

Motagua (HON) vs. San Francisco (PAN)

GROUP A

Estadio Nacional Chelato Uclés, Tegucigalpa

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- Motagua lost 1-2 away in the week one match against Cacique Diriangén and has now gone 6 games without a win (2 draws, 4 losses).
- FC Motagua and San Francisco will face each other for the first time in the Concacaf Central American Cup.
- They previously met in the quarterfinals of the UNCAF Interclub Tournament 2006-07, where FC Motagua won both matches with the identical score of 1-0. Motagua won the title that year.
- Motagua 1-0 San Francisco (Steven Bryce), (first leg) - Estadio Nacional de Tegucigalpa, Tegucigalpa (SEP-18-2007).
- San Francisco 0-1 Motagua (Luis Rodas), (second leg) - Estadio Agustín Muquita Sánchez, La Chorrera (SEP-26-2007).
- For FC Motagua, this will be the 4th match against Panamanian clubs in the tournament, after facing San Miguelito in the group phase in 2023 (winning 2x0 with a brace from Yeison Mejía) and C.A.I. in the quarterfinals, a series that the Honduran club lost with an aggregate score of 3x1 (a 1x1 draw in the first leg with goals by Agustín Auzmendi for Motagua and Héctor Hurtado for C.A.I., and a 2x0 loss in the second leg with a brace from Carlos Small, now a player for Real España of Honduras).
- On the other hand, San Francisco Club returns to an international tournament after participating in the 2020 Concacaf League, where they were eliminated in a single-elimination round of 16 against LD Alajuelense (CRC) 1x0 with a goal from Jurguens Montenegro.



FC Motagua (HON)

- FC Motagua qualified for the quarterfinals in the inaugural edition but was eliminated by Club Independiente with a 3-1 aggregate score. They were the team that received the most fouls (113) in the 2023 edition.
- FC Motagua achieved 3 victories in the CCAC (0-5 vs. Verdes FC, 2-0 vs. Sporting SM, and 1-0 vs. Olancho) and went 6 matches without a win (2 draws, 4 losses).
- **Best result in the CCAC:** Quarterfinals 2023.
- **Record in the CCAC:** GP-9 W-3 D-2 L-4 (13GF-16GA). *Includes Play-in matches.
- **Top scorers in the CCAC:** Agustín Auzmendi (ARG) 7, Yeison Mejía (HON) 3, Iván López (HON) 1, Carlos Mejía (HON), Luis Vega (HON).

- **Assists in the CCAC:** Walter Martínez (HON) 2, Yeison Mejía (HON) 1, Riky Zapata (HON), Kevin Álvarez (HON), Iván López (HON), Raúl Santos (HON), Lucas Campana (ARG), Marcelo Pereira (HON), Rodrigo Gómez (ARG).
- **Players with the most appearances in the CCAC:** Raúl Santos, Yeison Mejía, Agustín Auzmendi, Carlos Argueta (9 games), Jonathan Rougier, Walter Martínez, Juan Delgado (8 games), Riky Zapata (7 games).
- **Saves in the CCAC:** Jonathan Rougier (ARG) 17, Enrique Facussé (HON) 1.
- FC Motagua in the CCAC: Scored in 7 matches, failed to score in two, and kept three clean sheets, conceded goals in six matches.
- Match with the most goals: 5-0 vs. Verdes FC (Agustín Auzmendi x3, Iván López, and Carlos Mejía), Group D, Estadio FFB Field, Belmopán (AUG-2-2023).
- **Top scorers in the CCAC 2024:** Luis Vega (HON) 1.
- **Assists in the CCAC 2024:** Rodrigo Gómez (ARG) 1.

Players to watch:

- **Rodrigo Gómez (ARG).** “Droopy” provided the assist for Motagua's goal against Diriangen in addition to making two shots.
- **Luis Vega (HON).** Scored Motagua's goal against Diriangen with a header. He has 13 appearances in international tournaments as a player for Marathón and FC Motagua. In the CCAC, he has played 5 matches.
- **Agustín Auzmendi (ARG).** He is the top scorer of the Central American Cup with 7 goals in 9 matches. He made a shot against Diriangen in Diriamba. The Argentine forward has made 26 shots in the tournament's history.



San Francisco (PAN)

- San Francisco FC will debut in the Central American Cup due to its position in the cumulative points table of Panama's First Division.
- It will be the 5th Panamanian club to participate in the history of the tournament after CAI, CD Universitario, Sporting San Miguelito, and Tauro FC.
- The Panamanian club was present in 5 editions of the Concacaf Champions Cup (2008/09, 2009/10, 2010/11, 2011/12, and 2015/16).
- It played twice in the Scotiabank Concacaf League (2019 and 2020). It is one of the three Panamanian clubs, along with Árabe Unido and Tauro FC, with the most participations in international tournaments. It also competed in the UNCAF Interclub Cup in 2003, 2005, 2006, and 2007.
- Its last international participation was in the Scotiabank Concacaf League 2020, where it was eliminated in the round of 16 by the eventual champion Alajuelense with a goal by Jurguens Montenegro, at Alejandro Morera Soto Stadium, Alajuela.

Players to watch:

- **Miguel Camargo (PAN)**. The experienced midfielder has participated in various international club tournaments. He played in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2014/15 with Universitario and 2023 with Tauro FC, and in the Scotiabank Concacaf League in 2022.
- **Kevin Calderón (PAN)**. Participated in the last edition of the Central American Cup 2023 as a player for Universitario, where he played 3 matches, gave one assist, and completed 80% of his passes.
- **José Guerra (PAN)**. The goalkeeper played three times in the Central American Cup 2023 with Sporting San Miguelito, making 4 saves and achieving one clean sheet. He has 14 international appearances between CAI, Universitario, and Sporting San Miguelito.