

Vancouver vs. Real España

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|  |  |  | **March 8** |  |  |
|  | **10 PM ET** |
| Vancouver Whitecaps FC |  |  | **BC Place Stadium** |  | Real España |

It will be their first-time meeting in the Scotiabank Concacaf Champions League.

Teams from Canada and Honduras have met eight times in the SCCL, in which the Canadian teams have recorded four wins, two draws, and two losses.

Vancouver Whitecaps FC 

 **SCCL APPERANCES**: 3rd (2015/16, 2016/17, 2023).

 **DEBUT**: 2015/16 (Group Stage).

 **SCCL RECORD** (includes former Concacaf Champions Cup): G: 12 W-6 D-2 L-4 (GF-16 GA-12)

 **HOME RECORD**: G: 6 W-4 D-1 L-1 (GF-12 GA-4)

 **LAST PARTICIPATION**: 2016/17 (Semifinals) Eliminated by eventual champion Pachuca.

 **SCCL ERA RECORD**: G: 12 W-6 D-2 L-4 (GF-16 GA-12)

**SCCL ERA SCORERS**: Cristian Techera (URU) 5, Alphonso Davies (CAN) 2, Erik Hurtado (USA) 2.

 **PLAYERS WHO HAVE SCORED A BRACE IN THE SCCL ER**A: Cristian Techera (URU) vs. Sporting Kansas City USA and Central FC Trinidad and Tobago (Group C in 2016/17).

 **PLAYERS WITH THE MOST CAPS IN THE SCCL ERA**: Timothy Parker (USA) 11, Kendall Waston (CRC) 8, Russell Teibert (CAN) 7, Matías Laba (ARG)7, Alphonso Davies (CAN) 7.

 **HOW DID THEY CLASSIFY FOR SCCL 2023?** Champion of the 2022 Canadian Championship after defeating Toronto FC 5-3 on penalties after a 1-1 draw.

 **AWAY RECORD (SCCL ERA**): G-2 W-0 D-1 L-1

 **TOP PLAYERS**

 **Julian Gressel (USA)** Played in the SCCL in 2019 with Atlanta United, where he scored two goals in three games.

 **Brian White (USA**) was the top scorer for the Vancouver Whitecaps in the 2022 Canadian Championship with three goals.

Real España 

**SCCL APPEARANCES**: 16th (1975, 1976, 1981, 1987, 1989, 1990, 1991, 1992, 1993, 1995, 1997, 2000, 2009/10, 2011/12, 2014/15, 2023).

 **DEBUT**: 1975 (First Round).

 **SCCL RECORD** (includes former Concacaf Champions Cup): G: 69 W-28 W-13 P-26 (GF-97 GC-94)

 **AWAY RECORD IN THE SCCL**: G: 36 W-12 D-2 L-22 (GF-34 GA-67)

 **LAST PARTICIPATION**: 2014/15 (Group Phase).

 **BEST FINISH**: Group Stage (2009/10, 2011/12, 2014/15).

 **SCCL ERA RECORD**: G: 18 W-5 D-3 L-10 (GF-26 GA-38)

 **SCCL ERA SCORERS**: Carlos Pavón (HON) 8, Edder Delgado (HON) 4, Douglas Caetano (BRA) 4.

 **HAT-TRICKS IN THE SCCL ERA**: Carlos Pavón (HON) vs. Municipal Liberia in the Preliminary Round 2009/10 (victory 6-0). In addition, he scored a brace vs. Colorado Rapids in Group B in 2011/12. Douglas Caetano (BRA) and Edder Delgado (HON) scored a brace for Real España.

 **PLAYERS WITH THE MOST CAPS IN THE SCCL ERA**: Edder Delgado (HON) 14, Marcelo Macías (URU) 13, Carlos Pavón (HON) 13, Marlon Pena (HON) 12, Christian Martínez (HON) 9.

 **HOW DID THEY CLASSIFY FOR SCCL 2023?** SCL 2022 semi-finalist.

In 2000 they lost on penalty kicks (5-3) in the old Concacaf Champions Cup after drawing 0-0 against eventual champions LA Galaxy at Spartan Stadium in San José, California.

 **AWAY RECORD (SCCL ERA)**: G-1 W-0 D-0 L-1

Since the format change of the tournament in 2008/09, Real España only played one series in the knockout stage against Municipal Liberia (CRC) in 2009/10 (with an aggregate score of 6-3).

The 16 games after the Play-Offs against the Costa Ricans were in the group stage.

They lost their only first leg in the competition's history since the format change in 2008/09 3-0 vs. Municipal Liberia (Costa Rica) in the Preliminary Round in 2009/10.

 **TOP PLAYERS**

 **Ramiro Rocca (ARG)** was the top scorer of the SCL 2022 (6 goals)

 **Luis López (HON)**, the goalkeeper, played two games in the 2014-15 SCCL and made 22 saves in the 2022 SCL, where Real España was eliminated in the semifinals by LDA of Costa Rica.

 **Jhow Benavídez (HON)** was the SCL passing leader with (453) and played two games in the 2014-15 SCCL