

## FC Cincinnati (USA) vs. Tigres UANL (MEX)

## **TQL Stadium (USA)**

FC Cincinnati and Tigres UANL will face each other for the first time in the Concacaf Champions Cup.



FC Cincinnati will compete in the Round of 16 for the second consecutive time, having lost both matches in its last appearance with a 1-0 and 2-1 defeat against CF Monterrey.

Every time FC Cincinnati scored the opening goal in a Concacaf Champions Cup match, they emerged victorious, winning 2-0 and 4-0 against Cavalier, and 4-1 against FC Motagua in Round One of 2024 and 2025.

FC Cincinnati has recorded all three possible home results in the Concacaf Champions Cup with one win, one draw, and one loss. They secured a 4-0 victory against Cavalier in Round One of 2024, fell 1-0 to CF Monterrey in the 2024 Round of 16, and drew 1-1 against FC Motagua in Round One of 2025.

Besides facing CF Monterrey in the 2024 Round of 16, the club has also taken on other Liga MX teams in the Leagues Cup, including CD Guadalajara, Querétaro FC, and Santos Laguna, eliminating all of them in the 2023 and 2024 editions.

Concacaf Champions Cup appearances in all formats included 2 in 2024 and 2025.

Best result: Round of 16 in 2024 and 2025.

**Concacaf Champions Cup record in all formats included** 6 matches played, 3 wins, 1 draw, 2 losses, 12 goals for, and 5 goals against.

**Top scorers**: Pavel Bucha from the Czech Republic with 2, Kévin Denkey from Togo with 2, Luciano Acosta from Argentina with 1, Gerardo Valenzuela from the USA with 1, Aaron Boupendza from Gabon with 1, Sergio Santos from Brazil with 1, Alvas Powell from Jamaica with 1, Isaiah Foster from the USA with 1, Malik Pinto from the USA with 1, Evander from Brazil with 1.

**Most appearances**: Roman Celentano from the USA 5, Pavel Bucha from the Czech Republic 5, Miles Robinson from the USA 5, Yuya Kubo from Japan 5, Alvas Powell from Jamaica 5, Corey Baird from the USA 5, Matt Miazga from the USA 4, Ian Murphy from the USA 4, Luciano Acosta from Argentina 4, Gerardo Valenzuela from the USA 4, Sergio Santos from Brazil 4, Obinna Nwobodo from Nigeria 4, Bret Halsey from the USA 4.

**Since 2008-2009**: 5 matches with goals, 1 scoreless game, 2 clean sheets, 4 matches conceding goals, and no goalless draws.

Penalty shootouts since 2008-2009: zero.

Hat-tricks: zero.

Round of 16 appearances: 2 in 2024 against CF Monterrey and 2025 against Tigres UANL.

Round of 16 record: 2 matches played, 0 wins, 0 draws, 2 losses, 1 goal for, and 3 goals against.

Top scorers in the Round of 16 since 2008-2009: Luciano Acosta from Argentina with 1.

**Concacaf Champions Cup 2025 record**: 2 matches played, 1 win, 1 draw, 0 losses, 5 goals for, and 2 goals against.

**Top scorers in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Pavel Bucha from the Czech Republic with 2, Kévin Denkey from Togo with 2, Evander from Brazil with 1.

**Assists in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Alvas Powell from Jamaica with 1, Evander from Brazil with 1, Lukas Ahlefeld Engel from Denmark with 1, Corey Baird from the USA with 1.

Saves in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2025: 8.

**Goalkeepers**: Roman Celentano from the USA with 5, Evan Louro from the USA with 3, 2 goals conceded, 0 clean sheets.

Goal types: open play 5.

Goals by foot: right-footed 3, left-footed 1.

Goals by distance: inside the box 3, outside the box 2.

Goal attempts 29. Shots on target 13.

**Fastest goal in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Kévin Denkey at 18 minutes and 32 seconds against FC Motagua in Round One, Second Leg.

## Players to watch:

**Kévin Denkey from Togo**. Scored in both legs of the Round One series against FC Motagua. The Togolese striker also led the team in shots in the first leg in Honduras with 7. Denkey is now tied with Pavel Bucha from the Czech Republic as FC Cincinnati's all-time top scorer in the Concacaf Champions Cup.

**Pavel Bucha from the Czech Republic**. One of the standout performers, scoring a brace against FC Motagua with just 3 shots. The Czech midfielder completed 69 accurate passes across the two-leg series with an 88 percent pass completion rate.

**Miles Robinson from the USA**. The defender is set to reach 15 appearances in the Concacaf Champions Cup across five editions with Atlanta United and Cincinnati. He has played both matches in this edition, maintaining an impressive 97 percent passing accuracy.





Tigres UANL has played in the Round of 16 six times, maintaining a perfect record with 100 percent efficiency. Sixteen of their 20 goals at this stage have been scored at home. In the 2018 edition, they eliminated CS Herediano, in 2019 they overcame Deportivo Saprissa, in 2020 they knocked out Alianza FC, and in the last two editions (2023 and 2024), they defeated Orlando City.

Tigres UANL has won 11 of their last 19 matches in the Concacaf Champions Cup. During this span, they have suffered only two defeats, falling 3-1 against Club León in the 2023 semifinals and 1-0 away to Real Estelí in Round One of 2025.

The 2020 Concacaf Champions Cup winners recorded three draws in their away matches during the 2024 edition, drawing 1-1 against Vancouver, 0-0 against Orlando City, and 1-1 against Columbus Crew.

Tigres UANL has secured just three wins in their last 15 away matches, with victories of 2-0 against Houston Dynamo, 1-0 against New York City, and 1-0 against Motagua in the 2019, 2020, and 2023 quarterfinals, respectively.

Concacaf Champions Cup appearances in all formats included 12 in 1979, 1981, 1983, 2012-2013, 2015-2016, 2016-2017, 2018, 2019, 2020, 2023, 2024, and 2025.

**Best result**: Champions in 2020, runners-up in 2015-2016, 2016-2017, and 2019.

**Concacaf Champions Cup record in all formats included** 70 matches played, 35 wins, 20 draws, 15 losses, 124 goals for, and 104 goals against.

**Top scorers**: André-Pierre Gignac from France with 20, Enner Valencia from Ecuador with 10, Eduardo Vargas from Chile with 7, Luis Quiñones from Colombia with 6, Alan Pulido from Mexico with 4.

**Most appearances**: Nahuel Guzmán from Argentina 42, Guido Pizarro from Argentina 38, Jesús Dueñas from Mexico 36, Javier Aquino from Mexico 36, André-Pierre Gignac from France 34, Hugo Ayala from Mexico 32, Luis Quiñones from Colombia 30.

**Since 2008-2009**: 48 matches with goals, 10 scoreless games, 22 clean sheets, 36 matches conceding goals, and 4 goalless draws.

Penalty shootouts since 2008-2009: one loss. Lost 4-3 against Columbus Crew in the 2024 quarterfinals.

**Hat-tricks: two**. Alan Pulido against Alajuelense in the 2012-2013 group stage. Enner Valencia against Saprissa in the 2019 Round of 16.

**Round of 16 appearances**: 6 in 2018 against Herediano, 2019 against Deportivo Saprissa, 2020 against Alianza FC, 2023 and 2024 against Orlando City, and 2025 against FC Cincinnati.

**Round of 16 record**: 10 matches played, 4 wins, 4 draws, 2 losses, 20 goals for, and 12 goals against.



**Top scorers in the Round of 16 since 2008-2009**: Enner Valencia from Ecuador with 6, André-Pierre Gignac from France with 3, Sebastián Córdova from Mexico with 2.

**Concacaf Champions Cup 2025 record**: 2 matches played, 1 win, 0 draws, 1 loss, 3 goals for, and 1 goal against.

**Top scorers in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Jonathan Ozziel Herrera from Mexico with 1, Diego Lainez from Mexico with 1, Juan Pablo Vigón from Mexico with 1.

**Assists in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Javier Aquino from Mexico with 1, Juan Ignacio Brunetta from Argentina with 1.

Saves in the Concacaf Champions Cup 2025: 6.

**Goalkeepers**: Fernando Tapia from Mexico with 4, Nahuel Guzmán from Argentina with 2, 2 goals conceded, 1 clean sheet.

Goal types: open play 3.

Goals by foot: right-footed 2, left-footed 1.

Goals by distance: inside the box 3, outside the box 0.

Goal attempts 18. Shots on target 11.

**Fastest goal in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Jonathan Ozziel Herrera at 1 minute and 46 seconds against Real Estelí in Round One, Second Leg.

## Players to watch:

**Diego Lainez from Mexico**. Scored in the last match against Real Estelí and was the player with the most passes in the Round One series against the Nicaraguan side with 108. He also registered 4 ball recoveries and completed 94 percent of his passes.

**Juan Ignacio Brunetta from Argentina**. Provided 1 assist and had a 95 percent passing accuracy in Round One. He was the team's top shooter with 5 attempts in the second leg against Real Estelí.

**Nicolás Ibáñez from Argentina**. Led the team in shots with 5 against Real Estelí in Round One of 2025. The Argentine has scored 1 goal in 12 appearances across the last three editions, netting against FC Motagua in 2023.

**Ozziel Herrera from Mexico**. Reached 3 goals in the Concacaf Champions Cup, scoring his second with Tigres. His first goal came while playing for Atlas FC in 2023.

**Juan Pablo Vigón from Mexico**. Scored his second goal in the Concacaf Champions Cup, both as a Tigres player. His goal marked the club's 115th in tournament history since 1979.

