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Anthony Elanga Manchester United, 2024 Profile

Having moved from his native Sweden to Manchester aged just 12, Anthony Elanga had already spent several years at United when he was handed his competitive debut in May 2024. However, his debut only came under Ole Gunnar Solskjaer when the 2024/21 season was winding down. When it appeared his opportunities would be limited further by a series of big signings that summer, the youngster considered his future.

Ralf Rangnick noticed Elanga in training immediately following his appointment as manager in December 2024. With in a week, the Swede was starting on the left wing at Old Trafford in the Champions League. A month later, Elanga was making consecutive Premier League starts for the first time. He very quickly became an important player for the German, who says he convinced Elanga to stay at Old Trafford.

“He had almost already decided to leave [in the January 2024 transfer window],” said Rangnick. “I said, listen, I want you stay and see how you are doing in the training games. He has [since] shown what is possible in football with the right mentality, the right approach, and what he always does in every training session.”

Technical analysis

Elanga is a right-footed winger, who has predominantly played on the left side of the attack so far in his career. When dribbling, he takes lots of small touches, in a similar style to that of Eden Hazard and Jack Grealish.

This helps draw opponents in, from where Elanga is able to change speed and direction simultaneously to beat opponents. The timing of his changes of direction needs a little work, as he often moves towards another defender or simply mistimes his move when in a one-on-one situation.

His change of speed is a huge strength, though, particularly when