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**SC Braga**

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Group F - Matchday 4



**PFC Ludogorets 1945**

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## Previous meetings

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#### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
21/10/2021	GS	PFC Ludogorets 1945 - <b>SC Braga</b>	0-1	Razgrad	Ricardo Horta 7

#### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
02/11/2017	GS	PFC Ludogorets 1945 - SC Braga	1-1	Razgrad	Marcelinho 68; Fransérgio 83
19/10/2017	GS	SC Braga - <b>PFC Ludogorets 1945</b>	0-2	Braga	Moți 25, Raúl Silva 56 (og)

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
SC Braga	1	0	0	1	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	1	2	3
PFC Ludogorets 1945	2	0	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	1	1	1	3	2

### SC Braga - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

SC Braga have not played against a club from their opponents' country

### PFC Ludogorets 1945 - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

PFC Ludogorets 1945 have not played against a club from their opponents' country

## Match background

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Braga host Ludogorets in northern Portugal hoping to make it three wins in a row in Group F, while the Bulgarian visitors need a victory to avoid claiming a share of an unwanted UEFA Europa League record.

- Ricardo Horta's seventh-minute goal gave Braga a 1-0 win at Ludogorets on Matchday 3 to go with their 3-1 victory at home to Midtjylland three weeks earlier and put them a point behind leaders Crvena zvezda, the team that defeated them 2-1 in Belgrade on Matchday 1. Ludogorets kicked off their Group F campaign with a 1-1 draw at Midtjylland but lost 0-1 at home to Crvena zvezda on Matchday 2, a result that prompted the departure of their Lithuanian coach Valdas Dambrauskas and his replacement by interim boss Stanislav Genchev.

- Ludogorets have now gone 15 games without a win in the UEFA Europa League, group stage to final – one short of Rosenborg's competition record.

### Previous meetings

- The teams were paired together once previously, in the 2017/18 UEFA Europa League group stage. Ludogorets won 2-0 in Portugal and drew 1-1 in Bulgaria, although it was Braga who topped the group, with ten points, one more than runners-up Ludogorets.

- Ludogorets' only UEFA competition encounters against Portuguese opposition have been against Braga, who, likewise, have never faced any other team from Bulgaria.

### Form guide

#### Braga

- Braga's UEFA Europa League group stage berth, and the club's 17th European qualification in the last 18 years, was achieved on two fronts – with a fourth-placed finish in the 2020/21 Portuguese Liga and a third Portuguese Cup triumph, which they secured with a 2-0 victory over Benfica in the final. Carlos Carvalhal's side also reached the UEFA Europa League round of 32, finishing runners-up in their group to Leicester City on head-to-head record before going out to Roma (0-2 h, 1-3 a).

- The team from northern Portugal are competing in the UEFA Europa League group stage for the seventh time – and sixth in the last seven seasons. They have progressed to the knockout phase in six of those campaigns, although their best performance came in 2010/11 when they finished as runners-up to local rivals Porto after crossing over mid-season from the UEFA Champions League.

- Braga's record at home in the UEFA Europa League group stage is W12 D4 L3, with no defeats in the last eight matches (W5 D3) since that 2017/18 loss to Ludogorets. They have scored more than one goal in all eight of those games, 22 in total.

#### Ludogorets

- Ludogorets made it ten successive Bulgarian league titles in 2020/21 – the longest ongoing run of any current European club, one more than Germany's Bayern München and two more than Austria's Salzburg – but they endured disappointment on the European front as, after falling to Midtjylland in UEFA Champions League qualifying, they lost all six matches in their UEFA Europa League group.

- This season, under Dambrauskas, Ludogorets reached the UEFA Champions League play-offs after overcoming Shakhtyor Soligorsk (1-0 h, 1-0 a), Mura (0-0 a, 3-1 h) and Olympiacos (1-1 a, 2-2 h, 4-1 on penalties), but were knocked out by Malmö (0-2 a, 2-1 h), a result that put them into the UEFA Europa League group stage for the sixth time. They have reached the round of 32 in three of their past five attempts, winning the group once, in their debut 2013/14 campaign, when they progressed to the round of 16 – their best performance to date.

- Ludogorets' 15-game winless run in the UEFA Europa League proper incorporates seven away fixtures (D2 L5), although their overall away record in the competition, group stage to final, is W6 D7 L8. Their record outside Bulgaria this season is W1 D3 L1.

### Links and trivia

- Ludogorets' Portuguese defender Josué Sá spent five years with Braga's local rivals Vitória SC (2012–17) and scored when the teams met in the 2016/17 Portuguese Liga, helping the Guimarães outfit to a 2-1 away win.

- The Bulgarian champions' Angolan midfielder Show spent two seasons in Portugal between 2019 and 2021, one each with Belenenses and Boavista, while on loan from LOSC Lille.

- Ludogorets' Claude Gonçalves spent four seasons in Portugal with Tondela (2016–18) and Gil Vicente (2019–21), scoring for the latter in a 1-1 draw at home to Braga on 9 May this year.

- This is Ludogorets' fifth successive UEFA Europa League group stage campaign – the longest active sequence of any of this season's 32 participants. The competition record of six in a row was set by PSV Eindhoven from 2009/10–2014/15.

- Ludogorets were one of three clubs to lose all six matches in their UEFA Europa League group last season – along with Dundalk and Gent – but just one of seven to have done so in the competition's 12-year history.
- Ludogorets are one of eight reigning domestic champions involved in the 2021/22 UEFA Europa League group stage, while Braga are one of six current domestic cup winners in the field.

## Team facts

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### SC Braga

**Formed:** 1921

**Nickname:** Os Arsenalistas (The Arsenal fans)

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

- UEFA Europa League: (2011)
- UEFA Intertoto Cup (1): 2008

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

Portuguese Cup: 3 (2021)

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

**2020/21:** round of 32

**2019/20:** round of 32

**2018/19:** third qualifying round

**2017/18:** round of 32

**2016/17:** group stage

**2015/16:** quarter-finals

**2014/15:** did not take part in UEFA competition

**2013/14:** play-offs

**2012/13:** UEFA Champions League group stage

**2011/12:** round of 32

### Records

#### UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

**5-0:** Braga v Hibernians

13/09/78, UEFA Cup first round first leg

- Biggest away win

**2-4** three times, most recently v AEK Athens

03/12/20, UEFA Europa League group stage

**1-3:** Birmingham City v Braga

15/09/11, UEFA Europa League group stage

**0-2** twice, most recently v Galatasaray

02/10/12, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest home defeat

**0-3** twice, most recently v Shakhtar Donetsk

28/09/10, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

**6-0** twice, most recently v Arsenal

15/09/10, UEFA Champions League group stage

#### UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League

- Biggest home win

**5-0:** Braga v Hibernians (see above)

- Biggest away win

**2-4** three times, most recently v AEK Athens (see above)

**1-3:** Birmingham City v Braga (see above)

**0-2:** Artmedia Petržalka v Braga

02/10/08, first round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

**0-3:** Braga v Tottenham Hotspur

19/09/84, first round first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

**6-0:** Tottenham Hotspur v Braga

03/10/84, first round second leg

### FC Ludogorets Razgrad

**Formed:** 1945

**Nickname:** Orlite (The Eagles)

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

- None

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

League title: 10 (2021)

Bulgarian Cup: 2 (2014)

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

**2020/21:** group stage (having transferred from UEFA Champions League second qualifying round)

**2019/20:** round of 32 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League first qualifying round)

**2018/19:** group stage (having transferred from UEFA Champions League second qualifying round)

**2017/18:** round of 32 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

**2016/17:** round of 32 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

**2015/16:** UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

**2014/15:** UEFA Champions League group stage

**2013/14:** round of 16 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League play-offs)

**2012/13:** UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

**2011/12:** did not take part in UEFA competition

**Records**

**UEFA club competition**

- Biggest home win

**7-0:** Ludogorets v Crusaders

11/07/18, UEFA Champions League first qualifying round first leg

Biggest away win

**0-4:** TNS v Ludogorets

15/08/19, UEFA Europa League third qualifying round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

**0-3** twice, most recently v AC Milan

15/02/18, UEFA Europa League round of 32 first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

**6-0** twice, most recently v Espanyol

07/11/19, UEFA Europa League group stage

**UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League**

- Biggest home win

**5-0:** Ludogorets v TNS

08/08/19, second qualifying round first leg

- Biggest away win

**0-4:** TNS v Ludogorets (see above)

- Heaviest home defeat

**0-3** twice, most recently v AC Milan (see above)

- Heaviest away defeat

**6-0:** Espanyol v Ludogorets (see above)

# Squad list

## SC Braga

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season				All-time			
						UEL	League	UEL	UEFA	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>													
1	<b>Matheus</b>	BRA	29/03/1992	29	-	3	-	<b>10</b>	-	37	-	47	-
12	<b>Tiago Sá</b>	POR	11/01/1995	26	-	-	-	-	-	3	-	3	-
53	<b>Rui Ribeiro</b>	POR	27/02/2000	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
91	<b>Lukáš Horníček</b>	CZE	13/07/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
94	<b>Leonardo Ferreira</b>	POR	25/12/2000	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Defenders</b>													
2	<b>Yan Couto</b>	BRA	03/06/2002	19	-	2	-	<b>6</b>	-	2	-	2	-
3	<b>Vitor Tormena</b>	BRA	04/01/1996	25	-	1	-	<b>7</b>	-	7	1	10	1
4	<b>Diogo Leite</b>	POR	23/01/1999	22	*	3	-	<b>6</b>	-	4	-	8	-
5	<b>Nuno Sequeira</b>	POR	19/08/1990	31	-	3	-	<b>6</b>	-	18	-	23	-
15	<b>Paulo Oliveira</b>	POR	08/01/1992	29	-	3	-	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	14	-	23	-
34	<b>Raúl Silva</b>	BRA	04/11/1989	31	-	-	-	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	14	1	20	3
42	<b>Guilherme Soares</b>	POR	08/02/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
47	<b>Diogo Fonseca</b>	POR	10/04/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
50	<b>Leonardo Buta</b>	POR	05/06/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
58	<b>Miguel Vilela</b>	POR	25/03/2000	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
63	<b>Rodrigo Beirão</b>	POR	25/01/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
70	<b>Fabiano</b>	BRA	14/03/2000	21	-	2	-	<b>8</b>	-	2	-	2	-
72	<b>André Ferreira</b>	POR	08/04/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
74	<b>Francisco Moura</b>	POR	16/08/1999	22	-	2	-	<b>5</b>	-	5	-	5	-
86	<b>Bruno Rodrigues</b>	POR	08/06/2001	20	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	-	-	-	-	-
95	<b>José Pereira</b>	POR	16/08/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Midfielders</b>													
8	<b>Al Musrati</b>	LBY	06/04/1996	25	*	3	-	<b>10</b>	-	11	2	17	2
10	<b>André Horta</b>	POR	07/11/1996	24	-	2	-	<b>8</b>	-	20	1	26	3
11	<b>Lucas Piaçón</b>	BRA	20/01/1994	27	-	3	-	<b>5</b>	-	4	-	9	-
25	<b>Lucas Mineiro</b>	BRA	24/02/1996	25	-	3	-	<b>7</b>	-	3	-	3	-
45	<b>Iuri Medeiros</b>	POR	10/07/1994	27	-	2	-	<b>8</b>	<b>4</b>	8	-	9	-
51	<b>David Veiga</b>	POR	10/02/2000	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
56	<b>Eduardo Soares</b>	POR	17/08/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
67	<b>Jean-Baptiste Gorby</b>	FRA	25/07/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
79	<b>Bernardo Couto</b>	POR	16/08/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
80	<b>João Gonçalves</b>	POR	26/02/2005	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
84	<b>Mateus Santos</b>	POR	14/12/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
88	<b>André Castro</b>	POR	02/04/1988	33	-	2	-	<b>4</b>	-	8	-	9	-
<b>Forwards</b>													
9	<b>Abel Ruiz</b>	ESP	28/01/2000	21	-	2	-	<b>7</b>	<b>1</b>	8	1	8	1
19	<b>Mario González</b>	ESP	25/02/1996	25	-	3	-	<b>9</b>	<b>1</b>	4	-	5	-
21	<b>Ricardo Horta</b>	POR	15/09/1994	27	-	3	2	<b>9</b>	<b>4</b>	27	9	35	15

## SC Braga

						Current season				All-time			
						UEL	League	UEL	UEFA	UEL	UEFA	UEL	UEFA
22	<b>Chiquinho</b>	POR	19/07/1995	26	-	2	-	<b>6</b>	-	7	-	10	-
57	<b>Rodrigo Gomes</b>	POR	07/07/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
59	<b>Yan Said</b>	POR	08/11/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
78	Roger <b>Fernandes</b>	GNB	21/11/2005	15	-	-	-	<b>1</b>	-	-	-	-	-
87	<b>Álvaro Djaló</b>	GNB	16/08/1999	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
90	<b>Galeno</b>	BRA	22/10/1997	24	-	3	3	<b>10</b>	<b>2</b>	18	6	21	8
92	<b>Rodrigo Macedo</b>	POR	09/07/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
96	<b>Miguel Falé</b>	POR	28/01/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
99	<b>Vitor Oliveira</b>	POR	15/03/2000	21	-	-	-	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	-	-	-	-
<b>Coach</b>													
-	Carlos Carvalhal	POR	04/12/1965	55	-	3	-	-	-	33	-	37	-



## PFC Ludogorets 1945

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	Sergio <b>Padt</b>	NED	06/06/1990	31	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	6	-	11	-
67	Damyan <b>Hristov</b>	BUL	10/11/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
71	Kristijan <b>Kahlina</b>	CRO	24/07/1992	29	-	8	-	3	-	7	-	3	-	11	-
<b>Defenders</b>															
3	Anton <b>Nedyalkov</b>	BUL	30/04/1993	28	-	8	1	1	-	2	-	20	-	44	1
4	<b>Cicinho</b>	BUL	26/12/1988	32	-	3	-	2	-	11	-	27	-	52	-
5	Georgi <b>Terziev</b>	BUL	18/04/1992	29	-	-	-	-	-	5	-	17	-	32	2
6	Shaquille <b>Pinas</b>	SUR	19/03/1998	23	-	-	-	3	-	9	-	3	-	3	-
22	Jordan <b>Ikoko</b>	CGO	03/02/1994	27	-	8	-	2	-	6	1	10	-	23	1
24	Olivier <b>Verdon</b>	BEN	05/10/1995	26	-	8	-	3	-	3	-	9	-	18	-
30	Igor <b>Plastun</b>	UKR	20/08/1990	31	-	8	-	3	-	7	-	20	-	53	1
32	Josué <b>Sá</b>	POR	17/06/1992	29	-	2	-	3	-	10	3	4	-	9	-
79	Tihomir <b>Dimitrov</b>	BUL	04/02/2000	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Midfielders</b>															
7	Alex <b>Santana</b>	BRA	13/05/1995	26	*	7	-	3	-	10	3	8	-	18	-
8	Claude <b>Gonçalves</b>	FRA	09/04/1994	27	-	8	-	3	-	9	-	3	-	11	-
23	Manuel <b>Cafumana</b>	ANG	06/03/1999	22	-	-	-	1	-	4	-	1	-	1	-
25	Stéphane <b>Badji</b>	SEN	18/01/1990	31	-	7	-	3	-	11	-	26	-	46	-
31	Petar <b>Karaangelov</b>	BUL	28/12/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
38	Vladislav <b>Naydenov</b>	BUL	29/11/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
64	Dominic <b>Yankov</b>	BUL	28/07/2000	21	-	4	-	2	-	11	2	7	-	13	-
74	Hyusein <b>Kelyovluev</b>	BUL	11/05/2000	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75	Petar <b>Georgiev</b>	BUL	10/05/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
82	Ivan <b>Yordanov</b>	BUL	07/11/2000	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	2	-
<b>Forwards</b>															
10	Elvis <b>Manu</b>	NED	13/08/1993	28	-	3	1	2	-	9	4	18	8	27	12
11	Kiril <b>Despodov</b>	BUL	11/11/1996	24	-	7	2	3	1	9	3	7	2	19	6
13	Mavis <b>Tchibota</b>	CGO	07/05/1996	25	-	6	-	3	-	9	2	13	-	32	3
19	Pieros <b>Sotiriou</b>	CYP	13/01/1993	28	-	8	3	3	-	8	6	37	7	75	15
29	Dorin <b>Rotariu</b>	ROU	29/07/1995	26	-	1	-	-	-	2	1	6	1	18	2
37	Bernard <b>Tekpetey</b>	GHA	03/09/1997	24	-	5	-	3	-	11	5	10	-	18	-
45	Dimitar <b>Mitkov</b>	BUL	27/01/2000	21	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	4	-
51	Ilker <b>Budinov</b>	BUL	11/08/2000	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Coach</b>															
-	Stanislav <b>Genchev</b>	BUL	20/03/1981	40	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	11	-	20	-

## Fixtures and results

### SC Braga

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result		Goalscorers
07/08/2021	League	CS Marítimo (A)	W	2-0	Raúl Silva 61, Ricardo Horta 69
14/08/2021	League	Sporting Clube de Portugal (H)	L	1-2	Abel Ruiz 90+2
20/08/2021	League	Moreirense FC (A)	W	3-2	Fábio Martins 39, Iuri Medeiros 41, Ricardo Horta 90+5
29/08/2021	League	Vitória SC (H)	D	0-0	
11/09/2021	League	FC Paços de Ferreira (A)	D	0-0	
16/09/2021	UEL	FK Crvena zvezda (A)	L	1-2	Galeno 76
20/09/2021	League	CD Tondela (H)	W	3-1	Iuri Medeiros 81, 90, Ricardo Horta 84
26/09/2021	League	CD Santa Clara (A)	D	1-1	Paulo Oliveira 71
30/09/2021	UEL	FC Midtjylland (H)	W	3-1	Galeno 55 (P), 90+5, Ricardo Horta 62
03/10/2021	League	Boavista FC (H)	D	2-2	Iuri Medeiros 25, Ricardo Horta 52
17/10/2021	Cup	Moitense (A)	W	5-0	González 40, Bruno Rodrigues 54, Fernandes 81, Carvalho Oliveira 83, 89
21/10/2021	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (A)	W	1-0	Ricardo Horta 7
25/10/2021	League	Gil Vicente FC (A)	W	1-0	Carvalho Oliveira 4
01/11/2021	League	Portimonense SC (H)	W	3-0	Galeno 5, 53, González 90+1
04/11/2021	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (H)			
07/11/2021	League	SL Benfica (A)			
20/11/2021	Cup	CD Santa Clara (H)			
25/11/2021	UEL	FC Midtjylland (A)			
30/11/2021	League	Vizela (H)			
05/12/2021	League	Estoril Praia (H)			
09/12/2021	UEL	FK Crvena zvezda (H)			
12/12/2021	League	FC Porto (A)			
19/12/2021	League	Os Belenenses (H)			
29/12/2021	League	FC Arouca (A)			
08/01/2022	League	FC Famalicao (H)			
16/01/2022	League	CS Marítimo (H)			
23/01/2022	League	Sporting Clube de Portugal (A)			
30/01/2022	League	Moreirense FC (H)			
06/02/2022	League	Vitória SC (A)			
13/02/2022	League	FC Paços de Ferreira (H)			
20/02/2022	League	CD Tondela (A)			
27/02/2022	League	CD Santa Clara (H)			
06/03/2022	League	Boavista FC (A)			
13/03/2022	League	Gil Vicente FC (H)			
20/03/2022	League	Portimonense SC (A)			
03/04/2022	League	SL Benfica (H)			
10/04/2022	League	Vizela (A)			
16/04/2022	League	Estoril Praia (A)			
24/04/2022	League	FC Porto (H)			

## SC Braga

30/04/2022	League	Os Belenenses (A)		
08/05/2022	League	FC Arouca (H)		
15/05/2022	League	FC Famalicao (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	FC Porto	10	8	2	0	25	7	26
2	Sporting Clube de Portugal	10	8	2	0	15	4	26
3	SL Benfica	10	8	1	1	21	6	25
<b>4</b>	<b>SC Braga</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>19</b>
5	Estoril Praia	10	5	4	1	15	8	19
6	Portimonense SC	10	4	2	4	8	9	14
7	Vitória SC	10	3	4	3	11	9	13
8	Gil Vicente FC	10	3	3	4	12	12	12
9	Boavista FC	10	2	5	3	12	15	11
10	FC Paços de Ferreira	10	2	5	3	9	12	11
11	CD Tondela	10	3	0	7	13	19	9
12	FC Arouca	10	2	3	5	10	16	9
13	Vizela	10	1	6	3	8	15	9
14	Os Belenenses	10	1	5	4	7	13	8
15	Moreirense FC	10	1	5	4	11	18	8
16	FC Famalicao	10	1	4	5	11	15	7
17	CS Marítimo	10	1	4	5	8	13	7
18	CD Santa Clara	10	1	3	6	7	20	6

## PFC Ludogorets 1945

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
07/07/2021	UCL	FC Shakhtyor Soligorsk (H)	W 1-0	Cauly Souza 90+2
13/07/2021	UCL	FC Shakhtyor Soligorsk (A)	W 1-0	Despodov 71
21/07/2021	UCL	NŠ Mura (A)	D 0-0	
25/07/2021	League	PFC Lokomotiv Plovdiv 1926 (A)	W 3-1	Manu 44, Despodov 76, Tekpetey 90+4
28/07/2021	UCL	NŠ Mura (H)	W 3-1	Sotiriou 4, Manu 82, Cauly Souza 90
31/07/2021	League	FC CSKA 1948 Sofia (H)	W 3-0	Tekpetey 45+4, Rotariu 65, Manu 73
03/08/2021	UCL	Olympiacos FC (A)	D 1-1	Despodov 50
10/08/2021	UCL	Olympiacos FC (H)	D 2-2 (aet, 4-1 pens)	Rúben Semedo 49 (og), Sotiriou 57 (P)
18/08/2021	UCL	Malmö FF (A)	L 0-2	
21/08/2021	League	Lokomotiv 1929 (H)	W 5-0	Wanderson 21, Yankov 23, Josué Sá 51, Tchibota 59, Cauly Souza 68
24/08/2021	UCL	Malmö FF (H)	W 2-1	Nedyalkov 10, Sotiriou 60 (P)
29/08/2021	League	Pirin Blagoevgrad (A)	W 3-1	Josué Sá 15, Santana 56, Sotiriou 67 (P)
11/09/2021	League	PFC Chernomorets AD (H)	W 2-0	Manu 16, Despodov 70 (P)
16/09/2021	UEL	FC Midtjylland (A)	D 1-1	Despodov 32
19/09/2021	League	PFC Slavia Sofia (A)	L 0-1	
23/09/2021	Cup	Spartak Varna (A)	W 1-0	Marin 45+2

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26/09/2021	League	OFC Botev Vratsa (H)	W	3-1	Tekpetey 9, Sotiriou 36, 38
30/09/2021	UEL	FK Crvena zvezda (H)	L	0-1	
03/10/2021	League	PFC Levski Sofia (A)	W	4-2	Yankov 29, Sotiriou 47, Manu 85, Tekpetey 89
16/10/2021	League	FC Tsarsko Selo 2015 (H)	W	4-0	Josué Sá 57, Sotiriou 66, Santana 79, Despodov 87
21/10/2021	UEL	SC Braga (H)	L	0-1	
25/10/2021	League	PFC Botev Plovdiv (A)	W	3-1	Santana 24, Sotiriou 55, Ikoko 90+1
28/10/2021	Cup	FC Lokomotiv Gorna Oryahovitsa (H)	W	3-1	Marin 12, Manu 38, Cafumana 79
31/10/2021	League	PFC Beroe Stara Zagora (H)	W	2-0	Tchibota 33, Tekpetey 90+3
04/11/2021	UEL	SC Braga (A)			
07/11/2021	League	PFC Lokomotiv Plovdiv 1926 (H)			
20/11/2021	League	FC CSKA 1948 Sofia (A)			
25/11/2021	UEL	FK Crvena zvezda (A)			
27/11/2021	League	PFC CSKA-Sofia (H)			
01/12/2021	League	PFC Arda (H)			
04/12/2021	League	Lokomotiv 1929 (A)			
09/12/2021	UEL	FC Midtjylland (H)			
11/12/2021	League	Pirin Blagoevgrad (H)			
19/02/2022	League	PFC Chernomorets AD (A)			
26/02/2022	League	PFC Slavia Sofia (H)			
05/03/2022	League	OFC Botev Vratsa (A)			
12/03/2022	League	PFC Levski Sofia (H)			
19/03/2022	League	FC Tsarsko Selo 2015 (A)			
02/04/2022	League	PFC Botev Plovdiv (H)			
09/04/2022	League	PFC Beroe Stara Zagora (A)			

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	<b>PFC Ludogorets 1945</b>	11	10	0	1	32	7	30
2	PFC Slavia Sofia	13	6	5	2	14	10	23
3	PFC CSKA-Sofia	10	7	2	1	19	12	23
4	PFC Botev Plovdiv	13	6	4	3	18	15	22
5	PFC Chernomorets AD	13	5	6	2	15	9	21
6	PFC Beroe Stara Zagora	13	5	2	6	12	15	17
7	PFC Lokomotiv Plovdiv 1926	13	4	5	4	13	12	17
8	PFC Arda	11	3	5	3	12	11	14
9	PFC Levski Sofia	13	4	2	7	17	21	14
10	Lokomotiv 1929	12	3	5	4	10	16	14
11	Pirin Blagoevgrad	13	3	2	8	18	25	11
12	FC CSKA 1948 Sofia	13	3	2	8	18	26	11
13	OFC Botev Vratsa	13	2	5	6	12	21	11
14	FC Tsarsko Selo 2015	13	2	3	8	7	17	9

## Match-by-match lineups

### SC Braga

#### UEFA Europa League - Group stage

##### Group F

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
FK Crvena zvezda	3	2	1	0	4	2	7
<b>SC Braga</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>6</b>
FC Midtjylland	3	0	2	1	3	5	2
<b>PFC Ludogorets 1945</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>

##### Matchday 1 (16/09/2021)

###### FK Crvena zvezda 2-1 SC Braga

Goals: 1-0 Rodić 75, 1-1 Galeno 76, 2-1 Katai 85 (P)

**SC Braga:** Matheus, Vitor Tormena, Diogo Leite, Al Musrati, Abel Ruiz (70 González), Piażón (78 Fábio Martins), Paulo Oliveira (86 Nuno Sequeira), Ricardo Horta, Lucas Mineiro (78 André Horta), Fabiano (86 Couto), Galeno

##### Matchday 2 (30/09/2021)

###### SC Braga 3-1 FC Midtjylland

Goals: 0-1 Evander 19 (P) , 1-1 Galeno 55 (P) , 2-1 Ricardo Horta 62, 3-1 Galeno 90+5

**SC Braga:** Matheus, Couto, Diogo Leite, Nuno Sequeira (46 Moura), Al Musrati (72 Lucas Mineiro), Piażón (61 Iuri Medeiros), Paulo Oliveira, Ricardo Horta (82 André Horta), Chiquinho, André Castro (46 González), Galeno

##### Matchday 3 (21/10/2021)

###### PFC Ludogorets 1945 0-1 SC Braga

Goals: 0-1 Ricardo Horta 7

**SC Braga:** Matheus, Diogo Leite, Nuno Sequeira, Al Musrati, Abel Ruiz (60 González), Paulo Oliveira, Ricardo Horta (77 Lucas Mineiro), Iuri Medeiros (60 Piażón), Fabiano, André Castro (77 Chiquinho), Galeno (91 Moura)

##### Matchday 4 (04/11/2021)

SC Braga-PFC Ludogorets 1945

##### Matchday 5 (25/11/2021)

FC Midtjylland-SC Braga

##### Matchday 6 (09/12/2021)

SC Braga-FK Crvena zvezda

### PFC Ludogorets 1945

#### UEFA Champions League - First qualifying round

(07/07/2021)

##### PFC Ludogorets 1945 1-0 FC Shakhtyor Soligorsk

Goals: 1-0 Cauly Souza 90+2

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Claude Gonçalves, Despodov (79 Tchibota), Ikoko, Verdon, Badji (72 Manu), Keşerü (60 Sotiriou), Plastun, Tekpetey (60 Wanderson), Cauly Souza

(13/07/2021)

##### FC Shakhtyor Soligorsk 0-1 PFC Ludogorets 1945 (agg: 0-2)

Goals: 0-1 Despodov 71

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Claude Gonçalves, Despodov (76 Tchibota), Sotiriou (87 Tekpetey), Ikoko, Verdon, Badji, Plastun, Wanderson (61 Santana), Cauly Souza

#### Second qualifying round

(21/07/2021)

##### NŠ Mura 0-0 PFC Ludogorets 1945

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Santana (81 Tchibota), Claude Gonçalves, Despodov, Sotiriou (70 Manu), Ikoko, Verdon, Plastun, Yankov (63 Wanderson), Cauly Souza

(28/07/2021)

**PFC Ludogorets 1945 3-1 NŠ Mura** (agg: 3-1)

**Goals:** 1-0 Sotiriou 4, 1-1 Horvat 64, 2-1 Manu 82, 3-1 Cauly Souza 90

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Santana (64 Badji), Claude Gonçalves, Despodov (92 Tchibota), Sotiriou (76 Manu), Ikoko, Verdon, Plastun, Tekpetey (46 Wanderson), Cauly Souza (92 Yankov)

### Third qualifying round

(03/08/2021)

**Olympiacos FC 1-1 PFC Ludogorets 1945**

**Goals:** 0-1 Despodov 50, 1-1 Camara 87

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Claude Gonçalves, Despodov, Sotiriou (89 Wanderson), Ikoko, Verdon, Badji, Plastun, Tekpetey (82 Cicinho), Cauly Souza (73 Santana)

(10/08/2021)

**PFC Ludogorets 1945 2-2 Olympiacos FC** (agg: 3-3 , 4-1 P)

**Goals:** 0-1 M'Vila 31, 1-1 Rúben Semedo 49 (og) , 2-1 Sotiriou 57 (P) , 2-2 El-Arabi 68 (P)

**Penalties:** Sotiriou 1-0 , Valbuena 1-0 (missed) , Santana 2-0 , Ahmed Hassan 2-0 (missed) , Verdon 3-0 , Lala 3-1 , Cicinho 4-1

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Claude Gonçalves, Despodov, Sotiriou, Ikoko (106 Cicinho), Verdon, Badji (88 Santana), Plastun, Josué Sá (94 Rotariu), Cauly Souza (106 Yankov)

### Play-off

(18/08/2021)

**Malmö FF 2-0 PFC Ludogorets 1945**

**Goals:** 1-0 Birmančević 26, 2-0 Berget 61

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Santana (73 Tchibota), Claude Gonçalves, Sotiriou, Ikoko, Verdon, Badji, Plastun, Tekpetey (62 Wanderson), Cauly Souza

(24/08/2021)

**PFC Ludogorets 1945 2-1 Malmö FF** (agg: 2-3)

**Goals:** 1-0 Nedyalkov 10, 1-1 Birmančević 42, 2-1 Sotiriou 60 (P)

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov, Claude Gonçalves, Despodov, Sotiriou, Ikoko (46 Cicinho), Verdon (63 Josué Sá), Badji (46 Santana), Plastun, Wanderson (74 Tchibota), Cauly Souza (31 Yankov)

### UEFA Europa League - Group stage

**Matchday 1** (16/09/2021)

**FC Midtjylland 1-1 PFC Ludogorets 1945**

**Goals:** 1-0 Isaksen 3, 1-1 Despodov 32

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Nedyalkov (54 Pinas), Cicinho, Santana (75 Yankov), Claude Gonçalves, Manu (54 Sotiriou), Despodov (60 Tchibota), Badji, Plastun, Josué Sá, Tekpetey (75 Verdon)

**Matchday 2** (30/09/2021)

**PFC Ludogorets 1945 0-1 FK Crvena zvezda**

**Goals:** 0-1 Kanga 64

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Cicinho, Pinas (71 Ikoko), Santana (78 Tchibota), Claude Gonçalves, Sotiriou, Verdon, Badji (88 Cafumana), Plastun, Josué Sá (71 Despodov), Tekpetey

**Matchday 3** (21/10/2021)

**PFC Ludogorets 1945 0-1 SC Braga**

**Goals:** 0-1 Ricardo Horta 7

**PFC Ludogorets 1945:** Kahlina, Pinas, Claude Gonçalves (70 Santana), Despodov, Sotiriou, Ikoko, Verdon (46 Plastun), Badji (86 Mitkov), Josué Sá, Tekpetey (59 Tchibota), Yankov (59 Manu)

**Matchday 4** (04/11/2021)

SC Braga-PFC Ludogorets 1945

**Matchday 5** (25/11/2021)

FK Crvena zvezda-PFC Ludogorets 1945

**Matchday 6** (09/12/2021)

PFC Ludogorets 1945-FC Midtjylland



## Match officials

<b>Referee</b>	Glenn Nyberg (SWE)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Mahbod Beigi (SWE) , Andreas Söderqvist (SWE)
<b>Video Assistant Referee</b>	Pol van Boekel (NED)
<b>Fourth official</b>	Adam Ladebäck (SWE)
<b>Assistant Video Assistant Referee</b>	Christian Dingert (GER)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	Oleg Harlamov (EST)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	Antonio Damato (ITA)

## Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Europa League matches	UEFA matches
Glenn Nyberg	12/10/1988	6	36

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
01/08/2019	UEL	2QR	PFC Levski Sofia	AEK Larnaca FC	0-4	Sofia

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
01/08/2019	UEL	2QR	PFC Levski Sofia	AEK Larnaca FC	0-4	Sofia
18/08/2020	UYL	QF	GNK Dinamo Zagreb	SL Benfica	1-3	Nyon
31/03/2021	U21	GS-FT	Switzerland	Portugal	0-3	Ljubljana
03/06/2021	U21	SF	Spain	Portugal	0-1	Maribor
16/09/2021	UECL	GS	AS Roma	2608297	5-1	Rome



# 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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