



Group C

Mexico v Jamaica

Sports Authority Field – Denver, Colorado, USA
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MEXICO (2017 Gold Cup Record: 1W-0D-0L ... 3GF, 1GA)

- Last Time Out at the Gold Cup (GC): Mexico 3, El Salvador 1 ... Hedgardo Marin, Elias Hernandez and Oberlin Pineda all scored their first career Gold Cup goals to help Mexico improve its all-time GC record to 3W-0D-0L against El Salvador
- 2017 Gold Cup Results: 3-1 win v El Salvador (Hedgardo Marin 8'; Elias Hernandez 29'; Oberlin Pineda 55')
- Head Coach: Juan Carlos Osorio (since October 2015) ... With a pedigree that includes a background with Manchester City and a club coaching resume that stretches across the Americas, Osorio launched his Mexico coaching shortly after the Tricolor's 3-2 win over the United States in the 2015 CONCACAF Cup (October 10, 2015) ... guided Mexico to a 4th-place finish at last month's 2017 FIFA Confederations Cup ... currently serving six-game suspension from FIFA ... Luis Pompilio Pérez will lead the side in his place
- Qualification method: automatic North American entrant ... Gold Cup Appearances: 13 (1991, 1993, 1996, 1998, 2000, 2002, 2003, 2005, 2007, 2009, 2011, 2013, 2015, 2017)
- Gold Cup Record: GP-63; W-46; D-9; L-8; GF-152; GA-40 ... 152 goals scored and +112 goal difference are best in GC history ... currently averaging 2.41 goals per GC match
- Best Finish: Champion-7 (1993, 1996, 1998, 2003, 2009, 2011, 2015) ... most titles in Gold Cup history (USA #2 with five) ... 8 appearances in Gold Cup finals is second-most behind the United States (9)
- Top GC Scorer: Luis Roberto Alves (12 goals) ... Alves is tied for second on the all-time GC goal-scoring list with the USA's Clint Dempsey (USA's Landon Donovan #1, 18 goals)
- 2018 FIFA World Cup Qualification (WCQ): currently sits in first in CONCACAF fifth round (GP-6; W-4; D-2; L-0; GF-9, GA-2) ... Only remaining unbeaten team across all rounds of CONCACAF qualifying (Overall 2018 qualifying record: GP-12; W-9; D-3; L-0; GF-22, GA-3)
- 2018 FIFA WCQ, CONCACAF fifth round results: 2-1 win v United States (A), 0-0 draw v Panama (A), 2-0 win v Costa Rica (H), 1-0 win v Trinidad and Tobago (A), 3-0 win v Honduras (H), 1-1 draw v United States (H) ... Remaining fifth-round matches: Panama (H), Costa Rica (A), Trinidad & Tobago (H), Honduras (A) ...
- 2017 FIFA Confederations Cup: 4th place (GP-5; W-2; D-1; L-2; GF-8; GA-10) ... Results: (Group Stage) 2-2 draw v Portugal, 2-1 win v New Zealand, 2-1 win v Russia, (Semifinals) 1-4 loss v Germany, (3rd Place) 1-2 aet loss v Portugal
- 22 of 23 players on Gold Cup roster were not in Confederations Cup squad ... defender Luis Reyes is lone holdover (played in two games: 2-1 win v Russia, 1-2 loss v Portugal in 3rd place match) ... three past Gold Cup MVPs (Giovani Dos Santos-2009, Javier Hernandez-2011, Andres Guardado-2015) played at the Confederations Cup.
- GC record against Caribbean opposition: GP-19; W-18; D-1; L-0; GF-70; GA-10 ... Only blemish is 4-4 draw in group play v Trinidad & Tobago (July 15, 2015) ... Averaging 3.68 goals per game v Caribbean foes and 1.86 per game goals against other competitors combined ... defeated Martinique 9-0 (July 11, 1993) in what remains the most lopsided result in GC history
- Scored twice in the first half of 3-1 win v El Salvador after scoring eight of previous nine GC goals in 2nd half
- Jesus Dueñas is only player on current roster to have taken part in 2015 CONCACAF Gold Cup (started & played 86 minutes in 3-1 win over Jamaica in final)
- With goals from Luis Reyes, Elias Hernandez and Oberlin Peralta, Mexico have now had 59 players score a goal at the Gold Cup
- Unbeaten in last 7 GC games (5W-2D-0L), including 4 straight wins ... conceded 1 goal in each of last 3 GC games ... scored 3 goals or more in 3 of last 5 GC matches

Jamaica (2017 Gold Cup Record: 1W-0D-0L ... 2GF, 0GA)

- Last Time Out at the Gold Cup: Jamaica 2, Curacao 0 ... Romario Williams and Darren Mattocks scored after halftime to help Jamaica remain perfect against Caribbean opponents (3W-0D-0L), while also avenging its defeat to Curacao two weeks earlier in the 2016/17 Scotiabank CFU Men's Caribbean Cup final (1-2)
- 2017 Gold Cup results: 2-0 win v Curacao (Romario Williams 58'; Darren Mattocks 73')
- Head Coach: Theodore Whitmore (since September 2016) ... several stints as Jamaica manager, the longest running from 2009 to 2013 ... most recently assumed the role following the departure of Winfried Schaefer, who guided Jamaica to the 2015 Gold Cup final
- Qualification method: Runner-up, 2016/2017 Scotiabank CFU Men's Caribbean Cup
- 2016/17 Scotiabank CFU Men's Caribbean Cup results: (3rd Round) 4-2 win aet v Guyana; 1-0 win v Suriname; (Semifinals) 1-1 draw, 4:2 pens v French Guiana; (Final) 1-2 loss v Curacao (Rosario Harriott 82') ... Overall record: GP-4; W-2; D-1; L-1; GF-7; GA-5
- 2016/2017 Scotiabank CFU Men's Caribbean Cup scorers: Cory Burke (2 goals), Shaun Francis, Je-Vaughn Watson, Rosario Harriott, Dicoy Williams, Jermaine Johnson (1)
- Gold Cup Appearances: 10 (1991, 1993, 1998, 2000, 2003, 2005, 2009, 2011, 2015, 2017)
- Gold Cup Record: GP-36; W-14; D-5; L-17; GF-42; GA-55
- Best Finish: Runner-up, 2015 ... fell 1-3 to Mexico in final (Darren Mattocks 78') ... marked best Caribbean GC finish, besting previous semifinal appearances by Jamaica (1993, 1998) and Guadeloupe (2007)
- Top GC Scorers: Demar Phillips, Andrew Williams, Darren Mattocks (3 goals) ... Mattocks is the only player on Jamaica's 2017 roster to have scored in a previous GC tournament ... Mattocks has scored in three straight GC matches (team record)
- 2018 FIFA World Cup Qualification: Eliminated in fourth round of CONCACAF qualifying (GP-6; W-1; D-1; L-4; GF-2; GA-10) ... Overall 2018 qualifying record: GP-8; W-2; D-1; L-5; GF-6; GA-13 ... Still seeking 2nd World Cup berth after qualifying for France '98 ... World Cup Qualifying scorers: Darren Mattocks (2 goals), Je-Vaughn Watson, Clayton Donaldson, Adrian Mariappa, Simon Dawkins (1 goal)
- Record against North American opposition: GP-13; W-2; D-0; L-11; GF-9; GA-31 ... was winless in 10 games against North American teams before 2015 GC ... 1-0 group stage win v Canada (Rodolph Austin 90'+2'), 2-1 semifinal win v United States (Darren Mattocks 30'; Giles Barnes 35'), 1-3 final loss v Mexico (Mattocks 78')
- Goalkeeper Andre Blake was 2016 Major League Soccer Goalkeeper of the Year with the Philadelphia Union and has preserved seven clean sheets so far in 2017 campaign
- Since joining the New York Red Bulls in 2015, defender Kemar Lawrence has started in 58 of 59 regular-season MLS games