



ALABAMA

CRIMSON TIDE FOOTBALL

16 NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIPS | 124 FIRST TEAM ALL-AMERICANS | 64 BOWL APPEARANCES | 37 BOWL VICTORIES | 26 SEC CHAMPIONSHIPS

2017 SCHEDULE

ALABAMA

Sept. 2	\$vs. Florida State	TBA
Sept. 9	Fresno State	TBA
Sept. 16	Colorado State	TBA
Sept. 23	*at Vanderbilt	TBA
Sept. 30	*Ole Miss	TBA
Oct. 7	*at Texas A&M	TBA
Oct. 14	*Arkansas	TBA
Oct. 21	*Tennessee	TBA
Nov. 4	*LSU	TBA
Nov. 11	*at Mississippi State	TBA
Nov. 18	Mercer	TBA
Nov. 25	*at Auburn	TBA

*Conference Game

\$Chick-fil-A Kickoff Game at Mercedes-Benz Stadium in Atlanta, Ga.

2016 RESULTS

NO. 2/2 ALABAMA (14-1, 8-0 SEC)

Sept. 3	\$vs. 20/17 USC (ABC)	W, 52-6
Sept. 10	UR/RV Western Kentucky (ESPN2)	W, 38-10
Sept. 17	*at 19/17 Ole Miss (CBS)	W, 48-43
Sept. 24	Kent State (SEC Network)	W, 48-0
Oct. 1	*Kentucky (ESPN)	W, 34-6
Oct. 8	*at 16/18 Arkansas (ESPN)	W, 49-30
Oct. 15	*at 9/11 Tennessee (CBS)	W, 49-10
Oct. 22	*6/6 Texas A&M (CBS)	W, 33-14
Nov. 5	*at 13/15/14 LSU (CBS)	W, 10-0
Nov. 12	*Mississippi State (ESPN)	W, 51-3
Nov. 19	Chattanooga (ESPN2)	W, 31-3
Nov. 26	*13/16/16 Auburn (CBS)	W, 30-12
Dec. 3	vs. 15/15/16 Florida (CBS)	W, 54-16
Dec. 31	vs. 4/4/4 Washington (ESPN)	W, 24-7
Jan. 9	vs. 2/2/2 Clemson (ESPN)	L, 31-35

*Conference Game

\$Cowboys Classic at AT&T Stadium in Arlington, Texas
Rankings listed are AP/Amway Coaches

ON THE AIR TELEVISION

ESPN

Play-by-Play: Joe Tessitore

Sideline: Kirk Herbstreit

Sideline: Joey Galloway

Sideline: Laura Rutledge

RADIO

Crimson Tide Sports Network

Play-by-Play: Eli Gold

Color Analyst: Phil Savage

Sideline: Chris Stewart

SATELLITE RADIO

CTSN on XM: 84

CTSN on Sirius: 84



2017 GOLDEN FLAKE A-DAY GAME

SATURDAY, APRIL 22, 2017 • 2 P.M. • ESPN

BRYANT-DENNY STADIUM (101,821)

TUSCALOOSA, ALA.

THE GOLDEN FLAKE A-DAY GAME

The University of Alabama football team and head coach Nick Saban wrap up spring practice with the 2017 Golden Flake A-Day Game at Bryant-Denny Stadium. It is Coach Saban's 11th A-Day Game at Alabama. The kickoff for the annual intrasquad matchup is set for 2 p.m. (CT) and will be televised by ESPN with Joe Tessitore, Kirk Herbstreit, Joey Galloway and Laura Rutledge on the call. The game is also being carried on radio by the Crimson Tide Sports Network with coverage by Eli Gold (play-by-play), Phil Savage (analyst) and Chris Stewart (sidelines). Alabama opened spring practice on Friday, March 21, and held 14 practices through Thursday, April 20, with scrimmages on April 8 and April 14, leading up to today's A-Day Game.

HEAD COACH NICK SABAN

Alabama head coach Nick Saban (Kent State, 1973) begins his 11th season with the Crimson Tide in 2017. Named the school's 27th head coach on Jan. 3, 2007, Saban has compiled a 114-19 (.857) record (119-19 (.862) before five vacated wins in 2007) at Alabama while leading the Tide to seven SEC Western Division championships, five conference titles and four national championships. He is the only coach to win back-to-back BCS national championships and has won five titles in his last 11 years of coaching college football. Saban is one of three college coaches in the poll era (since 1936) to win three national championships in four years, joining Frank Leahy of Notre Dame (1946-47, 1949) and Tom Osborne of Nebraska (1994-95, 1997). With the 2015 national championship victory over No. 1 Clemson, Saban joined Paul "Bear" Bryant as the only coaches in the poll era to win five national championships. Saban holds a career record of 205-61-1 (.770) as a collegiate head coach, earlier serving at Toledo, Michigan State and LSU. He won his first national championship as a head coach at LSU in 2003. Saban has coached eight conference championship teams. Saban was also the first head coach to win BCS national championships at two different schools and is the only coach in SEC history to win multiple conference titles at more than one school.

SABAN'S 11th A-DAY

The 2017 Golden Flake A-Day Game marks the 11th A-Day Game for Crimson Tide head coach Nick Saban. His first A-Day Game saw a then-record 92,138 fans fill Bryant-Denny Stadium. At the start of his 11th season in Tuscaloosa, Saban's Tide teams have captured four national championships, five SEC Championships, had 36 players earn 40 first team All-America honors and won two Heisman Trophies while winning 114 games.

WALK OF FAME CEREMONY

The annual Walk of Fame ceremony will take place Saturday, April 22, at 12:20 p.m. at Denny Chimes. The 2016 permanent team captains — defensive lineman Jonathan Allen, linebacker Reuben Foster, defensive back Eddie Jackson and offensive lineman Cam Robinson — will have their hand and foot prints placed in cement at the base of Denny Chimes.

FORMER GREATS PLANNING ON RETURNING

The annual A-Day Game has also become a gathering place for former Crimson Tide greats during the Saban era. Those players expected back for the 2017 game include: Heisman winners Mark Ingram and Derrick Henry along with Amari Cooper, Dont'a Hightower, Marcell Dareus, C.J. Mosley, Andre Smith, Jonathan Allen, Reuben Foster, Chance Warmack, Courtney Upshaw, Ha Ha Clinton-Dix, Cam Robinson, O.J. Howard, Javy Arenas, and many more.

ALABAMA FOOTBALL

QUICK FACTS

Location	Tuscaloosa, Ala.
Enrollment	37,655
Founded	April 12, 1831
Conference	Southeastern (West)
Colors	Crimson and White
Nickname	Crimson Tide
President	Dr. Stuart Bell
Athletic Director	Greg Byrne
Faculty Athletics Representative	Dr. James King

FOOTBALL HISTORY

First Season	1892
All-Time Record	878-327-43 (.721)
All-Time SEC Record	386-167-20 (.691)
National Championships	16
SEC Championships	26
First Team All-Americans	124 players, 143 times
First Team All-Conference	244 players, 326 times
Bowl Appearances	64
Bowl Victories	37

COACHING STAFF

Head Coach	Nick Saban
Alma Mater	Kent State, 1973
Collegiate Career Record (Years)	205-61-1 (21)
Alabama Record (Years)	114-19 (10)
Offensive Coordinator	Brian Daboll
Alma Mater	Rochester, 1997
Defensive Coordinator	Jeremy Pruitt
Alma Mater	West Alabama, 1999

TEAM INFORMATION

2016 Overall Record	14-1
2016 SEC Record/Finish	8-0/SEC Champions
2016 Bowl	Chick-fil-A Peach Bowl (CFP SF)
Bowl Result	Alabama 24, Washington 7
CFP Championship	Clemson 35, Alabama 31
Final Ranking	No. 2 Associated Press

No. 2 USA TODAY Coaches

Returning Starters: 13 (6 offense/6 defense/1 specialists)

Letterman Returning:	52
Offense :	25
Defense :	25
Specialists :	2

Letterman Lost:	21
Offense :	12
Defense :	7
Specialists :	2

Starters Returning:	13
Offense :	6
Defense :	6
Specialists :	1

Starters Lost:	13
Offense :	5
Defense :	6
Specialists :	2

A-DAY RESULTS IN SABAN ERA

2007	White - 20-13
2008	Crimson - 24-14
2009	Crimson - 14-7
2010	White - 23-17
2011	Crimson - 14-10
2012	White - 24-15
2013	White - 17-14
2014	White - 17-13
2015	White - 27-14
2016	White - 7-3

A-DAY GAME FORMAT

The format for today's game is much like a normal game, with a few minor variations primarily regarding the game clock. The game will consist of four 15-minute quarters with a running clock. The clock will be stopped only following scoring plays, penalties, and changes of possession. Regular clock rules will be used during the final four minutes of the second quarter and the fourth quarter. Halftime will be 12 minutes long. Players in black jerseys (quarterbacks and injured players) tag-off and are not live. The kickoffs/kick returns are tag-off as well with the ball spotted at the 30-yard line.

A-DAY NOTEBOOK

*Alabama did not have an A-Day Game in 1991 or 1996. Coach Gene Stallings held a Friday scrimmage at the UA practice field with about 2,000 spectators watching the Tide's last spring scrimmage each year.

*In 1985, Alabama held an A-Day Alumni Game. The varsity played an alumni team and then-President Dr. Joab Thomas played one snap for the alumni and was dropped in the backfield on the first play of the game by Cornelius Bennett.

*The University of Alabama had a \$3 admission charge for A-Day in 1972 and 1973.

*Alabama played two straight A-Day games at Birmingham's Legion Field due to stadium construction in Tuscaloosa. The games were played April 25, 1987, and April 9, 1988.

*Alabama's A-Day Game was held on Friday night in 1966 and 1967.

*Coach Paul Bryant's first A-Day game took place on April 27, 1958, and drew 15,000 fans for a night game.

A-DAY ATTENDANCE FIGURES

*The official estimated attendance at the 2016 A-Day Game was 76,212. The 2015 A-Day Game featured a crowd of 65,175 while the 2014 game had 73,506 fans in attendance.

*Alabama's school record for A-Day attendance is 92,310 fans for the 2011 Game at Bryant-Denny Stadium (capacity: 101,821). The 2011 total surpassed the previous record of 92,138+ set in 2007.

*Alabama has attracted more than 91,000 fans to the A-Day Spring Game three times, which marks the three of the four largest spring football game crowds in SEC history. The national record for attendance at a spring football game was set by Ohio State in 2016 when 101,189 attended the Buckeyes' spring game.

*Forecasts of rainy weather and national television by ESPN didn't deter a strong contingent of Crimson Tide fans from attending the 2009 A-Day game as a crowd estimated at 84,050 was in attendance at Bryant-Denny Stadium.

*The 2007 A-Day Game drew in excess of 92,138 fans, with fans being turned away at the gate. The attendance mark of over 92,138 fans was well over the previous best for a Southeastern Conference Spring Day game at the time, believed to be Tennessee's 73,000 in 1986. It also nearly doubled 2007's second-best attendance mark of 47,500 set by Florida.

*The Tide's 2011 A-Day attendance mark of 92,310 is the current record for Alabama A-Day attendance.

A-DAY GAME ATTENDANCE FIGURES

Year	Attendance	Year	Attendance	Year	Attendance
2016	76,212	1996	No Game	1976	N/A
2015	65,175	1995	37,323	1975	N/A
2014	73,506	1994	46,700	1974	N/A
2013	78,315	1993	30,000	1973	5,000
2012	78,526	1992	35,016	1972	20,000
2011	92,310	1991	No Game	1971	15,000
2010	91,312	1990	16,500	1970	17,000
2009	84,050	1989	16,500	1969	17,000
2008	78,200	1988	51,117	1968	12,000
2007	92,138	1987	32,000	1967	17,000
2006	40,000	1986	20,435	1966	15,000
2005	25,000	1985	28,000		
2004	35,000	1984	16,000		
2003	34,000	1983	16,000		
2002	37,000	1982	N/A		
2001	35,000	1981	N/A		
2000	25,355	1980	8,000		
1999	32,500	1979	7,500		
1998	8,968	1978	N/A		
1997	30,212	1977	7,000		