

ANKIT BAWNE

Batsman



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| Name | Ankit Bawne |
| DOB | 17/12/1992 |
| Nationality | Indian |
| Player Status | Available |
| Playing Role | Batter |
| Batting Style | RH Opening Bat |
| Bowling Style | RA Off Spin |
| Entry Route | Irish / Dutch Visa |

**** Available for the Republic of Ireland & Holland ****

Ankit Bawne is an accomplished batter on the national radar courtesy of his recent leadership roles with India A, India Red, and Maharashtra.

The run machine, who made his first-class debut as a 15-year-old, in 2007, played his first India A game in 2017 and has more recently skippered the side.

Bawne has been a key performer for the A side since his debut, hitting notable scores of 162* and 83* (v New Zealand A), 116* (v West Indies), 91* (v Australia A), and 80 (v South Africa A).

At domestic level, Bawne has lorded both the Ranji Trophy (first-class) and Vijay Hazare Trophy (List A) for over a decade. His numbers are quite extraordinary – 7,341 runs at 51.69 with 21 centuries (including 2 doubles) in first-class cricket alongside 3,769 runs at 44.86 with 11 further centuries in List A cricket.

He can boast a raft of accolades, including being part of the second-highest stand for any wicket in first-class cricket – when sharing a 594-run partnership with Swapnil Gugale during the 2016/17 Ranji season. Bawne ended with his career-best 258 not out in the process.

Bawne can also boast a second double century - 204* against Orissa (February 2020), a Duldeep Trophy century for India Blue (121* v India Red), and has averaged 50 plus in 8 Ranji Trophy seasons, namely 257 runs at 51.40 (2010/11), 531 runs at 75.85 (2011/12), 603 runs at 60.30 (2012/13), 846 runs at 76.90 (2013/14), 712 runs at 54.76 (2016/17), 575 runs at 52.27 (2017/18), 785 runs at 60.38 (2019/20), 270 runs at 67.50 (2021/22), and just shy in 2022/23 (396 runs at 49.50), plus 4 in the Vijay Hazare Trophy, 293 runs at 58.60 (2011/12), 325 runs at 162.50 (2014/15), 460 runs at 51.11 (2017/18), 158 runs at 79.00 (2021/22), 587 runs at 83.85 (2022/23), and just shy in 2020/21 (48.33).

Bawne has been the linchpin of Maharashtra's batting line-up for more than a decade. He has developed from being a brash teenager who captained the junior India team until an age-related controversy forced him out of contention for the Under-19 World Cup, to an intelligent, highly-driven leader of men, with the record to match.

The India A skipper seems to be treading the right path towards full national honours, and is open to considering European options in 2024.

Overseas Statistics

| Team (Season) | Mts | Inns | NO | Runs | HS | Ave | Ovs | Runs | Wkts | BB | Avg |
|-----------------|-----|------|----|------|------|--------|-----|------|------|-----|-----|
| Edgworth (2016) | 3 | 2 | 1 | 145 | 115* | 145.00 | 2 | 5 | 0 | 0/5 | 0 |

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