

SHELDON JACKSON

Wicket-Keeper



Name	Sheldon Jackson
DOB	27/09/1986
Nationality	Indian
Player Status	Available
Playing Role	Wicket-Keeper
Batting Style	RH Top Order Bat
Bowling Style	N/A
Entry Route	

Sheldon Jackson is an explosive batter who has dominated Indian domestic cricket since his debut during the 2011/12 season. To date, the wicket-keeper batter has played almost 250 matches across the three formats, particularly excelling in both first-class (6,607 runs at 48.94) and List-A (2,643 runs at 38.30) cricket.

Courtesy of his domestic exploits, the Saurashtra run machine has represented India A (against the touring South African A side in August 2015), India B (against India A in January 2016), and India Blue, who won the 2016/17 Duldeep Trophy.

Jackson was an influential figure throughout India Blue's campaign, finishing third to fellow Blue team-mates Cheteshwar Pujara and Mayank Agarwal, on the Duldeep Trophy run charts (368 runs at 122.66). In his 3 outings, he scored 48* vs India Red, 105 and 79* vs India Green in the Semi-Final, then struck 134 and 2 in the Final against India Red to take out the Trophy.

His career though started with his maiden first-class match back in 2011/12. He followed up with an outstanding 2012/13 season, where he announced himself on the domestic stage hitting 756 runs at 58.15, including three centuries. His run-scoring exploits were integral to Saurashtra's run to the Ranji Trophy Final. He struck a match-winning 118* against Bengal, then followed up with fifties against Rajasthan (54) and Madhya Pradesh (53). Jackson then proceeds to score 83 and 117 in the quarter-final against Karnataka then 107 and 44* in Saurashtra's semi-final win over Punjab.

He enjoyed another solid Ranji Trophy season in 2013/14 (448 runs at 40.72), before a barnstorming 2014/15 season that generated national interest. He finished fifth on the Ranji run charts with 819 runs at 68.25, only behind Indian stars Robin Uthappa, Dinesh Karthik, Anubhav Mukund, and KL Rahul. He scored 3 centuries including a career-best 181*.

The trend has continued since – 634 runs at 42.26 (2015/16), 837 runs at 49.23 (2016/17), 400 runs at 44.44 (2017/18), 835 runs at 47.38 (2018/19), 809 runs at 50.56 (2019/20), 313 runs at 78.25 (2021/22), and 661 runs at 38.88 (2022/23). During this period, he has scored 13 centuries and 25 fifties.

Jackson has also been hugely influential with Saurashtra's Ranji Trophy titles in both 2019/20, and 2022/23. During the former, he struck notable centuries against Karnataka (161), Madhya Pradesh (186), and Gujarat (103) en-route to the final, where the side won on first innings. In the latter edition, he belted 160 in the semi against Karnataka, before a brilliant 59 in the final against Bengal to win on first innings.

Jackson is an incredible run churner who has targeted his maiden UK / US / European season in 2024. Jackson will be a sought-after signing, someone with one of the most enviable records in first-class cricket, who is looking to showcase his skills abroad next summer.

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