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## Where Wolves? Jonesboro, Ark.

**Mizzou welcomes Arkansas State for its final non-conference tune up in 2013.**

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**W**hen Mizzou and Arkansas State announced in January a home-and-home football series set to begin Saturday, Sept. 28, 2013, in Columbia, many Tiger fans thought: easy win.

But the back-to-back Sun Belt Conference champions might take offense to such a quick dismissal. Arkansas State (2–2) capped a historic 2012 season with a 17–13 GoDaddy.com Bowl victory against Kent State, the program’s first bowl title since 1970. The Red Wolves are also the first team in Sun Belt history to win 10 games in consecutive seasons (2011–12), and the up-and-coming program is poised to invest \$25 million in stadium and facilities upgrades.

Mizzou (3–0) leads the all-time series 2–0, having won the last meeting 44–17 Sept. 3, 2005, in Columbia. Missouri is coming off an exhilarating 45–28 win against Indiana, so the Tigers would be wise to



Arkansas State University in Jonesboro was founded in 1909 and currently has an enrollment of 13,983.

guard against a letdown against this hungry pack.

Get to know our nonconference neighbors to the south.

— *Marcus Wilkins*

**Founded:** 1909 (public)

**Chancellor:** Tim Hudson

**Enrollment:** 13,983

Undergraduate: 10,205

**Size:** 145 buildings, 1,376 acres, main campus; 160 degree programs through 11 colleges; one library; a museum; instructional site in Paragould; flagship campus of the ASU System, which includes two-year schools

**Pride:** ASU is home of the Arkansas Biosciences Institute, a collaborative effort to conduct agricultural and medical research. Scientists from Arkansas Children's Hospital, Arkansas State University and the University of Arkansas in Fayetteville share resources and work to improve the health of Arkansans.

**Community:** Jonesboro, Ark.; population 70,187; a two-hour drive from Little Rock and a one-hour drive from Memphis, Tenn.; located along Crowley's Ridge Parkway National Scenic Byway and Civil War routes in the Arkansas Heritage Trails System



Arkansas State University changed its nickname from the Indians to the Red Wolves in 2008. Howl is the costumed mascot.



The Dean B. Ellis Library functions as an educational center for the university. It houses an open shelf collection that includes more than 536,900 books and periodical bound volumes; 531,307 federal and state documents; and 482,122 microforms.

**Colors:** Scarlet and black

**Mascot:** Howl the red wolf

**Nickname:** A-State

**Did You Know?** The Dean B. Ellis Library bell tower is lit with red light after victories. In 2008, the ASU Indians became the Red Wolves, a unique mascot in Division I athletic programs.

**Campus Treasures:**

The ASU Museum is home to Mona, a full-size prehistoric mastodon skeletal model.

Memorial Arch, erected in 1927 and located in the heart of campus, symbolizes the entrance to a new life.

**Traditions:**

ASU has hosted the Johnny Cash Music Festival with country music performers. Proceeds go toward the restoration of Cash's boyhood home and scholarships for Delta-area students.

Each graduating class selects symbolic items and seals them in a time capsule in one of the concrete benches surrounding Memorial Arch. Class members open the capsule at their 25-year homecoming reunion.

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