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'NBA SATURDAY PRIMETIME ON ABC': BOSTON CELTICS AND JAYSON TATUM HOST GOLDEN STATE WARRIORS AND STEPHEN CURRY AT 8:30 P.M. EDT

ESPN and ABC Combine to Televise 10 Total Games Over Six Days, Including Four Doubleheaders on ESPN

First Live NBA Game Telecast on ESPN+: 'NBA Wednesday Night Presented by State Farm: Daily Wager Special' on ESPN+ and ESPN2

ESPN and **ABC** platforms will combine to televise a total of 10 NBA games over the next six days, including four doubleheaders, "**NBA Saturday Primetime on ABC Presented by AT&T 5G"** and the first live NBA game on **ESPN+** as part of the "Daily Wager Special" alternate presentation.

On the April 17 edition of "NBA Saturday Primetime on ABC Presented by AT&T 5G," the Boston Celtics and Jayson Tatum will host the Golden State Warriors and Warriors' all-time scoring leader Stephen Curry at 8:30 p.m. EDT.

Curt Gowdy Media Award-winning commentator **Mike Breen**, **ESPN** NBA analysts **Jeff Van Gundy** and **Mark Jackson** and reporter **Rachel Nichols** will be on site in Boston. [Officiating expert **Steve Javie** will also join the telecast.] **ESPN** commentator **Marc Kestecher** and analyst **Jon Barry** will call the action over the airwaves on **ESPN Radio** with coverage beginning at 8 p.m.

"NBA Countdown" will lead into "NBA Saturday Primetime on ABC" beginning at 8 p.m. Maria Taylor will host the show with ESPN NBA analyst Jalen Rose and Senior NBA Insider Adrian Wojnarowski.

"Hoop Streams PRIMETIME," ESPN's 30-minute digital NBA pre-game show, will stream on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and the ESPN App starting at 8 p.m. Cassidy Hubbarth hosts the show and will preview the game with ESPN NBA analysts David Jacoby, Ramona Shelburne and Richard Jefferson. Additionally, Nichols will join the show before she serves as reporter for "NBA Saturday Primetime on ABC."

Four NBA Doubleheaders on ESPN

ESPN's Wednesday night doubleheader action tips off at 7 p.m. as the Eastern Conference-leading Philadelphia 76ers and Joel Embiid host the second place Brooklyn Nets and Kevin Durant. Breen, Hall of Fame broadcaster Doris Burke and reporter Lisa Salters will provide commentary on site from Philadelphia. Kestecher will have the call with analyst P.J. Carlesimo on ESPN Radio beginning at 6:30 p.m. Immediately following on ESPN at 9:30 p.m., the Dallas Mavericks and Luka Dončić visit the Memphis Grizzlies and Ja Morant. Dave Pasch will have the call with Van Gundy.

"Hoop Streams" will lead into Wednesday's game action starting at 6:30 p.m. on Twitter, Facebook, YouTube and the ESPN App, hosted by Christine Williamson, Gary Striewski and Treavor Scales.

As previously announced, ESPN+ and ESPN2 will carry "NBA Wednesday Night presented by State Farm: Daily Wager Special" at 7 p.m. The special is ESPN's first alternate presentation for an NBA game fully driven by sports betting content. It also marks the first live NBA game on ESPN+. "Daily Wager Special" will feature commentators from ESPN's sports betting news and information program, "Daily Wager," including sports betting analysts Doug Kezirian, Joe Fortenbaugh and Tyler Fulghum live from ESPN's Las Vegas studios. In addition, ESPN+ and ESPN2 will carry a "Daily Wager Special" pregame show 15 minutes before tipoff, as well as a halftime show.

ESPN doubleheader action continues on Friday at 7 p.m. as the 76ers host the Los Angeles Clippers and Paul George. **Mark Jones** and **ESPN** NBA analyst **Vince Carter** will provide remote commentary, with **Salters** reporting on site. Then at 9:30 p.m., the Mavericks host the New York Knicks and Julius Randle. **Pasch** and **ESPN** NBA Analyst **Richard Jefferson** will provide remote commentary.

Saturday on **ESPN** at 4:30 p.m., the first place Utah Jazz and Donovan Mitchell will take on the NBA Champion Los Angeles Lakers and Kyle Kuzma in Los Angeles. **Ryan Ruocco** and Hall of Famer **Hubie Brown** will provide remote commentary, with **Jorge Sedano** reporting on site. "**NBA Countdown**," hosted by **Taylor**, will lead into the telecast starting at 4 p.m.

Sunday's doubleheader tips off on **ESPN** at 1 p.m. as the Knicks host the New Orleans Pelicans and Zion Williamson. **Ruocco** and **Burke** will call the game remotely, with **Malika Andrews** reporting on site. **Sean Kelley** will call the action on **ESPN Radio** with **Carlesimo** starting at 12:30 p.m. Next at 3:30 p.m., the Nets visit the Miami Heat with **Mark Jones** and **Jackson** providing remote commentary and reporter **Israel Gutierrez** on site. "**NBA Countdown**" will open Sunday's pregame coverage beginning at noon.

The Monday night doubleheader tips off at 7:30 p.m. on **ESPN**, when the Warriors take on the 76ers. **Breen**, **Burke** and reporter **Salters** will provide commentary on site in Philadelphia. The Lakers will host the Jazz at 10 p.m., with **Pasch** and **Jackson** on the call. "**SportsCenter with Stephen A. Smith"** will open **ESPN's** Monday pregame coverage at 7 p.m., featuring special guests and **Smith's** unique analysis and insight on the league.

ESPN's "The Jump" continues to air weekdays at 3 p.m. hosted by Nichols with a rotating cast of high-profile analysts and reporters including Jefferson, Wojnarowski, Andrews, Chiney Ogwumike, Kendrick Perkins, Matt Barnes, Brian Windhorst, Vince Carter, Zach Lowe and Ramona Shelburne.

Thursday on **ESPN.com**, **Tim Bontemps** surveys national NBA media to get a read on where the MVP race stands a month before the season ends. On Friday, **Windhorst** and **Andrew Lopez** break down what's next for former No. 2 pick Lonzo Ball and the Pelicans. Additional NBA content, including this week's <u>power rankings</u> is available on the <u>NBA section of **ESPN.com**</u>.

All **NBA** on **ESPN** and **ABC** NBA games are available to stream on the **ESPN** App.

Upcoming NBA on ESPN Schedule:

Date	Time (EDT)	Game	Commentators	Network(s)
			Mike Breen, Doris Burke, Lisa Salters	ESPN, ESPN App, ESPN Radio
Wednesday, Apr. 14	7 p.m.	Brooklyn Nets vs. Philadelphia 76ers	Daily Wager Special alternate presentation: Doug Kezirian,	ESPN2, ESPN+
			Joe Fortenbaugh, Tyler Fulghum, Kendrick Perkins	ESPN Radio
			Marc Kestecher, PJ Carlesimo	
	9:30 p.m.	Dallas Mavericks vs. Memphis Grizzlies	Dave Pasch, Jeff Van Gundy	ESPN, ESPN App
Friday, Apr. 16	7 p.m.	LA Clippers vs. Philadelphia 76ers	Mark Jones, Vince Carter, Lisa Salters	ESPN, ESPN App
	9:30 p.m.	NY Knicks vs. Dallas Mavericks	Dave Pasch, Richard Jefferson	ESPN, ESPN App
Saturday, Apr. 17	4:30 p.m.	Utah Jazz vs. Los Angeles Lakers	Ryan Ruocco, Hubie Brown, Jorge Sedano	ESPN, ESPN App
	8:30 p.m.	Golden State Warriors vs. Boston Celtics	Mike Breen, Jeff Van Gundy, Mark Jackson, Rachel Nichols, [Steve Javie]	ABC, ESPN App, ESPN Radio
			ESPN Radio: Marc Kestecher, Jon Barry	
Sunday, Apr. 18	1 p.m.	New Orleans Pelicans vs. New York Knicks	Ryan Ruocco, Doris Burke, Malika Andrews	ESPN, ESPN App, ESPN Radio
			ESPN Radio: Sean Kelley, PJ Carlesimo	
	3:30 p.m.	Brooklyn Nets vs. Miami Heat	Mark Jones, Richard Jefferson	ESPN, ESPN App
Monday, Apr. 19	7:30 p.m.	Golden State Warriors vs. Philadelphia 76ers	Mike Breen, Doris Burke, Lisa Salters	ESPN, ESPN App
	10 p.m.	Utah Jazz vs. Los Angeles Lakers	Dave Pasch, Mark Jackson	ESPN, ESPN App

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