# Zizou: the story of Zinedine Zidane

## Synopsis.

Born on June 13 1972 in Marseille, France. The world-renowned French footballer Zinedine Yazid Zidane (a.k.a Zizou) was a *Ballon D'or* winner, *World Fifa Player of The Year* and *World Cup and Serie A and Spanish league* winner. His final game stunned the whole French team and supporters and the World. Read on to find about this iconic and illustrious player in depth. This is one of the best central midfielders of all time. *Are you a Zidane fan?* 

### Childhood.

Zizous' parents, Smail Zidane and Malika Zidane, were Algerian immigrated people who left in 1952. He was the youngest of five children. The family of seven lived in tight quarters as a result, they could never sit down and eat together just like they should. They later split up. When he was 14 he started playing for the French Federation of Football for AS Cannes until the 1992/1993 season where he signed for Bordeaux - also in France and a better team in general.

#### Pro career.

As I mentioned before the top class Zinedine Zidane played for Bordeaux and AS Cannes but he also played for Juventus and Real Madrid. He signed for Juventus in the 1996/1997 for and for Real Madrid in the 2001/2002 for \$66,000,000. He won the Ballon D'or, Fifa World Player of The Year and World Cup in 1998. He was best of the best - even Paul Pogba ( Juventus) and Luka Modric ( Real Madrid) - This midfielder though as great role model attacking midfielder - is standing at the top of the game with players like Ruud Gullit and Roy Keane. He finished his distinguished career in 2006 with the team he is managing right now: Real Madrid.

He had a shocking last moment in the last game of his career in extra time stunned the world. It was the 2006 final. The world was stunned in an instant. The headbutt cost France the World Cup Final! His career came to a sudden halt. Even after this shocking moment he still won the Golden Ball (best player of the tournament) in 2006 however, he did not win it in 1998 when he led the 1998 World Cup winners to victory.

#### Present.

Zinedine who is now at the age of 43, is now managing Real Madrid. His son (Enzo) plays at the Bernabeu (Real Madrid). His net worth is \$70,000,000 and has admired CR7 - Ronaldo for a while because of his astonishing career and achievements he has been awarded. Even after his shocking headbutt in the final, Zizou is still thought as - by many people worldwide - as one of the best midfielders of all time. Finishing his career at 34, Zizou didn't achieve everything he could have.