

### 2023-24 Santa Clara University

# **WOMEN'S BASKETBALL**

#### **2023-24 Schedule**

Date	Opponent	Stream Info	Time
Oct. 27	CSU Monterey Bay#	None	W, 82-38
Nov. 6	at San Jose State Mour	ntain West Network	W, 55-47
Nov. 8	at Cal	Pac-12 Network	L, 56-71
Nov. 11	Hawaii	ESPN+	W, 62-51
Nov. 14	CSUN	ESPN+	W, 71-39
Nov. 18	at Oregon	Pac-12 Network	W, 89-50
Nov. 21	Texas A&M CC	ESPN+	W, 75-54
Nov. 24	vs. Boise State^	Flohoops.com	W, 62-52
Nov. 25	vs. Texas Tech^	Flohoops.com	L, 56-61
Nov. 29	at Sacramento State	ESPN+	W, 70-65
Dec. 1	Lincoln	ESPN+	W, 113-37
Dec. 10	Menlo College	ESPN+	W, 80-39
Dec. 15	at Oregon State	Pac-12 Network	L, 52-80
Dec. 19	at UC Riverside	ESPN+	W, 76-46
Dec. 21	at Cal State Fullerton	ESPN+	W, 76-57
Dec. 30	at Arizona State	Pac-12 Network	W, 65-55
Jan. 6	Pacific*	ESPN+	W, 80-77
Jan. 11	at Gonzaga*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Jan. 13	at Portland*	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Jan. 18	Pepperdine*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Jan. 20	San Francisco*	ESPN+	1 p.m.
Jan. 25	Gonzaga*	ESPN+	4 p.m.
Jan. 27	at Saint Mary's*	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Feb. 1	at LMU*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Feb. 3	at Pepperdine*	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Feb. 8	San Diego*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Feb. 10	Saint Mary's*	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Feb. 15	at San Franscico*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Feb. 17	Portland*	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Feb. 22	at San Diego*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Feb. 29	LMU*	ESPN+	6 p.m.
Mar. 2	at Pacific*	ESPN+	2 p.m.
Mar. 7-12	WCC Tournament (Las Ve	egas) ESPN+	TBA

Home games in BOLD and played at Leavey Center

Times are Pacific and subject to change

# - Exhibition

^ - South Point Classic (Las Vegas)

\* West Coast Conference

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Santa Clara (13-3, 1-0 WCC) vs.

No. 16 Gonzaga (14-2, 1-0 WCC)

Thursday, January 11, 2024 • 6 p.m. Pacific Spokane, Wash. • McCarthey Athletic Center

Watch Live: ESPN+

Live Stats: santaclara.statbroadcast.com

#### **Series History**

Series History	Santa Clara trails 29-47
Last Meeting	Feb. 9, 2023   W, 77-72
First Meeting	

#### **Game Notes**

 The Broncos topped No. 17/18 Gonzaga last year for their first win over the Bulldogs since beating them twice in 2015-16.

#### **Season Notes**

- Santa Clara is averaging 71.1 ppg on the season on 42.3-percent shooting from the field and 34.9-percent from downtown. The Broncos have a plus-6.9 rebound differential, averaging 49.8 pg and are dishing out 15.9 apg. Their 81.6 free throw percentage is No. 3 in the country.
- Defensively, they are holding opponents to 55.1 ppg, No. 30 in the nation, while forcing 16.6 tpg with 7.6 spg.
- Tess Heal is the leading scorer, averaging 18.3 ppg on 46.0-percent shooting from the field and is adding a team-high 4.6 apg. She is 1 in the country with 94 made free throws and 3 with 104 attempts while 15 at 90.4-percent from the charity stripe. She is 15-of-36 from downtown as well. Olivia Pollerd is second with 14.8 ppg and has added 4.6 rpg while knocking down a team-high 40 3-pointers, 29 nationally, for a 41.2-percent mark from deep. Marya Hudgins' 7.5 rpg lead the team and she is scoring 10.1 ppg while Keeley Frawley is second with 5.9 rpg.
- Santa Clara is No. 20 in the CollegeInsider.com Mid Major Poll.
- The Broncos' 12 nonconference wins are their most since the 1990-91 season when they went 28-3 and won both the WCC and the WNIT.
- Santa Clara collected seven wins in November, the most in program history in that month.
- With the win over the Sun Devils and one over Oregon earlier this year, the Broncos now have two wins over Power 5 schools for the first time since 2015-16. That year they went 23-9 and made the WNIT.

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#### **Season Notes**

The wins over Arizona State and Oregon also give Santa Clara two wins over Pac-12 opponents in the same season for the first time since 1993-94 (then the Pac-10) when they beat UCLA and Washington State.

Santa Clara's 13-3 start is the program's best since the 1990-91 season when they finished 28-3 and won the WCC and WNIT titles.

The Broncos had back-to-back 30+ point wins against CSUN (71-39) and at Oregon (89-50). It was the first time they had done that against two Division I opponents since January 30 and 31, 1998 against Portland (95-65) and Gonzaga (98-58). That season they finished 23-8 overall and 11-3 in the WCC. They won both the conference regular season and tournament championships that season

and made the NCAA Tournament.

The plus-71 point differential in two games was the most against DI opponents since the December 13 and 15 at Cal Poly (85-61, plus-24) and at Sacramento State (88-31, plus-57) when they were

plus-81.

By beating Texas A&M Corpus Christi 75-54 in their next game, the Broncos had a winning streak of three games against DI opponents with all victories coming by 20 or more points for the first time since December 2001. They beat Temple (86-66), Portland State (73-49), and CSUN (103-58).

They have five wins of 30 or more points this year. It is the most-ever in nonconference play and the most in a season since 1997-98 when they had eight such victories.. That season they won the WCC regular season and tournament championships while making the NCAA

Tournament.

Santa Clara set a program record with 113 points scored against Lincoln on December 1. The Broncos also tied their program record with 46 field goals made. They previously reached that number vs. Simpson in 2015. That was the previous record for points scored at 112 as well.

The 39-point win over the Ducks was the Broncos biggest ever over a Pac-12 opponent.

Oregon had lost just one of its previous 61 nonconference games at Matthew Knight Arena in Eugene.

Santa Clara's 16 3-pointers made at Oregon were the second-most in a game in program history. The program record is 18 at Portland on January 8, 2006.

Tess Heal was named to the Thanksgiving Classic All-Tournament

Team after averaging 16.5 ppg and 7.5 apg in two games. Heal has won WCC Player of the Week three times this season, including going back-to-back (November 20, 2023, January 2, 2024, January 8, 2024).

Ashley Hiraki is currently No. 7 in program history with 165 steals. Caren Choppelas (1980-84) is sixth with 166. The program record is

266 by Melissa King (1990-93).

Santa Clara was picked to finish tied for third in the WCC in a poll of the league's nine head coaches. It is their highest placement in the preseason poll since being picked third prior to the 2005-06 season.

Heal was named to the Preseason All-WCC Team after her historic

freshman campaign.

She scored 562 points, the fourth-most in a single season in Santa Clara history and the most by a freshman. She also landed on the single top-10 lists in made free throws (4th, 141), made field goals (t-4th, 200), and minutes played (8th, 1,031).

The Broncos have seven international players on the roster. Keeley Frawley, Olivia Pollerd, Lara Edmanson, Jayde Cadee, and Tess Heal are from Australia while Georgia Grigoropoulou and Rafailia Stergaki are from Greece.

Bill Carr picked up his 300th win as a head coach at Oregon on

November 18. He picked up his 100th victory leading the Broncos vs. Boise State on November 24.

No. Name Yr. Ht. Position	2023-24 Roster				
	No.	Name	Yr.	Ht.	Position
0         Malia Latu         Jr.         5-8           2         Keeley Frawley         Gr.         6-0           5         Olivia Pollerd         Jr.         6-3           10         Georgia Grigoropoulou         So.         6-3           12         Madison Naro         Fr.         5-7           13         Lara Edmanson         Sr.         6-0         G           22         Jayde Cadee         Sr.         5-11           23         Marya Hudgins         So.         6-0           24         Rafailia Stergaki         Jr.         5-10           31         Ashley Hiraki         Sr.         5-7           33         Danja Stafford         Gr.         6-1           34         Tess Heal         So.         5-10           52         Emma Shaffer         Gr.         6-2	2 5 10 12 13 22 23 24 31 33 34	Keeley Frawley Olivia Pollerd Georgia Grigoropoulou Madison Naro Lara Edmanson Jayde Cadee Marya Hudgins Rafailia Stergaki Ashley Hiraki Danja Stafford Tess Heal	Gr. Jr. So. Fr. Sr. Sr. So. Jr. Gr. So.	6-0 6-3 6-3 5-7 6-0 5-11 6-0 5-10 5-7 6-1 5-10	G F F F G G G G G F G F

**Head Coach:** Bill Carr

(Eighth season, San Francisco, '91)

Associate Head Coach: Michael Floyd

(Eighth season, Murray State, '00)

(Secon season, San Jose State, '21)

Kristin Iwanaga (Eighth season, Cal, '05) Assistant Coach:

Kerri Nakamoto Assistant Coach:

(Third season, San Diego, '03) Graduate Assistant:

Tahlia Garza

(Second season, UC Irvine, '21) Director of Operations: Fa-Ko-Fieme'a Hafoka-Latu

#### **Pronunciation Guide**

#0 Malia LATU Lah- #10 Georgia GRIGOROPOULOU GRE #12 Madison NARO Narr #13 LARA Edmanson LAR #22 JAYDE CADEE JADI #23 MARYA Hudgins Muh #24 RAFAILIA STERGAKI Ruh- #31 Ashley HIRAKI her-/ #33 DANJA Stafford Daw #52 Emma SHAFFER SHA	E-gor-ah-POO-loo ow R-uh (like CARR-uh) E cuh-DEE I-RYE-uh -FYE-luh Stir-GAWK-ee AWK-ee m-Yuh
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#### COACHES

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Kristin IWANAGA	EE-wuh-NAW-guh
Kerri NAKAMOTO	KNOCK-uh-MŎE-toe
TAHLIA GARZA	TALL-yah GAR-zuh
FA-KO-FIEME'A HAFOKA-LATU.	FAW-coe-FEE-eh-MEH-ah
	ha-FOE-kah LAH-two