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FLÁVIO GONÇALVES

SCOUTING REPORT



SCOUT : MIGUEL ALMEIDA

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PLAYER DETAILS

NAME	Flávio Gonçalves
DATE OF BIRTH	30/05/2007
POSITION	LW / AMF / RW
NATIONALITY	Portuguese / French
TEAM	Sporting CP
HEIGHT	175 cm
FOOT	Right
NUMBER	#58
CONTRACT EXPIRES	30/06/2030
MARKET VALUE	€15M

PLAYER DESCRIPTION / BACKGROUND

Flávio Gonçalves is a 19-year-old Portuguese/French winger and attacking midfielder representing Sporting CP. A versatile and technically gifted player, he operates primarily on the left wing but is equally capable of playing centrally as an attacking midfielder or on the right flank. His ability to identify and exploit pockets of space between opposition lines adds a distinctive dimension to his attacking profile.

Having progressed through Sporting CP's youth development system, Flávio gained valuable senior competitive experience during the 2025/26 season with Sporting CP B in Liga Portugal 2, recording 24 appearances, 6 goals and 2 assists. His involvement at this level provided an important stage in his transition from youth football to the demands of senior competition. He has also made his UEFA Champions League debut, marking another significant milestone in his development and exposure to elite-level football. He has also represented Portugal at youth international level and currently plays for the Portugal U21 national team.

Flávio presents a unique attacking profile, combining technical ability, positional versatility and an understanding of space in advanced areas. His capacity to operate both between the lines and in wider attacking positions provides different tactical possibilities, making him a promising player to monitor as he continues his development within Sporting CP.

LIGA PORTUGAL PLAYER DATA - SEASON 26/27

GAMES	MINUTES	GOALS	ASSISTS
7	439	3	1

APPEARANCES BY POSITION

LW	AMF	RW
5	2	-

PLAYER RATINGS

CURRENT		POTENTIAL	
7.6		9.1	
LW	AMF	RW	
7.6	7.5	7.3	



POSITIONAL COMPETENCIES (LW / RW)

Dribbling

C

Runs in Behind

C

Link-up Play

B

Final Pass

C

Goal Scoring Ability

A

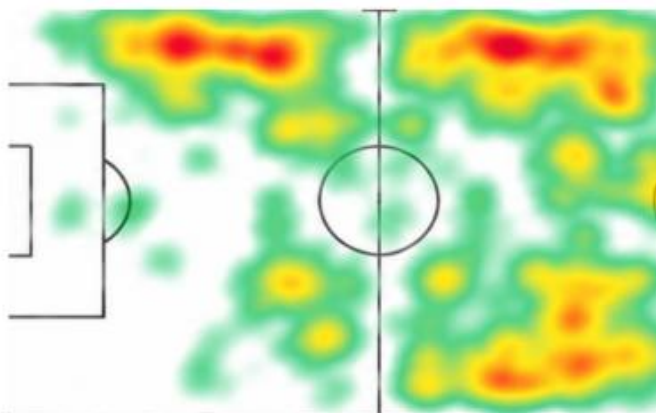
High Pressing

B

Defending in Own Half

B

SEASON 26/27 HEATMAP



STRENGTHS & WEAKNESSES

STRENGTHS

Offensive Versatility

Can play on the left wing, right wing or centrally as an attacking midfielder, adapting well to different tactical roles and creating various attacking solutions.

High Goal Conversion Rate

Shows an excellent ability to convert chances, demonstrating efficiency and composure in front of goal.

Development Potential

Still early in his career, with significant room to improve physically, technically and tactically, giving him high upside for the future.

WEAKNESSES

Physical Strength

Needs to improve his physical strength to better cope with more demanding duels and the physicality of senior football.

1v1 Effectiveness

Can be more consistent and decisive in 1v1 situations, particularly against well-organized and physical opposition.

Confidence to Take Risks in 1v1 Situations

Needs greater willingness and self-belief to take initiative and create his own chances through individual actions.



POSITIONAL COMPETENCIES ANALYSIS (LW / RW)

DRIBBLING

C

Flávio Gonçalves is showing less drive to dribble in 1v1 situations during his first year in Sporting's first team compared with his last season at Sporting B. He has a very good first touch, demonstrating his technical ability and ball control. His first touch is always very intentional, but his lack of physical strength at first-division level is limiting his ability to dribble over longer distances and his success in 1v1 situations.

He avoids dribbling on the outside, as Maxi Araújo, playing at LB, is one of Sporting's key attacking variations, making deep runs along the flank during the attacking phase, while Flávio moves inside, dragging the opposition's RB with him and creating space for Maxi to exploit. Flávio normally dribbles inside, maintaining good ball control and primarily looking for combinations. Positioning at C as the technical ability is there, waiting for improvement on his physical to empower his dribbles.

RUNS IN BEHIND

C

Flávio is having a more positional role in the first team, with his off-the-ball movements primarily being from the outside to the inside, creating space for the LB to attack the flank. He is not a winger who makes frequent deep runs or constantly attempts runs in behind. Instead, he is very good at timing the right moment to position himself between the opposition's RCB and RB, on the edge of the offside line, to receive the ball in that space.

He has scored goals or created dangerous situations this season through this movement, showing very good timing when attacking space.

LINK-UP PLAY

B

Link-up play is one of Flávio's main strengths. He is very objective with his combinations in more advanced areas of the pitch, normally creating progression in his team's attacks. He also has the maturity to understand tempo and do more controlled combinations when his team needs to hold the ball to progress more compactly up the pitch and/or recover their positions.

His link-up play near or inside the box leads to dangerous situations at a high rate given his constant awareness of his teammates' positioning and goal orientation. His ability to create dangerous combinations through his high football IQ also leads to him being deployed as an AM in more central areas.

FINAL PASS

C

Flávio shows some inconsistency in delivering the final pass. While the instinct to find the best passing option is present, his execution often results in good opportunities being wasted.

Flávio is showing signs of wanting to prove himself since joining the first team, but this leads him to execute with urgency rather than with the necessary calmness and experience.

He still demonstrates the ability to deliver good final passes, having already recorded one assist this season. He is also capable of delivering good crosses due to his technical ability and is involved in taking set pieces. However, he should be able to improve in this area as he gains more experience with the first team.



POSITIONAL COMPETENCIES ANALYSIS (LW / RW)

GOAL SCORING ABILITY

A

Flávio's goal-scoring ability is proving to be his biggest added value to the team this season. Continuing from last season, he is demonstrating a high level of finishing ability. Flávio's instinct for finding the right spaces off the ball inside the box is proving to be elite, alongside his execution. He has shown high football IQ when following his team's attacks off the ball, understanding and anticipating his teammates' movements and positioning himself in the right spaces to receive the ball or collect the second ball after a duel.

His mid-range shooting is another variation of his strong goal-scoring ability, as he is capable of generating both power and precision in his shots.

DEFENDING IN OWN HALF

B

Flávio shows a high level of commitment to his defensive role when the team is forced to defend in a low-to-mid block. He is reliable in tracking the opposition's RB or LB, depending on his positional assignment for the game, while following his team's compact defensive movements. At times, he shows too much eagerness to press the ball, due to his desire to demonstrate his defensive commitment.

HIGH PRESSING

B

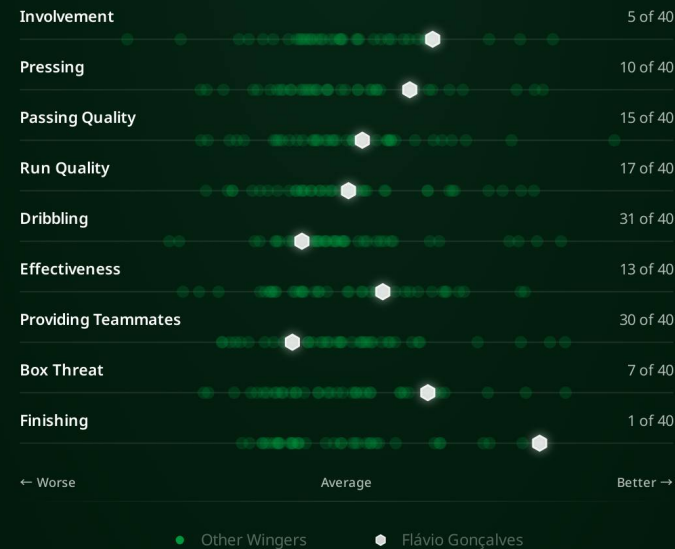
Flávio is a reliable player during the high-pressing phase. Explosive and quick to react, he shows a good understanding of the team's pressing organisation. After his team loses possession, he is committed to the team's approach to recovering the ball quickly, reacting explosively to the player in possession.



SUPPORT DATA AND TAKEAWAYS

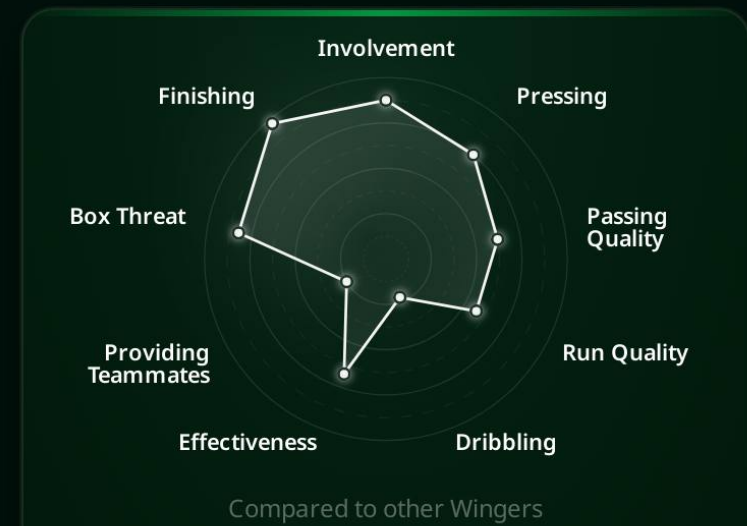
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TAKEAWAYS

Data from the current season supports Flávio's ability to pose a goal threat, ranking him 1st among wingers in the league for finishing. The data also highlights his involvement and connection with the team's overall play. However, his lack of proactivity in 1v1 dribbling situations is reflected in his 31st-place ranking among wingers in the league. As previously analysed, his goal-oriented approach is reflected in his actions, particularly in his effectiveness and run quality, as shown in the data above. However, the data also highlights the need to improve his ability to provide opportunities for his teammates.