

Middlesbrough FC v Sevilla FC

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Middlesbrough FC and Sevilla FC will both be seeking to claim a first European trophy as they meet in the UEFA Cup final at the PSV Stadion in Eindhoven. This is uncharted territory for the clubs with Middlesbrough in only their second season of UEFA competition while the Spanish side's best previous performance came in the 1957/58 European Champion Clubs' Cup when they reached the quarter-finals, only to lose 10-2 on aggregate to eventual winners Real Madrid CF.

- Having played only 16 previous ties in UEFA competition, it is little surprise that Middlesbrough have met Spanish opposition only once previously. That game resulted in a 2-0 defeat away to Villarreal CF in last season's group stage, with Antonio Guayre and Javi Venta scoring at the end of each half to give the Primera División club victory at El Madrigal.
- The English side went on to reach the Round of 16 last season, their first in European competition, before losing 4-2 on aggregate to eventual finalists Sporting Clube de Portugal. A seventh-placed Premiership finish at the end of 2004/05 earned another tilt at the UEFA Cup and Middlesbrough began their second campaign in solid fashion as goals from George Boateng and Mark Viduka earned a 2-0 first-leg success at home to Skoda Xanthi FC in the first round, and their place in the group stage was assured by a goalless draw in Greece in the return.
- Middlesbrough began Group D with a 1-0 win at Grasshopper-Club thanks to Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink's strike before FC Dnipro Dnipropetrovsk were defeated 3-0 at the Riverside stadium with Viduka's second-half double adding to Yakubu Ayegbeni's opener. The English side then ground out a goalless draw at AZ Alkmaar on Matchday 3 to become the first side to book their place in the knockout stages and first place in the section was assured in the final round of fixtures as two late Massimo Maccarone strikes defeated PFC Litex Lovech.
- Middlesbrough had kept a clean sheet in each of their first six fixtures and took a firm grip on their Round of 32 tie with VfB Stuttgart thanks to goals in Germany from Hasselbaink and Stuart Parnaby. Although the Bundesliga team pulled a goal back and scored early in the return fixture at the Riverside, Middlesbrough held firm to progress and showed their defensive strength again against AS Roma in the last 16. Yakubu got the only goal of the home match from the penalty spot and when Hasselbaink headed in at the Stadio Olimpico the team from Teesside were on their way to the quarter-finals, although they had to withstand a fierce late charge from the Italian club before progressing on away goals.
- Middlesbrough met another Swiss side, FC Basel 1893, in the last eight and having lost 2-0 at Saint Jakob Park, they looked to be heading out of the competition when Basel scored again early in the second leg. Viduka restored parity on the night before half-time, however, and found the net again 12 minutes into the second period before Hasselbaink tied the scores on aggregate with eleven minutes remaining. Middlesbrough still needed another goal to progress, however, and Maccarone provided it seconds before the final whistle to spark jubilant scenes.
- A semi-final with FC Steaua Bucuresti was their reward and once more the away leg was lost, 1-0 on this occasion. The Romanian club followed up by scoring twice in the first quarter at the Riverside stadium to leave Middlesbrough once more having to score four to stay in the competition. Maccarone began the comeback in the 33rd minute and Viduka headed a second just past the hour. Chris Riggott slid in the third with 17 minutes left and Maccarone once more snatched the headlines with an 89th-minute header that sent his side to Eindhoven.
- Sevilla have likewise met opponents from England on only one occasion, and that came this season in the group stage. Juande Ramos' side travelled to Bolton Wanderers FC on Matchday 5 and came away from the Reebok stadium with a 1-1 draw, Adriano Correia striking to earn a draw 16 minutes from time.

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- Sevilla had opened their UEFA Cup campaign this season with a 2-0 aggregate win against 1. FSV Mainz 05, Frédéric Kanouté scoring twice in Germany after the two sides had shared a goalless draw in Spain. The Primera División outfit were drawn in Group H and began in style with a 3-0 dismantling of Beşiktaş JK, Kanouté finding the net twice more after Javier Saviola had opened the scoring. Although Sevilla's next fixture, a trip to FC Zenit St. Petersburg, resulted in a 2-1 defeat as Saviola's 90th-minute effort came too late to affect the outcome, Vitória SC were then defeated 3-1 at the Ramón Sánchez-Pizjuán stadium with Saviola getting two more and Adriano the other before the draw at Bolton took the Spanish side into the last 32 as Group H winners.
- That brought a tie against FC Lokomotiv Moskva, who were defeated 1-0 on home soil through a Jordi López goal which was added to by Enzo Maresca and Antonio Puerta in the return to complete a 3-0 aggregate success. LOSC Lille Métropole then earned a 1-0 home win in the first leg of their Round of 16 tie but first-half goals from Kanouté and Luis Fabiano turned the second leg in Sevilla's favour and the Spanish side held on to reach the last eight.
- There they met Zenit once more, but this time the task proved relatively straightforward. A 4-1 first-leg win at home, with Saviola scoring twice and José Luis Martí and Adriano once each left Sevilla on the brink of the semi-finals and Kepa Blanco's equaliser in Russia ensured a 5-2 aggregate success. The last-four encounter with FC Schalke 04 proved a closer contest as the first game in Germany finished goalless, which was also the case after 90 minutes in Spain before Puerta's goal eleven minutes into extra time took Sevilla through.
- The current season represents Sevilla's eighth foray into UEFA competition, with six of those coming in the UEFA Cup and a solitary season in both the European Champion Clubs' Cup and the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup. They reached the same stage of the competition as Middlesbrough last season, bowing out 1-0 on aggregate against Parma FC in the Round of 16.
- The only other time that an English club has faced a Spanish side in the UEFA Cup final was the 2000/01 final in Dortmund, when Liverpool FC were 5-4 winners after extra time against Deportivo Alavés.
- Overall, England has claimed the trophy on six occasions, while Spain has three triumphs. Italy is the most successful nation in the history of the competition with nine wins.
- Eindhoven was awarded the 2005/06 final after a decision by UEFA's Executive Committee at its meeting in Tallinn, Estonia in April 2005. The PSV Stadion has never hosted a major one-off club final, but did stage the second leg of the 1978 UEFA Cup final when PSV defeated SC Bastia 3-0 to claim the trophy.
- Two other Dutch cities, Amsterdam and Rotterdam, have hosted 12 European club finals between them. Hampden Park in Glasgow will be the venue for next season's showpiece, which will be the first time Scotland's national stadium and home of Queen's Park FC has held a UEFA Cup final. The Glasgow ground - whose capacity is 52,000 - staged the 1960, 1976 and 2002 European Champions Clubs' Cup finals as well as the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup finals in 1962 and 1966.
- The winners in Eindhoven will play the UEFA Champions League holders in the UEFA Super Cup at the Stade Louis II in Monaco on Friday 25 August. The match is the traditional curtain-raiser to the new European club football season.

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Key facts and figures

Most UEFA Cup wins: by club

3 FC Internazionale Milano (1990/91, 1993/94, 1997/98)
3 Juventus (1976/77, 1989/90, 1992/93)
3 Liverpool FC (1972/73, 1975/76, 2000/01)
2 Feyenoord
2 IFK Göteborg
2 Parma FC
2 Real Madrid CF
2 Tottenham Hotspur FC
2 VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach

Most UEFA Cup wins: by player

3 Ray Clemence (Liverpool FC - 1972/73, 1975/76, Tottenham Hotspur FC - 1983/84)
3 Giuseppe Bergomi (FC Internazionale Milano - 1990/91, 1993/94, 1997/98)
3 Nicola Berti (FC Internazionale Milano - 1990/91, 1993/94, 1997/98)

Most UEFA Cup wins: by country

9 Italy (3 - FC Internazionale Milano, 3 - Juventus, 2 - Parma FC, 1 - SSC Napoli)
6 England (3 - Liverpool FC, 2 - Tottenham Hotspur FC, 1 - Ipswich Town FC)
6 Germany
4 Netherlands
3 Spain (2 - Real Madrid CF, 1 - Valencia CF)
2 Sweden
1 Belgium
1 Portugal
1 Russia
1 Turkey

Most UEFA Cup appearances: by player

96 Giuseppe Bergomi (FC Internazionale Milano)
69 Walter Zenga (FC Internazionale Milano)
66 Enzo Scifo (RSC Anderlecht, FC Internazionale Milano, FC Girondins de Bordeaux, AJ Auxerre, Torino Calcio, AS Monaco FC)
63 David Narey (Dundee United FC)
60 Giuseppe Baresi (FC Internazionale Milano)
60 Aron Winter (AFC Ajax, S.S. Lazio, FC Internazionale Milano)
58 Riccardo Ferri (FC Internazionale Milano, Sampdoria UC)
58 Paul Hegarty (Dundee United FC)
58 Harald Schumacher (1. FC Köln, Fenerbahçe SK)

Most UEFA Cup goals: by player

29 Dieter Müller (1. FC Köln, VfB Stuttgart, FC Girondins de Bordeaux)
28 Henrik Larsson (Feyenoord, Celtic FC)
25 Alessandro Altobelli (FC Internazionale Milano, Juventus)
23 Josef 'Jupp' Heynckes (VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach)
22 Dennis Bergkamp (AFC Ajax, FC Internazionale Milano, Arsenal FC)
22 Martin Chivers (Tottenham Hotspur FC, Servette FC)
22 Jürgen Klinsmann (VfB Stuttgart, FC Internazionale Milano, FC Bayern München, Sampdoria UC)
22 Karl-Heinz Rummenigge (FC Bayern München, FC Internazionale Milano, Servette FC)
21 Ulf Kirsten (SG Dynamo Dresden, Bayer 04 Leverkusen)
21 Themistoklis Nikolaidis (GS Apollon Athens, AEK Athens FC, Club Atlético de Madrid)
21 Alan Shearer (Blackburn Rovers FC, Newcastle United FC)

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The top scorer in UEFA club competition is the legendary Gerd Müller, with 62 goals, but it is his less heralded namesake and compatriot Dieter who tops the all-time UEFA Cup scoring chart.

The striker scored 29 goals in 36 UEFA Cup appearances although he never graced a UEFA Cup final, as his 1.FC Köln side were knocked out at the semi-final stage by eventual winners VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach in 1974/75 and Ipswich Town FC in 1980/81. Some 25 of Müller's goals were scored for Köln and in each of those campaigns to the last four he notched up eight goals in nine matches.

Dieter Müller scored once goal for VfB Stuttgart in the 1981/82 competition, before completing his UEFA Cup career the following season at FC Girondins de Bordeaux, for whom he scored a hat-trick against FC Carl Zeiss Jena. He also scored three goals as Bordeaux reached the European Champion Clubs' Cup semi-finals in 1984/85, contributing to an overall UEFA club competition tally of 38 goals in 52 matches.

His international scoring record was equally impressive as he scored nine goals in 16 appearances for the Nationalmannschaft, including a late treble against Yugoslavia in the 1976 UEFA European Championship semi-final where he finished as the tournament's top scorer.

Most UEFA Cup goals (in one season): by player

15 Jürgen Klinsmann (FC Bayern München, 1995/96)

14 John Wark (Ipswich Town FC, 1981/82)

12 Derlei (FC Porto, 2002/03)

Fastest goal

In the first leg of the 1993/94 final, Michael Rummenigge opened the scoring for BV Borussia Dortmund after two minutes at home to Juventus only for the Italians to reply with an equaliser from Dino Baggio (26) before two goals from Roberto Baggio (30, 73). The Turin side would eventually run out 6-1 aggregate winners.

Final hat-tricks

Jupp Heynckes scored a hat-trick for VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach against FC Twente in the second leg of the 1974/75 UEFA Cup final. The match, played on 21 May 1975 at the Diekman stadium in Enschede, ended in a 5-1 victory for Mönchengladbach with Heynckes scoring after nine, 50 and 60 minutes.

Widest margin of victory

Alongside VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach's 5-1 victory away to FC Twente, Real Madrid CF matched this feat eleven years later when defeating 1. FC Köln at the Santiago Bernabéu stadium. Klaus Allofs actually put Köln ahead after 29 minutes only for the Spanish side to hit back through Hugo Sánchez (38), Rafael Gordillo (42), Jorge Valdano (52, 84) and Carlos Santillana (89). Köln would restore pride with a 2-0 success in the home leg, but Real Madrid ran out 5-3 aggregate victors.

Final comebacks

RCD Español looked to have wrapped up their first UEFA Cup success after recording a 3-0 home success in the opening leg of the 1987/88 final against TSV Bayer 04 Leverkusen with Sebastian Losada (44, 56) and Miquel Soler (48) on target in an 12-minute three-goal spurt. The German side failed to reduce the deficit during the opening 56 minutes of the return leg, but second-half goals from Milton Tita (56), Falko Götz (63) and Bum-Kun Cha (81) took the game into extra time in the return in Germany. From there, Leverkusen went on to win 3-2 on penalties.

The best comeback in a single match belongs to Liverpool FC who came from two goals down against Club Brugge KV in the opening leg of the 1975/76 final at Anfield to win 3-2. The Belgian side raced to a two-goal lead in the opening 12 minutes thanks to goals from Raoul Lambert (5) and Julien Cools (12) before the Reds hit back with three goals in five minutes from Ray Kennedy (60), Jimmy Case (62) and Kevin Keegan (65). The two sides would go on to share a 1-1 draw in Bruges in the return leg with Keegan (15) cancelling out Lambert's (11) opening spot-kick to bring the trophy back to Anfield for the second time.

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Domestic disappointment

Should Middlesbrough FC triumph in Eindhoven, they will become the club with the lowest domestic championship ranking (14th) to automatically qualify for the subsequent season's competition as title holders. The current record is held by FC Internazionale Milano who finished 13th in Serie A before going on to defeat SV Austria Salzburg in the 1993/94 final (and thus qualifying for the 1994/95 UEFA Cup). Inter's record is also applicable for the European Champion Clubs' Cup and UEFA Cup Winners' Cup.

Stadium

The PSV Stadion has hosted one UEFA Cup final before, when PSV Eindhoven defeated SEC Bastia 3-0 in the 1977/78 final in the times when the competition was decided over two legs. After a goalless draw in Corsica, the decisive second leg in Eindhoven was dominated by PSV. The home side took the lead 24 minutes in when Willy van de Kerkhof played a one-two with Gerrie Deijkers and shot low past Patrick Hiard. Bastia were eventually finished off in a two-minute second-half spell. First Henricus Lubse headed a free-kick into the path of Deijkers, who volleyed in his second goal. Barely had the celebrations ended when PSV captain Willy van der Kuijlen turned a cross on to the post, and was then first to the rebound to remove any doubts about the outcome.

Coaches

Current England coach Sven-Göran Eriksson won the competition in the 1981/82 season when he led IFK Göteborg to a 4-0 aggregate success against German side, Hamburger SV. The Swedes won the opening leg on home soil thanks to Tord Holmgren's goal two minutes from time before stunning their rivals 14 days later at Hamburg's Volksparkstadion thanks to goals from Dan Corneliusson (25), Torbjörn Nilsson (61) and a penalty from Stig Fredriksson (65).

Former England manager Sir Bobby Robson also won the UEFA Cup as he led Ipswich Town FC to victory in the 1980/81 season at AZ '67 Alkmaar's expense. Ipswich raced to a 3-0 advantage against their Dutch opponents following the opening leg at Portman Road with John Wark (29), Frans Thijssen (47) and Paul Mariner (55) on target. But they were forced into a rearguard action in the return leg in the Netherlands with AZ winning 4-2. Thijssen (3) and Wark (31) were again on target for Ipswich in their 5-4 aggregate success while Kurt Welzl (6), Johnny Metgod (24), Keel Tol (39) and Jos Jonker (73) replied for the Dutch side.

All-time records: Current competition format (1997/98-to date)

The competition has featured single-match finals since the 1997/98 season before absorbing the UEFA Cup Winners' Cup for the 1999/00 campaign.

By the numbers...

Highest total of goals: 9

Liverpool FC and Deportivo Alavés served up a nine-goal thriller at Dortmund's Westfalenstadion in the 2000/01 final. Markus Babbel (3) and Steven Gerrard (16) gave Liverpool an early two-goal lead before Iván Alonso (26) reduced the deficit for the Spanish side. The Reds restored their two-goal advantage following Gary McAllister's spot-kick five minutes before the break. However, Alavés were level within four minutes of the restart thanks to two goals from Javi Moreno (47 and 49) and though Liverpool retook the lead through Robbie Fowler (72), the Spanish side took the game into extra time thanks to Jordi Cruyff's 88th-minute headed equaliser.

But Alavés ended the match with nine men following the dismissals of Magno Mocolin (98) and Antonio Karmona (116) for second bookable offences, the Spanish side's frustration compounded by Delfin Geli's own goal moments after Karmona saw red. The goal provided Liverpool with a 'golden goal' success.

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Single-match finals: 8

To date, eight single-match UEFA Cup finals have been played.

1997/98:FC Internazionale Milano 3-0 S.S. Lazio (Parc des Princes, Paris, France - 44,412)

1998/99:Parma AC 3-0 Olympique de Marseille (Luzhniki stadium, Moscow, Russia - 61,000)

1999/2000:Galatasaray SK 0-0 Arsenal FC (After extra-time, Galatasaray won 4-1 on penalties - Parken stadium, Copenhagen, Denmark - 38,919)

2000/01:Liverpool FC 5-4 Deportivo Alavés (After extra time - Westfalenstadion, Dortmund, Germany - 48,050)

2001/02:Feyenoord 3-2 BV Borussia Dortmund (Feijenoord stadion, Rotterdam, Netherlands - 45,611)

2002/03: Celtic FC 2-3 **FC Porto** (After extra time - Estadio Olímpico, Seville, Spain - 52,140)

2003/04:Valencia CF 2-0 Olympique de Marseille (Nya Ullevi stadion, Gothenburg, Sweden - 39,000)

2004/05: Sporting Clube de Portugal 1-3 **PFC CSKA Moskva** (Estádio José Alvalade, Lisbon, Portugal – 47,085)

European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League finalists: 7

Since the 1999/00 season, when clubs eliminated from various stages of the European Champion Clubs' Cup/UEFA Champions League have transferred to the UEFA Cup, seven have gone on to compete in the UEFA Cup final in the same season. Indeed, in the first two seasons, all four finalists - Arsenal FC, Galatasaray SK, BV Borussia Dortmund and Feyenoord - had been eliminated from the UEFA Champions League group stage. In the 2002/03 season, Celtic FC had been eliminated from the European Champion Clubs' Cup third qualifying round before advancing to the UEFA Cup final, and more recently, Olympique de Marseille (2003/04) and PFC CSKA Moskva (2004/05) had finished in third position in their respective UEFA Champions League groups prior to switching to the UEFA Cup.

The 2005/06 final will be the second since the changes prior to the 1999/00 season to feature two clubs which started their European campaign in the UEFA Cup - the only other came in 2000/01 when an English club (Liverpool FC) defeated a Spanish club (Deportivo Alavés). The 2000/01 final is also the last UEFA Cup final until this season to feature an English club. The most recent UEFA Cup final to feature a Spanish club came in the 2003/04 campaign when Valencia CF defeated Olympique de Marseille, 2-0.

Red cards: 6

The 2000/01 final opened a sequence of four consecutive UEFA Cup finals in which a red card was issued to at least one player. French match official Gilles Veissière issued two red cards to Deportivo Alavés players during extra time in their 5-4 loss to Liverpool FC in the 2000/01 showpiece with Magno Mocelin (98) and Antonio Karmona (116) both seeing red for second bookable offences. The following season, BV Borussia Dortmund defender Jürgen Kohler was dismissed 31 minutes into the final after tugging Jon Dahl Tomasson in the penalty area. Pierre van Hooijdonk clinically dispatched the resulting spot-kick to give the hosts the lead and they would go on to record a 3-2 success despite a brave performance by Dortmund's ten men.

In the 2002/03 final, both Celtic FC and FC Porto ended with ten men with Celtic centre-half Bobo Balde dismissed by Slovakian match official Luboš Michel five minutes into extra time before Porto defender Nuno Valente saw red three minutes into extra time added time. Then in the 2003/04 final, Olympique de Marseille goalkeeper Fabien Barthez was sent off for upending Valencia CF striker Mista inside the penalty area on the stroke of half-time. From the resulting spot-kick, Vicente Rodríguez gave Valencia the lead before Mista added a second after 58 minutes in a 2-0 win.

First-goal winners: 6

In the seven single-match UEFA Cup finals that have witnessed goals, the team that has scored first has won on six occasions. The exception came in the 2004/05 final when Sporting Clube de Portugal took the lead against PFC CSKA Moskva at the Estádio José Alvalade in Lisbon through Rogério after 29 minutes. But CSKA hit back in the second half with three goals of their own without reply from Aleksei Berezutski (56), Yuri Zhirkov (65) and Vágner Love (75).

Most goals by a team: 5

Liverpool's five-goal haul in the 2000/01 final remains the highest tally of goals scored by one club in a single-match UEFA Cup final. In the entire history of the competition, this five-goal feat has also been equalled by VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach (1974/75, final, second leg) and Real Madrid CF (1985/86, final, first leg).

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Penalties scored in a final: 4

Not including the five penalties scored between Galatasaray SK and Arsenal FC to decide the 1999/00 UEFA Cup final (Galatasaray winning 4-1), four penalties have been scored in single-match UEFA Cup finals. Gary McAllister scored for Liverpool FC five minutes before the interval to put the Reds 3-1 ahead against Deportivo Alavés in the 2000/01 final. Liverpool would go on to win 5-4 after extra time.

The 2001/02 final at Rotterdam's Feijenoord stadion witnessed two penalties with Feyenoord's Pierre van Hooijdonk opening the scoring after 33 minutes following Jürgen Kohler's challenge on Jon Dahl Tomasson inside the BV Borussia Dortmund penalty area. The Dutch striker would extend the 'home' side's lead after 40 minutes before Marcio Amoroso reduced the deficit from the penalty spot two minutes after the restart for the German side. But Feyenoord would go on to win 3-2.

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Fastest goal: 3

Markus Babbel's goal for Liverpool FC against Deportivo Alavés in the 2000/01 final came after three minutes, to date the fastest goal in a single match UEFA Cup final. The previous best came from Iván Zamorano after five minutes for FC Internazionale Milano in their 3-0 defeat of S.S. Lazio in the 1997/98 showpiece.

Widest margin of victory: 3

The first two single-match finals ended in 3-0 victories for Italian sides. FC Internazionale Milano overcame S.S. Lazio in the 1998/99 final at the Parc des Princes in Paris thanks to goals from Iván Zamorano (5), Javier Zanetti (60) and Ronaldo (70). Twelve months later, goals from Hernán Crespo (26), Paolo Vanoli (36) and Enrico Chiesa (55) accounted for Olympique de Marseille at Moscow's Luzhniki stadium.

Most goals in a final (player): 2

Two players have scored twice and ended on the victorious side, namely Pierre van Hooijdonk and Derlei. Van Hooijdonk scored the opening two goals in the 2001/02 final for Feyenoord against BV Borussia Dortmund at Rotterdam's Feijenoord stadion, the first coming after 33 minutes from the penalty spot before he added a second five minutes before the interval. Despite a Dortmund fightback, the Dutch side would eventually win 3-2. Derlei opened and closed the scoring in Porto's 3-2 extra-time defeat of Celtic FC in the 2002/03 final. His first goal came a minute into first half added time before he struck the winning goal five minutes from the end of extra time.

Although both Javi Moreno and Henrik Larsson have also scored twice in single-match UEFA Cup finals, both players have ended on the losing side. Moreno scored twice in the space of three second-half minutes (47 and 49) to bring Deportivo Alavés level at 3-3 against Liverpool FC in the 2000/01 stadium only for the Spanish side to lose 5-4 following an own goal 'golden goal' four minutes from the end of extra time. Larsson (47 and 57) twice restored parity for Celtic in their match against Porto only for Derlei to have the final say.

Extra time victors: 2

Three single-match UEFA Cup finals have found a winner after extra time. Liverpool FC's 5-4 success at Deportivo Alavés expense in 2000/01 came thanks to Delfin Geli's own goal four minutes from time. The goal provided Liverpool with a 'golden goal' success. Two years later, FC Porto dashed Celtic FC's hopes in Seville with Derlei scoring the winning 'silver goal' five minutes from time. The 1999/00 final also went to extra time, but neither Arsenal FC nor Galatasaray SK could muster a goal as the match went to penalties...

Penalty shootout winners: 1

...Galatasaray SK, to date, are the only victors of a single-match UEFA Cup final via a penalty shoot-out. The Turkish side overcame Arsenal FC 4-1 on penalties in the 1999/00 final at Copenhagen's Parken stadium following a scoreless 120 minutes. Ergün Penbe, Hakan Sükür, Ümit Davala and Gheorghe Popescu were all successful from the penalty spot for the Turkish side.

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Own goals in a final: 1

To date, the only own goal in a single-match UEFA Cup final came in the 2000/01 season when Liverpool FC prevailed against Deportivo Alavés in a nine-goal extra time thriller. Alavés would end the match with nine men following the dismissals of Magno Mocelin (98) and Antonio Karmona (116) for second bookable offences during extra time after the match ended 4-4 after 90 minutes. But the Spanish side's frustration was then compounded by Delfin Geli's own goal moments after Karmona saw red to give the Reds a 5-4 'silver goal' win.

Lowest total of goals: 0

To date the only single-match UEFA Cup final to end scoreless was the 1999/00 decider when Galatasaray SK and Arsenal FC shared a scoreless 120 minutes at Copenhagen's Parken stadium. The Turkish side, however, held their nerve in the subsequent penalty shoot-out, winning 4-1. Ergün Penbe, Hakan Sükür, Ümit Davala and Gheorghe Popescu were all successful from the penalty spot for the Turkish side.

All-time statistics

Head-to-head record

No matches have been played between the two clubs

Home team's record versus clubs from the away team's country

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
25.11.2004	UCUP	GS	Villarreal CF - Middlesbrough FC	2-0	Villarreal

Overall record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Middlesbrough FC	1	0	0	1	0	2

Away team's record versus clubs from the home team's country

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
14.12.2005	UCUP	GS	Bolton Wanderers FC - Sevilla FC	1-1	Bolton

Overall record

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Sevilla FC	1	0	1	0	1	1

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UEFA club competition record

Middlesbrough FC

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
European Champions Clubs' Cup / UEFA Champions League	0	0	0	0	0	0
UEFA Cup Winners' Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
UEFA Cup	24	13	4	7	36	20
UEFA Super Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
UEFA Intertoto Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
European/South American Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	24	13	4	7	36	20

Sevilla FC

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
European Champions Clubs' Cup / UEFA Champions League	6	2	2	2	9	13
UEFA Cup Winners' Cup	2	1	0	1	2	4
UEFA Cup	42	20	11	11	57	36
UEFA Super Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
UEFA Intertoto Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
European/South American Cup	0	0	0	0	0	0
Total	50	23	13	14	68	53

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Squad list

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No	Player	Nat.	DoB	All-time			
				UEFACUP		UEFA	
				Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers							
1	Mark Schwarzer	AUS	06.10.72	19	-	19	-
22	Bradley Jones	AUS	19.03.82	4	-	4	-
27	Ross Turnbull	ENG	04.01.85	-	-	-	-
32	David Knight	ENG	15.01.87	-	-	-	-
Defenders							
3	Franck Queudrue	FRA	27.08.78	27	-	27	-
4	Ugo Ehiogu	ENG	03.11.72	22	1	24	1
5	Chris Riggott	ENG	01.09.80	19	2	19	2
6	Gareth Southgate	ENG	03.09.70	31	-	33	-
12	Emanuel Pogatzetz	AUT	16.01.83	18	1	24	2
21	Stuart Parnaby	ENG	19.07.82	14	1	14	1
23	Colin Cooper	ENG	28.02.67	10	-	10	-
24	Andrew Davies	ENG	17.12.84	4	-	4	-
26	Matthew Bates	ENG	10.12.86	4	-	4	-
29	Anthony McMahon	ENG	24.03.86	4	-	4	-
31	David Wheeler	ENG	14.02.87	1	-	1	-
33	Andrew Taylor	ENG	01.08.86	3	-	3	-
38	Sebastian Hines	ENG	29.05.88	-	-	-	-
Midfielders							
7	George Boateng	NED	09.05.75	22	1	48	2
10	Fábio Rochemback	BRA	10.12.81	22	2	44	3
14	Gaizka Mendieta	ESP	27.03.74	16	-	76	11
15	Ray Parlour	ENG	07.03.73	22	3	63	5
17	Doriva	BRA	28.05.72	22	-	35	1
19	Stewart Downing	ENG	22.07.84	17	1	17	1
25	James Morrison	ENG	25.05.86	12	3	12	3
34	Jason Kennedy	ENG	11.09.86	2	-	2	-
37	Adam Johnson	ENG	14.07.87	4	-	4	-
39	Lee Cattermole	ENG	21.03.88	4	-	4	-
40	Gary Daniel Liddle	ENG	15.06.86	-	-	-	-
41	Josh Walker	ENG	21.02.89	-	-	-	-
Forwards							
9	Jimmy Hasselbaink	NED	27.03.72	41	20	49	22
11	Malcolm Christie	ENG	11.04.79	1	-	1	-
18	Massimo Maccarone	ITA	06.09.79	10	7	10	7
20	Yakubu Ayegbeni	NGA	22.11.82	14	2	23	9
30	Danny Graham	ENG	12.08.85	2	-	2	-
36	Mark Viduka	AUS	09.10.75	27	12	54	18
Coach							
	Steve McClaren	ENG	03.05.61	24	-	24	-

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Squad list

Sevilla FC

No	Player	Nat.	DoB	All-time			
				UEFACUP		UEFA	
				Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers							
1	Andrés Palop	ESP	22.10.73	17	-	28	-
13	Antonio Notario	ESP	19.11.72	9	-	9	-
26	Pablo Vargas	ESP	16.02.84	-	-	-	-
33	Javier Varas	ESP	10.09.82	-	-	-	-
Defenders							
2	Javi Navarro	ESP	06.02.74	17	-	17	-
3	David Castedo	ESP	26.01.74	22	-	22	-
4	Daniel	BRA	06.05.83	21	-	21	-
6	Julien Escudé	FRA	17.08.79	8	-	25	-
19	Ivica Dragutinović	SCG	13.11.75	17	-	25	-
20	Aitor Ocio	ESP	28.11.76	15	-	15	-
22	Fernando Sales	ESP	12.09.77	9	-	9	-
23	Pablo Ruiz	ESP	25.02.81	2	-	2	-
27	Antonio Puerta	ESP	25.11.84	11	2	11	2
28	David Prieto	ESP	02.01.83	1	-	1	-
31	Manuel Blanco	ESP	01.03.82	1	-	1	-
35	José Ángel Crespo	ESP	03.04.87	1	-	1	-
Midfielders							
8	Jordi López	ESP	28.02.81	16	1	17	1
11	Renato	BRA	15.05.79	15	1	15	1
18	José Luis Martí	ESP	28.04.75	20	1	20	1
25	Vicenzo Maresca	ITA	10.02.80	10	1	20	2
34	Diego Capel	ESP	16.02.88	1	-	1	-
37	Jonathan Ruiz Llaga	ESP	02.04.82	-	-	-	-
38	Herrero Arias Bruno	ESP	13.02.85	-	-	-	-
Forwards							
7	Javier Saviola	ARG	11.12.81	18	9	51	24
9	Aziza Makukula	POR	04.03.81	4	1	4	1
10	Luis Fabiano	BRA	08.11.80	11	1	16	1
12	Frédéric Kanouté	MLI	02.09.77	19	7	29	8
15	Jesús Navas	ESP	21.11.85	16	-	16	-
16	Adriano Correia	ESP	26.10.84	17	4	17	4
17	Jesuli	ESP	24.01.78	23	2	35	4
30	Kepa Blanco	ESP	13.01.84	9	1	9	1
Coach							
	Juande Ramos	ESP	25.09.54	24	-	26	-

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Match officials

Referee	Herbert Fandel (GER)
Assistant referees	Volker Wezel (GER), Carsten Kadach (GER)
Fourth official	Florian Meyer (GER)
UEFA Delegate	Jean-Marc Puisseuseau (FRA)
UEFA Referee observer	Jozef Marko (SVK)

Referee

Name	Nat.	DoB	UEFACUP	UEFA
Herbert Fandel	GER	09.03.1964	10	36

A pianist who runs his own music school, the meeting of Middlesbrough FC and Sevilla FC in Eindhoven will be Herbert Fandel's first time conducting a UEFA club competition showpiece.

The 42-year-old will also become the first German to take charge of a one-off UEFA Cup final, although he does follow in the footsteps of countryman Aron Schmidhuber who was in the middle for the second leg of the 1989/90 UEFA Cup final between ACF Fiorentina and Juventus – a goalless draw setting Juve up for a 3-1 win on aggregate. The last German to referee a major UEFA final was Markus Merk, who oversaw the 2002/03 UEFA Champions League encounter between Juventus and AC Milan.

Having started his refereeing career in 1989, Fandel joined the élite band of Bundesliga officials in 1996 and earned his FIFA badge two years later. His break on the international stage came at the UEFA European Under-16 Championship in 1998 before he travelled to the 1999 UEFA-CAF Meridian Cup in South Africa. Appointments at the UEFA European Under-21 Championship and Sydney Olympics followed in 2000 ahead of the step up to FIFA World Cup qualifying in 2002.

By 2003/04 he was a regular in the UEFA Champions League, taking charge of five matches - rapid progress which continued the following term as he was entrusted with high-profile ties such as AC Milan-Manchester United FC and Chelsea FC-FC Porto. This season has also been a successful one, with Fandel on duty for two UEFA Cup games and four in the UEFA Champions League, not least the 0-0 draw at Juventus which saw Arsenal FC reach the semi-finals for the first time. Last month, he took charge of the German Cup final, with FC Bayern München lifting the trophy after a 1-0 win against Eintracht Frankfurt.

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

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
14.09.1999	UCUP	R1	FK Partizan-Leeds United AFC	1-3	Heerenveen
04.11.1999	UCUP	R2	Montpellier Hérault SC-RC Deportivo La Coruña	0-2	Montpellier
07.12.2000	UCUP	R3	FC Barcelona-Club Brugge KV	1-1	Barcelona
14.04.2004	UCUP	QF	Valencia CF-FC Girondins de Bordeaux	2-1	Valencia

UEFA Cup Other matches

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
06.12.2001	UCUP	R3	LOSC Lille Métropole-ACF Fiorentina	2-0	Lille
28.02.2002	UCUP	R4	Feyenoord-Rangers FC	3-2	Rotterdam
21.03.2002	UCUP	QF	AC Milan-Hapoel Tel-Aviv FC	2-0	Milan
27.02.2003	UCUP	R4	RSC Anderlecht-Panathinaikos FC	2-0	Brussels
23.02.2006	UCUP	1/16	RC Lens-Udinese Calcio	1-0	Lens
16.03.2006	UCUP	1/8	FC Zenit St. Petersburg-Olympique de Marseille	1-1	St Petersburg

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Other matches

Date	Comp.	Stage	Match	Res	Venue
28.04.1998	U16	GS - FT	Scotland-Spain	1-1	Perth
30.04.1998	U16	GS - FT	Sweden-Greece	0-2	Cumbernauld
03.05.1998	U16	QF	Italy-Croatia	2-1	Motherwell
04.09.1998	U21	QR	Sweden-England	0-2	Sundsvall
17.09.1998	UCWC	R1	Paris Saint-Germain FC-Maccabi Haifa FC	1-1	Paris
28.01.1999	MCUP	R1	South Africa-Republic of Ireland	1-2	Cape Town
01.02.1999	MCUP	R1	Portugal-Nigeria	2-2	Cape Town
30.03.1999	U21	QR	Netherlands-Spain	0-1	Enschede
24.07.1999	UIC	R3	Vasas SC-KSP Polonia Warszawa	1-2	Budapest
03.09.1999	U21	QR	Ukraine-France	0-0	Kiev
27.05.2000	U21	GS - FT	Italy-England	2-0	Bratislava
01.06.2000	U21	GS - FT	England-Slovakia	0-2	Bratislava
12.07.2000	UCL	QR1	F91 Dudelange-PFC Levski Sofia	0-4	Luxembourg
08.08.2000	UIC	F	RC Celta de Vigo-FC Zenit St. Petersburg	2-1	Vigo
02.09.2000	WC	QR	Bosnia-Herzegovina-Spain	1-2	Sarajevo
18.10.2000	UCL	GS1	RSC Anderlecht-FC Dynamo Kyiv	4-2	Brussels
24.03.2001	WC	QR	Romania-Italy	0-2	Bucharest
02.06.2001	WC	QR	Russia-Serbia and Montenegro	1-1	Moscow
08.08.2001	UCL	QR3	Galatasaray SK-PFC Levski Sofia	2-1	Istanbul
19.09.2001	UCL	GS1	S.S. Lazio-FC Nantes Atlantique	1-3	Rome
17.10.2001	UCL	GS1	Manchester United FC-RC Deportivo La Coruña	2-3	Manchester
27.03.2002	FRIE.	R1	England-Italy	1-2	Leeds
14.08.2002	UCL	QR3	FC Shakhtar Donetsk-Club Brugge KV	1-1	Donetsk
07.09.2002	EURO	QR	Cyprus-France	1-2	Nicosia
17.09.2002	UCL	GS1	Valencia CF-Liverpool FC	2-0	Valencia
22.10.2002	UCL	GS1	Real Madrid CF-AEK Athens FC	2-2	Madrid
26.11.2002	UCL	GS2	RC Deportivo La Coruña-Juventus	2-2	La Coruna
12.02.2003	FRIE.	R1	Italy-Portugal	1-0	Genoa
19.03.2003	UCL	GS2	AS Roma-AFC Ajax	1-1	Rome
29.03.2003	EURO	QR	Croatia-Belgium	4-0	Zagreb
13.08.2003	UCL	QR3	S.S. Lazio-SL Benfica	3-1	Rome
20.08.2003	FRIE.	R1	Belgium-Netherlands	1-1	Brussels
06.09.2003	EURO	QR	Slovenia-Israel	3-1	Ljubljana
30.09.2003	UCL	GS1	Galatasaray SK-Real Sociedad de Fútbol	1-2	Istanbul
04.11.2003	UCL	GS1	Club Brugge KV-AC Milan	0-1	Bruges
09.12.2003	UCL	GS1	Rangers FC-Panathinaikos FC	1-3	Glasgow
25.02.2004	UCL	1/8	FC Porto-Manchester United FC	2-1	Porto
10.08.2004	UCL	QR3	Juventus-Djurgårdens IF FF	2-2	Turin
14.09.2004	UCL	GS	FC Shakhtar Donetsk-AC Milan	0-1	Donetsk
29.09.2004	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC-FC Porto	3-1	London
09.10.2004	WC	QR	Finland-Armenia	3-1	Tampere
24.11.2004	UCL	GS	PSV Eindhoven-Arsenal FC	1-1	Eindhoven
08.03.2005	UCL	1/8	AC Milan-Manchester United FC	1-0	Milan
26.03.2005	WC	QR	Bulgaria-Sweden	0-3	Sofia
19.06.2005	CONFUCUP	QR1	Greece-Japan	0-1	
24.08.2005	UCL	QR3	FC Internazionale Milano-FC Shakhtar Donetsk	1-1	Milan
07.09.2005	WC	QR	Republic of Ireland-France	0-1	Dublin
23.11.2005	UCL	GS	FC Porto-Rangers FC	1-1	Porto
06.12.2005	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC-Liverpool FC	0-0	London
05.04.2006	UCL	QF	Juventus-Arsenal FC	0-0	Turin

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Domestic news

There were mixed fortunes for the two UEFA Cup finalists in their final domestic games before the showpiece event in Eindhoven on Wednesday. Middlesbrough FC were beaten in their last English Premiership match, while Sevilla FC secured a place in next season's UEFA Cup with victory against Málaga CF.

Fulham FC 1-0 **Middlesbrough FC**

Steve McClaren was unable to guide his Middlesbrough team to victory in his last Premiership game in charge before he takes the reins of the England national team. With one eye on Wednesday, McClaren named a young side with ten of the starting eleven having come through the club's academy system. One such player, Lee Cattermole, was handed the honour of becoming Middlesbrough's youngest ever captain aged 18.

Striker Danny Graham thought he had given the visitors the lead just after half-time, only for the 20-year-old's effort to be ruled out for handball, while the only legitimate goal of the game was scored from the penalty spot by Fulham's Heidar Helguson following a foul by David Wheeler. McClaren remained positive despite the defeat and a 14th-place Premiership finish. "It was an historic day for the club. The performance by the young players was incredible," he said.

"Fifteen of the 16 were born within 30 miles of the club and everyone will remember this for a long, long time. Some of the football was excellent. I was proud to become England manager on Wednesday and I was as proud today." McClaren is hopeful of a return for goalkeeper Mark Schwarzer for the trip to Eindhoven, with the Australian making good progress following a fractured cheekbone. Jimmy Floyd Hasselbaink and Gareth Southgate (both hamstringing) could also return however, Gaizka Mendieta (foot) and Emanuel Pogatetz (broken cheekbone) are definitely out.

Málaga CF 0-2 **Sevilla FC**

Sevilla made sure of a place in the UEFA Cup next season with victory against Málaga before turning their attention to this year's final. Juande Ramos made it clear before the match that he wanted to travel to Eindhoven with no distractions and the coach was delighted after his side came away from La Rosaleda with a 2-0 victory. "The most important thing has been that the team has reached what was a very difficult target with two games of the season remaining. Now we have the luxury of being able to focus exclusively on the final," said Ramos.

The coach took the decision to rest several key players for the trip to Málaga as he left Javi Navarro, Daniel Alves, David Castedo and Enzo Maresca out of the squad. The move paid off as Renato opened the scoring for Sevilla after 18 minutes when he picked up a clearance and fired it past Francesc Arnau from outside the area. The scoring was completed in the final minute when Jordi López picked out Fernando Sales and the midfielder cut inside his marker before slotting the visitors' second goal into the net.

Striker Frédéric Kanouté is Sevilla's only injury doubt for Wednesday's final. The Malian international played for 21 minutes against Málaga having missed the last three weeks with a foot injury, but Ramos is still unsure if he will be fit for the trip to the Netherlands. "He's far from the level of fitness he showed earlier in the season because he had a relapse three weeks ago and has been unable to train normally," the coach explained.

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Domestic league details

Middlesbrough FC (Premiership)

Date	Opponent	Res	Goalscorers
13.08.2005	v Liverpool FC (H)	0-0	
20.08.2005	v Tottenham Hotspur FC (A)	0-2	
23.08.2005	v Birmingham City FC (A)	3-0	Viduka (2), Queudrue
28.08.2005	v Charlton Athletic FC (H)	0-3	
10.09.2005	v Arsenal FC (H)	2-1	Ayegbeni, Maccarone
18.09.2005	v Wigan Athletic FC (A)	1-1	Ayegbeni
25.09.2005	v Sunderland AFC (H)	0-2	
02.10.2005	v Aston Villa FC (A)	3-2	Ayegbeni, Boateng, Ayegbeni (pen)
15.10.2005	v Portsmouth FC (H)	1-1	Ayegbeni
23.10.2005	v West Ham United FC (A)	1-2	Queudrue
29.10.2005	v Manchester United FC (H)	4-1	Mendieta (2), Hasselbaink, Ayegbeni (pen)
06.11.2005	v Everton FC (A)	0-1	
20.11.2005	v Fulham FC (H)	3-2	Hasselbaink, Morrison, Ayegbeni
27.11.2005	v West Bromwich Albion FC (H)	2-2	Viduka, Ayegbeni (pen)
03.12.2005	v Chelsea FC (A)	0-1	
10.12.2005	v Liverpool FC (A)	0-2	
18.12.2005	v Tottenham Hotspur FC (H)	3-3	Ayegbeni (2), Queudrue
26.12.2005	v Blackburn Rovers FC (H)	0-2	
31.12.2005	v Manchester City FC (H)	0-0	
02.01.2006	v Newcastle United FC (A)	2-2	Ayegbeni, Hasselbaink
14.01.2006	v Arsenal FC (A)	0-7	
21.01.2006	v Wigan Athletic FC (H)	2-3	Ayegbeni, Hasselbaink
31.01.2006	v Sunderland AFC (A)	3-0	Parnaby, Pogatetz, Hasselbaink
04.02.2006	v Aston Villa FC (H)	0-4	
11.02.2006	v Chelsea FC (H)	3-0	Rochemback, Downing, Ayegbeni
26.02.2006	v West Bromwich Albion FC (A)	2-0	Own goal, Hasselbaink
04.03.2006	v Birmingham City FC (H)	1-0	Viduka
12.03.2006	v Charlton Athletic FC (A)	1-2	Viduka
18.03.2006	v Blackburn Rovers FC (A)	2-3	Viduka, Rochemback
26.03.2006	v Bolton Wanderers FC (H)	4-3	Viduka, Parnaby, Hasselbaink (pen), Hasselbaink
02.04.2006	v Manchester City FC (A)	1-0	Cattermole
09.04.2006	v Newcastle United FC (H)	1-2	Boateng
15.04.2006	v Portsmouth FC (A)	0-1	
17.04.2006	v West Ham United FC (H)	2-0	Hasselbaink, Maccarone (pen)
29.04.2006	v Everton FC (H)	0-1	
01.05.2006	v Manchester United FC (A)	0-0	
03.05.2006	v Bolton Wanderers FC (A)	1-1	Johnson

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Rank	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Chelsea FC	38	29	4	5	72	22	91
2	Manchester United FC	38	25	8	5	72	34	83
3	Liverpool FC	38	25	7	6	57	25	82
4	Arsenal FC	38	20	7	11	68	31	67
5	Tottenham Hotspur FC	38	18	11	9	53	38	65
6	Blackburn Rovers FC	38	19	6	13	51	42	63
7	Newcastle United FC	38	17	7	14	47	42	58
8	Bolton Wanderers FC	38	15	11	12	49	41	56
9	West Ham United FC	38	16	7	15	52	55	55
10	Wigan Athletic FC	38	15	6	17	45	52	51
11	Everton FC	38	14	8	16	34	49	50
12	Fulham FC	38	14	6	18	48	58	48
13	Charlton Athletic FC	38	13	8	17	41	55	47
14	Middlesbrough FC	38	12	9	17	48	58	45
15	Manchester City FC	38	13	4	21	43	48	43
16	Aston Villa FC	38	10	12	16	42	55	42
17	Portsmouth FC	38	10	8	20	37	62	38
18	Birmingham City FC	38	8	10	20	28	50	34
19	West Bromwich Albion FC	38	7	9	22	31	58	30
20	Sunderland AFC	38	3	6	29	26	69	15

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Domestic league details

Sevilla FC (Primera División)

Date	Opponent	Res	Goalscorers
28.08.2005	v Real Racing Club Santander (H)	1-0	Kepa
11.09.2005	v Villarreal CF (A)	1-1	Adriano
18.09.2005	v CA Osasuna (A)	0-1	
21.09.2005	v Cádiz CF (H)	0-0	
25.09.2005	v RC Celta de Vigo (A)	1-2	Maresca (pen)
02.10.2005	v RCD Espanyol (H)	1-1	Own goal
16.10.2005	v Athletic Club Bilbao (A)	1-0	Daniel
22.10.2005	v Deportivo Alavés (H)	2-0	Maresca (pen), Adriano
27.10.2005	v Valencia CF (A)	2-0	Luis Fabiano, Own goal
30.10.2005	v RCD Mallorca (A)	1-1	Kepa
06.11.2005	v Club Atlético de Madrid (H)	0-0	
19.11.2005	v Real Betis Balompié (H)	1-0	Maresca (pen)
27.11.2005	v Real Zaragoza (A)	2-0	Daniel, Saviola
04.12.2005	v RC Deportivo La Coruña (H)	0-2	
11.12.2005	v FC Barcelona (A)	1-2	Kanouté
18.12.2005	v Real Sociedad de Fútbol (H)	3-2	Kanouté, Kepa (2)
21.12.2005	v Getafe CF (A)	0-1	
08.01.2006	v Málaga CF (H)	3-1	Adriano, Dragutinović, Maresca
15.01.2006	v Real Madrid CF (A)	2-4	Luis Fabiano, Aitor Ocio
22.01.2006	v Real Racing Club Santander (A)	3-2	Maresca (2,pen), Kanouté
29.01.2006	v Villarreal CF (H)	2-0	Luis Fabiano, Kanouté
05.02.2006	v CA Osasuna (H)	0-1	
11.02.2006	v Cádiz CF (A)	4-0	Saviola, Kanouté, Kepa, Puerta
18.02.2006	v RC Celta de Vigo (H)	1-0	Saviola
26.02.2006	v RCD Espanyol (A)	0-5	
05.03.2006	v Athletic Club Bilbao (H)	2-1	Maresca (pen), Kanouté
12.03.2006	v Deportivo Alavés (A)	1-2	Saviola
19.03.2006	v RCD Mallorca (H)	1-1	Saviola
23.03.2006	v Club Atlético de Madrid (A)	1-0	Puerta
26.03.2006	v Valencia CF (H)	1-0	Jordi
02.04.2006	v Real Betis Balompié (A)	1-2	Saviola
09.04.2006	v Real Zaragoza (H)	1-1	Maresca
15.04.2006	v RC Deportivo La Coruña (A)	0-0	
30.04.2006	v Real Sociedad de Fútbol (A)	2-1	Martí (pen), Jesús Navas
03.05.2006	v Getafe CF (H)	3-0	Saviola, Javi Navarro, Luis Fabiano
06.05.2006	v Málaga CF (A)	2-0	Fernando Sales, Renato
14.05.2006	v FC Barcelona (H)		
20.05.2006	v Real Madrid CF (H)		

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Rank	Clubs	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Barcelona	36	25	7	4	77	29	82
2	Real Madrid CF	37	20	10	7	67	36	70
3	Valencia CF	37	19	12	6	57	31	69
4	CA Osasuna	37	20	5	12	47	42	65
5	Sevilla FC	36	18	8	10	47	34	62
6	RC Celta de Vigo	37	19	4	14	44	33	61
7	RC Deportivo La Coruña	37	15	10	12	47	44	55
8	Villarreal CF	37	13	15	9	48	39	54
9	Getafe CF	37	15	9	13	54	48	54
10	Club Atlético de Madrid	37	13	12	12	44	36	51
11	Real Zaragoza	37	10	16	11	45	48	46
12	Athletic Club Bilbao	37	10	12	15	37	45	42
13	Real Betis Balompíe	37	10	11	16	33	50	41
14	Real Sociedad de Fútbol	37	11	7	19	48	64	40
15	RCD Mallorca	37	9	13	15	34	50	40
16	Real Racing Club Santander	37	9	13	15	36	47	40
17	RCD Espanyol	37	9	11	17	35	56	38
18	Deportivo Alavés	37	8	12	17	34	54	36
19	Cádiz CF	37	7	12	18	31	52	33
20	Málaga CF	37	5	9	23	36	63	24