

9. David Beckham—is one of the best known soccer players in the world. He was the first English player to win league titles in four countries, England, Spain, the United States, and France. He was the runner-up twice for the FIFA World Player of the Year Award and in 2004 he was named to the FIFA 100 (a list of the world's greatest living soccer players). Beckham announced his retirement at the end of the 2012–13 season and on May 18, 2013, played the final game of his 20-year career.