



by Benjamin Johnson

## University of South Carolina Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Sept. 2	North Carolina(neutral)	7:30 pm
Sept. 9	vs. Furman	7:30 pm
Sept. 16	@ Georgia	3:30 pm
Sept. 23	vs. Mississippi State	TBA
Sept. 30	@ Tennessee	TBA
Oct. 14	vs. Florida	TBA
Oct. 21	@ Missouri	TBA
Oct. 28	@ Texas A&M	TBA
Nov. 4	vs. Jacksonville State	TBA
Nov. 11	vs. Vanderbilt	TBA
Nov. 18	vs. Kentucky	TBA
Nov. 25	vs. Clemson	TBA

As Shane Beamer enters his third year as head coach for the Gamecocks, the momentum from last year is at an all-time high. Even though their 8-5 record ended with a loss in the Gator Bowl to Notre Dame, beating 3rd ranked Tennessee and 8th ranked Clemson (for the first time in 8 years) has this team and their fans ready for more. There is a lot of energy and excitement around these players.

Quarterback Spencer Rattler returns with hopes of cementing his place in Gamecock history. And with Trey Knox at tight end and Antwane “Juice” Wells at wide receiver – both placed on the nation’s top watch lists – he might be able to do it this year. Dowell Loggains, new offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach, brings thirteen years of NFL coaching experience that this offense needs to consistently execute plays.

Special Teams will remain one of the best in the nation. With seniors Kai Kroeger and Mitch Jeter leading the way, it’s Beamer Ball at its finest.

On the defense, Jordan Strachan and Mohamed Kaba, both injured last year, are back in action. Sophomores, and Columbia natives, DQ Smith and Nick Emmanwori, will both be looking to build off their successful freshman year.

South Carolina’s first game will be Saturday, September 2nd against the North Carolina Tar Heels at Bank of America Stadium in Charlotte, NC. The game will be the site for ESPN’s College Gameday 9:00 am-12:00 pm with kickoff scheduled for 7:30 pm on ABC. ■

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## FOOTBALL PREVIEW

# Clemson University

## FOOTBALL PREVIEW *by Bob Caughman*

As Dabo Swinney enters his 15th full season as head coach at Clemson, hopes are high to return to the College Football Playoff. With an 11-3 season last year and an ACC championship win over North Carolina, the bar is set. Ranking #1 in the 2023 ACC pre-season poll, Clemson is expected to keep their streak alive as ACC champions for the eighth time in the last nine years.

Quarterback Cade Klubnik, on pre-season national watch lists, is an energetic leader who took over for DJ Uiagalelei in the ACC championship game last year. However, a loss to Tennessee in the Orange Bowl has fans wondering what to expect this season. New offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach Garrett Riley, who coached Heisman Trophy finalist Max Duggan at TCU last year, could be the reboot the Tigers' offense needs. Klubnik is fast on his feet and has an accurate arm. With junior RBs Will Shipley and Phil Mafah, and WR Antonio Williams, the Tigers should have a dynamic offense.

Defensively, this group has a lot of experience. All-American seniors, Xavier Thomas and Tyler Davis, will lead their team to dominate on the field. Davis could join the elite company of Christian Wilkins and William Perry as a 4-time All-ACC DT at Clemson. The junior linebacker duo, Barrett Carter and Jeremiah Trotter, Jr, are arguably the best in the country and Ruke Orhoro is back even though he had a good NFL Draft grade.

Clemson's first game will be Monday, September 4th against the Duke Blue Devils at Wallace Wade Stadium in Durham, NC. The game will air at 8:00 pm on ESPN. ■

### Clemson University Football Schedule

DATE	OPPONENT	TIME
Sept. 4	@Duke	8:00 pm
Sept. 9	vs. Charleston Southern	2:15 pm
Sept. 16	vs. Florida Atlantic	8:00 pm
Sept. 23	vs. Florida State	TBA
Sept. 30	@Syracuse	TBA
Oct. 7	vs. Wake Forest	TBA
Oct. 21	@Miami	TBA
Oct. 28	@NC State	TBA
Nov. 4	vs. Notre Dame	TBA
Nov. 11	vs. North Carolina	TBA
Nov. 25	@South Carolina	TBA





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## Football Schedules



### Irmo Yellow Jackets

Aug. 18	@Chapin	7:30 pm
Aug. 25	Lancaster	7:30 pm
Sept. 1	River Bluff	7:30 pm
Sept. 15	@Hartsville	7:30 pm
Sept. 22	Airport	7:30 pm
Sept. 29	Richland NE	7:30 pm
Oct. 6	@Ridge View	7:30 pm
Oct. 13	A.C. Flora	7:30 pm
Oct. 20	@Westwood	7:30 pm
Oct. 27	@Lugoff-Elgin	7:30 pm



### Chapin Eagles

Aug. 18	Irmo	7:30 pm
Aug. 25	Mid-Carolina	7:30 pm
Sept. 1	@Spring Valley	7:00 pm
Sept. 8	@Newberry	7:30 pm
Sept. 15	Brookland-Cayce	7:30 pm
Sept. 22	@A.C. Flora	7:30 pm
Sept. 29	@Lexington	7:30 pm
Oct. 13	Dutch Fork	7:30 pm
Oct. 20	@White Knoll	7:30 pm
Oct. 27	River Bluff	7:30 pm



### Dutch Fork Silver Foxes

Aug. 19	@Colquitt County	7:00 pm
Aug. 25	Spartanburg	7:30 pm
Sept. 1	Hough	7:00 pm
Sept. 8	Stratford	7:30 pm
Sept. 15	North Augusta	7:30 pm
Sept. 22	Weddington	7:30 pm
Oct. 6	@White Knoll	7:30 pm
Oct. 13	@Chapin	7:30 pm
Oct. 27	Lexington	7:30 pm



### Ben Lippen Falcons

Aug. 18	@Asheville Christian Academy	7:00 pm
Aug. 25	Heathwood Hall Episcopal	7:00 pm
Sept. 1	@Pinewood Prep	7:30 pm
Sept. 8	Hilton Head Christian Academy	7:30 pm
Sept. 15	Porter-Gaud	7:00 pm
Sept. 22	@Cardinal Newman	7:30 pm
Sept. 29	Bamberg-Ehrhardt	7:30 pm
Oct. 6	@Trinity Collegiate	7:30 pm
Oct. 20	@Augusta Christian	7:30 pm
Oct. 27	Camden Military	7:30 pm