



Dep. Saprissa (CRC) vs. Municipal (GUA)

Group D, Estadio Ricardo Saprissa, San Juan de Tibás, August 29, 2024

Deportivo Saprissa, second in Group D, will face Municipal in a crucial match for the first time in the Central American Cup. Saprissa has 6 points and for Municipal, it's a must-win game.

In the past, Saprissa and Municipal have faced each other 23 times, with Saprissa securing 8 wins, 10 draws, and 4 losses. The last time Municipal won an official match against Saprissa was with a 1-0 score in the 2004 Interclub Cup cuadrangular on December 5, 2004, with a goal from the legendary Guillermo "Pando" Ramírez.

The last victory of Deportivo Saprissa against Municipal was 4-1 in the single match of the Scotiabank Concacaf League on November 5, 2020, with four goals by Johan Venegas (now a player for AD Guanacasteca) and for Municipal, the Argentine Ramiro Rocca scored in the current edition of the CCAC.

Deportivo Saprissa, when facing Guatemalan clubs in official tournaments, has played 82 matches, winning 36, losing 18, and drawing 26, while Municipal against Costa Rican opponents has a record of 54 matches with 13 wins, 23 losses, and 18 draws.

Concacaf Champions Cup, Scotiabank Concacaf League results:

- Saprissa 2-2 Municipal (Odir Jacques and Luis Solano; Leonardo McNish and Julio Anderson), Third Round (first leg) National Stadium, San José (October 5, 1975).
- Municipal 0-0 (5-6) Saprissa, Third Round (second leg) Doroteo Guamuch Flores Stadium, Guatemala City (October 12, 1975).
- Municipal 1-2 Saprissa (Omar Sanzogni; Wilberth Barquero and Hernán Morales), Third Round (first leg) Doroteo Guamuch Flores Stadium, Guatemala City (July 10, 1977).
- Saprissa 1-0 Municipal (Carlos Santana), Third Round (second leg) Ricardo Saprissa Stadium, San Juan de Tibás (July 24, 1977).
- Municipal 0-0 Saprissa, Final Round, Doroteo Guamuch Flores Stadium, Guatemala City (December 3, 1993).
- Saprissa 1-0 Municipal (Vicente Wanchope), Group A, National Stadium, San José (December 15, 1995).



Deportivo Saprissa (CRC)

Deportivo Saprissa won 3 of their last 4 Central American Cup matches: 4-0 against Motagua (in the Play-In 2023), 5-0 against Guanacasteca, and 3-2 against Managua in Group D of 2024. They remain undefeated at home with 4 wins and 1 draw, and they didn't concede any goals in those wins.

Deportivo Saprissa was the team that scored the most headers in the 2023 edition (5), in the CCAC 2024 they scored 9 goals but none by heading (7 from play, 1 from a penalty, and 1 own goal).

Best result in the CCAC: quarterfinals 2023.

Record in the CCAC: GP-11 W-6 D-3 L-2 (GF- 27 GA-9). *Includes Play-in matches.

Top scorers in the CCAC: Javon East (JAM) 6, Orlando Sinclair (CRC) 5, Ariel Rodríguez (CRC) 5, Jefferson Brenes (CRC) 3, Michael Chirinos (HON) 2.

Assists in the CCAC: Javon East (JAM) 4, Jorkaef Azofeifa (CRC) 2, Ariel Rodríguez (CRC) 2, Ulises Segura (CRC) 2, Orlando Sinclair (CRC) 1, Jefferson Brenes (CRC), Kendall Weston (CRC), Michael Chirinos (HON), David Guzmán (CRC), Mariano Torres (ARG), Jeffry Valverde (CRC).

Saves in the CCAC: Esteban Alvarado (CRC) 39 (5 in the 2024 edition).

Highest scoring victories: 5-0 vs. Cobán Imperial (Ariel Rodríguez, Javon East x2, and Orlando Sinclair), Group A, Ricardo Saprissa Stadium, San Juan (August 29, 2023); 5-0 vs. Guanacasteca (Javon East, Luis Díaz, Orlando Sinclair, Jefferson Brenes, and Mariano Torres), Group D, Ricardo Saprissa Stadium, San Juan (July 31, 2024).

Record in the CCAC 2024: GP-3 W-2 D-0 L-1 (GF-9 GA-4).

Top scorers in the 2024 edition: Jefferson Brenes (CRC) 2, Javon East (JAM) 2, Mariano Torres (ARG) 1, Luis Díaz (CRC), Orlando Sinclair (CRC), Ariel Rodríguez (CRC).

Assists in the 2024 edition: Javon East (JAM) 2, Mariano Torres (ARG) 1, Jeffry Valverde (CRC), Ariel Rodríguez (CRC).

Goal scoring opportunities (38). Shots on target (14).

Players to watch:

Javon East (JAM). He has scored two goals and has two assists in the CCAC 2024. The Jamaican striker has played in 11 matches, scoring 6 goals and providing 4 assists.

Jefferson Brenes (CRC). Scored goals in the victories (vs. AD Guanacasteca and Managua FC) and leads the team in shots with (8). The midfielder has scored 3 goals and 1 assist in the CCAC.

Ariel Rodríguez (CRC). Scored the latest goal (penalty vs. Real Estelí). The forward has scored 5 goals and 2 assists in 8 matches in the CCAC. In international club tournaments, he has scored 13 goals in 27 appearances.



CSD Municipal (GUA)

CSD Municipal, making their debut in the CCAC, will look to secure their second consecutive victory after defeating AD Guanacasteca 3-1.

Their last away win in Concacaf club tournaments was a 4-0 victory over Vega Real (José Martínez, César Archila, Renato Sequén, and Matías Rotondi) in the Preliminary Round of the Scotiabank Concacaf League 2022.

Record in the CCAC: GP-3 W-1 D-1 L-1 (GF-4 GA-3).

Top scorers in the CCAC: Pedro Altán (GUA) 1, Rudy Barrientos (GUA), José Martínez (GUA).

Assists in the CCAC: Rudy Barrientos (GUA) 1.

Saves in the CCAC: Alejandro Medina (ARG) 4.

Highest scoring victory: 3-1 vs. AD Guanacasteca (Rudy Barrientos, Anthony Monreal own goal, and José Martínez; José Pablo Córdoba), Group D, Pensativo Stadium, Antigua (August 15, 2024).

Goal scoring opportunities (24). Shots on target (6).

Players to watch:

José Martínez (GUA). Scored the latest goal for Municipal against AD Guanacasteca. The forward, born in Livingston, has scored 2 goals in his 6 appearances in Concacaf club tournaments. In the Concacaf qualifiers for the FIFA World Cup 2026, he scored a goal in two appearances for Guatemala.

Rudy Barrientos (GUA). He has scored a goal and provided an assist; he is also the team leader in shots (142) and ball recoveries (8) in the 3 matches.

Ramiro Rocca (ARG). Has scored 3 goals in 5 appearances in the history of the CCAC. The Argentine striker has scored 11 goals in 16 international matches.