



# INSIGHTS

**Matchday 31 Serie A 2023-24**  
**5 - 8 April 2024**

05/04/2024 20:45 - ARECHI



**SALERNITANA**

**Vs**

**SASSUOLO**



Sassuolo are unbeaten in four of their five games against Salernitana in Serie A (W2 D2 L1). After their 2-2 draw in the reverse fixture in November, they could draw both meetings in a campaign for the first time in the top-flight.

Salernitana are unbeaten at home against Sassuolo in Serie A, drawing 2-2 in March 2022 and winning 3-0 in April 2023.

Salernitana have lost each of their last three league matches and have already suffered four defeats in a row in Serie A this season, back in January. In 2024 Salernitana have won fewer points than any other team in the big-5 European Leagues (2 in 12 games).

Salernitana have lost each of their last six home games in Serie A, but they have never suffered seven home defeats in a row in their top-flight history.

Sassuolo have lost each of their last seven away matches in Serie A, already their longest losing streak on the road in the competition. Furthermore, they have failed to score in six of those seven losses, including each of the last three. The Neroverdi could therefore also go four away games in a row without scoring for the first time in the top-flight.

After drawing last time out against Udinese, Sassuolo could draw back-to-back games in Serie A for the first time since doing so between August and September 2022 (three in a row).

In the last eight meetings between the bottom two teams in the Serie A table, the home side has won only once (D3 L4): Hellas Verona 2-0 Cremonese in January 2023.

Salernitana and Sassuolo are the two teams that have conceded the most goals in the second half of Serie A games this season (33 each). Furthermore, only Salernitana (21) have conceded more goals than Sassuolo (16) in the final 15 minutes of games in the competition this term.

Antonio Candreva has been involved in 10 goals against Sassuolo in Serie A (four goals, six assists), only been directly involved in more against Fiorentina (13) in the top-flight.

Andrea Pinamonti has scored three goals against Salernitana in Serie A, including his first brace in the competition back in October 2021; Roma are the only side the Italian forward has netted more often against in the top-flight (5 goals).

06/04/2024 15:00 - GIUSEPPE MEAZZA



**MILAN**

**Vs**

**LECCE**



Milan have lost just one of their last 24 matches against Lecce in Serie A (W12 D11), a 1-0 defeat at Via Del Mare back in April 2006.

After a 2-2 draw in the reverse meeting in November, Milan and Lecce could draw both matchups in a Serie A season for the second time after also doing so in the 1999-00 campaign when Alberto Zaccheroni was Milan manager and Alberto Cavasin the Lecce boss.

Milan have won nine of their last 10 home matches against Lecce in Serie A (D1), scoring 29 goals and conceding just six times across those games.

Milan have won each of their last six matches across all competitions and could win seven in a row for the first time since September 2006, when they won nine in a row under Carlo Ancelotti.

Lecce haven't conceded in either of their last two matches in Serie A and the Salentini could record three clean sheets in a row in the competition for the first time since between February and March 2004 under Delio Rossi.

Four Milan players have scored 10+ goals across all competitions this season (Olivier Giroud 14, Christian Pulisic 12, Rafael Leão 11 and Ruben Loftus-Cheek 10), the first time that has happened since 2008-09 (Pato 18, Kaká 16, Inzaghi 16 and Ronaldinho 10).

Only Inter (51) have scored more goals from open play than Milan (43) in Serie A this season whilst no team has scored fewer such goals than Lecce in the competition this term (16 - level with Empoli).

Rafael Leão has been directly involved in more goals across all competitions than any other Serie A player in 2024 (13 - 7 goals, 6 assists); meanwhile Lecce are one of two teams the Portuguese has scored four times against in the top-flight (also Fiorentina) which includes a brace at Meazza in April 2023.

Christian Pulisic has equalled both the best scoring season (9 goals - level with 2019/20 for Chelsea) and the best campaign in term of assists provided (6 - level with 2016/17 for Borussia Dortmund) in his career in the Big-5 European Leagues.

Nicola Sansone has scored six goals against Milan in Serie A, his most against an opponent; his most recent goal in the competition came back in November against AC whilst his six goals have come with four different teams (Parma, Sassuolo, Bologna and Lecce) with only Enrico Chiesa (5) scoring against The Rossoneri with more different clubs in Serie A history.

## 06/04/2024 18:00 - OLIMPICO

**ROMA****Vs****LAZIO**

This will be the 183rd derby between Roma and Lazio across all competitions with the Giallorossi leading the head-to-head record with 67 victories to 51 (64 draws). Since their first official meeting in December 1929 - a 1-0 Roma win in Serie A - only against Torino (76) have Roma won more games against than versus Lazio in all competitions (67).

Roma have failed to score in each of their last four meetings against Lazio across all competitions and could go five matches in a row versus Lazio without finding the net for the first time in their history.

Lazio are unbeaten in their last four games against Roma in all competitions (W3 D1) and the Biancocelesti could go five games in a row without losing to the Giallorossi for the first time since doing so between October 2011 and May 2013.

After their goalless draw in the reverse meeting back in November, Roma and Lazio could draw both of their meetings in a Serie A season for the third time in the 21st century, after also doing so in 2019-20 and in 2002-03.

Lazio won their last away game against Roma in Serie A and could win back-to-back such games against their rivals for the third time in the top-flight after also doing so between 1972 and 1974 and between 1950 and 1953.

Roma are unbeaten in nine of their 10 matches under Daniele De Rossi in Serie A, picking up 23 points (W7 D2 L1); only two managers have won more points in their first 10 games as Roma manager in the top-flight in the three points per win era (since 1994/95): Eusebio Di Francesco (24) and Rudi Garcia (30).

Lazio have drawn only one of their last 15 Serie A games (W8 L6), 0-0 at Stadio Olimpico against Napoli in January. Furthermore, no team have drawn fewer matches than I Biancocelesti in Serie A 2023-24 (4 - level with Inter).

Lazio (79) and Roma (78) are two of the three teams alongside Lecce (79) that have received the greatest number of cards in Serie A this season: 76 yellow cards for Roma (record in the current tournament) and two red cards and 74 yellows and five reds for Lazio.

Paulo Dybala has been directly involved in a goal every 80 minutes on average in Serie A this season, his best rate in a single campaign (12 goals, 7 assists in 1517 minutes). However, after scoring seven goals in his first 10 appearances against Lazio in the top-flight, the Argentinian has since failed to score in his last seven against them.

Ciro Immobile has scored four goals against Roma in Serie A (most recently in January 2021) and in Lazio's history only two players have scored more times against Giallorossi in the top-flight: Silvio Piola (6) and Tommaso Rocchi (5).

## 06/04/2024 20:45 - CARLO CASTELLANI COMPUTER GROSS ARENA

**EMPOLI****Vs****TORINO**

Empoli have drawn more Serie A games against Torino (11) than any other opponent in the competition, also holding more wins (7) than defeats (5) in the head-to-head record between the two.

After winning 1-0 in the reverse fixture back in December, Torino could complete a league double in Serie A over Empoli for the first time in their history.

Empoli have lost just one of their 11 home games against Torino in Serie A (W3 D7), losing 3-1 in May 2022.

Since winning 12 points from their first six games under Davide Nicola in Serie A (W3 D3), Empoli are the only team to have lost all four of their matches in the competition since the beginning of March whilst they are also the only team not to score in that period.

Torino have won both of their last two league games without conceding and could win three such matches in a row for the first time since February 1992 under Emiliano Mondonico. They last won three matches in a row overall in the competition between May and September 2019.

Torino have recorded 15 clean sheets after 30 matches in Serie A this season and the Granata have only kept more in just one top-flight campaign previously, including only 20 team seasons: 16 in 1948-49.

Only Torino's matches (55 in 30, 1.8 average) have averaged fewer goals than Empoli's matches (67 in 30, 2.2 average) in Serie A this season.

Since his debut with Empoli on February 9th, M'Baye Niang is Gli Azzurri player to have recorded the most shots (17), most shots on target (6) and most goals (3) in the competition.

Vanja Milinkovic-Savic has recorded 15 clean sheets in Serie A this season, the most ever by a Torino keeper in the three-points-per-win era (since 1994-95). Meanwhile only Yann Sommer (17) has recorded more shutouts in the competition this term than the Serbian goalkeeper.

After scoring last time out against Monza, Antonio Sanabria could find the net in back-to-back Serie A games for the first time since February 2023 (vs. Cremonese and Juventus). However, only one of his last nine goals in the top-flight have come away from home (vs. Napol in March).

## 07/04/2024 12:30 - BENITO STIRPE

**FROSINONE****Vs****BOLOGNA**

Both Frosinone and Bologna have two wins each in their five previous Serie A meetings (D1). After winning the reverse fixture this season, Bologna could win two games in a row against Frosinone for the first time in the Italian top-flight.

Frosinone are unbeaten in their two previous Serie A home games against Bologna, keeping a clean sheet both times (1-0 in February 2016 and 0-0 in August 2018).

Since the beginning of February 2024, no team has gained fewer points than Frosinone in Serie A (two in eight matches, level with Salernitana); in the same period, only Inter (25) have collected more points than Bologna (24) in the Italian top-flight.

After a 1-1 draw against Genoa, Frosinone could draw two games in a row in Serie A for the first time since last September, against Salernitana and Fiorentina.

Bologna have won their last two Serie A games, keeping a clean sheet both times; they have not won three matches in a row without conceding a goal in the Italian top-flight since February 1973, when they were managed by Bruno Pesaola.

Bologna have won 57 points in 30 Serie A games this season - the last time they collected more points in a whole season in the Italian top-flight (considering three points per win) was in 1966-67 (63), when they ended the season in third place.

Only Inter (18) have scored more goals than Bologna (16) in the first 30 minutes of play in this Serie A campaign, while no team has conceded more goals than Frosinone in the first 30 minutes of play (19, level with Salernitana).

Nadir Zortea is the defender who has provided the most assists in 2024 in Serie A (4), followed by Riccardo Calafiori with three, alongside Raoul Bellanova and Alessandro Bastoni.

Riccardo Orsolini is the Italian player who has scored the most goals (10) in the big five European leagues in 2023-24. Furthermore, he is just one goal away from equalling his highest goals tally in a single Serie A season (11 goals in 2022-23).

Since the beginning of 2024, only Albert Gudmundsson (27) has created more chances than Alexis Saelemaekers (25) in Serie A. After a goal against Salernitana in the last match played, the Belgian winger could score in two matches in a row for the first time in the Italian top-flight.

07/04/2024 15:00 - U-POWER STADIUM



**MONZA**

**Vs**

**NAPOLI**



In their three previous Serie A meetings, both Monza (1) and Napoli (1) have recorded a win each, with the reverse fixture in December this season ending 0-0.

After failing to beat Napoli in their first six home matches (D3 L3) among Serie B and Coppa Italia between 1962 and 1999, Monza won the most recent home game in Serie A 2-0 in May 2023 with goals from Dany Mota and Andrea Petagna.

Monza have won four of their last six games in Serie A (L2), as many victories as in their previous 16 matches in the top-flight (D6 L6). However, the Brianzoli did lose their most recent match in the competition (0-1 away against Torino).

Napoli have earned 45 points after 30 games in Serie A this season; the last time they had as few points after the same number of matches in the competition was back to 2009-10 (also 45), finishing that season sixth.

Napoli – who lost their most recent match 3-0 vs Atalanta – have already recorded two defeats in a row in Serie A this season, with Walter Mazzarri last December, losing 3-0 vs Inter, followed by a 1-0 loss away to Juventus.

Monza have won three of their last five home matches in Serie A (D1 L1) – including the most recent one 1-0 vs Cagliari; the Brianzoli could record two home victories in a row at the U-Power Stadium in the competition for the first time since November 2022 – against Hellas Verona (2-0) and Salernitana (3-0).

Monza and Napoli are two of the four teams with the fewest goals scored in the first 15 minutes of game in Serie A this season, with two for Monza (level with Cagliari and Udinese) and just one for Napoli. Furthermore, the Brianzoli have conceded 10 goals during this period, the joint-most in Serie A along with Salernitana.

Among goalkeepers who have played more than 20 matches in the current competition, Michele Di Gregorio is second for save percentage (80%) with only Yann Sommer having a higher percentage (81%), while Alex Meret has a percentage of 65% – only four goalkeepers have a lower percentage in Serie A this season.

The first time Khvicha Kvaratskhelia scored more than one goal in a Serie A game was against Monza (2 in August 2022); since the start of February – excluding penalty kicks – no one has scored more than the Georgian in the top-flight (5 – level with Teun Koopmeiners).

Since his hat-trick against Sassuolo in February, Victor Osimhen has gone three matches in a row without scoring in Serie A. Indeed, since his first season for Napoli (2020-21), only three times has he gone at least four consecutive games without a goal in the top-flight – the most recent of which was between October 2021 and January 2022; a run of six matches, his longest such run in the competition.

07/04/2024 18:00 - UNIPOL DOMUS



**CAGLIARI**

**Vs**

**ATALANTA**



Cagliari and Atalanta have not drawn in any of their last Serie A 17 matches: seven wins for Sardi and 10 for the Bergamaschi in the period; the last draw between them was on January 20, 2013 (1-1, Canini's own goal and Stendardo's goal).

Atalanta have won five of their last six games against Cagliari in Serie A (L1), scoring exactly two goals on average per match in the period, for an aggregate score of 12-5.

Atalanta have won each of their last four Serie A away meetings against Cagliari – all under Gian Piero Gasperini – and in their top-flight history they never have won five games in a row on the road against a single opponent in the competition.

Cagliari have only lost one of their last six Serie A matches (W2 D3), after losing four games in a row and conceding an average of three goals per match (conceding just one goal on average per game in the following six encounters).

Against Cagliari, Atalanta will play their 3rd Serie A away game in a row, after 2-2 against Juventus and the win (3-0) at Napoli; since the start of 2024, the Dea have only lost on the road at Inter on February 28 (W2 D3 in the partial).

With Scamacca's goal last time out, Atalanta scored their 9th goal from outside the box: the best tally in Serie A this season; on the other hand, Cagliari are bottom in this ranking, level with AC Milan (two goals each).

Cagliari and Atalanta both had substitutes score last time out and have both netted 11 goals via subs in Serie A in 2023/24: fewer only than Milan (14).

Gian Piero Gasperini (552) and Claudio Ranieri (467) are two of the four managers with the most games in Serie A, alongside Massimiliano Allegri (500) and Stefano Pioli (485); they have met 11 times in the top-flight and drawn only once: four wins for Gasperini and six for Ranieri.

Eldor Shomurodov has scored two goals against Atalanta in Serie A and only against Salernitana (3) has he netted more in the competition; the Uzbek player has been directly involved in three goals (two goals, one assist) in his last three home league appearances.

Scoring against Napoli, Teun Koopmeiners established his best scoring record in a single Serie A season: 11 goals, nine of those on the road; in the three-points-for-a-win era (since 1994/95), only one midfielder has netted at least 10 goals away from home in a season in the competition: Franck Kessié in 2020/21 (10).

07/04/2024 18:00 - MARCANTONIO BENTEGODI



**HELLAS VERONA**

**Vs**

**GENOA**



Following their win in the reverse match (1-0 in November 2023), Genoa could win both games in a single Serie A season against Hellas Verona for the third time, after 1957-58 and 2017-18.

Hellas Verona have only won one of their last six Serie A games against Genoa (D3 L2), failing to score in half of those matches, included the most recent encounter.

With 27 points in total, Hellas Verona have only picked up one point fewer in their 11 matches in the second half of the season compared to the 19 of the first half (13 vs 14). Indeed, since the end of the first half of the season, the Scaligeri have gained three positions in the table (from 18th to 15th).

Genoa have only won one of their last eight league matches (D4 L3), drawing the last two. Indeed, only Udinese (16) have drawn more than Grifone (11, alongside with Lecce and Torino) in Serie A this season.

Genoa had a goalless draw in their last league away match against Juventus, while in Serie A this season only once have they failed to score in back-to-back games on the road: against Torino and Lecce in September in successive 1-0 defeats.

Verona are one of the two teams to have scored fewest goals in the first 30 minutes of play in Serie A this season (5, level with Cagliari); while Genoa have scored the fewest goals (7) in the final 30 minutes of games in Serie A in 2023-24.

No team has scored fewer goals via their defenders than Hellas Verona in Serie A this season (1, level with Empoli), while Genoa are one of the two teams with the fewest goals scored by midfielders (5, alongside Napoli).

This match will see the two midfielders with the most duels won in Serie A this season: Morten Frendrup (180) and Michael Folorunsho (176); thwith Frendrup the midfielder with the most tackles won (61), while Folorunsho has won 52 aerial duels, only fewer than Cristante (66) among midfielders.

After scoring against Frosinone last time out, Albert Gudmundsson is the only player among the teams in the bottom half of the Serie A table with more than 10 goals scored in Serie A in 2023-24 (11). Indeed, he has already scored in successive games three times in Serie A this season, the most recent of which was in December against Juventus and Sassuolo.

Since his debut in Serie A (28th January), no Hellas Verona player has started more games (9) than Tijjani Noslin in the top-flight, while he has been directly involved in two goals (1 goal, 1 assist) in his last two league appearances, after having only scored one goal in his first seven games in the competition.

## 07/04/2024 20:45 - ALLIANZ STADIUM

# JUVENTUS Vs FIORENTINA

Juventus have won their last two Serie A matches against Fiorentina, without conceding goals; under a single manager, they have already won for three games in a row against the Viola on four occasions, while always keeping a clean sheet: the most recent between 2017 and 2018 under Massimiliano Allegri.

Juventus have won 11 of their last 12 Serie A home matches against Fiorentina (L1), keeping a clean sheet in four of their last six.

Despite having only won two of their last seven Serie A matches against Juventus (D2 L3), Fiorentina have never conceded more than one goal per game in this time against the Bianconeri, since an away defeat (3-0) on February 2, 2020.

Considering only the second half of the season, Juventus and Fiorentina would be in the lower part of the Serie A table: the Vecchia Signora 11th with 13 points in 11 games and the Viola 16th with an average of exactly one point per match (10 in 10 meetings).



Juventus are at least 20 points from the top of the table after 30 seasonal matches for the second time in their Serie A history (Juventus 59 and Inter 79 in 2023/24), after 1955/56 (Juventus 28 points and Fiorentina in 1st place with 48).

Fiorentina have faced a team ahead of them in the table at the start of the matchday 12 times in Serie A this season, losing on half of these occasions (W4 D2), including the most recent, last time out against Milan (1-2).

Fiorentina have conceded the fewest shots in Serie A in 2023/24 (298, with one game less); on the other hand, Juventus have conceded 92 shots on target: only Inter have done better with 78).

Former Fiorentina players: Dusan Vlahovic (98 appearances and 44 goals in Serie A) and Federico Chiesa (137 games and 26 goals in the top-flight), have not been directly involved in any goals against the Viola in all competitions: zero goals and assists for the Serbian in five matches, the same for the Italian in four games.

With Dusan Vlahovic on the pitch in Serie A this season, Juventus has a winning percentage of 64%, an average points of 2.2 and 1.6 goals per game; without him respectively a winning percentage of 20%, an average points of 1 per match and 0.8 goals scored per game.

Among the 17 teams he has faced at least 10 times in Serie A, only against Chievo, Hellas Verona (both one) and Genoa (3) has Andrea Belotti have scored fewer goals than against Juventus: four, one of those however was in his last appearance at Stadium (Juventus-Torino, 1-1, on February 18, 2022).

## 08/04/2024 20:45 - BLUENERGY STADIUM - STADIO FRIULI



**UDINESE**

**Vs**

**INTER**



Inter have won five of their last six Serie A matches against Udinese (L1), scoring almost triple the number of goals they've conceded in this time (17 vs 6).

In the last 12 Serie A matches against Inter, Udinese have failed to find the net eight times, including the most recent match against the Nerazzurri: a 0-4 defeat on December 9, 2023.

Udinese won their last Serie A home match against Inter (3-1, September 18, 2022) and could avoid defeat in back-to-back home games against the Nerazzurri for the first time since the period between 2006 and 2008, while they could win two home meetings in a row for the first time since 2000 (under Luigi De Canio).

Udinese have never repeated the same result twice in a row in their last nine Serie A matches (W2 D4 L3), drawing in their most recent game (1-1 vs Sassuolo).

Inter have won 11 of their 12 Serie A matches in 2024, with the only exception being the draw on March 17, against Napoli - conceding only six goals, and only one of those in the first half (on February 10, at Roma's home).

In winning this match, Inter will pick up 82 points: after the first 31 Serie A seasonal games, only Juventus in 2018/19 earned more (84) in top-flight history (since 1929/30).

Inter have scored the most goals (18) in the last 15 minutes of the first half (31'-45'); in the same quarter of an hour (31'-45') Udinese have conceded the most goals: 15, at least five more than any other side in Serie A this season.



Florian Thauvin has been directly involved in three goals (one goal, two assists) in his last four Serie A appearances; in general, after zero goals in the 2022/23 top-flight, he has netted five goals in the current league campaign: three of those against teams currently in the top of the table (Roma, Fiorentina and AC Milan).

Scoring last time out, Federico Dimarco equaled his best scoring season in Serie A (five goals in 2020/21 for Verona); in general, he has been directly involved in 11 goals (5 goals, 6 assists) in Serie A in 2023/24, at least three more than any other defender.

Lautaro Martínez has scored four goals in his last six Serie A matches against Udinese, after failing to score in his first four; without goals in his last three league games, the Argentine has only had a longer streak without scoring once since the start of 2023: five matches between March and April last year.