



POSTGAME NOTES

Preseason Game 1: Dallas Mavericks (1-0) vs. Beijing Ducks (0-1)

Saturday, September 29, 2018

Mavericks 116, Ducks 63

- **TONIGHT'S KEY RUN:** The Mavericks trailed by two (38-36) with under 5 minutes to go in the second quarter, but closed the period on a 16-4 run and took a 10-point advantage (52-42) into the locker room at the half. Dallas then led by double digits for the remainder of the game.

NOTES

- Luka Dončić, the third overall pick in this past year's draft, made his NBA preseason debut and started at forward for Dallas. Dončić finished with a team-high-tying 16 points (5-7 FGs, 3-4 3FGs, 3-6 FTs) to go along with six rebounds, two assists and a game-high three blocks in 30 minutes.
- Mavericks second-year guard Dennis Smith Jr., who earned NBA All-Rookie Second Team honors in 2018, started at point guard for Dallas and tallied a team-high-tying 16 points (6-10 FGs, 1-3 3FGs, 3-5 FTs) to go along with a game-high six assists in 26 minutes.
- Mavericks second-year forward Maxi Kleber produced 15 points (5-6 FGs, 3-3 3FGs, 2-2 FTs), a team-high-tying eight rebounds and two assists in 18 minutes off the bench. Kleber had four 15-point games as a rookie in 2017-18.
- DeAndre Jordan made his Mavericks preseason debut and totaled nine points, a team-high-tying eight rebounds, four assists and two blocks in 18 minutes of action.
- Ducks center Justin Hamilton posted a double-double with game highs of 29 points (6-19 FGs, 2-6 3FGs, 15-17 FTs) and 13 boards in 33 minutes.
- The Mavericks outscored the Ducks 27-0 on the fast break and 42-12 in the paint.
- Dallas outscored Beijing 95-45 after the first quarter, including 64-21 in the second half (35-7 in the fourth period).
- The Mavericks trailed by two (38-36) with under 5 minutes to go in the second quarter, but closed the period on a 16-4 run and took a 10-point advantage (52-42) into the locker room at the half. Dallas led by double digits the entire second half.
- With the win, the Mavericks improved to 118-149 (.442) all-time in preseason games.
- With the win, Rick Carlisle improved to 62-56 (.525) all-time in the preseason. The Mavericks improved to 32-38 (.457) in exhibition games under Carlisle, who took over in Dallas prior to the start of the 2008-09 season.
- The Beijing Shougang Ducks are a Beijing-based men's professional basketball team competing in the 20-team Chinese Basketball Association (CBA) League. Tonight marked the first time in the 39-year history of the Mavericks that the team hosted a preseason game against an international opponent in Dallas.
- Dirk Nowitzki (left ankle), Harrison Barnes (right hamstring strain), J.J. Barea (left hamstring strain), Dwight Powell (right knee effusion) and Ding Yanyuhang (sore right knee) all missed tonight's game for Dallas due to injury/recovery.

**The Mavericks' next preseason game is against Philadelphia (in Shanghai, China) on Oct. 5 at 6:30 a.m. CT
Watch the game on NBA TV**