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Team In Focus: Southampton - By Rick Elliott

BetFan are producing a weekly feature of a Team in Focus and are working through the 20 teams in the Premier League. The leading teams in some of the main leagues in the rest of Europe will also be covered. During the summer we will look at the key statistics for the four teams playing in the finals of the UEFA Nations League.

This week the Team In Focus is **SOUTHAMPTON**. The traditional selling club have found some stability under a new manager and have been solid over the second half of the season. Southampton have found their natural place in the Premier League which is in the bottom half of the table. Only a freak set of results would see them relegated so next season they could be challenging the second band of teams below the top six. Southampton continue to develop their own talent and the club appears to be on a good financial footing. The stadium and earning potential means the club will not be challenging for honours but can become established in the Premier League.

Statistics

All the statistics and records shown below are correct as at April 26th 2019.

Premier League

Points	Home	Away	Total
Played	17	18	35
Won	5	4	9
Lost	6	10	16
Drawn	6	4	10
Points	21	16	37
Average	1.24	0.89	1.06
Total Goals	Home	Away	Total
Goals For	23	18	41
Average	1.24	1.00	1.17
Goals Against	26	32	58
Average	1.53	1.78	1.66
Bookings	Home	Away	Total
Points For	440	335	775
Average	25.88	18.61	22.14
Points Against	365	280	645
Average	21.47	15.56	18.43
Total	805	615	1420
Average	47.35	34.17	40.57
Over/Under	Home	Away	Total
No goals	2	2	4
	11.76%	11.11%	11.43%
Over 0.5 goals	15	16	31
	88.24%	88.89%	88.57
Over 1.5 goals	14	14	28
	82.35%	77.78%	80.00%
Over 2.5 goals	12	9	21
	70.59%	50.00 %	60.00%
Over 3.5 goals	6	6	10
	35.29	33.33%	34.29%
Over 4.5 goals	1	3	4
	5.88%	16.67%	11.43%
Both Teams To Score	Home	Away	Total
Yes	13	10	23
	76.47%	55.56%	65.71%
No	4	8	12
	23.53%	44.44%	34.29%

Match Goals	Home	Away	Total
First Goal	10 58.82%	7 38.89%	17 48.57%
Last Goal	5 29.41%	7 38.99%	12 34.29%

Statistics Of Note

Here are the five most significant Premier League trends that can be used when betting on Southampton during the rest of the Premier League season:

- Over 2.5 goals in 12 home matches.
- BTTS in 13 home matches.
- 32 goals conceded away from home.
- Almost 5 bookings in home matches.
- First goal in 10 home matches.

Prospects For The Rest Of The Season

Southampton fans will be aware that if Cardiff and Brighton both win their last three matches and Southampton lose theirs the club is relegated. In fact, just two Brighton wins and no points for Cardiff would create the nightmare scenario of a drop into the Championship. However, Southampton's next fixture is a home match against local rivals Bournemouth and a win should suffice for another season in the top flight. The two remaining fixtures are winnable but Southampton will want to get the job done as soon as possible. The Saints should secure the three points against Bournemouth to relax the manager and owners who can look forward to more Premier League action.

Tip For The Season

Southampton to beat Bournemouth at 10/11 with Betfair.

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The Spurs Can Go Marching On

Tottenham have won all four matches at their new stadium without conceding a goal. They have not been convincing in each fixture but have managed to get the job done. A semi-final against Ajax in the Champions League is on the horizon but qualification for the competition next season is not assured. The Dutch champions have eliminated Real Madrid and Juventus in the knockout rounds and Tottenham could still finish outside the top four in the Premier League. Three points against West Ham at home today would put that issue to bed so **TOTTENHAM** are the bet at 4/9 with Coral.

At the other end of the table Brighton are in a fight with Cardiff to avoid relegation. They lost by a late goal at the Tottenham Hotspur Stadium earlier this week but showed enough fight to win the points to avoid the drop. Brighton have not scored in seven matches while Newcastle have notched just 13 times in 17 fixtures on the road. Games involving these clubs are the lowest for goals in the Premier League. Cardiff have a winnable game against relegated Fulham so Brighton need something against Newcastle but may have to settle for the DRAW which is 21/10 with Paddy Power.

It's the finale of the jumps season at Sandown but it all starts again next Saturday at Uttoxeter and Hexham. The feature race of the final day is the bet365 Gold Cup (3.35) which used to be called the Whitbread. It's a staying handicap chase over three miles and five furlongs so has similarities with the Grand National. By the process of elimination a system identified ROCK THE KASBAH as a potential winner of the National. The horse was never going well and was brought down on the second circuit. There could be compensation in the bet365 Gold Cup at 14/1 with Coral.

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DECLAN O'DONOGHUE'S IRISH RACING



My Task Is To Keep Punters Ahead
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Trackside In Ireland - By Declan O'Donoghue

Late arrivals for Tipperary's first flat meeting of the new season on Thursday missed out big time as Pistoletto fired an impressive warning shot on his debut in the opener and looks Royal Ascot material.

Locally trained by Aidan O'Brien, the War Front juvenile scooted home for Donnacha and those who traded at short odds in the ring - 5/4 to 11/10 - never had a moments worry.

"He's fast with plenty of boot for five furlongs" O'Brien said "and looks one for the Norfolk Stakes."

"A beautiful looking colt, he is showing plenty at home" he added.

Ballydoyle struck again later in the card with a three year old colt that, in total contrast, was showing absolutely nothing at home.

That explains his big drift in the market - "eights" to 14/1 - but kept well clear of traffic problems by Seamie Heffernan in what was a messy enough contest

overall - he beat Dermot Weld's quietly fancied 7/2 chance Zarafshan by a snug three lengths.

The winner has no fancy entries yet but that could change as a surprised O'Brien was clearly delighted.

"He's been there a while but obviously been sleeping, that can happen sometimes."

"That is why we get them out (to race) sometimes, just in case that is the way but it's nice to find him. A horse with a pedigree like his could be anything."

"He's in the King Edward at Ascot but we'll see where we go" Aidan said.

As O'Brien said he could be anything, and whatever about Ascot, once he gets more experience this Camelot colt out of an Oasis Dream mare could prove a bit special.

Late developing three year olds are nothing new in Ballydoyle and can often climb the ratings pretty smartly.

Weld enjoyed better luck in the concluding mile and a half maiden where 8/11 hotpot Hasanabad delivered the goods with the minimum of fuss.

He looks a stayer in the making, and Weld said his next race could well be a "winners of one" over a mile and six in Killarney in a few weeks time.

Sign up for Declan's Irish Racing Service now before the Punchestown Festival kicks off next Tuesday.

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