## 2011-12 Schedule

Fri., Nov. 4
Fri., Nov. 11
Mon., Nov. 14
Thu., Nov. 17
Sun., Nov. 20
Wed., Nov. 23
Sun., Nov. 27
Wed., Nov. 30
Sun., Dec. 4
Sun., Dec. 11
Wed., Dec. 14

Limestone (Exh.) at Illinois Alabama A\&M at Clemson \#11/12 Penn State (SS) C. of Charleston (SS) Presbyterian (SS) at Xavier at NC State Furman (SS)
South Carolina State Carolina's Challenge (Myrtle Beach, S Sun., Dec. 18 vs. \#18/16 N. Carolina
Wed., Dec. 21 Savannah State
Wed., Dec. 28 at Drexel
Sun., Jan. 1 Alabama*
Thu., Jan. 5 \#24/21 Vanderbilt*
Sun., Jan. 8 at Florida*
Thu., Jan. 12
Sun., Jan. 15 at LSU* \#9/8 Kentucky* at Auburn*
Sun., Jan. 22
Thu., Jan. 26
Sun., Jan. 29
Thu., Feb. 2
Thu., Feb. 9 at Vanderbilt* (ESPNU) Ole Miss* (FSN) Mississippi St.* (SECN) at Tennessee* (CSS) at Arkansas*
Sun., Feb. 12 Florida* (ESPN2)
Thu., Feb. 16 Georgia* (FSN)
Sun., Feb. 19 at Alabama* (FSN)
Thu., Feb. 23 at Kentucky*
Sun., Feb. 26 Arkansas* (SECN) SEC Tournament (Nashville, Tenn.)
Thu., Mar. $1 \quad$ First Round (FSN)
W, 84-53 W, 71-52 W, 60-53 W, 65-48 L, 50-55 W, 59-40 W, 52-24 W, 67-56 L, 53-55 W, 72-33 W, 66-21 .C.) W, 79-48 W, 65-39 W, 62-58 W, 68-42 W, 65-55 W, 49-44 L, 48-58 L, 58-66 7 p.m. 1:30 p.m. 7 p.m. 2 p.m.
7 p.m.
8 p.m.
5 p.m.
7 p.m.
3 p.m.
7 p.m.
2 p.m.

Fri., Mar. 2 Quarterfinals (FSN) TBA
Sat., Mar. 3 Semifinals (ESPNU) TBA
Sun., Mar. 4 Final (ESPN2) TBA
All Times Listed as Eastern

* indicates SEC game

SS is SportSouth; FSN is SportsSouth, Fox Sports Southwest and Sun Sports; SECN is SEC Network; CSS is Charter Sports Southeast.


## Uniform Patch

The Gamecocks have added a patch to their uniforms this season to honor teammate Shelbretta Ball, who was medically disqualified from playing this fall. The team wanted Brett and everyone watching to know that she will always be an integral part of them and what they achieve this season.


## South Carolina Gamecocks (14-4, 3-2 SEC)

Head Coach: Dawn Staley
Record at South Carolina: 56-52 (4th season)
Career Record: 228-132 (12th season)
Record vs. Auburn: 3-2

## Auburn Tigers (9-9, 1-4 SEC)

Head Coach: Nell Fortner
Record at Auburn: 141-98 (8th season)
Career Record: 158-109 (9th season)
Record vs. South Carolina: 4-7

## Game Information

Auburn Series: AU leads 20-15
In Auburn: AU leads 11-5
In Columbia: SC leads 9-7
At Neutral Site: UA leads 2-1

TV: None
Radio: WISW 1320 AM (Brad Muller); GamecocksOnline.com
Live Stats: GamecocksOnline.com

## South Carolina Notables

- This is the 38th season of women's basketball at South Carolina and the Gamecocks' 21 st season in the SEC.
- South Carolina is second in the SEC in rebounding margin in conference games (+7.4) and has three players ranked among the league's top 20 rebounders in league games, despite being one of just two teams in the league with fewer than three players who stand 6 -foot-1 or taller.
- Freshman forward Aleighsa Welch is second in the SEC in field goal percentage, shooting 63.3 percent on the season. She is the Gamecocks' top scorer in conference play, pouring in 12.4 points per game and has pulled in a team-best 7.4 rebounds per contest.
- South Carolina's defense, rated second in the nation in points allowed (45.2), has held nine opponents to 48 or fewer points this season.
- Senior forward Charenee Stephens is tied for team-high honors with 6.3 rebounds per game over the last three contests. She has led the team on the glass in four of the last seven games, including against then-\#9/8 Kentucky.
- Senior guard La'Keisha Sutton has averaged 11.0 points over the last three games and has netted double figures in four of the team's five SEC games.


Probable starters noted by shaded background and are based on previous game


Imani Sellers
5-8 • Jr. • Guard • Holly Hill, S.C.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
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| 0.5 | 0.5 | 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.2 | 3.5 |
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## Ebony Wilson

5-8 • Sr. • Guard • Newark, N.J.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
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| 1.4 | 1.1 | 0.2 | 0.6 | 0.1 | 8.8 |
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## Ieasia Walker

5-8 • Jr. • Guard • Amityville, N.Y.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
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| 7.8 | 4. | 2.7 | 2.4 | 0.3 | 29.0 |


| 7.8 | 4.1 | 2.7 | 2.4 | 0.3 | 29.0 |
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Markeshia Grant
5-6 • Sr. • Guard • Tampa, Fla.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 9.6 | 2.6 | 2.2 | 1.1 | 0.1 | 25.2 |

La'Keisha Sutton
5-8 • Sr. • Guard •Trenton, N.J.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 8.8 | 2.7 | 2.8 | 1.5 | 0.3 | 28.1 |

Charenee Stephens
6-0 • Sr. • Forward • Decatur, Ga.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
| :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | :--- | | 4.7 | 4.9 | 0.2 | 0.7 | 0.4 | 18.4 |
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## Sancheon White

5-10 • Jr. • Guard • Hammon, Ind. | PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
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| 5.1 | 2.7 | 0.7 | 1.2 | 0.4 | 15.3 |

## Ashley Bruner

6-0 • Jr. • Forward • Norman, Okla.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
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| 7.2 | 5.6 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 0.8 | 22.1 |
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## Courtney Newton

5-9 • Sr. • Forward • Flowery Branch, Ga. \begin{tabular}{|l|l|l|l|l|l|}
\hline PPG \& RPG \& APG \& SPG \& BPG \& MPG <br>
\hline 0 \& 0.8 \& 0.0 \& 0.4 \& 0 \& 12.0 <br>
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\hline 0.6 \& 1.8 \& 0.0 \& 0.4 \& 0.1 \& 12.0 <br>
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\end{tabular}

## Tina Roy

5-11•Fr. - Guard • Kaplan, La.

PPG \begin{tabular}{l|l|l|l|l|l|}
\hline RPG \& APG \& SPG \& BPG \& MPG <br>
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## Aleighsa Welch

6-0 • Fr. •Forward • Goose Creek, S.C. \begin{tabular}{|l|l|l|l|l|l|}
PPG \& RPG \& APG \& SPG \& BPG \& MPG <br>
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\hline 9.3 \& 6.3 \& 0.6 \& 0.6 \& 0.9 \& 20.8 <br>
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## Pamela Decheva

6-1 • Fr. •Forward • Sofia, Bulgaria

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
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| 0.3 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 3.5 |

## Elem Ibiam

6-3 • Fr. • Forward • Fayetteville, Ga.

| PPG | RPG | APG | SPG | BPG | MPG |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3.2 | 3.6 | 0.1 | 0.1 | 0.8 | 8.6 |

- Has played in 10 games this season
- Blocked two shots against Furman
- Joined team as a walk-on in August 2010
- High energy, great teammate


## Career Highs

PTS: 3, 2x, vs. Presby, 11/27/11 REBS: 2, 3x , vs. UNC, 12/18/11 ASTS: $1,3 \mathrm{x}$, vs. Sav. St., 12/21/11 STLS: 1 vs. Sav. St., 12/21/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 8 vs. High Pt., 12/2/09 REBS: $5,2 \mathrm{x}$, at PSU, $11 / 21 / 10$ ASTS: 3 vs. SC St., 12/14/11 STLS: 3, 2x, at NC St., 12/4/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 30 vs. Clemson, 11/18/10 REBS: 11 at Ole Miss, $1 / 16 / 11$ ASTS: 6, 3x, vs. UNC, 12/18/11 STLS: 6 vs. Furman, 12/11/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 22 vs. Furman, 12/11/11 REBS: 9 vs. Ole Miss, 3/3/11 ASTS: 6 vs. Ala. A\&M, 11/14/11 STLS: 3 vs. Clemson, 11/18/10

## Career Highs

PTS: 24, 2x, vs. Auburn, 2/20/11 REBS: 7 at Ole Miss, $1 / 22 / 09$ ASTS: $8,2 \mathrm{x}$, vs. Florida, 1/9/11 STLS: 7 at Clemson, 11/17/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 20 vs. SDSU, 11/28/09 REBS: 13 vs. CSU, 12/1/10 BLKS: 3 vs. Illinois, 11/15/10 STLS: 3, 2x, vs. Georgia, 2/25/10

## Career Highs

PTS: 10, 2x, vs. Sav. St., 12/21/11 REBS: 8 at NC State, $12 / 4 / 11$ ASTS: 3, 2x, vs. Presby., 11/27/11 STLS: 3 at NC State, 12/4/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 18 vs. Sav. St., 12/5/10 REBS: 18 vs. Penn St., 11/20/11 ASTS: 4 vs. Sav. St., 12/21/11 STLS: 4, 4x, vs. Furman, 12/11/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 17 vs. Buffalo, 11/17/07 REBS: 7, 2x, LSU, 2/24/11 BLKS: 2 vs. Alabama, 1/23/11 STLS: 4, 2x, at Florida, 2/22/09

## Career Highs

PTS: 15 vs. Presby, 11/27/11 REBS: 5 at LSU, $1 / 12 / 12$ ASTS: 2 vs. Alabama, 1/1/12 STLS: 2 vs. Presby, 11/27/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 19 vs. Vanderbilt, 1/5/12 REBS: 10 vs. Alabama, $1 / 1 / 12$ BLKS: 4 at NC State, 12/4/11 STLS: 3 at Xavier, 11/30/11

## Career Highs

PTS: 3 vs. Alabama, 1/1/12 REBS: 1 vs. SC St., 12/14/11 ASTS: 1 vs. Furman, 12/11/11 STLS: -

## Career Highs

PTS: 7 vs. Furman, 12/11/11 REBS: 7 vs. SC St., 12/14/11 BLKS: 3 vs. Xavier, 11/30/11 STLS: 1 vs. Furman, 12/11/11

## Quick Facts

## The University

Location: Columbia, S.C.
Founded: 1801
Enrollment: 29,957
Colors: Garnet (PMS 202) and Black
Nickname: Gamecocks
Conference: Southeastern
President: Dr. Harris Pastides
Athletics Director: Eric Hyman
Facility: Colonial Life Arena $(18,000)$
Coaching Staff
Head Coach: Dawn Staley
Alma Mater: Virginia, 1992
Overall Record: 228-132 (12th season)
School Record: 56-52 (4th season)
Assoc. Head Coach (Alma Mater):
Lisa Boyer (Ithaca, 1972)
Assistant Coaches (Alma Mater):
Nikki McCray (Tennessee, 1995)
Darius Taylor (Michigan, 2000)
Dir. of Basketball Operations (Alma Mater):
Cynthia Jordan (Temple, 2004)

## Team Information

2010-11 Record: 18-15
Home: 14-5 Away: 3-8 Neutral: 1-2
SEC Record (Finish): 8-8 (T-5th)
Home: 5-3 Away: 3-5
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2

## Program History

First Year of Women's Basketball: 1974-75
All-Time Record: 636-481 (38th season)
All-Time SEC Record: 84-188 (21st season)
NCAA Appearances (Last): 8 (2003)
NCAA Tournament Record: 8-8
WNIT Appearances (Last): 4 (2011)
WNIT Record: 3-4

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## Current Gamecock Streaks

|  | Total | Home | Road | Neut. |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Overall | L2 | L1 | L1 | W1 |
| SEC | L2 | L1 | L1 | - |
| Non-Conference | W5 | W5 | W1 | W1 |
| Ranked Teams | L1 | L1 | L2 | W1 |

## A South Carolina Win Would...

- Be the Gamecocks' 15 th of the season, matching the 2002-03 team's $15-4$ start to the season.
- Make the Gamecocks 3-2 in the SEC for the second time in the last three seasons, matching the 2009-10 team's start for the best of the Staley era.
- Be the Gamecocks' sixth on the road this season, making it the first season in which South Carolina has won more than five true road games since 1990-91.
- Be the Gamecocks' fourth over Auburn in the last five meetings, including two wins on the Tigers' home court.


## By the Numbers

2 National rank for the Gamecocks in scoring defense
3 Gamecocks that rank among the SEC's top 20 rebounders in league games, despite being one of just two teams with fewer than three players who stand at least 6-foot-1
4 Categories in which freshman Aleighsa Welch ranks among the SEC's top 15 in league games field goal percentage (6th), offensive rebounds (3rd), rebounds (6th) and scoring (14th).
5 Categories in which South Carolina ranks among the SEC's top three in league games, all of which are at least partially defense-related - scoring defense (2nd), 3-point field goal defense (1st), rebounding defense (2nd), rebounding margin (2nd), steals (2nd)
8 Gamecocks on the active roster of 13 who have recorded at least one double-digit scoring game
11 Games this season that have been decided by more than 10 points, all won by the Gamecocks
16 Games in which South Carolina has had a lead at halftime, during which the Gamecocks are 14-2

## Last Time Out

South Carolina held the high-scoring Kentucky offense well below its average, but suffered a 6658 loss to the No. $9 / 8$ Wildcats on Sunday afternoon at Colonial Life Arena. Turnovers were the Gamecocks' undoing for the second-straight game as Kentucky scored nearly half of its points (30) off 29 Gamecock turnovers. Three South Carolina players scored in double figures, and senior Charenee Stephens led the team on the glass for the fourth time in the last seven games.

## Auburn Series Notes

The Tigers lead the series $20-15$ but the Gamecocks have won three of the last four meetings, including a sweep of the 2009-10 home-and-home series. South Carolina has split its last two games in Auburn, dropping a 54-47 decision on Jan. 30, 2011, at Auburn Arena after posting a $61-58$ victory in their last meeting at Beard-Eaves Memorial Coliseum on Feb. 4, 2010.

Senior guard La'Keisha Sutton has been the most productive Gamecocks against Auburn, averaging 11.6 points and 3.2 assists over her five career games. She tied her career high with 24 against the Tigers in the last meeting. Forward Ashley Bruner thrived in two meetings last season, posting 14.5 points and 7.0 rebounds per game on 56.5 percent field goal shooting.

## Road Warriors

South Carolina has a 184-232 (.442) all-time record on the road. The Gamecocks' best season on the road was 1979-80 when they went 11-4. Under head coach Dawn Staley, South Carolina is 15-23 in road games. In her 11th season as a head coach, Staley has a 77-69 road record.

The Gamecocks are 5-2 on the road so far this season, matching the most true road games South Carolina has won under Staley, which the 200910 team also amassed. The Gamecocks have not won more than five true road games in a season since the 1990-91 squad went 6-4.

## Life in the League

South Carolina is $84-188$ all-time in its 21 st season SEC regular-season play. The Gamecocks are 55-82 in SEC games played in Columbia with

Gamecocks in the Rankings
(SEC thru 1/15; NCAA thru 1/15)

| Team | SEC | NCAA | Actual |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Scoring Offense | 11th | 184th | 61.6 |
| Scoring Defense | 1st | 2nd | 47.1 |
| Field Goal Percentage | 7th | 144th | . 392 |
| Field Goal \%age Def. | 6th | 86th | . 366 |
| 3-Point FG \%age | 12th | - | . 235 |
| 3-Point FG \%age Def. | 1 st | 1st | . 199 |
| 3-Point FG Made/Gm. | 11th | 254th | 3.8 |
| Free Throw Percentage | 12th | 330th | . 585 |
| Rebounding Offense | 10th | - | 39.6 |
| Rebounding Defense | 1st | - | 32.3 |
| Rebounding Margin | 2nd | 30th | +7.2 |
| Assists | 10th | 245th | 11.3 |
| Steals | 3rd | 65th | 10.6 |
| Turnover Margin | 3rd | 20th | +5.5 |
| Blocked Shots | 9th | 109th | 4.1 |
| Ashley Bruner | SEC | NCAA | Actual |
| Rebounding | 19th | - | 5.6 |
| Markeshia Grant | SEC | NCAA | Actual |
| Scoring | 27th | - | 9.6 |
| La'Keisha Sutton | SEC | NCAA | Actual |
| Assists | 14th | - | 2.8 |
| Free Throw \%age | 13th | - | . 706 |
| Ieasia Walker | SEC | NCAA | Actual |
| Steals | 6th | 100th | 2.4 |
| Aleighsa Welch | SEC | NCAA | Actual |
| Rebounding | 12th | - | 6.3 |
| Field Goal \%age | 2nd | - | . 633 |

a 29-106 record on the road. The Gamecocks are 18-19 in conference play since head coach Dawn Staley's first season in the league yielded a 2-12 mark. The Gamecocks' 3-2 start to league action in 2009-10 was its best five-game open since the 2001-02 squad went $4-1$. Overall, Staley boasts a 119-56 record in league play, including eight seasons leading her Temple teams to a 99-25 Atlantic 10 mark.

## Bringing the Defense

In the NCAA statistical rankings released through games of Jan. 15, the South Carolina defense was second in the nation in points allowed per game (47.1) behind just Connecticut (44.7). The Gamecocks have allowed more than 55 points just four times in 18 games this season - Kentucky 66 (Jan. 15), LSU 58 (Jan. 12), Drexel 58 (Dec.

| All-Time Records vs. SEC |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Opponent | Overall | Under Staley | Regular Season | SEC <br> Tourn. | H | A | N | Streak | Last |
| Alabama | 14-15 | 4-0 | 11-12 | 0-2 | 9-5 | 5-8 | 0-2 | Won 4 | W: 68-42, 1/1/12 (H) |
| Arkansas | 8-16 | 1-2 | 8-14 | 0-2 | 6-5 | 2-9 | 0-2 | Won 1 | W: 64-62, 2/6/11 (A) |
| Auburn | 15-20 | 3-2 | 10-14 | 1-1 | 9-7 | 5-11 | 1-2 | Won 1 | W: 65-49, 2/20/11 (H) |
| Florida | 9-20 | 1-4 | 7-18 | 0-2 | 3-10 | 6-8 | 0-2 | Won 1 | W: 49-44, 1/8/12 (A) |
| Georgia | 6-31 | 2-4 | 5-19 | 0-2 | 3-13 | 2-14 | 1-4 | Lost 1 | L: 34-66, 3/4/11 (N) |
| Kentucky | 18-29 | 2-5 | 14-22 | 0-1 | 13-9 | 5-17 | 0-3 | Lost 1 | L: 58-66, 1/15/12 (H) |
| LSU | 4-22 | 1-5 | 3-22 | 1-0 | 2-10 | 1-12 | 1-0 | Lost 2 | L: 48-58, 1/12/12 (A) |
| Ole Miss | 14-17 | 4-2 | 10-12 | 2-4 | 8-4 | 4-8 | 2-5 | Won 2 | W: 62-50, 3/3/11 (N) |
| Miss. State | 10-16 | 1-3 | 9-13 | 0-2 | 7-5 | 3-9 | 0-2 | Won 1 | W: 60-53, 2/13/11 (A) |
| Tennessee | 1-42 | 0-5 | 0-24 | 0-2 | 1-18 | 0-20 | 0-4 | Lost 40 | L: 60-82, 2/17/11 (A) |
| Vanderbilt | 7-21 | 2-2 | 7-18 | 0-2 | 5-8 | 2-11 | 0-2 | Won 1 | W: 65-55, 1/5/12 (H) |
| Totals | 106-249 | 21-34 | 84-188 | 4-20 | 66-94 | 35-127 | 8-28 | Lost 1 |  |

28), Xavier 56 (Nov. 30) and have held nine opponents to 48 or fewer points.

Under head coach Dawn Staley, stingy defense has been a staple of the Gamecock game plan. South Carolina has allowed just 59.7 points per game on Staley's watch, including a 47.1 average this season and a 59.6 mark in 2010-11. In the last two seasons, the Gamecocks held their opponent to 55 or fewer points in a game 28 times, including 14 of 18 games this season. In the 108 games with Staley at the helm, South Carolina has held an opponent to 55 points or fewer 36 times. In that same period, an opponent has netted 70 or more points in a game just 26 times.

## How Do They Go So Low?

One of the more interesting facets of the Gamecocks' stifling defense is that they have not necessarily held opponents to a sub-par shooting percentage. Through Staley's tenure, opponents have shot 41.0 percent from the field. South Carolina has shot 39.4 percent during that time with the Gamecocks' season field goal percentage exceeding that of its opponents just once (2009-10). The defensive success appears to come from limiting opponent shot attempts entirely as South Carolina has put up more shots than its opponents every season except Staley's first (2008-09). This season alone, the Gamecocks have taken 10.4 more shots per game than their opponents. South Carolina has had fewer shot attempts than its opponent just once this season - Kentucky (Jan. 15).

## Good Hands

South Carolina is ranked 20th in the country and third in the SEC with a +5.5 turnover margin. The trio of experienced guards have helped the Gamecocks on both sides of the turnover margin. The Gamecocks have forced 20 or more turnovers in 11 of their 18 games this season while committing 20 or more turnovers only three times ( 29 vs. Kentucky, Jan. 15; 25 at LSU, Jan. 12; 22 vs. College of Charleston, Nov. 23).

| AP Top 25 <br> (January 15) |  |  |  |  |
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## Triple Play

Coming into the season, may observers felt the fate of the Gamecocks' season rested largely in the hands of its experienced backcourt - seniors Markeshia Grant and La'Keisha Sutton and junior Ieasia Walker. Through the first 17 games, that has certainly been the case as between their points and assists, the trio has contributed to 60.0 percent of the team's 61.6 points per game.

Grant is leading the trio in scoring with her team-high 9.6 points per game, which ranks 27 th in the SEC. Sutton is atop the assist category as her 2.8 per game are 14th in the league standings. Walker leads the defensive effort, ranking sixth in the SEC with 2.4 steals per game.

## Not So Fast

While the backcourt got all the attention leading into the season, the frontcourt has made significant contributions to the team's success as well.

The unanticipated spark of the season as been freshman forward Aleighsa Welch. Surprising head coach Dawn Staley with her consistent play and ability to absorb and apply every teaching point, the six-foot Goose Creek, S.C., product is second on the team with 9.3 points per game and leads the club in rebounding at 6.3 per contest,


## Upcoming Games

## January 19

Alabama at Florida, 7 p.m. (SUN)
\#6/6 Kentucky at \#15/14 Georgia, 7 p.m.
LSU at \#9/9 Tennessee, $7 \mathrm{p} . \mathrm{m}$. (CSS)
\#25/23 Vanderbilt at Arkansas, 8 p.m.
Mississippi state at Ole Miss, 8 p.m.

## January 22

Florida at \#6/6 Kentucky, 2 p.m. (SECN)
Arkansas at LSU, 3 p.m. (FSN)
Auburn at Mississippi State, 3 p.m. \#15/14 Georgia at Ole Miss, 3 p.m. (CSS)

## Recent Games

## January 15

Florida def. LSU, 62-58
\#6/7 Tennessee def. \#25/24 Vanderbilt, 87-64
Arkansas def. Auburn, 59-39
Ole Miss def. Alabama, 69-55
\#19/16 Georgia def. Mississippi State, 68-51

## January 12

\#19/16 Georgia def. Florida, 61-55
\#9/8 Kentucky def. \#6/7 Tennessee, 61-60
Ole Miss def. Arkansas, 60-54
Mississippi State def. Alabama, 66-61
\#25/24 Vanderbilt def. Auburn, 66-58

Rankings are listed as AP/ESPN Poll All Times Eastern; TV Network in ()

which also ranks her 12th in the SEC. Her 63.3 percent field goal accuracy is second in the league as well.

While Welch has been the more recent catalyst in the frontcourt, junior Ashley Bruner had a significant hand in much of the season's early success as she spent most of the season's first month as the team's top scorer and rebounder and continues to provide solid support numbers.

## Tough to Scout

Throughout the preseason, head coach Dawn Staley talked about the versatility of her team as a key to the season's success. While she may have been speaking more about the various ways individual players could score, it has been the Gamecocks' ability to get points from various locations that has delivered the program's best opening record since Staley arrived in Columbia. In 18 games, seven different players have led the team in scoring - Markeshia Grant, Ieasia Walker, Aleighsa Welch, Ashley Bruner, Tina Roy, La'Keisha Sutton and Charenee Stephens. In all, eight different Gamecocks have scored in double figures at least once this season.

## Helping Hand

With arguably the best point guard in international women's basketball history at the helm, South Carolina has been at its best when its assist numbers are highest. In the Dawn Staley era (2008-09 through present), the Gamecocks are 42-16 when handing out 10 or more assists, including a 10-1 mark this season. When missing the 10 -assist plateau, South Carolina is just $15-37$ overall with Staley, including a 5-22 mark in SEC action. That overall record includes this season's 4-3 ledger.

## Defense Is the Difference

How solid is the South Carolina defense this season? Just look at its performances against four of the nation's top 25 offenses.

Most recently, the Gamecocks took on the fifth-highest scoring team in the nation in then-\#9/8 Kentucky (Jan. 15). South Carolina limited the high-flying Wildcat offense 15 points below its season average, allowing just 66 points when UK came in avraging 81.1 per game.

The Gamecocks limited Vanderbilt (Jan. 5) to just 55 points after the Commodores entered the game ranked ninth in the country with 80.0 points per game. South Carolina crippled the nation's top 3 -point shooting team, which entered the game shooting 43.8 percent from the arc and making 6.5 3-pointers per game, allowing Vanderbilt to take just six 3-pointers in the game, making one of them.

Entering its Dec. 18 game against the Gamecocks, North Carolina led the nation in scoring, pouring

## Team Specialty Stats



Starters vs. Bench Points

|  | SC <br> Starters | Opp. <br> Starters | SC <br> Bench | Opp. <br> Bench |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11/11 at Ill. | 35 | 40 | 36 | 12 |
| 11/14 Ala. A\&M | 33 | 49 | 27 | 4 |
| 11/17 at Clemson | 36 | 33 | 29 | 15 |
| 11/20 Penn St. | 38 | 45 | 17 | 10 |
| 11/23 CofC | 24 | 28 | 35 | 12 |
| 11/27 Presby. | 10 | 19 | 42 | 5 |
| 11/30 at Xavier | 28 | 40 | 39 | 16 |
| 12/4 at NC St. | 25 | 49 | 28 | 6 |
| 12/11 Furman | 43 | 9 | 29 | 24 |
| 12/14 SC State | 33 | 10 | 33 | 11 |
| 12/18 vs. UNC | 52 | 34 | 27 | 14 |
| 12/21 Sav. St. | 27 | 30 | 38 | 9 |
| 12/28 at Drexel | 49 | 51 | 13 | 7 |
| 1/1 Ala. | 27 | 38 | 41 | 4 |
| 1/5 Vandy | 35 | 37 | 30 | 18 |
| 1/8 at Fla. | 31 | 37 | 18 | 7 |
| $1 / 12$ at LSU | 22 | 39 | 26 | 19 |
| 1/15 Kentucky | 33 | 33 | 25 | 33 |
| $1 / 19$ at Auburn |  |  |  |  |
| 1/22 at Vandy |  |  |  |  |
| 1/26 Ole Miss |  |  |  |  |
| 1/29 Miss. St. |  |  |  |  |
| 2/2 at Tenn. |  |  |  |  |
| 2/9 at Ark. |  |  |  |  |
| 2/12 Fla. |  |  |  |  |
| 2/16 Georgia |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{2 / 19}$ at Ala. |  |  |  |  |
| $\underline{2 / 23}$ at Ky. |  |  |  |  |
| 2/26 Ark. |  |  |  |  |

## Miscellaneous Stats

| Double-Doubles | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ashley Bruner | 1 | 4 | $2-2$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 0 | 7 | $4-3$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 1 | $1-0$ |


| 30+ Points | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 1 | $1-0$ |


| 20+ Points | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Markeshia Grant | 2 | 2 | $2-0$ |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 1 | 6 | $4-2$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 4 | $2-2$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 0 | 1 | $1-0$ |


| 10+ Points | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 11 | 54 | $28-26$ |
| Aleighsa Welch | 9 | 9 | $6-3$ |
| Markeshia Grant | 8 | 16 | $13-3$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 7 | 37 | $21-16$ |
| Ashley Bruner | 4 | 15 | $10-5$ |
| Tina Roy | 3 | 3 | $3-0$ |
| Sancheon White | 2 | 2 | $2-0$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 2 | 19 | $13-6$ |
| Courtney Newton | 0 | 4 | $3-1$ |


| 10+ Rebounds | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ashley Bruner | 2 | 5 | $3-2$ |
| Aleighsa Welch | 1 | 1 | $1-0$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 0 | 13 | $6-7$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 0 | 1 | $1-0$ |


| 5+ Assists | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ieasia Walker | 3 | 7 | $5-2$ |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 2 | 22 | $13-9$ |
| Markeshia Grant | 1 | 1 | $1-0$ |
| Courtney Newton | 0 | 1 | $1-0$ |


| 5+ Steals | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| leasia Walker | 2 | 4 | $2-2$ |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 1 | 4 | $3-1$ |
|  |  |  |  |

Games Led Team In...
(Tied for team lead in each category included)

| Scoring | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Ieasia Walker | 4 | 18 | $10-8$ |
| Markeshia Grant | 4 | 6 | $5-1$ |
| Aleighsa Welch | 4 | 4 | $2-2$ |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 3 | 22 | $9-13$ |
| Ashley Bruner | 2 | 5 | $3-2$ |
| Tina Roy | 2 | 2 | $2-0$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 1 | 4 | $4-0$ |
| Courtney Newton | 0 | 2 | $2-0$ |


| Rebounding | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Aleighsa Welch | 8 | 8 | $8-0$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 6 | 28 | $14-14$ |
| Ashley Bruner | 5 | 20 | $10-10$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 2 | 7 | $4-3$ |
| Markeshia Grant | 1 | 4 | $3-1$ |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 1 | 3 | $2-1$ |
| Courtney Newton | 1 | 3 | $1-2$ |
| Sancheon White | 2 | 2 | $1-1$ |
| Ebony Wilson | 0 | 1 | $0-1$ |


| Assists | 2011-12 | Career | Record |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| La'Keisha Sutton | 7 | 54 | $27-27$ |
| Ieasia Walker | 7 | 18 | $10-8$ |
| Markeshia Grant | 6 | 8 | $6-2$ |
| Ashley Bruner | 1 | 2 | $0-2$ |
| Ebony Wilson | 1 | 1 | $1-0$ |
| Sancheon White | 1 | 1 | $1-0$ |
| Ashley Bruner | 1 | 1 | $1-0$ |
| Courtney Newton | 0 | 5 | $4-1$ |
| Charenee Stephens | 0 | 1 | $0-1$ |

in 87.5 points per game. South Carolina allowed the Tar Heels just 54.9 percent of that average 48 points - the lowest scoring output for the Tar Heels since Connecticut held them to 47 points on Jan. 9, 2010. Even with that limited offense against the Gamecocks, North Carolina still ranks among the nation's top 10 in scoring offense.

The first evidence of the stingy South Carolina defense came early in the season when the Gamecocks allowed Penn State, which is currently ranked 23rd in the nation in scoring offense, just 55 points on Nov. 20. The Lady Lions have not scored lower than 65 points in any other game this season and have topped out at 103 in three games.

## Locking It Down

South Carolina has held an opponent to 48 or fewer points nine times this season, the most since the 2005-06 squad limited its foes to that number a school-record 11 times. South Carolina has never lost a game when holding an opponent to 48 or fewer points, which it has done in a total of 109 games (two games in the 1980-81 season were later forfeited).

## Reading the Rankings

South Carolina was ranked No. 24 in the Associated Press poll last week (Jan. 9), making it the first ranking for the Gamecocks since the end of the 2002-03 season, which they closed at No. 16. South Carolina spent the majority of the 2001-02 and 2002-03 seasons in the national rankings, peaking at No. 7 in the Jan. 21, 2002, poll.

The Gamecocks have played 321 games while nationally ranked with a 163-70 (.700) record, including an 89-20 (.817) mark at home. While ranked, South Carolina boasts a 16-6 record against teams ranked below it in the polls and is 13-29 against teams ranking above it.

Gamecock head coach Dawn Staley has led a nationally ranked team before as her Temple squads

## Scoring Differentials

Largest lead in a win . by 47 (66-19), 2nd-2:14 vs. SC State, 12/14/11
Largest deficit overcome to win ............................................ 8 (7-15), 1st-11:18 at Drexel, 12/28/11
Largest lead given up in a loss....................................... by 10 (30-20), 2nd-19:21 at LSU, 1/12/12
Largest deficit in a loss...................................................... by 13 (53-40), 2nd-2:54 at LSU, 1/12/12

## On the Horizon

Head coach Dawn Staley inked four players in the early signing period. Below is a brief look at each of the future Gamecocks.

- Tiffany Davis (Houston, Texas/Westbury Christian) is a 5-foot-8 point guard rated the 29th in the 2012 class at that position. Before transferring to Westbury Christian, she helped Westside High to the 2011 District 20-5A championship game. Davis earned all-region and first-team all-district honors as a junior, netting 16.0 points per game.
- Asia Dozier (Columbia, S.C./Spring Valley) is a 5-foot-11 guard who helped Spring Valley to state championships in 2009 and 2011. Rated the 34thbest guard in the 2012 class and a four-star player by ESPN Hoop/Gurlz, Dozier averaged 17.1 ppg and 3.8 apg as a junior as the Lady Vikings went 29-0. As a freshman, her 18.3 ppg and 3.8 apg earned her Class 4A Area Player of the Year honors from The State newspaper. Her father, Perry, and uncle Terry Dozier also played basketball for the Gamecocks.
- Tiffany Mitchell (Charlotte, N.C./Providence Day) is a 5-foot-10 guard who is rated among the top 50 players in the 2012 class by ESPN Hoop/Gurlz. She earned South Charlotte player of the year honors and was an Associated Press All-State selection after averaging 18.4 points, 6.9 rebounds, 4.2 steals and 3.9 assists as a junior. She guided the Chargers to 21 straight wins in 2010-11, including the program's second-straight NCISAA state title.
- Khadijah Sessions (Myrtle Beach, S.C./Myrtle Beach) is a 5 -foot- 6 point guard rated the seventh-best in the class at her position by ESPN Hoop/ Gurlz. The 40th-ranked player overall, she averaged 17.9 points and 5.7 assists as a junior while leading the Seahawks to their second-straight AAA state championship. A member of the all-state team, Sessions also captured all-region honors last season.
were in the rankings for a total of 26 weeks during her eight seasons at the helm. Staley is one of 37 coaches who have coached multiple teams in the national rankings, only 21 of which are currently still coaching at the NCAA Division I level.


## Making a Name for Herself

In December, senior guard La'Keisha Sutton etched her names among the top guards in South Carolina women's basketball history. Handing out her 300th career assist against Drexel (Dec. 28) and scoring her 1,000th career point against South Carolina State (Dec. 14), making her just the 11th Gamecock to achieve both milestones in her career. The last to hit both marks was Cristina Ciocan in 2003-04.

Sutton's 1,000th career point game just 8:40 into the 100th game of her career on a trademark drive through the lane. Her effort against South Carolina State, which ended with 12 points, made her just the 27 th player in school history to score at least 1,000 points. She also became the 48th player to play in 100 career games in that outing. Her 300th assist came just in time for the Gamecocks to hold off a late rally by Drexel. After driving the lane, Sutton found Ashley Bruner on the right block for a bucket that ended a four-minute scoring drought for the Gamecocks.

## Record Book Rewrite

The South Carolina defense made its mark on the program's record book just 10 games into the 2011-12 season. The Gamecocks both tied and broken the previous record for fewest points allowed in a game - holding Presbyterian to 24 to tie the mark on Nov. 27 then limiting SC State to just 21 to reset the record on Dec. 14. Presbyterian's 11 second-half points lowered that record by two, while SC State's 13 in the second stanza tied the previous low. The Lady Bulldogs became just the fifth opponent in Gamecock history to fail to reach double figures in the first half, and they now hold the Gamecocks' record for lowest opponent field goal percentage at 12.5 ( 6 -of-48).

## Judging January

The Gamecocks are 175-176 (.499) all-time in the month of January, including a 102-74 (.580) record at home. Under head coach Dawn Staley, South Carolina is 13-18 in the first month of the year. The Gamecocks went 2-6 in Staley's first year at the helm (2008-09) and were 4-5 in each of the last two seasons. The Gamecocks are 3-2 so far this month.

## Watching the Gamecocks

Fans can catch up with the Gamecocks on television 12 times this season, including a pair of games on the ESPN family of networks. South Carolina will also live stream video of all of its non-televised home games for free via its official athletics website, www.GamecocksOnline.com.

## Preseason Props

SEC Coaches voted two Gamecocks to the Preseason All-SEC team last week as senior La'Keisha Sutton and junior Ieasia Walker earned spots on the second team. The pair of guards accounted for 38.2 percent of the team's scoring last season and handed out 54.0 percent of the assists.

## We're Back...

South Carolina returns eight letterwinners from last season's Women's NIT team. All are juniors and seniors, including three starters. Additionally, the group includes the top two in points, rebounds and assists for the season. The two seniors that departed in May provided vast leadership and experience, but did not necessarily have a significant game-to-game statistical impact.

The returning Gamecocks accounted for 74.5 percent of last season's scoring, 63.1 percent of rebounding and 81.4 percent of assists. The group of five seniors and three juniors amassed 103 starting assignments a year ago.

## Fresh Look

South Carolina head coach Dawn Staley added five student-athletes to her roster this season, providing depth and height on the backcourt while building a foundation for the frontcourt. As a group, the newcomers have accumulated two state titles, eight all-conference selections, six all-state honors and six player




2011-12 Team High/ Low

| South Carolina | Game Highs |  | Game Lows |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| POINTS | 78 | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 | 48 | at LSU, 1/12/12 |
| FIELD GOALS MADE | 33 | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 | 16 | at LSU, 1/12/12 |
| FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS | 76 | Penn State, 11/20/11 | 50 | vs. Savannah State, 12/21/11 <br> at Xavier, 11/30/11 |
| FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE | . 481 (25-52) | SC State, 12/14/11 | . 250 (19-76) | Penn State, 11/20/11 |
| 3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE | 9 | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 | 0 | vs. Vanderbilt, 1/5/12 |
| 3 PT FG ATTEMPTS | 29 | Penn State, 11/20/11 | 4 | vs. Vanderbilt, 1/5/12 |
| 3 PT FG PERCENTAGE | . 429 (9-21) | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 | . 000 (0-4) | vs. Vanderbilt, 1/5/12 |
| FREE THROWS MADE | 22 | vs. Savannah State, 12/21/11 | 2 | at LSU, 1/12/12 |
|  |  |  |  | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| FREE THROW ATTEMPTS | 38 | at Xavier, 11/30/11 | 9 | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| FREE THROW PERCENTAGE | . 792 (19-24) | vs. Vanderbilt, 1/5/12 | . 222 (2-9) | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| REBOUNDS | 47 | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 | 32 | at Drexel, 12/28/11 |
| ASSISTS | 19 | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 | 5 | at LSU, 1/12/12 |
| STEALS | 21 | Furman, 12/11/11 | 6 | Alabama, 1/1/12 |
|  |  |  |  | SC State, 12/14/11 |
| BLOCKED SHOTS | 11 | Furman, 12/11/11 | 0 | at Drexel, 12/28/11 |
| TURNOVERS | 29 | vs. Kentucky, 1/15/12 | 8 | Furman, 12/11/11 |
| FOULS | 26 | at LSU, 1/12/12 | 7 | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| Opponent | Game Highs |  | Game Lows |  |
| POINTS | 66 | Kentucky, 1/15/12 | 21 | SC State, 12/14/11 |
| FIELD GOALS MADE | 25 | Kentucky, 1/15/12 | 6 | SC State, 12/14/11 |
| FIELD GOAL ATTEMPTS | 60 | Alabama A\&M, 11/14/11 | 38 | at Illinois, 11/11/11 |
| FIELD GOAL PERCENTAGE | . 500 (21-42) | Penn State, 11/20/11 | . 125 (6-48) | SC State 12/14/11 |
| 3 PT FIELD GOALS MADE | 4 | at Xavier, 11/30/11 | 0 | at LSU, $1 / 12 / 12$ <br> vs. Savannah State, 12/21/11 <br> Penn State, 11/20/11 <br> at Clemson, 11/17/11 |
| 3 PT FG ATTEMPTS | 13 | Kentucky, 1/15/12 | 2 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { at LSU, } 1 / 12 / 12 \\ & \text { at Illinois, } 11 / 11 / 11 \end{aligned}$ |
| 3 PT FG PERCENTAGE | . 500 (1-2) | at Illinois, 11/11/11 | $\begin{aligned} & .000(0-2) \\ & .000(0-3) \\ & .000(0-6) \\ & .000(0-7) \end{aligned}$ | vs. Savannah State, 12/21/11 <br> Penn State, 11/20/11 <br> at Clemson, 11/17/11 |
| FREE THROWS MADE | 25 | at Illinois, 11/11/11 | 2 | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| FREE THROW ATTEMPTS | 35 | at Illinois, 11/11/11 | 5 | at Florida, 1/8/12 |
| FREE THROW PERCENTAGE | . 929 (13-14) | Penn State, 11/20/11 | . 286 (2-7) | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| REBOUNDS | 41 | at NC State, 12/4/11 Alabama A\&M, 11/14/11 | 19 | vs. Savannah State, 12/21/11 |
| ASSISTS | 16 | at Xavier, 11/30/11 | 2 | SC State. 12/14/11 |
| STEALS | 15 | at LSU, 1/12/12 | 4 | vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11 <br> Furman, 12/11/11 <br> at Clemson, 11/17/11 |
| BLOCKED SHOTS | 11 | at Clemson, 11/17/11 | 0 | SC State, 12/14/11 <br> Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |
| TURNOVERS | 29 | Furman, 12/11/11 <br> C. of Charleston, 11/23/11 | 14 | at Drexel, 12/28/11 |
| FOULS | 25 | at Xavier, 11/30/11 | 9 | Presbyterian, 11/27/11 |

## Individual

| Scored 50 Points |  |
| :--- | :--- |
| South Carolina 51, Jocelyn Penn vs. Stetson, 1/4/03 <br> Opponent Never |  |
| Scored 40 Points |  |
| South Carolina | 51, Jocelyn Penn vs. Stetson, 1/4/03 |
| Opponent | 46, Cornelia Gayden, LSU, $1 / 14 / 95$ |
| Scored 30 Points |  |
| South Carolina | 30, Ieasia Walker vs. Clemson, 11/18/10 |
| Opponent | 32, LaQueta Ferguson, Florida International, 11/25/07 |
| Grabbed 20 Rebounds |  |

## Team

## Scored 100 Points

South Carolina 102 vs. North Carolina A\&T, 3/21/08
Opponent 103, Clemson, 11/21/03

## Won by 30 or More Points

South Carolina 79-78 (31) vs. North Carolina, 12/18/11
Opponent $\quad$ 66-34 (32), Georgia, 3/4/11

## Shot 65\% or Better from the Field

South Carolina .652 (45-69) vs. East Tennessee State, 12/19/00
Opponent Never

## Shot 60\% or Better from the Field

South Carolina .608 (31-51) vs. Jackson State, 12/7/07
Opponent . 604 (29-48), Vanderbilt, 1/18/01

## Shot 50\% or Better from the Field

South Carolina .500 (26-52) vs. Appalachian State, 3/16/11
Opponent 500 (21-42), Penn State, 11/20/11

## No Players in Double-Figure Points

South Carolina at Stanford, 11/26/10
Opponent $\quad$ SC State, 12/14/11
Five Players in Double-Figure Points
South Carolina vs. LSU, 1/6/11
Opponent Arkansas, 2/14/10

## Faced AP Top-25 Opponent

Win $\quad 65-55$ vs. No. 24 Vanderbilt, 1/5/12

Loss $\quad 58-66$ vs. No. 9 Kentucky, 1/15/12

## Faced AP Top-10 Opponent

| Win | $71-52$ vs. No. 6 Vanderbilt, $1 / 3 / 02$ |
| :--- | :--- |
| Loss | $58-66$ vs. No. 9 Kentucky, $1 / 15 / 12$ |

## Faced AP Top-5 Opponent

| Win | 70-66 vs. No. 5 Vanderbilt, 1/28/98 |
| :---: | :---: |
| Loss | 60-82 at No. 4 Tennessee, 2/17/11 |
| Faced AP No. 1 Team |  |
| Win | Never |
| Loss | 48-77 vs. No. 1 UConn, 12/29/08 |
| Overtime Game |  |
| Win | 64-62 at Arkansas, 2/6/11 |
| Loss | 60-74 vs. Vanderbilt, 2/27/11 |
| Double-Overtime Game |  |
| Win | 92-91 at Florida State, 2/4/91 |
| Loss | 92-94 at Clemson, 11/19/09 |
| South Carolina Was Ranked |  |
| AP No. 1 | Never |
| AP Top 10 | No. 10, 2/18/02 |
| AP Top 25 | No. 24, 1/9/12 |

# 2011-12 South Carolina Basketball 

South Carolina Team Game-by-Game Comparison (as of Jan 15, 2012)
All games

| Opponent | 1st | 2nd | Score | Mar | Total FG | FG Pct | 3-Pointers | 3FG Pct | Free Throws | FT Pct | Rebounds |  | Assist | T/Over | Block | Steal | Fouls |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Illinois | 31/24 | 40/28 | 71-52 | +19 | 24-57/13-38 | .421/.342 | 5-16/1-2 | . $313 / .500$ | 18-25/25-35 | .720/.714 | 34/32 | +2 | 14/5 | 14/22 | 2/5 | 9/6 | 21/20 |
| ALABAMA A\&M | 30/24 | 30/29 | 60-53 | +7 | 22-60/20-60 | . 3671.333 | 3-16/2-10 | .188/.200 | 13-21/11-13 | .619/.846 | 39/41 | (2) | 14/5 | 13/18 | 9/5 | 11/9 | 14/21 |
| Clemson | 43/26 | 22/22 | 65-48 | +17 | 25-63/19-47 | .397/.404 | 1-6/0-7 | .167/.000 | 14-24/10-18 | .583/.556 | 40/37 | +3 | 11/11 | 12/22 | 1/11 | 14/4 | 19/20 |
| \#11/12 PENN STATE | 22/26 | 28/29 | 50-55 | (5) | 19-76/21-42 | .250/.500 | 6-29/0-6 | .2071.000 | 6-10/13-14 | .600/.929 | 40/39 | +1 | 8/10 | 10/23 | 3/9 | 10/6 | 15/16 |
| COLL. OF CHARLESTON | 22/21 | 37/19 | 59-40 | +19 | 18-58/15-45 | . $310 / .333$ | 3-21/3-11 | .143/.273 | 20-31/7-15 | .645/.467 | 47/31 | +16 | 8/9 | 22/29 | 3/1 | 13/9 | 14/20 |
| PRESBYTERIAN | 22/13 | 30/11 | 52-24 | +28 | 21-53/10-40 | . $396 / .250$ | 8-20/2-6 | . 4001.333 | 2-9/2-7 | .222/.286 | 40/28 | +12 | 17/5 | 15/19 | 6/0 | 8/7 | 7/9 |
| Xavier | 34/20 | 33/36 | 67-56 | +11 | 22-50/20-49 | . 4401.408 | 2-11/4-12 | .182/.333 | 21-38/12-18 | .553/.667 | 34/36 | (2) | 9/16 | 15/23 | 8/4 | 11/6 | 19/25 |
| NC State | 18/27 | 35/28 | 53-55 | (2) | 22-64/20-57 | . $344 / .351$ | 1-15/3-7 | .067/.429 | 8-15/12-15 | .533/.800 | 44/41 | +3 | 10/11 | 12/16 | 9/4 | 12/8 | 16/15 |
| FURMAN | 40/11 | 32/22 | 72-33 | +39 | 28-63/11-44 | .444/.250 | 3-14/1-8 | .214/.125 | 13-24/10-13 | .542/.769 | 38/36 | +2 | 15/5 | 8/29 | 11/6 | 21/4 | 16/18 |
| SOUTH CAROLINA STATE | 35/8 | 31/13 | 66-21 | +45 | 25-52/6-48 | .481/.125 | 7-22/1-10 | .318/.100 | 9-16/8-14 | .563/.571 | 46/28 | +18 | 13/2 | 13/15 | 3/0 | 6/5 | 11/16 |
| \#18/16 North Carolina | 50/27 | 29/21 | 79-48 | +31 | 33-70/18-51 | .471/.353 | 9-21/3-10 | .429/.300 | 4-11/9-16 | .364/.563 | 47/30 | +17 | 19/5 | 9/17 | 2/6 | 5/4 | 15/13 |
| SAVANNAH STATE | 33/17 | 32/22 | 65-39 | +26 | 21-50/16-39 | . $420 / .410$ | 1-14/0-3 | . $071 / .000$ | 22-30/7-12 | .733/.583 | 38/19 | +19 | 9/4 | 18/20 | 2/2 | 11/5 | 12/19 |
| Drexel | 27/26 | 35/32 | 62-58 | +4 | 23-51/22-45 | .451/.489 | 3-17/3-8 | .176/.375 | 13-24/11-19 | .5421.579 | 32/28 | +4 | 10/11 | 11/14 | $0 / 2$ | 10/7 | 19/20 |
| ALABAMA | 27/15 | 41/27 | 68-42 | +26 | 27-58/18-48 | .466/.375 | 6-18/1-10 | .333/.100 | 8-17/5-6 | .471/.833 | 38/22 | +16 | 12/7 | 15/20 | 4/3 | 6/9 | 10/19 |
| \#24/21 VANDERBILT | 35/25 | 30/30 | 65-55 | +10 | 23-59/21-48 | . $390 / .438$ | 0-4/1-6 | .000/.167 | 19-24/12-22 | .792/.545 | 37/33 | +4 | 9/7 | 18/26 | 2/4 | 13/9 | 20/20 |
| Florida | 31/15 | 18/29 | 49-44 | +5 | 21-56/20-53 | . $375 / .377$ | 2-11/1-10 | .182/.100 | 5-13/3-5 | . 3851.600 | 39/37 | +2 | 11/7 | 14/20 | 2/7 | 11/6 | 14/14 |
| LSU | 27/20 | 21/38 | 48-58 | (10) | 16-54/19-45 | .296/.422 | 2-19/0-2 | .105/.000 | 14-22/20-25 | .636/.800 | 39/34 | +5 | 5/6 | 25/21 | 1/5 | 9/15 | 26/20 |
| \#9/8 KENTUCKY | 29/28 | 29/38 | 58-66 | (8) | 20-52/25-59 | . $385 / .424$ | 6-15/2-13 | . $400 / .154$ | 12-24/14-18 | .500/.778 | 40/30 | +10 | 9/11 | 29/18 | 5/8 | 10/13 | 20/21 |

Note: Game totals are displayed in the format TEAM/OPPONENT for each category

2011-12 South Carolina Basketball
South Carolina Points-Rebounds-Assists (as of Jan 15, 2012)
All games

|  |  |  |  | 00 | 01 | 03 | 05 | 11 | 12 | 20 | 21 | 22 | 23 | 24 | 30 |
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| Opponent | Date | Score |  | SELLERS,IM | WILSON,EBO | WALKER,IEA | GRANT,MAR | SUTTON,LA' | STEPHENS, C | WHITE,SANC | BRUNER,AS | NEWTON,CO | ROY,TINA | WELCh,ALEI | DECHEVA,P |
| at ILL | 11/11/11 | 71-52 | w | 0-1-0 | 4-2-1 | 8-5-2 | 11-4-3 | 10-2-3 | 4-2-0 | 6-3-3 | 14-6-2 | 2-1-0 | 5-0-0 | 2-3-0 | 0-0-0 |
| AAMU | 11/14/11 | 60-53 | w | DNP | 0-1-0 | 13-5-1 | 1-2-6 | 13-6-4 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 15-8-2 | 6-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 12-9-1 | DNP |
| at CU | 11/17/11 | 65-48 | W | 0-0-0 | 3-2-0 | 6-5-2 | 6-2-2 | 5-2-6 | 19-5-0 | 1-2-0 | 6-4-0 | 0-5-0 | 9-2-0 | 6-5-1 | 0-0-0 |
| PSU | 11/20/11 | 50-55 | L | DNP | 0-0-0 | 15-4-1 | 7-0-2 | 7-2-3 | 4-8-0 | 1-2-0 | 9-18-2 | 0-0-0 | 5-0-0 | 2-6-0 | DNP |
| COFC | 11/23/11 | 59-40 | w | 0-0-0 | 3-2-0 | 2-2-3 | 14-5-2 | 3-2-2 | 5-4-0 | 1-1-0 | 13-9-1 | 0-3-0 | 9-3-0 | 5-9-0 | 0-0-0 |
| PC | 11/27/11 | 52-24 | W | 3-0-1 | 0-1-0 | 2-6-6 | 6-0-0 | 2-2-4 | 0-3-0 | 3-3-3 | 10-11-2 | 0-3-0 | 15-4-0 | 9-3-1 | 0-0-0 |
| at XU | 11/30/11 | 67-56 | w | DNP | DNP | 0-2-0 | 18-1-2 | 10-1-5 | 0-5-0 | 10-3-0 | 8-2-1 | 0-1-0 | 2-2-0 | 16-8-1 | DNP |
| at ST | 12/04/11 | 53-55 | L | DNP | 2-1-0 | 0-2-3 | 9-1-0 | 8-3-3 | 8-8-1 | 6-8-0 | 6-8-3 | 0-2-0 | 0-1-0 | 14-5-0 | DNP |
| FUR | 12/11/11 | 72-33 | w | 2-2-0 | 2-1-0 | 10-3-4 | 22-8-2 | 11-0-3 | 0-4-1 | 6-3-0 | 5-3-2 | 0-1-0 | 2-1-0 | 5-8-2 | 0-0-1 |
| SCSUW | 12/14/11 | 66-21 | w | 0-0-0 | 3-1-3 | 7-6-2 | 5-2-3 | 12-3-3 | 6-2-0 | 3-1-0 | 4-3-0 | 3-1-0 | 12-4-0 | 9-9-1 | 0-1-0 |
| vs NC | 12/18/11 | 79-48 | w | 0-2-0 | 0-0-0 | 5-4-6 | 20-3-4 | 21-5-2 | 6-5-1 | 8-3-2 | 4-4-2 | 0-2-0 | 3-2-1 | 10-6-1 | 0-0-0 |
| SSU | 12/21/11 | 65-39 | w | 0-0-1 | 3-3-0 | 11-0-2 | 6-3-1 | 2-3-0 | 8-7-0 | 10-3-1 | 2-4-4 | 0-3-0 | 2-2-0 | 15-5-0 | 0-0-0 |
| at DREXEL | 12/28/11 | 62-58 | w | DNP | 0-0-0 | 18-4-4 | 17-4-3 | 10-5-3 | 4-5-0 | 4-2-0 | 9-2-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | 0-1-0 | DNP |
| UA | 01/01/12 | 68-42 | w | 0-0-1 | 0-0-0 | 12-4-2 | 11-2-3 | 2-2-1 | 2-3-0 | 9-1-1 | 7-5-1 | 0-5-0 | 10-2-2 | 9-10-1 | $3-0-0$ |
| VANDY | 01/05/12 | 65-55 | w | 0-0-0 | 0-2-0 | 6-3-1 | 6-2-3 | 10-1-2 | 11-8-0 | 8-2-1 | 5-4-1 | 0-1-0 | 0-3-0 | 19-7-1 | 0-0-0 |
| at UF | 01/08/12 | 49-44 | w | DNP | 2-0-0 | 2-4-3 | 11-3-0 | 11-3-4 | 7-6-1 | 0-7-1 | 1-4-1 | 0-0-0 | 5-0-1 | 10-6-0 | DNP |
| at LSU | 01/12/12 | 48-58 | L | DNP | 2-1-0 | 9-8-1 | 3-3-2 | 10-3-1 | 0-5-0 | 6-0-0 | 5-1-0 | 0-0-0 | 0-5-0 | 13-7-1 | DNP |
| UK | 01/15/12 | 58-66 | L | DNP | 0-1-0 | 14-6-5 | 0-1-1 | 12-4-2 | 0-8-0 | 9-3-0 | 7-4-1 | DNP | 5-1-0 | 11-7-0 | DNP |


| Opponent | Date | Score |  | BIAM,ELEM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| at ILL | 11/11/11 | 71-52 | w | 5-4-0 |
| AAMU | 11/14/11 | 60-53 | w | 0-1-0 |
| at CU | 11/17/11 | 65-48 | w | 4-4-0 |
| PSU | 11/20/11 | 50-55 | L | DNP |
| COFC | 11/23/11 | 59-40 | w | 4-4-0 |
| PC | 11/27/11 | 52-24 | w | 2-3-0 |
| at XU | 11/30/11 | 67-56 | w | 3-6-0 |
| at ST | 12/04/11 | 53-55 | L | DNP |
| FUR | 12/11/11 | 72-33 | w | 7-2-0 |
| SCSUW | 12/14/11 | 66-21 | w | 2-7-1 |
| vs NC | 12/18/11 | 79-48 | w | 2-5-0 |
| SSU | 12/21/11 | 65-39 | w | 6-5-0 |
| at DREXEL | 12/28/11 | 62-58 | w | DNP |
| UA | 01/01/12 | 68-42 | w | 3-2-0 |
| VANDY | 01/05/12 | 65-55 | w | 0-0-0 |
| at UF | 01/08/12 | 49-44 | w | DNP |
| at LSU | 01/12/12 | 48-58 | L | DNP |
| UK | 01/15/12 | 58-66 | L | DNP |



| RECORD: |  |  |  | OVERALL |  |  | HOME |  |  | AWAY |  |  | NEUTRAL |  |  |  | to blk |  | pts | avg |
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|  | ALL GAMES CONFERENCE NON-CONFERENCE |  |  | $\begin{gathered} 14-4 \\ 3-2 \\ 11-2 \end{gathered}$ |  |  |  | 8-2 |  |  | 5-2 |  | 1-0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | $\begin{aligned} & 2-1 \\ & 6-1 \end{aligned}$ |  |  | 1-1 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  | 4-1 | 1-0 |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  | Total |  | 3-Point |  | F-Throw |  | Rebounds |  |  |  |  |  | pf dq |  | a |
| \# | Player | gp-gs | min avg | fg-fga | fg\% | 3 fg -fga | 3fg\% | ft -fta | ft\% | off | def | tot | avg |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 05 | GRANT, Markeshia | 18-18 | 45325.2 | 69-171 | . 404 | 19-70 | . 271 | 16-24 | . 667 | 18 | 28 | 46 | 2.6 | 24 | 0 | 39 | 32 | 120 | 173 |  | 9.6 |
| 24 | WELCH, Aleighsa | 18-0 | 37420.8 | 62-98 | . 633 | 0-1 | . 000 | 43-72 | . 597 | 61 | 53 | 114 | 6.3 | 24 | 0 | 11 | 21 | 1611 | 167 | 9.3 |  |
| 11 | SUTTON, La'Keisha | 18-18 | 50628.1 | 57-169 | . 337 | 9-48 | . 188 | 36-51 | . 706 | 18 | 31 | 49 | 2.7 | 37 | 3 | 51 | 60 | 627 | 159 | 8.8 |  |
| 03 | WALKER, leasia | 18-17 | 52229.0 | 51-158 | . 323 | 12-44 | . 273 | 26-42 | . 619 | 19 | 54 | 73 | 4.1 | 34 | 0 | 48 | 49 | 644 | 140 | 7.8 |  |
| 21 | BRUNER, Ashley | 18-1 | 39722.1 | 51-106 | . 481 | 0-0 | . 000 | 28-75 | . 373 | 55 | 45 | 100 | 5.6 | 39 | 0 | 25 | 31 | 1429 | 130 | 7.2 |  |
| 20 | WHITE, Sancheon | 18-1 | 27515.3 | 32-90 | . 356 | 5-20 | . 250 | 22-34 | . 647 | 19 | 29 | 48 | 2.7 | 29 | 0 | 12 | 15 | 722 | 91 | 5.1 |  |
| 23 | ROY, Tina | 18-0 | 21511.9 | 29-100 | . 290 | 17-70 | . 243 | 9-16 | . 563 | 14 | 20 | 34 | 1.9 | 8 | 0 | 4 | 8 | 1 | 84 | 4.7 |  |
| 12 | STEPHENS, Charenee | 18-18 | 33218.4 | 33-65 | . 508 | 0-0 | . 000 | 18-23 | . 783 | 44 | 45 | 89 | 4.9 | 22 | 0 | 4 | 14 | 713 | 84 | 4.7 |  |
| 33 | IBIAM, Elem | 12-0 | 1038.6 | 14-36 | . 389 | 0-1 | . 000 | 10-20 | . 500 | 21 | 22 | 43 | 3.6 | 19 | 0 | 1 | 11 | 9 | 38 | 3.2 |  |
| 01 | WILSON, Ebony | 17-0 | 1498.8 | 6-14 | . 429 | 1-3 | . 333 | 11-16 | . 688 | 7 | 11 | 18 | 1.1 | 17 | 0 | 4 | 11 | 210 | 24 | 1.4 |  |
| 22 | NEWTON, Courtney | 17-17 | 20412.0 | 3-26 | . 115 | 3-22 | . 136 | 2-3 | . 667 | 12 | 18 | 30 | 1.8 | 21 | 0 | 0 | 10 | 2 | 11 | 0.6 |  |
| 00 | SELLERS, Imani | 10-0 | 353.5 | 2-7 | . 286 | 1-4 | . 250 | 0-2 | . 000 | 1 | 4 | 5 | 0.5 | 7 | 0 | 3 | 2 | 2 | 5 | 0.5 |  |
| 30 | DECHEVA, Pamela | 10-0 | 353.5 | 1-6 | . 167 | 1-6 | . 167 | 0-0 | . 000 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0.1 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 3 | 0.3 |  |
|  | Team |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | 38 | 24 | 62 |  | 2 |  |  | 8 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Total.......... | 18 | 3600 | 410-1046 | . 392 | 68-289 | . 235 | 221-378 | . 585 | 327 | 385 | 712 | 39.6 | 288 | 3 | 203 | 273 | 73190 | 1109 | 61.6 |  |
|  | Opponents...... | 18 | 3600 | 314-858 | . 366 | 28-141 | . 199 | 191-285 | . 670 | 195 | 387 | 582 | 32.3 | 326 | - | 137 | 372 | 82132 | 847 | 47.1 |  |


| TEAM STATISTICS | SC | OPP |
| :--- | ---: | ---: |
| SCORING | 1109 | 847 |
| Points per game | 61.6 | 47.1 |
| Scoring margin | +14.6 | - |
| FIELD GOALS-ATT | $410-1046$ | $314-858$ |
| Field goal pct | .392 | .366 |
| 3 POINT FG-ATT | $68-289$ | $28-141$ |
| 3-point FG pct | .235 | .199 |
| 3-pt FG made per game | 3.8 | 1.6 |
| FREE THROWS-ATT | $221-378$ | $191-285$ |
| Free throw pct | .585 | .670 |
| F-Throws made per game | 12.3 | 10.6 |
| REBOUNDS | 712 | 582 |
| Rebounds per game | 39.6 | 32.3 |
| Rebounding margin | +7.2 | - |
| ASSISTS | 203 | 137 |
| Assists per game | 11.3 | 7.6 |
| TURNOVERS | 273 | 372 |
| Turnovers per game | 15.2 | 20.7 |
| Turnover margin | +5.5 | - |
| Assist/turnover ratio | 0.7 | 0.4 |
| STEALS | 190 | 132 |
| Steals per game | 10.6 | 7.3 |
| BLOCKS | 73 | 82 |
| Blocks per game | 4.1 | 4.6 |
| ATTENDANCE | 28036 | 14911 |
| Home games-Avg/Game | $10-2804$ | $7-1830$ |
| Neutral site-Avg/Game | - | $1-2100$ |


| Date | Opponent |  | Score | Att. |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11/11/11 | at Illinois | w | 71-52 | 770 |
| 11/14/11 | ALABAMA A\&M | w | 60-53 | 2118 |
| 11/17/11 | at Clemson | w | 65-48 | 938 |
| 11/20/11 | \#11/12 PENN STATE | L | 50-55 | 2391 |
| 11/23/11 | COLL. OF CHARLESTON | w | 59-40 | 2314 |
| 11/27/11 | PRESBYTERIAN | w | 52-24 | 1752 |
| 11/30/11 | at Xavier | w | 67-56 | 1032 |
| 12/04/11 | at NC State | L | 53-55 | 1697 |
| 12/11/11 | FURMAN | w | 72-33 | 1827 |
| 12/14/11 | SOUTH CAROLINA STATE | w | 66-21 | 4869 |
| 12/18/11 | vs \#18/16 North Carolina | w | 79-48 | 2100 |
| 12/21/11 | SAVANNAH STATE | w | 65-39 | 3007 |
| 12/28/11 | at Drexel | w | 62-58 | 2469 |
| * 01/01/12 | ALABAMA | w | 68-42 | 3026 |
| * 01/05/12 | \#24/21 VANDERBILT | w | 65-55 | 2077 |
| * 01/08/12 | at Florida | w | 49-44 | 1229 |
| * 01/12/12 | at LSU | L | 48-58 | 4676 |
| * 01/15/12 | \#9/8 KENTUCKY | L | 58-66 | 4655 |
| *- Conference game |  |  |  |  |


| Score by Periods | 1st | 2nd | Totals |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: |
| South Carolina | 556 | 553 | 1109 |
| Opponents | 373 | 474 | 847 |

