



# 2017 SEC Men's Basketball Tournament

Nashville, Tenn. – Bridgestone Arena



## Semifinals – Game #11 Notes

Kentucky 79, Alabama 74

**Kentucky advances to face the Arkansas/Vanderbilt winner Sunday at noon CT**

### Series Notes:

- All-Time Series: Kentucky leads 110-37
- SEC Tournament: Kentucky leads 15-2
- Season Series: Kentucky leads 2-0

### Game Notes:

- Alabama jumped out of the gates to lead 17-7 at the 13:29 mark of the first half for the Tide's largest lead of the game. Kentucky countered with an 11-0 run to take its first lead at 18-17 with 9:49 left before halftime.
- With the Crimson Tide ahead 36-33 at the 17:34 mark of the second half, the Wildcats used an 18-6 run to take their largest lead of the day at 51-42 with 11:24 left in regulation. Alabama pulled within one point three times over the final 11 minutes but could not retake the lead.
- Kentucky connected on eight of its final 10 free throws to secure the win.
- Alabama enjoyed a 46-24 edge in points in the paint and a 22-9 advantage in bench points.

### Kentucky Notes:

- Kentucky improves to 28-5 and increases its win streak to 10 games.
- The Wildcats are now 41-2 all-time in SEC Tournament semifinal games.
- UK advances to the SEC Tournament finals for the fourth straight year and 41<sup>st</sup> time in their history, which tops all schools.
- De'Aaron Fox posted a career-high 28 points, marking his ninth 20-point outing. With Alabama within one point at 62-61 with 5:35 left, Fox scored the Wildcats' next nine points.
- Malik Monk bounced back from his two-point performance in the SEC Tournament quarterfinals against Georgia to notch his 18<sup>th</sup> 20-point game of the year with 20.
- Bam Adebayo narrowly missed the seventh double-double of his freshman campaign with 10 points and nine rebounds.

### Alabama Notes:

- Alabama falls to 19-14 overall and loses for just the second time in its last five games.
- The Crimson Tide is now 13-12 all-time in SEC Tournament semifinal games.
- Dazon Ingram scored in double figures for just the third time in his last eight games with a team-high 17 points.
- Braxton Key topped the Tide in assists with four and rebounds with six while adding 11 points.