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SC Heerenveen



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Group D - Matchday 4

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Match background

Previous meetings

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
22/10/09	GS	Hertha BSC Berlin - SC Heerenveen	0-1	Berlin	Losada 36

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
SC Heerenveen	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	0
Hertha BSC Berlin	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	1

SC Heerenveen - record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/11/08	GS	VfL Wolfsburg - SC Heerenveen	5-1	Wolfsburg	Džeko 34, Grafite 39, 61, Misimović 53, Krzynówek 71; Väyrynen 31

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
25/11/04	GS	SC Heerenveen - VfB Stuttgart	1-0	Heerenveen	Yildirim 65

UEFA Intertoto Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
12/07/97	GS	MSV Duisburg - SC Heerenveen	2-0	Duisburg	Osthoff 48, Hirsch 64

Hertha BSC Berlin - record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
05/11/75	R2	AFC Ajax - Hertha BSC Berlin	4-1 agg: 4-2	Amsterdam	Brokamp 24, 76, Geels 28(p), Meijer 85; Kostedde 41
22/10/75	R2	Hertha BSC Berlin - AFC Ajax	1-0	Berlin	Kostedde 49

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
SC Heerenveen	1	1	0	0	3	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	4	2	0	2	3	7
Hertha BSC Berlin	2	1	0	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	1	0	2	2	5

SC Heerenveen can take a major stride towards the UEFA Europa League knockout phase if they can match their 1-0 win at Hertha BSC Berlin on 22 October, but defeat in the Netherlands would sound the death knell for the German side's ill-starred Group D campaign.

Previous meetings

- The clubs had not met prior to Matchday 3. Heerenveen beat VfB Stuttgart 1-0 in their only previous home game against German opposition, while Hertha's sole appearance on Dutch soil ended in a 4-1 loss at AFC Ajax.

Match background

- Victory in Berlin spelled the end of Heerenveen's eight-match wait for a European win, with their previous triumph a 5-2 UEFA Cup first round success against Vitória FC on 2 October 2008. However, the club are still without a win in their last four European home games.

- Hertha have gone five games without a win away from home in Europe since a 2-0 UEFA Cup second qualifying round victory at NK IB Ljubljana on 14 August 2008. During this barren run, they have scored just once – in a 2-1 loss at Brøndby IF in this season's UEFA Europa League play-off round.

Team facts

- Heerenveen won their maiden Dutch Cup last term but Norwegian coach Trond Sollied became the first Eredivisie dismissal of the season in August following a poor start to their domestic campaign. He has been replaced by erstwhile youth-team trainer Jan de Jonge, formerly a striker with FC Groningen, Heerenveen and FC Emmen.
- De Jonge will remain in charge until the winter break, when his position will be reconsidered.
- Friedhelm Funkel is taking charge of his second UEFA Europa League game with Hertha since being named as the club's new coach. A striker at FC Bayer 05 Uerdingen and 1. FC Kaiserslautern, he has coached Uerdingen, MSV Duisburg, FC Hansa Rostock, 1. FC Köln and – from 2004 until earlier this year – Eintracht Frankfurt.
- Funkel has faced Heerenveen before as coach of Duisburg, with his side beating the Dutch outfit – coached by Foppe de Haan – 2-0 in the group stage of the 1997 UEFA Intertoto Cup.
- Hertha had a different coach for their first three Group D games. Lucien Favre was in charge for the 1-1 draw against FK Ventspils, while his stand-in replacement Karsten Heine was on the bench for the 1-0 loss at Sporting Clube de Portugal.
- Heerenveen's Igor Djurić and Hertha's Gojko Kačar were team-mates at Serbian side FK Vojvodina from 2004 to 2008. Both players were born in Novi Sad.
- Heerenveen's Michal Papadopulos (Bayer 04 Leverkusen and FC Energie Cottbus) and Gerald Sibon (1. FC Nürnberg) both boast Bundesliga experience.
- Should Heerenveen concede four at home against Hertha, it would bring their total of goals shipped in UEFA club competition to 100 from 75 games.
- Heerenveen visit Sporting on Matchday 5 while Hertha travel to Ventspils on the same day, 3 December.

Team facts

SC Heerenveen

Formed: 1920

Nickname: Superfriezen (Super Frisians)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Intertoto Cup: (2004)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

Dutch Cup: 1 (2009)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Cup unless indicated otherwise)

2008/09: group stage

2007/08: first round

2006/07: group stage

2005/06: round of 32

2004/05: round of 32

2003/04: UEFA Intertoto Cup final matches

2002/03: first round

2001/02: UEFA Intertoto Cup third round

2000/01: UEFA Champions League group stage

1999/00: UEFA Intertoto Cup semi-finals

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest win

8-2: Heerenveen v Aalborg BK

19/07/97, UEFA Intertoto Cup group matches

- Biggest away win

0-7: Ton Pentre AFC v Heerenveen

01/07/95, UEFA Intertoto Cup group matches

- Heaviest home defeat

1-3 on two occasions, most recently v AC Milan (23/10/08 UEFA Cup group stage)

0-2 on two occasions, most recently v Odense BK (02/11/06 UEFA Cup group stage)

- Heaviest away defeat

5-1: VfL Wolfsburg v Heerenveen

06/11/08, UEFA Cup group stage

5-1: Helsingborgs IF v Heerenveen

04/10/07, UEFA Cup first round second leg

UEFA Cup/Europa League

- Biggest home win

5-0: Heerenveen v FC Baník Ostrava

29/09/05, first round second leg

5-0: Heerenveen v Maccabi Petach-Tikva FC

30/09/04, first round

- Biggest away win

0-3: Vitória FC v Heerenveen

14/09/06, UEFA Cup first round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

1-3 on two occasions, most recently v AC Milan (see above)

0-2: Heerenveen v Odense BK (see above)

- Heaviest away defeat

5-1: VfL Wolfsburg v Heerenveen (see above)

5-1: Helsingborgs IF v Heerenveen (see above)

Hertha BSC Berlin

Formed: 1892

Nickname: Die Alte Dame (The Old Lady)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- None

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 2 (1931)

Ten-year European record (UEFA Cup unless indicated otherwise)

2008/09: group stage

2007/08: did not take part in UEFA club competition

2006/07: first round (transferred from UEFA Intertoto Cup)

2005/06: round of 32

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

2003/04: first round

2002/03: fourth round

2001/02: third round

2000/01: third round

1999/00: UEFA Champions League second group stage

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

8-1: Hertha v FC Nistru Otaci

17/07/08, UEFA Cup first qualifying round first leg

- Biggest away win

1-4: IF Elfsborg v Hertha

29/09/71, UEFA Cup first round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

1-4: Hertha v Galatasaray SK

26/10/99, UEFA Champions League first group stage

0-3: Hertha v Servette FC

06/12/01, UEFA Cup third round second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: Olympiacos CFP v Hertha

18/12/08, UEFA Cup group stage

UEFA Cup/Europa League

- Biggest home win

8-1: Hertha v FC Nistru Otaci (see above)

- Biggest away win

1-4: IF Elfsborg v Hertha (see above)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-3: Hertha v Servette FC (see above)

- Heaviest away defeat

4-0: Olympiacos CFP v Hertha (see above)

Squad list

SC Heerenveen

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UELQ		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
24	Martin Lejsal	CZE	16/09/82	27	-	2	-	1	-	6	-	1	-	3	-
25	Brian Vandembussche	BEL	24/09/81	28	-	-	-	2	-	6	-	24	-	24	-
27	Diederik Bangma	NED	22/05/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
3	Kristian Bak Nielsen	DEN	20/10/82	27	-	1	-	2	-	9	-	8	1	11	1
4	Michel Breuer	NED	25/05/80	29	-	2	-	3	-	12	-	27	-	29	-
5	Michael Dingsdag	NED	18/10/82	27	-	2	-	3	1	10	-	18	1	20	1
6	Igor Djurić	SRB	22/02/85	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	8	3
19	Daryl Janmaat	NED	22/07/89	20	#	1	-	2	-	7	-	3	-	4	-
20	Goran Popov	MKD	02/10/84	25	-	2	-	3	-	11	-	7	-	13	-
30	Bart de Groot	NED	16/04/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Johnny de Vries	NED	20/02/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Gerry Koning	NED	03/01/80	29	-	2	-	-	-	6	-	-	-	2	-
38	Jeffrey Gouweleeuw	NED	10/07/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
40	Rico Wolven	NED	25/03/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
7	Viktor Elm	SWE	13/11/85	23	-	-	-	3	-	9	1	5	1	14	2
9	Geert Arend Roorda	NED	02/03/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
10	Mika Väyrynen	FIN	28/12/81	27	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	15	2	32	4
15	Michal Švec	CZE	19/03/87	22	-	1	-	3	-	10	-	15	-	29	-
17	Christian Grindheim	NOR	17/07/83	26	-	2	-	3	-	10	-	11	-	21	2
23	Hernán Losada	ARG	09/05/82	27	-	2	-	3	1	10	1	3	1	6	1
29	Björn Jónsson	ISL	07/10/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	Arnór Smáráson	ISL	07/09/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	5	-
45	Pele van Anholt	NED	23/04/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
8	Roy Beerens	NED	22/12/87	21	-	1	-	2	-	7	1	9	-	12	-
11	Michal Papadopulos	CZE	14/04/85	24	-	2	-	3	-	11	5	10	1	14	2
12	Paulo Henrique	BRA	13/03/89	20	-	2	1	3	-	8	1	9	1	11	2
13	Tarik Elyounoussi	NOR	23/02/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	5	3	7	3
14	Patrik Ingelsten	SWE	25/01/82	27	-	1	-	-	-	6	-	7	1	14	5
22	Oussama Assaidi	NED	15/08/88	21	*	-	-	3	-	6	-	3	-	3	-
32	Richard Stolte	NED	08/01/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
35	Gerald Sibon	NED	19/04/74	35	-	2	-	3	1	11	-	15	8	28	10
43	Luciano Narsingh	NED	13/09/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	Jan de Jonge	NED	08/05/63	46	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-	3	-

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Hertha BSC Berlin

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						UELQ		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Jaroslav Drobný	CZE	18/10/79	30	-	2	-	1	-	7	-	15	-	21	-
30	Christopher Gäng	GER	10/05/88	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Patrick Sobtzik	GER	11/06/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
40	Sascha Burchert	GER	30/10/89	20	-	-	-	3	-	3	-	3	-	3	-
Defenders															
2	Kaká	BRA	16/05/81	28	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	5	-	8	-
3	Arne Friedrich	GER	29/05/79	30	-	2	-	2	-	10	1	27	-	33	-
4	Steve Von Bergen	SUI	10/06/83	26	-	2	-	2	-	9	-	9	-	20	-
5	Nemanja Pejčinović	SRB	04/11/87	21	-	2	-	2	-	10	-	2	-	4	-
6	Christoph Janker	GER	14/02/85	24	-	1	-	2	-	6	-	2	-	3	-
13	Marc Stein	GER	07/07/85	24	-	1	-	2	-	7	-	8	-	12	1
22	Rasmus Bengtsson	SWE	26/06/86	23	-	1	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	2	-
35	Shervin Radjabali Fardi	GER	17/05/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	-
Midfielders															
7	Cícero	BRA	26/08/84	25	-	2	-	2	-	7	-	8	1	12	1
8	Pál Dárdai	HUN	16/03/76	33	-	2	1	2	-	9	-	28	-	43	1
11	Florian Kringe	GER	18/08/82	27	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	6	1
20	Patrick Ebert	GER	17/03/87	22	S	2	-	1	-	10	1	3	-	12	1
25	Maximilian Nicu	ROU	25/11/82	26	-	2	-	2	-	8	1	6	1	11	1
26	Lukasz Piszczek	POL	03/06/85	24	-	2	-	2	1	8	1	4	1	10	4
27	Cesar	BRA	14/07/79	30	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	4	-	9	2
28	Fabian Lustenberger	SUI	02/05/88	21	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	6	-	10	-
29	Sascha Bigalke	GER	08/01/90	19	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	2	-
31	Fanol Perdedaj	ALB	16/07/91	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36	Lennart Hartmann	GER	03/04/91	18	-	-	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	3	-
44	Gojko Kačar	SRB	26/01/87	22	-	2	2	2	-	8	2	6	-	14	4
Forwards															
9	Adrián Ramos	COL	22/01/86	23	-	-	-	3	-	7	-	3	-	3	-
10	Raffael	BRA	28/03/85	24	-	1	-	2	-	9	1	7	-	8	-
18	Artur Wichniarek	POL	28/02/77	32	-	2	-	2	-	7	-	7	2	13	5
23	Valeri Domovchiyski	BUL	05/10/86	23	-	2	1	3	-	6	-	19	1	34	5
39	Florian Riedel	GER	09/04/90	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
Coach															
-	Friedhelm Funkel	GER	10/12/53	55	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	7	-	20	-

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Fixtures and results

SC Heerenveen

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
31/07/09	League	Roda JC (H)	D 0-0	
07/08/09	League	NEC Nijmegen (A)	L 1-4	Papadopulos 85
15/08/09	League	BV Vitesse (H)	W 1-0	Losada 13
23/08/09	League	AZ Alkmaar (H)	L 0-2	
30/08/09	League	NAC Breda (A)	L 0-2	
12/09/09	League	FC Groningen (H)	L 0-1	
20/09/09	League	FC Twente (H)	L 0-2	
23/09/09	Cup	SDC Putten (A)	W 7-0	Losada 6, Papadopulos 26, 49, 85, Assaidi 55, V. Elm 56, 74
27/09/09	League	Sparta Rotterdam (A)	W 2-0	Paulo Henrique 45, V. Elm 73 (p)
04/10/09	League	VVV Venlo (H)	D 1-1	Papadopulos 90+3
17/10/09	League	PSV Eindhoven (A)	L 0-1	
25/10/09	League	Willem II (A)	L 1-4	Papadopulos 65
28/10/09	Cup	RBC Roosendaal (H)	W 4-2	Janmaat 13, Popov 59, Papadopulos 73, Breuer 90 (p)
31/10/09	League	ADO Den Haag (H)	W 3-0	Beerens 21, Papadopulos 63, 77
08/11/09	League	FC Utrecht (A)		
22/11/09	League	AFC Ajax (A)		
28/11/09	League	RKC Waalwijk (H)		
06/12/09	League	Heracles Almelo (A)		
12/12/09	League	Feyenoord (H)		
20/12/09	League	FC Groningen (A)		
23/01/10	League	Willem II (H)		
30/01/10	League	ADO Den Haag (A)		
02/02/10	League	VVV Venlo (A)		
06/02/10	League	FC Utrecht (H)		
13/02/10	League	AFC Ajax (H)		
21/02/10	League	RKC Waalwijk (A)		
27/02/10	League	Heracles Almelo (H)		
06/03/10	League	AZ Alkmaar (A)		
14/03/10	League	BV Vitesse (A)		
20/03/10	League	NEC Nijmegen (H)		
27/03/10	League	Roda JC (A)		
03/04/10	League	Sparta Rotterdam (H)		
10/04/10	League	FC Twente (A)		
14/04/10	League	PSV Eindhoven (H)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Twente	12	10	2	0	26	10	32
2	PSV Eindhoven	12	9	3	0	28	10	30
3	AFC Ajax	12	9	2	1	40	10	29
4	Feyenoord	12	7	2	3	20	13	23
5	FC Utrecht	12	6	4	2	14	10	22
6	Heracles Almelo	12	6	2	4	14	12	20
7	AZ Alkmaar	12	6	0	6	21	15	18
8	NAC Breda	12	5	2	5	13	17	17
9	Sparta Rotterdam	12	5	2	5	11	15	17
10	Willem II	12	4	1	7	16	20	13
11	ADO Den Haag	12	3	3	6	14	19	12
12	VVV Venlo	12	1	8	3	15	20	11
13	NEC Nijmegen	12	2	5	5	11	18	11
14	BV Vitesse	12	3	2	7	13	21	11
15	SC Heerenveen	12	3	2	7	9	17	11
16	FC Groningen	12	2	4	6	8	17	10
17	Roda JC	12	2	4	6	13	23	10
18	RKC Waalwijk	12	1	0	11	7	26	3

Hertha BSC Berlin

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
01/08/09	Cup	SC Preußen Münster (A)	W 3-1 (aet)	Raffael 23, 120, Domovchyski 118
08/08/09	League	Hannover 96 (H)	W 1-0	Kačar 82
16/08/09	League	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (A)	L 1-2	Kačar 53
23/08/09	League	VfL Bochum 1848 (A)	L 0-1	
30/08/09	League	Werder Bremen (H)	L 2-3	Piszczek 77, Ebert 90+1
12/09/09	League	1. FSV Mainz 05 (A)	L 1-2	Nicu 50
20/09/09	League	SC Freiburg (H)	L 0-4	
23/09/09	Cup	TSV 1860 München (A)	D 2-2 (1-4p)	Ramos 76, Domovchyski 79
27/09/09	League	TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (A)	L 1-5	Raffael 45+1
04/10/09	League	Hamburger SV (H)	L 1-3	Friedrich 9
17/10/09	League	1. FC Nürnberg (A)	L 0-3	
25/10/09	League	VfL Wolfsburg (H)	D 0-0	
30/10/09	League	BV Borussia Dortmund (A)	L 0-2	
08/11/09	League	1. FC Köln (H)		
21/11/09	League	VfB Stuttgart (A)		
28/11/09	League	Eintracht Frankfurt (H)		
06/12/09	League	FC Schalke 04 (A)		
11/12/09	League	Bayer 04 Leverkusen (H)		
19/12/09	League	FC Bayern München (A)		
16/01/10	League	Hannover 96 (A)		
23/01/10	League	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (H)		
30/01/10	League	VfL Bochum 1848 (H)		
06/02/10	League	Werder Bremen (A)		
13/02/10	League	1. FSV Mainz 05 (H)		
20/02/10	League	SC Freiburg (A)		
27/02/10	League	TSG 1899 Hoffenheim (H)		
06/03/10	League	Hamburger SV (A)		
13/03/10	League	1. FC Nürnberg (H)		
20/03/10	League	VfL Wolfsburg (A)		
27/03/10	League	BV Borussia Dortmund (H)		
03/04/10	League	1. FC Köln (A)		
10/04/10	League	VfB Stuttgart (H)		
17/04/10	League	Eintracht Frankfurt (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Bayer 04 Leverkusen	11	6	5	0	21	8	23
2	Werder Bremen	11	6	4	1	22	9	22
3	Hamburger SV	11	6	4	1	25	14	22
4	FC Schalke 04	11	6	3	2	18	11	21
5	TSG 1899 Hoffenheim	11	6	2	3	19	9	20
6	FC Bayern München	11	5	4	2	17	9	19
7	VfL Wolfsburg	11	5	3	3	21	19	18
8	1. FSV Mainz 05	11	5	3	3	18	17	18
9	Eintracht Frankfurt	11	4	4	3	13	14	16
10	BV Borussia Dortmund	11	4	4	3	12	14	16
11	Hannover 96	11	4	3	4	14	12	15
12	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach	11	3	2	6	13	20	11
13	SC Freiburg	11	3	1	7	14	23	10
14	VfB Stuttgart	11	2	3	6	10	15	9
15	1. FC Köln	11	2	3	6	6	11	9
16	1. FC Nürnberg	11	2	3	6	9	17	9
17	VfL Bochum 1848	11	2	2	7	11	23	8
18	Hertha BSC Berlin	11	1	1	9	7	25	4

Match-by-match lineups

SC Heerenveen

Play-Offs

(20/08/09)

PAOK FC 1-1 SC Heerenveen

Goals: 0-1 Paulo Henrique 45, 1-1 Ivić 54

SC Heerenveen: Lejsal, Breuer, Dingsdag, Beerens (Paulo Henrique 20), Papadopoulos (Sibon 82), Švec, Grindheim, Popov, Kalou, Losada (Janmaat 90+3), Koning

(27/08/09)

SC Heerenveen 0-0 PAOK FC (agg: 1-1)

SC Heerenveen: Lejsal, Bak Nielsen, Breuer, Dingsdag, Papadopoulos, Paulo Henrique (Ingelsten 90+3), Grindheim, Popov, Losada, Sibon (Kalou 79), Koning

Hertha BSC Berlin

Play-Offs

(20/08/09)

Brøndby IF 2-1 Hertha BSC Berlin

Goals: 1-0 Bischoff 51, 1-1 Domovchiyski 53, 2-1 Pejčinović 70(o.g.)

Hertha BSC Berlin: Drobny, Friedrich, Von Bergen, Pejčinović, Cícero (Nicu 80), Dárdai, Raffael, Stein, Wichniarek (Domovchiyski 31), Ebert, Kačar (Piszczek 83)

(27/08/09)

Hertha BSC Berlin 3-1 Brøndby IF (agg: 4-3)

Goals: 0-1 Rasmussen 52, 1-1 Kačar 75, 2-1 Dárdai 80, 3-1 Kačar 86

Hertha BSC Berlin: Drobny, Friedrich, Von Bergen, Pejčinović, Janker, Cícero, Dárdai, Wichniarek (Nicu 66), Ebert (Bengtsson 90+4), Domovchiyski (Piszczek 61), Kačar

Group D

Standings

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Sporting Clube de Portugal	3	3	0	0	6	3	9
SC Heerenveen	3	1	1	1	3	3	4
FK Ventspils	3	0	2	1	2	3	2
Hertha BSC Berlin	3	0	1	2	1	3	1

Matchday 1 (17/09/09)

Hertha BSC Berlin 1-1 FK Ventspils

Goals: 1-0 Piszczek 34, 1-1 Gauračs 48

Hertha BSC Berlin: Drobny (Burchert 21), Friedrich, Janker, Cícero, Ramos, Stein, Bengtsson, Domovchiyski, Nicu, Piszczek (Cesar 67), Hartmann (Dárdai 77)

SC Heerenveen 2-3 Sporting Clube de Portugal

Goals: 1-0 Sibon 12, 1-1 Liedson 17, 1-2 Liedson 40, 2-2 Dingsdag 77, 2-3 Liedson 88

SC Heerenveen: Lejsal, Bak Nielsen, Breuer, Dingsdag, Beerens, Paulo Henrique, Švec, Grindheim (Assaidi 73), Popov (V. Elm 52), Losada, Sibon (Papadopoulos 86)

Matchday 2 (01/10/09)

Sporting Clube de Portugal 1-0 Hertha BSC Berlin

Goals: 1-0 Adrien Silva 18

Hertha BSC Berlin: Burchert, Kaká, Von Bergen, Pejčinović, Janker, Dárdai, Ramos (Piszczek 46), Raffael, Wichniarek (Domovchiyski 80), Cesar, Kačar (Nicu 67)

FK Ventspils 0-0 SC Heerenveen

SC Heerenveen: Vandenbussche, Breuer, Dingsdag, V. Elm, Paulo Henrique (Assaidi 70), Švec (Beerens 54), Grindheim, Janmaat, Popov, Losada, Sibon (Papadopoulos 83)

Matchday 3 (22/10/09)

Hertha BSC Berlin 0-1 SC Heerenveen

Goals: 0-1 Losada 36

Hertha BSC Berlin: Burchert, Friedrich, Von Bergen, Pejčinović, Cícero (Kačar 62), Ramos, Stein, Wichniarek (Domovchiyski 46), Ebert, Lustenberger, Bigalke (Raffael 68)

SC Heerenveen: Vandenbussche, Bak Nielsen, Breuer, Dingsdag, V. Elm, Papadopoulos, Grindheim (Janmaat 73), Popov, Assaidi (Paulo Henrique 83), Losada, Sibon (Švec 66)

Matchday 4 (05/11/09)

SC Heerenveen v Hertha BSC Berlin

Matchday 5 (03/12/09)

FK Ventspils v Hertha BSC Berlin

Sporting Clube de Portugal v SC Heerenveen

Matchday 6 (16/12/09)

Hertha BSC Berlin v Sporting Clube de Portugal

SC Heerenveen v FK Ventspils

Match officials

Referee	Pavel Cristian Balaj (ROU)
Assistant referees	George Adrian Vidan (ROU), Zoltan Szekeley (ROU)
Additional assistant referee	Ovidiu Alin Hategan (ROU)
Additional assistant referee	Istvan Kovacs (ROU)
Fourth official	Teodor Craciunescu (ROU)
UEFA Delegate	Bujar Kasmi (ALB)
UEFA Referee observer	Alan Snoddy (NIR)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEL matches *	UEFA matches
Pavel Cristian Balaj	17/08/1971	6	40

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

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res.	Venue
28/09/06	UCUP	R1	FC Groningen - FK Partizan	1-0	Groningen

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

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res.	Venue
11/05/05	U17	SF	Italy - Netherlands	0-1	Pontedera
10/07/05	UIC	R2	FK Pobeda - Hamburger SV	1-4	Skopje
21/11/07	EURO	QR	Germany - Wales	0-0	Frankfurt am Main
27/07/08	UIC	R3	Rosenborg BK - NAC Breda	2-0	Trondheim

* Group stage to final only

Competition information

The UEFA Cup evolved from the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup, and was first contested as the UEFA Cup in 1971/72. This season the UEFA Cup has been reborn as the UEFA Europa League. The new name heralds major changes to the competition, which has a new 48-team group stage with centralised marketing of broadcast rights, a presenting sponsor - Spanish car manufacturer SEAT - and an official matchball in addition to centralised sponsorship from the knockout stage and a new logo and visual identity.

• **Disciplinary information:** As a rule, a player who is sent off is suspended for the next match in a UEFA club competition. The Control and Disciplinary Body is entitled to augment this punishment. In the case of repeated cautions, from the group stage a player is suspended for one match after three cautions in three different matches, as well as following any subsequent odd-numbered caution (fifth, seventh, ninth, etc). Single yellow cards and pending suspensions are always carried forward either to the next stage of the competition or to another club competition in the current season.

• **Locally-trained players rule:** In February 2005, UEFA announced the 'A' list that teams submit for UEFA club competitions will continue to be limited to 25 players, and from the 2008/09 season at least eight places are reserved for players trained by the club's own football academy of which half can be players trained by other clubs from within the same association of the said club. The 'B' list also continues to exist – involving an unlimited number of Under-21 players who have been at the club for any uninterrupted period of two years since their 15th birthday.

A club-trained player is defined as a player who has been registered for a minimum of three seasons with the club between the age of 15 and 21, whereas an association-trained player is one who has been registered for at least three seasons by the club or by other clubs affiliated to the same association between the age of 15 and 21.

• **Away goals rule:** For matches played under the cup (knockout) system, the team which scores the greater aggregate of goals in the two matches qualifies for the next round. If the two teams involved in a tie score the same number of goals over the two legs, the team which scores more away goals qualifies for the next stage. If this procedure does not produce a result, i.e. if the two teams score the same number of goals at home and away, extra time of two periods of 15 minutes shall be played at the end of the second leg. If during extra time, both teams score the same number of goals, away goals count double (i.e. the visiting club qualifies). If no goals are scored during extra time, penalty kicks determine which team qualifies.

• **Player registration:** UEFA regulations state that for all UEFA Europa League matches from the start of the Round of 32, a club may register a maximum of three new eligible players within their squad of 25 for the remaining matches in the current competition. One player from the above quota of three who has played UEFA club competition matches for another competing club in the current season may exceptionally be registered, provided that the player has not been fielded by another club in the UEFA Europa League this season or by a club that has transferred from the UEFA Champions League to the UEFA Europa League following the group stage.

• **Assistant referees experiment:** The 144 UEFA Europa League group-stage games will be overseen by six match officials, in an experiment endorsed by the International Football Association Board (IFAB), with two additional assistant referees taking up positions alongside each goal. The additional assistant referees will provide two extra pairs of eyes to monitor the game, informing the referee of incidents that he may otherwise have missed.

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• **UEFA Europa League Statistics Handbook:** This informative guide to the new competition and the teams involved in the group stage can be downloaded as four pdf files at <http://www.uefa.com/uefa/mediaservices/publications/index.html>.

Legend

:: 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

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

P-O 3rd: Third place play-off

GS - FT: Group stage - Final tournament

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

R16: Second knockout round

R32: Round of 32

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

P-O: Play-off

(R): Replay

PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament

Prom/Rel P-O: 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

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not Applicable

(p): Penalty

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res.: Result

t: Match decided by toss of coin

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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