



# PREGAME NOTES

## Minnesota Timberwolves at Brooklyn Nets, November 8, 2016

### Tonight's Matchup

- Minnesota swept the season series (2-0) in 2015-16. Overall, the Wolves lead in the regular season series, 29-22, and are 10-16 on the road.
- Minnesota is 10-4 in its last 14 meetings overall vs. the Nets, dating to the 2008-09 season.

### Wolves Notes

- Saturday night, Karl-Anthony Towns had a career-high 25 first-half points on 10-of-14 shooting and finished with a season-high 33 points. Towns joins Michael Beasley, Corey Brewer, Randy Foye, Kevin Garnett, Kevin Love and Wally Szczerbiak as the only Wolves players who've scored 25+ points in the first half of a game.
- Saturday's performance was the sixth time in Towns' career that he's scored 30+ points and the first time in his career that he has tallied 30+ points in back-to-back games; he scored 32 points on 11/3 vs. Denver.
- Towns was also 3-for-4 from three-point range Saturday night. This was just the second time in his career he's hit 3+ treys in a game (also made 3 treys on Dec. 7, 2015 vs. Clippers).
- After recording a season-high four blocks on Saturday, Gorgui Dieng comes into tonight's game ranked 5th in blocks in the NBA. In Minnesota's last matchup in Brooklyn on 12/20/15, Dieng finished with 20 points and 10 rebounds.
- Tonight's game is Minnesota's first vs. the Eastern Conference for 2016-17 and begins a two-week run that sees them play five of eight vs. Eastern foes. The Wolves finished 11-19 against the East a year ago.

### Nets Notes

- Coming into tonight, Brooklyn ranks 2nd in the NBA in bench scoring (44.7 ppg), trailing only the L.A. Lakers (50.6 ppg).
- The Nets are in the midst of their season-long, nine-day stretch without leaving Brooklyn. Tonight's matchup vs. Minnesota is the last game of a four-game homestand.
- Brook Lopez, is averaging 15.8 ppg and 9.1 rebounds in 11 games vs. Minnesota.

### Wolves Leaders

Karl-Anthony Towns	22.4 ppg
Gorgui Dieng	9.0 rpg
Ricky Rubio	6.5 apg

### Nets Leaders

Brook Lopez	19.4 ppg
Trevor Booker	9.5 rpg
Jeremy Lin	6.2 apg

