WASHINGTON STATE
FOOTBALL

POSTGAME NOTES
NO. 19 WISCONSIN AT WASHINGTON STATE – SEPT. 9, 2023

TEAM NOTES

- WSU recorded its third sellout (33,024) of Gesa Field in the last two seasons (Washington, Oregon)
- WSU has won its last 3 games against Big Ten Conference opponents (at Rutgers, 2015; at Wisconsin, 2022; Wisconsin, 2023)
- WSU has started 2-0 in back-to-back seasons for the first time since 2018-19
- Jake Dickert is the first Cougar head coach to start 2-0 in each of his first two seasons since Dennis Erickson (1987-88)
- WSU hosted its first game in Pullman on ABC since the 2004 Apple Cup win
- WSU hosted a ranked nonconference power 5 opponent for the first time in program history
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PLAYER NOTES

- Cameron Ward threw two touchdown passes to push his career total to 99
- Ward recorded a career-high 17 carries, rushed for 43 yards including long of 23
- Nakia Watson scored his 15th career rushing touchdown and 11th total touchdown as a Coug
- Lincoln Victor caught a 1-yard touchdown, also threw a 39-yard pass, the longest by a non-quarterback since WR Kristoff Williams threw a 47-yard touchdown pass against Utah in 2011
- Sam Lockett III made a career-high 13 tackles, second career double-digit tackle game (11, Oregon, 2022)
- Ron Stone Jr. recorded his 1st career two-sack game, forced fumbles on both sacks
- Brennan Jackson recovered a pair of fumbles and scored his first career touchdown, recorded five tackles
- Kyle Thornton recorded his 1st career sack, career-high 2 tackles-for-loss
- Na'im Rodman (DT) made his 1st start as a Coug, made one tackle
- Jaden Hicks made nine tackles, forced a fumble, recorded a tackle-for-loss and broke up two passes
- Jackson Lataimua (Nickel) made his 1st career start, made 2 tackles and recovered a fumble
- Dean Janikowski made from 46-yards, is 2-2 in 2023 with makes for 46 yards (Wisconsin) and 55 yards (at Colorado State)