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Group C - Matchday 7



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Match background

France will hope their Group C fixture with the Netherlands in Berne will provide as much of a stepping stone to success as past encounters with the Oranje have done.

- Les Bleus beat the Netherlands en route to the semi-finals at EURO '96™ and four years later went on to win UEFA EURO 2000™ despite losing to the Dutch in their final group game, with qualification already assured. The stakes are certainly higher for France here than that latter encounter in Rotterdam with events at the Stade de Suisse likely to prove pivotal to their hopes of further progress.

- France enter the match on the back foot having failed to break down an obdurate Romania side in a goalless draw in their opening UEFA EURO 2008™ fixture in Zurich on Monday. Dutch confidence, by contrast, will be sky-high following their 3-0 triumph against Italy in Berne – a result secured by goals from Ruud van Nistelrooy (26 minutes), Wesley Sneijder (31) and Giovanni van Bronckhorst (79).

- Looking back to UEFA EURO 2000™, the Netherlands came from behind twice to defeat France 3-2 when they met in Amsterdam in their third game of the group stage. Christophe Dugarry and David Trezeguet struck for Les Bleus but those goals were cancelled out by Patrick Kluivert and Frank de Boer respectively before Boudewijn Zenden struck the Dutch winner.

- Patrick Vieira and Nicolas Anelka appeared for France that day, the latter as a substitute, as the Dutch secured first place in the group with the victory, although it was France who lifted the trophy that summer.

- The teams for that fixture on 21 June 2000 were:

France: Bernard Lama, Christian Karembeu, Frank Leboeuf, Marcel Desailly, Vincent Candela, Patrick Vieira, Robert Pirès, Johan Micoud, Christophe Dugarry, David Trezeguet, Sylvain Wiltord.

Netherlands: Sander Westerveld, Paul Bosvelt, Jaap Stam, Frank de Boer, Artur Numan, Phillip Cocu, Dennis Bergkamp, Edgar Davids, Marc Overmars, Patrick Kluivert, Boudewijn Zenden.

- The only survivors of France's quarter-final win against the Netherlands at EURO '96™ are Netherlands goalkeeper Edwin van der Sar and France's Lilian Thuram. France were 5-4 winners on penalties after a goalless draw in the game at Anfield on 22 June 1996, with Clarence Seedorf the only player from either side to miss as his spot-kick was saved by Bernard Lama.

- The most recent meeting between the sides was a friendly in Rotterdam in March 2004 which finished goalless.



• The teams that day were:

Netherlands: Edwin van der Sar, Mario Melchiot, Johnny Heitinga, Phillip Cocu, Boudewijn Zenden, Andy van der Meyde, Mark van Bommel, Edgar Davids, Rafael van der Vaart, Marc Overmars, Roy Makaay.

France: Fabien Barthez, Willy Sagnol, Lilian Thuram, Marcel Desailly, Bixente Lizarazu, Claude Makelele, Olivier Dacourt, Johan Micoud, Ludovic Giuly, David Trezeguet, Sidney Govou.

• France beat the Netherlands 2-0 in Paris in November 1981 en route to qualifying for the 1982 World Cup, finishing a single point above the Oranje who missed out on the finals. UEFA President Michel Platini opened the scoring in that match with a trademark free-kick.

• The overall head-to-head record between the sides is nine wins apiece and three draws, with France's 1996 shoot-out success classed as a win.

• During his playing days, France coach Raymond Domenech was part of an RC Strasbourg side beaten 4-0 on aggregate by Dutch club AFC Ajax in the 1979/80 European Champion Clubs' Cup quarter-final.

• Netherlands coach Marco van Basten played in his country's 1-1 friendly draw with France in June 1992 and was in the AC Milan team beaten by France's Olympique de Marseille in the 1993 UEFA Champions League final.

• Netherlands forward Ruud van Nistelrooy has scored three goals in three games against France goalkeeper Grégory Coupet, when facing the Olympique Lyonnais player in UEFA Champions League action with first Manchester United FC and then Real Madrid CF.

• France striker Anelka will have mixed memories of facing Netherlands keeper Van der Sar during the past club season. He registered the only goal of former side Bolton Wanderers FC's surprise 1-0 Premier League win against Manchester United in November 2007, but playing for Chelsea in the UEFA Champions League final had his spot-kick saved by the Dutchman to confirm United's shoot-out triumph.

• France defender William Gallas beat Van der Sar to score a last-minute equaliser for Arsenal FC in a 2-2 Premier League draw with Manchester United in November last year. Forward Karim Benzema, meanwhile, got the better of the Dutchman when striking Lyon's goal in a 1-1 draw with United in the UEFA Champions League first knockout round first-leg tie in France.

• Klaas-Jan Huntelaar struck both Dutch goals in a 2-1 UEFA European Under-18 Championship qualifying win against France in December 2000. Anelka claimed his own double in a 3-0 win for France against the Dutch at the same stage of the same competition in 1997.

• France's William Gallas plays with Netherlands forward Robin van Persie at Arsenal FC. Van Persie partnered Frenchman Thierry Henry in the Arsenal attack prior to the latter's 2007 transfer to FC Barcelona.

• This is the Netherlands' sixth consecutive UEFA European Championship finals appearance. They were European champions in 1988 – a tournament where Van Basten scored five goals – and reached the semi-finals in 1992, 2000 and 2004.

• France, appearing in their fifth successive UEFA European Championship, were champions on home soil in 1984 and lifted the Henri Delaunay trophy a second time in 2000.

• This is the 13th edition of the UEFA European Championship and the eighth that features a final tournament with a group phase.

Match facts

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UEFA EURO 2008™ statistics

• The injured Ryan Babel appeared in all 12 matches in qualifying, while Joris Mathijsen played eleven times, clocking up another game against Italy.

• Of the final 23-man squad, only Henk Timmer did not feature in qualifying.

• Robin van Persie was the Netherlands' top scorer in qualifying with four goals, two more than Ruud van Nistelrooy and Wesley Sneijder. Northern Ireland's David Healy finished as the highest scorer overall having struck 13 times.

- Sneijder had 18 shots on goal in qualifying. Cristiano Ronaldo led the way in that respect with 31.
- The Netherlands scored only 15 goals in qualifying at an average of 1.25 goals per game – the lowest total of the qualified teams. Germany were top scorers with 35.
- Marco van Basten's side conceded only five times, however, sharing the best defensive record in qualifying with the Czech Republic and France.
- Only Portugal, with 101, managed more shots on goal in qualifying than the Netherlands' total of 93 at an average of 7.75 shots per game.

Disciplinary news

- Nigel de Jong is a booking away from suspension after being shown a yellow card against Italy.

Latest information

• Monday 9 June: Netherlands 3-0 Italy (Van Nistelrooy 26, Sneijder 31, Van Bronckhorst 79)

The Dutch began their Group C campaign with a rousing victory against the world champions in Berne. Van Nistelrooy side-footed the Oranje ahead, a lead doubled superbly by his Real Madrid CF colleague Sneijder soon after. Edwin van der Sar then kept the advantage intact, leaving Giovanni van Bronckhorst to complete the scoring with a headed third.

• Netherlands coach Marco van Basten said: "I'm proud that we won against the world champions, and at the way we played football, scoring three goals and playing until the last minute. It was a historic result because in the past we have never beaten Italy 3-0 – this was a serious performance. The players responded in a wonderful way and played like a team, showing amazing spirit. If we play with this quality we can have nice dreams."

• It was the Netherlands' first victory against Italy for 30 years. The last time they did so they went on to reach the 1978 FIFA World Cup final.

• Van der Sar became only the third player to appear in four UEFA European Championship finals tournaments, after Lothar Matthäus and Peter Schmeichel.

Friendly results

01.06.2008: Netherlands 2-0 Wales (Robben, Sneijder)

29.05.2008: Netherlands 1-1 Denmark (Van Nistelrooy)

24.05.2008 Netherlands 3-0 Ukraine (Kuyt, Huntelaar, Babel)

26.03.2008: Austria 3-4 Netherlands (Huntelaar 2, Heitinga, Vennegoor of Hesselink)

06.02.2008: Croatia 0-3 Netherlands (Heitinga, Huntelaar, Vennegoor of Hesselink)

Injury news

• Arjen Robben (groin) and Melchiot (minor pelvic problem) sat out the Italy game. Both have been training apart from the rest of the squad, while Klaas-Jan Huntelaar has been sidelined with a calf injury.

• Clarence Seedorf's withdrawal and fitness concerns surrounding fellow defenders André Ooijer and Mario Melchiot meant a chance for Khalid Boulahrouz, who was called up to the initial 30-man squad as cover. The 26-year-old was not named in the final 23 announced on 27 May, but returned four days later in place of the unfortunate Babel.

• Babel was forced to withdraw after tearing ankle ligaments in training at Hoenderloo on 31 May, and his departure was not the last of Van Basten's problems. Tim de Cler (twisted right knee) and Sneijder (hamstring) have both had niggles, while Van Persie was training separately from the rest of the squad until 4 June.

• De Jong is in line to win his 25th cap on Friday, for which he will receive a silver plate from the Royal Netherlands Football Association.

• The Netherlands had a royal audience for their win against Italy, with their future king, crown prince Willem-Alexander, said to be "very enthusiastic" about Marco van Basten's team after watching the match alongside deputy prime minister Wouter Bos.

• On 13 May it was announced that Seedorf had asked to be withdrawn from the Netherlands squad for UEFA EURO 2008™ following a telephone conversation with Van Basten.

Domestic information

- Edwin van der Sar was the hero as Manchester United FC claimed the UEFA Champions League in May, making the decisive save to deny Nicolas Anelka in the penalty shoot-out. Ten days earlier he and United had clinched the English Premier League crown.
- Ibrahim Afellay is the only member of PSV Eindhoven's title-winning squad on duty with the Netherlands in Austria and Switzerland.
- Feyenoord trio Henk Timmer, De Cler and Giovanni van Bronckhorst helped the club to their eleventh Dutch Cup with a 2-0 against Roda JC, while Maarten Stekelenburg, John Heitinga and Klaas-Jan Huntelaar were in the Ajax side that clinched the Dutch Super Cup at the start of the campaign.
- Three members of the Netherlands squad helped Real Madrid CF successfully defend their Primera División title, with Sneijder, Van Nistelrooy and Robben contributing 29 goals of the side's 84 league goals between them. At the start of the season Madrid had lost out to a Sevilla FC side including Boulahrouz in the Spanish Super Cup.
- Jan Vennegoor of Hesselink was on target 15 times as Celtic FC finished top of the Scottish Premier League.
- On 26 May Heitinga sealed a €10m move from Ajax to Club Atlético de Madrid, agreeing a reported five-year contract.

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UEFA EURO 2008™ statistics

- Lilian Thuram has played every minute of France's UEFA EURO 2008™ campaign, including the 12 qualifiers.
- Three of the final 23-man squad did not feature in qualifying: Steve Mandanda, Sébastien Squillaci and Bafetimbi Gomis. The latter came on as a substitute against Romania, however.
- Thierry Henry was France's top scorer in qualifying with six goals. Northern Ireland's David Healy finished as the highest scorer overall having struck 13 times.
- Franck Ribéry provided six assists in qualifying, fewer only than Ján Kozák of Slovakia who set up seven goals.
- France scored 25 goals in qualifying at an average of 2.08 goals per game. Germany led the way overall having found the net 35 times.
- France conceded only five goals in qualifying, the joint best defensive record in the competition along with the Czech Republic and the Netherlands.
- Raymond Domenech's side managed 86 shots on goal at an average of 7.17 shots per qualifier. Portugal were the most threatening side overall with 101 efforts on goal.
- France collected eight yellow cards in qualifying, more only than Croatia who received seven bookings.

Disciplinary news

- Willy Sagnol is a booking away from suspension after being shown a yellow card against Romania.

Latest information

Monday 9 June: Romania 0-0 France

Raymond Domenech's men made a disappointing start to their campaign as they were held to a goalless draw at the Letzigrund Stadion. Les Bleus were restricted to a handful of half-chances as they struggled to impose their quality on proceedings. Nicolas Anelka was guilty of missing the game's clearest opportunity when he headed Ribéry's cross over in the first half.

- "The situation was quite similar to the opening 2006 [FIFA] World Cup match against Switzerland – it was a hot day, we were all a little bit nervous and tense," said France coach Raymond Domenech. "It's a difficult group – the teams are good, solid, tough and well-prepared. I think all the teams will be worried about getting through. Every team will find it difficult to beat the others. We have two matches to play and this group will stay strong until the end."
- In Patrick Vieira's absence Thuram captained France on what was his 15th appearance at the UEFA European Championship – a competition record.
- France found their scoring form on Tuesday as they ran out 7-0 winners in a training match against a regional youth team in Chatel-Saint-Denis. Samir Nasri, a second-half substitute against Romania, scored his team's first and third goals and had a hand in two others. Patrice Evra, Lassana Diarra, Sidney Govou, Gomis and Henry were all also on target.

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Friendly results

03.06.2008: France 1-0 Colombia (Ribéry)

31.05.2008: France 0-0 Paraguay

27.05.2008: France 2-0 Ecuador (Gomis 2)

Injury news

- Ribéry (right ankle) and William Gallas (lack of fitness) were both doubtful before the Group C opener but each lasted the full 90 minutes. Henry sat the meeting out with a thigh problem but has since returned to training.
- Vieira missed the opening game after sustaining a slight tear to his thigh muscle on 30 May. Mathieu Flamini was called up as possible cover, though Vieira returned to training on 6 June.
- Julien Escudé's slender hopes of forcing his way into France's UEFA EURO 2008™ squad all but vanished at the start of May when the defender suffered a recurrence of his persistent groin problems.

Miscellaneous

- Florent Malouda celebrates his 28th birthday on the day of the match against the Netherlands.
- Gomis earned a surprise call-up after forcing his way into Domenech's plans with two goals against Ecuador on his debut. He became the first player to score twice on his first appearance for Les Bleus since Zinédine Zidane did so in 1994 versus the Czech Republic.
- France spent time before the finals at the Alpine resort of Tignes and the Montana Hotel, the same place they used to prepare before the 1998 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2000™.
- Already France's record goalscorer, Henry became only the sixth player to win 100 caps for Les Bleus when he turned out against Colombia on 6 June. The five other centurions are: Thuram, Marcel Desailly, Zidane, Vieira and Didier Deschamps.
- Anelka was in fine form on 4 June as France played a final preparation match in Clairefontaine against a select XI consisting of Ligue 1 and Ligue 2 players currently out of contract. The Chelsea FC striker struck in each half and laid on another for Gomis as France won the unofficial match 3-0.

Domestic information

- Seven members of the France squad helped Olympique Lyonnais claim a maiden league and cup double this season: Grégory Coupet, Jean-Alain Boumsong, François Clerc, Squillaci, Jérémy Toulalan, Govou and Karim Benzema.
- Ribéry and Sagnol were also double winners with FC Bayern München in Germany, though the pair had varied contributions. Out-of-favour Sagnol was limited to nine league appearances, contrasting with Ribéry's total of 28.
- Evra had a memorable season at Manchester United FC, missing only a handful of games as the English side won the Premier League and UEFA Champions League.
- Evra's joy contrasted with the frustrations of Chelsea trio Claude Makelele, Malouda and Anelka. Their Premier League campaign fell short on the final day of the season and ten days later Anelka missed the decisive penalty in the shoot-out at the UEFA Champions League final.
- Former Chelsea midfielder Diarra had more joy with Portsmouth FC as he helped them claim the FA Cup, while Vieira was part of FC Internazionale Milano's Scudetto-winning side.

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Squad list

Netherlands

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	BL	UEFA EURO 2008™				Overall Team	
						Qual.	Gls	FT	Pld	Gls	Pld
Goalkeepers											
1	Edwin van der Sar	29.10.1970	37	Manchester United FC	-	8	-	1	-	126	-
13	Henk Timmer	03.12.1971	36	Feyenoord	-	-	-	-	-	5	-
16	Maarten Stekelenburg	22.09.1982	25	AFC Ajax	-	4	-	-	-	11	-
Defenders											
2	André Ooijer	11.07.1974	33	Blackburn Rovers FC	-	8	-	1	-	38	2
3	John Heitinga	15.11.1983	24	AFC Ajax	-	6	-	1	-	37	5
4	Joris Mathijsen	05.04.1980	28	Hamburger SV	-	11	1	1	-	33	2
5	Giovanni van Bronckhorst	05.02.1975	33	Feyenoord	-	10	1	1	1	79	5
12	Mario Melchiot	04.11.1976	31	Wigan Athletic FC	-	4	-	-	-	21	-
14	Wilfred Bouma	15.06.1978	29	Aston Villa FC	-	8	-	-	-	33	2
15	Tim de Cler	08.11.1978	29	Feyenoord	-	2	-	-	-	15	-
21	Khalid Boulahrouz	28.12.1981	26	Sevilla FC	-	4	-	1	-	23	-
Midfielders											
6	Demy de Zeeuw	26.05.1983	25	AZ Alkmaar	-	7	-	-	-	15	-
8	Orlando Engelaar	24.08.1979	28	FC Twente	-	1	-	1	-	7	-
10	Wesley Sneijder	09.06.1984	24	Real Madrid CF	-	10	2	1	1	46	10
11	Arjen Robben	23.01.1984	24	Real Madrid CF	-	6	-	-	-	33	9
17	Nigel de Jong	30.11.1984	23	Hamburger SV	*	5	-	1	-	25	-
20	Ibrahim Afellay	02.04.1986	22	PSV Eindhoven	-	1	-	1	-	6	-
23	Rafael van der Vaart	11.02.1983	25	Hamburger SV	-	6	1	1	-	56	12
Forwards											
7	Robin van Persie	06.08.1983	24	Arsenal FC	-	7	4	1	-	25	7
9	Ruud van Nistelrooy	01.07.1976	31	Real Madrid CF	-	4	2	1	1	62	32
18	Dirk Kuyt	22.07.1980	27	Liverpool FC	-	7	1	1	-	39	7
19	Klaas Jan Huntelaar	12.08.1983	24	AFC Ajax	-	4	1	-	-	12	7
22	Jan Vennegoor of Hesselink	07.11.1978	29	Celtic FC	-	1	-	-	-	16	3
Coach											
-	Marco Van Basten	31.10.1964	43	NED	-	12	-	1	-	-	-

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France

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						Qual. Pld	Gls	FT Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
1	Steve Mandanda	28.03.1985	23	Olympique de Marseille	-	-	-	-	-	1	-
16	Sébastien Frey	18.03.1980	28	ACF Fiorentina	-	1	-	-	-	2	-
23	Grégory Coupet	31.12.1972	35	Olympique Lyonnais	-	5	-	1	-	32	-
Defenders											
2	Jean-Alain Boumsong	14.12.1979	28	Olympique Lyonnais	-	1	-	-	-	23	1
3	Eric Abidal	11.09.1979	28	FC Barcelona	-	11	-	1	-	36	-
5	William Gallas	17.08.1977	30	Arsenal FC	-	8	-	1	-	63	2
13	Patrice Evra	15.05.1981	27	Manchester United FC	-	1	-	-	-	11	-
14	François Clerc	18.04.1983	25	Olympique Lyonnais	-	4	-	-	-	12	-
15	Lilian Thuram	01.01.1972	36	FC Barcelona	-	12	-	1	-	141	2
17	Sébastien Squillaci	11.08.1980	27	Olympique Lyonnais	-	-	-	-	-	13	-
19	Willy Sagnol	18.03.1977	31	FC Bayern München	*	5	-	1	-	57	-
Midfielders											
4	Patrick Vieira	23.06.1976	31	FC Internazionale Milano	-	6	-	-	-	105	6
6	Claude Makelele	18.02.1973	35	Chelsea FC	-	11	-	1	-	69	-
7	Florent Malouda	13.06.1980	27	Chelsea FC	-	10	1	1	-	40	3
11	Samir Nasri	26.06.1987	20	Olympique de Marseille	-	4	1	1	-	11	2
20	Jérémy Toulalan	10.09.1983	24	Olympique Lyonnais	-	7	-	1	-	14	-
21	Lassana Diarra	10.03.1985	23	Portsmouth FC	-	7	-	-	-	13	-
22	Franck Ribéry	07.04.1983	25	FC Bayern München	-	11	1	1	-	28	4
Forwards											
8	Nicolas Anelka	14.03.1979	29	Chelsea FC	-	7	4	1	-	49	11
9	Karim Benzema	19.12.1987	20	Olympique Lyonnais	-	5	2	1	-	12	3
10	Sidney Govou	27.07.1979	28	Olympique Lyonnais	-	5	3	-	-	32	7
12	Thierry Henry	17.08.1977	30	FC Barcelona	-	8	6	-	-	100	44
18	Bafetimbi Gomis	06.08.1985	22	AS Saint-Etienne	-	-	-	1	-	3	2
Coach											
-	Raymond Domenech	24.01.1952	56	FRA	-	12	-	1	-	-	-

Head coach

Netherlands: Marco van Basten

Date of birth: 31 October 1964

Nationality: Dutch

Playing career: AFC Ajax, AC Milan

Coaching career: AFC Ajax youth team, Netherlands

One of the great strikers of his age, Netherlands coach Marco van Basten seems the ideal choice to bring an exciting new generation of Dutch attacking talent to their peak at UEFA EURO 2008™, after which he will step down to take charge at former club AFC Ajax. "We have a lot of players with good attacking qualities, but most of them are young boys who need to mature," Van Basten said. "With more experience, we will have a chance to clinch a major title."

Van Basten, who is bidding to become the first person to taste EURO success as a coach and player, was a wild-card choice when he replaced Dick Advocaat as Netherlands coach after UEFA EURO 2004™. His only previous coaching role had been working with Ajax's youth team but with the Dutch going unbeaten for 15 games after he took charge – before losing 3-1 against Italy in a November 2005 friendly – Van Basten proved he had plenty of potential.

His side breezed through 2006 FIFA World Cup qualification but bowed out in the first knockout round after a disappointing 1-0 defeat by Portugal. UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying proved largely straightforward, the Netherlands progressing as Group G runners-up behind Romania, and Van Basten was able to continue his policy of bringing through players who had won the 2006 and 2007 UEFA European Under-21 Championships.

Van Basten's successful playing career has been well-documented. His talents as a striker were there for all to see as early as the 1983 FIFA U-20 World Cup, and he had scored 128 goals for Ajax - including the winner in the 1986/87 UEFA Cup Winners' Cup final - by the time he made a €2.5m move to AC Milan in 1987. His memorable volley against the Soviet Union helped the Netherlands win the 1988 UEFA European Championship final and he then took the ultimate club honours as he lifted the European Champion Clubs' Cup with Milan in 1989 and 1990.

France: Raymond Domenech

Date of birth: 24 January 1952

Nationality: French

Playing career: Olympique Lyonnais, RC Strasbourg, Paris Saint-Germain FC, FC Girondins de Bordeaux, FC Mulhouse

Coaching career: FC Mulhouse, Olympique Lyonnais, France Under-21, France

Passionate about astrology and theatre as well as football, France coach Raymond Domenech has a well-deserved reputation as a maverick, and has proved as contrary and effective as a coach as he was as a player.

A tough full-back, Domenech was capped eight times by France during a career in which he won the French Cup with his hometown side Olympique Lyonnais in 1973, and league titles with RC Strasbourg in 1979 and FC Girondins de Bordeaux five years later. His interest in the psychological aspects of the game emerged early, as he once said: "When I was playing for Lyon in the derby at [AS] Saint-Etienne, I loved warming up alone near the fans who booed me. I stuck close to the advertising hoardings around the stadium and they booed more and more. I needed that."

Domenech made the transition from player to coach at FC Mulhouse, and won the Ligue 2 title with Lyon in 1989 before becoming France Under-21 coach. His biggest achievement during over a decade in charge came when France reached the final of the 2002 UEFA European Under-21 Championship and his efforts in the post were enough for the French Football Federation to appoint him as senior national coach – despite competition from Laurent Blanc and Jean Tigana – on 12 July 2004, the day his daughter Victoire was born.

After a shaky start, Zinedine Zidane, Lilian Thuram and Claude Makelele came out of retirement to help Domenech's side qualify for the 2006 FIFA World Cup and then reach the final, only to lose 5-3 on penalties to Italy after a 1-1 draw. Domenech nonetheless earned a new contract until after UEFA EURO 2008™, and while France's two defeats against Scotland made qualifying more awkward than many had anticipated, he guided them through in the end.

Match officials

Referee	Herbert Fandel (GER)
Assistant referees	Carsten Kadach (GER), Volker Wezel (GER)
Fourth official	Grzegorz Gilewski (POL)
Reserve official	Juan Carlos Yuste Jiménez (ESP)
UEFA Delegate	Liutauras Varanavicius (LTU)

Referee

Name	Nat.	Date of birth
Herbert Fandel	GER	09.03.1964

Whether performing a classical piano piece for an appreciative audience or refereeing football's superstars in front of a packed crowd, Herbert Fandel keeps cool and delivers. Stage fright is out of the question. The German, who took charge of Sevilla FC's 4-0 UEFA Cup final defeat of Middlesbrough FC in May 2006 a year before orchestrating the 2007 UEFA Champions League showpiece when AC Milan beat Liverpool FC 2-1 in Athens, is used to the big occasion, both as a full-time pianist with his own highly successful music school and as one of Europe's leading referees.

Fandel, a father of two who lives in Kyllburg, close to the Luxembourg border, became the first German to take charge of a one-off UEFA Cup final in Eindhoven. Having started his refereeing career in 1989, he joined the élite band of Bundesliga officials in 1996 and earned his FIFA badge two years later. His break on the international stage came at the UEFA European Under-16 Championship in 1998 before he travelled to the 1999 UEFA-CAF Meridian Cup in South Africa.

Appointments at the UEFA European Under-21 Championship and Sydney Olympics followed in 2000 ahead of the step up to FIFA World Cup qualifying in 2002. Fandel also did the 2005 FIFA Confederations Cup on home soil before taking charge of his second German Cup final in three campaigns, with FC Bayern München lifting the 2006 trophy after a 1-0 win against Eintracht Frankfurt. He was also a UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying regular and ended the 2007/08 club season with the UEFA Champions League semi-final second leg between eventual winners Manchester United FC and FC Barcelona.

Match-by-match lineups

Final tournament Group C

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Netherlands	1	1	0	0	3	0	3
France	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Romania	1	0	1	0	0	0	1
Italy	1	0	0	1	0	3	0

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
09.06.2008	Romania - France	0-0	Letzigrund, Zurich

Goals: -

Romania: Lobonț, Contra, Raț, Tamaș, Chivu, Rădoi (Dică 90+3), Mutu (M.Niculae 78), Cociș (Codrea 64), Goian, Nicolită, D.Niculae

France: Coupet, Abidal, Gallas, Makelele, Malouda, Anelka (Gomis 72), Benzema (Nasri 78), Thuram, Sagnol, Toulalan, Ribéry

09.06.2008	Netherlands - Italy	3-0	Stade de Suisse, Berne
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Goals: 1-0 Van Nistelrooy 26, 2-0 Sneijder 31, 3-0 Van Bronckhorst 79

Netherlands: Van der Sar, Ooijer, Mathijsen, Van Bronckhorst, Engelaar, Van Nistelrooy (Van Persie 70), Sneijder, De Jong, Kuyt (Afellay 81), Boulahrouz (Heitinga 77), Van der Vaart

Italy: Buffon, Panucci, Barzagli, Gattuso, Toni, Di Natale (Del Piero 64), Ambrosini, Camoranesi (Cassano 75), Zambrotta, Pirlo, Materazzi (Grosso 54)

13.06.2008	Italy - Romania	-	Letzigrund, Zurich
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13.06.2008	Netherlands - France	-	Stade de Suisse, Berne
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17.06.2008	Netherlands - Romania	-	Stade de Suisse, Berne
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17.06.2008	France - Italy	-	Letzigrund, Zurich
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Qualifying round Netherlands

Group G

	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Romania	12	9	2	1	26	7	29
Netherlands	12	8	2	2	15	5	26
Bulgaria	12	7	4	1	18	7	25
Belarus	12	4	1	7	17	23	13
Albania	12	2	5	5	12	18	11
Slovenia	12	3	2	7	9	16	11
Luxembourg	12	1	0	11	2	23	3

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
02.09.2006	Luxembourg - Netherlands	0-1	Josy Barthel, Luxembourg

Goals: 0-1 Mathijsen 18

Netherlands: Van der Sar, Heitinga, Ooijer (Emanuelson 46), Mathijsen, De Cler, Schaars (Vennegoor 46), Van Persie (Babel 77), Landzaat, Huntelaar, Janssen, Kuyt

06.09.2006	Netherlands - Belarus	3-0	Philips Stadion, Eindhoven
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Goals: 1-0 Van Persie 33, 2-0 Van Persie 78, 3-0 Kuyt 90+2

Netherlands: Van der Sar, Heitinga (Boulahrouz 67), Ooijer, Mathijsen, Van Bronckhorst, De Jong, Sneijder, Landzaat (Schaars 68), Huntelaar (Babel 76), Van Persie, Kuyt

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- 07.10.2006 Bulgaria - Netherlands 1-1 Vasil Levski National Stadium, Sofia
Goals: 1-0 M. Petrov 12, 1-1 Van Persie 62
Netherlands: Van der Sar, Boulahrouz, Ooijer, Mathijsen, Van Bronckhorst, De Jong, Landzaat, Sneijder (Schaars 90+1), Van Persie, Kuyt (Babel 16), Robben
- 11.10.2006 Netherlands - Albania 2-1 Amsterdam ArenA, Amsterdam
Goals: 1-0 Van Persie 15, 2-0 Beqaj 42 (o.g.) , 2-1 Curri 67
Netherlands: Van der Sar, Boulahrouz, Ooijer, Mathijsen, Van Bronckhorst (Emanuelson 68), De Jong (Schaars 50), Sneijder (De Cler 80), Landzaat, Babel, Van Persie, Robben
- 24.03.2007 Netherlands - Romania 0-0 De Kuip, Rotterdam
Goals: -
Netherlands: Stekelenburg, Jaliens, Bouma, Mathijsen, Van Bronckhorst, Landzaat (Emanuelson 79), Sneijder, Babel, Van der Vaart (Seedorf 86), Huntelaar, Robben
- 28.03.2007 Slovenia - Netherlands 0-1 Arena Petrol, Celje
Goals: 0-1 Van Bronckhorst 86
Netherlands: Van der Sar, Heitinga (De Zeeuw 74), Mathijsen, Bouma, Emanuelson, Afellay (Seedorf 85), Babel (Koevermans 73), Van Bronckhorst, Kuyt, Sneijder, Robben
- 08.09.2007 Netherlands - Bulgaria 2-0 Amsterdam ArenA, Amsterdam
Goals: 1-0 Sneijder 22, 2-0 Van Nistelrooy 58
Netherlands: Van der Sar, Melchiot (Boulahrouz 66), Mathijsen, Bouma, Van Bronckhorst, Heitinga, Sneijder (Seedorf 73), De Zeeuw (De Jong 81), Babel, Van Nistelrooy, Van Persie
- 12.09.2007 Albania - Netherlands 0-1 Qemal Stafa, Tirana
Goals: 0-1 Van Nistelrooy 90+1
Netherlands: Van der Sar, Melchiot, Mathijsen, Bouma (Emanuelson 63), Ooijer, De Zeeuw, Sneijder, Van Bronckhorst, Babel (Kuyt 75), Van Nistelrooy, Van Persie (Van der Vaart 46)
- 13.10.2007 Romania - Netherlands 1-0 Farul, Constanta
Goals: 1-0 Goian 71
Netherlands: Stekelenburg, Van Bronckhorst, Heitinga (Jaliens 68), Ooijer (Koevermans 84), Mathijsen, Bouma, De Zeeuw, Van der Vaart, Seedorf, Van Nistelrooy, Robben (Babel 78)
- 17.10.2007 Netherlands - Slovenia 2-0 Philips Stadion, Eindhoven
Goals: 1-0 Sneijder 14, 2-0 Huntelaar 86
Netherlands: Stekelenburg, Jaliens, Heitinga, Bouma, Emanuelson, Sneijder, De Zeeuw, Seedorf, Van Persie (Ooijer 59), Huntelaar, Van der Vaart (Robben 29)
- 17.11.2007 Netherlands - Luxembourg 1-0 De Kuip, Rotterdam
Goals: 1-0 Koevermans 43
Netherlands: Van der Sar, Melchiot, Mathijsen, Bouma, De Zeeuw, Van Bronckhorst, Van der Vaart, Sneijder, Seedorf (Emanuelson 77), Van Nistelrooy (Kuyt 46), Koevermans (Babel 84)
- 21.11.2007 Belarus - Netherlands 2-1 Dinamo, Minsk
Goals: 1-0 Bulyga 49, 2-0 Korythko 65, 2-1 Van der Vaart 89
Netherlands: Stekelenburg, Melchiot, Mathijsen, Ooijer, Bouma, Sneijder (Kuyt 46), Van der Vaart, Van Bronckhorst (Engelaar 66), De Zeeuw (De Jong 69), Babel, Koevermans

Qualifying round France

Group B

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	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Italy	12	9	2	1	22	9	29
France	12	8	2	2	25	5	26
Scotland	12	8	0	4	21	12	24
Ukraine	12	5	2	5	18	16	17
Lithuania	12	5	1	6	11	13	16
Georgia	12	3	1	8	16	19	10
Faroe Islands	12	0	0	12	4	43	0

Date	Match	Result	Stadium/Venue
02.09.2006	Georgia - France	0-3	Boris Paichadze, Tbilisi
Goals: 0-1 Malouda 7, 0-2 Saha 16, 0-3 Asatiani 47 (o.g.)			
France: Coupet, Abidal, Vieira, Gallas, Makelele (Mavuba 58), Malouda, Henry, Saha (Wiltord 86), Thuram, Sagnol, Ribéry (Govou 69)			
06.09.2006	France - Italy	3-1	Stade de France, Paris
Goals: 1-0 Govou 2, 2-0 Henry 18, 2-1 Gilardino 20, 3-1 Govou 55			
France: Coupet, Sagnol, Gallas, Thuram, Abidal, Ribéry (Saha 88), Vieira, Makelele, Malouda, Govou (Wiltord 75), Henry			
07.10.2006	Scotland - France	1-0	Hampden Park, Glasgow
Goals: 1-0 G. Caldwell 67			
France: Coupet, Abidal, Thuram, Boumsong, Sagnol, Ribéry (Wiltord 74), Vieira, Makelele, Malouda, Trezeguet (Saha 62), Henry			
11.10.2006	France - Faroe Islands	5-0	Bonal, Sochaux-Montbéliard
Goals: 1-0 Saha 1, 2-0 Henry 22, 3-0 Anelka 77, 4-0 Trezeguet 78, 5-0 Trezeguet 84			
France: Landreau, Sagnol (Clerc 79), Gallas, Thuram, Escudé, Ribéry, Vieira, Toulalan, Malouda, Saha (Trezeguet 61), Henry (Anelka 61)			
24.03.2007	Lithuania - France	0-1	S. Darius & S. Girenas, Kaunas
Goals: 0-1 Anelka 73			
France: Coupet, Sagnol, Thuram, Gallas, Abidal, Malouda (Diaby 89), Makelele, Toulalan, Diarra, Govou (Cissé 62), Anelka			
02.06.2007	France - Ukraine	2-0	Stade de France, Paris
Goals: 1-0 Ribéry 57, 2-0 Anelka 71			
France: Coupet, Abidal, Gallas, Clerc, Thuram, Makelele, Malouda, Toulalan, Nasri (Diarra 81), Ribéry, Anelka (Cissé 77)			
06.06.2007	France - Georgia	1-0	Abbé-Deschamps, Auxerre
Goals: 1-0 Nasri 33			
France: Landreau, Abidal, Clerc, Gallas, Makelele, Malouda (Cissé 65), Nasri, Ribéry (Govou 90+4), Thuram, Toulalan, Anelka (Benzema 90+3)			
08.09.2007	Italy - France	0-0	Stadio Giuseppe Meazza, Milan
Goals: -			
France: Landreau, Diarra, Thuram, Escudé, Abidal, Ribéry (Toulalan 86), Makelele, Vieira, Malouda, Henry, Anelka			
12.09.2007	France - Scotland	0-1	Parc des Princes, Paris
Goals: 0-1 McFadden 64			
France: Landreau, Diarra, Thuram, Escudé, Abidal (Benzema 77), Ribéry, Vieira (Nasri 69), Makelele, Malouda, Trezeguet, Anelka			
13.10.2007	Faroe Islands - France	0-6	Tórsvøllur, Torshavn
Goals: 0-1 Anelka 6, 0-2 Henry 8, 0-3 Benzema 50, 0-4 Rothen 66, 0-5 Benzema 81, 0-6 Ben Arfa 90+4			
France: Landreau, Sagna, Abidal, Thuram, Evra, Rothen, Makelele (Diarra 73), Toulalan, Ribéry (Ben Arfa 64), Anelka (Benzema 46), Henry			

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17.10.2007 France - Lithuania

2-0

La Beaujoire, Nantes

Goals: 1-0 Henry 80, 2-0 Henry 81

France: Landreau, Diarra (Ben Arfa 69), Thuram, Gallas, Abidal, Toulalan, Makelele, Malouda, Ribéry, Henry, Benzema

21.11.2007 Ukraine - France

2-2

NSC Olimpiyskiy Stadium, Kiev

Goals: 1-0 Voronin 14, 1-1 Henry 20, 1-2 Govou 34, 2-2 Shevchenko 46

France: Frey, Clerc, Gallas, Thuram, Abidal, Ribéry (Ben Arfa 89), Makelele, Diarra, Govou, Henry, Benzema (Nasri 46)

Competition facts

UEFA European Championship: Did you know?

- Only three sides have ever won the UEFA European Championship on home soil: Spain (1964), Italy (1968) and France (1984).
- No side has ever retained the trophy, and no player has appeared in two victorious finals.
- Since 1980, when the tournament became an eight-team event, the hosts have only failed to reach the semi-finals – or better – twice. Italy finished second in Group 2 in 1980, when only the top side in each section progressed to the final, and in 2000 Belgium – co-hosts with the Netherlands, who did reach the semi-finals – came third in their section.
- UEFA EURO 2008™ is Germany's tenth successive UEFA European Championship final tournament, more appearances than any other side – they last missed out as West Germany in 1968. The Netherlands are taking part in the finals for the sixth successive edition.
- Italy are bidding to become only the third team to hold the UEFA European Championship and FIFA World Cup at the same time. West Germany won the European title in 1972 and added the world crown two years later, while France claimed the 1998 World Cup and UEFA EURO 2000™.
- A total of 15 players appeared in both those finals; for West Germany, Sepp Maier, Franz Beckenbauer, Hans-Georg Schwarzenbeck, Paul Breitner, Uli Hoeness and Gerd Müller and France's Fabien Barthez, Marcel Desailly, Bixente Lizarazu, Lilian Thuram, Didier Deschamps, Yuri Djorkaeff, Patrick Vieira, Zinedine Zidane and Christophe Dugarry.
- Having played in Manchester United FC's UEFA Champions League final victory in Moscow on 21 May, Edwin van der Sar, Patrice Evra, Nani and Cristiano Ronaldo can join the exclusive band of five players who have appeared in European Champion Clubs' Cup and UEFA European Championship final victories in the same year. Luis Suárez achieved the feat with FC Internazionale Milano and Spain in 1964, while in 1988 PSV Eindhoven quartet Hans van Breukelen, Ronald Koeman, Barry van Aerle and Gerald Vanenburg were all in the victorious Netherlands side.
- Wim Kieft and Nicolas Anelka won the European Cup with PSV and Real Madrid CF in 1988 and 2000 respectively yet remaining on the bench for the Netherlands' and France's European Championship triumphs in those years. Anelka's Madrid and France team-mate from 2000, Christian Karembou, holds the unique position of being an unused substitute in both final victories in the same year.
- A total of ten players have been UEFA European Championship final losers after appearing in a European Cup victory: Sepp Maier, Hans-Georg Schwarzenbeck, Franz Beckenbauer and Uli Hoeness (1976, FC Bayern München and West Germany) and Paulo Ferreira, Ricardo Carvalho, Nuno Valente, Costinha, Maniche and Deco (2004, FC Porto and Portugal).
- Conversely six Chelsea players – Petr Čech, Claude Makelele, Carvalho, Michael Ballack, Florent Malouda and Anelka – could join a list of four players who followed European Cup final defeat with EURO victory in the same year: Ignacio Zoco and Amancio Amaro (1964, Real Madrid and Spain) and Manny Kaltz and Hörst Hrubesch (1980, Hamburger SV and West Germany).

UEFA European Championship final tournament: All-time records

• Leading scorer in a final tournament

1960: 2 François Heutte (FRA), Viktor Ponedelnik (URS), Valentin Ivanov (URS), Drazen Jerković (YUG)

1964: 2 Jesús María Pereda (ESP), Ferenc Bene (HUN), Deszö Novák (HUN)

1968: 2 Dragan Džajić (YUG)

1972: 4 Gerd Müller (FRG)

1976: 4 Dieter Müller (FRG)

1980: 3 Klaus Allofs (FRG)

1984: 9 Michel Platini (FRA)

1988: 5 Marco van Basten (NED)

1992: 3 Henrik Larsen (DEN), Karl-Heinz Riedle (GER), Dennis Bergkamp (NED), Tomas Brodin (SWE)

1996: 5 Alan Shearer (ENG)

2000: 5 Patrick Kluivert (NED), Savo Milošević (YUG)

2004: 5 Milan Baroš (CZE)

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• Oldest player to appear:

39yrs 91days: Lothar Matthäus (Portugal 3-0 **Germany**, 20.06.2000)

38yrs 308days: Morten Olsen (Italy 2-0 **Denmark**, 17.06.1988)

38yrs 271days: Peter Shilton (**England** 1-3 Netherlands, 15.06.1988)

• Youngest player to appear:

18yrs 115days: Enzo Scifo (**Belgium** 2-0 Yugoslavia, 13.06.1984)

18yrs 128days: Valeri Bozhinov (Sweden 2-1 **Bulgaria**, 14.06.2004)

18yrs 137days: Johan Vonlanthen (England 3-0 **Switzerland**, 17.06.2004)

18yrs 233days: Wayne Rooney (France 2-1 **England**, 13.06.2004)

• Oldest player to score:

38yrs 257 days: Ivica Vastic (**Austria** 1-1 Poland, 12.06.2008)

34yrs 213days: Nené (**Portugal** 1-0 Romania, 20.06.1984)

34yrs 205days: Laurent Blanc (**France** 3-0 Denmark, 11.06.2000)

• Youngest player to score:

18yrs 141days: Johan Vonlanthen (**Switzerland** 1-3 France, 21.06.2004)

18yrs 237days: Wayne Rooney (**England** 3-0 Switzerland, 17.06.2004)

• Most goals in a match:

9: France 4-5 Yugoslavia (06.07.1960)

7: Netherlands 6-1 Yugoslavia (25.06.2000)

7: Yugoslavia 3-4 Spain (21.06.2000)

• Biggest victory:

6-1: Netherlands v Yugoslavia (25.06.2000)

5-0: Sweden v Bulgaria (14.06.2004)

5-0: Denmark v Yugoslavia (16.06.1984)

5-0: France v Belgium (16.06.1984)

• Fastest hat-trick

18mins: Michel Platini (**France** 3-2 Yugoslavia, 19.06.1984)

• Fastest goals

1min 7 secs: Dmitri Kirichenko (**Russia** 2-1 Greece, 20.06.2004)

2mins 7secs: Sergei Aleinikov (England 1-3 **Soviet Union**, 18.06.1988)

2mins 14 secs: Alan Shearer (Germany 1-1 (6-5pens) **England**, 26.06.1996)

2mins 25secs: Michael Owen (Portugal 2-2 (6-5pens) **England**, 24.06.2004)

2mins 27secs: Hristo Stoichkov (**Bulgaria** 1-0 Romania, 13.06.1996)

• Appearances

Players

Qualifying and final tournament

46: Lilian Thuram (FRA)

39: Peter Schmeichel (DEN)

39: Vitalis Astafjevs (LVA)

38: Hakan Şükür (TUR)

37: Sargis Hovsepyan (ARM)

36: Didier Deschamps (FRA)

36: Theodoros Zagorakis (GRE)

36: Rüştü Reçber (TUR)

35: Mart Poom (EST)

35: Jari Litmanen (FIN)

35: Laurent Blanc (FRA)

35: Fabio Cannavaro (ITA)

35: Mario Frick (LIE)

35: Edwin van der Sar (NED)

35: Dorinel Munteanu (ROM)

35: Gheorghe Popescu (ROM)

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Final tournament

15: Lilian Thuram (FRA)
14: Karel Poborský (CZE)
14: Zinédine Zidane (FRA)
14: Luís Figo (POR)
14: Edwin van der Sar (NED)
13: Peter Schmeichel (DEN)
13: Laurent Blanc (FRA)
13: Didier Deschamps (FRA)
13: Jürgen Klinsmann (FRG/GER)
13: Thomas Hässler (FRG/GER)
13: Paolo Maldini (ITA)
13: Phillip Cocu (NED)
13: Dennis Bergkamp (NED)

Teams

Final tournament

10: West Germany/Germany
8: Spain; Netherlands
7: Denmark; England; France; Italy

• Goals

Overall

22: Jon Dahl Tomasson (DEN)
22: Hakan Şükür (TUR)
20: Jan Koller (CZE)
20: Davor Šuker (YUG/CRO)
19: Raúl González (ESP)
18: Zlatko Zahovic (SLO)
17: Thierry Henry (FRA)
17: Shota Arveladze (GEO)
16: Gerd Müller (FRG)
16: Marco van Basten (NED)
15: Hristo Stoitchkov (BUL)
15: Jürgen Klinsmann (GER)

Final tournament

9: Michel Platini (FRA)
7: Alan Shearer (ENG)
6: Patrick Kluivert (NED)
5: Milan Baroš (CZE)
5: Zinédine Zidane (FRA)
5: Thierry Henry (FRA)
5: Jürgen Klinsmann (GER)
5: Marco Van Basten (NED)
5: Ruud van Nistelrooy (NED)
5: Nuno Gomes (POR)
5: Savo Milošević (YUG)

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Team facts

Team facts: Netherlands

UEFA European Championship record

2004: Semi-finals

2000: Semi-finals

1996: Quarter-finals

1992: Semi-finals

1988: Winners

1984: Qualifying

1980: Group stage, final tournament

1976: Third place

1972: Qualifying

1968: Qualifying

1964: Last 16

1960: Did not enter

Key facts

Overall

Pld: 118 **W:** 73 **D:** 22 **L:** 23 **F:** 244 **A:** 91

Final tournament

Pld: 29 **W:** 15 **D:** 8 **L:** 6 **F:** 48 **A:** 28

Qualifying

Pld: 89 **W:** 58 **D:** 14 **L:** 17 **F:** 196 **A:** 63

Records

Qualifying

Biggest win

8-0: Luxembourg v Netherlands, 17.11.1971, 1972 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 7

8-0: Malta v Netherlands, 19.12.1990, UEFA EURO '92 qualifying Group 6

Biggest loss

4-1: Poland v Netherlands, 10.09.1975, 1976 UEFA European Championship qualifying Group 5

Final tournament

Biggest win

6-1: Netherlands v Yugoslavia, 25.06.2000, UEFA EURO 2000™ quarter-finals

Biggest loss

4-1: Netherlands v England, 18.06.1996, UEFA EURO '96™ Group A

3-1: Czechoslovakia v Netherlands, 16.06.1976, 1976 UEFA European Championship semi-finals

EURO appearances (players)

Overall

35: Edwin van der Sar

31: Frank de Boer

30: Ruud Gullit

29: Clarence Seedorf

27: Aron Winter

26: Hans van Breukelen

25: Patrick Kluivert

25: Dennis Bergkamp

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Final tournament

14: Edwin van der Sar
13: Phillip Cocu
13: Dennis Bergkamp
12: Edgar Davids
10: Clarence Seedorf
10: Michael Reiziger

Top scorers

Overall

16: Marco van Basten
13: Patrick Kluivert
12: Johan Cruyff
12: Ruud van Nistelrooy

Final tournament

6: Patrick Kluivert
5: Marco van Basten
5: Ruud van Nistelrooy
4: Dennis Bergkamp

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Team facts: France

UEFA European Championship record

2004: Quarter-finals
2000: Winners
1996: Semi-finals
1992: Group stage, final tournament
1988: Qualifying
1984: Winners
1980: Qualifying
1976: Qualifying
1972: Qualifying
1968: Quarter-finals
1964: Quarter-finals
1960: Fourth place

Key facts

Overall

Pld: 118 **W:** 67 **D:** 30 **L:** 21 **F:** 236 **A:** 109

Final tournament

Pld: 26 **W:** 14 **D:** 7 **L:** 5 **F:** 45 **A:** 28

Qualifying

Pld: 92 **W:** 53 **D:** 23 **L:** 16 **F:** 191 **A:** 81

Records

Qualifying

Biggest win

10-0: France v Azerbaijan, 06.09.1995, UEFA EURO '96™ qualifying Group 1
7-1: France v Greece, 01.10.1958, 1960 UEFA European Championship last 16
6-0: Faroe Islands v France, 13.10.2007, UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying Group B
6-0: France v Malta, 29.03.2003, UEFA EURO 2005™ qualifying Group 1

Biggest loss

5-1: Yugoslavia v France, 24.04.1968, 1968 UEFA European Championship quarter-finals

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Final tournament

Biggest win

5-0: France v Belgium, 16.06.1984, 1984 UEFA European Championship Group 1

Biggest loss

5-4: France v Yugoslavia, 06.07.1960, 1960 UEFA European Championship semi-final

3-2: France v Netherlands, 21.06.2000, UEFA EURO 2000™ Group D

2-1: France v Denmark, 17.06.1992, EURO '92 Group 1

1-0: France v Greece, 25.06.2004, UEFA EURO 2004™ quarter-final

EURO appearances (players)

Overall

46: Lilian Thuram

36: Didier Deschamps

35: Laurent Blanc

34: Marcel Desailly

33: Zinédine Zidane

Final tournament

15: Lilian Thuram

14: Zinédine Zidane

13: Laurent Blanc

13: Didier Deschamps

13: Willy Sagnol

Top scorers

Overall

17: Thierry Henry

12: Jean-Pierre Papin

12: David Trezeguet

11: Zinédine Zidane

11: Youri Djorkaeff

Final tournament

9: Michel Platini

5: Zinédine Zidane

5: Thierry Henry

Last updated: 10.06.2008

UEFA information

Platini positive

UEFA President Michel Platini has given a positive overview of the first eight matches at UEFA EURO 2008™. "There is no denying that the instructions calling for respect have had an undeniable impact. On the field – and this is the most significant effect – we have seen a spectacular decrease in the number of yellow and red cards. In fact, no red cards have been shown so far and the number of yellow cards is down by 40 per cent compared with UEFA EURO 2004™. In the stadiums, there have been no incidents to report; the crowds have been enthusiastic and excited by all the action on the field. We've heard all the different groups of supporters singing their national anthems, as well as respecting and even applauding the national anthem of the other team. Bravo!

"The fan zones and their giant screens are proving extremely successful, and although a few minor incidents regrettably broke out in Klagenfurt, the Austrian police rapidly and efficiently restored order. This first series of matches also produced a nice bit of controversy about the laws of the game; that triggered superb debate about the offside rule which was worthy of the finest debates that take place in the courts of our continent. I think everyone has learned something from this episode. I must also mention the exemplary conduct of the coaches, who are setting a fine example to all their less experienced fellow coaches. On the field, we've seen some great football, with some exciting action and a quantity of goals which is well within the average for a 16-team European Championship final round. Everyone agrees that the quality of the television broadcasts is excellent, and the viewing figures are breaking records in many countries. I hope, therefore, that all these positive trends continue – and that the weather improves."

Offside rule clarified

UEFA has emphasised that the goal scored by Netherlands striker Ruud Van Nistelrooy in Monday's Group C match against Italy in Berne was valid and that the referee acted correctly in awarding it. The UEFA General Secretary David Taylor was reacting to claims from some quarters that Van Nistelrooy was standing in an offside position when he scored the first goal in the Netherlands' 3-0 win. "I would like to take the opportunity to explain and emphasise that the goal was correctly awarded by the referee team," he said. "I think there's a lack of understanding among the general football public, and it's understandable because this was an unusual situation. The player was not offside, because, in addition to the goalkeeper, there was another Italian player in front of the goalscorer. Even though the other Italian player at the time had actually fallen off the pitch, his position was still relevant for the purposes of the offside law."

Zero tolerance for racism

The football family and anti-racism campaigners have joined forces at the start of UEFA EURO 2008™ to deliver a strong message: racist conduct, discrimination and intolerance will have no place at the tournament, or in the future. A key gathering in Basel brought together representatives of UEFA and the FARE (Football Against Racism in Europe) network for a reception featuring former players, administrators and non-government organisations to signal the beginning of a three-week anti-discrimination programme at UEFA EURO 2008™. The Unite Against Racism programme, run by the FARE network with UEFA's backing, as well as with the support of the professional players' union FIFPro, will include an advertising spot broadcast at every game – Different Languages, One Goal: No To Racism – pitch-side boards and activities with fans, culminating in high-profile activities on the field at the semi-finals in Basel and Vienna on 25 and 26 June.

Anti-doping drive

In the run-up to UEFA EURO 2008™ an unprecedented programme of out-of-competition doping controls was carried out – including blood testing – and all 160 samples examined at the World Anti-Doping Authority (WADA) accredited laboratory in Seibersdorf produced negative results. The results were communicated to UEFA's 12 doping control officers (DCOs) when they met in Lausanne on 6 June. The programme of blood controls alongside the usual urine samples, which will continue with the testing of two players from each side in every finals match at the Swiss doping analysis laboratory in Lausanne, is another innovation for UEFA.

Competition information

• **Format:** The UEFA EURO 2008™ group stage draw in Lucerne on 2 December 2007 divided the 14 qualifiers and co-hosts Austria and Switzerland into four groups of four. Each country plays each other once. Three points are awarded for a win, one point for a draw and no points for a defeat. If two or more teams are equal on points on completion of the group matches, the following criteria are applied to determine the rankings:

- a) number of points obtained in the matches among the teams in question;
- b) goal difference from the matches among the teams in question;
- c) number of goals scored in the matches among the teams in question (if more than two teams finish level on points);
- d) goal difference in all group matches;
- e) number of goals scored in all the group matches;
- f) coefficient from the qualifying competitions for the 2006 FIFA World Cup and UEFA EURO 2008™ (points obtained divided by number of matches played);
- g) Fair Play conduct of teams in the final tournament;
- h) drawing of lots

If two teams which have the same number of points, the same number of goals scored and conceded play their last group match against each other and are still equal at the end of that match, the ranking of the two teams in question will be determined by kicks from the penalty mark, provided no other teams within the group have the same number of points on completion of all group matches. Should more than two teams have the same number of points, the criteria (a) to (h) will apply.

• **Key dates:** The quarter-finals are played on 19, 20, 21 and 22 June in the following format:

Match 1 Winner Group A v Runner-up Group B

Match 2 Winner Group B v Runner-up Group A

Match 3 Winner Group C v Runner-up Group D

Match 4 Winner Group D v Runner-up Group C

The semi-finals are played on 25 and 26 June:

Winner Match 1 v Winner Match 2

Winner Match 3 v Winner Match 4

The final is played at the Ernst-Happel-Stadion in Vienna on Sunday 29 June, with the winners of Semi-final 1 being designated as the home team for administrative purposes.

• **Disciplinary information:** As a rule, a player who is sent off is suspended for the next match in the competition. The Control and Disciplinary Body is entitled to augment this punishment. In the case of repeated cautions, a player is suspended for one match after two cautions in two different matches. In May, UEFA's Executive Committee decided at its meeting in Moscow to cancel single yellow cards after the quarter-finals of UEFA EURO 2008™. Consequently, a situation will not arise whereby players receive a second yellow card of the tournament in the semi-finals and are suspended for the final as a result.

• **Player eligibility:** The 16 participants in the final tournament had to submit a final list of 23 players – of which three had to be goalkeepers – at least ten days before the opening match of the tournament, on 7 June. In the event of a serious injury to a listed player before his team's first match in the final tournament, the player in question could be substituted only if a doctor from the UEFA Medical Committee and the team doctor both confirmed the injury was serious enough to prevent the player taking part.

• **Financial information:** UEFA has earmarked a total of €184m for the 16 teams competing in UEFA EURO 2008™ compared to €129m at UEFA EURO 2004™. The 16 teams in the final tournament will each receive a participating fee of €7.5m with a performance bonus of €1m for a win during the group stage and €500,000 for a draw. The eight teams who reach the quarter-finals will all receive an additional payment of €2m, with the four teams who progress to the semi-finals collecting an extra €3m. For the teams who take the field for the final at the Ernst-Happel-Stadion on 29 June, the runners-up will receive €4.5m with the winners collecting €7.5m. Therefore, if the victorious side at the final win all three of their group games, they would collect a maximum of €23m.

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Legend

:: All-time statistics

The all-time record of the competing teams in the UEFA European Championship.

Final tournament: The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976. From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the current 16-team format was adopted.

Goals for/against: Goals totals include the outcome of disciplinary decisions (eg match forfeits when a 3-0 result is determined). Goals totals do not include goals scored from the penalty mark during a penalty shoot-out after a tie ended in a draw.

:: Squad list

The eligible list of players ordered first by playing position and then numeric order.

UEFA EURO 2008™ qualifying: Total UEFA EURO 2008™ appearances/goals in qualifying competition only.

FT: Total UEFA EURO 2008™ appearances/goals in final tournament only.

Overall: Total international appearances/goals.

DoB: Date of birth

Age: based on the date press kit was last updated

BL: Booking list (*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

:: Match officials

The match officials appointed to officiate the fixture.

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship • **U21:** UEFA European Under-21 Championship

WC: FIFA World Cup • **CONFCUP:** Confederation Cup

FRIE: Friendly internationals • **U21FRIE:** Under-21 friendly internationals

U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship

U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship • **U18:** UEFA European Under-18 Championship

:: Competition stages

F: Final

GS: Group stage

GS1: First group stage

GS2: Second group stage

KO1: First knockout round

PR: Preliminary round

QF: Quarter-finals

QR: Qualifying round

QR1: First qualifying round

QR2: Second qualifying round

FT: Final tournament

QR3: Third qualifying round

R1: First round

R2: Second round

R3: Third round

R4: Fourth round

SF: Semi-finals

1/8: Eighth-finals

1/16: Sixteenth-finals

1st: first leg

2nd: second leg

P-O: Play-off

:: Other Abbreviations

AP: Appearances

Comp.: Competition

D: Drawn

DoB: Date of birth

GA: Goals against

GF: Goals for

L: Lost

Nat.: Nationality

N/a: Not Applicable

No.: Number

Pld: Matches played

Pos.: Position

Pts: Points

R: Sent off (red card)

Res.: Result

W: Won

Y: Booked

Y/R: Sent off (yellow card then direct red)

:: Statistics

(-) : Denotes player substituted

(*) : Denotes player dismissed/sent off

(+) : Denotes player introduced

(+/-) : Denotes player introduced and substituted

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Head Coach: Marco Van Basten

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Referee: Herbert Fandel (GER)

Fourth official: Grzegorz Gilewski (POL)

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Volker Wezel (GER)

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Head Coach: Marco **Van Basten**

	Half	Full
Total shots	8	16
Shots on target	3	9
Free kicks to goal	0	1
Saves	5	8
Corners	1	2
Fouls committed	10	17
Fouls suffered	9	17
Offside	0	0
Possession	60%	53%
Ball in play	18'10"	31'00"
Total ball in play	30'59"	59'00"

Referee:
Herbert Fandel (GER)
Assistant referees:
Carsten Kadach (GER)
Volker Wezel (GER)

- Goal
- Booked
- Sent off
- Substitution
- Penalty
- Own goal
- Captain
- Goalkeeper
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half time

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Head Coach: Raymond **Domenech**

	Half	Full
Total shots	7	23
Shots on target	5	9
Free kicks to goal	0	1
Saves	2	5
Corners	1	6
Fouls committed	9	17
Fouls suffered	10	17
Offside	0	0
Possession	40%	47%
Ball in play	12'49"	28'00"
Total ball in play	30'59"	59'00"

Fourth official:
Grzegorz Gilewski (POL)
UEFA delegate:
Liutauras Varanavicius (LTU)

Man of the match:
10, Sneijder Wesley (NED)

Attendance: 30,777

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18 Dirk Kuyt 9'

32' Y 6 Claude Makelele

45'

1'01"

11 Arjen Robben in ↔ 46'
8 Orlando Engelaar out ↔

2 André Ooijer Y 51'
7 Robin van Persie in ↔
18 Dirk Kuyt out ↔ 55'

7 Robin van Persie 59' 60' ↔ in ↔ 18 Bafetimbi Gomis
7 Florent Malouda out ↔

11 Arjen Robben 72' 71' 72' ↔ 12 Thierry Henry

14 Wilfred Bouma in ↔ 78'
23 Rafael van der Vaart out ↔

75' ↔ in ↔ 8 Nicolas Anelka
10 Sidney Govou out ↔

82' Y 20 Jérémy Toulalan

90'

10 Wesley Sneijder 2'24"

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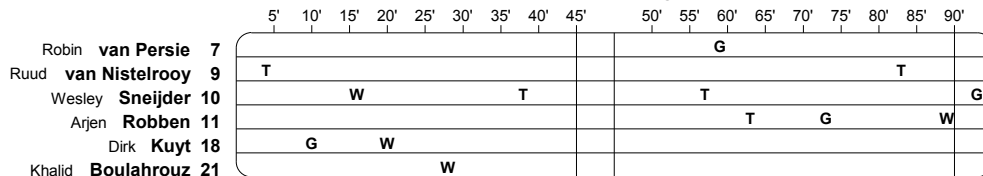




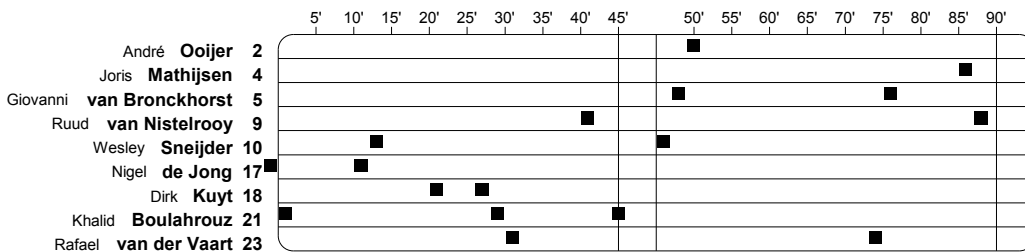
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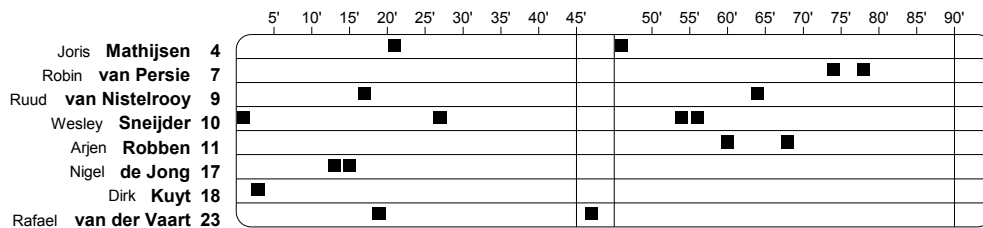
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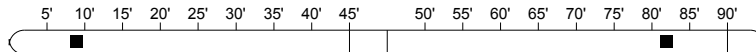


17 Fouls Suffered



Offside

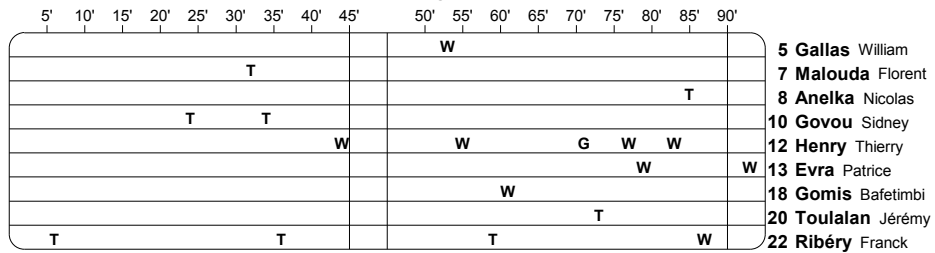
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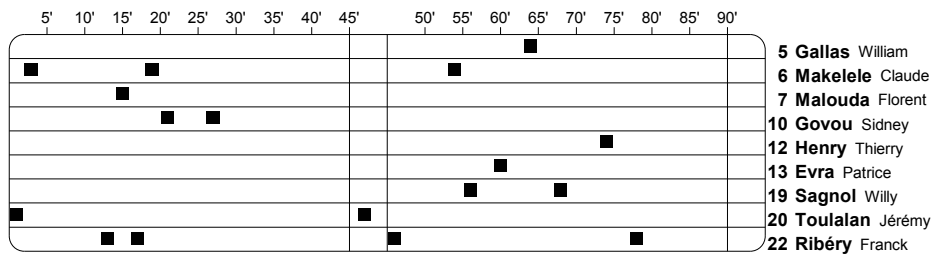
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Shots

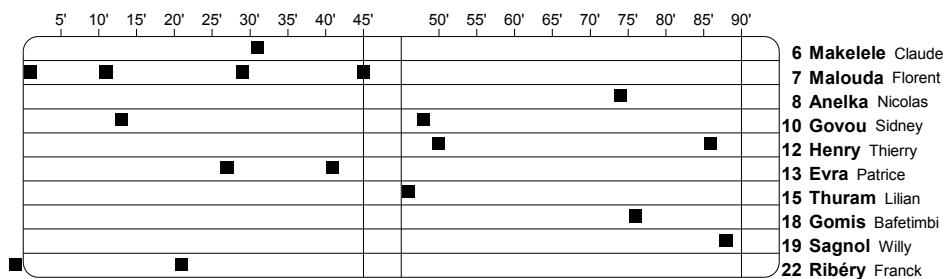
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Fouls committed 17



Fouls Suffered 17



Offside

Corners 6



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Team statistics: Full time

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FRANCE

9' Dirk Kuyt
59' Robin van Persie
72' Arjen Robben
90'+2 Wesley Sneijder

71' Thierry Henry

1st half	2nd half	Total	Period	1st half	2nd half	Total
46'01"	47'24"	93'25"	Total time played (mins)	46'01"	47'24"	93'25"
18'10"	12'50"	31'00"	Ball in play (mins)	12'49"	15'11"	28'00"
60%	44%	53%	Ball possession	40%	56%	47%
			Distance & speed			
54,918	55,002	109,920	Distance covered (metres)	53,685	52,715	106,399
25.44	31.53	31.53	Top speed (km/h)	28.38	29.02	29.02
5.12	5.92	6.57	Average speed	5.39	5.68	6.02
			Passing & solo runs			
295	174	469	Passes attempted	213	221	434
247	120	367	Passes completed	163	173	336
52	47	99	Long passes attempted	27	48	75
30	22	52	Long passes completed	15	32	47
193	94	287	Medium passes attempted	144	136	280
173	71	244	Medium passes completed	116	114	230
50	33	83	Short passes attempted	42	37	79
44	27	71	Short passes completed	32	27	59
22	15	37	Delivery/solo runs into the attacking third	19	33	52
14	9	23	Delivery/solo runs into the key area	9	28	37
6	2	8	Delivery/solo runs into the penalty area	8	15	23
			Scoring situations			
1	3	4	Goal(s) scored (open play)	0	1	1
0	0	0	Goal(s) scored (penalty)	0	0	0
0	0	0	Goal(s) scored (direct from free-kick)	0	0	0
0	0	0	Goal(s) scored (penalty shootout)	0	0	0
8	8	16	Attempts on/off target	7	16	23
1	3	4	Assist(s)	0	1	1
5	3	8	Save(s)	2	3	5
			Discipline			
0	1	1	Yellow card(s)	1	1	2
0	0	0	Red card(s)	0	0	0
10	7	17	Foul(s) committed	9	8	17
0	0	0	Offside(s)	0	0	0

Goal scored

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Team / Players passing distribution

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From	TP	To														Total			
		1	2	4	5	8	9	10	17	18	21	23	7	11	14	PC	PA	%	
Edwin van der Sar	1	93'25"		8	3	4	3	4	-	2	2	1	-	1	1	1	30	44	68%
André Ooijer	2	93'25"	5		9	3	4	2	1	3	1	10	3	1	1	-	43	51	84%
Joris Mathijsen	4	93'25"	2	4		7	4	2	4	1	-	1	2	-	1	-	28	32	88%
Giovanni van Bronckhorst	5	93'25"	4	-	6		3	1	7	6	-	2	3	2	2	-	36	45	80%
Orlando Engelaar	8	46'01"	-	3	3	2		2	3	-	5	6	3	-	-	-	27	33	82%
Ruud van Nistelrooy	9	93'25"	-	1	-	3	1		4	4	4	3	3	1	3	-	28	33	85%
Wesley Sneijder	10	93'25"	1	4	3	4	6	5		4	-	3	5	-	2	1	38	43	88%
Nigel de Jong	17	93'25"	-	4	2	4	2	4	6		4	-	3	5	-	2	36	39	92%
Dirk Kuyt	18	55'59"	-	2	-	1	4	3	-	2		3	1	-	1	-	17	24	71%
Khalid Boulahrouz	21	93'25"	4	7	1	-	1	4	1	2	5		4	3	-	-	32	45	71%
Rafaël van der Vaart	23	78'52"	3	1	2	1	4	3	8	2	3	-		-	-	-	27	36	75%
Robin van Persie	7	37'26"	-	3	-	2	-	1	1	2	-	2	-		-	-	11	21	52%
Arjen Robben	11	47'24"	-	-	-	1	-	3	2	-	-	-	-	-		2	8	17	47%
Wilfred Bouma	14	14'33"	-	-	-	3	-	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	1		6	6	100%
Team total:																367	469	78%	

From	TP	To												Total				
		23	5	6	7	10	12	13	15	19	20	22	8	18	PC	PA	%	
Grégory Coupet	23	93'25"		6	1	1	1	-	1	3	3	2	3	-	-	21	25	84%
William Gallas	5	93'25"	1		5	5	1	2	8	4	-	3	3	-	1	33	36	92%
Claude Makelele	6	93'25"	1	-		4	3	4	1	4	-	9	8	3	1	38	44	86%
Florent Malouda	7	60'07"	-	2	-		1	2	-	1	1	3	6	-	-	16	28	57%
Sidney Govou	10	75'21"	-	-	1	1		3	1	2	3	3	3	-	1	18	23	78%
Thierry Henry	12	93'25"	-	1	-	2	4		2	-	-	2	5	1	-	17	24	71%
Patrice Evra	13	93'25"	-	2	2	7	-	5		-	1	7	12	1	1	38	50	76%
Lilian Thuram	15	93'25"	1	5	6	1	-	2	2		5	8	2	-	-	32	35	91%
Willy Sagnol	19	93'25"	1	2	2	1	7	3	3	3		5	3	-	-	30	42	71%
Jérémy Toulalan	20	93'25"	1	3	7	4	2	1	3	2	3		9	2	2	39	49	80%
Franck Ribéry	22	93'25"	-	3	3	8	3	4	7	2	8	4		1	1	44	66	67%
Nicolas Anelka	8	18'04"	-	-	2	-	-	1	1	-	1	-	-		1	6	7	86%
Bafetimbi Gomis	18	33'18"	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-	1		4	5	80%
Team total:																336	434	77%

TP: Time played

PA: Passes attempted

PC: Passes completed

%: Passing success percentage

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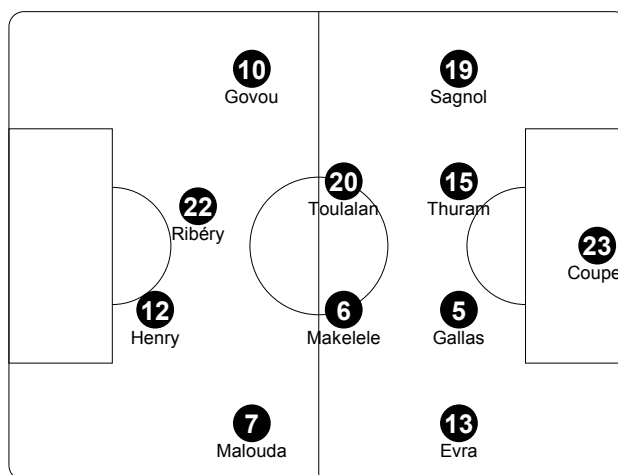
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