

## Virginia Postgame Notes – Duke (11/15/25)

## **Virginia Team Notes**

- Virginia won its ninth game of the season, the ninth time in program history and first time since 2019 that the Cavaliers have won nine games in a season.
- The 9-2 start to the season is the best 11-game start since 2007.
- Virginia has won four-straight road games to match a school record set in 1984 and 1990. The Cavaliers finished the regular season 4-1 on the road.
- UVA improved to 6-1 in the ACC, the first time UVA has won six of its first seven ACC games since 2007 and only the fourth time ever (1989, 1995, 2007, 2025).
- The Cavaliers are assured of at least a 6-2 record in ACC regular-season games for the first time since 2019. That year, UVA went on to face Clemson and Tony Elliott, who at the time served as the Tigers' offense coordinator, in the ACC championship game.
- Virginia tallied its fifth win of the season while ranked in the AP poll (No. 20). The last time UVA had five or more wins while ranked in the AP top-25 was in 2004, when it was ranked in every game that year.
- Virginia improved to 42-34 in the all-time series with Duke, which was first contested in 1890. UVA's 42 wins over the Blue Devils are third-most against any other opponent in program history. The Cavaliers have won nine of the last 10 meetings against Duke.
- UVA has totaled at least 30 points in eight games this year, a feat not achieved since the 2021 season.
- The Cavaliers started the game with their longest opening drive of the season, which spanned 6:47 and ended with a five-yard touchdown by J'Mari Taylor.
- Duke's first touchdown in the fourth quarter marked the first surrendered by UVA in a play from scrimmage in its last seven quarters of action (123 minutes and 34 seconds). The last touchdown from scrimmage by a UVA opponent was Cal (Nov. 1), which score early in the fourth quarter.
- UVA has scored first in 10 of its 11 games and is 9-1 when scoring first this season.
- UVA held the Blue Devils to season lows in several categories, including total offense (255) rushing yards (42), passing yards (213), pass completions (18), points scored (17) and first downs (11).
- Duke entered Saturday's game as the No. 4 passing offense (312.9) in the country, while also averaging 35.2 points per game, good for fourth in the ACC and No. 22 in FBS.
- The Virginia defense held the Blue Devils to 16 yards of total offense in the first quarter. This is the lowest Duke has had in a quarter this season.
- Virginia held Duke to three first-downs in the opening half. Duke is the third UVA opponent to be held to less than five first-downs this season.
- Virginia held the Blue Devils to 50 yards of total offense in the first half. Duke is the fifth opponent that UVA has held to under 100 yards in a half this season.
- For the sixth time this season, UVA held its opponent to without a touchdown in the first half.
- UVA doubled its opponent's total yardage (540 to 255) for the second time this season (W&M; 700 to 263)

## **Virginia Individual Player Notes**

- Trell Harris (8 rec, 161 yards, 1 TD) is the first Cavalier wide receiver with at least 150 yards receiving since Malik Washington against Louisville in 2023. Harris' eight receptions and 161 yards are career bests.
- Harris' third reception of the game, a 29-yard catch in the second quarter, marked the 100<sup>th</sup> of his career.

- J'Mari Taylor (18 rushes, 133 yards 2 TD) has scored at least one rushing TD in 19 of last 22 games dating back to his time at NC Central. Taylor now has 13 touchdowns this season, the most by a Cavalier in a season since Keith Payne had 14 in 2010. Taylor also now has 36 career rushing touchdowns.
- Taylor broke a 78-yard TD rush in the third quarter, which is tied for the 11<sup>th</sup>-longest rush in school history (Alvin Pearman vs. Virginia Tech in 2004).
- For the fourth time this season, Taylor rushed for multiple touchdowns. The last UVA player to record four multi-rushing TD games was Brennan Armstrong in 2021.
- With Taylor and Harris' performances, UVA had a 100-yard pass catcher and 100-yard rusher in the same game for the first time since 2023 against William & Mary. Perris Jones (134 yards rushing) and Malik Washington (112 yards receiving) were the last duo to accomplish that feat.
- Taylor and Harris combined for a total of 319 all-purpose yards, the most by a Cavalier duo since Keytaon Thompson (151) and Ra'Shaun Henry's (179) 330 all-purpose yards at Louisville (Oct. 9, 2021).
- Chandler Morris (23-35, 316 yards, 2 TD) went over the 300-yard mark for the second time this season (the other was against Stanford, when he had 380) and the 11<sup>th</sup> time of his career.
- Morris' touchdown pass in the second quarter to Sage Ennis was the 60<sup>th</sup> touchdown pass of his career. Morris now has 61 career passing TDs.
- Fisher Camac (6 tackles, 3 solo, 2 sacks, 2.5 TFL, 1 QBH) is the third Cavalier to record a multi-sack game this season, joining Mitchell Melton (2 vs. Louisville) and Daniel Rickert (2 vs. Stanford). Camac upped his season total to 4.5 and now has 13 career sacks.
- On fourth down in the third quarter, defensive end Mitchell Melton recorded a strip sack and recovered his own forced fumble. It was Melton's third forced fumble this season, which leads the team. Melton is one three Cavaliers in the last 10 years with at least three forced fumbles in a season. Jonas Sanker had three in 2023, and Micah Kiser had five in 2016.
- Defensive tackle Jacob Holmes matched his career high of six tackles. Holmes also had one sack and 1.5 tackles for loss.
- Cornerback Emmanuel Karnley finished with a career-high three pass break-ups. Karnley also started in Saturday's game at Durham, his seventh of the season and fifth consecutive start.
- With two catches, receiver Jahmal Edrine reached 100 receptions for his career.
- Linebacker and team captain James Jackson appeared in his 50<sup>th</sup> career game.
- With 10 points, Will Bettridge (2-2 FG, 4-4 PAT) is now tied for third on UVA's career scoring list with Gene Mayer (1912-15). Bettridge has 293 career points.

**Offensive Starters:** QB #4 Chandler Morris, RB #3 J'Mari Taylor, WR #7 Jahmal Edrine, WR #11 Trell Harris, TE #0 Sage Ennis, WR #6 Cam Ross, LT #52 McKale Boley, LG #77 Noah Josey, C #76 Brady Wilson, RB #60 Drake Metcalf, RT #68 Jack Witmer.

**Defensive Starters:** DE #14 Fisher Camac, NT #90 Jahmeer Carter, DT #91 Jason Hammond, DE #17 Mitchell Melton, LB #1 James Jackson, LB #5 Kam Robinson, CB #19 Emmanuel Karnley, CB #28 Donovan Platt, NB #10 Ja'son Prevard, S #30 Ethan Minter, S #27 Devin Neal.

Game Captains: #0 Sage Ennis, #1 James Jackson, #4 Chandler Morris, #90 Jahmeer Carter.