



2022 BAD BOY MOWERS PINSTRIPE BOWL FACT SHEET

SYRACUSE ORANGE (7-5, 4-4 ACC) vs. MINNESOTA GOLDEN GOPHERS (8-4, 5-4 Big Ten)

Thursday, December 29, 2022 • 2:00 p.m. ET • YANKEE STADIUM

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BOWLING IN THE BRONX: The 2022 Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl will mark the 12th year of the annual college football bowl game at the current Yankee Stadium. Established in 2010, the Pinstripe Bowl has featured some of the most memorable moments in recent college football history. Known as "New York's Bowl Game," it is played at the world-renowned Yankee Stadium, which is home to the New York Yankees, New York City Football Club and many other sporting, cultural and business events.

NEW YORK, NEW YORK: During Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl Week, student-athletes, coaches and staff from each participating school took part in events, showcasing their respective universities to the New York metropolitan area. Special events, promotions and community outreach took place throughout New York City during the week to create an unforgettable experience for fans, families and visitors to the area.

- » On December 19, representatives from Syracuse took part in a virtual zoom "Chalk Talk" clinic with the Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club in the Bronx.
- » On December 20, representatives from the University of Minnesota took part in a virtual zoom visit with pediatric cancer patients at Memorial Sloan Kettering.
- » On Monday, Syracuse's traveling party took in the unique sights of One World Observatory and visited the 9/11 Memorial and Museum, while Minnesota's traveling party visited the site on Tuesday.
- » On Tuesday, both teams' traveling party attended the New York Rangers Hockey Game at Madison Square Garden.
- » On Wednesday, the Head Coaches, Athletic Directors and select players from each institution rang the opening bell of the New York Stock Exchange.

#GoldenGophers: Minnesota will make its 23rd all-time bowl appearance (10-12) and fourth under **Head Coach P.J. Fleck** (3-0). The Golden Gophers will be making their first appearance in the Pinstripe Bowl, becoming the eighth different Big Ten team to play in the game (in eight games of the bowl's partnership with the conference). It will also mark Minnesota's first appearance at either the original or current Yankee Stadium.

Minnesota has won each of their last five bowl games since 2015 and will participate in their 18th bowl game in the last 24 seasons (since 1999). The Golden Gophers reached the AP Top 25 plateau this season (No. 21), their first AP ranking since the 2020 season (also No. 21). Minnesota (8-4, 5-4 Big Ten) won four of their final five regular season games, clinching bowl eligibility with their 20-13 win at Nebraska on November 5th.

The Golden Gophers run-heavy offense ranked second in the Big Ten in 2022 with 548 attempts, 2,621 rushing yards, 32 touchdowns and averaging 218.4 rushing yards per contest. Sixth-year senior **running back Mohamed Ibrahim** was among the top rushers in the country, earning All-Big Ten First Team honors. He ranked second in the FBS in yards per game (144.9), tying for second in rushing touchdowns (19), third in rushing attempts (304) and fourth in rushing yards (1,594). Redshirt senior **tight end Brevyn Spann-Ford** played a large role in Minnesota's passing attack, recording a team-high 40 receptions for 481 yards and two touchdowns.

On the defensive side, Minnesota boasted one of the best units in the country, allowing just 13.3 points per game, the fourth-best mark among FBS schools. The Golden Gopher defense also ranked second nationally in touchdowns allowed (16), third in total points allowed (160) and fifth in total yards allowed per game (279.5) and total yards allowed (3,354). Senior **cornerback Tyler Nubin** earned All-Big Ten Second Team honors, collecting a team-high four interceptions (tied for third in Big Ten), while also tying for second on the team with 37 solo tackles and ranking third with 55.0 total tackles. Fifth-year senior **linebacker Mariano Sori-Marin** led the team with 78.0 total tackles and 38 solo tackles, while also tying for the team lead with 4.5 tackles for loss.

#Orange: Syracuse, led by **Head Coach Dino Babers**, will make its 27th all-time bowl game appearance (16-9-1) and third in the Pinstripe Bowl. Syracuse becomes the first program to participate in the Pinstripe Bowl three times and will be the seventh different ACC team to play in the contest in the eight years of the bowl's partnership with the conference. The Pinstripe Bowl will mark the program's first bowl game since the 2018 Camping World Bowl. Looking to continue a sustained run of success, the Orange have won each of their last four bowl games since the 2010 season, six of their last seven since the 1999 season and 13 of their last 16 since the 1989 season. Reaching as high as No. 14 in the AP Top 25 this season, their highest ranking since 2018 (No. 12), Syracuse (7-5, 4-4 ACC) clinched bowl eligibility after defeating then-No. 15 NC State, 24-9, on October 15.

The high-tempo Orange offense collected 4,399 total yards (1,714 rushing; 2,685 passing). In his first full year at the helm, junior **quarterback and co-captain Garrett Shrader** finished fourth in the ACC with a 154.6 passing efficiency and sixth in the conference with 2,725 total yards, passing for 2,310 yards and 17 touchdowns and rushing for 415 yards with seven touchdowns. Sophomore **tight end Oronde Gadsden II** earned All-ACC First Team honors, setting single-season program records at the tight end position for receptions (54) and receiving yards (891, sixth in ACC), while also catching six touchdowns (tied for sixth in ACC).

Syracuse's defense allowed just 22.7 points per game this season and 338.8 total yards per game (both fifth-lowest in the ACC). Junior **linebacker and co-captain Mikel Jones**, who finished second on the team with 84.0 total tackles and 41 solo tackles and third with 7.0 tackles for loss, landed on the All-ACC Third Team. Sophomore **linebacker Marlowe Wax** led the Orange with 89.0 total tackles, 52 solo tackles and 10.5 tackles for loss.

Syracuse has a rich history of collegiate matchups in the Bronx, as the Orange defeated Pittsburgh, 3-0, in the inaugural college football game at the original Yankee Stadium on October 20, 1923. In total, Syracuse participated in six games at the original Yankee Stadium, winning five of those contests. This year's Pinstripe Bowl will mark Syracuse's fourth game at the current Yankee Stadium. The Orange are the only two-time winners in Pinstripe Bowl history, defeating Kansas State, 36-34, in the inaugural edition in 2010 and topping West Virginia, 38-14, in 2012. Most recently, then-No. 12 Syracuse played then-No. 3 Notre Dame in a regular season matchup on November 17, 2018, falling to the Fighting Irish, 36-3.

COLLEGE FOOTBALL GAMES AT THE CURRENT YANKEE STADIUM

Nov. 20, 2010	.....	Notre Dame 27, Army 3
Nov. 12, 2011	.....	Rutgers 27, Army 12
Nov. 8, 2014	.....	Army 35, UConn 21
Nov. 22, 2014	.....	Lafayette 27, Lehigh 7
Nov. 12, 2016	.....	Fordham 54, Holy Cross 14
Nov. 17, 2018	.....	Notre Dame 36, Syracuse 3
Nov. 9, 2019	.....	Dartmouth 27, Princeton 10
Nov. 12, 2022	.....	Ithaca 34, Cortland 17

PREVIOUS PINSTRIPE BOWL FINAL SCORES

Dec. 30, 2010	.....	Syracuse 36, Kansas State 34
Dec. 30, 2011	.....	Rutgers 27, Iowa State 13
Dec. 29, 2012	.....	Syracuse 38, West Virginia 14
Dec. 28, 2013	.....	Notre Dame 29, Rutgers 16
Dec. 27, 2014	..	Penn State 31, Boston College 30 (OT)
Dec. 26, 2015	.....	Duke 44, Indiana 41 (OT)
Dec. 28, 2016	..	Northwestern 31, Pittsburgh 24
Dec. 27, 2017	.....	Iowa 27, Boston College 20
Dec. 27, 2018	.....	Wisconsin 35, Miami 3
Dec. 27, 2019	..	Michigan State 27, Wake Forest 21
Dec. 29, 2021	.....	Maryland 54, Virginia Tech 10

TOP FOOTBALL CROWD AT THE CURRENT YANKEE STADIUM

Nov. 20, 2010 - Notre Dame vs. Army (**54,251**)

LIVE STATS CAN BE FOUND AT:

<http://pinstripe.statbroadcast.com/>

TRANSCRIPTS CAN BE FOUND AT:

<https://asaptext.com/orgs/pinstripebowl/>

COMMUNITY PARTNERS: For the 12th time in the history of the bowl game, the Yankees and the Pinstripe Bowl donated tickets for Thursday's game to various New York City-based non-profit organizations.

COMMITMENT TO THE COMMUNITY: On December 19, representatives from Syracuse took part in a zoom "Chalk Talk" clinic with the Kips Bay Boys & Girls Club in the Bronx. Syracuse Head Coach **Dino Babers**, defensive back **Eric Coley** and long snapper **Aaron Bolinsky** all participated in the virtual zoom.

On December 20, representatives from the University of Minnesota took part in a virtual zoom visit with pediatric cancer patients at Memorial Sloan Kettering. Minnesota Head Coach **P.J. Fleck**, quarterback **Tanner Morgan**, defensive lineman **Trill Carter** and running back **Mohamed Ibrahim** all participated in the event.

NEW YORK STATE OF MIND: On Wednesday, December 28, the Empire State Building will shine in the team colors of the 2022 Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl participants, Syracuse University (orange) and the University of Minnesota (maroon and gold).

FUN FACTS: Timeline of field transformation: the infield was leveled and sodded over starting in late October for the 2022 Cortaca Jug held at Yankee Stadium on Saturday, November 12; goalpost installation for the Cortaca Jug began in early November; endzones/numbers for the Pinstripe Bowl were painted starting Monday, December 19 and the Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl logo at midfield was painted on Friday, December 23.

- » Home plate is normally located near the goalpost closest to the dugouts and second base is normally located on approximately the 25-yard line.
- » Minnesota is the home team in Thursday's game and is using the Yankees' locker room (first base side). Syracuse is on the visitor's side (third base side).
- » The playing surface is Kentucky Bluegrass, grown at DeLea Sod Farms in an undisclosed location in New Jersey, and is the same grass seed used during the baseball season.
- » Syracuse practiced at Columbia University while Minnesota practiced at Fordham University.

GRADUATION: 96 players that have previously appeared in the Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl are currently playing in the NFL. A complete list of current alumni in the league can be found on pages 108-109 of the 2022 Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl program. Notable alumni include Buccaneers WR Chris Godwin (Penn State, 2014), Cowboys G Zack Martin (Notre Dame, 2013) and Colts RB Jonathan Taylor (Wisconsin, 2018).

THE CITY AND STADIUM THAT NEVER SLEEP: In addition to 81 regular season baseball home games as well as postseason contests, the current Yankee Stadium (opened in 2009) has played host to several other events. The facility has housed college football, high school football, international soccer matches, a championship boxing match between Miguel Cotto and Yuri Foreman, concerts featuring JAY Z and Eminem, JAY Z and Justin Timberlake, Paul McCartney, the Big 4 (Metallica, Slayer, Megadeth and Anthrax), Roger Waters, Madonna, Romeo Santos, Garth Brooks and Bad Bunny, "A Night of Hope" with Joel and Victoria Osteen on three different occasions, NYU graduation ceremonies and numerous community events. Yankee Stadium also hosted the NHL's "Stadium Series" with two outdoor hockey games in 2014: the New York Rangers vs. the New Jersey Devils on January 26, 2014, and the Rangers vs. the New York Islanders three nights later on January 29.

Additionally, Yankee Stadium serves as the home venue for Major League Soccer's New York City Football Club.

THROWBACK TO THE ORIGINAL: The original Yankee Stadium hosted 185 college football games during its 85-year history, including home games for NYU from 1923-48, and was the site of the annual Army-Notre Dame game from 1925-46 and 1969. The Stadium also hosted the Army-Navy game in 1930 and '31.

- » Prior to the Bad Boy Mowers Pinstripe Bowl, the last college football bowl game in the Bronx was the short-lived Gotham Bowl in 1962, when Nebraska edged out Miami, 36-34, on December 15.
- » The original Yankee Stadium played home to professional football as well, with the NFL's New York Giants playing there from 1950-51 and '56-73 where they posted a 66-49-6 regular season record (2-2 in the postseason). The original Stadium also hosted the New York Yankees (AFL) in 1926, New York Yankees (NFL) 1927-28, New York Yankees (AFL) 1936-37, New York Yankees (AFL) 1940 and New York Yankees (AAFC) 1946-49.

ORIGINAL YANKEE STADIUM FOOTBALL HIGHLIGHTS:

- » November 12, 1928 "Win one for the Gipper"
George "The Gipper" Gipp was a first-team All-American at Notre Dame before dying at the age of 25 of streptococcal throat infection just days after leading Notre Dame to a win over Northwestern. While on his hospital bed he received a visit from Coach Knute Rockne before his team's showdown against Army. At halftime of a scoreless game, Rockne urged his squad to win it for Gipp, inspiring the Irish to a 12-6 win at Yankee Stadium.
- » November 9, 1946 "Heisman Showdown"
Second-ranked Notre Dame and top-ranked Army played perhaps the most thrilling contest of their historic rivalry, a 0-0 tie made legendary by John Lujack's well-chronicled saving tackle of Cadet star running back Doc Blanchard late in the game. The contest featured four Heisman Trophy winners (Doc Blanchard, Glenn Davis, Johnny Lujack, Leon Hart).
- » December 28, 1958 "The Greatest Game Ever Played"
The Baltimore Colts won the NFL championship in the first overtime game in NFL history, defeating the New York Giants 23-17.
- » December 10, 1972 "Dolphins Remain Perfect"
With their 23-13 win over the New York Giants, the Miami Dolphins improved to 13-0 en route to a perfect 17-0 season.
- » September 12, 1987 "Final college football game played at the original Yankee Stadium"
The final Whitney M. Young Urban League classic was the last football game ever played at the original Yankee Stadium, with Central State University of Ohio defeating Grambling, 37-21.

YANKEE STADIUM FACTS

Location: In the Bronx, bounded by 164th Street (north); 161st Street (south); Jerome Avenue (west); River Avenue (east)

Mailing address: Yankee Stadium, One East 161st Street, Bronx, NY 10451

Architect: Populous (formerly HOK Sport)

Construction: Turner Construction

Developer: Tishman Speyer

Square footage: approximately 1.3 million square feet

Distance around the building: 4,755 linear feet

Size of entire site: 634,335 square feet or 14.56 acres

Main centerfield video board size: 59-feet-by-101-feet

Ribbon board ringing the Terrace Level: 3-feet-by-1,279-feet

FIELD

Surface: Kentucky Bluegrass grown at DeLea Sod Farms in New Jersey

Distance from the plate to the backstop: 52 feet, 4 inches

Height of Mastercard Deck above the field: 37 feet

Feet below street level: approximately 17 feet on average

Drainage pipe length: 14,000 linear feet

Irrigation pipe: 17,100 linear feet

Concourse (average width): 32 feet

Foul poles height: 90 feet

MATERIALS

Concrete: approximately 45,000 cubic yards

Excavation: approximately 363,000 cubic yards

Rebar: approximately 4,000 tons

Structural steel: approximately 11,800 tons in over 30,000 pieces

Piles driven: 1,675 piles averaging 80 feet long

Stone: Indiana Limestone and Deer Isle Granite

Frieze: approximately 1,400 feet long with 300 tons of structural steel