

SOUTH CAROLINA (7-6) vs. NORTH CAROLINA (6-7)

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 30, 2021 • BANK OF AMERICA STADIUM | CHARLOTTE, N.C.

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA NOTES

- Attendance at Bank of America Stadium was 45,520.
- South Carolina's captains for the game were Jabari Ellis, Jaylan Foster, Jovaughn Gwyn and Parker White.
- North Carolina leads the all-time series 35-20-4 and is 3-2 in games played at a neutral site.
- South Carolina is now 10-14 all-time in bowl games
- South Carolina is now 621-601-44 all-time.
- South Carolina won the toss and deferred.
- Jordan Burch made his first career start in the Duke's Mayo Bowl.
- O'Mega Blake, King Demenian Ford and Sam Reynolds made their first career appearance in the Duke's Mayo Bowl.

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA OFFENSE NOTES

- The Gamecocks had 543 yards of total offense in the win, which set a season high and a Carolina bowl game high. The previous bowl high was 512 vs. Houston in the 2006 Liberty Bowl.
- Dakereon Joyner's first pass attempt of 2021 was a 69-yard touchdown pass to Jaheim Bell on Carolina's first drive. It was Joyner's first career touchdown pass and Bell's fourth touchdown reception of the year.
- Bell then caught a 66-yard touchdown pass from Zeb Noland to give Carolina a 13-0 lead.
- It was the first time Carolina has had a pair of 60-plus yard touchdowns since the 2018 Clemson game (Kiel Pollard 67-yard touchdown reception from Jake Bentley, Deebo Samuel 75-yard touchdown reception from Bentley).
- The 18 points scored in the first quarter was the most since Sept. 7, 2019 against Charleston Southern (21).
- South Carolina had 312 yards of offense in the first half against North Carolina (150 rushing, 162 passing).
- Kevin Harris' 1-yard touchdown run in the third quarter was his 23rd of the Gamecock's career. He is tied for seventh place in Carolina's career rushing touchdown list with Cory Boyd (2003-07).
- Harris ran for a season high 182 yards on 31 carries. His previous season high was 128 yards vs. Florida on Nov. 6.
- Harris' 182 yards is a Carolina bowl game record, originally set by George Rogers in the 1979 Hall of Fame Bowl (133 yards).
- Joyner was a perfect 9-for-9 passing for 160 yards and was the 2021 Duke's Mayo Bowl Most Valuable Player.
- Zeb Noland passes for 82 yards and had a touchdown in the win.
- Bell had a career high 159 yards receiving to go with the two touchdowns. His previous high was 136 vs. Vanderbilt on Oct. 16.
- Carolina had the ball for 39:02 of possession.
- Ahmarean Brown had a season high 61 yards receiving on four catches.
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>>> SOUTH CAROLINA DEFENSE NOTES

- Carolina held North Carolina to 1-10 on third downs in the win.
- The Gamecock defense recorded four sacks in the win over the Tar Heels, 1.5 coming from Jordan Strachan. Carolina also recorded six tackles-for-loss in the win.

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- Jaylan Foster and RJ Roderick had six tackles apiece to lead the Carolina defense.
- Foster ended the season with 97 total tackles.
- Carolina's defense held the Tar Heels to 14 first downs.

>>> SOUTH CAROLINA SPECIAL TEAMS NOTES

- Parker White is now Carolina's career points leader as his 30-yard field goal with 27 seconds remaining in the first quarter gave him 360 career points. He passed Elliott Fry's 359 career points from 2013-16.
- White ended the game with 368 career points.
- White also ended his career tied with Collin Mackie for the most field goals made in career with 72.