

## **Scouting Rapport:**

Jakob Gottberg

Date of Birth: 20/07/2002 Nationality: Finnish

Position: Left-back / Wing-back Club: Ekenäs IF (Ykkönen – Finland)

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Jakob Gottberg is an energetic and modern left-sided defender with experience from both the Finnish top division and second tier. His profile is built on high work rate, constant overlapping runs, and a high-quality left foot. In 22 league matches this season, he produced 4 assists, highlighting his reliable delivery from wide areas and his impact in the final third.

In possession, Jakob plays simple, efficient football but adds value through his ability to drive forward with the ball, using his agility and long strides to break pressure. He also offers effective distribution, especially through accurate long left-footed passes into space, finding teammates behind defensive lines and supporting transition-heavy systems.

Jakob combines well on the flank, often acting as a wall player before accelerating into an overlapping run to receive the return pass. This movement pattern creates consistent attacking breakthroughs. His athleticism and timing make him particularly suited for a 3-5-2 as a wing-back, though he fits naturally into a 4-3-3 or 4-4-2 as a modern fullback.

Defensively, he contributes with aggressive counter-pressing and strong ball recovery. He reacts quickly in transition, stepping up to win second balls and engaging decisively in duels. His stamina allows him to support both defensive and attacking phases throughout the match.

Areas for improvement include enhancing his 1v1 defensive assertiveness. At times he becomes slightly passive; adjusting his body shape and engaging earlier will strengthen his defensive reliability.

We consider Jakob fully capable of performing in Ettan or Superettan, and he represents an attractive option for Swedish clubs seeking a left-sided fullback or wing-back with endurance, overlapping quality, progressive ball-carrying, and an accurate long passing profile.

