

Match points: Leicester City v Chelsea



Key battles

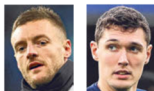
James Maddison v N'Golo Kante

Maddison has just three assists this season, but only four players in the division create more chances per game. It is a task for Kante, the king of tackles and interceptions, to shut down a talisman for his former club. But, partly because of injury, the Frenchman has had his most ineffective season in England and struggled in the draw with Arsenal.



Ben Chilwell v Willian

Willian was the architect of arguably Frank Lampard's biggest league win, scoring twice when Tottenham were beaten in December. His defensive diligence and counter-attacking threat equip him for the big games. Chilwell was praised by Brendan Rodgers for his displays since his return, after being omitted at Burnley for a "misdemeanour".



Jamie Vardy v Andreas Christensen

Christensen has made a surprise return to favour after he seemed fourth in line among Chelsea's centre-backs. But Lampard was adamant he would not sell the Dane to AC Milan. Now it is a test of his pace against Vardy, who was only a substitute for the League Cup semi-final second leg defeat by Aston Villa after injury but who has not scored in six games.



Key statistics

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The last six hosts of this league fixture have failed to win.

0.6

Goals Chelsea have averaged (for a total of three) in their last five games in all competitions against Leicester.

33%

Three wins in Chelsea's last nine league games.

57%

Four defeats in Leicester's last seven league games.



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Tackles by Leicester's Ricardo Pereira, the most in the league.