not take part in UEFA competition

2003/04: did not take part in UEFA competition

2002/03: UEFA Cup qualifying round

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

3-0: AEL v Linfield FC

18/07/12, UEFA Champions League second qualifying round first leg

- Biggest away win

0-1: FK Partizan v AEL

08/08/12, UEFA Champions League third qualifying round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

0-6: AEL v Real Madrid CF

26/09/68, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round second first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

6-0: Real Madrid CF v AEL

18/09/68, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round first leg

UEFA Champions League (group stage to final only)

- Biggest home win

N/A

- Biggest away win

N/A

- Heaviest home defeat

N/A

- Heaviest away defeat

N/A

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

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

(+): Denotes player introduced

(+/-): Denotes player introduced and substituted

*****: Misses next match if booked

#: Suspended for at least one match

:: Statistics

(-): Denotes player substituted

(*): Denotes player sent off

:: Squad list

D: Disciplinary

S: Suspended

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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