

# [6] PURDUE vs. [11] BAYLOR



**RECORDS:** Boilermakers (Big Ten, at-large), 24-8; Bears (Big 12, at-large), 21-10.  
**COACHES:** Matt Painter (80-44 record in four seasons), Scott Drew (70-90 in six seasons).  
**WINNER FACES:** Xavier-Georgia winner on Saturday at Verizon Center.



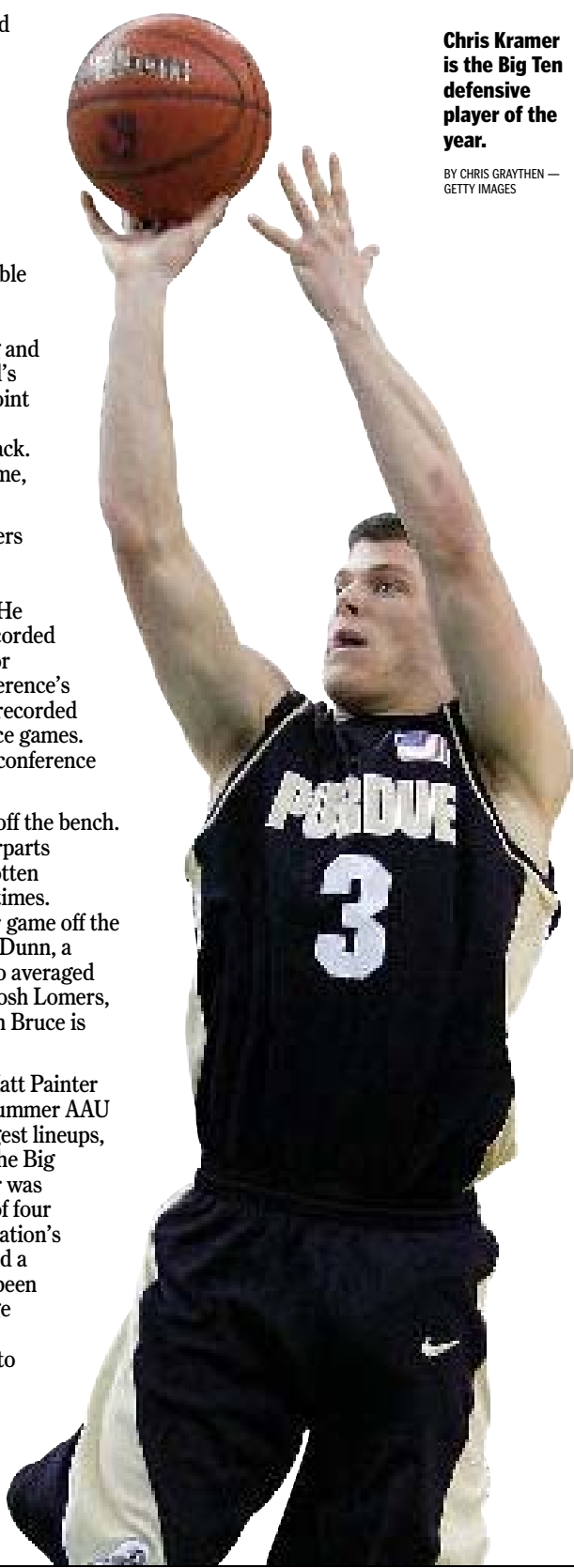
**BACK COURT:** This game will feature 10 talented players capable of playing the guard position. Purdue occasionally plays four guards at once. Purdue's Keaton Grant, who is third in the conference in three-point shooting, more than doubled his scoring average from last season. E'Twaun Moore set a freshman school record with 63 three-pointers. Chris Kramer, who amassed a team-high 70 steals, was named the Big Ten's defensive player of the year. Baylor uses a five-guard rotation; each player is a capable scorer who averages more than 20 minutes per game. Curtis Jerrells, a first-team all-Big 12 selection, was fifth in the conference in scoring and assists. Tweety Carter, Baylor's first McDonald's all-American, made 42.1 percent of his three-point shots, the fourth highest in school history. The perimeter players fuel Baylor's high-octane attack. The Bears average more than 80 points per game, ranking 11th nationally.

**FRONT COURT:** Four of Purdue's top seven scorers are freshmen, including Robbie Hummel, a first-team all-Big Ten selection. Hummel has averaged 15.2 points over his last nine games. He has had five double-doubles this season and recorded an assist-to-turnover ratio close to 2 to 1. Baylor forward Kevin Rogers was voted onto the conference's all-underrated team by the league's media. He recorded 12 double-doubles, including eight in conference games. He averaged 12.9 points and 10.2 rebounds in conference games.

**BENCH:** Both schools can bring impact players off the bench. Purdue's reserves have outscored their counterparts 669-476 this season. The Boilermakers have gotten double-figure scoring efforts from reserves 20 times. Freshman Scott Martin averages 8.6 points per game off the bench. Baylor can turn to reserves LaceDarius Dunn, a proven scorer, and 7-foot Mamadou Diene, who averaged 2.1 blocks in Big 12 games. Another 7-footer, Josh Lomers, shoots 62 percent from the field. Veteran Aaron Bruce is seventh on the school's all-time scoring list.

**COACHES:** The recruiting efforts of Purdue's Matt Painter have been the buzz the past few years during summer AAU camps. Despite using one of the nation's youngest lineups, Painter led Purdue to a second-place finish in the Big Ten. In his third year at his alma mater, Painter was named Big Ten coach of the year and was one of four finalists for the Naismith Award, given to the nation's top coach. Baylor's Scott Drew has orchestrated a remarkable turnaround of a program that had been reeling after one of the worst scandals in college basketball history. Always noted for his strong recruiting, Drew this season has led the Bears to dramatic comebacks. Baylor has won eight games after trailing by nine or more points, including overcoming a 14-point deficit to beat Texas A&M in five overtimes.

— Eric Prisbell



**Chris Kramer is the Big Ten defensive player of the year.**

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## PURDUE ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Pts.	Rb.
1	Garrett Mocas	F	So.	6-8	0.0	0.8
3	Chris Kramer	G	So.	6-3	6.7	3.2
4	Robbie Hummel	G-F	Fr.	6-8	11.6	6.1
5	Keaton Grant	G	So.	6-4	10.7	3.1
11	Bobby Riddell	G	Jr.	5-9	0.5	0.2
12	Tarrance Crump	G	Sr.	6-1	4.1	1.1
14	Scott Martin	G-F	Fr.	6-8	8.6	3.7
20	Marcus Green	G	Jr.	6-4	4.6	2.9
21	Nemanja Calasan	F	Jr.	6-9	6.5	3.3
25	Jajuan Johnson	F-C	Fr.	6-10	5.3	3.0
33	E'Twaun Moore	G	Fr.	6-3	12.7	3.7
55	Chris Reid	F	Jr.	6-9	0.2	0.3

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## BAYLOR ROSTER

No.	Name	Pos.	Yr.	Ht.	Pts.	Rb.
0	Curtis Jerrells	G	Jr.	6-1	14.9	3.5
5	Henry Dugat	G	Jr.	6-0	12.1	4.1
11	Delbert Simpson	F	Jr.	6-8	2.4	2.2
14	Aaron Bruce	G	Sr.	6-3	8.7	1.8
15	Mamadou Diene	C	Jr.	7-0	3.5	3.8
22	Richard Hurd	F	Sr.	6-5	0.5	0.5
23	Kevin Rogers	F	Jr.	6-9	12.4	8.6
24	LaceDarius Dunn	G	Fr.	6-4	13.5	4.1
25	Djibril Thiam	F	Fr.	6-8	2.7	4.1
40	Mark Shepherd	F	Sr.	6-9	1.5	2.3
45	Tweety Carter	G	So.	5-10	9.6	1.8
50	Josh Lomers	C	So.	7-0	3.8	2.2

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## RESULTS

NOVEMBER			
Bethune-Cookman	W, 66-40	Loyola-Chicago	W, 84-53
Lipscomb	W, 66-62	at Clemson	L, 61-58
DECEMBER			
Indiana State	W, 71-60	Wofford	L, 69-66
Ball State	W, 70-57	vs. Iowa State	L, 83-80
at Missouri	L, 73-63	vs. Missouri State	W, 72-70
vs. Louisville	W, 67-59	Florida Int'l	W, 59-44
Texas Southern	W, 76-56		
JANUARY			
Michigan	W, 65-58	Illinois	W, 74-67
at Michigan State	L, 78-75	at Penn State	W, 64-42
Ohio State	W, 75-68	Wisconsin	W, 60-56
at Iowa	W, 67-62	Iowa	W, 51-50
FEBRUARY			
at Illinois	W, 83-75	at Northwestern	W, 71-56
Penn State	W, 67-53	at Indiana	L, 77-68
at Wisconsin	W, 72-67	Minnesota	W, 65-53
Michigan State	W, 60-54		
MARCH			
Northwestern	W, 68-43	at Michigan	W, 72-58
at Ohio State	L, 80-77	Illinois*	L, 74-67

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NOVEMBER			
Jackson State	W, 100-76	vs. Winthrop	W, 62-54
vs. Wichita State	W, 64-55	Centenary	W, 85-62
vs. Notre Dame	W, 68-64	Washington State	L, 67-64
DECEMBER			
Miss. Valley St.	W, 82-50	at Southern	W, 71-60
Wayland Baptist	W, 100-72	Prairie View A&M	W, 108-71
at South Carolina	W, 92-84	Florida A&M	W, 84-61
JANUARY			
vs. Arkansas	L, 85-78	at Nebraska	W, 72-70
Brown	W, 72-62	at Texas A&M	W, 116-110
Iowa State	W, 74-67	Oklahoma	L, 77-71
Oklahoma State	W, 79-71		
FEBRUARY			
at Texas	L, 80-72	Texas	L, 82-77
Texas Tech	W, 80-74	at Oklahoma	L, 92-91
at Kansas	L, 100-90	Kansas State	W, 92-86
at Oklahoma State	L, 93-83	at Colorado	W, 68-57
MARCH			
Missouri	W, 100-89	at Texas Tech	W, 86-73
Texas A&M	L, 71-57	Colorado*	L, 91-84

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## DIFFERENCE MAKER

In a matchup of teams with strong back courts, the X-factor could be Baylor freshman **LaceDarius Dunn**, who is capable of changing the complexion of a game off the bench. Dunn is second on the team in scoring despite averaging only 21.3 minutes as a reserve. In the regular season finale at Texas Tech, Dunn scored 38 points in 31 minutes, the most points by a Baylor freshman in school history. He was named the Big 12 rookie of the week on March 10. He made 42.9 percent of his three-point shots, which ranked second in the conference. He also made 86.4 percent of his free throws in league games, which ranked second in the Big 12. Dunn made 7 of 8 three-point shots in an early-season game against Brown. He made only 1 of 7 three-point shots in Baylor's Big 12 conference tournament loss to Colorado, but finished with 20 points.

