

New Barça coach

Argentine coach Gerardo "Tata" Martino is the surprise choice to lead Spanish champions Barcelona



■ **1962:** Born November 20 in Rosario, Argentina

■ **1980-90, 91-94:** Midfielder for Argentine club **Newell's Old Boys**, winning Primera Division three times

■ **1996:** Ends playing career after spells at **Tenerife** in Spain, **Lanus** in Argentina and **Barcelona** of Ecuador

■ **1998:** Begins coaching in Argentine lower leagues

■ **2002:** Wins four Paraguayan League championships with **Libertad** and then **Cerra Porteño**

■ **2006-11:** Appointed coach of **Paraguay** national team, reaching quarter-finals of **World Cup 2010** and final of **Copa America 2011**

■ **2012:** Returns to Newell's as coach, steers team clear of relegation

■ **2013:** Wins League championship