

Match points: Liverpool v Leicester



Key battles

Roberto Firmino v Caglar Soyuncu

Soyuncu was an overlooked understudy last season but has been outstanding since Harry Maguire's departure, putting in a Man-of-the-Match display in Leicester's draw at Stamford Bridge. Firmino has only one goal in his last five games, but played a part in three of Liverpool's four against Salzburg, showing his significance for others.



Joe Gomez v Jamie Vardy

Vardy is a regular scourge of Liverpool's, with seven goals in his last six games against them. Jurgen Klopp warned after Wednesday's 4-3 win over RB Salzburg that, if his team defended the same way, the striker would have a field day at Anfield. Gomez, in for the injured Joel Matip, was poor then and has struggled for minutes this season.



Sadio Mane v Ricardo Pereira

Pereira has scored in his last two appearances to show his attacking ability, but this is more of a test of his defensive credentials. Mane's brilliant opener against Salzburg showed his excellence in the inside-left channel, his pace, finishing and ability to combine with Firmino. It took him to 24 Liverpool goals in 2019 alone.



Key statistics



Consecutive Liverpool league victories.



Leicester have two more points after seven games than the 12 they had in their title-winning season in 2015-16.



Liverpool games Foxes manager Brendan Rodgers was in charge of from 2012 to 2015.



Leicester are the only team to take points off Liverpool at Anfield this year.



Years since Leicester won at Anfield.