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Stadionul National Arcul de Triumf, Bucharest

Headlines

- VASCO UVA wins his 80th cap for Portugal in their Nations Cup tie against Uruguay. UVA made his debut in a 34-30 win against Georgia in 2003.
- Tighthead prop MARIO SAGARIO is Uruguay's most experienced player on the field against Portugal and will win his 25th cap in Sunday's Nations Cup clash.
- Uruguay field an altogether younger and less experienced side than their Portuguese opponents. Uruguay can count on a total of 181 caps in their starting side with an average age of 25. Portugal, by contrast, have named a more experienced side with 488 Test appearances and an average age of 27. Five of Portugal's first XV have over 50 caps.
- In addition, Portugal enjoy a sizable advantage up front where they are 8kg a man heavier on average (107kg to Uruguay's 99kg).
- No.8 JUAN ORMAECHEA and scrumhalf AGUSTIN ORMAECHEA are sons of former Uruguay captain and coach Diego Ormaechea.

Head to Head

- Sunday's IRB Nations Cup clash between Portugal and Uruguay is the ninth match between these two sides. Uruguay have been the more dominant side in meetings between the teams, winning six of the eight Tests played, with Portugal winning the other two. There have been no draws.
- Uruguay won the most recent meeting between the two sides, beating Portugal 16-9 in November 2011. In fact, Uruguay have won the last two meetings between the two sides having beaten Portugal 18-12 in Montevideo in 2007.
- The sides first met in combat in 1999, when Uruguay beat Portugal 46-9 in a Rugby World Cup qualifier. Portugal had to wait another six years until they got revenge, beating Uruguay 20-6 in Estoril, Spain during the 2005 Intercontinental Cup.

Form guide

- Portugal have struggled to find a winning mentality in recent times, losing all but one of their matches in 2012. That win came against Spain (23-17) in the European Nations Cup last March but three losses have since followed. The 35-33 loss against Ukraine in Odessa was understandable if disappointing but the Portuguese have been unable to turn the corner during the IRB Nations Cup, losing 41-9 to Argentina Jaguars and 28-21 to Emerging Italy.
- Uruguay come into the Test against Portugal off the back of a 19-13 defeat to Russia. Prior to that they lost 29-9 to Nations Cup hosts Romania. Missing eight of the players that led them to a solid second-place finish in the South American Championship, Uruguay have now lost three of their last five games.

New Kids on the Block

- There are just two players on the Portugal team with less than five caps – centre FRANCISCO APPLETON and winger NUNO PENHA E COSTA win their fourth and third caps respectively. By contrast there are seven players on the Uruguay side with less than ten caps - down from 13 players in their last match against Russia.

Man in the Middle

- Peter Fitzgibbon of Ireland makes his 14th Test appearance as an international referee when he officiates in Portugal's clash with Uruguay. Fitzgibbon made his debut in 2006 for the meeting of Portugal v Romania.

2012 Records

>> Points

Points	Player
22	Alberto Chillon Emerging Italy
20	Benjamin Madero Argentina Jaguars
20	Pedro Leal Portugal
20	Dorin Manole Romania

>> Tries

Tries	Player
3	Andrea Bacchetti Emerging Italy
2	Catalin Fercu Romania
2	Alberto Chiesa Emerging Italy
2	Matias Masera Argentina Jaguars

All Time Records

>> Points

Points	Player
119	Luciano Orquera Italy A
70	Danut Dumbrava Romania
59	Santiago González Iglesias Argentina Jaguars

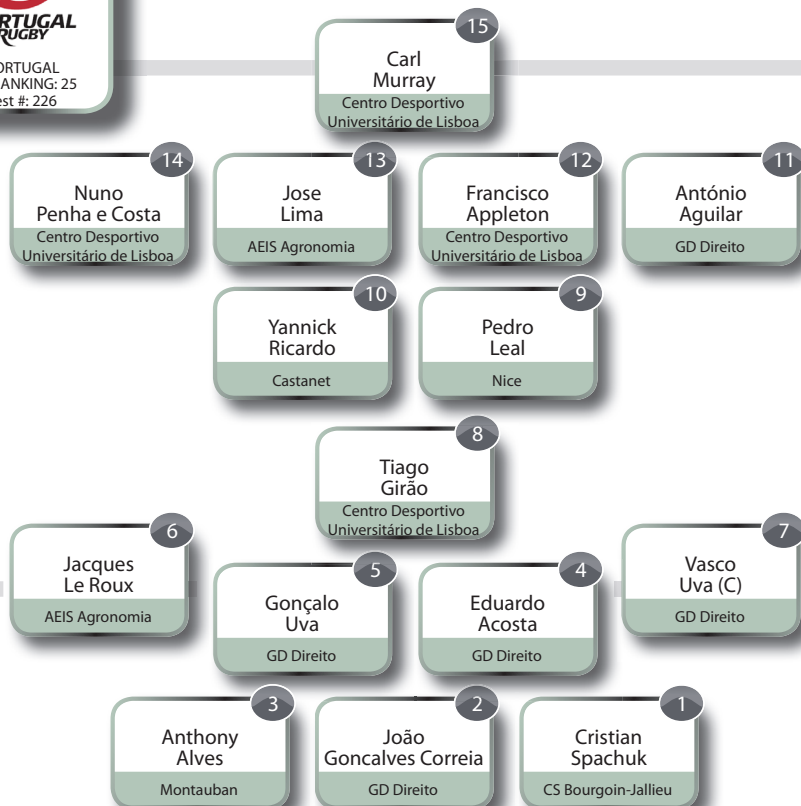
>> Tries

Tries	Player
6	Joaquín Tuculet Argentina Jaguars
6	Siyanda Grey South African Kings
5	Catalin Fercu Romania

Team Sheets



PORTUGAL
IRB RANKING: 25
Test #: 226



Replacements

16 Jorge Segurado (GD Direito)
17 Thomas Da Costa (Lourdes)
18 Eric Dos Santos (Stade Montois)
19 Francisco Sousa (GDS Cascais)
20 Francisco Pinto Magalhaes (CDUL)
21 Manuel Fonseca Costa (CF Belenenses)
22 Bernardo Campelo (AEIS Agronomia)

Key Stats

Caps Starting Lineup: 488
Avg Age Starting Lineup: 27
Oldest Player: Eduardo Acosta (33)
Youngest Player: Eric Dos Santos (19)
Avg Weight Forwards: 107 kg

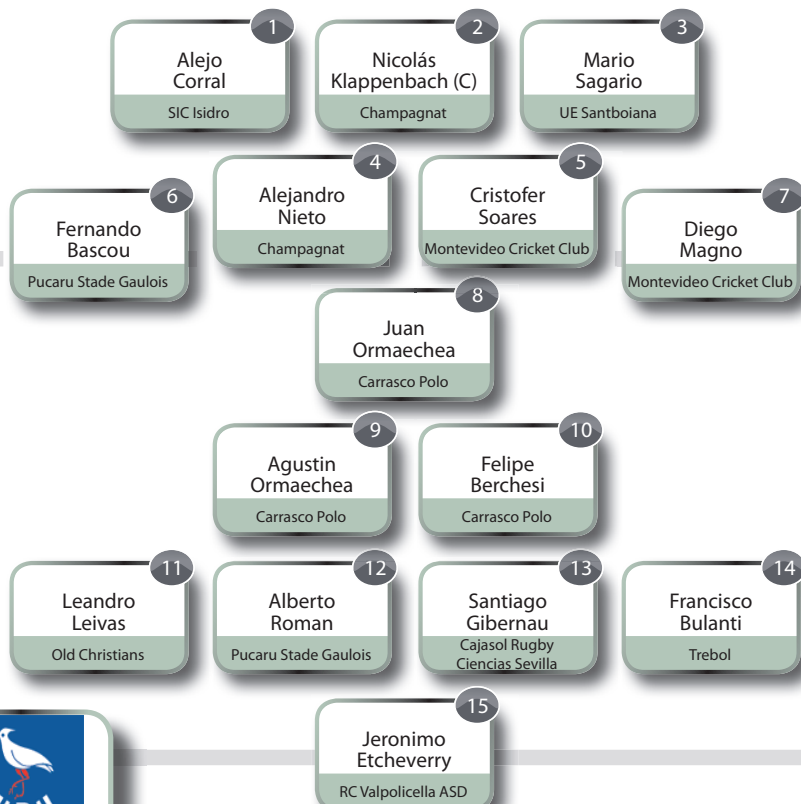
Officials

Referee:
Peter Fitzgibbon (Ireland) - 13 Tests

Tests at Venue: 0 Tests
Portugal: 2 Tests
Uruguay: 0 Tests
Test Debut: 18/03/2006 - Portugal v Romania

Assistant Referee 1:
Gabriel Seitan (Romania)

Assistant Referee 2:
Razvan Iordachescu (Romania)



Replacements

16 Arturo Avalo (Carrasco Polo)
17 Rodolfo De Mula (Pucaru Stade Gaulois)
18 Franco Lamanna (Carrasco Polo)
19 Diego Bascou (Pucaru Stade Gaulois)
20 Alejo Duran (Trebol)
21 Rodrigo Martinez (Carrasco Polo)
22 Gaston Mieres (Lobos)

Key Stats

Caps Starting Lineup: 181
Avg Age Starting Lineup: 25
Oldest Player: Francisco Bulanti (32)
Youngest Player: Franco Lamanna (20)
Avg Weight Forwards: 99 kg



URUGUAY
IRB RANKING: 21
Test #: 196

Head to Head

Recent Results

Date	Team A	Result		Team B	Venue
13/11/2011	Portugal	9	16	Uruguay	Caldas da Rainha
24/03/2007	Uruguay	18	12	Portugal	Montevideo
10/03/2007	Portugal	12	5	Uruguay	Lisbon
16/09/2006	Uruguay	20	14	Portugal	Montevideo
12/11/2005	Portugal	20	6	Uruguay	Estoril

Summary

Portugal		8 Matches (0 Draw)	Uruguay	
2		Won		6
103		Points		174
9		Tries		21
8		Conversions		12
14		Penalties		14
0		Drop Goals		1

Player Records

For Portugal against Uruguay		For Uruguay against Portugal	
Joaquim Ferreira - 7	Appearances		5 - 5 Players
Pedro Leal - 19	Points		24 - Federico Sciarra
9 Players - 1	Tries		3 - Diego Ormaechea
Pedro Leal - 4	Conversions		6 - Federico Sciarra
Duarte Cardoso Pinto - 4	Penalties		4 - Federico Sciarra
-	Drop Goals		1 - Matias Arocena

Player Records in a Match

For Portugal against Uruguay		For Uruguay against Portugal	
Pedro Leal on 12/11/2005 - 15	Points		13 - Federico Sciarra on 03/04/1999
On 9 Occasions - 1	Tries		2 - On 2 Occasions
Nuno Mourão on 03/04/1999 - 3	Conversions		4 - Federico Sciarra on 13/03/1999
Duarte Cardoso Pinto on 24/03/2007 - 4	Penalties		3 - Federico Sciarra on 03/04/1999
-	Drop Goals		1 - Matias Arocena on 13/11/2011

Team Records in a Match

For Portugal against Uruguay		For Uruguay against Portugal	
On 03/04/1999 - 24	Points		46 - On 13/03/1999
On 03/04/1999 - 3	Tries		7 - On 13/03/1999
On 03/04/1999 - 3	Conversions		4 - On 13/03/1999
On 24/03/2007 - 4	Penalties		4 - On 03/04/1999
-	Drop Goals		1 - On 13/11/2011

Head Coach: Errol Brain

Debut: 13/11/2010 v USA (L 17-22)
 Winning Ratio: 33.33%
 Average Tries per Match: 1.94

Recent Matches

Date	Opponent	Result	Venue
12/06/2012	Emerging Italy	L 21 28	Bucharest
08/06/2012	Argentina Jaguars	L 9 41	Bucharest
17/03/2012	Ukraine	L 33 35	Odessa
10/03/2012	Spain	W 23 17	Coimbra
25/02/2012	Georgia	L 7 32	Tbilisi
Points For		93	
Points Ag		153	
Tries For		8	
Tries Ag		17	

Portugal Record Under Errol Brain

6 Wins	0 Drawn	12 Lost
363 For	Points	422 Against
35 For	Tries	43 Against
25 For	Conversions	33 Against
45 For	Penalties	45 Against
1 For	Drop Goals	2 Against

Player Info For Portugal

Player	Pos	Age	Debut	Caps	Caps as Sub	Caps v Opponent	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Tries	Cons	Pens	DGs
Cristian Spachuk	1	31	05/02/2005	40	7	0	11	5	24	15	3	0	0	0
João Goncalves Correia	2	32	08/03/2003	63	6	5	24	4	35	15	3	0	0	0
Anthony Alves	3	22	13/11/2010	11	6	0	5	0	6	5	1	0	0	0
Eduardo Acosta	4	33	13/06/2006	24	5	2	6	0	18	10	2	0	0	0
Gonçalo Uva	5	27	10/06/2004	65	5	4	22	5	38	25	5	0	0	0
Jacques Le Roux	6	27	26/02/2011	7	2	0	2	0	5	15	3	0	0	0
Vasco Uva (C)	7	29	16/02/2003	79	5	6	32	5	42	50	10	0	0	0
Tiago Girão	8	27	11/03/2006	35	12	0	9	1	25	5	1	0	0	0
Pedro Leal	9	28	26/02/2005	58	9	4	18	5	35	154	5	24	27	0
Yannick Ricardo	10	25	04/02/2012	7	0	0	1	0	6	30	0	6	5	1
António Aguilar	11	33	06/03/1999	75	7	4	27	2	46	110	22	0	0	0
Francisco Appleton	12	22	10/03/2012	3	0	0	1	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Jose Lima	13	20	13/11/2010	10	3	0	3	0	7	0	0	0	0	0
Nuno Penha e Costa	14	25	17/03/2012	2	0	0	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	0
Carl Murray	15	27	12/03/2011	9	1	1	3	0	6	14	1	0	3	0
Total				488	68	26	164	27	297	450	56	31	35	1
Jorge Segurado	16	27	06/11/2005	16	5	0	4	1	11	0	0	0	0	0
Thomas Da Costa	17	27	07/11/2009	6	2	0	1	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Eric Dos Santos	18	19	08/06/2012	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Francisco Sousa	19	22	12/06/2012	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Francisco Pinto Magalhaes	20	25	02/02/2008	9	4	1	1	0	8	0	0	0	0	0
Manuel Fonseca Costa	21	22	08/06/2012	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0
Bernardo Campelo	22	19	17/03/2012	3	3	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0

Records For Portugal

Caps

86 - Joaquim Ferreira
 79 - Vasco Uva
 75 - António Aguilar

Tries

22 - António Aguilar
 15 - Diogo Mateus
 14 - Nuno Durão

Points

294 - Joao Queimado
 269 - Gonçalo Malheiro
 186 - Pedro Cabral

Player Records (In a Match)

Points: 30 - Thierry Teixeira v Georgia on 06/02/2000
 Tries: 3 - 4 players
 Conversions: 6 - Nuno Maria Vilar Gomes v Netherlands on 23/11/1996
 Penalties: 9 - Thierry Teixeira v Georgia on 06/02/2000
 Drop Goals: 2 - 2 players

Team Records (In a Match)

Points: 69 v Germany on 27/02/2010
 Tries: 9 on 3 Occasions
 Conversions: 9 v Germany on 27/02/2010
 Penalties: 9 v Georgia on 06/02/2000
 Drop Goals: 2 on 3 Occasions



Head Coach: Pablo Lemoine

Debut: 20/05/2012 v Argentina (L 5-40)
Winning Ratio: 40.00%
Average Tries per Match: 1.60

Uruguay Record Under Pablo Lemoine

2 Wins	0 Drawn	3 Lost
81 For	Points	129 Against
8 For	Tries	15 Against
4 For	Conversions	12 Against
10 For	Penalties	10 Against
1 For	Drop Goals	0 Against

Recent Matches

Date	Opponent	Result	Venue
12/06/2012	Russia	L 13 19	Bucharest
08/06/2012	Romania	L 9 29	Bucharest
26/05/2012	Brazil	W 27 15	Santiago
23/05/2012	Chile	W 27 26	Santiago
20/05/2012	Argentina	L 5 40	Santiago
Points For		81	
Points Ag		129	
Tries For		8	
Tries Ag		15	

Player Info For Uruguay

Player	Pos	Age	Debut	Caps	Caps as Sub	Caps v Opponent	Won	Drawn	Lost	Points	Tries	Cons	Pens	DGs
Alejo Corral	1	30	14/11/2009	19	6	1	8	1	10	10	2	0	0	0
Nicolás Klappenbach (C)	2	30	12/11/2005	20	13	3	8	0	12	0	0	0	0	0
Mario Sagario	3	25	22/07/2006	24	8	0	8	1	15	0	0	0	0	0
Alejandro Nieto	4	24	20/05/2012	5	2	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Cristofer Soares	5	24	14/05/2011	7	3	0	4	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Fernando Bascou	6	25	13/11/2011	7	2	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	0
Diego Magno	7	23	20/06/2008	21	5	1	10	1	10	10	2	0	0	0
Juan Ormaechea	8	23	13/11/2011	7	1	1	3	0	4	5	1	0	0	0
Agustin Ormaechea	9	21	13/11/2011	6	1	1	2	0	4	11	0	1	3	0
Felipe Berchesi	10	21	13/11/2011	5	1	1	2	0	3	11	0	1	2	1
Leandro Leivas	11	23	08/11/2008	17	5	0	5	1	11	50	10	0	0	0
Alberto Roman	12	25	14/05/2011	10	2	1	4	0	6	10	2	0	0	0
Santiago Gibernau	13	24	25/04/2009	8	2	0	3	0	5	20	4	0	0	0
Francisco Bulanti	14	32	25/04/2004	10	2	2	3	0	7	5	1	0	0	0
Jeronimo Etcheverry	15	24	08/11/2008	15	1	0	6	0	9	83	5	11	11	1
Total				181	54	12	71	4	106	215	27	13	16	2
Arturo Avalo	16	25	14/05/2011	8	3	0	3	0	5	10	2	0	0	0
Rodolfo De Mula	17	27	14/05/2011	8	3	0	3	0	5	0	0	0	0	0
Franco Lamanna	18	20	08/06/2012	2	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0
Diego Bascou	19	28	14/05/2011	7	2	0	2	0	5	5	1	0	0	0
Alejo Duran	20	21	08/06/2012	2	1	0	0	0	2	5	0	1	1	0
Rodrigo Martinez	21	21	20/05/2012	5	1	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	0
Gaston Mieres	22	22	16/05/2010	17	1	1	7	1	9	20	4	0	0	0

Records For Uruguay

Caps

65 - Rodrigo Sanchez
59 - Diego Aguirre
54 - Diego Ormaechea

Tries

30 - Diego Ormaechea
13 - Alfonso Cardoso
13 - Federico Sciarra

Points

259 - Federico Sciarra
256 - Juan Menchaca
244 - Matias Arocena

Player Records (In a Match)

Points: 31 - Matias Arocena v Chile on 02/05/2009
Tries: 4 - 4 players
Conversions: 8 - 2 players
Penalties: 6 - 6 players
Drop Goals: 4 - Juan Menchaca v Chile on 07/09/2002

Team Records (In a Match)

Points: 102 v Paraguay on 14/05/2011
Tries: 16 v Paraguay on 14/05/2011
Conversions: 11 on 2 Occasions
Penalties: 7 v Chile on 27/10/1977
Drop Goals: 4 v Chile on 07/09/2002