

# Match points: Arsenal v Everton



## Key battles

### Alexis Sanchez v Phil Jagielka

The Chilean may be making his last league appearance for Arsenal, but has nevertheless been their inspiration of late. His brace against Sunderland on Tuesday took his tally to four goals in his last three games. Jagielka may be another waving goodbye after 11 years of stalwart service at Goodison Park. His only red card since 2004 came against Arsenal in December.



### Mesut Ozil v Idrissa Gueye

Ozil may need to make amends for his last meeting with Everton, but he has returned to form of late, scoring or assisting in each of the last three games. Manager Arsene Wenger's 3-4-2-1 system suits him. Everton boss Ronald Koeman asked the athletic Gueye to man-mark Chelsea's Eden Hazard last month. Ozil has a similar role in a similar system. There may be a repeat.



### Laurent Koscielny v Romelu Lukaku

Koscielny missed the Sunderland game but ought to return at the Emirates. Arsenal may need their pivotal defender, and his speed in particular, against Everton's top scorer. However, Lukaku has not scored in his last four games, rarely finds the net against Arsenal and has now been overtaken by Tottenham's Harry Kane in the race for the Golden Boot.



## Key statistics

### Form guide favours Gunners

2-0 v Sunderland   2-0 v Man United   1-0 v Leicester   3-0 v West Ham

Arsenal have kept clean sheets in their last four home games.



Goals Everton have scored in their last four games.

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Everton have not won on their last 21 visits to Arsenal.

### Midfield dynamo

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Tackles Idrissa Gueye has made, the most in the league this season.

### Premier League gunslingers



Goals

Third on the scoring charts, Arsenal's Alexis Sanchez also has 10 assists this season.



Goals

Second in the Golden Boot hunt, Romelu Lukaku's 24 goals is the most for Everton since Gary Lineker hit 30 in 1985-86.