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Rangers FC

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

No UEFA competition matches have been played between these two teams

Royal Antwerp FC - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
31/10/1989	R2	Dundee United FC - Royal Antwerp FC	3-2 agg: 3-6	Dundee	Paatelainen 42, O'Neill 61, Clark 87; Lehnhoff 18, Claesen 21
17/10/1989	R2	Royal Antwerp FC - Dundee United FC	4-0	Deurne	Geilenkirchen 23, Van Rooy 24, 31, Claesen 48

Rangers FC - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
03/12/2020	GS	Rangers FC - R. Standard de Liège	3-2	Glasgow	Goldson 39, Tavernier 45+1 (P), Arfield 63; Lestienne 6, Čop 41
22/10/2020	GS	R. Standard de Liège - Rangers FC	0-2	Liege	Tavernier 19 (P), Roope 90+3

UEFA Champions League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
17/03/1993	GS	Rangers FC - Club Brugge	2-1	Glasgow	Durrant 41, Nisbet 72; Staelens 52
03/03/1993	GS	Club Brugge - Rangers FC	1-1	Bruges	Dziubinski 44; Huistra 73

European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
14/02/1962	QF	Rangers FC - R. Standard de Liège	2-0 agg: 3-4	Glasgow	Brand 28, Caldwell 89 (P)
07/02/1962	QF	R. Standard de Liège - Rangers FC	4-1	Liege	Claessen 7, Crossan 40, 51, Vliers 56; Wilson 18

European Champions Clubs' Cup

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
23/09/1959	PR	RSC Anderlecht - Rangers FC	0-2 agg: 2-7	Brussels	Matthew 67, McMillan 72
16/09/1959	PR	Rangers FC - RSC Anderlecht	5-2	Glasgow	Millar 1, Scott 2, Matthew 48, Baird 65, 73 (P); Stockman 52, Dewael 64

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Royal Antwerp FC	1	1	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	1	6	3
Rangers FC	4	4	0	0	4	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	8	6	1	1	18	10

Match background

A place in the UEFA Europa League round of 16 awaits one of Antwerp and Rangers as the teams from Belgium and Scotland come together for the first time in UEFA competition.

- Antwerp finished second in Group J during the autumn, their 12-point tally one fewer than section winners Tottenham Hotspur, who leapfrogged them with a 2-0 win in London on Matchday 6. Rangers, meanwhile, topped their group in impressive style, doing the double over both Lech Poznań and Antwerp's domestic rivals Standard Liège as well as holding Benfica to two draws.

Previous meetings

- Antwerp's only previous UEFA tie against Scottish opposition dates back to October 1989 and a 6-3 aggregate win over Dundee United in the second round of the UEFA Cup (4-0 h, 2-3 a).
- A 4-1 defeat by Standard in 1962 that contributed towards a 4-3 aggregate loss in the European Cup quarter-final is Rangers' only reverse in eight games against Belgian opposition (W6 D1), the two most recent being the Group D fixtures against Standard in the autumn, which the Glasgow giants won 2-0 away and 3-2 at home, skipper James Tavernier scoring a penalty in each game and striker Kemar Roofe capping the victory in Belgium with a spectacular goal from his own half.

Form guide

Antwerp

- Antwerp beat champions Club Brugge 1-0 in the 2019/20 Belgian Cup final – the club's first victory in the competition for 28 years – to secure a place in the UEFA Europa League group stage for the first time.
- Last season Antwerp returned to European competition for the first time in a quarter of a century but were unable to negotiate their way through UEFA Europa League qualifying. However, this term they are through to the knockout phase, having won four of the six games on their group stage debut, including a memorable 1-0 home success against Tottenham, to finish two points ahead of third-placed LASK Linz. Since the group stage the club have replaced their cup-winning Croatian coach Ivan Leko with legendary former Belgian international Franky Vercauteren.
- This is Antwerp's first springtime European fixture since the 1992/93 European Cup Winners' Cup final, which they lost 1-0 to Parma at Wembley.
- Since then the Great Old have won three and lost five of their eight European home games, the victory against Spurs in this season's group stage accompanied by a 0-1 reverse against LASK and a 3-1 win against Ludogorets.

Rangers

- Rangers were in second place 13 points behind Celtic when the 2019/20 Scottish Premiership came to a premature end. They also enjoyed a lengthy run in Europe, progressing from the first qualifying round of the UEFA Europa League all the way to the round of 16, where, as Scotland's last team standing, they were eliminated by Bayer Leverkusen (1-3 h, 0-1 a).
- Steven Gerrard's side came through three qualifiers to reach this season's group stage, beating Lincoln Red Imps (5-0) and Willem II (4-0) on the road before a 2-1 play-off success against Galatasaray at Ibrox. They made it five wins out of five by beating Standard and Lech (1-0 h) in the first two games of Group D before holding Benfica 3-3 in Lisbon and 2-2 in Glasgow and then posting second wins against their Belgian and Polish opponents to seal top spot.
- The Gers have won both of their previous UEFA Europa League round of 32 ties, overcoming Sporting CP on away goals in 2010/11 (1-1 h, 2-2 a) and another Portuguese club, Braga, last season (3-2 h, 1-0 a). They also won back-to-back UEFA Cup round of 32 ties in 2006/07 (v Hapoel Tel-Aviv, 1-2 a, 4-0 h) and 2007/08 (v Panathinaikos, 0-0 h, 1-1 a), going on to reach the final in the latter campaign.
- That 1-0 victory at Braga was Rangers' first on the road in the UEFA Europa League proper, their away record in the competition, group stage to final, now standing at W3 D6 L4. There have been no away defeats in Europe this season (W4 D1), with clean sheets in four of those five matches.

UEFA Europa League squad changes

• Antwerp

In: Felipe Avanetti (Standard Liège, loan), Didier Lamkel Zé, Maxime Le Marchand (Fulham, loan), Ortwin De Wolf
Out: Cristian Benavente (Charleroi, loan), Simen Juklerød, Benson Manuel (Zwolle, loan), Jean Butez

• Rangers

In: Jack Simpson (Bournemouth), Scott Wright (Aberdeen)
Out: Brandon Barker (Oxford, loan), Nicky Hogarth (Cowdenbeath, loan), Dapo Mebude (Queen of the South, loan), Cameron Palmer (Linfield), Jack Thomson (Clyde, loan), Ben Williamson (Arbroath, loan)

Links and trivia

- Rangers' Ryan Jack is one game away from making his 50th appearance in UEFA club competition.
- Rangers' Romanian midfielder Ianis Hagi spent the first half of 2019/20 in Belgium with Genk before joining the Scottish club, initially on loan.
- Rooft joined Rangers from Anderlecht in August 2020. His final match for the Brussels club was a 0-0 draw away to Antwerp on 27 December 2019.
- Uruguayan striker Felipe Avenatti joined Antwerp in January from Standard, with whom he appeared twice as a substitute against Rangers in the group stage.
- Antwerp striker Dieumerci Mbokani and Rangers goalkeeper Allan McGregor were both at English club Hull City during the first half of the 2016/17 season.
- Only one of Rangers manager Gerrard's 114 international appearances for England came against Belgium; he captained his country to a 1-0 friendly win at Wembley on 2 June 2012.
- One of six UEFA Europa League group stage debutants in 2020/21, Antwerp are now one of five clubs appearing in the knockout phase of the competition for the first time, the others being Granada, Hoffenheim, Leicester City and Wolfsburg.

Team facts

Royal Antwerp FC

Formed: 1880

Nickname: The Great Old

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup: (1993)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 4 (1957)

Belgian Cup: 3 (2020)

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

2019/20: play-offs

2018/19: did not take part in UEFA competition

2017/18: did not take part in UEFA competition

2016/17: did not take part in UEFA competition

2015/16: did not take part in UEFA competition

2014/15: did not take part in UEFA competition

2013/14: did not take part in UEFA competition

2012/13: did not take part in UEFA competition

2011/12: did not take part in UEFA competition

2010/11: did not take part in UEFA competition

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

4-0 twice, most recently v Nea Salamis

05/07/97, UEFA Intertoto Cup group stage

- Biggest away win

1-4: Zürich v Antwerp

14/09/83, UEFA Cup first round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

0-5: Antwerp v Newcastle

13/04/94, UEFA Cup first round first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

6-0: Real Madrid v Antwerp

28/11/57, European Champion Clubs' Cup first round second leg

UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League

- Biggest home win

4-0: Antwerp v Dundee United

17/10/89, second round first leg

- Biggest away win

1-4: Zürich v Antwerp (see above)

- Heaviest home defeat

0-5: Antwerp v Newcastle (see above)

- Heaviest away defeat

5-2: Newcastle v Antwerp

27/09/94, UEFA Cup first round second leg

Rangers FC

Formed: 1872

Nicknames: The Gers, The Teddy Bears, The Light Blues

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Cup: (2008)

- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (1): (1961), (1967), 1972

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 54 (2011)

Scottish Cup: 33 (2009)

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

2019/20: round of 16

2018/19: group stage

2017/18: first qualifying round

2016/17: did not take part in UEFA competition

2015/16: did not take part in UEFA competition

2014/15: did not take part in UEFA competition

2013/14: did not take part in UEFA competition

2012/13: did not take part in UEFA competition

2011/12: play-offs (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2010/11: round of 16 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

Records

UEFA club competition

• Biggest home win

10-0: Rangers v Valletta

28/09/83, European Cup Winners' Cup first round second leg

• Biggest away win

0-8: Valletta v Rangers

14/09/83, European Cup Winners' Cup first round first leg

• Heaviest home defeat

0-4: Rangers v Juventus

01/11/95, UEFA Champions League group stage

• Heaviest away defeat

6-1: Eintracht Frankfurt v Rangers

13/04/60, European Cup semi-finals first leg

5-0: Köln v Rangers

03/11/82, UEFA Cup second round second leg

UEFA Cup/UEFA Europa League

• Biggest home win

6-0: Rangers v St Joseph's

18/07/19, first qualifying round second leg

• Biggest away win

0-5 twice, most recently v Lincoln Red Imps

17/09/20, second qualifying round

• Heaviest home defeat

1-3: Rangers v Leverkusen

12/03/20, round of 16 first leg

0-2: Rangers v Auxerre

15/12/04, group stage

• Heaviest away defeat

5-0: Köln v Rangers (see above)

Squad list

Royal Antwerp FC

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season				All-time			
						UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers													
1	Alireza Beiranvand	IRN	21/09/1992	28	-	1	-	9	-	1	-	1	-
41	Thiam Chevaughn	BEL	22/01/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
97	Ortwin De Wolf	BEL	23/04/1997	23	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders													
2	Ritchie De Laet	BEL	28/11/1988	32	-	5	1	26	-	5	1	7	1
4	Abdoulaye Seck	SEN	04/06/1992	28	*	5	-	26	3	5	-	8	-
21	Dylan Batubinsika	FRA	15/02/1996	25	-	3	-	18	2	3	-	7	1
26	Jérémy Gelin	FRA	24/04/1997	23	-	4	-	10	-	11	-	11	-
30	Aurélio Buta	POR	10/02/1997	24	-	6	-	15	-	6	-	9	-
31	Maxime Le Marchand	FRA	11/10/1989	31	-	-	-	1	-	6	1	10	1
52	Iben Julien	BEL	06/03/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55	Japhet Muanza	BEL	25/07/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
63	Zeno Van Den Bosch	BEL	06/07/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
94	Jordan Lukaku	BEL	25/07/1994	26	-	3	-	12	-	12	-	12	-
Midfielders													
5	Birger Verstraete	BEL	16/04/1994	26	*	4	-	11	-	5	-	11	-
7	Didier Lamkel Ze	CMR	17/09/1996	24	S	-	-	11	4	-	-	4	1
11	Lior Refaelov	BEL	26/04/1986	34	-	6	3	26	7	35	10	73	14
15	Frank Boya	CMR	01/07/1996	24	-	3	-	8	-	3	-	3	-
16	Pieter Gerkens	BEL	17/02/1995	26	-	5	2	25	3	11	2	16	2
18	Martin Hongla	CMR	16/03/1998	22	-	6	1	22	3	6	1	8	1
19	Koji Miyoshi	JPN	26/03/1997	23	-	6	-	15	2	6	-	6	-
22	Bruny Nsimba	ANG	05/04/2000	20	-	-	-	5	-	-	-	-	-
23	Opoku Ampomah	GHA	02/01/1996	25	*	5	-	12	1	5	-	5	-
38	Faris Haroun	BEL	22/09/1985	35	*	6	-	19	1	7	-	16	-
42	Lucas Lendfers	NED	26/03/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
43	Joppe Smits	BEL	26/07/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
44	Edon Murataj	BEL	30/07/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
48	Ivan Pavlic	NED	10/11/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
50	Laurit Krasniqi	BEL	14/07/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
62	Brian Agbor	CMR	14/06/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards													
47	Abdel Malik Aziz	NED	14/04/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
49	Ruben Geeraerts	BEL	08/07/2001	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
59	Pieter Van Hees	BEL	20/02/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
70	Dieumerci Mbokani	COD	22/11/1985	35	-	3	-	20	8	35	9	61	20
90	Felipe Avenatti	ITA	26/04/1993	27	-	-	-	1	-	7	-	9	2
Coach													
-	Frank Vercauteren	BEL	28/10/1956	64	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	32	-

Rangers FC

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						QUAL		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
1	Allan McGregor	SCO	31/01/1982	39	-	3	-	5	-	20	-	37	-	87	-
33	Jon McLaughlin	SCO	09/09/1987	33	-	-	-	1	-	9	-	1	-	1	-
49	Brian Kinnear	SCO	16/01/2001	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
71	Jay Hogarth	SCO	18/07/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
78	Jack McConnell	SCO	11/02/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders															
2	James Tavernier	ENG	31/10/1991	29	-	3	3	6	2	29	11	24	3	46	8
3	Calvin Ughelumba	NGA	31/12/1999	21	-	1	-	3	-	7	-	3	-	4	-
5	Filip Helander	SWE	22/04/1993	27	-	2	1	1	-	17	1	7	-	21	1
6	Connor Goldson	ENG	18/12/1992	28	-	3	2	6	1	29	4	22	1	41	5
16	Nathan Patterson	SCO	16/10/2001	19	-	1	-	1	-	2	-	2	-	3	-
26	Leon Balogun	GER	28/06/1988	32	*	-	-	5	-	16	-	7	-	7	-
28	Jack Simpson	ENG	18/12/1996	24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
31	Borna Barišić	CRO	10/11/1992	28	-	3	-	6	-	26	1	18	-	36	3
56	Kyle McClelland	SCO	10/02/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
60	Harris O'Connor	SCO	28/05/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
61	Leon King	SCO	14/01/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
65	Adam Devine	SCO	25/03/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
74	Matthew Henderson	SCO	05/01/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
79	Jack Harkness	SCO	19/01/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
80	Kelsey Ewen	SCO	29/06/2004	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
81	Harley Ewen	SCO	29/06/2004	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Midfielders															
7	Ianis Hagi	ROU	22/10/1998	22	-	3	-	3	1	25	4	7	3	19	4
8	Ryan Jack	SCO	27/02/1992	28	-	1	-	3	-	18	2	14	-	49	1
10	Steven Davis	NIR	01/01/1985	36	-	2	-	4	-	26	-	30	2	56	2
14	Ryan Kent	ENG	11/11/1996	24	-	2	1	6	-	29	6	17	1	25	2
15	Bongani Zungu	RSA	09/10/1992	28	-	-	-	2	-	12	-	2	-	2	-
17	Joe Aribo	ENG	21/07/1996	24	-	-	-	5	-	22	5	13	1	20	4
18	Glen Kamara	FIN	28/10/1995	25	-	3	-	6	1	24	1	14	1	24	1
23	Scott Wright	SCO	08/08/1997	23	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	14	1
36	Jamie Barjonas	SCO	24/01/1999	22	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
37	Scott Arfield	CAN	01/11/1988	32	-	3	1	6	2	21	4	21	3	39	5
55	Ciaran Dickson	SCO	21/05/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
57	Murray Miller	SCO	29/01/2002	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
70	Cole Mckinnon	SCO	29/01/2003	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
73	Robbie Fraser	SCO	02/04/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
76	Alex Lowry	SCO	23/06/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
82	Connor Allan	SCO	10/01/2004	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
84	Mackenzie Strachan	SCO	23/02/2004	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
85	Darren Mcinally	SCO	08/03/2004	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

Rangers FC

														Current season			All-time		
														QUAL	UEL	League	UEL	UEFA	
Forwards																			
11	Cédric Itten	SUI	27/12/1996	24	-	3	-	2	1	22	4	3	1	11	1				
20	Alfredo Morelos	COL	21/06/1996	24	-	3	2	6	2	21	7	20	10	47	26				
24	Greg Stewart	SCO	17/03/1990	30	-	1	-	-	-	2	-	3	-	11	1				
25	Kemar Roofe	ENG	06/01/1993	28	*	1	-	4	2	18	10	4	2	5	2				
58	Christopher McKee	NIR	07/05/2002	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
68	Arron Lyll	SCO	27/09/2003	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
87	Robbie Ure	SCO	26/02/2004	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-				
Coach																			
-	Steven Gerrard	ENG	30/05/1980	40	-	3	-	6	-	-	-	22	-	41	-				

Fixtures and results

Royal Antwerp FC

Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
08/08/2020	League	R. Excel Mouscron (H)	D	1-1 Refaelov 49 (P)
16/08/2020	League	Cercle Brugge KSV (A)	L	1-2 Gerkens 32
22/08/2020	League	KAA Gent (H)	W	1-0 Mbokani 17
30/08/2020	League	R. Charleroi SC (A)	L	0-2
13/09/2020	League	K. Sint-Truidense VV (A)	W	3-2 Juklerod 16, 88, Seck 33
20/09/2020	League	KAS Eupen (H)	D	2-2 Pius 62, 77
25/09/2020	League	KV Kortrijk (A)	W	3-1 Sainsbury 63 (og), Refaelov 82, Mbokani 90+2
02/10/2020	League	KV Mechelen (H)	W	4-1 Bushiri 5 (og), Miyoshi 8, Mbokani 43, Seck 77
18/10/2020	League	SV Zulte Waregem (A)	W	3-1 Haroun 57, Hongla 64, Benavente 90+4
22/10/2020	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (A)	W	2-1 Gerkens 63, Refaelov 70
25/10/2020	League	KFCO Beerschot Wilrijk (H)	W	3-2 Refaelov 7, Juklerod 15, Mbokani 74
29/10/2020	UEL	Tottenham Hotspur (H)	W	1-0 Refaelov 29
01/11/2020	League	RSC Anderlecht (A)	L	0-1
05/11/2020	UEL	LASK (H)	L	0-1
08/11/2020	League	R. Standard de Liège (H)	D	1-1 Refaelov 10
21/11/2020	League	KV Oostende (A)	D	1-1 Refaelov 81
26/11/2020	UEL	LASK (A)	W	2-0 Refaelov 53, Gerkens 83
30/11/2020	League	Oud-Heverlee Leuven (H)	W	3-2 Batubinsika 5, Mbokani 8, Hongla 57
03/12/2020	UEL	PFC Ludogorets 1945 (H)	W	3-1 Hongla 19, De Laet 72, Benson 87
06/12/2020	League	KRC Genk (A)	L	2-4 Miyoshi 3, Mbokani 83
10/12/2020	UEL	Tottenham Hotspur (A)	L	0-2
13/12/2020	League	Club Brugge (H)	L	0-2
16/12/2020	League	SV Zulte Waregem (H)	L	0-1
20/12/2020	League	Waasland-Beveren (A)	W	3-0 Refaelov 25, Ampomah 28, Mbokani 44
27/12/2020	League	R. Charleroi SC (H)	W	2-1 Benavente 73, Mbokani 78
10/01/2021	League	KV Mechelen (A)	L	0-3
17/01/2021	League	KAA Gent (A)	W	1-0 Hongla 75
20/01/2021	League	Cercle Brugge KSV (H)	W	1-0 Lamkel Ze 84
23/01/2021	League	KV Oostende (H)	L	1-2 Gerkens 15
26/01/2021	League	KAS Eupen (A)	W	2-0 Refaelov 18, Seck 28
29/01/2021	League	Waasland-Beveren (H)	W	3-2 Lamkel Ze 18, 57, Batubinsika 87
02/02/2021	Cup	RAAL La Louvière (H)	W	2-1 Mbenza 21, De Laet 75
07/02/2021	League	KFCO Beerschot Wilrijk (A)	W	2-1 Lamkel Ze 84, Gerkens 87
10/02/2021	Cup	Club Brugge (A)	L	1-3 Lamkel Ze 83
14/02/2021	League	R. Standard de Liège (A)	D	1-1 De Pauw 28
18/02/2021	UEL	Rangers FC (H)		
21/02/2021	League	K. Sint-Truidense VV (H)		
25/02/2021	UEL	Rangers FC (A)		
01/03/2021	League	Oud-Heverlee Leuven (A)		
06/03/2021	League	KV Kortrijk (H)		
21/03/2021	League	Club Brugge (A)		

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05/04/2021	League	RSC Anderlecht (H)		
09/04/2021	League	R. Excel Mouscron (A)		
16/04/2021	League	KRC Genk (H)		

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Club Brugge	26	19	3	4	55	18	60
2	Royal Antwerp FC	27	14	5	8	44	36	47
3	KRC Genk	27	12	7	8	51	38	43
4	KV Oostende	27	12	6	9	42	35	42
5	RSC Anderlecht	27	10	12	5	36	27	42
6	Oud-Heverlee Leuven	27	11	7	9	44	43	40
7	R. Standard de Liège	27	10	10	7	38	31	40
8	KV Mechelen	27	11	6	10	41	43	39
9	R. Charleroi SC	26	11	5	10	39	35	38
10	KFCO Beerschot Wilrijk	27	11	4	12	48	52	37
11	SV Zulte Waregem	27	11	4	12	41	47	37
12	KAA Gent	27	10	6	11	40	33	36
13	KV Kortrijk	27	9	6	12	33	40	33
14	KAS Eupen	27	7	11	9	32	43	32
15	K. Sint-Truidense VV	27	8	6	13	35	42	30
16	R. Excel Mouscron	27	6	8	13	23	41	26
17	Waasland-Beveren	27	6	6	15	33	56	24
18	Cercle Brugge KSV	27	7	2	18	30	45	23

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Date	Competition	Opponent	Result	Goalscorers
01/08/2020	League	Aberdeen FC (A)	W 1-0	Kent 21
09/08/2020	League	Saint Mirren FC (H)	W 3-0	McCarthy 23 (og), Morelos 69, 74
12/08/2020	League	St Johnstone FC (H)	W 3-0	Barišić 21, Kent 45+2, Aribo 49
16/08/2020	League	Livingston FC (A)	D 0-0	
22/08/2020	League	Kilmarnock FC (H)	W 2-0	Roofe 50, Kent 77
29/08/2020	League	Hamilton Academical FC (A)	W 2-0	Hagi 15, Tavernier 20
12/09/2020	League	Dundee United FC (H)	W 4-0	Kent 13, Tavernier 39, Roofe 68, Arfield 87
17/09/2020	UEL	Lincoln Red Imps FC (A)	W 5-0	Tavernier 21, Goldson 45+4, Morelos 67, 88, Defoe 84
20/09/2020	League	Hibernian FC (A)	D 2-2	Morelos 45+1, Arfield 57
24/09/2020	UEL	Willem II (A)	W 4-0	Tavernier 22 (P), Kent 25, Helander 55, Goldson 71
27/09/2020	League	Motherwell FC (A)	W 5-1	Tavernier 12 (P), 37 (P), Jones 28, Itten 75, 80
01/10/2020	UEL	Galatasaray AŞ (H)	W 2-1	Arfield 52, Tavernier 59
04/10/2020	League	Ross County FC (H)	W 2-0	Tavernier 17 (P), Barker 88
17/10/2020	League	Celtic FC (A)	W 2-0	Goldson 9, 54
22/10/2020	UEL	R. Standard de Liège (A)	W 2-0	Tavernier 19 (P), Roofe 90+3
25/10/2020	League	Livingston FC (H)	W 2-0	Aribo 9, Defoe 16
29/10/2020	UEL	KKS Lech Poznań (H)	W 1-0	Morelos 68

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01/11/2020	League	Kilmarnock FC (A)	W	1-0	Tavernier 19 (P)
05/11/2020	UEL	SL Benfica (A)	D	3-3	Diogo Gonçalves 24 (og), Kamara 25, Morelos 51
08/11/2020	League	Hamilton Academical FC (H)	W	8-0	Arfield 16, Roofe 18, 54, Aribo 19, 36, Barker 62, Tavernier 65 (P), 69
22/11/2020	League	Aberdeen FC (H)	W	4-0	Kent 15, Roofe 29, Arfield 49, Tavernier 53 (P)
26/11/2020	UEL	SL Benfica (H)	D	2-2	Arfield 7, Roofe 69
03/12/2020	UEL	R. Standard de Liège (H)	W	3-2	Goldson 39, Tavernier 45+1 (P), Arfield 63
06/12/2020	League	Ross County FC (A)	W	4-0	Roofe 28, Tavernier 56, Morris 72 (og), Defoe 90
10/12/2020	UEL	KKS Lech Poznań (A)	W	2-0	Itten 31, Hagi 72
13/12/2020	League	Dundee United FC (A)	W	2-1	Tavernier 26, Goldson 44
19/12/2020	League	Motherwell FC (H)	W	3-1	Roofe 73, 90+4, Itten 82
23/12/2020	League	St Johnstone FC (A)	W	3-0	Roofe 24, Kamara 31, Hagi 47
26/12/2020	League	Hibernian FC (H)	W	1-0	Hagi 33
30/12/2020	League	Saint Mirren FC (A)	W	2-0	Roofe 27, Morelos 33
02/01/2021	League	Celtic FC (H)	W	1-0	C. McGregor 70 (og)
10/01/2021	League	Aberdeen FC (A)	W	2-1	Morelos 32, 50
17/01/2021	League	Motherwell FC (A)	D	1-1	Itten 72
23/01/2021	League	Ross County FC (H)	W	5-0	Kent 6, Helander 28, Aribo 37, Jack 66, Goldson 81
27/01/2021	League	Hibernian FC (A)	W	1-0	Morelos 51
03/02/2021	League	St Johnstone FC (H)	W	1-0	Hagi 52
07/02/2021	League	Hamilton Academical FC (A)	D	1-1	Easton 80 (og)
13/02/2021	League	Kilmarnock FC (H)	W	1-0	Jack 37
18/02/2021	UEL	Royal Antwerp FC (A)			
21/02/2021	League	Dundee United FC (H)			
25/02/2021	UEL	Royal Antwerp FC (H)			
03/03/2021	League	Livingston FC (A)			
06/03/2021	League	Saint Mirren FC (H)			
21/03/2021	League	Celtic FC (A)			

Pos.	Clubs	P	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
1	Rangers FC	29	25	4	0	69	8	79
2	Celtic FC	29	19	7	3	64	22	64
3	Hibernian FC	28	14	7	7	39	26	49
4	Aberdeen FC	29	12	9	8	31	29	45
5	Livingston FC	28	11	6	11	35	34	39
6	Saint Mirren FC	28	9	7	12	27	33	34
7	Dundee United FC	29	8	10	11	26	38	34
8	St Johnstone FC	29	7	9	13	28	39	30
9	Motherwell FC	28	7	7	14	26	43	28
10	Kilmarnock FC	29	7	3	19	26	41	24
11	Hamilton Academical FC	28	6	6	16	28	54	24
12	Ross County FC	28	6	5	17	21	53	23

Match-by-match lineups

Royal Antwerp FC

UEFA Europa League - Group stage

Group J

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Tottenham Hotspur	6	4	1	1	15	5	13
Royal Antwerp FC	6	4	0	2	8	5	12
LASK	6	3	1	2	11	12	10
PFC Ludogorets 1945	6	0	0	6	7	19	0

Matchday 1 (22/10/2020)

PFC Ludogorets 1945 1-2 Royal Antwerp FC

Goals: 1-0 Marin 46, 1-1 Gerkens 63, 1-2 Refaelov 70

Royal Antwerp FC: Butez, De Laet, Juklerod, Refaelov (72 Buta), Gerkens, Hongla (80 Verstraete), Miyoshi, Batubinsika, Benavente (59 Ampomah), Gelin, Haroun

Matchday 2 (29/10/2020)

Royal Antwerp FC 1-0 Tottenham Hotspur

Goals: 1-0 Refaelov 29

Royal Antwerp FC: Butez, De Laet, Seck, Juklerod, Refaelov (88 Benavente), Gerkens, Hongla (69 Verstraete), Miyoshi (58 Buta), Gelin, Haroun, Mbokani

Matchday 3 (05/11/2020)

Royal Antwerp FC 0-1 LASK

Goals: 0-1 Eggestein 55

Royal Antwerp FC: Butez, De Laet, Seck, Verstraete (65 Ampomah), Juklerod (75 Benavente), Refaelov (86 J. Lukaku), Gerkens, Hongla, Miyoshi (63 Buta), Haroun (86 Boya), Mbokani

Matchday 4 (26/11/2020)

LASK 0-2 Royal Antwerp FC

Goals: 0-1 Refaelov 53, 0-2 Gerkens 83

Royal Antwerp FC: Butez, De Laet, Seck, Juklerod (80 Buta), Refaelov (88 Benson), Gerkens, Hongla, Miyoshi (80 J. Lukaku), Batubinsika, Benavente (66 Ampomah), Haroun

Matchday 5 (03/12/2020)

Royal Antwerp FC 3-1 PFC Ludogorets 1945

Goals: 1-0 Hongla 19, 1-1 Despodov 53, 2-1 De Laet 72, 3-1 Benson 87

Royal Antwerp FC: Butez, De Laet, Seck, Juklerod (64 Benson), Refaelov (77 Buta), Gerkens (85 Mbokani), Hongla (77 Boya), Miyoshi, Benavente (64 Ampomah), Gelin, Haroun

Matchday 6 (10/12/2020)

Tottenham Hotspur 2-0 Royal Antwerp FC

Goals: 1-0 Carlos Vinicius 57, 2-0 Lo Celso 71

Royal Antwerp FC: Beiranvand, Seck (72 Verstraete), Refaelov (46 Ampomah), Hongla (58 Boya), Batubinsika, Benavente, Gelin, Benson (72 Miyoshi), Buta, Haroun, J. Lukaku (58 Juklerod)

Round of 32

Matchday 7 (18/02/2021)

Royal Antwerp FC-Rangers FC

Matchday 8 (25/02/2021)

Rangers FC-Royal Antwerp FC

Rangers FC

UEFA Europa League - Second qualifying round

(17/09/2020)

Lincoln Red Imps FC 0-5 Rangers FC

Goals: 0-1 Tavernier 21, 0-2 Goldson 45+4, 0-3 Morelos 67, 0-4 Defoe 84, 0-5 Morelos 88

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier (46 Morelos), Edmundson, Goldson, Hagi, Itten (66 Defoe), Kamara, Stewart, Roofe (42 Patterson), Barišić, Arfield

Third qualifying round

(24/09/2020)

Willem II 0-4 Rangers FC

Goals: 0-1 Tavernier 22 (P) , 0-2 Kent 25, 0-3 Helander 55, 0-4 Goldson 71

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Helander, Goldson, Hagi, S. Davis, Kent (72 Jones), Kamara, Morelos (79 Itten), Barišić (74 Ughelumba), Arfield

Play-off

(01/10/2020)

Rangers FC 2-1 Galatasaray AŞ

Goals: 1-0 Arfield 52, 2-0 Tavernier 59, 2-1 Marcão 87

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Helander, Goldson, Hagi (78 Jack), S. Davis, Kent, Kamara, Morelos (87 Itten), Barišić, Arfield

Group stage

Group D

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Rangers FC	6	4	2	0	13	7	14
SL Benfica	6	3	3	0	18	9	12
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)

R. Standard de Liège 0-2 Rangers FC

Goals: 0-1 Tavernier 19 (P) , 0-2 Roofe 90+3

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Goldson, Hagi (67 Aribó), Jack, Kent, Kamara, Morelos (74 Roofe), Balogun, Barišić (43 Ughelumba), Arfield

Matchday 2 (29/10/2020)

Rangers FC 1-0 KKS Lech Poznań

Goals: 1-0 Morelos 68

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Goldson, Hagi (69 Aribó), S. Davis, Kent (81 Barker), Kamara, Roofe (62 Morelos), Balogun, Barišić, Arfield (81 Jack)

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

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Helander, Goldson, Jack, S. Davis, Kent, Aribó (69 Arfield), Kamara, Morelos, Barišić

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

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Goldson, S. Davis, Kent, Kamara, Morelos, Roofe, Balogun, Barišić, Arfield

Matchday 5 (03/12/2020)

Rangers FC 3-2 R. Standard de Liège

Goals: 0-1 Lestienne 6, 1-1 Goldson 39, 1-2 Čop 41, 2-2 Tavernier 45+1 (P) , 3-2 Arfield 63

Rangers FC: A. McGregor, Tavernier, Goldson, S. Davis, Kent, Kamara, Morelos (79 Aribó), Roofe (89 Itten), Balogun, Barišić (88 Ughelumba), Arfield (86 Zungu)

Matchday 6 (10/12/2020)

KKS Lech Poznań 0-2 Rangers FC

Goals: 0-1 Itten 31, 0-2 Hagi 72

Rangers FC: McLaughlin, Goldson, Hagi (76 Kent), Itten (80 Morelos), Zungu (76 Barker), Patterson (66 Tavernier), Aribo, Kamara, Balogun (80 Ughelumba), Barišić, Arfield

Round of 32

Matchday 7 (18/02/2021)

Royal Antwerp FC-Rangers FC

Matchday 8 (25/02/2021)

Rangers FC-Royal Antwerp FC

Match officials

Referee	Georgi Kabakov (BUL)
Assistant referees	Martin Margaritov (BUL) , Diyan Valkov (BUL)
Video Assistant Referee	Felix Zwayer (GER)
Assistant Video Assistant Referee	Mark Borsch (GER)
Fourth official	Ivan Bebek (CRO)
UEFA Delegate	Peter Oskam (NED)
UEFA Referee observer	Jon Skjervold (NOR)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA Europa League matches	UEFA matches
Georgi Kabakov	22/02/1986	15	56

Georgi Kabakov

Referee since: 2001

First division: 2007

FIFA badge: 2013

Tournaments: 2019 FIFA U-17 World Cup, 2019 UEFA European Under-21 Championship, 2015 UEFA European Under-19 Championship

Finals

N/A

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
06/08/2015	UEL	3QR	FK Željezničar	R. Standard de Liège	0-1	Sarajevo
30/08/2018	UEL	PO	Celtic FC	FK Sūduva	3-0	Glasgow
25/10/2018	UEL	GS	RSC Anderlecht	Fenerbahçe SK	2-2	Brussels
14/02/2019	UEL	R32	Club Brugge	FC Salzburg	2-1	Bruges
20/02/2020	UEL	R32	AS Roma	KAA Gent	1-0	Rome

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
28/03/2015	U19	ELITE	Italy	Scotland	0-0	Lindabrunn
31/03/2015	U19	ELITE	Scotland	Croatia	1-1	Lindabrunn
06/08/2015	UEL	3QR	FK Željezničar	R. Standard de Liège	0-1	Sarajevo
30/08/2018	UEL	PO	Celtic FC	FK Sūduva	3-0	Glasgow
25/10/2018	UEL	GS	RSC Anderlecht	Fenerbahçe SK	2-2	Brussels
14/02/2019	UEL	R32	Club Brugge	FC Salzburg	2-1	Bruges
01/10/2019	UCL	GS	Real Madrid CF	Club Brugge	2-2	Madrid
20/02/2020	UEL	R32	AS Roma	KAA Gent	1-0	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

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

Other abbreviations

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