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**SL Benfica**

**Stadio Olimpico - Rome**

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Round of 32, First leg



**Arsenal FC**

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## Previous meetings

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#### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/11/1991	R2	Arsenal FC - <b>SL Benfica</b>	1-3 agg 2-4 (aet)	London	Pates 19; Isaiás 35, 109 ET, Kulkov 100 ET
23/10/1991	R2	SL Benfica - Arsenal FC	1-1	Lisbon	Isaiás 15; Campbell 18

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
SL Benfica	1	0	1	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	1	0	4	2
Arsenal FC	1	0	0	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	1	1	2	4

### SL Benfica - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

#### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
31/10/2017	GS	<b>Manchester United FC</b> - SL Benfica	2-0	Manchester	Svilar 45 (og), Blind 78 (P)
18/10/2017	GS	SL Benfica - <b>Manchester United FC</b>	0-1	Lisbon	Rashford 64

#### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
20/03/2014	R16	<b>SL Benfica</b> - Tottenham Hotspur	2-2 agg: 5-3	Lisbon	Garay 34, Lima 90+5 (P); Chadli 78, 79
13/03/2014	R16	Tottenham Hotspur - <b>SL Benfica</b>	1-3	London	Eriksen 64; Rodrigo 30, Luisão 58, 84

#### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
15/05/2013	F	SL Benfica - <b>Chelsea FC</b>	1-2	Amsterdam	Cardozo 68 (P); Torres 60, Ivanović 90+3
11/04/2013	QF	Newcastle United FC - <b>SL Benfica</b>	1-1 agg: 2-4	Newcastle	Cissé 71; Salvio 90+2
04/04/2013	QF	<b>SL Benfica</b> - Newcastle United FC	3-1	Lisbon	Rodrigo 25, Lima 65, Cardozo 71 (P); Cissé 12

#### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
04/04/2012	QF	<b>Chelsea FC</b> - SL Benfica	2-1 agg: 3-1	London	Lampard 21 (P), Raul Meireles 90+2; Javi García 85
27/03/2012	QF	SL Benfica - <b>Chelsea FC</b>	0-1	Lisbon	Kalou 75

### UEFA Champions League

22/11/2011	GS	Manchester United FC - SL Benfica	2-2	Manchester	Berbatov 30, D. Fletcher 59; Jones 3 (og), Aimar 61
14/09/2011	GS	SL Benfica - Manchester United FC	1-1	Lisbon	Cardozo 24; Giggs 42

### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
08/04/2010	QF	Liverpool FC - SL Benfica	4-1 agg: 5-3	Liverpool	Kuyt 27, Lucas Leiva 34, Torres 59, 82; Cardozo 70
01/04/2010	QF	SL Benfica - Liverpool FC	2-1	Lisbon	Cardozo 59 (P), 79 (P); Agger 9
05/11/2009	GS	Everton FC - SL Benfica	0-2	Liverpool	Saviola 63, Cardozo 76
22/10/2009	GS	SL Benfica - Everton FC	5-0	Lisbon	Saviola 14, 83, Cardozo 47, 48, Luisão 52

### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/12/2006	GS	Manchester United FC - SL Benfica	3-1	Manchester	Vidić 45+1, Giggs 61, Saha 75; Néelson 27
26/09/2006	GS	SL Benfica - Manchester United FC	0-1	Lisbon	Saha 60

### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
08/03/2006	R16	Liverpool FC - SL Benfica	0-2 agg: 0-3	Liverpool	Simão 36, Miccoli 89
21/02/2006	R16	SL Benfica - Liverpool FC	1-0	Lisbon	Luisão 84
07/12/2005	GS	SL Benfica - Manchester United FC	2-1	Lisbon	Geovanni 16, Beto 34; Scholes 6
27/09/2005	GS	Manchester United FC - SL Benfica	2-1	Manchester	Giggs 39, Van Nistelrooy 85; Simão 59

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/11/1984	R2	SL Benfica - Liverpool FC	1-0 agg: 2-3	Lisbon	Manniche 4 (P)
24/10/1984	R2	Liverpool FC - SL Benfica	3-1	Liverpool	Rush 44, 70, 76; Diamantino 51

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
21/03/1984	QF	SL Benfica - Liverpool FC	1-4 agg: 1-5	Lisbon	Nené 73; Whelan 9, 87, Johnston 32, Rush 78
07/03/1984	QF	Liverpool FC - SL Benfica	1-0	Liverpool	Rush 67

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
15/03/1978	QF	Liverpool FC - SL Benfica	4-1 agg: 6-2	Liverpool	Callaghan 6, Dalglish 17, McDermott 76, Neal 87; Nené 25
01/03/1978	QF	SL Benfica - Liverpool FC	1-2	Lisbon	Nené 13; Case 36, Hughes 71

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
08/11/1972	R2	SL Benfica - Derby County FC	0-0 agg: 0-3	Lisbon	
25/10/1972	R2	Derby County FC - SL Benfica	3-0	Derby	McFarland 7, Hector 8, McGovern 39

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
29/05/1968	F	Manchester United FC - SL Benfica	4-1 (aet)	London	B. Charlton 53, 99 ET, Best 92 ET, Kidd 94 ET; Graça 79

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
09/03/1966	QF	SL Benfica - Manchester United FC	1-5 agg: 3-8	Lisbon	Brennan 51 (og); Best 6, 11, Connelly 14, Crerand 76, B. Charlton 87
02/02/1966	QF	Manchester United FC - SL Benfica	3-2	Manchester	Herd 35, Law 45, Foulkes 60; José Augusto 10, Torres 80

### European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
05/04/1962	SF	Tottenham Hotspur - SL Benfica	2-1 agg: 3-4	London	Smith 34, Blanchflower 48 (P); Águas 16
21/03/1962	SF	SL Benfica - Tottenham Hotspur	3-1	Lisbon	Simões 5, José Augusto 19, 64; Smith 54

## Arsenal FC - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/11/2019	GS	Vitória SC - Arsenal FC	1-1	Guimaraes	Bruno Duarte 90+1; Mustafi 81
24/10/2019	GS	Arsenal FC - Vitória SC	3-2	London	Martinelli 32, Pépé 80, 90+3; Edwards 9, Bruno Duarte 37

### UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
08/11/2018	GS	Arsenal FC - Sporting Clube de Portugal	0-0	London	
25/10/2018	GS	Sporting Clube de Portugal - <b>Arsenal FC</b>	0-1	Lisbon	Welbeck 78

### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
23/11/2010	GS	<b>SC Braga</b> - Arsenal FC	2-0	Braga	Matheus 83, 90+3
15/09/2010	GS	<b>Arsenal FC</b> - SC Braga	6-0	London	Fàbregas 9 (P), 53, Arshavin 30, Chamakh 34, Vela 69, 84

### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
09/03/2010	R16	<b>Arsenal FC</b> - FC Porto	5-0 agg: 6-2	London	Bendtner 10, 25, 90+1 (P), Nasri 63, Eboué 66
17/02/2010	R16	<b>FC Porto</b> - Arsenal FC	2-1	Porto	Varela 11, Falcao 51; Campbell 18

### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
10/12/2008	GS	<b>FC Porto</b> - Arsenal FC	2-0	Porto	Bruno Alves 39, Lisandro 54
30/09/2008	GS	<b>Arsenal FC</b> - FC Porto	4-0	London	Van Persie 31, 48, Adebayor 40, 71 (P)

### UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
06/12/2006	GS	FC Porto - Arsenal FC	0-0	Porto	
26/09/2006	GS	<b>Arsenal FC</b> - FC Porto	2-0	London	Henry 38, Hleb 48

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
SL Benfica	17	7	4	6	17	4	2	11	2	0	0	2	36	11	6	19	48	62
Arsenal FC	7	5	1	1	7	1	3	3	0	0	0	0	14	6	4	4	25	13

## Match background

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Two clubs of considerable European pedigree who have reached five UEFA Cup and UEFA Europa League finals between them but never lifted the trophy meet in an intriguing round of 32 tie, with Benfica taking on Arsenal in the first leg in Rome.

- The Portuguese giants came through Group D undefeated, with three wins and three draws, but had to settle for second place behind Rangers. Arsenal claimed maximum points from Group B, where they did the double over Rapid Wien, Dundalk and fellow qualifiers Molde, scoring 20 goals in the process – the most ever by an English team in a UEFA Europa League group.

### Previous meetings

- The clubs have been paired just once previously in UEFA competition, Sven Göran Eriksson's Benfica getting the better of George Graham's Gunners in a 1991/92 European Cup second round tie with a 3-1 comeback victory in extra time in London after a 1-1 first-leg draw in Lisbon, Eagles striker Isaiás scoring three times in the tie.

- Benfica have won just 11 of their 36 matches against English clubs (D6 L19), losing European finals to Manchester United (1968 European Cup, 1-4) and Chelsea (2013 UEFA Europa League, 1-2). At home their record is W7 D4 L6, but in the past decade five matches against Premier League visitors have yielded one win, two draws and two defeats, the most recent game a 0-1 loss to Manchester United in the 2017/18 UEFA Champions League group stage.

- The Lisbon club's record in two-legged ties against English opposition is W5 L7, with victories in the two most recent, both in the UEFA Europa League – against Newcastle United in the 2012/13 quarter-finals (3-1 h, 1-1 a) and Arsenal's local rivals Tottenham Hotspur in the 2013/14 round of 16 (3-1 a, 2-2 h).

- Arsenal have won only one of their seven previous UEFA competition encounters away to Portuguese clubs (D3 L3) and have never scored more than once in any of those games, managing just four goals in total. Their last such fixture brought a 1-1 draw at Vitória Guimarães in last season's group stage.

- This is just the third two-legged tie Arsenal have been involved in against Portuguese opponents. Having lost the first of them against Benfica, they won the second, 6-2 on aggregate against Porto in the 2009/10 UEFA Champions League round of 16, with Nicklas Bendtner scoring a hat-trick in the second-leg 5-0 home win. That is the Gunners' most recent last-16 success in the UEFA Champions League, the seven ties since having all ended in defeat.

### Form guide

#### Benfica

- Runners-up to Porto in the 2019/20 Portuguese Liga and Taça de Portugal, Benfica's bid to make it 11 successive appearances in the UEFA Champions League proper foundered on entry in this season's third qualifying round when, under newly reappointed head coach Jorge Jesus, they lost 2-1 at PAOK. They therefore entered the UEFA Europa League group stage for the first time since the competition's inaugural season of 2009/10.

- Benfica made a strong start to Group D, beating Lech Poznań 4-2 away and Standard Liège 3-0 at home before drawing twice with Rangers (3-3 h, 2-2 a) and sealing further progress with a 4-0 win over the Polish side in Lisbon. Although relatively unfamiliar with the UEFA Europa League group stage, Benfica have played more matches in the competition's knockout phase than any other club (40) and were runners-up in both 2012/13 (to Chelsea) and 2013/14 (to Sevilla) under Jesus.

- The Lisbon giants are appearing in the round of 32 for the seventh time. They won their first five ties, remaining unbeaten in all ten matches, but were unable to prolong that unblemished record last season, going out to Shakhtar Donetsk (1-2 a, 3-3 h).

- The Eagles have never lost at home in the UEFA Europa League – a record run of 26 matches, qualifying included, that comprises 21 victories. In the knockout phase their 19 matches have yielded 15 wins and four draws, two of the latter coming in their last two round of 32 fixtures – 0-0 against Galatasaray in 2018/19 (2-1 on aggregate) and 3-3 against Shakhtar last term.

- Benfica have played three previous UEFA matches in Rome, where their record is W1 L2. They followed a win (2-1) and a loss (0-1) at the Stadio Olimpico against Roma with a 3-1 defeat by Lazio on their most recent visit, in the third qualifying round of the 2003/04 UEFA Champions League, losing the tie 4-1 on aggregate.

#### Arsenal

- Eighth in the 2019/20 Premier League, Arsenal ensured a 25th consecutive season in Europe by winning the FA Cup under new manager Mikel Arteta – the club's record 14th triumph in the competition – with a 2-1 victory over London rivals Chelsea in the final. Their third successive UEFA Europa League campaign was ended in the round of 32 by Olympiacos.

- UEFA Champions League ever-presents for 19 seasons in a row from 1998/99 to 2016/17, Arsenal reached the

UEFA Europa League semi-finals at the first attempt in 2017/18, losing to eventual winners Atlético de Madrid, before going one step further and making it to the 2018/19 final, where they were defeated 4-1 by Chelsea in Baku. They have been group winners on all four UEFA Europa League appearances – an unprecedented feat – and this season became the 11th team in the competition to top their section with maximum points thanks to wins against Rapid (2-1 a, 4-1 h), Dundalk (3-0 h, 4-2 a) and Molde (4-1 h, 3-0 a).

- Arsenal won their first two UEFA Europa League round of 32 ties, against Östersund (3-0 a, 1-2 h) and BATE Borisov (0-1 a, 3-0 h), before succumbing last season to a late extra-time goal at home to Olympiacos that eliminated them on away goals (1-0 a, 1-2 h).

- The Gunners are unbeaten in nine European away games (W7 D2) since Rennes defeated them 3-1 in the 2018/19 UEFA Europa League round of 16 first leg. Their overall away record in the UEFA Europa League knockout phase is W5 D1 L3, with wins in each of the last three fixtures.

- Arsenal have happy memories of the Stadio Olimpico. A 1-1 draw there against Lazio on their first visit helped them to qualify from the first group stage of the 2000/01 UEFA Champions League, and they were 3-1 victors against Roma at the venue two years later in the second group stage. Although they lost to Roma on their third and most recent visit, 0-1 in the second leg of the 2008/09 UEFA Champions League round of 16, they won the ensuing penalty shoot-out 7-6.

### UEFA Europa League squad changes

#### • Benfica

**In:** Branimir Kalaica, Lucas Veríssimo (Santos)

**Out:** Ferro (Valencia, loan), Jean-Clair Tobido (end of loan)

#### • Arsenal

**In:** Gabriel Martinelli, Martin Ødegaard (Real Madrid, loan), Mat Ryan (Brighton, loan)

**Out:** Sead Kolašinac (Schalke, loan), Matt Macey (Hibernian), Ainsley Maitland-Niles (West Brom, loan), Shkodran Mustafi (Schalke), Joe Willock (Newcastle, loan), Rúnar Rúnarsson

### Links and trivia

- Arsenal defender Kieran Tierney's next appearance in UEFA club competition will be his 50th.

- David Luiz was a Benfica player from January 2007 to January 2011, making 132 appearances for the Lisbon club and winning the 2009/10 Portuguese Liga under current Eagles boss Jesus. Since leaving Benfica the Brazilian defender has played against them three times in Europe for Chelsea, winning all three games including the 2012/13 UEFA Europa League final in Amsterdam.

- Arsenal's Spanish defender Pablo Marí was coached by Jesus at Flamengo in 2019, winning the Brazilian Série A title and the Copa Libertadores.

- Jan Vertonghen spent eight years in north London with Tottenham, accumulating 315 appearances in all competitions, before joining Benfica last summer, while fellow new defensive recruit Nicolás Otamendi arrived in Lisbon after five seasons at Manchester City, during which he won seven major trophies.

- Benfica midfielder Adel Taarabt spent the early part of his career in England, playing for three London clubs – Tottenham, Queens Park Rangers and Fulham.

- Arsenal's Granit Xhaka and Benfica's Haris Seferović are Switzerland team-mates.

- Benfica's Luca Waldschmidt and Julian Weigl are fellow German internationals of Arsenal goalkeeper Bernd Leno.

- Arsenal's Portuguese international Cédric played in his homeland for Benfica's Lisbon rivals Sporting CP as well as Académica Coimbra.

- Benfica are one of six former European Cup winners in this season's UEFA Europa League knockout phase, the others being Ajax, Crvena zvezda, Manchester United, AC Milan and PSV Eindhoven.

- Benfica were runners-up in the 1982/83 UEFA Cup as well as the 2012/13 and 2013/14 UEFA Europa League, while Arsenal were losing finalists in the 1999/2000 UEFA Cup and 2018/19 UEFA Europa League. Both clubs have lost UEFA Europa League finals to Chelsea.

- Arsenal's win at Dundalk on Matchday 6 was their 29th in the UEFA Europa League, group stage to final, the most in the competition by an English club – three more than local rivals Tottenham, who have played an additional 11 matches.

- Benfica midfielder Pizzi is the joint leading scorer in this season's UEFA Europa League with six goals, the same number as Yusuf Yazıcı of LOSC Lille.

## Team facts

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### SL Benfica

**Formed:** 1904

**Nickname:** As Águias (The Eagles)

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

- European Cup (2): 1961, 1962, (1963), (1965), (1968), (1988), (1990)
- UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League: (1983), (2013), (2014)

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

League title: 37 (2019)

Portuguese Cup: 26 (2017)

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

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

**2018/19:** quarter-finals (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

**2017/18:** UEFA Champions League group stage

**2016/17:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2015/16:** UEFA Champions League quarter-finals

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

**2013/14:** runners-up (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

**2012/13:** runners-up (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

**2011/12:** UEFA Champions League quarter-finals

**2010/11:** semi-finals (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

### Records

#### UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

**10-0:** Benfica v Stade Dudelange

05/10/65, European Champion Clubs' Cup preliminary round second leg

- Biggest away win

**0-8:** Stade Dudelange v Benfica

30/09/65, European Champion Clubs' Cup preliminary round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

**1-5:** Benfica v Manchester United

09/03/66, European Champion Clubs' Cup quarter-finals second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

**7-0:** Celta Vigo v Benfica

25/11/99, UEFA Cup third round first leg

#### UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League

- Biggest home win

**5-0:** Benfica v Everton

22/10/09, group stage

- Biggest away win

**0-5:** Izola v Benfica

30/09/92, first round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

**1-3:** Benfica v Bayern München

05/12/95, third round second leg

**0-2:** Benfica v Galatasaray

06/11/08, group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

**7-0:** Celta Vigo v Benfica (see above)

### Arsenal FC

**Formed:** 1886

**Nickname:** The Gunners



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

- UEFA Champions League: (2006)
- UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League: (2000), (2019)
- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (1): (1980), 1994, (1995)
- UEFA Super Cup: (1994)

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

League title: 13 (2004)  
FA Cup: 14 (2020)  
League Cup: 2 (1993)

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

**2019/20:** round of 32

**2018/19:** runners-up

**2017/18:** semi-finals

**2016/17:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2015/16:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2014/15:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2013/14:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2012/13:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2011/12:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

**2010/11:** UEFA Champions League round of 16

### Records

#### UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

**7-0:** Arsenal v Slavia Praha

23/10/07, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Biggest away win

**0-7:** Standard Liège v Arsenal

03/11/93, UEFA Cup Winners' Cup second round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

**1-5:** Arsenal v Bayern München

07/03/17, UEFA Champions League round of 16 second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

**5-1** twice, most recently v Bayern München

15/02/17, UEFA Champions League round of 16 first leg

**4-0:** AC Milan v Arsenal

15/02/12, UEFA Champions League round of 16 first leg

#### UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League

- Biggest home win

**6-0:** Arsenal v BATE Borisov

07/12/17, group stage

- Biggest away win

**1-4:** Lokomotive Leipzig v Arsenal

27/09/78, first round second leg

**0-3** five times, most recently v Molde

26/11/20, group stage

- Heaviest home defeat

**2-5:** Arsenal v Spartak Moskva

29/09/82, first round second leg

- Heaviest away defeat

**3-1:** Rennes v Arsenal

07/03/19, round of 16 first leg

*Arsenal also lost 4-1 to Chelsea in the 2019 final, a match in which they were the designated away team*

# Squad list

## SL Benfica

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	Mile Svilar	BEL	27/08/1999	21	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	3	-
24	Samuel Soares	POR	15/06/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	Leobrian Kokubo	JPN	23/01/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
77	Helton Leite	BRA	02/11/1990	30	-	-	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	2	-
99	Odisseas Vlachodimos	GRE	26/04/1994	26	-	1	-	4	-	17	-	12	-	33	-
<b>Defenders</b>															
2	Gilberto	BRA	07/03/1993	27	-	-	-	4	-	14	-	6	-	6	-
3	Alejandro Grimaldo	ESP	20/09/1995	25	-	1	-	4	-	16	2	11	1	36	3
4	Lucas Verissimo	BRA	02/07/1995	25	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5	Jan Vertonghen	BEL	24/04/1987	33	-	1	-	6	1	17	-	59	4	105	6
30	Nicolás Otamendi	ARG	12/02/1988	33	-	-	-	4	-	14	1	18	1	76	2
33	Jardel	BRA	29/03/1986	34	-	-	-	4	-	5	-	17	2	52	3
34	André Almeida	POR	10/09/1990	30	-	1	-	-	-	4	-	16	-	58	-
40	Pedro Ganchas	POR	31/05/2000	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
63	Godfried Frimpong	NED	21/04/1999	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
70	Filipe Cruz	POR	19/02/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
71	Nuno Tavares	POR	26/01/2000	21	-	-	-	4	-	10	-	4	-	4	-
72	Tomás Araújo	POR	16/05/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
75	Branimir Kalaica	CRO	01/06/1998	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
82	João Ferreira	POR	22/03/2001	19	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	1	-	1	-
89	Pedro Alvaro	POR	02/03/2000	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Midfielders</b>															
7	Everton	BRA	22/03/1996	24	-	1	-	6	1	17	3	6	1	7	1
8	Gabriel	POR	18/09/1993	27	-	-	-	5	-	11	1	9	-	18	-
17	Diogo Gonçalves	POR	06/02/1997	24	-	-	-	3	-	8	-	3	-	7	-
19	Chiquinho	POR	19/07/1995	25	-	-	-	2	-	9	1	4	-	7	-
21	Pizzi	POR	06/10/1989	31	-	1	-	6	6	18	2	15	8	57	13
28	Julian Weigl	GER	08/09/1995	25	-	1	-	5	1	17	-	20	1	47	2
38	Pedrinho	BRA	13/04/1998	22	-	1	-	4	-	10	-	4	-	5	-
43	David Tavares	POR	18/03/1999	21	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
49	Adel Taarabt	FRA	24/05/1989	31	-	1	-	4	-	14	-	9	-	16	-
55	Paulo Bernardo	POR	24/01/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
58	Ronaldo Camará	POR	05/01/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
68	Rafael Brito	POR	19/01/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
81	Ilija Vukotić	MNE	07/01/1999	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
88	Gonçalo Ramos	POR	20/06/2001	19	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	2	-	2	-
<b>Forwards</b>															
9	Darwin Núñez	URU	24/06/1999	21	-	1	-	5	5	18	4	5	5	6	5
10	Luca Waldschmidt	GER	19/05/1996	24	-	-	-	6	1	15	6	6	1	6	1

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								Current season				All-time			
								UCL	UEL	League		UEL		UEFA	
11	<b>Franco Cervi</b>	ARG	26/05/1994	26	-	-	-	2	-	<b>7</b>	-	7	-	32	4
14	<b>Haris Seferović</b>	SUI	22/02/1992	28	-	1	-	5	-	<b>16</b>	<b>8</b>	12	1	38	6
27	<b>Rafa Silva</b>	POR	17/05/1993	27	-	1	1	6	1	<b>16</b>	<b>3</b>	25	5	40	7
39	<b>Henrique Araújo</b>	POR	19/01/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
78	<b>Tiago Araújo</b>	POR	27/03/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
85	<b>Umaro Embaló</b>	POR	06/05/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Coach</b>															
-	Jorge Jesus	POR	24/07/1954	66	-	1	-	6	-	-	-	70	-	130	-

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No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season				All-time			
						UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
<b>Goalkeepers</b>													
1	Bernd Leno	GER	04/03/1992	28	-	2	-	23	-	17	-	58	-
33	Mathew Ryan	AUS	08/04/1992	28	-	-	-	1	-	22	-	30	-
44	Karl Hein	EST	13/04/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	James Hillson	ENG	14/01/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
53	Arthur Okwonko	ENG	09/09/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
59	Thomas Andrew Salvatore Smith	ENG	30/01/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Defenders</b>													
2	Héctor Bellerín	ESP	19/03/1995	25	-	1	-	21	1	12	1	27	1
3	Kieran Tierney	SCO	05/06/1997	23	-	4	-	17	1	20	1	49	1
6	Gabriel	BRA	19/12/1997	23	-	1	-	15	2	1	-	7	-
16	Rob Holding	ENG	20/09/1995	25	-	1	-	21	-	17	1	18	1
17	Cédric	POR	31/08/1991	29	-	6	-	7	-	20	-	28	-
21	Calum Chambers	ENG	20/01/1995	26	-	2	-	-	-	13	-	23	-
22	Pablo Marí	ESP	31/08/1993	27	-	2	1	3	-	2	1	2	1
23	David Luiz	BRA	22/04/1987	33	-	3	1	14	-	39	4	98	11
39	Tolaji Bola	ENG	04/01/1999	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
49	Joel López	ESP	31/03/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
60	Zak Swanson	ENG	28/09/2000	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
71	Alexander Kirk	ENG	27/10/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
79	Zachariah Olumide Ebunoluwa Awe	ENG	09/01/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
89	Zane Monlouis	ENG	16/10/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
90	Brooke Dion Nelson Norton-Cuffy	ENG	12/01/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Midfielders</b>													
7	Bukayo Saka	ENG	05/09/2001	19	-	2	-	21	5	10	2	10	2
8	Dani Ceballos	ESP	07/08/1996	24	-	5	-	17	-	11	1	19	1
11	Martin Ødegaard	NOR	17/12/1998	22	-	-	-	3	-	-	-	3	-
12	Willian	BRA	09/08/1988	32	-	3	-	18	-	38	4	116	23
18	Thomas Partey	GHA	13/06/1993	27	-	1	-	11	-	9	-	41	2
25	Mohamed Elneny	EGY	11/07/1992	28	-	5	1	13	-	49	4	73	5
32	Emile Smith Rowe	ENG	28/07/2000	20	-	3	1	-	-	10	3	10	3
34	Granit Xhaka	SUI	27/09/1992	28	-	3	-	20	1	38	3	66	6
36	Ryan Adebioru	ENG	17/12/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
41	Ben Cottrell	ENG	31/10/2001	19	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
66	Miguel Azeez	ENG	20/09/2002	18	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	1	-
86	Omari Giraud-Hutchinson	ENG	30/10/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
91	Charlie Patino	ENG	17/10/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Forwards</b>													
9	Alexandre Lacazette	FRA	28/05/1991	29	-	3	1	20	8	43	20	69	26
14	Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	GAB	18/06/1989	31	-	1	1	20	8	36	20	74	38
19	Nicolas Pépé	CIV	29/05/1995	25	-	6	3	16	4	12	5	12	5
24	Reiss Nelson	ENG	10/12/1999	21	-	4	1	2	-	14	1	19	1

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						Current season				All-time			
						UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
30	Eddie <b>Nketiah</b>	ENG	30/05/1999	21	-	6	3	14	1	13	3	13	3
35	Gabriel <b>Martinelli</b>	BRA	18/06/2001	19	-	-	-	5	-	7	3	7	3
38	Folarin <b>Balogun</b>	ENG	03/07/2001	19	-	4	2	-	-	4	2	4	2
42	Trae <b>Coyle</b>	ENG	11/01/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
50	Jordan <b>McEneff</b>	IRL	08/01/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
<b>Coach</b>													
-	Mikel Arteta	ESP	26/03/1982	38	-	6	-	-	-	8	-	11	-

## Fixtures and results

### SL Benfica

Date	Competition	Opponent		Result	Goalscorers
15/09/2020	UCL	PAOK FC (A)	L	1-2	Rafa Silva 90+4
18/09/2020	League	FC Famalicao (A)	W	5-1	Waldschmidt 19, 66, Everton 21, Grimaldo 42, Rafa Silva 52
26/09/2020	League	Moreirense FC (H)	W	2-0	Rúben Dias 20, Seferović 80
04/10/2020	League	SC Farense (H)	W	3-2	Pizzi 15, Seferović 79, 87
18/10/2020	League	Rio Ave FC (A)	W	3-0	Waldschmidt 6, 45+4, Gabriel 84
22/10/2020	UEL	KKS Lech Poznań (A)	W	4-2	Pizzi 9 (P), Nuñez 42, 60, 90+3
26/10/2020	League	Os Belenenses (H)	W	2-0	Seferović 6, Nuñez 75
29/10/2020	UEL	R. Standard de Liège (H)	W	3-0	Pizzi 49 (P), 76, Waldschmidt 66 (P)
02/11/2020	League	Boavista FC (A)	L	0-3	
05/11/2020	UEL	Rangers FC (H)	D	3-3	Goldson 2 (og), Rafa Silva 77, Nuñez 90+1
08/11/2020	League	SC Braga (H)	L	2-3	Seferović 68, 86
21/11/2020	Cup	União Sport Clube Paredes (A)	W	1-0	Samaris 26
26/11/2020	UEL	Rangers FC (A)	D	2-2	Tavernier 78 (og), Pizzi 81
30/11/2020	League	CS Marítimo (A)	W	2-1	Pizzi 32, Everton 51
03/12/2020	UEL	KKS Lech Poznań (H)	W	4-0	Vertonghen 36, Nuñez 57, Pizzi 58, Weigl 89
06/12/2020	League	FC Paços de Ferreira (H)	W	2-1	Rafa Silva 58, Waldschmidt 90+4
10/12/2020	UEL	R. Standard de Liège (A)	D	2-2	Everton 16, Pizzi 67 (P)
13/12/2020	Cup	Vilafranquense (H)	W	5-0	Gonçalo Ramos 11, Pizzi 13, Seferović 15, 42, Pedrinho 57
20/12/2020	League	Gil Vicente FC (A)	W	2-0	de Souza Prado 59 (og), Everton 65
29/12/2020	League	Portimonense SC (H)	W	2-1	Nuñez 13, Rafa Silva 23
04/01/2021	League	CD Santa Clara (A)	D	1-1	Nuñez 33
08/01/2021	League	CD Tondela (H)	W	2-0	Seferović 54, Waldschmidt 90+4
12/01/2021	Cup	Club Football Estrela (A)	W	4-0	Chiquinho 42, 62, Seferović 52, Waldschmidt 66
15/01/2021	League	FC Porto (A)	D	1-1	Grimaldo 17
25/01/2021	League	CD Nacional (H)	D	1-1	Chiquinho 14
28/01/2021	Cup	Os Belenenses (H)	W	3-0	Nuñez 32, Rafa Silva 37, Cervi 72
01/02/2021	League	Sporting Clube de Portugal (A)	L	0-1	
05/02/2021	League	Vitória SC (H)	D	0-0	
08/02/2021	League	FC Famalicao (H)	W	2-0	Nuñez 3, Otamendi 7
11/02/2021	Cup	Estoril Praia (A)	W	3-1	Nuñez 44, 77, Seferović 68
14/02/2021	League	Moreirense FC (A)	D	1-1	Seferović 25
18/02/2021	UEL	Arsenal FC (H)			
21/02/2021	League	SC Farense (A)			
25/02/2021	UEL	Arsenal FC (A)			
01/03/2021	League	Rio Ave FC (H)			
04/03/2021	Cup	Estoril Praia (H)			
07/03/2021	League	Os Belenenses (A)			
14/03/2021	League	Boavista FC (H)			

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21/03/2021	League	SC Braga (A)		
03/04/2021	League	CS Marítimo (H)		
11/04/2021	League	FC Paços de Ferreira (A)		
18/04/2021	League	Gil Vicente FC (H)		
21/04/2021	League	Portimonense SC (A)		
25/04/2021	League	CD Santa Clara (H)		
02/05/2021	League	CD Tondela (A)		
09/05/2021	League	FC Porto (H)		
12/05/2021	League	CD Nacional (A)		
16/05/2021	League	Sporting Clube de Portugal (H)		
19/05/2021	League	Vitória SC (A)		

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Sporting Clube de Portugal	19	16	3	0	40	10	51
2	FC Porto	19	12	5	2	43	21	41
3	SC Braga	19	13	1	5	33	18	40
<b>4</b>	<b>SL Benfica</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>38</b>
5	FC Paços de Ferreira	19	10	5	4	26	16	35
6	Vitória SC	19	9	5	5	24	19	32
7	Moreirense FC	19	6	7	6	18	23	25
8	CD Santa Clara	19	7	4	8	20	22	25
9	Rio Ave FC	19	5	7	7	16	22	22
10	CD Nacional	19	5	6	8	18	24	21
11	CD Tondela	19	6	3	10	19	30	21
12	Portimonense SC	19	5	4	10	18	24	19
13	Os Belenenses	19	3	9	7	9	15	18
14	SC Farense	19	4	5	10	22	29	17
15	CS Marítimo	19	5	2	12	18	28	17
16	Gil Vicente FC	19	4	4	11	15	26	16
17	FC Famalicao	19	3	6	10	17	32	15
18	Boavista FC	19	2	9	8	19	32	15

## Arsenal FC

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
12/09/2020	League	Fulham FC (A)	W 3-0	Lacazette 8, Gabriel 49, Aubameyang 57
19/09/2020	League	West Ham United FC (H)	W 2-1	Lacazette 25, Nketiah 85
23/09/2020	Cup	Leicester City FC (A)	W 2-0	Fuchs 57 (og), Nketiah 90
28/09/2020	League	Liverpool FC (A)	L 1-3	Lacazette 25
01/10/2020	Cup	Liverpool FC (A)	D 0-0 (aet, 5-4 pens)	
04/10/2020	League	Sheffield United FC (H)	W 2-1	Saka 61, Pépé 64
17/10/2020	League	Manchester City FC (A)	L 0-1	
22/10/2020	UEL	SK Rapid Wien (A)	W 2-1	David Luiz 70, Aubameyang 74
25/10/2020	League	Leicester City FC (H)	L 0-1	

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29/10/2020	UEL	Dundalk FC (H)	W	3-0	Nketiah 42, Willock 44, Pépé 46
01/11/2020	League	Manchester United FC (A)	W	1-0	Aubameyang 69 (P)
05/11/2020	UEL	Molde FK (H)	W	4-1	Haugen 45+1 (og), Sinyan 62 (og), Pépé 69, Willock 88
08/11/2020	League	Aston Villa FC (H)	L	0-3	
22/11/2020	League	Leeds United (A)	D	0-0	
26/11/2020	UEL	Molde FK (A)	W	3-0	Pépé 50, Nelson 55, Balogun 83
29/11/2020	League	Wolverhampton Wanderers FC (H)	L	1-2	Gabriel 30
03/12/2020	UEL	SK Rapid Wien (H)	W	4-1	Lacazette 10, Pablo Marí 18, Nketiah 44, Smith Rowe 66
06/12/2020	League	Tottenham Hotspur (A)	L	0-2	
10/12/2020	UEL	Dundalk FC (A)	W	4-2	Nketiah 12, Elneny 18, Willock 67, Balogun 80
13/12/2020	League	Burnley FC (H)	L	0-1	
16/12/2020	League	Southampton FC (H)	D	1-1	Aubameyang 52
19/12/2020	League	Everton FC (A)	L	1-2	Pépé 35 (P)
22/12/2020	Cup	Manchester City FC (H)	L	1-4	Lacazette 31
26/12/2020	League	Chelsea FC (H)	W	3-1	Lacazette 35 (P), Xhaka 44, Saka 56
29/12/2020	League	Brighton & Hove Albion FC (A)	W	1-0	Lacazette 66
02/01/2021	League	West Bromwich Albion FC (A)	W	4-0	Tierney 23, Saka 28, Lacazette 60, 64
09/01/2021	Cup	Newcastle United FC (H)	W	2-0 aet	Smith Rowe 109 ET, Aubameyang 117 ET
14/01/2021	League	Crystal Palace FC (H)	D	0-0	
18/01/2021	League	Newcastle United FC (H)	W	3-0	Aubameyang 50, 77, Saka 60
23/01/2021	Cup	Southampton FC (A)	L	0-1	
26/01/2021	League	Southampton FC (A)	W	3-1	Pépé 8, Saka 39, Lacazette 72
30/01/2021	League	Manchester United FC (H)	D	0-0	
02/02/2021	League	Wolverhampton Wanderers FC (A)	L	1-2	Pépé 32
06/02/2021	League	Aston Villa FC (A)	L	0-1	
14/02/2021	League	Leeds United (H)	W	4-2	Aubameyang 13, 41 (P), 47, Bellerín 45
18/02/2021	UEL	SL Benfica (A)			
21/02/2021	League	Manchester City FC (H)			
25/02/2021	UEL	SL Benfica (H)			
28/02/2021	League	Leicester City FC (A)			
06/03/2021	League	Burnley FC (A)			
13/03/2021	League	Tottenham Hotspur (H)			
20/03/2021	League	West Ham United FC (A)			
03/04/2021	League	Liverpool FC (H)			
10/04/2021	League	Sheffield United FC (A)			
17/04/2021	League	Fulham FC (H)			
24/04/2021	League	Everton FC (H)			
01/05/2021	League	Newcastle United FC (A)			
08/05/2021	League	West Bromwich Albion FC (H)			
12/05/2021	League	Chelsea FC (A)			
15/05/2021	League	Crystal Palace FC (A)			



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15/05/2021	League	Crystal Palace FC (A)		
23/05/2021	League	Brighton & Hove Albion FC (H)		

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Manchester City FC	24	17	5	2	49	15	56
2	Manchester United FC	24	13	7	4	50	31	46
3	Leicester City FC	24	14	4	6	42	26	46
4	Chelsea FC	24	12	6	6	40	24	42
5	West Ham United FC	24	12	6	6	37	28	42
6	Liverpool FC	24	11	7	6	45	32	40
7	Everton FC	23	11	4	8	35	33	37
8	Aston Villa FC	22	11	3	8	36	24	36
9	Tottenham Hotspur	23	10	6	7	36	25	36
<b>10</b>	<b>Arsenal FC</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>34</b>
11	Leeds United	23	10	2	11	40	42	32
12	Wolverhampton Wanderers FC	24	8	6	10	25	32	30
13	Southampton FC	23	8	5	10	30	39	29
14	Crystal Palace FC	24	8	5	11	27	42	29
15	Burnley FC	24	7	6	11	18	30	27
16	Brighton & Hove Albion FC	24	5	11	8	25	30	26
17	Newcastle United FC	24	7	4	13	25	40	25
18	Fulham FC	24	3	10	11	20	32	19
19	West Bromwich Albion FC	24	2	7	15	19	55	13
20	Sheffield United FC	24	3	2	19	15	40	11

## Match-by-match lineups

### SL Benfica

#### UEFA Champions League - Third qualifying round

(15/09/2020)

##### PAOK FC 2-1 SL Benfica

**Goals:** 1-0 Giannoulis 63, 2-0 A. Živković 75, 2-1 Rafa Silva 90+4

**SL Benfica:** Vlachodimos, Grimaldo, Vertonghen, Rúben Dias, Everton, Seferović (72 Carlos Vinícius), Pizzi, Weigl, André Almeida, Pedrinho (65 Nuñez), Taarabt (72 Rafa Silva)

#### UEFA Europa League - Group stage

##### Group D

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Rangers FC	6	4	2	0	13	7	14
<b>SL Benfica</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>12</b>
R. Standard de Liège	6	1	1	4	7	14	4
KKS Lech Poznań	6	1	0	5	6	14	3

##### Matchday 1 (22/10/2020)

###### KKS Lech Poznań 2-4 SL Benfica

**Goals:** 0-1 Pizzi 9 (P) , 1-1 Ishak 15, 1-2 Nuñez 42, 2-2 Ishak 48, 2-3 Nuñez 60, 2-4 Nuñez 90+3

**SL Benfica:** Vlachodimos, Gilberto, Grimaldo (67 Nuno Tavares), Vertonghen, Everton (87 Jardel), Gabriel, Nuñez, Waldschmidt (62 Pedrinho), Pizzi (46 Rafa Silva), Otamendi, Taarabt (62 Weigl)

##### Matchday 2 (29/10/2020)

###### SL Benfica 3-0 R. Standard de Liège

**Goals:** 1-0 Pizzi 49 (P) , 2-0 Waldschmidt 66 (P) , 3-0 Pizzi 76

**SL Benfica:** Vlachodimos, Vertonghen, Everton, Gabriel (72 Weigl), Nuñez (72 Seferović), Waldschmidt (68 Taarabt), Diogo Gonçalves, Pizzi (79 Gonçalo Ramos), Otamendi, Pedrinho (46 Rafa Silva), Nuno Tavares

##### Matchday 3 (05/11/2020)

###### SL Benfica 3-3 Rangers FC

**Goals:** 1-0 Goldson 2 (og) , 1-1 Diogo Gonçalves 24 (og) , 1-2 Kamara 25, 1-3 Morelos 51, 2-3 Rafa Silva 77, 3-3 Nuñez 90+1

**SL Benfica:** Vlachodimos, Vertonghen, Everton (67 Waldschmidt), Seferović (60 Nuñez), Diogo Gonçalves (46 Gilberto), Pizzi (21 Jardel), Rafa Silva, Weigl, Otamendi, Taarabt, Nuno Tavares (46 Grimaldo)

##### Matchday 4 (26/11/2020)

###### Rangers FC 2-2 SL Benfica

**Goals:** 1-0 Arfield 7, 2-0 Roofe 69, 2-1 Tavernier 78 (og) , 2-2 Pizzi 81

**SL Benfica:** Leite, Gilberto (69 Gonçalo Ramos), Grimaldo, Vertonghen, Everton, Gabriel, Waldschmidt (56 Diogo Gonçalves), Seferović (92 Ferro), Chiquinho (56 Pizzi), Rafa Silva, Jardel

##### Matchday 5 (03/12/2020)

###### SL Benfica 4-0 KKS Lech Poznań

**Goals:** 1-0 Vertonghen 36, 2-0 Nuñez 57, 3-0 Pizzi 58, 4-0 Weigl 89

**SL Benfica:** Vlachodimos, Gilberto, Grimaldo, Vertonghen, Everton (70 Pedrinho), Gabriel, Nuñez (60 Seferović), Chiquinho (60 Weigl), Pizzi (59 Waldschmidt), Rafa Silva (77 Cervi), Otamendi

##### Matchday 6 (10/12/2020)

###### R. Standard de Liège 2-2 SL Benfica

**Goals:** 1-0 Raskin 12, 1-1 Everton 16, 2-1 Tapsoba 60, 2-2 Pizzi 67 (P)

**SL Benfica:** Leite, Vertonghen, Everton, Nuñez, Waldschmidt (64 Pizzi), Weigl (80 Gabriel), Jardel, Pedrinho (64 Rafa Silva), Taarabt (83 Seferović), Nuno Tavares (80 Cervi), João Ferreira

#### Round of 32

##### Matchday 7 (18/02/2021)

SL Benfica-Arsenal FC

## Matchday 8 (25/02/2021)

Arsenal FC-SL Benfica

## Arsenal FC

### UEFA Europa League - Group stage

#### Group B

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
<b>Arsenal FC</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>18</b>
Molde FK	6	3	1	2	9	11	10
SK Rapid Wien	6	2	1	3	11	13	7
Dundalk FC	6	0	0	6	8	19	0

#### Matchday 1 (22/10/2020)

##### SK Rapid Wien 1-2 Arsenal FC

**Goals:** 1-0 Fountas 51, 1-1 David Luiz 70, 1-2 Aubameyang 74

**Arsenal FC:** Leno, Gabriel, Saka (84 Tierney), Lacazette (84 Willock), Cédric (61 Bellerín), Partey, Pépé (93 Nelson), David Luiz, Elneny, Nketiah (61 Aubameyang), Kolašinac

#### Matchday 2 (29/10/2020)

##### Arsenal FC 3-0 Dundalk FC

**Goals:** 1-0 Nketiah 42, 2-0 Willock 44, 3-0 Pépé 46

**Arsenal FC:** Rúnarsson, Maitland-Niles, Cédric, Pépé (62 Willian), Mustafi (62 Ceballos), Nelson, Elneny, Willock, Nketiah (74 Balogun), Kolašinac, Xhaka (74 Tierney)

#### Matchday 3 (05/11/2020)

##### Arsenal FC 4-1 Molde FK

**Goals:** 0-1 Ellingsen 21, 1-1 Haugen 45+1 (og), 2-1 Sinyan 62 (og), 3-1 Pépé 69, 4-1 Willock 88

**Arsenal FC:** Leno, Ceballos (80 Elneny), Willian (63 Saka), Maitland-Niles (63 Cédric), Pépé, Mustafi, David Luiz, Willock, Nketiah, Kolašinac, Xhaka (80 Tierney)

#### Matchday 4 (26/11/2020)

##### Molde FK 0-3 Arsenal FC

**Goals:** 0-1 Pépé 50, 0-2 Nelson 55, 0-3 Balogun 83

**Arsenal FC:** Rúnarsson, Lacazette (75 Smith Rowe), Maitland-Niles, Cédric, Pépé, Mustafi, David Luiz (46 Holding), Nelson, Willock (75 Tierney), Nketiah (82 Balogun), Xhaka (62 Ceballos)

#### Matchday 5 (03/12/2020)

##### Arsenal FC 4-1 SK Rapid Wien

**Goals:** 1-0 Lacazette 10, 2-0 Pablo Marí 18, 3-0 Nketiah 44, 3-1 Kitagawa 47, 4-1 Smith Rowe 66

**Arsenal FC:** Rúnarsson, Lacazette (63 Smith Rowe), Maitland-Niles, Cédric, Pépé, Mustafi (70 Chambers), Pablo Marí, Nelson (63 Willian), Elneny (63 Ceballos), Nketiah (81 Balogun), Kolašinac

#### Matchday 6 (10/12/2020)

##### Dundalk FC 2-4 Arsenal FC

**Goals:** 0-1 Nketiah 12, 0-2 Elneny 18, 1-2 Flores 22, 1-3 Willock 67, 1-4 Balogun 80, 2-4 Hoare 85

**Arsenal FC:** Rúnarsson, Maitland-Niles, Cédric, Pépé, Mustafi, Chambers, Pablo Marí, Elneny (62 Ceballos), Willock (83 Azeez), Nketiah (62 Balogun), Smith Rowe (77 Cottrell)

### Round of 32

#### Matchday 7 (18/02/2021)

SL Benfica-Arsenal FC

#### Matchday 8 (25/02/2021)

Arsenal FC-SL Benfica

## Match officials

<b>Referee</b>	Cüneyt Çakır (TUR)
<b>Assistant referees</b>	Bahattin Duran (TUR) , Tarik Ongun (TUR)
<b>Video Assistant Referee</b>	Massimiliano Irrati (ITA)
<b>Assistant Video Assistant Referee</b>	Michael Fabbri (ITA)
<b>Fourth official</b>	Halis Özkahya (TUR)
<b>UEFA Delegate</b>	Eduard Dervishaj (ESP)
<b>UEFA Referee observer</b>	Elmir Pilav (BIH)

## Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Europa League matches	UEFA matches
Cüneyt Çakır	23/11/1976	24	127

## Cüneyt Çakır

**Referee since:** 1994

**First division:** 2001

**FIFA badge:** 2006

**Tournaments:** 2018 FIFA World Cup, 2017 FIFA U-20 World Cup, 2016 Olympic Games, UEFA EURO 2016, 2014 FIFA World Cup, 2013 FIFA U-20 World Cup, UEFA EURO 2012, 2011 FIFA U-20 World Cup, 2009 UEFA European Under-21 Championship, 2007 UEFA European Under-19 Championship

### Finals

2015 UEFA Champions League

2012 FIFA Club World Cup

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
20/08/2009	UEL	PO	CD Nacional	FC Zenit	4-3	Funchal
29/04/2010	UEL	SF	Fulham FC	Hamburger SV	2-1	London
17/03/2011	UEL	R16	Manchester City FC	FC Dynamo Kyiv	1-0	Manchester
16/02/2012	UEL	R32	FC Porto	Manchester City FC	1-2	Porto
15/03/2012	UEL	R16	Athletic Club	Manchester United FC	2-1	Bilbao
24/04/2014	UEL	SF	SL Benfica	Juventus	2-1	Lisbon
10/03/2016	UEL	R16	Borussia Dortmund	Tottenham Hotspur	3-0	Dortmund
14/04/2016	UEL	QF	Liverpool FC	Borussia Dortmund	4-3	Liverpool

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
18/07/2007	U19	GS-FT	Spain	Portugal	1-1	Steyr
26/07/2008	UIC	R3	Aston Villa FC	Odense BK	1-0	Birmingham
06/09/2008	WC	QR	Andorra	England	0-2	Barcelona
15/06/2009	U21	GS-FT	England	Finland	2-1	Halmstad

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
20/08/2009	UEL	PO	CD Nacional	FC Zenit	4-3	Funchal
29/04/2010	UEL	SF	Fulham FC	Hamburger SV	2-1	London
03/11/2010	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC	FC Spartak Moskva	4-1	London
17/03/2011	UEL	R16	Manchester City FC	FC Dynamo Kyiv	1-0	Manchester
22/11/2011	UCL	GS	Manchester United FC	SL Benfica	2-2	Manchester
16/02/2012	UEL	R32	FC Porto	Manchester City FC	1-2	Porto
15/03/2012	UEL	R16	Athletic Club	Manchester United FC	2-1	Bilbao
24/04/2012	UCL	SF	FC Barcelona	Chelsea FC	2-2	Barcelona
27/06/2012	EURO	SF	Portugal	Spain	0-0	Donetsk
02/10/2012	UCL	GS	SL Benfica	FC Barcelona	0-2	Lisbon
20/11/2012	UCL	GS	Juventus	Chelsea FC	3-0	Turin
05/03/2013	UCL	R16	Manchester United FC	Real Madrid CF	1-2	Manchester
24/04/2014	UEL	SF	SL Benfica	Juventus	2-1	Lisbon
08/09/2014	EURO	QR	Switzerland	England	0-2	Basel
30/09/2014	UCL	GS	FC Shakhtar Donetsk	FC Porto	2-2	Lviv
17/02/2015	UCL	R16	Paris Saint-Germain	Chelsea FC	1-1	Paris
18/08/2015	UCL	PO	Sporting Clube de Portugal	PFC CSKA Moskva	2-1	Lisbon
20/10/2015	UCL	GS	Arsenal FC	FC Bayern München	2-0	London
09/12/2015	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC	FC Porto	2-0	London
23/02/2016	UCL	R16	Arsenal FC	FC Barcelona	0-2	London
10/03/2016	UEL	R16	Borussia Dortmund	Tottenham Hotspur	3-0	Dortmund
14/04/2016	UEL	QF	Liverpool FC	Borussia Dortmund	4-3	Liverpool
26/04/2016	UCL	SF	Manchester City FC	Real Madrid CF	0-0	Manchester
14/06/2016	EURO	GS-FT	Portugal	Iceland	1-1	Saint-Etienne
27/09/2016	UCL	GS	Leicester City FC	FC Porto	1-0	Leicester
18/10/2016	UCL	GS	Bayer 04 Leverkusen	Tottenham Hotspur	0-0	Leverkusen
11/11/2016	WC	QR	England	Scotland	3-0	London
23/11/2016	UCL	GS	VfL Borussia Mönchengladbach	Manchester City FC	1-1	Monchengladbach
23/08/2017	UCL	PO	FCSB	Sporting Clube de Portugal	1-5	Bucharest
27/09/2017	UCL	GS	Club Atlético de Madrid	Chelsea FC	1-2	Madrid
10/10/2017	WC	QR	Portugal	Switzerland	2-0	Lisbon
01/11/2017	UCL	GS	Tottenham Hotspur	Real Madrid CF	3-1	London
20/02/2018	UCL	R16	Chelsea FC	FC Barcelona	1-1	London
18/09/2018	UCL	GS	Liverpool FC	Paris Saint-Germain	3-2	Liverpool
28/11/2018	UCL	GS	Tottenham Hotspur	FC Internazionale Milano	1-0	London
06/03/2019	UCL	R16	FC Porto	AS Roma	3-1	Porto
17/04/2019	UCL	QF	Manchester City FC	Tottenham Hotspur	4-3	Manchester
07/05/2019	UCL	SF	Liverpool FC	FC Barcelona	4-0	Liverpool
07/09/2019	EURO	QR	Serbia	Portugal	2-4	Belgrade
17/09/2019	UCL	GS	Chelsea FC	Valencia CF	0-1	London
19/02/2020	UCL	R16	Tottenham Hotspur	RB Leipzig	0-1	London

# 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>GS1:</b> First group stage	<b>GS2:</b> Second group stage
<b>3QR:</b> Third qualifying round	<b>R1:</b> First round
<b>R2:</b> Second round	<b>R3:</b> Third round
<b>R4:</b> Fourth round	<b>PR:</b> Preliminary round
<b>SF:</b> Semi-finals	<b>QF:</b> Quarter-finals
<b>R16:</b> round of 16	<b>QR:</b> Qualifying round
<b>R32:</b> Round of 32	<b>1QR:</b> First qualifying round
<b>1st:</b> first leg	<b>2QR:</b> Second qualifying round
<b>2nd:</b> second leg	<b>FT:</b> Final tournament
<b>PO:</b> Play-off	<b>ELITE:</b> Elite round
<b>Rep:</b> Replay	<b>3rdPO:</b> Third-place play-off
<b>PO - FT:</b> Play-off for Final Tournament	<b>GS-FT:</b> Group stage – final tournament

## Other abbreviations

<b>(aet):</b> After extra time	<b>pens:</b> Penalties
<b>No.:</b> Number	<b>og:</b> Own goal
<b>ag:</b> Match decided on away goals	<b>P:</b> Penalty
<b>Pld:</b> Matches played	<b>agg:</b> Aggregate
<b>Pos.:</b> Position	<b>AP:</b> Appearances
<b>Pts:</b> Points	<b>Comp.:</b> Competition
<b>R:</b> Sent off (straight red card)	<b>D:</b> Drawn
<b>Res.:</b> Result	<b>DoB:</b> Date of birth
<b>sg:</b> Match decided by silver goal	<b>ET:</b> Extra Time
<b>GF:</b> Goals for	<b>GA:</b> Goals against
<b>gg:</b> Match decided by golden goal	<b>t:</b> Match decided by toss of a coin
<b>Y/R:</b> Sent off (two yellow cards)	<b>W:</b> Won
<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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