



MEDIA GUIDE

EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN 2023/24
MAIN ROUND

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I WELCOME TO THE EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN 2023/24

EHF EURO STARS TO LIGHTEN UP EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MAIN ROUND

Many stars that shined at the record-breaking Men's EHF EURO 2024 in January return to the spotlights when the main round of the EHF European League Men 2023/24 starts in February. No less than three playing positions in the EHF EURO All-star Team were awarded to EHF European League players, with Sporting CP's Martim Costa (POR) on left back, Rhein-Neckar Löwen's Juri Knorr (GER) on centre back, and Füchse Berlin's Mathias Gidsel (DEN) on right back – yet another proof of the strength and depth of the EHF European League as top-quality continental club competition.

For the 2023/24 season, the playing format of the EHF European League Men underwent a significant change as the number of participants (after qualification) was raised from 24 in previous seasons to 32 in the current campaign. After the thrilling group matches, the competition is now down to the main round as 16 clubs continue their journey and eye the EHF Finals Men 2024 at the Barclays Arena in Hamburg on 25/26 May 2024 as their ultimate destination.

While powerhouses like Füchse Berlin, HBC Nantes, Skjern Håndbold, SG Flensburg-Handewitt, Sporting CP, or Dinamo Bucuresti are all still in the mix, several big-name clubs failed to make the cut for the main round – most notably Sport Lisboa e Benfica, the 2021/22 champions.

RACE TO PLAY – OFFS AND QUARTER – FINALS

The main round consists of four groups with four participants each. Teams that already met in the group matches will not face each other again, as the results from their two duels in the group matches now also count for the main round. Only two clubs managed to carry over the maximum of four points: TSV Hannover-Burgdorf in group I, and defending champions Füchse Berlin in group IV. IK Sävehof open group II as leaders with three points, but the situation in group III is completely in the balance as all four teams start on two points.

The four winners of the main round groups advance to the quarter-finals directly; the teams finishing second and third will meet in a play-off round for the remaining four quarter-final spots. Fans can look forward to four more exciting Tuesday nights in a tightly contested main round, where the EHF European League will once live up to its billing: 'ALL IN – Greatness is earned.'

We pride ourselves at the EHF and EHF Marketing on our positive and cooperative relationship with our colleagues from the media. Should you require any information, help or assistance during the season, please do not hesitate to get in contact with us at the EHF Office in Vienna. We will be more than happy to assist you with any questions you might have. Enjoy the main round!

EHF Media & Communications Team



ALL IN
GREATNESS IS EARNED
ALL IN

I ALL IN – GREATNESS IS EARNED

NEW SEASONAL CAMPAIGN FOR EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE LAUNCHED

In the build-up to 2023/24, a new seasonal campaign for the EHF European League has been launched. The campaign's pay-off 'ALL IN – Greatness is earned' underlines that success in the EHF European League can only come through hard work, dedication, and relentless effort.

The central idea behind the campaign is that there are no givens in the EHF European League. Only the players and teams who are willing to go *all in* will be able to *earn greatness*. 'ALL IN – Greatness is earned' highlights the work ethic of the players, who are pushing themselves to the limit each week in pursuit of glory. It inspires players and fans alike to embrace the journey that comes with striving for greatness. It also showcases the league as one of Europe's top-level competitions.

A [promo video](#) produced by Infront and the media team of EHF Marketing GmbH features the dynamic brushstroke element first introduced for the EHF Finals 2023 and emphasises the hard work a player has to deliver – on and off the court – in order to succeed.

The campaign also includes key visuals with the same brushstroke and the 'ALL IN' design element. The official hashtag of the campaign is #Allin.



I STAY UP-TO-DATE WITH THE EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE

BE PART OF THE #EHFEL COMMUNITY

Social media, app, newsletter – fans have the opportunity to follow the EHF European League Men and their favourite teams in the main round on multiple digital channels.

FOLLOW, COMMENT, SHARE

Join the conversation and engage with the EHFEL family on social media. The EHF European League accounts give fans a steady stream of sharable and engaging content, keeping them informed on all the latest results and news.

In addition to dedicated EHF European League channels on Facebook ([EHF European League](#)), X (formerly known as Twitter, [@ehfel_official](#)) and Instagram ([@ehfel_official](#)), fans can also check out the Home of Handball channels on YouTube ([The Home of Handball](#)), Twitch ([HomeofHandball](#)) and TikTok ([@homeofhandball](#)).

DOWNLOAD THE HOME OF HANDBALL APP

In 2021, the EHF launched its very first dedicated mobile app. The app, available on iOS and Android, follows the EHF's 'Home of Handball' approach and unites all of Europe's major handball competitions – from clubs as well as national teams – under one roof.

The app allows for each user and all fans of the EHF European League to completely individualise his or her experience by selecting their favourite club and/or favourite competition.

[Click here to download the Home of Handball App.](#)

SIGN UP FOR OUR NEWSLETTER

Make sure all the latest EHF European League news and more comes right to you by signing up for the Home of Handball newsletter!

The weekly round-up of everything that is happening in Europe's major club and national team competitions will land right in your inbox and will be ready for you at your convenience.

[Click here to subscribe to the Home of Handball Newsletter.](#)

I TUNE IN TO EHFTV – FREE, LIVE AND ON DEMAND

The OTT portal of the EHF and EHF Marketing, [EHFTV](https://ehftv.com) (ehftv.com) has established itself over the past seasons as the meeting point for all handball fans. The option to watch EHF games for free, live and on-demand, as well as the opportunity to enjoy additional content created for the EHF European League and other EHF competitions on a regular basis, has made EHFTV a unique and highly-appreciated OTT service in the sports market.

THE BEST HANDBALL CONTENT – FOR FREE

The general approach of EHFTV remains the same; offering the best handball content for free. This approach is complemented with the option to register to the portal for free. The registration gives handball fans the option to watch games live and on-demand, but also allows fans to improve and personalise their fan experience during the season.

On EHFTV, matches from every EHF competition are available, complemented with highlights, the best goals and saves and plenty of additional content created exclusively for the portal, such as our Handball Originals content, which features our [exclusive documentary “Dare to Rise”](#). Since 2020, EHFTV has been designed to be fully adaptable to all devices, regardless of whether fans are at home or on the go, the best handball action is accessible any time and from anywhere.

PERSONALISED CONTENT FOR REGISTERED ACCOUNTS

Once fans enter their EHFTV account, they find an adapted filter menu, with improved navigation through the portal and the option to personalise it to their favourite competitions and/or clubs directly on their registered account. These features permit all users to find, select and enjoy the best handball footage in an easy manner.

Furthermore, the state-of-the-art video player, which also includes a multi-screen feature, guarantees the best quality and the perfect conditions to follow the EHF European League, wherever and whenever it is played. It's time for more handball! [Join EHFTV](#) and be part of a new handball era.

The screenshot shows the EHFTV website interface. At the top, there is a navigation bar with links for HOME, SCHEDULES, COMPETITIONS, ARCHIVE, and FAQ, along with a Login/Register button. The main content area features a large banner with the text "Join EHFTV FOR FREE" and "Register now to watch free live handball games, full matches and much more". Below the banner is a "Register for Free" button. The bottom section displays a grid of live handball matches, including:

Live	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man	EHF EL Man					
TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	Siegen Handball	CSM Constanta	Kapellen Schaffhausen	IKK Nies	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	Sporting CP	HBC Nantes	BK Gorania Wroclaw	Fisches Berlin	Volodina	IKK Nies	DK Sarsvet	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	CS Dinamo Bucuresti

I WATCH THE EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE – WHEREVER YOU ARE

Handball fans across the globe will be able to watch every minute of the EHF European League Men 2023/24 main round – no matter where they are. Broadcasters in over 25 countries across the continent have signed up to tell the fascinating story as the competition unfolds. Europe’s broadcasters will be transmitting all the excitement and drama from the EHF European League to the homes of the many fans, backed up by streamed coverage on [EHFTV](https://www.ehf.eu/ehftv), EHF’s on-demand platform.

WHERE TO WATCH THE EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN



MAIN ROUND 2023/24

<p> AUT – DAZN</p> <p> BIH – Arena Sport</p> <p> CRO – Arena Sport</p> <p> CAN – DAZN (EHF FINALS)</p> <p> CZE – AMC</p> <p> DEN – Handball Kanalen</p> <p> ESP – DAZN</p> <p> ESP – CMM</p> <p> FIN – Handball Kanalen</p> <p> FRA – Eurosport</p> <p> GEO – Silknet</p> <p> GER – DAZN</p> <p> GER – DYN</p> <p> GRE – <i>To be announced</i></p> <p> HUN – AMC</p> <p> ISR – SportTV (EHF FINALS)</p> <p> ITA – PallamanoTV</p> <p> JPN – DAZN (EHF FINALS)</p>	<p> KOS – Arena Sport</p> <p> MKD – Arena Sport</p> <p> MKD – MKRTV</p> <p> MNE – Arena Sport</p> <p> NOR – Handball Kanalen</p> <p> POL – Eurosport</p> <p> POR – SportingTV</p> <p> POR – BenficaTV</p> <p> POR – AndebolTV</p> <p> ROU – Digi sport</p> <p> ROU – Prima Sport</p> <p> ROU – Orange Sport</p> <p> SLO – Arena Sport</p> <p> SRB – Arena Sport</p> <p> SUI – DAZN</p> <p> SVK – AMC</p> <p> SWE – Handball Kanalen</p> <p> TUR – TRT (EHF FINALS)</p> <p> UK – VIAPLAY (EHF FINALS)</p> <p>WORLD –  (Geo-restrictions may apply)</p>
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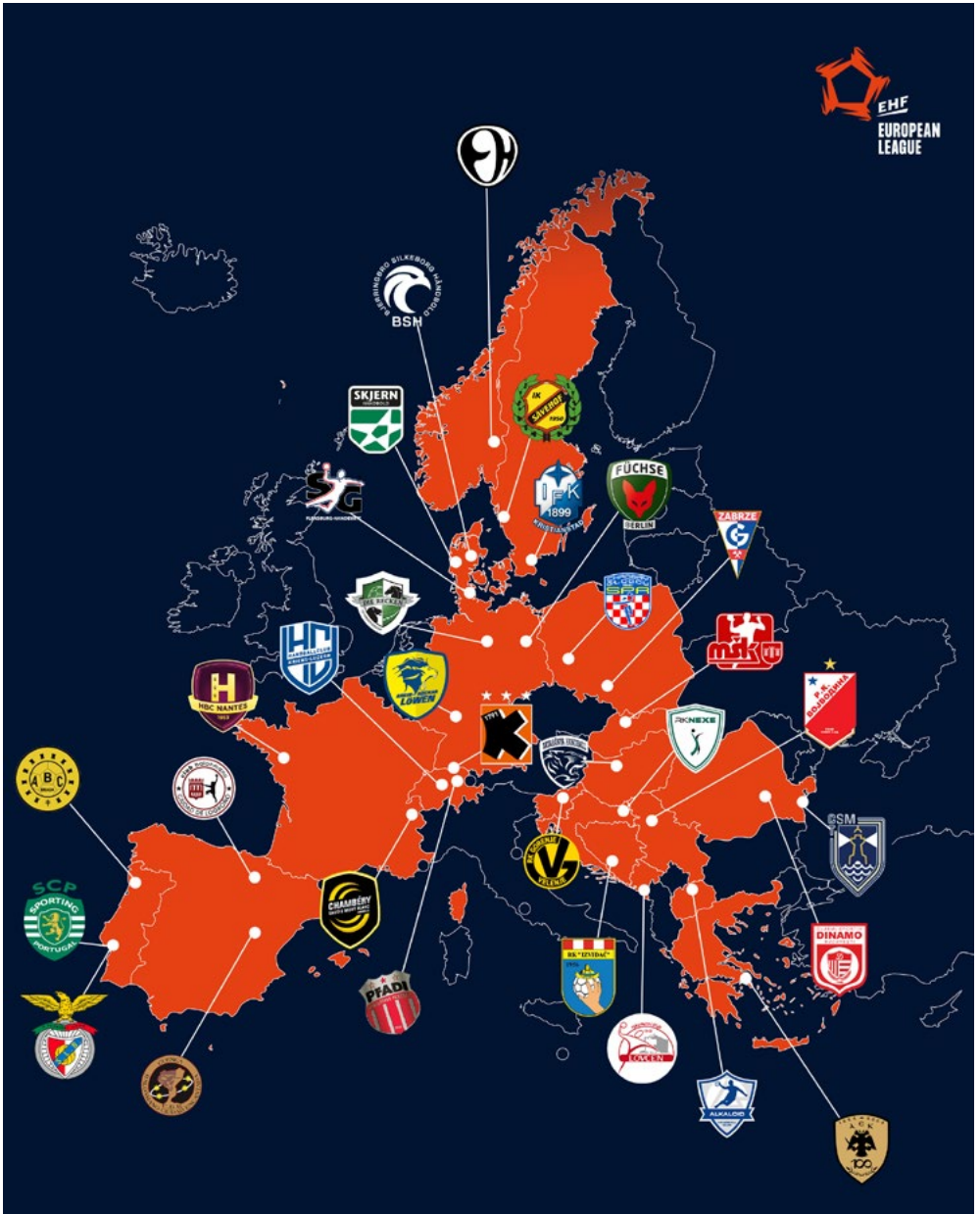
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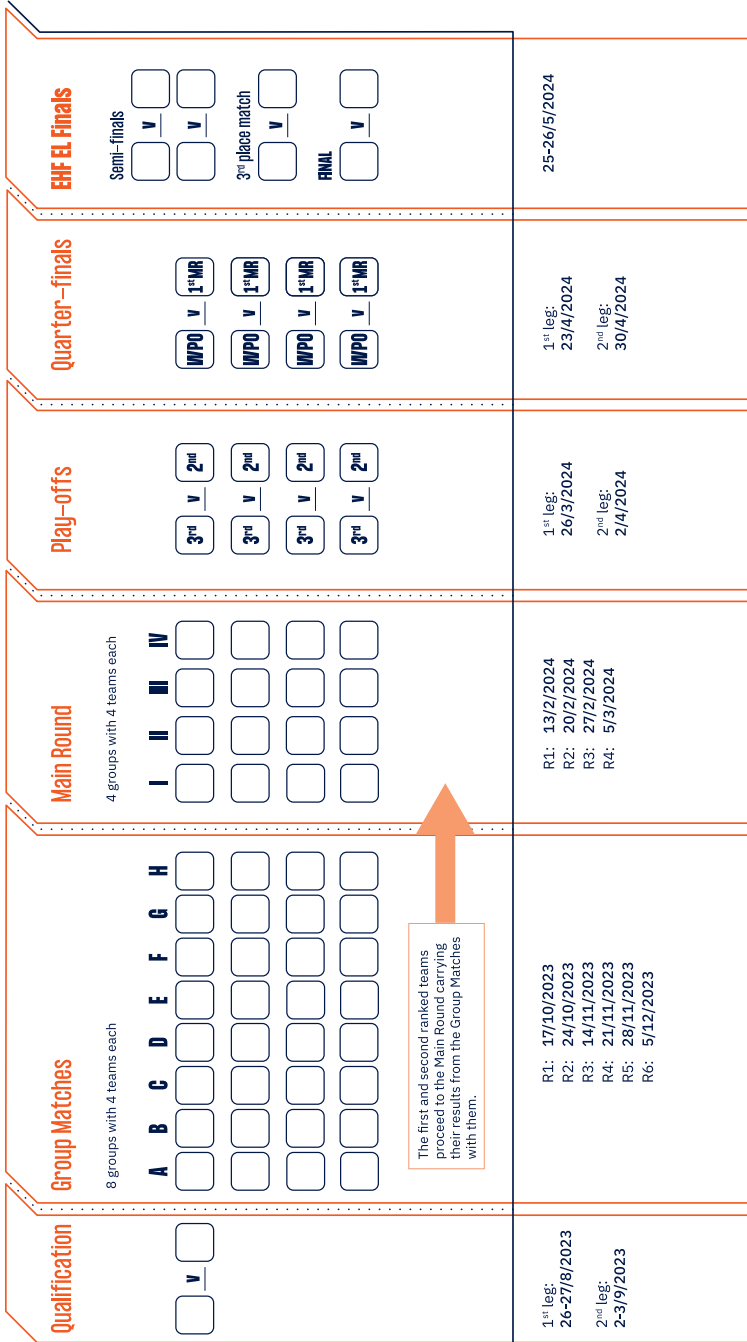






EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN 2023/24 SEASON

Playing system and dates



3 FORMER WINNERS; 11 NATIONS; 16 TEAMS; 21,821 FANS

FACTS & FIGURES: IMPORTANT NUMBERS BEFORE THE START OF THE MAIN ROUND

After six rounds of thrilling group matches, the EHF European League Men is ready for the main round as 16 teams aim for a spot in the quarter-finals – either direct or through the play-offs.

Here are interesting Facts & Figures before the main round throws off:

0 teams from Spain made it to the main round: REBI Balonmano Cuenca and BM Logroño La Rioja went out in the group matches, and last season's runners-up Fraikin BM. Granollers lost in the qualification round.

1 team only across the eight groups managed to win all their six group matches: defending champions Füchse Berlin; both IK Sävehof and TSV Hannover-Burgdorf also remained unbeaten as they got five wins and a draw.

1

team that once won the EHF Champions League is part of the main round: SG Flensburg-Handewitt (2014).

1 participant of the EHF Finals 2023 is part of the main round: Füchse; runners-up Granollers lost in qualification; third-placed Frisch Auf Göppingen did not qualify for an European club competition; and Montpellier HB compete in the Machineseecker EHF Champions League.

1 club has two teams competing in European competitions this season: IK Sävehof, with the men playing in the EHF European League and the women in the EHF Champions League.

2 teams in the main round played in the Machineseecker EHF Champions League last season: HBC Nantes and Dinamo Bucuresti.

3 teams that started their journey in the qualification round have made it to the main round: Löwen, Hannover, and CSM Constanta.

3 group matches ended with a margin of 20 or more goals.

4 teams in the main round played at the EHF FINAL4 in Cologne in the past: Nantes, Löwen, Flensburg, and Füchse.

4 German teams made it to the main round; three of them finished top of their group in the previous stage: Hannover, Flensburg, and Füchse.

4

group winners in the main round advance to the quarter-finals directly; the second- and third-ranked teams go into the play-offs.

5 of the 96 group matches ended in a draw; HC Kriens-Luzern had two draws in group B.

5 group matches ended with 70 or more goals.

6 of the 16 participants in the main round were also part of the Last 16 in 2022/23: Flensburg, Füchse, Kadetten Schaffhausen, Skjern Håndbold, Sporting CP, and RK Nexø.

7 main round teams won a European trophy in the past: Flensburg (EHF Cup 1997; City Cup 1999; CWC 2001, 2012; CL 2014), Füchse (EHF Cup 2015, 2018; EL 2023), Löwen (EHF Cup 2013), Sävehof (Challenge Cup 2014), Skjern (Challenge Cup 2002, 2003), Sporting (Challenge Cup 2010, 2017), and Vojvodina (EC 2023).

9

different teams played at the EHF Finals in the past; only three of them are now in the main round: Löwen, Nexø, and Füchse.

11 nations are represented in the main round: Germany have four clubs, Denmark and Romania both have two, eight other nations all have one.

12 group matches were attended by 3,000 or more spectators.

20 group matches ended with a margin of 10 or more goals.

28

goals was the biggest winning margin in a group match, when Dinamo Bucuresti beat HC Izvidac 52:24 in group G.

32 matches will be played in the main round between 13 February and 5 March; eight play-off and eight quarter-final matches will then follow to determine the four participants in the EHF Finals Men 2024 in Hamburg on 25/26 May.

33 of the 96 group matches (including six in group F) were won by the away team.

46 was the lowest number of goals in a game during the group matches, and this happened twice: IFK Kristianstad vs Löwen 20:26, and Fühse vs Chambéry Savoie Mont Blanc 24:22.

52 was the highest number of goals scored by a team in a single group match, when Dinamo defeated Izvidac 52:24; next in line is 46 goals, scored by Flensburg against Kadetten, 46:32.

52 of the 96 group matches ended with 60 or more goals scored.

+56 was Flensburg's goal difference after the group matches, the best for any team; next were Dinamo (+50), Sävehof (+47), Nexø (+43), and Sporting (+41).

58 of the 96 group matches across the eight groups were won by the home team.

60 goals make Andy Schmid (HC Kriens-Luzern) the top scorer after the group matches, but his team is no longer part of the competition; the same applies to a fellow Swiss player in second position: Naom Leopold, who netted 46 times for Pfadi Winterthur.

78 was the highest number of goals scored by both teams in a group match, when Flensburg beat Kadetten 46:32.

157 was the lowest number of goals conceded by a team in the group matches, achieved by Bjerringbro-Silkeborg; Constanta and Sporting both conceded 158 times.

218 goals were scored in the group matches by both Flensburg in group E and Dinamo in group G, more than any other team.

10,017 fans gathered in the XXL Arena for Nantes against Löwen, making it the best-attended game in the group matches.

21,821 fans in total attended the three home matches of Nantes in group A.

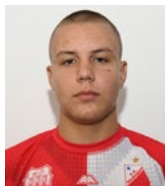
AGE AVERAGE

SG Flensburg-Handewitt	28.3
CS Dinamo Bucuresti	27.1
CSM Constanta	26.4
RK Nexø	26.2
Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	26.1
Kadetten Schaffhausen	25.9
Skjern Håndbold	25.5
EHF European League	25.3
TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	25.2
Sporting CP	25.1
Górnik Zabrze	24.9
Fühse Berlin	24.9
Rhein-Neckar Löwen	24.7
Vojvodina	24.6
HBC Nantes	24.5
RK Gorenje Velenje	24.3
IK Sävehof	21.3

HEIGHT AVERAGE

CS Dinamo Bucuresti	195.4
Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	193.3
RK Nexø	193.0
Rhein-Neckar Löwen	192.3
SG Flensburg-Handewitt	192.1
HBC Nantes	191.2
Fühse Berlin	191.2
Vojvodina	191.0
EHF European League	190.9
TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	190.7
Kadetten Schaffhausen	190.4
Skjern Håndbold	190.2
Górnik Zabrze	189.2
CSM Constanta	189.2
RK Gorenje Velenje	188.8
Sporting CP	188.3
IK Sävehof	188.2

YOUNGEST



07/11/2007

Aleksa Radenkovic
Vojvodina

Aleksa Radenkovic	SRB	Vojvodina	07/11/2007
Rafael Vasconcelos	POR	Sporting CP	15/06/2007
Andrija Stankov	SRB	Vojvodina	16/05/2007
Djordje Drasko	SRB	Vojvodina	05/05/2007
Fabian Blomberg	SWE	IK Sävehof	24/10/2006
Ognjen Cenic	SRB	RK Nexe	30/07/2006
Hjalte Sinding	DEN	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	30/04/2006
William Reichardt	GER	Füchse Berlin	23/04/2006
Loris Hromin	CRO	RK Nexe	13/04/2006
Julius Topp	DEN	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	30/03/2006

OLDEST



01/08/1981

Hans Lindberg
Füchse Berlin

Hans Lindberg	DEN	Füchse Berlin	01/08/1981
Fahrudin Melic	MNE	RK Nexe	22/07/1984
Morton Olsen	DEN	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	11/10/1984
Rene Toft Hansen	DEN	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	01/11/1984
Valero Rivera	ESP	HBC Nantes	22/02/1085
Marko Kopljar	CRO	Füchse Berlin	12/02/1986
Tim Winkler	DEN	Skjern Håndbold	14/02/1986
Marko Bezjak	SLO	RK Nexe	26/06/1986
Matevz Skok	SLO	RK Gorenje Velenje	02/09/1986
Nikolaj Øris	DEN	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	26/09/1986

SHORTEST

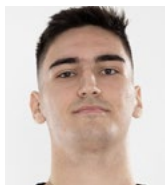


172 cm

Philip Jakobsen
Skjern Håndbold

Philip Jakobsen	DEN	Skjern Håndbold	172
Jakub Bogacz	POL	Górnik Zabrze	173
Tim Freihöfer	GER	Füchse Berlin	174
Alex Pascual	ESP	Dinamo Bucuresti	175
Alexandru Andrei	ROU	CSM Constanta	175
Morten Vium	DEN	Skjern Håndbold	176
Sebastian Spante	SWE	IK Sävehof	176
Yannick Lanz	SUI	Kadetten Schaffhausen	176
Baptiste Damatrin	FRA	HBC Nantes	177
Teodor Stefan	ROU	CSM Constanta	177

TALLEST



210 cm

Alin Cozmaciuc
Dinamo Bucuresti

Alin Cozmaciuc	ROU	Dinamo Bucuresti	210
Marko Kopljar	CRO	Füchse Berlin	210
Marko Racic	CRO	RK Nexe	209
Borna Mancic Micevic	CRO	RK Nexe	208
Calin Dedu	ROU	Dinamo Bucuresti	207
Viachaslau Bokhan	BLR	Dinamo Bucuresti	206
Uladzislau Kulesh	BLR	TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	206
Niklas Gautzsch	GER	TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	206
Thibaud Briet	FRA	HBC Nantes	205
Max Beneke	GER	Füchse Berlin	205

I IMPORTANT REGULATIONS

WHAT HAPPENS WHEN BOTH TEAMS HAVE THE SAME NUMBER OF POINTS?

All matches shall be played in accordance with the IHF's current Rules of the Game. Variations on a technical level are possible. All matches of the EHF European League shall be played in 2 x 30 minutes with a half-time break of 15 minutes.

The matches shall be scored as follows:

- a) win = 2 points
- b) draw = 1 point
- c) loss = 0 points

Teams' rankings are obtained by adding up the number of points won.

GROUP MATCHES AND MAIN ROUND

If two or more teams have scored the same number of points, the ranking will be determined as follows:

During the group matches:

- a) higher goal difference in all matches;
- b) higher number of plus goals in all matches.

After completion of the group matches if two teams have scored the same number of points:

- a) number of points in matches of the two teams directly involved;
- b) goal difference in matches of the two teams directly involved;
- c) goal difference in all matches of the group;
- d) higher number of plus goals in all matches of the group;

After completion of the group phases if three or more teams have scored the same number of points:

- a) number of points in matches of all teams directly involved;
- b) goal difference in matches of all teams directly involved;
- c) higher number of plus goals in matches of all teams directly involved;
- d) goal difference in all matches of the group;
- e) higher number of plus goals in all matches of the group;

If the ranking of one of these teams is determined, the criteria are consecutively followed until the ranking of all teams is determined.

If no ranking can be determined, a decision shall be obtained by drawing lots. Lots shall be drawn by the EHF, if possible, in the presence of a responsible of each club.

PLAY-OFFS AND QUARTER-FINALS

If, after completion of the two matches, both clubs have won the same number of points (no extra time will be played), the teams' standings shall be determined by the following criteria:

- a) goal difference
- b) penalty throws

RULES FOR EXECUTION OF PENALTY THROWS

- Only players (incl. goalkeepers) who are listed on the match report and are not suspended or disqualified at the end of the playing time are entitled to participate at the penalty throws.

- Prior to the penalty throws, each team shall name five players by handing the referees a list of numbers. These players shall then take one throw each until a decision (a winner) is reached, alternating with their opponents. Each team is free to determine the sequence in which throwers will take their throws.

- The goalkeepers may be freely selected from the match report and exchanged in accordance with the Rules of the Game. Goalkeepers may take throws and throwers may perform as goalkeepers.

- The referees shall choose the goal at which throws are taken. The team taking the first penalty throw shall be determined by the referees by drawing lots. The team winning the draw may choose whether it wishes to throw first or last.

- If the scores are equal after the first round of penalty throws, it shall be continued until a decision is reached.

In the second round, the other team shall start. Again, five players shall be named who are eligible to play (the players named before may be named once again).

- In the second round, a decision (a winner) is reached when a goal difference arises after both teams have taken one throw each.

- Serious infractions committed during penalty throws shall be sanctioned by disqualification. If a thrower is disqualified or suffers an injury, an eligible substitute player shall be supplementary named.

- While the throws are being taken, only the player taking the throw, the current goalkeeper and the referees may enter the respective half of the playing court.

- If the number of eligible players falls below five, players may be named to take a second throw in the same round.



CLUBS

GROUP I PREVIEW

TEAMS WITH BIG AMBITIONS HOPE TO REACH FAR



	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	2	2	0	0	66:57	(+9)	4
2. HBC Nantes	2	1	0	1	64:61	(+3)	2
3. Rhein-Neckar Löwen	2	1	0	1	61:64	(-3)	2
4. Górnik Zabrze	2	0	0	2	57:66	(-9)	0

Two teams from the German Bundesliga, an ambitious French team, and a club from Poland will be playing in the competitive group I.

German side TSV Hannover-Burgdorf are one of just two teams alongside Füchse Berlin who start the main round with the maximum of four points. The team nicknamed 'Die Recken' (Warriors) participate in the EHF club competitions for the third time after 2013/14 and 2018/19. The team coached by Christian Prokop finished top of group B, dropping just one point in six matches as they drew with HC Kriens-Luzern, which eventually failed to reach the main round. So Hannover have a good position and hope to go far at the tournament, although they will face tougher opposition now.



HBC Nantes are the only French side remaining in the competition, and they are seen as one of the favourites. "Le H" have qualified for three European finals in the past 10 years but are yet to lift a trophy. The team coached by Grégory Cojean won the French cup in 2023 and finished top of group A, ahead of Rhein-Neckar Löwen, Sport Lisboa e Benfica, and IFK Kristianstad. As Nantes exchanged wins with the other German side in group I, Rhein-Neckar Löwen, they are heading into the main round with two points, but hope to increase their tally and fight for a quarter-final spot.



Rhein-Neckar Löwen are actually in a similar position. In the last months of 2023, the team of Sebastian Hinze lacked consistency in the German Bundesliga, but did well in the second-tier EHF club competition, winning five of six matches in group A. Their only defeat took place at Nantes, and just like the French team, the "Lions" start the main round with two points. With the high-quality players like Patrick Groetzky, Jannick Kohlbacher, Mikael Appelgren and Juri Knorr in their squad, the EHF Cup 2013 winners are determined to further succeed in the current campaign.



Górnik Zabrze played their first ever group stage in any EHF competitions this season, so reaching the main round is another historic achievement for the Polish team. After taking the second place in group B, they have no points at the start of the next competition stage and are seen as underdogs, but Zabrze will try to create some surprises and snatch points from the favourites.

Sergey Nikolaev

I GROUP I HEAD-TO-HEADS

PREVIOUS DUELS BETWEEN THE TEAMS OF GROUP I

HBC Nantes vs TSV Hannover-Burgdorf

No previous encounters in European competitions

HBC Nantes vs Górnik Zabrze

No previous encounters in European competitions

Rhein-Neckar Löwen vs TSV Hannover-Burgdorf

No previous encounters in European competitions

Rhein-Neckar Löwen vs Górnik Zabrze

No previous encounters in European competitions

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Kit colours

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Player shirt: grey
Player short: white
GK shirt: yellow

Dark

Player shirt: black
Player short: black
GK shirt: purple



Playing hall

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Fricke-Weg 8,
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Germany
Capacity: 4,097



TSV HANNOVER- BURGDORF

ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

QUALIFICATION ROUND:

@ Ystads IF HF W28:33 (12:15)
vs Ystads IF HF W30:21 (11:10)

GROUP MATCHES:

@ HC Kriens-Luzern W23:31 (13:13)
vs Górnik Zabrze W34:28 (19:12)
vs AEK Athens HC W31:25 (12:14)
@ AEK Athens HC W29:34 (16:16)
vs HC Kriens-Luzern D30:30 (14:14)
@ Górnik Zabrze W29:32 (19:14)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP B

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	6	5	1	0	192:164	(+28)	11
2. Górnik Zabrze	6	3	1	2	179:171	(+8)	7
3. HC Kriens-Luzern	6	1	2	3	179:180	(-1)	4
4. AEH Athens HC	6	1	0	5	158:193	(-35)	2

CURRENT TOP SCORERS*:

1. Maximilian Gerbl (SUI)	25
2. Justus Fischer (GER)	22
Uladzislau Kulesh (BLR)	22
4. Jonathan Edvardsson (SWE)	19
5. Renars Uscins (GER)	16

* from the start of the group matches

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 1

Other

EHF Cup

Quarter-finals (1): 2018/19

Group phase (1): 2013/14

German league: –

German cup: –



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CHRISTIAN PROKOP

Coach

- former Germany national team coach, who has been in charge at Hannover-Burgdorf since 2021
- had to end his playing career early due to a knee injury and became a coach at age 25
- his breakthrough as coach came after he took over at Leipzig; was named Bundesliga Coach of the Year in 2016
- became Germany head coach in 2017 and reached the WCh semi-finals two years later, but lost his job in February 2020
- stands out in bringing young talents to a top level

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Luis Rodriguez (Hannover youth/GER)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Lukas	Reichenbach	GER	Goalkeeper	25/03/2002	Hildesheim, GER	184
2	Branko	Vujovic	MNE	Right Back	20/04/1998	Niksic, MNE	196
4	Adam	Nyfvjäll	SWE	Line Player	29/07/1992	Lysekil, SWE	196
10	Renars	Uscins	GER	Right Back	29/04/2002	Dessau, GER	189
16	Simon	Gade	DEN	Goalkeeper	13/01/1997	Holstebro, DEN	194
C 19	Marius	Steinhauser	GER	Right Wing	06/02/1993	Karlsruhe, GER	187
21	Dario	Quenstedt	GER	Goalkeeper	22/09/1989	Burg, GER	193
22	Marian	Michalczyk	GER	Centre Back	01/02/1997	Beckum, GER	199
23	Uladzislau	Kulesh	BLR	Left Back	28/05/1996	Homel, BLR	206
24	Niklas	Gautzsch	GER	Left Back	24/03/2003	Crivitz, GAB	206
25	Tilen	Strmljan	SLO	Centre Back	01/03/1996	Ljubljana, SLO	185
26	Jonathan	Edvardsson	SWE	Centre Back	07/04/1997	Partille, SWE	186
28	Maximilian	Gerbl	SUI	Right Wing	25/06/1995	München, GER	178
35	Thorge	Lutze	GER	Centre Back	07/01/2005	Göttingen, GER	188
42	Martin	Hanne	GER	Left Back	12/05/2001	Peine, GER	191
44	Ilija	Brozovic	CRO	Line Player	26/05/1991	Split, CRO	195
46	Johannes	Thiel	GER	Right Back	13/02/2005	Lingen, GER	193
54	Justus	Fischer	GER	Line Player	06/02/2003	Hannover, GER	193
56	Hannes	Feise	GER	Left Wing	05/06/1996	Neustadt, GER	200
58	Daniel	Weber	GER	Right Wing	04/01/2003	Bremervörde, GER	181
61	Koray	Ayar	TUR	Line Player	22/03/2000	Hannover, GER	181
63	Justin	Wollny	GER	Left Wing	18/09/2002	Celle, GER	184
74	Vincent	Büchner	GER	Left Wing	30/05/1998	Hildesheim, GER	180
80	Luis	Rodriguez	GER	Line Player	22/11/2004		



SIMON GADE

 @simon.gade

Goalkeeper

- Danish international, arrived at Hannover in 2023 after three years with Aalborg
- played three seasons in the CL, reached the final with Aalborg in 2020/21
- tall goalkeeper with fine reach, good reactions and strong ability for reading shots
- shares goalkeeper position with Dario Quenstedt, who previously was with Kiel
- won silver with Denmark at the 2017 Junior WCh in Algeria



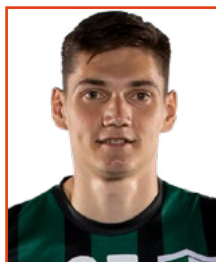
BRANKO VUJOVIC

 @brankovujovic_2

Right back

- Montenegrin international; a player of Polish powerhouse Kielce since 2015, but has been on loan with Hannover since 2022
- previously played two seasons on loan for Celje in Slovenia (2017-19)
- was only 17 when he left his native Montenegro to join Kielce in Poland in 2015; was part of the team that won the CL the following year

Trophies: CL 2016

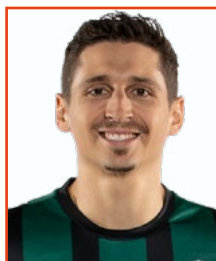


TILEN STRMLJAN

 @tilenstrmljan

Centre back

- Slovenian international, who arrived in Hannover from Celje in the summer of 2023 for his first club abroad
- coming off his career best season, scoring 53 times for Celje in the CL 2022/23
- had first international experience with Ribnica in the EHF Cup, before joining Celje
- is rather a classical playmaker than a shooter



MARIUS STEINHAUSER

 @steini19

Right wing

- Hannover's new team captain and one of their most prolific goal scorers
- joined the club in 2022; had previously won four straight Bundesliga titles with Rhein-Neckar Löwen (2016, 2017) and SG Flensburg-Handewitt (2018, 2019)
- started his career in the youth academy of Rhein-Neckar Löwen; was youth and junior national team player for Germany

Trophies: EHF Cup 2013

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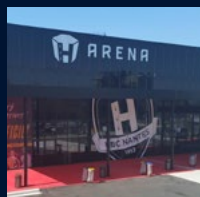
Kit colours

Light

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GK shirt: yellow or blue

Dark

Player shirt: black/purple
Player short: black
GK shirt: purple



Playing hall

H Arena
Rue Rene Viviani
44200 Nantes
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Capacity: 5,400

HBC NANTES



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs Sport Lisboa e Benfica	W37:28 (19:15)
@ Rhein-Neckar Löwen	L36:32 (19:17)
@ IFK Kristianstad	W27:31 (17:19)
vs IFK Kristianstad	W31:27 (16:16)
@ Sport Lisboa e Benfica	W34:38 (16:18)
vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen	W32:25 (14:11)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP A

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. HBC Nantes	6	5	0	1	201:177	(+24)	10
2. Rhein-Neckar Löwen	6	5	0	1	198:177	(+21)	10
3. Sport Lisboa e Benfica	6	2	0	4	194:210	(-16)	4
4. IFK Kristianstad	6	0	0	6	162:191	(-29)	0

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Valero Rivera (ESP)	37
2. Aymeric Minne (FRA)	27
3. Théo Monar (FRA)	26
4. Kauldi Odriozola (ESP)	19
5. Julien Bos (FRA)	18
Alexandre Cavalcanti (POR)	18

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 2
Quarter-finals (1): 2021/22

Other

EHF Champions League

Runners-up (1): 2017/18
Semi-finals (1): 2020/21
Quarter-finals (1): 2018/19
Play-offs (1): 2022/23
Last 16 (1): 2016/17

EHF Cup

Runners-up (2): 2012/13, 2015/16
Quarter-finals (1): 2013/14

French league: –

French cup: 2 titles (2017, 2023)





GRÉGORIE COJEAN

Coach

- joined Nantes as a coach in 2005, when he was only 27
- after coaching the B team, he sat on the bench of the A team for the first time in 2009
- was assistant coach under Thierry Anti and Alberto Entrerrios before taking over as head coach in 2022
- won the French cup in his first season in charge
- helped several young players emerge from the club's youth division, including Dragan Pechmalbec, Thibaud Briet, and Théo Monar

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Marko Milosavljevic (León/ESP)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Ivan	Pesic	CRO	Goalkeeper	17/03/1989	Rijeka, CRO	194
2	Marko	Milosavljevic	SRB	Left Back	13/09/1998	Belgrade, SRB	201
3	Thibaud	Briet	FRA	Left Back	14/12/1999	Rouen, FRA	205
4	Aymeric	Minne	FRA	Centre Back	20/04/1997	Melun, FRA	186
5	Jorge	Maqueda Peno	ESP	Right Back	06/02/1988	Toledo, ESP	197
6	Baptiste	Bonnefond	FRA	Left Back	22/01/1993	Lyon, FRA	193
C 7	Valero	Rivera Folch	ESP	Left Wing	22/02/1985	Barcelona, ESP	185
8	Alexandre	Cavalcanti	POR	Left Back	27/12/1996	Almada, POR	201
9	Théo	Avelange Demouge	FRA	Right Wing	11/03/1996	Besançon, FRA	183
10	Rok	Ovnicsek	SLO	Centre Back	29/01/1995	Slovenj Gradec, SLO	185
11	Baptiste	Damatin	FRA	Left Wing	29/04/2000	Saint Maurice, FRA	177
13	Julien	Bos	FRA	Right Back	18/08/1998	Pessac, FRA	188
14	Lucas	De la Breteche	FRA	Centre Back	19/11/2001	Saint-Nazaire, FRA	193
15	William	Höghjelm	SWE	Line Player	30/11/1999	Torslanda, SWE	186
16	Viktor	Hallgrímsson	ISL	Goalkeeper	24/07/2000	Reykjavik, ISL	115
17	Jérémy	Toto	FRA	Line Player	15/08/1992	Courbevoie, FRA	197
18	Théo	Monar	FRA	Line Player	06/06/2001	Fort-de-France, FRA	200
19	Kauldi	Odriozola Yeregui	ESP	Right Wing	07/01/1997	Zumaia, ESP	183
20	Salomon	Nassequela	COD	Right Back	15/01/2004	Kinshasa, COD	183
21	Mathys	Lobgeois	FRA	Line Player	11/03/2005	Compiègne, FRA	195
22	Alban	Simonnet	FRA	Centre Back	04/01/2004	Orléans, FRA	191
23	Edgar	Gohier	FRA	Right Wing	29/06/2005	Tours, FRA	183
24	Ernest	Pineau	FRA	Right Back	30/01/2003	Rochefort, FRA	198
25	Jules	Berriau	FRA	Right Back	21/04/2005	Saint Herblain, FRA	188
26	Pierre-Alexis	Favril	FRA	Left Wing	15/10/2004	Dreux, FRA	186
27	Eloi	Gnanhouan	FRA	Left Back	25/03/2003	Montbéliard, FRA	194
28	André Wenkegeu	Tchambou Mouko	FRA	Line Player	10/05/2004	Paris, FRA	197
30	Sirius	Rambaud	FRA	Goalkeeper	18/01/2006	Nogent sur Marne, FRA	



VIKTOR HALLGRÍMSSON

@viktorhallgrimsson

Goalkeeper

- Icelandic international, who joined Nantes from Danish side GOG in 2022
- played for Fram Reykjavik until leaving Iceland in 2019 and moving to GOG
- debuted in Icelandic national team at age 19; excelled at 2019 Junior (U21) WCh
- impressed at EHF EURO 2024 with 62 saves (30.69%) in Iceland's seven matches
- a fast and very talented goalkeeper with fine reactions



VALERO RIVERA

@valerorivera

Left wing

- experienced left wing, a CL winner with Barça and world champion with Spain
- returned to Nantes from Barça in 2018 after earlier spell with Nantes in 2010-16
- All-star left wing of CL 2020/21 and 2015 WCh; top scorer EHF EURO 2016 (48 goals)
- son of Valero Rivera sr., former Barça and Spain coach, and married to former handball player Marion Anti, daughter of previous Nantes coach Thierry Anti

Trophies: CL 2005; EHF Cup 2003
EURO: G 2018, S 2016, B 2014; WCh: G 2013; OG: B 2020



AYMERIC MINNE

@aymericminne

Centre back

- talented back, who signed for Nantes in summer of 2019 after four seasons with PAUC
- initially an offensive player, has made huge progress as a defender as well
- scored a personal best 58 goals in the CL 2022/23, including nine in the decisive leg of the play-offs against Plock, which Nantes lost in a shoot-out
- made national team debut in 2021; was part of France's provisional squad for EHF EURO 2024 but ultimately left off the team by head coach Guillaume Gille



JORGE MAQUEDA

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Right back

- world-class defender, who returned to Nantes in 2022 after earlier spell in 2012-15
- in the meantime, played for Vardar (and won CL in 2017), Szeged, and Veszprém
- started senior career at Barça in 2005; Nantes became his first foreign club in 2012
- Spanish international, who has won nine medals with the national team, including WCh and EHF EURO gold

Trophies: CL 2017
EURO: G 2020, S 2016, 2022, B 2014; OG: B 2020; WCh: G 2013, B 2011, 2023

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Kit colours

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Player short: blue
GK shirt: purple

Dark

Player shirt: blue
Player short: blue
GK shirt: dark green



Playing hall

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Germany
Capacity: 4,134

RHEIN-NECKAR LÖWEN



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

QUALIFICATION ROUND:

@ HC Vardar 1961 W25:34 (14:14)
vs HC Vardar 1961 W37:33 (17:17)

GROUP MATCHES:

@ IFK Kristianstad W20:26 (10:13)
vs HBC Nantes W36:32 (19:17)
@ Sport Lisboa e Benfica W35:36 (15:19)
vs Sport Lisboa e Benfica W39:30 (20:17)
vs IFK Kristianstad W36:28 (17:14)
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FINAL STANDINGS GROUP A

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4. IFK Kristianstad	6	0	0	6	162:191	(-29)	0

CURRENT TOP SCORERS*:

1. Juri Knorr (GER)	40
2. Niclas Kirkeløkke (DEN)	33
3. Jannik Kohlbacher (GER)	26
4. Jon Andersen (DEN)	21
5. Gustav Davidsson (SWE)	16

* from the start of the group matches

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 3

Semi-finals (1): 2020/21

Qualification (1): 2021/22

Other

EHF Champions League

Semi-finals (2): 2008/09; 2010/11

Quarter-finals (2): 2009/10, 2013/14

EHF Cup:

Winners (1): 2012/13

Semi-finals (1): 2011/12

Cup Winners' Cup:

Runners-up (1): 2007/08

German league: 2 titles (2016, 2017)

German cup: 2 titles (2018, 2023)





SEBASTIAN HINZE

Coach

- former line player, who arrived as head coach at Rhein-Neckar Löwen in 2022 to replace Ljubomir Vranjes
- won the German cup with Löwen in his first season in charge, beating CL winners SC Magdeburg in a shoot-out in the final
- previously worked 10 seasons at Bergischer HC, the club where he had finished his playing career in 2011
- never played in the Bundesliga, but helped BHC promote to Germany's topflight in 2011 before retiring as a player

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Tobias Reichmann (was without club)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Theo Straub (Ludwigshafen/GER)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Mikael	Appelgren	SWE	Goalkeeper	06/09/1989	Uddevalla, SWE	192
3	Uwe	Gensheimer	GER	Left Wing	26/10/1986	Mannheim, GER	188
6	Niclas Vest	Kirkeløkke	DEN	Right Back	26/03/1994	Ringe, DEN	195
8	Magnus	Grupe	GER	Centre Back	12/11/2004	Weinheim, GER	190
9	Steven Plucnar	Jacobsen	DEN	Line Player	22/10/2000	Solrod, DEN	200
10	Juri	Knorr	GER	Centre Back	09/05/2000	Flensburg, GER	192
11	Arnór Snær	Óskarsson	ISL	Right Back	22/02/2000	Rejkavik, ISL	180
15	David	Móré	GER	Left Wing	13/06/2004	Memmingen, GER	185
19	Philipp	Ahouansou	GER	Left Back	02/05/2001	Hanau, GER	204
20	Andreas Holst	Jensen	DEN	Left Back	01/12/1994	Lemvig, DEN	202
22	Gustav	Davidsson	SWE	Left Back	29/11/1999	Stockholm, SWE	193
C 24	Patrick	Groetzki	GER	Right Wing	04/07/1989	Pforzheim, GER	188
25	Olle Forsell	Schefvert	SWE	Centre Back	13/08/1993	Halmstad, SWE	196
26	Niklas	Michalski	GER	Right Wing	20/02/2003	Mannheim, GER	184
27	Tobias	Reichmann	GER	Right Wing	27/05/1988	Berlin, GER	188
29	David	Späth	GER	Goalkeeper	29/04/2002	Kaiserslautern, GER	200
33	Ýmir	Gíslason	ISL	Line Player	01/07/1997	Reykjavik, ISL	196
34	Valentin	Willner	GER	Line Player	16/01/2005	München, GER	194
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38	Dave	Hörnig	GER	Goalkeeper	16/11/2005	Offenburg, GER	190
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50	Lion	Zacharias	GER	Left Wing	20/06/2003	Mannheim, GER	184
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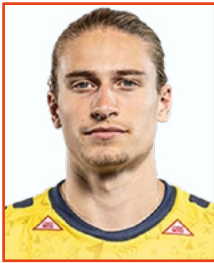
MIKAEL APPELGREN

 @mikaelfappelgren

Goalkeeper

- Swedish international, who arrived at Löwen from Melsungen in 2015 and won the Bundesliga title in the first two seasons with his new club
- named best goalkeeper of the Bundesliga in 2017/18 and again in 2018/19
- was out for almost two years following surgery on knee, shoulder and finger in 2020, but quickly got back to his old level and helped Löwen win the German cup in 2023

EURO: S 2018

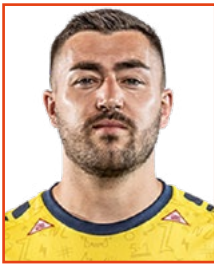


JURI KNORR

 @juriknorr

Centre back

- one of Germany's biggest talents, was 21 when he joined Löwen from Minden in 2021
- in 2022/23, scored 213 goals in the Bundesliga and won the German cup with Löwen
- made debut in the German national team in October 2020 and quickly developed into a key player
- made the All-star Team of the 2023 WCh as best young player, and of the EHF EURO 2024 as the centre back after leading Germany to the semi-finals



JANNIK KOHLBACHER

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Line player

- German international, who arrived at Löwen from Wetzlar in summer of 2018
- signed a new contract in July 2023 that keeps him in Mannheim until at least 2026
- played his first major event with the German national team at the Men's EHF EURO 2016 in Poland, and won gold right away
- contributed 29 goals to Germany's run to fifth place at the 2023 WCh, and scored 14 times at their home EHF EURO 2024 where Germany reached the semi-finals

EURO: G 2016



TOBIAS REICHMANN

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Right wing

- former German international, who was without club in 2023/24 until Löwen signed him in January 2024 as a replacement for injured team captain Patrick Groetzki
- three-time CL winner with Kiel (2010, 2012) and Kielce (2016); also played for Wetzlar, Melsungen, and until the summer of 2023 third-division side Emsdetten
- made national team debut for Germany in 2012 and scored nearly 300 goals in just over 100 matches; part of the team that won the EHF EURO title in 2016

Trophies: CL 2010, 2012, 2016
EURO: G 2016; OG: B 2016

GROUP I



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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white
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GK shirt: dark blue

Dark

Player shirt: dark blue
Player short: dark blue
GK shirt: green



Playing hall

Hala "Centrum" Dąbrowa
Górnicza
Aleja Róż 3
41-303 Dąbrowa Górnicza,
Poland
Capacity: 3,044

GÓRNIK ZABRZE



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs AEK Athens HC	W30:21 (16:12)
@ TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	L34:28 (19:12)
vs HC Kriens-Luzern	W32:28 (18:12)
@ HC Kriens-Luzern	D30:30 (15:14)
@ AEK Athens HC	W26:30 (12:15)
vs TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	L29:32 (19:14)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP B

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. TSV Hannover-Burgdorf	6	5	1	0	192:164	(+28)	11
2. Górnik Zabrze	6	3	1	2	179:171	(+8)	7
3. HC Kriens-Luzern	6	1	2	3	179:180	(-1)	4
4. AEH Athens HC	6	1	0	5	158:193	(-35)	2

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Taras Minotskyi (UKR)	44
2. Damian Przytula (POL)	25
3. Dmytro Artemenko (UKR)	24
4. Patryk Mauer (POL)	16
Jakub Szyszko (POL)	16

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 3

Qualification (2): 2021/22; 2022/23

Other

EHF Cup

Qualification (4): 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2019/20

Challenge Cup

Last 16 (1): 2013/14

Polish league: 2 titles (1989, 1990)

Polish cup: 3 titles (1984, 1988, 1990)





TOMASZ STRZABALA

Coach

- took over at Zabrze for the 2023/24 season as successor of Swedish coach Patrick Liljestrand
- started coaching career as an assistant at Kielce in 2008
- worked 10 seasons with the Polish powerhouse and saw the club win the EHF Champions League in 2016
- got his first head coach position in 2018, at Kwidzyn
- later coached Ostrowiec, Kalisz and Tarnów before arriving at Zabrze in the summer of 2023

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Jakub Pinda (Kielce/POL)
Piotr Krepa (Kalisz/POL)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Dawid Molski (Kalisz/POL)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Kacper	Ligarzewski	POL	Goalkeeper	14/06/2001	Stade, GER	189
3	Jakub	Szyszek	POL	Right Wing	18/02/2001	Bielsk Podlaski, POL	179
5	Jakub	Pinda	POL	Left Back	31/05/2005	Kielce, POL	195
7	Rennosuke	Tokuda	JPN	Right Back	15/05/1998	Iwakuni, JPN	181
10	Lukáš	Morkovský	CZE	Left Back	04/01/2002	Valašské Meziříčí, CZE	189
11	Aliaksandr	Bachko	BLR	Centre Back	15/08/1989	Grodno, BLR	189
12	Casper	Liljestrand	SWE	Goalkeeper	13/08/2000	Ystad, SWE	197
14	Piotr	Krepa	POL	Line Player	21/06/1994	Mielec, POL	185
15	Dmytro	Artemenko	UKR	Left Wing	18/01/1996	Melytopol, UKR	180
16	Piotr	Wyszomirski	POL	Goalkeeper	06/01/1988	Warszawa, POL	194
19	Pawel	Krawczyk	POL	Centre Back	10/07/2003	Mikolów, POL	194
21	Patryk	Mauer	POL	Right Wing	02/09/1998	Legnica, POL	180
23	Jakub	Bogacz	POL	Left Wing	30/07/1998	Chrzanów, POL	173
26	Dawid	Molski	POL	Left Wing	26/02/2002	Ostrów Wielkopolski, POL	186
31	Pawel	Dudkowski	POL	Right Back	13/06/1998	Wrocław, POL	188
35	Taras	Minotskyi	UKR	Left Back	15/01/2000	Volochysk, UKR	193
41	Sebastian	Kaczor	POL	Line Player	15/12/2001	Kraków, POL	197
50	Bartosz	Szczepanik	POL	Goalkeeper	07/12/2004	Tarnowskie Góry, POL	191
77	Dmytro	Ilchenko	UKR	Line Player	09/07/1996	Kyiv, UKR	198
89	Adam	Wasowski	POL	Line Player	04/11/1997	Szczecin, POL	195
C 98	Damian	Przytula	POL	Left Back	27/11/1998	Olsztyn, POL	200



PIOTR WYSZOMIRSKI

 @piotrwyszomirski

Goalkeeper

- former Polish international, who returned to Poland to join Zabrze in 2022
- started career at Azoty Pulawy before moving abroad in 2012, first to Hungary
- played for Csurgó (2012-14) and then EHF Cup winners Szeged (2014-16) before joining Lemgo in Germany for four years; later played for Tatabánya in Hungary
- part of Poland national team that won bronze at 2015 WCh in Qatar

WCh: B 2015



DAMIAN PRZYTULA

 @boniek9898

Left back

- Polish international and Zabrze team captain, who arrived at the club in 2021
- scored 10 times against ØIF Arendal in the EL 2021/22 qualification but it was not enough for Zabrze to advance to the group phase
- previously played for Olsztyn, Malbork, and Kwidzyn, before joining Zabrze
- played for all Polish youth and junior national teams before making A team debut



RENNOSUKE TOKUDA

 @r__51__

Right back

- became first Japanese player in the Polish league when he joined Tarnów in 2019
- was the top scorer of the Polish league in 2020/21 season, then moved to German side TuS Nettelstedt for half a season
- returned to Poland and joined Zabrze in 2022
- Japanese international, who played at the Olympics and two WCh's



PATRYK MAUER

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Right wing

- counter-attack specialist, who joined Zabrze in 2022 from league rivals Opole
- had breakthrough season when he scored 172 times for Gdansk in the Polish second division, which earned him a transfer to top-division side Opole
- gained international experience by playing three seasons and scoring more than 70 goals for Opole in the EHF Cup in 2017-20
- was best Polish scorer at the M18 EHF EURO 2016, with 54 goals

GROUP II PREVIEW



NORDIC AND BALKAN TEAMS MEET IN EXCITING GROUP

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. IK Sävehof	2	1	1	0	64:62	(+2)	3
2. RK Nexe	2	1	0	1	69:58	(+11)	2
3. Skjern Håndbold	2	1	0	1	58:69	(-11)	2
4. RK Gorenje Velenje	2	0	1	1	62:64	(-2)	1

Group II is the only one in the main round not featuring a German side, as the four participants represent four different countries – Sweden, Croatia, Denmark and Slovenia.

IK Sävehof have the best starting position after coming out of the group matches with 11 points from six matches in group C, only dropping one point against RK Gorenje Velenje, who also advanced to the main round. So, Sävehof were able to carry three points to the main round. The Swedish runners-up lost some important players before the season, but coach Michael Apelgren has enough young talents at his disposal, such as the Möller brothers – goalkeeper Simon and line player Felix – as well Faroese left back Óli Mittún.

RK Nexe also did well in the group matches, taking two points with them from group D while scoring 215 goals (35.8 on average); only two teams scored more. The team from the town of Nasice are playing their 15th consecutive season at the EHF second-tier competition, and they have made considerable progress in recent years. In the 2021/22 season, Nexe made it to the EHF Finals 2022, and now they will be possibly looking to emulate that achievement.

Finishing runners-up in the same group D allowed Skjern Håndbold to also carry over two points to the main round. The Challenge Cup winners from two decades ago (2001 and 2002), who are coached by Henrik Kronborg until the summer of 2024, mostly rely on Scandinavian players. And while team captain Emil Bergholt has been out with injured, his younger brother, left wing Viktor Bergholt, scored 38 goals in the six group matches.

RK Gorenje Velenje were one of the last teams to secure a main round spot, as they finished second in group C with five points. The Slovenian team play their 31st season in the European club competitions, and they do so with a squad mainly consisting of young players. Competing at this level is an excellent chance for them to gain experience –though they will also be eager to help Velenje climb in the group II standings where they start fourth and last.

Sergey Nikolaev

I GROUP II HEAD-TO-HEADS

PREVIOUS DUELS BETWEEN THE TEAMS OF GROUP II

IK Sävehof vs RK Nexe 1-0-1 (64:62) 2:2

26.10.2021	RK Nexe vs IK Sävehof, EHF European League – Group C	39:31 (18:15)
22.02.2022	IK Sävehof vs RK Nexe, EHF European League – Group C	33:23 (16:12)

IK Sävehof vs Skjern Håndbold 1-1-2 (109:119) 3:5

29.03.2003	IK Sävehof vs Skjern Handball, Challenge Cup – Semi-final	24:24 (11:12)
05.04.2003	Skjern Handball vs IK Sävehof, Challenge Cup – Semi-final	31:27 (15:9)
03.12.2006	Skjern Handball A/S vs IK Sävehof, EHF Cup – Last 16	39:28 (22:15)
10.12.2006	IK Sävehof vs Skjern Handball A/S, EHF Cup – Last 16	30:25 (17:15)

RK Gorenje Velenje vs RK Nexe 2-0-2 (118:115) 4:4

21.11.2010	RK Gorenje Velenje vs RK Nexe Nasice, EHF Cup – Round 3	33:24 (18:14)
27.11.2010	RK Nexe Nasice vs RK Gorenje Velenje, EHF Cup – Round 3	32:28 (16:14)
16.11.2021	RK Gorenje Velenje vs RK Nexe, EHF European League – Group C	34:28 (19:14)
30.11.2021	RK Nexe vs RK Gorenje Velenje, EHF European League – Group C	31:23 (14:9)

RK Gorenje Velenje vs Skjern Håndbold 1-0-2 (73:91) 2:4

17.05.2015	Rk Gorenje Velenje vs Skjern Håndbold, EHF Cup Final Tournament – Place 3/4	22:27 (13:12)
01.10.2017	RK Gorenje Velenje vs Skjern Håndbold, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	31:29 (15:14)
03.12.2017	Skjern Håndbold vs RK Gorenje Velenje, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	35:20 (18:9)

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Player short: black
GK shirt: blue

Dark

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Player short: black
GK shirt: white



Playing hall

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Arenatorget 2
43338 Partille
Sweden
Capacity: 4,000

IK SÄVEHOF



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

@ REBI Balonmano Cuenca	W22:30 (8:14)
vs RK Gorenje Velenje	W36:34 (18:17)
vs Pfadi Winterthur	W41:20 (21:11)
@ Pfadi Winterthur	W29:32 (14:17)
vs REBI Balonmano Cuenca	W40:27 (21:9)
@ RK Gorenje Velenje	D28:28 (12:15)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP C

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. IK Sävehof	6	5	1	0	207:160	(+47)	11
2. RK Gorenje Velenje	6	2	1	3	182:170	(+12)	5
3. REBI Balonmano Cuenca	6	2	0	4	153:181	(-28)	4
4. Pfadi Winterthur	6	2	0	4	163:194	(-31)	4

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Gustaf Wedberg (SWE)	35
2. Óli Mittún (FAR)	29
3. Sebastian Spante (SWE)	28
4. William Andersson (SWE)	26
5. Felix Möller (SWE)	21

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 3

Last 16 (1): 2021/22

Qualification (1): 2022/23

Other

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (2): 2004/05, 2011/12

Group phase (4): 2005/06, 2010/11, 2012/13, 2019/20

EHF Cup

Last 16 (1): 2006/07

EHF Challenge Cup

Winners (1): 2013/14

Semi-finals: 2002/03

Swedish league: 7 titles (2004, 2005, 2010-12, 2019, 2021)

Swedish cup: 1 title (2022)





MICHAEL APELGREN

Coach

- former Sävehof player who returned to the club as head coach in 2020, after six years in charge of Elverum
- set to take over at CL club Szeged in Hungary in 2024/25, his first coaching job outside Scandinavia
- also played for Djurgårdens, Hammarby, Granollers, Puerto Sagunto, and Elverum, and appeared in the Swedish national team five times
- his grandfather and father were both football players, while his mother played handball

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Tobias Johansson (Redberglids IK/SWE)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Marcus Lennernäs (Eskilstuna/SWE)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Oscar	Sävinger	SWE	Goalkeeper	13/06/2002	Sävedalen, SWE	197
2	Emil	Johannisson	SWE	Line Player	01/06/2004	Partille, SWE	192
3	Emil	Berlin	SWE	Right Back	24/02/2001	Göteborg, SWE	188
5	Olle	Ek	SWE	Centre Back	01/11/1997	Sofia, SWE	186
6	Adam	Blanche	SWE	Line Player	18/10/2000	Stockholm, SWE	193
7	Felix	Möller	SWE	Line Player	04/09/2002	Henstedt-Ulzburg, GER	194
8	Kelvin	Roberts	SWE	Left Back	17/01/2003	Partille, SWE	192
10	Alexander Ørjevik	Westby	NOR	Left Wing	26/03/1993	Lørenskog, NOR	185
11	Gustaf	Wedberg	SWE	Right Wing	18/04/1999	Partille, SWE	178
C 12	Simon	Möller	SWE	Goalkeeper	02/07/2000	Eutin, GER	190
13	Tobias	Johansson	SWE	Right Back	08/04/1989	Partille, SWE	192
14	Tobias	Trommler	SWE	Line Player	06/07/2004	Partille, SWE	190
15	Sebastian	Durlanu	SWE	Centre Back	24/05/2004	Göteborg, SWE	181
16	Arvid	Norén	SWE	Goalkeeper	21/02/2004	Göteborg, SWE	195
17	Sebastian	Spante	SWE	Left Wing	26/07/2000	Haga, SWE	176
18	Pontus	Brolin	SWE	Left Back	25/12/2000	Kloster, SWE	193
19	Tryggvi	Þórisson	ISL	Line Player	18/06/2002	Sellfoss, ISL	200
21	David	Sandberg	SWE	Left Back	10/05/1998	Säve, SWE	197
22	Alexander	Hambalek	SWE	Centre Back	07/05/2004	Styrstad, SWE	182
24	Fabian	Blomberg	SWE	Centre Back	24/10/2006	Barcelona, ESP	184
25	Malte	Celander	SWE	Right Wing	18/03/2002	Sävedalen, SWE	190
26	Lowe	Knutsson	SWE	Right Back	26/11/2005	Sävedalen, SWE	184
27	Johan	Rahm	SWE	Left Wing	25/07/2004	Sävedalen, SWE	182
28	Marcus	Lennerås	SWE	Right Back	24/04/2002	Gottsunda, SWE	195
30	Melwin	Kolmskog	SWE	Goalkeeper	09/05/2005	Bromma, SWE	183
31	William	Andersson Moberg	SWE	Centre Back	25/03/2000	Partille, SWE	183
34	Arvid	Uusvoog	SWE	Right Wing	02/08/2005	Partille, SWE	178
45	Neo	Kollryd	SWE	Left Back	02/10/2004	Åldihem, SWE	195
78	Óli	Mittun	FAR	Centre Back	10/06/2005	Torshavn, FAR	186



SEBASTIAN SPANTE

 @sebastianspante

Left wing

- talented left wing, who joined Sävehof in 2018 from his youth club Stenungsund
- was Sävehof's third-best scorer in the 2023/24 group matches with 28 goals, already his personal best for a European season
- playing in the EL for the third straight season, made his international debut with Sävehof in the CL 2019/20 season
- became Swedish champion with Sävehof in 2019 and 2021



KELVIN ROBERTS

 @kelvin_roberts_

Left back

- made full debut for Sävehof in 2022, has become ever more important for the team
- plays as a left back, but can also feature on the left wing; made the M20 EHF EURO 2022 All-star Team as left wing
- his sister, Jamina, is a Swedish international and won the CL with Vipers in 2023
- their father, James, was a sailor who came to Sweden from Aruba in the 1970s



ÓLI MITTÚN

 @oli_mittun

Centre back

- one of Faroe Islands' biggest talents; cousin of fellow internationals and brothers Elias and Rói Ellefsen á Skipagøtu
- his brother Pauli is also an international; sister Jana features in the Danish league
- initially also played football, but ultimately choose handball as his sport
- top scorer of M18 EHF EURO 2022 with 80 goals, and 2023 Youth WCh with 87 goals; part of senior Faroe Islands national team that made EHF EURO debut in 2024



FELIX MÖLLER

 @felix_moller

Line player

- Swedish international, who came through the youth ranks of Sävehof and had his senior debut for the club in 2019; was included in Sävehof's CL 2019/20 squad
- his breakthrough season was 2020/21, when Sävehof won the Swedish league title
- made national team debut in November 2021 and won EHF EURO two months later, but was not part of the Swedish team that won bronze at EHF EURO 2024
- was born in Germany, where his father Peter played for Hamburg at that time

EURO: G 2022

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GK shirt: blue

Dark

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GK shirt: grey



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Croatia
Capacity: 2,000

RK NEXE



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs Skjern Håndbold	W39:25 (20:10)
vs ABC de Braga/UMinho	W38:28 (21:12)
@ MKS Povazska Bystrica	W28:39 (15:19)
vs MKS Povazska Bystrica	W35:28 (19:15)
@ Skjern Håndbold	L33:30 (18:15)
@ ABC de Braga/UMinho	W30:34 (12:17)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP D

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. RK Nexe	6	5	0	1	215:172	(+43)	10
2. Skjern Håndbold	6	4	0	2	191:172	(+19)	8
3. ABC de Braga/UMinho	6	2	0	4	173:188	(-15)	4
4. MKS Povazska Bystrica	6	1	0	5	161:208	(-47)	2

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Manuel Štrlek (CRO)	30
2. Luka Moslavac (CRO)	29
3. Padrag Vejin (SRB)	27
4. Lovro Jotic (CRO)	23
5. Gal Marguc (SLO)	21

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (including 2023/24): 4

Semi-finals (1): 2021/22

Quarter-finals (1): 2022/23

Last 16 (1): 2020/21

Other

EHF Cup

Quarter-final (1): 2017/18

Last 16 (1): 2011/12

Group Phase (2): 2014/15, 2018/19

Croatian league: –

Croatian cup: –





BRANKO TAMŠE

Coach

- Slovenian coach, taking over in January 2021 from Hrvoje Horvat, who became head coach of the Croatian national team
- led Nexe to the EHF Finals in his first full season at the club
- previously worked with Velenje and Celje in his native Slovenia, as well as with Zagreb in Croatia
- played as a right wing at Velenje but saw his career come to an end after a serious knee injury
- started his coaching career at Velenje and returned to Europe after a brief stint at Qatari side Al-Rayyan

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

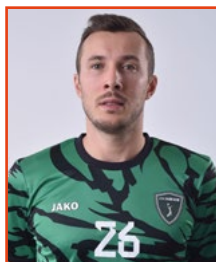
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DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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1	Dominik	Kuzmanovic	CRO	Goalkeeper	15/08/2002	Zagreb, CRO	191
3	Marko	Racic	CRO	Line Player	04/03/1998	Vienna, AUT	209
4	Aleksandar	Bakic	MNE	Left Wing	03/09/2000	Andrijevica, MNE	194
5	Loris	Hromin	CRO	Right Wing	13/04/2006	Zadar, CRO	181
10	Predrag	Vejin	SRB	Right Back	17/12/1992	Apatin, SRB	196
11	Gal	Marguc	SLO	Right Wing	16/11/1996	Celje, SLO	187
12	Moreno	Car	CRO	Goalkeeper	22/04/1996	Rijeka, CRO	184
C 13	Ivan	Srsen	CRO	Right Back	19/09/1992	Metkovic, CRO	196
16	Mihailo	Radovanovic	SRB	Goalkeeper	18/12/1992	Cacak, SRB	194
18	Lovro	Jotic	CRO	Centre Back	12/11/1994	Zagreb, CRO	194
20	Borna	Manci Micevic	CRO	Right Back	20/11/1997	Osijek, CRO	208
21	Borna	Fruk	CRO	Left Wing	07/02/2006	Nasice, CRO	178
22	Andraž	Velkavrh	SLO	Centre Back	31/05/1996	Koper, SLO	190
25	Marko	Bezjak	SLO	Centre Back	26/06/1986	Ptuj, SLO	184
26	Manuel	Štrlek	CRO	Left Wing	01/12/1988	Zagreb, CRO	185
27	Luka	Moslavac	CRO	Left Back	08/03/1998	Virovitica, CRO	195
33	Mario	Tomic	CRO	Line Player	22/06/1988	Zagreb, CRO	191
34	Ognjen	Cenic	SRB	Centre Back	30/07/2006	Leskovac, SRB	185
35	Stjepan	Javorcek	CRO	Left Back	17/02/2006	Našice, CRO	196
39	Adir	Cohen	ISR	Right Back	27/10/1998	Ashdod, ISR	195
44	Fahrudin	Melic	MNE	Right Wing	22/07/1984	Prijepolje, SRB	183
87	Gianfranco	Pribetic	CRO	Line Player	28/04/2000	Rijeka, CRO	195
94	Karlo	Juric	CRO	Right Back	08/03/2004	Zagreb, CRO	202
99	Ivan	Petrovic	CRO	Line Player	03/12/2004	Osijek, CRO	193



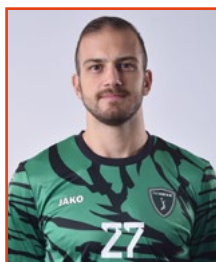
MANUEL ŠTRLEK

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Left wing

- joined RK Nexe in the summer of 2023 for a return to Croatia after 11 years
- Croatian wing, who had his CL debut with Zagreb at age 18; played for Kielce for six seasons and won CL in 2016; moved to Veszprém in summer of 2018
- named CL All-star left wing several times
- Croatian international since his debut at the EHF EURO 2010 in Austria

Trophies: CL 2016
OG: B 2012; WCh: B 2013; EURO: S 2010, B 2012, 2016



LUKA MOSLAVAC

 @mocco098

Left back

- arrived at RK Nexe in 2021, joining after two years with RK Poreč
- one of Nexe's leading scorers in the EL 2022/23 season with 58 goals, and in the 2023/24 group matches with 29 goals
- his mother played handball as well, father football; his brothers Karlo and Matko are also handball players



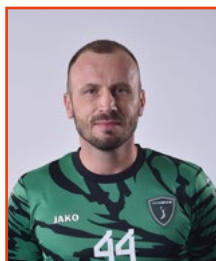
MARKO BEZJAK

 @25bezo

Centre back

- joined Nexe in 2023 after winning the CL with SC Magdeburg
- Nexe are only the fourth club in his career – previously played for Jeruzalem Ormož and Gorenje Velenje before spending 10 years in Magdeburg
- shares playmaker position with Lovro Jotić and Andraž Velkavrh
- Slovenian international, won bronze at 2017 World Championship

Trophies: CL 2023, EL 2021
WCh: B 2017



FAHRUDIN MELIĆ

Right wing

- experienced Montenegrin wing, played his first European season two decades ago
- joined RK Nexe in November 2021, on a career journey that saw him play for clubs like Velenje in Slovenia, and PSG, Chambéry and Saint-Raphaël in France
- was Nexe's leading scorer in the EL 2022/23 season, with 72 goals
- former member of the Montenegro national team

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: green
Player short: black
GK shirt: light blue

Dark

Player shirt: white
Player short: green
GK shirt: red



Playing hall

Skjern Bank Arena
Ranunkelvej 1
6900 Skjern
Denmark
Capacity: 3,200

SKJERN HÅNDBOLD



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

@ RK Nexø	L39:25 (20:10)
vs MKS Povazska Bystrica	W42:22 (21:10)
@ ABC de Braga/UMinho	W25:32 (13:16)
vs ABC de Braga/UMinho	W32:25 (15:10)
vs RK Nexø	W33:30 (18:15)
@ MKS Povazska Bystrica	L31:27 (18:16)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP D

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. RK Nexø	6	5	0	1	215:172	(+43)	10
2. Skjern Håndbold	6	4	0	2	191:172	(+19)	8
3. ABC de Braga/UMinho	6	2	0	4	173:188	(-15)	4
4. MKS Povazska Bystrica	6	1	0	5	161:208	(-47)	2

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Viktor Bergholt (DEN)	38
2. Alfred Jönsson (SWE)	37
3. Joaquim Nazaré (POR)	21
4. Jakob Rasmussen (DEN)	18
5. Noah Gaudin (FRA)	17

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 3

Last 16 (1): 2022/23

Qualification (1): 2020/21

Other

EHF Champions League

Quarter-finals (1): 2018/19

Last 16 (2): 1999/2000, 2003/04

Group Phase (2): 2015/16, 2018/19

EHF Cup

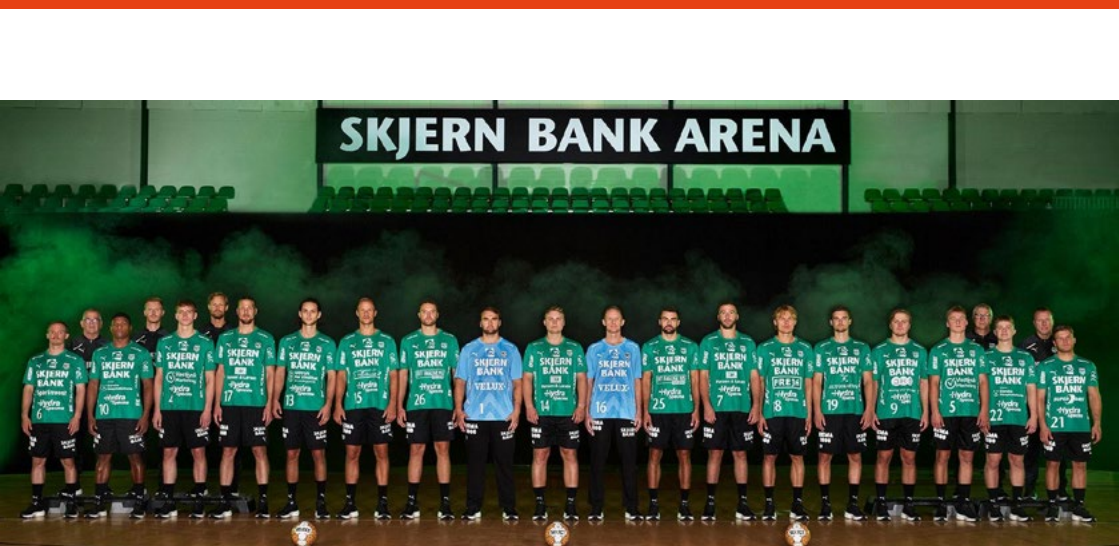
Semi-finals (2): 2006/07, 2014/15

Challenge Cup

Winners (2): 2001/02, 2002/03

Danish league: 2 titles (1999, 2018)

Danish cup: 3 titles (1999, 2014, 2016)





MATHIAS MADSEN

Coach

- initially set to become Skjern head coach from the summer of 2024, but stepped in early after the club and Henrik Kronborg parted ways after four years in October 2023
- has signed a contract with Skjern until 2027
- previously worked as assistant and later head coach of the women's team of Ikast Håndbold
- a former left back, who played four seasons in the EHF Champions League with Danish sides GOG and Bjerringbro-Silkeborg

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Nikolai Vinther (Skanderborg/DEN)
Morten Kirkeby Nielsen (Rækker Mølle/DEN)
Jeppe Kruse Bromerholm (Skjern youth/DEN)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Dan Beck-Hansen (Rækker Mølle/DEN)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Christoffer Hoffmann	Bonde	DEN	Goalkeeper	05/01/1999	Randers, DEN	193
5	Viktor Siersbæk	Bergholt	DEN	Left Wing	30/05/2001	Ringkøbing, DEN	191
6	Morten Vium	Troelsen	DEN	Right Wing	21/10/1991	Ringkøbing, DEN	176
7	Senjamin	Buric	BIH	Line Player	20/11/1990	Doboј, BIH	198
9	Simen Holand	Pettersen	NOR	Left Back	08/04/1998	Tønsberg, NOR	188
10	Joaquim Rebelo	Vila Nova Nazaré	POR	Right Back	25/07/2001	São Tomé Príncipe, POR	184
13	Noah Theo Anthony	Gaudin	FRA	Left Back	12/06/1999	Hameln, FRA	197
C 14	Emil Siersbæk	Bergholt	DEN	Line Player	25/08/1997	Ringkøbing, DEN	190
C 15	Lasse Reinhold	Mikkelsen	DEN	Centre Back	19/05/1988	Brønderslev, DEN	197
16	Tim Legaard	Duus Winkler	DEN	Goalkeeper	14/02/1986	Esbjerg, DEN	189
17	Dan	Beck-Hansen	DEN	Line Player	02/02/1990	Ringkøbing, DEN	203
17	Nikolai	Vinther	DEN	Right Wing	14/05/1998	Syddjurs DEN	193
18	Alfred Joel	Jönsson	SWE	Centre Back	21/02/1998	Cary, USA	193
19	Lasse Møller	Uth	DEN	Left Wing	10/09/1990	Slagelse, DEN	193
20	Morten Kirkeby	Nielsen	DEN	Line Player	28/12/1997	Ringkøbing, DEN	200
21	René Aas	Jansen Rasmussen	DEN	Right Wing	29/08/1989	Ringkøbing, DEN	179
22	Jakob	Rasmussen	DEN	Centre Back	04/12/2002	Fredensborg, DEN	184
25	Eivind	Tangen	NOR	Right Back	04/05/1993	Bergen, NOR	193
26	Jonathan Mosbæk	Tønning Würtz	DEN	Centre Back	29/09/1999	Nyborg, DEN	198
33	Philip Rosenfeldt	Jakobsen	DEN	Goalkeeper	19/05/2005	Ringkøbing, DEN	172
39	Mathias Strøyer	Enevoldsen Rasmussen	DEN	Goalkeeper	04/07/2004	Faxe, DEN	180
42	Tobias	Fors	NOR	Right Wing	21/09/2004		
44	Jeppe Kruse	Bromerholm	DEN	Left Wing	28/07/2004	Esbjerg, DEN	195
51	Andreas Møller	Andersen	DEN	Line Player	25/10/2005	Herning, DEN	192
52	Harald	Pedersen	DEN	Line Player	15/04/2004	Varde, DEN	193
55	Hans Erik	Larsen	DEN	Right Back	12/07/2004	Nyborg, DEN	195
63	Mads	Bjergfelt	DEN	Centre Back	06/02/2004	Frederiksberg, DEN	196
73	Mathias Legaard	Troelsen	DEN	Left Wing	29/01/2005	Ringkøbing, DEN	190



VIKTOR BERGHOLT

 @bergholt14

Left wing

- returned to his youth club Skjern in 2023 to replace experienced left wing Jørgen Rasmussen, who continued his career at lower-level Rækker Mølle
- was Skjern's best scorer in EL 2023/24 group matches with 38 goals, including a 13-goal outing in the 42:22 win against MKS Povazska Bystrica
- grew up at Skjern but left as a youth player to join Mors-Thy and later TM Tønder
- younger brother of team captain and line player Emil Bergholt



SIMEN PETERSEN

 @simenptrsn

Left back

- arrived at Skjern in 2022 from Elverum for his first club outside his native Norway, though he had spent a few months on loan with Ivry in France in 2021
- son of former Norway national team coach Gunnar Pettersen
- one of the team's leaders on court, scored 49 times EL 2022/23 season
- made national team debut in 2019, played for Norway at 2020 Olympics



ALFRED JÖNSSON

 @alfredjonsson

Centre back

- Swedish international (since 2020), who joined Skjern in 2021 after two seasons with German club TSV Hannover-Burgdorf
- was Skjern's top scorer in EL 2022/23 season, with 71 goals
- started career in Lund and had his debut in the Swedish league at age 17
- made All-star Team and was top scorer (188 goals) of Swedish league in 2018/19

WCh: S 2021



EMIL BERGHOLT

 @emilbergholt

Line player

- team captain, who was Skjern's third-best scorer in EL 2022/23 season with 48 goals
- made national team debut for Denmark in March 2023, but tore ligaments in his knee that same month and only returned to the courts in January 2024
- came through the youth ranks of Skjern and started his senior career there in 2014; then played four seasons for Tønder and Mors-Thy but returned to Skjern in 2021

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: turquoise
Player short: black
GK shirt: red

Dark

Player shirt: black
Player short: black
GK shirt: black



Playing hall

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Saleska cesta 3
3320 Velenje
Slovenia
Capacity: 2,500

RK GORENJE VELENJE



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs Pfadi Winterthur	W34:26 (19:14)
@ IK Sävehof	L36:34 (18:17)
vs REBI Balonmano Cuenca	W28:20 (11:10)
@ REBI Balonmano Cuenca	L28:27 (13:15)
@ Pfadi Winterthur	L32:31 (17:18)
vs IK Sävehof	D28:28 (12:15)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP C

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. IK Sävehof	6	5	1	0	207:160	(+47)	11
2. RK Gorenje Velenje	6	2	1	3	182:170	(+12)	5
3. REBI Balonmano Cuenca	6	2	0	4	153:181	(-28)	4
4. Pfadi Winterthur	6	2	0	4	163:194	(-31)	4

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Tilen Sokolic (SLO)	39
2. Peter Šiško (SLO)	32
3. Ibrahim Haseljic (BIH)	24
4. Enej Slatinek Jovicic (SLO)	21
5. Urban Pipp (SLO)	16

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 2

Quarter-finals (1): 2021/22

Other

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (4): 2005/06, 2009/10, 2012/13, 2013/14

EHF Cup

Runners-up (1): 2008/09

Semi-finals (2): 1994/95, 2014/15

Quarter-finals (3): 1996/97, 2010/11, 2011/12

EHF European Cup

Semi-finals (1): 2020/21

Quarter-finals (1): 2022/23

Slovenian league: 4 titles (2009, 2012, 2013, 2021)

Slovenian cup: 3 titles (2003, 2019, 2021)





ZORAN JOVIČIĆ

Coach

- former Slovenian international, who arrived as head coach at Velenje in 2018 after five seasons with RD Koper
- played as left wing until his retirement at Koper after the 2011/12 season, having spent his entire career in Slovenia, playing for clubs like Gradec, Prule, and Kozina
- was born in Tuzla and has dual Bosnian-Slovenian citizenship, but opted to play for Slovenia
- competed in seven major events with the national team, including the EHF EURO 2004, where he scored 25 times in six matches to help Slovenia win the silver medal

EURO: S 2004 (as player)

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Teo Jezernik (Maribor/SLO)
Jan Tajnik (Dobova/SLO)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON


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I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Matevz	Skok	SLO	Goalkeeper	02/09/1986	Celje, SLO	189
8	Ibrahim	Haseljic	BIH	Right Wing	14/01/1998	Tuzla, BIH	192
10	Urban	Pipp	SLO	Right Wing	28/03/2000	Kranj, SLO	186
11	Kenan	Pajt	SLO	Right Wing	30/10/1998	Vareš, BIH	182
12	Aljaž	Verboten	SLO	Goalkeeper	26/04/2002	Celje, SLO	183
13	Tarik	Velic	SLO	Right Back	08/01/2003	Zenica, BIH	198
14	Goti	Maricic	CRO	Left Wing	05/06/2001	Zadar, CRO	193
20	Jernej	Drobež	SLO	Line Player	06/01/2000	Slovenj Gradec, SLO	195
23	Malik	Tatar	SLO	Left Back	30/05/2005	Celje, SLO	190
24	Tilen	Sokolic	SLO	Left Wing	05/09/1996	Koper, SLO	179
25	Matic	Verdinek	SLO	Left Wing	13/04/1994	Celje, SLO	189
27	Peter	Šiško	SLO	Left Back	16/02/2001	Novo Mesto, SLO	192
29	Teo	Jezernik	SLO	Right Wing	29/08/2000	Celje, SLO	183
30	Jan	Tajnik	SLO	Line Player	20/01/1997	Celje, SLO	190
C 32	Emir	Taletovic	SLO	Goalkeeper	09/01/1990	Slovenj Gradec, SLO	188
33	Enej	Slatinek Jovicic	SLO	Left Back	06/12/2000	Koper, SLO	185
34	Tarik	Mlivic	SLO	Left Back	21/04/2003	Slovenj Gradec, SLO	195
35	Branko	Predovic	SRB	Line Player	28/08/2002	Novi Sad, SRB	191
58	Nejc	Hriberšek	SLO	Centre Back	17/05/2005	Celje, SLO	183



MATEVZ SKOK

 @matevzskok

Goalkeeper

- experienced Slovenian international, who returned to Velenje in 2022
- started professional career at Velenje in 2001 and played 10 seasons for the club
- joined arch rivals Celje for four years in 2011, later played in Germany (Lübbecke), Croatia (Zagreb), and Portugal (Sporting)
- played at the 2016 Olympics and won bronze at the 2017 WCh five months later

WCh: B 2017



MATIC VERDINEK

 @maticverdinek

Left wing

- one of the longest-serving players at Velenje, having joined from Maribor in 2017
- born in Celje, started senior career at the local club, one of Velenje's main rivals in the domestic Slovenian league; made national team debut in 2017
- lost his thumb in an accident in 2020, but returned to handball a few months later
- fast and technically skilled wing, with a fine shot from tight angles



TILEN SOKOLIC

 @tilensokolic

Centre back

- Slovenian international who was born and bred in Koper and started playing handball at the local club; had his first senior year there in 2012 at the age of just 16
- joined Velenje from Koper in the summer of 2020
- contributed 46 goals to Velenje's run to the EHF European Cup 2020/21 semi-finals; was team's best scorer in EL 2023/24 group matches with 39 goals
- started his career as a left wing, but has transitioned to the centre back position



IBRAHIM HASELJIC

 @ibrahimhaseljic

Right wing

- Bosnian international, who joined Velenje from HC Gradacac in 2016 and who has not played for another club since
- scored 57 times in Velenje's only previous EL season, in 2021/22
- made his national team debut in 2019 WCh qualification; became No. 1 on right wing thanks to his performances during the EHF EURO 2020 Qualifiers
- played at both the EHF EURO 2020 and 2022 for Bosnia and Hercegovina

GROUP III PREVIEW

FOUR TEAMS ALL STARTING ON TWO POINTS MAKE FOR CLOSE GROUP



	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. SG Flensburg-Handewitt	2	1	0	1	70:57	(+13)	2
2. Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	2	1	0	1	54:51	(+3)	2
3. Vojvodina	2	1	0	1	51:54	(-3)	2
4. Kadetten Schaffhausen	2	1	0	1	57:70	(-13)	2

All four teams in group III are level on two points at the start of the main round, and only a goal difference separates them before the first matches.

SG Flensburg-Handewitt have +13, which puts them on top of the table. The German side are among the favourites to advance to the EHF Finals in Hamburg in May 2024. Flensburg, still the only men's club with four different European trophies (EHF Cup, City Cup, Cup Winners' Cup, and EHF Champions League) hope for new success, 10 year after last and biggest triumph, when they won the EHF FINAL4 2014.t triumph, they would like to achieve another success. In the group matches, Nicolej Krickau's team won five of their six matches and topped the competitive Group E ahead of Kadetten Schaffhausen, Elverum Handball, and RK Lovcen-Cetinje, and with their star-studded squad, they are looking for more victories.



Bjerringbro-Silkeborg also enter the main round after winning five of their six group matches, finishing top of group F ahead of Vojvodina, HC Alkaloid, and Logroño La Rioja. Rasmus Lauge Schmidt, who returned home to Denmark after 10 years with European top teams in Germany and Hungary, added to the team experience, and Mikkel Løvkvist boasted 80 saves at the group stage, more than any other goalkeeper in the competition.



Last season, Vojvodina wrote Serbian handball history as they claimed the EHF European Cup Men title. So far, they have been doing quite well at a higher level. In the year of their 75th anniversary, Vojvodina finished second in group F behind Bjerringbro-Silkeborg, winning four of their six matches and thus reaching their first objective of the European season. But appetite comes with eating, and now they are looking for even more.



Swiss champions Kadetten Schaffhausen boast vast international experience, as they are playing their 28th international season. In 2021/22 and 2022/23, they reached the quarter-finals of the EHF European League, and now hope to at least emulate that success. At the start of the main round, Schaffhausen sit bottom of Group III, but only due to their -13 goal difference. With a good mix of youth and experience in their squad, they will have every chance to climb up in the group III standings.

Sergey Nikolaev

I GROUP III HEAD-TO-HEADS

PREVIOUS DUELS BETWEEN THE TEAMS OF GROUP III

SG Flensburg-Handewitt vs Bjerringbro-Silkeborg 2-0-0 (51:43) 4:0

02.10.2016	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	19:25 (10:12)
04.03.2017	SG Flensburg-Handewitt vs Bjerringbro-Silkeborg, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	26:24 (10:11)

SG Flensburg-Handewitt vs Vojvodina

No previous encounters in European competitions

Kadetten Schaffhausen vs Bjerringbro-Silkeborg 1-0-3 (106:120) 2:6

03.12.2006	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg A/S vs Kadetten Schaffhausen, Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16	30:20 (19:7)
10.12.2006	Kadetten Schaffhausen vs Bjerringbro-Silkeborg A/S, Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16	30:28 (15:14)
22.09.2016	Kadetten Schaffhausen vs Bjerringbro-Silkeborg, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	24:25 (12:10)
12.03.2017	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg vs Kadetten Schaffhausen, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	37:32 (18:14)

Kadetten Schaffhausen vs Vojvodina 1-0-1 (54:49) 2:2

29.08.2021	Vojvodina vs Kadetten Schaffhausen, EHF European League – Qualification Round 1	26:20 (16:9)
04.09.2021	Kadetten Schaffhausen vs Vojvodina, EHF European League – Qualification Round 1	34:23 (17:9)

GROUP III



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Player shirt: white
Player short: blue
GK shirt: red

Dark

Player shirt: blue
Player short: blue
GK shirt: yellow



Playing hall

Campushalle

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24941 Flensburg
Germany
Capacity: 4,600

SG FLENSBURG- HANDEWITT



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs Kadetten Schaffhausen	W46:32 (25:11)
@ HC Lovcen-Cetinje	W19:35 (12:15)
@ Elverum Handball	W32:33 (13:13)
vs Elverum Handball	W38:35 (19:15)
@ Kadetten Schaffhausen	L25:24 (15:16)
vs HC Lovcen-Cetinje	W42:19 (24:8)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP E

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. SG Flensburg-Handewitt	6	5	0	1	218:162	(+56)	10
2. Kadetten Schaffhausen	6	4	0	2	181:183	(-2)	8
3. Elverum Handball	6	3	0	3	192:181	(+11)	6
4. HC Lovcen-Cetinje	6	0	0	6	141:206	(-65)	0

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Lasse Møller (DEN)	29
2. Lukas Jørgensen (DEN)	28
3. August Pedersen (NOR)	24
4. Johannes Golla (GER)	19
Jim Gottfridsson (SWE)	19

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 2

Quarter-finals (1): 2022/23

Other

EHF Champions League

Winners (1): 2013/14

Runners-up (2): 2003/2004, 2006/2007

Semi-finals (1): 2005/2006

Quarter-finals (9): 2004/2005, 2008/2009, 2010/2011, 2012/2013, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2020/21

EHF Cup

Winners (1): 1996/97

Cup Winners' Cup

Winners (2): 2000/01, 2011/12

City Cup

Winners (1): 1998/1999

German league: 3 titles (2004, 2018, 2019)

German cup: 4 titles (2003-05, 2015)





NICOLE J KRICKAU

Coach

- Danish coach, who arrived in Flensburg in the summer of 2023 from GOG, taking with him Simon Pytlick – the MVP of the EHF Excellence Awards 2022/23 – and Lukas Jørgensen
- former centre back, who ended his playing career in 2007 due to injury after just three seasons with Skanderborg Håndbold
- started working as a youth coach at Skanderborg, took over the senior team in 2013, before joining GOG four years later
- known for his ability to develop young players

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Rune Magnus Hauenstein (Flensburg youth/GER) –
Oskar Czertowicz (Flensburg youth/GER)
Arv Jendre Kinsky (Flensburg youth/GER)
Frederik Adam (Flensburg youth/GER)
Philipp Sekowski (Flensburg youth/GER)
Adrian Westphalen (Flensburg youth/GER)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON



I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Benjamin	Buric	BIH	Goalkeeper	20/11/1990	Dobož, BIH	196
2	Simon Bogetoft	Pytlick	DEN	Left Back	11/12/2000	Svendborg, DEN	193
C 4	Johannes	Golla	GER	Line Player	05/11/1997	Wiesbaden, GER	195
14	Teitur Örn	Einarsson	ISL	Right Back	23/09/1998	Selfoss, ISL	190
16	Rune Magnus	Hauenstein	GER	Goalkeeper	17/04/2005	Flensburg, GER	193
19	Oskar	Czertowicz	POL	Centre Back	09/02/2006	Kwidzyn, POL	191
20	Kevin	Møller	DEN	Goalkeeper	29/06/1989	Tøndern, DEN	200
22	Mads	Mensah Larsen	DEN	Centre Back	12/08/1991	Holbæk, DEN	188
24	Jim	Gottfridsson	SWE	Centre Back	02/09/1992	Ystad, SWE	192
25	Lukas Lindhard	Jørgensen	DEN	Line Player	31/03/1999	Lejre, DEN	194
26	Johan a Plogv	Hansen	DEN	Right Wing	01/05/1994	Tórshavn, FAR	190
27	Aksel	Horgen	NOR	Right Wing	29/05/1996	Lørenskog, NOR	185
28	Arv Jendre	Kinsky	GER	Right Wing	13/11/2005	Husum, GER	186
29	August Baskar	Pedersen	NOR	Left Wing	24/06/1994	Notodden, NOR	180
31	Emil	Jakobsen	DEN	Left Wing	24/01/1998	Kerteminde, DEN	190
33	Kay	Smits	NED	Right Back	31/03/1997	Geleen, NED	186
35	Frederik Kim	Adam	GER	Left Wing	31/07/2003	Langenfeld, GER	186
43	Blaz	Blagotinsek	SLO	Line Player	17/01/1994	Celje, SLO	203
52	Philipp Maximilian	Sekowski	GER	Right Back	19/05/2000	Husum, GER	199
55	Adrian Levy	Westphalen	GER	Line Player	28/01/2005	Freienwill, GER	189
64	Lasse Kjær	Møller	DEN	Left Back	11/06/1996	Gudme, DEN	199



BENJAMIN BURIC

 @benjaminburic12

Goalkeeper

- joined Flensburg in 2018 arriving from Wetzlar; won Bundesliga in his first season
- played for four clubs alongside his twin brother Senjamin: Maglaj, Izvidjac, Borac, and Velenje; both are Bosnian national team players
- made his name domestically with Borac, before joining Velenje in Slovenia in 2013
- played at EHF Cup Finals 2015 in Berlin, where Velenje finished fourth



SIMON PYTLICK

 @simonpytlickk


Left back

- Danish international since 2021, who arrived at Flensburg in the summer of 2023 from his only previous club, GOG
- was injured and missed most of the first part of the EL 2023/24 season
- son of former handball coach and Olympic champion Jan Pytlick
- awarded MVP of the 2022/23 season at the inaugural EHF Excellence Awards

WCh: G 2023; EURO: S 2024



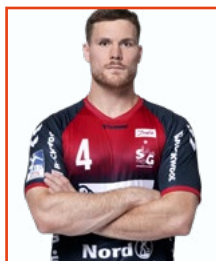
BLAZ BLAGOTINSEK

 @blagi4

Line player

- experienced Slovenian international, who played for Veszprém from 2016 until 2022
- joined Flensburg in 2023, after a one-year stint at Frisch Auf Göppingen
- made CL All-star Team as best defender in 2018/19 and 2019/20
- previously played four seasons at Celje in his native Slovenia
- made national team debut for Slovenia at age 18 in 2012

WCh: B 2017



JOHANNES GOLLA

 @johgolla

Line player

- German international, who arrived in Flensburg in 2018 from MT Melsungen
- key defender for Flensburg and national team since his first major event, the 2021 WCh; was named in the EHF EURO 2022 All-star Team
- played first match for national team in 2018/19, his first season in Flensburg
- is team captain in Flensburg and the German national team

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: navy blue
Player short: navy blue
GK shirt: white

Dark

Player shirt: white
Player short: navy blue
GK shirt: red



Playing hall

JYSK Arena
Ansvej 114
8600 Silkeborg
Denmark
Capacity: 2,000

BJERRINGBRO— SILKEBORG



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs BM Logroño La Rioja	W34:25 (16:13)
@ Vojvodina	L29:28 (15:16)
@ HC Alkaloid	W23:31 (12:16)
vs HC Alkaloid	W35:31 (17:16)
@ BM Logroño La Rioja	W28:29 (10:13)
vs Vojvodina	W26:22 (13:14)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP F

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	6	5	0	1	283:158	(+25)	10
2. Vojvodina	6	4	0	2	172:163	(+9)	8
3. HC Alkaloid	6	1	1	4	166:187	(-21)	3
4. BM Logroño La Rioja	6	1	1	4	163:276	(-13)	3

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. William Bogojevic (SWE)	26
2. Patrick Boldsen (DEN)	25
3. Peter Balling (DEN)	22
Ludvig Hallbäck (SWE)	22
5. Rasmus Lauge (DEN)	21

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 4

Qualification (3): 2020/21, 2021/22, 2022/23

Other

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (2): 2012/13, 2016/17

Group phase (2): 2011/12, 2018/19

EHF Cup

Quarter-finals (3): 2002/03, 2008/09, 2015/16

Cup Winners' Cup

Quarter-finals (1): 2006/07

Danish league: 1 title (2016)

Danish cup: –





PATRICK WESTERHOLM

Coach

- former Finnish international, who arrived at Bjerringbro-Silkeborg as head coach in 2021 after five seasons with TTH Holstebro
- started coaching in the last two years of his playing career, as an assistant at Midtjylland in 2008-10
- got his first job as head coach at SønderjyskE, later returned to Midtjylland as their head coach in 2014/15
- spent the first nine years of his playing career at KIF Kolding, winning the Danish league four and Danish cup three times
- moved for three seasons to Skjern in 2005

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Morten Toft Olsen (GOG/DEN)
Mathias Vibe Christensen (BSV youth/DEN)
Julius Dyhr Topp (BSV youth/DEN)
Oscar Lindhardt Bjerring (BSV youth/DEN)
Andreas Loldrup (BSV youth/DEN)
Hjalte Schmøkel Sinding (BSV youth/DEN)
Rasmus Dahl Lyngsø (BSV youth/DEN)
Gustav Bundgaard Petersen (BSV youth/DEN)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Johan	Sjöstrand	SWE	Goalkeeper	26/02/1987	Skövde, SWE	195
2	Ludvig	Hallbäck	SWE	Centre Back	27/10/2000	Göteborg, SWE	285
3	Victor Beenfeldt	Ilsøe	DEN	Right Wing	10/07/2004	Aarhus, DEN	180
4	Patrick	Boldsen	DEN	Right Wing	09/04/2003	Silkeborg, DEN	188
C 7	Nikolaj Øris	Nielsen	DEN	Right Back	26/09/1986	Bjerringbro, DEN	194
11	Rasmus	Lauge Schmidt	DEN	Left Back	20/06/1991	Randers, DEN	195
14	Alexander	Lynggaard	DEN	Line Player	27/03/1990	Køge, DEN	198
16	Mikkel Møller	Løvkvist	DEN	Goalkeeper	31/07/2002	Roskilde, DEN	201
17	August	Fridén	DEN	Left Wing	17/12/2003	Odense, DEN	194
19	Rene	Toft Hansen	DEN	Line Player	01/11/1984	Skive, DEN	200
20	William	Bogojevic	SWE	Left Back	07/07/1997	Savedalen, SWE	194
23	Mads Emil Bayer	Lenbroch	DEN	Left Wing	05/03/2000	Riyadh, KSA	191
26	Peter Balling	Christensen	DEN	Right Back	05/04/1990	Skive, DEN	189
30	Mathias Vibe	Christensen	DEN	Goalkeeper	25/06/2004	Randers, DEN	195
31	Julius Dyhr	Topp	DEN	Goalkeeper	30/03/2006	Silkeborg, DEN	189
33	Oscar Lindhardt	Bjerring	DEN	Left Wing	98/12/2004	Silkeborg, DEN	182
34	Morten Toft	Olsen	DEN	Centre Back	11/10/1984	Lejre, DEN	187
44	Thomas Alfred	Solstad	NOR	Line Player	26/02/1997	Ski, NOR	194
46	Jacob Lehnert	Jensen	DEN	Line Player	23/05/2004	Frederikssund, DEN	196
49	Noah Werner Leving	Vestergaard Knudsen	DEN	Left Back	06/04/2004	Viborg, DEN	190
50	Andreas	Loldrup	DEN	Line Player	02/05/2004	Silkeborg, DEN	186
51	Hjalte Schmøkel	Sinding	DEN	Left Back	30/04/2006	Silkeborg, DEN	181
52	Rasmus Dahl	Lyngsø	DEN	Left Wing	13/01/2005	Silkeborg, DEN	189
53	Gustav Bundgaard	Petersen	DEN	Right Back	20/02/2006	Aarhus, DEN	189
97	Magnus Rahbek	Sand	DEN	Left Back	16/07/2004	Herning, DEN	197
98	Mathias Nichlas	Brixen	DEN	Goalkeeper	08/05/2004	Herning, DEN	199



JOHAN SJÖSTRAND

 @johansjostrand22

Goalkeeper

- experienced former Swedish international, arrived at Bjerringbro-Silkeborg in 2020
- played for a range of European top clubs in his career, including Flensburg, Barcelona, Aalborg, and Kiel; won the CL with Barça in 2011
- played for the Swedish national team from 2008-15 after winning gold at the 2007 Junior WCh; took silver at the 2012 Olympics in London

Trophies: CL 2011
OG: S 2012



RASMUS LAUGE

 @rasmuslauge25

Left back

- returned to his youth club Bjerringbro-Silkeborg after 10 years in the summer of 2023, after four seasons with Veszprém in Hungary
- previously spent six seasons in Germany, at Kiel (2013-15) and Flensburg (2015-19)
- Olympic and world champion with Denmark, who can also play centre back
- intelligent and inventive playmaker with a good shot

OG: G 2016; WCh: G 2019, 2023, S 2011, 2013;
EURO: G 2012, S 2024, B 2022



THOMAS SOLSTAD

 @thomasolstad

Line player

- joined the Danish side in 2022 coming from Elverum Handball on a two-year contract
- gained CL experience during three seasons with Elverum
- shares line player position with the René Toft Hansen and Aleander Lynggaard
- part of Norway's youth national teams before his senior team debut in 2021; played at the 2021 and 2023 WCh's and EHF EURO 2022



NIKOLAJ ØRIS NIELSEN

 @nikolajoris

Right back

- true club icon, who was born in Bjerringbro and has always played for the club since picking up the game of handball at the age of five in 1991
- only exception was the 2008/09 season, which he spent on loan at Lemvig
- top scorer of the Danish league in 2015 and 2018; Danish international since 2010
- both his brothers Mads and Mikkel were handball players, too

WCh: G 2019, 2021

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Kit colours

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Player shirt: red-white
Player short: red
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Dark

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GK shirt: grey



Playing hall

Sportska hala Slana Bara
Sentandrejski put 106
Novi Sad
Serbia
Capacity: 1,950

VOJVODINA



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

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CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

Barys Pukhouski (BLR)	35
Vukasin Vorkapic (SRB)	28
Aidi Mohamed Aziz (TUN)	25
Luka Rogan (SRB)	21
Milan Golubovic (SRB)	17

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 2

Qualification (1): 2021/22

Other

EHF Champions League

Group phase (1): 2014/15

EHF Cup

Group phase (1): 2014/15

EHF European Cup

Winners (1): 2022/23

Serbian league: 11 titles (2005, 2013-19, 2021-23)

Serbian cup: 8 titles (2005, 2006, 2011, 2015, 2019-23)





BORIS ROJEVIĆ

Coach

- former player, who took over as head coach at Vojvodina five years ago, after coaching the club's youth teams
- also worked as Serbia's junior national team coach and as assistant at the senior national team
- led Vojvodina to their first European trophy in 2022/23 by winning the EHF European Cup Men
- in his first five years at the helm, Vojvodina have won 11 out of 13 possible domestic titles in Serbia
- as a player, Rojević spent time in Vrbas, Kolubara, Vojvodina, Proleter, and Spartak; gained first European cup experience with Proleter in the Challenge Cup 2008/09

Trophies: EC 2023 (as coach)

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Petar Djordic (Sport Lisboa e Benfica/POR)
Nemanja Ratkovic (Baia Mare/ROU)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Marouan Chouiref (Tremblay/FRA)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Fran	Lucin	CRO	Goalkeeper	16/11/2000	Rijeka, CRO	190
2	Simo	Sijan	SRB	Centre Back	31/08/2004	Novi Sad, SRB	186
3	Vukasin	Vorkapic	SRB	Right Wing	01/10/1997	Belgrade, SRB	188
4	Aleksa	Radenkovic	SRB	Right Back	07/11/2007	Novi Sad, SCG	188
6	Milan	Milic	SRB	Right Back	14/05/1998	Aleksandrovac, SCG	197
9	Gregor	Ocvirk	SLO	Right Back	05/12/1998	Celje, SLO	189
C 10	Miljan	Vukovljak	SRB	Left Back	18/04/1990	Belgrade, SRB	196
12	Marko	Drasko	SRB	Goalkeeper	21/03/2004	Novi Sad, SRB	189
13	Aidi Mohamed	Aziz	TUN	Left Back	13/06/1998	Tunisia, TUN	197
15	Nemanja	Ratkovic	SRB	Line Player	11/12/1996	Novi Sad, SRB	191
16	Andrej	Trnavac	SRB	Goalkeeper	13/12/1998	Belgrade, SRB	187
17	Darko	Milenkovic	SRB	Right Wing	04/12/1993	Vranje, SRB	190
18	Stefan	Sunajko	HUN	Left Wing	10/04/1998	Sombor, SCG	193
19	Miljan	Pušica	SRB	Left Back	20/06/1991	Prijepolje, SCG	202
24	Bojan	Radjenovic	SRB	Left Wing	04/09/1994	Novi Sad, SRB	193
25	Zivan	Pesic	SRB	Line Player	07/07/1993	Novi Sad, SRB	197
27	Djordje	Drasko	SRB	Left Back	05/05/2007	Novi Sad, SRB	187
28	Andrija	Stankov	SRB	Line Player	16/05/2007	Belgrade, SCG	193
29	Branko	Tomic	SRB	Centre Back	09/06/1999	Zrenjanin, SRB	180
30	Petar	Simulija	SRB	Left Back	10/01/2006	Novi Sad, SCG	191
31	Vasilije	Borojevic	SRB	Right Wing	29/03/2006	Novi Sad, SCG	193
33	Luka	Rogan	SRB	Line Player	04/07/2003	Novi Sad, SRB	194
44	Petar	Djordic	SRB	Left Back	17/09/1990	Sabac, SRB	196
61	Milan	Golubovic	SRB	Right Back	21/09/2000	Belgrade, AFG	190
87	Barys	Pukhouski	BLR	Left Back	03/01/1987	Malarita, BLR	187
90	Marouan	Chouiref	TUN	Line Player	27/05/1990	Tunis, TUN	197



BARYS PUKHOUSKI

Left back

- all-time top scorer of Belarusian national team; has played in European competitions for more than two decades, including 10 seasons in the EHF Champions League
- joined Vojvodina in 2022 and added 64 goals to club's run to European Cup title
- previously played for SKA Minsk, Motor, Csurgó, and Dinamo Minsk; helped SKA win Challenge Cup in 2013 by scoring 20 times in two-legged final against Esch

Trophies: EC 2023; Challenge Cup 2013



ŽIVAN PEŠIĆ

Line player

- Serbian international, who returned to his home country in the summer of 2022 to join Vojvodina again after an earlier stint at the club
- started career at Sintelon, also played for Veszprém, Győr, Celje, Partizan, Ademar León, Nexø, and Hapoel Rishon LeZion
- had his first European season in 2012/13, with Hungarian powerhouse Veszprém

Trophies: EC 2023



MILAN MILIĆ

Right back

- Serbian international, arriving at Vojvodina in 2022 from Zagreb
- previously spent two years at HBC Nantes in Nantes, playing in the CL and the EL
- part of the Serbia national team since his debut at the 2019 World Championship
- Vojvodina's second best scorer, with 39 goals, in the team's golden European Cup 2022/23 season

 @milicmilan_6

Trophies: EC 2023



VUKAŠIN VORKAPIĆ

Right wing

- started senior career in Šabac; returned to Serbia and joined Vojvodina in 2023 after playing two years in France
- scored 195 goals in 56 French league matches for Ivry in 2021-23
- already an established Serbian international, who played at three EHF EURO events and two WCh's, but 2023/24 marks his first season in a European club competition

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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: orange
Player short: black
GK shirt: green

Dark

Player shirt: black
Player short: orange
GK shirt: yellow



Playing hall

BBC Arena

Schweizersbildstrasse 10
8207 Schaffhausen
Switzerland
Capacity: 3,500

KADETTEN SCHAFFHAUSEN



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

@ SG Flensburg-Handewitt	L46:32 (25:11)
vs Elverum Handball	W32:30 (18:12)
@ HC Lovcen-Cetinje	W26:29 (10:11)
vs HC Lovcen-Cetinje	W36:26 (17:12)
vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt	W25:24 (15:16)
@ Elverum Handball	L31:27 (15:14)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP E

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. SG Flensburg-Handewitt	6	5	0	1	218:162	(+56)	10
2. Kadetten Schaffhausen	6	4	0	2	181:183	(-2)	8
3. Elverum Handball	6	3	0	3	192:181	(+11)	6
4. HC Lovcen-Cetinje	6	0	0	6	141:206	(-65)	0

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Sandro Obranovic (CRO)	29
Odinn Thor Rikhardsson (ISL)	29
3. Ariel Pietrasik (POL)	28
4. Torben Matzken (GER)	18
5. Luka Maros (SUI)	16

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (including 2023/24): 4

Quarter-finals (2): 2021/22, 2022/23

Last 16 (1): 2020/21

Other

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (2): 2010/11, 2011/12

EHF Cup

Runners-up (1): 2009/10

Cup Winners' Cup

Semi-finals (2): 2007/08, 2008/09

Quarter-finals (1): 2005/06

Swiss league: 13 titles (2005-07, 2010-12, 2014-17, 2019, 2022, 2023)

Swiss cup: 9 titles (1999, 2004, 2005, 2007, 2008, 2011, 2014, 2016, 2021)





HRVOJE HORVAT

Coach

- Croatian coach, arrived at Kadetten from German side Wetzlar in the summer of 2023 to replace Adalsteinn Eyolfsson
- head coach of Croatian national team from 2021-23; earlier, was assistant under Lino Cervar for three years
- left a coaching job at Nexe to focus on the national team
- former successful beach handball player, with seven medals from major competitions, including WCh gold
- son of legendary Croatian playmaker Hrvoje Horvat Cveba

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Patrik Martinović (AEK Athens/GRE)
Adam Petric (Schaffhausen youth/SUI)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Sandro Obranovic (unknown)
Robin Joel Heinis (unknown)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Kristian	Pilipovic	CRO	Goalkeeper	10/12/1994	Dakovo, CRO	191
2	Adam	Petric	CRO	Line Player	25/05/2005	Schaffhausen, SUI	204
2	Robin Joel	Heinis	SUI	Right Back	28/04/2002	Therwil Basel, SUI	195
3	Lukas	Hedinger	SUI	Right Back	10/01/2003	Schlieren, SUI	196
4	Mehdi	Ben Romdhane	SUI	Centre Back	02/12/2001	Yverdon-les Bains, SUI	188
5	Torben	Matzken	GER	Centre Back	01/02/2000	Mons, GER	188
6	Odinn Thor	Rikhardsson	ISL	Right Wing	23/10/1997	Reykjavik, ISL	183
7	Joan	Cañellas Reixach	ESP	Left Back	30/09/1986	S/M de Palautordera, ESP	198
8	David	Hrachovec	CZE	Right Wing	01/08/2003	Valasske Mezirici, CZE	187
9	Jonas	Schopper	GER	Line Player	05/02/1999	Singen, GER	185
10	Donát	Bartók	HUN	Right Back	13/07/1996	Szeged, HUN	192
11	Patrice	Bührer	SUI	Centre Back	19/01/1998	Schaffhausen, SUI	186
12	Ismaël	Ouedraogo	SUI	Goalkeeper	31/01/2005	Geneva, SUI	190
14	Sadok	Ben Romdhane	SUI	Right Back	02/12/2001	Romane, SUI	191
15	Marvin	Lier	SUI	Left Wing	08/09/1992	Zürich, SUI	186
16	Julien	Meyer	FRA	Goalkeeper	04/12/1996	Selestat, FRA	196
17	Jost	Brücker	SUI	Left Wing	17/02/1991	Bürglen, SUI	185
18	Ariel	Pietrasik	POL	Left Back	21/10/1999	Lodz, POL	202
19	Zoran	Markovic	SUI	Left Back	06/05/1995	Neuhausen, SUI	197
20	Luka	Maros	SUI	Left Back	30/02/1994	Dübendorf, SUI	196
21	Yannick	Lanz	SUI	Right Wing	12/08/2000	Schaffhausen, SUI	176
22	Benjamin	Zehnder	SUI	Left Wing	02/02/1997	Wädenswil, SUI	180
23	Rohat	Sahin	SUI	Line Player	01/04/2002	Arbon, SUI	191
25	Sandro	Obranovic	CRO	Left Back	18/10/1992	Karlovac, CRO	194
C 26	Lukas	Herburger	AUT	Line Player	19/12/1994	Bregenz, AUT	197
	Patrik	Martinović	CRO	Right Back	29/08/2000	Rijeka, CRO	188



KRISTIAN PILIPOVIC

Goalkeeper

- Croatian-Austrian goalkeeper, who first joined Kadetten from Nexe in 2018
- moved to Wisla Plock for the 2022/23 season but returned to Kadetten in December 2022, swapping places with Ignacio Biosca who went to the Polish club
- started his professional career at Fivers in Austria
- initially played for the YAC and senior national teams of Austria, before opting to represent Croatia; had debut for Croatia at the EHF EURO 2022



JOAN CAÑELLAS

 @joancanellas21

Left back

- joined Kadetten from Pick Szeged in the summer of 2021
- started career at Granollers before playing for Barça, Ciudad Real and Atletico Madrid in Spain; Hamburg and Kiel in Germany; and Vardar, where he won the CL in 2017
- made senior national team debut in 2008; top scorer of EHF EURO 2014 with 50 goals
- his younger brother Marc is also a professional handball player

Trophies: CL 2017
EURO: G 2018, 2020, S 2016, 2020, B 2014; WCh: G 2013, B 2011, 2023



LUKAS HERBURGER

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Line player

- Austrian international, who has been Kadetten team captain since 2022/23
- has played for only two clubs in his career: Austrian side Alpa Hard and Kadetten
- moved from Hard to Schaffhausen with former Kadetten coach Petr Hrachovec
- plays for the Austrian national team since 2014; was part of the team that finished eighth at EHF EURO 2024, matching Austria's best ever result at a major event



ODINN THOR RIKHARDSSON

 @odinnrikhards

Right wing

- Icelandic international, who arrived in Schaffhausen in 2022 from KA Akureyri
- EL top scorer with 110 goals in 2022/23 – his first season with Kadetten
- previously played three years in Denmark, for Team Tvis Holstebro and GOG; also had a brief stint at VfL Gummersbach in 2021 before returning to Iceland
- made national team debut in 2017; played at 2023 WCh and EHF EURO 2024

GROUP IV PREVIEW



TITLEHOLDERS HOPE TO EXTEND WINNING RUN IN CHALLENGING GROUP

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. Füchse Berlin	2	2	0	0	66:62	(+4)	4
2. Sporting CP	2	1	0	1	62:57	(+5)	2
3. CSM Constanta	2	1	0	1	57:62	(-5)	2
4. Dinamo Bucuresti	2	0	0	2	62:66	(-4)	0

Group IV sees reigning champions Füchse Berlin take on the only Portuguese side left in the competition and another side from Romania, after they already played Dinamo Bucuresti in the group matches.



Füchse enjoy a flawless campaign as the defending champions. In the group matches, they became the only team to win all six matches, as they finished top of group G ahead of Dinamo, Chambéry Savoie MBH and RK Izvidac to carry over over the maximum of four points to the main round. And although Füchse will now face a tougher opposition, they definitely have the ambition to keep winning. Danish star Mathias Gisdal, who made the Men's EHF EURO 2024 All-star Team, is the player to watch, but Jaron Siewert has many other high-class players at his disposal.



With 2021/22 champions Sport Lisboa e Benfica and ABC Braga/UMinho eliminated in the group matches, Sporting CP are the only Portuguese team in the main round. Last season, the club from Lisbon reached the quarter-finals, where they were edged out by a single goal by Montpellier HB. So, they have enough quality and confidence. Brothers Francisco and Martim Costa, who shined at the EHF EURO in January, combined for 50 goals in the group matches as they helped Sporting finish second in group H.

CSM Constanta sprang a surprise in the qualification round as they defeated Fraikin BM. Granollers to keep the runners-up from last season out of the group matches. Then the Romanian side confirmed they are a force to be reckoned with, finishing top of group H and carrying two points to the main round. Good defence was one of the keys to the team's success, as Constanta – alongside Bjerringbro-Silkeborg and Sporting – conceded the lowest number of goals in the group matches, 158.



The two Romanian teams left in the competition are set to meet in group IV, as the matches between Constanta and Dinamo Bucuresti will have a special flavour. Dinamo lost both matches against Füchse and secured their progression only on the last matchday in December. But despite starting with zero points, the team coached by legendary Xavi Pascual has enough high-profile players to look beyond the main round.

Sergey Nikolaev

I GROUP IV HEAD-TO-HEADS

PREVIOUS DUELS BETWEEN THE TEAMS OF GROUP IV

Füchse Berlin vs CSM Constanta 2-1-0 (88:85) 5:1

16.03.2014	Füchse Berlin vs HCM Constanta, EHF Cup – Group D	28:26 (12:11)
23.02.2014	HCM Constanta vs Füchse Berlin, EHF Cup – Group D	31:31 (16:16)
18.05.2014	HCM Constanta vs Füchse Berlin, EHF Cup – Final Tournament – Place 3/4	28:29 (14:13)

Füchse Berlin vs Sporting CP 1-0-0 (29:19) 2:0

26.02.2021	Sporting CP vs Füchse Berlin, EHF European League – Group B	10:0 (0:0)*
02.03.2021	Füchse Berlin vs Sporting CP, EHF European League – Group B	29:19 (14:10)

** Match not played and points allocated. Result not included in overall stats.*

Dinamo Bucuresti vs CSM Constanta 1-0-1 (47:48) 2:2

03.12.2006	CS HCM Constanta vs Dinamo Baimit Bucurest, Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16	31:20 (16:7)
10.12.2006	Dinamo Baimit Bucurest vs CS HCM Constanta, Cup Winners' Cup – Last 16	27:17 (14:8)

Dinamo Bucuresti vs Sporting CP 6-0-2 (231:217) 12:4

05.11.2006	Dinamo Baimit Bucurest vs Sporting CP Lisboa, Cup Winners' Cup – Round 3	35:29 (17:10)
12.11.2006	Sporting CP Lisboa vs Dinamo Baimit Bucurest, Cup Winners' Cup – Round 3	27:30 (13:13)
23.02.2019	Sporting CP vs Dinamo Bucuresti, VELUX EHF Champions League – Elimination Matches C/D	32:31 (14:14)
28.02.2019	Dinamo Bucuresti vs Sporting CP, VELUX EHF Champions League – Elimination Matches C/D	26:27 (15:11)
22.02.2020	Sporting CP vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti, VELUX EHF Champions League – Elimination Round C/D	25:26 (9:13)
01.03.2020	CS Dinamo Bucuresti vs Sporting CP, VELUX EHF Champions League – Elimination Round C/D	26:24 (14:12)
20.10.2020	CS Dinamo Bucuresti vs Sporting CP, EHF European League – Group B	25:22 (15:16)
26.02.2021	Sporting CP vs CS Dinamo Bucuresti, EHF European League – Group B	31:32 (12:17)

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Capacity: 8,521

FÜCHSE BERLIN



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs Chambéry Savoie MBH	W24:22 (13:10)
@ HC Izvidac	W22:34 (13:13)
vs Dinamo Bucuresti	W33:30 (16:11)
@ Dinamo Bucuresti	W32:33 (17:16)
@ Chambéry Savoie MBH	W31:36 (14:17)
vs HC Izvidac	W34:23 (16:15)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP G

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. Füchse Berlin	6	6	0	0	194:160	(+34)	12
2. Dinamo Bucuresti	6	4	0	2	218:168	(+50)	8
3. Chambéry Savoie MBH	6	2	0	4	181:181	(0)	4
4. HC Izvidac	6	0	0	6	150:234	(-84)	0

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Tim Freihöfer (GER)	31
2. Mathias Gidsel (DEN)	25
3. Lasse Andersson (DEN)	16
Niels Lichtlein (GER)	16
Hákun West av Teigum (FAR)	16

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 4

Winners (1): 2022/23

Runners-up (1): 2020/21

Last 16 (1): 2021/22

Other

EHF Champions League

Semi-finals (1): 2011/12

Last 16 (1): 2012/13

EHF Cup:

Winners (2): 2014/15, 2017/18

Runners-up (2): 2016/17, 2018/19

Semi-finals (1): 2013/14

German league: –

German cup: 1 title (2014)





JARON SIEWERT

Coach

- had been playing for Füchse since his childhood when he ended his career at 21 to become a coach
- started as youth coach at Füchse and assistant coach of Germany's national U18 team
- became head coach at second-division side TUSEM Essen in 2017/18, and led them to the Bundesliga two years later
- took over at Füchse from Michael Roth in 2020, who had stepped in after the departure of Velimir Petkovic
- suffered a stroke before the start of the 2022/23 season, but came back after just a few matches

Trophies: EL 2023

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Felix Mart (Füchse youth/GER)
Marcel Nowak (Potsdam/GER)
Lucas Mohr (Füchse youth/GER)
William Reichardt (Füchse youth/GER)
Sören Fuhrmann (Füchse youth/GER)
Florian Budde (Füchse youth/GER)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Silas Overby (Mors-Thy/DEN)
Michl Reichardt (Rostock/GER)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Lasse	Ludwig	GER	Goalkeeper	29/09/2002	Achern, GER	194
3	Fabian	Wiede	GER	Right Back	08/02/1994	Belzig, GER	194
5	Max	Darj	SWE	Line Player	27/08/1991	Masthuggs, SWE	191
9	Jerry	Tollbring	SWE	Left Wing	13/09/1995	Rimbo, SWE	182
11	Lasse Bredekjaer	Andersson	DEN	Left Back	11/03/1994	Copenhagen, DEN	196
13	Felix	Mart	GER	Centre Back	12/07/2004	Brandenburg, GER	185
15	Marcel	Nowak	POL	Right Back	07/02/2002	Berlin, GER	194
16	Maximilian	Grundmann	GER	Goalkeeper	27/05/2005	Lübben, GER	191
17	Nils	Lichtlein	GER	Centre Back	31/07/2002	Regensburg, GER	183
18	Hans	Lindberg	DEN	Right Wing	01/08/1981	Hoje-Taastrup, DEN	188
19	Mathias	Gidsel	DEN	Right Back	08/02/1999	Herning, DEN	190
20	Tim	Freihöfer	GER	Left Wing	21/08/2002	Reutlingen, GER	174
21	Lucas	Mohr	GER	Left Back	24/12/2002	Potsdam, GER	192
22	Maxim	Orlov	GER	Left Back	01/03/2002	Kreuztal, GER	195
23	William	Reichardt	GER	Left Back	23/04/2006	Güstrow, GER	194
24	Sören	Fuhrmann	GER	Right Back	06/09/2002	Bremen, GER	198
25	Matthes	Langhoff	GER	Left Back	30/03/2002	Neubrandenburg, GER	192
26	Valter	Chrintz	SWE	Right Wing	26/04/2000	Ahus, SWE	184
27	Max	Beneke	GER	Right Back	27/05/2003	Greifswald, GER	205
28	Marvin	Siemer	GER	Left Wing	22/09/2004	Esslingen, GER	191
31	Florian	Budde	GER	Right Back	15/03/2005	Salzburg, AUT	185
32	Marvin	Kix	GER	Centre Back	27/07/2002	Hamburg, GER	186
33	Moritz	Sauter	GER	Centre Back	03/01/2003	Augsburg, GER	194
34	Hákun West	Av Teigum	FAR	Right Wing	19/02/2002	Thorshavn, FAR	188
35	Marko	Kopljár	CRO	Right Back	12/02/1986	Pozega, CRO	210
36	Silas	Overby	DEN	Left Back	14/03/2005	Thisted, DEN	199
37	Max	Günther	GER	Right Wing	28/08/2004	Aschaffenburg, GER	182
38	Nicolas	Schley	GER	Line Player	05/02/2004	Ludwigsfelde, GER	177
43	Jann Keno	Jacobs	GER	Line Player	27/03/2002	Jever, GER	192
47	Micht	Reichardt	GER	Left Back	17/03/2004	Rostock, GER	194
87	Victor	Kireev	RUS	Goalkeeper	05/05/1987	Oblast Pensa, RUS	190
93	Mijajlo	Marsenic	SRB	Line Player	09/03/1993	Berane, SCG	202
C 95	Paul	Drux	GER	Left Back	07/02/1995	Gummersbach, GER	192
96	Dejan	Milosavljev	SRB	Goalkeeper	16/03/1996	Pancevo, SRB	196
98	Elie	Ona	FRA	Goalkeeper	23/08/2003	Montpellier, FRA	196



DEJAN MILOSAVLJEV

 @dejanmilosavljev

Goalkeeper

- Serbian international who arrived at Füchse in the summer of 2019 from Vardar, shortly after winning the CL with the Macedonian side
- CL All-star goalkeeper in 2018/19; also crucial for Füchse in their run to the title in the EL 2022/23 season
- made senior debut at age 16, played for Red Star and Partizan in Belgrade before going abroad and joining Vardar in 2018

Trophies: CL 2019; EL 2023



LASSE ANDERSSON

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Left back

- Danish international, who joined Füchse in 2020 after four years with Barça
- played for Ringsted and Kolding in Denmark before moving abroad in 2016
- had national team debut in 2015; has won three medals with Denmark so far
- classic back court shooter; his shots have been measured at over 140 km/h

Trophies: EL 2023
WCh: G 2021; OG: S 2020; EURO: B 2022



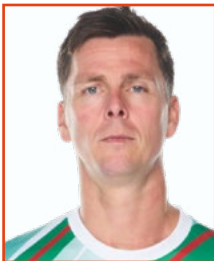
MATHIAS GIDSEL

 @gidsel

Right back

- one of the leading players of a young generation of Danish internationals
- started professional career at GOG at age 18; joined Füchse in summer of 2022
- was top scorer, MVP, and gold medallist with Denmark at the 2023 WCh in Poland-Sweden; helped Füchse win the EL 2022/23 four months later
- tore knee ligaments at EHF EURO 2022 but was back on court after four months

Trophies: EL 2023
WCh: G 2021, 2023; OG: S 2020; EURO: S 2024, B 2022



HANS LINDBERG

 @hanslinberg18

Right wing

- Danish veteran, who has won a string of trophies with his clubs and the national team; playing in Germany since 2007: for Hamburg (2007-16) and Füchse (since 2016)
- initially set to leave Füchse in 2023, but added one more season to his stay in Berlin; will be 43 when he returns to Denmark and joins HØJ Elite for the 2024/25 season
- has scored more than 1,000 goals in total in European club competitions; is the all-time Bundesliga top scorer, broke Kyung-shin Yoon's record of 2,905 goals in 2023

Trophies: CL 2013; EL 2023; EHF Cup 2018
EURO: G 2008, 2012, S 2014, 2024, B 2022;
WCh: G 2019, 2023, S 2011, 2013, B 2007

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Kit colours

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SPORTING CP



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs KGHM Chrobry Glogow	W37:20 (20:7)
@ CSM Constanta	L29:28 (15:16)
@ MOL Tatabanya KC	L31:29 (13:12)
vs MOL Tatabanya KC	W36:28 (17:14)
@ KGHM Chrobry Glogow	W22:35 (9:17)
vs CSM Constanta	W34:28 (21:16)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP H

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. CSM Constanta	6	4	1	1	172:158	(+14)	9
2. Sporting CP	6	4	0	2	199:158	(+41)	8
3. MOL Tatabanya KC	6	3	0	3	175:171	(+4)	6
4. KGHM Chrobry Glogow	6	0	1	5	138:197	(-59)	1

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Francisco Costa (POR)	32
2. Orri Freyr Thorkelsson	25
3. Jan Gurri (ESP)	23
4. Edney Silva Oliveira (BRA)	20
5. Martim Costa (POR)	18

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 4

Quarter-finals (1): 2022/23

Last 16 (2): 2020/21, 2021/22

Other

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (1) : 2018/19

Group phase (3): 2001/02, 2017/18, 2019/20

EHF Cup

Quarter-finals (2): 2000/01, 2013/14

Cup Winners' Cup

Quarter-finals (1): 2003/04

Challenge Cup

Winners (2): 2009/10, 2016/17

Semi-finals (1): 2011/12

Portuguese league: 21 titles (1952, 1956, 1961, 1966, 1967, 1969-73, 1978-81, 1984, 1986, 2001, 2005, 2006, 2017, 2018)

Portuguese cup: 17 titles (1972, 1973, 1975, 1981, 1983, 1988, 1989, 1998, 2001, 2003-05, 2012-14, 2022, 2023)





RICARDO COSTA

Coach

- former Portuguese international, who joined Sporting CP as a coach in the summer of 2021
- led Sporting to the Portuguese cup title in his first season
- previously worked as head coach of domestic rivals FC Porto
- had two stints as a player at FC Porto and ended his playing career at that club in 2012
- also played for León in Spain and Águas Santas in Portugal
- his two sons – Martim and Francisco – are leading players in Sporting's squad

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

Christian Yahoza Moga (Póvoa/POR)

DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
2	Edney	Silva Oliveira	BRA	Line Player	19/06/1998	Mineiros, BRA	192
3	Benjamin	Jakobsen	DEN	Line Player	09/09/1991	Hamburg, GER	191
4	Pedro	Portela	POR	Right Wing	06/01/1990	Leiria, POR	184
5	Edmilson	Araujo	CPV	Left Back	06/01/1994	Lisbon, POR	187
6	Francisco	Costa	POR	Right Back	16/02/2005	Sermonde, POR	189
7	Natán Antonio	Suárez Diaz	ESP	Centre Back	20/01/1998	Girona, ESP	181
8	Jan	Curri Aregay	ESP	Centre Back	10/06/2002	Granollers, ESP	190
9	André	José	POR	Centre Back	19/04/2001	Tavira, POR	185
12	André Bergsholm	Kristensen	NOR	Goalkeeper	15/03/2000	Sandefjord, NOR	192
C 13	Salvador	Salvador	POR	Left Back	29/07/2001	Samora Correia, POR	198
14	Espen	GommerudVåg	NOR	Line Player	18/05/1994	Drammen, NOR	194
16	Tiago	Alves	POR	Goalkeeper	20/12/2001	Lisbon, POR	185
17	Orri Freyr	Þorkelsson	ISL	Left Wing	25/06/1999	Reykjavik, ISL	184
19	Mamadou	Gassama Cissokho	ESP	Right Wing	28/10/1993	Barcelona, ESP	191
23	João	Gomes	POR	Right Back	06/09/2002	Maia, POR	178
34	Étienne	Mocquais	FRA	Left Wing	29/02/1996	Lagny-Sur-Marne, FRA	184
40	Leonel Carlos	Maciel	ARG	Goalkeeper	04/01/1989	Buenos Aires, ARG	193
44	Christian	Yahoza Moga	CGO	Line Player	25/05/1998	Minaffet, COD	197
75	Eduardo	Almeida	POR	Line Player	24/02/2003	Portimão, POR	195
79	Martim	Costa	POR	Left Back	27/09/2002	Sermonde, POR	188
97	Rafael	Vasconcelos	POR	Right Back	15/06/2007	Porto, POR	185



LEONEL MACIEL

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Goalkeeper

- Argentinian international; joined club in 2022 after one season with CL winners Barça
- previously played for three other Spanish sides: Cuenca, Zamora, and Octavio; gained his first European cup experience with Cuenca in 2018/19
- won South and Central American Championship with Argentina in January 2020
- likes to read about philosophy and Buddhism

Trophies: CL 2022



MARTIM COSTA

 @martimcosta_79

Left back

- among the rising stars of Portuguese handball with his younger brother Francisco
- turned just 21 a month before the start of the EL 2023/24 group phase
- was joined top scorer of EHF ERO 2024 with Denmark's Mathias Gidzel after netting 54 times in seven matches for Portugal; made the All-star Team as left back
- also starred at home M20 EHF EURO 2022 with his brother, leading Portugal to silver



NATÁN SUÁREZ

 @natansuarez7

Centre back

- arrived at Sporting before the 2021/22 season from León in his native Spain
- scored 65 goals in total for Sporting in his first two EL seasons with the club
- playmaker with great eye for the game and a strong shot from nine metres
- played for national U-18 and U-21 teams but not yet for Spain's senior national team



FRANCISCO COSTA

 @kikocosta_6

Right back

- generally regarded a future star of European handball, arrived at Sporting in 2021 from league rivals Porto at age 16
- has scored a stunning total of 146 goals in his first two EL seasons for the club
- plays alongside his older brother Martim, who is a left back at Sporting; their father and former international Ricardo Costa is the team's head coach
- had huge contribution to Portugal's run to silver at their home M20 EHF EURO 2022

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CSM CONSTANTA



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

QUALIFICATION ROUND:

vs Fraikin BM. Granollers L27:29 (14:16)
@ Fraikin BM. Granollers W22:25* (18:20, 10:14)
** after shootout*

GROUP MATCHES:

@ MOL Tatabanya KC W24:29 (9:16)
vs Sporting CP W29:28 (15:16)
vs KGHM Chrobry Glogow W29:18 (15:8)
@ KGHM Chrobry Glogow D29:29 (14:19)
vs MOL Tatabanya KC W28:25 (14:12)
@ Sporting CP L34:28 (21:16)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP H

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1. CSM Constanta	6	4	1	1	172:158	(+14)	9
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CURRENT TOP SCORERS*:

1. Mikalai Aliokhin (BLR)	27
Vitaly Komogorov (RUS)	27
3. Zoran Nikolic (SRB)	18
Strahinja Stankovic (SRB)	18
5. Andrei Dragan (ROU)	17

** from the start of the group matches*

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 4

Qualification (3): 2020/21, 2021/22; 2022/23

Other

EHF Cup

Semi-finals (1): 2013/14

EHF Cup Winners' Cup

Semi-finals (1): 2005/06

Quarter-finals (2): 2006/07, 2008/09

EHF Challenge Cup

Semi-finals (1): 2003/04

Romanian league: 9 titles (2004, 2006, 2007, 2009-2014)

Romanian cup: 7 titles (2006, 2011-14, 2018, 2023)





GEORGE BURICEA

Coach

- former left wing, who became head coach of Constanta in 2022 after two years as assistant coach at the club
- won the Romanian cup with Constanta in his first season in charge for the club's first domestic trophy in five years
- had ended his playing career at Constanta in 2021; previously also played for Steaua Bucuresti
- part of the Constanta team that took part in the EHF Cup Finals 2014; they finished fourth for the club's best ever result in a European competition

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

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DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

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I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Dumitru Vladut	Rusu	ROU	Goalkeeper	27/04/1998	Bacau, ROU	187
3	Rares Andrei	Stefan	ROU	Right Wing	04/08/2004	Constanta, ROU	183
4	George Teodor	Stefan	ROU	Right Wing	18/06/2004	Medgidia, ROU	177
C 5	Ionut	Nistor Ionita	ROU	Right Wing	24/05/1994	Buftea, ROU	187
7	Alexandru George	Andrei	ROU	Left Wing	17/07/1998	Braila, ROU	175
8	Irakli	Chikovani	GEO	Left Back	28/07/1989	Tbilisi, GEO	197
9	Kadir Ayar	Murtaza	ROU	Centre Back	31/10/2005	Constanta, ROU	190
10	Gabriel Cristian	Ilie	ROU	Left Back	11/03/1999	Galati, ROU	193
12	Gabriel Darius	Preda	ROU	Goalkeeper	14/01/2002	Craiova, ROU	195
13	Mikalai	Aliokhin	BLR	Right Back	09/04/1998	Novopolotsk, BLR	190
14	Calin Mihai	Cabut	ROU	Centre Back	06/10/1998	Reghin, ROU	192
16	Dan Lucian	Vasile	ROU	Goalkeeper	09/07/1997	Bistrita, ROU	190
20	Andrei Valeriu	Dragan	ROU	Centre Back	06/07/1999	Calinesti, ROU	185
21	Liviu Emil	Caba	ROU	Centre Back	21/06/2000	Timisoara, ROU	195
22	Gastón Alberto	Mouriño	ARG	Line Player	12/10/1994	Buenos Aires, ARG	190
23	Zoran	Nikolic	SRB	Line Player	23/02/1991	Belgrade, SRB	188
27	Marin	Vegar	BIH	Left Back	22/01/1990	Capljina, BIH	199
31	Strahinja	Stankovic	SRB	Right Wing	12/06/1991	Vrbas, SRB	185
33	Valentino	Ravnic	CRO	Left Wing	20/07/1995	Zadar, CRO	185
34	Vitaly	Komogorov	RUS	Left Back	28/08/1991	Volgograd, RUS	196
43	Daniel Andrei	Susanu	ROU	Line Player	04/03/1998	Galati, ROU	194



DAN VASILE

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Goalkeeper

- arrived at Constanta in 2017 as a Romanian youth international
- competed in the Junior WCh that year, and the M18 EHF EURO in 2016
- won the Romanian cup in his first season with Constanta, and again in 2022/23
- has played in Europe's second-tier club competition each season since 2017/18



VALENTINO RAVNIC

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Left wing

- Croatian international, who started his senior career at Zagreb in 2017 after emerging from their youth academy
- played five seasons with Zagreb before moving abroad and joining Constanta in 2022
- scored eight goals in the decisive win over Granollers in the EL 2023/24 qualification
- played for Croatia at the EHF EURO in 2020 and 2022



VITALY KOMOGOROV

Left back

- experienced Russian international, who arrived at Constanta from Tatabánya in 2020
- best left back of the season in Romania in 2018 and 2019, when he played for Dinamo
- started professional career in Volgograd; left Russia for the first time in 2015 to play for Nantes in France; played the EHF Cup final with Nantes in 2016
- his height and power turn him into a key player for Constanta both sides of the court



MIKALAI ALIOKHIN

 @kolya_aliokhin

Right back

- Belarusian international, who joined Constanta in 2022 from SKA Minsk
- played six seasons in total in EHF Cup, European League and European Cup with Minsk
- is a playful right back, who also has the ability to defend
- competed at the 2019 World Championship and the EHF EURO 2020 with the national team of Belarus

GROUP IV



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Kit colours

Light

Player shirt: white or red
Player short: red
GK shirt: light white/blue

Dark

Player shirt: black
Player short: black
GK shirt: red



Playing hall

Polyvalent Hall - Ioan Kunst Ghermanescu
Soseaua Ștefan cel Mare,
nr. 7-9, sector 2,
Bucharest, Romania
Capacity: 2,500

DINAMO BUCURESTI



ROAD TO THE MAIN ROUND

GROUP MATCHES:

vs HC Izvidac	W52:24 (27:7)
@ Chambéry Savoie MBH	W21:28 (9:14)
@ Füchse Berlin	L33:30 (16:11)
vs Füchs Berlin	L32:33 (17:16)
@ HC Izvidac	W24:40 (11:17)
vs Chambéry Savoie MBH	W36:33 (23:14)

FINAL STANDINGS GROUP G

	MP	W	D	L	GF:GA	GD	PTS
1. Füchse Berlin	6	6	0	0	194:160	(+34)	12
2. Dinamo Bucuresti	6	4	0	2	218:168	(+50)	8
3. Chambéry Savoie MBH	6	2	0	4	181:181	(0)	4
4. HC Izvidac	6	0	0	6	150:234	(-84)	0

CURRENT TOP SCORERS:

1. Andrii Akimenko (UKR)	43
2. Lazar Kukic (SRB)	23
3. Miklós Rosta (HUN)	21
4. Stanislav Kasperek (CZE)	19
Ante Kuduz (ROU)	19

PAST ACHIEVEMENTS

EHF European League

Participations (incl. 2023/24): 2

Group phase (1): 2020/21

Other

EHF Champions League

Last 16 (1): 2019/20

Play-offs (1): 2022/23

Group phase (5): 2005/06, 2016/17, 2017/18, 2018/19, 2021/22

EHF Cup

Semi-finals (1): 2003/04

Last 16 (2): 2001/02, 2004/05

Cup Winners' Cup

Quarter-finals (1): 2002/03

Challenge Cup

Runners-up (1): 2000/01

Semi-finals (1): 2007/08

City Cup

Semi-finals (1): 1999/2000

Romanian league: 19 titles (1959-62, 1964-66, 1978, 1986, 1995, 1997, 2005, 2016-19, 2021-23)

Romanian cup: 7 titles (1979, 1982, 1988, 2017, 2020-22)





XAVI PASCUAL

Coach

- legendary Spanish coach, who joined Dinamo in 2021 after 12 highly successful seasons at the helm of Barça and winning more than 60 trophies, including three CL titles
- led Dinamo to the CL play-offs in his second season in charge
- former Barça player, who first became goalkeeper coach at the Spanish club before taking over as head coach in 2009
- won all possible titles with Barça in historic 2014/15 season, emulating Valero Rivera's success (7 out of 7) in 1999/2000
- also leads Romanian national team since 2021 (after earlier stint in 2016-18) and coached them at EHF EURO 2024

Trophies: CL 2011, 2015, 2021 (as coach)

ARRIVALS DURING THE SEASON

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DEPARTURES DURING THE SEASON

Cedric Sorhaindo (Besiktas/TUR)

I TEAM ROSTER

No.	First name	Surname	Nat.	Position	Date of birth	Place of birth	Height
1	Vladimir	Cupara	SRB	Goalkeeper	19/02/1994	Belgrade, SRB	199
2	Tudor Bogdan	Bugulet	ROU	Right Wing	02/03/2001	Vaslui, ROU	192
3	Aleksandar	Cenic	ESP	Right Back	11/01/2003	Leskovac, SRB	100
5	Calin	Dedu	ROU	Line Player	21/10/2002	Labruge, POR	207
7	Dan Emil	Racotea	ROU	Left Back	21/07/1995	Ramnicu Sarat, ROU	203
16	Alin	Cozmaciuc	ROU	Goalkeeper	26/09/2004	Hunedoara, ROU	210
18	Ionut Daniel	Alecu	ROU	Right Wing	04/07/2005	Bucharest, ROU	190
23	Saeid	Heidarirad	ROU	Goalkeeper	22/09/1990	Khorramabad, IRI	194
24	Nicusor Andrei	Negru	ROU	Left Wing	24/05/1994	Resita, ROU	180
25	Luka	Cindric	CRO	Centre Back	05/07/1993	Ogulin, CRO	181
28	Alex	Pascual Garcia	ESP	Left Wing	13/02/2000	Vigo , ESP	175
34	Lazar	Kukic	SRB	Centre Back	12/12/1995	Belgrade, SRB	188
37	Stanislav	Kasperek	CZE	Right Back	11/06/1996	Prerov, CZE	200
44	Daniel	Stanciuc	ROU	Centre Back	07/03/2004	Suceava, ROU	196
45	Miklós	Rosta	HUN	Line Player	14/02/1999	Győr, HUN	203
47	Ante	Kuduz	ROU	Left Back	11/04/1995	Osijek, CRO	202
51	Javier	Humet Gaminde	ROU	Right Back	22/01/1990	Zaragoza, ESP	196
55	Andrii	Akimenko	UKR	Right Wing	12/06/1994	Zaporozhye, UKR	190
74	Viachaslau	Bokhan	BLR	Line Player	07/04/1996	Navapolatsk, BLR	206
90	Ali Ismail Mohamed Zeinelabedin Ali		EGY	Left Back	14/12/1990	Giza, EGY	199
C 94	Robert Mihai	Militaru	ROU	Left Back	04/01/1994	Targu Jiu, ROU	196
99	Cedric	Sorhaindo	FRA	Line Player	07/06/1984	La Trinite, FRA	192



VLADIMIR CUPARA

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Goalkeeper

- Serbian international, who joined Dinamo in 2023 after four seasons with Veszprém
- started career at Red Star Belgrade in 2012; moved abroad three years later to join Ademar León in Spain (2015-18) and later Kielce in Poland (2018/19)
- debuted for Serbia national team in 2016; played his fourth EHF EURO in 2024
- also competing in beach handball in the early days of his career



LUKA CINDRIC

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Centre back

- joined Dinamo in the summer of 2023 after four successful years at Barça – including two under his current coach at Dinamo, Xavi Pascual; also played one season in Kielce
- won CL with Vardar in 2017 after scoring last-second winner in semi against Barça
- won two more CL trophies with Barça; voted CL All-star centre back in 2020/21
- key member of Croatian national team, scoring over 200 goals for them

Trophies: CL 2017, 2021, 2022
EURO: S 2020, B 2016



LAZAR KUKIC

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Centre back

- Serbian international, who started career at Partizan but had his breakthrough at Spanish side La Rioja, which he joined in 2017
- moved to Benfica three years later and won the EL trophy with the Portuguese club when they hosted the EHF Finals 2022 in Lisbon
- joined Dinamo in the summer of 2022
- first major event with Serbia was 2019 WCh; played all three EHF EUROs since 2020

Trophies: EL 2022



MIKLÓS ROSTA

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Line player

- arrived at Dinamo in the summer of 2023 from Szeged in his native Hungary
- born in Győr, he played for Tatabánya (2015-19) before moving to Szeged in 2019
- stems from a true handball family: his father Miklós and uncle Istvan were both national team players for Hungary
- Hungarian Player of the Year in 2022, after Szeged won second league title in a row

TOP SCORERS 2023/24*

60 goals



Andre Schmid
HC Kriens-Luzern

	Player	Club	Goals
1	Andre Schmid (SUI)	HC Kriens-Luzern	60
2	Noam Leopold (SUI)	Pfadi Winterthur	46
3	Taras Minotskyi (UKR)	Górník Zabrze	44
4	Andrii Akimenko (UKR)	Dinamo Bucuresti	43
5	Stipe Mandalinic (CRO)	AEK Athens HC	42
6	Juri Knorr (GER)	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	40
7	Tobias Grøndahl (NOR)	Elverum Handball	39
	Tilen Sokolic (SLO)	RK Gorenje Velenje	39
9	Viktor Bergholt (DEN)	Skjern Handbold	38
10	Alfred Jönsson (SWE)	Skjern Handbold	37
	Valero Rivera (ESP)	HBC Nantes	37
12	Barys Pukhouski (BLR)	Vojvodina	35
	Gustaf Wedberg (DEN)	IK Sävehof	35
14	Ivan Djonov (MKD)	HC Alkaloid	33
	Niclas Kirkeløkke (DEN)	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	33
	Ivano Pavlovic (CRO)	Vojvodina	33
17	Vinícios Carvalho (BRA)	ABC de Braga/UMinho	32
	Francisco Costa (POR)	Sporting CP	32
	Marko Mitev (MKD)	HC Alkaloid	32
	Peter Šiško (SLO)	RK Gorenje Velenje	32

* starting from group matches (qualification round not included)

bold = still in competition



HISTORY

I PAST CHAMPIONS 1994–2023

EHF European League Men

2023	Füchse Berlin (GER)
2022	SL Benfica (POR)
2021	SC Magdeburg (GER)

Men's EHF Cup

2020	<i>no title awarded due to coronavirus pandemic</i>
2019	THW Kiel (GER)
2018	Füchse Berlin (GER)
2017	Frisch Auf Göppingen (GER)
2016	Frisch Auf Göppingen (GER)
2015	Füchse Berlin (GER)
2014	Pick Szeged (HUN)

Men's EHF Cup

2012	Frisch Auf Göppingen (GER)
2011	Frisch Auf Göppingen (GER)
2010	TBV Lemgo (GER)
2009	VfL Gummersbach (GER)
2008	HSG Nordhorn (GER)
2007	SC Magdeburg (GER)
2006	TBV Lemgo (GER)
2005	Tusem Essen (GER)
2004	THW Kiel (GER)
2003	FC Barcelona (ESP)
2002	THW Kiel (GER)
2001	Sportclub Magdeburg (GER)
2000	Metkovic Jumbo (CRO)
1999	Sportclub Magdeburg (GER)
1998	THW Kiel (GER)
1997	SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER)
1996	BM Granollers (ESP)
1995	BM Granollers (ESP)
1994	Aliza Avídesa (ESP)

Men's Cup Winners' Cup

2012	SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER)
2011	VfL Gummersbach (GER)
2010	VfL Gummersbach (GER)
2009	Pevafersa Valladolid (ESP)
2008	MKB Veszprém KC (HUN)
2007	HSV Hamburg (GER)
2006	Chekhovskie Medvedi (RUS)
2005	C. BM Ademar Leon (ESP)
2004	Portland San Antonio (ESP)
2003	A.D.C. Ciudad Real (ESP)
2002	A.D.C. Ciudad Real (ESP)
2001	SG Flensburg-Handewitt (GER)
2000	Portland San Antonio (ESP)
1999	Prosesa Ademar Leon (ESP)
1998	Caja Cantabria Santander (ESP)
1997	Elgorriaga Bidasoa (ESP)
1996	TBV Lemgo (GER)
1995	FC Barcelona (ESP)
1994	FC Barcelona (ESP)

ALL-TIME STANDINGS EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE MEN 2020–23

1	Füchse Berlin GER	50	39	2	9	1517:1294	+223	80:20 (4) 80,00%
2	SC Magdeburg GER	32	28	2	2	1032:844	+188	58:6 (2) 90,63%
3	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	46	25	6	15	1334:1317	+17	56:36 (4) 60,87%
4	RK Nexe CRO	48	27	2	19	1417:1378	+39	56:40 (4) 58,33%
5	Sporting CP POR	44	23	3	18	1285:1212	+73	49:39 (4) 55,68%
6	Orlen Wisla Plock POL	32	23	1	8	949:828	+121	47:17 (2) 73,44%
7	Montpellier HB FRA	30	19	2	9	875:793	+82	40:20 (2) 66,67%
8	GOG DEN	28	18	2	8	897:849	+48	38:18 (2) 67,86%
9	Sport Lisboa e Benfica POR	34	17	2	15	1080:1064	+16	36:32 (3) 52,94%
10	Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	22	16	2	4	681:607	+74	34:10 (2) 77,27%
11	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	20	16	1	3	675:561	+114	33:7 (2) 82,50%
12	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD	34	12	5	17	881:906	-25	29:39 (3) 42,65%
13	HBC Nantes FRA	20	12	3	5	616:555	+61	27:13 (2) 67,50%
14	USAM Nimes Gard FRA	24	11	5	8	675:650	+25	27:21 (2) 56,25%
15	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER	16	13	0	3	517:444	+73	26:6 (1) 81,25%
16	IK Sävehof SWE	18	12	1	5	580:517	+63	25:11 (2) 69,44%
17	Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA	22	9	3	10	587:585	+2	21:23 (2) 47,73%
18	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS	24	10	1	13	654:660	-6	21:27 (2) 43,75%
19	Fraikin BM. Granollers ESP	16	9	1	6	504:483	+21	19:13 (1) 59,38%
20	Skjern Håndbold DEN	18	9	0	9	540:522	+18	18:18 (2) 50,00%
21	Bidasoa Irun ESP	24	8	2	14	698:706	-8	18:30 (2) 37,50%
22	RK Gorenje Velenje SLO	20	7	3	10	581:596	-15	17:23 (2) 42,50%
23	Skanderborg-Aarhus DEN	12	8	0	4	366:338	+28	16:8 (1) 66,67%
24	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU	16	7	1	8	497:466	+31	15:17 (2) 46,88%
25	IFK Kristianstad SWE	20	7	1	12	562:598	-36	15:25 (2) 37,50%
30	MOL Tatabanya KC HUN	26	6	0	20	692:769	-77	12:40 (3) 23,08%
31	TSV Hannover-Burgdorf GER	6	5	1	0	192:164	+28	11:1 (1) 91,67%
35	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg DEN	6	5	0	1	183:158	+25	10:2 (1) 83,33%
36	BM Logroño La Rioja ESP	16	4	2	10	470:493	-23	10:22 (2) 31,25%
37	AEK Athens HC GRE	16	5	0	11	432:476	-44	10:22 (2) 31,25%
38	CSM Constanta ROU	6	4	1	1	172:158	+14	9:3 (1) 75,00%
41	Vojvodina SRB	6	4	0	2	172:163	+9	8:4 (1) 66,67%
42	Górnik Zabrze POL	6	3	1	2	179:171	+8	7:5 (1) 58,33%
43	Elverum Handball NOR	6	3	0	3	192:181	+11	6:6 (1) 50,00%
47	Pfadi Winterthur SUI	16	3	0	13	434:522	-88	6:26 (2) 18,75%
48	Chambéry Savoie MBH FRA	6	2	0	4	181:181	0	4:8 (1) 33,33%
49	HC Kriens-Luzern SUI	6	1	2	3	179:180	-1	4:8 (1) 33,33%
50	ABC de Braga/UMinho POR	6	2	0	4	173:188	-15	4:8 (1) 33,33%
51	REBI Balonmano Cuenca ESP	6	2	0	4	153:181	-28	4:8 (1) 33,33%
56	HC Alkaloid MKD	6	1	1	4	166:187	-21	3:9 (1) 25,00%
59	MSK Povazska Bystrica SVK	6	1	0	5	161:208	-47	2:10 (1) 16,67%
61	KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL	6	0	1	5	138:197	-59	1:11 (1) 8,33%
62	HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE	6	0	0	6	141:206	-65	0:12 (1) 0,00%
63	HC Izvidac BIH	6	0	0	6	150:234	-84	0:12 (1) 0,00%

- **bold** = part of 2023/24 main round

- (x) = number of seasons played (including 2023/24)

- x% = winning percentage

- last updated after 2023/24 group matches (qualification matches *not* included for any season)

ALL-TIME STATS EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE 2020–23

TOP 10 BIGGEST WIN

28	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
24	Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR	40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
23	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE	42:19 (24:8), 05.12.2023
21	IK Sävehof SWE vs Pfadi Winterthur SUI	41:20 (21:11), 14.11.2023
20	Skjern Handbold DEN vs MSK Povazska Bystrica SVK	42:22 (21:10), 24.10.2023
19	SC Magdeburg GER vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR	41:22 (21:11), 09.02.2021
19	Orlen Wisla Plock POL @ HC Metalurg MKD	19:38 (9:16), 14.02.2021
18	SC Magdeburg GER @ Besiktas Aygaz TUR	23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
17	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER @ Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN	23:40 (11:20), 07.02.2023
17	Sporting CP POR vs KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL	37:20 (20:7), 17.10.2023

TOP 10 BIGGEST HALF-TIME LEAD

20	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
16	Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR	40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
16	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE	42:19 (24:8), 05.12.2023
14	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	46:32 (25:11), 17.10.2023
13	Sporting CP POR vs KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL	37:20 (20:7), 17.10.2023
12	SC Magdeburg GER @ Besiktas Aygaz TUR	23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
12	HC CSKA RUS vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR	32:24 (21:9), 01.12.2020
12	Montpellier HB FRA vs FTC HUN	43:29 (23:11), 28.03.2023
12	IK Sävehof SWE vs REBI Balonmano Cuenca ESP	40:27 (21:9), 28.11.2023
12	MOL Tatabanya KC HUN vs KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL	37:24 (20:8), 05.12.2023

ALL-TIME STATS EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE 2020–23

TOP 10 MOST GOALS

52	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
46	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN	46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
46	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN	46:30 (23:18), 25.10.2022
46	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	46:32 (25:11), 17.10.2023
45	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD	45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
43	IK Sävehof SWE vs BM Logroño	43:31 (23:16), 19.10.2021
43	Valur ISL vs FTC HUN	43:39 (22:15), 25.10.2022
43	Füchse Berlin GER @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD	34:43 (14:22), 22.11.2022
43	Montpellier HB FRA vs FTC HUN	43:29 (23:11), 28.03.2023
42	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs FTC HUN	42:30 (23:15), 13.12.2022
42	Skjern Handbold DEN vs MSK Povazska Bystrica SVK	42:22 (21:10), 24.10.2023
42	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE	42:19 (24:8), 05.12.2023

TOP 10 MOST GOALS BOTH TEAMS

82	Valur ISL vs FTC HUN	43:39 (22:15), 25.10.2022
79	SL Benfica POR vs SC Magdeburg GER	40:39 (15:14, 32:32), 29.05.2022
78	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	46:32 (25:11), 17.10.2023
77	GOG DEN vs SL Benfica POR	39:38 (20:18), 01.03.2022
77	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Füchse Berlin GER	34:43 (14:22), 22.11.2022
76	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN	46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
76	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN	46:30 (23:18), 25.10.2022
76	Montpellier HB FRA vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	40:36 (22:18), 07.02.2023
76	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
75	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD	45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
75	RK Nexe CRO vs Fraikin BM. Granollers ESP	39:36 (19:16), 06.12.2022

ALL-TIME STATS EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE 2020–23

TOP 10 FEWEST GOALS

15	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL	15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
16	Besiktas Aygaz TUR @ Montpellier HB FRA	40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
18	RK Nexe CRO @ HC CSKA RUS	29:18 (15:8), 24.11.2020
18	KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL @ CSM Constanta ROU	29:18 (15:8), 14.11.2023
19	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN @ HC Eurofarm Pelister	21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
19	HC Metalurg MKD vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL	19:38 (9:16), 14.02.2021
19	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA	19:31 (12:16), 07.12.2021
19	AEK Athens HC GRE @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD	30:19 (10:8), 08.03.2022
19	Orlen Wisla Plock POL vs SL Benfica POR	19:26 (8:10), 28.05.2022
19	HV Lovcen-Cetinje MNE vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	19:35 (12:15), 24.10.2023
19	HV Lovcen-Cetinje MNE @ SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER	42:19 (24:8), 05.12.2023

TOP 10 FEWEST GOALS BOTH TEAMS

40	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN	21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
42	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN	22:20 (12:11), 13.12.2022
43	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs RK Nexe CRO	21:22 (11:11), 05.04.2022
44	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL	15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
45	RK Nexe CRO vs Montpellier HB FRA	22:23 (8:10), 17.11.2020
45	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs TATRAN Presov SVK	25:20 (12:11), 09.02.2021
45	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN vs HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD	21:24 (11:9), 11.02.2021
45	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Sporting CPO POR	24:21 (12:13), 16.02.2021
45	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs RK Trimo Trebnje SLO	24:21 (10:12), 16.02.2021
45	Orlen Wisla Plock POL vs SL Benfica POR	19:26 (8:10), 28.05.2022

ALL-TIME STATS EHF EUROPEAN LEAGUE 2020–23

TOP 10 BIGGEST DEFICIT OVERCOME AFTER LOSING FIRST HALF TO WIN A GAME

-5	TSV Hannover-Burgdorf GER @ Górnik Zabrze POL	29:32 (19:14), 05.12.2023
-4	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	33:32 (15:19), 13.04.2021
-4	Pfadi Winterthur SUI @ TATTRAN Presov SVK	29:33 (16:12), 16.11.2021
-4	Kadetten Schaffhausewn SUI @ Frisch Auf Göppingen GER	24:25 (14:10), 06.12.2022
-3	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI @ Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN	30:32 (18:15), 23.02.2021
-3	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP @ Chekhovskie medvedi RUS	34:35 (20:17), 27.02.2021
-3	Alingsas HK SWE vs Besiktas Aygaz TUR	30:29 (14:17), 02.03.2021
-3	Sporting CP POR vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	29:28 (9:12), 19.10.2021
-3	SL Benfica POR @ Cocks FIN	32:37 (18:15), 16.11.2021
-3	RK Gorenje Velenje SLO @ IK Sävehof SWE	27:28 (14:11), 08.03.2022
-3	Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA vs SL Benfica POR	38:34 (17:20), 29.03.2022
-3	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs TM Benidorm ESP	35:30 (16:19), 25.10.2022
-3	PAUC Handball FRA vs FTC HUN	33:30 (14:17), 22.11.2022
-3	Bidasoa Irun ESP vs HC Motor	26:22 (9:12), 22.11.2022
-3	Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN vs TATTRAN Presov SVK	30:28 (13:16), 06.12.2022
-3	Ystads IF HF SWE @ PAUC Handball FRA	34:36 (18:15), 06.12.2022
-3	Sporting CP POR @ Skjern Handbold DEN	28:30 (15:12), 06.12.2022
-3	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER vs SL Benfica POR	31:29 (15:18), 14.02.2023

TOP 10 BIGGEST DEFICIT OVERCOME AFTER LOSING FIRST HALF TO DRAW A GAME

-6	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD	25:25 (16:10), 17.11.2020
-5	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD @ Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI	28:28 (16:11), 26.10.2021
-5	KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL vs CSM Constanta ROU	29:29 (14:19), 21.11.2023
-4	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI @ Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	30:30 (17:13), 02.02.2021
-4	RK Gorenje Velenje SLO vs SL Benfica POR	27:27 (11:15), 03.05.2022
-4	FTC HUN vs Valur ISL	33:33 (14:18), 06.12.2022
-3	Fenix Toulouse Handball FRA vs Abanca Ademar Leon ESP	28:28 (14:17), 24.11.2020
-3	HC Metalurg MKD vs Fivers AUT	33:33 (16:19), 22.12.2020
-3	BM Logroño La Rioja ESP vs SC Magdeburg GER	29:29 (13:16), 16.11.2021
-3	RK Gorenje Velenje SLO @ PAUC Handball FRA	26:26 (17:14), 23.11.2021
-3	TBV Lemgo Lippe GER vs HBC Nantes FRA	37:37 (17:20), 22.02.2022
-3	Cocks FIN vs TBV Lemgo Lippe GER	29:29 (12:15), 01.03.2022
-3	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP @ HC Metalurg MKD	27:27 (16:13), 02.03.2021
-3	SC Magdeburg GER @ Sporting CP POR	29:29 (16:13), 29.03.2022
-3	HC Alkaloid MKD @ BM Logroño La Rioja	29:29 (18:15), 24.10.2023
-3	RK Gorenje Velenje SLO vs IK Sävehof SWE	28:28 (12:15), 05.12.2023

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TOP 10 MOST GOALS IN ONE HALF

27	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH – 1st half	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
25	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI – 1st half	46:32 (25:11), 17.10.2023
25	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH – 2nd half	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
24	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN – 1st half	46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
24	FTC HUN @ Valur ISL – 2nd half	43:39 (22:15), 25.10.2022
24	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE – 1st half	42:19 (24:8), 05.12.2023
23	Montpellier HB FRA vs Besiktas Aygaz - 1st half	40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
23	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half	45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
23	SC Magdeburg GER vs IFK Kristianstad SWE – 1st half	39:31 (23:12), 20.04.2021
23	IK Sävehof SWE vs BM Logroño La Rioja ESP – 1st half	43:31 (23:16), 19.10.2021
23	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN – 1st half	46:30 (23:18), 25.10.2022
23	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN – 2nd half	46:30 (23:18), 25.10.2022
23	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs FTC HUN – 1st half	42:30 (23:15), 13.12.2022
23	Sporting CP POR vs Fraikin BM. Granollers ESP – 2nd half	38:31 (15:14), 14.02.2023
23	Füchse Berlin GER @ Bidasoa Irun ESP – 1st half	32:40 (17:23), 14.02.2023
23	Montpellier HB FRA vs FTC HUN – 1st half	43:29 (23:11), 28.03.2023
23	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU @ HC Izvidac BIH – 2nd half	24:40 (11:17), 28.11.2023
23	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs Chambéry Savoie Mont Blanc Handball FRA – 1st half	36:33 (13:14), 05.12.2023

TOP 10 MOST GOALS IN ONE HALF BOTH TEAMS

45	Valur ISL vs FTC HUN – 2nd half	43:39 (22:15), 25.10.2022
42	GOG DEN vs Cocks FIN – 2nd half	46:30 (22:12), 26.10.2021
42	GOG DEN vs RK Nexø CRO – 1st half	37:37 (22:20), 03.05.2022
42	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI – 2nd half	46:32 (25:11), 17.10.2023
42	Dinamo Bucuresti ROU vs HC Izvidac BIH – 2nd half	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
41	Frisch Auf Göppingen GER vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN – 1st half	46:30 (23:18), 25.10.2022
41	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Füchse Berlin GER – 2nd half	34:43 (14:22), 22.11.2022
41	Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN vs Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half	31:39 (16:25), 29.11.2022
40	Abanca Ademar Leon ESP vs HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half	41:32 (20:13), 17.11.2020
40	Fivers AUT vs HC Metalurg MKD – 2nd half	45:30 (22:13), 23.02.2021
40	SC Magdeburg GER vs Sporting CP POR – 1st half	36:35 (21:19), 05.04.2022
40	RK Nexø CRO vs Fraikin BM. Granollers ESP -2nd half	39:36 (19:16), 06.12.2022
40	Montpellier HB FRA vs Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI – 1st half	40:36 (22:18), 07.02.2023
40	Sporting CP POR vs Fraikin BM. Granollers ESP – 2nd half	38:31 (15:14), 14.02.2023
40	Bidasoa Irun ESP vs Füchse Berlin GER – 1st half	32:40 (17:23), 14.02.2023

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TOP 10 FEWEST GOALS IN ONE HALF

5	Alingsas HK SWE vs HC CSKA RUS – 1st half	23:31 (5:16), 16.02.2021
6	Alingsas HK SWE @ SC Magdeburg GER – 2nd half	36:21 (18:15), 23.02.2021
6	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs USAM Nimes Gard FRA – 1st half	21:26 (6:15), 19.10.2021
7	Besiktas Aygaz TUR @ Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half	40:16 (23:7), 24.11.2020
7	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Fenix Toulouse Handball – 2nd half	19:31 (12:16), 07.12.2021
7	HC Izvidac BIH @ Dinamo Bucuresti ROU – 1st half	52:24 (27:7), 17.10.2023
7	KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL @ Sporting CP POR – 1st half	37:20 (20:7), 17.10.2023
7	HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER – 2nd half	19:35 (12:15), 24.10.2023
7	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL – 2nd half	15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
8	Fivers AUT @ Orlen Wisla Plock POL – 2nd half	32:23 (17:15), 20.10.2020
8	Besiktas Aygaz TUR vs SC Magdeburg GER – 1st half	23:41 (8:20), 20.10.2020
8	RK Nexe CRO vs Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half	22:23 (8:10), 17.11.2020
8	RK Nexe CRO @ HC CSKA RUS – 1st half	29:18 (15:8), 24.11.2020
8	Alingsas HK SWE @ Montpellier HB FRA – 2nd half	32:21 (16:13), 01.12.2020
8	RK Nexe CRO vs SC Magdeburg GER – 1st half	24:32 (8:15), 01.12.2020
8	Sporting CP POR @ TATRAN Presov SVK – 2nd half	24:21 (12:13), 16.02.2021
8	Chekhovskie medvedi RUS @ Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER – 1st half	37:27 (19:8), 20.04.2021
8	Füchse Berlin GER @ SC Magdeburg GER – 1st half	28:25 (15:8), 23.05.2021
8	GOG DEN @ HBC Nantes FRA – 1st half	27:24 (11:8), 16.11.2021
8	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL – 1st half	15:29 (8:13), 22.02.2022
8	AEK Athens HC GRE @ HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD – 1st half	30:19 (10:8), 08.03.2022
8	Orlen Wisla Plock POL vs SL Benfica PORF – 1st half	19:26 (8:10), 28.05.2022
8	TATRAN Presov SVK @ Frisch Auf Göppingen GER – 1st half	34:24 (19:8), 29.11.2022
8	Aguas Santas Milaneza POR @ HC Motor UKR – 1st half	30:24 (13:8), 13.12.2022
8	HC Motor UKR vs RK Nexe CRO – 1st half	23:27 (8:13), 21.03.2023
8	REBI Balonmano Cuenca ESP vs IK Sävehof SWE – 1st half	22:30 (8:14), 17.10.2023
8	KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL @ CSM Constanta ROU – 1st half	29:18 (15:8), 14.11.2023
8	SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER @ Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI – 2nd half	25:24 (15:16), 28.11.2023
8	HC Lovcen-Cetinje MNE @ SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER – 1st half	42:19 (24:8), 05.12.2023
8	Vojvodina SRB @ Bjerringbro-Silkeborg DEN – 2nd half	26:22 (13:14), 05.12.2023
8	HC Izvidac BIH @ Füchse Berlin GER – 2nd half	34:23 (16:15), 05.12.2023
8	KGHM Chrobry Glogow POL @ MOL Tatabanya KC HUN – 1st half	37:24 (20:8), 05.12.2023

TOP 10 FEWEST GOALS IN ONE HALF BOTH TEAMS

18	RK Nexe CRO vs Montpellier HB FRA – 1st half	22:23 (8:10), 17.11.2020
18	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs AEK Athens HC GRE – 1st half	30:19 (10:8), 08.03.2022
18	Orlen Wisla Plock POL vs SL Benfica PORF – 1st half	19:26 (8:10), 28.05.2022
18	Kadetten Schaffhausen SUI vs SG Flensburg-Handewitt GER – 2nd half	25:24 (15:16), 28.11.2023
19	HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN – 2nd half	21:19 (11:10), 10.02.2021
19	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Fejer BAL-Veszprem HUN – 2nd half	22:20 (12:11), 13.12.2022
20	Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN vs HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD – 1st half	21:24 (11:9), 11.02.2021
20	TATRAN Presov SVK vs Sporting CP POR – 2nd half	24:21 (12:13), 16.02.2021
20	USAM Nimes Gard FRA vs Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN – 1st half	24:22 (11:9), 30.11.2021
20	Bidasoa Irun ESP vs HC Eurofarm Pelister MKD – 2nd half	32:20 (20:12), 06.12.2022

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LONGEST WINNING RUN

SC Magdeburg GER	14 matches (01.12.2020 – 26.10.2021)
Füchse Berlin GER	12 matches (25.10.2022 – 28.03.2023)
Frisch Auf Göppingen	9 matches (13.12.2022 - 18.04.2023)
Füchse Berlin	9 matches (18.04.2023 – 05.12.2023)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	8 matches (20.10.2020 – 20.02.2021)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	8 matches (23.11.2021 - 29.03.2022)

LONGEST UNBEATEN RUN

SC Magdeburg GER	27 matches (01.12.2020 – 28.05.2022)
Füchse Berlin GER	12 matches (25.10.2022 – 28.03.2023)
Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	11 matches (17.11.2020 – 30.03.2021)
Orlen Wisla Plock POL	11 matches (23.11.2021 – 03.05.2022)
Füchse Berlin GER	9 matches (20.10.2020 – 23.03.2021)
SG Flensburg-Handewitt	9 matches (06.12.2022 - 11.04.2023)
Frisch Auf Göppingen	9 matches (13.12.2022 - 18.04.2023)

LONGEST LOSING RUN

Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN	12 matches (17.11.2020 – 26.10.2021)
Besiktas Aygaz TUR	10 matches (20.10.2020 – 02.03.2021)
Cocks FIN	8 matches (19.10.2021 - 22.02.2022)
TATRAN Presov SVK	8 matches (26.10.2021 – 01.03.2022)
Pfadi Winterthur SUI	8 matches (30.11.2021 - 17.10.2023)
IFK Kristianstad SWE	8 matches (13.04.2021 - 05.12.2023)

LONGEST RUN WITHOUT WIN

Grundfos Tatabanya KC HUN	12 matches (17.11.2020 – 26.10.2021)
Besiktas Aygaz TUR	10 matches (20.10.2020 – 02.03.2021)
HC Metalurg MKD	9 matches (20.10.2020 – 02.03.2021)
Cocks FIN	9 matches (19.10.2021 - 01.03.2022)
PAUC Handball FRA	9 matches (19.10.2021 – 01.03.2022)

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