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VELUX EHF Champions League  
Season 2019/20

## *MATCH* **WEEK** *OF THE*

Group B, Round 5  
Montpellier HB (FRA)  
vs  
THW Kiel (GER)

Sud de France Arena (Pérols/Montpellier, FRA)  
Saturday 19 October, 17:15 CEST



## Montpellier HB (FRA) vs THW Kiel (GER)

### Group B



#### Most games vs THW Kiel:

Mladen Bojinovic	4
Cédric Burdet	4
Wissem Hmam	4
Daouda Karaboue	4
William Accambray	3
Samuel Honrubia	3
Remi Salou	3
Issam Tej	3

#### Most goals vs THW Kiel:

William Accambray	19
Mladen Bojinovic	18
Andrej Golic	12
David Juricek	12
Wissem Hmam	10
Vid Kavcicnik	10

### Domestic league

#### Lidl Starligue

Last 3 games:

16/10 @ Istres Provence	D25:25
09/10 @ St.-Raphaël VAR	D29:29
02/10 vs C'Chartres	W29:25

Next game:

06/11 vs US Ivry Handball

Standings as of 18/10:

1. PSG Handball	7	230:193	14
2. HBC Nantes	7	223:187	10
<b>3. Montpellier HB</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>197:181</b>	<b>10</b>
4. Pays d'Aix UC	7	191:177	10
5. USAM Nîmes	7	199:192	8
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14. US Créteil	7	184:208	2

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#### Playing hall

Sud de France Arena  
Route de la Foire  
34470 Pérols/  
Montpellier  
France  
Capacity: 8,000

- Montpellier have not beaten Kiel in three previous CL home matches. Their only victory over Kiel came in an away match in 2011/12, the season in which Kiel won their third CL title.
- Both teams won their last three CL matches; Kiel are still undefeated, Montpellier lost their opener away against Vardar.
- Thierry Omeyer (retired) and Nikola Karabatic (PSG) won the CL with both clubs: with Montpellier in 2003 and with Kiel in 2007. Omeyer added two more titles with Kiel in 2010 and 2012.
- Vid Kavcicnik, who left Montpellier for Aix-en-Provence in the summer of 2019, won the CL with Kiel in 2007 and with Montpellier in 2018.
- No coach or club won two CL titles separated by a 15-year gap, other than Patrice Canayer with Montpellier (2003 and 2018).
- While Canayer is the longest serving coach in the CL with 24 seasons, Kiel's Filip Jicha is in his debut season as a head coach.
- While Canayer won two CL titles as Montpellier coach, Jicha won two CL titles as Kiel player, in 2010 and 2012.
- Montpellier, CL winners in 2003 and 2018, are the only French men's club with a European Cup title. The only other French teams to reach a CL final were PSG (2017) and Nantes (2018).
- Montpellier's squad includes the only Argentine player (Diego Simonet) and the only Georgian player (Giorgi Tskhovrebadze) competing in the CL, plus one of the two Lithuanian players (Jonas Truchanovicus).
- Domagoj Duvnjak (Kiel) will face his former Croatian national teammate Marin Segó; Fredric Pettersson (Montpellier) will face his Swedish national teammates Niklas Ekberg and Lukas Nilsson.
- Segó is the only current Montpellier player who won the CL with another club: with Kielce in 2016.
- Montpellier's top talents Julien Bos and Kyllian Villeminot won gold with France at the Under-21 World Championship 2019, after earlier winning the U19 WCh and the M18 EHF EURO.
- Montpellier's Melvyn Richardson won the CL in 2018, 17 years after his father Jackson did it with Portland San Antonio. They were the second father-and-son pair to win the trophy, after Talant and Alex Dujšebaev.
- In 2018 Simonet became the first Argentine player and goalkeeper Nikola Portner the first Swiss player to win the CL.
- Both Montpellier and Kiel are in their 22nd CL season.
- All 19 times that Kiel played in the CL between 1996/97 and 2017/18, they reached at least the quarter-final. They failed to qualify for the CL in 2018/19, but won their fourth EHF Cup after winning all 10 matches.
- Kiel reached the VELUX EHF FINAL4 six times, Montpellier only once - in 2018, when they became the third debutant to lift the trophy in Cologne after Flensburg (2014) and Vardar (2017).

### Round 5



#### Most games vs Montpellier HB:

Marcus Ahlm	4
Kim Andersson	4
Dominik Klein	4
Stefan Lövgren	4
Thierry Omeyer	4

#### Most goals vs Montpellier HB:

Dominik Klein	20
Kim Andersson	19
Marcus Ahlm	14
Nicolaj Jacobsen	14
Stefan Lövgren	11
Daniel Narcisse	11

### Domestic league

#### Bundesliga

Last 3 games:

17/10 @ HSG Wetzlar	W26:30
10/10 vs Nordhorn-Lingen	W31:23
06/10 @ TBV Lemgo Lippe	W27:30

Next game:

31/10 vs MT Melsungen

Standings as of 18/10:

1. Hannover-Burgdorf	10	296:260	17
2. SG Flensburg-H.	10	264:239	15
3. MT Melsungen	10	275:264	15
<b>4. THW Kiel</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>245:212</b>	<b>14</b>
5. RN Löwen	10	292:263	14
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18. Ludwigshafen	10	240:280	2

## Most goals in one game for Montpellier HB vs THW Kiel:

Mladen Bojinovic	11	29.09.2007	Montpellier HB-THW Kiel	32:34
Andrej Golic	9	28.11.1999	THW Kiel-Montpellier HB	24:18
David Juricek	8	15.11.2007	THW Kiel-Montpellier HB	32:24
William Accambray	8	09.10.2011	THW Kiel-Montpellier Agglomeration HB	23:24
William Accambray	8	04.12.2011	Montpellier Agglomeration HB-THW Kiel	31:34

## Most goals in one game for THW Kiel vs Montpellier HB:

Kim Andersson	9	04.12.2011	Montpellier Agglomeration HB-THW Kiel	31:34
Nicolaj Jacobsen	8	31.10.1999	Montpellier HB-THW Kiel	19:23
Vid Kavtichnik	7	29.09.2007	Montpellier HB-THW Kiel	32:34
Kim Andersson	7	15.11.2007	THW Kiel-Montpellier HB	32:24
Nenad Perunicic	6	31.10.1999	Montpellier HB-THW Kiel	19:23
Nicolaj Jacobsen	6	28.11.1999	THW Kiel-Montpellier HB	24:18
Nikola Karabatic	6	29.09.2007	Montpellier HB-THW Kiel	32:34
Dominik Klein	6	29.09.2007	Montpellier HB-THW Kiel	32:34
Filip Jicha	6	09.10.2011	THW Kiel-Montpellier Agglomeration HB	23:24
Daniel Narcisse	6	04.12.2011	Montpellier Agglomeration HB-THW Kiel	31:34

## Last 10 games in VELUX EHF Champions League:



### Montpellier HB: current run – won three

12.10.2019 Kielce POL	@ PGE VIVE Kielce POL	W 27:29
29.09.2019 Montpellier FRA	vs Telekom Veszprém HC	W 23:18
21.09.2019 Brest BLR	@ HC Meshkov Brest BLR	W 25:27
14.09.2019 Montpellier FRA	vs HC Vardar MKD	L 31:33
02.03.2019 Skopje MKD	@ HC Vardar MKD	L 33:27
24.02.2019 Pérols FRA	vs Barça Lassa ESP	L 28:36
16.02.2019 Kielce POL	@ PGE Vive Kielce POL	W 27:28
09.02.2019 Montpellier FRA	vs HC Meshkov Brest BLR	W 29:23
02.12.2018 Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	L 25:19
25.11.2018 Montpellier FRA	vs IFK Kristianstad SWE	L 30:31



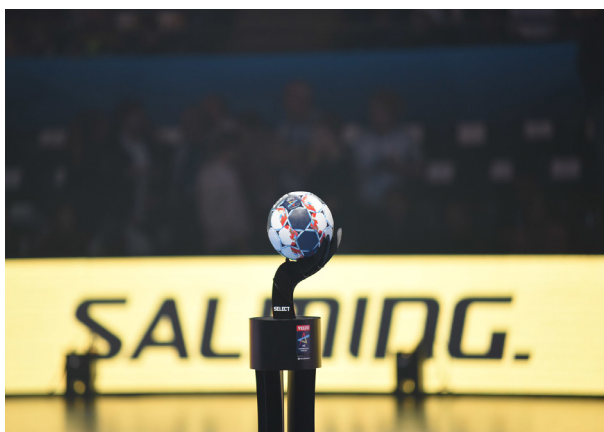
### THW Kiel: current run – unbeaten five

12.10.2019 Skopje MKD	@ HC Vardar MKD	W 20:31
25.09.2019 Kiel GER	vs HC Meshkov Brest BLR	W 31:23
21.09.2019 Veszprém HUN	@ Telekom Veszprém HC HUN	W 31:37
15.09.2019 Kiel GER	vs PGE VIVE Kielce POL	D 30:30
29.04.2018 Skopje MKD	@ HC Vardar MKD	W 27:28
22.04.2018 Kiel GER	vs HC Vardar MKD	L 28:29
01.04.2018 Szeged HUN	@ MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	L 27:28
21.03.2018 Kiel GER	vs MOL-Pick Szeged HUN	W 29:22
04.03.2018 Paris FRA	@ Paris Saint-Germain Handball FRA	D 29:29
24.02.2018 Kiel GER	vs PGE Vive Kielce POL	L 29:30

## Previous matches in European Cup competitions

### Montpellier HB vs THW Kiel 1-0-5 (148:170) 2:10

31.10.1999	Montpellier HB vs THW Kiel, EHF Champions League – Group A	19:23 (8:12)
28.11.1999	THW Kiel vs Montpellier HB, EHF Champions League – Group A	24:18 (12:6)
29.09.2007	Montpellier HB vs THW Kiel, EHF Champions League – Group B	32:34 (12:20)
15.11.2007	THW Kiel vs Montpellier HB, EHF Champions League – Group B	32:24 (18:14)
09.10.2011	THW Kiel vs Montpellier Agglomeration HB, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	23:24 (14:10)
04.12.2011	Montpellier Agglomeration HB vs THW Kiel, VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D	31:34 (17:16)



### Montpellier HB vs German clubs 9-3-22

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1997/98	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	21:21	25:28	EHF Cup – Round 1
1999/00	THW Kiel	19:23	18:24	EHF Champions League – Group A
2004/05	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	36:22	19:32	EHF Champions League – Quarter-final
2005/06	SC Magdeburg	29:24	28:32	EHF Champions League – Group A
2007/08	THW Kiel	32:34	24:32	EHF Champions League – Group B
2007/08	VfL Gummersbach	41:37	25:30	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 2
2008/09	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	31:25	21:22	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 3
2010/11	HSV Hamburg	26:30	28:27	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2010/11	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	26:35	29:27	VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final
2011/12	THW Kiel	31:34	24:23	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D
2012/13	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	25:27	37:37	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2012/13	HSV Hamburg	29:33	33:35	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2014/15	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	29:33	24:35	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group C
2015/16	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	28:30	21:25	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2015/16	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	27:28	30:31	VELUX EHF Champions League – Last 16
2017/18	SG Flensburg-Handewitt	29:17	28:28	VELUX EHF Champions League – Quarter-final
2018/19	Rhein-Neckar Löwen	31:26	27:37	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A

### THW Kiel vs French clubs 23-1-7

Season	Opponent	Home	Away	Competition
1994/95	OM Vitrolles	26:19	19:23	EHF Champions League – Group B
1999/00	Montpellier HB	24:18	23:19	EHF Champions League – Group A
2003/04	Paris Handball	34:27	32:30	EHF Cup – Last 16
2004/05	US Creteil Handball	33:27	31:29	EHF Champions League – Group F
2005/06	Paris Handball	44:28	28:21	EHF Champions League – Last 16
2006/07	Chambery Savoie HB	37:27	39:33	EHF Champions League – Last 16
2007/08	Montpellier HB	32:24	34:32	EHF Champions League – Group B
2007/08	US Ivry handball	36:30	39:25	EHF Champions League – Main Round Group 1
2010/11	Chambery Savoie HB	35:23	28:26	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2011/12	Montpellier Agglomeration HB	23:24	34:31	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group D
2013/14	Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral	28:25	29:21	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B
2014/15	Paris Saint-Germain Handball	33:29	27:25	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2015/16	Paris Saint-Germain Handball	26:30	30:37	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2015/16	Paris Saint-Germain Handball		27:29	VELUX EHF FINAL4 – Place 3/4
2016/17	Paris Saint-Germain Handball	28:27	24:42	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group A
2017/18	Paris Saint-Germain Handball	22:25	29:29	VELUX EHF Champions League – Group B

## Montpellier HB players' career statistics against THW Kiel

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Charles Bolzinger	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kevin Bonnefoi	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Nikola Portner	SUI	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Marin Sego	CRO	10	2	2	6	1	0,10	1	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Benjamin Afgour	FRA	2	0	0	2	3	1,50	2	6'
Julien Bos	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Hugo Descat	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Gilberto Duarte Brito	POR	4	1	1	2	18	4,50	9	2'
Mathieu Grebille	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Paul-Louis Guiraudou	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Yanis Lenne	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Marco Mengon	ITA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Simone Mengon	ITA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Fredric Pettersson	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Valentin Porte	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Melvyn Richardson	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Diego Simonet	ARG	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Mohamed Soussi	SUI	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Jonas Truchanovicus	LTU	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Giorgi Tskhovrebadze	GEO	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Kyllian Villemint	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Elio Zammit	FRA	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0



Benjamin Afgour (Dunkerque HB Grand Littoral 2013/14); Gilberto Duarte Brito (FC Porto Vitalis 2013/14, Orlen Wisla Plock 2016/17); Marin Sego (RK Izvidac Ljubuski 2003/04, HC Croatia Osiguranje-Zagreb 2008/09, Croatia Osiguranje Zagreb 2011/12, Orlen Wisla Plock 2013/14, KS Vive Tauron Kielce 2014/15, MOL-Pick Szeged 2017/18)

## THW Kiel players' career statistics against Montpellier HB

Goalkeeper		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Niklas Landin Jacobsen	DEN	2	2	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Dario Quenstedt	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Fynn Malte Schröder	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Player		GP	W	D	L	G	AVG	HI	PIM
Nikola Bilyk	AUT	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Rune Dahmke	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Domagoj Duvnjak	CRO	4	3	0	1	15	3,75	6	2'
Niclas Ekberg	SWE	2	2	0	0	15	7,50	9	2'
Pavel Horak	CZE	4	1	0	3	6	1,50	3 (2)	4'
Gisli Thorgeir Kristjansson	ISL	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Magnus Landin Jacobsen	DEN	2	1	0	1	5	2,50	3	2'
Lukas Nilsson	SWE	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Hendrik Pekeler	GER	1	1	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Ole Rahmel	GER	1	0	0	1	0	0,00	0	0
Harald Reinkind	NOR	4	4	0	0	10	2,50	4	0
Steffen Weinhold	GER	2	1	1	0	5	2,50	5	0
Patrick Wiencek	GER	0	0	0	0	0	0,00	0	0
Miha Zarabec	SLO	2	0	0	2	14	7,00	11	0



Domagoj Duvnjak (HSV Hamburg 2010/11, HSV Hamburg 2012/13); Niclas Ekberg (AG Kobenhavn 2011/12); Pavel Horak (HC Banik Karvina 2002/03, HC Meshkov Brest 2018/19); Magnus Landin Jacobsen (KIF Kolding Kobenhavn 2015/16); Niklas Landin Jacobsen (Rhein-Neckar Löwen 2014/15); Hendrik Pekeler (Rhein-Neckar Löwen 2015/16); Ole Rahmel (VfL Gummersbach 2007/08); Harald Reinkind (Rhein-Neckar Löwen 2014/15, Rhein-Neckar Löwen 2015/16); Steffen Weinhold (SG Flensburg-Handewitt 2012/13); Miha Zarabec (RK Celje Pivovarna Lasko 2014/15)

## Details of last Montpellier HB vs THW Handball match: 04.12.2011 (Pérols/Montpellier, FRA)

### Montpellier Agglomération HB vs THW Kiel 31:34 (17:16)

(VELUX EHF Champions League, Group D)

Referees: Nenad Krstic/Peter Ljubic (Slovenia).

Suspensions: 4' – 12' (Salou 2', Hmam 2' – Andersson 4', Kubes 2', Zeitz 2', Ilic 2', Jicha 2'). Disqualification: Zeitz.

Number of 7m: 2/2 – 2/1.

Attendance: 8,500.



Richard Stochl  
Primoz Prost  
Remi Desbonnet  
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Antoine Gutfreund  
Maxime Cochard  
Maxime Arvin-Berod  
Issam Tej (4)  
William Accambray (8)  
Remi Salou  
Samuel Honrubia (3)  
Nikola Karabatic (6)  
Vid Kavtchnik (7)  
Luka Karabatic (2)  
Dragan Gajic (1)  
Mladen Bojinovic (1)  
Wissem Hmam (1)

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Thierry Omeyer  
Andreas Palicka

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Kim Andersson  
Henrik Lundström  
Milutin Dragicevic  
Christian Sprenger  
Marcus Ahlm  
Daniel Kubes  
Tobias Reichmann  
Christian Zeitz  
Aron Palmarsson  
Daniel Narcisse  
Momir Ilic  
Dominik Klein  
Filip Jicha



## 'Player of the Match' trophy

The Match of the Week 'Player of the Match' trophy, introduced by EHF Marketing GmbH in the 2017/18 season, is being awarded at all MOTWs in the VELUX EHF Champions League 2019/20 season.

The trophy will be handed over on court shortly after the match by alternating sponsors throughout the season. In Round 5 the trophy will be presented by VELUX and handed over by Sandrine Pedrini, responsible for company ARTBOIS.

### Awarded players in the 2019/20 season:

Round 1: Nikola Bilyk (THW Kiel)

Round 2: Harald Reinkind (THW Kiel)

Round 3: Rodrigo Corrales (PSG Handball)

Round 4: Bence Banhidi (MOL-Pick Szeged)



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