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| **FACTS** |

* **First matchup in history and in the Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League, SCCL.**
* **The U.S. teams have 50% of victories in the SCCL (Champions ERA) duels against rivals from Costa Rica (16 of 32 total matches).**  In addition, there were 11 wins for Costa Rican clubs and 5 draws.
* **U.S. teams have won the last 7 matches against Costa Rican rivals in the SCCL:**
* Atlanta United USA vs. Herediano CRC (4-0 in R16 2019), New York City USA vs. AD San Carlos CRC (3-5 and 1-0 in R16 2020), Atlanta United USA vs. Alajuelense CRC (0-1 and 1-0 in R16 2021), Philadelphia Union USA vs. Dep. Saprissa CRC (0-1 and 4-0 in R16 2021).
* **The last win for a Costa Rican club against an American rival in the SCCL** was (3-1) Herediano vs. Atlanta United USA (José Ortiz, Randall Azofeifa and Óscar Granados; Julian Gressel) in the R16 match of the 2019 edition.

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|  | **SANTOS DE GUÁPILES (CRC)** |

**Highlights of SANTOS DE GUÁPILES in the history of the SCCL:**

* **Santos, along with Forge FC (CAN) and Cavaly AS (HAI), will be the debutant teams in the 2022 Concacaf Champions League.**  Santos de Guápiles has participated internationally in the 2002 UNCAF Interclub Cup and the 2017, 2018 and 2021 Scotiabank Concacaf League.
* **Osvaldo Rodríguez (CRC)** was a main piece of Santos de Guápiles in the 2021 Scotiabank Concacaf League where he scored 2 goals, 4 assists and was elected to the ideal XI of the competition. The experienced midfielder played 2 editions of SCCL with Alajuelense CRC (2013/14 and 2014/15). With 4 goals, he is the club's top scorer in international competitions (2 goals in the SCL 2017 and 2 in the SCL 2021).
* **Pablo Arboine (CRC).** Runner-up in the Concacaf Scotiabank League in 2017. His only participation in the Concacaf Champions League Scotiabank was in the 2020 edition when in the R16, he faced New York City (USA) as a player of AD San Carlos (CRC).
* **Juan Diego Madrigal (CRC)** is the Santos de Guápiles player with the most international matches (16). Madrigal played 100% of Santos' matches in the Concacaf League: 2017 editions -runner-up- (8 GP), 2018 (2 GP) and 2021 (6 GP).
* **Santos de Guápiles has played in 3 editions of the Scotiabank SCL Concacaf League, (16 matches between the 2017, 2018 and 2021 editions).**  Their international results with the biggest difference in the score were in the SCL 2017 and 2021: victories 6-2 vs. San Juan Jabloteh (TRI) in R16 of the 2017 edition, and 5-1 vs Verdes FC (BLZ) in the Preliminary Round of the 2021 edition.
* **APPEARANCES:** 1st (2022).

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|  | **NEW YORK CITY (USA)** |

# **Highlights of New York City in the history of SCCL:**

* **100% of the goals and points achieved by NYCFC in the Scotiabank SCCL Concacaf Champions League were in the knockout stages** (6 goals vs. AD San Carlos in the 3-5 and 1-0 victories in the Round Of 16 of the 2020 edition).
* **NYFC did not add up points or scored in his last 2 SCCL games.**  Both were defeated 0-1 and 4-0 vs. Tigres UANL (MEX) in the Quarterfinals of the 2020 edition.
* **New York City scored 83.3% of its CONCACAF Champions League goals in 1 of the 4 matches played**, in its only and previous participation in the 2020 edition (in the 3-5 victory vs. AD San Carlos in the knockout stages).
* **Peru's Alexander Callens was the author of New York City's only headed goal in their only SCCL appearance** (vs. AD San Carlos in 2020). This goal scored by the defender is the club's only home goal in the history of the tournament.
* **Romania's Alexandru Mitrita is the team's assists leader in SCCL (2).** In addition, Anton Tinnerholm (SUE) and Ronald Matarrita (CRC) provided 1 assist.
* **Argentina's Valentín "Taty" Castellanos was the top figure of New York City's 2021 Major League Soccer Championship.**  Winner of the MVP Award of the League, he won the Golden Boot with 19 goals and became the top scorer of the tournament and integrated the Ideal XI of the MLS 2021.
* **Maximiliano Moralez (ARG) was the team's assists leader in MLS 2021 (11 in 34 games).**  The Argentine was present in the first participation of NYCFC in 2020 playing 4 games.
* **Heber Araujo (BRA) has an average of 1.5 goals per game in the SCCL** (3 in 2 appearances in 2020). He scored a hat-trick in the knockout stages in 2020.
* **APPEARANCES:** 2nd (2020 and 2022).
* **BEST RESULT:** Quarterfinals in 2020.
* **LAST PARTICIPATION:** 2020 (QF).
* **SCCL DEBUT: First leg** 2020 Knockout stage with a 3-5 win vs. AD San Carlos CRC (Jorman Aguilar, Marcos Mena and Omar Browne; Heber x3, Alexander Callens and Alexandru Mitrita) at the Estadio Alejandro Morera Soto (20-FEB-2020).
* **QUALIFICATION METHOD:** 2021 MLS CUP Champions. They beat Portland Timbers (USA) 4-2 in the Finals on penalties (after equalizing 1-1 in extra time).
* **HISTORICAL RECORD IN SCCL:** GP-4 W-2 T-0 L-2 (GF-6 GA-8). 50% effectiveness.
* **OVERALL VISITOR RECORD:** GP-2 W-1 T-0 L-1 (GF-5 GA-7). 50% effectiveness.
* **TOP SCORERS IN THE HISTORY OF SCCL:** Heber Araujo (BRA) 3 goals, Alexander Callens (PER) 2 goals and Alexandru Mitrita (ROU) 1 goal.
* **TOP SCORERS IN R16:** Heber Araujo (BRA) 3 goals and Alexander Callens (PER) 2 goals.
* **TOP SCORERS PER SEASON (+ 1 goal):** Heber Araujo (BRA) 3 goals in 2020.
* **PLAYERS WITH MOST PRESENCES:** Maximiliano Moralez (ARG), Jesús Medina (PAR), Valentín Castellanos (ARG), Anton Tinnerholm (SUE), Maxime Chanot (LUX), Ronald Matarrita (CRC) and Alexander Callens (PER) - **4**.
* **HAT-TRICKS IN SCCL (1):** Heber Araujo (BRA) vs. AD San Carlos (CRC) in Round Of 16 of the 2020 edition.
* **BRACE IN SCCL (0):**
* **LAST DOUBLE IN SCCL:** 0
* **YOUNGEST SCORER:** Alexandru Mitrita (ROU) vs. AD San Carlos (CRC) 25 years and 13 days in the 3-5 knockout win in 2020.
* **OLDEST SCORER:** Heber Araujo vs. AD San Carlos (CRC) at 28 years, 6 months and 11 days in a 3-5 knockout win in 2020.
* **LAST WIN:** 3-5 vs. AD San Carlos -CRC- (Jorman Aguilar, Marcos Mena and Omar Browne; Heber Araujo x3, Alexander Callens and Alexandru Mitrita) in the knockout stages in 2020 at the Estadio Alejandro Morera Soto (20 Feb 2020).
* **DEFEAT WITH MOST GOALS AGAINST:** 4-0 vs. Tigres UANL (MEX) in the 2020 Concacaf Champions League.
* **PENALTY DEFINITIONS:** (0). **WON:** 0.  **LOST:** 0.
* **Records 2 games with a goal scored, 2 matches in which they could not score, 1 clean sheet, 3 matches with goals received and 0 results 0-0.**
* **RECORD IN THE FIRST LEG GAMES IN THE KO PHASE OF SCCL:** GP-2 W-1 T-0 L-1. Total: 50% efficacy.