

## Match report Germany vs Argentina

On the 13/7/14 Germany played Argentina in the world cup final. It didn't help that Sami Kherdira got injured in the warm up but he was replaced by Christoph Kramer which was a massive blow for Germany. Both teams started well but it was Argentina with the first opportunity with Gonzalo Higuain capitalizing from a missed timed header from Toni Kroos but he dragged his shot wide, without a doubt the best chance of the first half.

Then nine minutes later he had the ball in the back of the net but he didn't time his run and was correctly flagged offside. The second half both teams created little chances but it was Mario Gotze demonstrated perfect technique and commendable calm to chest down Andre Schurrle's pass and sweep in a left-foot finish in the second half of extra time; it meant that Germany were the First European side to win the World Cup in South America.

It was a well-deserved win as the Germans had 64% possession and Argentina had 36%; they had more corners than Argentina with 5:3 and more shots on target than Argentina with 5:0. This meant Argentina failed to have a shot on target in a world cup game since their final with West Germany in 1990.

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