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Weekend Review: Ominous Madrid claim Supercopa

There were mixed fortunes for some of Europe's biggest clubs this weekend, but Real Madrid picked up silverware, while Man City and Bayern Munich moved closer to league titles.

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• McManaman reacts to Madrid's Super Cup triumph



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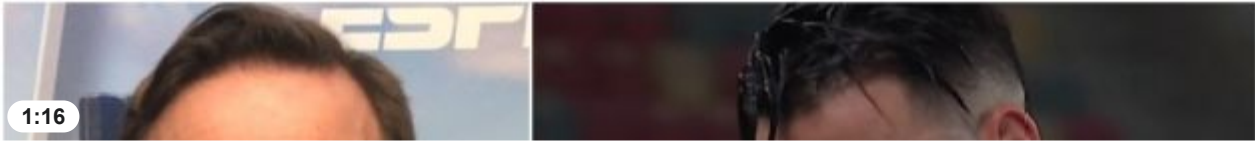
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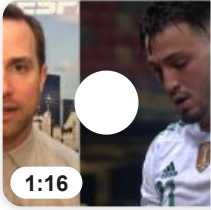
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**ESPN FC's Premier League midseason awards**  
At the halfway point of the season, it's a good time to pause and reflect on the teams, players and matches that have defined 2021-22 to date.

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### Xavi's young Barcelona have nothing to lose

The Spanish superclub is on the brink of financial ruin, lost Lionel Messi to PSG and has its fifth manager in less than two years. The only way is up.



### FC 100: Messi, Lewandowski top, Prem power

ESPN's annual ranking was selected by 77 global experts and is broken down into Top 10s for every position on the pitch as well one for the managers.



### Ledezma's long road back after nightmare year

Richy Ledezma had made his first U.S. appearance and was breaking through at his Dutch club, PSV. Then serious injury gave him his biggest challenge.



### Battle of the Leagues: The final!

Who will be crowned champions of ESPN's Battle of the Leagues, presented by EA Sports FIFA 22? Will Ligue 1 or the Premier League reign supreme?



### The battle to sign young American players

Americans are making an impression on the global game, and Europe's biggest clubs are now rivaling MLS for the country's most gifted young players.

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### The fight for the soul of Manchester United

Cristiano Ronaldo is back and the club is one of the biggest in the world. But what does that mean to local fans, pushed out by the global game?

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### Ricardo Pepi has unstoppable dreams

After a superb start for the USMNT, Ricardo Pepi is ready to take on the world. Wherever he goes, he will carry his borderland hometown with him.

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### Which LaLiga team should you root for?

Spain's top flight has arrived on ESPN+ and, if you do not have a favorite team from LaLiga, here is a handy guide to all 20 to help you decide.

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### How Man Utd got Cristiano Ronaldo to return

In the span of 48 hours, Cristiano Ronaldo left Juventus and, after seemingly agreeing a move to Man City, went back to Man United instead.



### How Diego Simeone became King of LaLiga

Simeone embodies everything that is cool about Atletico Madrid: Gritty, intense and a LaLiga champion, he tells ESPN what makes him tick.



### Premier League 2021-22 kit power ranking

It's time to dive into the most exciting thing about the 2021-22 Premier League season: the kits each club will be wearing.



### How Messi came to leave Barcelona for PSG

As August began, everyone thought Lionel Messi would remain a Barcelona player. Before the month reached its halfway mark, he was unveiled by PSG.







### Denmark sends emotional message to Eriksen

Following the national team star's shocking cardiac arrest, Denmark rallied in support of Christian Eriksen with a tribute-filled Copenhagen mural.

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### Messi at Barcelona: The ultimate history

The unthinkable happened: Lionel Messi left Barcelona. But as this interactive timeline shows, he will be known as the club's greatest-ever player.

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### Mara Gomez: 'Football saved my life'

In 2020, Gomez became the first transgender woman to play professionally in Argentina. She talks to ESPN about her remarkable journey.

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### The 39 best male players age 21 or under

Welcome to the next generation! Players from 15 countries and six leagues are named by Tor-Kristian Karlsen, a former scout and sporting director.

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**Stories from the pandemic season**

The 2020-21 Premier League campaign was unlike any other. ESPN talked to people around the game about their experiences and lessons learned.

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**The 21 best female players age 21 or under**

Welcome to the next generation of women's stars. With Catarina Macario leading the way, our list is dominated by players from the U.S. and England.

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**Joe Bryan on anxiety, fear and wanting to help**

The defender tackled his anxiety and mental health head-on at Fulham. Now he wants to help others do the same and normalise the conversation.

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**Beckham's Miami could be great, but has to win**

After a disappointing first year for Inter Miami in MLS, David Beckham risks the one thing he's spent a career trying to avoid: public embarrassment.

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**ESPN FC Women's Rank: The 50 best players**

An American World Cup winner is No. 1, followed by an Australian star forward, in an ESPN FC and espnW celebration of the sport's elite.

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**How Barcelona signed Messi, 13, with a napkin**

On Dec. 14, 2000, Barcelona agreed a deal that would take Lionel Messi to Spain and change the course of soccer history. Here's how they did it.

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**Why Haaland can become the world's best**

Borussia Dortmund striker Erling Haaland is writing history with every game he plays, and he is only 20 years old. But the Norwegian wants a lot more.

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**Trinity Rodman set to make her name in soccer**

"Moving forward, it's going to be nice to distinguish that yes, [Dennis] was a successful NBA player, but I am going to be a successful NWSL player."

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**Who is your country's greatest male player?**

Messi or Maradona? Is Pele Brazil's No. 1? Dempsey or Donovan in the U.S.? What about England? We try to settle the debates.

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**Maradona, though flawed, was one of the best**

Diego Maradona is gone, but as Lionel Messi put it, "he'll be with us for eternity." As well as his legacy, the scope of his talent and humanity will endure.

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**They wore that? All-time worst kits, ranked**

Man United's invisible grey, Liverpool's 'Crystanbul' attire, Barcelona's Tequila Sunrise; there have been some shockers. But only one had tassels...

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**Gio Reyna is U.S. soccer's next superhero**

The son of 'Captain America' and a USWNT international, the teenage midfielder is a rising star for Bundesliga club Borussia Dortmund.

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### **Football can drive the social justice message**

My message is simple, writes Shaka Hislop:

Whether you speak out or stay silent, show up and be a part of the movement.

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### **Oral history: USMNT's most famous moment**

On its 10th anniversary, Landon Donovan and others relived the goal that beat Algeria and took the U.S. to the 2010 World Cup knockout rounds.

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### **The worst Premier League transfers of all-time**

Look away now, Fernando Torres, Mario Balotelli and Bebe; Bill Barnwell is back to reveal the worst moves in Premier League history.

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### **Reliving the 'Wild West' of MLS's first season**

In 25 seasons since the league began, MLS has come a long way. We reflect upon the its early days with those who were there.

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