



MARCELO GALLARDO

7 YEARS

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Marcelo Gallardo	
All his tournaments as River Plate manager	
Matches coached	339
Wins	179
Draws	93
Losses	67
Percentage of points won	61.9%
Players used	111
Different goal scorers (not including own goals)	63
Biggest win	vs. Jorge Wilstermann (8-0. On 9/21/2017 at the CONMEBOL Libertadores). vs. Deportivo Binacional (8-0. On 3/11/2020 at the CONMEBOL Libertadores).
Longest unbeaten streak	32 matches – 21 wins and 11 draws, between February and October 2018.
Longest winning streak	7 matches (four times)

- In a total of 339 matches, River scored 589 goals and conceded 300. It has an average of 1.74 goals for and 0.88 goals against per game. It has managed to keep a clean sheet in 139 matches.
- Marcelo Gallardo coached 136 home games at the Monumental Stadium: 75 wins, 37 draws, and 24 losses. He managed to keep a 17-match unbeaten streak at all the tournaments (10 wins and 7 draws) between February and November 2016.
- River has won twelve titles since Gallardo's arrival. On average, it has lifted one trophy every 213 days.

Marcelo Gallardo's 12 titles as River Plate manager		
Titles	Tournament	Seasons
2	CONMEBOL Libertadores	2015 – 2018
3	CONMEBOL Recopa	2015 – 2016 – 2019
3	Argentine Cup	2016 – 2017 – 2019
2	Argentine Super Cup	2017 – 2019
1	CONMEBOL Sudamericana	2014
1	Suruga Bank	2015

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- In this period, 63 players have scored goals at all the tournaments. The top scorer is Rafael Borré.

Player	Goals
Borré, Rafael	56
Alario, Lucas	41
Scocco, Ignacio	38
Martínez, Gonzalo	35
Mora, Rodrigo	34
Fernández, Ignacio	31

- Throughout his seven years in River, Gallardo has used 111 players, out of which 41 (36.9%) were youth players whom he made play professionally for the first time. Two of these youth players have played over 100 games for River: Gonzalo Montiel (132) and Lucas Martínez Quarta (104). The only player who has played over 200 matches under Gallardo's management is Leonardo Ponzio (204). Ponzio and Jonatan Maidana are the only players who have been part of the current professional team since its debut against Ferro for the Argentine Cup.

Player	Matches
Ponzio, Leonardo	205
Fernández, Ignacio	186
Maidana, Jonatan	169
Casco, Milton	167
Martínez, Gonzalo	163

- There are nine River players who have played more than 10,000 minutes under Gallardo's management. All of them also played in the historic match against Boca, at the Santiago Bernabéu Stadium, in the 2018 CONMEBOL Libertadores final. Seven of them are still River players.

Player	Minutes
Ponzio, Leonardo	15,451
Maidana, Jonatan	14,566
Casco, Milton	13,694
Fernández, Ignacio	13,673
Armani, Franco	12,129
Montiel, Gonzalo	11,327
Pinola, Javier	10,912
Martínez, Gonzalo	10,960
Pérez, Enzo	10,503

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- Franco Armani is the goalkeeper with the most games without conceding goals under Gallardo's management: he kept a streak of six matches without conceding goals, considering all tournaments, between May and July 2018 (4W 2D).
- Gallardo keeps a positive record at all the tournaments where River has played against its four historic rivals: Boca, Independiente, Racing, and San Lorenzo. Furthermore, River has played against the four of them at international tournaments and won every single one of those play-off rounds.

GALLARDO VS. CLASSIC RIVALS					
Rival	MP	W	D	L	Efficiency %
Boca Juniors	22	7	10	5	47%
Independiente	10	5	1	4	53.30%
San Lorenzo	10	5	1	4	53.30%
Racing Club	10	5	3	2	60%

- The rival Gallardo has faced the most as River manager is Boca Juniors. The teams have faced off 22 times, taking all tournaments into account, and River keeps a positive record regarding the super classic match: seven wins, ten draws, and five losses. It has also played 15 games against Godoy Cruz and Rosario Central.

Rival	MP	W	D	L
Boca Juniors	22	7	10	5
Godoy Cruz	15	13	1	1
Rosario Central	15	9	4	2
Banfield	12	7	2	3
Independiente	10	5	1	4

- The rival that River has beaten the most is Godoy Cruz, which is the only opponent the team has defeated more than ten times. Boca ranks third in terms of the teams River has celebrated more victories against.

Rival	MP	W	D	L
Godoy Cruz	15	13	1	1
Rosario Central	15	9	4	2
Boca Juniors	22	7	10	5
Banfield	12	7	2	3
Gimnasia La Plata	9	6	2	1

- Guillermo Barros Schelotto is the coach Gallardo has faced the most as River manager. They faced off in eleven games, out of which River won four, drew five, and lost two. Three out of the five managers he has faced the most have coached (or coach) Boca: Guillermo Barros Schelotto (2016-2018), Gustavo Alfaro (2019), and Miguel Ángel Russo (2020 - present).

Rival	MP	W	D	L
Guillermo Barros Schelotto	11	4	5	2
Miguel Ángel Russo	10	4	6	0
Ricardo Zielinski	10	5	2	3
Eduardo Coudet	8	5	2	1
Gustavo Alfaro	8	3	3	2

RIVER AND GALLARDO AT THE CONMEBOL LIBERTADORES

- Gallardo is the manager who has won the most CONMEBOL Libertadores titles in the Club's history, having won two. He is also the manager who has played the most finals (3) and the one who has coached the most games. El Muñeco has won 37 games, drawn 28, and lost 14.

River managers with the most CONMEBOL Libertadores matches	
Gallardo, Marcelo	79
Labruna, Ángel	56
Díaz, Ramón	52
Passarella, Daniel	38
Astrada, Leonardo	24

- Since playing at its first CONMEBOL Libertadores under Gallardo's management in 2015, River is the team that has played the most matches (79) and one of the two teams that has won the most matches (37, tied with Palmeiras).

CONMEBOL LIBERTADORES MATCHES (2015 - PRESENT)	
River Plate	79
Boca Juniors	64
Grêmio	60
Palmeiras	55
Nacional	54

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- Ignacio Fernández is the only player who has played over 50 CONMEBOL Libertadores matches for River under Gallardo's management: the midfielder played 52 games.

Player	Matches played
Fernández, Ignacio	52
Ponzio, Leonardo	48
Montiel, Gonzalo	43
Casco, Milton	43
Maidana, Jonatan	42
Pérez, Enzo	41
Armani, Franco	41

- Borré is River's top CONMEBOL Libertadores scorer in the Gallardo era, having scored 13 goals. Ignacio Fernandez comes in second with 11 goals.

Player	Goals scored
Borré, Rafael	13
Fernández, Ignacio	11
Pratto, Lucas	9
Scocco, Ignacio	9
Álvarez, Julián	8
Alario, Lucas	8

- Ignacio Fernández is the player who has made the most assists playing for River at the CONMEBOL Libertadores: ten of his passes were converted to goals for el Millonario. Gonzalo Montiel and Matías Suárez come in second place, tied on 9 assists.

Player	Assists
Fernández, Ignacio	10
Montiel, Gonzalo	9
Suárez, Matías	9
Martínez, Gonzalo	7
De La Cruz, Nicolás	5

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- Ignacio Fernández is the player who has made the most contributions playing for River at the CONMEBOL Libertadores in the Gallardo era: he made 21 contributions, with 11 goals and 10 assists.

Player	Goals	Assists	Contributions
Fernández, Ignacio	11	10	21
Borré, Rafael	13	2	15
Montiel, Gonzalo	3	9	12
Pratto, Lucas	9	3	12
Suárez, Matías	3	9	12

- This season, Gonzalo Montiel became the player who has played the most minutes at the CONMEBOL Libertadores in the Gallardo era.

Player	Minutes played
Montiel, Gonzalo	3854
Fernández, Ignacio	3852
Armani, Franco	3720
Maidana, Jonatan	3711
Casco, Milton	3369

- While coaching River, Gallardo has won at least one away game playing abroad for the CONMEBOL Libertadores in each of the countries that are part of the Confederation, except for Bolivia. In total, he has won 13 away games at the tournament. He won the most in Brazil (3): Cruzeiro in 2015, Grêmio in 2018, and Palmeiras in 2020.
- River is on an unbeaten streak of eight CONMEBOL Libertadores matches played in Brazil (2W 6D). Since Gallardo's arrival, River has won more games in Brazil than it has won in all its history taking part in the tournament.
- River is the team that has scored the most goals at the CONMEBOL Libertadores since Gallardo's arrival (139) and ranks third in terms of average goals per game amongst teams that have played more than 15 matches (1.76).

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GOALS PER GAME			
Team	Matches	Goals	Goals per game
Palmeiras	55	122	2.22
Flamengo	41	73	1.78
River Plate	79	139	1.76
LDU Quito	30	52	1.73
Atlético Mineiro	42	69	1.64

- 59% of the goals (80) were scored in the second half.
- Since Gallardo began coaching River, el Millonario has scored 26% (36) of its goals at the CONMEBOL Libertadores in the last 15 minutes of the match. Furthermore, it is the only team that has scored in extra time: Juan Fernando Quintero and Gonzalo Martínez, in the final of the 2018 edition, against Boca Juniors at the Santiago Bernabéu Stadium.
- River is the only team that has scored eight goals in a CONMEBOL Libertadores quarterfinal match (8-0 against Jorge Wilstermann at the 2017 edition) and the only one that has done it twice, as it also scored eight goals playing against Binacional in 2020. Since then, no other club has scored eight goals in a match at the continental tournament.

RIVER AND GALLARDO, THE RECORD AND OTHER TOURNAMENTS

River has played six Recopa matches under Gallardo's management and has only lost one game (4W 1D 1L). It has won the three games it played at the Monumental Stadium and it has been crowned champion every time it took part in the tournament.

River has lost only one game at the Argentine Cup since Gallardo became its coach: it has played 30 games, winning 24, drawing 5 (it was eliminated in two penalty shootouts) and only losing in the 90 minutes against Rosario Central in the 2015 edition. El Muñeco has won three editions of the tournament: 2016, 2017, and 2019. River keeps a streak of 24 matches without losing in the 90 minutes.

Ignacio Scocco is the River player who has scored the most goals in one match under Gallardo's management: he celebrated five goals in the 8-0 win over Jorge Wilstermann.

Marcelo Barovero is the goalkeeper who has made the most saves in one match to keep a clean sheet under Gallardo's management: he made eight saves against San Lorenzo in the 2014 Recopa rematch. That night, River won 1-0 and lifted the trophy.

On September 18th, 2019, in the match against Godoy Cruz for the Argentine Cup (1-0), River broke several records in the Gallardo era: it had an average ball possession of 81%, it made 787 passes and 678 of them were accurate (Gallardo-era highs in both cases).

River's match against Binacional became the match with the highest number of shots on goal in the Gallardo era, with 17 shots. In the 4-1 win over Independiente at the 2014 Initial Tournament, River scored three goals from outside the box: it was the match with the highest number of long-range shots in the Gallardo era.

Marcelo Gallardo faced Boca Juniors in six playoff series, including two finals, winning the first five consecutively and losing only one, in the penalty shootout, after the 90 minutes ended in a draw.