

## Player profile: Ricardo Fernandes – Attacking Midfield

- Ricardo is currently playing on a non-contract basis with Atletico and is available for immediate trials/contract
- Technically excellent and a natural leader having captained Portugal's international youth sides for four years
- A natural goal scorer from midfield who is also a dead ball specialist taking free kicks and penalties
- A hard working "box to box" player with great awareness of attacking movement, he will create many chances
- Retain possession very well and has tremendous close control, Ricardo is a smart and intelligent player
- References available from Brendan Rodgers at Swansea City and Andre Villas Boas of Chelsea

### What will Ricardo bring to your club?

- Fantastic experience having been with Chelsea FC for four years before knee injury (Full recovery made)
- Ricardo has excellent vision and distribution skills, he retains possession well and is good with both feet
- International youth experience with Portugal having scored 12 goals in 28 caps from U16 to U19 level
- Flexibility and versatility as Ricardo can play as either an attacking midfielder or on either wing
- A great attacking asset with his shooting power and clinical finishing, together with great delivery skills

### Career highlights

| Year     | Club                       | Division      | Country  | Level    |
|----------|----------------------------|---------------|----------|----------|
| 11 – now | Atletico Clube Marinhense  | League 2      | Portugal | First    |
| 10 - 11  | Sporting Clube Pombal      | League 2      | Portugal | First    |
| 09 – 10  | Atletico Clube Marinhense  | League 2      | Portugal | First    |
| 06 - 09  | Chelsea FC                 | Premiership   | England  | Reserves |
| 05 - 06  | Chelsea FC                 | Premiership   | England  | U18's    |
| 02 - 05  | Sporting Clube de Portugal | Premeira Liga | Portugal | Youth    |



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#### Statistics

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| Date of Birth | 28/03/89      |
| Height        | 167cm / 05 07 |
| Weight        | 71kg /11 02   |
| Nationality   | Portuguese    |