



## **2016 CAPITAL ONE ORANGE BOWL GAME NOTES**

### **No. 6 Michigan vs. No. 11 Florida State**

#### **The Matchup**

- **Michigan and Florida State have met only two times before**
  - Series is tied at 1-1 (both meetings in regular season)
  - First met in 1986, a 20-18 Michigan victory in Ann Arbor
    - Michigan head coach Jim Harbaugh was Wolverines' starting senior quarterback. Harbaugh finished season as Big Ten Player of the Year and a third place finish in Heisman balloting.
  - Last met in 1991, a 51-31 Florida State victory in Tallahassee
- **Harbaugh, Fisher return to South Florida**
  - Jim Harbaugh is 1-0 all-time in Orange Bowl, 1-0 in bowl games at Michigan
    - Last New Year's Six bowl game appearance came as Stanford head coach in 2011 Orange Bowl (Stanford beat Virginia Tech 40-12)
  - Jimbo Fisher is 1-0 all-time in Orange Bowl, 4-2 in bowl games at Florida State (including 2013 BCS National Championship)
    - Fisher's last appearance in Orange Bowl came in 2013 game (Florida State beat Northern Illinois 31-10)
- **Current ACC teams are 21-22 all-time in the Orange Bowl (.488 winning percentage)**
  - Last win in 2015 – Clemson 37, Oklahoma 17 (College Football Playoff Semifinal)
  - Florida State is 4-5 all-time in the Orange Bowl
  - Matchup marks Florida State's 10<sup>th</sup> appearance in Orange Bowl (T-3<sup>rd</sup> most all-time)
- **Current Big Ten teams are 15-17 all-time in the Orange Bowl (.469 winning percentage)**
  - Last win in 2010 – Iowa 24, Georgia Tech 14
  - Michigan is 1-1 all-time in the Orange Bowl
    - First appearance in 1976 National Championship hosted by Orange Bowl (Oklahoma defeated Michigan 14-6)
    - Last appearance in 2000 Orange Bowl (Michigan defeated Alabama 35-34 in an OT thriller)
- **Current ACC teams are 8-4 all-time against current Big Ten teams in the Orange Bowl**
  - Current ACC teams won seven straight games over current Big Ten teams in Orange Bowl (four national titles) from 1955-1994
  - Current Big Ten teams won four straight games over current ACC teams in Orange Bowl (one national title) from 1995-2013
  - Most recent meeting between conferences was in 2014 Orange Bowl (Clemson beat Ohio State 40-35)

- **Both quarterbacks have accounted for 17+ touchdowns**
  - Deondre Francois: 18 passing TDs, 4 rushing TDs
  - Wilton Speight: 17 passing TDs, 1 rushing TD
- **Under Pressure**
  - Florida State leads the nation in sacks (47)
  - Michigan ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in sacks (44)
- **Moving the Chains**
  - Florida State ranks 11<sup>th</sup> in gaining the first down (306 gained)
  - Michigan ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in allowing first downs (171 allowed)
- **Offense Meets Defense**
  - Florida State is 24<sup>th</sup> in the nation in total offense (474.3 ypg)
  - Michigan is 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation in total defense (252.7 ypg)
- **Defensive Efficiency**
  - Michigan leads the nation in defensive third down conversion percentage (.209)
  - Florida State ranks 16<sup>th</sup> in defensive third down conversion percentage (.338)
- **Red Zone Battle**
  - Florida State leads the nation in red zone offense (.963)
  - Michigan ranks 2<sup>nd</sup> in the nation in red zone defense (.680)

### Miscellaneous Story Lines

- First-ever meeting between Michigan head coach Jim Harbaugh and Florida State head coach Jimbo Fisher (39-11 overall record between two since Harbaugh began coaching Michigan in '15 season).
- Both head coaches have never lost in Hard Rock Stadium (Fisher: 4-0 regular season, 1-0 Orange Bowl as FSU head coach; Harbaugh: 1-0 Orange Bowl as Stanford head coach). Florida State is 7-3 all-time in Hard Rock Stadium; 5-0 in regular season, 1-3 in Orange Bowl and 1-0 in Blockbuster Bowl. Michigan is 1-0 all-time in Hard Rock Stadium (2000 Orange Bowl).
- Jim Harbaugh's father – Jack Harbaugh – was the Wolverines' defensive backs coach in first Orange Bowl appearance (1976 National Championship against Oklahoma).
- Stephen Ross – owner of the Miami Dolphins and Hard Rock Stadium – is proud Michigan alum. The Ross School of Business at the University of Michigan is named in his honor. Hard Rock Stadium in midst of \$500 million upgrade privately funded by Ross.
- Jabrill Peppers ranks 4<sup>th</sup> in the nation in punt return avg. (14.8).
- Dalvin Cook ranks 6<sup>th</sup> in the nation in rushing yards (1,620) which is exactly double that of Michigan's leading rusher De'Veon Smith (810).
- Michigan ranks 8<sup>th</sup> in special teams while Florida State ranks 111<sup>th</sup>.
- Both teams rank in the top 17 in the nation in time of possession (Florida State is No. 12, 33:31; Michigan is No. 17, 32:56).
- Florida State is looking to earn its fifth-straight 10 win season, and Michigan is looking for its first 11 win season since 2011.
- Florida State has been to a BCS, CFP Semifinal, or New Year's Six bowl for five straight years (only Alabama has a longer streak). First New Year's Six bowl appearance for Michigan since 2012 Sugar Bowl (23-20 victory over Virginia Tech).
- Game features 32 players from the state of Florida (Michigan: 12, Florida State: 20).