



No. 13 LSU (10-3) vs. Wisconsin (7-6) Postgame Notes Monday, January 1 • Kickoff 11:05 a.m. CT • ESPN2

GAME INFORMATION

LSU Captains: OT Will Campbell, QB Jayden Daniels, DT Mekhi Wingo

Coin Toss: LSU won, received

Weather: 65 degrees, cloudy

Wind: N 2 mph

Attendance: 31,424

Brian Kelly Career Record: 304-103-2

Brian Kelly LSU Record: 20-7

Brian Kelly vs. Wisconsin: 2-1

LSU vs. Wisconsin All-Time: 4-1

LSU STARTERS

Offense

QB Garrett Nussmeier, RB Josh Williams, WR Malik Nabers, WR Kyren Lacy, WR Brian Thomas Jr., TE Mason Taylor, LT Will Campbell, LG Garrett Dellinger, C Charles Turner III, RG Miles Frazier, RT Emery Jones Jr.

Defense

DE Sai'vion Jones, DT Maason Smith, DT Jordan Jefferson, JACK Ovie Oghoufo, LB Omar Speights, LB Greg Penn III, LB Harold Perkins Jr., S Andre Sam, CB Ashton Stamps, CB Javien Toviano, S Major Burns

GAME NOTES

General

1. LSU is now 4-1 all-time against Wisconsin after today's game. The Tigers have also finished with 10 wins in back-to-back seasons.
1. LSU has won at least 10 games in a season 19 times in its history.
2. LSU's Brian Kelly now has 7 consecutive seasons with at least 10 wins dating back to 2017. That streak is the second-longest in the nation, trailing only Nick Saban (16 seasons) of Alabama.
3. WR Malik Nabers officially became the all-time career-receiving leader in LSU history. He finished the game with 23 receiving yards and now has a career total of 3,003 yards, which was enough to surpass Josh Reed (3,001 yards).
4. The game marked the Tigers' 55th appearance in a bowl game. They are now 30-24-1 all-time in bowl games, which includes a 2-0 mark in the College Football Playoffs. Dating back to the 2000 season, LSU has appeared in a bowl game every year with the exception of 2020.

a. The game also marked LSU's third appearance in the ReliaQuest Bowl, where they now have a record of 2-1.

5. With the win, LSU is now 11-15-2 all-time against current members of the Big Ten

6. LSU wore purple jerseys in a bowl game for the fifth time in program history. The last time LSU wore purple in a bowl game was in the 2000 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl against Georgia Tech.

Offense

1. Making his first career start, QB Garrett Nussmeier finished with 395 passing yards and 3 TDs.

a. He is the fourth QB in LSU history to do that, joining Matt Flynn, 12/30/2005 Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl (def. Miami, 40-3)

Anthony Jennings, 1/1/2014 Outback Bowl (def. Iowa, 21-14) and Jontre Kirklin, 1/4/2022 TaxAct Texas Bowl (lost to Kansas St., 42-20).

2. Capping off an 8-play, 60-yard drive, LB Harold Perkins Jr. punched in a 1-yard TD to put LSU on the board, trailing 14-7 with 6 minutes left in the first half.

3. RB Kaleb Jackson scored on a 12-yard TD rush to tie the game at 14 with 1:28 remaining before halftime.

4. WR Brian Thomas Jr. hauled in a 38-yard TD pass as LSU trailed 28-21 with 10:33 left in the third quarter.

a. It was Thomas' 16th receiving TD is 3rd on LSU's single-season list behind Chase (20) and Jefferson (18).

5. WR Chris Hilton Jr. caught a 14-yard TD as the Tigers tied it up at 28 with 4:44 remaining in the third quarter.

6. Nussmeier connected with Thomas Jr. again on a 4-yard TD as LSU took a 35-31 lead with 3:08 left in the game. The touchdown came after an 8-play, 98-yard drive to secure the win.

Defense

1. DB Major Burns had a team-high 13 tackles, including 9 solo and 1.5 tackles for loss.

2. DT Mekhi Wingo returned from injury for the bowl game and finished with 2 sacks.

3. LB Greg Penn III recorded a sack which game on Wisconsin's last possession to seal the game on fourth down.

4. DT Jordan Jefferson and DE Maason Smith each recorded a sack as well.

Special Teams

1. PK Damian Ramos was a perfect 5-for-5 on PATs.

