

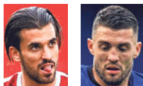
Match points: Arsenal v Chelsea



Key battles

David Luiz v Olivier Giroud

Two men facing their former clubs, but which David Luiz will it be? The defiant defender who frustrated City in the semi-final or the error-prone liability who conceded a penalty and was sent off against Chelsea in the league? The in-form Giroud, who has scored in his last six starts, is trying to win the FA Cup for the fifth time in seven seasons.



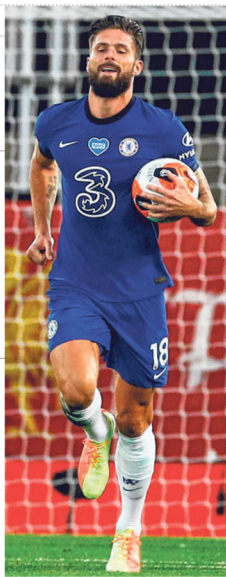
Dani Ceballos v Mateo Kovacic

Arsenal hope to bring Ceballos back from Real Madrid for a second year on loan, but this could be the farewell appearance of a midfielder who has dovetailed well with Granit Xhaka. Kovacic has arguably been Chelsea's player of the year, compensating for N'Golo Kante's injuries, and was outstanding in the semi-final against United.



Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang v Cesar Azpilicueta

Aubameyang's last Wembley game brought a brace against City. He scored twice against Watford last week too, and his potency illustrates why Arteta is desperate to keep him. Azpilicueta could have a thankless task if he is on the right of a back three, but his crossing led to Giroud's opener against United, so Aubameyang must also be wary.



Key statistics

55%

Chelsea and Arsenal have won 11 of the last 20 FA Cups between them.



4

FA Cup wins Lampard won as a Chelsea player.

2

FA Cup finals Arsenal have won against Chelsea.



13

FA Cup wins for Arsenal – a record.

Probable line-ups

ARSENAL (3-4-3)

Martinez; Holding, Luiz, Tierney; Bellerin, Ceballos, Xhaka, Saka; Pepe, Lacazette, Aubameyang.

CHELSEA (3-4-3)

Caballero; Azpilicueta, Rudiger, Zouma; James, Kante, Kovacic, Alonso; Mount, Giroud, Pulisic.