

# WOMEN

The 2016-17 season was an unforgettable one for Manchester City, who not only captured all three domestic trophies, but also achieved historic success on the European stage, competing in their first UWCL competition.

In September 2016 City became FA WSL champions for the first time in their history after an undefeated campaign which earned them the accolade 'The Invincibles'. The team celebrated their second trophy of the season a month later, beating Birmingham 1-0 in an extra time thriller to win the Continental Cup.

Carli Lloyd, two-time FIFA Women's Player of the Year, Olympic gold medallist and World Cup winner, signed for Manchester City on a short-term contract for the FA WSL Spring Series, a shortened season as the WSL changed from summer to winter.

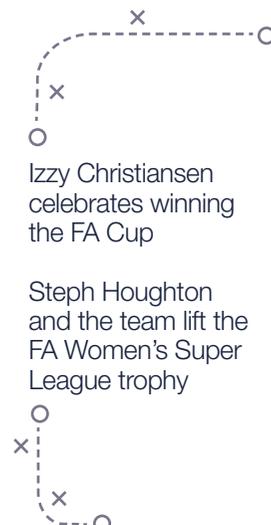
Lloyd was a participant in City's UWCL campaign, scoring her first goal as a City player against Denmark's Fortuna Hjørring, as the team earned qualification for the semi-final.

City faced French league champions and UWCL title holders Olympique Lyonnais in the semi-final, enduring their first loss of the season in the home leg, but netting one away goal in the second leg for an away win, although it was not sufficient to keep them in the competition.

Back on domestic soil, City made it to the final of the SSE Women's FA Cup for the first time, beating Birmingham City 4-1 in front of a record audience, and capping off the domestic treble.

The season was wrapped up with a second-place finish in the FA WSL Spring Series, in which they were beaten only on goal difference.

11 Manchester City players were selected for the European Women's Championships in July 2017, of which eight were English, two Scottish and one Swedish, although Jen Beattie was ruled out through injury.



Izzy Christiansen celebrates winning the FA Cup

Steph Houghton and the team lift the FA Women's Super League trophy



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## 2016-17 RECORD

DOMESTIC TREBLE FOR THE WOMEN'S FIRST TEAM SQUAD



Source: Manchester City

## A RECORD YEAR

RECORD AUDIENCES FOR THE WOMEN'S TEAM IN AN AWARD-WINNING YEAR



Source: Manchester City