

Thursday, December 29  
2:00 PM ET ESPN



Yankee Stadium  
Bronx, NY



**SYRACUSE  
ORANGE**  
O/U (44.5)

**VS.**

**MINNESOTA  
GOLDEN GOPHERS**  
(-10.5)



**SEAN TUCKER - RB**

Pinstripe Bowl History	
2021	Maryland 54-10 Virginia Tech
2019	Michigan State 27-21 Wake
2018	Wisconsin 35-3 Miami (FL)
2017	Iowa 27-20 Boston College
2016	Northwestern 31-24 Pittsburgh



**MOHAMED IBRAHIM - RB**

Syracuse Bowl History (16-9-1)
2018 Camping World - W Virginia (W 34-18)
2013 Texas - Minnesota (W 21-17)
<b>2012 Pinstripe - West Virginia (W 38-14)</b>
<b>2010 Pinstripe - Kansas State (W 36-34)</b>
2004 Champs Sports - Ga Tech (L 14-51)

QUICK STATS	CUSE	MINN
Points Per Game	<b>28.3</b>	<b>28.3</b>
PPG Allowed	22.7	<b>13.3</b>
Pass YDs	<b>223.8</b>	185.9
Rush YDs	142.8	<b>218.4</b>
Pass YDs Allowed	188.8	<b>173.7</b>
Rush YDs Allowed	150.1	<b>105.8</b>
Turnover Margin	<b>7</b>	4
Last 5 Games	(1-4)	<b>(4-1)</b>

Minnesota Bowl History (10-12)
2021 Guaranteed Rate - WVU (W 18-6)
2019 Outback - Auburn (W 31-24)
2018 Quick Lane - Georgia Tech (W 34-10)
2016 Holiday - Washington State (W 17-12)
2015 Quick Lane - C. Michigan (W 21-14)



**Aaron's Pick**  
**23-14**

**Jonny's Pick**  
**21-14**



**THE BOTTOM LINE**

We have an excellent battle of running backs at the Pinstripe Bowl which is helpful for both teams considering the often-fickle weather of New York in late December. Sean Tucker topped 1,000 yards this season and quarterback Garrett Shrader is a very capable dual-threat option. He did struggle down the stretch of the season, but he was also not completely healthy. For the Golden Gophers, Mohamed Ibrahim is a workhorse and a bruising back with breakaway speed and totaled 1,594 yards on the ground along with 19 touchdowns. The passing game has been an adventure, but as long as Ibrahim and company are controlling possession on the ground, it's very difficult to beat Minnesota considering their stout defense. The Orange have allowed 40 sacks this season and must protect their quarterback Shrader from an opportunistic Minnesota defense. Syracuse broke a 4-game losing streak in the season finale while Minnesota has won four of five. P.J. Fleck is undefeated in bowl games with Minnesota.

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