2021 COSAFA Cup

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Affiliated to FIFA: 1992
Affiliated to CAF: 1992
Honours: 2015 COSAFA Cup champions; 2016 COSAFA Plate winners

BRIEF HISTORY

Namibian football has largely remained competitive in the last few decades, from the heady heights attained in 1997 and 1999 when they were COSAFA Cup runners-up, and in 1998 and 2008 when they shocked African football by reaching the African Nations Cup finals.

They finally did win the regional crown in 2015 as coach Ricardo Mannetti's side made a thrilling run to the Finland were worthy winners.

They played six games in all, building momentum along the way before being crowned champions after beating Mozambique 2-0 in the final.

They had hoped to win back-to-back titles in 2016, but lost in the quarterfinals to Botswana on penalties after a 1-1 draw.

They did, however, go on to claim the Plate competition as they defeated Zambia 1-0 in the final.

The Brave Warriors reached the Plate final again the following year but this time lost 1-0 to South Africa, and then were beaten heavily 4-1 by the same opposition in the Plate semifinals in 2018.

They started in the group stages in 2019, but could not advance to the quarterfinals despite winning two of their three pool games, which is usually enough.

In 2008, Namibia broke a run of seven first round exits in the COSAFA Cup – when they lost to Zimbabwe, Mauritius, Eswatini, Angola and Botswana three times – as they progressed to the quarterfinals before losing out to a South African President's XI.

They also managed to claim their first away win in the competition in 2007 when they beat Lesotho to third place in the group stages in Gaborone. They followed that up in 2008 with away wins against the Comoros Islands and Malawi as the tournament moved to South Africa.

The Brave Warriors were the surprise package of the 1997 edition, finishing second to winners Zambia and in 1998 caused a major upset by knocking out World Cup finalists South Africa at the preliminary round stage.

In 1999, they were again in the final, and narrowly lost to Angola in extra-time in the second leg in Windhoek.

COSAFA CUP RECORD AT A GLANCE

TOURNAMENT FINISHES

1997 – Group stage (second)
1998 – Group stage (fourth)
1999 – Runners-up
2000 – Quarterfinals
2001 – First round
2002 – First round
2003 – First round
2004 – First round
2005 – First round
2006 – First round
2007 – First round
2008 – Quarterfinals
2009 – Quarterfinals
2013 – Quarterfinals
2015 – Winners
2016 – Quarterfinals
2017 – Quarterfinals
2018 – Quarterfinals
2019 – First Round

COSAFA CUP RESULT RECORD

	P	W	D	L	F	A
Home	16	7	8	1	26	16
Away	36	12	9	15	43	41
Total	**52**	**19**	**17**	**16**	**69**	**57**
vs Angola	4	0	2	2	3	5
vs Botswana	4	0	2	2	2	4
vs Comoros	1	1	0	0	3	0
vs Eswatini	3	1	1	1	3	3
vs Lesotho	4	1	2	1	4	4
vs Madagascar	1	1	0	0	3	2
vs Malawi	5	3	1	1	10	6
vs Mauritius	3	2	0	1	4	2
vs Mozambique	6	4	1	1	10	4
vs Seychelles	4	2	2	0	8	3
vs South Africa	6	1	1	4	6	11
vs Tanzania	1	0	1	0	0	0
vs Zambia	6	1	4	1	3	3
vs Zimbabwe	4	2	0	2	10	10

COSAFA CUP MATCHES AND STATISTICS

DATE	VENUE	OPPONENT	ROUND	RESULT	GOALSCORERS
16-3-97	Windhoek	ZIMBABWE	First Round	2-1	Hindjou (2 pens)
31-5-97	Mwanza	TANZANIA	Group Stages	0-0	
28-6-97	Windhoek	MALAWI	Group Stages	4-1	Uri Khob, de Gouveia, Hindjou, Shivute
20-7-97	Maputo	MOZAMBIQUE	Group Stages	1-1	Goraseb
31-8-97	Windhoek	ZAMBIA	Group Stages	1-1	Ouseb (pen)
25-1-98	Windhoek	SOUTH AFRICA	First Round	3-2	Goagoseb, Tjihero, Auchumeb
19-4-98	Harare	ZIMBABWE	Group Stages	2-5	Uri Khob, Khaiseb
30-5-98	Windhoek	ANGOLA	Group Stages	1-1	Angula
8-8-98	Lusaka	ZAMBIA	Group Stages	1-1	Hindjou
30-8-98	Windhoek	MOZAMBIQUE	Group Stages	2-1	Tjikuzu, Shivute
7-2-99	Maseru	LESOTHO	First Round	0-1	
23-5-99	Blantyre	MALAWI	Second Round	1-1	Uutoni
31-7-99	Windhoek	SOUTH AFRICA	Quarterfinals	1-1	Hindjou
28-8-99	Windhoek	ESWATINI	Semifinals	1-1	Goraseb
26-9-99	Luanda	ANGOLA	Final, 1st Leg	0-1	
2-10-99	Windhoek	ANGOLA	Final, 2nd Leg	1-1	Shivute
14-5-00	Harare	ZIMBABWE	Quarterfinals	2-3	Benjamin, Naruseb
08-4-01	BelleVue	MAURITIUS	First Round	0-1	
21-4-02	Somhlolo	ESWATINI	First Round	1-2	Van Wyk
16-3-03	Windhoek	BOTSWANA	First Round	0-1	
9-5-04	Luanda	ANGOLA	First Round	1-2	Petrus
16-4-05	Windhoek	BOTSWANA	First Round	1-1	Botes
22-7-06	Windhoek	SEYCHELLES	Group Stages	1-1	Khaiseb
23-7-06	Windhoek	MALAWI	Group Stages	3-2	Bester, Botes (pen)
28-07-07	Gaborone	NAMIBIA	Group Stages	0-1	
29-07-07	Gaborone	LESOTHO	Group Stages	3-2	Katupose, Brendell 2
20-07-08	Secunda	COMOROS	Group Stages	3-0	Kaimbi, Q Jacobs 2
22-07-08	Secunda	LESOTHO	Group Stages	1-1	Ngatjizeko
24-07-08	Secunda	MALAWI	Group Stages	1-0	Kaimbi
26-07-08	Witbank	SA PRES XI	Quarterfinals	0-1	
25-10-09	Harare	ZAMBIA	Quarterfinals	0-1	
6-7-13	Lusaka	MAURITIUS	Group Stages	2-1	Shitembi, Jakob
8-7-13	Lusaka	SEYCHELLES	Group Stages	4-2	Urikhob, Gebhardt 2, Tjiueza
13-7-13	Lusaka	SOUTH AFRICA	Quarterfinals	1-2	Stephanus
16-7-13	Kitwe	MOZAMBIQUE	Plate Semis	0-1	

DATE	VENUE	OPPONENT	ROUND	RESULT	GOALSCORERS
17-5-15	Moruleng	SEYCHELLES	Group Stages	0-0	
19-5-15	Moruleng	MAURITIUS	Group Stages	2-0	Shilongo 2
21-5-15	Moruleng	ZIMBABWE	Group Stages	4-1	Katjiukua, Hotto 2, Urikhob
24-5-15	Moruleng	ZAMBIA	Quarterfinals	0-0	
28-5-15	Moruleng	MADAGASCAR	Semifinals	3-2	Shilongo 2, Shalulile
30-5-15	Moruleng	MOZAMBIQUE	Final	2-0	Hotto 2
18-6-16	Windhoek	BOTSWANA	Quarterfinals	1-1	Somaeb (pen)
21-6-16	Windhoek	MOZAMBIQUE	Plate Semis	3-0	Keimuine, Hotto, Somaeb
24-6-16	Windhoek	ZAMBIA	Plate Final	1-0	Ketjijere (pen)
1-7-17	Phokeng	LESOTHO	Quarterfinals	0-0	
4-7-17	Moruleng	ESWATINI	Plate Semis	1-0	Ketjijere
7-7-17	Moruleng	SOUTH AFRICA	Plate Final	0-1	
2-6-18	Polokwane	ZAMBIA	Quarterfinals	0-0	
5-6-18	Polokwane	SOUTH AFRICA	Plate Semis	1-4	Hotto
26-5-19	Durban	MOZAMBIQUE	Group Stages	2-1	Kamatuka, Iimbondi
28-5-19	Durban	MALAWI	Group Stages	1-2	Hambira
30-5-19	Durban	SEYCHELLES	Group Stages	3-0	Gurirab 2, Urikhob

GOALSCORERS
6 goals – Hotto
5 – Hindjou
4 – Shilongo
3 – Shivute, S Urikhob
2 – Botes, Brendell, Gebhardt, Goraseb, Gurirab, Q Jacobs, Kaimbi, Ketjijere, Khaiseb, Somaeb, G Uri Khob
1 – Angula, Auchumeb, Benjamin, Bester, De Gouveia, Goagoseb, Hambira, Iimbondi, Isaak, Jakob, Kamatuka, Katjiukua, Katupose, Keimuine, Naruseb, Ngatjizeko, Ouseb, Petrus, Shalulile, Shitembi, Stephanus, Tjihero, Tjikuzu, Tjiueza, Uutoni, Van Wyk

HAT-TRICKS
None

RECORDS AND SEQUENCES
Biggest win: 4-1 vs Malawi (1997); 4-1 vs Zimbabwe (2015)
Heaviest defeat: 2-5 vs Zimbabwe (1998)
Biggest home win: 4-1 vs Malawi (1997
Biggest away win: 4-1 vs Zimbabwe (2015)
Heaviest home defeat: 0-1 vs Botswana (2003)
Heaviest away defeat: 2-5 vs Zimbabwe (1998)
Highest scoring match: 2-5 vs Zimbabwe (1998)
Longest winning run: 2 games (from 29-07-07 to 20-07-08; from 06-07-13 to 08-07-13; from 19-05-15 to 21-05-15; from 28-05-15 to 30-05-15; from 21-06-16 to 24-06-16)
Longest losing run: 5 games (from 14-05-00 to 09-05-04)
Longest unbeaten run: 11 games (from 17-05-15 to 04-07-17)
Longest run without a win: 13 games (from 07-02-99 to 22-07-06)
Total clean sheets: 13 matches (25.0%)
Total failed to score: 14 matches (26.9%)
Clean sheets at home: 2 matches (12.5%)
Clean sheets away: 11 matches (30.6%)
Failed to score at home: 1 match (6.3%)
Failed to score away: 13 matches (36.1%)