

## Thursday, March 28, 2024

## **CLEMSON TIGERS VS. ARIZONA WILDCATS**

Game Time: 07:09 pm ET

Watch: CBS

Selection: CLEMSON + 7

Clemson had great success in non-conference play this season. The Tigers posted a perfect 5-0 record against the likes of Alabama on the road, UAB and TCU at a neutral site and Boise State and South Carolina at home. They are also 5-1 in neutral site games this season. In conference play, they won at North Carolina and should have won at Duke but were robbed on a terrible call at the end of the game.

Clemson is ranked 26th in experience as they are a very mature team with several key cogs who have played together for a few years. How Clemson scores is through post up and high low action with P J Hall and Ian Schiefflien and off ball action with Joe Gerard. They got through the first 2 games without their 2 leading scorers not contributing like they are used to. Hall played around 20 minutes each game because of foul trouble. The fact they have been able to win without their main guys at their best is a positive.

Arizona is not the same team away from home. They are ranked 348 in Haslametrics. 7 of their 8 defeats have been away from home including to non-tournament teams Oregon State, USC and Stamford. The way they want to score is to get out in transition. Clemson has very good transition defense.

Caleb Love is the 'head of the snake' for Arizona, but he's very susceptible to having off nights especially away from home. Clemson has already played against Caleb Love when he was at North Carolina the last 3 years before transferring to Arizona, so they have a lot of familiarity with him.

I feel Clemson has regained their best stride and are peaking at the perfect time. Getting 7 points is value to me with Clemson.