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Previous meetings

Head to Head

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
09/09/2009	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	0-1	Ta' Qali	Azzopardi 82 (og)
10/06/2009	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	4-0	Gothenburg	Källström 21, Majstorovic 52, Ibrahimović 56, Berg 58

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
04/06/2005	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	6-0	Gothenburg	Jonson 6, Svensson 18, Wilhelmsson 29, Ibrahimović 40, Ljungberg 57, Elmander 81
04/09/2004	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	0-7	Ta' Qali	Ibrahimović 4, 11, 14, 71, Ljungberg 46, 74, Larsson 76

1988 UEFA European Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
24/05/1987	PR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	1-0	Gothenburg	Ekström 13
16/11/1986	PR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	0-5	Ta' Qali	Hysén 38, Magnusson 67, Fredriksson 69, Ekström 82, 84

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
17/11/1985	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	1-2	Ta' Qali	Prytz 2, Strömberg 76
23/05/1984	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	4-0	Norrköping	Sunesson 4, 76, Corneliusson 36, Erlandsson 70

FIFA World Cup

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
11/11/1973	QR (GS)	Malta - Sweden	1-2	Valletta	Camilleri 20; Kindvall 21, Larsson 33 (P)
15/10/1972	QR (GS)	Sweden - Malta	7-0	Gothenburg	Edström 2, 29, 63, Larsson 16, 33 (P), Sandberg 41, Szepanski 57 (P)

	Qualifying								Final tournament				Total					
	Home				Away													
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
EURO																		
Sweden	1	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	2	2	0	0	6	0
Malta	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	2	0	0	2	0	6
FIFA*																		
Sweden	4	4	0	0	4	4	0	0	-	-	-	-	8	8	0	0	33	2
Malta	4	0	0	4	4	0	0	4	-	-	-	-	8	0	0	8	2	33
Friendlies																		
Sweden	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	3	0
Malta	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	3
Total																		
Sweden	5	5	0	0	5	5	0	0	-	-	-	-	11	11	0	0	42	2
Malta	5	0	0	5	5	0	0	5	-	-	-	-	11	0	0	11	2	42

* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

Squad list

Sweden

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
-	Kristoffer Nordfeldt	23/06/1989	29	Swansea	-	0	0	0	0	9	-
-	Karl-Johan Johnsson	28/01/1990	29	Guingamp	-	0	0	0	0	4	-
-	Robin Olsen	08/01/1990	29	Roma	-	2	0	0	0	25	-
Defenders											
-	Mikael Lustig	13/12/1986	32	Celtic	-	1	0	0	0	71	6
-	Pontus Jansson	13/02/1991	28	Leeds	-	0	0	0	0	17	-
-	Niklas Hult	13/02/1990	29	AEK	-	0	0	0	0	7	-
-	Aleksander Milosevic	30/01/1992	27	Nottm Forest	-	0	0	0	0	4	-
-	Ludwig Augustinsson	21/04/1994	25	Bremen	-	2	0	0	0	21	1
-	Filip Helander	22/04/1993	26	Bologna	-	2	0	0	0	7	-
-	Emil Krafth	02/08/1994	24	Amiens	-	2	0	0	0	19	-
Midfielders											
-	Sebastian Larsson	06/06/1985	34	AIK	-	2	0	0	0	104	6
-	Gustav Svensson	07/02/1987	32	Seattle Sounders	-	2	0	0	0	17	-
-	Albin Ekdal	28/07/1989	29	Sampdoria	-	1	0	0	0	41	-
-	Jakob Johansson	21/06/1990	28	Rennes	-	0	0	0	0	14	1
-	Jimmy Durmaz	22/03/1989	30	Toulouse	-	0	0	0	0	45	2
-	Emil Forsberg	23/10/1991	27	Leipzig	-	1	0	0	0	42	7
-	Viktor Claesson	02/01/1992	27	Krasnodar	-	2	2	0	0	24	4
-	Kristoffer Olsson	30/06/1995	23	Krasnodar	-	2	0	0	0	3	-
-	Robin Quaison	09/10/1993	25	Mainz	-	2	2	0	0	6	3
Forwards											
-	Marcus Berg	17/08/1986	32	Al-Ain	-	2	0	0	0	64	17
-	John Guidetti	15/04/1992	27	Alavés	-	0	0	0	0	24	2
-	Sebastian Andersson	15/07/1991	27	Union Berlin	-	1	0	0	0	2	-
-	Alexander Isak	21/09/1999	19	Willem II	-	2	0	0	0	2	-
Coach											
-	Jan Andersson	29/09/1962	56		-	2	0	0	0	28	-

Malta

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season				Overall	
						Qual.		FT		Team	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers											
-	Justin Haber	09/06/1981	37	Gżira	-	0	0	0	0	56	-
-	Andrew Hogg	02/03/1985	34	Birkirkara	-	0	0	0	0	59	-
-	Henry Bonello	13/10/1988	30	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0	7	-
Defenders											
-	Jonathan Caruana	24/07/1986	32	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0	43	2
-	Andrei Agius	12/08/1986	32	Hibernians	-	1	0	0	0	73	2
-	Steve Borg	15/05/1988	31	Valletta	-	2	1	0	0	35	1
-	Joseph Zerafa	31/05/1988	31	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0	23	-
-	Ferdinando Apap	29/07/1992	26	Victoria	-	0	0	0	0	1	-
-	Dunstan Vella	27/04/1996	23	Hibernians	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
Midfielders											
-	Paul Fenech	20/12/1986	32	Balzan	-	2	0	0	0	47	1
-	John Mintoff	23/08/1988	30	Sliema	-	2	0	0	0	10	-
-	Rowen Muscat	05/06/1991	28	Valletta	-	2	0	0	0	34	-
-	Tristan Caruana	15/09/1991	27	Hamrun	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Bjorn Kristensen	05/04/1993	26	Hibernians	-	0	0	0	0	21	-
-	Zach Muscat	22/08/1993	25	Olhanense	-	2	0	0	0	28	-
-	Jake Grech	18/11/1997	21	Hibernians	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
-	Luke Gambin	16/03/1993	26	Crawley	-	0	0	0	0	14	-
-	Dexter Xuereb	21/09/1997	21	Mosta	-	0	0	0	0	-	-
Forwards											
-	Luke Montebello	13/08/1995	23	Birkirkara	-	0	0	0	0	1	-
-	Alfred Effiong	29/11/1984	34	Balzan	-	0	0	0	0	22	4
-	Juan Corbolan	03/01/1997	22	Gżira	-	2	0	0	0	2	-
-	Kyrian Nwoko	04/07/1997	21	Valletta	-	2	1	0	0	4	1
-	Joseph Mbong	15/07/1997	21	Hibernians	-	2	0	0	0	2	-
Coach											
-	Raymond Farrugia	01/10/1955	63		-	2	0	0	0	3	-

Head coach

Janne Andersson

Date of birth: 29 September 1962

Nationality: Swedish

Playing career: Alet (twice), Halmia, Laholm

Coaching career: Alet, Halmstad (assistant, twice), Laholm, Halmstad, Örgryte, Norrköping, Sweden

- Jan 'Janne' Andersson succeeded Erik Hamrén as Sweden coach after UEFA EURO 2016 having led Norrköping to their first Allsvenskan title in 26 years the previous autumn.
- A footballer and handball player in his native Halmstad, Andersson became assistant coach to Stuart Baxter at the city's main club in 1990, going on to work under Tom Prahl and then Jonas Thern.
- Andersson, who also coached lower-division teams Alet and Laholm, took the Halmstad reins himself in 2004 and in his first season in charge was named coach of the year in Sweden after steering Halmstad to second place.
- After a brief spell at second-tier Örgryte in 2010, Andersson was named Norrköping coach the following year as they returned to the Allsvenskan, at first keeping them up then unexpectedly guiding them to the 2015 title.
- Although his appointment as Sweden coach meant he missed out on leading Norrköping into UEFA Champions League qualifying, Andersson made up for that by taking Sweden to the 2018 FIFA World Cup via a famous play-off win against Italy and then guiding them to the quarter-finals in Russia. More success followed later that year, Sweden winning promotion to League A of the UEFA Nations League.

Ray Farrugia

Date of birth: 1 October, 1955

Nationality: Maltese

Playing career: Floriana, Melita Eagles, Naxxar Lions

Coaching career: Naxxar Lions, Malta Under-21 (twice), Pietà Hotspurs, Marxaxlokk, Sliema Wanderers, Malta (assistant), Malta

- A combative midfielder, 'Zazu' made his debut for the senior team of local club Floriana at 16 and remained there for four seasons, winning two league titles and the FA Trophy and also claiming the first of four senior caps for Malta.
- He left for Australia aged just 21, joining top-flight outfit Melita Eagles, where he would spend the next 12 years, winning four State League championships and three Grand Finals and scoring 123 goals in 318 matches. He returned to his homeland in 1990, joining Naxxar Lions, and eventually hung up his boots at the age of 42.
- Started coaching while still playing at Naxxar before moving on to take charge of the Malta Under-21 side from 1998 to 2002. He later returned to club football on the island, serving Pietà Hotspurs, Marsaxlokk and Sliema Wanderers as head coach.
- In 2011 Farrugia was re-appointed as Malta U-21 head coach, remaining in charge until 2014, when he was promoted to the senior side as assistant to Pietro Ghedin.
- On 2 May 2018 he was appointed as Malta's head coach, replacing Tom Saintfiet who had been dismissed after just six months at the helm.

Match officials

Referee	Rob Harvey (IRL)
Assistant referees	Wayne McDonnell (IRL) , Mark Gavin (IRL)
Fourth official	Paul Mclaughlin (IRL)
UEFA Delegate	Yauheni Tratsiuk (BLR)
UEFA Referee observer	Emil Bozinovski (MKD)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
Rob Harvey	09/09/1988	0	21

UEFA European Championship matches featuring the two countries involved in this match

No such matches refereed

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
27/03/2017	U21	QR	Belgium	Malta	2-1	Louvain
04/05/2018	U17	GS-FT	Slovenia	Sweden	0-2	Burton-on-Trent
02/08/2018	UEL	2QR	FC Mariupol	Djurgårdens IF	2-1	Odessa

Match-by-match lineups

Sweden

European Qualifiers

(23/03/2019)

Sweden 2-1 Romania

Goals: 1-0 Quaison 33, 2-0 Claesson 40, 2-1 Keşerü 58

Sweden: Olsen, Lustig (24 Krafth), Helander, Granqvist, Augustinsson, S. Larsson, Berg, Forsberg (68 Svensson), Quaison (88 Isak), Claesson, Olsson

(26/03/2019)

Norway 3-3 Sweden

Goals: 1-0 Johnsen 41, 2-0 King 59, 2-1 Claesson 70, 2-2 Nordtveit 86 (og) , 2-3 Quaison 90+1, 3-3 Kamara 90+7

Sweden: Olsen, Helander, Granqvist, Augustinsson, S. Larsson (62 Isak), Ekdal (66 Svensson), Berg, Quaison, Krafth, Claesson, Olsson (96 Andersson)

(07/06/2019)

Sweden-Malta

(10/06/2019)

Spain-Sweden

(05/09/2019)

Faroe Islands-Sweden

(08/09/2019)

Sweden-Norway

(12/10/2019)

Malta-Sweden

(15/10/2019)

Sweden-Spain

(15/11/2019)

Romania-Sweden

(18/11/2019)

Sweden-Faroe Islands

Malta

European Qualifiers

(23/03/2019)

Malta 2-1 Faroe Islands

Goals: 1-0 Nwoko 13, 2-0 S. Borg 77 (P) , 2-1 J. Thomsen 90+8

Malta: Bonello, Caruana, S. Borg, Agius, Guillaumier, Mbong, P. Fenech, Mifsud (71 J. Zerafa), Nwoko, R. Muscat (84 Mintoff), Corbolan (63 Z. Muscat)

(26/03/2019)

Malta 0-2 Spain

Goals: 0-1 Morata 31, 0-2 Morata 73

Malta: Bonello, Caruana (85 Micallef), S. Borg, Guillaumier, Mbong (65 R. Muscat), P. Fenech, Nwoko, Corbolan, Mintoff (69 Mifsud), J. Zerafa, Z. Muscat

(07/06/2019)

Sweden-Malta

(10/06/2019)

Malta-Romania

(05/09/2019)

Norway-Malta

(08/09/2019)

Romania-Malta

(12/10/2019)

Malta-Sweden

(15/10/2019)

Faroe Islands-Malta

(15/11/2019)

Spain-Malta

(18/11/2019)

Malta-Norway

Team facts

UEFA European Championship records: Sweden

History

2016 – group stage
2012 – group stage
2008 – group stage
2004 – quarter-finals
2000 – group stage
1996 – did not qualify
1992 – semi-finals
1988 – did not qualify
1984 – did not qualify
1980 – did not qualify
1976 – did not qualify
1972 – did not qualify
1968 – did not qualify
1964 – quarter-finals
1960 – did not enter

Final tournament win

5-0: Sweden v Bulgaria, 14/06/04

Final tournament defeat

2-0: Russia v Sweden, 18/06/08

Qualifying win

6-0: Sweden v San Marino, 07/09/10
0-6: San Marino v Sweden, 07/06/03

Qualifying defeat

1-4: three times, most recently Sweden v Austria, 08/09/15
0-3: four times, most recently Spain v Sweden, 17/11/07

Final tournament appearances

13: Olof Mellberg
13: Andreas Isaksson
13: Zlatan Ibrahimović
12: Kim Källström
10: Henrik Larsson
10: Fredrik Ljungberg

Final tournament goals

6: Zlatan Ibrahimović
4: Henrik Larsson
3: Tomas Brodin

Overall appearances

49: Kim Källström
49: Andreas Isaksson
43: Zlatan Ibrahimović
36: Olof Mellberg
35: Anders Svensson
31: Fredrik Ljungberg

Overall goals

23: Zlatan Ibrahimović
12: Marcus Allbäck
7: Henrik Larsson
7: Kim Källström
6: Johan Elmander
6: Johnny Ekström

UEFA European Championship records: Malta

History

2016 – did not qualify
2012 – did not qualify
2008 – did not qualify
2004 – did not qualify
2000 – did not qualify
1996 – did not qualify
1992 – did not qualify
1988 – did not qualify
1984 – did not qualify
1980 – did not qualify
1972 – did not qualify
1968 – did not qualify
1964 – did not qualify
1960 – did not participate

Qualifying win

2-0: Malta v Greece, 23/02/75

Qualifying defeat

12-1: Spain v Malta, 21/12/83

Overall appearances

36: Michael Mifsud
32: Carmel Busuttil
29: David Carabott
29: André Schembri
27: Roderick Briffa
26: Kristian Laferla
25: Gilbert Agius
25: John Buttigieg

Overall goals

10: Michael Mifsud
5: Carmel Busuttil
4: David Carabott

Legend

:: Previous meetings

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

:: Squad list

Qual.: Total European Qualifiers appearances/goals for UEFA EURO 2020 only.

FT: Total UEFA EURO 2020 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

D: Disciplinary (*: misses next match if booked, S: suspended)

:: Team facts

EURO finals: The UEFA European Championship was a four-team event in 1960, 1964, 1968, 1972 and 1976 (when the preliminary round and quarter-finals were considered part of qualifying).

From 1980 it was expanded to an eight-team finals and remained in that format in 1984, 1988 and 1992 until 1996, when the 16-team format was adopted. UEFA EURO 2016 was the first tournament to be played as a 24-team finals.

Records of inactive countries

A number of UEFA associations have been affected by dissolution or splits of member associations. For statistical purposes, the records of these inactive countries have been allocated elsewhere: therefore, all Soviet Union matches are awarded to Russia; all West Germany – but not East Germany – matches are awarded to Germany; all Yugoslavia and Serbia & Montenegro matches are awarded to Serbia; all Czechoslovakia matches are allocated to both the Czech Republic and Slovakia.

Abandoned/forfeited matches

For statistical purposes, when a match has been started and then abandoned but later forfeited, the result on the pitch at the time of abandonment is counted. Matches that never started and were either cancelled or forfeited are not included in the overall statistics.

Competitions

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

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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