

Insights Matchday 8 Serie A TIM 2019-20

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LAZIO vs ATALANTA

Atalanta won both Serie A TIM meetings last season, allowing just one goal over the two matches, in a 3-1 win at the Olimpico on May 5.

Lazio defeated Atalanta 2-0 in the same venue ten days later to win their seventh Coppa Italia title.

Sergej Milinkovic-Savic has scored four goals against Atalanta in all competitions, more than against any other opponent, including the winning goal in last year's Coppa Italia final. Atalanta are the only team to score at least two goals in all of their league matches in the five major European leagues this season.

NAPOLI vs HELLAS VERONA

Napoli have won all five home meetings against Hellas Verona in all competitions since 2014, outscoring them 19-3 in those matches. Jose Callejon scored a goal in all five of those matches.

Hellas Verona have won their last match against Napoli in 2015 (15-03-2015, Verona – Napoli 2-0 - Toni, Sala).

Napoli lead Serie A TIM in possession (30'37) and passes per match (531) this season. Fabian Ruiz (80.2) and Kalidou Koulibaly (77.9) are two of only four players to average at least 70 passes per 90 minutes this season. Hellas Verona have conceded just two open play goals in Serie A TIM this season, fewest in the competition.

JUVENTUS vs BOLOGNA

Juventus have lost only one of their last 38 matches against Bologna in all competitions (W28, D9, L1). Juventus are unbeaten in the last 16 meetings, winning the last seven in a row.

Bologna have won their last match against Juventus in 2011 (26-02-2011, Juventus – Bologna 0-2 – Di Vaio, Di Vaio).

Cristiano Ronaldo has scored in each of his last three home Serie A TIM matches. He's been involved in 20 goals (13 goals, 7 assists) in 19 career home matches in the competition, including assisting a goal in the 2-0 Juventus home win over Bologna last season. Only three players (Luis Alberto - 5, Alfred Duncan – 4, Lorenzo Pellegrini - 4) have more assists than Riccardo Orsolini (3) in Serie A TIM this season. Orsolini has been involved in the winning goal

in both of Bologna's victories this season (assist vs SPAL, scored at Brescia).

SASSUOLO vs INTER

Sassuolo have won seven of their last nine Serie A TIM matches against Inter (1D, 1L) since the beginning of 2015. Juventus (6) are the only other team to win more than four league matches against Inter in that time.

Inter have won their last match against Sassuolo in 2016 (18-12-2016, Sassuolo – Inter 0-1 – Candreva).

Sassuolo have won more matches against Inter (7) than against any other team in Serie A TIM since the beginning of 2015 (Sampdoria - 5 wins). Stefano Sensi has been involved in a goal in six of his last seven away matches in Serie A TIM (2 goals, 4 assists) going back to the end of last season when he played for Sassuolo.

CAGLIARI vs SPAL

Cagliari are unbeaten in their last four Serie A TIM matches against SPAL (3W, 1D), scoring two goals in each match. The last opponent against whom Cagliari scored multiple goals in five consecutive meetings was Napoli from 2007 to 2009.

SPAL have won their last match against Cagliari in 1968 (31-03-1968, SPAL – Cagliari 1-0 – Brenna).

Cagliari have allowed just seven goals through seven Serie A TIM matches this season, their best defensive start to a season since 2011, when they had allowed just five goals at this stage. Five different players have registered an assist on one of SPAL's six Serie A TIM goals this season (one unassisted).

SAMPDORIA vs ROMA

Roma's 1-0 away win against Sampdoria in April was just their second victory in their last ten away matches against Sampdoria in Serie A TIM (4D, 4L).

Sampdoria have won their last match against Roma in 2018 (28-01-2018, Roma – Sampdoria 0-1 - D. Zapata).

Sampdoria have failed to score in only two of their last 11 home Serie A TIM matches, but one of those was a 1-0 defeat to Roma last season. Edin Dzeko has scored in each of his last two away matches in Serie A TIM. Since the start of last season, nine of his 13 Serie A TIM goals have been scored on the road.

UDINESE vs TORINO

Torino are unbeaten in their last four visits to Udinese (2W, 2D). They've gone more than four straight away matches without a loss against just one team since 2001, avoiding defeat in their last six visits to Sassuolo.

Udinese have won their last match against Torino in 2015 (20-12-2015, Torino – Udinese 0-1 – Perica).

Udinese have conceded just two first-half goals in Serie A TIM this season, only Inter (1 goal conceded) have allowed fewer goals before half-time. Udinese have not allowed a goal before the 43rd minute this season. A Serie A TIM -high 71.8% of Torino's shots this season have been attempted inside the box. Torino have scored with 16.4% of their shots this season, fourth-best in the competition.

PARMA vs GENOA

Parma won both league matches against Genoa last season, the second time they've won both league meetings in a Serie A TIM season (1993/1994). Parma have never won three straight Serie A matches against Genoa.

Genoa have won their last match against Parma in 2015 (15-04-2015, Genoa – Parma 2-0 – Falque, Pavoletti).

Dejan Kulusevski has recorded three assists in seven matches in Serie A TIM this season. Only one player (Matteo Scoccarella - 4) assisted more than two goals for Parma all of last season. Genoa have scored four goals in their first three away matches this season (1.33 per match). They haven't averaged more than one goal per match away from home in Serie A TIM since 2014/2015 (1.53).

MILAN vs LECCE

Milan have won their last eight home Serie A TIM matches against Lecce dating back to 2000, outscoring them 25-4 in those matches.

Lecce have won their last match against Milan in 2006 (01-04-2006, Lecce – Milan 1-0 – Konan).

Milan (lost their last 2 home matches) haven't lost three straight home Serie A TIM matches since October-November 2006. Lecce have two wins in their first four away Serie A TIM matches this season after winning just two of their final ten away matches in Serie B last season.

BRESCIA vs FIORENTINA

Fiorentina have lost only one of their last 18 Serie A TIM matches against Brescia, a 3-0 loss in April 2002, dating back to 1980 (9W, 8D).

Alfredo Donnarumma has the highest conversion rate in Serie A TIM (minimum 6 shots), scoring with 57.1% of his attempts (4 goals on 7 shots).

Fiorentina have won three straight Serie A TIM matches for the first time since a six-match winning streak in February-April 2018. They had won just two of their previous 25 league matches, including a run of 18 straight without a win before this run.