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**Villarreal CF**

**Estadio de la Cerámica - Villarreal**

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Group L - Matchday 6



**FC Steaua București**



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## Previous meetings

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#### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
29/09/2016	GS	FC Steaua București - Villarreal CF	1-1	Bucharest	Muniru Sulley 19; Borré 9

#### UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
20/03/2005	R16	Villarreal CF - FC Steaua București	1-0 agg: 1-0	Villarreal	Riquelme 62 (P)
16/03/2005	R16	FC Steaua București - Villarreal CF	0-0	Bucharest	

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Villarreal CF	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	2	1
FC Steaua București	2	0	2	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	3	0	2	1	1	2

### Villarreal CF - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

Villarreal CF have not played against a club from their opponents' country

### FC Steaua București - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

#### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/11/2007	GS	FC Steaua București - Sevilla FC	0-2	Bucharest	Renato 25, 65
23/10/2007	GS	Sevilla FC - FC Steaua București	2-1	Seville	Kanouté 5, Luís Fabiano 17; O.Petre 63

#### UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
22/02/2007	R3	Sevilla FC - FC Steaua București	1-0 agg: 3-0	Seville	A. Kerzhakov 45+3
15/02/2007	R3	FC Steaua București - Sevilla FC	0-2	Bucharest	C. Poulsen 41, Kanouté 77 (P)

#### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
01/11/2006	GS	Real Madrid CF - FC Steaua București	1-0	Madrid	Nicoliță 70 (og)
17/10/2006	GS	FC Steaua București - Real Madrid CF	1-4	Bucharest	Badea 64; Ramos 9, Raúl González 34, Robinho 56, Van Nistelrooy 76

## UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
16/03/2006	R16	Real Betis Balompié - <b>FC Steaua București</b>	0-3 agg: 0-3	Seville	Nicoliță 54, 82, Iacob 78
09/03/2006	R16	FC Steaua București - Real Betis Balompié	0-0	Bucharest	

## UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
24/02/2005	R3	<b>FC Steaua București</b> - Valencia CF	2-0 agg: 2-2 (aet, 4-3pens)	Bucharest	Andrei Cristea 50, 71
16/02/2005	R3	<b>Valencia CF</b> - FC Steaua București	2-0	Valencia	Di Vaio 39, Aimar 55
01/12/2004	GS	<b>Athletic Club</b> - FC Steaua București	1-0	Bilbao	Etxeberria 45

## UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
29/09/1998	R1	<b>Valencia CF</b> - FC Steaua București	3-0 agg: 7-3	Valencia	Roche 53, Claudio López 56, Lucarelli 86
15/09/1998	R1	FC Steaua București - <b>Valencia CF</b>	3-4	Bucharest	Lincar 29, Roșu 70, Dumitrescu 90+3; Ilie 12, 24, Angulo 85, 90+6

## UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
20/11/1996	GS	FC Steaua București - Club Atlético de Madrid	1-1	Bucharest	Sabin Ilie 46; Pantić 24
11/09/1996	GS	<b>Club Atlético de Madrid</b> - FC Steaua București	4-0	Madrid	Esnáider 33, 45, Simeone 64, 84

## UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/11/1991	R2	<b>FC Steaua București</b> - Real Sporting de Gijón	1-0 agg: 3-2	Bucharest	Popa 60
24/10/1991	R2	Real Sporting de Gijón - FC Steaua București	2-2	Gijon	Luhovy 45, Mirea 90 (og); Popa 28, Dumitrescu 59

## European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/05/1986	F	<b>FC Steaua București</b> - FC Barcelona	0-0 (aet, 2-0pens)	Seville	

## UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
28/09/1977	R1	FC Steaua București - <b>FC Barcelona</b>	1-3 agg: 2-8	Bucharest	Dumitru 35 (P); Cruyff 23, Asensi 76, Tente Sánchez 90

## UEFA Cup

14/09/1977	R1	<b>FC Barcelona</b> - FC Steaua București	5-1	Barcelona	Heredia 4, 30, Cruyff 5 (P), Clares 63, Zuviria 82; Năstase 45
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## UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
03/11/1971	R2	<b>FC Steaua București</b> - FC Barcelona	2-1 agg: 3-1	Bucharest	Năstase 53, 60; Asensi 49
20/10/1971	R2	FC Barcelona - <b>FC Steaua București</b>	0-1	Barcelona	Năstase 12

## UEFA Cup Winners' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
14/12/1967	R2	FC Steaua București - <b>Valencia CF</b>	1-0 agg: 1-3	Bucharest	Constantin 12
30/11/1967	R2	<b>Valencia CF</b> - FC Steaua București	3-0	Valencia	Claramunt 1, Ansola 41, 73

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Villarreal CF	1	1	0	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	2	0	2	1
FC Steaua București	13	4	4	5	13	2	1	10	1	0	1	0	27	6	6	15	21	43

## Match background

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The four Group L sides are separated by a single point with one game remaining. Villarreal and Steaua București are level on six points and each can guarantee a place in the last 32 with victory at El Madrigal.

- Villarreal are through with a win, or with a draw (albeit with one caveat) if Zürich fail to win away to Osmanlıspor. Villarreal would top any three-way tie involving Zürich and Steaua.
- Steaua are through with a victory, or with a draw other than 0-0 and 1-1 if Zürich lose.

### Previous meetings

- The clubs drew 1-1 in Bucharest in their first Group L meeting on 29 September.
- Manuel Pellegrini's Villarreal eliminated Walter Zenga's Steaua from the 2004/05 UEFA Cup round of 16 in the sides' only previous encounters, Juan Román Riquelme's penalty at El Madrigal decisive after a goalless first leg.
- The line-ups for their match in Villarreal on 20 March 2005 were:  
**Villarreal:** Reina, Rodríguez, Arruabarrena, Josico, Riquelme (Arzo 90), Sorín (Cazorla 53), Figueroa, Venta, Senna, Peña, Mari (Font 85).  
**Steaua:** Khomutovski, Rădoi, Munteanu, Boștină, Dică, Marin, Oprea (Diniță 83), Ogăraru, Cristea (Nicolică 76), Ghionea, Lovin (Ciocoiu 76).
- Those were Villarreal's only games to date against Romanian opponents, while Steaua have faced Spanish opposition 27 times in total with the record W6 D6 L15 (W2 D2 L10 in Spain). Most notably, they beat Barcelona on penalties in Seville following a 0-0 draw to win the 1986 European Champion Clubs' Cup final.
- Steaua have not won in their last seven fixtures against Spanish clubs (D1 L6), since a 3-0 second-leg success over Real Betis in the 2005/06 UEFA Cup round of 16.

### Form guide

- Villarreal have lost two of their three European home matches this season.
- Steaua have not won in four European away games this term (D2 L2), and have failed to score in the most recent three.
- The Yellow Submarine have qualified for the round of 32 in all six of their previous UEFA Cup and UEFA Europa League group stage ventures.
- Steaua have qualified for the last 32 in four of their seven previous UEFA Cup and UEFA Europa League group stage forays; they missed out in the most recent of these, 2014/15.

### Links and trivia

- The journey from Bucharest to Villarreal is around 2,200km.
- Steaua's Gabriel Tamaș (Celta Vigo, 2006–07) and Wilfried Moke (several lower-league teams including Cádiz, 2010–13, and Burgos, 2013–15) have played club football in Spain.
- Villarreal's matchday five fixture at Zürich was their 51st in the UEFA Europa League – a competition record.

### The coaches

- Fran Escribá took charge of Villarreal in August. A trainee at Valencia, he coached with the club's youth sides and was Quique Sánchez Flores's assistant at Valencia, Getafe, Benfica and Atlético Madrid before going it alone with Elche and – last season – Getafe.
- Laurențiu Reghecampf won two titles as a midfielder with Steaua and two more in his first stint as coach, from 2012–14. He returned to Bucharest in December 2015 after a spell in Bulgaria with Litex Lovech, with whom he had claimed a championship as a player in 1998/99.

### Chapecoense commemoration

Teams taking part in all of the matchday six UEFA Champions League and UEFA Europa League fixtures will observe a minute's silence to pay respect to the victims of last week's air disaster involving the Chapecoense team and accompanying delegation.

The Brazilian club lost most of their players and coaching staff in the accident, which occurred in Colombia, where Chapecoense were due to play the first leg of the Copa Sudamericana final against Atlético Nacional.

"European football is united in expressing its deepest sympathy to Chapecoense, the Brazilian Football Confederation [CBF], CONMEBOL and the families of all the victims," said UEFA President Aleksander Čeferin. "This tragedy has shaken the world of football, and we would like to send our support to all of those affected by it."

## Team facts

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### Villarreal CF

**Formed:** 1923

**Nickname:** El Submarino Amarillo (The Yellow Submarine)

### UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

• UEFA Intertoto Cup (2): 2003, 2004

### Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

None

### Ten-year European record (UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League unless indicated otherwise)

**2015/16:** semi-finals

**2014/15:** round of 16

**2013/14:** did not take part in UEFA club competition

**2012/13:** did not take part in UEFA club competition

**2011/12:** UEFA Champions League group stage

**2010/11:** semi-finals

**2009/10:** round of 32

**2008/09:** UEFA Champions League quarter-finals

**2007/08:** round of 32

**2006/07:** UEFA Intertoto Cup third round

### Records

#### UEFA club competition

• Biggest home win

**6-1:** Villarreal v NAC Breda

27/08/09, UEFA Europa League play-off second leg

**5-0:** Villarreal v Dnepr Mogilev

19/08/10, UEFA Europa League play-off first leg

• Biggest away win

**0-3** three times, most recently v Astana

21/08/14, UEFA Europa League play-off first leg

• Heaviest home defeat

**0-3:** Villarreal v Manchester City

02/11/11, UEFA Champions League group stage

• Heaviest away defeat

**5-1:** Porto v Villarreal

28/04/11, UEFA Europa League semi-final first leg

#### UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup

• Biggest home win

**6-1:** Villarreal v NAC Breda (see above)

**5-0:** Villarreal v Dnepr Mogilev (see above)

• Biggest away win

**0-3:** Astana v Villarreal (see above)

• Heaviest home defeat

**1-3:** Villarreal v Sevilla

12/03/15, round of 16 first leg

• Heaviest away defeat

**5-1:** Porto v Villarreal (see above)

### FC Steaua București

**Formed:** 1947

**Nickname:** Militarii (Army Men)

### UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

• European Champion Clubs' Cup (1): 1986, (1989)

• UEFA Super Cup (1): 1986

### Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 26 (2015)  
Romanian Cup: 22 (2015)

**Ten-year European record (UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League unless indicated otherwise)**

**2015/16:** play-offs (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)  
**2014/15:** group stage (having transferred from UEFA Champions League play-offs)  
**2013/14:** UEFA Champions League group stage  
**2012/13:** round of 16  
**2011/12:** round of 32  
**2010/11:** group stage  
**2009/10:** group stage  
**2008/09:** UEFA Champions League group stage  
**2007/08:** UEFA Champions League group stage  
**2006/07:** round of 32 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

**Records**

**UEFA club competition**

- Biggest home win  
**6-0:** Steaua v Aalborg  
18/09/14, UEFA Europa League group stage  
**6-0:** Steaua v Young Boys  
03/10/79, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup first round second leg
- Biggest away win  
**1-5:** Sparta Praha v Steaua  
07/09/88, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round first leg
- Heaviest home defeat  
**0-5:** Steaua v Manchester City  
16/08/16, UEFA Champions League play-offs, first leg
- Heaviest away defeat  
**5-0** on three occasions, most recently v Maccabi Haifa  
20/10/11, UEFA Europa League group stage

**UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League**

- Biggest home win  
**6-0:** Steaua v Aalborg (see above)
- Biggest away win  
**1-4:** Levadia Maardu v Steaua  
26/08/99, qualifying round second leg  
**0-3** on three occasions, most recently v Spartak Trnava  
09/08/12, third qualifying round second leg
- Heaviest home defeat  
**1-5:** Steaua v Stuttgart  
22/11/12, group stage
- Heaviest away defeat  
**5-0:** Maccabi Haifa v Steaua (see above)

# Squad list

## Villarreal CF

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UCL		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>															
1	<b>Sergio Asenjo</b>	ESP	28/06/1989	27	-	2	-	1	-	<b>14</b>	-	22	-	32	-
13	<b>Andrés Fernández</b>	ESP	17/12/1986	29	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	4	-	4	-
25	<b>Mariano Barbosa</b>	ARG	27/07/1984	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6	-	13	-
31	<b>Joan Femenias</b>	ESP	19/08/1996	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Defenders</b>															
2	<b>Mario Gaspar</b>	ESP	24/11/1990	26	-	2	-	-	-	<b>14</b>	-	29	-	39	1
3	<b>José Ángel</b>	ESP	05/09/1989	27	-	2	-	5	-	<b>1</b>	-	7	-	12	-
5	<b>Mateo Musacchio</b>	ARG	26/08/1990	26	-	2	-	2	-	<b>11</b>	-	26	-	39	-
6	<b>Víctor Ruiz</b>	ESP	25/01/1989	27	*	1	-	3	-	<b>14</b>	-	34	1	45	1
11	<b>Jaume Costa</b>	ESP	18/03/1988	28	-	1	-	-	-	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>	14	-	17	-
12	<b>Álvaro</b>	ESP	08/01/1990	26	-	-	-	3	-	<b>3</b>	-	3	-	3	-
22	<b>Antonio Rukavina</b>	SRB	26/01/1984	32	*	-	-	5	-	<b>1</b>	-	20	-	22	-
23	<b>Daniele Bonera</b>	ITA	31/05/1981	35	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	27	-	62	-
30	<b>Ramón Bueno</b>	ESP	07/04/1995	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
32	<b>Juan Fernández</b>	ESP	17/08/1995	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	<b>Miguel Llambrich</b>	ESP	18/01/1996	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	<b>Arnau Vega</b>	ESP	04/01/1997	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
41	<b>Francisco Maldonado</b>	ESP	26/07/1996	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
42	<b>Genís Montolio</b>	ESP	23/07/1996	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	<b>Miguel Leal</b>	ESP	01/02/1997	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Midfielders</b>															
4	<b>Alfred N'Diaye</b>	FRA	06/03/1990	26	-	2	-	3	1	<b>5</b>	-	11	1	21	3
7	<b>Denis Cheryshev</b>	RUS	26/12/1990	25	-	-	-	4	-	<b>8</b>	-	12	2	16	2
8	<b>Jonathan Dos Santos</b>	MEX	26/04/1990	26	-	-	-	5	1	<b>12</b>	-	24	2	28	2
14	<b>Manu Trigueros</b>	ESP	17/10/1991	25	-	2	-	1	-	<b>14</b>	<b>2</b>	21	-	25	-
16	<b>Rodrigo Hernández</b>	ESP	22/06/1996	20	-	-	-	2	1	<b>5</b>	-	2	1	2	1
19	<b>Samuel Castillejo</b>	ESP	18/01/1995	21	-	2	-	5	-	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	18	1	20	1
20	<b>Roberto Soriano</b>	ITA	08/02/1991	25	-	2	-	3	-	<b>14</b>	<b>3</b>	3	-	7	-
21	<b>Bruno Soriano</b>	ESP	12/06/1984	32	-	2	-	5	1	<b>12</b>	<b>3</b>	49	4	69	5
26	<b>Pablo Larrea</b>	ESP	04/02/1994	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29	<b>Leonardo Suárez</b>	ARG	30/03/1996	20	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
34	<b>Javier García</b>	ESP	23/06/1996	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
36	<b>Chuca</b>	ESP	10/06/1997	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	<b>Ramiro Guerra</b>	ESP	21/03/1997	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
40	<b>Álvaro Belzón</b>	ESP	14/05/1996	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
43	<b>Daniel Raba</b>	ESP	29/10/1995	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Forwards</b>															
9	<b>Roberto Soldado</b>	ESP	27/05/1985	31	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42	8	69	27
10	<b>Pato</b>	BRA	02/09/1989	27	-	2	1	5	2	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	11	5	35	12



## Villarreal CF

		Current season										All-time			
		UCL			UEL			League				UEL		UEFA	
17	Cédric <b>Bakambu</b>	COD	11/04/1991	25	-	-	-	4	-	<b>8</b>	<b>2</b>	17	9	17	9
18	Nicola <b>Sansone</b>	ITA	10/09/1991	25	-	-	-	4	-	<b>14</b>	<b>5</b>	4	-	6	-
24	Rafael <b>Borré</b>	COL	15/09/1995	21	*	2	-	4	1	<b>8</b>	-	4	1	6	1
39	Mario <b>González</b>	ESP	25/02/1996	20	-	1	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	-	-	-	1	-
45	Simón <b>Moreno</b>	ESP	02/07/1997	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Coach</b>															
-	Fran Escribá	ESP	03/05/1965	51	-	2	-	5	-	-	-	5	-	7	-

## FC Steaua București

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UCL		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>															
1	Florin Niță	ROU	03/07/1987	29	-	3	-	5	-	13	-	5	-	9	-
31	Ionuț Poiană	ROU	11/01/1998	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
33	Eduard Stăncioiu	ROU	03/03/1981	35	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	12	-
<b>Defenders</b>															
2	Gabriel Simion	ROU	22/05/1998	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3	Bogdan Mitrea	ROU	29/09/1987	29	-	1	-	1	-	5	-	1	-	2	-
4	Gabriel Tamaș	ROU	09/11/1983	33	-	4	-	5	1	17	1	28	2	44	2
13	Alin Toșca	ROU	14/03/1992	24	-	3	-	5	-	14	-	5	-	13	-
15	Marko Momčilović	SRB	11/06/1987	29	-	4	-	4	1	15	2	10	2	20	2
17	Antonio Jakoliš	CRO	28/02/1992	24	-	-	-	3	-	8	-	3	-	10	1
21	Wilfried Moke	FRA	12/02/1998	18	-	-	-	4	-	11	1	4	-	4	-
23	Ovidiu Popescu	ROU	27/02/1994	22	-	2	-	2	-	12	-	2	-	4	-
<b>Midfielders</b>															
6	Mihai Pintilii	ROU	09/11/1984	32	-	2	-	1	-	7	1	10	-	25	1
8	Lucian Filip	ROU	25/09/1990	26	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7	1	21	1
11	Muniru Sulley	GHA	25/10/1992	24	*	4	-	4	1	10	-	4	1	18	3
16	Robert Vâlceanu	ROU	29/03/1997	19	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	-	2	-
19	Adnan Aganović	CRO	03/10/1987	29	-	3	-	2	-	8	-	2	-	11	-
20	Vlad Achim	ROU	07/04/1989	27	-	4	-	2	-	10	1	2	-	6	-
24	Dan Popescu	ROU	20/02/1988	28	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	1	-
26	Cristian Onțel	ROU	05/04/1998	18	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
27	Fernando Boldrin	ITA	23/02/1989	27	-	-	-	5	-	16	6	5	-	13	2
28	Mario Mihai	ROU	16/02/1999	17	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
29	William Amorim	ROU	05/12/1991	25	-	-	-	5	-	16	2	11	1	31	1
44	Gabriel Enache	ROU	18/08/1990	26	-	4	-	2	-	15	2	7	1	29	2
55	Alexandru Bourceanu	ROU	24/04/1985	31	-	2	-	5	-	16	-	32	-	57	1
<b>Forwards</b>															
9	Alexandru Tudorie	ROU	19/03/1996	20	-	4	-	2	-	7	1	2	-	9	-
10	Florin Tănase	ROU	30/12/1994	21	-	-	-	2	-	8	3	2	-	4	-
14	Bojan Golubović	SRB	22/08/1983	33	-	3	-	5	1	9	-	5	1	11	1
77	Adrian Popa	ROU	24/07/1988	28	-	4	-	5	-	17	2	19	-	47	2
<b>Coach</b>															
-	Laurențiu Reghecampf	ROU	19/09/1975	41	-	4	-	5	-	-	-	15	-	35	-

## Fixtures and results

### Villarreal CF

Date	Competition	Opponent		Result	Goalscorers
17/08/2016	UCL	AS Monaco FC (H)	L	1-2	Pato 36
20/08/2016	League	Granada CF (A)	D	1-1	Castillejo 61
23/08/2016	UCL	AS Monaco FC (A)	L	0-1	
28/08/2016	League	Sevilla FC (H)	D	0-0	
10/09/2016	League	Málaga CF (A)	W	2-0	Jaume Costa 33, Sansone 44
15/09/2016	UEL	FC Zürich (H)	W	2-1	Pato 28, J. Dos Santos 45+1
18/09/2016	League	Real Sociedad de Fútbol (H)	W	2-1	Sansone 22, 25
21/09/2016	League	Real Madrid CF (A)	D	1-1	Bruno Soriano 45+1 (P)
25/09/2016	League	CA Osasuna (H)	W	3-1	Pato 5, Bruno Soriano 24 (P), Sansone 39
29/09/2016	UEL	FC Steaua București (A)	D	1-1	Borré 9
02/10/2016	League	RCD Espanyol (A)	D	0-0	
16/10/2016	League	RC Celta de Vigo (H)	W	5-0	Soriano 8, 12, Bakambu 38, Wass 48 (og), Trigueros 90+2
20/10/2016	UEL	Osmanlıspor (A)	D	2-2	N'Diaye 56, Pato 74
23/10/2016	League	UD Las Palmas (H)	W	2-1	Sansone 64 (P), Bakambu 90+2
30/10/2016	League	SD Eibar (A)	L	1-2	Bruno Soriano 41 (P)
03/11/2016	UEL	Osmanlıspor (H)	L	1-2	Hernández 48
06/11/2016	League	Real Betis Balompié (H)	W	2-0	Trigueros 22, Soriano 53
20/11/2016	League	Athletic Club (A)	L	0-1	
24/11/2016	UEL	FC Zürich (A)	D	1-1	Bruno Soriano 14
27/11/2016	League	Deportivo Alavés (H)	L	0-2	
30/11/2016	Cup	Toledo (A)	W	3-0	Jiménez Gómez 15 (og), Bakambu 20, Castillejo 81
03/12/2016	League	CD Leganés (A)	D	0-0	
08/12/2016	UEL	FC Steaua București (H)			
12/12/2016	League	Club Atlético de Madrid (H)			
17/12/2016	League	Real Sporting de Gijón (A)			
20/12/2016	Cup	Toledo (H)			
08/01/2017	League	FC Barcelona (H)			
15/01/2017	League	RC Deportivo La Coruña (A)			
22/01/2017	League	Valencia CF (H)			
29/01/2017	League	Granada CF (H)			
05/02/2017	League	Sevilla FC (A)			
12/02/2017	League	Málaga CF (H)			
19/02/2017	League	Real Sociedad de Fútbol (A)			
26/02/2017	League	Real Madrid CF (H)			
01/03/2017	League	CA Osasuna (A)			
05/03/2017	League	RCD Espanyol (H)			
12/03/2017	League	RC Celta de Vigo (A)			
19/03/2017	League	UD Las Palmas (A)			
02/04/2017	League	SD Eibar (H)			
05/04/2017	League	Real Betis Balompié (A)			
09/04/2017	League	Athletic Club (H)			

## Villarreal CF

16/04/2017	League	Deportivo Alavés (A)		
23/04/2017	League	CD Leganés (H)		
26/04/2017	League	Club Atlético de Madrid (A)		
30/04/2017	League	Real Sporting de Gijón (H)		
07/05/2017	League	FC Barcelona (A)		
14/05/2017	League	RC Deportivo La Coruña (H)		
21/05/2017	League	Valencia CF (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Real Madrid CF	14	10	4	0	37	12	34
2	FC Barcelona	14	8	4	2	34	15	28
3	Sevilla FC	14	8	3	3	25	20	27
4	Club Atlético de Madrid	14	7	4	3	28	11	25
<b>5</b>	<b>Villarreal CF</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>23</b>
6	Real Sociedad de Fútbol	14	7	2	5	23	19	23
7	Athletic Club	14	7	2	5	20	17	23
8	SD Eibar	14	6	3	5	21	19	21
9	RC Celta de Vigo	14	6	3	5	24	26	21
10	UD Las Palmas	14	5	5	4	25	22	20
11	Málaga CF	14	5	5	4	23	21	20
12	RCD Espanyol	14	4	7	3	17	17	19
13	Deportivo Alavés	14	4	5	5	14	17	17
14	Real Betis Balompié	14	4	3	7	17	28	15
15	CD Leganés	14	4	2	8	11	25	14
16	RC Deportivo La Coruña	14	3	4	7	18	24	13
17	Valencia CF	14	3	3	8	19	26	12
18	Real Sporting de Gijón	14	3	3	8	15	28	12
19	Granada CF	14	1	5	8	13	30	8
20	CA Osasuna	14	1	4	9	13	29	7

## FC Steaua București

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
26/07/2016	UCL	AC Sparta Praha (A)	D	1-1 Stanciu 75
31/07/2016	League	FC Viitorul Constanța (A)	W	3-1 Tudorie 29, Popa 61, Stanciu 89
03/08/2016	UCL	AC Sparta Praha (H)	W	2-0 Stanciu 31, 63
06/08/2016	League	CS Concordia Chiajna (H)	W	1-0 Achim 77
12/08/2016	League	FC Botoșani (A)	W	2-0 Hamroun 50, F. Tănase 80
16/08/2016	UCL	Manchester City FC (H)	L	0-5
20/08/2016	League	FC Dinamo București (H)	D	1-1 William Amorim 17
24/08/2016	UCL	Manchester City FC (A)	L	0-1
27/08/2016	League	CS Pandurii Târgu Jiu (A)	W	1-0 Fernando Boldrin 69
31/08/2016	League	CSMS Iași (H)	D	1-1 Vâlceanu 20
11/09/2016	League	FC Astra Giurgiu (H)	W	1-0 Fernando Boldrin 45
15/09/2016	UEL	Osmanlıspor (A)	L	0-2
18/09/2016	League	ACS Poli Timișoara (A)	W	1-0 F. Tănase 8
22/09/2016	League	CFR 1907 Cluj (H)	L	1-2 F. Tănase 20

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25/09/2016	League	FC Voluntari (A)	W	3-2	Popa 28, Fernando Boldrin 52 (P), Momčilović 85
29/09/2016	UEL	Villarreal CF (H)	D	1-1	Muniru Sulley 19
02/10/2016	League	CS Universitatea Craiova (H)	W	2-1	William Amorim 17, Fernando Boldrin 75 (P)
16/10/2016	League	CS Gaz Metan Mediaș (H)	L	0-1	
20/10/2016	UEL	FC Zürich (H)	D	1-1	Golubović 63
23/10/2016	League	ASA 2013 Târgu Mureș (A)	D	1-1	Moke 90
27/10/2016	Cup	Foresta Suceava (A)	W	2-1	Popescu 9, Aganović 47
30/10/2016	League	CSMS Iași (A)	W	2-0	Tamaș 35, Man 86
03/11/2016	UEL	FC Zürich (A)	D	0-0	
06/11/2016	League	FC Viitorul Constanța (H)	W	2-0	Fernando Boldrin 17 (P), Momčilović 22
19/11/2016	League	CS Concordia Chiajna (A)	L	0-1	
24/11/2016	UEL	Osmanlıspor (H)	W	2-1	Momčilović 68, Tamaș 86
27/11/2016	League	FC Botoșani (H)	D	0-0	
30/11/2016	League	FC Dinamo București (A)	L	1-3	Fernando Boldrin 4 (P)
04/12/2016	League	CS Pandurii Târgu Jiu (H)	W	3-1	Enache 20, 54 (P), Pintilii 51
08/12/2016	UEL	Villarreal CF (A)			
11/12/2016	League	FC Astra Giurgiu (A)			
14/12/2016	Cup	CS Mioveni (A)			
17/12/2016	League	ACS Poli Timișoara (H)			
04/02/2017	League	CFR 1907 Cluj (A)			
11/02/2017	League	FC Voluntari (H)			
18/02/2017	League	CS Universitatea Craiova (A)			
25/02/2017	League	CS Gaz Metan Mediaș (A)			
04/03/2017	League	ASA 2013 Târgu Mureș (H)			

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	<b>FC Steaua București</b>	19	11	4	4	26	15	37
2	FC Viitorul Constanța	19	11	3	5	24	17	36
3	CS Gaz Metan Mediaș	19	9	7	3	28	18	34
4	CS Universitatea Craiova	19	10	3	6	26	20	33
5	CFR 1907 Cluj *	19	10	6	3	32	16	30
6	FC Dinamo București	19	8	5	6	31	25	29
7	FC Botoșani	19	7	4	8	23	19	25
8	CS Pandurii Târgu Jiu	19	6	6	7	20	24	24
9	FC Astra Giurgiu	19	6	5	8	19	25	23
10	FC Voluntari	19	6	4	9	25	27	22
11	CSMS Iași	19	5	4	10	16	21	19
12	CS Concordia Chiajna	19	4	4	11	10	24	16
13	ASA 2013 Târgu Mureș *	19	4	3	12	16	32	9
14	ACS Poli Timișoara *	19	5	4	10	20	33	5

\* CFR 1907 Cluj have had 6 point(s) deducted

\* ASA 2013 Târgu Mureș have had 6 point(s) deducted

\* ACS Poli Timișoara have had 14 point(s) deducted



## Match-by-match lineups

### Villarreal CF

#### UEFA Champions League - Play-off

(17/08/2016)

##### Villarreal CF 1-2 AS Monaco FC

**Goals:** 0-1 Fabinho 3 (P) , 1-1 Pato 36, 1-2 Bernardo Silva 72

**Villarreal CF:** Asenjo, Mario Gaspar, José Ángel, N'Diaye, Musacchio, Pato, Trigueros, Castillejo, Soriano, Bruno Soriano, Borré (76 González)

(23/08/2016)

##### AS Monaco FC 1-0 Villarreal CF (agg: 3-1)

**Goals:** 1-0 Fabinho 90+1 (P)

**Villarreal CF:** Asenjo, Mario Gaspar, José Ángel (67 Jaume Costa), Musacchio, Víctor Ruiz, Pato, Trigueros, Castillejo, Soriano (80 N'Diaye), Bruno Soriano, Borré (75 Suárez)

#### UEFA Europa League - Group stage

##### Group L

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Osmanlıspor	5	2	1	2	8	7	7
<b>FC Steaua București</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>
FC Zürich	5	1	3	1	5	5	6
<b>Villarreal CF</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>6</b>

##### Matchday 1 (15/09/2016)

###### Villarreal CF 2-1 FC Zürich

**Goals:** 0-1 Sadiku 2, 1-1 Pato 28, 2-1 J. Dos Santos 45+1

**Villarreal CF:** Andrés Fernández, José Ángel, N'Diaye, Víctor Ruiz, Cheryshev (80 Soriano), J. Dos Santos (71 Castillejo), Pato, Álvaro, Bruno Soriano, Rukavina, Borré (67 Sansone)

##### Matchday 2 (29/09/2016)

###### FC Steaua București 1-1 Villarreal CF

**Goals:** 0-1 Borré 9, 1-1 Muniru Sulley 19

**Villarreal CF:** Andrés Fernández, José Ángel, N'Diaye, Musacchio, Cheryshev (73 Soriano), J. Dos Santos, Pato (63 Castillejo), Bruno Soriano, Rukavina, Bonera, Borré (82 Bakambu)

##### Matchday 3 (20/10/2016)

###### Osmanlıspor 2-2 Villarreal CF

**Goals:** 1-0 Rusecu 23, 2-0 Rusecu 24, 2-1 N'Diaye 56, 2-2 Pato 74

**Villarreal CF:** Andrés Fernández, José Ángel, N'Diaye (82 Sansone), J. Dos Santos (70 Soriano), Pato, Álvaro, Castillejo, Bruno Soriano, Rukavina, Bonera, Borré (65 Bakambu)

##### Matchday 4 (03/11/2016)

###### Villarreal CF 1-2 Osmanlıspor

**Goals:** 0-1 Webó 8, 1-1 Hernández 48, 1-2 Rusecu 75

**Villarreal CF:** Andrés Fernández, José Ángel, Víctor Ruiz, Cheryshev (69 Castillejo), J. Dos Santos (80 Sansone), Álvaro, Hernández, Bakambu, Bruno Soriano, Rukavina, Borré (62 Pato)

##### Matchday 5 (24/11/2016)

###### FC Zürich 1-1 Villarreal CF

**Goals:** 0-1 Bruno Soriano 14, 1-1 Rodriguez 87 (P)

**Villarreal CF:** Asenjo, José Ángel, Musacchio, Víctor Ruiz, Cheryshev (70 Castillejo), J. Dos Santos, Pato (78 Sansone), Trigueros, Bakambu (82 Hernández), Bruno Soriano, Rukavina

##### Matchday 6 (08/12/2016)

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### FC Steaua București

## UEFA Champions League - Third qualifying round

(26/07/2016)

### AC Sparta Praha 1-1 FC Steaua București

Goals: 1-0 Šural 35, 1-1 Stanciu 75

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Pintilii, Tudorie (55 Popa), Stanciu, Toșca, Golubović, Momčilović, Aganović (62 Muniru Sulley), Achim (89 Popescu), Enache

(03/08/2016)

### FC Steaua București 2-0 AC Sparta Praha (agg: 3-1)

Goals: 1-0 Stanciu 31, 2-0 Stanciu 63

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Hamroun, Pintilii, Stanciu (81 Aganović), Toșca, Golubović (88 Tudorie), Momčilović, Achim (64 Muniru Sulley), Enache, Popa

## Play-off

(16/08/2016)

### FC Steaua București 0-5 Manchester City FC

Goals: 0-1 Silva 13, 0-2 Agüero 41, 0-3 Nolito 49, 0-4 Agüero 78, 0-5 Agüero 89

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Hamroun, Stanciu, Muniru Sulley (67 Popescu), Toșca, Golubović (46 Tudorie), Momčilović, Achim (46 Bourceanu), Enache, Popa

(24/08/2016)

### Manchester City FC 1-0 FC Steaua București (agg: 6-0)

Goals: 1-0 Delph 56

**FC Steaua București:** Cojocar, Mitrea, Tamaș, Hamroun, Tudorie, Muniru Sulley (62 Achim), Momčilović, Aganović (53 Stanciu), Popescu (53 Popa), Enache, Bourceanu

## UEFA Europa League - Group stage

**Matchday 1** (15/09/2016)

### Osmanlıspor 2-0 FC Steaua București

Goals: 1-0 Diabaté 64 (P) , 2-0 Umar 74

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Toșca, Golubović (46 Mitrea), Aganović, Moke, Fernando Boldrin (61 F. Tănase), William Amorim (67 Jakoliš), Enache, Bourceanu, Popa

**Matchday 2** (29/09/2016)

### FC Steaua București 1-1 Villarreal CF

Goals: 0-1 Borré 9, 1-1 Muniru Sulley 19

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Muniru Sulley, Toșca, Golubović (77 F. Tănase), Momčilović, Moke, Fernando Boldrin, William Amorim (89 Popescu), Bourceanu, Popa (77 Jakoliš)

**Matchday 3** (20/10/2016)

### FC Steaua București 1-1 FC Zürich

Goals: 1-0 Golubović 63, 1-1 Koné 86

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Muniru Sulley (83 Jakoliš), Toșca, Golubović (79 Tudorie), Momčilović, Popescu, Fernando Boldrin, William Amorim, Bourceanu, Popa

**Matchday 4** (03/11/2016)

### FC Zürich 0-0 FC Steaua București

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Muniru Sulley (84 Tudorie), Toșca, Golubović (72 Achim), Momčilović, Moke, Fernando Boldrin, William Amorim, Bourceanu (63 Aganović), Popa

**Matchday 5** (24/11/2016)

### FC Steaua București 2-1 Osmanlıspor

Goals: 0-1 Ndiaye 30, 1-1 Momčilović 68, 2-1 Tamaș 86

**FC Steaua București:** Niță, Tamaș, Pintilii (46 Bourceanu), Muniru Sulley (63 Achim), Toșca, Momčilović, Moke, Fernando Boldrin, William Amorim, Enache (46 Golubović), Popa

**Matchday 6** (08/12/2016)

Villarreal CF-FC Steaua București



## Match officials

<b>Referee</b>	Manuel Gräfe (GER)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Mike Pickel (GER) , Holger Henschel (GER)
<b>Additional assistant referees</b>	Marco Fritz (GER) , Robert Hartmann (GER)
<b>Fourth official</b>	Christian Gittelmann (GER)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	Marina Tashchyan (ARM)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	Michel Piraux (BEL)

## Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Europa League matches	UEFA matches
Manuel Gräfe	21/09/1973	23	49

## Manuel Gräfe

**Referee since:** 1990  
**First division:** 2004  
**FIFA badge:** 2007

**Tournaments:** 2009 UEFA European Under-19 Championship

### Finals

N/A

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
02/12/2010	UEL	GS	Villarreal CF	GNK Dinamo Zagreb	3-0	Villarreal
08/03/2012	UEL	R16	Valencia CF	PSV Eindhoven	4-2	Valencia
14/02/2013	UEL	R32	Levante UD	Olympiacos FC	3-0	Valencia
22/08/2013	UEL	PO	Sevilla FC	WKS Śląsk Wrocław	4-1	Seville
11/12/2014	UEL	GS	Sevilla FC	HNK Rijeka	1-0	Seville
25/08/2016	UEL	PO	West Ham United FC	FC Astra Giurgiu	0-1	London

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
20/08/2008	U21	QR	Russia	Spain	1-2	Moscow
27/07/2009	U19	GS-FT	Spain	France	0-1	Mariupol
17/11/2009	U21	QR	Netherlands	Spain	2-1	Rotterdam
02/12/2010	UEL	GS	Villarreal CF	GNK Dinamo Zagreb	3-0	Villarreal
28/09/2011	UCL	GS	FC BATE Borisov	FC Barcelona	0-5	Minsk
07/12/2011	UCL	GS	SL Benfica	FC Oțelul Galați	1-0	Lisbon
08/03/2012	UEL	R16	Valencia CF	PSV Eindhoven	4-2	Valencia
14/02/2013	UEL	R32	Levante UD	Olympiacos FC	3-0	Valencia
22/08/2013	UEL	PO	Sevilla FC	WKS Śląsk Wrocław	4-1	Seville
23/10/2013	UCL	GS	Real Madrid CF	Juventus	2-1	Madrid

<b>Date</b>	<b>Competition</b>	<b>Stage reached</b>	<b>Home</b>	<b>Away</b>	<b>Result</b>	<b>Venue</b>
11/12/2014	UEL	GS	Sevilla FC	HNK Rijeka	1-0	Seville
25/08/2016	UEL	PO	West Ham United FC	FC Astra Giurgiu	0-1	London

# Legend

## Competitions

### Club competitions

**UCL:** UEFA Champions League  
**ECCC:** European Champion Clubs' Cup  
**UEL:** UEFA Europa 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  
**WEURO:** UEFA European Women's Championship

## Competition stages

<b>F:</b> Final	<b>GS:</b> Group stage	<b>(aet):</b> After extra time	<b>pens:</b> Penalties
<b>GS1:</b> First group stage	<b>GS2:</b> Second group stage	<b>No.:</b> Number	<b>og:</b> Own goal
<b>3QR:</b> Third qualifying round	<b>R1:</b> First round	<b>ag:</b> Match decided on away goals	<b>P:</b> Penalty
<b>R2:</b> Second round	<b>R3:</b> Third round	<b>PID:</b> Matches played	<b>agg:</b> Aggregate
<b>R4:</b> Fourth round	<b>PR:</b> Preliminary round	<b>Pos.:</b> Position	<b>AP:</b> Appearances
<b>SF:</b> Semi-finals	<b>QF:</b> Quarter-finals	<b>Pts:</b> Points	<b>Comp.:</b> Competition
<b>R16:</b> round of 16	<b>QR:</b> Qualifying round	<b>R:</b> Sent off (straight red card)	<b>D:</b> Drawn
<b>R32:</b> Round of 32	<b>1QR:</b> First qualifying round	<b>Res.:</b> Result	<b>DoB:</b> Date of birth
<b>1st:</b> first leg	<b>2QR:</b> Second qualifying round	<b>sg:</b> Match decided by silver goal	<b>ET:</b> Extra Time
<b>2nd:</b> second leg	<b>FT:</b> Final tournament	<b>GF:</b> Goals for	<b>GA:</b> Goals against
<b>PO:</b> Play-off	<b>ELITE:</b> Elite round	<b>gg:</b> Match decided by golden goal	<b>t:</b> Match decided by toss of a coin
<b>Rep:</b> Replay	<b>3rdPO:</b> Third-place play-off	<b>Y/R:</b> Sent off (two yellow cards)	<b>W:</b> Won
<b>PO - FT:</b> Play-off for Final Tournament	<b>GS-FT:</b> Group stage – final tournament	<b>f:</b> Match forfeited	<b>Y:</b> Booked
			<b>L:</b> Lost
			<b>Nat.:</b> Nationality
			<b>N/A:</b> Not applicable

## Statistics

**-:** Denotes player substituted  
**\***: Denotes player sent off

**+**: Denotes player introduced  
**+/-:** Denotes player introduced and substituted

## Squad list

**D:** Disciplinary

**\***: Misses next match if booked

**S:** Suspended

**QUAL:** All UEFA qualifiers

**UEL:** Current season total UEFA Europa League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday

**UEL:** Total appearances in the UEFA Europa League, group stage to final only

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

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