

Shai Gilgeous Alexander

SGA or (Shai Gilgeous Alexander) is a Canadian basketball player, or the best Canadian basketball player. We chose SGA because we think he is the best Canadian basketball player, and we think you should learn about him because he got both finals MVP and MVP, he was the first Canadian to ever do that. We think that if you are Canadian you should know about the best Canadian basketball player because that is something the country should be proud of.

Childhood and High School

A new legend was born on July, 12, 1998 near Hamilton, Ontario. Shai is the oldest out of his siblings. Shai went to St. Thomas More Catholic Secondary School. He grew up in an athletic family. His mom was an olympic sprinter in the summer olympics in 1992 and his dad is a former basketball player who did not go pro. Shai's dad was also his basketball coach. His parents sadly broke up when he was 10 and he moved in with his mom.

University of Kentucky

When Shai went to the U of K from 2017-2018, he played on the University of Kentucky Wildcats basketball team. Shai was ranked last from the Wildcats head coach. He switched between shooting guard and point guard combo. On Jan 30, 2018, Shai had a season high of 30 points in an 83-81 overtime win against Vanderbilt. In his last season, Shai averaged 14.4 points, 5.5 assists, and 4.1 rebounds per game, during his college career of 37 games.

When he was at the U of K he was the 6th man and then later in the year he was transitioned to a starter. He switched between shooting guard and point guard depending who

was on the court with him. In March Madness that year, he led the Wildcats to a sweet sixteen and had a 27 point performance against Buffalo.

Rookie Year

The future superstar got drafted 11th overall to the Charlottetown Hornets on June 21, 2018 then quickly after got traded to the LA Clippers on draft night. With the Clippers, Shai averaged 10.8 points per game. This is where the super star begins! On July 10th, he got traded to OKC (Oklahoma City Thunder) where his fame will start. He got traded with Danilo and 7th draft picks for all star Paul George. This happened one day after the Clippers signed Kawhi Leonard. Shai's best rookie game was 24 points in their 6 games in playoffs and averaged 13.7 points. In all 82 games he started in 73.

2024/2025 season (or Now)

In 2025, SGA could officially be called the best Canadian basketball player. In this season he got 2, pt and was the starting point guard for the Oklahoma City Thunder. OKC was the NBA or National Basketball Association champions. SGA got the finals MVP and regular season MVP. In the 2024/2025 season he shot 51.9% overall and 37.5% 3 point percent. He had a 81.8 free throw percentage. On Jan 22, 2025, he scored 54 pts against the Utah Jazz.

SGA also won the NBA championship against the Pacers. The series went back and forth and OKC ended up winning their first championship ever and SGA won the finals MVP.