

2013 SOUTH CAROLINA GAMECOCK SOFTBALL



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2013 Schedule			
Date	Opponent	W	L Score/Time
2/8	at Stetson#		6:30 PM
2/9	vs. Michigan State#		1:30 PM
2/9	at Stetson#		4 PM
2/10	vs. Michigan State#		12 PM
2/15	vs. Florida A&M%		4:30 PM
2/15	vs. Stetson%		6:30 PM
2/16	at UCF%		6 PM
2/16	vs. Buffalo%		8 PM
2/17	vs. UT Arlington%		9 AM
2/23	vs. Wagner&		10 AM
2/23	vs. Charleston Southern&		7 PM
2/24	vs. Radford&		2:30 PM
2/24	at College of Charleston&		4:30 PM
3/2	vs. Alabama State@		9:30 AM
3/2	vs. Kennesaw State@		11:30 AM
3/3	vs. Florida International@		12 PM
3/3	at Georgia Southern@		2 PM
3/8	vs. Massachusetts^		11:30 AM
3/8	at USF^		2 PM
3/9	vs. Northwestern^		9:30 AM
3/9	vs. Villanova^		11:45 AM
3/10	vs. Penn State^		11:15 AM
3/13	Furman		6 PM
3/15	Alabama*		7 PM
3/16	Alabama* (CSS)		12 PM
3/17	Alabama*		1 PM
3/19	Campbell		5 PM
3/22	at LSU*		7 PM
3/23	at LSU*		5 PM
3/24	at LSU*		2 PM
3/29	at Missouri* (FSN)		8 PM
3/30	at Missouri* (DH)		5 PM
4/3	Appalachian State		7 PM
4/5	Kentucky*		7 PM
4/6	Kentucky*		4 PM
4/7	Kentucky*		1 PM
4/10	Coastal Carolina (DH)		5 PM
4/12	Georgia*		7 PM
4/13	Georgia*		4 PM
4/14	Georgia*		1 PM
4/16	Presbyterian		6 PM
4/19	at Auburn*		7 PM
4/20	at Auburn* (ESPNU)		7 PM
4/21	at Auburn*		2 PM
4/24	Charlotte		6 PM
4/26	at Mississippi State*		7 PM
4/27	at Mississippi State*		2 PM
4/28	at Mississippi State*		2 PM
5/3	Florida*		6 PM
5/4	Florida*		2 PM
5/5	Florida*		1 PM
5/8-11	SEC Tournament		TBD

Bold indicates home game All times Eastern
 CSS - Comcast/Charter Sports Southeast
 FSN - FOX Sports Networks
 * - Southeastern Conference Game
 # - Stetson Lead-Off Classic (DeLand, Fla.)
 % - UCF Holiday Inn Select Tournament (Orlando, Fla.)
 & - Col. of Charleston Cougar Classic (Charleston, S.C.)
 @ - Eagle Classic (Statesboro, Ga.)
 ^ - USF Under Armour Showcase (Tampa/Clearwater, Fla.)

Upcoming Opponents			
			
Stetson (26-22, 9-9 Atlantic Sun) Feb. 8, Feb. 9, & Feb. 15 DeLand, Fla./Orlando, Fla. Series History SC leads 2-0 Trend SC won last two Last Meeting SC won 6-0 (3/11/1988)	Michigan State (11-42, 0-23 Big Ten) Sat., Feb. 8, Sun., Feb. 9 DeLand, Fla. Series History Series even 2-2 Trend SC won two of last three Last Meeting MSU won 8-7 (3/6/2011)	Florida A&M (28-29, 10-4 MEAC) Fri., Feb. 15 Orlando, Fla. Series History SC leads 3-0 Trend SC won last three Last Meeting SC won 4-2 (2/19/2010)	UCF (39-19, 15-9 C-USA) Sat., Feb. 16 Orlando, Fla. Series History UCF leads 1-0 Trend UCF won only meeting Last Meeting UCF won 4-1 (2/19/2010)

Inside
✓ South Carolina's roster and breakdown
✓ Gamecocks lost lots but bring back some key pieces
✓ Pitching depth returns
✓ Newcomers abound to replace nine graduates from 12
✓ Tracking Samie Garcia's progress
✓ Family ties on the Gamecock roster
✓ Scouting Stetson and Michigan State

South Carolina Pitching Staff												
No.	Name	Ht.	Class	ERA	W-L	App-GS	Sv	IP	BB	So	Avg.	Notes
80	Audrey Broyles	5-10	R-Sr.	3.71	7-10	19-17	0	94.1	48	48	.254	Staff ace has help
33	Katelynn Howser	5-8	So.	3.88	8-9	34-16	3	124.1	89	88	.264	Most IP for Gamecock since '09
23	Julie Sarratt	5-4	R-So.	3.38	8-8	29-15	2	103.2	40	70	.238	Back after missing '12
4	Katie Marks	5-10	Fr.	---	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	Big-time travel-ball exp.
14	Lakyn Shull	5-11	So.	2.68	6-10	31-14	4	117.2	48	62	.268	Line from last year at Furman

Starting Position Players						
Pos.	Name	B/T	Ht.	Class	Avg/OBP/SLG	Notes
C	Shelby Gonzales	R/R	5-8	Sr.	.217/.363/.391	Started 44 games behind the plate in 2012
1B/3B	Kelley Dillon	R/R	5-7	R-Sr.	.171/.253/.243	Line from 2011 season, 70 AB or 1B Julie Sarratt R/R 5-4 R-So. .250/.273/.406 Line from 2011 season, 64 AB
2B	Dana Hathorn	R/R	5-6	Jr.	.285/.341/.376	Started all but one game at 2B in 2012
3B/DP	Codee Yeske	R/R	5-8	Jr.	.133/.278/.333	Looking to regain 2011 All-Big South form
SS	Samie Garcia	L/R	5-6	Sr.	.362/.429/.557	Had a team-best 21-game hitting streak in '12
LF	Alaynie Page	R/R	5-6	Fr.	N/A	Freshman been solid in practices
CF/DP	Ashlyn Masters	R/R	5-5	Jr.	.434/.489/.750	Second-Team All-Panhandle Conference 2012 or CF Kristen Struett R/R 5-7 So. .364/.382/.485 Showed herself in opportunities late in 2012
RF	Chelsea Hawkins	R/R	5-5	Jr.	.309/.356/.537	Tied for second on 2012 team with 29 RBI

Coaching Staff			
Head Coach	Beverly Smith	Volunteer Assistant	Laura Trout
Associate Head Coach	Lisa Navas	Graduate Student Manager	Kaela Jackson
Assistant Coach	Calvin Beamon		

Numerical Roster

No	Name	Pos.	B/T	Ht.	Class	EX	Hometown/Previous School
2	Ashlyn Masters	U	R/R	5-5	Jr.	TR	Evans, Ga./NW Fla. State College
3	Brooke Barnhill	OF	L/R	5-4	Jr.	TR	Mauldin, S.C./Spartanburg Methodist College
4	Katie Marks	P	R/R	5-10	Fr.	HS	Katy, Texas/Katy
5	Ansley Ard	OF	R/R	5-9	Fr.	HS	Sumter, S.C./Wilson Hall
6	Jordan Bizzell	3B/C	R/R	5-4	Fr.	HS	Hartsville, S.C./Hartsville
7	Kelly Plescow	C/IF	R/R	5-7	Fr.	HS	Burke, Va./Lake Braddock
9	Kristen Struett	OF	R/R	5-7	So.	1L	Westminster, Calif./Marina
10	Chelsea Hawkins	OF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Piedmont, S.C./Wren
12	Samie Garcia	SS	L/R	5-6	Sr.	2L	Bell, Calif./Cerritos College
13	Kelley Dillon	IF	R/R	5-7	R-Sr.	1L	Hanahan, S.C./College of Charleston
14	Lakyn Shull	P	R/R	5-11	So.	TR	New Port Richey, Fla./Furman
17	Shelby Gonzales	C	R/R	5-8	Sr.	1L	Moses Lake, Wash./North Idaho College
18	Codee Yeske	IF	R/R	5-8	Jr.	1L	Lexington, S.C./Presbyterian
20	Lauren Masters	IF	R/R	5-3	Fr.	HS	Evans, Ga./Greenbrier
22	Alaynie Page	OF	R/R	5-6	Fr.	HS	Boiling Springs, S.C./Boiling Springs
23	Julie Sarratt	P/1B	R/R	5-4	R-So.	1L	Gaffney, S.C./Gaffney
24	Dana Hathorn	IF	R/R	5-6	Jr.	2L	Orlando, Fla./Timber Creek
25	Olivia Lawrence	C/1B	L/R	5-6	So.	1L	Woodstown, N.J./Gloucester Catholic
33	Katelynn Howser	P	R/R	5-8	So.	1L	Woodstock, Ga./Sequoyah
80	Audrey Broyles	P	R/R	5-10	R-Sr.	3L	Pembroke Pines, Fla./Pembroke Pines Charter

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Coaching Staff

Head Coach

Beverly Smith (North Carolina, 1995)

Associate Head Coach

Lisa Navas (Oklahoma City, 1987)

Assistant Coach

Calvin Beamon (UNLV, 2010)

Volunteer Assistant Coach

Laura Trout (Georgia, 2012)

Graduate Student Manager

Kaela Jackson (South Carolina, 2012)

Roster by Class

Senior (4): Audrey Broyles, Kelley Dillon, Samie Garcia, Shelby Gonzales

Junior (5): Brooke Barnhill, Dana Hathorn, Chelsea Hawkins, Ashlyn Masters, Codee Yeske

Sophomore (5): Katelynn Howser, Olivia Lawrence, Julie Sarratt, Lakyn Shull, Kristen Struett

Freshman (6): Ansley Ard, Jordan Bizzell, Katie Marks, Lauren Masters, Alaynie Page, Kelly Plescow

Roster by Height

5-11 Lakyn Shull

5-10 Audrey Broyles, Katie Marks

5-9 Ansley Ard

5-8 Shelby Gonzales, Katelynn Howser, Codee Yeske

5-7 Kelley Dillon, Kelly Plescow, Kristen Struett

5-6 Samie Garcia, Dana Hathorn, Chelsea Hawkins, Olivia Lawrence, Alaynie Page

5-5 Ashlyn Masters

5-4 Brooke Barnhill, Jordan Bizzell, Julie Sarratt

5-3 Lauren Masters

Roster by State

South Carolina (8): Ansley Ard, Brooke Barnhill, Jordan Bizzell, Kelley Dillon, Chelsea Hawkins, Alaynie Page, Julie Sarratt, Codee Yeske

Florida (3): Audrey Broyles, Dana Hathorn, Lakyn Shull

Georgia (3): Katelynn Howser, Ashlyn Masters, Lauren Masters

California (2): Samie Garcia, Kristen Struett

New Jersey (1): Olivia Lawrence

Texas (1): Katie Marks

Virginia (1): Kelly Plescow

Washington (1): Shelby Gonzales

SOUTH CAROLINA TEAM NOTES

- South Carolina returns four position starters from last year's team, including 40 starts in right field (Chelsea Hawkins), 44 at catcher (Shelby Gonzales) and 54 at both shortstop (Samie Garcia) and second base (Dana Hathorn).
- The Gamecocks' 2012 leaders in batting average, hits, doubles, triples, home runs, slugging percentage, walks and stolen bases graduated.
- With the 11 departed players, the Gamecocks also lost players who took 41 of their 65 pinch-hitting appearances and the top four pinch runners.
- Back is the 2012 team leader in runs scored (Samie Garcia, 41), who also tied for the team lead in stolen bases.
- The team returns over two-thirds of the innings thrown in 2012, including ERA leader Audrey Broyles and strikeout leader Katelynn Howser.
- Coming back from season-long injuries last year are redshirt senior Kelley Dillon and redshirt sophomore Julie Sarratt.
- Nine newcomers join the roster, including six freshmen, a sophomore transfer and two junior-college transfers.
- The team is again dominated by South Carolina natives, with 40 percent of the roster hailing from the Palmetto State.

TRACKING GARCIA

- Samie Garcia enters 2013 on many top 15 career lists at South Carolina.
- She's seventh in batting average (.346), fifth in on-base percentage (.415) and sixth in slugging percentage (.503).
- Garcia also stands fifth in hit-by-pitches (12).
- In the per-game categories, she's sixth in runs (0.65), fifth in hits (1.12), 13th in triples (0.05), fifth in home runs (0.09) and 14th in walks (0.28).

FAMILY TIES

- The Masters sisters Ashlyn and Lauren are the first siblings to play on the same Gamecock team and the second set ever, after the Troesh sisters, Leanna (1997-99) and Debralee (2000-03).
- Junior Chelsea Hawkins is the niece of Tia Rogers (2002-04 letter-winner).

SCOUTING STETSON

- The Hatters return six starters from last year's 26-22 team that finished sixth in the Atlantic Sun.
- The entire pitching staff returns, the strength of last year's Hatter team, posting a 2.28 ERA.
- Two-way players Courtney Brandt and Meredith Owen lead the returners.
- Brandt hit eight homers and drove in 27 runs while posting a 2.20 ERA in 130.2 innings.
- Owen struck out 143 batters in 187.1 innings of work, adding a team-best .311 batting average with 10 doubles and six homers.
- Two Hatter freshmen, Molly Shasteen and Morgan Hatch, hail from the same high school as Gamecock junior Dana Hathorn, Timber Creek in Orlando.

SCOUTING MICHIGAN STATE

- The Spartans return seven position starters from last year's 11-42 team.
- Michigan State did not win a Big Ten game in 2012.
- Kylene Hopkins returns, the Spartans' top hitter (.397/.472/.519). She also led the team in doubles (15) and RBI (24).
- Alyssa McBride comes back, the 2012 team leader with 11 stolen bases.
- Returners Stephanie Sanders and Sarah Bowling both hit four homers a year ago.
- Carly Nielsen, MSU's top pitcher in 2012, is back after posting a 5.80 ERA in 103.1 innings of work.
- Cassee Layne also returns as a pitcher after throwing 133 innings with 82 strikeouts last year (6.53 ERA)
- Newcomers Kelly Smith (Jr., Friendswood, Texas) and Dani Goranson (Fr., Elk Grove Village, Ill.) join the pitching staff.
- Smith posted a 1.11 ERA at McLennan CC last year, throwing 170.2 innings and fanning 202 while walking 51.

QUICK FACTS

Location	Columbia, S.C.
Founded	1801
Enrollment	30,721
Colors	Garnet (PMS 202C) and Black
Nickname	Gamecocks
Affiliation	Southeastern (Eastern Division)
President	Dr. Harris Pastides
Athletic Director	Ray Tanner
Senior Associate AD/SWA	Judy Van Horn
Senior Associate AD (Sport Supervisor) ..	Charles Bloom
Faculty Athletics Representative	Dr. Zach Kelehear
Home Field ..	Carolina Softball Stadium at Beckham Field
Capacity	1,298
Dimensions	L-200, C-220, R -200, Alleys-210
NCAA Tournament Appearances	15
NCAA Super Regional Appearances	1
NCAA College World Series Appearances ..	3
AIAW College World Series Appearances ..	5
SEC Championships	1
SEC Eastern Division Championships	4
SEC Tournament Championships	2
2012 Record	23-32
2012 Conference Record	3-25
2012 Conference Finish	5th East
Postseason	N/A
Letterwinners Returning/Lost	11/11
Position Starters Returning/Lost	5/5
Pitchers Returning/Lost	4/1
Newcomers	9

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PRONUNCIATION GUIDE

Jordan BIZZELL	BIZ-zul
Dana HATHORN	HATH-horn
ALAYNIE Page	uh-LAY-knee
Julie SARRATT	Sah-RAT
LAKYN Shull	LAY-khun
CODEE YESKE	KO-dee YES-key

GAMECOCK STAFF

Head Coach	Beverly Smith
Alma Mater	North Carolina, 1995
Overall/SC Record	49-62/Same
Associate Head Coach	Lisa Navas
Alma Mater	Oklahoma City, 1987
Assistant Coach	Calvin Beamon
Alma Mater	UNLV, 2010
Volunteer Assistant Coach	Laura Trout
Alma Mater	Georgia, 2012
Graduate Assistant Manager	Kaela Jackson
Alma Mater	South Carolina, 2012
Managers	Taylor Barbalace, Chelsea Guyton
Athletic Trainer	Gabi Naumann