

Factfile for World Cup finalist **Netherlands**

Results

First round
 June 14 At Johannesburg (Soccer City) Denmark 2-0
 June 19 At Durban Japan 1-0
 June 24 At Cape Town Cameroon 2-1

Second round

June 28 At Durban Slovakia 2-1

Quarter-final

July 2 At Port Elizabeth Brazil 2-1

Semi-final

July 6 At Cape Town Uruguay 3-2

Scores
 5 - Wesley Sneijder 2 - Arjen Robben 1 - Dirk Kuyt, Robin van Persie, Klaas-Jan Huntelaar, Giovanni van Bronckhorst
Own goal Daniel Agger (DEN)
Key players Wesley Sneijder (Inter Milan/ITA) - joint

leading scorer with five goals and on verge of special 'double' having helped Inter Milan win Champions League
Arjen Robben (Bayern Munich/GER) - snatched decisive third goal against Uruguay with his head which makes a change as most come via deadly left boot
Robin van Persie (Arsenal/ENG) - brushed off claims of unhappiness with coaches to lead line superbly as lone striker in 4-5-1 formation

Captain

Giovanni van Bronckhorst

Coach

Bert van Marwijk

Squad

(figure indicates shirt number)

1 Maarten Stekelenburg (Ajax) GK 2 Gregory van der Wiel (Ajax) DF 3 John Heitinga (Evertsen/ENG) DF 4 Joris Mathijsen (Hamburg/GER) DF 5 Giovanni van Bronckhorst (Feyenoord) DF 6 Mark van Bommel (Bayern Munich/GER) MD 7 Dirk Kuyt (Liverpool/ENG) ST 8 Nigel de Jong (Manchester City/ENG) MD 9 Robin van

Persie (Arsenal/ENG) ST 10 Wesley Sneijder (Inter Milan/ITA) MD 11 Arjen Robben (Bayern Munich/GER) ST 12 Khalid Boulahrouz (Stuttgart/GER) DF 13 André Ooijer (PSV) DF 14 Demy de Zeeuw (Ajax) MD 15 Edison Braafheid (Celtic/SCO) DF 16 Michel Vorm (Utrecht) GK 17 Eljero Elia (Hamburg/GER) ST 18 Stijn Schaars (Alkmaar) MD 19 Ryan Babel (Liverpool/ENG) ST 20 Ibrahim Afellay (PSV) MD 21 Klaas-Jan Huntelaar (AC Milan/ITA) ST 22 Sander Boschker (Twente) GK 23 Rafal van der Vaart (Real Madrid/ESP) MD

World ranking

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Previous appearances 1934 - first round, 1938 - first round, 1974 - runners-up, 1978 - runners-up, 1990 - second round, 1994 - quarter-finals, 1998 - fourth, 2006 - second round

Record

Played: 42 **Won:** 22 **Drew:** 10 **Lost:** 10
Record win South Korea 5-0 (1998)
Record loss Czechoslovakia 0-3 (1938)

Brazil 1962



Uruguay 1930



Italy 1938



Italy 1934



England 1966



Germany FR 1954



Uruguay 1950



Brazil 1970



Brazil 1958

