

Australia U-23 National Team Named for China Tour

Football Federation Australia (FFA) today announced the twenty-five player squad that will assemble in Chongqing, China this week for a three-match friendly series throughout the November FIFA window.

The team, led by interim Australia U-23 Head Coach Gary van Egmond who oversaw the Young Socceroos' successful qualification for the 2020 AFC U-19 Championship in Chinese Taipei on Sunday, will play DPR Korea (15/11), Lithuania (17/11) and hosts China PR (19/11) at the Chongqing City Dazu District Sports Centre Stadium, as Australia's preparations for the 2020 AFC U-23 Championship in Thailand continue.

Like Australia, China PR and DPR Korea will compete at the 2020 AFC U-23 Championship in Thailand, where three Asian Football Confederation (AFC) qualification places for the men's football tournament at the Tokyo 2020 Summer Olympics will be highly sought after.

In Thailand next January Australia will contest Group A alongside the host nation as well as Iraq and Bahrain.

November's friendly matches in China will provide more opportunities for players to stake their claim for a place in Australia 2020 AFC U-23 Championship squad. In October 2019 Australia held a training camp in Qatar, while in September 2019 the team played two international friendlies against New Zealand in New South Wales.

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Australia U-23 v DPR Korea U-23 Date: Friday, 15 November 2019

Venue: Chongqing City Dazu District Sports Centre Stadium

Kick-off: 4.00pm (local); 7.00pm (AEDT)

Australia U-23 v Lithuania U-23 Date: Sunday, 17 November 2019

Venue: Chongqing City Dazu District Sports Centre Stadium

Kick-off: 4.00pm (local); 7.00pm (AEDT)

China U-23 v Australia U-23 Date: Tuesday, 19 November 2019

Venue: Chongqing City Dazu District Sports Centre Stadium

Kick-off: 7.30pm (local); 10.30pm (AEDT)

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Name	Club, Country
Panos ARMENAKAS	Panathinaikos, Greece
Keanu BACCUS	Western Sydney Wanderers FC, Australia
Daniel BOUMAN	SC Cambuur, Netherlands
Jake BRIMMER	Perth Glory FC, Australia
Gabriel CLEUR	U.S. Alessandria, Italy
Thomas DENG	Melbourne Victory, Australia
Zach DUNCAN	AGF Aarhus, Denmark
Ben FOLAMI	Ipswich Town FC, England
Alex GERSBACH	AGF Aarhus, Denmark
Thomas GLOVER (Gk)	Melbourne City FC, Australia
Kosta GROZOS	Western Sydney Wanderers FC, Australia
Jordan HOLMES (Gk)	Ebbsfleet Town, England
Jacob ITALIANO	Borussia Monchengladbach, Germany
Anthony KALIK	HNK Hajduk Split, Croatia
Josh LAWS	Fortuna Dusseldorf II, Germany
Daniel MARGUSH (Gk)	Adelaide United, Australia
Connor METCALFE	Melbourne City FC, Australia
Tass MOURDOUKOUTAS	Western Sydney Wanderers FC, Australia
Ramy NAJJARINE	Melbourne City FC, Australia
Connor O'TOOLE	Brisbane Roar FC, Australia
Nick PENNINGTON	Olbia Calcio, Italy
Reno PISCOPO	Wellington Phoenix FC, New Zealand
Dylan RYAN	Willem II Tilburg, Netherlands
AI Hassan TOURE	Adelaide United, Australia
Harry VAN DER SAAG	Sydney FC, Australia