

2022 BIG TEN WOMEN'S BASKETBALL TOURNAMENT

Game 3 • Thursday, March 3, 2022 Gainbridge Fieldhouse • Indianapolis, Ind. FINAL: #8 MICHIGAN STATE 73 (15-14, 8-9 in B1G), #9 PURDUE 69 (16-14, 7-11) #8 MICHIGAN STATE advances to play #1 OHIO STATE at 11:30 AM ET on FRIDAY



GAME NOTES

MICHIGAN STATE TEAM NOTES

- The Spartans took down Purdue for the first time this season, avenging a 69-59 loss to the Boilermakers Jan. 9 in East Lansing.
- It was Michigan State's 19th win over Purdue in the last 30 meetings between the two programs
- Senior Nia Clouden finished the afternoon with 23 points, her 16th performance this year with at least 20 points. Clouden scored a season-low seven points in the loss to Purdue earlier this season, but responded with a stronger scoring performance Thursday
- The Spartans controlled the advantage in the paint, finishing the afternoon with a 38-36 rebounding margin and a 34-18 points-in-the-paint margin
- Michigan State scored 20 points off forced turnovers despite the turnover margin finishing at a slim 15-14 advantage in favor of the Spartans
- Graduate-student Alisia Smith scored 15 points against Purdue, her highest scoring performance since recording 18 points vs. Maryland on Feb. 3
- Freshman Matilda Ekh scored 10 points, the 18th double-figure scoring performance of her rookie campaign

PURDUE TEAM NOTES

- Sophomore Madison Layden scored 17 points in the loss, three short of her single-game career high
- Junior Abbey Ellis also finished with 17 points, her fourth straight game scoring in double figures
- Purdue scored 43 percent of its points from behind the arc, shooting 10-for-27 as a team (37 pct.)