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Group H - Matchday 6



Malta

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
24/03/2021	QR (GS)	Malta - Russia	1-3	Ta' Qali	J. Mbong 56; Dzyuba 23, Mário Fernandes 35, Sobolev 90

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Total																		
Russia	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	2	2	0	0	5	1
Malta	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	0	0	2	1	5

Squad list

Russia

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
-	Guilherme	12/12/1985	35	Lokomotiv Moskva	-	2	0	0	0	18	-
-	Aleksandr Maksimenko	19/03/1998	23	Spartak Moskva	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Andrei Lunev	13/11/1991	29	Leverkusen	-	0	0	0	0	7	-
Defenders											
-	Vyacheslav Karavaev	20/05/1995	26	Zenit	-	4	0	0	0	18	2
-	Georgi Dzhikiya	21/11/1993	27	Spartak Moskva	-	5	0	0	0	38	1
-	Igor Diveev	27/09/1999	21	CSKA Moskva	-	2	0	0	0	9	-
-	Maksim Osipenko	16/05/1994	27	Rostov	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Ilya Samoshnikov	14/11/1997	23	Rubin	-	2	0	0	0	2	-
Midfielders											
-	Aleksei Ionov	18/02/1989	32	Krasnodar	-	2	0	0	0	36	4
-	Aleksandr Erokhin	13/10/1989	31	Zenit	-	2	1	0	0	28	2
-	Roman Zobnin	11/02/1994	27	Spartak Moskva	-	0	0	0	0	38	-
-	Denis Cheryshev	26/12/1990	30	Valencia	*	2	0	0	0	33	12
-	Dmitri Barinov	11/09/1996	24	Lokomotiv Moskva	*	2	0	0	0	9	-
-	Rifat Zhemaletdinov	20/09/1996	24	Lokomotiv Moskva	*	4	1	0	0	7	1
-	Aleksei Miranchuk	17/10/1995	25	Atalanta	*	5	0	0	0	38	6
-	Zelimkhan Bakaev	01/07/1996	25	Spartak Moskva	-	2	0	0	0	8	-
-	Daler Kuzyaev	15/01/1993	28	Zenit	-	5	0	0	0	39	2
-	Arsen Zakharyan	26/05/2003	18	Dynamo Moscow	-	1	0	0	0	1	-
-	Aleksei Sutormin	10/01/1994	27	Zenit	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Maksim Mukhin	04/11/2001	19	CSKA Moskva	-	1	0	0	0	5	-
Forwards											
-	Fedor Smolov	09/02/1990	31	Lokomotiv Moskva	*	1	0	0	0	40	14
-	Anton Zabolotny	13/06/1991	30	CSKA Moskva	-	2	0	0	0	14	1
-	Konstantin Tyukavin	22/06/2002	19	Dynamo Moscow	-	1	0	0	0	1	-
Coach											
-	Valeri Karpin	02/02/1969	52		-	3	0	0	0	3	-

Malta

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
-	Henry Bonello	13/10/1988	32	Hamrun	*	5	0	0	0	28	-
-	Matthew Grech	19/02/1996	25	Pembroke Athleta	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Jake Galea	15/04/1996	25		-	0	0	0	0	2	-
Defenders											
-	Andrei Agius	12/08/1986	35	Hibernians	-	1	0	0	0	97	5
-	Steve Borg	15/05/1988	33	Gżira	-	4	0	0	0	57	3
-	Zach Muscat	22/08/1993	28	Casa Pia	*	3	0	0	0	45	-
-	Karl Micallef	08/09/1996	24	Hamrun	-	0	0	0	0	4	-
-	Cain Attard	10/09/1994	26	Birkirkara	-	2	2	0	0	9	2
-	Kurt Shaw	01/04/1999	22	Sliema	*	5	0	0	0	13	-
Midfielders											
-	Tristan Caruana	15/09/1991	29	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0	6	1
-	Stephen Pisani	07/08/1992	29	Gżira	-	5	0	0	0	28	-
-	Ryan Camenzuli	08/09/1994	26	Floriana	*	5	0	0	0	17	-
-	Jake Grech	18/11/1997	23	Hibernians	-	3	0	0	0	16	-
-	Nikolai Muscat	13/07/1996	25	Gżira	-	0	0	0	0	2	-
-	Dexter Xuereb	21/09/1997	23	Gżira	-	0	0	0	0	1	-
-	Yannick Yankam	12/12/1997	23	Birkirkara	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Teddy Teuma	30/09/1993	27	Union Saint-Gilloise	-	5	0	0	0	13	-
Forwards											
-	Luke Montebello	13/08/1995	26	Birkirkara	*	3	0	0	0	13	-
-	Juan Corbolan	03/01/1997	24	Hamrun	*	3	0	0	0	16	1
-	Joseph Mbong	15/07/1997	24	Hamrun	*	5	2	0	0	29	2
-	Shaun Dimech	08/08/2001	20	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0	8	2
-	Alexander Satariano	25/10/2001	19	Frosinone	*	5	1	0	0	10	1
-	Paul Mbong	02/09/2001	20	Birkirkara	*	4	0	0	0	8	-
Coach											
-	Devis Mangia	06/06/1974	47		*	6	0	0	0	15	-

Match officials

Referee	Ali Palabiyik (TUR)
Assistant referees	Ceyhun Sesigüzel (TUR) , Serkan Olguncan (TUR)
Video Assistant Referee	Abdulkadir Bitigen (TUR)
Fourth official	Yasar Kemal Ugurlu (TUR)
Assistant Video Assistant Referee	Mete Kalkavan (TUR)
UEFA Delegate	Sviatlana Hrynkevich (BLR)
UEFA Referee observer	Asim Khudiyev (AZE)

Referee

Name	Date of birth		UEFA matches
Ali Palabiyik	14/08/1981	2	48

FIFA World Cup matches involving teams from the two countries involved in this match

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
26/03/2017	WC	QR	Malta	Slovakia	1-3	Ta' Qali

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
26/03/2015	U17	ELITE	Russia	Austria	1-1	Krasnodar
26/03/2017	WC	QR	Malta	Slovakia	1-3	Ta' Qali
03/08/2017	UEL	3QR	FC Zenit	Bnei Yehuda Tel-Aviv FC	0-1	St Petersburg
02/10/2018	UYL	GS	PFC CSKA Moskva	Real Madrid CF	1-4	Moscow
03/10/2019	UEL	GS	PFC CSKA Moskva	RCD Espanyol	0-2	Moscow
23/10/2019	UCL	GS	RB Leipzig	FC Zenit	2-1	Leipzig
28/10/2020	UCL	GS	FC Krasnodar	Chelsea FC	0-4	Krasnodar
01/12/2020	UCL	GS	FC Lokomotiv Moskva	FC Salzburg	1-3	Moscow

Match-by-match lineups

Russia

FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

Group H

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Russia	5	3	1	1	8	4	10
Croatia	5	3	1	1	5	1	10
Slovenia	5	2	1	2	4	4	7
Slovakia	5	1	3	1	5	5	6
Malta	5	1	1	3	6	9	4
Cyprus	5	1	1	3	1	6	4

Matchday 1 (24/03/2021)

Malta 1-3 Russia

Goals: 0-1 Dzyuba 23, 0-2 Mário Fernandes 35, 1-2 J. Mbong 56, 1-3 Sobolev 90

Russia: Shunin, Mário Fernandes, Karavaev, Semenov, Akhmetov, Fomin (57 Aleksei Miranchuk), Dzhikiya, Golovin, Ionov (57 Zhemaletdinov), Dzyuba (83 Sobolev), Kuzyaev (78 Mostovoy)

Matchday 2 (27/03/2021)

Russia 2-1 Slovenia

Goals: 1-0 Dzyuba 26, 2-0 Dzyuba 35, 2-1 Iličić 36

Russia: Shunin, Mário Fernandes, Semenov, Ozdov, Zhemaletdinov (86 Mukhin), Kudryashov, Dzhikiya, Golovin (49 Aleksei Miranchuk), Zhirkov (68 Karavaev), Dzyuba (86 Zabolotny), Kuzyaev

Matchday 3 (30/03/2021)

Slovakia 2-1 Russia

Goals: 1-0 Škriniar 38, 1-1 Mário Fernandes 71, 2-1 Mak 74

Russia: Shunin, Mário Fernandes, Semenov, Ozdov, Zhemaletdinov (58 Aleksei Miranchuk), Kudryashov, Dzhikiya, Golovin, Zhirkov (46 Mostovoy), Dzyuba, Kuzyaev

Matchday 4 (01/09/2021)

Russia 0-0 Croatia

Russia: Guilherme, Mário Fernandes (78 Samoshnikov), Diveev, Karavaev, Barinov, Dzhikiya, Aleksei Miranchuk (46 Zabolotny), Golovin, Zakharyan (70 Cheryshev), Ionov (70 Z. Bakaev), Kuzyaev (84 Erokhin)

Matchday 5 (04/09/2021)

Cyprus 0-2 Russia

Goals: 0-1 Erokhin 6, 0-2 Zhemaletdinov 55

Russia: Guilherme, Diveev, Karavaev, Cheryshev (46 Zhemaletdinov), Barinov, Smolov (75 Tyukavin), Samoshnikov, Dzhikiya, Aleksei Miranchuk (64 Z. Bakaev), Golovin (67 Kuzyaev), Erokhin

Matchday 6 (07/09/2021)

Russia-Malta

Matchday 7 (08/10/2021)

Russia-Slovakia

Matchday 8 (11/10/2021)

Slovenia-Russia

Matchday 9 (11/11/2021)

Russia-Cyprus

Matchday 10 (14/11/2021)

Croatia-Russia

Malta

FIFA World Cup - Qualifying round

Matchday 1 (24/03/2021)

Malta 1-3 Russia

Goals: 0-1 Dzyuba 23, 0-2 Mário Fernandes 35, 1-2 J. Mbong 56, 0-3 Sobolev 90

Malta: Bonello, Shaw, Camenzuli (86 Corbolan), S. Borg, Guillaumier, J. Mbong, Montebello (46 Satariano), Agius (88 Nwoko), Teuma, Degabriele (46 P. Mbong), Kristensen (74 S. Pisani)

Matchday 2 (27/03/2021)

Slovakia 2-2 Malta

Goals: 0-1 Gambin 16, 0-2 Satariano 20, 1-2 Strelec 49, 2-2 Škriniar 53

Malta: Bonello, Shaw, Camenzuli, S. Borg, Guillaumier, J. Mbong, P. Mbong (68 Nwoko), Pepe, Teuma (91 Kristensen), Gambin (68 J. Grech), Satariano (79 S. Pisani)

Matchday 3 (30/03/2021)

Croatia 3-0 Malta

Goals: 1-0 Perišić 62, 2-0 Modrić 76 (P) , 3-0 Brekalo 90

Malta: Bonello, Shaw, Camenzuli, S. Borg (67 Z. Muscat), Guillaumier, J. Mbong (67 Corbolan), S. Pisani (62 J. Grech), Pepe, Teuma, Kristensen (81 Gambin), Satariano (46 Nwoko)

Matchday 4 (01/09/2021)

Malta 3-0 Cyprus

Goals: 1-0 Attard 44, 2-0 J. Mbong 46, 3-0 Attard 54

Malta: Bonello, Shaw (59 Z. Muscat), Camenzuli, S. Borg, J. Mbong (59 Dimech), Montebello (70 Satariano), S. Pisani, P. Mbong (70 J. Grech), Pepe, Teuma (85 Caruana), Attard

Matchday 5 (04/09/2021)

Slovenia 1-0 Malta

Goals: 1-0 Lovrić 44 (P)

Malta: Bonello, Shaw, J. Mbong (73 Gambin), Pepe, Corbolan (46 Camenzuli), Teuma, Attard, Satariano (58 Montebello), Dimech (58 P. Mbong), Z. Muscat, Caruana (79 S. Pisani)

Matchday 6 (07/09/2021)

Russia-Malta

Matchday 7 (08/10/2021)

Malta-Slovenia

Matchday 8 (11/10/2021)

Cyprus-Malta

Matchday 9 (11/11/2021)

Malta-Croatia

Matchday 10 (14/11/2021)

Malta-Slovakia

Legend

Competitions

Club competitions

UCL: UEFA Champions League
ECCL: 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

(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

-: 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

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