



2013 CANCUN CHALLENGE

TOURNAMENT NOTES

Hard Rock Hotel

Nov. 28-30



TOURNAMENT FIELD

Team	Conference
Arizona State	Pac-12
Arkansas State	Sun Belt
Boston College	ACC
Illinois	Big Ten
Iowa	Big Ten
North Carolina	ACC
UNC Wilmington	Colonial
USC	Pac-12

TOURNAMENT SCHEDULE

Thursday, Nov. 28

Riviera Tournament

Arizona State vs. Illinois, 12 p.m. CT

North Carolina vs. Arkansas State, 2:30 p.m. CT

Mayan Tournament

UNC Wilmington vs. Boston College, 5 p.m. CT

USC vs. Iowa, 7:30 p.m. CT

Friday, Nov. 29

Riviera Tournament

North Carolina vs. Arizona State, 12 p.m. CT

Arkansas State vs. Illinois, 2:30 p.m. CT

Mayan Tournament

Iowa vs. Boston College, 5 p.m. CT

USC vs. UNC Wilmington, 7:30 p.m. CT

Saturday, Nov. 30

Riviera Tournament

Arizona State vs. Arkansas State, 12 p.m. CT

Illinois vs. North Carolina, 2:30 p.m. CT

Mayan Tournament

Boston College vs. USC, 5 p.m. CT

UNC Wilmington vs. Iowa, 7:30 p.m. CT

*Cancun is in CT

*All Games on GameTracker

*Games Streamed Live on CBSsports.com, ULive

TOURNAMENT OVERVIEW

The 2013 Cancun Challenge will be played at the all-inclusive Hard Rock Hotel Riviera Maya which sits along the Caribbean coastline of the Mexican state of Quintana Roo, located on the eastern portion of the Yucatan Peninsula.

This will be the 9th year of the women's Cancun Challenge and only the second time it has been played at the Hard Rock Hotel (previously the Aventura Spa Palace). Since its inception in 2005, the tournament has hosted 45 teams representing 21 conferences with a total of 66 games played.

This year, the event features eight Division I teams representing five conferences: Arizona State (Pac-12), Arkansas State (Sun Belt), Boston College (ACC), Illinois (Big Ten), Iowa (Big Ten), North Carolina (ACC), UNC Wilmington (Colonial), and USC (Pac-12).

Each team will play three games over the course of three days in the newly constructed convention center located on resort property. Teams have been split into two divisions (Mayan and Riviera), schools in the same conference will not play each other.

The official tournament website is: www.cancunchallenge.net. Follow the Cancun Challenge on Facebook (/TCS Cancun Challenge) and Twitter (@CancunChallenge). Please use #CancunHoops in tweets during the tournament.

TOURNAMENT NOTES

- Both Arizona State (2007 and 2005) and Iowa (2010 and 2008) are making their third appearance in the event. The Hawkeyes are 3-1 all-time in Cancun Challenge games and the Sun Devils are 2-2. Boston College (2008), Illinois (2008), and North Carolina (2005) are all playing in the event for the second time. UNC and BC are 2-0 in Cancun Challenge games and Illinois is 0-3.
- Three teams playing in the event competed in postseason play last year. The Tar Heels and the Hawkeyes advanced to the second round of the NCAA Tournament. The Fighting Illini made it to the quarterfinals of the WNIT.
- The Cancun Challenge has hosted some of the top women's basketball programs in the country including Purdue (2011), Penn State (2010), Duke (2009), Oklahoma (2007), and Baylor (2005). In 2011, a record ten teams competed in the tournament; in 2006 only five teams.
- The Big 10 has had the most teams represented in the Cancun Challenge with six (Illinois, Iowa, Michigan State, Minnesota, Penn State, and Purdue). Big Ten teams are 11-6 (.647) all-time in Cancun Challenge games. ACC teams hold the best winning percentage in Cancun Challenge games at 9-2 (.818).

TEAM OVERVIEW

School	Coach	Seasons at School (Record)	2012-13 Conf. Record	2012-13 Overall Record	2012-13 Postseason	Team Note
Arizona State	Charli Turner Thorne	17th (302-197)	5-13	13-18	None	8-5 verse non-conference opponents in 12-13
Arkansas State	Brian Boyer	15th (226-200)	12-8	15-15	None	Returns 69.32% of its scoring from 12-13
Boston College	Erik Johnson	2nd (12-19)	5-13	12-19	None	Kristen Daherty 12-13 leading scorer 12.3ppg
Illinois	Matt Bollant	2nd (19-14)	9-7	19-14	WNIT Quarterfinals	19-14 record was best winning % since 06-07
Iowa	Lisa Bluder	14th (251-157)	8-8	21-13	NCAA 2nd Round	Only Big Ten team to appear in last 6 NCAA Tournaments
North Carolina	Sylvia Hatchell	28th (636-241)	14-4	29-7	NCAA 2nd Round	Xyliina McDaniel 12-13 ACC ROY
UNC Wilmington	Adell Harris	2nd (5-26)	3-15	5-26	None	Kelva Atkins - Top Returner 10.4ppg, 4.1 rpg
USC	Cynthia Cooper	1st Season	11-7	11-20	None	Returns 4 starters from 12/13 team



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RADIO INFORMATION

The only option for radio broadcast is through a regular phone line, **DO NOT** use a toll free number to make your connection back to the U.S. When calling to the U.S. from press row dial 001 + Area Code + Phone Number. All calls back to the U.S. from the resort are free. You will not be able to call toll free numbers from the game arena.

Please contact Triple Crown Sports to secure your spot on press row and fill out a credential request form. There is a fee that each radio broadcast must pay. Triple Crown Sports accepts all major credit cards or checks for radio rights and can be mailed to the address below. To pay by credit card call Andy Hansen at 970-672-0517.

Triple Crown Sports
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LIVE STATS

Fans unable to travel to Cancun will be able to follow live stats via GameTracker on the Cancun Challenge website.

MEDIA ROOM

There will be a general media room to leave notes, media guides, and stats for all games. There is no copier in the media room. We have negotiated a reduced rate in the Hard Rock Hotel business center of \$0.10 per copy. If you need to use the copy machine please ask Andy for assistance.

FYI

- There is wireless internet available throughout the resort, including courtside.
- Stats will be run to media at each timeout, halftime, and at the conclusion of the game. Let us know at the start of the game how many Final Books you will need.
- There is no press conference room. Media can work with each school's SID for interviews following the games.
- Cancun Challenge officials will provide inputers and will be using the Stat Crew software. We can either email each SID stats following each game or bring a jump drive and we can save them for you.

LIVE WEBCASTS

All games in Mexico are being streamed LIVE on CBSsports.com, ULive. Direct fans to the Cancun Challenge website to find links to watch all games.

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TEAM QUICK FACTS

Arizona State

Location: Tempe, Ariz.
Enrollment: 73,373
Nickname: Sun Devils
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: Pac-12
Home Court: Wells Fargo Arena (10,734)
2012-13 Record: 13-18 (5-13 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 9/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2



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Illinois

Location: Urbana-Champaign, Ill.
Enrollment: 44,520
Nickname: Fighting Illini
Colors: Orange and Blue
Conference: Big Ten
Home Court: State Farm Center (16,618)
2012-13 Record: 19-14 (9-7 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 6/6
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2



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UNC Wilmington

Location: Wilmington, N.C.
Enrollment: 14,096
Nickname: Seahwaks
Colors: Teal, Gold and Navy
Conference: CAA
Home Court: Trask Coliseum (5,500)
2012-13 Record: 5-26 (3-15 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 3/7
Starters Returning/Lost: 1/4



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Arkansas State

Location: Jonesboro, Ark.
Enrollment: 13,239
Nickname: Red Wolves
Colors: Scarlet and Black
Conference: Sun Belt
Home Court: Convocation Center (10,563)
2012-13 Record: 15-15 (12-8 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Starters Returning/Lost: 2/3



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Iowa

Location: Iowa City, Iowa
Enrollment: 31,065
Nickname: Hawkeyes
Colors: Black and Gold
Conference: Big Ten
Home Court: Carver-Hawkeye Arena (15,400)
2012-13 Record: 21-13 (8-8 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/5
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2



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USC

Location: Los Angeles, Calif.
Enrollment: 33,000
Nickname: Trojans / Women of Troy
Colors: Cardinal and Gold
Conference: Pac-12
Home Court: Galen Center (10,258)
2012-13 Record: 11-20 (11-7 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 11/1
Starters Returning/Lost: 4/1



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Boston College

Location: Chestnut Hill, Mass.
Enrollment: 14,460
Nickname: Eagles
Colors: Maroon and Gold
Conference: ACC
Home Court: Conte Forum (8,606)
2012-13 Record: 12-19 (5-13 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 8/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 3/2



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North Carolina

Location: Chapel Hill, N.C.
Enrollment: 18,503
Nickname: Tar Heels
Colors: Carolina Blue and White
Conference: ACC
Home Court: Carmichael Arena (6,822)
2012-13 Record: 29-7 (14-4 Conference)
Letterwinners Returning/Lost: 7/3
Starters Returning/Lost: 2/3



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2012-13 TEAM STATS

School	GP	W	L	PPG	RPG	APG	SPG	BPG	TPG	FG%	FT%	3P%
Arizona State	31	13	18	58.9	37.9	13.2	9.1	3.4	17.3	.386	.677	.262
Arkansas State	30	15	15	61.4	35.0	10.8	7.9	2.6	17.8	.430	.682	.287
Boston College	31	12	19	61.9	32.6	14.3	7.4	2.3	16.2	.404	.740	.336
Illinois	33	19	14	68.9	35.4	12.9	12.6	3.9	18.2	.393	.711	.290
Iowa	34	21	13	67.5	38.3	15.7	7.5	5.6	15.9	.423	.756	.332
North Carolina	36	29	7	68.9	42.7	13.3	13.2	5.5	20.1	.397	.640	.296
UNC Wilmington	31	5	26	53.5	34.7	10.6	6.9	2.6	16.5	.366	.634	.302
USC	31	11	20	61.5	39.5	12.7	7.2	3.9	16.5	.365	.700	.288

TOP RETURNING PLAYERS

Player	2013-14 Class	2012-13 Stats		PPG	RPG	APG	FG%	FT%	3P%	Note
		GP	MIN							
ARIZONA STATE										
Promise Amukamara	Junior	31	27.8	8.0	4.1	1.74	.385	.828	.200	Returning leading scorer
Joy Burke	RS Senior	31	22.2	7.1	6.1	0.7	.417	.597	.267	Led team in blocks (.97) and rebounds
Adrienne Thomas	Senior	30	24.0	5.3	2.9	2.9	.313	.688	.333	Returning assist leader
ARKANSAS STATE										
Jane Morrill	Senior	30	30.2	14.3	5.4	0.7	.512	.839	.357	Surpassed 1,000 career pts in `12-13
Jalen O'Bannon	Sophomore	30	19.2	9.1	3.9	0.5	.435	.674	.000	Avg. 11.2 ppg in league play
Hanna Qedan	Junior	30	26.9	8.9	4.0	0.8	.452	.852	.339	Led team with 37 made three-pointers
BOSTON COLLEGE										
Kristen Doherty	Senior	31	33.8	12.3	5.8	2.7	.374	.723	.319	Leading scorer in `12-13
Katie Zenevitch	Senior	31	31.1	12.1	6.6	1.2	.502	.816	.258	Led team in rpg, fg%, and ft%
Nicole Boudreau	Sophomore	31	34.6	11.1	3.6	2.3	.398	.815	.366	Started all 31 games as a freshman
ILLINOIS										
Amber Moore	Senior	33	37.0	12.5	4.4	2.6	.377	.868	.364	86 3's made set Illinois record
Ivory Crawford	Junior	33	31.3	11.8	4.3	1.5	.408	.688	.306	2.5 spg - ranked 4th in B1G
Alexis Smith	Junior	33	34.4	6.4	2.4	5.1	.307	.750	.091	Led team and ranked 4th in B1G in apg
IOWA										
Samantha Logic	Junior	34	34.2	9.4	6.7	6.4	.466	.659	.294	Led team in APG and Minutes
Theairra Taylor	Senior	34	26.3	8.7	4.5	2.4	.393	.758	.346	Started all 34 games in `12-13
Bethany Doolittle	Junior	34	28.4	7.2	5.4	0.6	.423	.679	.000	Returning BPG leader (1.7)
NORTH CAROLINA										
Xylina McDaniel	Sophomore	33	27.6	11.3	7.1	1.2	.430	.576	.182	Returning leader in PPG and RPG
Brittany Rountree	Junior	36	27.7	7.2	2.6	1.6	.353	.767	.298	Started 33 games in `12-13
Danielle Butts	Junior	36	16.4	4.7	4.6	0.6	.448	.554	.250	Scored 10 pts 3 times in `12-13
UNC WILMINGTON										
Kelva Atkins	Sophomore	31	28.0	10.4	4.1	2.6	.435	.678	.360	Avg. 14.2 ppg in final nine games
Diana Venezia	Junior	1	3	0.0	1.0	0.0	.000	.000	.000	Suffered season-ending injury game #1
Olivia Oakley	Sophomore									Did Not Play
USC										
Cassie Harberts	Senior	31	37.2	18.0	8.2	1.5	.438	.695	.320	2013 All-Pac-12 Team
Ariya Crook	Junior	30	28.5	13.4	3.4	2.9	.347	.772	.329	2013 All-Pac-12 Honorable Mention
Brianna Barrett	Sophomore	31	25.3	4.4	2.9	3.1	.281	.667	.091	Led team in assists as freshman



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PAST PARTICIPANTS

<u>2013</u>	<u>2008</u>
Arizona State	Boston College
Arkansas State	Eastern Michigan
Boston College	Illinois
Illinois	James Madison
Iowa	Maryland
North Carolina	Montana
UNC Wilmington	South Dakota State
USC	TCU

<u>2012</u>	<u>2007</u>
Green Bay	Arizona State
James Madison	Iowa
Minnesota	Kansas State
Missouri	Michigan State
Richmond	Mississippi State
Wichita State	Northern Illinois
	Oklahoma
	Tulane

<u>2011</u>	<u>2006</u>
Chattanooga	Bucknell
Cincinnati	Drake
Drake	Hofstra
Hofstra	Idaho State
Idaho State	Marshall
Kansas State	Monmouth
Marist	Richmond
Purdue	
South Dakota State	
Tulane	

<u>2010</u>	<u>2005</u>
Florida Gulf Coast	Arizona State
Hartford	Baylor
Iowa	California
James Madison	Marshall
Montana	Mississippi State
Penn State	North Carolina
Utah	TCU
Virginia Tech	
Green Bay	

<u>2009</u>
Arkansas
Cleveland State
Duke
Iona
Marquette
Western Kentucky

CONFERENCE RECORD

<u>Conference</u>	<u>Record</u>	<u># of Teams</u>
ACC	9-2	5
America East	0-3	1
Atlantic 10	3-2	1
Atlantic Sun	2-0	1
Big 10	11-6	7
Big 12	5-7	4
Big East	3-1	2
Big Sky	2-5	2
Colonial	6-3	2
Conference USA	5-3	2
Horizon League	6-2	2
MAAC	2-2	2
Mid-American	0-4	2
Missouri Valley	1-6	3
Northeast	1-1	1
Pacific 12	4-5	3
Patriot League	1-1	1
SEC	3-6	4
Southern	0-2	1
Summit League	2-3	1
Sun Belt	0-2	1

APPEARANCES BY SCHOOL

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Arizona State (2013, 2007, 2005)
Iowa (2013, 2010, 2007)
James Madison (2012, 2010, 2008)

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Boston College (2013, 2008)
Drake (2011, 2006)
Green Bay (2012, 2010)
Illinois (2013, 2008)
Kansas State (2011, 2007)
Marshall (2006, 2005)
Mississippi State (2007, 2005)
Montana (2010, 2008)
North Carolina (2013, 2005)
Richmond (2012, 2006)
South Dakota State (2011, 2008)
TCU (2008, 2005)
Tulane (2011, 2007)

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SCHOOL RECORD

<u>TEAM</u>	<u>W</u>	<u>L</u>
Arizona State	2	2
Arkansas	2	0
Baylor	1	1
Boston College	2	0
Bucknell	1	1
California	1	1
Chattanooga	0	2
Cincinnati	2	0
Cleveland State	1	1
Drake	1	3
Duke	2	0
Eastern Michigan	0	2
Florida Gulf Coast	2	0
Green Bay	5	1
Hartford	0	3
Hofstra	2	0
Idaho State	1	1
Illinois	0	3
Iona	0	2
Iowa	3	1
James Madison	4	3
Kansas State	0	4
Marist	2	0
Marquette	1	1
Marshall	2	2
Maryland	3	0
Michigan State	2	0
Minnesota	2	1
Mississippi State	0	4
Missouri	1	2
Monmouth	1	1
Montana	1	4
North Carolina	2	0
Northern Illinois	0	2
Oklahoma	2	0
Penn State	2	1
Purdue	2	0
Richmond	3	2
South Dakota State	2	3
TCU	2	2
Tulane	3	1
Utah	1	2
Virginia Tech	0	2
Western Kentucky	0	2
Wichita State	0	3



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PAST RESULTS

2012

Thursday, 11/22/2012
Richmond 58, Minnesota 46
Missouri 49, Wichita State 44
JMU 89, Green Bay 86 OT

Friday, 11/23/2012
Richmond 49, Wichita State 46
Minnesota 80, JMU 62
Green Bay 55, Missouri 33

Saturday, 11/24/2012
JMU 63, Wichita State 58
Green Bay 79, Richmond 48
Minnesota 59, Missouri 54

2011

Thursday, 11/24/11
Idaho State 65, Chattanooga 62
Purdue 61, Tulane 48
Hofstra 64, Kansas State 54
Marist 50, Drake 47
Cincinnati 55, South Dakota State 22

Friday, 11/25/11
Tulane 45, Idaho State 37
Hofstra 70, Drake 60
Cincinnati 51, Chattanooga 50
Marist 57, South Dakota State 49
Purdue 46, Kansas State 42

2010

Thursday, 11/25/10
Green Bay 78, Hartford 44
Penn State 70, Utah 58
Florida Gulf Coast 73, Virginia Tech 65
Iowa 67, James Madison 61

Friday, 11/26/10
Utah 51, Hartford 45
Green Bay 79, Penn State 74
James Madison 76, Montana 69
Iowa 72, Virginia Tech 43

Saturday, 11/27/10
Florida Gulf Coast 68, Montana 52
Green Bay 60, Utah 40
Penn State 71, Hartford 65

2009

Thursday, 11/26/09
Arkansas 66, Iona 60
Marquette 69, Cleveland St. 66
Duke 70, Western Kentucky 47

Friday, 11/27/09
Cleveland St. 64, Iona 58
Arkansas 69, Western Kentucky 51
Duke 74, Marquette 43

2008

Wednesday, 11/26/08
Maryland 68, South Dakota St. 56
Montana 59, Illinois 57

Thursday, 11/27/08
James Madison 80, Eastern Michigan 76
Boston College 77, TCU 68
Maryland 71, Montana 58
South Dakota St. 62, Illinois 60

Friday, 11/28/08
TCU 71, Eastern Michigan 55
Boston College 71, JMU 63
South Dakota St. 64, Montana 59
Maryland 79, Illinois 52

2007

Wednesday, 11/21/07
Tulane 60, Kansas State 57
Michigan State 67, Northern Illinois 40

Thursday, 11/22/07
Oklahoma 69, Arizona State 57
Michigan State 68, Kansas State 65
Iowa 60, Mississippi State 54
Tulane 70, Northern Illinois 57

Friday, 11/23/07
Oklahoma 88, Mississippi State 73
Arizona State 60, Iowa 58

2006

Thursday, 11/23/06
Drake 77, Richmond 64
Monmouth 65, Marshall 54

Friday, 11/24/06
Bucknell 67, Monmouth 53
Marshall 59, Drake 58

Saturday, 11/25/06
Richmond 58, Bucknell 40