



2023-24 SEASON GUIDE

BREAKING NEW GROUND

Last season began with us all feeling that tangible shift in momentum that the Lionesses' UEFA Women's Euro win brought to women's football.

More than a year on from that pivotal moment and with an electric summer of FIFA Women's World Cup action to add to the anticipation, we're set to enter another year fresh from celebrating tumbling records and landmark achievements across our domestic leagues.

With each season that goes by, we – you – continue to step the leagues up to new heights.

Last season saw 170% more fans attending Barclays Women's Super League games than the year before, while Barclays Women's Championship matches achieved a 75% uplift in spectators heading through the gates. Meanwhile, away from the stands, the Barclays WSL became the most followed women's professional football league in the world with over two million social media followers, with 36% more watching broadcasts across 188 international markets worldwide.

We're entering an exciting period of evolution for the top tiers of the women's domestic game as we transition the leagues towards a new and independent structure.

As that work continues throughout this season, we're looking forward to your input and collaboration as we continue to grow some of the most ambitious, compelling, and competitive leagues in football.

We are pleased to introduce you to our season guide for 2023-24.

Inside, you'll find a host of key facts and helpful stats about each of the 2023-24 campaign's competing clubs, including squad lists, contact details, and plenty of background on the league's rich history.

Our players, clubs, partners, media, and fans all continue to contribute in extraordinary ways to the growth of the Barclays Women's Super League and Barclays Women's Championship, and whatever part you have to play, we hope you find this guide useful.

Here's to another brilliant season.


















Women's Professional Game Team





Matchday photography from 22-23 season

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CHAMPIONS
2022-23

BARCLAYS
WOMEN'S
CHAMPIONSHIP



2022-23 STATS



GOALS

2022-23

12

MELISSA JOHNSON
CHARLTON ATHLETIC

12

SARAH EWENS
LONDON CITY LIONESSES

11

JADE PENNOCK
BIRMINGHAM CITY

11

SHANIA HAYLES
BRISTOL CITY

10

SAFFRON JORDAN
BLACKBURN ROVERS



ASSISTS

2022-23

8

ABIGAIL HARRISON
BRISTOL CITY

7

SHANADE HOPCROFT
LONDON CITY LIONESSES

5

ATLANTA PRIMUS
LONDON CITY LIONESSES

5

AIMEE PALMER
BRISTOL CITY

5

ABBEY JOICE
SUNDERLAND



CLEAN SHEETS

2022-23

13

FRANCESCA BENTLEY
BRISTOL CITY

10

SHAE YAÑEZ
LONDON CITY LIONESSES

9

KAYLA RENDELL
SOUTHAMPTON F.C.

9

LUCY THOMAS
BIRMINGHAM CITY

TOTAL GOALS BY CLUBS

2022-23

49



LONDON CITY
LIONESSES

39



BIRMINGHAM CITY

39



BRISTOL CITY

34



CHARLTON ATHLETIC

32



SHEFFIELD UNITED

LAST SEASON



271

PLAYERS WITH

14

DIFFERENT NATIONALITIES

KEY DATES

17 JULY FIXTURE LAUNCH	26-27 AUGUST SEASON LAUNCH	14 SEPTEMBER SUMMER TRANSFER WINDOW CLOSES	OCTOBER BLACK HISTORY MONTH	26 NOV – 9 DEC RAINBOW LACES	1-31 JANUARY WINTER TRANSFER WINDOW	23-24 MARCH WOMEN'S FOOTBALL WEEKEND	28 APRIL END OF SEASON
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ALL-TIME TEAM RECORDS

TOP 5 MOST GOALS

				
295	255	189	184	184

TOP 5 MOST WINS

				
88	68	50	50	48

TOP 5 MOST CLEAN SHEETS

				
63	39	32	29	28

26

NUMBER OF CLUBS WHO HAVE PLAYED IN THE BARCLAYS WOMEN'S CHAMPIONSHIP

FIRST EVER MATCH

14 APRIL 2014

OXFORD UTD **0 - 3** LONDON BEES

HIGHEST ATTENDANCE

11,137

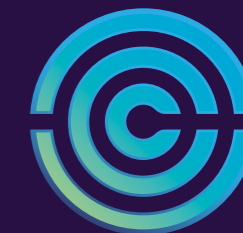
SHEFFIELD UNITED V LONDON CITY LIONESSES

BRAMALL LANE, 20 NOVEMBER 2022

PREVIOUS LEAGUE WINNERS & TOP GOALSCORERS

2014 SUNDERLAND	2015 READING	2016 YEOVIL TOWN	2017-18 DONCASTER ROVERS BELLES	2018-19 MANCHESTER UNITED	2019-2020 ASTON VILLA	2020-21 LEICESTER CITY	2021-22 LIVERPOOL	2022-23 BRISTOL CITY
24 FRAN KIRBY READING	20 COURTNEY SWEETMAN-KIRK DONCASTER ROVERS BELLES	13 INI-ABASI U MOTONG OXFORD UNITED JO WILSON LONDON BEES	15 JESSICA SIGSWORTH DONCASTER ROVERS BELLES	17 JESSICA SIGSWORTH MANCHESTER UNITED	15 KATIE WILKINSON SHEFFIELD UNITED	19 KATIE WILKINSON SHEFFIELD UNITED	17 ABI HARRISON BRISTOL CITY	12 MELISSA JOHNSON CHARLTON ATHLETIC SARAH EWENS LONDON CITY LIONESSES

THE CLUBS



BIRMINGHAM CITY

Founded: 1968

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 @BCFCWomen



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Key Information



Head Coach
Darren Carter



Stadium
St. Andrew's
Stadium
Birmingham
B9 4RL

Capacity
29,409

Seasons in the league
2

Nickname
Blues

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Women's FA Cup winners

Birmingham City Women won the Women's FA Cup for the first time in 2012, beating Chelsea 3-2 on penalties at Ashton Gate.

Club legend

Head Coach Darren Carter wrote his name into the Club's history books as a player, scoring the winning penalty that sent the Men's First Team to the Premier League in 2002.

Jade Pennock won the Barclays Women's Championship Player of the Season award in 2022-23, becoming the first Blues player to do so.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

1	Lucy Thomas (GK)	
2	Martha Harris	
3	Ellie Mason	
4	Louise Quinn	
6	Gemma Lawley	
7	Jade Pennock	
8	Jamie Finn	
9	Libby Smith	
10	Christie Murray	
11	Katie Dungate	
12	Lily Agg	
14	Siobhan Wilson	
17	Lucy Quinn	
18	Louanne Worsley	
22	Remi Allen	
23	Charlie Devlin	
27	Abbi Jenner	
28	Charlotte Clarke	
29	Lucy Jones (GK)	
30	Neve Herron	
32	Abi Cowie	
40	Delphi Cole	
42	Layla Banaras	



OVERVIEW

Kit



Home
Royal Blue/Royal Blue/White

Goalkeeper Home
Black/Black/Black



Away
Crimson/Black/Crimson

Goalkeeper Away
Yellow/Yellow/Yellow

BLACKBURN ROVERS

Founded: 1991

-  @RoversWFC
-  @RoversLadies
-  @RoversWFC
-  @RoversWFC



OVERVIEW

Key Information



Head Coach
Simon Parker



Stadium
Lancashire FA
The County Ground
Leyland
PR25 2LF

Capacity
2,300

Seasons in the league
3

Nickname
Rovers

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Our pride

Ella Toone, Georgia Stanway and Keira Walsh all came through the Blackburn Rovers Academy system.






















A club for the community

Blackburn were formed in 1991 as part of the Blackburn Rovers community programme and have been called Rovers "Ladies" up until this season, now having changed their name to Blackburn Rovers Women.

Blackburn won the National League North title three years in a row 2016-17, 2017-18 and 2018-19 seasons.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- 1 Alex Brooks (GK) 
- 2 Niamh Murphy 
- 3 Hannah Coan 
- 4 Tyler Toland 
- 5 Helen Seed 
- 6 Jade Richards 
- 7 Farah Crompton 
- 8 Emma Doyle 
- 10 Chloe Williams 
- 11 Meg Hornby 
- 12 Emma Taylor 
- 14 Lucy Shepherd 
- 15 Hannah Silcock 
- 17 Millie Chandarana 
- 19 Evie Smith 
- 21 Lauren Thomas 
- 22 Milly Robertson 
- 23 Georgia Walters 
- 25 Nicola Worthington 
- 29 Faith Nokuthula 
- 99 Shanell Salgado (GK) 



OVERVIEW

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Home
Blue & White/Blue/Blue

Goalkeeper Home
Black/Black/Black



Away
Black/Black/Black

Goalkeeper Away
Red/Red/Red



3rd Choice
Green/Green/ Green

CHARLTON ATHLETIC

Founded: 1905

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 @CAFCWomen
 @charltonathleticw



OVERVIEW

Key Information



Head Coach
Karen Hills



Stadium
The Valley
London, SE7 8AN
The Oakwood
Dartford, DA1 4DN

Capacity
27,111 / 1,000

Seasons in the league
6

Nickname
The Addicks

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Third time lucky

It took the Addicks three times until they could lift the FA Cup, losing to Fulham and Arsenal in the years prior. The Addicks claimed the biggest prize in women's football in 2005 when they beat Everton 1-0 in the FA Cup final at Upton Park.

Back in the Championship

Charlton secured promotion back to the Barclays Women's Championship in 2018 following a 2-1 win over Blackburn Rovers at Bramall Lane in the WPL play-off final.


















Golden boot winner

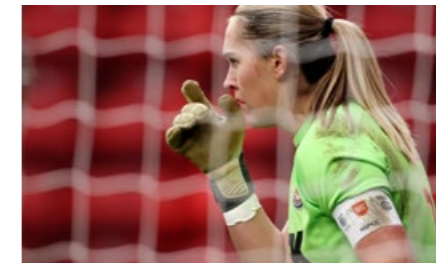
Melissa Johnson was awarded the 2022-23 golden boot after netting 12 times in the Championship, tied with London City Lionesses' Sarah Ewens.

The women's team turned professional in the summer of 2021.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- 1 Sian Rogers (GK) 
- 2 Rebecca McKenna 
- 4 Mia Ross 
- 5 Elisha N'Dow 
- 6 Melissa Johnson 
- 7 Angela Addison 
- 8 Carla Humphrey 
- 9 Freda Ayisi 
- 10 Kate Longhurst 
- 11 Tegan McGowan 
- 12 Jessica Gray (GK) 
- 14 Freya Godfrey 
- 15 Kayleigh Green 
- 16 Karin Muya 
- 17 Kiera Skeels 
- 18 Lois Roche 
- 19 Ella Rutherford 
- 20 Mary Bashford 
- 21 Sophie O'Rourke 
- 22 Beth Roe 
- 25 Hannah Godfrey 
- 30 Poppy Soper (GK) 



OVERVIEW

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Home
Red/Black/Red

Goalkeeper Home
Light Blue/Light Blue/Light Blue



Away
Black/Black/Black

Goalkeeper Away
Acid Lime/Acid Lime/Acid Lime



3rd Choice
White/Black/White

Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Yellow/Yellow/Yellow

CRYSTAL PALACE

Founded: 1961

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 @cpfc_w
 @cpfc



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Key Information



Head Coach
Laura Kaminski



Stadium
The VBS Community
Stadium
Sutton
SM1 2EY

Capacity
5,000

Seasons in the league
5

Nickname
The Eagles

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



World class

Paige Bailey-Gayle made history in July 2023 as the first women's CPFC squad member to make a FIFA Women's World Cup.




















Building on history

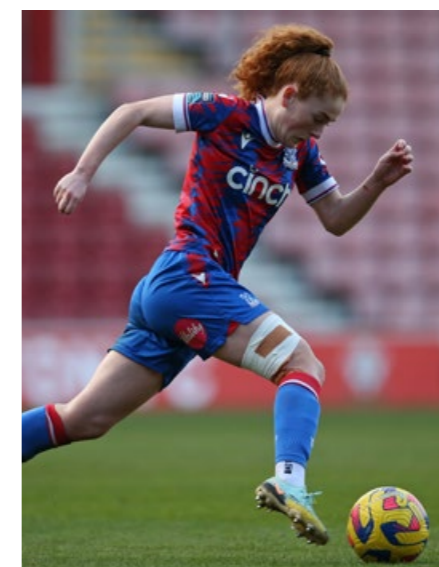
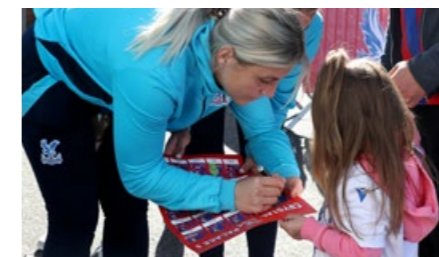
Crystal Palace can draw an established link back to the Crystal Palace football team founded in 1861, which played its first match in March 1862.

The connection makes Palace the oldest league club in existence still playing professional football, and founding members of both the Football Association and FA Cup.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- | | | |
|----|--------------------|---|
| 1 | Fran Kitching (GK) |  |
| 2 | Annabel Johnson |  |
| 3 | Fliss Gibbons |  |
| 4 | Chloe Arthur |  |
| 5 | Anna Filbey |  |
| 6 | Aimee Everett |  |
| 8 | Molly-Mae Sharpe |  |
| 9 | Elise Hughes |  |
| 10 | Annabel Blanchard |  |
| 11 | Kirsten Reilly |  |
| 12 | Lia Cataldo |  |
| 13 | Natalia Negri (GK) |  |
| 14 | Paige Bailey-Gayle |  |
| 15 | Hayley Nolan |  |
| 16 | Ellie Noble |  |
| 19 | Keira Barry |  |
| 20 | Polly Doran |  |
| 21 | Shauna Guyatt |  |
| 24 | Shanade Hopcroft |  |



OVERVIEW

Kit



Home
Red & Blue/Blue/Blue

Goalkeeper Home
Green/Green/Green



Away
White/Sky Blue/White

Goalkeeper Away
Purple/Purple/Purple



3rd Choice
Black/Black/Black

DURHAM

Founded: 2007

-  @DurhamWFC
-  @DurhamWomenFC
-  @DurhamWFC
-  @DurhamWFC



OVERVIEW

Key Information



Head Coach
Claire Ditchburn



Stadium
Maiden Castle
Durham
DH1 3SE

Capacity
1,800

Seasons in the league
11

Nickname
The Wildcats

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



A fast evolving club

Durham were initially formed in 2007 as a single grassroots team but rapidly evolved - and the club were accepted into the second tier of women's football ahead of the 2014 season.









Lionesses legend

The Wildcats have a Lionesses Legend in their ranks, with forward Jess Clarke having made 52 international appearances for England. She scored 11 times, including at the 2011 FIFA Women's World Cup.

Durham's best-ever season came in the 2020-21 campaign, in which they finished second in the Barclays Women's Championship - only narrowly missing out on promotion.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- 1 **Naoisha McAloon (GK)**  *(Nee-sha)*
- 2 **Georgia Robert** 
- 3 **Lauren Briggs** 
- 5 **Sarah Wilson** 
- 6 **Sarah Robson** 
- 7 **Beth Hepple** 
- 8 **Mollie Lambert** 
- 9 **Amy Andrews** 
- 12 **Lily Crosthwaite** 
- 13 **Anna King (GK)** 
- 14 **Becky Salicki** 
- 15 **Dee Bradley** 
- 17 **Poppy Pritchard** 
- 18 **Grace Ayre** 
- 19 **Ella Wilson** 
- 20 **Saoirse Noonan**  *(Sir-sha)*
- 21 **Erin Nicholson** 
- 22 **Eleanor Ryan-Doyle** 
- 23 **Jess Clarke** 
- 24 **Abby Holmes** 
- 30 **Tatiana Saunders (GK)** 



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Kit



Home
Blue/Blue/Blue

Goalkeeper Home
Black/Black/Black



Away
Black/Black/Black

Goalkeeper Away
Green/Green/Green



Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Yellow/Black/Yellow

OVERVIEW

Key Information



Head Coach
Scott Booth



Stadium
The Dripping Pan
Lewes
BN7 2XA

Capacity
2,801

Seasons in the league
6

Nickname
The Rooks

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



The gaffer

Scott Booth won 22 caps for Scotland, and later managed youth sides in the national set-ups before joining Glasgow City in the Scottish Women's Premier league where he led the team to six consecutive league titles, two Scottish Cups and one Scottish League Cup. He was awarded a place in the top 10 UEFA Women's Coach of the year in 2019.

The Dripping Pan

With picturesque white chalk cliffs of the South Downs at one end, the stadium has some stunning views, recently being voted No.1 in the "British Football's Greatest Grounds" book.

100% fan owned

Anyone can own a share in the club for as little as £50 per year. Lewes is the first semi-professional / professional football club in the world to have equal playing budget and resources across the men's and women's team.

In 2023, Lewes women's team reached their first ever FA cup quarter finals which was played in front of a club record attendance of 2,801.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

1	Sophie Whitehouse (GK)	
2	Grace Riglar	
3	Rhian Cleverly	
4	Amelia Hazard	
5	Grace Garrad	
6	Ellie Hack	
7	Caragh Hamilton	
8	Grace Palmer	
9	Valentine Pursey	
10	Maria Farrugia	
11	Anna Grey	
12	Shauna Vassell	
14	Reanna Blades	
15	Hollie Olding	
16	Kate Oakley	
21	Sarah Brasero-Carreira	
26	Emily Moore (GK)	



OVERVIEW

Kit



Home
Red with Black Stripes/Black/Black

Goalkeeper Home
Blue/Blue/Black



Away
White/Black/Black

Goalkeeper Away
Grey/Grey/Black



3rd Choice
Green/Green/Green

Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Yellow/Yellow/Black

LONDON CITY LIONESSES

Founded: 2019

 @LondonCityLionesses
 @LondonCityLionesses
 @LC_Lionesses
 @LondonCityLionesses



OVERVIEW

Key Information



Head Coach
Carolina Morace



Stadium
Princes Park
Dartford
DA1 1RT

Capacity
4,100

Seasons in the league
4

Nickname
The Lionesses

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Golden Boot winner

Sarah Ewens (2022-23) is the first London City Lioness to win the Barclays Women's Championship Golden Boot, tied with Charlton Athletic's Melissa Johnson (12).

Record crowds

London City broke its attendance record three times in 2022-23, most recently against South London rivals Charlton Athletic on 2 April (424).

International class

London City Lionesses head coach Carolina Morace was the first woman to be inducted into the Italian Football Hall of Fame, after scoring 105 goals in 150 appearances for the Azzure. Carolina enjoyed a prolific career as a player, winning the Serie A title 12 times and scoring more than 550 goals for her numerous clubs. Carolina became the first woman to manage a professional men's football team in June 1999, leading Viterbese of Serie C.

London City Lionesses is the capital's only independent professional women's football club.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- 1 Grace Moloney (GK) 
- 2 Grace Neville 
- 3 Emma Mukandi 
- 4 Georgia Brougham 
- 6 Sonia O'Neill 
- 7 Lois Joel 
- 8 Connie Scofield 
- 11 Tinaya Alexander 
- 12 Hermione Cull (GK) 
- 13 Paige Satchell 
- 17 Lucy Fitzgerald 
- 18 Danielle Carter 
- 20 Maddi Wilde 
- 25 Lois Heuchan 
- 28 Sophie Hillyerd (GK) 
- 31 Ruesha Littlejohn 
- 71 Niamh Farrelly 



OVERVIEW

Kit



Home
Light Blue/Dark Blue/Dark Blue

Goalkeeper Home
Pink/Black/Pink



Away
Pink/Black/Pink

Goalkeeper Away
Green/Black/Green

OVERVIEW

Key Information



Head Coach
Liam Gilbert



Stadium
Select Car
Leasing Stadium
Reading
RG2 0FL

Capacity

24,161

Seasons in the league

1

Nickname

The Royals

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



A swift return?

Reading were promoted to the Barclays Women's Super League in 2015, winning the WSL 2 title after coming from behind to beat Aston Villa 3-2 on the final day. Since then, the Royals have been in the Barclays WSL (8 years) until they were relegated last season on the final day.

Farewell to a club legend

Kelly Chambers, now Cousins, is the club's longest servant having represented the Royals as a Player, Manager and Director of Women's Football for more than 20 years. This season will be the first season without Kelly at the helm since 2012.

Last season was a record-breaking year from the fans, setting & breaking four attendance records which now currently stands at just over 6,000. As well as seeing a record number of Season Ticket Holders, which grew by 700% from the previous year.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

1	Emily Orman (GK)	
5	Deanna Cooper	
7	Charlie Wellings	
8	Tia Primmer	
9	Madison Perry	
10	Ava Kuyken	
11	Lauren Wade	
15	Brooke Hendrix	
16	Easter Mayi Kith	
17	Charlie Estcourt	
18	Freya Meadows-Tuson	
22	Millie Elwood	
25	Jacqueline Burns (GK)	
27	Rose Kite (GK)	
28	Lily Woodham	
31	Bethan Roberts	
41	Eve Annets (GK)	
51	Sanne Troelsgaard Nielsen	



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Home
Blue & White Hoops/Blue/Blue

Goalkeeper Home
Yellow/Yellow/Yellow



Away
Grey/Dark Grey/Grey

Goalkeeper Away
Green/Green/Green



3rd Choice
Purple/Purple/Purple

Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Black/Black/Black

SHEFFIELD UNITED

Founded: 1889

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 @SUFcWomen
 @sufc_women
 @SUFcWomen



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Key Information



Head Coach
Jonathan Morgan



Stadium
Bramall Lane
Sheffield
S2 4SU

Capacity
32,000

Seasons in the league
5

Nickname
The Blades / United

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Forged in steel

Sheffield United was originally formed as 'Sheffield United Community Ladies' by Blades legend Tony Currie in the 1990s as part of the 'United in the Community' project.



















Championship record crowd

Sheffield United set the Barclays Women's Championship attendance record in November 2022 as 11,137 people watched the Blades face London City Lionesses at Bramall Lane.

Charlotte Newsham didn't miss a minute in the Barclays Women's Championship in 2022-23, winning Sheffield United's Player of the Season award.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- 1 Fran Stenson (GK) 
- 2 Charley Docherty 
- 3 Charlotte Newsham 
- 4 Sophie Barker 
- 5 Molly Graham 
- 6 Tara Bourne 
- 7 Jess Sigsworth 
- 8 Maddy Cusack 
- 9 Bex Rayner 
- 10 Isobel Goodwin 
- 11 Ashley Hodson 
- 12 Jodie Hutton 
- 13 Olivia Page 
- 14 Ellie May 
- 15 Tamara Wilcock 
- 16 Chene Muir 
- 17 Sophie Haywood 
- 18 Ella Kinzett 
- 19 Alanta Brown 
- 22 Darcie Sugden-Brook 
- 24 Rachel Brown 
- 29 Fallon Connolly-Jackson 
- 32 Juliet Adebowale-Arimoro 
- 33 Bethan Davies (GK) 



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Home
Red & White Stripes/Black/Black

Goalkeeper Home
White/White/White



Away
Teal & Navy Blue/Navy Blue/Navy Blue

Goalkeeper Away
Teal/Teal/Teal



3rd Choice
Gold/Gold/Gold

Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Black/Black/Red

SOUTHAMPTON

Founded: 2017

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 @SaintsFCWomen
 @southamptonfc



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Key Information



Head Coach
Marianne Spacey-Cale



Stadium
St Mary's Stadium
Southampton
SO14 5FP

Capacity
32,000

Seasons in the league
2

Nickname
Saints Women

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



The Saints go marching in

Saints Women's FC was formed in the 2017-18 season and started off in the Hampshire County Women's Football League - back-to-back promotions brought them to the Championship in 2022.

Fans flock to St Mary's Stadium

In their first season of the Barclays Women's Championship, Southampton had the highest average attendance in the league for the 2022-23 season with a phenomenal 539% increase in attendance from the 2021-22 season.

Their manager Marianne Spacey-Cale was a prolific footballer, finishing her career with 94 caps and 30 goals for England.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- | | | |
|----|--------------------|--|
| 1 | Kayla Rendell (GK) | |
| 2 | Ella Morris | |
| 3 | Milly Mott | |
| 4 | Lucia Kendall | |
| 5 | Rosanna Parnell | |
| 6 | Laura Rafferty | |
| 7 | Lexi Lloyd-Smith | |
| 8 | Chloe Peplow | |
| 9 | Katie Wilkinson | |
| 10 | Rianna Dean | |
| 11 | Megan Wynne | |
| 12 | Sophia Pharoah | |
| 14 | Molly Pike | |
| 16 | Emma Thompson | |
| 17 | Emily Kraft | |
| 18 | Isabel Milne | |
| 19 | Alice Griffiths | |
| 20 | Atlanta Primus | |
| 21 | Jemma Purfield | |
| 22 | Beth Howard (GK) | |
| 23 | Megan Collett | |
| 24 | Paige Peake | |



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Home
Red & White/Black/White

Goalkeeper Home
Black & Yellow/Black/Black



Away
White/Teal/Teal

Goalkeeper Away
Pink/Pink/Pink



3rd Choice
Black/Grey/Black

Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Teal/Teal/Teal

SUNDERLAND AFC

Founded: 1879

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 @safcwomen
 @SAFCWomen



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Key Information



Head Coach
Melanie Reay



Stadium
Eppleton Colliery
Welfare Ground
Houghton le Spring
DH5 9NA

Capacity
1,810

Seasons in the league
3

Nickname
Black Cats, Lassies

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Lionesses history

The team has a long-standing history of producing England internationals, with Jill Scott, Steph Houghton, Demi Stokes, Jordan Nobbs, Beth Mead and Lucy Bronze the notable alumni from the Black Cats.




















Inaugural champions

Sunderland Women were crowned the inaugural champions of the WSL 2 in 2014, now known as the Barclays Women's Championship.

Sunderland Women were founded in 1989, with the team originally being named the Kestrels.

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- 1 Claudia Moan (GK) 
- 4 Faye Mullen 
- 5 Grace McCatty 
- 6 Louise Griffiths 
- 7 Keira Ramshaw 
- 8 Emily Scarr 
- 9 Mary McAteer 
- 10 Katie Kitching 
- 11 Jessica Brown 
- 14 Natasha Fenton 
- 15 Amy Goddard 
- 16 Grace Ede 
- 18 Libbi McInnes 
- 19 Megan Beer 
- 20 Ellen Jones 
- 22 Megan Borthwick (GK) 
- 23 Jenna Dear 
- 25 Katy Watson 
- 27 Brianna Westrup 
- 37 Liz Ejupi 



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Kit



Home
Red & White/Black/Red

Goalkeeper Home
Yellow/Yellow/Yellow



Away
Pink/Purple/Purple

Goalkeeper Away
Peach/Orange/Orange



3rd Choice
Lime/Lime/Lime

Goalkeeper 3rd Choice
Blue/Blue/Blue

WATFORD

Founded: 1881

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Key Information



Head Coach
Damon Lathrope



Stadium
Grosvenor Vale
Ruislip, HA4 6JQ
Vicarage Road
Watford, WD18 0ER

Capacity
4,085 / 22,200

Seasons in the league
2

Nickname
The Hornets, The Golden Girls

STATISTICS

Key Club Facts



Promoted

Following their 1-0 victory over Nottingham Forest in May 2023's play-off final and subsequent changes to promotion from the third-tier, Watford were the final side to achieve promotion from the FA Women's National League via the play-offs.

Full circle

Winger Gemma Davison returned to the Hornets in 2022 as a 10-time FA WSL winner, UEFA Cup winner and England international. The 36-year-old began her career in the Golden Girls' youth setup.

Watford's all-time top goalscorer Helen Ward is also Wales' highest-ever goalscorer, netting 44 times for the Dragons!

SQUAD LIST

2023-24 Season

- Olivia Clark (GK)
- Lucía León
- Abbie Lafayette
- Charlotte Fleming
- Anne Meiwald
- Sophie McLean
- Gemma Davison
- Bianca Baptiste
- Carly Johns
- Annie Rossiter
- Michelle Agyemang
- Ellie Head
- Jacqui Goldsmid (GK)
- Harley Bennett
- Drè Georgiou
- Laila Harbert
- Megan Chandler
- Poppy Wilson
- Alli Palisch
- Kalani Peart
- Flo Fyfe
- Jade Bradley
- Coral Haines
- Lois Edwards
- Melis Mehmet
- Katie Reid
- Corinne Henson



OVERVIEW

Kit



Home
Black & Yellow/Black/Yellow

Goalkeeper Home
Purple/Purple/Purple



Away
White/Maroon/Maroon

Goalkeeper Away
Crimson/Crimson/Crimson



TITLE PARTNER



Barclays has been providing banking services around the world for more than 330 years. For almost a third of that time, the bank has supported football, starting with its role as banker to The FA, and is still a partner of the Premier League, a partnership which has been in place for 22 years. Four years ago Barclays expanded its support when it became title sponsor of the Women's Super League.

Having recently renewed its sponsorship, the bank has doubled its original investment, breaking its own record for investment in UK women's sport. Barclays also became the first title sponsor of the Women's Championship last season, further strengthening the bank's support of the women's game.

Alongside its backing of the top flight leagues, Barclays is lead partner of Barclays Girls' Football School Partnerships and Barclays 'Game On'. Both of these initiatives will deliver the bank's goal of giving girls in England equal access to football in schools by 2024.

Outside of schools, the Barclays Community Football Fund helps make football more accessible in communities across the UK, and brings more equality to grassroots football. In its inaugural year, it supported 2000 community groups across the UK, engaging over 268,000 young people in inclusive football activities.

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All are supported by the bank's service company, which provides technology, operations and functional services across the Group. Over the coming years Barclays will continue to support football through its partnership with The FA and Premier League and by providing services to the football industry as a whole, building on relationships fostered over many years.

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OFFICIAL BALL SUPPLIER



The FA is delighted to announce the continuation of Nike as the Official Ball Supplier of the Barclays Women's Super League (BWSL), Barclays Women's Championship (BWC) and The FA Women's Continental Tyres League Cup for the 2023-24 season.

The agreement sees the Nike Flight ball technology continue to be used when the Barclays Women's Super League and the Barclays Women's Championship kicks off.

Each competition has its own branded ball, while The FA Women's Continental Tyres League Cup will have a competition branded ball for the Final in March.

Breakthrough Aerowsculpt technology uses features on the surface of the ball to help air move around it more easily. That means less wobble in the air and a more stable, predictable flight path.

This 2023-24 season sees the first time Nike will bring the opportunity for the Barclays Women's Super League ball to be purchased at retail.

For further information about Nike, please visit www.nike.com/gb



BROADCASTERS

GRAVITY MEDIA

Gravity Media is The FA's production partner; Gravity is present at every Barclays Women's Championship match to capture footage. All highlights and full match replays are made available on The FA Player.

TheFA **PLAYER**

All matches in the first two rounds of the season are shown live; for every other round one match is shown live on The FA Player.

sky **sports**

The Barclays Women's Championship Show is shown on both Sky Sports and The FA Player.

WEBSITE

 womensleagues.thefa.com

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