

Galaxy meet the Real thing

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Major League Soccer's winningest franchise faces one of Spain's perennial powers when the Los Angeles Galaxy plays Real Madrid on Monday night at the Home Depot Center.

Real Madrid, nicknamed "Los Galacticos" because of its roster of international stars, plays the second contest in a six-game tour through North America and Asia.

Real's roster includes three of the past five FIFA players of the year: Ronaldo (1996, 1997, 2002), Zinedine Zidane (1998, 2000, 2003) and Luis Figo (2001).

Ronaldo and Real Madrid teammate Roberto Carlos played for Brazil's 2002 World Cup champions. Zidane led France to the 1998 World Cup title.

The club also features British icon David Beckham, fellow Englishman Michael Owen and Raul Gonzalez, who has more goals in Spain's first division than any active player.



Fans cheer and take photographs as Brazilian ace Ronaldo (C) and other members of Real Madrid get on the team bus after signing autographs in Marina Del Rey in California on Sunday.

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made a disappointing 17. In reply, the Universities were going at a rapid pace and were 137 for three after 22 overs when this report was being filed. Paceman Talha Jubair had dismissed both

opener including the dangerous looking Nottinghamshire batsman Will Smith (42 off 38) and left-arm spinner Abdur Razzak sent back Worcestershire's William Gifford to

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SCOREBOARD

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