

# Germany v England

## Key clash

### Simon Rolfes v Michael Carrick

Fifteen months since his previous appearance in the national team, also in a friendly against Germany, the absence of other key personnel gives Carrick the opportunity to show Fabio Capello what England have been missing. He has yet to show anything like his best form on the international stage, so he will hope that, up against Rolfes in midfield, he is able to find the time and the space to perform as he can

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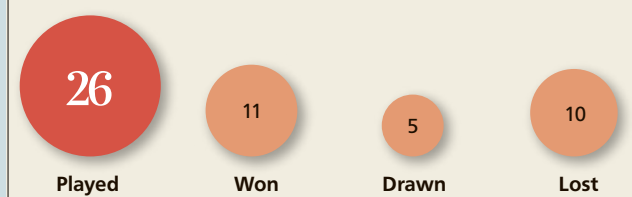


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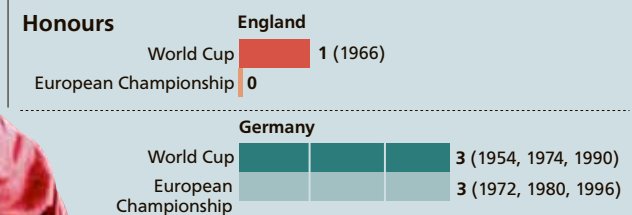
Referee: M Busacca (Switzerland)

Kick-off: 7.45pm  
Television: ITV1  
Venue: Olympic Stadium

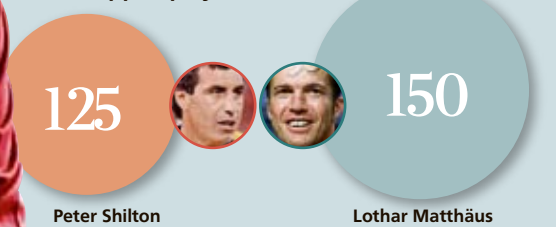
## England's record v Germany (and West Germany)



## Stat attack



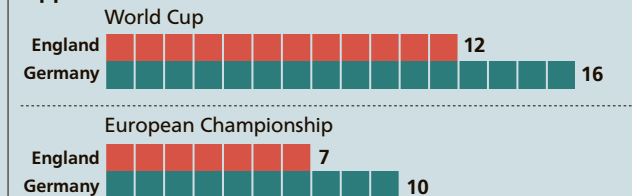
## Most capped players



## Top scorer



## Appearances



## It's a date for rivalry

**1899** Those were the days. The Football Association sent a representative touring party to Germany to teach our old friends some new tricks. Our boys won the first two matches 13-2 and 10-2 before beating the combined Germany and Austria team 8-0 and 7-0

**1901** A team representing Germany lost 12-0 to the England amateur team at White Hart Lane and 10-0 to the England professional team at Hyde Park in Manchester

**1930** The first full international between the sides ended in a 3-3 draw in Berlin. England took the lead twice but were trailing 3-2 until David Jack, right, scored in the dying minutes

**1935** Germany came to England and were beaten 3-0 at White Hart Lane in December. *The Observer* newspaper reported that "the engagement was played

with good manners by everybody"

**1938** Two months after Germany annexed Austria, England beat the old enemy 6-3 in front of 110,000 spectators in Berlin. In one of England's darkest sporting moments



Eddie Hapgood, the captain, and his team-mates were ordered by the Foreign Office to make the Nazi salute to the crowd even though Adolf Hitler was not in the Olympic Stadium

**1966** "They think it's all over... It is now." The greatest day in the history of English sport. Bobby Moore and Co beat West Germany 4-2 in the World Cup final at Wembley thanks to a Geoff Hurst hat-trick



**1970** Revenge is sweet for the Germans in the quarter-finals of the World Cup in Mexico as they come from 2-0 down to win 3-2 thanks to a Gerd Müller goal in extra time. "In sport disaster often feeds upon itself," Hugh McIlvanney wrote. "But this was a sickeningly gluttonous example."

**1990** The best England team since 1966 — Paul Gascoigne, Chris Waddle,



Gary Lineker — go agonisingly close to reaching the World Cup final in Rome but Stuart Pearce and Chris Waddle miss from the spot in the semi-final penalty shoot-out in Turin and the Germans beat Argentina in the final

**1996** "Achtung! Surrender! For You Fritz, ze Euro 96 Championship is over". England is going football crazy but Terry Venables's



team have to beat the old enemy in the semi-final at Wembley if they want to get to the final. Alan Shearer gives England the lead but Germany equalise and it all ends in tears when Gareth Southgate misses in the penalty shoot-out

**2000** Kevin Keegan resigns after Germany beat his team 1-0 in a 2002 World Cup qualifying tie in the final international fixture at the old Wembley Stadium in October. "I just don't feel I can find that little bit of extra that you need at this level to find that winning formula," Keegan said. We know how you feel

**2001** England goes football crazy again in September as David Beckham and Co win the return fixture 5-1 in Berlin thanks to a hat-trick by Michael Owen, below, and the cool, calm head of Sven-Göran Eriksson in the dugout

**2007** In August Germany became the first team to beat England at the new Wembley Stadium. Frank Lampard gave England an early lead but Kevin Kuranyi and Christian Pander scored before half time as Germany won 2-1

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