

# ASU 2017-2018 SCHEDULE

## Date Opp. (TV/Radio).....FINAL/TIP

11/10 Idaho State (P12 AZ)..... W, 94-74  
11/14 San Diego State (P12/98.7 FM).....7

## CONTINENTAL TIRE INV.-TEMPE

11/17 North. Arizona (P12/620 AM) ..6 p.m.  
11/19 UC Irvine (P12/620 AM)..... Noon

## CONTINENTAL TIRE INVITATIONAL LAS VEGAS.ORLEANS ARENA

11/23 Kansas St. (FS1/98.7 FM)..... 4:30 PT  
11/24 Xavier/GW (FOX/FS1/620 AM)....TBD

12/2 San Francisco (P12).....7  
12/8 St. John's (P12)/Staples .....5 PT  
12/10 @Kansas (ESPN)..... Noon CT  
12/17 Vanderbilt (P12) ..... Noon  
12/19 Longwood (P12) .....7  
12/22 Pacific (P12) .....1  
12/30 @Arizona (P12).....7  
1/4 @Colorado (P12).....6:30  
1/7 @Utah (ESPNU).....6  
1/11 Oregon (FS1).....8  
1/13 Oregon St. (P12) .....4  
1/17 @Stanford (P12) .....8 PT  
1/20 @California (P12).....7:30 PT  
1/25 Utah (P12).....7:30  
1/27 Colorado (ESPNU).....6  
2/1 @Washington (P12).....8 PT  
2/4 @Washington St. (ESPNU).....1 PT  
2/8 USC (ESPN2).....9  
2/10 UCLA (P12) .....5  
2/15 Arizona (ESPN2) .....7  
2/22 @Oregon (FS1) .....8:30  
2/24 @Oregon St. (ESPNU).....5  
3/1 California (ESPNU).....7  
3/3 Stanford (TBD) .....TBD  
3/7 Pac-12 Tournament..... Las Vegas

## FINAL FOUR TRIVIA

Coach Hurley (1992) and Danny Manning (1988) are the only current college coaches who earned NCAA Final Four MOP honors.

## TURNED IT AROUND FAST

Buffalo was 285-369 (.436) in 22 seasons after going Division I (1991-2013). The Bulls were 42-20 (.678) in Coach Hurley's two seasons. He is 72-55 (.568) in four years as a head coach.

# SUN DEVIL

## M E N ' S B A S K E T B A L L

### @SUNDEVILHOOPS WITH THREE GAMES IN SIX DAYS PRIOR TO THANKSGIVING

<b>Tue., Nov. 14 - vs. San Diego State</b>	<b>7 p.m./Pac-12 Net/98.7 FM</b>	<b>Wells Fargo Arena</b>
<b>Fri., Nov. 17 - vs. Northern Arizona</b>	<b>6 p.m./Pac-12/620 AM</b>	<b>Wells Fargo Arena</b>
<b>Sun., Nov. 19 - vs. UC Irvine</b>	<b>Noon/Pac-12/620 AM</b>	<b>Wells Fargo Arena</b>

The Arizona State Sun Devil men's hoops team that returns three starters from last year's squad and welcomes six newcomers has three games in six days following its Nov. 10 94-74 season-opening win over Idaho State. ASU, under third-year head coach Bobby Hurley, is led by seniors Tra Holder, Shannon Evans II and Kodi Justice and will take on San Diego State on Tuesday, Nov. 14, at 7 p.m. on Pac-12 Network with Ted Robinson and Don MacLean on the call. Tim Healey and Kyle Dodd have the call on the Sun Devil Radio Network/98.7 FM.

**ASU 94, IDAHO STATE 74 (NOV. 10, 2017):** Junior De'Quon Lake posted 24 points -- the best Sun Devil debut since Steve Moore had 26 vs. Arkansas-Little Rock on Nov. 22, 2003 -- and added eight rebounds and three blocks in the season opening win. Shannon Evans II added 25 points (with five three-pointers), while Tra Holder had 18 points, nine rebounds and eight assists. Lake finished 10-of-14 from the line after going 1-of-4 in the first half. ASU led 51-33 at the half, sparked by Remy Martin who finished with 16 points and five assists on 6-of-8 shooting in 34 minutes off the bench. ASU had 22 assists and shot 34-of-65 (.523) from the field.

**TOP SCORERS:** ASU has two of the top five scorers in the Pac-12 returning, as Tra Holder (16.2 ppg) and Shannon Evans II (15.0) averaged more than 31 points. Only Reid Travis (Stanford), Allonzo Trier (Arizona) and Stephan Thompson (Oregon State) averaged more than Tra and Shannon last year in overall games.

### PAC-12 TOP RETURNING SCORERS IN 2017-18

17.4-Reid Travis, Stanford  
17.2-Allonzo Trier, Arizona  
16.3-Stephen Thompson, Oregon State  
**16.2-Tra Holder, Arizona State**  
**15.0-Shannon Evans II, Arizona State**

**NOT MANY CAN SAY THIS:** ASU's backcourt has two 1,200-point career scorers. Tra Holder has 1,233 points in 98 Sun Devil games (12.6 ppg.), while Shannon Evans II has 1,248 career points, with 754 of them coming at Buffalo from 2013-15. Combined the duo has made 779 total field goals, 284 three-pointers, 664 free throws and has dropped 2,506 collegiate points in 194 career games.

### MOST COMBINED CAREER POINTS BY TWO TEAMMATES ENTERING 2017-18

2,707/St. Bonaventure: Jaylen Adams (1,377) and Matt Mobley (1,330)  
2,701/Rhode Island: E.C. Matthews (1,519) and Jared Terrell (1,182)  
2,639/Xavier: Trevon Bluiett (1,585) and J.P. Macura (1,054)  
2,463/Arizona State: Shannon Evans II (1,248) and Tra Holder (1,215)

**STRENGTH NOTES:** ASU's 78.6 points per game last year was its best since the 1997-98 squad averaged 84.5...ASU ranked third in the Pac-12 in free throw shooting (.749) and averaged just 10.4 turnovers (first in the league and T-11th in the nation) and 9.9 three-pointers made (second in Pac-12)...Tra Holder led the league in free throws made and attempted (152-of-197/.772)...ASU likes to shoot the three as its 328 made last year was third-most in league history behind only UCLA (354 in 2016-17) and Oregon (350 in 2006-07).

**LENGTH:** ASU has some solid wing spans and length this year. De'Quon Lake has a 7-2 wingspan, while Vitaliy Shibel and Romello White are at 7-0. Freshman Kimani Lawrence stretched to 6-11 on his 6-7 frame.

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Pos	#	Name	Yr.	Ht./Wt.	2017-2018 SUN DEVIL ROSTER NOTES
G	0	Tra (Tray) Holder	Sr.	6-1/180	Pac-12 All-Freshman team 2015; Why he wears "0" -- says will have zero excuses
G	1	Remy Martin	Fr.	6-1/180	Top-100 2017 signee; point guard; explosive, fast and never stops...will pressure the ball
F	3	Mickey Mitchell	So.	6-7/210	Played lot of minutes as freshman at Ohio State in 2015-16; eligible in December
G	11	Shannon Evans II	Sr.	6-1/160	13.0 ppg in three seasons; played on Buffalo 2015 NCAA Tournament team
F	10	Vitaliy Shibel	RFr.	6-9/210	Freshman who had ACL injury and redshirted last year/from the Ukraine
G	14	Kimani Lawrence	Fr.	6-7/200	Long freshman who can guard 5 positions and play 4 of them/out until late Dec (injury)
G	22	Austin Witherill	Sr.	6-0/170	Local walk-on from Gilbert's Highland High School
F	23	Romello White	Fr.	6-8/220	Sat last year as academic redshirt; top-100 2016 recruit across the board
G	24	Jordan Salzman	Fr.	5-10/175	Walkon from New York
G	25	Grant Fogerty	So.	6-0/175	Local walkon addition from Desert Mountain High School in Scottsdale
G	34	Trevor Thompson	Fr.	6-2/175	Local walkon addition from Moon Valley High School in Phoenix
F	35	De'Quon Lake	Jr.	6-10/225	JC transfer originally from Virgin Islands/24 points, 8 boards, 3 blocks in opener
G	41	Imran Takhar	Fr.	6-4/200	Orange, Calif., prep product is walkon
G	44	Kodi Justice	Sr.	6-5/190	Averaged 15.6 points in final five games of 2016-17

#### TRANSFERS TO PLAY IN 2018-19

G	2	Rob Edwards	Jr.	6-4/200	Talented wing who transferred from Cleveland State
F	15	Carlton Bragg	Jr.	6-9/220	Transfer from Kansas
F	31	Zylan Cheatham	Jr.	6-8/201	Transfer from San Diego State

**Head Coach:** Bobby Hurley/42-20 at Buffalo (2013-15); 1992 Final Four MOP

**Coaching Staff:** Rashon Burno, Levi Watkins, Anthony Coleman

**Special Assistant to HC:** Ben Wood **Video:** Justin MacLean **Operations:** Derrick Wrobel



**MEET THE SIX:** ASU will have six newcomers fill roles in 2017-18, led by three who were in the program last year. **Romello White** is a 6-8 forward from Suwanee, Ga. who practiced last season as an academic redshirt and was a top-100 player (No. 77 by ESPN, No. 81 by Scout) in the 2016 signing class. Texan **Mickey Mitchell** is a skilled 6-7 sophomore who started seven games and played in 23 for Ohio State in 2015-16, came to ASU in December of 2016 and will be eligible this December, while 6-9 redshirt freshman **Vitaliy Shibel** has a great southpaw shooting stroke but missed last year with an ACL injury. Junior college transfer **De'Quon Lake** has a 6-10 frame and a 7-2 wing span. ESPN 2017 top-100 players **Kimani Lawrence** (New Hampton School/Providence, RI) is a 6-7 swingman with 6-11 wingspan who is No. 54, while **Remy Martin** (Sierra Canyon/Chatsworth, Calif.) is a 6-0 lead guard and is No. 82 in the rankings.

**NOV. 14 VS. SAN DIEGO STATE (7 P.M./PAC-12 NETWORK):** ASU leads the series 17-10, with the last Tempe meeting a 55-52 Sun Devil on Dec. 19, 2009. Last year at SDSU on Dec. 10 ASU fell behind 14-4 and was down 32-25 at the half but came back behind 10 three-pointers and 16-of-18 free throws to win at always tough Viejas Arena, where 2016 MWC regular season champion SDSU was 49-5 in its previous 54. Tra Holder had 17 points. SDSU enters 2017-18 having won an average of 25 games the last 12 seasons (including seven NCAA Tournament appearances) and has won the Mountain West Championship regular season title three of the past four years.

**PREDICTIONS:** ASU was picked sixth in the Pac-12 preseason media poll announced on Oct. 12, its top preseason ranking since being picked fourth in the Pac-10 prior to the 2010-11 season. ASU has been picked 11th (2016-17 and 2012-13), eighth (2015-16), ninth (2014-15 and 2011-12), seventh (2013-14) in seven previous Pac-12 polls. UA was picked to finish first, followed by USC, UCLA, UO, Stanford, ASU, Utah, OSU, CU, UW, Cal and WSU.

**ABOUT THE FRESHMEN:** From one coast to the other one, Bobby Hurley's staff signed a pair of top-100 players last fall, as 6-7 swingman Kimani Lawrence (New Hampton School in New Hampton, N.H.) and 6-1 guard Remy Martin of Chatsworth (Calif.) Sierra Canyon joined the program this summer. A four-star signee according to Scout, Martin averaged 14.5 points as a junior. Lawrence, a four-star small forward from The New Hampton School in New Hampton, N.H., is the nation's 54th overall prospect according to ESPN.

#### SCOUT.COM SUN DEVIL TOP-100 RECRUITS ON ROSTER

- 54. Kimani Lawrence, 2017
- 81. Romello White, 2016
- 98. Remy Martin, 2017
- 100. Tra Holder, 2014

**SHANNON FTS:** Shannon Evans II finished tied for second in the Pac-12 in free throw percentage (100-of-120/.833), just .002 off the leader. Two Sun Devils have led the Pac-12, as Chris Beasley shot .875 (112-of-128) in 1983-84 and Alex Austin made 69-of-80 (.863) in 1988-89.

**TRA NOTES:** Tra Holder moved past the 1,000-point mark at UCLA on Jan. 19, 2017, as he is the 36th member of the Sun Devil 1,000-point club...378-of-510 (.741) from the charity stripe in his 98 games, and both marks are second in ASU history behind only Ike Diogu (671-of-854).

#### SUN DEVIL CAREER POINTS

1. Eddie House, 1996-2000/2,044
20. Arthur Thomas, 1984-88/1,268
21. Jahii Carson, 2012-14/1,261

**22. Tra Holder, 2014-present/1,233**

#### TRA'S YEAR-BY-YEAR IMPROVEMENTS

##### SEASON: FG% / FT% / PPG

- 2014-15: .317 / .708 / 7.0  
 2015-16: .387 / .727 / 14.2  
 2016-17: .433 / .772 / 16.2

**40-MINUTE MEN:** On Feb. 16 at Washington, Tra Holder and Shannon Evans II each played 40 minutes, while Torian Graham and Kodi Justice both played 39 minutes in the 83-81 win. According to Stats Inc., it was the only time in the past 21 seasons (1996-97 to present) that four Sun Devils played at least 39 minutes in a regulation game and marked the first time any Pac-12 team had done it since Oregon State at Arizona State on March 5, 2011. It was so crazy and would probably never happen again...except it did vs. No. 5 UCLA on Feb. 23, when the ASU starters played 199 minutes a week later.

**ONE FINAL MINUTES NOTE:** Tra Holder led the Pac-12 in minutes per game in conference games last year at 37.9, but not far behind him were Sun Devils Shannon Evans II (36.7/second) and Torian Graham (36.6/third).

**FREE THROWS:** The Sun Devils made free throws at a rate that was third-best in school history (489-of-653/.749) last year. ASU shot .756 in 1977-78 and .754 in 1954-55 for its best seasons. ASU went 12-of-12 in the second half of tight win at San Diego State on Dec. 10 and was 16-of-18 for the game.

**SPLASH GAMES:** Shannon Evans II arrived at ASU after having spent two seasons under Coach Hurley at Buffalo. As a sophomore in 2014-15 he averaged 15.4 points, 3.2 rebounds and 4.6 assists and led the Bulls to the NCAA Tournament as he earned second-team All-MAC honors. As a freshman, he averaged 8.5 points and 3.3 assists per game and was named to the All-MAC Freshman Team. He made his first 20 free throws to start the season last year and is 286-of-353 (.810) in his 96-game career.

#### SHANNON EVANS II 25-POINT SCORING GAMES (4 AT ASU)

- 33 vs. Cornell (1/3/15)  
 28 at #13 Oregon (2/2/17)  
 28 vs. UNLV (12/3/16)  
 25 vs. Idaho State (11/14/17)  
 25 vs. Washington (1/25/17)  
 25 at Ball State (2/4/15)

#### QUICK QUESTIONS WITH SHANNON EVANS

**Most upset on the court:** Losing the NCAA tournament

**Happiest on the court:** Winning the MAC championship

**Past sporting event to go back and watch:** 1991 Duke vs UNLV

**Past Sun Devil to go watch compete:** Pat Tillman

#### HOW DO YOU SAY IT?

TRAY Holder  
 Deh-Kwon Lake  
 VIGH-tally SHY-bel

#### TRA HOLDER'S 20 20+ GAMES

- 27 vs. Washington State (1/29/17)  
 26 at UCLA (1/9/16)  
 25 at Stanford (12/30/16)  
 24 vs. #9 Creighton (12/20/16)  
 24 vs. Cal Poly (11/13/16)  
 24 vs. #8 Arizona (1/3/16)  
 23 vs. Washington (1/25/17)  
 23 vs. Portland State (11/11/16)  
 22 at #3 UCLA (1/19/17)  
 22 vs. Central Arkansas (12/22/16)  
 22 vs. Citadel (11/23/16)  
 23 vs. CSU-Bakersfield (12/28/15)  
 22 vs. North Carolina State (11/23/15)  
 21 vs. Stanford/Pac-12 Tournament (3/8/17)  
 21 at Washington (2/16/17)  
 21 at USC (1/7/16)  
 20 at #16 Arizona (1/12/17)  
 20 vs. UNLV (12/31/16)  
 20 vs. #23 USC (2/12/16)  
 20 vs. Washington State (1/16/16)

#### THREE-POINT NOTE

Entering 2017-18 ASU had made a three-point-er in 555 straight games. The last time ASU did not make a three-pointer was in an 89-57 win over Washington in Tempe on Feb. 10, 2001.

#### SUN DEVIL WINS VS. RANKED TEAMS

##### PAST FIVE SEASONS

- ASU 74, #23 USC 67/Feb. 12, 2016  
 ASU 67, #18 Texas A&M 54/Dec. 5, 2015  
 ASU 81, #6 Arizona 78/Feb. 7, 2015  
 ASU 69, #2 Arizona 66 (2 OT)/Feb. 14, 2014  
 ASU 79, #25 Marquette 77/Nov. 25, 2013

**TOP-10 OPPONENT (PROBABLY):** From 1995-96 through 2014-15, ASU played one top-10 team outside of Pac-12 play in the regular season (No. 7 Duke on Nov. 25, 2009, in Madison Square Garden). This year's Dec. 10 game at Kansas has the potential to be the third straight season ASU will play a top-10 non-conference team in the regular season. ASU has played Kentucky the past two seasons and now starts the home-and-home with Kansas this year.

**COACH AS A PLAYER:** Coach Hurley's Duke career has been talked about a lot. His 145 assists (in 20 games) is a NCAA Tournament record. Here is a numbers breakdown:

**.583:** In the 1992 Final Four, Coach made 7-of-12 three pointers en route to the Most Outstanding Player honors.

**.667:** In the April 4, 1992 Final Four game vs. Indiana, Coach went 6-of-9 from the three-point stripe.

**2:** In addition to 1992 Most Outstanding Player honors, Coach also earned 1991 All-Tournament Team honors.

**9:** In the 1991 title game vs. Kansas on April 1, he posted nine assists.

**16:** In the 1991 Final Four he posted 16 asists.

**20:** Coach played in 20 NCAA Tournament games.

**119:** Coach Hurley went 119-26 (.821) in his four years at Duke.

**18-2:** Coach Hurley went 18-2 in his NCAA Tournament career.

### 3-PTERS IN TOURNAMENT CAREER

47, Lee Humphrey, Florida, 2004-07 (15)

43, Shelvin Mack, Butler, 2009-11 (13)

**42, Bobby Hurley, Duke, 1990-93 (20)**

### NCAA TOURNAMENT GAMES

23, Christian Laettner, Duke, 1989-92

22, Greg Koubek, Duke, 1988-91

22, Brian Davis, Duke, 1989-92

21, Wayne Turner, Kentucky, 1996-99

20, Thomas Hill, Duke, 1990-93

**20, Bobby Hurley, Duke, 1990-93**

20, Grant Hill, Duke, 1991-94

20, Antonio Lang, Duke, 1991-94

**JUSTICE SERVED:** Kodi Justice has made 141 three pointers in 84 career games. He suffered a fractured navicular bone in his left foot on Jan. 25, 2015 (freshman year) and missed the remainder of that season, but bounced back with a solid sophomore season. His injury happened the game following a season-high 16 points at California, so he was just starting to get in the groove, and then adapted to a new coaching staff in the summer of 2015 while getting healthy.

### FOUR QUESTIONS WITH KODI JUSTICE

**You can pick the brain of any coach, who is it?** John Wooden

**You can go watch a past sporting event live...which one?** Rumble in the Jungle

**Past Sun Devil (any sport) you wish you could have watched compete:** Pat Tillman

**Biggest challenge in my life:** Being dyslexic

### KODI JUSTICE CAREER STATS

DATE	G/MIN PG	3PT MADE	ASST	STEALS	PTS/PPG
2014-15	18/12.7	17	28	5	83/4.6
2015-16	32/24.8	60	76	30	253/7.9
2016-17	33/31.1	63	80	44	302/9.2

### KODI JUSTICE TOP SCORING GAMES

22 vs. USC (2/26/17)

20 vs. Citadel (11/23/16)

20 vs. Houston Baptist (12/19/15)

19 vs. #5 UCLA (2/23/17)

**HALF:** ASU has won eight games despite trailing at the half under Bobby Hurley, after going 12-64 (.157) the previous five seasons.

### 8 HALFTIME DEFICIT WINS UNDER COACH HURLEY

(-1) USC 48, ASU 47

Feb. 26, 2017/ASU 83, USC 82

(-2) @Washington 41, ASU 39

Feb. 16, 2017/ASU 83, @Washington 81

(-1) Stanford 33, ASU 32

Feb. 11, 2017/ASU 75, Stanford 69

(-7) @SDSU 32, ASU 25

Dec. 10, 2016/ASU 74, @SDSU 63

(-3) #23 USC 30, ASU 27

Feb. 12, 2016/ASU 74, USC 67

(-12) @UNLV 37, ASU 25

Dec. 16, 2015/ASU 66, @UNLV 56

(-8) @Creighton 41, ASU 33

Dec. 2, 2015/ASU 79, @Creighton 77

(-2) UCSB 29, ASU 27

Nov. 29, 2015/ASU 70, UCSB 68