

= Thomas Müller =

Thomas Müller ( German pronunciation : [ ʔtʰoʔ.mas ʔmʔ.lʔ ] ; born 13 September 1989 ) is a German professional footballer who plays for Bayern Munich and the Germany national team . Müller plays as a midfielder or forward , and has been deployed in a variety of attacking roles ? as an attacking midfielder , second striker , centre forward and on either wing . He has been praised for his positioning , teamwork and stamina , work @-@ rate , and has shown consistency in scoring and creating goals .

A product of Bayern 's youth system , he made his first @-@ team breakthrough in the 2009 ? 10 season after Louis van Gaal was appointed as the main coach ; he played almost every game as the club won the league and cup double and reached the Champions League final . Müller scored 23 goals in the 2012 ? 13 season as Bayern won a historic treble ; the league title , cup and Champions League .

Müller earned a call @-@ up to the German national team in 2010 . At the 2010 World Cup he scored five goals in six appearances as Germany finished in third place . He was named the Best Young Player of the tournament and won the Golden Boot as the tournament 's top scorer , with five goals and three assists . At the 2014 World Cup he played a major role in helping the team win the trophy , scoring five goals and receiving the Silver Boot as the tournament 's second top goalscorer , and was also named in the World Cup All Star XI .

In 2014 , Müller was ranked the fifth @-@ best footballer in the world by The Guardian .

= = Club career = =

= = = Early career = = =

Born in Weilheim , Müller played as a youth for TSV Pähl , and at the age of 10 he made the 50 km journey to join local Bundesliga side Bayern Munich in 2000 . He progressed through the youth system and was part of the team that finished runner @-@ up in the Under 19 Bundesliga in 2007 . He made his debut for the reserve team in March 2008 when he replaced Stephan Fürstner in a Regionalliga match against SpVgg Unterhaching , in which he scored . He made two more Regionalliga appearances in the 2007 ? 08 season , while continuing to play for the under @-@ 19 team . The following season , Bayern 's second string qualified for the newly formed 3 . Liga , and Müller established himself as a key player ? he played in 32 out of 38 matches and scored 15 times to make him the league 's fifth top scorer . He also became involved in the first @-@ team under then manager Jürgen Klinsmann ; he appeared in pre @-@ season friendlies , and made his full debut on 15 August 2008 , when he came on as a substitute for Miroslav Klose for the last ten minutes of a Bundesliga match against Hamburger SV . Despite Müller feeling that his performance did not go well , he made three more Bundesliga appearances that season and made his Champions League debut on 10 March 2009 when he was substituted on in the 72nd minute for Bastian Schweinsteiger in a 7 ? 1 win over Sporting CP . He scored Bayern 's last goal as they won the tie 12 ? 1 on aggregate .

= = = Bayern Munich = = =

In February 2009 , Müller signed his first contract for the senior team , a two @-@ year deal effective from the 2009 ? 10 season , along with reserve team @-@ mate Holger Badstuber .

= = = = 2009 ? 10 season = = = =

He was prepared to be loaned or even transferred away to find first @-@ team football , but when Louis van Gaal was appointed manager , both players became fixtures in the Bayern first team from the start of the season . In the first few matches Müller was a regular substitute , and on 12

September 2009 , he was brought on against Borussia Dortmund and scored two goals in a 5 ? 1 victory . Three days later , he scored another brace in a 3 ? 0 Champions League victory over Maccabi Haifa . He rounded off September by being named the Bundesliga player of the month and earned praise from his namesake , legendary former Bayern and Germany striker Gerd Müller . After the Haifa match , Müller was in the starting eleven for almost every match , only missing one match ? a Champions League match against Bordeaux , for which he was suspended , because he was sent off in an earlier match against the same team .

In February 2010 , Müller signed a new contract with Bayern Munich through 2013 . During the second half of the season , Müller continued to be a regular first @-@ team starter , usually playing in a central striking role due to the availability of other wide players Franck Ribéry and Arjen Robben . In April 2010 , he scored the second goal in a 2 ? 1 win against title rivals Schalke 04 , and in the penultimate league match of the season , he scored the first hat @-@ trick of his career , in a 3 ? 1 win over VfL Bochum which effectively secured the German title for Bayern . The title was confirmed a week later with a 3 ? 1 win at Hertha BSC , a match which Müller started . For the season he played in all 34 Bundesliga matches , starting 29 , and recorded 13 goals and 11 assists . Bayern and Müller were back in Berlin the following week , to face Werder Bremen in the final of the DFB @-@ Pokal . Müller started the match and Bayern won 4 ? 0 to complete the domestic double . Müller scored four goals and made two assists during the competition , which made him its leading scorer for the season . Bayern 's season ended in pursuit of a first treble , in the 2010 Champions League Final against Inter Milano at Santiago Bernabéu Stadium in Madrid . It was not to be , however , as they lost 2 ? 0 , with both goals coming from Diego Milito . Müller was in the starting line @-@ up and had a key chance just after half @-@ time , with Bayern 1 ? 0 down , but his shot was saved by Júlio César . Müller felt particularly disappointed by this defeat , but he ended his first season as a first @-@ team player with 52 matches played and 19 goals in all competitions . In a poll conducted by the sports magazine kicker , he was voted by his fellow professionals as the best newcomer of the 2009 ? 10 season and was named in the Bundesliga team of the season . Müller credits Van Gaal for having had the biggest part to play in his rise to success ? the coach arrived with a reputation for promoting youth team players , particularly at Ajax , and consistently gave Müller his chance in the first @-@ team , going as far to say " Müller spielt bei mir immer " ( with me , Müller will always play ) . Müller , in return , described Van Gaal as " a genius technician " , who makes players " improve every time " .

===== 2010 ? 11 season =====

Müller returned from his post @-@ World Cup break to sign another contract extension , this time extending his stay at Bayern until 2015 . As with all of Bayern 's World Cup participants , he missed much of pre @-@ season , and his first match back was the Supercup against Schalke 04 on 7 August . He was named in the starting 11 , and scored the opening goal in a 2 ? 0 win . Two weeks later he scored the opening goal of Bayern 's league season in a 2 ? 1 home win against VfL Wolfsburg . Müller played in every match of the first half of the season , usually as a starter , but as the team struggled for results , Müller was unable to match the previous season 's goalscoring exploits , being dropped to the bench , and even receiving a telling off from Louis van Gaal after missing an easy chance in a 2 ? 0 defeat against 1 . FC Kaiserslautern in August . He was philosophical about this dip in form , though , and after eight league games without a goal , he scored in a 4 ? 1 win against Eintracht Frankfurt on 27 November ; He followed that by scoring in consecutive league and cup wins against VfB Stuttgart three weeks later . These goals took his tally to eight goals in all competitions and included a spectacular goal to open the scoring in a 2 ? 0 Champions League victory against Roma on 15 September .

As his team was on its winter break , Müller was left to reflect on what he described as " an almost unbelievable first year as a pro " . Müller began the second half of the season in good form , but was involved in an altercation with team @-@ mate Arjen Robben , who was angered when Müller showed his displeasure at a poor free @-@ kick Robben took during a 3 ? 1 win at Werder Bremen . Müller again played in every game of the season and scored 19 goals ( 12 in the league ) , but the

season was less successful for Bayern , as they finished third in the league , and were knocked out of the DFB @-@ Pokal in the semi @-@ finals by Schalke 04 and in the round of 16 of the UEFA Champions League by Inter Milan ; Bayern had won 1 ? 0 in the San Siro , and Müller scored 31 minutes into the second leg to make it 3 ? 1 on aggregate , but Inter levelled the score at 3 ? 3 in the 88th minute , to go through on the away goals rule . Müller 's mentor Van Gaal was increasingly criticised for inflexibility in tactical , transfer and selection policy , and ultimately lost his job , being replaced with Jupp Heynckes .

= = = 2011 ? 12 season = = =

In Bayern 's first DFB @-@ Pokal game Müller was awarded the man of the match after earning two penalties which were converted by Mario Gómez and Bastian Schweinsteiger , Müller then added a third in the closing stages to secure a 3 ? 0 victory over Eintracht Braunschweig . It took Müller five matches for him to get his first league goal ; he scored it against Schalke 04 in Bayern 's 2 ? 0 win . Müller then scored in Bayern 's next home game in the early stages of the match , Bayern went on to win the game 3 ? 0 . On 26 November 2011 , Müller netted the opener on the half @-@ hour in Bayern 's 6 ? 0 thrashing of FC Ingolstadt 04 giving him his second DFB @-@ Pokal goal . Müller was on the short @-@ list of this year 's FIFA Ballon d 'Or award . On 10 and 15 January , in Bayern 's warm up friendlies Müller scored three goals in two games , a brace against the India national team ( which Bayern then went on to win 4 ? 0 ) and one goal in Bayern 's other 4 ? 0 victory over Rot @-@ Weiß Erfurt . Müller provided two assists in Bayern 's win over VfB Stuttgart in the DFB @-@ Pokal . On 11 February , Bayern played 1 . FC Kaiserslautern and Müller ended a goal drought lasting since 24 September 2011 with a header in their 2 ? 0 victory . On 31 March 2012 , Müller played his 100th Bundesliga game against 1 . FC Nürnberg . On 19 May 2012 , Müller scored the opening goal in the UEFA Champions League final against Chelsea F.C. with a powerful header . He was substituted shortly afterwards . Bayern Munich however lost the final on penalties . Müller stated how dissatisfied he was about the amount of time he had spent on the bench recently . Müller said that although he was dissatisfied he wanted to stay at Bayern . During the season , Müller scored seven goals in 34 league matches , two goals in five German Cup matches , and two goals in 14 Champions League matches .

= = = 2012 ? 13 season = = =

Müller 's first Bundesliga goal of the season came over 2 . Bundesliga champions SpVgg Greuther Fürth in Bayern 's 3 ? 0 victory on 27 August 2012 . On 2 September , he netted a brace as Bayern thrashed southern rivals Stuttgart , 6 ? 1 , in front of 71 @, @ 000 at the newly expanded Allianz Arena . Müller helped Bayern achieve a record @-@ breaking start to the league season , when he netted a brace over newly promoted Fortuna Düsseldorf on 20 October in their 5 ? 0 victory , recording Bayern 's eighth successive win . Three days later , he scored his first Champions League goal of the season , netting from the penalty spot , as Bayern defeated Lille 1 ? 0 at the French side 's newly built Grand Stade Lille Métropole .

On 13 December , after his good run of form in the first half of the Bundesliga season , Müller pledged his allegiance claiming he was at home in Munich and that " There is no club to step up from when you leave FC Bayern ... there almost is no better club . " Six days later , he signed a two @-@ year contract extension , keeping him at the Allianz Arena until 2017 . At the winter break in the Bundesliga , he had nine goals and seven assists in 16 league appearances and a further three goals in the Champions League . Giving him a total of thirteen goals halfway through the season , including his strike against Borussia Dortmund in Bayern 's win in the 2012 DFL @-@ Supercup . Müller scored his first goal in Bayern 's second game back from the break in a 2 ? 0 away win over VfB Stuttgart . Müller tapped in his fifth goal of the Champions League campaign on 2 April , completing a 2 ? 0 first leg defeat of Juventus in the quarter @-@ finals , ending the Italian club 's 18 @-@ match unbeaten record in Europe . On 23 April 2013 , Müller scored two goals and gave one assist in 4 ? 0 win against FC Barcelona in the Champions League semi @-@ final in the

Allianz Arena . On the return fixture , Müller scored a header as Bayern won 3 ? 0 and gave Barcelona their biggest defeat ever in the UEFA Champions League , with a 7 ? 0 aggregate score . Müller then went on to play an important role in Bayern 's 2 ? 1 victory over Borussia Dortmund in the final . On 1 June , Müller scored a penalty in the final of the 2012 ? 13 DFB @-@ Pokal . Bayern won the cup 3 ? 2 to complete an historic treble . Müller scored 23 goals overall in the season ( including all competitions ) , netting 13 in the Bundesliga , one in the Pokal , and an impressive eight in the Champions League , he also added one in the 2012 DFL @-@ Supercup which Bayern won 2 ? 1 . This topped off Müller 's highest scoring season to date .

===== 2013 ? 14 season =====

Müller began the 2013 ? 14 season by playing in the German Super Cup. by scoring in seven of Bayern 's 12 pre @-@ season games . His first competitive match came against Borussia Dortmund in the German Super Cup . On 5 August , Müller scored a hat @-@ trick as Bayern won 5 ? 0 in the team 's 2013 ? 14 DFB @-@ Pokal first round game against Schwarz @-@ Weiß Rehden . In Bayern 's opening 2013 ? 14 Bundesliga fixture , Müller missed a penalty for the first time . Seconds later , the save from the penalty flicked the hand of Álvaro Domínguez which resulted in another penalty which David Alaba converted . After this Müller stated " I am still happy to take penalties , but I think David Alaba is the main man for spot kicks for now . " He played in the UEFA Super Cup . On 25 September , against Hannover 96 in the second round of the DFB @-@ Pokal , Müller scored twice taking his cup tally to five goals in just two games . On 28 September , Müller scored the only goal in a 1 ? 0 victory over VfL Wolfsburg , giving him his first goal in the 2013 ? 14 Bundesliga . Müller scored his first 2013 ? 14 UEFA Champions League goal of the campaign and Bayern defeated Manchester City 3 ? 1 at the City of Manchester Stadium on 2 October . He played in a match at the FIFA Club World Cup .

On 17 May 2014 , Müller scored Bayern 's second goal in a 2 ? 0 extra @-@ time defeat of Borussia Dortmund in the 2014 DFB @-@ Pokal Final , giving die Roten the tenth league and cup double in their history . Müller finished as the tournament 's top scorer with eight goals in five appearances . He finished the season by scoring 13 goals in 31 league matches , eight goals in five DFB @-@ Pokal matches , and five goals in 12 Champions League matches .

===== 2014 ? 15 season =====

After the 2013 ? 14 season , Müller signed a new contract keeping him at Bayern until 2019 and rejected a contract offer from Manchester United . Müller played in the DFL @-@ Supercup , which was Bayern 's first match in the 2014 ? 15 season . Bayern lost the match 2 ? 0 . His first goal of the season was against Preußen Münster in the DFB @-@ Pokal on 17 August 2014 . Then in the opening match of the Bundesliga , on 22 August 2014 , Müller scored the opening goal of Bayern 's Bundesliga season against VfL Wolfsburg . Bayern went on to win the match 2 ? 1 . On 11 March 2015 , Müller scored two goals against Shakhtar Donetsk in a 7 ? 0 win to draw level with Mario Gómez as the top @-@ scoring German player in UEFA Champions League history . He subsequently became the leader when he scored in a 6 ? 1 win against Porto on 21 April 2015 . He finished the season with 13 goals in 32 league matches , a goal in five DFB @-@ Pokal matches , and seven goals in 10 Champions League matches .

===== 2015 ? 16 season =====

Müller started the season by playing in the German Super Cup against VfL Wolfsburg . Müller started the league season with two goals against Hamburger SV , a goal against 1899 Hoffenheim , two goals against Bayer Leverkusen , and a goal against FC Augsburg in the first four matchdays . He had scored from the penalty spot against Bayer Leverkusen and Augsburg . He failed to score in his next three Bundesliga matches . He failed to convert a penalty shot against Mainz 05 on matchday seven . His next Bundesliga goal came when he scored two goals against Borussia

Dortmund on matchday eight . One of the goals was scored from the penalty spot . His goalscoring continued in other competitions . He scored two goals against Wolfsburg in the second round of the DFB @-@ Pokal , and in Champions League , two goals against Olympiacos , two goals against Arsenal , and a goal in the return leg against Olympiacos . In scoring in the home win over Olympiacos , Müller became the youngest player to win 50 UEFA Champions League games , beating the record of Lionel Messi by 14 months .

On 9 December 2015 , Müller came on as a 46th @-@ minute substitute for Franck Ribéry in a 2 ? 0 win against Dinamo Zagreb . He failed to convert his penalty shot in the match and finished the group stage with five goals from six appearances . On 18 December 2015 , Müller signed a new contract with Bayern , keeping him at the club until 2021 . On 19 December 2015 , Bayern defeated Hannover 96 1 ? 0 with a goal from the penalty mark from Müller . Bayern went on winter break after the match . Müller finished the first half of the league with 14 goals from 17 appearances . This includes scoring five goals from the penalty mark in six opportunities . He had scored 21 goals in 25 appearances in all competitions up until the winter break .

On 12 March 2016 , Müller scored a brace in a 5 ? 0 victory over Werder Bremen . Four days later , with Bayern trailing Juventus 1 ? 2 in the second leg of the Champions League round of 16 , he scored a 91st @-@ minute equaliser , before Bayern won in extra time 4 ? 2 ( 6 ? 4 aggregate ) .

On 19 April 2016 , Müller scored both goals in Bayern 's 2 ? 0 defeat of Werder Bremen in the DFB @-@ Pokal semi @-@ final . His first goal of the match was his 150th for the club in all competitions .

On 3 May 2016 , Müller had a penalty kick saved by Jan Oblak in the Champions League semi @-@ final second leg at home to Atlético de Madrid . The match ended in a 2 ? 1 win for Bayern but the team was knocked out on the away goals rule .

He finished the season by scoring 20 goals in 31 league matches , four goals in five German Cup matches , and eight goals in 12 Champions League matches . He didn 't score in the German Super Cup .

= = International career = =

Müller represented Germany at various youth levels , starting with the under @-@ 16s in 2004 . In August 2009 , he was called up to the under @-@ 21 team for his debut in a 3 ? 1 friendly defeat against Turkey . He earned six caps for the under @-@ 21s and scored one goal , the eighth in an 11 ? 0 thrashing of San Marino .

In October of the same year , Müller 's regular appearances for Bayern 's first team caused German national team manager Joachim Löw to publicly consider him for a call @-@ up , despite initial reluctance from the Bayern Munich board ; the following month , Müller was named in the squad for a friendly against Côte d 'Ivoire . However , this coincided with the death of national team goalkeeper Robert Enke , which led to the cancellation of a match against Chile the same week . With less opportunity to try out new players , and with the under @-@ 21 team facing crucial qualifiers for the 2011 European Championship , Löw and under @-@ 21 manager Rainer Adrion felt that Müller was needed at the under @-@ 21 level , and Müller was called back into the under @-@ 21s .

He was back in the senior squad for its next get @-@ together , a training session in Sindelfingen in January 2010 , and was named in the squad for the following match , a friendly against Argentina in March . He made his debut in this game in the starting eleven at the Allianz Arena , his home stadium . He was substituted in the 66th minute for fellow debutant Toni Kroos as Germany lost 1 ? 0 .

= = = 2010 World Cup = = =

Müller was named in Germany 's provisional 27 @-@ man squad for the 2010 World Cup along with seven other Bayern Munich players . Despite suffering a scare when he fell off his bicycle at the team 's training camp in South Tyrol , Müller only received superficial injuries and made the final cut

for the tournament when the squad was reduced to 23 players . He was allocated the number 13 , normally worn by injured captain Michael Ballack , and previously worn by Müller 's eponym Gerd . He earned his second international cap in the final warm @-@ up match before the World Cup when he came on as a half @-@ time substitute for Piotr Trochowski in a 3 ? 1 win over Bosnia and Herzegovina . He started the first game of Germany 's World Cup campaign and scored the third goal ? his first internationally ? in a 4 ? 0 win over Australia , winning Germany 's goal of the month award in the process . He played in all Germany 's group games , as they finished top of Group D ; he scored twice and assisted once in the 4 ? 1 victory over England in the round of 16 . In the third minute of Germany 's 4 ? 0 quarter final win against Argentina , he opened the scoring with his fourth tournament goal . However , he picked up his second booking of the tournament in the first half , for a handball and was suspended for the semi @-@ final defeat against Spain . Müller said that he felt far more nervous during the Spain game than any he was able to play . He returned to the team for the third @-@ place playoff against Uruguay and scored the first goal , his fifth of the tournament , as Germany won 3 ? 2 to take the bronze medals . The team 's success was a culmination of a series of changes made after the national team 's failure at Euro 2000 . The Germans emphasized a more open , attack @-@ minded style not previously associated with Germany , and included prominent young players , including Müller , Sami Khedira and Mesut Özil .

With five goals Müller ended as joint top goalscorer of the tournament . He earned the Golden Boot with these goals and his three assists . He also won the Best Young Player Award over fellow nominees André Ayew of Ghana and Giovanni dos Santos of Mexico . For both awards , he succeeded a German team @-@ mate , Miroslav Klose and Lukas Podolski , respectively , from 2006 .

In October 2010 , he was named on the shortlist for the FIFA Ballon d 'Or award along with four of his Germany team @-@ mates . Reflecting on his World Cup success , Müller said " I basically got lucky , I hit form at just the right time " .

== = Euro 2012 == =

Müller started all ten of Germany 's qualifiers for Euro 2012 , as the team qualified for the finals with a 100 % record . Müller provided assists for seven goals , three of which came in a 6 ? 2 win over Austria in September 2011 which secured Germany 's qualification for the finals with two games to spare . He scored three times in the campaign , two goals coming in a 4 ? 0 win over Kazakhstan in March 2011 , the third in a 3 ? 1 win over Turkey in October of the same year .

Müller was included in Joachim Löw 's squad for Euro 2012 , where the Germans were knocked out in the semi @-@ finals by Italy .

== = 2014 World Cup == =

Müller scored his first World Cup qualifying goals on 22 March 2013 , scoring Germany 's opener and final goal in a 3 ? 0 away win over Kazakhstan . He also scored in the 3 ? 0 victories over Austria and Faroe Islands to give him four goals in Germany 's successful qualification campaign .

On 16 June 2014 , in Germany 's opening match of the 2014 FIFA World Cup , Müller scored the first hat @-@ trick of the tournament and was named man of the match in a 4 ? 0 win against Portugal . In addition , he was also the target of Pepe 's headbutt in the 37th minute , which resulted in the Portuguese defender being sent off . He denied that he had " overplayed " the situation leading to the red card . On 26 June , Müller scored the only goal of the final group match against the United States to help the Germans win Group G and dispelled fear of collusion between German coach Joachim Löw and American coach Jürgen Klinsmann to play to a draw as had occurred in 1982 .

On 8 July , he scored Germany 's opening goal in the 7 ? 1 semi @-@ final defeat of Brazil . This goal was Germany 's 2000th goal in its history . Müller has now scored at least five goals in each of his first two World Cups , making him only the third player to do so ( after Teófilo Cubillas and teammate Miroslav Klose ) . With the goal , he has tied Helmut Rahn with 10 World Cup goals .

On 11 July , Müller was named on the 10 @-@ man shortlist for FIFA 's Golden Ball award for the tournament 's best player . Having played a major role in the team 's World Cup triumph , Müller received the Silver Boot as the tournament 's second top goalscorer with five goals , and was also named in the World Cup All Star XI .

= = = Euro 2016 = = =

Müller featured in 9 of 10 matches during Germany 's qualifying campaign for UEFA Euro 2016 , scoring 9 goals as Germany topped their qualifying group to qualify for Euro 2016 .

Müller started in all six matches that Germany played at the Euro 2016 finals . In the quarter @-@ final match against Italy , Müller 's shot was the first one to be saved in the penalty shoot @-@ out during the tournament . This was the first time Germany failed to score in a shoot out since Uli Stielike missed in the 1982 FIFA World Cup . Germany ended up winning the shootout 6 ? 5 . Müller 's poor run of form throughout the tournament hurt Germany 's chances . Eventually , Müller finished the tournament without adding a goal to his name at the Euros .

= = Style of play = =

Müller 's role can be described as an attacking all @-@ rounder , a player able to play in a variety of forward positions . As he came through the youth system , he was seen primarily as a midfielder , but since breaking into the first @-@ team he has been used in more forward roles . Both Bayern Munich and the Germany national team usually play a 4 @-@ 2 @-@ 3 @-@ 1 formation , and Müller is most often part of the three attacking midfielders behind the central striker . He can play in any of the attacking midfield roles but usually plays in the center for Bayern Munich , and on the right for Germany . He has been used as an out @-@ and @-@ out striker on occasion .

Müller has been praised for his maturity , pace , technique , awareness and positioning . He has been particularly noted for his composure ; Germany manager Joachim Löw said he is " impervious to pressure " and former Bayern manager Louis van Gaal said he has tremendous mental strength . A consistent scorer and creator of goals , he describes himself as a player who can find gaps in the opposition defence but not particularly good at dribbling or one @-@ on @-@ ones . Müller describes this role as Raumdeuter , a term that translates to " interpreter of space " ( cf . Traumdeuter , " dream interpreter " ) . During 2014 World Cup , Germany manager Joachim Löw stated that Müller " is a very unorthodox player and you can 't really predict his lines of running , but he has one aim and that is ' how can I score a goal ? " .

= = Personal life = =

Müller was born in Weilheim , Upper Bavaria , and grew up in the nearby village of Pähl , which became the centre of media attention during his World Cup exploits . His parents are Klaudia and Gerhard , and he has a brother , Simon , who is two and a half years younger . He married his long @-@ time girlfriend Lisa Trede , a semi @-@ professional equestrian who works on a farm , in December 2009 after being engaged for two years . In June 2011 he became an ambassador for YoungWings , a charity that helps children who have suffered bereavement or trauma .

= = Career statistics = =

= = = Club = = =

As of 28 May 2016

1 . ^ Includes German Cup .

2 . ^ Includes UEFA Champions League .

3 . ^ Includes German Super Cup , UEFA Super Cup , and FIFA Club World Cup .

== International ==

As of 7 July 2016

== International goals ==

Scores and results table list Germany 's goal tally first .

== Honours ==

== Club ==

Bayern Munich

Bundesliga : 2009 ? 10 , 2012 ? 13 , 2013 ? 14 , 2014 ? 15 , 2015 ? 16

DFB @-@ Pokal : 2009 ? 10 , 2012 ? 13 , 2013 ? 14 , 2015 ? 16

DFL @-@ Supercup : 2010 , 2012

UEFA Champions League : 2012 ? 13

UEFA Super Cup : 2013

FIFA Club World Cup : 2013

== Country ==

Germany

FIFA World Cup : 2014 ; Third Place : 2010

UEFA European Football Championship Semi @-@ finalist : 2012

== Individual ==

FIFA World Cup 2010 Man of the Match : vs. England , vs. Uruguay

FIFA World Cup 2014 Man of the Match : vs. Portugal , vs. United States

FIFA World Cup Golden Boot : 2010

FIFA World Cup Best Young Player : 2010

FIFA World Cup 2010 Most assists ( 3 , shared with Mesut Özil , Bastian Schweinsteiger , Kaká , and Dirk Kuyt )

Bayerischer Sportpreis : 2010

Silbernes Lorbeerblatt : 2010 , 2014

World Soccer Young Player of the Year : 2010

Bravo Award : 2010

FIFA Ballon d 'Or : 15th place 2010 , 13th place 2011 , 17th place 2013 , 5th place 2014 , 6th place 2015

ESM Team of the Year : 2012 ? 13

UEFA Best Player in Europe Award 2013 ( 6th place )

UEFA Best Player in Europe Award 2014 ( 4th place )

UEFA Champions League Team of the Group Stage : 2015

FIFA World Cup Silver Ball : 2014

FIFA World Cup Silver Boot : 2014

FIFA World Cup All @-@ Star Team : 2014

FIFA World Cup Dream Team : 2014

Most FIFA World Cups with at least five goals ( 2010 ? 2014 ) ; record shared with Teófilo Cubillas ( 1970 , 1978 ) & Miroslav Klose ( 2002 ? 2006 )