

Beau Jeu set for Euro 2016 kick-off

The "Beau Jeu" ball, developed by adidas, is based on the best elements of the acclaimed Brazuca FIFA World Cup match ball from 2014, and was officially handed to competing nations in November

DEVELOPMENT OF TOURNAMENT MATCHBALLS

World Cup

European

1998: TRICOLORE

2000: TERRESTRA

2002: FEVERNOVA

2004: ROTEIRO



France: Syntactic foam matrix layer further increases energy return

Belgium / Holland: Improved syntactic cushioning offers greater accuracy

Korea / Japan: Durable woven chassis and syntactic foam

Portugal: First ball not hand-stitched – personalised for each match

2006: TEAMGEIST

2008: EUROPASS

2010: JABULANI

2012: TANGO 12



Germany: 14-panel thermal-bonded layer – surface enhances control

Austria / Switz: Improved power, response and glove-on-ball grip

South Africa: Eight panels. Aero grooves improve flight stability

Poland / Ukraine: Increased air retention, reduced water uptake

2014: BRAZUCA

Outer panels: Six thermally bonded TPU panels for more predictable trajectory

FIFA-approved match ball. Improved grip and in-flight visibility

2016: BEAU JEU

Blue, white and red, like French Tricolour, name means *The Beautiful Game*



Brazuca:
171 goals
at World Cup
2014 – holds
joint record
with 1998

Shots inside box
On target Wide
531 312

Shots outside box
On target Wide
479 367

Sources: UEFA,
FIFA, adidas

Shot on target ratio: **59.8%**