SOUTH ALABAMA FOOTBALL | GAME 7: vs. TROY



SOUTH ALABAMA JAGUARS 2022 FOOTBALL GAME NOTES



SERIES HISTORY

Troy leads 7-3
<u>29, 2012 (31-10, Troy)</u>
<u>ı. 6, 2021 (31-24, Troy)</u>
Troy, W4

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2022 SCHEDULE / RESULTS

Date	Opponent -	Site	Time/Result
9.3	Nicholls	Mobile, Ala.	W, 48-7
<u>9.10</u>	Central Michigan	Mt. Pleasant, Mich.	W, 38-24
<u>9.17</u>	UCLA	Los Angeles, Calif.	L, 31-32
<u>9.24</u>	Louisiana Tech	Mobile, Ala.	W, 38-14
<u>Oct. 1</u>	Louisiana*	Lafayette, La.	W, 20-17
<u>Oct. 15</u>	ULM*	Mobile, Ala.	W, 41-34
<u>Oct. 20</u>	Troy*	Mobile, Ala.	6:30 p.m.
<u>Oct. 29</u>	Arkansas State*	Jonesboro, Ark.	<u>3 p.m.</u>
Nov. 5	Georgia Southern*	Statesboro, Ga.	3 p.m.
<u>Nov. 12</u>	Texas State*	Mobile, Ala.	4 p.m.
<u>Nov. 19</u>	Southern Miss*	Hattiesburg, Miss.	TBA
<u>Nov. 26</u>	Old Dominion*	Mobile, Ala.	11 a.m.
<u>Dec. 3</u>	SBC Championship	TBA	TBA

* - Sun Belt Conference Game All times listed are Central Standard Time and are subject to change





SOUTH ALABAMA

Record	5-1 Overall 2-0 Sun Belt
<u>Rankings</u>	<u> AP: RV USA Today Coaches: RV</u>
Last Game	def. ULM, 41-34 (10/15/22)
Streak	W3
Head Coach	Kane Wommack
Career Record	<u> 10-8 (2nd season)</u>
Record at South Alabama	<u> 10-8 (2nd season)</u>
Record vs. Troy	0-1

Hancock Whitney Stadium Mobile, Ala. Battle for the Belt

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5-2 Overall 3-1 Sun Belt
AP: NR USA Today Coaches: NR
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TALE OF THE TAPE

SUUTH ALABAMA		IRUY
36.0	Points/Game	24.3
21.3	Points Allowed/Game	19.3
162.0	Rush Yards/Game	86.7
300.3	Pass Yards/ Game	312.7
462.3	Total Offense/Game	399.4
322.0	Total Defense/Game	341.0

THURSDAY STORYLINES





OFFENSIVE EXPLOSION AGAINST ULM

South Alabama set a pair of school records on Saturday against ULM with Carter Bradley throwing for 420 yards on 25-of-33 pasing, while Caullin Lacy hauled in a school record 12 passes for 133 yards and touchdown in the win over the Warhawks on national television.

GUAJARDO LEADS THE NATION

Diego Guajardo continues to lead the nation in kicking thus far this season, converting on all nine of his field goals including the game-winner against Louisiana three weeks ago. The only miss kicking this year for Guajardo was an extra point at Central Michigan.

#SWARMD IN TOP 5 IN TO MARGIN

South Alabama finds itself in the top five in the nation in turnover margin, entering the week tied for fourth overall and second in the conference at 1.33 turnovers per game including a takeaway against ULM on Saturday night, They trail only Louisiana.



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Last Time vs. Troy

TROY, Ala. | Jamontez Woods ran for two touchdowns and Tez Johnson added another in the first half as Troy held off a second-half comeback by the University of South Alabama to pick up a 31-24 football victory in the annual "Battle For The Belt" at Veterans Memorial Stadium.

KJ Robertson returned an interception for a score as well as the Trojans (5-4, 3-2 Sun Belt) led 31-14 at the break. Carlton Martial led all players with 14 stops while TJ Harris and Jordan Anthony added 10 apiece for Troy.

Desmond Trotter, who came on in relief of an injured Jake Bentley on the opening series of the game, accounted for three touchdowns including going 20-of-32 passing for 138 yards and two scores for the Jaguars (5-4, 2-4 SBC). Terrion Avery rushed for 75 yards and added 31 on five catches – including a pair for touchdowns – while Lincoln Sefick caught nine balls for 55 yards.

A.J. DeShazor Jr. and Quentin Wilfawn paced Souths defense with nine tackles each.

GAME FACTS

Trotter capped a 10-play, 88-yard march to open the contest with a four-yard touchdown run to put the Jags up 7-0, but the Trojans responded with a touchdown and a field goal to go ahead 10-7 at the end of the first quarter.

Troy broke open the game with three second-quarter touchdowns – including scoring twice in a 41-second span after Robertson returned an interception 32 yards – while taking a 31-14 lead at the half.

South used another long scoring drive, this time going 76 yards in 19 plays, with Avery's three-yard touchdown catch on fourth-and-goal making the score 31-21 with just over a minute left in the third period.

Diego Guajardo made it a one-score game with a 34-yard field goal midway through the final quarter, but the Jags' final possession ended on downs inside its own 30-yard line with a minute-and-a-half to go in the game.

The Jaguars outgained the Trojans by a 335-208 margin after limiting Troy to just 89 yards and five first downs in the second half.

USA finished 6-of-8 on fourth-down conversions, holding the ball for nearly 36-and-a-half minutes while running 25 more plays than the Trojans.

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Troy has now claimed the last four match-ups in the series.

It was the first time the "Battle For The Belt" has been decided by one score since the 2016 season.

SERIES HISTORY

South Alabama and Troy have met 10 times in school history since the Jags founded their program. Troy leads the all-time series with South Alabama 7-3, including winning the last four games. The two teams have met five times in the city of Mobile, with South Alabama winning the 2014 contest. The two have met just one time at Hancock Whitney Stadium (2020).

JAGS WIN THE STATE OF LOUISIANA

South Alabama finished the regular season undefeated against the state of Louisiana with their 41-34 victrory over ULM on homecoming this past Saturday. The Jags finished 4-0 against teams from the state with wins over Nicholls. Louisiana Tech, and Louisiana.

GAME MOVED WITH ARKANSAS STATE NEXT WEEKEND TO ESPNU

The Jags game against Arkansas State has been picked up ESPNU next Saturday, and game time has been moved up to 3 pm. It is the first time in school history that the Jags will be featured on national television in three start weeks with games against ULM (NFL Network) and Troy (ESPNU) already picked up.

GUAJARDO PERFECT IN FIELD GOALS SO FAR THIS SEASON

South Alabama kicker Diego Guajardo is perfect so far this season for the Jags from field goal range, converting on all nine of his attempts, including a pair of field goals against ULM on Saturday.

He has also converted on 12-of-13 of his extra points with his only miss hitting off of both posts at Central Michigan in a non-conference win for the Jags just two weeks ago.

SOUTH ALABAMA PLAYERS FROM THE MOBILE/BALDWIN COUNTY AREA

South Alabama has several players from the Mobile/Baldwin County area on the roster this year, including:

Keith Gallmon	Mobile Christian
Jalen Wayne	Spanish Fort
Caullin Lacy	Faith Academy
DJ Thomas Jones	Saraland

STATISTICAL MATCHUP: SOUTH ALABAMA vs. TROY

CATEGORY	NCAA	CONF	VALUE	NCAA	CONF	VALUE
Scoring Offense	29	3	36.0	98	12	24.3
Total Offense	28	3	462.3	70	7	399.4
Rushing Offense	59	5	164.8	125	14	86.7
Passing Offense	23	4	297.5	17	2	312.7
Passing Efficiency	37	5	152.28	44	6	149.17
Time of Possession	29	5	31:56	52	8	30.38
Scoring Defense	32	5	21.3	25	3	19.3
Total Defense	21	3	324.0	32	5	341.0
Rushing Defense	12	3	95.2	25	3	111.3
Passing Defense	66	4	228.8	67	5	229.7
Passing Efficiency Defense	46	5	125.56	29	3	119.05
QB Sacks Per Game	89	12	1.83	13	3	3.14
Tackles for Loss	101	13	4.8	37	5	6.4
Net Punting	125	12	33.96	49	4	39.81
Punt Returns	16	3	14.15	81	10	6.50
Kickoff Returns	41	3	22.09	110	11	17.40
Turnover Margin	4	2	1.33	81	10	-0.14
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Jamall Hickbottom	Williamson
Braylon McReynolds	McGill-Toolen
Keyshawn Woodyard	UMS-Wright
Bryan Hill	McGill-Toolen
<u>Cooper Wilson</u>	Spanish Fort
Jason Brooks	Mobile Christian
Christopher Wallace, Jr.	Mary G. Montgomery
Josh Reynolds	Murphy
Blayne Myrick	Fairhope
Diego Guajardo	Spanish Fort
Brady Wiggins	Spanish Fort
Korian Wilson	McGill-Toolen
Brandon Lockett	Mary G. Montgomery
Quartez Jackson	Davidson
Nick Ruggs	McGill-Toolen
Tyler Jernigan	Baldwin County
Kole Payne	Theodore
Daniel Foster-Allen	St. Paul's
Trey Simpson	McGill-Toolen
Logan Lanicek	Fairhope
Dakley Coleman	McGill-Toolen
Jack Martin	McGill-Toolen
<u>Carlos Johnson, Jr.</u>	Spanish Fort
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SOUTH ALABAMA BENEFITS FROM Transfers over multiple years

The Jags have also benefitted from several players who have transferred into the program from other Division I and Division II programs over multiple years, including:

Jalen Jordan	Ole Miss
Carter Bradley	Toledo
James Miller	Indiana
Jamarr Richardson	Ole Miss
DJ Thomas-Jones	Ole Miss
Ke'Shun Brown	Texas A&M
Victor McClinton	UT-Martin
Marvin Martin	Kansas State
<u>Omni Wells</u>	Mississippi State
Bryan Hill	Tuskegee
Travis Drosos	Colorado
Marco Lee	Virginia Tech
Jacob Meeks	ULM/Texas Tech
Nick Curtis	Auburn

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Rickey Hyatt, Jr.	Kentucky
Korian Wilson	Louisiana
Anthony Zaccaro	Old Dominion
Anterrious Gray	North Texas
Dontae Lucas	Florida State
Antawn Lewis	Louisiana Tech
James Jackson	Mississippi State
James Robinson	Tennessee
Daniel Foster-Allen	Auburn
PJ Mixon	Jacksonville State
Jeremiah Webb	South Dakota
Jack Martin	Alabama
Jamaal Pritchett	Tuskegee
Nathan Rawlins-Kibonge	Oklahoma
<u>CJ Person</u>	Indiana

NEW NAME HEADING INTO 2022

DJ Thomas-Jones will look familiar to those in the Mobile area when he takes the field for the Jags this season, but he will also look a little different when looking at the roster. The Ole Miss transfer and former Saraland High School star has hyphenated his name heading into the 2022 season to honor his stepfather - Stevie.

Thomas-Jones played six games last season for the Rebels before transferring and the former three-star returned to his hometown area where he starred for Saraland and was ranked as the 13th-best tight end in the nation.

BRADLEY NAME SYNONOMOUS WITH THE GAME OF FOOTBALL

Carter Bradley, a transfer from Toledo, has a name that is no stranger to football. He has done his part to make a name for himself, including playing in eight games last season and helping the team earn a bid to the Bahamas Bowl. He finished 18-of-28 passing for 221 yards and a score as the Rockets dropped a three-point decision at No. 7 Notre Dame, before posting a season-best 254 yards after connecting on 22-of-36 attempts the next week against Colorado State.

But it's the last name that commands respect from the NFL as his father, Gus Bradley, is one of the most well-known and respected coaches in the game. He currently serves as the defensive coordinator for the Indianapolis Colts. He came to prominence as the defensive coordinator for the Seattle Seahawks from 2009 to 2012, where he was the original play caller of the team's Legion of Boom secondary. Bradley later served as the head coach of the Jacksonville Jaguars from 2013 to 2016. Following his dismissal from Jacksonville, he returned to assistant coaching and became the Colts' defensive coordinator in 2022.

It was during the time the time in Seattle where Carter decided to play quarterback and not on both sides of the ball, getting to spend time with then-Seahawks quarterback Russell Wilson.

SEEING DOUBLE THIS SEASON

Opponents will be seeing double this year when they line up against the Jags as South Alabama will have a set of twins - one on each side of the ball. Devin Voisin is starting at receiver, and brother Jaden has been starting at defensive back for the Jags this season.

JAGS IN THE NFL DRAFT

With the 88th pick of the third round, Jalen Tolbert became the third University of South of Alabama football player to be selected by the National Football League by the Dallas Cowboys in the 2022 Draft held at Allegiant Stadium in Paradise, Nevada, home of the Las Vegas Raiders.

Tolbert joined a list of draft picks for the Jags that includes:

2017	Gerald Everett	2nd (44)
2021	Kawaan Baker	7th (255)
<u>2022</u>	Jalen Tolbert	3rd (88)

All three have come from the offensive side of the football, and both Baker and Tolbert were receivers for the Jags.

INTERNATIONAL FLAVOR TO THE ROSTER

Not only did South Alabama add a ton of transfers and hit the Mobile/Baldwin County are hard, they also have brought in an international flavor from Canada and Australia over time including:

Jack Brooks	Australia
D.K. Bonhomme	Canada
Tremel States-Jones	Canada
Caleb Schlachter	Canada

SOUTH ALABAMA PACES SUN BELT IN Graduates on the field in 2022

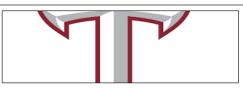
The Sun Belt Conference has 253 student-athletes with undergraduate degrees on the football field this fall with South Alabama leading the way with 28.

The Jags are followed closely by Texas State (22), James Madison (21), Southern Miss (21) and Louisiana (20).

Marshall (19), Arkansas State (17), Old Dominion (17), Georgia Southern (16), App State (13), Troy (12) Coastal Carolina (11) and Georgia State (10) also featured double-digit graduates on their 2022 rosters.

Below are the names of the graduates seeing time on the field in 2022:

Terrion Avery	Running Back
Zeke Chapman	Defensive Lineman
<u>Charles Coleman III</u>	Defensive Lineman
A.J. DeShazor, Jr.	Linebacker
Daniel-Allen Foster	Offensive Lineman
Keith Gallmon, Jr.	Defensive Back
Jamall Hickbottom	Defensive Lineman
James Jackson	Offensive Lineman
<u>Tyler Jernigan</u>	Offensive Lineman
Gi'Narious Johnson	Defensive Lineman
Marco Lee	Running Back
Antawn Lewis	Offensive Lineman
Darrell Luter, Jr.	Defensive Back
Victor McClinton	Wide Receiver



All-Time vs. Troy

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<u>Sept. 29, 2012</u>	Mobile, Ala.	L, 10-31		
<u> Oct. 5, 2013</u>	Troy, Ala.	L, 33-34		
<u> Oct. 24, 2014</u>	Mobile, Ala.	W, 27-13		
<u>Oct. 3, 2015</u>	Troy, Ala.	W, 24-18		
<u>Oct. 20, 2016</u>	Mobile, Ala.	L, 21-28		
<u>Oct. 11, 2017</u>	Troy, Ala.	W, 19-8		
<u>Oct. 23, 2018</u>	Mobile, Ala.	L, 17-38		
<u> Oct. 16, 2019</u>	Troy, Ala.	L, 13-37		
<u>Dec. 5, 2020</u>	Mobile, Ala.	L, 0-29		
<u>Nov. 6, 2021</u>	Troy, Ala.	L, 24-31		