MATILDA ATHERTON-GATER

Batter / Wicket-Keeper

Name	Matilda Atherton-Gater
DOB	10-05-2008
Nationality	British
Player Status	Placed
Playing Role	Batter
Batting Style	RH Top Order Bat
Bowling Style	N/A
Entry Route	Working Holiday Visa
Coaching Qualifications	ECB Level One

Matilda Atherton-Gater is an exciting top-order batter and wicketkeeper from Staffordshire, United Kingdom.

Ahead of the 2026 season, Matilda signed her first professional contract with Derbyshire Falcons Women, where she is set to take the gloves for the Falcons following a highly successful trial period with the county.

Before joining Derbyshire, Matilda progressed through the Staffordshire County Cricket Club pathway system, becoming a key figure for both the Women's First XI and Under-18 sides. Her county experience extends further through her time with Warwickshire County Cricket Club, where she was part of the Elite Players Programme (EPP) from 2022–2025, before earning selection to the Academy setup during her final year with the Bears.

The 2025 season proved to be a breakthrough campaign for Matilda, with standout performances across both county environments. Highlights included an outstanding 92 for Staffordshire Women's First XI against Buckinghamshire*, alongside an unbeaten 89 for the Warwickshire Academy against Essex*, showcasing her composure, consistency, and ability to perform in high-level environments.

A technically strong wicketkeeper and naturally positive top-order batter, Matilda continues to establish herself as one of the most exciting young prospects in the women's game.

Now eager to continue her development overseas, Matilda is seeking opportunities in the Southern Hemisphere for the

2026/27 season, where she aims to further challenge herself in new conditions and environments.

Matilda is also hoping to travel alongside her close friend and Staffordshire teammate Sophie Betteley, making them an attractive dual option for clubs seeking to strengthen their women's programme.

A young professional cricketer with outstanding potential and county pedigree, Matilda Atherton-Gater would be an exceptional addition to any club looking to bolster their women's section for the upcoming season.

*Video footage available on request.

https://staffordshirecricket.play-cricket.com/player_stats/batting/5083085?sub_tab=batting_summary&tab=batting