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Austria

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

2020 UEFA European Championship

Date	Stage reached	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/06/2019	QR (GS)	Austria - Slovenia	1-0	Klagenfurt	Burgstaller 74

	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																		
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	0	1
Austria	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	0	0	1	0
FIFA*																		
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Friendlies																		
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	0	1	2	3
Austria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	2	1	0	1	3	2
Total																		
Slovenia	-	-	-	-	1	0	0	1	-	-	-	-	3	1	0	2	2	4
Austria	1	1	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	3	2	0	1	4	2

* FIFA World Cup/FIFA Confederations Cup

Squad list

Slovenia

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Vid Belec	06/06/1990	29	APOEL	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Nejc Vidmar	31/03/1989	30	Olimpija Ljubljana	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Jan Oblak	07/01/1993	26	Atlético	-	7	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Uros Korun	25/05/1987	32	Piast	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Aljaž Struna	04/08/1990	29	Houston Dynamo	-	7	1	0	0		
-	Miha Mevlja	12/06/1990	29	Sochi	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Miha Blažič	08/05/1993	26	Ferencváros	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Erik Janža	21/06/1993	26	Górnik Zabrze	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Petar Stojanović	07/10/1995	24	Dinamo Zagreb	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Jure Balkovec	09/09/1994	25	Empoli	-	3	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	René Krhin	21/05/1990	29	Nantes	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Josip Iličić	29/01/1988	31	Atalanta	*	7	3	0	0		
-	Jasmin Kurtić	10/01/1989	30	SPAL	-	7	0	0	0		
-	Denis Popović	15/10/1989	29	Zürich	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Miha Zajc	01/07/1994	25	Fenerbahçe	-	5	2	0	0		
-	Benjamin Verbić	27/11/1993	25	Dynamo Kyiv	-	5	2	0	0		
-	Žan Majer	25/07/1992	27	Lecce	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Adam Gnezda Čerin	16/07/1999	20	Nürnberg	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Jaka Bijol	05/02/1999	20	CSKA Moskva	-	3	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Roman Bezjak	21/02/1989	30	APOEL	-	3	1	0	0		
-	Tim Matavž	13/01/1989	30	Vitesse	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Robert Berić	17/06/1991	28	St-Étienne	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Andraž Šporar	27/02/1994	25	Slovan Bratislava	-	6	2	0	0		
Coach											
-	Matjaž Kek	09/09/1961	58		-	7	0	0	0		

Austria

No.	Player	DoB	Age	Club	D	Current season					
						Qual.		FT			
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls		
Goalkeepers											
-	Pavao Pervan	13/11/1987	31	Wolfsburg	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Alexander Schlager	01/02/1996	23	LASK	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Cican Stankovic	04/11/1992	26	Salzburg	-	3	0	0	0		
Defenders											
-	Andreas Ulmer	30/10/1985	33	Salzburg	-	6	0	0	0		
-	Aleksandar Dragović	06/03/1991	28	Leverkusen	*	7	0	0	0		
-	Marco Friedl	16/03/1998	21	Bremen	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Martin Hinteregger	07/09/1992	27	Frankfurt	-	6	1	0	0		
-	Stefan Posch	14/05/1997	22	Hoffenheim	-	3	0	0	0		
-	Maximilian Wöber	04/02/1998	21	Salzburg	-	2	0	0	0		
Midfielders											
-	Julian Baumgartlinger	02/01/1988	31	Leverkusen	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Stefan Ilsanker	18/05/1989	30	Leipzig	-	5	0	0	0		
-	Christopher Trimmel	24/02/1987	32	Union Berlin	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Peter Žulj	09/06/1993	26	Anderlecht	-	1	0	0	0		
-	Florian Kainz	24/10/1992	26	Köln	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Marcel Sabitzer	17/03/1994	25	Leipzig	-	7	2	0	0		
-	Louis Schaub	29/12/1994	24	Köln	-	2	0	0	0		
-	Valentino Lazaro	24/03/1996	23	Internazionale	*	7	2	0	0		
-	Konrad Laimer	27/05/1997	22	Leipzig	-	5	1	0	0		
-	Thomas Goiginger	15/03/1993	26	LASK	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Karim Onisiwo	17/03/1992	27	Mainz	-	2	0	0	0		
Forwards											
-	Marko Arnautović	19/04/1989	30	Shanghai SIPG	*	7	6	0	0		
-	Lukas Hinterseer	28/03/1991	28	Hamburg	-	0	0	0	0		
-	Michael Gregoritsch	18/04/1994	25	Augsburg	-	3	1	0	0		
Coach											
-	Franco Foda	23/04/1966	53		-	7	0	0	0		

Head coach

Matjaž Kek

Date of birth: 9 September 1961

Nationality: Slovenian

Playing career: Maribor (twice), Spittal/Drau, Grazer AK

Coaching career: Maribor, Slovenia (youth), Slovenia (twice), Al-Ittihad, Rijeka

- Born in Maribor, he began a long affiliation with the local club as a player. Featured from 1979 to 1984 in the Yugoslavian Federal League before a decade in Austria's lower leagues with Spittal/Drau and Grazer AK – earning one cap for Slovenia in 1992 while with the latter. Returned home to win a hat-trick of Slovenian titles at Maribor between 1997 and 1999 as well as two national cups.
- Turned to coaching immediately after hanging up his boots and was on the staff for four further Maribor championship wins before taking charge himself for the 2003/04 season.
- Appointed coach of Slovenia's Under-15 and U16 teams in 2006 before the call came to replace senior head coach Branko Oblak midway through UEFA EURO 2008 qualifying campaign in January 2007.
- Endured difficult start to reign with youthful team but came good to eventually steer Slovenia to 2010 FIFA World Cup finals after a famous away-goals victory over Russia in the play-offs. Oversaw creditable performances in South Africa although Slovenia failed to progress from group stage.
- Stepped down after failure to reach UEFA EURO 2012, going on to have a brief spell in Saudi Arabia with Al-Ittihad before resurfacing at Rijeka in February 2013. Kek proved a huge success in Croatia, winning the club's first title in 2016/17 when Rijeka completed the double by claiming the Croatian Cup for the second time in his reign; also took the club into the UEFA Europa League group stage in 2013/14 and 2014/15. Stepped down in October 2018 and reappointed as Slovenia coach the following month.

Franco Foda

Date of birth: 23 April 1966

Nationality: German

Playing career: Kaiserslautern (twice), Arminia Bielefeld, Saarbrücken, Bayer Leverkusen, Stuttgart, Basel, Sturm Graz

Coaching career: Sturm Graz (three times), Kaiserslautern, Austria

- Born in Mainz to a German mother and Italian father, Foda started his playing career at Weisenau and joined Mainz, then in the third tier, in his youth. As a professional he played in 321 German Bundesliga games, winning the German Cup with both Kaiserslautern and Leverkusen.
- In 1987, the defender was called up by the West German national team for a South America tour. He played against Argentina and Brazil, his only two international caps.
- Foda ended his career with a highly successful four-year spell at Austrian club Sturm Graz, with whom he won three league titles and also reached the UEFA Champions League group stage three years running.
- After hanging up his boots, Foda remained in Styria and moved into coaching, initially as an assistant to the experienced Ivan Osim before taking over as Sturm's head coach in 2002.
- He would spend the best part of the next decade and a half at Sturm, punctuating his tenure only with a single season back in Germany with Kaiserslautern (2012/13) after leading Sturm to victories in the 2009/10 Austrian Cup and the following season's Bundesliga. In October 2017 he was appointed Marcel Koller's successor as head coach of the Austrian national team, taking over the reins in January 2018.

Match officials

Referee	Cüneyt Çakır (TUR)
Assistant referees	Bahattin Duran (TUR) , Tarik Ongun (TUR)
Fourth official	Ali Palabıyık (TUR)
UEFA Delegate	Pavel Kolev (BUL)
UEFA Referee observer	Jørn West Larsen (DEN)

Referee

Name	Date of birth	UEFA EURO matches	UEFA matches
Cüneyt Çakır	23/11/1976	16	116

Cüneyt Çakır

Referee since: 1994
First division: 2001
FIFA badge: 2006

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

Finals

2015 UEFA Champions League
2012 FIFA Club World Cup

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
17/11/2015	EURO	PO	Slovenia	Ukraine	1-1	Maribor

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

Date	Competition	Stage reached	Home	Away	Result	Venue
27/05/2006	U19	ELITE	Slovenia	Austria	1-2	St. Veit an der Glan
29/05/2006	U19	ELITE	Hungary	Slovenia	3-1	Althofen
18/09/2008	UEL	R1	FK Austria Wien	KKS Lech Poznań	2-1	Vienna
05/11/2009	UEL	GS	PFC Levski Sofia	FC Salzburg	0-1	Sofia
19/08/2010	UEL	PO	SK Sturm Graz	Juventus	1-2	Graz
22/08/2012	UCL	PO	GNK Dinamo Zagreb	NK Maribor	2-1	Zagreb
11/10/2013	WC	QR	Sweden	Austria	2-1	Solna
17/11/2015	EURO	PO	Slovenia	Ukraine	1-1	Maribor
06/10/2016	WC	QR	Austria	Wales	2-2	Vienna
29/08/2018	UCL	PO	FC Salzburg	FK Crvena zvezda	2-2	Salzburg

Match-by-match lineups

Slovenia

Final tournament - Qualifying round

Group G

Team	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Poland	7	5	1	1	11	2	16
Austria	7	4	1	2	16	7	13
North Macedonia	7	3	2	2	10	9	11
Slovenia	7	3	2	2	13	7	11
Israel	7	2	2	3	12	14	8
Latvia	7	0	0	7	1	24	0

Matchday 1 (21/03/2019)

Israel 1-1 Slovenia

Goals: 0-1 Šporar 48, 1-1 Zahavi 55

Slovenia: Oblak, Aljaž Struna, Krhin, Iličič, Kurtič, Šporar (85 Bohar), Zajc (62 Črnigoj), Jokić, M. Mevlja, Stojanović, Verbić (90 Bijol)

Matchday 2 (24/03/2019)

Slovenia 1-1 North Macedonia

Goals: 1-0 Zajc 34, 1-1 Bardi 47

Slovenia: Oblak, Aljaž Struna, Krhin, Iličič, Kurtič, Šporar (71 Berić), Zajc (90 Zahović), Jokić, M. Mevlja, Stojanović, Verbić (84 Črnigoj)

Matchday 3 (07/06/2019)

Austria 1-0 Slovenia

Goals: 1-0 Burgstaller 74

Slovenia: Oblak, Aljaž Struna, Bijol (63 Popović), Iličič, Kurtič, Šporar, Zajc (69 Bohar), Jokić, Črnigoj (78 Berić), M. Mevlja, Stojanović

Matchday 4 (10/06/2019)

Latvia 0-5 Slovenia

Goals: 0-1 Črnigoj 24, 0-2 Črnigoj 27, 0-3 Iličič 29 (P), 0-4 Iličič 44, 0-5 Zajc 47

Slovenia: Oblak, Aljaž Struna, Iličič, Kurtič, Zajc (64 Bijol), Jokić, Črnigoj (83 Majer), M. Mevlja, Popović (77 Zahović), Berić, Stojanović

Matchday 5 (06/09/2019)

Slovenia 2-0 Poland

Goals: 1-0 Aljaž Struna 35, 2-0 Šporar 65

Slovenia: Oblak, Balkovec, Aljaž Struna, Krhin, Iličič, Kurtič, Šporar (85 Popović), Bezjak, M. Mevlja, Stojanović, Verbić (62 Črnigoj)

Matchday 6 (09/09/2019)

Slovenia 3-2 Israel

Goals: 1-0 Verbić 43, 1-1 Natcho 50, 1-2 Zahavi 63, 2-2 Bezjak 66, 3-2 Verbić 90

Slovenia: Oblak, Aljaž Struna (54 Blažič), Krhin (81 Popović), Iličič, Kurtič, Šporar, Jokić (46 Balkovec), Bezjak, M. Mevlja, Stojanović, Verbić

Matchday 7 (10/10/2019)

North Macedonia 2-1 Slovenia

Goals: 1-0 Elmas 50, 2-0 Elmas 68, 2-1 Iličič 90+5 (P)

Slovenia: Oblak, Balkovec, Aljaž Struna, Krhin (48 Popović), Iličič, Kurtič, Šporar, Bezjak (79 Berić), M. Mevlja, Stojanović, Verbić (65 Zajc)

Matchday 8 (13/10/2019)

Slovenia-Austria

Matchday 9 (16/11/2019)

Slovenia-Latvia

Matchday 10 (19/11/2019)

Poland-Slovenia

Austria

Final tournament - Qualifying round

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Israel	7	2	2	3	12	14	8
Latvia	7	0	0	7	1	24	0

Matchday 1 (21/03/2019)

Austria 0-1 Poland

Goals: 0-1 K. Piątek 69

Austria: Lindner, Dragović, Hinteregger, Arnautović, Alaba, Sabitzer, Grillitsch (84 Onisiwo), Wöber, Baumgartlinger, Lainer, Lazaro (81 Janko)

Matchday 2 (24/03/2019)

Israel 4-2 Austria

Goals: 0-1 Arnautović 8, 1-1 Zahavi 34, 2-1 Zahavi 45, 3-1 Zahavi 55, 4-1 Dabbur 66, 4-2 Arnautović 75

Austria: Lindner, Ulmer, Dragović, Hinteregger, Arnautović, Sabitzer, Wöber (60 Janko), Baumgartlinger, Žulj (85 Kainz), Lazaro, Schlager (61 Onisiwo)

Matchday 3 (07/06/2019)

Austria 1-0 Slovenia

Goals: 1-0 Burgstaller 74

Austria: Lindner, Ulmer, Dragović, Hinteregger, Arnautović, Alaba (90 Kainz), Sabitzer (71 Burgstaller), Laimer (82 Ilsanker), Lainer, Lazaro, Schlager

Matchday 4 (10/06/2019)

North Macedonia 1-4 Austria

Goals: 1-0 Hinteregger 18 (og) , 1-1 Lazaro 39, 1-2 Arnautović 62 (P) , 1-3 Arnautović 82, 1-4 Bejtulai 86 (og)

Austria: Lindner, Ulmer, Dragović (46 Posch), Hinteregger, Ilsanker, Arnautović (88 Burgstaller), Sabitzer (92 Schaub), Laimer, Lainer, Lazaro, Schlager

Matchday 5 (06/09/2019)

Austria 6-0 Latvia

Goals: 1-0 Arnautović 7, 2-0 Sabitzer 13, 3-0 Arnautović 53 (P) , 4-0 Šteinbors 76 (og) , 5-0 Laimer 80, 6-0 Gregoritsch 85

Austria: Stankovic, Ulmer, Dragović (81 Grillitsch), Hinteregger, Arnautović, Alaba, Sabitzer, Baumgartlinger (75 Ilsanker), Laimer, Lainer, Lazaro (69 Gregoritsch)

Matchday 6 (09/09/2019)

Poland 0-0 Austria

Austria: Stankovic, Ulmer, Dragović, Posch, Arnautović, Alaba, Sabitzer, Baumgartlinger, Laimer (89 Gregoritsch), Lainer, Lazaro (77 Ilsanker)

Matchday 7 (10/10/2019)

Austria 3-1 Israel

Goals: 0-1 Zahavi 34, 1-1 Lazaro 41, 2-1 Hinteregger 56, 3-1 Sabitzer 88

Austria: Stankovic, Ulmer, Dragović, Hinteregger, Posch (63 Trimmel), Ilsanker, Arnautović (82 Gregoritsch), Sabitzer, Baumgartlinger, Laimer (59 Schaub), Lazaro

Matchday 8 (13/10/2019)

Slovenia-Austria

Matchday 9 (16/11/2019)

Austria-North Macedonia

Matchday 10 (19/11/2019)

Latvia-Austria

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