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#### WHAT IS THE FIFA CLUB WORLD CUP?

A new era for club football will kick off in 2025 when FIFA stages the greatest, most inclusive and merit-based global club competition in history, bringing together the most successful club sides from every continent in the world. Featuring 32 clubs and 63 matches over 30 days, the FIFA Club World Cup 2025<sup>™</sup> will redefine how, when and where the true club champion is crowned. Every match of the 2025 edition will be broadcast live and free by **DAZN**, the world's leading sports entertainment platform.

#### WHEN WILL IT START?

The tournament will kick off on Saturday, June 14 2025 when reigning African champions AI Ahly FC face Lionel Messi's Inter Miami CF at the iconic Hard Rock Stadium in Miami, FL. The action commences at 8:00 p.m. (EDT).

#### WHEN IS THE FINAL?

The inaugural FIFA Club World Cup<sup>™</sup> winner will be crowned at MetLife Stadium in East Rutherford, NJ, on Sunday, July 13 2025. In a global city and before a global audience, the team that lifts FIFA's new and iconic FIFA Club World Cup trophy will hold the world of club football in their hands. The Final will start at 3:00 p.m. (EDT).

#### WHICH US CITIES WILL HOST MATCHES THROUGHOUT THE TOURNAMENT?

Eleven cities across the United States will host matches during the month-long tournament. Atlanta (Mercedes-Benz Stadium), Charlotte (Bank of America Stadium), Cincinnati (TQL Stadium), Los Angeles (Rose Bowl Stadium), Miami (Hard Rock Stadium), Nashville (GEODIS Park), New York New Jersey (MetLife Stadium), Philadelphia (Lincoln Financial Field), Seattle (Lumen Field) and Washington, D.C. (Audi Field) have one venue each. Matches in Orlando will take place across two stadiums – Camping World Stadium and Inter&Co Stadium.

#### SO, MATCHES ARE COMING TO THE CAPITAL?

Yes, the capital of the United States has always been a soccer mad city, so it is fitting that three matches in the first edition of the new FIFA Club World Cup will be played in Washington, D.C. There is so much soccer history and football culture in the capital, from FIFA World Cup 1994<sup>™</sup> matches being staged at RFK Stadium to D.C. United's championship teams – the entire region from Baltimore, Maryland, all the way to Richmond, Virginia, represents one of the most diverse and sophisticated fan bases in all the United States. They will have the chance to indulge in some fantastic soccer as Audi Field hosts three group stage matches.





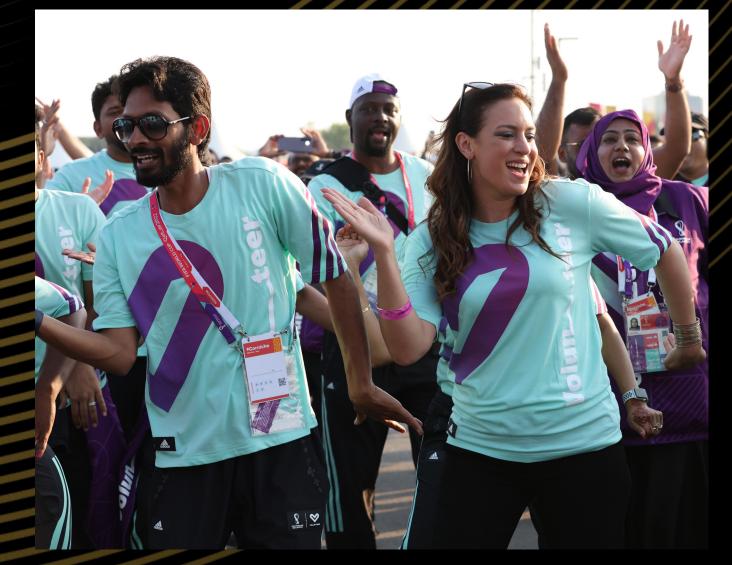
#### WHICH CLUBS ARE BOUND FOR D.C.?

Five different clubs will play at Audi Field throughout the FIFA Club World Cup 2025, with teams arriving in the capital from the Middle East, North Africa and Europe. Al Ain, Juventus, FC Salzburg (Austria), Al Hilal FC (Saudi Arabia) and Wydad AC (Morocco) will each seek to delight fans and advance their interests in the competition in the capital. These games will come from Groups G and H of the tournament, and play a pivotal role in deciding which clubs advance to the play-offs.

#### WAIT... US MEN'S NATIONAL TEAM STARS Weston McKennie and tim weah are Coming to town?

Yes! Weston McKennie and Tim Weah are key members of the Juventus squad, and they will certainly have no shortage of local support when the bianconeri – the Black-and-Whites – arrive in D.C. for their first match of the tournament against Al Ain FC on June 18.





#### HOW CAN I GET TICKETS?

Fans can secure their seats for FIFA Club World Cup matches via FIFA.com/tickets. Ticket-inclusive hospitality packages for FIFA's new top club competition are also on sale via FIFA.com/tickets. The FIFA Club World Cup's strong international appeal has seen supporters from over 130 countries book their ticket to the competition.

### WHO WILL BROADCAST THE TOURNAMENT?

FIFA is proud to partner with **DAZN**, the leading sports entertainment platform, who will broadcast every game of the tournament for free worldwide. Fans will have unprecedented access to the tournament thanks to **DAZN** who will ensure that audiences don't miss a moment of the action.

Scan the QR code to access FIFA Club World Cup 2025™ content from DAZN



## WASHINGTON, D.C. CLUB SNAPSHOTS



#### AL AIN FC (UAE)

The only club from the United Arab Emirates ever to conquer Asia, Al Ain FC now has its sights set on the United States. Keep an eye on predatory front man Soufiane Rahimi, the Moroccan striker who lit up the AFC Champions League with 13 goals on the way to a title that qualified the club for FIFA Club World Cup 2025 and he'll need to be at his best in Group G with European giants Juventus and Manchester City for company as well as his compatriot club Wydad AC.

#### AL HILAL FC (SAUDI ARABIA)

Known as "The Blue Wave", the Saudi giants booked their ticket to the tournament as AFC Champions League winners in 2021, a success that makes them the most acclaimed club in Asian football history. They open their challenge against Real Madrid CF at Hard Rock Stadium in Miami, FL. The two clubs racked up eight goals between them in a spectacular FIFA Club World Cup 2022<sup>™</sup> final in its previous iteration in Morocco as Al Hilal claimed their best-ever finish as tournament runners-up. They will play against Salzburg in D.C. in their second Group H game.

#### JUVENTUS FC (ITALY)

The most successful Italian club ever domestically with a record 36 top-flight titles, Juventus FC are one of the great names of European soccer. The two-time continental kings clinched their place at the FIFA Club World Cup 2025 thanks to their remarkable consistency in the UEFA Champions League under Head Coach Thiago Motta, himself a world-renowned former player (including with three of the participating clubs: Atlético de Madrid, FC Internazionale Milano and Paris Saint-Germain FC). With a squad featuring USMNT stars Weston McKennie and Timothy Weah, the bianconeri – the Black-and-Whites – will be a force to be reckoned with.

#### FC SALZBURG (AUSTRIA)

Seventeen-time Austrian champions FC Salzburg secured their berth at the FIFA Club World Cup 2025 via the European ranking pathway. A dominant force in Austrian football for over a decade, Salzburg claimed a remarkable ten successive league titles between 2013 and 2023. Renowned for a youth development system that has nurtured the likes of Sadio Mané and Erling Haaland, Salzburg have unearthed another promising attacker in Karim Konaté. Fans – and opposing defenders – should keep an eye on the Ivorian forward, who topped the Austrian Bundesliga charts last season with 20 goals in 29 matches.



#### WYDAD AC (MOROCCO)

Morocco's record champions with a massive 22 domestic league titles, Wydad Athletic Club – or the WAC as it is known locally – are the pride of Casablanca. It was a 2-0 victory against fellow FIFA Club World Cup 2025 participants AI Ahly FC in the 2022 CAF Champions League final that earned Wydad a third African crown and their place among the global elite gathered in the United States. Backed back one of the biggest and most passionate fan bases in world soccer, Wydad will bring incredible passion and color to the tournament on and off the pitch.

## GIVE ME FIVE UNIQUE, FAST FACTS ABOUT THE TOURNAMENT I CAN SHARE WITH MY FAMILY AND FRIENDS...

The FIFA Club World Cup is truly global. 32 clubs from 20 different nations have qualified for the tournament. The USA will be represented by Seattle Sounders FC and Inter Miami CF.

The Trophy is currently on an epic 147-day global and national journey. Ahead of the tournament it is visiting each of the 32 qualified clubs, but also each Host City in the United States.

The tournament draw was held in Miami, FL in December 2024. With Major League Soccer now in full swing, the FIFA Club World Cup in the United States in June and July, and the FIFA World Cup coming to North America in 2026, soccer will excite and unite the US over the coming year.



A new tournament calls for a new trophy, and FIFA delivered in November 2024 when it unveiled a prestigious and timeless golden trophy in collaboration with global luxury jeweler Tiffany & Co. You can learn more about the Trophy's intricate details at FIFA.com. A special official match ball for the tournament was unveiled by adidas in January 2025. The ball pays homage to the United States, incorporating bold graphics and emblems that celebrate and reflect the country's heritage. It also features "connected ball technology" – a time-precise motion sensor that tracks every touch of the game at a rate of 500 times per second, supporting match officials with decision making and enhancing tournament broadcasts and coverage.

## WHERE CAN I FIND OUT MORE INFORMATION?

The official FIFA Club World Cup section on FIFA. com features everything you need to know about the tournament, including the latest news, the match schedule, group information, club and team insights, venue details, trophy and trophy tour specifics, and more. The official FIFA Club World Cup social media handles across Instagram, X, Facebook and TikTok are also a great place to engage with the competition.

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## WHEN WILL MATCHES TAKE PLACE AT AUDI FIELD?

#### 1. THURSDAY, JUNE 18 2025:

Al Ain FC vs. Juventus FC at 9:00 p.m. (EDT)

### 2. SUNDAY, JUNE 22 2025:

FC Salzburg vs. Al Hilal SFC at 6:00 p.m. (EDT)

#### 3. THURSDAY, JUNE 26 2025:

Wydad AC vs. Al Ain FC at 3:00 p.m. (EDT)



