

Georgia Postgame Quotes

Georgia vs. Texas

Saturday, Nov. 15, 2025 | Dooley Field at Sanford Stadium

Head Coach Kirby Smart

On the onside kick...

"It made the decision for us, there were a couple things working there. We were 21-10, we just took the lead to an eleven-point game. I'm looking at it since we've got the best returner in the country. If you kick it to him there's a chance he houses it, there's a chance he gets it to the 50-yard line. We felt like we had about an 80% chance on the onside based on our rate. We thought it was there, we worked it, we prepared for it. The hardest thing to do is call that call after a scored touchdown because you could theoretically lose momentum but it was executed well by two players who on Monday in 20-degree weather and 20 miles per hour wind, they were practicing it."

On the offense...

"Gunner [Stockton] is a winner, he's tough. He and Mike [Bobo] make a great pair. Mike is more and more comfortable with him, aggressive, trusting, a good decision maker, plays with his legs, puts us on the right run. He's operating at a 80/90 percent success rate on decision making. When you do that with great players, you're going to be really successful. Mike and them executed really well on offense tonight."

On the defense...

"First, we had a lead. Second, we stopped the run. If you stop the run and take the lead, you get in passing situations. We felt like we could rush the passer once we controlled the run game. And we were able to do that and that's a big part of who we are. We work on first and second down to get to third and long, we've always done "rush the passer." I don't worry about what other people say, it's a matter of getting the opportunity to do that and once you get a lead in the game, which we haven't had a lot of, we can rush the passer."

#14 Gunner Stockton | QB | R-Jr.

On going for it on fourth down...

"It was a big part. Whenever Coach Smart decides to go for it, I am like 'heck yeah, let's go!' I am glad he made that decision."

On receivers stepping up after Colbie Young injury...

"They have done awesome. They just attack practice, they just see the way they are doing it. Colbie has been at every away game and every practice. It is good to have him there, he is just a good guy."

On him getting stronger in the second half of the season...

"I am getting better at situational football, just managing the game. Also, the confidence has grown as the season has gone on."

#33 Quintavius Johnson | OLB | So.

On how much the defense is benefiting from snaps and experience...

"I feel like we get better week by week. I feel like the younger guys and the older guys, we just connect as a defense. We know our main goal coming into the game."

On how the defense pressured Arch Manning upfront...

"I feel like coming into this game, we knew what we wanted to do. We knew that we wanted to keep the quarterback on track, and we knew that he was a capable runner, so we just did our job and rushed as a whole in the front."

On how far UGA has come since the Alabama game...

"We have been coming in week by week and getting better. To be honest, I did not even know Alabama lost today. I have been focused on my game and coming in ready to play my game."

Texas Postgame Quotes

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Head Coach Steve Sarkisian

Opening statement...

"It was a really good game until the fourth quarter it was 14-10. They get the ball, they convert two first downs, they score. They onside kick, they score again. They pop a kick-off and then we are inside the ten, shank a punt, they score again. It was then 21 to nothing in the fourth quarter. Great job to Georgia, they did a really nice job. I wish we took advantage of a few things later in the game offensively, specifically in the first half. At that point, it was unfortunate because we thought we could have a more balance attack and we did not. Disappointing because it was a pretty good game for three quarters, but it was not a good game in the fourth quarter. At least not for us. The challenge for us now is we got two week season in front of us. We got to get off the mat, we have to go and compete. We got to go and find a way to win two ball games. We will see what happens."

On the fourth quarter...

"The first fourth down, they snuck the tailback out of the backfield and out the backdoor. We did not defend the play very well. It was unfortunate because we practiced that play. The second fourth down, we jumped offsides. That is just mental intensity, we just lost focus and jumped offside. Then they scored on the onside kick. We did not break on the ball and that is on us as coaches. We got to do a better job at getting our players understanding situational football. We go attack the ball, we have an opportunity for a great field position situation. I would not say that they lost composure, I think we lost some focus, we lost some intensity in the fourth quarter."

On wanting the offense to produce with defensive stops...

"We had a pretty good first drive. We had another pretty good drive, but then the interception in the red zone. We dropped some passes, we dropped some throws, we had some holding penalties. WE had some self inflicted wounds in there. We had a really good plan, but we were not able to stack it all together to make it all work. You have to play complimentary football for games like this. Our ability to do that in the first half was pretty glaring. In the third quarter, when we cut it to a 14-10 game, it was like 'Okay, let's go play.' We just could not put it all together. We could not tie offense, defense, special teams all together tonight."

#1 Colin Simmons | EDGE | So.

On the fourth quarter being a disaster and what happened from his view...

"Like you said, It was a disaster. We didn't finish on all three sides of the ball, offense, defense, and special teams. I'm not going to point fingers, someone was calling my name and I heard the clap and jumped. I wasn't even looking at the player in front of me, but I'm not going to point hands."

On if they still feel like a college football playoff team and if they are still shooting for that...

"Of course, I have the utmost confidence in my team and we can still take over."

#5 Quintrevion Wisner | RB | Jr.

On how he keeps the locker room engaged over the next couple of weeks...

"Just keep going. Everybody knows that everything we want to do with our season is right in front of us. These next two games are very important, so we just keep attacking the weeks like we've been doing."

On why Texas couldn't score when given opportunities by their defense...

"I just feel like we left things out on the field. We left opportunities out. We could have done a better job of taking care of our defense."

On what impressed him about the UGA defense...

"They played 60 minutes of football. They came out. They did their job at a high level."