

AUBURN 38, BAYLOR 24

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POSTGAME NOTES

AUBURN (1-0, 0-0 SEC) 38, BAYLOR (0-1, 0-0 Big 12) 24

McLANE STADIUM • WACO, Texas • 7 p.m. CT • ATTENDANCE: 45,233

UP NEXT: Baylor at No. 16/16 SMU (9/6/25) • 11 a.m. • Dallas, Texas

TEAM NOTES

- This was the fifth all-time matchup between Baylor and Auburn, with the Bears and Tigers having the series tied 2-2-1.
 - BU holds a 2-1 record in Waco against Auburn.
 - This was the first time the two faced off since the 1976.
- Baylor head coach **Dave Aranda** is 31-31 in his sixth year with Baylor.
- Baylor is 638-629-44 all-time.
- BU is 41-27 all-time at McLane Stadium and 384-249-27 at home.
- The Bears are 82-38-4 and 4-2 under Aranda in season-openers.
- Baylor is 83-135-13 all-time against SEC opponents (excluding Texas and OU) and 1-2 under Aranda.
- The Bears are wearing Chrome helmets for the first time since the 2017 season.
 - BU is 5-5 when wearing the Chrome helmets.
- Baylor captains: **Josh Cameron, Jackie Marshall, Sawyer Robertson, Keaton Thomas.**
- First time starters for the Bears included: **Kole Wilson** (WR), **Emar'ion Winston** (W), **Kyland Reed** (ROVER), **Tyler Turner** (FS) and **Levar Thornton Jr.** (CB).

OFFENSIVE NOTES

- Baylor offense finished with 483 total yards, 419 being passing and 64 being rushing.
- Senior QB **Sawyer Robertson** went 27-48-0 for 419 passing yards and three touchdowns.
 - Robertson with his fifth 300+ passing yard game of career, second 400+ yard game of career.
 - His 419 passing yards is the most thrown against Auburn since Chad Kelley threw 465 yards at Ole Miss on 10/29/2016.
 - Robertson is the first 400 yard passer against Auburn since Will Rogers (Mississippi State) threw for 415 on Nov. 13, 2021.
 - Most passing yards put up on Auburn by a non-SEC team since allowing 532 in Jan. 1, 2010 Outback Bowl vs. Northwestern.
 - Robertson holds 4,354 career passing yards, ranking 12th in program history, passing Neal Jeffrey (1972-74).
- Senior WR **Kole Wilson** made his BU debut with team-leading 134 receiving yards, making eight catches on 12 targets with a long play of 57 yards.
 - Wilson's 134 receiving yards was a career-high.
 - Wilson hods 31 consecutive games with a reception, 5th-longest active streak in the country.
 - Wilson's connection from Robertson's dart for 57 yards was the longest pass in Robertson's career, his longest since 55 vs. Texas (9/23/23).
 - The second-longest reception in Wilson's career, his longest since 9/23/2023 vs. Nevada when playing for Texas State.
- Redshirt senior TE **Michael Trigg** put up career-best night in receptions (7) and receiving yards (99) with one touchdown.
 - Trigg was targeted 16 times throughout the night.
- Senior WR **Ashtyn Hawkins** ended the night with four receptions and 70 yards, including a career-long reception of 36 yards.
- Senior WR **Kobe Prentice** made his BU debut, going two-for-two for 38 receiving yards, including a 33-yard reception.
 - The 33-yard long pass was Prentice longest reception since 10/14/23 vs. Arkansas.
- Sophomore RB **Bryson Washington** led in rushing with 54 yards on 14 carries.

DEFENSIVE NOTES

- Baylor defense held Auburn to 415 offensive yards, only 108 passing but 307 rushing.
- Redshirt junior LB **Keaton Thomas** led BU with a career-high of 15 total tackles, 10 being solo.
 - 15 total tackles is the most put up by a Bear since Dillon Doyle against Oklahoma (11/5/22).
- Senior S **Devyn Bobby** finished with six solo tackles, one tackle from tying a career-best.
- Redshirt sophomore S **Jacob Redding** brought down a career-high of six solo and total tackles.
 - Most tackles by Redding since five against Kansas last season.
- Redshirt senior LB **Phoenix Jackson** made his BU debut with six total tackles, two being solo.
- Redshirt senior DL **Cooper Lanz** finished with four total tackles and career-first pass breakup.

SPECIAL TEAM NOTES

- Redshirt freshman K **Connor Hawkins** went 1-1 in field goals, making a 36 yard FG.
 - This was Hawkins first career made field goal and second career attempt.
- Junior P **Palmer Williams** punted twice for 75 yards with a long of 43 yards.