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MUSIC CITY BOWL

Monday, December 31st • 12:00 pm ESPN • LP Field

NC STATE (7-5)	Nashville, TN	VANDERBILT (8-4)
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH PASS POINTS TO's SP TEAMS A.O.R.	
NC STATE	96 244 17 -4 - 103.3	
VANDERBILT	188 295 31 -5 ✓✓✓✓✓ 102.3	

Tough matchup for NC State here as not only are they playing this game without their HC, but they also have to play just down the street from Vanderbilt's campus. PP projects a 14 pt win (line 7) and a 483-340 yard edge here for the Commodores.

3★ VANDERBILT 31 NC STATE 17

SUN BOWL

Monday, December 31st • 2:00 pm CBS • Sun Bowl Stadium

GEORGIA TECH (6-7)	El Paso, TX	USC (7-5)
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH PASS POINTS TO's SP TEAMS A.O.R.	
GEORGIA TECH	289 125 31 +4 - 104.2	
USC	155 302 35 -2 ✓✓✓✓✓ 109.2	

Disappointed tms square off here as GT is looking to make it back to .500 after a loss in the ACC Championship gm while USC's sn went from a #1 ranking to 5 losses and a trip here. We disagree with PP's forecast as tms generally play well vs the option with extra time to prepare.

NO PLAY: USC 35 GEORGIA TECH 31

LIBERTY BOWL

Monday, December 31st • 3:30 pm ESPN • Liberty Bowl Memorial Stadium

IOWA ST (6-6)	Memphis, TN	TULSA (10-3)
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH PASS POINTS TO's SP TEAMS A.O.R.	
IOWA ST	113 207 23 +2 - 108.6	
TULSA	217 229 22 +1 - 98.2	

Only rematch from the regular season takes place here (Iowa St 38-23 victory in week 1 as a 2 pt dog). While the yards are clearly in favor of the CUSA Champions, the points say Iowa St thus making this selection a No Play.

NO PLAY: IOWA ST 23 TULSA 22

CHICK-FIL-A BOWL

Monday, December 31st • 7:30 pm ESPN • Georgia Dome

CLEMSON (10-2)	Atlanta, GA	LSU (10-2)
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH PASS POINTS TO's SP TEAMS A.O.R.	
CLEMSON	122 284 31 +3 - 101.6	
LSU	186 219 29 +15 ✓✓✓✓✓ 106.8	

Two 10-2 squads meet here and while PP forecasts Clemson to take home a 2 pt win, the yards are clearly even and judging by how both tms performed in their meetings with S Carolina TY (LSU 23-21 win, Clemson 27-17 loss), we'll go ahead and side with the SEC over the ACC here.

NO PLAY: CLEMSON 31 LSU 29

HEART OF DALLAS BOWL

Tuesday, January 1st • 12:00 pm espnU • Cotton Bowl

PURDUE (6-6)	Dallas, TX	OKLAHOMA ST (7-5)
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH PASS POINTS TO's SP TEAMS A.O.R.	
PURDUE	139 245 27 +3 - 101.3	
OKLAHOMA ST	221 344 47 -5 ✓✓✓✓✓ 107.0	

The Cowboys are the biggest favorite on the board this bowl season and for a good reason as Purdue is just 6-6 and making the transition to a new HC. While OSU is projected to take home a 20 pt win, the yards are surprisingly closer than expected. No Play.

NO PLAY: OKLAHOMA ST 47 PURDUE 27

GATOR BOWL

Tuesday, January 1st • 12:00 pm espn2 • Everbank Field

NORTHWESTERN (9-3)	Jacksonville, FL	MISSISSIPPI ST (8-4)
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH PASS POINTS TO's SP TEAMS A.O.R.	
NORTHWESTERN	215 155 26 +13 - 101.2	
MISSISSIPPI ST	110 324 29 +17 - 105.3	

Despite the success he's had with his alma mater, NW HC Fitzgerald has yet to win a bowl with the Wildcats (0-3 SU/2-1 ATS). PP projects that trend to continue here with MSU escaping with a 3 pt win. We disagree, however, and envision the Wildcats earning their 1st bowl victory since 1949.

NO PLAY: MISSISSIPPI ST 29 NORTHWESTERN 26

QB	✓	-	RB	-	✓1/2	WR	-	-	CCH	-	✓✓
OL	-	-	St avg 6-5 310, 3 Sr, 36 sk all'd (7.0%), 3.1 ypc.						Turf/Crowd	-	✓✓
DL	✓	-	VU avg 6-4 292, 2 Sr's, 23 sk all'd (7.1), 4.2 ypc.						MTCH	-	-
LB	-	✓1/2	St avg 6-3 294, 22.5 of tm's 35 sks (64%), 4.2 ypc.						INT	-	-
DB	-	1/2	VU avg 6-3 270, 6 of tm's 28 sks (21%), 4.0 ypc.						ST	-	✓✓✓

GT	USC	GT	USC	GT	USC	GT	USC	GT	USC		
QB	✓	-	RB	1/2	-	WR	-	✓✓✓	CCH	✓	-
OL	-	1/2	GT avg 6-3 297, 1 Sr, 12 sk all'd (6.5%), 5.5 ypc.						Turf/Crowd	1/2	-
DL	-	✓1/2	USC avg 6-4 302, 1 Sr, 17 sk all'd (4.0%), 5.0 ypc.						MTCH	-	✓
LB	-	✓1/2	GT avg 6-6 305, 10 of tm's 28 sks (36%), 4.3 ypc.						INT	-	✓
DB	-	✓	USC avg 6-4 261, 30.5 of tm's 43 sks (71%), 4.0 ypc.						ST	-	✓✓✓

ISU	TU	ISU	TU	ISU	TU	ISU	TU	ISU	TU		
QB	-	1/2	RB	-	✓✓1/2	WR	-	✓	CCH	1/2	-
OL	-	1/2	ISU avg 6-6 301, 14 sk all'd (3.2%), 4.2 ypc.						Turf/Crowd	✓	-
DL	-	✓	TU avg 6-3 293, 9 sk all'd (2.0%), 5.0 ypc.						MTCH	-	✓
LB	-	1/2	ISU avg 6-4 264, 8.5 of tm's 15 sks (57%), 4.2 ypc.						INT	-	-
DB	-	✓	TU avg 6-3 274, 30 of tm's 48 sks (63%), 3.2 ypc.						ST	✓✓	-

CU	LSU	CU	LSU	CU	LSU	CU	LSU	CU	LSU		
QB	✓1/2	-	RB	-	✓1/2	WR	✓	-	CCH	-	✓✓
OL	-	-	CU avg 6-4 300, 1 Sr, 26 sk all'd (4.8%), 4.4 ypc.						Turf/Crowd	-	-
DL	-	✓✓	LSU avg 6-5 316, 2 Sr, 26 sk all'd (7.8%), 4.3 ypc.						MTCH	-	✓
LB	-	✓	CU avg 6-4 279, 20 of tm's 28 sks (77%), 4.3 ypc.						INT	-	-
DB	-	✓✓✓	LSU avg 6-4 271, 15.5 of tm's 30 sks (52%), 3.1 ypc.						ST	-	✓✓✓

PU	OSU	PU	OSU	PU	OSU	PU	OSU	PU	OSU		
QB	-	✓1/2	RB	-	✓	WR	-	✓✓	CCH	-	✓✓1/2
OL	-	✓1/2	PU avg 6-4 296, 2 Sr, 22 sk all'd (4.9%), 4.5 ypc.						Turf/Crowd	-	✓✓
DL	-	1/2	OSU avg 6-4 315, 2 Sr, 10 sk all'd (2.2%), 5.4 ypc.						MTCH	-	✓1/2
LB	-	✓1/2	PU avg 6-4 298, 11 of tm's 20 sks (55%), 4.7 ypc.						INT	1/2	-
DB	-	-	OSU avg 6-4 279, 10.5 of tm's 22 sks (48%), 3.7 ypc.						ST	-	✓1/2

NU	MSU	NU	MSU	NU	MSU	NU	MSU	NU	MSU		
QB	-	-	RB	✓	-	WR	-	✓1/2	CCH	-	-
OL	✓	-	NU avg 6-5 307, 3 Sr, 16 sk all'd (4.8%), 5.0 ypc.						Turf/Crowd	-	✓
DL	1/2	-	MSU avg 6-5 303, 1 Sr, 16 sk all'd (4.1%), 4.3 ypc.						MTCH	-	-
LB	-	-	NU avg 6-5 278, 14.5 of tm's 25 sks (58%), 3.6 ypc.						INT	1/2	-
DB	-	✓	MSU avg 6-4 285, 5.5 of tm's 19 sks (29%), 4.3 ypc.						ST	-	-

ROSE BOWL

Tuesday, January 1st • 5:00 pm ESPN • Rose Bowl

WISCONSIN (8-5)	Pasadena, CA				STANFORD (11-2)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
WISCONSIN	155	150	13	+4	✓✓	103.5		
STANFORD	150	195	20	+7	✓✓	109.5		

The Badgers are back in Pasadena for a 3rd consec post ssn but are still in search of their first Rose Bowl win s/00 which actually came against Stanford and with interim HC and current AD Alvarez as then full-time HC. While the pts give Stan the edge, the yds say Wisky and we'll pass.
NO PLAY: STANFORD 20 WISCONSIN 13

ORANGE BOWL

Tuesday, December 1st • 8:30 pm ESPN • Sun Life Stadium

N ILLINOIS (12-1)	Miami Gardens, FL				FLORIDA ST (11-2)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
N ILLINOIS	138	157	20	+8	-	93.5		
FLORIDA ST	184	303	34	-7	-	100.0		

While the points are close here due to the competition the Huskies took on within the MAC, the yards paint a clearer picture as the Seminoles are projected to outgain the Huskies 487-295. Have to believe that NI is just happy to be here while FSU is looking to make a statement.
2★ FLORIDA ST 34 N ILLINOIS 20

SUGAR BOWL

Wednesday, January 2nd • 8:30 pm ESPN • Superdome

LOUISVILLE (10-2)	New Orleans, LA				FLORIDA (11-1)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
LOUISVILLE	40	222	13	+9	-	99.6		
FLORIDA	224	143	32	+19	✓✓✓	108.2		

Louisville and former UF asst Charlie Strong are lucky to be here after benefitting from a late ssn collapse by Rutgers. Florida, on the other hand, was an 8 pt loss to Georgia away from potentially playing for the National Title. The yards and score clearly have the Gators running away here.
4★ FLORIDA 32 LOUISVILLE 13

FIESTA BOWL

Thursday, January 3rd • 8:30 pm ESPN • University of Phoenix Stadium

KANSAS ST (11-1)	Glendale, AZ				OREGON (11-1)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
KANSAS ST	168	202	32	+21	✓	107.5		
OREGON	275	212	40	+19	✓	104.3		

Classic example here of the line being inflated by the amount of points that Kansas St and Oregon have been able to put up this season. A close dissection of the projected yards has this total closer to 63 than the 76 as of presstime.
4★ UNDER OREGON 40 KANSAS ST 32

COTTON BOWL

Friday, January 4th • 8:00 pm FOX • Cowboys Stadium

TEXAS A&M (10-2)	Arlington, TX				OKLAHOMA (10-2)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
TEXAS A&M	244	254	39	-4	-	106.2		
OKLAHOMA	136	359	36	-4	✓✓	107.9		

Hard to figure that Oklahoma is a dog to anyone let alone a Texas A&M squad that they have gone 11-2 against during B12 play dating back to 1999. Sooners are forecasted to be outgained by just 3 tl yards and have an excellent chance to knock off Heisman winner Manziel here.
3★ OKLAHOMA 36 (+) TEXAS A&M 39

COMPASS BOWL

Saturday, January 5th • 1:00 pm ESPN • Legion Field

PITTSBURGH (6-6)	Birmingham, AL				MISSISSIPPI (6-6)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
PITTSBURGH	105	279	25	+12	✓✓✓	100.2		
MISSISSIPPI	136	279	28	-1	✓✓✓	109.1		

You would have to think that the Pitt fan base will be limited to friends and family of the players as the Panthers are now making their 3rd consec trip here. This is SEC country and Ole Miss should have the crowd edge and PP projects a 3 pt victory.
NO PLAY: MISSISSIPPI 28 PITTSBURGH 25

GODADDY.COM BOWL

Sunday, January 6th • 9:00 pm ESPN • Ladd Peebles Stadium

ARKANSAS ST (9-3)	Mobile, AL				KENT ST (11-2)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
ARKANSAS ST	184	310	35	+8	-	97.4		
KENT ST	207	162	31	+21	✓✓✓✓	97.1		

Another matchup where the forecasted outcome is right at the current line. Kent St saw its BCS bubble burst in the MAC Title game but neither the Flashes nor Arkansas St will have their head coach on the sideline here.
NO PLAY: ARKANSAS ST 35 KENT ST 31

BCS NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

Monday, January 7th • 8:30 pm ESPN • Sun Life Stadium

ALABAMA (12-1)	Miami Gardens, FL				NOTRE DAME (12-0)			
POWER PLAYS PROJECTION	RUSH	PASS	POINTS	TO's	SP TEAMS	A.O.R.		
ALABAMA	133	210	21	+15	✓	106.8		
NOTRE DAME	122	140	10	+9	-	108.5		

Rarefied air for the Irish while trips to the BCS Championship for the Tide have become the norm. With the line as of presstime around 10 and Alabama forecasted with a 10 pt win, we'll pass and watch with interest in this projected low scoring game.
NO PLAY: ALABAMA 21 NOTRE DAME 10

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	✓	✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UW avg 6-5 326, 1 Sr, 27 sk all'd (9.9%), 5.2 ypc. SU avg 6-5 299, 1 Sr, 19 sk all'd (5.0%), 4.4 ypc.								
DL	-	✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
UW avg 6-4 291, 20.5 of tm's 31 sks (66%), 3.7 ypc. SU avg 6-4 286, 22 of tm's 56 sks (39%), 2.8 ypc.								
LB	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Taylor #1 tk'l'r w/120, 15 tfl, Borland #2, 10 tfl. Skov #1 tk'l'r w/72, 9.5 tfl, Thomas #2, 14 tfl.								
DB	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
UW #30 pass eff D, 197 ypg (55%), 18-8 ratio. SU #12 pass eff D, 251 ypg (61%), 12-14 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	-	✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
NI avg 6-4 296, 0 Sr, 14 sk all'd (3.8%), 5.6 ypc. FSU avg 6-5 319, 0 Sr, 26 sk all'd (6.7%), 5.5 ypc.								
DL	-	✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
NI avg 6-1 264, 36.5 of tm's 40 sks (91%), 4.3 ypc. FSU avg 6-3 289, 21 of tm's 33 sks (64%), 2.8 ypc.								
LB	-	✓✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Clark #2 tk'l'r w/82, 10 tfl, Bass #3, 5 tfl. Jones #1 tk'l'r w/85, 7 tfl, T Smith #3, 9.5 tfl.								
DB	-	✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
NI #27 pass eff D, 218 ypg (55%), 10-15 ratio. FSU #5 pass eff D, 161 ypg (50%), 12-10 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	-	✓✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
UL avg 6-4 310, 2 Sr, 26 sk all'd (6.1%), 3.6 ypc. UF avg 6-4 314, 2 Sr, 36 sk all'd (13.9%), 4.9 ypc.								
DL	-	✓✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
UL avg 6-4 280, 15.5 of tm's 19 sks (82%), 4.3 ypc. UF avg 6-2 288, 10.5 of tm's 25 sks (42%), 3.1 ypc.								
LB	-	✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
P Brown #1 tk'l'r w/96, 1.5 tfl, K Brown #5 tk'l'r, 2.5 tfl. Bostic #3 tk'l'r w/62, 6.5 tfl, Morrison #8, 2 tfl.								
DB	-	✓✓✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
UF #63 pass eff D, 194 ypg (58%), 21-9 ratio. UF #1 pass eff D, 186 ypg (59%), 5-19 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	-	✓✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	-	✓✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
KSU avg 6-4 298, 0 Sr, 13 sk all'd (4.6%), 4.9 ypc. UO avg 6-5 299, 1 Sr, 18 sk all'd (5.2%), 6.1 ypc.								
DL	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
KSU avg 6-1 271, 23.5 of tm's 31 sks (76%), 3.7 ypc. UO avg 6-5 283, 16 of tm's 27 sks (59%), 4.0 ypc.								
LB	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Brown #1 tk'l'r w/91, 6 tfl, Childs #4, 4.5 tfl. Clay #1 tk'l'r w/92, 8 tfl, Alonso #2, 12 tfl.								
DB	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
KSU #24 pass eff D, 255 ypg (63%), 16-18 ratio. UO #6 pass eff D, 236 ypg (59%), 18-24 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A&M avg 6-4 308, 1 Sr, 23 sk all'd (5.0%), 5.6 ypc. OU avg 6-5 300, 1 Sr, 14 sk all'd (2.7%), 4.9 ypc.								
DL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
A&M avg 6-4 274, 19.5 of tm's 30 sks (65%), 3.7 ypc. OU avg 6-3 273, 14 of tm's 25 sks (50%), 4.8 ypc.								
LB	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
Stewart #2 tk'l'r w/72, 2.5 tfl, Jenkins #3, 5 tfl. Wort #5 tk'l'r w/52, 4.5 tfl, Nelson #6, 3.5 tfl.								
DB	-	✓✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
A&M #38 pass eff D, 248 ypg (56%), 16-11 ratio. OU #2 pass eff D, 198 ypg (51%), 9-12 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	-	✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pitt avg 6-5 323, 2 Sr, 34 sk all'd (9.4%), 3.6 ypc. UM avg 6-4 308, 1 Sr, 33 sk all'd (8.8%), 4.1 ypc.								
DL	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pitt avg 6-3 273, 14 of tm's 23 sks (61%), 3.8 ypc. UM avg 6-3 280, 7 of tm's 34 sks (21%), 3.6 ypc.								
LB	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Thomas #4 tk'l'r w/51, 1.5 tfl, Williams #5, 3.5 tfl. Nkemdieke #1 tk'l'r w/78, 12 tfl, Merry #3, 6.5 tfl.								
DB	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Pitt #33 pass eff D, 197 ypg (57%), 12-13 ratio. UM #60 pass eff D, 250 ypg (64%), 19-14 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓✓	-	✓	✓1/2	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
ASU avg 6-3 295, 1 Sr, 13 sk all'd (3.4%), 5.2 ypc. KSU avg 6-3 303, 3 Sr, 20 sk all'd (6.2%), 5.4 ypc.								
DL	-	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-
ASU avg 6-3 271, 14.5 of tm's 18 sks (81%), 4.0 ypc. KSU avg 6-1 258, 25.5 of tm's 33 sks (77%), 4.0 ypc.								
LB	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Herrold #1 tk'l'r w/109, 10 tfl, Lee #2 w/87. Batton #1 tk'l'r w/132, 5.5 tfl, Malaulu #4.								
DB	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
ASU #89 pass eff D, 233 ypg (63%), 21-12 ratio. KSU #73 pass eff D, 277 ypg (60%), 26-23 ratio.								

QB	1/2	RB	WR	CCH	INT	ST	SCH	OVERALL
✓	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	✓
CHECKLIST COMMENTS								
OL	✓	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UA avg 6-5 314, 2 Sr, 23 sk all'd (7.6%), 5.6 ypc. ND avg 6-4 304, 4 Sr, 16 sk all'd (4.5%), 5.0 ypc.								
DL	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UA avg 6-4 296, 12 of tm's 33 sks (36%), 2.5 ypc. ND avg 6-4 312, 23.5 of tm's 34 sks (69%), 3.2 ypc.								
LB	-	1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-
Moseley #1 tk'l'r w/99, 7 tfl, DePriest #2, 2 tfl. Te'o #1 tk'l'r w/103, 5.5 tfl, Fox #4, 2 tfl.								
DB	✓1/2	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
UA #3 pass eff D, 166 ypg (54%), 7-17 ratio. ND #10 pass eff D, 194 ypg (59%), 7-16 ratio.								

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