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Malcolm Nofal is an exceptional batting all-rounder who, after five seasons plying his trade in New Zealand, returned to South Africa in 2020 to recommence cricket in his homeland.

During his time in New Zealand, Nofal represented the Wellington Firebirds across the three formats, scoring 1,336 runs at 36.11 in 44 games.

Nofal moved to New Zealand in 2015 and, after dominant performances at Premier club level, was finally rewarded with a Wellington Firebirds contract for the 2017/18 season. He justified Wellington's decision by topping the Firebird's run charts in the Ford Trophy (303 runs at 43.28), to include his maiden List A century (108), before his record-breaking debut hundred against the Central Stags - a magnificent 179, sharing a 247-run sixth-wicket partnership with Luke Woodcock (147).

Nofal excelled, at all levels, during his time in the nation's capital. He chalked up the 2,000 run and 100 wicket double for Onslow, to include registering the highest score by an Onslow Premier Men's player, with 187 v Petone during the 2015/16 season. He was amongst the leading run-scorers and wicket-takers in club cricket and named Wellington Provincial A "Cricketer of the Year", two-seasons running, culminating with his Firebirds contract.

Nofal headed to New Zealand aspiring to follow in compatriot, Grant Elliott's, footsteps, by playing for the Blackcaps. The similarities between the two were uncanny, with Nofal following an almost identical path to the former Firebirds

and Blackcaps all-rounder. Both were born in Johannesburg, played for South Africa's under-19s before getting bogged down in South Africa's quota system while playing at the provincial side Gauteng - Elliott initially moved to Christchurch in 2003, as a 24-year-old, before cracking Wellington's first-class team.

Nofal represented South Africa at the U19 World Cup in New Zealand in 2010 and played against several current Blackcaps including Tom Latham, Jimmy Neesham, and Corey Anderson. He made his first-class and List-A debut's in 2010 and went on to play 26 domestic matches for Gauteng with success across all formats (463 runs at 30.86 and 9 wickets at 24 with bat and ball respectively in red-ball cricket).

The South African all-rounder has also enjoyed three previous stints in Europe, with Netherlands club Rood En Wit (2010) initially, then seasons in Scotland for Poloc (2014) and Ireland (for North County in 2018), where he belted over 1,000 runs across all formats (651 runs at 50.08 and 28 wickets at 13.79 in the top tier of the Leinster Cricket Union).

Unfortunately, Nofal wasn't able to secure his dream to play for New Zealand, so he has subsequently returned back to his native South Africa, where he is currently playing for Limpopo.

He was set to head to Ireland to return to North County, with whom he spent the 2018 season. However, the COVID impacts have hampered his return, but he is set to try again in 2022.

Recent Statistics below.

First Class Cricket - Wellington Firebirds (March 2018 - November 2019)

17th March 2018 | Wellington v Central Districts
10th October 2018 | Wellington v Auckland
17th October 2018 | Wellington v Otago
6th December 2018 | Northern Districts v Wellington
14th December 2018 | Central Districts v Wellington
21st February 2019 | Wellington v Northern Districts
21st October 2019 | Wellington v Otago
29th October 2019 | Wellington v Canterbury
8th November 2019 | Wellington v Auckland

Statistics: 466 runs at 38.83 (2x100s, 0x50s) & 20 wickets at 18.

List A Cricket - Wellington Firebirds (December 2017 - November 2019)

3rd December 2017 | Northern Districts v Wellington 6th December 2017 | Otago v Wellington 10th December 2017 | Auckland v Wellington 27th January 2018 | Wellington v Northern Districts 31st January 2018 | Wellington v Otago 4th February 2018 | Wellington v Auckland 7th February 2018 | Wellington v Central Districts 24th October 2018 | Wellington v Canterbury

28th October 2018 | Auckland v Wellington

31st October 2018 | Wellington v Otago

4th November 2018 | Wellington v Northern Districts

7th November 2018 | Wellington v Auckland

10th November 2018 | Otago v Wellington

14th November 2018 | Central Districts v Wellington

16th November 2018 | Canterbury v Wellington

18th November 2018 | Central Districts v Wellington

24th November 2018 | Northern Districts v Wellington

28th November 2018 | Auckland v Wellington

1st December 2018 | Otago v Wellington

17th November 2019 | Auckland v Wellington

21st November 2019 | Otago v Wellington

25th November 2019 | Auckland v Wellington

27th November 2019 | Central Districts v Wellington

29th November 2019 | Otago v Wellington

Statistics: 785 runs at 41.31 (1x100, 7x50s) & 17 wickets at 31.64

T20 Cricket - Wellington Firebirds (December 2018 - January 2020)

22nd December 2018 | Northern Districts v Wellington

31st December 2018 | Central Districts v Wellington

6th January 2019 | Wellington v Canterbury

9th February 2019 | Canterbury v Wellington

15th December 2019 | Canterbury v Wellington

18th December 2019 | Wellington v Central Districts

21st December 2019 | Wellington v Otago

27th December 2019 | Central Districts v Wellington

30th December 2019 | Auckland v Wellington

1st January 2020 | Northern Districts v Wellington

3rd January 2020 | Wellington v Northern Districts

Statistics: 85 runs at 14.16 & 3 wickets at 36

T20 Cricket - Limpopo (South Africa - October 2021 to present)

4th October 2021 | Limpopo v Border

5th October 2021 | Limpopo v Warriors

6th October 2021 | Limpopo vs Boland

29th October 2021 | Limpopo v Border

5th November 2021 | Limpopo v Easterns

Statistics: 273 runs at 54.60 & 6 wickets at 24

## **Overseas Statistics**

Team (Season)	Mts	Inns	NO	Runs	HS	Ave	0vs	Runs	Wkts	BB	Avg
North County (2018)	25	25	1	1050	160	43.75	150.3	659	38	5/16	17.34
Poloc (2014)	18	17	3	625	99	44.64	118.5	333	23	5/12	14.48
Rood en Wit (2010)	12	12	0	394	81	32.83	80	330	16	4/29	20.62

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