

Aston Villa appoint Gerrard head coach

Aston Villa have appointed former Liverpool captain Steven Gerrard as their new manager on a three-and-a-half year deal. Gerrard returns to the Premier League after a successful reign at Rangers – guiding the club to the Scottish Premiership title last season

GERRARD: RANGERS TIMELINE

- **Jun 2018:** Joins **Rangers** on four-year deal – leaving youth coaching role at Liverpool
- **Aug 2018:** Domestic managerial debut – Rangers draw with **Aberdeen** in Premiership
- **Dec 2018:** Guides Rangers to first Old Firm derby victory since 2012, over rivals **Celtic**
- **Mar 2020:** Success in Europe, reaching Europa League Last 16 – beating heavyweights **Feyenoord**, **Porto** and **Braga**
- **Mar 2021:** **Rangers** conquer first league title in decade – finishing season unbeaten, with record tally of 102 points

*Gerrard takes charge at Aston Villa with club on streak of five successive defeats – he will face beloved **Liverpool** on December 11th*

VILLA: PREMIER LEAGUE FIXTURES

- Nov 20 **Brighton** (h)
- Nov 27 **Crystal Palace** (a)
- Dec 1 **Manchester City** (h)
- Dec 5 **Leicester City** (h)
- Dec 11 **Liverpool** (a)

