

# Tango ready for Euro 2012 kick-off

adidas, suppliers of the official matchball for the last 12 Euro tournaments, claim the *Tango 12* is the most extensively tested ball ever, with trials conducted at professional and amateur clubs in eight countries



**1968-76 Telstar**  
Introduced "Durlast" polyurethane coating



**1980-88 Tango**  
1984's Tango Mundial was first non-leather ball



**1992 Etrusco Unico**



**1996 Questra**  
Polyurethane foam panels for cushioning



**2000 Terrestro**  
Improved "syntactic" cushioning



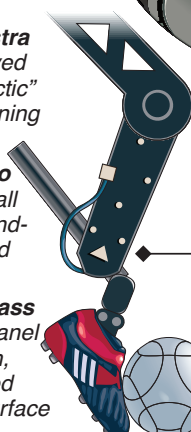
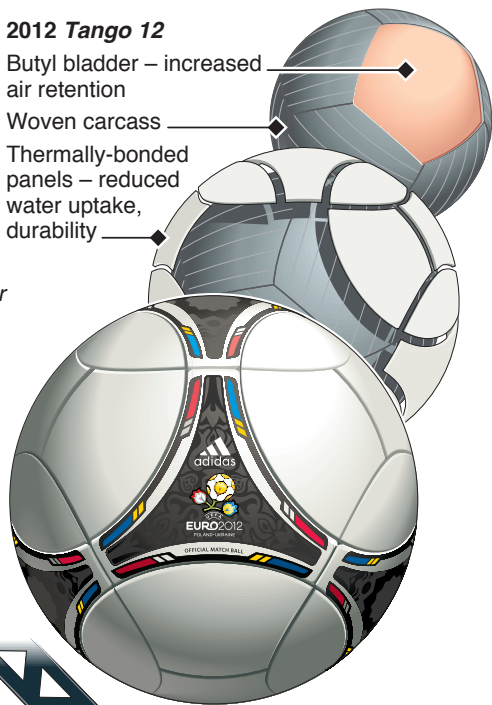
**2004 Roteiro**  
First ball not hand-stitched



**2008 Europass**  
New panel system, textured grip surface

## 2012 Tango 12

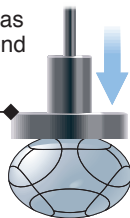
Butyl bladder – increased air retention  
Woven carcass  
Thermally-bonded panels – reduced water uptake, durability



**LAB TESTING:** Tango has also passed tests beyond FIFA requirements

**Shape and size retention**

**Robot leg:** Tracks flight accuracy using repetitive shooting with identical force



Target distance 22m

Accurate within 40cm

