Randy Couture vs Brock Lesnar UFC 91 Prediction

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The MGM Grand in Las Vegas is the place to be this weekend, Saturday Nov 15, when the biggest fight in UFC history goes off. 3-time UFC Heavyweight Champ Randy "The Natural" Couture puts his Heavyweight belt on the line when he squares off against his toughest opponent yet, Brock Lesnar. UFC oddsmakers at SBGglobal.com have Randy Couture as -110 money line fav over Brock Lesnar who is listed at -120. Get your Randy Couture vs Brock Lesnar UFC 91Prediction in now at SBGglobal.com

Randy “The Natural” Couture (16-8) is the biggest name in the UFC and his return to the Octagon is going to be a must see event. Randy defended his belt back in August 25 at UFC 74 when he beat Gabriel Gonzaga by TKO in the third round. He suffered a broken left arm from blocking one of Gonzaga's kicks during the course of the fight. He regained the Heavyweight belt from Tim Sylvia in UFC 68 when Couture's first punch, at :08 of the first round, sent the 6'8" Sylvia reeling to the mat. Couture controlled the pace of the fight for five rounds, smothering Sylvia with effective striking and numerous takedowns. He won by unanimous decision making him the first fighter in UFC history to become a three-time champion. Couture is generally recognized as a clinch and ground-and-pound fighter who uses his wrestling ability to execute take downs, establish top position, and successively strike the opponent on the bottom. He has also displayed a variety of skills in boxing, Muay Thai and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu, submitting two opponents using different chokeholds. Randy has seven wins by KO and two wins by submission.

Thoughts on his upcoming opponent Brock Lesnar: I have a lot of respect for Brock as an athlete and a collegiate wrestler, but I know exactly where he’s at, he’s trying to make the transition from a wrestler to mixed martial arts. I’ve been there, done that, and I know what the pitfalls are. This will be an interesting matchup, and it will be very nice to be home in the Octagon for this fight.

Brock Lesnar (2-1) is a world class wrestler and WWE star who is built like a tank. He’s only had two fights in his UFC career, one was a loss to Frank Mir just 1:30 into the first round, and he gets a title shot. Go figure. His best fight was his second fight against Heath Herring in UFC 87 when he beat Herring by unanimous decision. In the early seconds of the first round, Lesnar dropped Herring with a straight right. For the rest of the fight, Lesnar kept the fight on the ground and went on to win. In his UFC debut Lesnar took on former UFC Heavyweight Champion Frank Mir at UFC 81. Lesnar secured an early takedown, but was deducted a point for hitting Mir on the back of the head. Following another takedown by Lesnar, Mir managed to secure a kneebar and force a submission at 1:30 of the first round. In his earlier years Lesnar was an accomplished amateur wrestler winning the 2000 NCAA wrestling championship and placing second in 1999.

Thoughts on his opponent Randy Couture: It's an honor to fight Randy Couture, he's a legend in this sport, and to get the chance to test myself against him is a gift. A lot of guys would love to have this opportunity; Randy is the UFC heavyweight champion. There is one goal that I've had since I started training in MMA and that is to capture the title. Now that I'm getting the chance, nothing is going to stop me. I'm walking out of the Octagon with the belt around my waist.

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The Bottom Line: As much as I want Randy to win, I think the big guy may have the advantage with his size and strength. Brock has been training and staying active since his start in MMA while Randy has been doing the celebrity thing and focusing on his clothing line. Get your Randy Couture vs Brock Lesnar UFC 91Prediction in now at SBGglobal.com and receive a 30% sign-up bonus on your initial deposit!