

## Dolphins - Texans

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Vs Saturday Night, 8PM EST

Even before Houston was a good team, they always played Miami tough. So Saturday's Game is a good test for the Phins. Houston has a very tall and athletic front 4 that played Tennis with Ryan Tannehill last year. Tannehill served and the front 4 blocked about half of them. Not really, but it sure felt that way. If the offense is going to get uncorked, this would be a good game to do it. I'm tired of hearing, whether people are just kidding or not, that Miami is purposely holding back. Well, here's a guy who doesn't think so. They really need to hit some deep passes to the WRs in this weeks game to start building a little confidence. The offensive line will have its hands full blocking the Texans.

On Defense the Dolphins will have their hands full as well. Schaub went 5 for 5 against the Vikings in his only series. Houston has some decent weapons with Andre Johnson being the beast in their WR group. Foster is suppose to return to action so Miami can't just play the pass.

In the what to look for catagory:

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Oh yes, and the play of the rookies, staying healthy all that jazz. Cheers, and enjoy the game.

Addendum Special: <http://www.nfl.com/news/story/0ap1000000230255/article/afc-east-preview-not-buying-the-miami-dolphins-hype> You really have to love articles like this. Hype? Did he just use that word in the same sentence with the Dolphins? Can anyone out there name one person in the business that has said Miami is going to win 10 games. Okay I found one in the blogosphere that had Miami winning the division but most picks by everyone else have Miami either finishing 2nd or 3rd and going anywhere from 6-10 to 8-8. So while I appreciate the disrespect, let's at least not inflate a predicted 7-9 season into the word hype.

I've become famous for the evolving prediction. I like to think of it as science. As more evidence comes to light, I change my theory. My theory right now is this team looks like an 8-8 football team. I can't shake the image of Pouncey letting some nobody bull rush his way to the QB on 2 of 3 plays last week. I know it was fixed but holy crap. Haven't they been working together a few weeks? In any case, we had excellent drive put together on the 3rd try by Tannehill and company that culminated in a TD. Again a mixed bag. I've seen nothing that makes me think this team is ready to take on NE. In any case, I'm enjoying the young, developing nature of the team and hope the defense can keep them in a lot of games. I think the offense is going to do a better job overall of PPG which will translate into a couple more wins than last year.