



**PANDO! or GORDO?**  
2010 FIFA World Cup













## Match 64: **SPAIN v NETHERLANDS** [ Championship ]

**Date:** SUN 12Jul10

**Venue:** Johannesburg SOCCER CITY



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+ After last night's masterpiece, there was every fear that this might turn out to be a timid, probing affair and the starting lineups proved that with both sides going with a 4-5-1 lineup .. ..

NETHERLANDS was more than happy to take a scoreless draw into the locker room after the first 45 minutes as they soaked up pressure and countered only when the opportunity rose .. .. Perhaps NED wanted to shorten the match due to injuries > MAARTEN STEKELENBURG was originally scratched from the semi-final and ARJEN ROBBEN is just now finding fitness .. ..

**1<sup>st</sup> Half** > The most impressive NED move in the first half came from JORIS MATHIJSEN (11<sup>th</sup> minute) when he cleared a SERGIO RAMOS cross just yards in front of his goalmouth – 99% of the time the ball finds the net .. .. NED again found some luck (28<sup>th</sup> minute) when thug NIGEL DE JONG should have been sent off with his chest-high karate kick .. ..

**2<sup>nd</sup> Half** > NED has their best look at the Rimet Trophy when ROBBEN got loose down the middle in the (61<sup>st</sup> minute) but IKER CASILLAS made a foot-save despite leaning the wrong way .. .. MATHIJSEN continued his eventful night (69<sup>th</sup> minute) when he too made a foot-block on DAVID VILLA's point-blank shot .. .. ESP again could have scored (77<sup>th</sup> minute) when RAMOS has a free CK header sail high .. ..

**Extra-Time** > ESPs CECH FABREGAS got free in L/box (95<sup>th</sup> minute) and saw MAARTEN STEKELENBURG foot-save his try .. .. INIESTA rammed home the winning goal (116<sup>th</sup> minute) R/Footed > L/Left on a pass from Fabregas .. ..

### **ESP MoM: ANDRES INIESTA**

Quiet, withdrawn Barca playmaker turned his life upside down for all time with his goal .. .. Not too bad considering he came into the Festival with a thigh injury .. .. Full of energy and still quick in ET .. .. His run early in 2<sup>nd</sup> extra-time drew HEITINGA's second YC .. ..

### **NED MoM: ARJEN ROBBEN**

Game effort and was the main threat to ESP despite his lack of match-fitness .. ..

## WORLD CUP WINNERS BY CONTINENT (Final)

*Where they play their club futbol .. ..*

### **EUROPE > 561**

*Belgium, Czech Republic, Denmark, England, France, Germany, Greece, Italy, Netherlands, Norway, Poland, Portugal, Russia (Moscow & St. Petersburg), Scotland, Serbia, Slovakia, Spain, Switzerland, Ukraine*

### **AMERICAS > 57**

*Argentina, Brazil, Chile, Ecuador, Mexico, Paraguay, United States, Uruguay*

### **ASIA > 48**

*Israel, Japan, Korea, Russia (Rubin Kazan & Tom Tomsk), Qatar, Saudi Arabia, Turkey, United Arab Emirates*

### **AFRICA > 11**

*Ghana, South Africa*

### **OCEANIA > 1**

*Australia*

*Every player who appears for a winning side is counted .. ..*



## PANDO! or GORDO? SIDE OF THE TOURNAMENT



**GK:** Diego BENAGLIO (SUI)

**D:** Steve CHERUNDOLO (USA) - Diego GODIN (URU) – Carles PUYOL (ESP)

**M:** Landon DONOVAN (USA) - Keisuke HONDA (JPN) – Lionel MESSI (ARG)  
Thomas MUELLER (GER) – Wesley SNEIJDER (NED)

**F:** Diego FORLAN (URU) – David VILLA (ESP)

**Bench:** M Michael BRADLEY (USA), GK Iker CASILLAS (ESP), F Luis FABIANO (BRA),  
F Asamoah GYAN (GHA), M Andres INIESTA (ESP), M Milan JOVANOVIC (SER), F Miroslav KLOSE  
(GER), D Ryan NELSEN (NZ), GK Manuel NEUER (GER), F Lukas PODOLSKI (GER), F Alexis  
SANCHEZ (CHI), GK Mark SCHWARZER (AUS), F Luis SUAREZ (ECU), M PARK Ji-Sung (KOR), M  
Bastian SCHWEINSTEIGER (GER), F Carlos TEVEZ (ARG), F Robert VITTEK (SVK)