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**Bulgaria**

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Group A - Matchday 9



**France**

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## EUROPEAN QUALIFIERS OFFICIAL SPONSORS



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## Previous meetings

### Head to Head

#### FIFA World Cup

| Date       | Stage reached | Match             | Result | Venue       | Goalscorers                                              |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-------------|----------------------------------------------------------|
| 07/10/2016 | QR (GS)       | France - Bulgaria | 4-1    | Saint-Denis | Gameiro 23, 59, Payet 26, Griezmann 38; Alexandrov 6 (P) |

#### EURO '96

| Date       | Stage reached | Match             | Result | Venue     | Goalscorers                                    |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-----------|------------------------------------------------|
| 18/06/1996 | GS-FT         | France - Bulgaria | 3-1    | Newcastle | Blanc 21, Penev 63 (og), Loko 90; Stoichkov 69 |

#### FIFA World Cup

| Date       | Stage reached | Match             | Result | Venue | Goalscorers                   |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------------|
| 17/11/1993 | QR (GS)       | France - Bulgaria | 1-2    | Paris | Cantona 32; Kostadinov 37, 90 |
| 09/09/1992 | QR (GS)       | Bulgaria - France | 2-0    | Sofia | Stoichkov 22, Balakov 30      |

#### FIFA World Cup

| Date       | Stage reached | Match             | Result | Venue | Goalscorers             |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-------|-------------------------|
| 02/05/1985 | QR (GS)       | Bulgaria - France | 2-0    | Sofia | Dimitrov 11, Sirakov 61 |
| 21/11/1984 | QR (GS)       | France - Bulgaria | 1-0    | Paris | Platini 62 (P)          |

#### FIFA World Cup

| Date       | Stage reached | Match             | Result | Venue | Goalscorers                                      |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|-------|--------------------------------------------------|
| 16/11/1977 | QR (GS)       | France - Bulgaria | 3-1    | Paris | Rocheteau 38, Platini 63, Dalger 89; Tzvetkov 85 |
| 09/10/1976 | QR (GS)       | Bulgaria - France | 2-2    | Sofia | Bonev 45, Panov 68; Platini 37, Lacombe 40       |

#### 1972 UEFA European Championship

| Date       | Stage reached | Match             | Result | Venue  | Goalscorers                         |
|------------|---------------|-------------------|--------|--------|-------------------------------------|
| 04/12/1971 | PR (GS)       | Bulgaria - France | 2-1    | Sofia  | Zhekov 47, Mihaylov 82; Blanchet 84 |
| 10/11/1971 | PR (GS)       | France - Bulgaria | 2-1    | Nantes | Lech 64, Loubet 84; Bonev 54 (P)    |

## 1964 UEFA European Championship

| Date       | Stage reached | Match                    | Result          | Venue | Goalscorers                          |
|------------|---------------|--------------------------|-----------------|-------|--------------------------------------|
| 26/10/1963 | 1/8           | <b>France</b> - Bulgaria | 3-1<br>agg: 3-2 | Paris | Goujon 44, 81, Herbin 78; Yakimov 75 |
| 29/09/1963 | 1/8           | <b>Bulgaria</b> - France | 1-0             | Sofia | Diev 24                              |

## FIFA World Cup

| Date       | Stage reached | Match                    | Result | Venue          | Goalscorers                        |
|------------|---------------|--------------------------|--------|----------------|------------------------------------|
| 16/12/1961 | QR (GS)       | <b>Bulgaria</b> - France | 1-0    | Milan          | Yakimov 47                         |
| 12/11/1961 | QR (GS)       | <b>Bulgaria</b> - France | 1-0    | Sofia          | Iliev 89                           |
| 11/12/1960 | QR (GS)       | <b>France</b> - Bulgaria | 3-0    | Colombes-Paris | Wisnieski 48, Marcel 58, Cossou 80 |

|              | Qualifying |   |   |   |      |   |   |   | Final tournament |   |   |   | Total |   |   |   |    |    |
|--------------|------------|---|---|---|------|---|---|---|------------------|---|---|---|-------|---|---|---|----|----|
|              | Home       |   |   |   | Away |   |   |   |                  |   |   |   |       |   |   |   |    |    |
|              | Pld        | W | D | L | Pld  | W | D | L | Pld              | W | D | L | Pld   | W | D | L | GF | GA |
| <b>Total</b> |            |   |   |   |      |   |   |   |                  |   |   |   |       |   |   |   |    |    |
| Bulgaria     | 6          | 5 | 1 | 0 | 6    | 1 | 0 | 5 | 3                | 1 | 0 | 2 | 22    | 9 | 4 | 9 | 27 | 37 |
| France       | 6          | 5 | 0 | 1 | 6    | 0 | 1 | 5 | 3                | 2 | 0 | 1 | 22    | 9 | 4 | 9 | 37 | 27 |

# Squad list

## Bulgaria

| No.                | Player                         | DoB        | Age | Club              | D | Current season |     |     |     |  |  |
|--------------------|--------------------------------|------------|-----|-------------------|---|----------------|-----|-----|-----|--|--|
|                    |                                |            |     |                   |   | Qual.          |     | FT  |     |  |  |
|                    |                                |            |     |                   |   | Pld            | Gls | Pld | Gls |  |  |
| <b>Goalkeepers</b> |                                |            |     |                   |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Bozhidar <b>Mitrev</b>         | 31/03/1987 | 30  | Levski            | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Blagoy <b>Makendzhiev</b>      | 11/07/1988 | 29  | Pirin             | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Plamen <b>Iliev</b>            | 30/11/1991 | 25  | Astra             | - | 2              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Defenders</b>   |                                |            |     |                   |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Petar <b>Zanev</b>             | 18/10/1985 | 31  | Amkar             | - | 5              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Stanislav <b>Manolev</b>       | 16/12/1985 | 31  | CSKA Sofia        | * | 4              | 1   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Vasil <b>Bozhikov</b>          | 02/06/1988 | 29  | Slovan Bratislava | * | 6              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Nikolay <b>Bodurov</b>         | 30/05/1986 | 31  | CSKA Sofia        | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Aleksandar <b>Tsvetkov</b>     | 31/08/1990 | 27  | Cherno More       | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Strahil <b>Popov</b>           | 31/08/1990 | 27  | Kasimpaşa         | - | 8              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Anton <b>Nedyalkov</b>         | 30/04/1993 | 24  | CSKA Sofia        | * | 3              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Bozhidar <b>Chorbadzhiyski</b> | 08/08/1995 | 22  | CSKA Sofia        | - | 4              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Cvetomir <b>Panov</b>          | 17/04/1989 | 28  | Botev Plovdiv     | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Midfielders</b> |                                |            |     |                   |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Simeon <b>Slavchev</b>         | 25/09/1993 | 24  | Sporting CP       | - | 5              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Todor <b>Nedelev</b>           | 07/02/1993 | 24  | Botev Plovdiv     | - | 2              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Martin <b>Rainov</b>           | 25/04/1992 | 25  | Beroe             | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Kristiyan <b>Malinov</b>       | 30/03/1994 | 23  | CSKA Sofia        | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Georgi <b>Kostadinov</b>       | 07/09/1990 | 27  | M. Haifa          | * | 6              | 3   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Bozhidar <b>Kraev</b>          | 23/06/1997 | 20  | Midtjylland       | - | 2              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Forwards</b>    |                                |            |     |                   |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Spas <b>Delev</b>              | 22/09/1989 | 28  | Pogoń             | - | 3              | 2   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Andrej <b>Galabinov</b>        | 27/11/1988 | 28  | Genoa             | - | 2              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Ivaylo <b>Dimitrov</b>         | 26/03/1989 | 28  | Slavia Sofia      | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Coach</b>       |                                |            |     |                   |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Petar Houbtchev                | 26/02/1964 | 53  |                   | - | 6              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |

## France

| No.                | Player              | DoB        | Age | Club        | D | Current season |     |     |     |  |  |
|--------------------|---------------------|------------|-----|-------------|---|----------------|-----|-----|-----|--|--|
|                    |                     |            |     |             |   | Qual.          |     | FT  |     |  |  |
|                    |                     |            |     |             |   | Pld            | Gls | Pld | Gls |  |  |
| <b>Goalkeepers</b> |                     |            |     |             |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Hugo Lloris         | 26/12/1986 | 30  | Tottenham   | * | 7              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Steve Mandanda      | 28/03/1985 | 32  | Marseille   | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Alphonse Areola     | 27/02/1993 | 24  | Paris       | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Defenders</b>   |                     |            |     |             |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Christophe Jallet   | 31/10/1983 | 33  | Nice        | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Adil Rami           | 27/12/1985 | 31  | Marseille   | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Lucas Digne         | 20/07/1993 | 24  | Barcelona   | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Samuel Umtiti       | 14/11/1993 | 23  | Barcelona   | - | 3              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Djibril Sidibé      | 29/07/1992 | 25  | Monaco      | - | 8              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Raphaël Varane      | 25/04/1993 | 24  | Real Madrid | - | 5              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Jordan Amavi        | 09/03/1994 | 23  | Marseille   | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Presnel Kimpembe    | 13/08/1995 | 22  | Paris       | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Midfielders</b> |                     |            |     |             |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Blaise Matuidi      | 09/04/1987 | 30  | Juventus    | * | 5              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Moussa Sissoko      | 16/08/1989 | 28  | Tottenham   | - | 5              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Dimitri Payet       | 29/03/1987 | 30  | Marseille   | - | 6              | 2   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Thomas Lemar        | 12/11/1995 | 21  | Monaco      | - | 3              | 2   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Adrien Rabiot       | 03/04/1995 | 22  | Paris       | - | 1              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Corentin Tolisso    | 03/08/1994 | 23  | Bayern      | - | 0              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | N'Golo Kanté        | 29/03/1991 | 26  | Chelsea     | - | 6              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Forwards</b>    |                     |            |     |             |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Alexandre Lacazette | 28/05/1991 | 26  | Arsenal     | * | 2              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Antoine Griezmann   | 21/03/1991 | 26  | Atlético    | * | 8              | 3   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Olivier Giroud      | 30/09/1986 | 31  | Arsenal     | - | 6              | 3   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Kingsley Coman      | 13/06/1996 | 21  | Bayern      | - | 2              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| -                  | Kylian Mbappé       | 20/12/1998 | 18  | Paris       | - | 4              | 1   | 0   | 0   |  |  |
| <b>Coach</b>       |                     |            |     |             |   |                |     |     |     |  |  |
| -                  | Didier Deschamps    | 15/10/1968 | 48  |             | - | 8              | 0   | 0   | 0   |  |  |

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## Head coach

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### Petar Hubchev

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**Date of birth:** 26 February 1964

**Nationality:** Bulgarian

**Playing career:** PFC Litex Lovech, PFC Levski Sofia, Hamburger SV, Eintracht Frankfurt

**Coaching career:** PFC Slavia Sofia, Chernomorets Pomorie, PFC Botev Plovdiv, PFC Beroe Stara Zagora

- Made debut for Bulgaria while playing in the second tier in a friendly against Greece in 1984, the first of 35 caps. Hubchev was one of the mainstays of the great Bulgaria side that reached the 1994 FIFA World Cup semi-finals. He also played at EURO '96.
- Hubchev came through the ranks of Osum Lovech (now known as Litex Lovech). He was a right-back before establishing himself as a central defender.
- In 1989 he moved to Levski, winning the league and cup double in 1993 before departing at the end of that year for Hamburg. In 1996 he moved on to Eintracht, helping them back to the Bundesliga.
- Hubchev began his coaching career at Eintracht in 2001, and after a six-month stint as head coach at Slavia Sofia in 2005 he returned to Germany for spells with the reserve sides of Eintracht and Wolfsburg.
- In 2009 he was back in Bulgaria at Chernomorets Pomorie, guiding the second division side to the cup final in his first season. Following a brief spell at Botev Plovdiv he had four seasons at Beroe Stara Zagora, leading them to the Bulgarian Cup in 2013. On 3 October 2016 Hubchev succeeded Ivaylo Petev as Bulgaria coach.

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### Didier Deschamps

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**Date of birth:** 15 October 1968

**Nationality:** French

**Playing career:** FC Nantes, Olympique de Marseille (twice), FC Girondins de Bordeaux, Juventus, Chelsea FC, Valencia CF

**Coaching career:** AS Monaco FC, Juventus, Olympique de Marseille, France

- A product of Nantes's highly rated youth system, Deschamps had success with Marseille as a defensive midfielder, winning Ligue 1 in 1990 and 1992 and captaining them to UEFA Champions League glory in 1993.
- Signed for Juve in 1994 and won the UEFA Champions League again in 1996, adding three Serie A titles, a Coppa Italia and a European/South American Cup. Left in 1999 for Chelsea, staying one season and lifting the FA Cup, before ending his career with a year in Valencia, watching from the bench as they lost the 2001 UEFA Champions League final to FC Bayern München.
- Skipped France to victory on home soil at the 1998 FIFA World Cup and also at UEFA EURO 2000, retiring that year with 103 caps.
- Started coaching career in 2001 with Monaco, landing the French League Cup in 2003 and reaching the UEFA Champions League final a year later, going down to José Mourinho's FC Porto. Resigned in September 2005 and joined his old club Juventus, then in Serie B, the following June. Stepped down after securing promotion back to Serie A in May 2007.
- Appointed Marseille boss in May 2009, replacing Eric Gerets. Ended OM's 18-year wait for the Ligue 1 championship in his first term and added a maiden League Cup, retaining the latter trophy in the next two campaigns. Succeeded Laurent Blanc after UEFA EURO 2012 and guided France to the 2014 World Cup, where they lost to eventual winners Germany in the quarter-finals, and then to the final of UEFA EURO 2016 on home soil only to lose to Portugal in extra time.

## Match officials

|                                |                                                     |
|--------------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| <b>Referee</b>                 | Antonio Mateu Lahoz (ESP)                           |
| <b>Assistant referees</b>      | Pau Cebrián Devís (ESP) , Roberto del Palomar (ESP) |
| <b>Fourth official</b>         | Alejandro Hernandez (ESP)                           |
| <b>FIFA Match Commissioner</b> | David Findlay (SCO)                                 |
| <b>Referee observer</b>        | Jørn West Larsen (DEN)                              |

## Referee

| Name                | Date of birth |   | UEFA matches |
|---------------------|---------------|---|--------------|
| Antonio Mateu Lahoz | 12/03/1977    | 4 | 50           |

## FIFA World Cup matches involving teams from 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       |
|------------|-------------|---------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|--------|-------------|
| 19/07/2012 | UEL         | 2QR           | PFC Lokomotiv Plovdiv   | Vitesse                  | 4-4    | Lovech      |
| 04/10/2012 | UEL         | GS            | Newcastle United FC     | FC Girondins de Bordeaux | 3-0    | Newcastle   |
| 04/12/2012 | UCL         | GS            | Montpellier Hérault SC  | FC Schalke 04            | 1-1    | Montpellier |
| 06/08/2013 | UCL         | 3QR           | Grasshopper Club Zürich | Olympique Lyonnais       | 0-1    | Zurich      |
| 26/11/2013 | UCL         | GS            | Arsenal FC              | Olympique de Marseille   | 2-0    | London      |
| 13/03/2014 | UEL         | R16           | Olympique Lyonnais      | FC Viktoria Plzeň        | 4-1    | Lyon        |
| 10/10/2014 | EURO        | QR            | Bulgaria                | Croatia                  | 0-1    | Sofia       |
| 26/11/2014 | UCL         | GS            | PFC Ludogorets 1945     | Liverpool FC             | 2-2    | Sofia       |
| 21/02/2017 | UCL         | R16           | Manchester City FC      | AS Monaco FC             | 5-3    | Manchester  |
| 13/04/2017 | UEL         | QF            | Olympique Lyonnais      | Beşiktaş JK              | 2-1    | Decines     |
| 03/05/2017 | UCL         | SF            | AS Monaco FC            | Juventus                 | 0-2    | Monaco      |
| 27/09/2017 | UCL         | GS            | Paris Saint-Germain     | FC Bayern München        | 3-0    | Paris       |

## Competition facts

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The Week of Football concept enables fans around the world to enjoy the very best action from the European Qualifiers – which will determine UEFA's representatives at the 2018 FIFA World Cup in Russia.

Qualifying for the 2018 FIFA World Cup comprises nine groups of six teams, with matches played on a home-and-away basis.

Qualifying takes place under the 'Week of Football' concept, introduced ahead of the UEFA EURO 2016 qualifying campaign, in which games are spread out from Thursday to Tuesday, shining the spotlight on more teams on the road to the finals in Russia. Moreover, thanks to the Week of Football, at least 43% of matches will be played on weekends, giving fans a better chance to follow the action on television, in the stadiums and on UEFA.com.

Kick-off times will be set mainly at 18:00CET and 20:45CET on Saturdays and Sundays and at 20:45CET for Thursdays, Fridays, Mondays and Tuesdays. In double-header matchweeks, sides will play on Thursday/Sunday, Friday/Monday or Saturday/Tuesday. Each day of the Week of Football will feature eight to ten games.

The nine group winners will qualify directly for the final tournament. The eight best runners-up will contest play-offs to decide the last four qualifiers for the finals.

The 13 qualifiers then join hosts Russia in the finals to make it 14 UEFA member associations represented.

### How qualification works

The other confederations have the following qualifying berths:

Africa: 5

Asia: 4.5

North and Central America and Caribbean: 3.5

Oceania: 0.5

South America: 4.5



## Match-by-match lineups

### Bulgaria

#### FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

##### Group A

| Team            | Pld      | W        | D        | L        | GF        | GA        | Pts       |
|-----------------|----------|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>France</b>   | <b>8</b> | <b>5</b> | <b>2</b> | <b>1</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>5</b>  | <b>17</b> |
| Sweden          | 8        | 5        | 1        | 2        | 18        | 7         | 16        |
| Netherlands     | 8        | 4        | 1        | 3        | 16        | 11        | 13        |
| <b>Bulgaria</b> | <b>8</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>0</b> | <b>4</b> | <b>13</b> | <b>17</b> | <b>12</b> |
| Luxembourg      | 8        | 1        | 2        | 5        | 7         | 17        | 5         |
| Belarus         | 8        | 1        | 2        | 5        | 4         | 16        | 5         |

##### Matchday 1 (06/09/2016)

###### Bulgaria 4-3 Luxembourg

**Goals:** 1-0 Rangelov 16, 1-1 Joachim 60, 1-2 Joachim 62, 2-2 Marcelinho 65, 3-2 Popov 79, 3-3 Bohnert 90+1, 4-3 Tonev 90+2

**Bulgaria:** Stoyanov, Popov, Nedyalkov, Chorbadzhiyski, Alexandrov (56 Chochev), Rangelov, Popov (85 Bojilov), Marcelinho, Ivanov, Milanov (64 Tonev), Dyakov

##### Matchday 2 (07/10/2016)

###### France 4-1 Bulgaria

**Goals:** 0-1 Alexandrov 6 (P), 1-1 Gameiro 23, 2-1 Payet 26, 3-1 Griezmann 38, 4-1 Gameiro 59

**Bulgaria:** Stoyanov, Popov, A. Aleksandrov, Alexandrov (76 Nedelev), Kostadinov, Popov (68 Tonev), Marcelinho (62 Rangelov), Pirgov, Milanov, Milanov, Dyakov

##### Matchday 3 (10/10/2016)

###### Sweden 3-0 Bulgaria

**Goals:** 1-0 Toivonen 39, 2-0 Hiljemark 45, 3-0 Lindelöf 58

**Bulgaria:** Stoyanov, Popov, A. Aleksandrov, Bozhikov, Slavchev (89 Rainov), Kostadinov (53 Alexandrov), Popov, Nedyalkov, Milanov, Chochev (72 Marcelinho), Dyakov

##### Matchday 4 (13/11/2016)

###### Bulgaria 1-0 Belarus

**Goals:** 1-0 Popov 10

**Bulgaria:** Stoyanov, Popov, A. Aleksandrov, Zanev, Slavchev, Delev, Popov (75 Yordanov), Bozhikov, Milanov (53 Chochev), Tonev (66 Kirilov), Dyakov

##### Matchday 5 (25/03/2017)

###### Bulgaria 2-0 Netherlands

**Goals:** 1-0 Delev 5, 2-0 Delev 20

**Bulgaria:** Mihaylov, Popov, Zanev (86 Nedyalkov), Chorbadzhiyski, Slavchev, Kostadinov, Delev (88 Bodurov), Popov (67 Kraev), Manolev, Bozhikov, Tonev

##### Matchday 6 (09/06/2017)

###### Belarus 2-1 Bulgaria

**Goals:** 1-0 Sivakov 33 (P), 2-0 Savitski 80, 2-1 Kostadinov 90+1

**Bulgaria:** Mihaylov, Popov, Zanev, Chorbadzhiyski, Kostadinov, Delev (54 Galabinov), Popov (64 Chochev), Manolev (81 Milanov), Bozhikov, Tonev, Dyakov

##### Matchday 7 (31/08/2017)

###### Bulgaria 3-2 Sweden

**Goals:** 1-0 Manolev 12, 1-1 Lustig 29, 2-1 Kostadinov 33, 2-2 Berg 44, 3-2 Chochev 79

**Bulgaria:** Iliev, Popov, Zanev, Chorbadzhiyski, Slavchev, Kostadinov, Popov (83 Dimitrov), Manolev (75 Kraev), Bozhikov, Milanov (61 Nedelev), Chochev

##### Matchday 8 (03/09/2017)

###### Netherlands 3-1 Bulgaria

**Goals:** 1-0 Pröpper 7, 2-0 Robben 67, 2-1 Kostadinov 69, 3-1 Pröpper 80

**Bulgaria:** Iliev, Popov, Zanev, Zehirov (46 Milanov), Terziev, Kostadinov, Popov, Manolev (60 Galabinov), Bozhikov, Chochev, Tsvetkov (24 Slavchev)

**Matchday 9 (07/10/2017)**

Bulgaria-France

**Matchday 10 (10/10/2017)**

Luxembourg-Bulgaria

## France

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### FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

**Matchday 1 (06/09/2016)**

**Belarus 0-0 France**

**France:** Mandanda, Kurzawa, Varane, Pogba, Griezmann, Giroud (83 Gameiro), Martial (57 Payet), Kanté, Sissoko (69 Dembélé), Sidibé, Koscielny

**Matchday 2 (07/10/2016)**

**France 4-1 Bulgaria**

**Goals:** 0-1 Alexandrov 6 (P) , 1-1 Gameiro 23, 2-1 Payet 26, 3-1 Griezmann 38, 4-1 Gameiro 59

**France:** Lloris, Kurzawa, Varane, Pogba, Griezmann (83 Fekir), Payet, Gameiro (72 Gignac), Matuidi, Sissoko, Sagna (27 Sidibé), Koscielny

**Matchday 3 (10/10/2016)**

**Netherlands 0-1 France**

**Goals:** 0-1 Pogba 30

**France:** Lloris, Sidibé, Kurzawa, Varane, Pogba, Griezmann (93 Kanté), Payet (67 Martial), Gameiro (79 Gignac), Matuidi, Sissoko, Koscielny

**Matchday 4 (11/11/2016)**

**France 2-1 Sweden**

**Goals:** 0-1 Forsberg 55, 1-1 Pogba 58, 2-1 Payet 65

**France:** Lloris, Evra, Varane, Pogba, Griezmann (88 Kanté), Payet, Giroud, Matuidi, Sissoko, Sidibé, Koscielny

**Matchday 5 (25/03/2017)**

**Luxembourg 1-3 France**

**Goals:** 0-1 Giroud 28, 1-1 Joachim 34 (P) , 1-2 Griezmann 37 (P) , 1-3 Giroud 77

**France:** Lloris, Griezmann, Payet (78 Mbappé), Giroud, Dembélé, Kanté, Matuidi (83 Rabiot), B. Mendy, Sidibé (62 Jallet), Koscielny, Umtiti

**Matchday 6 (09/06/2017)**

**Sweden 2-1 France**

**Goals:** 0-1 Giroud 37, 1-1 Durmaz 43, 2-1 Toivonen 90+3

**France:** Lloris, B. Mendy, Varane, Pogba, Griezmann (75 Mbappé), Giroud, Payet (76 Lemar), Matuidi, Sissoko, Sidibé, Koscielny

**Matchday 7 (31/08/2017)**

**France 4-0 Netherlands**

**Goals:** 1-0 Griezmann 14, 2-0 Lemar 73, 3-0 Lemar 88, 4-0 Mbappé 90+1

**France:** Lloris, Kurzawa, Umtiti, Pogba, Griezmann (89 Fekir), Lemar, Giroud (75 Mbappé), Coman (80 Lacazette), Kanté, Sidibé, Koscielny

**Matchday 8 (03/09/2017)**

**France 0-0 Luxembourg**

**France:** Lloris, Kurzawa, Umtiti, Pogba, Griezmann (81 Fekir), Lemar, Giroud (59 Lacazette), Kanté, Sidibé, Mbappé (59 Coman), Koscielny

**Matchday 9 (07/10/2017)**

Bulgaria-France

**Matchday 10 (10/10/2017)**

France-Belarus

# Legend

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## Competitions

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### 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

## Other abbreviations

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**(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

**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

## Statistics

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**-:** Denotes player substituted  
**\***: Denotes player sent off

**+**: Denotes player introduced  
**+/-:** Denotes player introduced and substituted

## Squad list

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**D:** Disciplinary  
**\***: Misses next match if booked  
**S:** Suspended

**Overall:** Total appearances in the UEFA European Under-21 Championship final tournament only

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