

*Statistics as of
2/1/2023

Derrick Alston Jr. Rostock Seawolves



Derrick Alston Jr. has taken the German BBL by storm and helped his team establish themselves as legit contenders during their first campaign in Germany's top league, currently tied for 8th with an 8-9 record.

The 6'9 forward from Houston, Texas, has had no problem adapting to European hoops and has played with poise + efficiency to become one of the best scorers in the league as **a rookie**.

**So, how did Alston's ascendance in Germany happen so fast?
Let's look at his time before the BBL and the foundation that his father set.**

Prior to joining Rostock, Alston had success in college, and early professional experience, including:

- 4 YRs at Boise State, appearing in 104 games (79 starts)
 - Averaged 14.2 PPG, 3.9 RPG, 1.9 APG
- 1 season with the Salt Lake City Stars (G-League)
 - 16.6 PPG, 5.4 RPG, 2.1 APG, in 29 games

What we've seen this season in the BBL

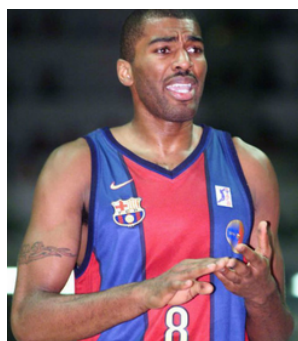
- **Tremendous versatility** - Has the ability to play both forward positions and is most effective on the perimeter and in transition (more below in play-type)
- **Fundamentally sound with fluid mechanics** - Good shooter who can attack closeouts off the dribble, get to the basket, or take a pull-up jumper with confidence
- **Comfortable with the ball in his hands** - At 6'9, he can push the ball in transition, is a good distributor, and will create his own shot in the mid-post area

The Heat Check

- **Versatility is key to Derrick's offensive game**
 - He can catch+shoot, create his own shot, get to the foul line, and is dangerous in transition (with or w/o the rock)
- **Dynamic "play-type"**
 - 122 FGA from Spot Up situations
 - 60 FGA in Transition
 - Next highest: Iso and Off-Screen, 23 FGA each
- **Ability to influence the game (beyond scoring)**
 - 1.6 OFF Reb, (4.8 TOT), 1.8 AST, and 0.9 STL per game

What do the numbers say?

- 3rd in BBL scoring, 19.2 PPG, 34.4% from 3
- 1st in FTA 6.9, and FTM 5.6; shooting 81.1%
- Top 15 in 3-point attempts; 6.4/game
 - Only non-guard in the BBL
- 2.2 3PM/game on 34.3%
 - Similar #s in college - 38.2% as a senior
- 7 games of 20+ points (16 total games)



Derrick Alston Sr. set a great example with his career in the NBA and Europe.

If you see Derrick Jr. play you can't help but think of Derrick Sr.

- College ball at Duquesne, 90-94
- Drafted by the Philadelphia 76ers, 1994
- 139 NBA games, 5.4 PPG/3.8 RPG
- Joined Barca in 1998, 11 seasons in Europe
- 2x ACB champion, 1999 Finals MVP