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FC Shakhtar Donetsk

NSC Olimpiyskyi - Kyiv

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Group D - Matchday 3



Real Madrid CF

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Shakhtar Donetsk welcome Real Madrid to Ukraine seeking their first Group D win, and goal, while the Spanish side are looking to bounce back from a shock home defeat on Matchday 2.

- While Shakhtar, who went down 2-0 at debutants Sheriff on Matchday 1, got their first point on the board last time out thanks to a 0-0 home draw against Inter, Madrid suffered their own upset against Sheriff, the Moldovan champions winning 2-1 at the Santiago Bernabéu thanks to a 90th-minute goal. Madrid are, however, still two points clear in second place in the standings having won 1-0 at Inter via Rodrygo's 89th-minute goal on Matchday 1.
- This is the second campaign in a row the teams have been in the same UEFA Champions League section, Shakhtar winning both games last season – although it was Madrid who went on to reach the round of 16.

Previous meetings

- Shakhtar kicked off the 2020/21 UEFA Champions League with a famous victory in Spain, establishing a 3-0 half-time lead thanks to Tetê, a Raphaël Varane own goal and Manor Solomon and holding on despite second-half strikes from Luka Modrić and Vinícius Júnior.
- The Ukrainian side were also victorious in the return, Dentinho (57) and Solomon again (82) on target at Kyiv's NSC Olimpiyskyi.
- Despite those two wins Shakhtar could only finish third in Group B, behind Madrid, who won three of their other four games to collect ten points, and Borussia Mönchengladbach, who ended level with Shakhtar on eight points but went through on head-to-head record.
- The sides' only fixtures before last season came in the 2015/16 group stage, Madrid winning 4-0 at home and 4-3 away. Karim Benzema opened the scoring at the Santiago Bernabéu, with Modrić and Dani Carvajal both on target in Lviv; Madrid's other five goals across the two games all came from Cristiano Ronaldo, Dentinho scoring one of Shakhtar's goals.
- Madrid finished first in the section on 16 points, with Shakhtar third having picked up just three. Zinedine Zidane's side went on to claim the club's 11th European Cup that season.

Form guide

Shakhtar

- Shakhtar's run of four successive Ukrainian Premier League titles was ended in 2020/21 as they finished second to Dynamo Kyiv, ending the season 11 points adrift in second place. Defeat in the Ukrainian Cup quarter-finals ensured the Pitmen finished without a trophy for the first time since 2014/15.
- That meant Shakhtar started the 2021/22 European campaign in the third qualifying round, where they beat Genk 2-1 in both Belgium and Ukraine. They needed extra time to see off Monaco in the play-offs (1-0 a, 2-2 h), a 115th-minute own goal from the French club's defender Ruben Aguilar proving decisive.
- UEFA Champions League quarter-finalists in 2010/11, Shakhtar are now in the group stage for the 16th time and have been eliminated in the group stage on 11 of the previous 15 occasions, including the last three.
- Shakhtar's 2020/21 European campaign started in the UEFA Champions League group stage where, despite those two wins against Madrid, they finished third in Group B behind the Spanish side and Mönchengladbach having picked up only two more points, although they did edge out eventual Italian champions Inter. A team coached by Luís Castro then overcame Maccabi Tel-Aviv in the UEFA Europa League round of 32 (2-0 a, 1-0 h) before losing to Roma in the last 16 (0-3 a, 1-2 h).
- Castro was replaced after two years as Shakhtar coach by Roberto De Zerbi, who joined from Sassuolo in the summer.
- Shakhtar have won only four of their last 21 UEFA Champions League matches, group stage to final (D9 L8).
- The Pitmen have also managed only five wins in their last 17 home European matches (D7 L5).
- Despite last season's victories against Madrid, Shakhtar have won only seven of their 27 meetings with Spanish clubs (D6 L14), although last season's success in Spain was their fourth away win in their last eight visits.
- Shakhtar have won only three of their 13 home games against Liga visitors (D4 L6), losing three of the last five (W1 D1).

Real Madrid

- Madrid have finished second in their group three times in the last five seasons.
- Under Zidane, Madrid finished first in their section in 2020/21, picking up six of their ten points against Inter and

sealing progress as group winners with a 2-0 home defeat of Borussia Mönchengladbach on Matchday 6.

- Madrid then won both legs against Atalanta in the round of 16 (1-0 a, 3-1 h) before eliminating Liverpool in the quarter-finals (3-1 h, 0-0 a). They lost to eventual champions Chelsea in the semi-finals (1-1 h, 0-2 a).
- Zidane was replaced by Carlo Ancelotti in the summer, the Italian having guided Madrid to their tenth European Cup in 2013/14.
- The Spanish side were second in the 2020/21 Liga, finishing two points behind neighbours Atlético.
- Madrid have won six of their last 12 UEFA Champions League away games (D2 L4).
- Benzema's goal on Matchday 2 means he has matched the record of Lionel Messi in scoring in 17 successive UEFA Champions League campaigns.
- Madrid have won only two of their eight away games against Ukrainian clubs (D4 L2).
- The Spanish side have scored 17 goals in their last six games against Ukrainian clubs, and have found the net at least twice in eight of their last ten games against teams from the country.

Links and trivia

- Shakhtar coach De Zerbi came through the ranks as a player at AC Milan, and was still at the club in 2001 when Ancelotti took over as head coach, although he never featured in the first team before departing the following summer.
- Yevhen Konoplyanka was a Sevilla player between 2015 and 2016, making six appearances in the club's 2015/16 UEFA Europa League triumph in his sole full season, although he was an unused substitute in the final win against Liverpool. He scored a penalty in Sevilla's 3-2 extra-time defeat by Madrid in the 2016 UEFA Super Cup. He had played 90 minutes of the Andalusian club's 3-2 home Liga win against Madrid on 8 November 2015.
- Marlon was a Barcelona player between 2016 and 2018, featuring in two Liga games after making his first-team debut as a substitute in a 2-0 win at Celtic on Matchday 5 of the 2016/17 UEFA Champions League.
- Madrid's Ukrainian goalkeeper Andriy Lunin has played for Metalist Kharkiv youth (2012–15), Dnipro (2015–17) and Zorya (2017/18) in his homeland. He faced Shakhtar seven times with Dnipro and Zorya, recording one win and six defeats and conceding 16 goals.
- Benzema (France 3-0 Ukraine, 2014 FIFA World Cup play-offs) and Modrić (Croatia 2-2 Ukraine, 2010 World Cup qualifying) have both scored international goals past Andriy Pyatov.
- Have played together:
Oleksii Shevchenko & Andriy Lunin (Zorya 2017/18)
Pedrinho & Rodrygo (Brazil U23s)
Vitão, Tetê & Rodrygo (Brazil U20s)
Vitão & Vinícius Júnior (Brazil U20s)
Alan Patrick & Casemiro (Brazil U20s)
Dodô & Éder Militão (Brazil U17s)
- International team-mates:
Andriy Pyatov, Serhiy Kryvtsov, Taras Stepanenko, Marlos, Mykola Matviyenko, Yevhen Konoplyanka, Júnior Moraes, Valeriy Bondar, Anatolii Trubin, Yukhym Konoplia, Viktor Korniienko, Danylo Sikan, Georgiy Sudakov & Andriy Lunin (Ukraine)
- David Alaba set up the only goal as Austria beat Ukraine 1-0 in the UEFA EURO 2020 group stage.
- On 7 October 2020, Eduardo Camavinga marked his first start for France with his first international goal nine minutes into a 7–1 friendly win against Ukraine.

Latest news

Shakhtar

- Shakhtar won the Ukrainian Super Cup on 22 September, beating Dynamo Kyiv 3-0 with Lassina Traoré scoring twice and Alan Patrick once.
- Shakhtar are unbeaten in six games in all competitions (W4 D2) since the Matchday 1 reverse at Sheriff. Their only other defeat in 18 matches this season (W12 D4) was a 2-1 home league loss against Olexandriya on 7 August.
- The Pitmen were 6-1 winners at home to Zorya Luhansk on Friday, Fernando and Tetê both scoring twice; it was the first time Fernando had found the net more than once in a league game in his career in his 47th appearance for Palmeiras and Shakhtar.
- Summer signing Traoré, Shakhtar's top scorer this season with nine goals in 14 games in all competitions, will be sidelined until the end of this season by a knee injury suffered against Inter on Matchday 2.

- Anatolii Trubin, Shakhtar's first-choice goalkeeper at the start of this season, made his first appearance since 23 August on Friday after recovering from a meniscus injury.
- Friday was Fernando's first appearance since the Matchday 1 defeat at Sheriff after a minor injury, while Ismaily returned as a substitute having been sidelined since Matchday 2. Dentinho has also been carrying a minor injury but is back in full training.
- Centre-back Vitão missed Shakhtar's Matchday 2 fixture with Inter and 0-0 league draw with Dynamo on 3 October due to a muscle injury but came on as a late substitute on Friday.
- Yevhen Konoplyanka has been sidelined by injury since 21 August.
- Valeriy Bondar played 90 minutes on Friday, his first Shakhtar start since suffering a serious knee injury in April; he had made his comeback with two substitute appearances in September.
- Júnior Moraes, Shakhtar's top scorer in 2018/19 and 2019/20, has been sidelined since 24 April with a cruciate knee ligament injury.
- Aged 37 years 103 days, Andriy Pyatov became Ukraine's oldest ever player in their 2-1 2022 FIFA World Cup qualifying win in Finland on 9 October in which he won his 100th cap. He also played in a 1-1 draw with Bosnia and Herzegovina in Lviv three days later.
- Manor Solomon provided an assist in Israel's 2-1 World Cup qualifying win against Moldova on 12 October.

Real Madrid

- Marcelo has made 99 appearances in the UEFA Champions League, group stage to final.
- Gareth Bale has played 99 matches in UEFA club competition.
- Lucas Vázquez's next appearance in UEFA club competition will be his 50th.
- Madrid's weekend game at home to Athletic Club was postponed.
- Madrid are without a win in their last three games in all competitions (D1 L2), following the Matchday 2 defeat at home to Sheriff with another 2-1 loss, at Espanyol on 3 October.
- Karim Benzema has five goals in his last five Madrid games, and has scored three of the club's last four goals.
- Vinícius Júnior has five Liga goals in eight appearances this season – two more than he managed in the whole of last season.
- Benzema made it ten goals in nine appearances for club and country, scoring in France's wins against Belgium (3-2) and Spain (2-1) as they lifted the UEFA Nations League trophy in Italy.
- Luka Modrić scored in Croatia's 2-2 home draw with Slovakia in 2022 FIFA World Cup qualifying on 11 October.
- Toni Kroos made his return from a pubis injury in the defeat by Sheriff on Matchday 2, his first appearance of the season.
- Ferland Mendy (tibia and thigh) and Dani Ceballos (ankle) are yet to feature this season due to injury.
- Bale has been out with a hamstring injury since Wales's 0-0 draw at home to Estonia on 8 September.
- Dani Carvajal has been out since 19 September with a calf injury, while Marcelo has not featured since 12 September due to a hamstring problem.
- Benzema and Modrić are on the 30-man shortlist for the Ballon d'Or, with the winner to be announced on 29 November.

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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