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Chelsea FC

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Group L - Matchday 3



FC BATE Borisov

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Previous meetings

Head to Head

No UEFA competition matches have been played between these two teams

Chelsea FC - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

Chelsea FC have not played against a club from their opponents' country

FC BATE Borisov - Record versus clubs from opponents' country

UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
07/12/2017	GS	Arsenal FC - FC BATE Borisov	6-0	London	Debuchy 11, Walcott 37, Wilshere 43, Polyakov 51 (og), Giroud 64 (P), Elneny 74
28/09/2017	GS	FC BATE Borisov - Arsenal FC	2-4	Borisov	Ivanić 28, Gordeichuk 67; Walcott 9, 22, Holding 25, Giroud 49 (P)

UEFA Europa League

Date	Stage	Match	Result	Venue	Goalscorers
17/12/2009	GS	Everton FC - FC BATE Borisov	0-1	Liverpool	Yurevich 75
01/10/2009	GS	FC BATE Borisov - Everton FC	1-2	Minsk	Likhtarovich 16; Fellaini 68, Cahill 77

	Home				Away				Final				Total					
	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA
Chelsea FC	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
FC BATE Borisov	2	0	0	2	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	3	4	12

Match background

Chelsea will hope to maintain their perfect start to UEFA Europa League Group L as they take on BATE Borisov at Stamford Bridge, the Belarusian side having won one and lost one of their opening two fixtures.

- A pair of 1-0 wins – away at PAOK, at home to Vidi – have put Chelsea in command of the section, with BATE trailing them by three points after following up a 2-0 win in Hungary with a 1-4 home defeat against their visitors from Greece.

Previous meetings

- The clubs have never previously crossed swords in UEFA competition, with Chelsea yet to face opponents from Belarus.
- BATE's first visit to England – at Everton on matchday six of the 2009/10 UEFA Europa League group stage – resulted in a 1-0 win, but last season they were beaten 6-0 by Arsenal in London, also in their final group fixture, having already lost 2-4 to the Gunners at home.

Form guide

Chelsea

- Chelsea could finish only fifth in defence of their Premier League title last season, but booked a first ever place in the UEFA Europa League group stage twice over by winning the FA Cup for the eighth time, defeating Manchester United 1-0 in the final.
- Although the west London side are new to this stage of the UEFA Europa League, they won the competition on their only previous participation, in 2013, having crossed over to the knockout phase in mid-season from the UEFA Champions League. Their route to the final in Amsterdam, where they defeated Benfica 2-1, incorporated three successive 3-1 wins at Stamford Bridge.
- Chelsea ended a run of three successive European home draws with their 1-0 win against Vidi on matchday two. They have not lost a European group game at Stamford Bridge since Basel defeated them 2-1 there in September 2013; the 12 such fixtures since have yielded nine wins and three draws.

BATE

- Midway through competing in last season's UEFA Europa League group stage BATE clinched the Belarusian league title for the 12th year in a row – and are well positioned to make it 13 this autumn. They are back in the same European competition having missed out on UEFA Champions League group stage qualification, a pair of 2-1 aggregate victories over HJK Helsinki and Qarabağ preceding a heavy play-off defeat by PSV Eindhoven (2-3 home, 0-3 away).
- BATE are in the UEFA Europa League group stage for the fourth time and the second year in a row. They advanced to the knockout phase in 2010/11 but have been unsuccessful in the other two campaigns, finishing bottom of their section last season after taking just five points from their six games against Crvena zvezda, Arsenal and Köln.
- The Borisov club's away record in the UEFA Europa League group stage is W3 D3 L4, the victory at Vidi having ended a four-game winless sequence that included last season's 6-0 loss at Arsenal – the club's joint heaviest European away defeat. They have, however, won three of their four European fixtures on the road this season.

Links and trivia

- Chelsea striker Olivier Giroud scored for Arsenal in both group games against BATE in last season's UEFA Europa League.
- BATE are one of 12 reigning domestic champions in this season's group stage, while Chelsea are one of ten domestic cup holders in the field. The London side are also one of only two previous UEFA Europa League winners among the 48 clubs, the other being three-time champions Sevilla.

The coaches

- Named as the new Chelsea boss in succession to his fellow Italian, Antonio Conte, in July 2018, Maurizio Sarri is widely considered to be one of Europe's most progressive coaches. He paid his dues in Italy's lower leagues with a multitude of clubs before getting his big break at Empoli, whom he steered into Serie A, before replacing Rafael Benítez at Napoli in 2015. Three seasons in Naples all brought top-three finishes, his entertaining side running Juventus close for the Scudetto in 2017/18.
- Handed the position of BATE Borisov head coach in June 2018, as a replacement for Oleg Dulub, Aleksei Baga was an internal appointment, having served the club as assistant coach for seven years. A former defender, he also spent most of his playing career at BATE, winning league titles in 2002 and 2006, the latter coupled with a domestic cup victory, before ending his career – after a brief spell in Latvia – with rival club Dinamo Brest.

Team facts

Chelsea FC

Formed: 1905

Nickname: The Blues

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- UEFA Champions League (1): (2008), 2012
- UEFA Europa League (1): 2013
- UEFA Cup Winners' Cup (2): 1971, 1998
- UEFA Super Cup (1): 1998, (2012), (2013)

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 6 (2017)

FA Cup: 8 (2018)

League Cup: 5 (2015)

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

2017/18: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2016/17: did not take part in UEFA competition

2015/16: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2014/15: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2013/14: UEFA Champions League semi-finals

2012/13: winners (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

2011/12: UEFA Champions League winners

2010/11: UEFA Champions League quarter-finals

2009/10: UEFA Champions League round of 16

2008/09: UEFA Champions League semi-finals

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

13-0: Chelsea v Jeunesse Hautcharage

29/09/71, European Cup Winners' Cup first round second leg

- Biggest away win

0-8: Jeunesse Hautcharage v Chelsea

15/09/71, European Cup Winners' Cup first round first leg

- Heaviest home defeat

1-3: Chelsea v Atlético de Madrid

30/04/14, UEFA Champions League semi-final second leg

0-2: Chelsea v Beşiktaş

01/10/03, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

5-1: Barcelona v Chelsea

18/04/00, UEFA Champions League quarter-final second leg

UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup

- Biggest home win

3-0: Chelsea v Levski Sofia

20/09/01, first round first leg

- Biggest away win

0-2: Levski Sofia v Chelsea

27/09/01, first round second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

N/A

- Heaviest away defeat

4-2: Viking v Chelsea

03/10/02, first round second leg

2-0 twice, most recently v Hapoel Tel-Aviv

18/10/01, second round first leg

FC BATE Borisov

Formed: 1973

Nickname: Zholto-Sinie (Yellow-Blues)

UEFA club competition honours (runners-up in brackets)

- None

Domestic honours (most recent triumph in brackets)

League title: 14 (2017)

Belarusian Cup: 3 (2015)

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

2017/18: group stage (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2016/17: play offs (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2015/16: UEFA Champions League group stage

2014/15: UEFA Champions League group stage

2013/14: UEFA Champions League second qualifying round

2012/13: round of 32 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League group stage)

2011/12: UEFA Champions League group stage

2010/11: round of 32 (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2009/10: group stage (having transferred from UEFA Champions League third qualifying round)

2008/09: UEFA Champions League group stage

Records

UEFA club competition

- Biggest home win

5-0: BATE v Torpedo Kutaisi

28/07/05, UEFA Cup first qualifying round second leg

- Biggest away win

0-4: Litex Lovech v BATE

27/08/09, UEFA Europa League play-off second leg

- Heaviest home defeat

0-7: BATE v Shakhtar Donetsk

21/10/14, UEFA Champions League group stage

- Heaviest away defeat

6-0 twice, most recently v Arsenal

07/12/17, UEFA Europa League group stage

UEFA Europa League/UEFA Cup

- Biggest home win

5-0: BATE v Torpedo Kutaisi (see above)

- Biggest away win

0-4: Litex Lovech v BATE (see above)

- Heaviest home defeat

1-7: BATE v Lokomotiv Moskva

12/08/99, qualifying round first leg

- Heaviest away defeat

6-0: Arsenal v BATE (see above)

Squad list

Chelsea FC

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season				All-time			
						UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers													
1	Kepa Arrizabalaga	ESP	03/10/1994	24	-	2	-	9	-	2	-	2	-
13	Willy Caballero	ARG	28/09/1981	37	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	18	-
59	Marcin Bulka	POL	04/10/1999	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Defenders													
2	Antonio Rüdiger	GER	03/03/1993	25	-	1	-	9	1	10	-	26	-
3	Marcos Alonso	ESP	28/12/1990	27	-	1	-	9	1	23	1	31	1
21	Davide Zappacosta	ITA	11/06/1992	26	-	2	-	1	-	2	-	7	1
24	Gary Cahill	ENG	19/12/1985	32	-	1	-	1	-	9	-	49	5
27	Andreas Christensen	DEN	10/04/1996	22	-	2	-	-	-	5	2	22	2
28	César Azpilicueta	ESP	28/08/1989	29	-	1	-	9	-	10	-	54	1
30	David Luiz	BRA	22/04/1987	31	-	-	-	9	-	25	3	84	10
33	Emerson Palmieri	ITA	03/08/1994	24	-	1	-	-	-	6	1	8	1
Midfielders													
4	Cesc Fàbregas	ESP	04/05/1987	31	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	113	25
5	Jorginho	ITA	20/12/1991	26	-	1	-	9	1	10	-	20	2
7	N'Golo Kanté	FRA	29/03/1991	27	-	1	-	9	1	1	-	7	-
8	Ross Barkley	ENG	05/12/1993	24	-	2	-	8	2	7	-	7	-
10	Eden Hazard	BEL	07/01/1991	27	-	1	-	9	7	24	3	75	14
11	Pedro Rodríguez	ESP	28/07/1987	31	-	2	-	7	3	2	-	79	18
12	Ruben Loftus-Cheek	ENG	23/01/1996	22	-	1	-	2	-	1	-	3	-
15	Victor Moses	NGA	12/12/1990	27	-	1	-	2	-	7	4	15	5
17	Mateo Kovačić	CRO	06/05/1994	24	-	1	-	8	-	11	-	55	6
22	Willian	BRA	09/08/1988	30	-	2	1	9	1	22	2	93	20
44	Ethan Ampadu	WAL	14/09/2000	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Forwards													
18	Olivier Giroud	FRA	30/09/1986	32	-	1	-	8	-	7	3	42	17
20	Callum Hudson-Odoi	ENG	17/11/2000	17	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
29	Álvaro Morata	ESP	23/10/1992	25	-	2	1	8	2	2	1	45	13
Coach													
-	Maurizio Sarri	ITA	10/01/1959	59	-	2	-	-	-	12	-	28	-

FC BATE Borisov

No.	Player	Nat.	DoB	Age	D	Current season						All-time			
						UCL		UEL		League		UEL		UEFA	
						Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls	Pld	Gls
Goalkeepers															
28	Aleksandr Svirski	BLR	28/02/1999	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
30	Aleksei Chernykh	BLR	30/06/1998	20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35	Anton Chichkan	BLR	10/07/1995	23	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	-	-	-	-
48	Denis Scherbitski	BLR	14/04/1996	22	-	6	-	2	-	22	-	8	-	20	-
Defenders															
4	Aleksandar Filipović	SRB	20/12/1994	23	-	6	-	1	-	22	1	1	-	9	-
6	Nikola Vasiljević	SRB	30/06/1991	27	-	-	-	-	-	4	-	-	-	2	-
19	Nemanja Milunović	SRB	31/05/1989	29	-	2	-	1	-	5	-	7	1	26	2
21	Yegor Filipenko	BLR	10/04/1988	30	-	6	-	2	1	8	-	11	1	60	2
23	Zakhar Volkov	BLR	12/08/1997	21	-	-	-	-	-	15	1	-	-	-	-
33	Denis Polyakov	BLR	17/04/1991	27	-	-	-	2	-	5	1	8	-	50	1
42	Maksim Volodko	BLR	10/11/1992	25	-	6	-	2	-	17	-	8	-	41	1
Midfielders															
5	Evgeni Yablonski	BLR	10/05/1995	23	-	4	-	2	-	21	1	3	-	24	1
7	Evgeni Berezkin	BLR	05/07/1996	22	-	3	-	-	-	9	1	1	-	6	-
8	Stanislav Dragun	BLR	04/06/1988	30	-	6	1	2	-	24	4	8	-	30	4
10	Mirko Ivanić	MNE	13/09/1993	25	-	6	1	2	-	22	6	8	1	37	8
11	Aleksandr Hleb	BLR	01/05/1981	37	-	5	1	1	-	12	-	20	3	108	9
15	Maksim Skavysch	BLR	13/11/1989	28	-	5	-	2	-	23	7	16	-	44	3
17	Aleksei Rios	BLR	14/05/1987	31	-	6	-	1	-	14	2	7	1	46	5
18	Luwagga Kizito	UGA	20/12/1993	24	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-
22	Igor Stasevich	BLR	21/10/1985	33	-	6	1	2	-	24	7	16	-	86	12
25	Dmitri Baga	BLR	04/01/1990	28	-	6	-	2	-	23	3	14	-	50	-
27	Slobodan Simović	SRB	22/05/1989	29	-	-	-	-	-	2	-	5	-	22	2
43	Aleksandr Nemirko	BLR	08/02/2000	18	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
62	Mikhail Gordeichuk	BLR	23/10/1989	28	-	-	-	2	-	8	2	10	2	53	10
94	Hervaine Moukam	FRA	24/05/1994	24	-	-	-	-	-	5	1	-	-	-	-
Forwards															
13	Nikolai Signevich	BLR	20/02/1992	26	-	5	-	-	-	19	6	6	2	40	3
24	Jasse Tuominen	FIN	12/11/1995	22	-	3	1	2	1	13	-	4	1	11	2
37	Ilya Sen	BLR	14/01/1999	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45	Vladislav Mukhamedov	BLR	04/01/1998	20	-	-	-	-	-	7	-	-	-	-	-
52	Kirill Yermakovich	BLR	11/01/1999	19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Coach															
-	Aleksei Baga	BLR	04/02/1981	37	-	3	-	2	-	-	-	2	-	5	-

Match-by-match lineups

Chelsea FC

UEFA Europa League - Group stage

Group L

Club	Pld	W	D	L	GF	GA	Pts
Chelsea FC	2	2	0	0	2	0	6
FC BATE Borisov	2	1	0	1	3	4	3
PAOK FC	2	1	0	1	4	2	3
Vidi FC	2	0	0	2	0	3	0

Matchday 1 (20/09/2018)

PAOK FC 0-1 Chelsea FC

Goals: 0-1 Willian 7

Chelsea FC: Arrizabalaga, Rüdiger, Alonso (65 Azpilicueta), Jorginho (65 Fàbregas), Kanté, Barkley, Pedro Rodríguez, Zappacosta, Willian, A. Christensen, Morata (80 Giroud)

Matchday 2 (04/10/2018)

Chelsea FC 1-0 Vidi FC

Goals: 1-0 Morata 70

Chelsea FC: Arrizabalaga, Fàbregas, Pedro Rodríguez (54 E. Hazard), Loftus-Cheek (66 Barkley), Kovačić, Zappacosta, Willian (74 Moses), Cahill, A. Christensen, Morata, Emerson Palmieri

Matchday 3 (25/10/2018)

Chelsea FC-FC BATE Borisov

Matchday 4 (08/11/2018)

FC BATE Borisov-Chelsea FC

Matchday 5 (29/11/2018)

Chelsea FC-PAOK FC

Matchday 6 (13/12/2018)

Vidi FC-Chelsea FC

FC BATE Borisov

UEFA Champions League - Second qualifying round

(25/07/2018)

FC BATE Borisov 0-0 HJK Helsinki

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Dragun, Ivanić, Signevich, Skavysh (65 Hleb), Rios, Filipenko, Stasevich, Baga, M. Volodko

(01/08/2018)

HJK Helsinki 1-2 FC BATE Borisov (agg: 1-2)

Goals: 0-1 Rafinha 20 (og) , 0-2 Stasevich 24, 1-2 Yaghoubi 28

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Yablonski, Dragun, Ivanić (67 Skavysh), Signevich, Rios, Filipenko, Stasevich (87 Tuominen), Baga (77 Berezkin), M. Volodko

Third qualifying round

(07/08/2018)

Qarabağ FK 0-1 FC BATE Borisov

Goals: 0-1 Dragun 36

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Yablonski, Dragun (76 Berezkin), Ivanić (62 Skavysh), Signevich, Rios, Filipenko, Stasevich (85 Hleb), Baga, M. Volodko

(14/08/2018)

FC BATE Borisov 1-1 Qarabağ FK (agg: 2-1)

Goals: 1-0 Ivanić 20, 1-1 Michel 54

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Yablonski, Dragun, Ivanić (78 Skavysh), Signevich, Rios, Filipenko, Stasevich, Baga (70 Hleb), M. Volodko

Play-off

(21/08/2018)

FC BATE Borisov 2-3 PSV Eindhoven

Goals: 1-0 Tuominen 9, 1-1 Pereiro 35 (P) , 1-2 Lozano 61, 2-2 Hleb 88, 2-3 Malen 89

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Yablonski, Dragun (65 Hleb), Ivanić (81 M. Volodko), Rios, Milunović, Filipenko, Stasevich, Tuominen (60 Skavysh), Baga

(29/08/2018)

PSV Eindhoven 3-0 FC BATE Borisov (agg: 6-2)

Goals: 1-0 Bergwijn 14, 2-0 L. de Jong 36, 3-0 Lozano 62

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Dragun (76 Berezkin), Hleb (30 Ivanić), Rios, Milunović, Filipenko, Stasevich, Tuominen (51 Signevich), Baga, M. Volodko

UEFA Europa League - Group stage

Matchday 1 (20/09/2018)

Vidi FC 0-2 FC BATE Borisov

Goals: 0-1 Tuominen 27, 0-2 Filipenko 85

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Filipović, Yablonski, Dragun, Ivanić (67 Gordeichuk), Milunović, Filipenko, Stasevich (88 M. Volodko), Tuominen (61 Skavysh), Baga, Polyakov

Matchday 2 (04/10/2018)

FC BATE Borisov 1-4 PAOK FC

Goals: 0-1 Prijović 6, 0-2 Léo Jabá 11, 0-3 Léo Jabá 17, 1-3 Crespo 61 (og) , 1-4 Pelkas 73

FC BATE Borisov: Scherbitski, Yablonski, Dragun (71 Hleb), Ivanić, Rios, Filipenko, Stasevich (77 Gordeichuk), Tuominen (59 Skavysh), Baga, Polyakov , M. Volodko

Matchday 3 (25/10/2018)

Chelsea FC-FC BATE Borisov

Matchday 4 (08/11/2018)

FC BATE Borisov-Chelsea FC

Matchday 5 (29/11/2018)

FC BATE Borisov-Vidi FC

Matchday 6 (13/12/2018)

PAOK FC-FC BATE Borisov

Legend

Competitions

Club competitions

UCL: UEFA Champions League
ECCC: European Champion Clubs' Cup
UEL: UEFA Europa League
UCUP: UEFA Cup
UCWC: UEFA Cup Winners' Cup
SCUP: UEFA Super Cup
UIC: UEFA Intertoto Cup
ICF: Inter-Cities Fairs Cup

National team competitions

EURO: UEFA European Football Championship
WC: FIFA World Cup
CONFCUP: FIFA Confederations Cup
FRIE: Friendly internationals
U21FRIE: Under-21 friendly internationals
U21: UEFA European Under-21 Championship
U17: UEFA Under-17 Championship
U16: UEFA European Under-16 Championship
U19: UEFA Under-19 Championship
U18: UEFA European Under-18 Championship
WWC: FIFA Women's World Cup
WEURO: UEFA European Women's Championship

Competition stages

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

Other abbreviations

(aet): After extra time
No.: Number
ag: Match decided on away goals
Pld: Matches played
Pos.: Position
Pts: Points
R: Sent off (straight red card)
Res.: Result
sg: Match decided by silver goal
GF: Goals for
gg: Match decided by golden goal
Y/R: Sent off (two yellow cards)
f: Match forfeited
pens: Penalties
og: Own goal
P: Penalty
agg: Aggregate
AP: Appearances
Comp.: Competition
D: Drawn
DoB: Date of birth
ET: Extra Time
GA: Goals against
t: Match decided by toss of a coin
W: Won
Y: Booked
L: Lost
Nat.: Nationality
N/A: Not applicable

Statistics

-: Denotes player substituted
*****: Denotes player sent off

+: Denotes player introduced
+/-: Denotes player introduced and substituted

Squad list

D: Disciplinary
*****: Misses next match if booked

S: Suspended

QUAL: All UEFA qualifiers

UEL: Current season total UEFA Europa League appearances from the group stage onwards prior to the current matchday

UEL: Total appearances in the UEFA Europa League, group stage to final only

UEFA: All-time total appearances in UEFA club competition including qualifying

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