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2011-12 Schedule

Fri., Nov. 4 Fri., Nov. 11 Mon., Nov. 14 Thu., Nov. 17 Sun., Nov. 20 Wed., Nov. 23	Limestone (Exh.) at Illinois Alabama A&M at Clemson Penn State (SPSO) C. of Charleston (SPSO)	Columbia, S.C. Champaign, Ill. Columbia, S.C. Clemson, S.C. Columbia, S.C. Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m. 4:30 p.m. 7 p.m. 7 p.m. 3 p.m. 7 p.m.
Sun., Nov. 27 Wed., Nov. 30	Presbyterian (SPSO) at Xavier	Columbia, S.C. Cincinnati Ohio	1 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 4	at NC State	Raleigh, N.C.	7 p.m. 2 p.m.
Sun., Dec. 11	Furman (SPSO)	Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m. 1 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 14	South Carolina State	Columbia, S.C.	Noon
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Sun., Dec. 18	vs. North Carolina	Myrtle Beach, S.C.	3 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 21	Savannah State	Columbia, S.C.	Noon
Wed., Dec. 28	at Drexel	Philadelphia, Pa.	5 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 1	Alabama*	Columbia, S.C.	3 p.m.
Thu., Jan. 5	Vanderbilt*	Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 8	at Florida*	Gainesville, Fla.	2 p.m.
Thu., Jan. 12	at LSU*	Baton Rouge, La.	8 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 15	Kentucky*	Columbia, S.C.	3 p.m.
Thu., Jan. 19	at Auburn*	Auburn, Ala.	7 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 22	at Vanderbilt* (ESPNU)	Nashville, Tenn.	1:30 p.m.
Thu., Jan. 26	Ole Miss* (FSN)	Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.
Sun., Jan. 29	Mississippi St.* (SECN)	Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.
Thu., Feb. 2	at Tennessee* (CSS)	Knoxville, Tenn.	7 p.m.
Thu., Feb. 9	at Arkansas*	Fayetteville, Ark.	8 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 12	Florida* (ESPN2)	Columbia, S.C.	5 p.m.
Thu., Feb. 16	Georgia* (FSN)	Columbia, S.C.	7 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 19	at Alabama* (FSN)	Tuscaloosa, Ala.	3 p.m.
Thu., Feb. 23	at Kentucky* (FSN South)) Lexington, Ky.	7 p.m.
Sun., Feb. 26	Arkansas* (SECN)	Columbia, S.C.	2 p.m.
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Television outlet listed in parentheses – SPSO 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 whatever they achieve this season.



South Carolina Gamecocks (0-0)

Head Coach: Dawn Staley Record at South Carolina: 42-48 (4th season) Career Record: 214-128 (12th season)

Limestone College Saints (0-0)

Head Coach: Corey Fox Record at Limestone: 93-143 (9th season) Career Record: 93-143 (9th season)

South Carolina Notables

- This is the Gamecocks' 38th season as a varsity sport.
- The 2011-12 season is the fourth at the helm for South Carolina head coach Dawn Staley. Her teams have improved by four wins each of the last two campaigns, capped by last season's 18-15 mark.
- The Gamecocks are 3-0 in exhibition games under head coach Dawn Staley after defeating Lander 79-57 last season when the Lady Bearcats entered the game ranked as the No. 4 team in NCAA Division II.
- · South Carolina was 14-5 at Colonial Life Arena last season, the program's fourth-most home wins and the most since the 2006-07 squad put together 15 in 20 tries.
- The media selected the Gamecocks to finish eighth in the SEC in 2011-12, despite South Carolina's fifth-place finish in 2010-11. The SEC coaches' preseason poll is scheduled to be released on Tue., Nov. 8.
- The Gamecocks officially open the 2011-12 season on the road, the thirdsuch season opener in head coach Dawn Staley's tenure in Columbia. South Carolina split Staley's first two season openers on the road. The team dropped her Gamecock debut at Penn State on Nov. 16, 2008, but rallied to beat Charlotte in overtime on Nov. 19, 2009.

2011-12 Roster

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0 Imani Sellers	G	5-8	Jr.	Holly Hill, S.C./Lake Marion
1 Ebony Wilson	G	5-8	Sr.	Newark, N.J./Rend Lake College
3 Ieasia Walker	G	5-8	Jr.	Amityville, N.Y./Copiague
5 Markeshia Grant	G	5-6	Sr.	Tampa, Fla./Coll. of Central Florida
11 La'Keisha Sutton	G	5-8	Sr.	Trenton, N.J./Trenton Catholic
12 Charenee Stephene	s F	6-0	Sr.	Decatur, Ga./Southwest DeKalb
20 Sancheon White	G	5-10	Jr.	Hammond, Ind./Central Ariz. Coll.
21 Ashley Bruner	F	6-0	Jr.	Norman, Okla./Norman
22 Courtney Newton	F	5-9	Sr.	Flowery Branch, Ga./Flowery Branch
23 Tina Roy	G	5-11	Fr.	Kaplan, La./Kaplan
24 Aleighsa Welch	F	6-0	Fr.	Goose Creek, S.C./Goose Creek
30 Pamela Decheva	F	6-1	Fr.	Sofia, Bulgaria
33 Elem Ibiam	F	6-3	Fr.	Fayetteville, Ga./Fayette County

Head Coach: Dawn Staley Associate Head Coach: Lisa Boyer

Assistant Coaches: Nikki McCray, Darius Taylor

A Snapshot of the 2011-12 Gamecocks Probable starters noted by shaded background – Stats from 2010-11 Season

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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: 214-128 (11 seasons) School Record: 42-48 (3 seasons) Assoc. Head Coach (Alma Mater): Lisa Boyer (Ithaca, 1972) Assistant Coaches (Alma Mater): Nikki McCray (Tennessee, 1995) Darius Taylor (Michigan, 2000)

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: 622-477 (37 seasons) All-Time SEC Record: 81-186 (20 season) NCAA Appearances (Last): 8 (2003) NCAA Tournament Record: 8-8 WNIT Appearances (Last): 4 (2011) WNIT Record: 3-4

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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 of the year awards.

Strength of Schedule

After finishing the 2010-11 campaign with the nation's 19th-toughest schedule, the Gamecocks are facing another challenging slate in 2011-12. With both the Associated Press and USA Today/ESPN Coaches preseason polls released this week, South Carolina will play seven games against nationally ranked teams. Another five games will be against teams that also received votes in one or both polls.

Seventeen of the Gamecocks' 29 games with season will be against teams that participated in the 2011 postseason, including nine who were in the NCAA Tournament. Of the 24 opponents on the schedule, eight finished the 2010-11 season with an RPI in the top 50. Six others closed with an RPI between 51 and 100.

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.

The television schedule opens with four non-conference games on SportSouth, beginning with the Penn State game on Nov. 20. The station also will air games against College of Charleston (Nov. 23), Presbyterian (Nov. 27) and Furman (Dec. 11). The SEC package kicks in on Jan. 22 with the contest at Vanderbilt airing on ESPNU. Fox Sports Net will show the home game against Ole Miss (Jan. 26), and SEC Network will air the Mississippi State tilt (Jan. 29). Following the CSS broadcast of the game at Tennessee (Feb. 2), ESPN2 comes to Columbia for the Florida game (Feb. 12). The games against Georgia (Feb. 16) and at Alabama (Feb. 19) will air on FSN, and SEC Network closes out the string with the regular-season finale against Arkansas (Feb. 26).

South Carolina was 9-5 last season in games televised live, including a 5-3 mark in SEC action.

Quick Re-Take

- Looking back at the 2010-11 campaign, here are a few key points to set the stage for the 2011-12 season:
- Earning a spot in the Women's NIT was the Gamecocks' first postseason appearance under head coach Dawn Staley.
- Eight wins in the SEC were the most since 2002-03.
- Tied for fifth in the league standings was the best finish since 2002-03.
- The team's 62-50 win over Ole Miss in the first round of the SEC Tournament was the first win at the event since the 2008 edition.
- The team's 15.5 turnovers per game were the fewest for the Gamecocks since the 1995-96 squad handed it over 15.7 times per contest.
- A .737 winning percentage at Colonial Life Arena was the third best since moving into the facility for the 2002-03.
- The team's 14 home victories were the fourth most in school history.

Scouting Limestone

The Saints come to Columbia buoyed by the votes they received in the USA Today/ESPN Division II Coaches Preseason Poll, the first in the

history of othe program. Limestone turned in a 19-9 overall record last season, including a 14-6 mark in Conference Carolinas action, and are picked to win the league's Western Division in 2011-12. In 2010-11, the team set the school record for scoring defense, holding teams to just 59.4 ppg, and all five starters return for the 2011-12 campaign. Leading that group is junior guard Marla Young, who earned a spot on the preseason Women's Division II Bulleting Super 16 All-America Team after leading Conference Carolinas with 19.5 ppg and 80 3-point field goals last season. Junior Tia Williams earned second-team all-conference honors last season, and senior guard Lauren Pace is on track to break the school record for assists this season.

Pronunciation Guide

Ashley Bruner	BREW-ner
Pamela Decheva	
Markeshia Grant	mar-KEY-shuh
Elem Ibiam	ELL-um IB-ee-um
Imani Sellers	i-MAH-nee
Charenee Stephens	shar-NAY
La'Keisha Sutton	luh-KEY-shuh
Ieasia Walker	eye-EESH-uh
Aleighsa Welch	uh-LEE-suh
Sancheon White	SAN-chee-on



2010-11 South Carolina Basketball South Carolina Combined Team Statistics (as of Mar 20, 2011) All games



RECORD:	OVERALL	HOME	AWAY	NEUTRAL
ALL GAMES	18-15	14-5	3-8	1-2
CONFERENCE	8-8	5-3	3-5	0-0
NON-CONFERENCE	10-7	9-2	0-3	1-2

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03	WALKER, leasia	33-31	991	30.0	137-389	.352	38-132	.288	91-146	.623	37	90	127	3.8	81	2	56	82	10	79	403	12.2
11	SUTTON, La'Keisha	33-32	1090	33.0	128-314	.408	13-55	.236	68-112	.607	30	58	88	2.7	75	1	118	130	4	47	337	10.2
21	BRUNER, Ashley	33-8	727	22.0	116-215	.540	0-0	.000	44-88	.500	98	77	175	5.3	64	1	21	55	21	24	276	8.4
24	STRICKLAND, Marah	19-5	447	23.5	47-160	.294	26-101	.257	38-41	.927	14	29	43	2.3	19	0	8	27	1	5	158	8.3
05	GRANT, Markeshia	33-2	670	20.3	79-236	.335	32-111	.288	26-38	.684	28	66	94	2.8	43	0	43	44	2	28	216	6.5
31	NAINIMA, Valerie	25-15	550	22.0	53-164	.323	33-111	.297	18-23	.783	5	33	38	1.5	16	0	27	32	0	11	157	6.3
52	MAY, Jewel	33-33	613	18.6	45-119	.378	0-0	.000	39-62	.629	68	84	152	4.6	109	9	12	52	22	20	129	3.9
12	STEPHENS, Charenee	32-11	548	17.1	50-96	.521	0-0	.000	23-38	.605	64	89	153	4.8	53	1	6	28	15	18	123	3.8
04	KENNEDY, Samone	16-9	216	13.5	16-47	.340	3-18	.167	6-12	.500	3	15	18	1.1	16	0	13	24	2	10	41	2.6
22	NEWTON, Courtney	29-16	474	16.3	22-72	.306	15-55	.273	12-24	.500	23	51	74	2.6	33	1	14	14	5	8	71	2.4
10	BREWER, Kayla	7-0	97	13.9	4-9	.444	0-0	.000	1-6	.167	10	12	22	3.1	13	0	0	5	6	0	9	1.3
00	SELLERS, Imani	15-0	54	3.6	2-11	.182	1-7	.143	2-5	.400	1	5	6	0.4	6	0	1	2	0	0	7	0.5
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TEAM STATISTICS	SC	OPP	_	Date	Opponent		Score	Att.
SCORING	1937	1968		11/12/10	#5/6 XAVIER	L	65-84	4935
Points per game	58.7	59.6		11/15/10	ILLINOIS	W	61-48	3027
Scoring margin	-0.9	-		11/18/10	CLEMSON	W	73-59	3103
FIELD GOALS-ATT	703-1852	749-1774		11/21/10	at Penn State	L	48-78	3321
Field goal pct	.380	.422		11/26/10	at #3/2 Stanford	L	32-70	4003
3 POINT FG-ATT	161-595	122-361		11/28/10	at UC Davis	L	52-61	321
3-point FG pct	.271	.338		12/01/10	CHARLESTON SOUTHERN	W	75-53	4312
3-pt FG made per game	4.9	3.7		12/05/10	SAVANNAH STATE	W	52-33	3019
FREE THROWS-ATT	370-602	348-525		12/12/10	NC STATE	W	77-63	2872
Free throw pct	.615	.663	<	12/19/10	vs #10/11 North Carolina	L	51-75	2500
F-Throws made per game	11.2	10.5		12/21/10	BUTLER	W	67-54	2811
REBOUNDS	1182	1156		12/28/10	PRESBYTERIAN	W	68-40	3017
Rebounds per game	35.8	35.0		12/30/10	SOUTH CAROLINA STATE	W	63-44	3232
Rebounding margin	+0.8	-	*	01/02/11	at Georgia	L	51-61	3331
ASSISTS	322	349	*	01/06/11	LSU	W	63-61	2868
Assists per game	9.8	10.6	*	01/09/11	FLORIDA	L	63-65	3071
TURNOVERS	512	548	*	01/13/11	at #19/19 Kentucky	L	48-66	5730
Turnovers per game	15.5	16.6	*	01/16/11	at Ole Miss	Wot	63-58	623
Turnover margin	+1.1	-	*	01/20/11	#5/6 TENNESSEE	L	56-71	3647
Assist/turnover ratio	0.6	0.6	*	01/23/11	ALABAMA	W	59-48	2912
STEALS	261	211	*	01/27/11	#20/24 GEORGIA	W	57-48	2771
Steals per game	7.9	6.4	*	01/30/11	at Auburn	L	47-54	3110
BLOCKS	91	112	*	02/06/11	at Arkansas	Wot	64-62	1106
Blocks per game	2.8	3.4	*	02/10/11	#15/18 KENTUCKY	W	66-61	2674
ATTENDANCE	56925	50942	*	02/13/11	at Mississippi State	W	60-53	2480
Home games-Avg/Game	19-2996	11-3513	*	02/17/11	at #4/4 Tennessee	L	60-82	11849
Neutral site-Avg/Game	-	3-4101	*	02/20/11	AUBURN	W	65-49	4114
			×	02/24/11	at LSU	Lot	51-54	2765
Score by Periods 1st	t 2nd OT To	otals	*	02/27/11	VANDERBILT	Lot	60-74	3303
South Carolina 890) 1016 31 í	1937	٨	03/03/11	vs Ole Miss	W	62-50	3827
Opponents 893	3 1034 41 1	1968	٨	03/04/11	vs Georgia	L	34-66	5976
			!	03/16/11	APPALACHIAN STATE	w	67-54	533
				03/20/11	CHARLOTTE	L	57-69	704

< = Carolinas Challenge (Myrtle Beach, S.C.)

* = SEC game
^ = SEC Tournament (Nashville, Tenn.)
! = Women's NIT (Columbia, S.C.)