

Michigan Wolverines (13-12, 6-7 B1G)

The Rage Page

Michigan State Spartans (17-8, 7-4 B1G)



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Spartans projected starting line-up:

Bryn Forbes

6'3"

His Twitter handle is @B_Nasty04.

20 Travis Trice

6'0"

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He loves taking Instagram videos of himself jumping in front of people trying to scare them.

22 Branden Dawson

6'6"

He missed extensive time last season when he broke his hand after slapping a table during a film session.

34 Gavin Schilling

6'9"

He is shooting only 48% from the free throw line this season.

Denzel Valentine

6'5"

He is Michigan State's leading scorer and son of former Michigan State player, Carlton Valentine.

HC Tom Izzo

This angry midget is just 3-6 against John Beilein in the last five regular seasons.

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Bum of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": Bryn Forbes

Good evening, Wolverines! Tonight, Michigan takes on their in-state rival, the Michigan State Spartans. Michigan looks to avenge their hard-fought loss to Michigan State from earlier this month, where they dropped an overtime nail-biter, 76-66. We have the home court advantage for this one, but we need to bring the energy to make the most of our advantage. Get loud and rowdy tonight! We need everyone to help take down the Spartans!

Injuries? Injuries: Tom Izzo's Michigan State squad suffered a rash of injuries last season. Izzo constantly reminded the media of his disadvantage of having to coach a team with so many injuries. This season, after Caris LeVert's injury, Izzo said he used to be "happy as hell" when an opponent's best player got hurt. When LeVert's and Walton's injuries were mentioned before the game in East Lansing, Izzo stated that it was "no excuse" and that injuries were part of the game. Memory and sportsmanship aren't Izzo's best skills.

A Depressed State of Mind: After a recent 55-52 home loss to Illinois, Michigan State players were understandably upset. After all, who isn't sad after a loss? After this loss, they seemed more upset than usual. Forward Matt Costello(#10) said, "There's not a real happiness around here, even when we win because we still know we're playing bad." When asked about the last time there was happiness shared by the team, he responded with, "That's a good question."

The Rest of the Spartans: Marvin Clark Jr. (#0), Javon Bess (#2), Alvin Ellis III (#3), Lourwals Nairn Jr. (#11), Trevor Bohnhoff (#13), Keenan Wetzel (#15), Kenny Goins, (#25), Matt Van Dyke (#30), Colby Wollenman (#41).

Keep it classy, Rage: As one of college basketball's premiere student sections, it's important that we refrain from swearing or using other slurs throughout the game. The University of Michigan is an institution of class, and as a collective representative, we need to uphold this standard.

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Un-Beilein-able: Despite not having both veterans Caris LeVert and Derrick Walton, jr. for a stretch of 5 games, Coach Beilein has done quite an impressive job in making the rest of our depleted roster compete with the B1G. In an alternate universe, our Wolverines are 10-3 (2nd in the B1G) sitting right behind 10-2 Wisconsin. Alas in our current universe, 7 more points needed to be scored against Wisconsin, Michigan State, Indiana, and Illinois for that dream to become a reality.

Rookie Report: Former Wolverine and current Oklahoma City Thunder rookie, Mitch McGary is acheiving success in the NBA. He recently had back-to-back double-double games. In the last two games he had 36 points, twenty rebounds and played for over 48 minutes. There's only one thing to say to that: wherever you go, GO BLUE!

Remember: A maize Michigan shirt, a Michigan basketball jersey, or costume is required to sit in the bleachers.



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Cheers: Be steady and DON'T SPEED UP

Offense:

- Here we go Michigan, here we go! (clap clap)

- Let's Go Michigan! (clap, clap, clap clap clap)
- Go, Blue, Go! (clap clap clap)
- Let's Go Blue! (clap)
- Go Blue! (clap clap)

Defense:

- Popcorn (Jump up and down while screaming OHHHHH!!)
- Bounce! Bounce! Pass! (Yell "bounce" when the opposition dribbles, and "pass" when they pass)

"A"-BOMB: When Spike Albrecht hits a three, drop back in your seats as if a bomb has violently shaken Crisler Arena.

The Bacari Corner

A Tribute to coach Bacari Alexander and his Tweets:

Feb.15: "News Flash to ALL RECRUITS and their FAMILIES. Our players don't shy away from SKILL WORK! #wegetourplayersbetter"

Feb.14: "Here's my Valentine! #headedtothegymtoinvest #inlovewithfightingforwins #uconcious

Feb.12: "We will keep finding ways to compete and fight.. It'll come all together at some point. #WeWill #scrappygroup"