



# Concacaf CHAMPIONS CUP

## 2024 Concacaf Champions Cup Final



CF Pachuca (MEX) vs



Columbus Crew (USA)

They will face each other for the first time at any stage in the tournament's history.

CF Pachuca's record against MLS rivals: GP-13 W-8 D-1 L-4 GF-26 GA-11.

It will be the second time that CF Pachuca plays a single game against an MLS club. The first time was in the 3rd place match of the 2000 edition on January 21, 2001, at the Los Angeles Memorial Coliseum, defeating DC United 2-1 with goals by Pedro Pineda (14') and Omar Arellano (38'). Carey Talley (33') temporarily tied the game for DC United.

If CF Pachuca scores two goals, it will reach 100 since the format change in 2008-09

**Participations in the CCC (Since 1962):** 10

**Best Result: Champion (5)** 2002, 2007, 2008, 2009/10, 2016/17.

**Top Scorers in the CCC since 2008/09:** Hirving Lozano (MEX) 9, Ulises Mendivil (MEX) 9, Salomón Rondón (VEN) 7, Franco Jara (ARG) 6, Érick Gutiérrez (MEX) 5, Paul Aguilar (MEX) 5, Ariel Nahuelpán (ARG) 5, Edgar Benítez (PAR) 5.

**Top Scorers in the CCC 2024:** Salomón Rondón (VEN) 7, Alán Bautista (MEX) 2, Nelson Deossa (COL) 2, Oussama Idrissi (NED) 1, Alexei Domínguez (MEX) 1, Bryan González (MEX) 1, Andrés Micolta (ECU) 1, Emilio Rodríguez (MEX) 1.

**Assists in the CCC 2024:** Oussama Idrissi (NED) 5, Érick Sánchez (MEX) 2, Javier López (MEX) 2, Miguel Rodríguez (MEX) 1, Salomón Rondón (VEN) 1, Nelson Deossa (COL) 1, Bryan González (MEX) 1.

**Saves in the CCC 2024:** 15. Goalkeepers: Carlos Moreno (MEX) 15. (3 goals conceded - 3 clean sheets in 6 appearances).

### TOP PLAYERS

**Salomón Rondón (VEN) | Pachuca:** He is the top scorer with (7) (including 2 hat-tricks). The Venezuelan forward also has one assist and is one of the leaders in shots with (19)

alongside Brandon Vázquez of Monterrey. He is two goals away from equaling Ulises Mendivil and Hirving Lozano as Pachuca's top scorers in the tournament.

**Érick Sánchez (MEX)** | Pachuca. He has 7 appearances in the CCC in the last 2 editions. He was part of the team that won the title in the 2016/17 edition. He participated in the 2017 FIFA Club World Cup. In the current edition, he has two assists and 13 shots.

**Gustavo Cabral (ARG)** | Pachuca. He is the most experienced player in CF Pachuca in the CCC 2024. Before the final, he made 142 passes with a 93% success rate in 5 appearances and, along with Pedro Pedraza, are the players with the most ball recoveries in the team with (10).

**Oussama Idrissi (MAR)** | Pachuca. He has given 5 assists and scored one goal. He became the third Pachuca player to give 5 assists in a single edition, equaling Gregorio Torres and Juan Carlos Rojas in 2010. He is one of the players with the most shots in the team with (17).

**Nelson Deossa (COL)** | Pachuca. He scored two goals and had an assist along with 13 shots and 233 passes with 7 ball recoveries in six appearances.

#### **CF Pachuca has always advanced to the next round whenever they faced MLS rivals in knockout series:**

- 2002 quarterfinals vs. San José Earthquakes (aggregate 1x3)
- 2006/2007 semifinals vs. Houston Dynamo (aggregate 5x4)
- 2007/2008 semifinals vs. DC United (aggregate 2x3)
- 2016/2017 semifinals vs. FC Dallas (aggregate 4x3)
- 2024 round of 16 against Philadelphia Union (aggregate 6x0)

#### **For CF Pachuca, this will be the sixth final in their history, and they have never lost a title match.** It will also be the fifth time the decisive match is held at the Estadio Hidalgo:

- 2006/2007 vs. Club Guadalajara (MEX) (aggregate 2x2, penalties 7x6)
- 2007/2008 vs. Deportivo Saprissa (CRC) (aggregate 3x2)
- 2009/2010 vs. CD Cruz Azul (MEX) (aggregate 2x2, \*away goal rule)
- 2016/2017 vs. Tigres UANL (MEX) (aggregate 2x1)

CF Pachuca's record in finals at the Estadio Hidalgo is W-3 D-1, with victories in the last three matches. Only Deportivo Saprissa (CRC) in 2007/2008 has managed to score against a Mexican club in a final match at Pachuca's home stadium.

For CF Pachuca, this will be their second single-game final in history. The first was in the 2002 edition against Monarcas Morelia (MEX) on September 18, 2002, at Estadio Azul, with Pachuca winning 1-0 thanks to a goal by Walter Silvani (48'), which earned them their first Concacaf title and made them the 11th team from Mexico to become champions.

#### **CF Pachuca Goal Scorers in Finals:**

- Walter Silvani vs. Monarcas Morelia (2002)
- Juan Carlos Cacho vs. Club Guadalajara (2006/2007)
- Marvin Cabrera vs. Club Guadalajara (2006/2007)
- Luis Gabriel Rey vs. Deportivo Saprissa (2007/2008)
- Christian Giménez vs. Deportivo Saprissa (2007/2008)
- Luis Gabriel Rey vs. Deportivo Saprissa (2007/2008)
- Damián Álvarez vs. Cruz Azul (2009/2010)
- Édgar Benítez vs. Cruz Azul (2009/2010)
- Raúl López vs. Tigres UANL (2016/2017)
- Franco Jara vs. Tigres UANL (2016/2017)

#### **Champion Coaches with CF Pachuca (MEX):**

- Alfredo Tena (MEX) vs. Monarcas Morelia (MEX) in 2002
- Enrique Meza (MEX) vs. Club Guadalajara (MEX) in 2006/2007
- Enrique Meza (MEX) vs. Deportivo Saprissa (CRC) in 2007/2008
- Guillermo Rivarola (ARG) vs. Cruz Azul (MEX) in 2009/2010
- Diego Alonso (URU) vs. Tigres UANL (MEX) in 2016/2017

The current coach of CF Pachuca, **Guillermo Almada**, could become the 7th Uruguayan coach to win the title in the history of the tournament. Those who achieved glory are Rubén Amorín (Municipal in 1974 and Comunicaciones in 1978), Dagoberto Moll (Atlético Español in 1975), Estanislao Malinowsky (Olimpia in 1988), Carlos Miloc (Club América in 1990), Gustavo Matosas (Club América in 2014/15), Diego Alonso (Pachuca in 2016/17 and CF Monterrey in 2019).

**- CF Pachuca is the only Mexican club that has never lost a home game in the tournament's history. Their record is: G-30, W-27, D-3, GF-73, GA-12.**

#### **Columbus Crew:**

**Wilfried Nancy** could become the first French coach to win the title in the Concacaf Champions Cup. The other European coaches who achieved it are Serbian Bora Milutinovic (Pumas UNAM in 1980 and 1982), Czech Josef Bouška (Alajuelense 1986), and German Sigi Schmid (LA Galaxy in 2000).

**Participations in the CCC (Since 1962):** 5 (2003, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2021, 2024).

**Record in the CCC (Since 1962):** PJ-30 PG-13 PE-8 PP-9 (GF-42 GC-40).

**Top Scorers in the CCC since 2008/09:** Steven Lenhart (USA) 4, Andrés Mendoza (PER) 3, Emilio Rentería (VEN) 3, Diego Rossi (URU) 3, Guillermo Barros Schelotto (ARG) 2, Gyasi Zardes (USA) 2, Robbie Rogers (USA) 2, Juan Camilo Hernández (COL) 2, Jacen Russell Rowe (CAN) 2.

**Top Scorers in the CCC 2024:** Diego Rossi (URU) 3, Juan Camilo Hernández (COL) 2, Jacen Russell-Rowe (CAN) 2, Alexandru Mățan (RUM) 1, Aidan Morris (USA) 1.

**Assists in the CCC 2024:** Aidan Morris (USA) 2, Alexandru Mățan (RUM) 2, Christian Ramírez (USA) 1, Mohamed Farsi (CAN) 1, Sean Zawadzki (USA) 1, Jacen Russell-Rowe (CAN) 1.

**Saves in the CCC 2024:** 30. Goalkeepers: **Patrick Schulte** (USA) 30. (5 goals conceded - 1 clean sheet). Schulte is the leader in saves in the CCC 2024 and saved two penalties in the shootout against Tigres UANL in the quarterfinals. In the second leg of the semifinals against CF Monterrey, he made 15 saves.

## TOP PLAYERS

**Diego Rossi (URU)** | Columbus Crew. He is the top scorer for Columbus Crew in the CCC 2024 (3). The Uruguayan forward has a 42.9% shooting accuracy in the current edition (7 shots). He scored 1 goal in a final as a player for LAFC vs. Tigres UANL in 2020. He has scored 5 goals in 11 appearances in the tournament.

**Juan Camilo Hernández (COL)** | Columbus Crew. He scored goals in the Round of 16 vs Houston Dynamo and in the semifinal's vs CF Monterrey. He is the Columbus Crew player with the most shots (16). He has scored 5 goals in 8 international appearances (including three goals in as many matches in the 2023 Leagues Cup).

**Darlington Nagbe (USA)** | Columbus Crew. He is the leader in passes for Columbus Crew with (374) with a 93% success rate and is among the top five in the tournament.

**Aidan Morris (USA)** | Columbus Crew. He is the leader in ball recoveries in the current edition with (17) in 5 matches along with 280 passes, one goal, one assist, and four shots.

- Columbus Crew will be the 6th MLS club to play a final in the tournament's history and the 4th club to play it as a single-match final.

- Columbus Crew will play the 5th single-match final for an MLS club in the tournament's history (2 titles for MLS and 2 runners-up finishes):

- Runner-Up: Los Angeles Galaxy vs. Cruz Azul (MEX) in 1997

- **Champion:** D.C. United vs. Deportivo Toluca (MEX) in 1998

- **Champion:** Los Angeles Galaxy vs. Club Olimpia (HON) in 2000

- Runner-Up: Los Angeles FC vs. Tigres UANL (MEX) in 2020

- Columbus Crew has a streak of 3 away matches without a loss (W-2 D-1), the best streak for the American club in the tournament's history.

- **Columbus Crew has only won once in 7 visits to Mexican territory, with 5 consecutive losses, 1 draw, and 1 win.** The last away victory was against CF Monterrey in the second leg of the 2024 semifinals. They conceded 20 goals and scored 6.

## Columbus Crew Goal Scorers in Mexican soil:

- Guillermo Barros Schelotto vs. Deportivo Toluca in 2009/2010

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- Diego Martín Rossi vs. CF Monterrey in 2024

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- Jacen Russell-Rowe vs. CF Monterrey in 2024

**Columbus Crew's Record Against Mexican Rivals:**

- GP-14, W-4, D-4, L-6, GF-16, GA-28