

# 2016 SEC Women's Basketball Tournament Game 7 – Friday, March 4 – 12:00 p.m.

# #9 Auburn vs. #1 South Carolina

## **TOURNAMENT NOTES**

• Since the SEC Tournament stopped seeding by division in 1986, No. 1 seeds are 28-3 in the quarterfinals, with the only losses coming in 1993, 1996, and 1997

### **AUBURN NOTES**

- Auburn's all-time SEC Tournament record falls to 37-35
  - The Tigers are now 3-4 in SEC Tournament play under fourth-year head coach Terry Williams-Flournoy
- Auburn is the first unranked team in the last two seasons to hold South Carolina under 35 percent from the field
- The Tigers are just the second unranked team this season to lose to South Carolina by less than 10 points
- Auburn is just the fourth unranked opponent to hold South Carolina below 40 percent from the field in a first half this season
- Junior guard Brandy Montgomery's game-high 18 points is her highest total since Jan. 3 against Kentucky, when she logged the last of her nine 20-point games this season
- Freshman guard Janiah McKay scored in double figures for the first time in four games

#### **SOUTH CAROLINA NOTES**

- South Carolina's all-time SEC Tournament record improves to 12-23
  - o The Gamecocks are 8-6 under eighth-year head coach Dawn Staley
- This is the fourth time in the last five seasons South Carolina has reached the SEC Tournament semifinals
- South Carolina's 57 points marked its lowest total against an unranked opponent since Jan. 2, 2014, when it won, 55-51, at Arkansas
- The Gamecocks shot just 31.4 percent (16-51) from the field, marking its lowest total in at least the past two seasons
  - South Carolina's 16 field goals also marked its lowest total in either of the last two seasons
- For only the fourth time this season, South Carolina trailed an unranked opponent by five-plus points—others were: Auburn (Jan. 21), Vanderbilt (Jan. 10) and Elon (Dec. 22)
- For a sixth consecutive game and the 18th time this season, South Carolina held its opponent below 36-percent shooting, as Auburn finished 20 of 56 (35.7 percent)
- Junior center Alaina Coates scored 14 points and collected 12 rebounds to post her 16th double-double of the season and 38th of her career
  - South Carolina is 37-1 in games when Coates logs a double-double