

2018–19 Arsenal F.C. season

The **2018–19 season** was <u>Arsenal</u>'s 27th season in the Premier League, 102nd overall season in the top flight and 93rd consecutive season in the top flight of English football. The club participated in the <u>Premier League</u> and the <u>UEFA</u> Europa League, and participated in the FA Cup and the EFL Cup.

This was Arsenal's first season in 22 years without manager <u>Arsène Wenger. [3]</u> For the second consecutive season, Arsenal qualified for the <u>UEFA Europa League</u>, improving on the last season's result and reaching the <u>final</u> where they were defeated by <u>rivals</u> <u>Chelsea</u>. This was the club's first and only full season under manager Unai Emery. [4]

Review

Pre-season

Arsenal began their off-season by completing some squad alterations. They started by announcing the departure of club captain <u>Per Mertesacker</u>, who retired to become their new academy coach. After six years at the club, <u>Santi Cazorla</u>'s departure was also announced upon the expiry of his contract. Further, <u>Petr Čech</u>, <u>Héctor Bellerín</u>, <u>Mohamed Elneny</u>, <u>Mesut Özil</u>, <u>Granit Xhaka</u> and <u>Ainsley Maitland-Niles</u> all received new squad numbers, with the latter two also extending their contracts with the club.

After completing a clearout of backroom staff to coincide with their new club-model following the retirement of long-term manager Arsène Wenger, Spaniard Unai Emery was appointed as the club's new head coach. $\boxed{[7]}$

2018-19 season Chairman Chips Keswick Head coach **Unai Emery** Stadium **Emirates Stadium** Premier 5th League **FA Cup** Fourth round **EFL Cup** Quarter-final **UEFA** Runners-up Europa League Top League: Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang (22) goalscorer Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang (31)

Away colours

Third colours

Home colours

Arsenal

The first signing of the Emery era was Swiss right-back <u>Stephan Lichtsteiner</u>, who joined on a free transfer from <u>Juventus</u> on 5 June. The club then signed German goalkeeper <u>Bernd Leno</u> from <u>Bayer Leverkusen</u> two weeks later, for a rumored fee of £19.2 million. Meanwhile, club stalwart <u>Jack Wilshere</u> departed following the expiry of his contract, after 17 years at the club, and Greek central defender <u>Sokratis</u> joined the club from <u>Borussia Dortmund</u> for £14.8 million on 8 July. Shortly thereafter, the club signed defensive midfielder <u>Lucas Torreira</u> from <u>Sampdoria</u> for a reported fee of £26.4 million on 10 July, and announced the transfer of <u>Matteo</u> Guendouzi from Lorient for a rumoured £7 million a day later.

August

On 7 August 2018, <u>Alisher Usmanov</u> announced that he would accept an offer from American businessman <u>Stan Kroenke</u> to buy his 30% stake in Arsenal for £550 million, in a deal that would allow Kroenke to take full control of the club. [12]

Arsenal's first game was against reigning champions <u>Manchester City</u> on 12 August. They lost the game 2–0 after goals by <u>Raheem Sterling</u> and <u>Bernardo Silva</u>. The following game was against London rivals <u>Chelsea</u> on 18 August. Arsenal lost again, this time 3–2 though they had chances to get more from the game, courtesy of goals by <u>Pedro</u>, <u>Álvaro Morata</u> and <u>Marcos Alonso</u> while <u>Henrikh Mkhitaryan</u> and <u>Alex Iwobi</u> scored for Arsenal.

Arsenal's first win was a 3–1 victory against <u>West Ham United</u> on 25 August. <u>Marko Arnautović</u> scored first to put West Ham in front, but <u>Nacho Monreal</u> equalised minutes later, and an own goal by <u>Issa Diop</u> and a late goal by <u>Danny Welbeck</u> won the game for Arsenal. [15]

September

Arsenal's first game in September and 4th game in the Premier League, was a 3–2 victory over <u>Cardiff City</u> on 2 September. <u>Shkodran Mustafi</u> scored the opening goal from a <u>Granit Xhaka</u> corner, but <u>Víctor Camarasa</u> equalised just before the break. After the restart, <u>Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang</u> scored his first goal of the season to give Arsenal the lead. Cardiff equalised again from a <u>Danny Ward</u>

header, but Alexandre Lacazette ensured the victory with a thumping shot to give Arsenal another three points. [16]

After the international break, Arsenal were the visitors against <u>Newcastle United</u>. After a dull first half, Granit Xhaka scored a stunning free kick to give Arsenal the lead. <u>Mesut Özil</u> doubled the advantage on his 200th appearance for Arsenal. Late on, <u>Ciaran Clark</u> scored in stoppage-time to give Newcastle hope. In the end, it was not enough as Arsenal won their third consecutive game 2–1. [17]

Arsenal started the Europa League with a 4–2 victory over <u>Vorskla Poltava</u>. Aubameyang opened the scoring after a counterattack. <u>Danny Welbeck</u> doubled the advantage, before Aubameyang and Özil both scored to lead 4–0. However, Vorskla scored two goals late in the game though Arsenal still went away with victory. [18]

Arsenal were at the Emirates against Everton. Lacazette scored a stunning opening goal, curling a shot into the top right corner. Moments later, Aubameyang scored a second for Arsenal, tapping in from close range, though Aubameyang was in an offside position. Nevertheless, Arsenal cruised to their fifth consecutive victory in all competitions. [19]

To start off the EFL Cup campaign, Arsenal won 3–1 against Championship side Brentford. Arsenal scored twice through Welbeck, although Alan Judge pulled one back for Brentford. Alexandre Lacazette wrapped up the victory during stoppage-time to ensure Arsenal would progress to the next round. [20] During the final match of September for Arsenal, they won 2–0 against Watford. Bernd Leno made his Premier League debut as a substitute after Petr Čech came off injured. Arsenal opened the scoring through a Craig Cathcart own goal following pressure by Lacazette. Özil doubled the lead when Lacazette squared the ball across for him to tap home. Arsenal came away with their seventh consecutive victory in all competitions and their fifth in the league. [21]

October

Due to political tensions, <u>Henrikh Mkhitaryan</u> did not travel to <u>Azerbaijan</u> for Arsenal's Europa League match against <u>Qarabağ</u>. [22] Arsenal nevertheless prevailed, 3–0, with <u>Sokratis</u>, <u>Matteo Guendouzi</u> and <u>Emile Smith Rowe</u> all scoring their debut goals.

Arsenal's strong form continued with a dominant 5–1 victory over <u>Fulham</u>. Although the match was tied 1–1 at half-time, Arsenal scored four second-half goals to extend their winning run to nine in all competitions. Aaron Ramsey scored just 39 seconds after being introduced as a substitute; two goals each by Lacazette and Aubameyang completed the scoresheet. A 3–1 victory against <u>Leicester City</u> on 22 October 2018 saw Özil become the highest scoring German player of the Premier League era, with 30 goals. They continued the winning form with a 1–0 victory against <u>Sporting</u> in the Europa League, with Danny Welbeck getting the deciding goal. However, Arsenal's winning streak was stopped at eleven with a 2–2 draw against Crystal Palace at Selhurst Park.

For their final match in October, Arsenal faced <u>League One</u> side <u>Blackpool</u> in the EFL Cup. The Gunners held a 2–0 lead courtesy of goals by Stephan Lichtsteiner and Emile Smith Rowe, but a second yellow card to Matteo Guendouzi allowed Blackpool to cut the lead to 2–1. Arsenal held on to advance to a quarterfinal matchup against Tottenham Hotspur. [28][29]

November

Arsenal hosted <u>Liverpool</u> on 3 November 2018. A late strike by Alexandre Lacazette earned a point for the Gunners after <u>James Milner</u> gave Liverpool a second-half lead. [30][31] In Europe, a 0–0 draw with Sporting secured passage into the round of 32, [32] before a 1–1 draw with Wolverhampton Wanderers, where Henrikh Mkhitaryan's late strike ruled out Ivan Cavaleiro's opener. [33]

After the international break, the Gunners played <u>Bournemouth</u>. A <u>Jefferson Lerma</u> own goal put them up before <u>Joshua King</u> equalized in first-half stoppage time. However, Aubameyang scored the winner to hand the Gunners their first victory of the month. Their final game of November was against Vorskla in the Europa League. UEFA decided before the match that it was to be moved from <u>Poltava</u> to <u>Kyiv</u> due to <u>martial law in Ukraine</u>, and Arsenal ran out 3–0 winners, with goals from Smith Rowe, Ramsey (from the penalty spot) and <u>Joe Willock</u>. This game also marked the debuts of <u>Zech Medley</u>, <u>Charlie Gilmour</u>, and <u>Bukayo Saka</u>, all from the substitute's bench, and confirmed that Arsenal would progress as group winners.

December

Arsenal hosted the first North London derby of the season on 2 December 2018. They took an early 1–0 lead after Aubameyang converted a penalty in the 10th minute following a Jan Vertonghen handball in the box. However, Spurs scored two goals in a span of five minutes to take a 2–1 lead at halftime. Emery made two substitutions and tactical changes at halftime, and the Gunners responded brilliantly, scoring three goals en route to a 4–2 comeback win; Aubameyang netted a brace and became the first player to score ten goals in the 2018–19 Premier League season; other goals from Alexandre Lacazette, and Lucas Torreira, of which was his first goal since joining the club. [37]

Arsenal continued their unbeaten run against rivals <u>Manchester United</u> at <u>Old Trafford</u>. In what was a dull match, Rob Holding and Aaron Ramsey both suffered injuries, the former tearing his <u>anterior cruciate ligament</u>, thus ruling him out for the rest of the season. The game ended in a 2–2 draw, despite Arsenal scoring two goals which were disallowed in the second half. [38]

Arsenal bounced back from their dropped points at Old Trafford with a 1–0 victory against <u>Huddersfield</u> at the <u>Emirates</u>. Alexandre Lacazette had a goal wrongly disallowed in the first half, and Arsenal finally broke the deadlock through a stunning overhead kick from Lucas Torreira, thus sealing the three points for Arsenal in an unsatisfying performance. [39]

Arsenal won their final Europa League Group game at home against Qarabag. Alexandre Lacazette scored the only goal of the game in a 1–0 victory. [40]

Arsenal lost 3–2 against <u>Southampton</u> at <u>St. Mary's Stadium</u>, thus ending their 22 games unbeaten run. <u>Danny Ings</u> opened the scoring for Southampton, but <u>Henrikh Mkhitaryan</u> equalized for Arsenal with a header. Ings got his second of the game just before halftime. In the second half, Henrikh Mkhitaryan equalized once again with a deflected effort. However, <u>Charlie Austin</u> scored in the 85th minute, capitalizing on a Bernd Leno error to nod home and defeat the Gunners. [41]

The next match for Arsenal was a North London Derby at the Emirates against <u>Tottenham</u> in the EFL Cup. Tottenham got their revenge on Arsenal for the 4–2 defeat in the league with a 2–0 win, knocking out the Gunners from the competition. [42]

Arsenal responded to their two consecutive losses with a 3–1 victory over <u>Burnley</u>. <u>Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang</u> opened the scoring in the 14th minute after a brilliant pass by <u>Mesut Özil</u>. Aubameyang scored his second in the 48th minute. Despite <u>Ashley Barnes</u> scoring to cut the deficit for Burnley, Alex Iwobi insured that Arsenal would walk away with all 3 points in stoppage time. [43]

Arsenal faced $\underline{\text{Brighton}}$ away from home on Boxing Day. Aubameyang scored a goal early on after some brilliant footwork from $\underline{\text{Alexandre Lacazette}}$. Despite the early lead, $\underline{\text{J\"{u}rgen Locadia}}$ scored, capitalizing on $\underline{\text{Stephan Lichtsteiner's error}}$, forcing a draw at Falmer Stadium. [44]

Arsenal's last game of 2018 was against title contenders <u>Liverpool F.C.</u> at <u>Anfield</u>. Arsenal got off to the perfect start with an 11th-minute goal from <u>Ainsley Maitland-Niles</u>. However, Liverpool responded brilliantly, with <u>Roberto Firmino</u> scoring twice within the space of a minute right after Arsenal's opener. <u>Sadio Mané</u> made matters worse with a goal in the 32nd minute. <u>Mohammed Salah</u> scored a penalty just before halftime, and Firmino got his hat trick with another penalty in the 55th minute, as Arsenal fell to a 5–1 defeat. [45]

January

Arsenal started 2019 with a 4–1 victory against relegation contenders Fulham. Granit Xhaka, Alexandre Lacazette, Aaron Ramsey, and Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang scored for the Gunners; Aboubakar Kamara scored for the visitors. [46]

Arsenal kicked off their $\underline{FA~Cup}$ campaign away to $\underline{Blackpool}$. $\underline{Joe~Willock}$ scored a brace and $\underline{Alex~Iwobi}$ added another en route to a 3–0 victory. $\underline{^{[47]}}$

Arsenal lost again away in the league, <u>Declan Rice</u>'s goal was enough for <u>West Ham</u> to snatch the 3 points at <u>London Stadium</u>. However, the Gunners responded in their next match, a 2–0 victory against rivals <u>Chelsea</u> at <u>Emirates Stadium</u> courtesy of Alexandre Lacazette and <u>Laurent Koscielny</u> goals took Arsenal within 3 points of the opponent. Despite the victory, the Gunners took a massive blow, as Hector Bellerín tore his anterior cruciate ligament, ruling him out for the rest of the season.

Next up was an FA Cup match against in-form <u>rivals Manchester United</u>. <u>Alexis Sánchez</u> scored for United against his former side. It was quickly made 2–0 in favor of the away team through <u>Jesse Lingard</u>. <u>Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang</u> halved the deficit just before the break, however Anthony Martial wrapped up the victory for United as Gunners were eliminated, losing 3–1. [51]

Arsenal's final game in January came at home to <u>Cardiff City</u>, who were playing their first match since the death of <u>Emiliano Sala</u>. Aubameyang scored the first goal of the game, slotting his penalty home. Lacazette doubled the advantage after making a brilliant run into the box. <u>Nathaniel Mendez-Laing</u> scored a stoppage-time consolation for Cardiff. The victory sent Arsenal up to 4th place over Chelsea. [52]

February

Arsenal's first match of February was a tough one, away to title contenders and defending champions Manchester City. Sergio Agüero scored for City in the 1st minute of the match. However, the Gunners responded, Laurent Koscielny nodded home from close range in the 10th minute. Agüero scored his second just before the break, and City extended their lead to 3–1 with a controversial goal from Agüero, thus sealing his hat trick. [53]

Arsenal faced relegation-threatened <u>Huddersfield</u> away from home. <u>Alex Iwobi</u> scored first, before Lacazette doubled the advantage. Huddersfield scored a last-minute consolation, Sead Kolašinac scoring an own goal. [54]

After more than two months away from Europe, the Gunners were back in Europa League action via a trip to Barysaw to face Belarusian minnows BATE Borisov. However, a lacklustre display ensued, and Stanislaw Drahuns header on the stroke of half time, coupled with Alexandre Lacazette's late red card, saw BATE record a famous 1–0 win and an advantage to take to North London.

However, the second leg had a fairly varying script to the first game, with defensive errors from BATE ultimately gifting Arsenal a 3–0 win, after an early own goal from Zakhar Volkov, coupled with free headers from Shkodran Mustafi and Sokratis Papastathopolous guided Arsenal into the last-16.

The Gunners built on the victory with a routine 2–0 home win over Southampton, earned after early goals from Lacazette and Henrikh Mkhitaryan. The Arsenal faithful then witnessed yet another Emirates Stadium win, with midfield masterclasses from Mkhitaryan and returning Mesut Özil setting up a 5–1 dismantling of Bournemouth. Both Özil and Mkhitaryan scored, with the latter setting up goals from Laurent Koscielny and Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang, whilst Lacazette was on the scoresheet for the third successive league match, bending home a wonderful free-kick with 12 minutes to play.

March

A testing March fixture schedule opened with a daunting trip to top-four rivals Tottenham Hotspur. Delays in the construction of Spurs new stadium meant the match was to be staged at Wembley, and the Gunners made a flying start, with Aaron Ramsey scoring for the fourth time at the national ground to put the visitors ahead on 16 minutes. A staggering double-save from Bernd Leno retained Arsenal's clean sheet before Tottenham were awarded a penalty mired in offside controversy in the 74th minute. Harry Kane buried the penalty to level the scores before Aubameyang was clipped in the penalty area in stoppage time. However, the Gabonese was denied from the spot, and Lucas Torreira was subsequently sent off late on as the Gunners had to settle for a frustrating 1–1 draw.

Things worsened in midweek as, despite going ahead after three minutes from Alex Iwobi, the Gunners fell to another road defeat as Stade Rennais earned a convincing 3–1 win in the Europa League round of 16 first leg. The turning point was undoubtedly Papastathopoulos's red card shortly before the break, with Rennes levelling a minute later through Benjamin Bourigeaud. In the second period, the Gunners completely fell apart, with Nacho Monreal's own goal and Ismaila Sarr's late header inflicting a dangerous wound upon the Gunners.

Arsenal then had a stern test forthcoming. Manchester United were the visitors to Emirates Stadium, and a tense encounter ensued. United were still unbeaten domestically under Ole Gunnar Solskjaer, but that was about to change. Despite the Red Devils dominating in chances, a resolute Arsenal backline, coupled with defensive errors at the other end, saw Granit Xhaka's long-range attempt misjudged by goalkeeper David de Gea to but Arsenal in front, before a penalty from Aubameyang saw the Gabonese make amends for his miss at Spurs to seal a vital 2–0 win.

The Gunners next fixture was at home against Rennes in the second leg of their round-of-16 tie. Trailing 3–1 from the first leg, Arsenal made the perfect start, with Aubameyang poking home Ramsey's cross after just five minutes to put them ahead. He then delivered a superb cross for Ainsley Maitland-Niles-Niles to make it 2–0 and put Arsenal ahead on away goals inside fifteen minutes. Rennes threatened sporadically, but Aubameyang added his second late on to wrap up a 3–0 triumph and 4–3 aggregate win.

April

April began with Arsenal seeking to rise to third after Tottenham's defeat at Liverpool closed the top-four gap to just a single point. The Gunners duly gathered the necessary three points after goals in either half from Aaron Ramsey and Alexandre Lacazette earned the Gunners a 2–0 victory over Newcastle United. It was also their 10th successive league win at the Emirates Stadium, the first time they had achieved such a run since its opening in 2006.

However, the Gunners' were hauled back out of the top four next time out after Phil Jagielka's 10th-minute goal earned Everton a 1–0 win over the listless Gunners.

Arsenal needed to bounce back, and had no better opportunity to do so than in the first-leg of their Europa League quarter-final tie, against one of the favourites, Italian giants SSC Napoli. And the Gunners responded, claiming an impressive 2–0 win and duly seize control of the tie. Aaron Ramsey had put the Gunners ahead early, before Lucas Torreira's effort on 25 minutes deflected in off Kalidou Koulibaly to settle the match.

Despite lying fifth in the table and on course for the Europa League semi-finals, Arsenal's away form had been sketchy all season long, and it was perhaps rather disappointing that the Gunners had to wait nine months prior to their first clean sheet on the road in the Premier League in a rather bizarre 1–0 win at Watford. The majority of the games action occurred inside the first eleven minutes, with Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang opening the scoring on ten minutes with one of the strangest goals of the season, with the lethal marksman managing to nip ahead of goalkeeper Ben Foster, and the Watford man hacked his clearance straight at Aubameyang as the ball rolled into the net. A minute later, Troy Deeney received his marching orders after elbowing Lucas Torreira in midfield. The ten-man Hornets did try hard, but ultimately fell to their first defeat of the month.

Arsenal then earned a second successive 1–0 win away from home as Alexandre Lacazette's stunning 36th-minute free-kick, coupled with a resolute defensive performance from the Gunners, saw them seal a vital win in Naples against Napoli, thus recording a 3–0 aggregate victory and subsequently qualifying them for the semi-finals for the second successive season. They were then drawn against Spanish outfit Valencia CF, who had ruthlessly dispatched fellow Spaniards Villarreal 5–1 on aggregate in the last eight.

Everything was going smoothly in North London prior to the Gunners home match against safety-hunting Crystal Palace. However, a dull first-half display saw Unai Emerys side head into the break a goal behind after Christian Bentekes early header, his first goal all year long. However, Arsenal made a swift start to the second period, with Mesut Özil's ingenious chip on 47 minutes making it 1–1. Nonetheless, quickfire goals after the hour from Wilfried Zaha and James McArthur further extended Palaces lead to 3–1, and though Aubameyang pulled a goal back, the Gunners fell to a morale-shattering 3–2 defeat in their first league defeat at home since August.

They failed to respond in their next encounter, a trip to Wolverhampton Wanderers, and a first half blitz from the high-flying Pack seeing them take a 3–0 advantage into the break after goals from Ruben Neves, Conor Coady and Diogo Jota. Sokratis Papastathopolous then scored his first league goal from the Gunners with ten minutes to play, but it wasn't enough as Wolves sealed a superb 3–1 win. Another capitulation ensued away to Leicester City next time out. At half-time, the game was locked at 0–0 but the Gunners were indeed a man down after a disputable Ainsley Maitland-Niles red card. With an hour played, Youri Tielemans headed the Foxes in front, before a late brace from the Gunners' arch-nemesis Jamie Vardy wrapped up a 3–0 triumph for Brendan Rodgers Leicester and leave Arsenal's top-four hopes in serious jeopardy.

May

However, Europe once again proved the saviour of Arsenal, as a brace from Alexandre Lacazette laid the scaffolds for an impressive 3–1 comeback victory over Valencia in the first leg of the Europa League semi-final at the Emirates Stadium. However, it was the visitors who took the lead in North London, with Mouctar Diakhaby finishing off a clever Valencia set-piece move with a firm header, before Alexandre Lacazette slammed home Aubameyangs square ball to level it. Lacazette nodded home Granit Xhaka's cross before the break to make it 2–1 before Aubameyang wrapped up the win in the final minute of normal time, volleying home Sead Kolasinac's cross to ensure Arsenal took a healthy advantage to the second leg in Spain.

The Gunners had one foot in the Europa League final, but the top-four looked unlikely. The Gunners had to beat Brighton at home to attain any realistic chance of regaining their top-four status, and made the perfect start after Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang stroked home from the spot on nine minutes to put Arsenal in front. However, on the hour mark, Brighton were gifted a route back into the game after Solly March was hauled down from Granit Xhaka. Glenn Murray duly netted his 200th league career goal as the Seagulls earned a creditable 1–1 draw, leaving the Gunners needing to have three points and eight goal difference swing in their favour on the final day.

With the top four realistically out of reach, the Gunners travelled to Spain to contest what was arguably their most vital match of the season so far away to Valencia in the Europa League semi-final second leg. However, Valencia-in need of a 2–0 win to progress-made a fast start, taking the lead on 11 minutes after Kevin Gameiro turned home Rodrigo's cross, but a stunning volley from Aubameyang saw the two sides head into the break locked at 1–1, with Arsenal leading 4–2 on aggregate. Five minutes into the second period, Arsenal practically sealed progression to the final in Baku after Alexandre Lacazette rifled home Lucas Torreira's pass, before Valencia made it 2–2 after Gameiro added his second, bundling over the line. However, the hosts found them behind again after Aubameyang poked home Maitland-Niles' low cross, before the Gunners' top scorer completed his first-ever Arsenal hat-trick, powering Henrikh Mkhitaryans through-ball, as Arsenal secured a famous 4–2 win, subsequently swaggering into the UEFA Europa League final for the first time since its 2009 rebrand, hammering Valencia 7–3 on aggregate. Later in the day, it was confirmed that Chelsea had beaten Eintracht Frankfurt on penalties after a 2–2 aggregate draw, meaning that all four finalists in Europe that season were from England, the first time this had happened from any country in history.

Qualified for the Europa League final and out of the top-four race, Arsenal named a weakened line-up in their fixture at Burnley on the final day of the season. After a goalless first 45', a loose ball from Ben Mee sent Aubameyang through on goal in the 52nd minute. He duly put Arsenal ahead, before volleying home Alex Iwobi's cross eleven minutes later to make it 2–0. Ashley Barnes then pulled a goal back for the home side before substitute-18-year-old Eddie Nketiah-netted his first Premier League goal for Arsenal, as the Gunners sealed a 3–1 win, thus finishing fifth, just one point behind Tottenham Hotspur.

After the league disappointment, Arsenal had two weeks to prepare for what was dubbed as their most important game of the decade, the UEFA Europa League final against Chelsea in the Baku Olympic Stadium, Azerbaijan. However, the build-up was mired in controversy, with the undersized Baku airports permitting just 4000 fans of each London side, not to mention the 6628 mile round-trip, but the worst was in regard to Henrikh Mkhitaryans. One of the Gunners' better players in 2019, the fractioned relations between Armenia and Azerbaijan ensued in warnings from the Azerbaijani sports government, advising the midfielder not to travel. Mkhitaryan decided not to, with the Gunners heading to East Europe without him.

On final night, Arsenal and Chelsea walked out to an eerie atmosphere in Baku. Empty seats ringed the ground, and a listless first period ended goalless, mirroring the stark atmosphere. However, the final burst into life in the second. Just four minutes into the second period, Olivier Giroud nodded home Emerson Palmieri's cross against his former club to make it 1–0 Chelsea, before Pedro Rodriguez swept home on the hour to make it 2–0. Eden Hazard then stroked home from the spot to make it 3–0, with Arsenal appearing shell-shocked to their capitulation early in the second half. However, a stunning half-volley from Alex Iwobi with 21 minutes to go restored a glimmer of home to the Arsenal camp, but Eden Hazard soon notched his second as Chelsea sealed a 4–1 victory, leaving Arsenal empty-handed after a strenuous end to the season. It was a reasonable campaign, but the manner of their defeat to Chelsea and in the top-four race was arguably the foundation for fans irk.

Players

N	Pos.	Nat.	<u>Name</u>	Age	EU	Since	App	Goals	Ends	<u>Transfer</u> <u>fee</u>	Notes
1	GK		Petr Čech	37	EU	2015	139	0	2019	£10.0M	Vice-captain
2	DF	-6-	Héctor Bellerín	24	EU	2013	181	7	2023	Youth system	
4	MF	41	Mohamed Elneny	26	Non- EU	2016 (Winter)	89	2	2022	£7.4M	
5	<u>DF</u>		Sokratis Papastathopoulos	31	EU	2018	40	3	2021	£14.8M	
6	DF		Laurent Koscielny	33	EU	2010	353	27	2020	£8.5M	Captain
7	MF		Henrikh Mkhitaryan	30	Non- EU	2018 (Winter)	56	9	2021	Swap deal	
8	MF	14	Aaron Ramsey	28	EU	2008	369	64	2019	£4.8M	Vice-captain
9	FW		Alexandre Lacazette	28	EU	2017	88	36	2022	£46.5M	
10	MF		Mesut Özil	30	EU	2013	231	43	2021	£42.5M	<u>Vice-captain</u>
11	MF	•	Lucas Torreira	23	EU	2018	50	2	2023	£26.4M	
12	DF	+	Stephan Lichtsteiner	35	EU	2018	23	1	2019	Free	
13	<u>GK</u>		David Ospina	30	Non- EU	2014	70	0	2020	£3.2M	On loan at <u>Napoli</u>
14	FW		Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	30	EU	2018 (Winter)	65	41	2021	£56.0M	Current record signing
15	MF	±	Ainsley Maitland-Niles	21	EU	2014	68	2	2023	Youth system	
16	DF	+	Rob Holding	23	EU	2016	60	1	2023	£2.0M	
17	<u>FW</u>		Alex Iwobi	23	EU	2015	149	15	2022	Youth system	
18	DF	€.	Nacho Monreal	33	EU	2013 (Winter)	248	10	2019	£8.5M	
19	<u>GK</u>		Bernd Leno	27	EU	2018	36	0	2023	£19.2M	
20	DF		Shkodran Mustafi	27	EU	2016	115	8	2021	£35.0M	
21	DF	+	Calum Chambers	24	EU	2014	83	3	2022	£16.0M	On loan at <u>Fulham</u>
22	MF	€.	<u>Denis Suárez</u>	25	EU	2019 (Winter)	6	0	2019	_	On loan from Barcelona
23	FW	+	Danny Welbeck	28	EU	2014	126	32	2019	£16.0M	
25	DF	+	Carl Jenkinson	27	EU	2011	69	1	2020	£1.0M	
26	<u>GK</u>	•	Emiliano Martínez	26	Non- EU	2012	14	0	2022	Youth system	On loan at Reading
27	DF		Konstantinos Mavropanos	21	EU	2018 (Winter)	7	0	2023	£1.8M	
29	MF		Matteo Guendouzi	20	EU	2018	48	1	2023	£7.0M	
31	DF		Sead Kolašinac	26	EU	2017	72	5	2022	Free	
34	MF	+	Granit Xhaka	26	EU	2016	134	11	2023	£30.0M	Vice-captain
_	FW	•	Takuma Asano	24	Non- EU	2016	0	0	2020	£0.8M	On loan at Hannover 96

Last updated: 29 May 2019

Source: Arsenal FC (https://www.arsenal.com/first-team/players) and FootballDatabase (http://www.footballdatabase.com/index.php?page=club&ld=4&b=true&cont=Europe&cln=Arsenal) (for EU passport, country as international player, contract ending and transfer fee)

Ordered by squad number.

Transfers

Transfers in

Date from	Position	Name	From	Fee	Team	Ref.
23 May 2018	GK	Karl Hein	Nõmme United	Free transfer	Academy	[55]
1 July 2010	DF	Stephan Lichtsteiner	Juventus	Free transfer		[56]
1 July 2018	GK	Bernd Leno	Bayer Leverkusen	£22,500,000 ^[a]	Final table	[58]
2 July 2018	DF	Sokratis Papastathopoulos	Borussia Dortmund	£14,400,000 ^[b]	First team	[60]
10 July 2018	MF	Lucas Torreira	Sampdoria	£27,000,000 ^[C]		[62]
11 1 2010	FW	→ Sam Greenwood	Sunderland	Training compensation ^[d]	Academy	[63][64]
11 July 2018	MF	Matteo Guendouzi	Lorient	£8,000,000 ^[e]	First team	[66]
19 July 2018	DF	Joel López	Barcelona	Training compensation ^[d]	Acadomy	[67][68]
27 July 2018	MF Marcelo Flores		+ Ipswich Town	Training compensation ^[d]	Academy	[69]

Loans in

Date from	Position	Name	From	End date	Team	Ref.
31 January 2019	MF	Denis Suárez	Barcelona	End of season	First team	[70]
7 February 2019	GK	→ James Hillson	Reading	End of season	Academy	[71]

Transfers out

Date from	Position	Name	То	Fee	Team	Ref.
	MF	Santi Cazorla	Villarreal	Released ^[f]		[73]
	DF	Per Mertesacker	Retired		First team	[73][5]
	MF	Jack Wilshere	→ West Ham United	Released ^[g]		[73]
	DF	→ Marc Bola	Blackpool	Released ^[h]	Academy	[73]
	GK	★ Alex Crean	Released			[73]
	MF	→ Josh Dasilva	→ Brentford	Released ^[i]		[77]
	MF	Vlad Dragomir	Perugia	Released ^[j]		[73]
1 July 2018	MF	+ Aaron Eyoma	→ Derby County	Released ^[k]		[73]
,	FW	Yassin Fortune	FC Sion	Released ^[]		[73]
	GK	+ Ryan Huddart	Boreham Wood	Released ^[m]		[73]
	DF	Chiori Johnson	Bolton Wanderers	Released ^[n]		[73]
	GK	+ Hugo Keto	Brighton & Hove Albion	Released ^[0]	-	[73]
	DF	→ Tafari Moore	Plymouth Argyle	Released ^[p]		[73]
	MF	→ Josh Benson	Burnley	Released		
	MF		Lillehammer	Released		[85]
12 July 2018	FW	→ David Agbontohoma	Southampton	Training compensation ^[d]		[86]

13 July 2018	FW	Armstrong Oko-Flex	Celtic	Training compensation ^[d]		[87]
26 July 2018	FW	Jeff Reine-Adélaïde	Angers	~£1,440,000	First toom	[88]
2 August 2010	FW	+ Chuba Akpom	<u>PAOK</u>	Undisclosed ^[q]	First team	[90]
3 August 2018	GK	João Virgínia	+ Everton	Undisclosed	Academy	[91]
9 August 2018	FW	Lucas Pérez	→ West Ham United	Undisclosed ^[r]	First toom	[93]
17 August 2018	FW	Joel Campbell	Frosinone	Undisclosed	First team	[94]
17 August 2018	FW	+ Stephy Mavididi	Juventus	Undisclosed	Academy	[95]
23 January 2019	GK	244 Daniel Barden	Norwich City	Undisclosed	Academy	
11 March 2019	MF	Gedion Zelalem	Sporting KC	Free Transfer	Academy	[96]
20 March 2019	MF	+ Josh Martin	Norwich City	Undisclosed	Academy	

Loans out

Start date	Position	Name	То	End date	Team	Ref.
1 July 2018	FW	Takuma Asano	Hannover 96		First team	[97]
19 July 2018	MF	Kelechi Nwakali	Porto		A	[98]
30 July 2018	GK	→ Matt Macey	Plymouth Argyle		Academy	[99]
7 August 2018	DF	+ Calum Chambers	+ Fulham		First team	[100]
16 August 2018	MF	Krystian Bielik	Charlton Athletic	End of season	Academy	[101]
17 August 2018	GK	David Ospina	Napoli Napoli		First team	[102]
31 August 2018	MF	Reiss Nelson	Hoffenheim		First team	[103]
23 January 2019	GK	Emiliano Martínez	Reading		First team	[104]
31 January 2019	MF	+ Emile Smith Rowe	RB Leipzig		First team	[105]
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a. Reported fee: £19,200,000. [57] b. Reported fee: £17,700,000. [59] c. Reported fee: £26,000,000. [61]

d. Player under 24 years old at time of transfer.

e. Reported fee: "in the region of £8m" [65]

f. Joined Villarreal on 7 August 2018.[72]

g. Joined West Ham United on 9 July 2018.[74]

h. Joined Blackpool on 17 July 2017. [75]

i. Joined Brentford on 21 August 2018.[76]

j. Joined Perugia on 3 August 2018.[78]

k. Joined Derby County on 5 July 2018. [79]

I. Joined Sion on 1 July 2018.[80]

m. Joined Boreham Wood on 26 July 2018.[81]

n. Joined <u>Bolton Wanderers</u> on 1 July 2018. [82]

o. Joined Brighton & Hove Albion on 9 July 2018.[83]

p. Joined Plymouth Argyle on 1 July 2018.[84]

q. Reported fee: £2,000,000. [89] r. Reported fee: £4,000,000. [92]

Club

Kits

Supplier: Puma / **Sponsor:** Fly Emirates



Squad statistics

Appearances and goals

As of 29 May 2019

No.	Pos.	Nat.	Name		mier gue	FA	Cup	EFL	Cup		ropa igue	То	tal
				Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals	Apps	Goals
1	GK	CZE	Petr Čech	7	0	2	0	2	0	11	0	22	0
2	DF	ESP	Héctor Bellerín	18(1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18(1)	0
4	MF	EGY	Mohamed Elneny	5(3)	0	1	0	1	0	5(2)	0	12(5)	0
5	DF	GRE	Sokratis Papastathopoulos	25	1	2	0	1	0	11(1)	2	39(1)	3
6	DF	FRA	Laurent Koscielny	13(4)	3	1	0	0(1)	0	10	0	24(5)	3
7	MF	ARM	Henrikh Mkhitaryan	19(6)	6	0	0	3	0	6(5)	0	28(11)	6
8	MF	WAL	Aaron Ramsey	13(14)	4	2	0	2(1)	0	6(1)	2	23(16)	6
9	FW	FRA	Alexandre Lacazette	27(8)	13	1(1)	0	0(2)	1	8(2)	5	36(13)	19
10	MF	GER	Mesut Özil	20(4)	5	0(1)	0	0	0	8(2)	1	28(7)	6
11	MF	<u>≇</u> URU	Lucas Torreira	24(10)	2	1	0	1(2)	0	6(6)	0	32(18)	2
12	DF	₩ SUI	Stephan Lichtsteiner	10(4)	0	1	0	2	1	6	0	19(4)	1
14	FW	GAB	Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	30(6)	22	1	1	1(1)	0	10(2)	8	42(9)	31
15	MF	+ ENG	Ainsley Maitland-Niles	11(5)	1	2	0	2	0	9(1)	1	24(6)	2
16	DF	+ ENG	Rob Holding	9(1)	0	0	0	1	0	5	0	15(1)	0
17	FW	■■NGA	Alex Iwobi	22(13)	3	2	1	2(1)	0	6(5)	2	32(19)	6
18	DF	ESP	Nacho Monreal	21(1)	1	0	0	2	0	10(2)	0	33(3)	1
19	GK	GER	Bernd Leno	31(1)	0	0	0	1	0	3	0	35(1)	0
20	DF	GER	Shkodran Mustafi	31	2	0(1)	0	2	0	5(1)	1	38(2)	3
22	MF	SPA	Denis Suárez	0(4)	0	0	0	0	0	0(2)	0	0(6)	0
23	FW	+ ENG	Danny Welbeck	1(7)	1	0	0	2	2	4	2	7(7)	5
25	DF	+ ENG	Carl Jenkinson	2(1)	0	1	0	1	0	3	0	7(1)	0
27	DF	GRE	Konstantinos Mavropanos	3(1)	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3(1)	0
29	MF	FRA	Matteo Guendouzi	23(10)	0	0(1)	0	3	0	7(4)	1	33(15)	1
31	DF	N BIH	Sead Kolašinac	22(2)	0	2	0	0	0	8(2)	0	32(4)	0
34	MF	₩ SUI	Granit Xhaka	29	4	1	0	1	0	9	0	40	4
43	MF	≥ SCO	Charlie Gilmour	0	0	0	0	0	0	0(2)	0	0(2)	0
47	DF	+ ENG	Zech Medley	0	0	0(1)	0	0	0	0(2)	0	0(3)	0
49	FW	+ ENG	Eddie Nketiah	0(5)	1	1	0	0(1)	0	2	0	3(6)	1
53	DF	ESP	Julio Pleguezuelo	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
59	MF	+ ENG	Joe Willock	1(1)	0	1	2	0	0	2(1)	1	4(2)	3
87	FW	+ ENG	Bukayo Saka	0(1)	0	0(1)	0	0	0	1(1)	0	1(3)	0
			Playe	ers out or	ı loan foı	rest of	the seas	on	1	1	ı	ı	
13	GK	COL	David Ospina	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
21	DF	+ ENG	Calum Chambers	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
26	GK	ARG	Emiliano Martinez	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
55	MF	+ ENG	Emile Smith Rowe	0	0	0	0	2	1	3(1)	2	5(1)	3
N/A	FW	• JPN	Takuma Asano	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

Goalscorers

As of 29 May 2019

Rank	Position	Name	Premier League	FA Cup	EFL Cup	Europa League	Total
1	FW	Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	22	1	0	8	31
2	FW	Alexandre Lacazette	13	0	1	5	19
	FW	■ Alex Iwobi	3	1	0	2	6
3	MF	Henrikh Mkhitaryan	6	0	0	0	6
3	MF	Mesut Özil	5	0	0	1	6
	MF	Aaron Ramsey	4	0	0	2	6
7	FW	<u></u> Danny Welbeck	1	0	2	2	5
8	MF	Granit Xhaka	4	0	0	0	4
	DF	Laurent Koscielny	3	0	0	0	3
	DF	Shkodran Mustafi	2	0	0	1	3
9	DF	Sokratis Papastathopoulos	1	0	0	2	3
	MF	→ Emile Smith Rowe	0	0	1	2	3
	MF	→ Joe Willock	0	2	0	1	3
1.4	MF	Ainsley Maitland-Niles	1	0	0	1	2
14	MF	Lucas Torreira	2	0	0	0	2
	MF	Matteo Guendouzi	0	0	0	1	1
	DF	Stephan Lichtsteiner	0	0	1	0	1
16	DF	Nacho Monreal	1	0	0	0	1
	FW	+ Eddie Nketiah	1	0	0	0	1
	1	Own goals	4	0	0	2	6
		Total	73	4	5	30	112

Disciplinary record

As of 29 May 2019

Rank	Position	Name		mier gue	FA	Cup	EFL	Cup		opa gue	То	tal
1	DF	Sokratis Papastathopoulos	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	12	1
2	MF	Matteo Guendouzi	8	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	11	1
3	MF	Lucas Torreira	7	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	1
4	FW	Alexandre Lacazette	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	3	1
5	MF	Ainsley Maitland-Niles	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1
6	MF	Granit Xhaka	10	0	0	0	1	0	2	0	13	0
7	DF	Shkodran Mustafi	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	9	0
8	DF	Sead Kolašinac	5	0	2	0	0	0	1	0	8	0
	DF	Stephan Lichtsteiner	3	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	5	0
9	DF	Nacho Monreal	5	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	5	0
11	DF	Rob Holding	1	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	4	0
	DF	Héctor Bellerín	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
12	MF	Henrikh Mkhitaryan	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0
	MF	Mesut Özil	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	3	0
15	DF	Laurent Koscielny	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	2	0
	FW	Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
	GK	Petr Čech	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0
16	DF	+ Carl Jenkinson	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
	DF	Konstantinos Mavropanos	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
	FW	→ Danny Welbeck	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	0
		Total	71	2	4	0	5	1	15	2	95	5

Clean sheets

As of 29 May 2019

Rank	Name	Premier League	FA Cup	EFL Cup	Europa League	Total
1	Petr Čech	1	1	0	6	8
1	Bernd Leno	6	0	0	2	8
3	Emiliano Martínez	0	0	0	1	1
	Shared		0	0	0	1
	Total	8	1	0	9	18

Pre-season and friendlies



Friendlies

14 July 2018

Boreham Wood

0-8 Arsenal

Report (https://w Aubameyang • 7', 9', 17' (pen.)

Report (https://w Aubameyang • 7', 9', 17' (pen.)

Report (https://w Aubameyang • 7', 9', 17' (pen.)

Nelson • 35'

fixture/arsenal/2
018-Jul-14/bore
ham-wood-0-8-a Reine-Adélaide • 71'
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nort)

Borehamwood, Hertfordshire,
England

Stadium: Meadow Park

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Stadium: Meadow Park

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4 August 2018	Arsenal 2–0	Lazio	Stockholm, Sweden
20:00 CEST	Nelson 🚯 18' Report (https://w	,	Stadium: Friends Arena
19:00 BST	Aubameyang 😯 64' ww.arsenal.com		Referee: Martin Strömbergsson
	Holding 77' fixture/arsenal/2		(Sweden)
	018-Aug-04/arse		
	nal-2-0-lazio-ma		
	ch-report)		
26 March 2019	Al Nasr 2-3	Arsenal	Dubai, United Arab Emirates
13:30 GMT	Fernández 😯 14' Report (https://w		Stadium: Al Maktoum Stadium
	Jalal 😯 90' (pen.) ww.arsenal.com		
		John-Jules 😯 72'	
	019-Mar-26/al-n		
	asr-dubai-sc-2-3		
	-arsenal-match-l		
	eport)		

International Champions Cup

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2018 ICC 26 July 2018	Atlético Madrid	1–1	Arsenal	Kallang, Singapore
(Asia)		(3–1 <u>p</u>)		
19:30 SST			Smith Rowe 3 47'	Stadium: National Stadium
12:30 BS1		ww.arsenal.com/ fixture/arsenal/2	Chambers 80'	Attendance: 23,095
		018-Jul-26/arsen		Referee: Ahmad A'Qashah (Singapore)
		al-1-1-atletico-m		(emgapore)
		adrid-match-rep		
		ort)		
		Penalties		
	Correa 💥		Mkhitaryan	
	Rodri 🤣 Garcés 🕱		WillockMaitland-Niles	
	Mollejo		Nketiah	
	Adán 🧳			
2018 ICC 28 July 2018	Arsenal	5–1	Paris Saint-Germain	Kallang, Singapore
(Asia)				
19:30 SST		Report (https://w		Stadium: National Stadium
12:30 BS1			Nkunku 🕃 60' (pen.)	Attendance: 50,308
	Nketiah 3 90+4'	fixture/arsenal/2		Referee: Nathan Rong De Chan (Singapore)
		al-5-1-psg-matc		(Singapore)
		h-report)		
2018 1 August 2018	Arsenal	1–1	Chelsea	Dublin, Ireland
ICC (Europe)		(6–5 <u>p</u>)		
21:05 CEST				Stadium: Aviva Stadium
20:05 BS1		ww.arsenal.com/		Attendance: 46,002
		news/arsenal-1- 1-chelsea-how-it		Referee: Paul McLaughlin (Republic of Ireland)
		-happened)		(itepablie of itelatia)
		Penalties		
	Lacazette 🦪		Drinkwater	
	Nelson 🧳		Abraham	
	Guendouzi		Moses	
	Maitland-Niles 🤣 Özil 🤣		 ✓ Emerson✓ Piazon	
	Iwobi		Loftus-Cheek	

Competitions



Overview

Competition		Record											
Competition	<u>P</u>	W	D	<u>L</u>	GF	GA	GD	Win %					
Premier League	38	21	7	10	73	51	+22	55.26					
FA Cup	2	1	0	1	4	3	+1	50.00					
EFL Cup	3	2	0	1	5	4	+1	66.67					
Europa League	15	11	1	3	30	13	+17	73.33					
Total	58	35	8	15	112	71	+41	60.34					

Premier League

League table

Pos	Team	Pld	W	D	<u>L</u>	GF	GA	GD	Pts	Qualification or relegation	
3	Chelsea	38	21	9	8	63	39	+24	72	Qualification for the Champions League group stage	
4	Tottenham Hotspur	38	23	2	13	67	39	+28	71	Qualification for the <u>Champions League group stage</u>	
5	Arsenal	38	21	7	10	73	51	+22	70	Qualification for the Function Leaves are as [8]	
6	Manchester United	38	19	9	10	65	54	+11	66	Qualification for the Europa League group stage ^[a]	
7	Wolverhampton Wanderers	38	16	9	13	47	46	+1	57	Qualification for the Europa League second qualifying rou	

Source: Premier League (https://www.premierleague.com/tables)

Rules for classification: 1) Points; 2) Goal difference; 3) Goals scored; 4) Play-offs (only if needed to decide champion, teams for relegation or teams for UEFA competitions).

Notes:

a. Since the winners of the <u>EFL Cup</u> and the <u>FA Cup</u>, Manchester City, qualified for the Champions League, the spot given to the FA Cup winners (Europa League group stage) was passed to the sixth-placed team and the spot given to the League Cup winners (Europa League second qualifying round) was passed to the seventh-placed team.

Results summary

Overall							Home						Away						
Pld	W	D	Ļ	GF	GA	GD	Pts	W	D	Ļ	GF	GA	GD	W	<u>D</u>	Ļ	GF	GA	GD
38	21	7	10	73	51	+22	70	14	3	2	42	16	+26	7	4	8	31	35	-4

Last updated: 12 May 2019.

Source: Premier League (https://www.premierleague.com/tables)

Result by matchday

Round	<u>1</u>	<u>2</u>	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13	14	<u>15</u>	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24
Ground	Н	<u>A</u>	Н	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	Н	Н	<u>A</u>	Н	A	Н	Н	<u>A</u>	Н	<u>A</u>	Н	<u>A</u>	Н	<u>A</u>	<u>A</u>	Н	<u>A</u>	Н	Н
Result	L	L	W	W	W	W	W	W	W	D	D	D	W	W	D	W	L	W	D	L	W	L	W	W
Position	15	17	9	9	7	6	5	4	4	4	5	5	5	4	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	4
Points	0	0	3	6	9	12	15	18	21	22	23	24	27	30	31	34	34	37	38	38	41	41	44	47

Updated to match(es) played on 12 May 2019. Source: Statto.com (http://www.statto.com/football/teams/arsenal/2018-2019/results)

A = Away; H = Home; W = Win; D = Draw; L = Loss

Matches

On 14 June 2018, the Premier League fixtures for the forthcoming season were announced. [112][113]

1 12 August 2018 16:00 BST	Arsenal 0–2 Manchester City Papastathopoulos 27' Report (https://w Sterling 4', 14' Xhaka 52' ww.premierleagu B. Silva 64' e.com/match/38 De Bruyne 73' 308)	Holloway Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,934 Referee: Michael Oliver
2 18 August 2018 17:30 <u>BST</u>	Chelsea 3–2 Arsenal Pedro ❖ 8' Report (https://w Xhaka 27' Morata ❖ 20' ww.premierleagu Mkhitaryan ❖ 37' Alonso ❖ 81' e.com/match/38 wobi ❖ 41' 321) Mustafi 77'	Fulham Stadium: Stamford Bridge Attendance: 40,491 Referee: Martin Atkinson
3 25 August 2018 15:00 BST	Arsenal 3–1 West Ham United Monreal ❖ 30' Report (https://w Arnautović ❖ 25' Diop ❖ 70' (o.g.) ww.premierleagu Diop ☑ 41'	Holloway Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,830

		Papastathopoulos 90' Welbeck 390+2'		Fredericks 80' Wilshere 88'	Referee: Graham Scott
4	2 September 2018	Cardiff City		Arsenal	Cardiff, Wales
	13:30 BST	Camarasa 🚯 45+2'			Stadium: Cardiff City Stadium
	20.00 20.	Ward 😂 70'	ww.premierleagu	Monreal 25'	Attendance: 32,316
		Hoilett 71'	e.com/match/38	Bellerín 51'	Referee: Anthony Taylor
		Camarasa 77'		Guendouzi 58'	
		Arter _ 90+3'		Aubameyang 3 62'	
				Xhaka 66'	
				Lacazette 💸 81'	
5	15 September 2018	Newcastle United		Arsenal	Newcastle upon Tyne
	15:00 <u>BST</u>		Report (https://w		Stadium: St James' Park
			ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38	<u>OZII</u> 😈 58	Attendance: 52,165 Referee: Lee Probert
			353)		Referee. Lee Flobert
6	23 September 2018	Arsenal		Everton	Holloway
O	16:00 BST		Report (https://w		Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	10.00 <u>B31</u>	Papastathopoulos 30'			Attendance: 59,964
		Lacazette 🖎 56'	e.com/match/38		Referee: Jonathan Moss
		Aubameyang : 59'	358)		
7	29 September 2018	Arsenal	2–0	Watford	Holloway
	15:00 BST		Report (https://w		Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	<u> </u>		ww.premierleagu		Attendance: 60,019
		Cathcart 🛟 81' (o.g.)	e.com/match/38		Referee: Anthony Taylor
		Özil 🕃 83'	368)		
8	7 October 2018	Fulham	1–5	Arsenal	Fulham
	12:00 BST	Schürrle 🕔 44', 🧾 70'	Report (https://w	Lacazette 🕃 29', 49'	Stadium: Craven Cottage
		Vietto 🦰 57'	ww.premierleagu		Attendance: 25,401
				Aubameyang 3 79', 90+1'	Referee: Paul Tierney
9	22 October 2018	Arsenal	381) 3–1	Laicactor City	Holloway
9				Leicester City	
	20:00 <u>BST</u>	Holding 17	ww.premierleagu	Bellerín 31' (o.g.)	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,886
		Özil 🐪 15'	e.com/match/38	Pereira 65'	Referee: Chris Kavanagh
		Aubameyang 63', 66'		1 616114	releies. <u>Simo reavanagn</u>
10	28 October 2018	Crystal Palace		Arsenal	Selhurst
10	13:30 GMT		Report (https://w		Stadium: Selhurst Park
	10.00 0111	Milivojević 3 45+1' (pen.),	ww.premierleagu	Aubameyang 3 56'	Attendance: 25,718
		83' (pen.)	e.com/match/38	Lichsteiner 79'	Referee: Martin Atkinson
			400)	Guendouzi 90+4'	
11	3 November 2018	Arsenal	1–1	Liverpool	<u>Holloway</u>
	17:30 GMT	Lacazette 🚷 82', 🦰 83'			Stadium: Emirates Stadium
			ww.premierleagu	Milner 🚭 61'	Attendance: 59,993
			e.com/match/38 408)		Referee: Andre Marriner
12	11 November 2018	Arsenal		Wolverhampton	Holloway
12	II NOVEMBER 2010	Alschai	1-1	Wanderers	<u> 110110 Way</u>
	16:30 GMT	Özil <mark>–</mark> 69'	Report (https://w		Stadium: Emirates Stadium
		Bellerín 78'	ww.premierleagu	Doherty 71'	Attendance: 60,030
		Mkhitaryan 🕃 86'		Costa 74'	Referee: Stuart Attwell
	0=11		418)		
13	25 November 2018	Bournemouth		Arsenal	Bournemouth
	13:30 <u>GMT</u>	King 3 45+1'	Report (https://w	Papastathopoulos 25'	Stadium: Vitality Stadium
				Lerma 30' (o.g.) Aubameyang 67'	Attendance: 10,792 Referee: Craig Pawson
		Leillia 66	428)	Aubameyang 🕡 07	Neieree. Craig Fawsun
14	2 December 2018	Arsenal		Tottenham Hotspur	Holloway
	14:05 GMT	Aubameyang 3 10' (pen.), 56'	· -		Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	1 1.00 <u>OM1</u>			Dier 30', 32'	Attendance: 59,973
				Kane 34' (pen.)	Referee: Mike Dean
		Lacazette 🐼 74'	438)	Alli 65'	
		Torreira 🔡 77', 📙 78'		Aurier 90'	
15		Manchester United		Arsenal	Manchester
	20:00 <u>GMT</u>			Mustafi 3 26', 37'	Stadium: Old Trafford
		Rojo 38'	ww.premierleagu	Bellerin 41'	Attendance: 74,507
		Lingard 40', 😯 69' Matić 42'		Rojo 👀 67' (o.g.) Torreira 📙 86'	Referee: Andre Marriner
16	8 December 2018	Arsenal		Huddersfield Town	Holloway
ТО	15:00 GMT		Report (https://w		Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	15.00 GIVIT		ww.premierleagu		Attendance: 59,893
		Papastathopoulos 40'	e.com/match/38	Smith 39'	Referee: Paul Tierney
		Mustafi 45+2'		Bacuna 85'	
		Guendouzi 80'			
		Torreira 😯 83'			
17	16 December 2018	Southampton	3–2	Arsenal	Southampton

	13:30 <u>GMT</u>	Bednarek 51'	ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38 474)	Mkhitaryan 😍 28', 53' Koscielny 🔁 60'	Stadium: St Mary's Stadium Attendance: 29,497 Referee: Chris Kavanagh
10	22 December 2018	Arsenal		Burnley	Holloway
10	12:30 <u>GMT</u>	Aubameyang 🔹 14', 48' Papastathopoulos 🗾 41' Guendouzi 📑 59' Iwobi 🔄 90+1'	Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38 478)	Barnes 36', 663' Wood 47' Mee 60' Cork 60' Westwood 90+1'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,493 Referee: Kevin Friend
19	26 December 2018	Brighton & Hove Albion	1–1	Arsenal	Falmer
	17:15 <u>GMT</u>	Locadia 🛟 35' Montoya 🔁 45+2'	Report (https://w	Aubameyang 🐍 7' Kolašinac 🧾 81'	Stadium: Falmer Stadium Attendance: 30,608 Referee: Anthony Taylor
20	29 December 2018	Liverpool	5–1	Arsenal	Liverpool
	17:30 <u>GMT</u>	Firmino 14 ', 16', 65' (pen.) Robertson 26'	Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38	Maitland-Niles 11' Xhaka	Stadium: Anfield Attendance: 53,326 Referee: Michael Oliver
21	1 January 2019	Arsenal	4–1	Fulham	Holloway
	15:00 <u>GMT</u>	Lacazette 🛟 55'	e.com/match/38	Kamara 👉 69' Fosu-Mensah 📴 77'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,887 Referee: Graham Scott
22	12 January 2019	West Ham United	1-0	Arsenal	Stratford
	12:30 <u>GMT</u>	Rice 💸 48'	Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38		Stadium: London Stadium Attendance: 59,946 Referee: Jonathan Moss
22	10 January 2010	Aroonal	527) 2–0	Chelsea	Holloway
23	19 January 2019 17:30 <u>GMT</u>		Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38 528)	David Luiz 37'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,979 Referee: Anthony Taylor
24	29 January 2019	Arsenal		Cardiff City	Holloway
	19:45 <u>GMT</u>		Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38	Paterson 36' Arter 63'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,933 Referee: Mike Dean
25	3 February 2019	Manchester City	3–1	Arsenal	Manchester
	16:30 <u>GMT</u>	Agüero 🐼 1', 44', 61'			Stadium: Etihad Stadium Attendance: 54,483 Referee: Martin Atkinson
26	9 February 2019	Huddersfield Town	1–2	Arsenal	Huddersfield
	15:00 <u>GMT</u>	Kongolo 49'			Stadium: John Smith's Stadium Attendance: 24,182 Referee: Jonathan Moss
27	24 February 2019 14:05 <u>GMT</u>	Arsenal Lacazette 🕠 6' Mkhitaryan 🕠 17'	Report (https://w	<u>Southampton</u>	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,877 Referee: Graham Scott
28	27 February 2019 19:45 GMT	Arsenal Özil • 4' Mkhitaryan • 27' Papastathopoulos • 36' Koscielny • 47' Aubameyang • 59' Torreira • 69' Lacazette • 78'	Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38 578)	King 32'	Holloway Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,618 Referee: Chris Kavanagh
29	2 March 2019	Tottenham Hotspur	1–1	Arsenal	Wembley
	12:30 <u>GMT</u>	Lamela 63'	Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38	Mkhitaryan 58'	Stadium: Wembley Stadium Attendance: 81,332 Referee: Anthony Taylor
30	10 March 2019	Arsenal	2-0	Manchester United	Holloway
	16:30 GMT		Report (https://w ww.premierleagu e.com/match/38	Matić 68'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 60,000 Referee: Jonathan Moss
31	1 April 2019	Arsenal	2–0	Newcastle United	Holloway

	20:00 <u>BST</u>	Monreal 59' ww.premierleagu Attenda	m: Emirates Stadium ance: 59,869 ee: Anthony Taylor
32	7 April 2019 14:05 BST	Gomes 50' ww.premierleagu Papastathopoulos 25' Attende	ool m: Goodison Park ance: 39,400 ee: Kevin Friend
33	15 April 2019 20:00 BST	Capoue 54' ww.premierleagu Attend	d m: Vicarage Road ance: 20,480 e: Craig Pawson
34	21 April 2019 16:00 BST	Özil 💸 47', 🦰 63' ww.premierleagu Zaha 💸 61' Attend	ray m: Emirates Stadium ance: 59,929 ee: Jonathan Moss
35	24 April 2019 19:45 BST	Wanderers Doherty ☐ 17', ❖ 37' Report (https://w Monreal ☐ 27' Neves ❖ 28' ww.premierleagu Xhaka ☐ 31' Attenda	rhampton m: Molineux Stadium ance: 31,436 e: Stuart Attwell
36	28 April 2019 12:00 BST	Tielemans 🕃 59' ww.premierleagu Papastathopoulos 🗌 64' Attend	ter m: King Power Stadium ance: 32,037 ee: Michael Oliver
37	5 May 2019 16:30 <u>BST</u>	Papastathopoulos 14' ww.premierleagu Murray 3 61' (pen.) Attenda	ray m: Emirates Stadium ance: 59,965 e: Anthony Taylor
38	12 May 2019 15:00 <u>BST</u>	Barnes 22', 65' ww.premierleagu Guendouzi 53' Attende	y m: Turf Moor ance: 21,461 :e: Mike Dean

FA Cup

Third round	•	Blackpool 0–3 Arsenal	Blackpool
	17:30 <u>GMT</u>	Report (https://w Willock ww.bbc.co.uk/sp Kolašinac ort/football/4670 wobi 82	56' Attendance: 8,955
Fourt	25 January 2019 th round	Arsenal 1–3 Manches	ter United Holloway
	19:55 <u>GMT</u>	Aubameyang 43' Report (https://w Sánchez 6 Koscielny 54' ww.bbc.co.uk/sp Lingard 5 Kolašinac 86' ort/football/4691 Young 6 Guendouzi 90+1' 4273) Martial 58 Rashford	33', 76' Attendance: 59,571 B' Referee: Craig Pawson 32'

EFL Cup

26 September 2018	Arsenal 3–1 Brentford	Holloway
Third round		
19:45 BST	Welbeck 🛟 5', 37', 🦰 63' Report (https://w Konsa 🖰 37'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	Lichtsteiner 28' ww.bbc.co.uk/sp Judge 🕏 58'	Attendance: 49,586
	Lacazette (*) 90+3' ort/football/4556	Referee: Mike Dean
	9333)	
31 October 2018	Arsenal 2–1 Blackpool	Holloway
Fourth round		
19:45 <u>GMT</u>	Guendouzi 22' 56' Report (https://w O'Connor 66', 84' Lichtsteiner 33' ww.bbc.co.uk/sp	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 48,168 Referee: David Coote

	Jenkinson ☐ 45+2' ort/foo Smith Rowe 🕃 50'	otball/4596 1337)		
19 December 2018	Arsenal	0-2 Totter	ham Hotspur	Holloway
Quarter-finals				
19:45 GMT	Guendouzi / 45+2' Repo	rt (https://w Son 🕔	21'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	Xhaka 77' ww.bl			Attendance: 59,016
		otball/4653 Eriksen	90+4'	Referee: Jonathan Moss
		3822)		

UEFA Europa League

Group stage

Pos	Team	Pld	W	D	Ţ.	GF	GA	GD	Pts	Qualification	ARS	SPO	VOR	QRB
1	+ Arsenal	6	5	1	0	12	2	+10	16	Advance to knockout	_	0-0	4-2	1-0
2	Sporting CP	6	4	1	1	13	3	+10	13	phase	0-1	-	3–0	2–0
3	Vorskla Poltava	6	1	0	5	4	13	-9	3 ^[a]		0-3	1-2	_	0-1
4	Qarabağ	6	1	0	5	2	13	-11	3 [a]		0-3	1–6	0-1	

 $Source: UEFA \ (https://www.uefa.com/uefaeuropaleague/season=2019/standings/round=2000990/index.html\#grp-2006278) \\ Rules \ for \ classification: \underline{Group \ stage \ tiebreakers} \\ Note that the property of the property of$

a. Goal difference in all group matches: Vorskla Poltava –9, Qarabağ –11.

1	20 September 2018	Arsenal 🕂	4–2	Vorskla Poltava	London, England
	21:00 <u>CEST</u>	ches 0990	uefa.com/uef		Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,039 Referee: Bart Vertenten (Belgium)
2	4 October 2018	Qarabağ 🔤	0–3	+ Arsenal	Baku, Azerbaijan
	18:55 <u>CEST</u>	ww.u aeur easo ches 0990	uefa.com/uef l opaleague/s	Papastathopoulos 💸 4' Holding 🚾 43' Smith Rowe 🕠 53' Guendouzi 🐧 80'	Stadium: Olympic Stadium Attendance: 63,412 Referee: Davide Massa (Italy)
3	25 October 2018	Sporting CP 💶	0-1	┼ Arsenal	Lisbon, Portugal
	18:55 <u>CEST</u>	Coates 71' ww.u Cabral 90' aeur Battaglia 90' easo ches 0990		Holding <mark>□</mark> 46' Mkhitaryan <mark>□</mark> 51' Welbeck ⓒ 78'	Stadium: Estádio José Alvalade Attendance: 40,784 Referee: Damir Skomina (Slovenia)
4	8 November 2018	Arsenal 🕂	0-0	Sporting CP	London, England
	21:00 <u>CET</u>	aeur easo ches 0990	ort (https://w uefa.com/uef ropaleague/s on=2019/mat s/round=200 D/match=202 D/index.html)	Acuña 67'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,758 Referee: Gediminas Mažeika (Lithuania)
5	29 November 2018	Vorskla Poltava 💳		┼ Arsenal	Kyiv, Ukraine
	18:55 <u>CET</u>	Sharpar 32' ww.u Kolomoyets 72' aeuro easo ches 0990	ort (https://w/suefa.com/uef l ropaleague/subn=2019/mat/s/round=200 0/match=202 6/index.html)		Stadium: NSC Olimpiyskiy Stadium Attendance: 7,751 Referee: Bartosz Frankowski (Poland)
6	13 December 2018	Arsenal 	1-0	Qaraba ğ	London, England

21:00 CET

Lacazette 16' Report (https://w Qarayev 82'

ww.uefa.com/uef
aeuropaleague/s
eason=2019/mat
ches/round=200
0990/match=202
5278/index.html)

Knockout phase

Round of 32

First 14 February 2019 leg	BATE Borisov 1–0 — Arsenal	Barysaw, Belarus
18:55 <u>CET</u> (<u>UTC+1</u>)	Drahun ❖ 45', ☐ 87' Report (https://w Xhaka ☐ 9' Dubajić ☐ 72' ww.uefa.com/uef Lacazette ☐ 85' Filipović ☐ 86' aeuropaleague/s eason=2019/mat ches/round=200 0991/match=202 6883/index.html)	Stadium: Borisov Arena Attendance: 12,527 Referee: Srđan Jovanović (Serbia)
21 February 2019	Arsenal 🛨 3–0 💹 BATE Borisov	London, England
Second leg	(3–1 agg.)	
18:55 <u>CET</u> (<u>UTC+1</u>)	Volkov 3 4' (o.g.) Report (https://w Mustafi 39' ww.uefa.com/uef Papastathopoulos 60' aeuropaleague/s eason=2019/mat ches/round=200 0991/match=202 6899/index.html)	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 58,812 Referee: Alberto Undiano Mallenco (Spain)

Round of 16

First leg 7 March 2019	Rennes 3–1 — Arsenal	Rennes, France
18:55 CET (UTC+1)	Bourigeaud 38', 342' Report (https://w lwobi 34'	Stadium: Roazhon Park
	Monreal 💸 65' (o.g.) ww.uefa.com/uef Papastathopoulos 🔃 34' 📲 41'	Attendance: 29,100
	Zeffane 🦰 87' aeuropaleague/s Xhaka 🔀 61'	Referee: Ivan Kružliak (Slovakia)
	Sarr 💸 88' eason=2019/mat	
	ches/round=200	
	0992/match=202	
	6907/index.html)	
Second 14 March 2019	Arsenal 🕂 3–0 📗 Rennes	London, England
leg	(4–3 <u>agg</u> .)	
21:00 CET (UTC+1)	Aubameyang 🚯 5', 72', 🧧 72' Report (https://w Mexer 🧧 18'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	Maitland-Niles 🚯 15' ww.uefa.com/uef Grenier 🔃 55'	Attendance: 59,453
	Lacazette 31' aeuropaleague/s Bourigeaud 81'	Referee: Andris Treimanis
	Mkhitaryan 77' eason=2019/mat Traoré 90+5'	(Latvia)
	Kolašinac 90+3' ches/round=200	
	0992/match=202	
	6915/index.html)	

Ouarter-finals

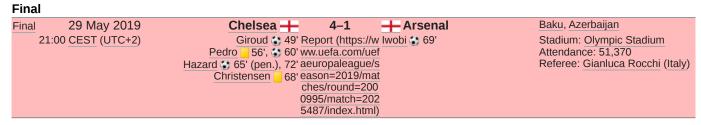
Quarter-tinals		
First leg 11 April 2019	Arsenal 2−0 Napoli	London, England
21:00 <u>CEST</u> (<u>UTC+2</u>)	Ramsey 🛟 15' Report (https://w Hysaj 🔃 47' Koulibaly 🕏 25' (o.g.) ww.uefa.com/uef aeuropaleague/s eason=2019/mat ches/round=200	Stadium: Emirates Stadium Attendance: 59,738 Referee: Alberto Undiano Mallenco (Spain)
40.4 1.0040	0993/match=202 6917/index.html)	Marilan Habi
Second 18 April 2019	Napoli ■ 0–1 — Arsenal	Naples, Italy
leg	(0–3 <u>agg</u> .)	
21:00 CEST (UTC+2)	Insigne 43' Report (https://w Lacazette 36' Callejón 90' ww.uefa.com/uef Čech 74' aeuropaleague/s eason=2019/mat ches/round=200 0993/match=202 6921/index.html)	Stadium: Stadio San Paolo Attendance: 39,438 Referee: Ovidiu Hațegan (Romania)

Semi-finals

First leg 2 May 2019	Arsenal 🕂 3–1 🔼 Valencia	London, England
20:00 BST (UTC+1)	Lacazette 🕃 18', 26' Report (https://w Diakhaby 🕃 11', 💹 31'	Stadium: Emirates Stadium
	Aubameyang 🕔 90+1' ww.uefa.com/uef Parejo 🔃 70'	Attendance: 58,969
	<u>aeuropaleague/s</u>	

	eason=2019/mat ches/round=200 0994/match=202 6925/index.html)	Referee: Clément Turpin (France)
Second leg 9 May 2019	Valencia 2–4 🕂 Arsenal	<u>Valencia</u> , <u>Spain</u>
	(3–7 agg.)	
21:00 <u>CEST</u> (<u>UTC+2</u>)	Gameiro 11', 58' Report (https://w Aubameyang 17', 69', 88' Garay 38' ww.uefa.com/uef Lacazette 50', 90+2' Gayà 43' aeuropaleague/s Özil 62' Gabriel 90+2' eason=2019/mat ches/round=200 0994/match=202 6927/index.html)	Stadium: Mestalla Attendance: 44,481 Referee: Danny Makkelie (Netherlands)

Final



Coaching Staff

Updated 19 July 2018. [114][115][116][117][118][119][120]

Position	Name
Head Coach	Unai Emery
First Team Assistant Head Coach	Juan Carlos Carcedo
First Team Assistant Head Coach	+ Steve Bould
First Team Coach	Pablo Villa
Goalkeeping Coach	Javi García
Goalkeeping Coach	+ Sal Bibbo
Head of Football	Raúl Sanllehí
Head of Recruitment	Vacant
Chief Contract Negotiator	+ Hussein Fahmy
Head of Coach and Player Development	Marcel Lucassen
Head of Academy	Per Mertesacker
Head of Academy Football Operations	→ Lee Herron
Director of High Performance	Marren Burgess
Head of Performance	Shad Forsythe
Head of Medical Services	Gary O'Driscoll
Head Physiotherapist	+ Chris Morgan
First Team Physiotherapist	Paulo Barreira
First Team Physiotherapist	→ Jordan Reece
First Team Rehab Physiotherapist	Tim Parham
Strength and Conditioning Coach	Julen Masach
Strength and Conditioning Coach	■ Barry Solan
Masseur	→ Darren Page
Soft Tissue Therapist	Takahiro Yamamoto
Kit Manager	+ Paul Akers
Performance Nutritionist	Richard Allison
Sport Scientist	→ Tom Allen
Data Scientist	Mikhail Zhilkin
Data/Video Analyst	Victor Manas
Senior Football Analyst	→ Ben Knapper
First Team Analyst	→ Mark Curtis
Football Analyst Assistant	+ Sam Hayball

Awards

Arsenal Player of the Month award

Awarded monthly to the player that was chosen by fan voting on Arsenal.com

Month	Player	Votes
August	Matteo Guendouzi	68% ^[121]
September	Alexandre Lacazette	59% ^[122]
October	Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	55% ^[123]
November	Lucas Torreira	70% ^[124]
December	Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang	41% ^[125]
January	Alexandre Lacazette	65% ^[126]
February	Henrikh Mkhitaryan	40% ^[127]
March	Bernd Leno	70% ^[128]

Arsenal Goal of the Month award

Awarded monthly to the goal that was chosen by fan voting on Arsenal.com

Month	Player	Competition	Opponent	Votes
August	Henrikh Mkhitaryan	Premier League	Chelsea	61% ^[129]
September	Alexandre Lacazette	Premier League	Everton	57% ^[130]
October	Aaron Ramsey	Premier League	Fulham	38% ^[131]
November	Alexandre Lacazette	Premier League	Liverpool	71% ^[132]
December	Henrikh Mkhitaryan	Premier League	Southampton	40% ^[133]
January	Alexandre Lacazette	Premier League	Chelsea	56% ^[134]
February	Mesut Özil	Premier League	A.F.C. Bournemouth	40% ^[135]
March	Aaron Ramsey	Premier League	Tottenham	46% ^[136]

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