

Michigan Wolverines (15-9, 6-7 B1G)

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Hoosiers' projected starting line-up:

1 Al Durham 6'4" G

Has his own clothing line: "Real is Rare"

10 Rob Phinisee 6'1" G

A modern philosopher: "You never know what someone is thinking"

3 Justin Smith 6'7" F

A huge Jordan Poole fan

4 Trayce Jackson-Davis 6'9"

Threw away his PS4 a couple years ago because Spiderman's rights weren't given by Sony to Marvel

50 Joey Brunk 6'11" F

Claims to have gone to the Indianapolis Zoo "no less than 500 times"

HC Archie Miller

Currently in his 3rd season, with a 50-39 record and 0 NCAA Tournament appearances

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Burn of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": Travce Jackson-Davis

Good afternoon, Ragers, and welcome to this Sunday's Pool Party between our Michigan Wolverines and the visiting Indiana Hoosiers! The Wolverines are hoping to keep the momentum going following a big win against our rival Spartans and a road win against Northwestern. Indiana has experienced a bit of a resurgence themselves despite losing Juwan Morgan and Romeo Langford to the NBA, sitting at 16-8. They did, however, have a four-game losing streak that they just snapped with a win at home against lowa. In a very similar position to Michigan, they are hoping to string a few wins together to lock up a spot in March.

Leaders Young and Old: The Hoosiers have three players averaging double-digit points per game: freshman forward Trayce Jackson-Davis (14.0), junior forward Justin Smith (11.1), and senior guard Devonte Green (11.0). Jackson-Davis has quickly emerged as their best overall player, also leading the team in rebounds and blocks, using his 7'2" wingspan to his advantage. He will certainly be a player to keep an eye on in this contest.

Streaky Shooting: In their win against the Hawkeyes, Indiana combined to shoot 11/21 (52.4%) from the 3-point line, led by Devonte Green off the bench, who went 7/11 himself. This lift was exactly what they needed to overcome a 38-point performance by Iowa's beloved Luka Garza. It does not appear that they are consistent from deep though, as they shot under 40% from three during their four-game losing skid. It will be important for Michigan to not allow the Hoosiers to get hot from behind the 3-point line like that again, and Green is definitely the player to watch out for.

Glaring Problem: Indiana has had a season-long struggle with turnovers. In fact, in their last four games they have had a turnover percentage higher than 20%, giving their opponents way too many points. With stats like that, it is easy to see why they have struggled. It will be interesting to see if we can force those turnovers and capitalize on them to get on some scoring runs.

The Rest of the Hoosiers: Damezi Anderson (#23), Cooper Bybee (#0), Adrian Chapman (#15), Nathan Childress (#14), De'Ron Davis (#20), Armaan Franklin (#2), Devonte Green (#11), Jacquez Henderson (#22), Jerome Hunter (#21), Michael Shipp (#5), Race Thompson (#25)

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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Hoosier Hunters: Dating back to the 2015-2016 season, Michigan has dominated the series against Indiana with 6 straight wins. Over those games, the Maize and Blue have averaged 74.8 points per game while also stifling their opposition's offense. Michigan looks to improve their streak to seven over a team that has been a powerhouse in the past decade or two. The two haven't met on the hardwood since January 25th of last year at Assembly Hall.

Fire & Ice: During our trip to Chicago on Wednesday, Michigan entered the game on a freezing cold streak. The first bucket came with 14:52 to go in the 1st on an Eli Brooks triple, he led the team in scoring with 18. Isaiah Livers also put up 17 points in a game where he looked consistent and healthy. Although missing all of his 3-pt attempts, he brought the house down with two thunderous dunks. A 16-2 scoring run near the end of the first half jolted Michigan into the lead and it didn't look back, winning the game in Coach Howard's home city by a 25 point margin.

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



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Cheers and Chants

- Put your arms around those near you and sway to the beat during the pregame video
- Scream "SLEEEEEEEP" before big Jon shoots a 3
- During free throws, listen for the distracting noise and echo along
- Follow your section leaders for chants during offensive possesions
- Popcorn (jump up and down) and MAKE NOISE ON DEFENSE

Hey Baby!: Every time the band plays "Hey Baby" by Bruce Channel, sing along with these lyrics... "Heyyyyyy (opposing team), I wanna know, why you suck so much!"

1ST HALF COUNTDOWN: When the opposing team shot clock reaches 0:07, start chanting from 10...9... 8... to force a shot clock violation!

2ND HALF COUNTDOWN: When the opposing team shot clock reaches 0:10, start chanting from 7.... 6.... 5.... to force an early shot!

"Pro" Blue Update

Ignas Brazdeikis: Although only playing in 9 games in the NBA, Iggy has shown his worth in the G-League by posting a solid 21.8 points, 8.0 rebounds, and 2.8 assists stat line thus far.

Caris Levert: Although having a rocky restart after his hand injury, Caris has picked up his game the past 5 games. He averaged 24 points during the stretch prior to the All-Star break, showing Kyrie and KD what talent the Nets already have.

Moritz Wagner: After coming off injury, Big Mo participated for Team World in the NBA Rising Stars game on Friday night, scoring 16 points on 6-9 shooting.