## Saturday, March 23, 2024

## ARIZONA WILDCATS-DAYTON FLYERS

Game Time: 12:45 pm ET

Watch: cbs

**Selection:** dayton flyers + 10 (-125)

Arizona has a good path to the final 4 in what is the weakest of the 4 regions in my opinion. I have watched the Wildcats closely throughout the season. They have a very strong offense and a solid defense, but they have proven to be vulnerable to teams which perform at a slower tempo. The Cats lost against Washington State (twice), Oregon, Oregon State and Stanford. The common denominator? Arizona played a slower tempo against teams that didn't want a track meet. That's similar to what I am expecting against Dayton.

One thing to watch is Arizona's defense against Dayton's versatile, 3-point shooting attack against the elite play of Dayton's De'ron Holmes. Arizona coach Tommy Lloyd will put Oumar Ballo into drop coverage. That should open up the mid-range area for jump shots from Holmes and others, as Ballo tries staying close enough to the rim while not getting beat on straight-line drives. It also allows for shooting chances from Holmes on pick-and-pops. Ballo struggles defending the pick-and-roll. Dayton could neutralize Ballo a bit ineffective in this matchup.

Arizona more than likely will win and advance, but they don't blow out good teams where the match up in not really in their favor. Therefore, I will gladly take the generous 10 points with the Dayton Flyers.

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