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Thursday's **NBA on TNT** regular season doubleheader coverage will feature some of the league's most explosive and creative playmakers in interconference matchups, beginning with the **Boston Celtics** and All-Star **Kyrie Irving** hosting the high-powered **Houston Rockets** and the league's current leading scorer, **James Harden**, on **Thursday, Dec. 28, at 8 p.m. ET**. The TNT telecast will not be available locally in the Houston market.

In the nightcap on the network, the young and exciting **Philadelphia 76ers** with **Ben Simmons** will visit the **Portland Trail Blazers** and top scorer **Damian Lillard** at **10:30 p.m.**

The network's live game schedule and telecast notes follow. Click on the below image for a [video preview](#) of Thursday's doubleheader.

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- Throughout Thursday's TNT coverage, **Kevin Garnett** will be joined by a collection of the game's best all-time defenders - **Gary Payton, Ben Wallace, Theo Ratliff** and **Teresa Witherspoon** - on **Area 21**. Select **Area 21** segments will air on TNT, with additional content running on [Facebook](#) and [Twitter](#).
- Studio coverage from the iconic **Inside the NBA** team will be led by **Ernie Johnson**, along with **Charles Barkley, Kenny Smith** and **Shaquille O'Neal** throughout the night.
- **Marv Albert** (play-by-play), **Chris Webber** (analyst) & **David Aldridge** (reporter) will call the **Rockets** vs. **Celtics** telecast at **8 p.m.**
- **Kevin Harlan** will provide play-by-play for **76ers** vs. **Blazers**, alongside analyst **Reggie Miller** and reporter **Dennis Scott** at **10:30 p.m.**
- Live streaming coverage of all NBA on TNT games is available via <http://www.tntdrama.com/watchtnt> and the Watch TNT app. Fans are able to access the games whenever and wherever they desire by logging in with the user name and password provided by their TV service provider.

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