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VELUX EHF Champions League
Season 2015/16

Match of the Week - Round 7

FC Barcelona Lassa (ESP) vs HC Vardar (MKD)
Palau Blaugrana, Barcelona
Saturday 14 November, 19:30 hrs CET



ROUND 7

Match of the Week

GROUP B

FC Barcelona Lassa (ESP) vs HC Vardar (MKD)



Saturday, 12 November 2015, 19:30 hrs



Playing hall
Palau Blaugrana
Av. Aristides
Maillol, s/n
08028 Barcelona
Spain
Capacity: 7,250



Most Games vs Vardar:

Victor Tomas Gonzalez	7
Iker Romero Fernandez	6
Laszlo Nagy	5
Jerome Fernandez	4
Juan Garcia Lorenzana	4
Fernando Hernandez Casado	4
Xavier O'Callaghan Ferrer	4
Danijel Saric	4
Daniel Sarmiento Melian	4
Dragan Skrbic	4

Most Goals vs Vardar:

Iker Romero Fernandez	30
Victor Tomas Gonzalez	23
Laszlo Nagy	21
Juan Garcia Lorenzana	18
Fernando Hernandez Casado	18

- together with PSG in Group A, Vardar are currently the most successful CL team with 10 points from 6 matches, Barca are one point behind after losing at Löwen and a draw at Kielce
- family affairs I: Alex Dujshebaev plays for Vardar, while his younger brother Daniel is part of Barcelona's junior team
- family affairs II: Kiril Lazarov is Barca's top scorer, while his brother Filip (both MKD internationals) is Vardar's captain
- Vardar goalkeeper Arpad Sterbik had been playing for Barcelona until 2013
- Vardar coach Raul Gonzalez was the assistant of Talant Dujshebaev at Ciudad Real/Atletico Madrid, in 2011 lost the CL final against Barca, was in the winners' staff in '06, '08 and '09
- the last home match, Barcelona lost in the CL, was against Zagreb in the 2011/12 group phase
- never in their club history, Vardar won any European Cup match on Spanish ground
- the duel will be Barca's third match against an opponent coached by a Spaniard this season: they beat Szeged (Juan Carlos Pastor) 30:28 and tied with Kielce (Talant Dujshebaev) 30:30
- never before in their CL history, Vardar started by five victories from their first six matches

Most Games vs Barcelona:

Stevce Alusovski	4
Marjan Kolev	4
Petar Angelov	3
43 players	2

Most Goals vs Barcelona:

Timur Dibirov	13
Borko Djordjevic	13
Stevce Alusovski	12
Ivan Markovski	11
Matjaz Brumen	10
Alex Dujshebaev Dobichevaeva	10
Djordje Pesic	10

Domestic league

ASOBAL Liga

Last 4 games

11.11. @ Benidorm	W36:17
31.10. vs Puerto Sagunto	W44:29
21.10. @ Puente Genil	W38:16
16.10. vs Cuenca	W34:21

Next game

18.11. vs Teucro

Standings

1. FC Barcelona	10	384:233	20
2. La Rioja	10	335:261	19
...			
14. Aragon	9	255:304	4

- three Spanish national team players on Vardar side (Sterbik, Dujshebaev, Maqueda) will face five on Barca side (Entrerrios, Gurbindo, Morros, Perez de Vargas, Tomas)
- another Spain international Sarmiento is currently out due to an injury (broken hand)
- Barcelona's right back Marko Kopljär will duel with fellow Croatians Igor Karacic, Luka Cindric and Blazenko Lackovic on Vardar side
- Barcelona had to find a replacement for their number 1 goalkeeper Danijel Saric, as he is participating with Qatar at the Asian Olympic Games qualification tournament - Fredrik Ohlander (Sweden, 39) was signed for one month
- the 44:29 win over Porto Sagunto two weeks ago was the 70th straight win for Barcelona in the Asobal League
- 12 different nations will be represented on court: MKD, SRB, RUS, CRO, ESP, SLO in Vardar, while Barcelona counts on players from ESP, TUN, CZE, MKD, CRO, DEN, ISL, FRA and POL
- prior to the start of the season, Vardar were ranked 22nd in the all-time CL ranking, while the eight-time record winner from Barcelona are the clear number 1

Domestic league

SEHA Liga

Last 4 games

10.11. @ Veszprem	D24:24
31.10. vs Borac	W39:27
28.10. vs Meshkov Brest	L27:28
19.10. @ HC PPD Zagreb	L25:30

Next game

2.12. vs Maks Strumica

Standings

1. Tatra Presov	8	269:204	21
...			
3. Vardar	9	293:249	19
...			
10. Borac	6	225:306	1

Historic encounters in the EC

FC Barcelona Lassa vs HC Vardar 7-1-0 (262:188) 15:1

18.10.2003	FC Barcelona vs Vardar Vatrost. Skopje, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	41:19 (19:8)
16.11.2003	Vardar Vatrost. Skopje vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B	27:35 (16:14)
09.10.2004	FC Barcelona vs Vardar Vatrost. Skopje, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	31:22 (16:12)
06.11.2004	Vardar Vatrost. Skopje vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A	12:26 (8:15)
11.11.2009	HC Vardar PRO – Skopje vs FC Barcelona Borges, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	28:35 (17:16)
21.11.2009	FC Barcelona Borges vs HC Vardar PRO – Skopje, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	35:28 (15:13)
21.09.2013	HC Vardar – Skopje vs FC Barcelona, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	29:29 (15:19)
30.11.2013	FC Barcelona vs HC Vardar – Skopje, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C	30:23 (14:11)

Matchdetails of last match - 30.11.2013 (Barcelona, Spain)

FC Barcelona vs HC Vardar - Skopje 30:23 (14:11)

VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C

Referees: Jonas Eliasson/Anton Palsson (Iceland)

Suspensions: 6' – 12' (Entrerrios Rodriguez 2', Sarmiento Melian 2', Morros de Argila 2' – Stojanche Stoilov 2', Toskic 4', Petric 4', Dibirov 2')

7m: 6/6 – 3/2

Attendance: 1,929

Arpad Sterbik Capar		Inaki Malumbres Aldave
Danijel Saric		Strahinja Milic
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Jesper Brian Nöddesbo	(2)	Mitko Stoilov
Juanin Garcia Lorenzana	(1)	Stojanche Stoilov
Victor Tomas Gonzalez	(4)	Vlado Nedanovski
Raul Entrerrios Rodriguez	(1)	Nemanja Pribak
Cedric Sorhaindo	(1)	(1) Alem Toskic
Daniel Sarmiento Melian	(4)	Luka Rakovic
Aitor Arino Bengoechea	(1)	(1) Vladimir Petric
Eduardo Gurbindo Martinez	(1)	(1) Igor Karacic
Siarhei Rutenka	(2)	(5) Alex Dujshebaev
Martin Stranovsky	(1)	(2) Ilija Abutovic
Viran Morros de Argila		Petar Angelov
Nikola Karabatic	(5)	(5) Timur Dibirov
Joan Saubich Mir		(6) Matjaz Brumen
Kiril Lazarov	(7)	(2) Mikhail Chipurin

Most Goals FC Barcelona Lassa vs HC Vardar Individual Game:

Iker Romero Fernandez	8	06.11.2004	Vardar Vatrost. Skopje-FC Barcelona	12:26
Mikkel Hansen	8	11.11.2009	HC Vardar PRO – Skopje-FC Barcelona Borges	28:35
Victor Tomas Gonzalez	8	21.11.2009	FC Barcelona Borges-HC Vardar PRO – Skopje	35:28
Siarhei Rutenka	8	21.09.2013	HC Vardar – Skopje-FC Barcelona	29:29
Iker Romero Fernandez	7	18.10.2003	FC Barcelona-Vardar Vatrost. Skopje	41:19
Laszlo Nagy	7	09.10.2004	FC Barcelona-Vardar Vatrost. Skopje	31:22
Juan Garcia Lorenzana	7	11.11.2009	HC Vardar PRO – Skopje-FC Barcelona Borges	28:35
Kiril Lazarov	7	30.11.2013	FC Barcelona-HC Vardar – Skopje	30:23

Most Goals HC Vardar vs FC Barcelona Lassa Individual Game:

Ivan Markovski	10	09.10.2004	FC Barcelona-Vardar Vatrost. Skopje	31:22
Borko Djordjevic	9	11.11.2009	HC Vardar PRO – Skopje-FC Barcelona Borges	28:35
Timur Dibirov	8	21.09.2013	HC Vardar – Skopje-FC Barcelona	29:29
Igor Karacic	7	21.09.2013	HC Vardar – Skopje-FC Barcelona	29:29
Sergei Stetsuk	6	16.11.2003	Vardar Vatrost. Skopje-FC Barcelona	27:35
Slavoljub Mitrovic	6	09.10.2004	FC Barcelona-Vardar Vatrost. Skopje	31:22
Dejan Pecakovski	6	21.11.2009	FC Barcelona Borges-HC Vardar PRO – Skopje	35:28
Djordje Pesic	6	21.11.2009	FC Barcelona Borges-HC Vardar PRO – Skopje	35:28
Matjaz Brumen	6	30.11.2013	FC Barcelona-HC Vardar – Skopje	30:23

FC Barcelona Lassa vs Macedonian clubs

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
2003/04	Vardar Vatrost. Skopje	41:19	35:27	EHF Champions League – Group B
2004/05	Vardar Vatrost. Skopje	31:22	26:12	EHF Champions League – Group A
2008/09	HC Metalurg	30:19	29:22	EHF Champions League – Group C
2009/10	HC Vardar PRO – Skopje	35:28	35:28	EHF Champions League – Group D
2013/14	HC Vardar – Skopje	30:23	29:29	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C
2013/14	HC Metalurg	35:17	29:31	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C

HC Vardar vs Spanish clubs

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1994/95	BM Granollers	35:31	23:34	EHF Cup – Qualification Round 2
1998/99	Prosesa Ademar Leon	27:29	20:35	Cup Winners' Cup – Semi-final
2003/04	FC Barcelona	27:35	19:41	EHF Champions League – Group B
2004/05	FC Barcelona	12:26	22:31	EHF Champions League – Group A
2007/08	C.BM. Ademar Leon	29:28	21:28	EHF Champions League – Group C
2009/10	Reale Ademar	24:31	28:37	EHF Champions League – Group D
2009/10	FC Barcelona Borges	28:35	28:35	EHF Champions League – Group D
2013/14	FC Barcelona	29:29	23:30	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C

Last Ten Games in VELUX EHF Champions League:



FC Barcelona Lassa: current run - won one

09.04.2015 Zagreb CRO	@ HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb CRO	W 23:25
18.04.2015 Barcelona ESP	vs HC Prvo plinarsko drustvo Zagreb CRO	W 43:21
30.05.2015 Köln GER	vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL	W 33:28
31.05.2015 Köln GER	vs MKB-MVM Veszprém HUN	W 28:23
20.09.2015 Mannheim GER	@ Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	L 22:21
26.09.2015 Barcelona ESP	vs IFK Kristianstad SWE	W 34:32
04.10.2015 Szeged HUN	@ MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	W 28:30
10.10.2015 Barcelona ESP	vs Montpellier HB FRA	W 37:27
17.10.2015 Kielce POL	@ KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL	D 30:30
24.10.2015 Barcelona ESP	vs KIF Kolding Kobenhavn DEN	W 28:25



HC Vardar: current run - won one

14.03.2015 Plock POL	@ Orlen Wisla Plock POL	L 32:26
21.03.2015 Skopje MKD	vs Orlen Wisla Plock POL	W 31:20
11.04.2015 Skopje MKD	vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL	L 20:22
19.04.2015 Kielce POL	@ KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL	L 33:31
20.09.2015 Montpellier FRA	@ Montpellier HB FRA	W 25:30
27.09.2015 Skopje MKD	vs MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	W 27:23
04.10.2015 Kristianstad SWE	@ IFK Kristianstad SWE	W 25:30
10.10.2015 Skopje MKD	vs Rhein-Neckar Löwen GER	W 25:19
18.10.2015 Brøndby DEN	@ KIF Kolding Kobenhavn DEN	L 33:31
24.10.2015 Skopje MKD	vs KS Vive Tauron Kielce POL	W 34:24

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