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The second-seeded Alabama Crimson Tide will look to advance to the Elite Eight for just the second time when they take on the 11th-seeded UCLA Bruins in an NCAA Tournament Sweet 16 matchup on Sunday. The Crimson Tide (26-6), who have reached the regional semifinals for the ninth time, are just 1-7 all-time in Sweet 16 matchups. The Bruins (20-9), who have made nine trips to the NCAA Tournament's Elite Eight since the tournament expanded to 32 teams in 1975, have not moved on to the Elite Eight since the 2007-08 season. UCLA has gone 7-2, however, during those nine trips.

Tip-off from Hinkle Fieldhouse in Indianapolis is set for 7:15 p.m. ET. UCLA is averaging 72.8 points per game, while Alabama averages 79.6. The Crimson Tide are 6.5-point favorites in the latest UCLA vs. Alabama odds from William Hill Sportsbook, while the over-under for total points scored is set at 145. Before making any Alabama vs. UCLA picks, check out the March Madness college basketball predictions and betting advice from the SportsLine Projection Model.

The SportsLine Projection Model simulates every Division I college basketball game 10,000 times. Over the past four-plus years, the proprietary computer model has generated an impressive profit of \$2,200 for \$100 players on its top-rated college basketball picks against the spread. Anyone who has followed it has seen huge returns.

Now, the model has set its sights on UCLA vs. Alabama in the Sweet 16 of the NCAA Tournament 2021. You can head to SportsLine to see its picks. Here are several college basketball odds and trends for Alabama vs. UCLA:

UCLA vs. Alabama spread: Alabama -6.5

UCLA vs. Alabama over-under: 145 points

UCLA vs. Alabama money line: UCLA +230, Alabama -280

UCLA: Ranked No. 1 in the Pac-12 in fewest turnovers per game at 10.9

BAMA: The Crimson Tide's 26 wins are tied for the second-most in a season in program history

Why Alabama can cover

Senior guard John Petty Jr. poured in 20 points and grabbed six rebounds in Monday's Round of 32 victory over Maryland. He has scored 20 or more points in five games. For the season, Petty is averaging 12.5 points, 5.2 rebounds, 1.9 assists and 1.3 steals per game. He is the top 3-point shooter in the SEC and one of the best in the nation, hitting on 75-of-201 3-pointers for 37.3 percent.

Senior forward Herbert Jones, the SEC Player of the Year, has scored in double figures in three of the past four games, and is averaging 11.3 points, 6.5 rebounds, 3.3 assists, 1.8 steals and 1.1 blocks per game. He has hit 44.5 percent of his field goals, including 37 percent of his 3-pointers. He has reached double figures in 19 games, including four double-doubles. He was also named the SEC Defensive Player of the Year.

Why UCLA can cover

Since beating Michigan State in the First Four, the Bruins have been on a roll and one of the main reasons is the play of sophomore guard Johnny Juzang, who is averaging 22.3 points over the team's three NCAA Tournament games. He scored 27 points and grabbed five rebounds in Saturday's first round win over sixth-seeded BYU and followed that up with a 17-point, three-rebound effort against Abilene Christian in Monday's second-round matchup. Juzang, who earned second-team All-Pac-12 honors, is averaging 15.1 points, 4.1 rebounds and 1.7 assists per game this season.

Also powering the Bruins is sophomore guard Jaime Jaquez Jr., who poured in a career-high 27 points in the First Four win over Michigan State. Jaquez earned second-team All-Pac-12 honors and was also named to the league's five-person All-Defensive Team. In 29 starts, he is averaging 12.2 points and 6.1 rebounds, and ranked fourth in the Pac-12 in minutes per game (34.3).

How to make Alabama vs. UCLA picks

The model is leaning over on the total, projecting the teams to combine for 149 points. It also says one side of the spread hits almost 60 percent of the time