



2024 CONCACAF W Gold Cup

El Salvador vs. Costa Rica / Group C

Shell Energy Stadium, Houston, TX

February 25

Costa Rica wins the series against El Salvador with 10 victories (including qualifiers for the Concacaf W Championships, Concacaf Women's Olympic Qualifying, and the Central American Sports Games).

Results:

- Costa Rica 3-0 El Salvador, Group stage - UNCAF Zone, Qualifiers for Concacaf W 2002 (6-AGO-2002).

- El Salvador 0-4 Costa Rica, Group stage - Central America Zone, Qualifiers for Concacaf W 2014 (22-MAY-2014).

- Costa Rica 11-0 El Salvador, Group stage - Central America Zone, Qualifiers for Concacaf W 2018 (27-AGO-2018).

- El Salvador 2-6 Costa Rica, Group stage - Central America Zone, Olympic Qualifiers London 2012.

- Costa Rica 3-0 El Salvador, Group stage - Central America Zone, Olympic Qualifiers Rio 2016.

- El Salvador 0-5 Costa Rica, Group stage - Central America Zone, Olympic Qualifiers Tokyo 2020.

Series in the Central American Games:

Costa Rica leads the series: GP-4 W-4 D-0 L-0 (GF-17 GA-3).



El Salvador (SLV)

El Salvador has won 8 of its last 9 matches (including Prelims for the W Gold Cup and the 2023 Central American and Caribbean Games). They only lost in the debut against Canada.

Brenda Cerén scored from the penalty spot in El Salvador's last 3 victories. She scored goals in the wins against Martinique (0-2) and Nicaragua (4-1), and against Guatemala (hat-trick) in the RTWGC.

Goal-scoring situations (3). Shots on target (3).

Saves: 6. Goalkeeper: Idalia Serrano (6). Clean sheets: 0 (6 goals conceded).

Record in RTWGC 2024: GP-6 W-6 D-0 L-0 (GF-24 GA-2).



Top scorers in RTWGC 2024: Brenda Cerén (5), Danya Gutiérrez (4), Samaria Gómez (4), Danielle Fuentes (4), Victoria Sánchez (3).

Assists: Brenda Cerén (3), Victoria Sánchez (2), Andrea Amaya (2), Danielle Fuentes (1), Samaria Gómez.

Players to watch:

- **Idalia Serrano:** Made 6 saves and 3 clearances against Canada. Made 6 saves against Guatemala in the Prelims. Made 11 saves, 4 clean sheets, and 15 clearances in RTWGC 2024.

- **Brenda Cerén:** Had the most shots (2) against Canada. Scored a hat-trick in the 3-1 win over Guatemala that secured qualification to the group stage.

- **Elaily Hernández:** Had (5) ball recoveries, three clearances, and 19 passes against Canada.

- **Danya Gutiérrez:** Came on as a substitute in the first half, replacing Danielle Fuentes. During her time on the pitch, she contributed 28 successful passes, 2 clearances, and 2 ball recoveries.

 **Costa Rica (CRC)**

In their last 3 matches, they have 2 victories, both in RTWGC 2024, where they scored 21 goals and conceded 1 (2-1 vs. Haiti and 0-19 vs. San Cristobal). Alexa Herrera (3) and Gloriana Villalobos (2) scored the goals in these victories.

Costa Rica kept a clean sheet in 4 of their last 8 matches across all competitions played (including RTWGC, Pan American Games).

They only drew in 2 of their last 19 matches. Both draws were 0-0 against Argentina and Bolivia in the Pan American Games Chile 2023.

Goal-scoring situations in Concacaf W (10). Shots on target (6).

Saves: 6. Goalkeeper: Daniela Solera (6). Clean sheets: 0 (1 goal conceded).

Record in RTWGC 2024: GP-4 W-3 D-0 L-1 (GF-32 GA-2).

Top scorers in RTWGC 2024: María Paula Salas (7), Melissa Herrera (4), Priscila Chinchilla (3), Raquel Rodríguez (3), Gloriana Villalobos (3), Alexa Herrera (3).

Assists: Melissa Herrera (7), Gloriana Villalobos (4), Raquel Rodríguez (3), Alexandra Pinell González (3), Daniela Cruz (2).

Players to watch:

- **Gloriana Villalobos:** Had (3) shots, 4 corner kicks, and a passing accuracy of 90% against Paraguay.

- **María Paula Salas:** Had a shot on target in the defeat against Paraguay. Scored 7 goals in the victory against San Cristobal (0-19) that secured the ticket to the group stage of the W Gold Cup 2024.



- **Raquel Rodríguez:** The team captain made 64 successful passes and 1 shot against Paraguay. Scored 3 goals and provided 3 assists in the victories (11-0 and 0-19) against San Cristobal in League A (Group C) in RTWGC 2024.

- **Daniela Solera:** Made 4 saves, 1 clearance, 20 successful passes, and conceded a goal against Paraguay. Kept a clean sheet in the first 45 minutes of play. Played 3 matches in the FIFA Women's World Cup Australia/New Zealand 2023, where she stood out as the goalkeeper with the most saves in the group stage with (28).