

Tampa Bay Buccaneers vs Detroit Lions NFL Week 12 Picks

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The Detroit Lions are STILL winless and it's not looking like they'll be winning any time soon, while the Tampa Bay Buccaneers have back to back wins and winners of four of their last five games. The Detroit Lions (0-10) host the Tampa Bay Buccaneers (7-3), Sunday Nov 23, at Ford Field for some NFL Week 12 action. NFL oddsmakers at BetUS.com have the Buccaneers as 8 ½ point road favs over the Lions with the over/under posted at 41 points. Get your Tampa Bay Buccaneers vs Detroit Lions NFL Week 12 Picks in now at BetUS.com

The Bucs beat the Vikings 19-13 at home in Week 11. QB Jeff Garcia made 23 of 30 passes for 255 yards with no touchdown pass and no interception; he has five touchdown passes for 1,619 yards with three interceptions in seven starts. Their top rusher on the day was RB Warrick Dunn with 20 carries for 53 yards; FB B.J. Askew added a touchdown. Their top receiver on the day was WR Jerramy Stevens with six catches for 84 yards. The Bucs are averaging 21.9 ppg and they give up an average 16 ppg. On the road they are 2-3 SU where they average 19.8 ppg and they give up an average 20.8 ppg. Their overall offense is ranked 9th in the league averaging 351 yards a game, thanks to their 8th ranked passing game that's good for 236 yards per-game. Their running game sits averagely ranked 14th in the league averaging 115 yards a game. RB Earnest Graham leads the Bucs with four touchdowns. Their overall defense is ranked 5th best in the league allowing 281 yards per-game, thanks to their 4th ranked pass defense that allows 182 yards a game, they are good against the rush with a 12th ranked rush defense that gives up an average 99 yards per-game. The Bucs are 6-4 ATS and 4-6 over/under.

The Lions lost to the Panthers 22-31 on the road in Week 11. QB Daunte Culpepper made 20 of 35 passes for 207 yards with one touchdown and two interceptions; he has one touchdown pass for 311 yards with three interceptions in two starts. Their top rusher on the day was RB Kevin Smith with 24 carries for 112 yards. Their top receiver on the day was WR Calvin Johnson with six catches for 59 yards, while TE Jeff King helped out with a touchdown. The Lions are averaging 17.3 ppg and they give up an average 30.8 ppg. At home they are 0-4 SU where they average 15.8 ppg and they give up an average 36.2 ppg. Their overall offense is ranked 28th in the league averaging 276 yards a game, no thanks to their 31st ranked running game that's good for 80 yards per-game. Their passing game sits poorly ranked 22nd in the league averaging 196 yards a game. WR Calvin Johnson leads the Lions with seven touchdowns. Their overall defense is ranked second worst in the league allowing 401 yards per-game, no thanks to their 32nd ranked rush defense that allows 171 yards a game, they are just as bad against the pass with a 23rd ranked pass defense that gives up an average 230 yards per-game. The Lions are 4-6 ATS and 6-3 over/under.

Recent Trends to Consider:

- Under is 4-1 in the last 5 meetings.
- Buccaneers are 1-5 ATS in their last 6 meetings in Detroit.
- Underdog is 5-1 ATS in their last 6 meetings.
- Buccaneers are 0-6 ATS in their last 6 meetings.
- Buccaneers are 4-1 ATS in their last 5 games in November.
- Buccaneers are 4-1 ATS in their last 5 games following a ATS win.

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When: Sun, Nov 23, 2008 1:00 PM ET

Line: BetUS.com

Pick: Bucs -8 ½

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The Bottom Line: The Bucs are going to be all over them like stink on sh*t! Go Bucs! Get your Tampa Bay Buccaneers vs Detroit Lions NFL Week 12 Picks in now at BetUS.com and receive a 10% sign-up bonus on your initial deposit!