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VELUX EHF Champions League
Season 2018/19

MATCH ***WEEK*** ***OF THE***

Group Phase, Round 5
Skjern Handbold (DEN)

VS

Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA)

Jyske Bank Boxen (Herning, DEN)

Sunday 14 October, 16:50 hrs



Skjern Handbold (DEN) vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball (FRA)

Group B



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Playing hall
Jyske Bank Boxen
Herning
Kaj Zartows Vej 7,
7400 Herning,
Denmark
Capacity: 15,000

Round 5



Most Games vs Paris Saint-Germain HB:

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Most Goals vs Paris Saint-Germain HB:

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Top scorers 2018/19 season :

Anders Eggert	28
Eivind Tangen	16
Sebastian Augustinussen	14
Jesper Konradsson	14
Bjarte Myrhol	13
Thomas Mogensen	11
Jan Grebenc	8
Christoffer Mikkelsen	7

- Mikkel Hansen and Henrik Toft Hansen face some of their current Danish national teammates at Skjern
- besides this Danish duo, PSG Norwegian centre back Sander Sagosen had played for a Danish club - Aalborg - before he joined Paris in 2017
- although both clubs never won the CL, both have former winners in their squad: Skjern count on Anders Eggert and Thomas Mogensen (both with Flensburg in 2014), while Nikola Karabatic (2003 with Montpellier, 2007 with Kiel and 2015 with Barcelona) and Viran Morros (2008, 2009 with Ciudad Real, 2015 with Barcelona) even have three trophies each on their account, while PSG goalkeeper Thierry Omeyer owns four trophies (2003 with Montpellier, 2007, 2010 and 2012 with Kiel) and Luc Abalo won the competition twice (2008, 2009 with Ciudad Real)
- PSG do not only have the second best defence of all 16 Group A/B teams (105 goals conceded) but by far the best goal difference (+30), while Skjern have a negative goal difference (122:125)
- the venue in Herning is definitely a better omen for the French national team players than for the Danish: Omeyer, Abalo and the Karabatic brothers were on court in the sold-out Jyske Bank Boxen on 26 January 2014, when France beat Denmark in the EHF EURO 2014 final 41:32; their PSG teammate Mikkel Hansen was clearly beaten such as were the current Skjern players Mogensen, Eggert and Kasper Søndergaard
- Søndergaard, Henrik Toft Hansen and Mikkel Hansen struck back with Denmark in the 2016 Olympic final, beating Omeyer, Abalo, the Karabatic brothers and France in Rio 28:26
- on 24 August 2008, Skjern Icelandic goalkeeper Björgvin Pal Gustavsson duelled with today's PSG stars Nikola Karabatic and Luc Abalo in the Olympic final in Beijing - France took their first Olympic gold medal winning 28:23
- Jyske Bank Boxen is one of two venues all over Europe, which hosted finals of Men's and Women's EURO events (2014 and 2010) and a Women's World Championship (2015), the second one is Kombank Arena Belgrade (EURO events 2012 and World Championship 2013). On 27 January 2019, the arena will host the Men's WCh final
- Danish PSG left back Mikkel Hansen has a special relationship to the arena, as he received his first of two IHF World Player of the year awards there in 2011
- on 23 October 2016, PSG already played a CL match at Herning, when they beat Bjerringbro-Silkeborg 36:30, attended by 10,204 fans
- since the return on the international stage in the 2013/14 season, PSG have won all four matches against Danish teams (twice against PSG, twice against Aalborg)
- on the other hand, Skjern's dream of making it to Cologne ended in France, losing the quarter-final at eventual finalist HBC Nantes 27:33
- the last time, Skjern were part of a MOTW, they lost at Veszprem 29:34 in the second leg of the 2017/18 Last 16, but jumped for joy, as they proceeded to the quarter-final thanks to a 32:25 victory on home ground

Most Games vs Skjern Handbold:

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Most Goals vs Skjern Handbold:

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Top scorers 2018/19 season :

Nedim Remili	25
Mikkel Hansen	19
Luka Karabatic	19
Sander Sagosen	16
Nikola Karabatic	15
Luc Abalo	14
Uwe Gensheimer	5
Luka Stepancic	5

Domestic league

Herre Handbold Ligaen

Last 3 games:

10/10 vs Kolding	L28:31
03/10 @Århus	W23:24
27/09 s Lemvig	W30:25

Next game:

21/10 @ Sønderjyske

Standings as of 12/10:

1. Bjerringbro/Silkeborg	8	232:215	13
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7. Skanderborg	8	238:232	9
8. Skjen Handbold	8	232:241	8
9. Kolding	8	214:235	6
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14. Mors	7	174:200	0

Domestic league

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Last 3 games:

10/10 vs Fenix Toulouse	W36:30
03/10 vs Pontault-Combault	W38:25
26/09 @ Nîmes	D28:28

Next game:

20/10 vs Dunkerque

Standings as of 12/10:

1. HBC Nantes	6	176:149	12
2. Chambéry Savoie	6	177:151	12
3. Paris Saint-Germain	6	203:157	11
4. Montpellier HB	6	176:160	10
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14. Pontault-Combault	6	150:200	0

Historic encounters in the EC

Skjern Handbold vs Paris Saint-Germain Handball

No previous encounters in European competitions

Last Ten Games in VELUX EHF Champions League:



Skjern Handbold: current run – winless two

07.10.2018 Skjern DEN	vs HC PPD Zagreb	D 31:31
30.09.2017 Nantes FRA	@ HBC Nantes FRA	L 35:27
23.09.2018 Skjern DEN	vs HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 37:33
16.09.2018 Celje SLO	@ RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO	W 26:27
29.04.2018 Skjern DEN	vs HBC Nantes FRA	D 27:27
22.04.2018 Rezé FRA	@ HBC Nantes FRA	L 33:27
31.03.2018 Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	L 34:29
25.03.2018 Skjern DEN	vs Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 32:25
04.03.2018 Skjern DEN	vs HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 33:26
24.02.2018 Kharkiv UKR	@ HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	L 32:30



Paris Saint-Germain Handball: current run – won five

06.10.2018 Paris FRA	vs HBC Nantes FRA	W 35:34
29.09.2018 Zagreb CRO	@ HC PPD Zagreb CRO	W 21:32
23.09.2018 Paris FRA	vs RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko SLO	W 33:21
12.09.2018 Zaporozhye UKR	@ HC Motor Zaporozhye UKR	W 29:35
27.05.2018 Köln GER	@ HC Vardar MKD	W 28:29
26.05.2018 Köln GER	@ HBC Nantes FRA	L 32:28
28.04.2018 Paris FRA	vs PGE Vive Kielce POL	W 35:32
21.04.2018 Kielce POL	@ PGE Vive Kielce POL	W 28:34
04.03.2018 Paris FRA	vs THW Kiel GER	D 29:29
24.02.2018 Brest BLR	@ HC Meshkov Brest BLR	L 29:28

Skjern Handbold vs French clubs 5-1-5

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2001/02	US Ivry Handball	33:23	26:24	Challenge Cup – Semi-final
2006/07	Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral	27:25	28:23	EHF Cup – Quarter-final
2011/12	Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral	28:24	18:24	EHF Cup – Last 16
2013/14	Montpellier Agglomération HB	23:26	25:27	EHF Cup – Group B
2017/18	HBC Nantes	27:27	27:33	VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final
2018/19	HBC Nantes		27:35	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

Paris Saint-Germain HB vs Danish clubs 4-0-0

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2016/17	Bjerringbro-Silkeborg	32:27	36:30	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2017/18	Aalborg Handbold	31:28	33:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

Gorenje to present 'Player of the Match' trophy

The match of the week 'Player of the Match' trophy, introduced by EHF Marketing last season, will be awarded at all MOTWs in the VELUX EHF Champions League 2018/19 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match by alternating sponsors throughout the season.

The presenting sponsor at Skjern Handbold vs Paris Saint-Germain HB is Gorenje and the trophy will be handed over to the awardee by Jørgen Frederiksen, Gorenje representative.

In the 2017/18 season, two PSG player (Nikola Karabatic in Round 7 and in quarter final, Leg 1 and Thierry Omeyer in Round 9) received the award.

Awardees 2018/19:

Round 1 : Arpad Sterbik (Telekom Vesprém HC)

Round 2 : Ivan Pestic (HC Meshkov Brest)

Round 3 : Dika Mem (Barça Lassa)

Round 4 : Timur Dibirov (HC Vardar)





Skjern Handbold players' career statistics against Paris Saint-Germain Handball

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Anders Eggert	DEN	3	1	0	2	23	7,67	13	0'
Thomas Mogensen	DEN	5	2	0	3	9	1,80	4 (2)	2'
all other players		0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Anders Eggert (SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2015/16, SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2016/17); Thomas Mogensen (SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2015/16, SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2016/17, SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2017/18)



Paris Saint-Germain Handball players' career statistics against Skjern Handbold

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Thierry Omeyer	FRA	2	2	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Luc Abalo	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Henrik Toft Hansen	DEN	1	1	0	0	4	4,00	4	2'
all other players		0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0

Luc Abalo (US d'Ivry Handball 2001/02 – DNP); Thierry Omeyer (Montpellier Agglomeration HB 2013/14); Henrik Toft Hansen (HSV Hamburg 2014/15)

VELUX EHF Champions League goes pink on International Day of the Girl Child



On Thursday (11 October), the world is celebrating International Day of the Girl Child. On this day, Plan International, the charity partner of the VELUX EHF Champions League, will draw worldwide attention to the fact that girls often do not have the same chances as boys, and that they are often prevented from exercising their rights.

On International Day of the Girl Child, Plan International supports girls in standing up for their aims and rights, and encourages them to take over leading roles in politics and society.

VELUX EHF Champions League glad to support campaign

The VELUX EHF Champions League and its participating clubs are glad to support this campaign. They will give girls the chance to symbolically open the games of the upcoming Round 5 by letting them bring the official match ball onto the playing court.

In Herning, the girl's name is Mia, she is a handball player and volunteer in Skjern Handball, and she is 15 years old.

Also, the Plan International centre circle will turn pink for this round. Pink is a strong colour, which conveys power, joie de vivre and the courage to stand up for oneself. For girls, it is a signal demonstrating that they can live their dreams and achieve their goals.

Since last season, the VELUX EHF Champions League has been committed to children's development organisation Plan International. The European top flight has supported projects involving a sponsored child in Brazil and has taken part in many additional activities.

Commenting on the campaign, David Szlezak, Managing Director of EHF Marketing GmbH, said: "When we welcomed Plan International to our family last year, we made a commitment to raise its profile among the fans of handball. Now, we are excited to see how our cooperation has developed and to see the fruits of it in this round of Europe's premier club competition. Also, we are very pleased to see the engagement of our clubs and their players for a good cause."

Managing Director of Plan International Germany, Wolfgang Porschen, said: "The partnership with the VELUX EHF Champions League is a great support in our work with children, young people and their families all over the world. That the VELUX EHF Champions League is supporting the International Day of the Girl Child will help Plan's aspirations to achieve gender equality worldwide. Only if girls have the same chances as boys, our world has a future."

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