

UA AT WASHINGTON, 8:30 TONIGHT, FSAZ

Arizona defense vs. Washington offense

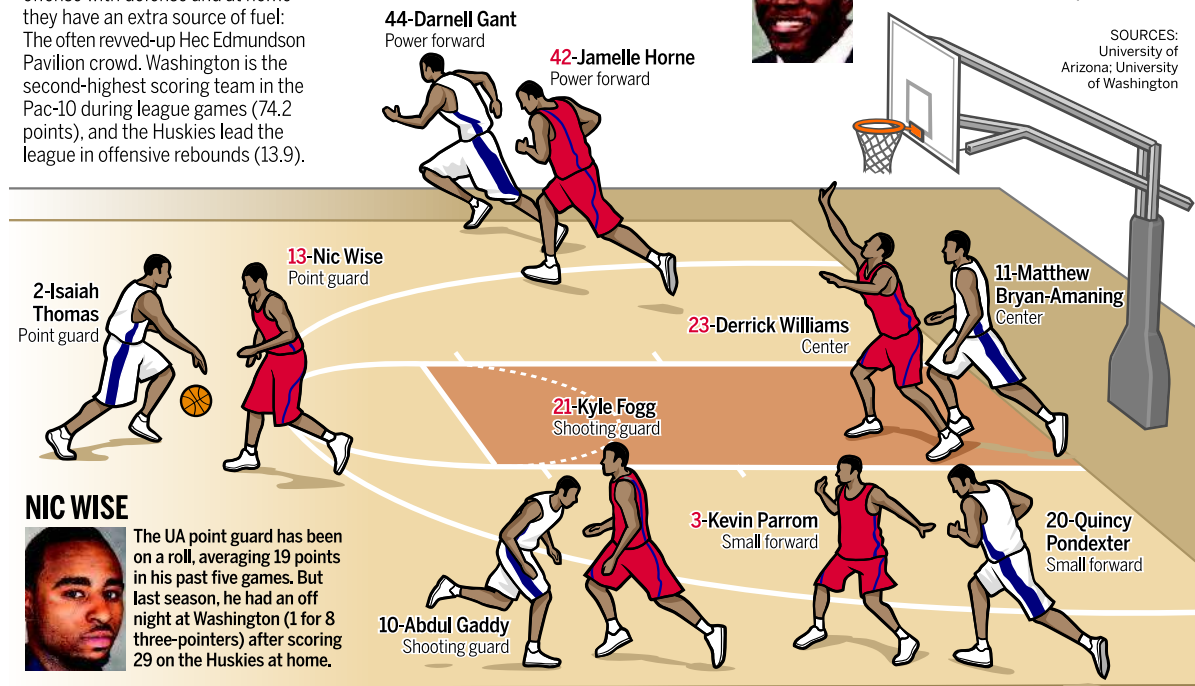
The fast-paced Huskies fuel their offense with defense and at home they have an extra source of fuel: The often revved-up Hec Edmundson Pavilion crowd. Washington is the second-highest scoring team in the Pac-10 during league games (74.2 points), and the Huskies lead the league in offensive rebounds (13.9).

QUINCY PONDEXTER



The versatile Pondexter is making a run at Pac-10 Player of the Year, with the ability to score from all over the floor, rebound and hit free throws at an 84.1 percent rate.

SOURCES:
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NIC WISE



The UA point guard has been on a roll, averaging 19 points in his past five games. But last season, he had an off night at Washington (1 for 8 three-pointers) after scoring 29 on the Huskies at home.

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HE SAID IT ...

“They really rely on their pressure defense and sometimes, when you’re that team, you require tremendous energy and it helps to have that kind of crowd. Their best offense is created by their defense because there’s pressure and denial, and they force steals. They love to go out and pressure you. Their perimeter guys look to take you off the dribble, and if they can’t, they’ll pound the ball inside with Pondexter or (Matthew) Bryan-Amaning.”

Arizona assistant coach **James Whitford**, who scouted the Huskies