

UFC 94 St.Pierre vs Penn Betting Odds

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The MGM Grand Garden Casino is the place to be, Saturday Jan 31, as they host UFC 94 George St.Pierre vs BJ Penn. BJ Penn looks to become the first fighter in UFC history to hold two belts. George St.Pierre holds the UFC welterweight belt, while BJ Penn is UFC lightweight champion. UFC 94 oddsmakers at BetUS.com have George St.Pierre as -175 moneyline fav to beat out BJ Penn who is listed as a +135 underdog. Get your UFC 94 St.Pierre vs Penn Betting Odds in now at BetUS.com

George St.Pierre (-175) vs BJ Penn (+135)

This is the second time these two athletes have faced each other in the octagon, they met at UFC 58: USA vs. Canada back in 2006. Back then St.Pierre and Penn were the top two contenders for the division's No. 1 contender's spot. Penn came out firing at St.Pierre throwing punch after punch at St.Pierres's face. The first round was clearly in favor of BJ Penn. After that it was all St.Pierre. He took down Penn at will to earn the next two rounds. St-Pierre earned a razor-thin split decision and went on to win the Ultimate Fighting Championship® welterweight title. Since then George St.Pierre has gone 5-1 with wins over Matt Hughes (2), Josh Koscheck, Matt Serra and most recently John Fitch. BJ Penn has gone 3-1 since his loss to St.Pierre. He has wins over Jens Pulver, Joe Stevenson and most recently Sean Sherk at UFC 84. George St.Pierre is a -175 moneyline fav to beat out BJ Penn.

Lyoto Machida (-300) vs Thaigo Silva (+200)

Lyoto is a rising star in MMA, having secured victories over former UFC Light Heavyweight Champion Tito Ortiz, Rich Franklin, B.J. Penn and Stephan Bonnar. He is currently ranked as the #4 light heavyweight fighter in the world. He's 5-0 in his last fights after beating Tito Ortiz by unanimous decision. Machida's fight style has been described as "deliberate" and "methodical" — both as a compliment and out of disapproval. Machida's "get-in-get-out" method is seen by some as a marketing liability for the UFC, which could hamper his career because fight fans keen on excitement might not pay to see him compete for a championship. Thaigo Silva is an undefeated professional fighter and Brazilian Jiu-Jitsu black belt with a 4-0 record. He recently beat Antonio Mendes at UFC 84. After being surprised by a head kick moments into the bout, Silva was able to take down his opponent and secure mount position. From the dominant position, Silva pounded away with punches and elbows until Mendes tapped out at 2:24 of the first round. Lyoto Machida is listed as -300 moneyline fav to defeat Thaigo Silva.

Stephan Bonner (-175) vs Jon Jones (+135)

Stephan Bonner has won his last two fights; most recently he beat Eric Schafer at UFC 77 after pounding out his opponent by TKO strikes in the second round. At UFC 73 he beat Mike Nickels with a rear naked choke hold in the first round. He suffered back to back losses against Forrest Griffin and Rashad Evans. His current MMA record is 12W-4L, two wins by KO and seven wins by submission. Jon Jones is a great wrestler with Brazilian Jui-Jitsu and Muay Thai skills. He's current MMA record is 7-0 after his first UFC win at UFC 87. He beat Andre Gusmao by unanimous decision. He is one of the fastest rising MMA fighters winning five fights in three months. Stephan Bonner is listed as -175 moneyline fav over Jon Jones.

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The Bottom Line: St.Pierre to win, Thaigo Silva to upset and Jon Jones to win. Get your UFC 94 St.Pierre vs Penn Betting Odds in now at BetUS.com 10% sign-up bonus on your initial deposit!