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United States vs. Mexico

ESPN2, Telemundo, Wednesday, Feb. 28, live, 7:30 pm. Telemundo, Wednesday, Feb. 28, tape (East Coast feed), 11:30 pm; Thursday, March 1, tape (West Coast feed), 12:30 am PT.

The United States hosts Mexico at Columbus Crew Stadium in the first match of the final stage of World Cup 2002 qualifying. Mexico leads the all-time series with a 27-7-9 record, but the United States has not lost at home in World Cup qualifying in 16 games. Tickets to the Columbus match sold out six hours after going on sale Jan. 19.

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United States vs. Brazil

ABC, Saturday, March 3, live, 4 pm.

Bruce Arena's boys take a break from qualifying to play Brazil in a friendly at the Rose Bowl. The last time the nations met, Brazil blanked the Yanks, 1-0, in the 1999 Confederations Cup. The only U.S. win over Brazil came in the 1998 Gold Cup semifinals when Kasey Keller made 10 saves in a 1-0 win.

TV NOTE

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WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

ESPN2

Champions League Valencia vs. Manchester Utd. (tape), 2:30 pm.  
World Cup 2002 Qualifying United States vs. Mexico (live), 7:30 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD

English League Cup Final: Birmingham City vs. Liverpool (tape), 2 am & 5 pm.  
Futbol Mundial 4 am.  
English Premier League 11 am.  
Dutch Eredivisie 2 pm.  
English Premier League 8 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

Western Union Football Show 3 am.  
UEFA Cup Celta vs. VfB Stuttgart (live), 2 pm.  
English Premier League 5 pm.  
Mexican First Division 8 pm.  
Argentine Soccer 11 pm.

GALAVISION

World Youth Championship Qualifying CONCACAF Group A: Mexico vs. Jamaica (live), 7:30 pm.

RAI INTERNATIONAL 2

International Soccer Italy vs. Argentina (live), 2 pm.

TELEMUNDO

World Cup 2002 Qualifying United States vs. Mexico (live), 7:30 pm; (tape — East Coast feed), 11:30 pm.

THURSDAY, MARCH 1

FOX SPORTS WORLD

English Premier League 2 am.  
Futbol Mundial 4:30 am.  
German Bundesliga 11 am.  
English League Cup Final: Birmingham City vs. Liverpool (tape), 2 pm.  
Fox Futbol Show 4 pm.  
Italian Serie A Juventus vs. AC Milan (tape), 5 pm.  
English Premier League 11 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

Mexican First Division 2 am.  
Fox Futbol Show 1 pm.  
Argentine Soccer 2 pm.  
Mexican First Division 5 pm.  
Argentine Soccer 8 pm.  
History of the World Cup 11 pm.

GALAVISION

Futbol a Fondo 10 pm.

TELEMUNDO

World Cup 2002 Qualifying United States vs. Mexico (tape — West Coast feed), 12:30 am FT

FRIDAY, MARCH 2

BBC AMERICA

Soccer Show: Preview 11:20 pm.



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Jorge Campos will be under pressure when he leads Mexico into Columbus for its World Cup showdown with the United States Feb. 28.

ESPN 2

Spanish First Division 1 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD

Fox Futbol Show 2 am & 6 pm.  
Futbol Mundial 3 am.  
English Premier League 1 pm.  
German Bundesliga Bor. Dortmund vs. E. Frankfurt (live), 2 pm; (tape), 11 pm.  
Western Union Football Show 5 pm.  
Asian Football Show 9 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

History of the World Cup midnight.  
Futbol Mundial 2:30 am  
Fox Futbol Show 3 am, 4 pm & 8pm.  
German Bundesliga Bor. Dortmund vs. E. Frankfurt (live), 2 pm.  
Salvadoran Soccer 11 pm.

GALAVISION

World Youth Championship Qualifying CONCACAF Group A: Canada vs. Mexico (live), 7:45 pm.  
World Youth Championship Qualifying CONCACAF Group A: Honduras vs. Jamaica (live), 10 pm.

RAI INTERNATIONAL 2

Italian Serie B (live), 2:25 pm.

SATURDAY, MARCH 3

ABC

International Friendly United States vs. Brazil (live), 4 pm.

BBC AMERICA

Soccer Show: Preview 4:50 am & 8 am.

FOX SPORTS WORLD

Italian Serie A (tape), 2 am.  
Futbol Mundial 11:30 am.  
English Premier League noon.  
Italian Serie A 2:30 pm & 11 pm.  
German Bundesliga B. Munich vs. H. Rostock (tape), 5 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

History of the World Cup 2 am.  
History of the World Cup 3 am.  
English Premier League noon.  
Argentine Soccer (tape), 3 pm.  
Futbol Mundial 5 pm.  
Mexican First Division Irapuato vs. UAG (live), 6 pm.  
Mexican First Division Celaya vs. Guadalajara (live), 8 pm.  
Chilean Soccer Colo Colo vs. Puerto Montt (tape), 11 pm.

GALAVISION

Mexican First Division Atlante vs. Monterrey (live), 1:50 pm.  
Mexican First Division Leon vs. Tigres (live), 5:50 pm.  
Mexican First Division Atlas vs. Puebla (live), 8:30 pm.  
Futbol Mundial 11:30 pm.

TELEMUNDO

Titulares Telemundo 11 pm ET/PT, 10 pm CT/MT.

SUNDAY, MARCH 4

FOX SPORTS WORLD

German Bundesliga B. Munich vs. H. Rostock (tape), 2 pm.  
Chilean Soccer Colo Colo vs. Puerto Montt (tape), 2:30 pm.  
Dutch Eredivisie 5 pm.  
Argentine Soccer 8 pm.  
English Premier League Show 11 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

Salvadoran Soccer 2 am.  
Mexican First Division Morelia vs. Necaxa (live), 1 pm.  
Minuto Cera 3 pm.  
Argentine Soccer 4 pm.  
Mexican First Division Santos vs. Toluca (live), 6:30 pm.  
Futbol de Primera 9 pm.  
DeportTV 11 pm.

INTERNATIONAL CHANNEL

Italian Serie A 5 pm.

GALAVISION

Mexican First Division Club America vs. Pachuca (live), 4:50 pm.  
World Youth Championship Qualifying CONCACAF Group A: Mexico vs. Honduras (tape), 7 pm.

RAI INTERNATIONAL 2

Italian Serie A La Grande Giostra Dei Gbl, 8:15 am.  
Highlights from Italian Serie A 12:10 pm.

RAI ITALIA

Italian Serie A11 am.  
Highlights from Italian Serie A1 1 pm.

TELEMUNDO

Futbol Telemundo 12:30 pm ET/11:30amPT.  
Futbol Internacional 1 pm.  
Titulares Telemundo 11 pm ET/PT, 10pmCT/MT.  
Mexican First Division (live), 4 pm.

UNIVISION

Mexican First Division UNAM vs. Cruz Azul (live), 1 pm.

MONDAY, MARCH 5

FOX SPORTS WORLD

Dutch Eredivisie 2 am.  
Western Union Football Show 4 am.  
English Premier League Show 11 am.  
English Premier League (live), 3 pm.  
Italian Serie A 8 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

Western Union Football Show 2:30 pm.  
English Premier League (live), 3 pm.  
Mexican First Division 5 pm.

GALAVISION

Western Union Football Show 6:30 am.  
La Jugada 9 pm.

RAI INTERNATIONAL 2

Italian Serie B (live), 2:25 pm.

TUESDAY, MARCH 6

BBC AMERICA

Soccer Show: Highlights 3 pm.

ESPN2

Champions League Real Madrid vs. Leeds United (live), 2:30 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD

Italian Serie A 5 pm.

Dutch Eredivisie 8 pm.

FOX SPORTS WORLD ESPANOL

English Premier League 2 pm.  
German Bundesliga 8 pm.