

# The Rage Page



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#### Badgers' projected starting line-up:

# 34 Brad Davison 6'4" G

The most unlikeable in college basketball since Grayson Allen

0 D'Mitrik Trice 6'0" G

Younger brother of former MSU gaurd Travis Trice

1 Brevin Pritzl 6'3" G

Finally is getting his chance to disappoint as a starter instead of a benchwarmer

2 Aleem Ford 6'8" F

35 Nate Reuvers 6'11" F
Has no love for Michigan

### HC Greg Gard

Currently in his 5th season, with a 97-57 record and 3NCAA Tournament appearances

To comply with the Big Ten sportsmanship code, the "Burn of the Game" has been replaced by the "Player to Watch": **Brad Davison** 

Good evening Ragers and welcome back to Crisler Center after a week and a half break from home games. We play yet another team here tonight in the chase for the double bye in the Big Ten Tournament. Getting a good seed is pivotal in the conference these past few years as we have seen a lot of top seeds advance and have success moving forward. Safe to say that we need this one tonight. So wear your pink and be loud!

**Away from Home**: The Badgers have been average, at best, on the road. Putting together a 4-6 record away from the Kohl's Center, they have a couple of solid wins including at Penn State and Ohio State. However, in their last 5 out of Madison they only have a 1-4 record including losses at MSU, Purdue, lowa and Minnesota, the one win coming against lowly Nebraska. It definitely seems as if Wisconsin has cooled off on the road and opposing environments can get to them.

**No Stars Out Tonight**: Ever since the departure of Ethan Happ, Wisconsin has been forced to turn to a team effort to be successful in games. No player from the Badgers really stands out amongst the group, the closest being Nate Reuvers who averages just over 13 PPG. They have seven players who average over 8 PPG. There have been a couple of outliers from the highest scorer standpoint: Trice once with 31, Davison with 30 and 24 and King/Potter also with 24.

**Pig-Pen**: Something to keep an eye out for tonight is the play from #34 Brad Davison. He has been criticized in the past for some dirty shots on opposing teams players coming around picks, driving through the lane and landing from a shot attempt. He has received multiple flagrants and technical fouls in the past and even received a one-game suspension for, we'll say... "tapping" an lowa player's leg back in January.

The Rest of the Badgers: Trevor Anderson (#12), Michael Ballard (#31), Courtland Cuevas (#15), Owen Hamilton (#30), Joe Hedstrom (#32), Carter Higginbottom (#4), Walt McGrory (#3), Micah Potter (#11), Samad Qazi (#20), Tyler Wahl (#5)

**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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It's Our House Now: It took the Wolverines until the end of January to finally win a true away game, but since then, they have been lights out on the road. While wins at Nebraska and Northwestern were generally expected, the past two matchups at Rutgers and Purdue presented a formidable test and passed with flying colors. Look for Coach Howard's squad to continue their success back home at Crisler tonight!

**Moe Knows**: Following the footsteps of his legendary older brother, Franz Wagner has taken his play to the next level in the past three games. During that stretch, the German sensation has averaged 16.7 points and 7 rebounds per game while shooting 40% from beyond the arc, giving Michigan a much-needed spark and contributing massively to their current win streak. If Wagner continues to light up the box score, the Wolverines shouldn't have too tough a time tonight against Wisconsin.

Protect This Man: The return of Isaiah Livers against Michigan State on February 8 marked a clear turning point in Michigan's season. Coach Howard and company have not lost since arguably the Wolverines' best player came back from injury, even despite missing the Rutgers matchup due to a rolled ankle suffered against Indiana. Livers' presence as a playmaker and leader has been a huge part of the team's recent momentum, and if he can stay healthy, he will be a huge factor in Michigan's March Madness success.

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

**Derrick Walton Jr.** signed a 10-day contract with the Detroit Pistons, after being traded from the Los Angeles Clippers to the Atlanta Hawks just before the trade deadline. Walton has a chance to extend his stay in his hometown longer than just 10 days.

**Tim Hardaway Jr.** tied his season-high of 33 points, in a loss to the Hawks on Feb. 22. Hardaway shot 11-for-22 from the field in the game and 6-for-14 from long range. He also added four rebounds and five assists.

**Caris Levert:** Back to midseason form, Caris had 25 points, six rebounds five assists and one steal in an overtime loss to the 76ers on Feb. 20 and recently had 17 points, three rebounds, two assists and six steals in a win over the Hornets on Feb. 22.