



## CS Herediano (CRC) vs. Pachuca (MEX)

Wednesday, April 3, 2024, National Stadium, San José, CRC.

They will face each other for the first time in the CCC. For CS Herediano, it will be the first match against a Mexican team in the quarterfinals.

For CS Herediano, it will be match #27 in the history of the CCC against Liga MX opponents. CS Herediano only managed four victories against Universidad de Guadalajara in 1989, Club León in 2014, CF América in 2015, and against Toluca in 2024.

Series against Liga MX opponents in the CCC GP-27 W-4 D-8 L-14

CS Herediano has 3 victories in their last 11 encounters against Liga MX rivals (3W-3D-5L). The top scorers against Mexican clubs are **Yendrick Ruiz** (CRC), **Jonathan Hansen** (ARG), and Jairo Arrieta (CRC), all with 2 goals.

For CF Pachuca, it will be the ninth match against Costa Rican opponents W-4 D-2 L-2.

CF Pachuca only lost twice against Costa Rican opponents in the CCC, against Alajuelense in the semifinals in 2002 (2-1) away and won (2-0) at home with an aggregate score of (3-2), and against Deportivo Saprissa in the quarterfinals in 2004. Saprissa won (2-0) in San José and Pachuca (2-0) in Hidalgo, then a draw (2-2) in the aggregate, and Deportivo Saprissa won (3-2) in penalties.

CF Pachuca is unbeaten in their last 5 encounters against Costa Rican clubs (3W-2D).

All CF Pachuca matches against Costa Rican clubs were in the knockout stage (once in the semifinal, twice in the quarterfinals, once in the final against Deportivo Saprissa in 2007-08 (1-1) in the first leg in San José, 2-1 in Hidalgo, and Pachuca won on penalties (3-2).

CF Pachuca never won on Costa Rican soil, lost twice (2x1 against Alajuelense in 2002 and 2x0 against Saprissa in 2004), and drew twice (1x1 against Deportivo Saprissa in 2008 and 0x0 in 2017). Only Andrés Chitiva (COL) in 2002 and Luis Gabriel Rey (COL) in 2008 have scored goals for CF Pachuca in Costa Rica, 1 goal each. The top scorers against Costa Rican clubs are **Gabriel Álvez** (URU) and **Luis Gabriel Rey** (COL), both with 2 goals.



## CS Herediano (CRC)

CS Herediano advanced to the quarterfinals after defeating SV Robinhood from Suriname with an aggregate score of 3-1.

CS Herediano has scored goals in each of their last 14 home games in the Concacaf Champions League since the 0-0 draw against LA Galaxy in the quarterfinals in 2012/13.

**Participations in the Concacaf Champions League (Since 1962):** 16 (1962, 1975, 1980, 1987, 1989, 1994, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2013/14, 2014/15, 2015/16, 2016/17, 2018, 2019, 2024).

**Best Result:** Semifinalist 2014/15.

**Record in the Concacaf Champions League (Since 1962):** GP-72 W-30 D-18 L-24 (GF-119 GA-114).

**Top scorers in CCC history:** Yendrick Ruiz (CRC) 10, Jorge Barbosa De Lima (BRA) 6, Víctor Núñez (CRC) 4, Allen Guevara (CRC) 4.

**Players with the most appearances in the CCC (since 2008/09):** Pablo Salazar (CRC) 26, Óscar Granados (CRC) 25, José Sánchez (CRC) 24, Christian Montero (CRC) 24, Elías Aguilar (CRC) 24.

**CS Herediano Since 2008/09:** Has been able to score goals in 32 matches, kept 14 clean sheets, conceded goals in 30 games, and has drawn four times (0-0).

**Record in first leg matches in the KO Phase (since 2008/09):** GP-9 W-4 D-3 L-2.

Penalty shootouts: 0

**Hat-tricks:** 0. Quarterfinal participations: 2012/13 (vs. LA Galaxy), 2014/15 (vs. Olimpia), and 2024 (vs. Pachuca).

**Quarterfinal record:** GP-4 W-1 D-2 L-1.

**Top scorers in Quarterfinals:** Cristhian Lagos (CRC) 2, Elías Aguilar (CRC) 1, Esteban Oscar Granados (CRC) 1.

**Record in CCC 2024:** GP-4 W-2 D-1 L-1 (GF-7 GA-5).

**Top scorers in CCC Cup 2024:** Adrián Garza (MEX) 2, Deyver Vega (CRC) 1, Joshua Canales (HON) 1, Francisco Rodríguez (CRC) 1, Andy Rojas (CRC) 1, Getsel Montes (HON) 1.

**Assists in CCC 2024:** Orlando Galo (CRC) 2, Joshua Canales (HON) 1, Aaron Murillo (CRC) 1, Yeltsin Tejeda (CRC) 1, Haxzel Quirós (CRC) 1.

**Saves in CCC 2024:** 9. **Goalkeepers:** Aarón Cruz (CRC) 8, Alexandre Lezcano (CRC) 1. (5 goals conceded - 1 clean sheet).



**How the goals were scored:** from play (7), header (1).

**Goal-scoring opportunities** (41). Shots on target (23).

**Players to watch:**

**Adrián Garza (MEX).** Scored 2 of the 3 goals in the round of 16 against SV Robinhood coming off the bench, has made 4 shots in his 3 appearances (50% effectiveness). Garza became the Mexican player with the most goals for the club in the history of the CCC.

**Andy Rojas (CRC).** Is the team's player with the most shots (7). The 18-year-old forward scored a goal against Toluca in Round One 2024 against Comunicaciones FC in the Central American Cup 2023.

**Elías Aguilar (CRC).** The team captain has 31 international appearances in Concacaf club tournaments, and 3 goals scored. In 4 appearances in CCC 2024, he has 5 shots, 122 passes. He was the player with the most shots in Round One against Toluca (4).



## **Pachuca (MEX)**

Pachuca returns to the quarterfinals since 2016/17 when they were crowned champions. The 3 times they reached the quarterfinals were in 2009/10 (vs. Comunicaciones FC), 2014/15 (vs. FC Montreal CAN), and 2016/17 (vs. Saprissa).

The former Concacaf Champion has qualified for the quarterfinals for the ninth time in the CCC, out of the previous 8, they surpassed the round six times and were only eliminated twice by Deportivo Saprissa in 2004 and CF Montreal in 2015.

They drew 4 of the last 6 matches in the Concacaf Champions League.

CF Pachuca has an unbeaten streak of 7 matches in the CCC (W-3-D-4): 3-1 vs. FC Dallas (SF 2016/17), 1-1, 1-0 vs. Tigres UANL (Final 2016/17), 0-0, 1-1 vs. FC Motagua (R16 2023), 0-0 and 6-0 vs. Philadelphia Union (R16 2024).

**Participations in the Concacaf Champions League (Since 1962):** 10 (2000, 2002, 2004, 2007, 2008, 2009/10, 2014/15, 2016/17, 2023, 2024).

**Best result since 2008/09:** Champion (2) 2009/10, 2016/17.

**Record in the Concacaf Champions League (Since 1962):** GP-58 W-33 D-14 L-11 (GF-114 GA-115).

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

**Players with the most appearances in the CCC (since 2008/09):** Érick Gutiérrez (MEX) 14, Hirving Lozano (MEX) 13, Edgar Benítez (PAR) 13, Alfonso Blanco (MEX) 12, Javier Muñoz Mustafá (ARG) 12, Gerardo Rodríguez (MEX) 12, Damián Manso (ARG) 12, Juan Carlos Rojas (MEX) 12.

**CF Pachuca Since 2008/09:** Has been able to score goals in 31 games, only in 3 they couldn't score, kept 17 clean sheets, conceded goals in 17, and drew 3 times with a score of (0-0).

**Record in the first leg match in the KO Phase (since 2008/09):** GP-9 W-1 D-7 L-2.

**Penalty shootouts:** In 2004, lost 3-0 vs. Saprissa in the Quarterfinals after a 2-2 draw in the aggregate score. In 2007, defeated (7-6) CD Guadalajara and became champion after a 2-2 draw in the final.

**Hat-tricks:** Hirving Lozano (4 goals) vs. Police United (Group E - 2016/17), Abraham Carreño vs. Municipal (Group 1 - 2014/15), and Ulises Mendivil vs. Deportivo Jalapa (2009/10), Salomón Rondón vs. Philadelphia Union (round of 16 2024).

**Participations in the quarterfinals:** 2000 (vs. Joe Public), 2002 (vs. San José Earthquakes), 2004 (vs. Saprissa), 2007 (vs. Marquense), 2008 (vs. Motagua), 2009/10 (vs. Comunicaciones FC), 2014/15 (vs. FC Montreal), 2016/17 (vs. Saprissa), and 2024 (vs. Herediano).

**Quarterfinal record:** GP-15 W-8 D-5 L-2.

**Top scorers in the quarterfinals:** Luis Montes (MEX) 3, Gabriel Álvez (URU) 2, Gabriel Caballero (MEX) 2, Paúl Aguilar (MEX) 2.

**Record in the CCC 2024:** GP-2 W-1 D-1 L-0 (GF-6 GA-0).

**Top scorers in the CCC 2024:** Salomón Rondón (VEN) 3, Nelson Deossa (COL) 1, Oussama Idrissi (NED) 1, Alán Bautista (MEX) 1.

**Assists in the CCC 2024:** Érick Sánchez (MEX) 2, Oussama Idrissi (NED) 1, Miguel Rodríguez (MEX) 1, Salomón Rondón (VEN) 1.

**Saves in the CCC 2024:** 5. Goalkeepers: Carlos Moreno (MEX) 5. (0 goals conceded - 2 clean sheets).

**Goal-scoring opportunities (36).** Shots on target (14).

### Players to Watch:

**Salomón Rondón (VEN).** Scored his first 3 goals in the CCC and equaled his compatriot Juan Arango as the 2 only Venezuelans to score a Hat-trick for CF Pachuca (MEX) since 1962. Arango scored his Hat-Trick on March 27, 2002, against Defence Force (TRI). It had been 21 years and 351 days. Rondón is the third CF Pachuca player to score a hat-trick in the CCC, the others are Ulises Mendivil and Hirving Lozano.

**Érick Sánchez (MEX).** Had 2 assists in Pachuca's last match. He was the player with the most shots (5) in the first match against Philadelphia Union (2 on target and 3 off target). The midfielder was a Champion in the CCC with CF Pachuca in 2016/17.

**Oussama Idrissi (NED).** Made (6) shots in Pachuca's last match. The forward scored 1 goal, 1 assist, and 36 passes in the 6-0 victory against Philadelphia Union in the round of 16. Idrissi became the first European footballer to score a goal for CF Pachuca in the history of the tournament, since their first participation in 2001.