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Sweden

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

2020 UEFA European Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/06/2019	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	3-0	Solna	Quaison 2, Claesson 50, Isak 81

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
09/09/2009	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	0-1	Ta' Qali	Azzopardi 82 (og)
10/06/2009	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	4-0	Gothenburg	Källström 21, Majstorovic 52, Ibrahimović 56, Berg 58

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
04/06/2005	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	6-0	Gothenburg	Jonson 6, Svensson 18, Wilhelmsson 29, Ibrahimović 40, Ljungberg 57, Elmander 81
04/09/2004	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	0-7	Ta' Qali	Ibrahimović 4, 11, 14, 71, Ljungberg 46, 74, Larsson 76

1988 UEFA European Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
24/05/1987	PR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	1-0	Gothenburg	Ekström 13
16/11/1986	PR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	0-5	Ta' Qali	Hysén 38, Magnusson 67, Fredriksson 69, Ekström 82, 84

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
17/11/1985	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	1-2	Ta' Qali	Prytz 2, Strömberg 76
23/05/1984	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	4-0	Norrköping	Sunesson 4, 76, Corneliusson 36, Erlandsson 70

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
11/11/1973	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	1-2	Valletta	Camilleri 20; Kindvall 21, Larsson 33 (P)

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalkeepers
15/10/1972	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	7-0	Gothenburg	Edström 2, 29, 63, Larsson 16, 33 (P), Sandberg 41, Szepanski 57 (P)

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO																		
Malta	1	0	0	1	2	0	0	2	-	-	-	-	3	0	0	3	0	9
Sweden	2	2	0	0	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	3	3	0	0	9	0
FIFA*																		
Malta	4	0	0	4	4	0	0	4	-	-	-	-	8	0	0	8	2	33
Sweden	4	4	0	0	4	4	0	0	-	-	-	-	8	8	0	0	33	2
Friendlies																		
Malta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	3
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	3	0
Total																		
Malta	5	0	0	5	6	0	0	6	-	-	-	-	12	0	0	12	2	45
Sweden	6	6	0	0	5	5	0	0	-	-	-	-	12	12	0	0	45	2

* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

Squad list

Malta

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Justin Haber	09/06/1981	38	Gżira	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Andrew Hogg	02/03/1985	34	Birkirkara	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Henry Bonello	13/10/1988	30	Valletta	*	6	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Jonathan Caruana	24/07/1986	33	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Andrei Agius	12/08/1986	33	Hibernians	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Steve Borg	15/05/1988	31	Valletta	*	6	1	0	0		
-	Joseph Zerafa	31/05/1988	31	Valletta	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Jurgen Pisani	03/09/1992	27	Floriana	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ferdinando Apap	29/07/1992	27	Hibernians	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Karl Micallef	08/09/1996	23	Hamrun	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Dunstan Vella	27/04/1996	23	Hibernians	-	2	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Paul Fenech	20/12/1986	32	Balzan	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Rowen Muscat	05/06/1991	28	Valletta	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Tristan Caruana	15/09/1991	28	Hamrun	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Zach Muscat	22/08/1993	26	Olhanense	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Jake Grech	18/11/1997	21	Hibernians	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Kurt Shaw	01/04/1999	20	Sliema	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Luke Gambin	16/03/1993	26	Colchester	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Nikolai Muscat	13/07/1996	23	Gżira	-	0	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Michael Mifsud	17/04/1981	38	Birkirkara	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Alfred Effiong	29/11/1984	34	Balzan	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Kyrian Nwoko	04/07/1997	22	Valletta	*	5	1	0	0		
-	Joseph Mbong	15/07/1997	22	Hibernians	-	6	0	0	0		
Coach											
-	Raymond Farrugia	01/10/1955	64		-	6	0	0	0		

Sweden

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Kristoffer Nordfeldt	23/06/1989	30	Swansea	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Karl-Johan Johnsson	28/01/1990	29	Copenhagen	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Robin Olsen	08/01/1990	29	Cagliari	-	6	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Andreas Granqvist	16/04/1985	34	Helsingborg	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Mikael Lustig	13/12/1986	32	Gent	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Pierre Bengtsson	12/04/1988	31	Copenhagen	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Marcus Danielson	08/04/1989	30	Djurgården	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Filip Helander	22/04/1993	26	Rangers	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Emil Krafth	02/08/1994	25	Newcastle	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Riccardo Gagliolo	28/04/1990	29	Parma	-	0	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Sebastian Larsson	06/06/1985	34	AIK	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Gustav Svensson	07/02/1987	32	Seattle Sounders	-	4	0	0	0		
-	Albin Ekdal	28/07/1989	30	Sampdoria	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Emil Forsberg	23/10/1991	27	Leipzig	-	4	1	0	0		
-	Kristoffer Olsson	30/06/1995	24	Krasnodar	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Muamer Tankovic	22/02/1995	24	Hammarby	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Robin Quaison	09/10/1993	26	Mainz	-	6	4	0	0		
-	Alexander Fransson	02/04/1994	25	Norrköping	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Ken Sema	30/09/1993	26	Udinese	-	0	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Marcus Berg	17/08/1986	33	Krasnodar	-	6	0	0	0		
-	John Guidetti	15/04/1992	27	Alavés	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Sebastian Andersson	15/07/1991	28	Union Berlin	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Alexander Isak	21/09/1999	20	Real Sociedad	-	6	3	0	0		
Coach											
-	Jan Andersson	29/09/1962	57		-	6	0	0	0		

Head coach

Ray Farrugia

Date of birth: 1 October, 1955

Nationality: Maltese

Playing career: Floriana, Melita Eagles, Naxxar Lions

Coaching career: Naxxar Lions, Malta Under-21 (twice), Pietà Hotspurs, Marxsaxlokk, Sliema Wanderers, Malta (assistant), Malta

- A combative midfielder, 'Zazu' made his debut for the senior team of local club Floriana at 16 and remained there for four seasons, winning two league titles and the FA Trophy and also claiming the first of four senior caps for Malta.
- He left for Australia aged just 21, joining top-flight outfit Melita Eagles, where he would spend the next 12 years, winning four State League championships and three Grand Finals and scoring 123 goals in 318 matches. He returned to his homeland in 1990, joining Naxxar Lions, and eventually hung up his boots at the age of 42.
- Started coaching while still playing at Naxxar before moving on to take charge of the Malta Under-21 side from 1998 to 2002. He later returned to club football on the island, serving Pietà Hotspurs, Marsaxlokk and Sliema Wanderers as head coach.
- In 2011 Farrugia was re-appointed as Malta U-21 head coach, remaining in charge until 2014, when he was promoted to the senior side as assistant to Pietro Ghedin.
- On 2 May 2018 he was appointed as Malta's head coach, replacing Tom Saintfiet who had been dismissed after just six months at the helm.

Janne Andersson

Date of birth: 29 September 1962

Nationality: Swedish

Playing career: Alet (twice), Halmia, Laholm

Coaching career: Alet, Halmstad (assistant, twice), Laholm, Halmstad, Örgryte, Norrköping, Sweden

- Jan 'Janne' Andersson succeeded Erik Hamrén as Sweden coach after UEFA EURO 2016 having led Norrköping to their first Allsvenskan title in 26 years the previous autumn.
- A footballer and handball player in his native Halmstad, Andersson became assistant coach to Stuart Baxter at the city's main club in 1990, going on to work under Tom Prahl and then Jonas Thern.
- Andersson, who also coached lower-division teams Alet and Laholm, took the Halmstad reins himself in 2004 and in his first season in charge was named coach of the year in Sweden after steering Halmstad to second place.
- After a brief spell at second-tier Örgryte in 2010, Andersson was named Norrköping coach the following year as they returned to the Allsvenskan, at first keeping them up then unexpectedly guiding them to the 2015 title.
- Although his appointment as Sweden coach meant he missed out on leading Norrköping into UEFA Champions League qualifying, Andersson made up for that by taking Sweden to the 2018 FIFA World Cup via a famous play-off win against Italy and then guiding them to the quarter-finals in Russia. More success followed later that year, Sweden winning promotion to League A of the UEFA Nations League.

Match officials

Referee	Sergei Ivanov (RUS)
Assistant referees	Roman Usachev (RUS) , Valeri Danchenko (RUS)
Fourth official	Sergei Lapochkin (RUS)
UEFA Delegate	Efraim Barak (ISR)
UEFA Referee observer	Haim Jakov (ISR)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
Sergei Ivanov	05/06/1984	1	30

UEFA European Championship matches featuring the two countries involved in this match

No such matches refereed

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
06/08/2015	UEL	3QR	Odds BK	IF Elfsborg	2-0	Skien
19/07/2018	UEL	1QR	BK Häcken	FK Liepāja	1-2	Gothenburg

Match-by-match lineups

Malta

Final tournament - Qualifying round

Group F

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Spain	6	6	0	0	17	3	18
Sweden	6	3	2	1	13	8	11
Romania	6	3	1	2	13	7	10
Norway	6	2	3	1	11	8	9
Malta	6	1	0	5	2	13	3
Faroe Islands	6	0	0	6	3	20	0

Matchday 1 (23/03/2019)

Malta 2-1 Faroe Islands

Goals: 1-0 Nwoko 13, 2-0 S. Borg 77 (P) , 2-1 J. Thomsen 90+8

Malta: Bonello, Caruana, S. Borg, Agius, Guillaumier, Mbong, P. Fenech, Mifsud (71 J. Zerafa), Nwoko, R. Muscat (84 Mintoff), Corbolan (63 Z. Muscat)

Matchday 2 (26/03/2019)

Malta 0-2 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Morata 31, 0-2 Morata 73

Malta: Bonello, Caruana (85 Micallef), S. Borg, Guillaumier, Mbong (65 R. Muscat), P. Fenech, Nwoko, Corbolan, Mintoff (69 Mifsud), J. Zerafa, Z. Muscat

Matchday 3 (07/06/2019)

Sweden 3-0 Malta

Goals: 1-0 Quaison 2, 2-0 Claesson 50, 3-0 Isak 81

Malta: Bonello, S. Borg (80 Apap), Agius, J. Grech (64 P. Fenech), Mbong, Montebello (71 Nwoko), R. Muscat, Corbolan, Effiong, Gambin, Z. Muscat

Matchday 4 (10/06/2019)

Malta 0-4 Romania

Goals: 0-1 Puşcaş 7, 0-2 Puşcaş 29, 0-3 Chipciu 34, 0-4 Man 90+1

Malta: Bonello, S. Borg, Agius, Mbong, P. Fenech (59 J. Grech), R. Muscat, Corbolan (84 Montebello), Effiong, J. Zerafa, Gambin (67 Mifsud), Z. Muscat

Matchday 5 (05/09/2019)

Norway 2-0 Malta

Goals: 1-0 Berge 34, 2-0 King 45+1 (P)

Malta: Bonello, S. Borg, Agius, J. Grech (77 Effiong), Mbong, P. Fenech (64 J.P. Farrugia), Nwoko, R. Muscat, Vella, Corbolan, Z. Muscat (20 Apap)

Matchday 6 (08/09/2019)

Romania 1-0 Malta

Goals: 1-0 Puşcaş 47

Malta: Bonello, S. Borg, Agius, Mbong, J.P. Farrugia, Nwoko (72 Effiong), R. Muscat, Vella (86 J. Grech), Corbolan, Gambin (81 J. Zerafa), Z. Muscat

Matchday 7 (12/10/2019)

Malta-Sweden

Matchday 8 (15/10/2019)

Faroe Islands-Malta

Matchday 9 (15/11/2019)

Spain-Malta

Matchday 10 (18/11/2019)

Malta-Norway

Sweden

Final tournament - Qualifying round

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Norway	6	2	3	1	11	8	9
Malta	6	1	0	5	2	13	3
Faroe Islands	6	0	0	6	3	20	0

Matchday 1 (23/03/2019)

Sweden 2-1 Romania

Goals: 1-0 Quaison 33, 2-0 Claesson 40, 2-1 Keşerü 58

Sweden: Olsen, Lustig (24 Krafft), Helander, Granqvist, Augustinsson, S. Larsson, Berg, Forsberg (68 Svensson), Quaison (88 Isak), Claesson, Olsson

Matchday 2 (26/03/2019)

Norway 3-3 Sweden

Goals: 1-0 Johnsen 41, 2-0 King 59, 2-1 Claesson 70, 2-2 Nordtveit 86 (og) , 2-3 Quaison 90+1, 3-3 Kamara 90+7

Sweden: Olsen, Helander, Granqvist, Augustinsson, S. Larsson (62 Isak), Ekdal (66 Svensson), Berg, Quaison, Krafft, Claesson, Olsson (96 Andersson)

Matchday 3 (07/06/2019)

Sweden 3-0 Malta

Goals: 1-0 Quaison 2, 2-0 Claesson 50, 3-0 Isak 81

Sweden: Olsen, Lustig, Helander, Augustinsson, Ekdal (77 S. Larsson), Berg (68 Isak), Forsberg, Claesson, Jansson, Olsson, Quaison (85 Guidetti)

Matchday 4 (10/06/2019)

Spain 3-0 Sweden

Goals: 1-0 Ramos 64 (P) , 2-0 Morata 85 (P) , 3-0 Oyarzabal 87

Sweden: Olsen, Lustig, Helander, Augustinsson, S. Larsson (82 Isak), Ekdal (86 Olsson), Berg, Forsberg, Claesson (27 J. Johansson), Jansson, Quaison

Matchday 5 (05/09/2019)

Faroe Islands 0-4 Sweden

Goals: 0-1 Isak 12, 0-2 Isak 15, 0-3 Lindelöf 23, 0-4 Quaison 41

Sweden: Olsen, Lustig (46 Krafft), Lindelöf, Granqvist, S. Larsson (73 Durmaz), Ekdal (63 Svensson), Berg, Isak, Bengtsson, Olsson, Quaison

Matchday 6 (08/09/2019)

Sweden 1-1 Norway

Goals: 0-1 Johansen 45, 1-1 Forsberg 60

Sweden: Olsen, Lustig, Lindelöf, Granqvist, S. Larsson, Ekdal (84 Svensson), Forsberg, Isak (77 Berg), Bengtsson, Olsson, Quaison (77 Andersson)

Matchday 7 (12/10/2019)

Malta-Sweden

Matchday 8 (15/10/2019)

Sweden-Spain

Matchday 9 (15/11/2019)

Romania-Sweden

Matchday 10 (18/11/2019)

Sweden-Faroe Islands

Legend

:: Previous meetings

Goals for/against: Goal totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (e.g. match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw

:: Squad list

Qual.: Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2020 only.

FT: Total UEFA EURO 2020 appearances/goals in final tournament only.

Overall: Total international appearances/goals.

DoB: Date of birth

Age: Based on the date press kit was last updated

D: Disciplinary (*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

:: Team facts

EURO finals: The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 was the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

Competitions

Other abbreviations

(aet): After extra time

No.: Number

ag: Match decided on away goals

agg: Aggregate

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

ET: Extra Time

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

gg: Match decided by golden goal

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

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pens: Penalties

og: Own goal

P: Penalty

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (straight red card)

Res.: Result

sg: Match decided by silver goal

t: Match decided by toss of a coin

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)

N/A: Not applicable