



2022-23

GAMECOCK[®]

MEN'S BASKETBALL

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UNIVERSITY INFORMATION

Location Columbia, S.C.
 Founded 1801
 Enrollment 35,388
 Nickname Gamecocks
 Colors Garnet (PMS 202C) & Black
 Conference Southeastern (SEC)
 Athletics Web Address www.GamecocksOnline.com
 University Web Address www.sc.edu
 President Michael Amiridis
 NCAA Representative Eva Monsma
 Athletics Director Ray Tanner
 Basketball Administrator Charles Waddell, Special Assistant to the AD

BASKETBALL STAFF/INFORMATION

Head Coach Lamont Paris (Wooster, '96 ; Indiana State, '00)
 0-0 (1st season at South Carolina)
 87-72 (6th season overall)
 Assistant Coach Tanner Bronson (Wisconsin, '08)
 Assistant Coach Tim Buckley (Bemidji State, '88)
 Assistant Coach Eddie Shannon (Florida, '99)
 Director of Basketball Operations Colby Arendale (Chattanooga, '18)
 Director of Video Services Roman DiPasquale (Wisconsin '11)
 Strength & Conditioning Coach Scott Greenawalt (Muskingum College, '98)
 Director of Player Development David McKinley (Ohio, '13)
 Special Assistant to the Head Coach Carey Rich (South Carolina, '95)
 Athletic Trainer Mark Rodger (Buffalo, '01)
 Graduate Assistant Jack Samonsky (South Carolina, '22)
 Athletics Communications & PR Michael DeBates (Iowa State, '14)
 Home Arena Colonial Life Arena
 Capacity 18,000
 Arena General Manager Sid Kenyon

BASKETBALL HISTORY

First Year of Basketball 1908
 All-Time Record 1,468-1,296-1 (.531)
 Overall Postseason Record 30-20 (.600)
 NCAA Tournament Appearances 9 (1971, 1972, 1973, 1974, 1989, 1997,
 1998, 2004, 2017)
 NCAA Tournament Record 8-10
 Last NCAA Tournament Appearance 2017, Final Four, 77-73 L to Gonzaga
 NIT Appearances 12 (1969, 1975, 1978, 1983, 1991, 1996,
 2001, 2002, 2005, 2006, 2009, 2016)
 NIT Record 22-10
 Last NIT Appearance 2016, L vs. Georgia Tech, 83-66
 Conference Championships/Titles
 SoCon Regular Season (1927, 1933, 1934, 1945); SoCon Tournament
 Champion (1933); ACC Regular Season (1970);
 ACC Champion (1971); SEC Regular Season (1997);
 SEC East Division Co-Champions (2009)

TEAM INFORMATION

2021-22 Record 18-13
 Southeastern Conference Record/Finish 9-9/T-5th
 SEC Tournament Record 0-1
 Postseason N/A
 Letterwinners Returning/Lost 6/10
 Starters Returning/Lost 0/5
 Newcomers 8 (four transfers)
 Roster Breakdown 1 graduate, 3 seniors,
 5 juniors, 1 sophomore, 4 freshmen

RETURNING TEAM STATS

Percentage of Scoring 327/2,200 (14.9%)
 Percentage of Field Goals Made 124/811 (15.3%)
 Percentage of 3-Point Field Goals Made 23/211 (10.9%)
 Percentage of Free Throws 56/367 (15.3%)
 Percentage of Rebounding 199/1,187 (16.8%)
 Percentage of Offensive Rebounding 61/403 (15.1%)
 Percentage of Assists 84/435 (19.3%)
 Percentage of Steals 42/243 (17.3%)
 Percentage of Blocks 31/157 (19.8%)
 Percentage of Minutes 1,447/6,225 (18.4%)

Players Returning (stats from 2021-22 season):

Ja'Von Benson (Jr. - F) 3.3 ppg, 4.2 rpg; **Chico Carter Jr.** (Sr. - G) 4.2 ppg, 40.7% FG, 37.9% 3FG; **Ford Cooper** (Jr. - G) played one game last season; **Josh Gray** (Jr. - F) 2.9 ppg, 3.5 rpg, 0.7 bpg in 25 games played (3 starts); **Tre-Vaughn Minott** (So. - F) 2.0 ppg, 1.9 rpg; **Jaocbi Wright** (So. - G) 3.4 ppg, 1.8 apg, 1.6 rpg in 30 games played (9 starts)

Players Lost (stats from 2020-21 season):

Keyshawn Bryant (Sr. - F) 8.7 ppg, 4.0 rpg; **Devin Carter** (Fr. - G) 9.0 ppg, 3.8 rpg, 1.8 apg; **Jermaine Cousinard** (So. - G) 12.0 ppg, 3.2 apg; **Mike Green** (Jr. - G) played in four games; **Wildens Leveque** (Jr. - F) 6.6 ppg, 4.7 rpg, 1.1 bpg; **Brandon Martin** (Sr. - F) top rebounder at 6.3 rpg; **James Reese V** (Gr. - G) 4.3 ppg, 2.4 apg; **Erik Stevenson** (Sr. - G) 1.7 ppg, 64.3% from 3 (9-14); **AJ Wilson** (Gr. - F) 5.4 ppg, 1.9 apg; **Ta'Quan Woodley** (Fr. - F) 5.4 ppg, 1.9 apg

Newcomers:

Ebrima Dibba (R-Sr. - G) 8.2 ppg, 5.2 apg, 4.8 rpg in 90 career games (87 starts) at Coastal Carolina - injured Achilles and will miss 22-23 season; **Meechie Johnson** (Jr. - G) played in 43 games at Ohio State (3.2 ppg) and was part of two NCAA Tournament teams (2021, 2022); **Hayden Brown** (Gr. - F) 12.6 ppg, 6.7 rpg and 1.7 apg in 111 career games at The Citadel • second player in school history to score 1,400 points and pull down 700 rebounds; **Zachary Davis** (Fr. - G) 24.2 ppg, 9.3 rpg, 8.2 assists and 3.1 spg as senior in high school; **Eli Sparkman** (Fr. - G) joined team as walk-on late in summer; **Gregory "GG" Jackson II** (Fr. - F) top ranked recruit in school history, 22.1 ppg, 10.9 rpg and 2.3 bpg as junior helping Ridge View to SC Class 5A state title; **Daniel Hankins-Sanford** (Fr. - F) 16.5 ppg, 7.9 rpg, 1.9 spg and 1.8 apg as a senior in high school; **Benjamin Bosmans-Verdonk** (R-Jr. - F) played in 41 games at Illinois (2019-22) and was part of two NCAA Tournament teams (2021, 2022)

ATHLETIC COMMUNICATIONS/PR

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