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Club Atlético de Madrid

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Group D - Matchday 1



Juventus

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Head coach

Diego Simeone

Date of birth: 28 April 1970

Nationality: Argentinian

Playing career: Vélez Sarsfield, Pisa, Sevilla, Atlético Madrid (twice), Internazionale Milano, Lazio, Racing Club

Coaching career: Racing Club (twice), Estudiantes, River Plate, San Lorenzo, Catania, Atlético Madrid

- Launched career as a combative midfielder with Vélez Sarsfield and was a full Argentinian international at 18, making debut in a July 1988 friendly against Australia; went on to play in three FIFA World Cups and retired as Argentina's most-capped player (106 appearances, 11 goals). Moved to Italy in 1990 to join Pisa; two years later he left for Sevilla, where he played under Argentina's 1986 World Cup-winning coach Carlos Bilardo and – for one season – alongside Diego Maradona.
- Joined Atlético in 1994 and won the Spanish domestic double in his second season, his first major club honours to add to two Copa América titles (1991 and 1993) plus the 1992 FIFA Confederations Cup with Argentina.
- Enjoyed further success after returning to Italy, winning the UEFA Cup with Inter, plus a Serie A and Coppa Italia double in his debut campaign with Lazio (1999/2000). After four years in Rome, he returned to Madrid for a second spell with Atlético before ending his playing career in Argentina with Racing Club.
- Started coaching career with Racing Club and won Argentinian titles with Estudiantes (2006 Apertura) and River Plate (2008 Clausura); brief spells at San Lorenzo, Italian club Catania and Racing (again) preceded his appointment in December 2011 at Atlético.
- Led Atlético to victory in the 2012 UEFA Europa League final against Athletic Club and to a Copa del Rey final triumph over Real Madrid in 2013. A year later, Atlético held off Barcelona and Madrid to win their first league title since 1996, although they lost to Madrid in the UEFA Champions League final. Took Atlético to another UEFA Champions League final in 2016, which they again lost to Madrid, but collected more silverware two years later with another UEFA Europa League triumph and followed up by finally getting the better of Madrid in Europe with victory in the UEFA Super Cup.

Maurizio Sarri

Date of birth: 10 January 1959

Nationality: Italian

Coaching career: Sangiovannese, Pescara, Arezzo, Avellino, Verona, Perugia, Grosseto, Alessandria, Sorrento, Empoli, Napoli, Chelsea, Juventus

- Sarri was born in Naples, when his father was working in a local factory. The family moved back to Tuscany when he was three, but young Maurizio was always a Napoli fan. After a short career as an amateur footballer, he started coaching in the lower divisions in Tuscany while studying economics and working in a bank. In 2000/01 he accepted a job at Sansovino in Serie Eccellenza, the fifth tier, promising he would quit coaching for good if he did not win the league; they duly triumphed.
- After a Serie C1 promotion with Sangiovannese and 11th place in Serie B with Pescara, in 2006/07 Sarri replaced the sacked Antonio Conte at the helm of Arezzo. His side were relegated but Sarri did oversee a 2-2 away draw against Juventus and a home victory against AC Milan in the Coppa Italia quarter-finals, although the Rossoneri won on aggregate.
- In 2012 he took the Empoli job and, despite picking up only four points in the first nine games, his side reached the Serie B play-off final, losing to Livorno. The following season he guided Empoli to promotion and Sarri made his Serie A debut in 2014/15, leading the Azzurri to a 15th-place finish with his side earning plaudits for their organised and entertaining football.
- A 4-2 victory against Napoli helped the Partenopei decide to appoint him to replace Rafael Benítez. Sarri was an immediate success, leading Napoli to second place in 2015/16, his team scoring five goals more than eventual champions Juventus. Sarri's side also reached the UEFA Europa League round of 32, scoring a record 22 goals in the group stage.
- Napoli finished third in Serie A in 2016/17 and second 12 months later, after which Sarri departed for Chelsea. His sole season in England brought his first major trophy in the form of the UEFA Europa League, Chelsea also reaching the League Cup final and ending the Premier League campaign third before Sarri decided to return home, succeeding Massimiliano Allegri at Juventus.

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 European Champion Clubs' Cup, UEFA Champions League, UEFA Europa League, UEFA Cup Winner's Cup UEFA Super Cup, UEFA Intertoto Cup and European/South American Cup. Matches in the Inter-Cities Fairs Cup and the 1972 Super Cup are not included as they were not held under UEFA auspices, while the FIFA Club World Cup is excluded.

Match officials

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
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

F: Final	GS: Group stage
GS1: First group stage	GS2: Second group stage
3QR: Third qualifying round	R1: First round
R2: Second round	R3: Third round
R4: Fourth round	PR: Preliminary round
SF: Semi-finals	QF: Quarter-finals
R16: round of 16	QR: Qualifying round
R32: Round of 32	1QR: First qualifying round
1st: first leg	2QR: Second qualifying round
2nd: second leg	FT: Final tournament
PO: Play-off	ELITE: Elite round
Rep: Replay	3rdPO: Third-place play-off
PO - FT: Play-off for Final Tournament	GS-FT: Group stage – final tournament

Other abbreviations

(aet): After extra time	pens: Penalties
No.: Number	og: Own goal
ag: Match decided on away goals	P: Penalty
Pld: Matches played	agg: Aggregate
Pos.: Position	AP: Appearances
Pts: Points	Comp.: Competition
R: Sent off (straight red card)	D: Drawn
Res.: Result	DoB: Date of birth
sg: Match decided by silver goal	ET: Extra Time
GF: Goals for	GA: Goals against
gg: Match decided by golden goal	t: Match decided by toss of a coin
Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)	W: Won
f: Match forfeited	Y: Booked
	L: Lost
	Nat.: Nationality
	N/A: 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

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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