



NOTRE DAME

SOFTBALL

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GAMES 7-11

PURPLE-GOLD CLASSIC

TOURNAMENT INFORMATION

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|  | Notre Dame (3-3, 0-0 ACC) | No. 11 - ACC Preseason Poll | Twitter: @NDS softball | Instagram: @NotreDameSoftball |
|  | Maryland (2-3, 0-0 B10) | Friday, Feb. 13 12:30 pm ET | | Max R. Joyner Family Stadium Greenville, N.C. |
|  | at East Carolina (2-3, 0-0 AAC) | Friday, Feb. 13 5:00 pm ET | Pirates All-Access | Live Stats: Fightingirish.com/mediastats  |
|  | Buffalo (2-3, 0-0 MAC) | Saturday, Feb. 14 10:00 pm ET | | |
|  | at East Carolina (2-3, 0-0 AAC) | Saturday, Feb. 14 3:00 pm ET | Pirates All-Access | |
|  | Buffalo (2-3, 0-0 MAC) | Sunday, Feb. 15 10:00 am ET | | |

2026 PRESEASON NOTES & NUMBERS

| | |
|-------------|--|
| 0 | Micaela Kastor allowed 0 hits against NCCU, her first career no-hitter |
| .340 | Caroline O'Brien hit .340 last year in conference play |
| 1 | 1 transfer in this season for Notre Dame: Grad Transfer Ashley Marietta from Saint Louis |
| 6 | 6 incoming freshman to Notre Dame this season: Molly Conner, Lily Hagan, Hayden Kyne, Keira Murphy, Jillian Torres and Ava Zachary |
| 7 | 7 Irish hit their first career home runs last season: Kaia Cortes, Paige Cowley, Rebecca Eckart, Avery Houlihan, Olivia Levitt, Sydney Poeck and Christina Willemssen |
| 7 | Rebecca Eckart waked 7 times last weekend at the NFCA Leadoff Classic |
| 9 | 9 complete games for the Irish last season in the circle, 5 of them from Micaela Kastor |
| 10 | Micaela Kastor has posted back-to-back seasons with 10 wins in the circle |
| 13 | Kaia Cortes got hit by a pitch 13 times last season, which was tied for the third-most in the conference |
| 21 | Sydney Poeck is on a 21 game on-base streak (17 last year, 4 this year) |
| 86 | 86 extra base hits for Notre Dame in 2025 (48 doubles, 4 triples, 34 home runs) |
| 99 | 99 wins over opponents ranked in the national top 25 since 1994 (5 last season) |
| 123 | Micaela Kastor's 123 strikeouts in 2025 were the seventh-most in the ACC |
| 323 | Notre Dame's 323 strikeouts last season by its pitching staff was tied for the second most in the ACC |

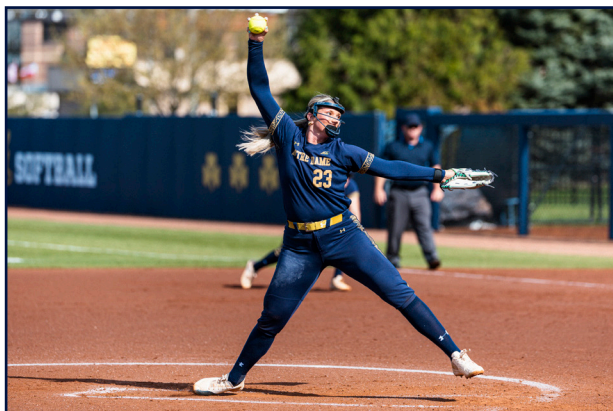
THE COACHES

| | Head Coach | At School (Years) | Overall (Years) |
|----------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|-----------------|
| Notre Dame | Kris Ganeff | 26-34-1 (2nd Year as HC) | Same |
| Maryland | Lauren Karn | 44-64 (3) | 165-189 (9) |
| East Carolina | Shane Winkler | 118-112 (5) | 480-486-3 (18) |
| Buffalo | Chelsea Pimpton | 2-3 (1) | Same |

ALL-TIME SERIES

| | All-Time | Neutral | Last |
|----------------------|--------------|---------------------|--|
| Maryland | ND leads 9-0 | ND leads 6-0 | W, 8-6 Feb. 19, 2015 Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic Cathedral City, Calif. |
| East Carolina | ND leads 7-0 | ND leads 3-0 (Away) | W, 7-0 March 16, 2023 Greenville, N.C. |
| Buffalo | ND leads 2-0 | ND leads 2-0 | W, 1-0 March 12, 2010 Long Beach Invitational Lakewood, Calif. |

2026 Notre Dame Softball Notes



Kami Kamzik

PERFECT AGAINST THESE FOES

- Notre Dame is undefeated historically against this week's opponents (9-0 vs. Maryland, 7-0 vs. ECU, 2-0 vs. Buffalo)
- This is the first matchup between the Irish and the Terrapins since 2015. Former ACC foes, Notre Dame last beat Maryland 8-6 at the Mary Nutter Collegiate Classic in early February. The Irish are 6-0 against Maryland in a neutral setting
- Notre Dame is 7-0 all-time against tournament host East Carolina. The Irish are 3-0 on the road, including the last meeting, a 7-0 victory on March 16, 2023.
- This is the first matchup since 2010 between Notre Dame and Buffalo. The Irish have beat Buffalo 1-0 in both matchups historically.



Ava Zachary

RIISING SOPHOMORES

- The sophomore class for Notre Dame will look to continue to make impacts on the program for a second consecutive season
- Rebecca Eckart broke out in Clearwater, leading the team with .438 batting average, .609 on base percentage and .875 slugging. She also leads the team with two homers and seven RBI
- Caroline O'Brien will look to continue to build off her freshman season as she becomes a staple in the Irish lineup after being named to the 2025 All-ACC Freshman Team last year. She hit .409 in six starts at third base last weekend.
- Left-hander Bri Weiss leads the team with 16 strikeouts this year in four appearances so far this year.
- Starting first baseman Kaia Cortes will look to provide power to a lineup that is seeking extra base hit, while Avery Houlihan aims to take a more prominent role in the Irish infield

STRIKEOUT SHOW

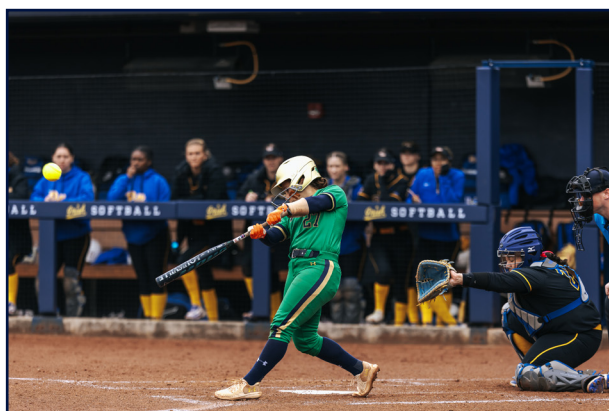
- Notre Dame returns its top-three pitchers from a season ago: Micaela Kastor (123 SO), Kami Kamzik (82 SO) and Brianne Weiss (70 SO)
- Last year, the Irish pitching staff totaled 323 strikeouts, tied for second-most in the ACC. Kastor led the team with a career-high 123 punchouts
- 146 of Notre Dame's strikeouts came in conference play, which was also second in the ACC
- The Irish were the only school in the conference to have three pitchers strikeout 70 or more batters in the regular season



Notre Dame debut new gray uniforms last Friday in Clearwater

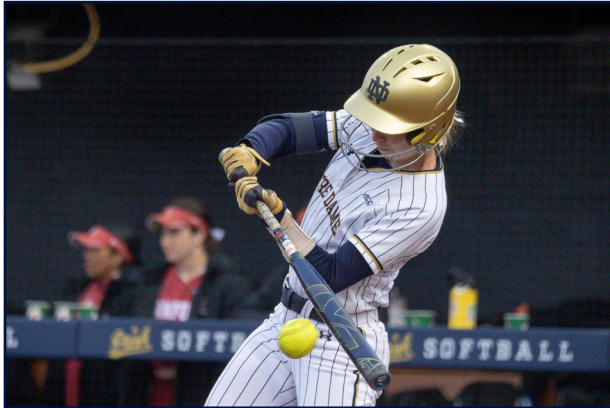
MEET THE NEW ERA

- Notre Dame welcomes six freshmen to the squad in 2026: Molly Conner, Lily Hagan, Hayden Kyne, Keira Murphy, Jillian Torres and Ava Zachary
- Zachary, a local product from Mishawaka, Indiana, was named 2025 Indiana Miss Softball during her senior season at Penn High School. She hit a three-run homer against Rutgers
- Torres will start in all six games so far this season in the outfield. She's notched three hits and an RBI so far this year
- Kyne shined during her collegiate debut weekend, hitting .455 in four starts. She recorded two RBI and scored five runs already
- Conner and Hagan will both contribute to the Irish bullpen and saw time in the circle during the first weekend



Caroline O'Brien

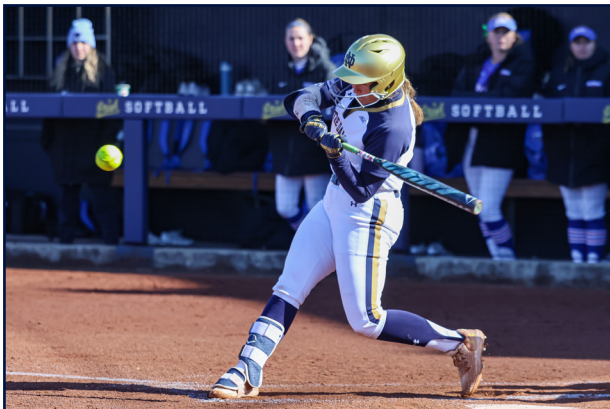
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Sydney Poeck

EXPERIENCE IN THE DIAMOND

- Notre Dame seniors Micaela Kastor, Mickey Winchell and Paige Cowley all return for their final year with the Irish
- Kastor will enter the season as the team's ace in the circle yet again. She has accumulated 28 wins, 321.1 innings pitched and 284 strikeouts through her three years in South Bend. She threw her first career no-hitter against NCCU last weekend
- Winchell played in 17 games last year before having her junior season ended due to injury. She hit .408 and notched a .463 on base percentage last year. She logged five hits last weekend
- Cowley started 21 games last year, mainly seeing time at DP. She clubbed three home runs and drove in nine
- The Irish added Ashley Marietta as a grad transfer from Saint Louis. She'll add depth in the outfield and behind the plate



Kaia Cortes

SECOND SEASON FOR GANEFF

- After 23 years as an assistant, Kris Ganeff enters her second season at the helm of Notre Dame softball season.
- Ganeff, a Notre Dame grad of 1999 and former softball player, got her first career win against #15 Missouri at last year's NFCA Leadoff Classic, becoming the first Irish softball coach to get her first win against a ranked opponent.

STEADY JUNIORS

- Juniors Sydney Poeck, Olivia Levitt, Kami Kamzik, Tenley Sweet and Christina Willemssen will all step into a larger role heading into 2026
- Poeck comes back following an injury-shortened season after hitting .330 as a sophomore. She started four games last weekend, including a three-hit performance against Rutgers
- Kamzik will look to continue to make strides in the circle after being the No. 2 starter a season ago for the Irish. She tossed a complete game in the win over #21/23 Liberty
- Levitt and Willemssen both made starts and saw time last year at multiple positions. Levitt started six games and drove in five
- Sweet missed the 2025 season due to injury and will look to provide the Irish a steady presence on the basepaths. She played in five games and notched two hits in her return



Micaela Kastor

USING THE LONG BALL

- Notre Dame hit 34 home runs last season with 11 different players hitting home runs throughout the season
- The Irish homered in 7-straight games last season from Feb. 28-March 14
- Notre Dame hit multiple home runs in nine games in 2025
- Seven players last year hit their first career home run (Kaia Cortes, Paige Cowley, Rebecca Eckart, Avery Houlihan, Olivia Levitt, Sydney Poeck and Christina Willemssen)
- Cortes' four homers from last year are the most by a returning player, with Cowley right behind her with three



Kris Ganeff

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TOP 25

| NFC A Top 25 [Week 1] | | ESPN Top 25 [Week 1] | |
|-----------------------|-----------------------|----------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 | Texas Tech (25) | 1 | Texas Tech (18) |
| 2 | Texas (5) | 2 | Texas (6) |
| 3 | Tennessee (1) | 3 | Tennessee (1) |
| T4 | Florida | 4 | Oklahoma |
| T4 | Oklahoma | 5 | Florida |
| 6 | UCLA | 6 | Florida State* |
| 7 | Florida State* | 7 | UCLA |
| 8 | Texas A&M | T8 | Nebraska |
| 9 | Arkansas | T8 | Texas A&M |
| 10 | Alabama | 10 | LSU |
| 11 | Nebraska | 11 | Arkansas |
| 12 | LSU | 12 | Stanford* |
| 13 | Stanford* | 13 | Alabama |
| 14 | Virginia Tech* | 14 | Oregon |
| 15 | Oregon | 15 | Arizona |
| 16 | South Carolina | 16 | Virginia Tech* |
| 17 | Arizona | 17 | Georgia |
| 18 | Clemson* | 18 | Clemson* |
| 19 | Mississippi State | 19 | Duke* |
| 20 | Georgia | 20 | South Carolina |
| 21 | Ole Miss | 21 | Mississippi State |
| 22 | Duke* | 22 | Arizona State |
| 23 | Florida Atlantic | 23 | Oklahoma State |
| 24 | Virginia* | 24 | Washington |
| 25 | SLU | 25 | Virginia* |

WHAT TO LOOK FOR

| NUMBERS TO WATCH FOR | |
|----------------------|--|
| 1 | Notre Dame is 1 ranked win away from 100 ranked wins in program history |
| 2 | Micaela Kastor is 2 wins away from 30 career wins |
| 11 | Caroline O'Brien is 11 hits away from 50 career hits |
| 14 | Mickey Winchell is 14 RBI away from 50 career RBI |
| 14 | Brianne Weiss is 14 strikeouts away from 100 career strikeouts |
| 16 | Micaela Kastor is 16 strikeouts away from 300 career strikeouts |

ACC Preseason Poll

| | |
|----|-------------------|
| 1 | Florida State |
| 2 | Clemson |
| 3 | Stanford |
| 4 | Virginia Tech |
| 5 | Duke |
| 6 | Virginia |
| 7 | North Carolina |
| 8 | Georgia Tech |
| 9 | California |
| 10 | Louisville |
| 11 | Notre Dame |
| 12 | NC State |
| 13 | Pitt |
| 14 | Syracuse |
| 15 | Boston College |

Awards Tracker

Rebecca Eckart - NFCA Classic All-Tournament Team (Feb. 9)
 Rebecca Eckart - NFCA Week 1 Top Performances of the Week List (Feb. 10)

Bold - Indicates 2026 Notre Dame Opponent

* - ACC Member

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SCHEDULE/RESULTS

| Date | Opponent (NFCA/ESPN) | ND Rank (NFCA/ESPN) | Site | Broadcast | Time (ET)/Result |
|-----------------------------|-----------------------------------|---------------------|----------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| <i>NFCA Leadoff Classic</i> | | | | | |
| Feb. 7 | RV/RV Auburn | | Clearwater, FL | Gamechanger | L, 4-5 |
| | --/RV BYU | | Clearwater, FL | Gamechanger | L, 5-8 |
| Feb. 8 | NCCU | | Clearwater, FL | Gamechanger | W, 8-0 (5) |
| | Longwood | | Clearwater, FL | Gamechanger | W, 7-3 |
| Feb. 9 | #21/#23 Liberty | | Clearwater, FL | Gamechanger | W, 5-1 |
| | Rutgers | | Clearwater, FL | Gamechanger | L, 4-6 |
| <i>Purple-Gold Classic</i> | | | | | |
| Feb. 13 | Maryland | | Greenville, NC | | 12:30 PM |
| | at East Carolina | | Greenville, NC | Pirates All-Access | 5:30 PM |
| Feb. 14 | Buffalo | | Greenville, NC | | 10:00 AM |
| | at East Carolina | | Greenville, NC | Pirates All-Access | 3:00 PM |
| Feb. 15 | Buffalo | | Greenville, NC | | 10:00 AM |
| <i>Space U Classic</i> | | | | | |
| Feb. 20 | Charleston Southern | | Orlando, FL | | 9:00 AM |
| | Ohio | | Orlando, FL | | 11:30 AM |
| Feb. 21 | Penn State | | Orlando, FL | | 2:00 PM |
| | at UCF | | Orlando, FL | | 5:00 PM |
| Feb. 22 | at UCF | | Orlando, FL | | 11:00 AM |
| Feb. 27 | at Georgia Tech* | | Atlanta, GA | | 5:00 PM |
| Feb. 28 | at Georgia Tech* | | Atlanta, GA | | 3:00 PM |
| March 1 | at Georgia Tech* | | Atlanta, GA | | 1:00 PM |
| <i>USD/SDSU Tournament</i> | | | | | |
| March 6 | Grand Canyon | | San Diego, CA | | 3:00 PM |
| | at San Diego | | San Diego, CA | | 5:30 PM |
| March 7 | Grand Canyon | | San Diego, CA | | 5:00 PM |
| | at San Diego State | | San Diego, CA | | 7:30 PM |
| March 8 | Princeton | | San Diego, CA | | 2:00 PM |
| March 11 | at UC Santa Barbara | | Santa Barbara, CA | | 3:00 PM |
| March 13 | at Stanford* | | Stanford, CA | | 9:00 PM |
| March 14 | at Stanford* | | Stanford, CA | | 5:00 PM |
| March 15 | at Stanford* | | Stanford, CA | | 3:00 PM |
| March 18 | OAKLAND (DH) | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| | OAKLAND (DH) | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 7:00 PM |
| March 20 | CLEMSON* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 6:00 PM |
| March 21 | CLEMSON* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 1:00 PM |
| March 22 | CLEMSON* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 12:00 PM |
| March 27 | CAL* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 6:00 PM |
| March 28 | CAL* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 1:00 PM |
| March 29 | CAL* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 12:00 PM |
| March 31 | WESTERN MICHIGAN | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| April 2 | at Florida State* | | Tallahassee, FL | | 6:00 PM |
| April 3 | at Florida State* | | Tallahassee, FL | | 6:00 PM |
| April 4 | at Florida State* | | Tallahassee, FL | | 1:00 PM |
| April 8 | VALPARAISO | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 6:00 PM |
| April 10 | LOUISVILLE* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| April 11 | LOUISVILLE* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 1:00 PM |
| April 12 | LOUISVILLE* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 1:00 PM |
| April 14 | at Indiana | | Bloomington, IN | | 6:00 PM |
| April 15 | NORTHWESTERN | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| April 17 | at Syracuse* | | Syracuse, NY | | 3:00 PM |
| April 18 | at Syracuse* | | Syracuse, NY | | 1:00 PM |
| April 19 | at Syracuse* | | Syracuse, NY | | 12:00 PM |
| April 21 | CENTRAL MICHIGAN | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| April 22 | MICHIGAN STATE | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| April 24 | BOSTON COLLEGE* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 6:00 PM |
| April 25 | BOSTON COLLEGE* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 1:00 PM |
| April 26 | BOSTON COLLEGE* | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 12:00 PM |
| April 28 | UIC | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| April 29 | DEPAUL | | MELISSA COOK STADIUM | | 5:00 PM |
| May 6-9 | ACC Softball Championship | | Charlottesville, VA | | |
| May 15-17 | NCAA Regionals | | | | |
| May 22-24 | NCAA Super Regionals | | | | |
| May 27-June 5 | NCAA Women's College World Series | | | | |

HOME | *Atlantic Coast Conference game

RECORD BY JERSEY COLOR

| GREEN | WHITE | BLUE | GRAY |
|-------|-------|------|------|
| 0-0 | 1-1 | 2-0 | 0-2 |



#00 | Molly Conner
Fr • RHP • Waterville, Ohio



#1 | Brianne Weiss
So • LHP • Placentia, Calif.



#2 | Rebecca Eckart
So • C • La Mirada, Calif.



#3 | Sydney Poeck
Jr • UT • Zionsville, Ind.



#4 | Ashley Marietta
Gr • OF/C • Pittsburg, Kan.



#7 | Micaela Kastor
Sr • P/UT • Simi Valley, Calif.



#8 | Lily Hagan
Fr • P/1B • Colts Neck, N.J.



#9 | Mickey Winchell
Sr • OF • Livermore, Calif.



#10 | Jillian Torres
Fr • OF Orange County, Calif.



#12 | Ava Zachary
Fr • INF • Mishawaka, Ind.



#15 | Paige Cowley
Sr • P/UT • Upland, Calif.



#16 | Olivia Leavitt
Jr • INF • San Mateo, Calif.



#17 | Caitlyn Early
So • INF • Santa Barbara, Calif.



#20 | Kaia Cortes
So • INF • Tampa, Fla.



#22 | Avery Houlihan
So • INF • Joliet, Ill.



#23 | Kami Kamzik
Jr • P/1B • Johnstown, Penn.



#26 | Tenley Sweet
Jr • OF • Newhall, Calif.



#27 | Caroline O'Brien
So • INF • Palos Heights, Ill.



#29 | Keira Murphy
Fr • INF • Farmingdale, N.J.



#55 | Hayden Kyne
Fr • C • Vacaville, Calif.



#99 | Christina Willemssen
Jr • OF • Fairfax Station, Va.



Kris Ganeff
Head Coach



Boo de Oliveira
Assistant Coach



Mike Perniciaro
Assistant Coach



Gessica Garber
Assistant Coach



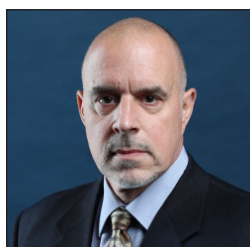
Jamie Spitala
Director of Player Personnel and Operations



Jen Vining Smith
Sport Administrator



Emily Zimmerman
Athletic Trainer



Tony Rolinski
Strength and Conditioning



Nick Yuska
Athletic Communications

2026 Notre Dame Softball Roster

| No. | Name | Pos. | B/T | Ht. | Class | Hometown/High School/Previous School |
|-----|----------------------|-------|-----|------|-----------|--|
| 00 | Molly Conner | P | R/R | 5-5 | Freshman | Waterville, Ohio/Anthony Wayne |
| 1 | Brianne Weiss | P | L/L | 5-8 | Sophomore | Placentia, Calif./Orange Lutheran |
| 2 | Rebecca Eckart | C | R/R | 5-7 | Sophomore | La Mirada, Calif./La Mirada |
| 3 | Sydney Poeck | UTL | L/R | 5-11 | Junior | Zionsville, Ind./Zionsville |
| 4 | Ashley Marietta | OF/C | L/L | 5-5 | Grad | Pittsburg, Kan./St. Mary's Colgan/Saint Louis |
| 7 | Micaela Kastor | P/UTL | R/R | 5-6 | Senior | Simi Valley, Calif./Oaks Christian |
| 8 | Lily Hagan | P/1B | R/R | 5-10 | Freshman | Colts Neck, N.J./Red Bank Catholic |
| 9 | Mickey Winchell | OF | L/R | 5-8 | Senior | Livermore, Calif./Granada High |
| 10 | Jillian Torres | OF | R/R | 5-8 | Freshman | Orange County, Calif./Santa Margarita |
| 12 | Ava Zachary | INF | L/R | 5-7 | Freshman | Mishawaka, Ind./Penn |
| 15 | Paige Cowley | P/UTL | R/R | 5-8 | Senior | Upland, Calif./Upland |
| 16 | Olivia Levitt | INF | R/R | 5-5 | Junior | San Mateo, Calif./St. Ignace College Prep |
| 17 | Caitlyn Early | INF | R/R | 5-7 | Sophomore | Santa Barbara, Calif./San Marcos |
| 20 | Kaia Cortes | INF | L/L | 5-7 | Sophomore | Tampa, Fla./Berkeley Prep |
| 22 | Avery Houlihan | INF | R/R | 5-6 | Sophomore | Joliet, Ill./Joliet West |
| 23 | Kami Kamzik | P/1B | R/R | 6-0 | Junior | Johnstown, Pa./Central Cambria |
| 26 | Tenley Sweet | OF | L/R | 5-6 | Junior | Newhall, Calif./Hart |
| 27 | Caroline O'Brien | UTL | R/R | 5-2 | Sophomore | Palos Heights, Ill./Marist |
| 29 | Keira Murphy | INF | R/R | 5-8 | Freshman | Farmingdale, N.J./Academy of Allied Health & Science |
| 55 | Hayden Kyne | C | R/R | 5-7 | Freshman | Vacaville, Calif./Vacaville |
| 99 | Christina Willemssen | OF | L/R | 5-7 | Junior | Fairfax Station, Va./Robinson |

Head Coach: Kris Ganeff – 2nd Season as Head Coach, 25th Season at Notre Dame (Notre Dame '99)

Assistant Coach: Boo De Oliveira – 2nd Season (Wisconsin '06)

Assistant Coach: Mike Perniciaro – 2nd Season (Missouri-St. Louis '93, Western Illinois '95)

Assistant Coach: Gessica Garber – 1st Season (Notre Dame '07)

Director of Player Personnel and Operations: Jamie Spitalo – 11th Season (Hillsdale College '97)

Athletic Trainer: Emily Zimmerman – 3rd Season with softball, 5th year at Notre Dame (Franklin College '17, Campbell University '19)

Associate Coach, Strength and Conditioning: Tony Rolinski – 3rd Season with softball, 27th year at Notre Dame (Penn State '91, Pittsburgh '96)

Pronunciation Guide

3 – Sydney Poeck – PECK

4 – Ashley Marietta - MAR-ee-ETTA

7 – Micaela Kastor - CAST-er

20 – Kaia Cortes – KIE (like sky)-uh

55 – Hayden Kyne - KINE (Rhymes with fine)

Kris Ganeff – GAN-ef

Mike Perniciaro – PERN-uh-CHAIR-oh

Jamie Spitalo – spil-TALL-ee



KRIS GANEFF

2nd season as Notre Dame head coach // 25th season overall at Notre Dame

Alma Mater: Notre Dame (1999)

| School | Seasons | Record | | | Pct. |
|------------------------|-----------|------------|------------|----------|-------------|
| Notre Dame (assistant) | 23 | 882 | 391 | 2 | .695 |
| Notre Dame | 2 | 26 | 34 | 1 | .434 |
| TOTALS | 25 | 908 | 425 | 3 | .681 |

HONORS AND ACCOLADES

| Year | Award |
|------------------------------|--|
| 2002, 2004, 2014, 2016, 2017 | NFCA Regional Coaching Staff of the Year |
| 2002, 2004, 2011, 2013 | BIG EAST Conference Coaching Staff of the Year |
| 2002-2023 | 21 NCAA Regional Appearances |

KRIS GANEFF'S SEASON-BY-SEASON RECORD

| Yr. | School | Conference | Season | Record | | | Pct. |
|-----|------------|------------|--------|--------|----|---|------|
| 1 | Notre Dame | ACC | 2025 | 23 | 31 | 1 | .427 |
| 2 | Notre Dame | ACC | 2026 | 3 | 3 | - | .500 |

KRIS GANEFF AT NOTRE DAME

- Named the fourth head coach in Notre Dame softball history on June 19, 2024 after 23 seasons as an assistant.
- 21 all-time NCAA Regional appearances
- 12-time NCAA Regional finalist
- 13 seasons with 40 or more wins
- 11-time conference champion
- 25 NFCA All-Americans
- 105 NFCA All-Region selections (49 first team)
- 4 USA Softball National Player of the Year finalists
- 3 NFCA National Freshman of the Year finalists
- 133 all-conference selections (68 first team)
- 8 conference players of the year
- 4 conference pitchers of the year
- 2011 Notre Dame Honorary Monogram

KRIS GANEFF PLAYING CAREER AT NOTRE DAME

- 1999 All-BIG EAST and All-NFCA Midwest Region honoree
- Ranks fifth in Notre Dame history with 1,040 career putouts
- Drafted by the Virginia Roadsters in the Women's Professional Softball League in 1999 (pursued coaching instead)

Notre Dame Softball 2025-2026 Season
(As of Feb 8, 2026)
All Games

| | Record: 3-3 | | Home: 0-0 | | | | Away: 0-0 | | | | Neutral: 3-3 | | | | Conference: 0-1 | | | | Extra | | | | | | |
|----------------------|-------------|-------|-----------|----|----|----|-----------|----|----|-----|-----------------|-------|----|----|-----------------|-----|-------|----|-------|--------|-----|----|---|-------|--|
| | | | | | | | Inn: 0-0 | | | | Vs. Ranked: 0-0 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| PLAYER | AVG | GP-GS | AB | R | H | 2B | 3B | HR | XB | RBI | TB | SLG | BB | HP | K | GDP | OB% | SF | SH | SB-ATT | PO | A | E | FLD% | |
| ECKART, Rebecca | .438 | 6-6 | 16 | 6 | 7 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 7 | 14 | .875 | 7 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .609 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 29 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| O'BRIEN, Caroline | .409 | 6-6 | 22 | 3 | 9 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | 11 | .500 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .409 | 0 | 1 | 0-1 | 4 | 6 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| LEVITT, Olivia | .294 | 6-6 | 17 | 4 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | 6 | .353 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .364 | 2 | 2 | 0-0 | 11 | 13 | 1 | .960 | |
| WINCHELL, Mickey | .278 | 6-6 | 18 | 3 | 5 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 5 | .278 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .435 | 0 | 1 | 0-0 | 10 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| TORRES, Jillian | .188 | 6-6 | 16 | 2 | 3 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 4 | .250 | 1 | 0 | 1 | 1 | .235 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 7 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| HOULIHAN, Avery | .143 | 6-6 | 14 | 0 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3 | .214 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | .143 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 4 | 10 | 1 | .933 | |
| POECK, Sydney | .429 | 4-4 | 14 | 0 | 6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 3 | 7 | .500 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .467 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| KYNE, Hayden | .417 | 6-4 | 12 | 5 | 5 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 6 | .500 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | .588 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 9 | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| CORTES, Kaia | .333 | 4-4 | 12 | 2 | 4 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 4 | .333 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | .385 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 21 | 0 | 1 | .955 | |
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| MURPHY, Keira | .400 | 2-2 | 5 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | 2 | .400 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .500 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 12 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| SWEET, Tenley | .333 | 5-2 | 6 | 2 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 2 | .333 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .333 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| WILLEMSEN, Christina | .333 | 2-1 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | .333 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | .333 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| ZACHARY, Ava | .200 | 5-1 | 5 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 3 | 4 | .800 | 1 | 0 | 2 | 0 | .333 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | |
| MARIETTA, Ashley | 1.000 | 1-0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1.000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | |
| CONNER, Molly | .000 | 5-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| HAGAN, Lily | .000 | 3-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 1.000 | |
| COWLEY, Paige | .000 | 1-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | |
| EARLY, Caitlyn | .000 | 2-0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0-0 | 0 | 3 | 1 | .750 | |
| Totals | .321 | - | 165 | 33 | 53 | 8 | 0 | 3 | 11 | 31 | 70 | .424 | 22 | 3 | 15 | 2 | .406 | 2 | 4 | 0-1 | 114 | 39 | 4 | .975 | |
| Opponents | .197 | - | 142 | 23 | 28 | 7 | 3 | 3 | 13 | 20 | 50 | .352 | 23 | 5 | 37 | 1 | .327 | 1 | 1 | 1-1 | 115 | 39 | 8 | .963 | |

LOB - Team (48), Opp (36). DPs turned - Team (1), Opp (2). CI - Team (0), Opp (0). IBB - Team (0): . Picked off - Team (0): .

| PLAYER | ERA | W-L | APP | GS | CG | SHO | SV | IP | H | R | ER | BB | K | WHIP | 2B | 3B | HR | AVG | WP | HP | BK | SFA | SHA | |
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| KAMZIK, Kami | 2.21 | 1-1 | 3 | 2 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 12.2 | 10 | 7 | 4 | 4 | 8 | 1.11 | 3 | 1 | 0 | .204 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| KASTOR, Micaela | 3.18 | 1-0 | 3 | 3 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 11.0 | 6 | 6 | 5 | 7 | 11 | 1.18 | 2 | 0 | 1 | .154 | 3 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | |
| WEISS, Brianne | 5.53 | 1-1 | 4 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 12.2 | 12 | 10 | 10 | 8 | 16 | 1.58 | 2 | 2 | 2 | .245 | 0 | 4 | 0 | 1 | 0 | |
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| CONNER, Molly | 0.00 | 0-0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0.0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 3 | 0 | - | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| HAGAN, Lily | 0.00 | 0-0 | 2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1.2 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 0.60 | 0 | 0 | 0 | .000 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | |
| Totals | 3.50 | 3-2 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38.0 | 28 | 23 | 19 | 23 | 37 | 1.34 | 7 | 3 | 3 | .197 | 4 | 5 | 0 | 1 | 1 | |
| Opponents | 5.66 | 1-1 | 6 | 6 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 38.1 | 53 | 33 | 31 | 22 | 15 | 1.96 | 8 | 0 | 3 | .321 | 1 | 3 | 0 | 2 | 4 | |

PB - Team(1): , Opp (0). Pickoffs - Team(0): , Opp (0). SBA/ATT - .

BATTING

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| Player hit a grand slam:..... | Lexi Orozco at Boston College (April 21, 2023) |
| Player led off a game with a HR: | Abby Sweet vs. Boston Univ. (Feb. 11, 2021 at Green and Gold Classic) |
| Player had a first inning HR (not lead off):..... | Addison Amaral at #17 Duke (April 19, 2025) |
| Player led off an inning with a HR: | Rachel Allen vs #5 Oregon - 2nd inning (April 12, 2025) |
| Player had six at-bats: | Emily Tran (7), Rachel Allen (7), Kaia Cortes, Addison Amaral, Paige Cowley, Sydney Poeck at Louisville (March 9, 2025) |
| | Leea Hanks vs. Oakland (May 21, 2022) |
| Player scored four runs in a game:..... | Anna Holloway (4) vs Pittsburgh (April 5, 2025) |
| Player had four hits in a game: | Abby Sweet (5) at North Carolina (March 13, 2021 - DH1) |
| Player had five hits in a game:..... | Addison Amaral (5) vs. Ball State (March 10, 2024) |
| Player had five RBI in a game:..... | Anna Holloway (6) vs Pittsburgh (April 5, 2025) |
| Player had six+ RBI in a game:..... | Caroline O'Brien vs. Pittsburgh (April 5, 2025) |
| Player had two doubles in a game: | Emilee Koerner vs. Ball State (May 16, 2015) |
| Player had three doubles in a game:..... | Leea Hanks vs. Lehigh (March 6, 2022) |
| Player hit two triples in a game:..... | Addison Amaral (2) at #17 Duke (April 19, 2025) |
| Player hit two home runs in a game:..... | Karina Gaskins (3) vs. Pittsburgh (April 2, 2023 - DH2) |
| Player hit three home runs in a game: | Karina Gaskins (12) vs. Pittsburgh (April 2, 2023 - DH2) |
| Player recorded 11 total bases: | Christina Willemssen vs. Pittsburgh (April 5, 2025) |
| Player walked three times in a game: | Cait Brooks vs. UMBC (May 18, 2019 at NCAA Regional) |
| Player walked four times in a game: | Kaia Cortes vs Morgan State (Feb. 7, 2025) |
| Player was hit by pitch two times or more in the same game:..... | Anna Holloway at Marshall (March 8, 2024) |
| Player had two sac hits in a game:..... | Jane Kronenberger at Jacksonville (Feb. 16, 2024) |
| Player had two sac flies in a game:..... | Caitlyn Early vs. Lipscomb (Feb. 23, 2025) |
| Player stole two bases in a game:..... | Joley Mitchell (3) vs. Michigan State (April 26, 2022) |
| Player stole three bases in a game:..... | Emma Clark (4) vs. North Alabama (Feb. 13, 2021 at Stinger Classic) |
| Player stole four bases in a game:..... | Carlli Kloss (10 - Feb. 9, 2024 - Feb. 23, 2024) |
| Player had a hit streak of 10 or more games | Sadie Pitzenberger (26) in 2010 from Feb. 20 through April 1 |
| Player had a hit streak of 20 or more games | Sydney Poeck (21, Feb. 28, 2025 - Present) |
| Player had an on-base streak of 10 or more games:..... | Sydney Poeck (21, Feb. 28, 2025 - Present) |
| Player had an on-base streak of 20 or more games:..... | Joley Mitchell (32, March 4, 2023 - end of season) |
| Player had an on-base streak of 30 or more games:..... | Abby Sweet (43, Feb. 9, 2020 - March 31, 2021) |
| Player had an on-base streak of 40 or more games:..... | Four at North Carolina (March 29, 2024) |
| Notre Dame stole four or more bases in a game:..... | Five vs. Samford (Feb. 16, 2024) |
| Notre Dame stole five or more bases in a game:..... | Six vs. Toledo (April 26, 2022) |
| Notre Dame stole six or more bases in a game: | Seven at Alabama State (Feb. 14, 2021 at Stinger Classic) |
| Notre Dame stole seven or more bases in a game: | 9 vs. Samford (Feb. 16, 2024) |
| Notre Dame was walked eight or more times in a game:..... | vs. NCCU (Feb. 7, 2026) |
| Notre Dame did not have a batter strikeout in a game: | 10 vs. #22 Virginia (March 30, 2025) |
| Notre Dame struck out 10+ times: | Three vs. Morgan State (Feb. 7, 2024) |
| Notre Dame was hit by three or more pitches in a game: | Four vs. Memphis (Feb. 12, 2023) |
| Notre Dame was hit by four or more pitches in a game: | Six vs. NC State (March 27, 2021 - DH2) |
| Notre Dame was hit by five or more pitches in a game: | Six vs. NC State (March 27, 2021 - DH2) |
| Notre Dame was hit by six or more pitches in a game:..... | Four in fourth inning at Pittsburgh (April 3, 2015) |
| Notre Dame hit three home runs in a game: | Leea Hanks, Joley Mitchell and Brooke Marquez vs. Oakland (May 21, 2022 - NCAA Regional) |
| Notre Dame hit four home runs in a game: | Karina Gaskins (3) & Lexi Orozco (2) vs. Pittsburgh (April 2, 2023 - DH2) |
| Notre Dame hit five home runs in a game: | Karina Gaskins (3) & Lexi Orozco (2) vs. Pittsburgh (April 2, 2023 - DH2) |
| Notre Dame hit back-to-back home runs in a game: | Jane Kronenberger & Anna Holloway vs. North Carolina (May 8, 2024) |
| Notre Dame won on a walk-off hit (not HR):..... | Addison Amaral (single - 7th inning) vs. Pittsburgh (April 4, 2025) |
| Notre Dame won on a walk-off HR: | Jane Kronenberger vs. #15 Missouri (Feb. 8, 2025) |
| Notre Dame had all nine starters in the batting order record a hit: | vs. Baylor (March 1, 2019 at St. George, UT) |
| An opponent hit two HR in a game: | Trinity Martin - #12 Virginia Tech (April 13, 2025) |
| An opposing team hit four HR in a game:..... | #12 Virginia Tech (April 13, 2025) |
| An opposing team hit five HR in a game:..... | NC State (May 7, 2016) |
| An opponent hit a walk-off HR: | MaKayla Marbury - NC State (March 15, 2025) |

PITCHING

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| Pitcher threw a no-hitter:..... | Micaela Kastor (5.0 IP) vs. NCCU (Feb. 7, 2026) |
| Pitcher threw a perfect game: | Laura Winter (5.0 IP) at Virginia (April 18, 2014) |
| Pitcher threw a one-hitter:..... | Alexis Laudenslager (7.0 IP) vs. Bowling Green (March 12, 2023 - DH1) |
| Pitcher threw a two-hitter:..... | Micaela Kastor (7.0 IP) vs. UIC (April 24, 2024) |
| Pitcher threw a three-hitter:..... | Brianne Weiss (7.0 IP) at NC State (March 14, 2025) |
| Pitcher threw a complete game (more than five innings):..... | Kami Kamzik (7.0 IP) vs. #21/23 Liberty (Feb. 8, 2026) |
| Pitcher threw a complete five-inning game: | Micaela Kastor (5.0 IP) vs. NCCU (Feb. 7, 2026) |
| Pitcher threw a complete eight or more inning game:..... | Alexis Holloway (9.0 IP) at Virginia Tech (March 31, 2021) |
| Pitcher threw a complete home game (more than five innings): | Kami Kamzik (7.0 IP) vs. #21/23 Liberty (Feb. 8, 2026) |
| Pitcher threw a complete home five-inning game:..... | Payton Tidd vs. #14/17 Virginia Tech (April 15, 2023 - DH2) |

2026 NOTRE DAME SOFTBALL

Pitcher threw a complete away game:.....
Pitcher threw a complete neutral game:
Pitcher threw eight+ innings:
Pitcher threw a complete game shutout:.....
Pitcher threw a complete game ACC shutout:.....
Pitcher threw a complete game home shutout:
Pitcher threw a complete game away shutout:.....
Pitcher threw back-to-back complete games:.....
An opposing pitcher no-hit Notre Dame:.....
An opposing pitcher threw a complete game:
Pitcher allowed 10 hits in a game:
Pitcher allowed 11 hits in a game:
Pitcher allowed 12 hits in a game:
Pitcher allowed 8 runs in a game:
Pitcher allowed 9 runs in a game:
Pitcher allowed 10+ runs in a game:.....
Pitcher allowed eight ER in a game:.....
Pitcher walked eight+ in a game:.....
Pitcher struck out 12 in a game:
Pitcher struck out 13 in a game:
Pitcher struck out 14 in a game:
Pitcher struck out 15 in a game:
An opposing pitcher struck out nine in a game:.....
An opposing pitcher struck out 10+ in a game:.....
Pitcher allowed three HR in a game:.....
Pitcher allowed four HR in a game:
Pitcher allowed five HR in a game:.....
Pitcher recorded 10 wins in a season:.....
Pitcher recorded 15 wins in a season:.....
Pitcher recorded 20 wins in a season:.....
Notre Dame pitchers combined for a no-hitter:.....
Notre Dame shut out an opponent:.....
Notre Dame was shut out:
Notre Dame was shut out in consecutive games:.....
Notre Dame did not walk a batter:.....

FIELDING

Player had 15 or more putouts in a game:.....
Player committed three errors in a game:
Notre Dame had 25 or more putouts in a game:
Notre Dame turned two double plays in a game:
Notre Dame had no errors in a series:.....
Notre Dame committed four errors in a game:
Notre Dame committed five+ errors in a game:.....

SCORING

Notre Dame had 40+ at bats:.....
Notre Dame scored 15+ runs:.....
Notre Dame recorded 17+ hits:.....
Notre Dame recorded 18+ hits:.....
Notre Dame recorded 19+ hits:.....
Notre Dame recorded 20+ hits:.....
Notre Dame recorded 15+ RBI:.....
Notre Dame had 25+ total bases:.....
Notre Dame had 30+ total bases:.....
Notre Dame scored 8 runs in an inning:.....
Notre Dame allowed 10+ runs in a game:.....
Notre Dame allowed 10+ ER in a game:.....
Notre Dame allowed 10+ hits in a game:.....
Notre Dame beat a ranked team:.....
Notre Dame beat a ranked team away from home (road or neutral):.....
Notre Dame beat a top-10 ranked team:.....
Notre Dame won a series against a ranked team:.....
Notre Dame swept a series against a ranked team:.....
Notre Dame played extra innings:.....
Notre Dame tied a game:.....

THE LAST TIME

Brianne Weiss (7.0 IP) at NC State (March 14, 2025)
Kami Kamzik (7.0 IP) vs. #21/23 Liberty (Feb. 8, 2025)
Brianne Weiss (8.1 IP) at Louisville (March 9, 2025)
Micaela Kastor (5.0 IP) vs. NCCU (Feb. 7, 2026)
Brianne Weiss (7.0 IP) at NC State (March 14, 2025)
Micaela Kastor (7.0 IP) vs. UIC (April 24, 2024)
Brianne Weiss (7.0 IP) at NC State (March 14, 2025)
Payton Tidd at Boston College (April 21 & April 22, 2023 - DH2)
Meghan King at #3 Florida State (March 17, 2019)
SJ Guerin (7.0 IP) vs Auburn (Feb. 6, 2026)
Shannon Becker vs. Virginia (March 11, 2024)
Micaela Kastor vs. #20 Utah (Feb. 24, 2024)
Micaela Kastor at Marshall (March 8, 2024)
Alexis Laudenslager (8) vs. #5 Tennessee (Feb. 8, 2025)
Alexis Holloway at #3 Florida State (March 15, 2019)
Katie Beriont (10) (Game two) vs. Virginia (April 22, 2017)
Alexis Laudenslager (8) vs. #5 Tennessee (Feb. 8, 2025)
Cait Brooks (8) vs. Arkansas (April 29, 2017)
Alexis Holloway (13) vs. Villanova (Feb. 26, 2021 at Liberty Classic)
Alexis Holloway (13) vs. Villanova (Feb. 26, 2021 at Liberty Classic)
Laura Winter at Pittsburgh (April 21, 2013)
Laura Winter vs. FIU (March 13, 2014 at Orlando, Fla.)
Emma Mazzorone at #12 Virginia Tech (April 12, 2025)
Olivia Lackie (12) from #16/13 Utah (Feb. 10, 2024)
Micaela Kastor at Georgia Tech (March 15, 2024)
Laura Winter (Game one) vs. Louisville (May 4, 2013)
Rachel Nasland at NC State (March 8, 2015)
Micaela Kastor (10) in 2025
Payton Tidd (15) in 2023
Payton Tidd (25) in 2019
Alexis Holloway, Morgan Ryan & Payton Tidd vs. Valparaiso (March 24, 2021)
8-0 vs NCCU (Feb. 7, 2026)
0-5 at #12 Virginia Tech (April 12, 2025)
vs. Kentucky at NCAA Lexington Regional (May 23, 2021)
at #17 Duke (April 18, 2025)

Sara White (15) at NC State (April 14, 2017)
Brooke Marquez vs. McNeese (May 21, 2022)
40 at Louisville (March 9, 2025)
vs. #22 Virginia (March 28, 2025)
at Georgia Tech (March 15-17, 2024)
Five vs. McNeese (May 21, 2022)
Six vs. #8 Alabama (Feb. 13, 2021 at Stinger Classic)

54 at Louisville (March 9, 2025)
15 vs. Lipscomb (Feb. 23, 2025)
19 vs. Lipscomb (Feb. 23, 2025)
19 vs. Lipscomb (Feb. 23, 2025)
19 vs. Lipscomb (Feb. 23, 2025)
20 at Georgetown (April 3, 2013)
16 vs. Oakland (May 21, 2022)
29 vs. Pittsburgh (April 2, 2023 - DH 2)
31 vs. Detroit Mercy (March 15, 2023)
1st inning (9 runs) vs. IUPUI (March 28, 2023)
15 at #12 Virginia Tech (April 13, 2025)
15 at #12 Virginia Tech (April 13, 2025)
11 at #17 Duke (April 19, 2025)
5-1 vs #21/23 Liberty (Feb. 7, 2026)
5-1 vs #21/23 Liberty (Feb. 7, 2026)
3-2 vs. #6 Northwestern (April 5, 2022)
4-3, 7-2, 4-6 (10) vs. #24/22 Virginia (March 28-30 2025)
2-1, 6-5, 4-3 (9), 3-1 at #15/13 Virginia Tech (April 23-25, 2021)
10 vs. #22 Virginia, L - 4-6 (March 28, 2025)
10-10, at Northwestern (April 1, 2025)