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2020/21 SEASON

RC TOULON v SALE SHARKS

Match Facts

Pool A – RC TOULON v SALE SHARKS, Saturday 12 December

Venue	Stade Félix Mayol
Kick-off	15:15
Referee	Frank Murphy (Ire)
Assistant Referee 1	Thomas Charabas (Fra)
Assistant Referee 2	Vincent Blasco (Fra)
TMO	Pierre Brousset (Fra)
Citing Commissioner	Stefano Marrama (Ita)

- Toulon have won each of their four encounters with Sale Sharks in the Heineken Champions Cup, keeping the Sharks under seven points scored in three of those games.
- Toulon have lost two of their last three home games in the Heineken Champions Cup (W1) after winning 23 of their previous 24 (L1); two of their three home defeats have come against teams from England (Saracens in October 2016 and Newcastle in October 2018).
- Sale Sharks have lost their last 13 away games in the Heineken Champions Cup, by an average margin of 25 points; they have also lost 11 of their 13 visits to TOP 14 teams in the competition (W2), last winning there against Clermont Auvergne in October 2008.
- RC Toulon recorded the best tackle success rate of any club in the Challenge Cup last season, completing 89% of their attempted tackles.
- Toulon's Gabin Villiere won 10 turnovers in the Challenge Cup in 2019/20, the joint most of any player (also Jack Willis) and twice as many as the next best back – teammate Baptiste Serin (5).

2019/20 Results and Standings

Pool 2*

Rank		Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	RC Toulon	6	6	0	0	177	87	90	25	8	4	0	28
2	Scarlets	6	4	0	2	149	90	59	17	11	2	1	19
3	Bayonne	6	1	0	5	93	190	-97	12	28	2	1	7
4	London Irish	6	1	0	5	122	174	-52	16	23	1	2	7

Results - RC Toulon*

Date	Opponent	Venue	F	A	Result	TF	TA	TB	LB	Round
15/11/2019	Bayonne	A	20	13	W	4	1	X		1
22/11/2019	Scarlets	H	17	16	W	2	1			2
07/12/2019	London Irish	H	37	17	W	5	2	X		3
14/12/2019	London Irish	A	26	20	W	2	2			4
11/01/2020	Scarlets	A	27	15	W	4	2	X		5
18/01/2020	Bayonne	H	50	6	W	8	0	X		6
19/09/2020	Scarlets	H	11	6	W	1	0			QF
26/09/2020	Leicester Tigers	H	34	19	W	4	2			SF
16/10/2020	Bristol Bears	A	19	32	L	1	2			Final

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Pool 2

Rank		Pl	W	D	L	PF	PA	Diff	TF	TA	TB	LB	Pts
1	Exeter Chiefs	6	5	1	0	186	105	81	25	14	5	0	27
2	Glasgow Warriors	6	3	1	2	141	115	26	17	14	2	1	17
3	La Rochelle	6	2	0	4	107	146	-39	14	18	1	1	10
4	Sale Sharks	6	1	0	5	92	160	-68	11	21	0	3	7

Results - Sale Sharks

Date	Opponent	Venue	F	A	Result	TF	TA	TB	LB	Round
16/11/2019	Glasgow Warriors	A	7	13	L	1	1		X	1
24/11/2019	La Rochelle	H	25	15	W	3	2			2
08/12/2019	Exeter Chiefs	H	20	22	L	3	3		X	3
15/12/2019	Exeter Chiefs	A	10	35	L	1	5			4
10/01/2020	La Rochelle	A	23	30	L	2	4		X	5
18/01/2020	Glasgow Warriors	H	7	45	L	1	6			6

Tournament Records Compared

	RC Toulon	Sale Sharks
Played	61	61
Wins	42	20
Draws	0	0
Losses	19	41
Win %	69%	33%
Total Points For	1476	1090
Total Points Against	1138	1454
Largest Winning Margin	62 (v Sale Sharks, 16/12/2012)	56 (v Rugby Calvisano, 27/10/2006)
Heaviest Losing Margin	-27 (@ Munster Rugby, 16/10/2010)	-62 (@ RC Toulon, 16/12/2012)

Head-to-head record

RC Toulon		Sale Sharks
4	Played	4
4	Wins	0
0	Losses	4
0	Draws	0

Head-to-head results

Date	Home	Away	Score	Winner
08/12/2012	Sale Sharks	RC Toulon	6-17	RC Toulon
16/12/2012	RC Toulon	Sale Sharks	62-0	RC Toulon
21/10/2016	Sale Sharks	RC Toulon	5-15	RC Toulon
15/01/2017	RC Toulon	Sale Sharks	27-12	RC Toulon

2019/20 Performance Data

Team Averages

Rank*	RC Toulon*		Sale Sharks	Rank
8	26.8	Points	15.0	19
9	3.4	Tries	1.8	18
17	66%	Goalkicking %	74%	18
20	88.7	Carries	112.7	14
11	348.7	Metres Made	315.2	16
9	8.6	Clean Breaks	8.0	12
13	19.2	Defenders Beaten	24.7	8
13	7.2	Offloads	7.2	11
20	93.6	Passes	133.8	12
5	24.1	Kicks From Hand	18.8	17
9	123.4	Tackles	156.7	3
2	16.0	Missed Tackles	28.7	19
1	89%	Tackle %	85%	15
12	10.1	Penalties Conceded	10.3	14
4	0.3	Yellow Cards	0.7	11
14	0.1	Red Cards	0.2	13
7	12.6	Turnovers Conceded	13.5	8
1	7.3	Turnovers Won	6.2	5
18	77%	Lineout Success %	84%	15
13	89%	Scrum Success %	90%	14
19	95%	Ruck Success %	97%	12

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Appearance Data

RC Toulon*

Name	Appearances	Starts	Subs	Minutes	Points	Tries
Anthony Belleau	4	4	0	290	40	0
Anthony Etrillard	7	6	1	357	10	2
Anthony Meric	1	0	1	3	0	0
Baptiste Serin	8	7	1	510	15	3
Bastien Soury	8	1	7	209	5	1
Beka Gigashvili	9	6	3	477	10	2
Ben Te'o	3	2	1	190	0	0
Brian Alainu'uese	7	2	5	279	0	0
Bruce Devaux	3	1	2	141	5	1
Bryce Heem	8	8	0	544	15	3
Charles Ollivon	7	7	0	491	0	0
Christopher Tolofua	2	2	0	87	0	0
Corentin Vernet	3	2	1	98	0	0
Daniel Ikpefan	5	4	1	328	0	0
Duncan Paia'aua	3	3	0	228	0	0
Eben Etzebeth	4	3	1	241	0	0
Emerick Setiano	7	1	6	214	0	0
Erwan Dridi	3	1	2	76	0	0
Facundo Isa	4	1	3	148	10	2
Florian Fresia	5	2	3	161	0	0
Gabin Villiere	4	4	0	320	15	3
Gervais Cordin	6	4	2	349	10	2
Isaia Toeava	1	1	0	80	0	0
Jean-Baptiste Gros	7	6	1	321	0	0
Julian Savea	4	3	1	235	10	2
Julien Heriteau	5	3	2	268	0	0
Julien Ory	6	1	5	135	5	1
Liam Messam	4	4	0	300	0	0
Louis Carbonel	9	7	2	556	46	0
Louis Schreuder	1	0	1	4	0	0
Mamuka Gorgodze	2	1	1	102	0	0
Marcel Van der Merwe	1	1	0	47	10	2
Masivesi Dakuwaqa	8	6	2	554	15	3
Mathieu Smaili	1	1	0	76	0	0
Ramiro Moyano	1	1	0	80	10	2
Raphael Lakafia	5	5	0	319	0	0
Romain Taofifenua	6	6	0	326	0	0
Sebastien Taofifenua	5	1	4	148	5	1
Sergio Parisse	6	5	1	413	5	1
Sonatane Takulua	2	2	0	160	0	0
Stéphane Onambele Mbarga	3	1	2	112	0	0
Swan Rebbadj	8	6	2	541	0	0
Theo Dachary	2	1	1	85	0	0
Thomas Hoarau	2	1	1	70	0	0
Yoan Cottin	4	1	3	94	0	0

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Sale Sharks

Name	Appearances	Starts	Subs	Minutes	Points	Tries
AJ MacGinty	4	4	0	272	23	0
Akker van der Merwe	4	2	2	200	10	2
Ben Carlile	1	0	1	7	0	0
Ben Curry	6	6	0	395	0	0
Bryn Evans	3	3	0	234	0	0
Byron McGuigan	2	2	0	160	0	0
Callum Ford	1	0	1	1	0	0
Cameron Neild	3	0	3	97	0	0
Cameron Redpath	3	2	1	98	0	0
Chris Ashton	4	2	2	224	5	1
Coenie Oosthuizen	3	2	1	147	5	1
Curtis Langdon	4	2	2	119	5	1
Daniel du Preez	2	2	0	140	0	0
Denny Solomona	4	3	1	220	0	0
Embrose Papier	2	1	1	86	0	0
Faf de Klerk	2	2	0	154	0	0
Gus Warr	3	0	3	38	0	0
Jake Cooper-Woolley	5	3	2	228	5	1
James Phillips	6	5	1	346	0	0
James Williams	2	2	0	160	5	0
Jean-Luc du Preez	3	3	0	231	5	1
Joe Carpenter	2	1	1	60	0	0
Jono Ross	5	4	1	321	5	1
Luke James	6	4	2	356	0	0
Marland Yarde	6	4	2	314	0	0
Matt Postlethwaite	6	3	3	259	0	0
Rob Webber	4	2	2	156	0	0
Robert du Preez	3	2	1	192	5	0
Rohan Janse van Rensburg	2	2	0	130	5	1
Ross Harrison	6	5	1	328	0	0
Sam Dugdale	2	0	2	30	0	0
Sam James	3	3	0	240	5	1
Simon Hammersley	3	3	0	234	0	0
Tom Curry	4	4	0	310	0	0
Tom Curtis	2	1	1	102	2	0
Tom Roebuck	2	1	1	101	0	0
Valery Morozov	3	0	3	56	0	0
Will Cliff	3	3	0	202	0	0
WillGriff John	5	2	3	196	0	0