

#3 JELANI WATSON-GAYLE

POSITION: Guard

HEIGHT: 6-1 (186 cm)

WEIGHT: 174 lbs (79 kg)

BIRTHDATE: September 9, 1998 (London, UK)

HIGH SCHOOL: Westminster '16 (Augusta, GA)

UNIVERSITY/COLLEGE: Fresno Pacific '22 (Fresno, CA)

INSTAGRAM: @jaywg0

HOW ACQUIRED: Signed July 11, 2026

YEARS PRO: 4

PROFESSIONAL CAREER

Made his professional debut in 2022-23 with the Bristol Flyers of the British Basketball League (BBL), and has since played in Canada, Belgium, the Czech Republic, and Bulgaria while continuing to represent Great Britain at the international level.

2025-26: Averaged 13.8 points, 6.6 assists, 3.2 rebounds, and 1.4 steals in 36 games with Chernomorets Varna of the Bulgarian NBL ... Shot 48.4 per cent from two-point range, 41.4 per cent from three and 81.2 per cent from the free throw line ... Also appeared in three FIBA World Cup qualifying games for the British men's national team.

2025: Represented Great Britain in EuroBasket competition, appearing in seven games combined across both qualifying rounds.

2024-25: Averaged 19.0 points, 4.7 assists, 3.3 rebounds, and 1.1 steals in 25 games with Slavia Praha of the Czech Republic NBL ... Shot 49.7 per cent from two-point range, 39.3 per cent from three and 77.0 per cent from the free throw line.

2023-24: Averaged 9.9 points, 2.0 assists and 2.4 rebounds in 23 games with Brussels Basketball of the BNXT League (Belgium) ... Shot 90.0 per cent from the free throw line.

2023: Averaged 12.8 points, 3.4 assists, 3.6 rebounds, and 1.0 steals in 20 games with the Winnipeg Sea Bears of the CEBL.

2023: Appeared in two FIBA World Cup qualifying games with the British men's national team, recording nine points, four assists and three steals in 39 minutes of play.

2022-23: Averaged 11.5 points, 3.1 rebounds, 3.4 assists and 1.1 steals in 41 games with the Bristol Flyers ... Scored in double figures in 26 games ... Led the Flyers in assists and ranked third in scoring ... Notched 12 multi-steal games ... Poured in a season-high 30 points to go along with eight rebounds and five assists to fuel Bristol to a win Jan. 22 vs. Newcastle ... Dished out a season-best seven assists May 7 vs. Leicester.

UNIVERSITY / COLLEGE CAREER

2021-22: Posted career-best averages in points per game (18.6), rebounds per game (4.7) and steals per game (1.6) in 29 games with Fresno Pacific as a graduate student ... Started every game ... Led the Sunbirds in points (538), assists (69) and steals (46) ... Led the PacWest Conference in free throw percentage with an 86.2 per cent mark ... Scored double-digit points in all but one contest, with nine games of 20 or more ... Scored a career-high 32 points on a perfect 15-15 from the free throw line Jan. 22 vs. Academy of Art ... Set another career high with five steals Dec. 4 vs. Azusa Pacific ... Pulled down a season-best 10 rebounds to go along with 27 points in a double-double performance Nov. 12 vs. CS East Bay ... Named PacWest Newcomer of the Year and to the All-PacWest First Team.

2020-21: Averaged 12.9 points, 3.3 rebounds and 2.8 assists with the Miles College Golden Bears in a nine-game season that was cut short by the COVID-19 pandemic ... Scored in double figures in all but two contests ... Scored a season-best 23 points on six-of-nine from deep Feb. 24 vs. Spring Hill ... Set another season high with seven assists March 4 vs. Albany State.

2019-20: Averaged 16.1 points, 3.8 rebounds and 1.1 steals in 28 games as a junior at Miles College ... Started in every game ... Scored in double figures in all but four games, with eight of 20 or more ... Scored a season-high 30 points on five-of-10 from three and nine-of-10 from the free throw line March 4 vs. SSU ... Recorded multiple steals in eight games ... Named Southern Intercollegiate Athletic Conference (SIAC) Tournament MVP after leading the Golden Bears to a tournament victory with 22 points March 7 vs. Albany State.

2018-19: Averaged 10.4 points, 3.6 rebounds and 1.7 assists as a sophomore at Miles College ... Scored double-digit points in 13 contests ... Scored a season-high 22 points to go along with five rebounds and an assist Feb. 2 vs. LeMoyne-Owen ... Recorded 17 straight multi-rebound games from Dec. 31 to March 2, with his season best of nine coming in a blowout win Feb. 27 vs. Tuskegee ... Scored 15 points to go along with five rebounds and four assists in Miles' SIAC Tournament victory March 2 vs. LeMoyne-Owen.

2017-18: Averaged 12.6 points, 2.5 rebounds and 1.4 assists starting in all 31 games as a freshman at Benedict College ... Scored in double figures in all but four games ... Scored a season-high 23 points to go along with five rebounds in the Tigers' season opener Nov. 10 vs. Montevallo ... Named SIAC Freshman of the Year.

PERSONAL

Has represented the Great Britain men's national team at the U16, U20 and senior levels ...
Favourite food is oxtail ... Favourite musical artist is Drake ... Earned his master's degree in
business administration at Fresno Pacific.