

Gjivai Zechiël



Age

20

Foot

Right

Nationality

Netherlands

Club

Feyenoord

Height

180cm

Position

CM

Player Overview

Gjivai Zechiël is a technically sharp, high-involvement central midfielder who has been developing in two strong Dutch environments, spending time on loan at Utrecht before moving back into Feyenoord’s first team. His game is built around mobility, press resistance and forward-thinking possession play. He can operate a little deeper as a controller who receives under pressure and dictates tempo, but he also has the instincts to play higher, arrive around the box and contribute in the final third. What stands out is how involved he wants to be in every phase: he can carry through pressure, find runners with disguised passes, compete for second balls and still offer goal threat from midfield. He is not the biggest or most powerful midfielder, and he will not dominate aerially, but his agility, awareness and technical quality allow him to influence games in different ways. Overall, he profiles as an all-action midfielder with creative upside, strong game intelligence and the potential to become a very useful possession-progressing and chance-creating piece.



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Technical

Technically, Gjivai Zechiël's standout quality is his range and imagination as a passer. He has a really good eye for runners in behind, both with disguised ground through balls and he has a knack for clipped or "scoop" passes that lift the ball over the defensive line rather than playing a standard lofted pass. The weight on his final-third passing is strong, and a lot of his best actions either create big chances directly or open the game up before the assist. He is also secure in possession, with tight close control, good ball manipulation and the ability to shield the ball well despite not being especially powerful. Under pressure, he can slow the game down, draw contact and win fouls, which makes him useful when his team needs to keep the ball rather than force the next pass.

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25/26 EREDIVISIE STATS

Through Balls p90

0.15

80th pct

Through Ball Accuracy

80.0%

90th pct

Key Passes p90

1.40

66th pct

Pass Accuracy

84.9%

74th pct

Long Ball Accuracy

63.4%

97th pct

Chances Created p90

1.07

65th pct

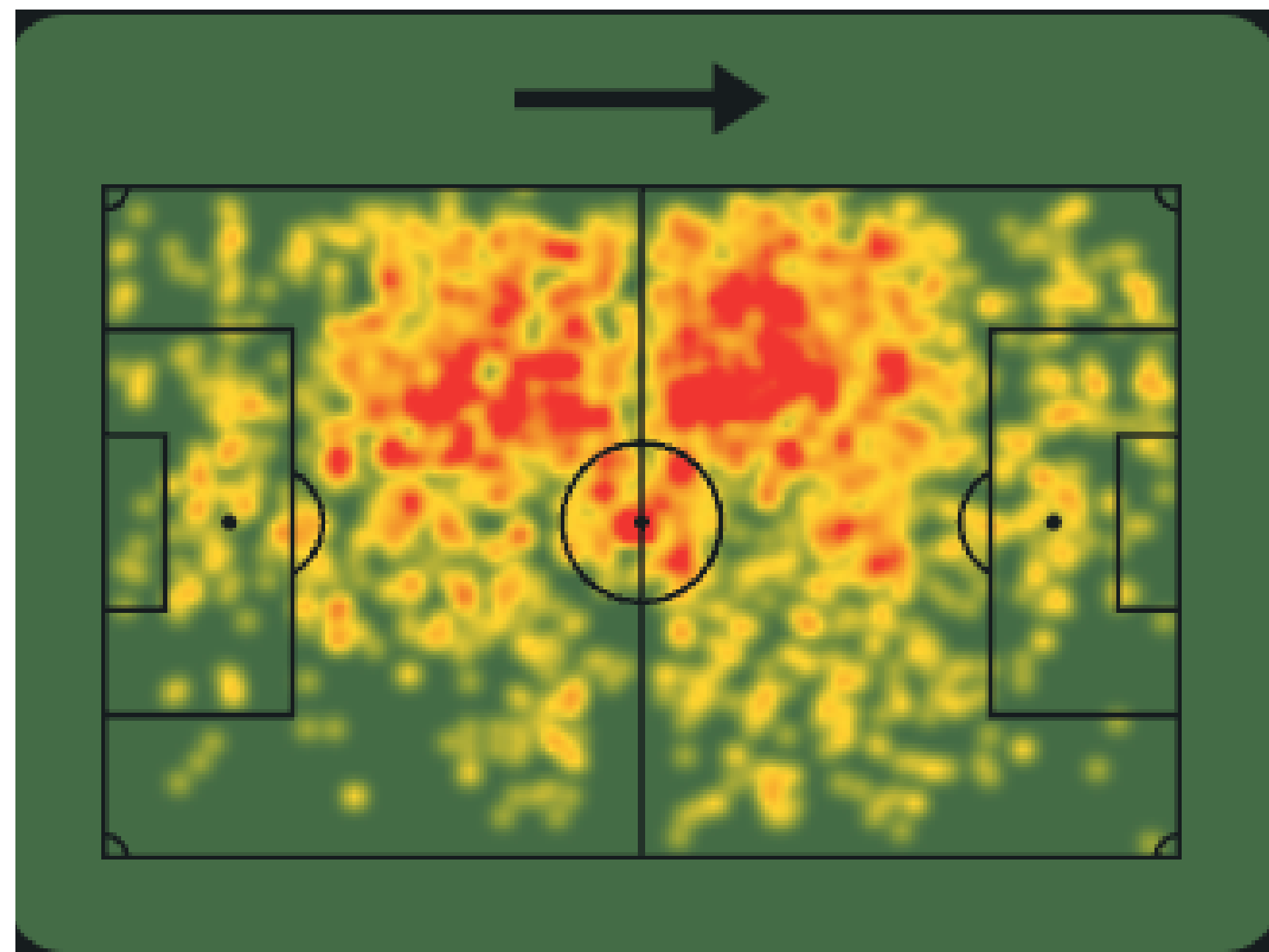
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Tactical

Tactically, he reads the game well on both sides of the ball. In possession, he can dictate from deeper zones, switch play and break lines, but he also has the timing to arrive higher as a box-crashing midfielder. He shows a good knack for attacking and defensive second balls, often getting himself into useful positions before finishing, combining or helping his team regain control. Out of possession, his anticipation stands out: he can jump passing lanes, pick off loose passes and time slide tackles well without diving in recklessly. He is probably better when defending situations where the ball is there to be won rather than when asked to dominate contact duels, but his positioning and intensity allow him to have an impact and be effective defensively.

25/26 Eredivisie Heatmap



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Physical

Physically, Gjivai Zechiël is more agile and slippery than explosive or powerful. His pace is around average without the ball, and his strength can be tested in direct contact, but his balance, quick changes of direction and slim frame allow him to turn away from pressure quickly. When carrying the ball, he can move at good speed and weave through traffic, which makes him look more dynamic in possession than he does in pure running races. He is not a major aerial threat and is unlikely to give much value on set pieces, but he competes well for his size and is a decent ground dueller. The main physical limitation is that stronger midfielders can knock him off rhythm in shoulder-to-shoulder contact, so adding more robustness would help his game translate up levels.

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25/26 EREDIVISIE STATS

Duels Won p90

4.05

27th pct

Duels Won %

52.7%

61st pct

Ground Duels Won

3.57

49th pct

Ground Duel Win %

51.9%

54th pct

Fouls Drawn p90

1.10

55th pct

Starts %

94.4%

95th pct

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Mental

Mentally, Gjivai Zechiël plays with a relentless edge. He works hard in both directions, does not switch off after releasing the ball, and consistently tries to stay involved in the next phase. His confidence shows in the way he attempts difficult passes, carries through pressure and looks for goal from the edge of the box rather than playing safe all the time. He also shows good composure in tight areas, often using contact intelligently to protect the ball or win fouls. There is a proactive feel to his game: he wants to affect the match, whether that is by breaking lines, arriving for second balls, pressing after losses or taking responsibility in the final third.

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Offsides per 90

0.18

19th pct

Fouls Committed per 90

0.66

86th pct

Possession Lost per 90

10.49

66th pct

Turnovers per 90

0.95

45th pct

Errors Lead to Goal per 90

0.03

10th pct

Rating (Average)

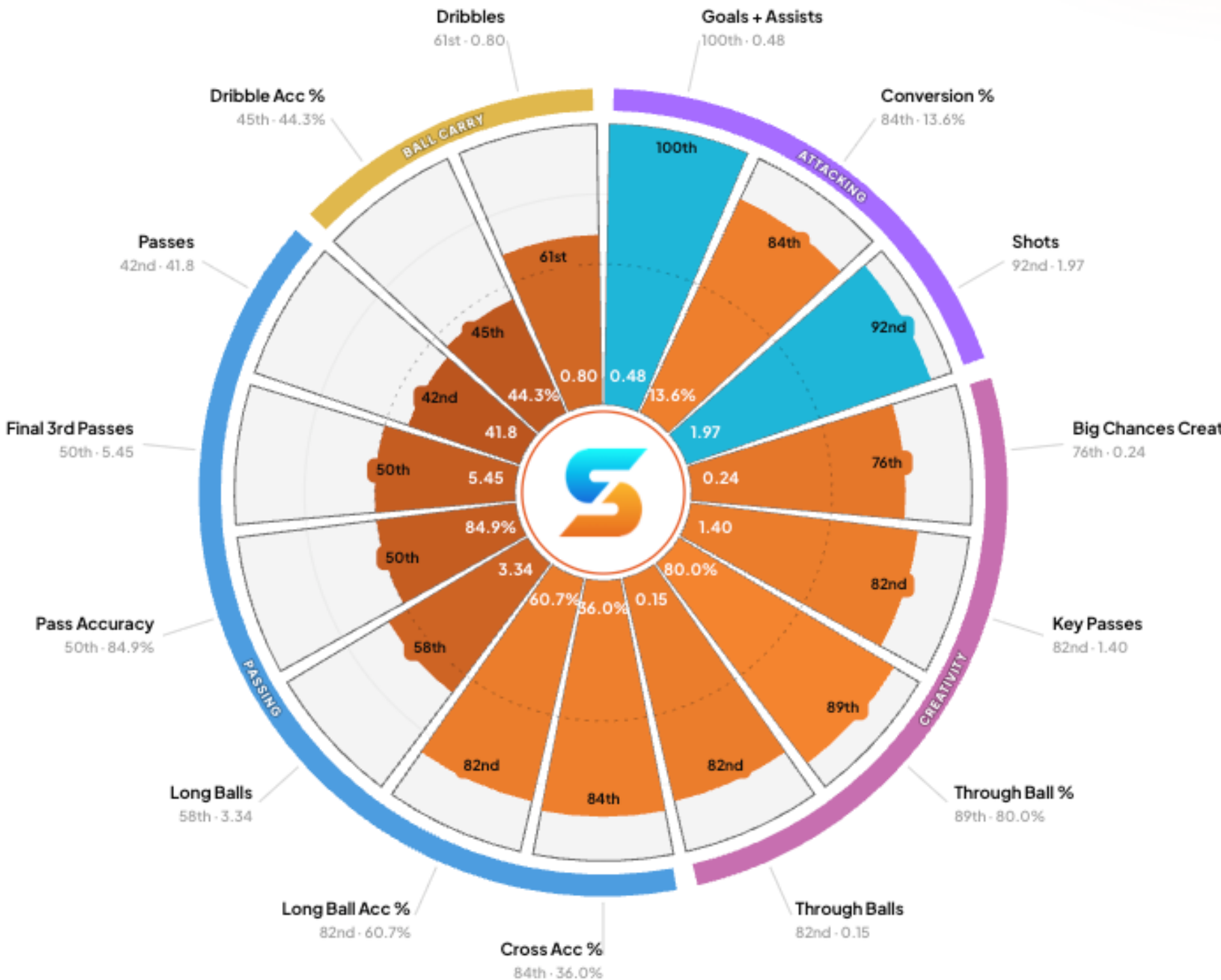
7.16

93rd pct

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Pizza Chart (Attacking Metrics)

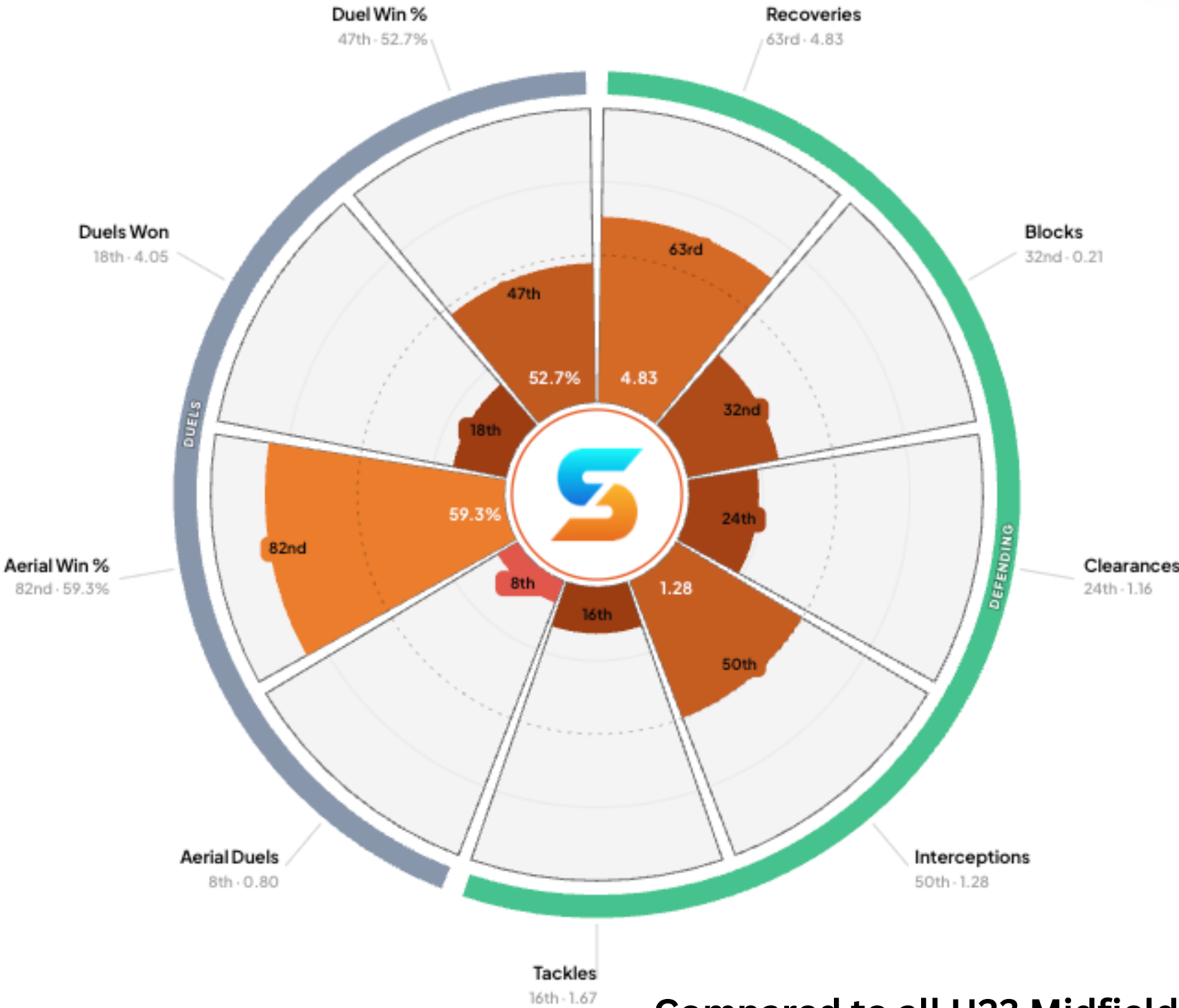


Compared to all U23 Midfielders from the Top 7 Leagues

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Pizza Chart (Defensive Metrics)



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Conclusion

Gjivai Zechiël profiles as a technically sharp, high-involvement central midfielder with the ability to progress play, create chances and contribute in the final third. His best value comes from his press resistance, passing imagination, second-ball instincts and all-action mobility. He can operate deeper as a tempo-setter, but his game may be most effective as an advanced 8 who can carry through midfield, find runners and arrive around the box. The main development areas are strength in contact, aerial impact and proving he can impose himself physically against stronger midfields. Overall, he is a clever, creative and energetic midfielder with enough technical upside to become a very useful possession and chance-creation piece.

Current Level



Potential Level

