

Match points: Manchester United v Arsenal



Key battles

Alexis Sanchez v Hector Bellerin

Sanchez scored 80 goals for Wenger and paid tribute to a "gentleman and a football master" last weekend, but his January departure was a vote of no confidence in his former manager. He faces his old team-mates for the first time. Arsenal should be wary: Sanchez's two best United displays have come against Manchester City and Tottenham.



Paul Pogba v Granit Xhaka

Pogba excelled in United's 3-1 win at the Emirates Stadium in December, but he was also sent off that day. He flourished at Wembley against Tottenham last week, setting up Alexis Sanchez's equaliser, and enjoyed being in a midfield three. Xhaka is not a specialist defensive midfielder and the absence of one has been a problem in Wenger's final years.



Phil Jones v Pierre-Emerick Aubameyang

Aubameyang is ineligible to play in the Europa League and thus guaranteed to start. He has excelled on the left in the last two league games, allowing Alexandre Lacazette to start and score as a striker, but may be leading the line again tomorrow. It is another challenge for Jones, who excelled against Spurs' Harry Kane in the FA Cup semi-final.



Key statistics

United's home comforts



Months since Manchester United lost two straight home league games. Their last game at Old Trafford ended in a 1-0 shock by West Brom.



Average league goals conceded (eight in 17 games) by United, who have the best home defensive record in England.

Arsenal's 2018 away woes



Arsenal are the only club in the Premier and Football Leagues without an away point in 2018.



Years since the Gunners lost six straight away league games.

In safe hands



77.7%

United goalkeeper David de Gea saved 14 of 18 shots when the teams met in December. Arsenal had 33 attempts in all but lost 1-3.