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Game Preview

Site: Trojan Arena (5,000)

Tipoff: 7 p.m. ET

Listen: GS Sports Network (pregame show starts a half hour before tipoff)

Watch: ESPN+

Series: GS leads 17-8, W4

Last meeting: 2/15/19, W 76-51 (Hanner)

Probable Starters:

#2 - Elijah McCadden

#3 - Ike Smith

#13 - Quan Jackson

#24 - David-Lee Jones Jr.

#53 - Isaiah Crawley

- GS opens a two-game road stretch at Troy Thursday night. Tipoff is set for 7 p.m. ET on ESPN+.
- It's the first of two scheduled meetings against the Trojans this season.
- The Eagles are 4-2 in games decided by five points or less, and four of their seven Sun Belt games have been decided by three points or less.
- The Eagles are 3-2 in their last five and coming off a 71-51 home win over Louisiana Saturday afternoon.
- The Eagles rank 39th in the country and second in the Sun Belt in steals (8.6/gm), 19th nationally in turnovers forced (17.4/gm) and 13th in turnover margin (+5.1).
- GS ranks fourth in the Sun Belt in fewest fouls (16.4/gm) and fourth in fewest turnovers (12.3/gm). The Eagles are first in the league in blocked shots per game (4.5); Simeon Carter ranks third (1.5/gm) and Trey Dawkins is seventh (1.1/gm).
- The Eagles rank 18th in the country and first in the Sun Belt in total 3-point field goal attempts (479), and GS leads the league in 3-pointers made per game (8.8).
- Troy is 2-3 in its last five and coming off a 76-68 overtime loss at Arkansas State Saturday.
- The Trojans are 5-3 at home and 2-1 home league games.
- Troy's Sun Belt Conference opponents are shooting just 30.1 percent from 3-point range in conference play.
- Troy was picked 12th in the Sun Belt Preseason Coaches Poll.