

Ardeşen GSK

Ardeşen GSK (Turkish: *Ardeşen Gençlik ve Spor Kulübü*) is a women's handball club from Ardeşen in Rize Province playing in the Turkish Super League.^[1] Founded in 2008, the team play their home matches in the Ardeşen RTEÜ MYO Hall.^[2] Club chairman is Sultan Rauf Oğuz. The team is managed by Hikmet Vurgun.^[3] The team is nicknamed "Dişi Atmacalar" ("Female Hawks").^[4]

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Club colors and logo

The club's colors are maroon and white.^[5]

The logo of the club is composed of a maroon-colored circle with the club's title and foundation year on it in white, which frames a hawk head and the club's initials both resembling a powerful handball shoot.

Competitions

Domestic

The team played in the Turkish Women's Handball League from 2008 until their promotion to the Turkish Women's Handball Super League in the 2012–13 season. In the 2013–14 season, they finished the league at third place. Ardeşen GSK ranked fourth in the 2014–15 league losing in the play-off to Kastamonu Bld. GSK.

International

Ardeşen GSK played in the 2013–14 Women's EHF Challenge Cup and advanced to the quarterfinals, however they were defeated by the Swedish team H 65 Höör.^[6] They failed to advance to the semifinals in the 2014–15 Women's EHF Challenge Cup losing to the Polish team Pogoń Baltica Szczecin by 57–59.^[7] The team lost to the Russian HC Lada Togliatti by 50–80 in the last 16 of 2015–16 Women's EHF Cup Winners' Cup's knock-out stage.^[8]

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Full name	Atdeşen Gençlik ve Spor Kulübü
Founded	2008
Arena	Ardeşen RTEÜ MYO Hall
President	Sultan Rauf Oğuz
Head coach	Hikmet Vurgun
League	Turkish Super League
2017–18	5th
	Website
	Official site (http://www.ardesengsk.com)

European record

Season	Competition	Round	Club	1st leg	2nd leg	Aggregate
<u>2013–14</u>	<u>Challenge Cup</u>	<u>1/8</u>	 <u>HC Naisa Niš</u>	26–27	30–25	56–52
		<u>1/4</u>	 <u>H 65 Höör</u>	22–29	21–26	43–55
<u>2014–15</u>	<u>Challenge Cup</u>	<u>R3</u>	 <u>Energia AZS Koszalin</u>	34–27	31–31	65–58
		<u>1/8</u>	 <u>RK Zelina</u>	32–29	28–30	60–59
		<u>1/4</u>	 <u>Pogoń Baltica Szczecin</u>	31–28	26–31	57–59
<u>2015–16</u>	<u>EHF Cup Winners' Cup</u>	<u>R2</u>	 <u>Skuru IK</u>	32–20	25–30	57–50
		<u>R3</u>	 <u>Team Esbjerg</u>	31–22	26–30	57–52
		<u>1/8</u>	 <u>Handball Club Lada</u>	22–31	28–49	50–80
<u>2016-17</u>	<u>Challenge Cup</u>	<u>R3</u>	 <u>ŽRK Danilovgrad</u>	30–23	28–24	58–47
		<u>1/8</u>	 <u>HC Lokomotiva Zagreb</u>	25–33	20–24	45–57
<u>2017–18</u>	<u>Challenge Cup</u>	<u>R3</u>	 <u>DHB Rotweiss Thun</u>	36–17	23–23	59–40
		<u>1/8</u>	 <u>AC Alavarium / Love Tiles</u>	34–22	41–27	75–49
		<u>1/4</u>	 <u>Kristianstad Handboll</u>	23–26	28–25	51–51
		<u>1/2</u>	 <u>MKS Selgros Lublin</u>	28–23	20–36	48–59



Squad

As of July 2019




Goalkeepers

-  Kristina Graovac
-  Halime Beykurt





Wings

-  Duygu Özakaydin
-  Marija Mugosa




Pivots

-  Esra Ertap
-  Neslihan Akcanca
-  Ilayda Gürsoy

Backs

-  Perihan Topaloğlu
-  Kübra Yılmaz
-  Cigdem Demirbas
-  Gamze Hasimoglu

Notable former players

-  [Aslı İskit](#) (born 1993)
-  [Sandra Nikčević](#) (born 1984)
-  [Fatmagül Sakızcan](#) (born 1992)

Honours

Turkish Women's Handball Super League

- Third place (1): 2013–14

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