

# 2018 SEC BASEBALL TOURNAMENT MAY 22-27 | HOOVER METROPOLITAN STADIUM | HOOVER, ALA.

### | GAME 8 | ARKANSAS 13, SOUTH CAROLINA 8 | NOTES AND QUOTES |

## ARKANSAS POST-GAME NOTES POST-GAME NOTES

- Arkansas improved to 38-17 on the season and 4-4 against the Gamecocks in the SEC Tournament.
- With the win, Arkansas improved its all-time SEC Tournament record to 32-39.
- Arkansas made its 23<sup>rd</sup> appearance at the SEC Tournament and holds its second-straight topfour seed in the field.
- Southpaw Kacey Murphy pitched 5.2 innings and allowed six runs on five hits with two strikeouts.
- Murphy is now 7-4 on the year.
- Dominic Fletcher hit a three-run home run in the bottom of the first to bring his season total to seven.
- Heston Kjerstad had one RBI to give him a team-best 47 and extend his hit streak to six games.
- Arkansas recorded its 52<sup>nd</sup> double-double of the year.
- Casey Martin hit two home runs in the game, last done by Eric Cole on May 4, 2018, at LSU.
- Fletcher totaled five RBIs for the second time this season.
- The last time Arkansas scored 13 runs was on April 7, 2018 against Auburn.

#### ARKANSAS COACH DAVE VAN HORN

Opening Statement . . .

"I thought Murphy had really good stuff. He's pitching to a good team, even probably the hottest team in the league right now if you really look at the last two to three weeks. These guys have been pounding the ball and winning at home, winning on the road. They're a dangerous team. We came out offensively and did a tremendous job in the first inning. Then we kind of did it the next couple of innings."

### **ARKANSAS 3B CASEY MARTIN**

On teammate Dominic Fletcher's home run in the first inning . . .

"That was a big momentum swing, absolutely. Dom's been absolutely tearing it up lately and just putting a good swing on a good pitch as always, and driving in runs."