

# Texas A&M Football Post Game Notes

No. 6/5 Texas A&M 31, Mississippi State 9 Kyle Field (Bryan-College Station, Texas) Saturday, October 4, 2025 Attendance: 108,572

### **About the Win**

- The Aggies improved to 5-0 overall and 2-0 in SEC play with the 31-9 win over Mississippi State. It's the team's best start since 2016 when the Aggies began the season with six straight victories. The Maroon & White are 2-0 in SEC play for the third consecutive year and sixth time since joining the league in 2012.
- Today's crowd of 108,572 was a season high and the fifth-largest in stadium history. Texas A&M has drawn more than 100,000 fans to all four home games this season and is averaging 106,142 fans per home contest. Texas A&M has a nine-game streak of 100,000-plus home crowds.
- Six of the nine largest home crowds in Kyle Field history have come during the Mike Elko era.

#### Offense

- Texas A&M logged its fourth straight game with 400-plus yards of total offense, gaining 479 yards on 77 plays (6.2 average). The Aggies were dominant on the ground, rushing for 299 yards on 54 carries (5.5 yards per rush), which were both season highs. The Aggies had seven rushers with at least two carries.
- The nation's top tandem in receiving yards per game, KC Concepcion and Mario Craver combined for 141 yards and two receiving scores on 10 catches. Craver, the SEC's receiving yards leader, led the way with 80 yards on six catches and chipped in his first career rushing touchdown on a seven-yard sprint. Concepcion had four catches for 61 yards and both of the team's receiving touchdowns. Craver and Concepcion also contributed to the Aggies' big rushing night with a combined 58 yards on four carries.
- Redshirt sophomore RB Rueben Owens II posted career highs in carries and rushing yards with 21 carries for 142 yards (6.8 yards per carry). For Owens, who suffered a fall camp injury last season and saw only limited action in the regular season finale and bowl game, it was easily his most prolific game in nearly two years dating back to his previous career-best game of 18 carries for 108 yards against ACU (11/18/2023). Additionally, he logged a 19-yard reception as he posted career-high 161 yards from scrimmage.
- Graduate student OL **Trey Zuhn III**, a 42-game starter at left tackle, shifted inside to center for the Aggies' initial scoring drive of the game. It was Zuhn's second time at center after handling a handful of snaps in the season-opener vs. UTSA.
- Redshirt sophomore QB Marcel Reed totaled three touchdowns two passing scores and one on the ground. It marked the second game this season and sixth of his career with at least two passing scores and one rushing score in a game.
- Reed increased his touchdown responsibility to 13 through five games (11 pass-2 rush) and his
  career total to 37 (27 pass-10 rush), surpassing Kyle Allen (2014-15) to rank No. 9 on the Aggie
  career TD responsibility list.

#### **Defense**

- The Aggies entered the game ranked in the top 10 nationally in sacks and tackles for loss, and continued their push into the opponent backfield with four sacks and nine tackles for loss against the Bulldogs. It marked the third game to record nine tackles for loss this season.
- Texas A&M limited Mississippi State to 219 total yards, which was more than 200 yards below the Bulldogs' season average entering the game (429.8). The Aggies also held the Bulldog rushing attack to 77 yards, which was more than 100 yards below their average (203.8 per game entering today).
- In two SEC games, Texas A&M has allowed just 129 rushing yards (2.3 yards per carry).
- The Aggie defense dominated on third down, holding the Bulldogs to 1-of-10 in third-down tries. In two SEC games, Texas A&M has allowed just a single third-down conversion on 23 tries.
- Senior DE Cashius Howell eclipsed the 20-sack plateau for his career at Texas A&M and Bowling
  Green with a three-sack night against the Bulldogs. A disruptive force all game, Howell also was
  credited with a pass breakup that led to an interception and had another deflection wiped out
  by penalty. The SEC leader in sacks per game entering the game, Howell increased his season
  total to 7.0 sacks for a loss of 50 yards.
- Howell became the first Aggie to post 3.0 sacks in multiple games in a season since Von Miller did it in 2009 when he led the nation with 17.0 sacks.
- Junior LB Taurean York posted his second double-digit tackle game of the season with 10 stops, including six solo takedowns, against the Bulldogs. It was his sixth career game with 10-plus tackles.
- Junior LB Daymion Sanford turned in another strong performance in place of injured starter
   Scooby Williams as he posted a career-high nine tackles and tallied the first interception of his career. Additionally, the Katy, Texas, native made a sack for the third consecutive game with a takedown of the MSU QB for a loss of 6 yards. Over his last three games, Sanford has totaled 18 tackles, 2.5 sacks and 4.5 tackles for loss.

## **Special Teams**

- Redshirt sophomore P **Tyler White** had a pair of punts downed inside the 20, raising his career total to 31 in 19 career games. He averaged 45.5 yards on four punts with a long of 54 yards.
- **Concepcion**'s four punt returns were a career high.