



POSTGAME NOTES

Dallas Mavericks (24-7) vs. San Antonio Spurs (28-4)
Thursday, Dec. 30, 2010
Mavericks 93, Spurs 99

2010-11 Series Info:

Date	Site	Result
11/26/10	San Antonio	W, 103-94
12/30/10	Dallas	L, 93-99
1/14/11	San Antonio	
3/18/11		

All-Time Regular Season Series Info:

	Mavs Wins	Spurs Wins
Overall:	62	84
at Dallas:	36	37
at San Antonio:	26	47

- **TONIGHT'S KEY RUN:** San Antonio trailed, 24-19, but used a 26-5 run from the 1:31 mark of the first quarter through the 8:03 mark of the second period to go up 45-29. The Spurs never trailed again in the game.

NOTES

- Mavericks point guard Jason Kidd recorded his first triple-double of the season (106th career) with 12 points (5-15 FGs, 2-5 3FGs), 10 rebounds and 13 assists. His 106 triple-doubles rank first among all active players and third all-time.
- Mavericks forward Caron Butler led Dallas with 14 first-half points. He finished with a season-high 30 points (10-21 FGs, 1-3 3FGs, 9-9 FTs) and had 22 through three quarters of play. It marked his first 30-point effort of the year. He's now scored 20-plus points in three of his last four games (five times overall this season).
- San Antonio snapped a four-game regular season losing streak against Dallas with a 99-93 victory on Thursday.
- Spurs guard Gary Neal hit a jumper with 2.9 seconds remaining in the first quarter to give the Spurs their first lead of the game, 27-25. San Antonio then opened the second period on a 16-4 run to take a 14-point lead (45-31) at the 8:03 mark of the quarter. But Dallas responded with a 15-5 run to trim the lead to just four (50-46) with 1:44 left to play in the first half.
- Dallas was down one (63-62) with just over 3 minutes to go in the third quarter, but San Antonio finished the period with an 8-2 spurt to take a 71-64 advantage into the fourth.
- The Spurs outrebounded the Mavericks 25-15 in the first half and 50-35 for the game.
- Mavericks forward Brian Cardinal made his first start of the season in place of the injured Dirk Nowitzki (sprained right knee). It marked his first start since 4/15/09 (vs. Sacramento), when he was a member of the Minnesota Timberwolves. He tallied a season-high nine points (3-5 FGs, 3-3 3FGs) in the game.
- Spurs forward Matt Bonner (.516) and Mavericks guard DeShawn Stevenson (.500) entered Thursday's contest ranked first and second in the league in 3-point field goal percentage respectively. Neither player made a 3-point basket in the first half (Bonner 0-3 3FGs and Stevenson 0-0 3FGs), but both teams still shot the ball well from long distance in the first 24 minutes. The Spurs went 7-of-15 (.467) from long range in the first half, while the Mavericks shot 5-of-11 (.455) from beyond the arc. San Antonio finished the game 11-of-28 (.393) from downtown, while Dallas ended the game 10-of-23 (.435). Neither Bonner or Stevenson connected on a 3-point attempt in the game.
- Spurs forward Tim Duncan recorded his 12th double-double (17 points and 11 rebounds) of the season for San Antonio in the win.
- Mavericks forward Dirk Nowitzki, who ranks seventh in the league in scoring with 24.1 points per game, missed his second consecutive game due to a right knee sprain. He suffered the injury at the 9:10 mark of the second quarter at Oklahoma City on Dec. 27. Nowitzki, who is in his 13th season, has missed just 34 games in his career.
- The attendance for tonight's game was 20,604. The Mavs have sold out 377 consecutive regular season games at AAC. Dallas currently owns the longest running sellout streak in the NBA. Dallas has sold out all 41 games in each of the past seven seasons.

The Mavericks next game is at Milwaukee on Jan. 1 at 8 p.m. CT
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