2013 NCAA Tournament
First and Second Rounds
March 23-25
Coors Events Center • Boulder, Colo.

## 2012-13 Schedule

| i., Nov. 9 | Elon | W, 77-44 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Mon., Nov. 12 | at Louisiana Tech | W, 82-58 |
| Thu., Nov. 15 | Savannah State (SPSO) | W, 78-47 |
| Sun., Nov. 18 | Clemson (SPSO) | W, 64-43 |
| U.S. Virgin Islands Paradise Jam |  |  |
| Thu., Nov. 22 | vs. Hampton | W, 45-34 |
| Fri, Nov. 23 | vs. Florida Gulf Coast | W, 65-46 |
| Sat., Nov. 24 | vs. DePaul | W, 55-46 |
| Wed., Nov. 28 | Drexel W, 58-55 (OT) |  |
| Sun., Dec. 2 | at Seton Hall | W, 55-42 |
| Sun., Dec. 9 | Furman (SPSO) | W, 69-35 |
| Wed., Dec. 19 | \#1/1 Stanford (FSN) | L, 53-49 |
| Fri., Dec. 21 | South Carolina State | W, 65-45 |
| Sat., Dec. 29 | Western Carolina | W, 66-44 |
| Thu., Jan. 3 | \#12/13 Tennessee* (SPSO) | L, 53-73 |
| Sun., Jan. 6 | at Mississippi State* | W, 60-46 |
| Thu., Jan. 10 | Vanderbilt** | W, 64-48 |
| Sun., Jan. 13 | at \#13/12 Georgia* (CSS) | L, 40-42 |
| Thu., Jan. 17 | LSU* | W, 66-59 |
| Sun., Jan. 20 | at Florida* (FSF) | W, 52-44 |
| Thu., Jan. 24 | \#5/4 Kentucky* (SPSO) | W, 55-50 |
| Sun., Jan. 27 | at Arkansas* | W, 43-40 |
| Sun., Feb. 3 | Auburn* | W, 59-51 |
| Thu., Feb. 7 | at Alabama* | W, 65-53 |
| Sun., Feb. 10 | \#14/16 Texas A\&M ${ }^{*}$ | L, 48-50 |
| Thu., Feb. 14 | at \#9/7 Kentucky* | L, 78-74 |
| Sun., Feb. 17 | at Mississippi* (SECN) | W, 62-47 |
| Sun., Feb. 24 | Mississippi State* | W, 58-43 |
| Thu., Feb. 28 | at Missouri* | L, 58-65 |
| Sun., Mar. 3 | Florida* (SPSO) | W, 67-56 |
| SEC Tournament (Duluth, Ga.) |  |  |
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Thu., Mar. 7 vs. Alabama (SPSO) W, 77-35
Fri., Mar. $8 \quad$ vs. \#19/19 Texas A\&M (SPSO) L, 52-61
NCAA Tournament (Boulder, Colo.)
Sat., Mar. 23 vs. South Dakota St. (ESPN2) W, 74-52
Mon., Mar. 25 vs. Kansas (ESPN2) 9:30 p.m.

* indicates SEC game

All Times Listed as Eastern
Television outlet listed in parentheses - SPSO is SportSouth; FSN is SportSouth, Fox Sports Southwest and Sun Sports; SECN is SEC Network; CSS is Charter Sports Southeast; FSF is Fox Sports Florida.


## Uniform Patch

The Gamecocks continue to wear the patch added to their uniforms last season to honor teammate Shelbretta Ball, who was medically disqualified from playing in Fall 2011. The team wanted Brett and everyone watching to know that she will always be an integral part of them and whatever they achieve this season.

Additionally, senior guard Ieasia Walker changed her jersey number this season to honor her teammate who was slated to wear that number prior to being medically disqualified.

South Carolina Gamecocks (25-7, 11-5 SEC)
Head Coach: Dawn Staley
Record at South Carolina: 92-65 (5th season)
Career Record: 264-145 (13th season)
Career vs. Kansas: First Meeting
Kansas (19-13, 8-10 Big 12)
Head Coach: Bonnie Hendrickson
Record at KU: 157-134 (9th season)
Career Record: 315-196 (16th season)
Career vs. South Carolina: First Meeting

## Game Information

TV: ESPN2 (Mark Jones play-by-play; Fran Fraschilla, analyst)
Radio: WISW 1320 AM (Brad Muller);
GamecocksOnline.com

## South Carolina Notables

- This is the Gamecocks' 10th appearance in the NCAA Tournament and their second-straight under head coach Dawn Staley, who is making her eighth trip to NCAAs as a head coach. Last season's run to the Sweet 16 was the best showing in the event for Staley on the sidelines. As a player, she helped Virginia to three Final Fours.
- Lauded for their defense all season, the Gamecocks are showing more efficient offense in the postseason. In two SEC Tournament games and its NCAA opener, South Carolina averages 7.3 points more than it did in the regular season (67.7-60.4). All three shooting percentages are up as well, most notably 3-point shooting as the Gamecocks have hit 36.4 percent during the postseason compared to 24.4 percent in the regular season.
- It is still defense that drives South Carolina's success, and the Gamecocks have not sacrificed it in favor of offense in the last three games. Their three opponents averaged 49.3 points on 31.7 percent shooting while being out-rebounded by 13.7 boards per game.
- Senior forward Ashley Bruner is averaging a double-double in postseason action ( $14.7 \mathrm{ppg} / 12.0 \mathrm{rpg}$ ), turning the feat in all three games. In just 28 minutes against South Dakota State, she turned in her most well-rounded performance of the season, adding three assists and four steals to her 15 points and 11 rebounds. She moved into 14th place in school history in career rebounds (689) with the effort.
- Sophomore Elem Ibiam has been a sizeable factor in the Gamecocks' postseason fortunes. Averaging 4.4 points and 3.9 rebounds in the regular season, the 6 -foot3 center has added 11.3 points and 8.0 boards per postseason outing. Since missing the Ole Miss game (Feb. 17) to have her broken nose repaired, Ibiam has averaged 8.2 points and 5.3 boards, compared to her 4.3 point and 4.0 rebound averages up to that point.
- The Gamecocks are in the midst of their secondstraight 20 -win season, just the fourth for the program since joining the SEC. South Carolina's 23 regularseason wins tied the school record, set by the 1979-80 team en route to a 30-6 finish. The Gamecocks' 25 wins this season ties for the most since 1979-80 as well.
- SEC Defensive Player of the Year Ieasia Walker has celebrated her award by pouring on the offense. In the postseason, the senior guard is averaging 12.7 points to go with her 4.7 assists, including 15 points in each of the last two games.

| Tale of the Tape |  |
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| KU |  |
| 19-13 .........................................................25-78-10 |  |
|  |  |
| 13-4 ....................Home Record.................... 13-3 |  |
| 5-8 ..................... Away Record .....................7-3 |  |
| 1-1 .....................Neutral Record.................... 5-1 |  |
| 70.0...................Points Per Game...................61.1 |  |
| 66.8...............Opp. Points Per Game .............. 49.5 |  |
|  | Field Goal \%age.................. 391 |
| .406................ Opp. Field Goal \%age .............. 350 |  |
| .317................ 3-Pt. Field Goal \%age .............. 253 |  |
| .324............Opp. 3-Pt. Field Goal \%age........... 284 |  |
| .696...................Free Throw \%age................. 563 |  |
| 12.5................FTs Made Per Game................13.5 |  |
| 16.4.................. Assists Per Game .................10.7 |  |
| -1.1 ................... Turnover Margin .................+2.4 |  |
| 38.8................Rebounds Per Game................41.9 |  |
| +1.8.................Rebounding Margin.................9.3 |  |
| 8.1....................Steals Per Game ...................8.7 |  |
| 3.9................Blocked Shots Per Game...............3.6 |  |

# 2012－13 South Carolina Media Roster 



LAST GAME： 15 pts， 4 assts， 3 stls vs．SDSU NOTABLE：SEC Defensive Player of the Year， first－team All－SEC ．．．Led the SEC with 3.1 steals per league game and is 45 th in nation with 2.7 per game overall ．．．Has 15 double－digit scoring games（ 8 SEC ）and nine with five or more steals （6 SEC）．．．Last 5 games： $13.2 \mathrm{ppg}, 4.8 \mathrm{apg}$
LAST GAME： 5 pts， 2 assts vs．SDSU
NOTABLE：Averaged 6.9 points in SEC play
Scored in double figures four of last seven games ．．．Averaged 7.8 points over last five games ．．Played career－high 35 minutes at Missouri Made game－sealing free throws against Auburn and at Florida．

LAST GAME： 6 min vs．SDSU
NOTABLE：Hit back－to－back baseline jumpers to loosen zone at Missouri ．．．Capped 25－5 1st half run vs．Vandy with 3－pointer ．．．Hit four FGs and blocked two shots against Furman ．．． Multi－faceted post who can stretch defenses with mid－range and outside shooting．
LAST GAME： 2 pts， 6 rebs vs．SDSU
NOTABLE：Has accepted challenge of shutting down opponents＇top guard ．．．Solid lock－ down defender with expanding offensive and rebounding skills ．．．Tied for second on team with six rebounds at Ole Miss

LAST GAME： 15 pts， 11 reb， 3 asst， 4 stl vs．SDSU NOTABLE：Second Team All－SEC selection ．．． Eighth in SEC in rpg and fifth in offensive rpg （3．2）．．．Has posted eight double－doubles（4 in SEC，including all three postseason games In last 5 games，averaged $13.4 \mathrm{ppg}, 9.8 \mathrm{rpg}$ Scored 12 of 15 pts vs．SDSU in first half．
LAST GAME： 8 pts， 5 rebs in 21 min vs．SDSU NOTABLE：Second－Team All－SEC selection Has nine double－doubles ．．．Is SEC＇s top offensive rebounder（3．9 Orpg）and ninth in total rpg． Team－high scorer 10 times，high rebounder 10 times ．．．Has $2010+$ point games and 11 with 10＋rebounds．

LAST GAME： 11 pts， 4 rebs vs．SDSU NOTABLE：SEC All－Freshman selection Scored double figures vs．SDSU，first time since $2 / 17$ at Ole Miss ．．．Led team in scoring seven times，rebounding six times ．．．Scored in double figures 14 times and has two double－doubles．

## LAST GAME： 5 pts， 1 asst vs．SDSU

NOTABLE：Hit key 3 during last 1st－half run vs．SDSU ．．．Tied for second on team with six rebs at Ole Miss ．．．Scored all 10 of her points at Kentucky in four－minute surge for 12－4 run that closed first half ．．．Added five pts to 6－3 first－half run at Alabama．

LAST GAME： 13 pts， 8 rebs， 3 assts vs．SDSU NOTABLE：Scored in double figures four of last eight games，including two of last three ．．． Averaged 7.6 points and 5.8 rebounds over last five games ．．．Career－high 19 pts vs．Alabama． Netted 13 of her 15 points at UK in six－minute stretch of 1st half．

PTS： 30 vs．Clemson，11／18／10 REB： 11 at Ole Miss，3／3／11 AST：8，2x，vs．Florida，3／3／13 STL：6，3x，at Georgia，1／13／13 BLK：2，7x，vs．Kentucky，1／24／13 MIN：43，2x，vs．Drexel，11／28／12

## Career Highs

PTS： 19 vs．Auburn，2／3／13
REB： 5 at Florida，1／20／13
AST： 4 vs．Savannah St．，11／15／12 STL： 4 vs．Miss．State，2／24／13 BLK： $1,3 \mathrm{x}$ ，vs．SDSU，3／23／13 MIN： 35 at Missouri，2／28／13

## Career Highs

PTS： 12 at LA Tech，11／12／12 REB： 6 vs．Savannah St．，11／15／12 AST： 2 vs．Elon，11／9／12
STL：1，3x，vs．Hampton，11／22／12 BLK： 2 vs．Furman，12／9／12
MIN： 24 vs．Sav．St．，11／15／12

## Career Highs

PTS：11，2x，at MSU，1／6／13
REB： 13 at Auburn， $1 / 19 / 12$
AST：3，2x，vs．Presby．，11／27／11 STL：3，6x，at Georgia，1／13／13 BLK： 4 vs．Drexel，11／28／12
MIN： 40 vs．Drexel，11／28／11

## Career Highs

PTS： 18 vs．Savannah St．，12／5／10 REB： 18 vs．Penn St．，11／20／11 AST： 6 vs．Miss．State，2／24／13
STL：5，2x，at Arkansas，1／27／13 BLK：4，2x，vs．Sav．St．，12／5／10 MIN：37，4x，vs．TX A\＆M，3／8／13

## Career Highs

PTS： 20 vs．Miss．State，2／24／13 REB： 15 vs．Drexel，11／28／12 AST： 4 at Kentucky，2／14／13 STL：3，3x，at Missouri，2／28／13 BLK： 4 at NC State，12／4／11
MIN： 42 vs．Drexel，11／28／12

## Career Highs

PTS： 21 vs．SC St．，12／21／12 REB：11，4x，at Florida，1／20／13 AST： 4 vs．Sav．St．，11／15／12 STL： 5 vs．Furman，12／9／12 BLK：1，4x，vs．Alabama，3／7／13 MIN：36， 2 x ，at Arkansas，1／27／13

## Career Highs

PTS： 11 vs．Sav．St．，11／15／12 REB： 10 vs．Elon，11／9／12 AST： 5 at LA Tech，11／12／12 STL： 2 at LA Tech，11／12／12 BLK：1，4x，at Miss．St．，1／6／13 MIN： 26 vs．Elon，11／9／12

## Career Highs

PTS： 19 vs．Alabama，3／7／13 REB： 11 vs．Elon，11／9／12 AST： 3 vs．SDSU，3／23／13 STL：2，2x，vs．Texas A\＆M，3／8／13 BLK：5，2x，vs．WCU，12／29／12 MIN： 29 vs．SDSU，3／23／13

## A South Carolina Win Would...

- Put the Gamecocks in the NCAA Sweet 16 for the second-straight season and the fifth time in school history.
- Be the Gamecocks' 26th of the season, the most in the SEC-era and the most since the 1979-80 team won 30.


## By the Numbers

3 Double-doubles by senior forward Ashley Bruner in the three postseason games this season, giving her eight on the season
3 Seasons since 1980-81, including the last two, in which South Carolina has won at least 25 games
4 Opponents that have scored 60 or more points against the Gamecocks this season, helping South Carolina to No. 4 in the nation in scoring defense
11.3 Points per game by sophomore center Elem Ibiam in postseason play this season (three games)
13.2 Points per game by senior guard Ieasia Walker in the last five outings, including 12.7 points per posteason contest

14 Place in total rebounds in school history for senior forward Ashley Bruner, whose 689 career boards have her 38 behind Martha Parker (1986-89) in 13th place
14 Points needed by senior guard Ieasia Walker to move into 20th place in school history in career points
17 Double-doubles posted by sophomore forward Aleighsa Welch (9) and senior forward Ashley Bruner (8) this season
42 Points in the paint for South Carolina against South Dakota State, tied for the third-most this season
44.5 Percent field goal shooting by the Gamecocks in postseason play, compared to 38.5 percent shooting at the end of the regular season
67.7 Points per game by the Gamecocks in their three postseason games after entering the SEC Tournament with a 60.4 scoring average
76.9 Percent free throw shooting by the Gamecocks against South Dakota State (March 23), a season high that included 12-of-14 (.857) accuracy in the second half

## Gamecocks' Five-Second Count

With a complementary blend of youth and experience, South Carolina opened a season 10-0 for the first time since the 1981-82 team also won its first 10 contests. The Gamecocks, now 25-7 overall and 11-5 in SEC action, have shown they have both inside and outside offensive options and are dominant on the glass this season while the defense has dropped off very little from last season's NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 effort. Four Gamecocks average more than nine points with four others netting 4.0 or more per game. South Carolina ranks ninth in the nation with a +9.3 rebounding margin and has two players ranked among the SEC's top 10 rebounders. Defensively, the Gamecocks are fourth in the nation in scoring defense, yielding just 49.5 points per game. South Carolina has held its opponent to 50 or fewer points 20 times in 31 games and limited an opponent to under 30 percent field goal shooting eight times, including Hampton (Nov. 22), which hit just 19.3 percent (11-57) from the field for the second-lowest opponent field goal percentage of the Staley era, and Vanderbilt (Jan. 10), which shot just 26.5 percent after coming into the game with the SEC's second-highest field goal accuracy at 45.2.

## Fabulous 40

South Carolina has scored at least 40 points in a half seven times this season, including two of its three postseason games. The Gamecocks' 44 first-half points against South Dakota State were the second-most in a half this season, trailing the 49 second-half points against Alabama in the SEC Tournament second round and tying their 44 in the first half at Kentucky. The Gamecocks are 6-1 on the season when scoring at least 40 points in one half.

On the other hand, South Carolina has also posted total points in the 40 s five times this season, including a season-low 40 points at then-\#13/12 Georgia. The Gamecocks are 2-3 in those low-scoring games.

## Safe at Sixty

With the Gamecocks' steady defensive effort, the offense has not had to put up gaudy numbers to win games in the Dawn Staley era. In South Carolina's 157 games under Staley, the Gamecocks have scored 60 or more points 86 times with a 68-18 record in those games. That number includes a 16-1 mark this season with the lone loss coming in the Gamecocks' 78-74 defeat at then-No. 9/7 Kentucky. Defensively, in the 129 games played in the last four seasons (including this season), a South Carolina opponent has scored 60 or more points just 29 times. The Gamecocks have won just seven of those games.

## NCAA Tournament Tally

South Carolina is making its 10th NCAA Tournament appearance and its second in as many seasons. The Gamecocks are 11-9 overall at the event, including last season's 2-1 mark en route to the Sweet 16. The program's four Sweet 16 appearances include a run to the 2002 Elite Eight - the deepest into the event any South Carolina basketball team has gone. The Gamecocks have won at least one game in the tournament in six of the nine previous seasons at the event.

South Carolina head coach Dawn Staley has taken a team to the NCAA Tournament seven times, including two South Carolina teams. She is 5-7 as a head coach at the event.

## Going Glass

Looking at South Carolina's roster of seven guards and four forwards/centers, the casual observer might think that rebounding would not be the Gamecocks' bailiwick, but South Carolina has out-rebounded its opponent in all but six games this season - at Missouri ( -8 , Feb. 28), then-\#14/16 Texas A\&M ( -9 , Feb. 10), Auburn (-7, Feb. 3), at Arkansas (-7, Jan. 27), \#5/4 Kentucky (-1, Jan. 24) and then-\#1/1 Stanford (-11, Dec. 19). The Gamecocks' effort includes six games of 20 or more rebounds more than their opponent, including a Dawn Staley era record +29 at Alabama (Feb. 7), and nine others in which they out-boarded the opposition by at least 10. The team effort has the Gamecocks ranked ninth in the nation in rebound margin at +9.3 .

## Games Led Team In... <br> (Tied for team lead in each category included)

| Scoring | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ashley Bruner | 10 | 15 | $12-3$ |
| Aleighsa Welch | 10 | 14 | $9-5$ |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 7 | 7 | $6-1$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 6 | 26 | $14-12$ |
| Khadijah Sessions | 3 | 3 | $2-1$ |
| Elem Ibiam | 2 | 2 | $1-1$ |
| Tina Roy | 0 | 2 | $2-0$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Rebounding | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2 - 1 3}$ | Career | Record |
| Ashley Bruner | 14 | 37 | $20-17$ |
| Aleighsa Welch | 10 | 26 | $22-4$ |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 6 | 6 | $5-1$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 5 | 13 | $8-5$ |
| Elem Ibiam | 4 | 5 | $5-0$ |
| Sancheon White | 3 | 6 | $3-3$ |
|  |  |  |  |
| Assists | $\mathbf{2 0 1 2 - 1 3}$ | Career | Record |
| Ieasia Walker | 21 | 49 | $31-18$ |
| Ashley Bruner | 8 | 9 | $7-2$ |
| Aleighsa Welch | 4 | 4 | $2-2$ |
| Khadijah Sessions | 3 | 3 | $2-1$ |
| Sancheon White | 2 | 4 | $4-0$ |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 2 | 2 | $2-0$ |
| Asia Dozier | 1 | 1 | $1-0$ |
| Tina Roy | 0 | 1 | $1-0$ |


| Miscellaneous Stats |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Double-Doubles | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Aleighsa Welch | 9 | 9 | 9-0 |
| Ashley Bruner | 8 | 13 | 8-5 |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 2 | 2 | 2-0 |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 1 | 1-0 |
| 30+ Points | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 1 | 1-0 |
| 20+ Points | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Ieasia Walker | 1 | 5 | 3-2 |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| Aleighsa Welch | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| 10+ Points | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Aleighsa Welch | 20 | 30 | 25-5 |
| Ashley Bruner | 17 | 37 | 28-9 |
| Ieasia Walker | 15 | 58 | 34-24 |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 14 | 14 | 12-2 |
| Elem Ibiam | 6 | 6 | 5-1 |
| Khadijah Sessions | 6 | 6 | 5-1 |
| Sancheon White | 3 | 5 | 5-0 |
| Wilka Montout | 2 | 2 | 2-0 |
| Asia Dozier | 2 | 2 | 1-1 |
| Tina Roy | 0 | 5 | 4-1 |
| 10+ Rebounds | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Aleighsa Welch | 11 | 13 | 12-1 |
| Ashley Bruner | 10 | 16 | 11-5 |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 5 | 5 | 4-1 |
| Asia Dozier | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| Elem Ibiam | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| Sancheon White | 0 | 1 | 0-1 |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 1 | 1-0 |
| 5+ Assists | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Ieasia Walker | 8 | 21 | 17-4 |
| Ashley Bruner | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| Asia Dozier | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| 5+Steals | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Ieasia Walker | 9 | 13 | 10-3 |
| Ashley Bruner | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| Tiffany Davis | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| Tiffany Mitchell | 1 | 1 | 1-0 |
| 5+ Blocks | 2012-13 | Career | Record |
| Elem Ibiam | 1 | 2 | 2-0 |

2012-13 South Carolina Basketball
South Carolina Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 23, 2013)
All games

| RECORD: | OVERALL | HOME | AWAY | NEUTRAL |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ALL GAMES | $25-7$ | $13-3$ | $7-3$ | $5-1$ |
| CONFERENCE | $11-5$ | $6-2$ | $5-3$ | $0-0$ |
| NON-CONFERENCE | $14-2$ |  | $7-1$ | $2-0$ |
|  |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total |  | 3-Point | F-Throw |
|  |  |  | Rebounds |  |




