Fulham 1-1 Manchester United at Craven Cottage as Cunha rescues a late point

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Fulham and Manchester United shared a **1-1** draw at Craven Cottage on Sunday, 20 September 2026, as Matheus Cunhaâ??s late deflected strike rescued a point for Michael Carrickâ??s side heading into the international break.

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United arrived under pressure after a derby defeat by Manchester City and a midweek Carabao Cup exit to Brighton, both at Old Trafford. Fulham, under Ã•lvaro Arbeloa and starting the day at the foot of the table, were the sharper side for long stretches and looked set for a first Premier League win of the Arbeloa era.

MartÃnez own goal, then Cunhaâ??s break

The opener arrived in the 63rd minute as a mess at the back. Calvin Basseyâ??s shot was only half-dealt with by goalkeeper Senne Lammens. Lisandro MartÃnez jabbed at the loose ball and turned it into his own net. Fulham sat deeper after the goal and invited pressure, but Unitedâ??s second-half play stayed slow and predictable, with most efforts coming from outside the box.

In the 89th minute Cunha took on a shot from the edge of the area, left of centre. Bernd Leno looked to have the near corner covered until the ball clipped David Affengruber and spun into the opposite corner. It was Cunhaâ??s first Premier League goal of the season, and it stopped United from leaving south-west London empty-handed.

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Five points into the break

United go into the international break on five points, their joint-lowest tally after five Premier League games, matching the 2014-15 start. Tottenham sit bottom. Carrick told BBC Sport his side had done enough to win and that small moments had been going against them; Cunha said Leno had been â??unbelievableâ?• and that the equaliser needed a touch of luck.

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