

Who's who in the Rugby World Cup

Teams, leaders and best World Cup finish

GROUP A



ENGLAND
Champion 2003




Coach:
Brian Ashton
Captain:
Phil Vickery




SOUTH AFRICA
Springboks
Champion 1995




Coach:
Jake White
Captain:
John Smit




SAMOA
Manu samoa
Quarter-finalist 1991, 95




Coach:
Michael Jones
Captain:
Semo Sititi




USA
Eagles
Pool stage 1991, 95, 99, 2003



Coach:
Peter Thorburn
Captain:
Mike Hercus




TONGA
Ikale Tahi (Sea Eagles)
Pool stage 1987, 95, 99, 2003




Coach:
Quddus Fielea
Captain:
Inoke Afeaki


GROUP B




AUSTRALIA
Wallabies
Champion 1991, 99




Coach:
John Connolly
Captain:
Stirling Mortlock




WALES
Dragons
Semi-finalist 1987




Coach:
Gareth Jenkins
Captain:
Stephen Jones



FIJI
Quarter-finalist 1987




Coach:
Ilivasi Tabua
Captain:
Kele Leawere




CANADA
Canucks
Quarter-finalist 1991



Coach:
Ric Suggitt
Captain:
Morgan Williams



JAPAN
Cherry Blossoms
Pool stage 1987, 91, 95, 99, 2003



Coach:
John Kirwan
Captain:
Takuro Miuchi

GROUP C



NEW ZEALAND
All Blacks
Champion 1987




Coach:
Graham Henry
Captain:
Richie McCaw




SCOTLAND
Semi-finalist 1991



Coach:
Frank Hadden
Captain:
Jason White



ITALY
Azzurri
Pool stage 1987, 91, 95, 99, 2003



Coach:
Pierre Berbizier
Captain:
Marco Bortolami



ROMANIA
Oaks
Pool stage 1987, 91, 95, 99, 2003



Coach:
Daniel Santamans
Captain:
Sorin Socol




PORTUGAL
Os lobos (Wolves)
First appearance




Coach:
Tomaz Morais
Captain:
Vasco Uva

GROUP D



FRANCE
Les Bleus
Runner-up 1987, 99



Coach:
Bernard Laporte
Captain:
Raphael Ibanez



IRELAND
Quarter-finalist 1991, 95, 99, 2003



Coach:
Eddie O'Sullivan
Captain:
Brian O'Driscoll



ARGENTINA
Los Pumas
Quarter-finalist 1999



Coach:
Marcelo Loffreda
Captain:
Agustin Pichot



GEORGIA
Lelos
Pool stage 2003



Coach:
Malkhaz Cheishvili
Captain:
Ilia Zedginidze



NAMIBIA
Welwitschias
Pool stage 1999, 2003



Coach:
Hakkies Husselman
Captain:
Kees Lensing