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## Seattle Sounders FC (USA) vs. Antigua GFC (GUA)

Seattle Sounders won 3-1 in their first-ever Concacaf Champions Cup matchup on February 19, 2025, at Estadio Pensativo in Antigua, Guatemala, with goals from Paul Arriola, Pedro De La Vega, and Albert Rusnák, while Óscar Santis scored for Antigua GFC.

Antigua GFC remains winless in the Concacaf Champions Cup (L-3 D-2) and has now suffered back-to-back defeats, matching Juventud Retalteca (1981, 1986) and CD Guastatoya (2019, 2022) as the Guatemalan clubs with the most editions without a victory in tournament history (since 1962), all with two participations.



Seattle Sounders FC will look to secure their spot in the Round of 16, just as they did in 2022, the year they claimed the title. They have advanced in 2 of their 3 previous Round of 16 appearances, with their only elimination coming in a penalty shootout against CD Olimpia in 2020.

They won all four of their home matches in their historic title-winning campaign in 2022 (5-0 vs. FC Motagua, 3-0 vs. Club León, 3-1 vs. New York City, and 3-0 vs. Pumas UNAM). Seattle Sounders are unbeaten in their last 10 home matches (W-8 D-2).

Seattle Sounders have lost only 1 of their last 15 home games: a 1-0 defeat vs. Santos Laguna (Hérculez Gómez) in the first leg of the 2012/13 semifinals.

The 2022 champions recorded the highest goal efficiency rate (37.5%) in the first leg of Round One 2025.

**Appearances in the Concacaf Champions Cup** (all formats included): 9 (1996, 2010/11, 2011/12, 2012/13, 2015/16, 2018, 2020, 2022, 2025). \*Includes participation as Seattle Sounders in the 1996 Concacaf Champions Cup before the club's expansion into MLS as a franchise.

Best Result: Champion - 2022.

Concacaf Champions Cup Record (all formats included): GP-51 W-22 D-11 L-18 (GF-90 GA-76).

**Top Scorers:** Fredy Montero (COL) 9, Nicolás Lodeiro (URU) 7, Michael Fucito (USA) 5, Brad Evans (USA) 4, Lamar Neagle (USA) 4, Jordan Morris (USA) 4, Álvaro Fernández (URU) 4.

Most Appearances: Fredy Montero (COL) 25, Osvaldo Alonso (USA) 22, Leonardo González (CRC) 21, Cristian Roldán (USA) 21, Zach Scott (USA) 20.

**Since 2008/09:** recorded 38 matches with goals, 9 matches without scoring, 11 clean sheets, 36 matches conceding goals, and 1 match ending in a 0-0 draw.

**Penalty Shootouts (since 2008/09): 1** (1 loss). 4-2 vs. Olimpia (HON) in the 2020 Round of 16 after a 4-4 aggregate draw.

Hat-tricks: 0.

Round of 16 Appearances: 3 (2018 vs. Santa Tecla, 2020 vs. Olimpia, 2022 vs. FC Motagua).

**Top Scorers in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025:** Paul Arriola (USA) 1, Pedro De La Vega (ARG) 1, Albert Rusnák (SVK) 1.

Assists in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025: Jesus Ferreira (USA) 1, Obed Vargas (MEX) 1, Georgi Monoungou (CIV) 1.

Saves in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025: 3. Goalkeeper: Stefan Frei (SUI) 3 (1 goal conceded - 0 clean sheets).

Goal Type: Open play (3).

Right-footed goals: 3. Left-footed goals: 0.

Goals inside the box: 1. Goals from outside the box: 2.

Goal chances: 8. Shots on target: 3.

**Fastest goal in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025:** Paul Arriola (2' 37" vs. Antigua GFC - Round One - Leg 1).

## Players to Watch

**Stefan Frei (SUI).** Made 3 saves and 2 clearances in the first leg. Competing in his 8th tournament edition: 2009/10 (2 matches), 2010/11 (3), and 2011/12 (1) with Toronto FC, and 2015/16 (3 matches), 2018 (4), 2020 (2), 2022 (8), and 2025 (1 match) with Seattle Sounders. Played a decisive role in the 2022 title run, ranking among the top goalkeepers with 25 saves.

**Cristian Roldán (USA).** Has 21 Champions Cup appearances and led the 2022 edition in assists (5) while also topping the charts in successful passes (286). Additionally, he was the most-fouled player in the tournament with 17 fouls suffered.

**Paul Arriola (USA).** Scored his third goal in the Concacaf Champions Cup, his first with the MLS club, having previously netted twice for Tijuana (MEX) in 2013.

**Pedro De La Vega (ARG).** Scored his first goal in the tournament, marking the fastest goal in Seattle Sounders FC history in the competition.

**Albert Rusnák (CZE).** Netted his second goal in the tournament, which became the 90th goal in Seattle Sounders' Champions Cup history, further cementing their position as the highest-scoring U.S. club in the competition's history.



Antigua GFC will aim to qualify for the Round of 16 for the first time in Concacaf Champions Cup history. Additionally, they will complete their first-ever knockout stage after previously only



competing in the group stage in 2016/17.

Antigua GFC drew 1-1 away against Alianza FC (Óscar Guerrero; Mauro Portillo) in Group F of the 2016/17 edition at Estadio Cuscatlán in San Salvador.

Only once has a team overturned a two-goal or more home defeat in the first leg to advance in a two-legged knockout series: Toluca lost 4-1 against Club América but then won 4-0 in the return leg of the 2003 semifinals.

Antigua GFC will seek their first victory in Concacaf Champions Cup history after recording 2 draws and 3 losses since their debut in 2016/17 (part of Group F alongside New York Red Bulls and Alianza FC). They have scored 3 goals in their 5 previous matches (Mauro Portillo and Manfred Russell vs. Alianza FC, Óscar Santis vs. Seattle Sounders).

**Appearances in the Concacaf Champions Cup** (all formats included): 2 (2016/17, 2025).

Best Result: Group Stage (1) - 2016/17.

Concacaf Champions Cup Record (all formats included): GP-5 W-0 D-2 L-3 (GF-3 GA-10).

Top Scorers: Manfred Russell (CRC) 1, Mauro Portillo (GUA) 1, Óscar Santis (GUA) 1.

**Most Appearances**: José Carlos Pinto (GUA) 4, Hugo Acosta (COL) 4, Agustín Herrera (MEX) 4, Manfred Russell (CRC) 4, Alejandro Galindo (GUA) 4, Enrique Miranda (GUA) 4, Roberto Peña (COL) 3, Fabián Castillo (ARG) 3, Sixto Betancourt (GUA) 3, Fredy Thompson (GUA) 3.

**Since 2008/09:** recorded 3 matches with goals, 2 matches without scoring, 1 clean sheet, 4 matches conceding goals, and 1 match ending in a 0-0 draw.

Penalty Shootouts (since 2008/09): 0.

Hat-tricks: 0.

Round of 16 Appearances: 0.

Top Scorers in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025: Óscar Santis (GUA) 1.

Assists in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025: Romário Luiz (BRA) 1.

**Saves in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: 2. Goalkeeper: Luis Morán (GUA) 2 (3 goals conceded - 0 clean sheets).

Goal Type: Open play (1).

Right-footed goals: 1. Left-footed goals: 0.

Goals inside the box: 1. Goals from outside the box: 0.

Goal chances: 14. Shots on target: 6.

**Fastest goal in Concacaf Champions Cup 2025**: Óscar Santis (23' 24" vs. Seattle Sounders - Round One - First Leg).

**Players to Watch** 



**Óscar Santis (GUA)**. The 2021 Scotiabank Concacaf League champion with Comunicaciones (3 goals in 10 appearances) scored Antigua GFC's only goal in a Champions Cup knockout stage. In addition to his goal, he registered 4 shots.

**Romário Da Silva (BRA)**. Took 2 shots and provided the assist for the goal against Seattle Sounders in the first leg of Round One 2025. The Brazilian stood out in the 2024 Central American Cup with 1 goal in 8 appearances.

**Alexander Robinson (CRC)**. Completed 34 successful passes, recorded 2 shots, and recovered 2 balls in the first leg of Round One. The defender has 32 international club appearances and 1 goal. He has competed in 6 Concacaf Champions Cup editions.

