



## NEW YORK JETS AT MIAMI DOLPHINS

### HARD ROCK STADIUM

JAN. 8, 2023 | 1 PM ET

### POSTGAME NOTES

#### DOLPHINS ADVANCE TO PLAYOFFS FOR FIRST TIME SINCE 2016

- The Dolphins' win today punched their ticket to the postseason for the first time since 2016.
- It's the first time Miami has secured a postseason berth at home since Dec. 30, 2001 when the Dolphins beat Atlanta at Hard Rock Stadium.
- This marks Miami's 24<sup>th</sup> playoff berth all-time but just the team's third in the past 20 years (2008, 2016).
- Miami finishes the season 9-8, its third straight year with a winning record. The last time the Dolphins had three straight seasons with winning records was 2001-03.
- It's Miami's seventh consecutive win vs. the Jets at Hard Rock Stadium, the longest home streak in all-time series history. The Jets haven't won at Miami since Oct. 4, 2015.
- The Dolphins are now 11-3 in their past 14 meetings with the Jets and have a 58-56-1 edge in the all-time series (including playoffs).
- Miami is now 12-2 in its past 14 games at Hard Rock Stadium, the team's best 14-game home stretch since also going 12-2 from Dec. 2, 2001 to Sept. 21, 2003.
- The Dolphins finish the season 6-2 at home. It's the second straight season Miami has won at least six games at Hard Rock Stadium, something that hasn't happened since 2001-02.
- **Head Coach Mike McDaniel** is the sixth head coach in Dolphins history to have a winning season in his first year and is the fifth head coach in team history to reach the playoffs in his first season.
  - The others who reached the playoffs in their first seasons are **Don Shula** (1970), **Dave Wannstedt** (2000), **Tony Sparano** (2008) and **Adam Gase** (2016).
  - Including the list above, the other coach with a winning record in his first season was **Nick Saban** (2005).
- **QB Skylar Thompson** becomes the first Dolphins rookie quarterback drafted in the seventh round or later to win a start since **QB David Woodley** did in 1980. Woodley was an eighth-round pick (214<sup>th</sup> overall).

#### DEFENSE HOLDS JETS TO SIX POINTS

- Miami's defense limited the Jets to just six points today, the fewest allowed by Miami since they held New Orleans to three points in a Monday Night Football win on Dec. 27, 2021.
- The 187 total yards allowed by Miami were also the fewest allowed since the Saints game on Dec. 27, 2021 and the second-lowest output by the Jets this season.

#### SANDERS MAKES ALL THREE KICKS, INCLUDING GAME-WINNER

- **K Jason Sanders** scored all nine of Miami's points today, converting all three field goal opportunities, including a 50-yarder with 18 seconds left to win the game.
- It was the seventh fourth quarter game-winning or game-tying field goal of his career and first of this season. The last time he made a kick to win a game with less than a minute remaining was on Dec. 26, 2020 at Las Vegas when he put Miami ahead, 26-25, with six seconds remaining:



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### JASON SANDERS' ALL-TIME FOURTH QUARTER GAME-WINNING/GAME-TYING FIELD GOALS

Rk.	Date	Opp	Play	Length	W/L	Score
1.	10/14/18	vs. Chi.	Tied 28-28 on the final play of overtime	47 yards	W	31-28*
2.	11/10/19	at Ind.	Trailing 12-10 with 5:45 remaining	48 yards	W	16-12
3.	12/22/19	vs. Cin.	Tied 35-35 on the final play of overtime	37 yards	W	38-35*
4.	11/8/20	at Ari.	Tied 31-31 with 3:30 remaining	50 yards	W	34-31
5.	12/26/20	at LV	Trailing 23-25 with 0:06 remaining	44 yards	W	26-25
6.	9/26/21	at LV	Trailing 25-28 with 2:49 remaining in overtime	50 yards	L	28-31*
7.	1/8/23	vs. NYJ	Tied 6-6 with 0:18 remaining	50 yards	W	9-6

- Sanders also made his 125<sup>th</sup> career field goal today.
- He is the franchise's all-time recordholder in career field goal percentage at 82.9 pct. (126-of-152).

### HILL AND WADDLE BECOME FOURTH DUO IN NFL HISTORY TO TOP 3,000 YARDS

- WR Tyreek Hill (1,710) and WR Jaylen Waddle (1,356) finished the season with 3,066 combined receiving yards. They became just the fourth pair of teammates in NFL history to top 3,000 receiving yards in the same season.

### MOST RECEIVING YARDS BY TWO TEAMMATES IN AN NFL SEASON

Rk.	Team	Season	Players (Rec. Yds.)	Combined Rec. Yds.
1.	Det.	1995	Herman Moore (1,686) & Brett Perriman (1,488)	3,174
2.	StL	2000	Torry Holt (1,635) & Isaac Bruce (1,471)	3,106
3.	Mia.	2022	Tyreek Hill (1,710) & Jaylen Waddle (1,356)	3,066
4.	Den.	2014	Demaryius Thomas (1,619) & Emmanuel Sanders (1,404)	3,023

- Waddle finished today with five catches for 44 yards (8.8 avg.) while Hill had two receptions for 23 yards (11.5 avg.).
  - Waddle had two receptions for 11 yards (5.5 avg.) on Miami's game-winning drive and drew a 15-yard penalty for a horse collar tackle.
- Hill finishes the season as the franchise's record-holder for most receiving yards in a season while Waddle finished third on the list:

### MOST RECEIVING YARDS IN A DOLPHINS SEASON

	PLAYER	YEAR	REC	YDS	TDs
1.	Tyreek Hill	2022	119	1,710	7
2.	Mark Clayton	1984	73	1,389	18
3.	Jaylen Waddle	2022	75	1,356	8
4.	Mark Duper	1986	67	1,313	11
5.	Mark Duper	1984	71	1,306	8



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- Hill's 1,710 receiving yards are the 10<sup>th</sup>-most in franchise history and his 119 receptions are tied for 18<sup>th</sup>.
- Hill's 119 receptions and 1,710 receiving yards both rank second in the NFL at the conclusion of the regular season while Waddle's 1,356 yards is sixth and his 18.1 receiving average is the league's best.

#### DOLPHINS HAVE SEVERAL DEFENSIVE STANDOUTS

- **DT Christian Wilkins** totaled six tackles (four solo) and one tackle for loss today. It gives him 98 tackles, which are the most since 1994 by an NFL defensive lineman:

#### MOST TACKLES IN A SEASON BY AN NFL DEFENSIVE LINEMAN

	PLAYER	TM	YR	TKLS
<b>1.</b>	<b>Christian Wilkins</b>	<b>Mia.</b>	<b>2022</b>	<b>98</b>
2.	Anthony Spencer	Dal.	2012	95
	Michael Bankston	Ari.	1997	95
	Ted Washington	Buf.	1996	92
<b>5.</b>	<b>Christian Wilkins</b>	<b>Mia.</b>	<b>2021</b>	<b>89</b>
	Cameron Heyward	Pit.	2021	89
	Aaron Kampman	GB	2006	89

- Wilkins' 98 tackles also surpass **DE Jeff Cross's** 93 stops from 1993 for the most in Dolphins history by a defensive lineman (since record-keeping began in 1986).
- **CB Xavien Howard** led the Dolphins with three passes defended today. He now has a pass defended in three straight home games, at least one pass defended in eight of his nine career games against the Jets and at least two passes defended in four of his past five against the Jets.
  - His 83 career passes defended are the fourth-most in team history (since 1991) and just one behind **LB/DE Jason Taylor**, who ranks third with 84.
- **LB Jerome Baker** had three tackles today, giving him 100 for the season. It's the third 100-tackle season of his career.
- **LB Elandon Roberts** finished the season with 104 tackles, the most in his career and most on the team this season.
  - He also had a tackle for loss for the fourth consecutive game.
- It's the first time since 2018 the Dolphins have had two players reach 100 tackles in the same season.
- **CB Kader Kohou** had two passes defended, giving him 10 for the season. He finishes the year leading all NFL undrafted rookies in defensive snaps (852), tackles (72) and passes defended (10).

#### INJURIES REPORTED IN THE PRESS BOX

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- WR Tyreek Hill, second quarter – ankle (questionable)
- OL Liam Eichenberg, third quarter – arm (questionable)



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- RB Raheem Mostert, third quarter – thumb (questionable downgraded to out)
- OL Brandon Shell, fourth quarter – knee and ankle (questionable)
- WR Jaylen Waddle, fourth quarter – ankle (questionable)

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- S Tony Adams, third quarter – being evaluated for a head injury (downgraded to out with a concussion)

### CAPTAINS

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- WR Tyreek Hill, CB Xavien Howard and LB Elandon Roberts

### QUICK HITS

- There were 66,429 tickets distributed to today's game.
  - It's the third-most tickets distributed to a Dolphins game since Hard Rock Stadium was modernized in 2015.
- **S Eric Rowe** played in his 100<sup>th</sup> career game today.
- **DB Keion Crossen** and **RB Raheem Mostert** played in their 75<sup>th</sup> career games today.
- **LS Blake Ferguson** and **OL Robert Hunt** played in their 50<sup>th</sup> career games today.
- **WR Erik Ezukanma** made his NFL debut today and recorded his first career reception for three yards.
- **RB Jeff Wilson Jr.** led the team with 16 carries for 72 yards (4.5 avg.) He added two receiving yards for a total of 74 scrimmage yards today. It gives him 1,045 scrimmage yards for the season, the first time he's topped 1,000.
- At the end of the 1 p.m. games, the Dolphins were ranked fifth in the NFL in total offense (364.5). It will be Miami's first top 10 ranking in total offense since 1995 (eight, 357.3 yards per game).
  - The Dolphins accomplished this despite having three different quarterbacks make multiple starts in a season for the first time since 2007.

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